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CEO's Corner

'On behalf of Councillors and staff I wish to extend our sincere condolences to Maria and family and the extended Taylor family on the sudden passing of Bevan.'

As a Committee Member of the Lake Grace Pavilion Upgrade Project, Bevan volunteered many hours working to improve the facility.'

Fixed Standpipes – Shire of Lake Grace

It is becoming more evident that not everyone is taking water through the standpipe swipe card system. When this occurs all ratepayers are impacted as we are not recovering enough funds to pay for the water taken from standpipes.

Given this, the shire will be installing surveillance cameras at the standpipes, where water is being taken in excess of card readings. This matter has been drawn to the attention of our local police who will assist in monitoring the cameras.

Emergency Farmland Water Response Plan – Dam Inspections

On Friday 22 February 2019, Councillors Hunt and Chappell and I inspected a number of Emergency Farmland Water Response Dams with Tracy Calvert, Manager Rural Water Planning DWER. The dams inspected were East of Newdegate, including Varley and Lake King. Tracey will be submitting a report on the water levels and negotiating with Water Corporation access to the Water Corporation Dams in Varley and Lake King.

If you haven't completed the Farm Water Shortage Survey and will need to cart water for stock or domestic purposes it is critical that the survey is submitted. Water supplies are limited.

Transfer from Water Corporation - Newdegate Railway Dam and Catchment

In November 2018 Council advised Water Corporation that we had an interest in acquiring the Newdegate Railway Dam and part of the Catchment on Reserve 20629. As part of this agreement, Water Corporation has also agreed that we can have the pipe that comes from the dams to the town. This is on the condition that the Shire pay for the main to be cut and capped to stop access to the town scheme water. The dam located on the Newdegate Wastewater Treatment Plant site be handed to Water Corporation and the pipe from that dam be capped.

Although Water Corporation are currently in the process of undertaking the transfer, I have requested that the capping of the main from the dam be undertaken to allow access to this water to maintain the Town and School ovals. We are still waiting on confirmation of this being able to occur prior to the legal transfer of the facility.

Water Corporation is not giving the Shire access to the Turkey Nest dam that is located next to the old Railway Dam.

Water Corporation – Non-Potable Water Standpipes

Advice is that the non-potable standpipe for Lake Grace will be operational next week. The standpipe in Newdegate is already in use. Water Corporation intend that the Shire of Lake Grace will monitor these standpipes with the installation of swipe card readers.

Discussions are being undertaken with the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation as to how this is going to occur. It appears that the monitoring of the non-potable standpipes will not be funded by Water Corporation.

4WDL Meeting – Tuesday 12 February 2019

On Tuesday 12 February 2019, Shire President Cr De Landgraff and I attended a 4WDL meeting, hosted by the Shire of Williams. The following topics were discussed at this meeting:

A presentation from WALGA which provided an overview on the Future of Local Government Forum held on 30 January 2019

WALGA Regional Health Services Event – Tuesday 19 February 2019

On Tuesday 19 February 2019, Shire President Cr De Landgraff, Cr Clarke, Cr Lloyd, Cr Marshall and I attended the WALGA Regional Health Services Event via webinar. In early 2018, in response to a request from the State Council Executive Committee, all regional areas in WA were surveyed to determine the extent of the challenges faced in primary health care and how local governments would like WALGA to assist. Recommendations from the report produced by this survey included working with affected local governments and key stakeholder to address solutions to these challenges.

At this event, local governments were brought together to discuss their current and future priorities for the primary health agencies that operate in their areas. This event also served to encourage greater

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partnership and collaboration between local government and primary health. Presentations were given from the WA Primary Health Alliance, the Aboriginal Health Council of WA, Rural Health West and St John Ambulance WA.

Council

Ordinary Council Meeting – Wednesday 20 February 2019

The first Ordinary Council Meeting of 2019 was held on Wednesday 20 February. At this meeting the following items were considered:

- Approval of Expenditure and Earthworks at the Lake Grace Oval Dams
- Development Application – Proposed Expansion to an Existing Approved Rural Industry (Grain Handling & Storage Facility) on Lot 11 (No. 7059) Kulin-Lake Grace Road, Lake Grace
- Development Application – Proposed Building Extensions and Associated Upgrades (Existing Freight Depot) on Lot 309 (No. 8) Mason Street, Lake Grace
- Development Application – Proposed New Outbuilding (Domestic Storage Shed) on Lot 101 (No.16) Wattle Drive, Lake Grace
- Varley Bush Fire Brigade Shed – Memorandum of Understanding
- Review of Policy 3.7 – Purchasing
- Shire of Lake Grace – Animals, Environment and Nuisance Amendment Local Law 2019
- Change of Management Order Designated Purpose – Crown Reserve 46769
- Request Support for Lions Club Lake Grace for a Lakeside Heritage Pathway
- Disposal of Toyota Landcruiser – LG005
- Safe Roads WA – Unbudgeted Expenditure

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 20 March 2019 at 3.00pm.

Road Works

The Construction Crew and General Maintenance Staff have carried out the following work:

- Newdegate Tip – clean up and grading
- Lake Grace Tip – clean up, carting of waste dirt and make up tip signage
- Road Patching – fixed the blow out on Lake Bidby Road
- Magenta Road SLK 24.63-27.63 – carting of water, water binding, rolling and road marking
- North Lake Grace/Karlgarin Road SLK9.6-11.69 – movement of plant, loading and carting of blue metal, erecting signage, water binding, carting of water, traffic control and rolling
- Town Street Maintenance – cleaning of drains around Lake Grace town site
- Lake King Recreation Ground – carting sand from the Connelly sand pit

- Newdegate Recreation Ground - carting sand from the Connelly sand pit
- Plant Maintenance

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on the following roads:

- North Newdegate Road – grading of shoulders
- Bidby-Camm Road
- Duckworth Road
- Fourteen Mile Road
- Mallee Hill Road

Additional works carried out by Maintenance Grader Operator:

- Back slopes and weed Spraying

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on the following roads:

- Bidby Camm Road
- Fox Road
- Sugg Rock Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on the following roads:

- Morton Road
- Mallee Hill Road,
- Beynon Road
- Bidby-Camm Road
- Newdegate North Road
- Mount Sheridan Road
- Edwards Road
- Aylmore Road

Parks and Gardens

The Town Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Recreation Ground – mowing of oval, whipper snipping, cleaning, blowing, general garden maintenance, raking, sanding at oval, mowing around cricket nets, checking of retic
- Rural Roads Signs & Guideposts – repairs to Lake Grace-Pingaring Road sign, repairs to signage
- Lake Grace Parks & Gardens – watering, main street gardening, pruning of trees, clean up and repairs to retic at BBQ area and drains at Padley Park
- Town Street Maintenance - clean up around town site, picking up of mulch and dead tree branches, digging and unblocking drains
- Lake Grace Swimming Pool – raking of leaves and mowing
- Lake Grace Railway Building Garden – pruning and tidying up
- Lakes Village Hall Garden – repairs to retic
- Lake Grace Drum-Muster – making lids for containers
- 6 Blackbutt Way, Lake Grace – general garden maintenance
- Shire of Lake Grace Administration Centre – assisting Building Maintenance Supervisor with office furniture removal

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- Newdegate Tip - Rebecca Roper has been manning tip in absence of Clyde Brennan
- Lake Grace Playground - Raking
- North Lake Grace-Karlgarin Road SLK 9.6-11.69 - traffic management
- Lake King Parks and Gardens – clean-up of playground, public toilets and back of the Tavern

Building Maintenance

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Cemetery – placement of ashes
- Lake Grace Sports Pavilion – replacement of doors and painting
- 5 Banksia Place, Lake Grace – garage door repairs and meetings with contractors to re-roof the property
- Newdegate Sports pavilion – toilet repairs
- Newdegate Public Toilets – toilet repairs
- Shire Administration office – Light repairs and removal and installation of furniture
- 10b Gumtree Drive, Lake Grace – measure and liaise with trades for quotes for upgrade to property

Denise Gobbart
Chief Executive Officer

Ordinary Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

Date: Wednesday 20 March 2019

Time: 3:00 pm

**Location: Council Chambers
1 Bishop St Lake Grace**

Members of the public welcome

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public question time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.

State Library Online

Did you know that library members have access to a state-wide collection of eBooks, eAudio, eMagazines and video streaming, all for free?

By signing in with their library card, members can enjoy BorrowBox and OverDrive for a wide selection of bestselling eAudiobooks and eBooks, while RB Digital offers current and back issues of popular eMagazines.

Kanopy delivers one of the largest collections of indie films, classic cinema, festival and educational documentaries right to your device or compatible TV!

Please visit the Shire website in the library tag at www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au for more details on how to access and enjoy these free resources.

Licensing Availability

There will be **no licensing** available between:

1pm - 2pm

Tuesday 5 March - Friday 8 March

Apologies for any inconvenience.

Landscape Photos

The Shire is looking for photos to promote your area and town.

If you have any photos of events, infrastructure or general landscapes please email, with a description, to shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au.

Please include written permission for the Shire to use your photo in any Shire publication.

The photo may be used as Community News Header during the year, promote the area on the Shire website, Facebook page, and publications. Wherever possible you will be acknowledged when your photo is published.

Hirer Responsibility when using Shire Public Buildings

The responsibility of all people, groups, clubs who hire public buildings include:

- Tables and chairs are to be returned to designated storage area
- All rubbish is to be put into bins provided, including rubbish in toilets
- Ensure all stoves and lights are turned off
- Any damages incurred while hiring facility will be charged to hirer
- Facility to be left in the same condition as found upon arrival

Shire cleaners are responsible for the general cleaning of a facility. They are not responsible for cleaning up and putting away tables and chairs after a function.

Affiliation fees are set up to help cover some of the costs in maintaining the buildings for the hirers use which includes but not limited to; general cleaning, water and electricity usage.

Cat Trap

If you are being kept awake at night by singing cats or ones that are fighting please be aware that the Shire has a cat trap available for hire, \$50 bond which will be returned to you upon the return of the cat trap.



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Office Open 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 - 8 March 2019

Friday - 5 April 2019 - to be confirmed

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.

Building Surveyor

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

Tuesday 5 March 2019

Tuesday 19 March 2019

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.

Tip 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
4 March 2019	11 March 2019
18 March 2019	25 March 2019

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.

Library Open 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



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