



James Street Cultural Precinct

In an exciting move for development of the James Street Cultural Precinct, Council have appointed award-winning architectural firm CHRISTOU Design Group to complete the detailed concept design, a business case to attract project funding, and other components. The community has been heavily involved in shaping concepts for the Precinct so far, and opportunities for consultation will continue. The \$300,000 contract was awarded to CHRISTOU at the August Ordinary Council Meeting (OCM) in a competitive tender process, based on; quality of their submission; their extensive experience and success in designing regional and metro community projects; and their highly regarded environmentally sustainable design work in coastal environments.

Consultation Invited for Cat Local Law 2022

Council endorsed advertisement of the proposed Cat Local Law 2022, inviting feedback from the community. The Cat Act 2011 provides for local governments to make local laws prescribing all matters required or permitted to be prescribed by a local law, and the Shire believes there is community appetite for local laws that respond to cat matters. The proposed Cat Local Law 2022 refers to wandering, nuisance, prohibited areas, permits, fees and charges, objections and appeals, and offences and penalties. Keep an eye out for your chance to respond soon!



Honour to Beloved Dr Wally

Council and the Shire are thrilled to announce Dr Walter Bryne will be presented with the Key to the Shire of Esperance. This decision was supported unanimously at the August OCM, with staff noting Dr Bryne meets both criteria of the Shire Conferring of Honours Policy, having reached a high level of achievement and service in the medical field, and making significant contributions to the community. It is well known that Dr Bryne would often see patients out of hours, on weekends, or during extended hours following his rounds at the local hospital. His long service has also been recognised with a Rural Health 40-year service award, presented by the Governor Kim Beazley AC. A civic reception will be held to bestow the Key to the Shire of Esperance on Dr Wally. Keep an eye out for further details!

Image credit: Rural Health West

September in Salmon Gums

Councillors will hit the road in September, with the OCM at the Salmon Gums Community Centre at 4pm on September 27. Our satellite towns are so important; taking Council out to them gives people who wouldn't usually make it to a Council meeting the opportunity to see local government processes, demonstrates the availability of our local representatives, and increases transparency. Councillors are able to get a better understanding of the needs and aspirations of our remote populations, and are excited to chat with locals afterwards at the BBQ to be held at the same location.



Upcoming Council Meetings

Agenda Briefing: 20 September 2022 at 1pm
Ordinary Council Meeting: Salmon Gums Community Centre on 27 September 2022 at 4pm