



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On 4 May 2023 Council voted to appoint Brian Robinson as Temporary Chief Executive Officer. Mr Robinson will act in the role until such time as a permanent appointment is made later in the year. Mr Robinson has been with the Shire as the Director of Development and Regulation since February 2016 and has performed the role of Acting CEO numerous times. Council is unified in its support for Mr Robinson as Temporary CEO.

After finalising all of the remaining recruitment package details as required by legislation, the Shire will advertise the Chief Executive Officer position state-wide in June for a three week period, with shortlisting and interviews taking place in early July. It is expected that Council will consider the preferred candidate for the position in late July and once appointed the new CEO will be expected to start in October, after a typical three month notice period from their previous position (if necessary).

There has been much speculation in the media recently in regards to housing for the incoming new Chief Executive Officer. At the meeting of 4 May 2023 Council approved a loan of \$750,000 to purchase a house, the full detail in the Council Resolution is that Council's first preference is to lease a property. It is a very tight housing market so this may not be possible. If it becomes apparent that a suitable lease doesn't become available, we now have the option to purchase a house up to \$750,000. We may purchase something for \$500,000 or \$700,000 but we have up to \$750,000. The whole point of the decision was to position the Shire to be able to act if an appropriate

property became available, because at present we have no property to offer the new CEO. Council's position is to get the best CEO available for the Shire of Manjimup, and to get that person you need to have a house as part of the salary package. I believe we will find a rental and will not require the loan. June is truffle season in our region and two significant events in our events calendar are occurring on the 23 and 24 June. I am excited to attend the opening dinner of the Truffle Kerfuffle and wish the organisers of both the Truffle Kerfuffle and the Manjimup Wine and Truffle Festival a very successful weekend.

Regards Paul

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Temporary CEO Appointed

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Proposal to Borrow Funds

Council recently agreed to the proposal under Section 6.20(2) of the Local Government Act 1995, to borrow the sum of \$750,000 for 20 years for the purposes of staff residential housing.

SHIRE NOTICES

Expressions of Interest - Northcliffe Forest Park Management Committee

The Shire is seeking nominations from Northcliffe community members to fill two positions on the Northcliffe Forest Park

Management Committee.

Applicants will need to submit a letter with a brief description outlining their interests and why they wish to join the Committee by 30 June 2023. Should two (2) or more nominations be received then they will be presented to Council for their determination.

This new committee currently **Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2023**

The Shire of Manjimup has resolved to make a local law with regard to the management of bushfire brigades within the Shire of Manjimup.

The purpose of the Shire of Manjimup Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2023 is to provide for the adequate governance of bushfire brigades throughout the Shire of Manjimup.

A copy of the law is available on the website. Should any person or group wish to make a comment, it is required to be in writing and received by the Shire by 5pm Wednesday, 21 June 2023.

Employment Opportunities

- Branch Librarian Manjimup
- Finance Officer Accounts Payable

SHIRE NEWS

Libraries

The Pemberton Public Library has moved into their fabulous new space at the Pemberton Community Hub Balang Miya.

We will be open as soon as the building is open to the public and we look to forward to welcoming you into our new space.

Art Gallery

The Noongar Seasons: Nature in Transition Exhibition

Coming Noongar Seasons: Nature in Transition exhibition highlights the Shire of Manjimup's location within the Karri Karrak area of the Noongar Nation. It celebrates the area's links to the original First Nations people who traded in this area dating back over 45,000 years.

As part of an art competition, Noongar artists were invited to submit a painting depicting one of the six Noongar seasons - Birak, Bunuru, Djeran, Makuru, Djilba and Kamarang - specifically reflecting the seasonal changes in our Karri Karrak area. Some 18 original works were received reflecting both traditional and contemporary artistic styles.

AquaCentre Lift for Life

Come and join in our Lift For Life class. All ages and abilities welcome. Lift for Life is a personalised program suited to your needs in a group setting. Track your progress as our instructor is constantly providing assistance and adjusting your goals.

Brockman Street Lights

In June we will be lighting up for the following occasions:

- 27 May - 3 June - National Reconciliation Week
- 5 June - WA Day
- 14 June - World Blood Donor Day
- 29 June - World Scleroderma Day



South Ward Councillor

Cr Jennifer Willcox
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Walpole Transfer Station - Plain Road
Tuesday & Thursday: 1 pm - 5 pm
Sunday: 9 am - 5 pm

Walpole Library 2 Pier Street 9840 1108
Wednesday: 9 am - 12 pm & 1 pm - 3.30pm
Friday: 9am - 12 pm & 1 pm - 3.30 pm
Sat: 9 am - 12 pm

SHIRE CALENDAR

Library Storytime

Manjimup - Friday 10.30 am
Northcliffe - Monday 10.00 am
Pemberton - Wednesday 10.30 am
Walpole - Alternate Fridays 10.00 am

MHCC Activities

Boronia Club - 10 am to 2 pm Monday & Friday
Over 50 Exercise Group - 9 am to 10 am Tuesday & Thursday
Tai Chi 10.30 am to 11.30 am Wednesday
Bingo - 1 pm to 3pm Thursday

Council Meetings

The June Council meeting will commence at 5.30 pm in the Council Chambers on 15 June 2023.

AquaCentre

Check out the extensive group fitness program on the website.

