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### CEO's Corner

#### **Flooding Event**

The contractors are estimated to have completed 49% of outstanding works, and we are officially at the half way mark of our designated timeframe to complete the works.

There are a number of roads on which the remediation works have now been completed, if you have any concerns with the completed works please let us know and the quality of work can be inspected and repaired if required.

As this work is being carried out, the Shire would like to remind road users to be courteous and slow down within the areas that crews are working, this will allow them to do their job in a safe manner and complete it sooner. Unfortunately we continue to have had a number of reports of vehicles speeding through road works.

#### **Council**

##### **Ordinary Council Meeting – Wednesday 27 June 2018**

Items of business considered by Council at this meeting included:

- Unbudgeted Expenditure Lake Grace and Newdegate Oval Water Supply Systems Replacement Solar Pump
- Unbudgeted Expenditure Newdegate Sports Ground Water Supply Systems Replacement Water Storage Tank
- Delegation of Powers to the Chief Executive Officer and the Delegations Register
- Corporate Business Plan Review 2018
- Digital Infrastructure Audit/Digital Census
- Budget Revised Opening Balance 2017/18
- Support for Shows On The Go – A Boy Named Cash 15 August 2018
- Newdegate Skate Park Street Art Sponsorship
- Request Support for the Official Opening of the Newdegate Skate Park
- Appointment of Bush Fire Control Officers
- Bush Fire Advisory Committee Re-Location of Satellite Phones
- Newdegate Machinery Field Days 2018 Sponsorship Agreement

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 25 July 2018.

##### **WALGA Central Country Zone Meeting – Friday 22 June 2018**

On Friday 22 June, Shire President Cr Jeanette De

Landgraft, Shire Deputy President Cr Steve Hunt and I attended a WALGA Central Country Zone meeting, via teleconference from Newdegate CRC.

The items of business considered at this meeting included:

- Updated Climate Change Policy
- Model Subdivision Conditions – advising the State Government that we will not agree to the removal of DFES and transferring the responsibility to Local Government sector for the clearance of subdivision conditions for Bushfire Management Plans, when the condition has been requested by DFES.
- Guidance for houses on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> in development zones be endorsed.
- Policy for Restricted Access Vehicles on Roads not on an Approved Network during Harvest
- WA State Library Strategy Implementation Plan and Consultation Report
- Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 Review Submission to Stage 1
- Review of the State Industrial Relations System

##### **Varley Progress meeting – Tuesday 19 June 2018**

On Tuesday 19 June 2018, I attended the Varley Progress Meeting at the Varley Pavilion. The items of business considered at this meeting included: Reviewing of their Constitution, Varley Museum Upgrade, Resurfacing of the Tennis Courts, Light Repairs and Hall Maintenance.

##### **Acoustic and Air-Conditioning Works at Newdegate Recreation Centre**

The works have now been completed and I would like to extend my thanks to all those involved in this project and for the patience and cooperation shown by the community throughout, it has been greatly appreciated.

The project was managed by Michel Greenhalgh, Director/Architect – MCG Architects Bunbury. With Colin Lockhart – 'Mini Projects WA' Katanning undertaking the works, with a number of different contractors from the Katanning area.

From all reports these works have had a very positive outcome in the reduction of noise in the function room. Thanks also to the Newdegate Cropping Group who will contribute approximately \$80,000, to ensure this project is able to be completed.

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## Shire of Lake Grace Community News *Cont.*

*CEO Corner Cont.*

### **Newdegate Skate Park**

Newdegate Skate Park is now complete and ready for action! This was proven on Sunday at the official opening of the park. There was a huge crowd in attendance with skate boards and scooters everywhere.

Well done to the Newdegate Active Precinct Committee with particular congratulations to Sarah Lloyd, Helen Steicke and Emily Gilmore who had the passion and endeavour to run with an idea and finish with such an incredible outcome.

This project has been made possible with the following funding sources;

• Newdegate Cropping Group	\$266,000
• Lotterywest	\$100,000
• Newdegate Field Day Committee	\$36,630
• Wheatbelt Development Commission	\$30,000
• CBH Group	\$5,000
• Newdegate Active Precinct Committee	\$3,315

As a bonus, when the artwork was being done on the Newdegate Silos as part of the Public Silo Trail, an offer was made by FORM to paint a wall in the community. It was decided that the work would be done on the skate park fence. The Shire assisted FORM with funding to engage the services of a renowned Australian Street Artist – Beastman (Brad Eastman) who has a national and international reputation.

I'm sure everyone will agree on what a fantastic addition the Active Precinct and Skate Park is to the town of Newdegate. The Newdegate community can be extremely proud of their achievements.

### **Road Works**

The Construction Crew and General Maintenance Staff have been working on:

- Newdegate/Pingrup Road - back slopes and removal of trees
- Magenta Road - back slopes and removal of trees
- Plant Maintenance
- Relocating blue metal from Ardler Rd to Lake Bidy

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out the following work:

- Maintenance grading at Gordon Road, Crook Road, North Burngup Road and Wyatts Road
- Installation of Rural Roads Signs & Guideposts
- Installation of RV sign at Newdegate
- Road inspections of West Kuender Road, Mordetta Road and 'S' bends at Kuender flats
- Draining of water off floodway on North Burngup Road

The Lake King Maintenance Grader has carried out work in Lake King and Varley:

- Hogan Road
- Kathleen Road
- Pickernell Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out work on:

- Dragon Rocks Road
- Newdegate North Road

### **Parks and Gardens**

The Town Maintenance Crew has carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Town Street Maintenance: removal of old garden bed on the Main Street, whipper snipping and cleaning up of back laneways, cleaning up of branches and debris, raking up and removal of rubbish in laneways, spraying of weeds and collection of rubbish on street verges and parking bays
- Stubbs Street, Lake Grace – hedging maintenance
- Lake Grace Recreation Ground Maintenance – testing of sprinklers, cleaning up around the ovals, spraying of weeds, maintenance of the hockey oval and mowing of both ovals.
- Lake Grace Cemetery – general maintenance, clean up and spraying
- Lake Grace Town Hall – mowing lawns
- Lake Grace Railway station – mowing lawns
- Lake Grace War Memorial – mowing lawns
- 6 Blackbutt Way, Lake Grace – general garden maintenance
- Tool and small plant maintenance

### **Building & Maintenance**

The Building and Maintenance Team has carried out work at:

- 6 Banksia Place, Lake Grace – internal painting, replacement of floor covering, sanding and treatments of windows, installation of a new fire
- 3 Clark Avenue, Lake Grace – removal of kitchen cupboards and vanity
- Lake Grace Airstrip – patch paint repair to the toilet area
- Lake Grace Railway Station – high pressure clean of building
- Newdegate Town Hall – repairs to water leak
- Newdegate Pavilion – repairs to door, re-hanging of curtains, pictures and honour boards following acoustic works
- Varley Public Toilets - works request for lighting issues
- Varley Pavilion – inspection

*Denise Gobbart*  
Chief Executive Officer



## Shire of Lake Grace Community News *Cont.*

### Office Opening Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday  
8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am- 4.00pm

Staff can be contacted by phone between 8am - 5pm.

### Transport & Licensing

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration building.

**Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 8.30am - 4.15pm**

**Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm**

As an agency we process the majority of transactions, including; renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new licence applications.

Please ensure you arrive at the counter with sufficient time for your transaction to be completed by closing time, this is because it is necessary for staff to reconcile Department of Transport transactions each day. Please keep in mind that farm equipment and Learners Permit transactions can take up to 45 minutes or more.

### Driving Assessor

The Practical Driving Assessor (PDA) will be at the Shire of Lake Grace Office on:

**Friday - 3 August 2018**

**Friday - 7 September 2018**

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise that there is a waiting list, so booking in advance is highly recommended.

Lake Grace has one assessment day each month held on the first Friday of the month.

For more information visit [www.transport.wa.gov.au](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au).

### Firearm Licence

All firearm licensing including the payment of licence renewals is now done at the Lake Grace Post Office.

### Building Surveyor

Shire Building Surveyor, Josiah Farrell will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

**Tuesday 21 August 2018**

**Tuesday 4 September 2018**

For an appointment contact Josiah on 0438 811 944.

### Environmental Health Officer

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Will Pearce, please contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email [shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au).

### Tip Open Hours

#### Lake Grace

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

#### Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm

#### Lake King & Varley

Open Every Day

### Waste & Recycle Pickup

Household Waste Collection is a weekly service and collected each Monday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

**Recycling** is a fortnightly service and alternates between Lake Grace & Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

Lake Grace	Newdegate
9 July	16 July
23 July	30 July

**Please Note:** There is no kerbside recycling collection service in Lake King or Varley.

For more information on Waste Management visit the Shire's website.

### Office Opening Hours

#### Lake Grace Public Library School Place Absolon St

Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm

Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

#### School Holidays

Tuesday & Thursday 9am - 5pm Lunch 12.30 - 1pm

#### Newdegate Public Library Collier St

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm

Friday 9am - 2pm

#### Lake King Library Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Rd

Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm

*Everyone welcome*



Check out our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace](http://www.facebook.com/ShireofLakeGrace)

## Shire of Lake Grace Community News *Cont.*

### Half Price July

Dog and cat registrations due to expire on the 31st October 2018 are now half price.

Please note this is only for one year registrations and does not include three year or lifetime registrations. For all new applications please bring proof of sterilisation and microchip number when you come to the Shire.

It is a legal requirement to have your cats and dogs microchipped and registered, and also helps the shire identify any found pets quickly to reunite them with their owners.

Cats must also be sterilised and can be registered from six months of age.

If your pet requires microchipping, this can be done by our ranger, please notify the shire if you would like to arrange this.



### Pension and Senior Card Advice

Under the Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992, the Local Governments are required to periodically review all pensioners.

If any of the details checked do not match, the claim may be rejected and concessions may be amended or cancelled.

Therefore, some things that pensioners and seniors may need to consider and advise the Shire about are:

- Do I hold a Commonwealth Seniors Health Card as well as a Seniors Card and am I only registered at the Shire with my Seniors Card?
- Has my partner also now received a card and we have not completed a joint application yet?
- As I am now not working more than 25 hours per week and am over 60, have I applied for a Seniors Card yet?
- Has the ownership of my property changed recently?
- Have I moved from one property to another and not made a new application for concessions with Water Corporation yet?
- Has my spouse ceased occupation of the property and I have not completed a new application?

If you work more than 25 hours per week, you are no longer eligible to have the Seniors Card and must return the card to Department of Community Services with a note advising them of your situation.

Unfortunately if concessions are cancelled, pensioners/seniors do not get their rebates again until new applications are made.

### Dog Registration Fees

1 YEAR REGISTRATION			
	Full	Concession	Working dog
Sterilised	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Unsterilised	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$12.50
3 YEAR REGISTRATION			
	Full	Concession	Working dog
Sterilised	\$42.50	\$21.25	\$10.60
Unsterilised	\$120.00	\$60.00	\$30.00
LIFETIME REGISTRATION			
	Full	Concession	Working dog
Sterilised	\$100.00	\$50.00	-
Unsterilised	\$250.00	\$125.00	-

### Cat Registration Fees

1 YEAR REGISTRATION		
	Full	Concession
Sterilised	\$20.00	\$10.00
Unsterilised	\$50.00	\$25.00
3 YEAR REGISTRATION		
	Full	Concession
Sterilised	\$42.50	\$21.25
Unsterilised	\$120.00	\$60.00
LIFETIME REGISTRATION		
	Full	Concession
Sterilised	\$100.00	\$50.00
Unsterilised	\$250.00	\$125.00
BREEDERS FEE \$100		