Funds for Community Groups

22 Community Groups throughout Esperance have been given $186,080 in funding from the Shire’s Community Grants Program 2016/17 allocation.

The Community Grants Program is the Shire’s principal community investment program which has been running for 16 years.

Through this program Council contributes to community wellbeing by supporting and stimulating diverse and dynamic projects, programs and activities, encouraging collaboration through engagement and participation in the community; facilitating stronger, more sustainable and resilient communities; and supporting the maintenance and upgrade of community facilities.

Some of the community groups benefiting from this year’s funding include Esperance Care Services, Esperance Goldfields Surf Life Saving Club, Esperance RSL, Esperance Community Arts, Grass Patch Community Development Association and many more.

Council congratulate all recipients and look forward to continuing to support community groups in achieving their goals and building local capacity. To find out more about the program and its criteria go to the Shire website www.esperance.wa.gov.au

Boiler Update

The BOILC aquatic area has been closed since the boiler’s unexpected early retirement, but there is good news on the horizon.

Installation of a new boiler will begin on Monday to warm the chilly waters of the Bay Of Isles Leisure Centre. The vast amount of water in the pool takes several days to heat and staff will be working hard to reopen the aquatic area as soon as possible.

To keep up to date head to the Shire of Esperance Facebook page. We thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding.

Lord Mayors Distress Relief Fund

The Lord Mayors Distress Relief Fund which was activated after the Cascade and Merivale Fires in November last year, has officially wrapped up.

The generosity of people across the state and beyond was evident in the total amount raised of more than $1.6 million. More than $1.5 million was distributed to 67 applicants with the residual funds paid to the Shire via the category 7 allocation, which will be used to assist with removal and disposal of asbestos from fire affected properties as well as repairing club infrastructure in Scaddan. For more information go to media releases at www.esperance.wa.gov.au or the Shire of Esperance Facebook page.

Upcoming Meetings

Agenda Briefing Session: 1pm Tuesday, 19 July, Council Chambers
Ordinary Council Meeting: 4pm Tuesday 26 July, Council Chambers

Council Meeting Resolutions

This month’s Ordinary Council Meeting was held on Tuesday 28 June. Council made the following resolutions:

- Distribute funds through the Community Grants Program 2016/17 as per officer’s recommendation including event application from Rotary Club of Esperance
- Appoint Brigade Fire Control Officers and Permit Issuing Officers for 2016/17 season
- Receive the Age Friendly Community Report and support development of an implementation plan
- Confirm rate exemption for ACTIV Foundation Inc
- Accept compliant tenders for the Prequalified Supplier Panel
- Make an application to the Department of Lands to include Emergency Services in Scaddan Townsite Land Tenure to allow for the building of a fire shed
- Approve to Tender Lots in Flinders Stage 2
- Adopt the Corporate Business Plan 2016/17-2019/20
- Accept Community Consultation amendment to the Playground and POS Strategic Plan 2015-2025

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