



The Shire Flyer

Friday 26 May 2017



From the Ordinary Council Meeting

Ordinary Council Meetings are always open to the public and there is an opportunity for public question time at the start and before the meeting ends. Last month's Ordinary Council Meeting took place on Tuesday 23 May resolving to:

- Advise the Department of Lands that it seeks to surrender its Management Orders over Reserve 20114. This reserve is 3km north of the Shire boundary and within the Shire of Dundas
- Ratify the Agreement for Provision of Community Fares with Regional Express
- Note the Advice from the Heritage Council of Western Australia in regards to the Esperance Tanker Jetty, Request the CEO to prepare a report to the Heritage Council and Seek clarification from the Minister of Heritage on the Conservation Order and the Minister of Transport on the ongoing ownership
- Note the current condition of the Esperance Library Building, request the CEO to provide a report outlining the facility options for the Library and request the CEO engage a Geotechnical engineer with experience in "underpinning" to assess the Esperance Library Building

To read the full agenda and minutes please go to the Shire website. Should you have any questions about a report item, please do not hesitate to call the Shire or your elected representatives. Community members are encouraged to source accurate information and ask questions on Shire services.

Upcoming Meetings

Esperance Roadwise Committee Meeting: 3pm, 12 June, Council Meeting Room

Agenda Briefing: 1pm, 20 June, Council Chambers

Ordinary Council Meeting: 4pm, 27 June, Council Chambers

To view the agenda for upcoming Council meetings please visit the [Shire website](#).

Submissions Invited for Proposed Differential Rates 2017/18

Rates are a simple and effective way of paying for the development and improvement of vital community services such as roads, footpaths, sporting grounds, libraries and waste facilities just to name a few.

The good news for this year's budget is that we are in a healthier financial position to address the existing asset management gap within ten years as identified in the Long Term Financial Management Plan, without the anticipated 6.5% increase to rates.

What this means for the Esperance ratepayer is for the 2017/2018 financial year rates will increase in yield of 4.5%. This will keep us in a healthy financial position to deliver the regular services we offer, to continue working on major projects in the shire and to be less reliant on changes within state and federal government.

While the Consumer Price Index is based on standard household expenses, local government expenditure is vastly different, and as a result rates need to be calculated differently.

A statement of objects and reasons for the proposed differential rates is available for inspection at the Shire Administration Office during office hours. Submissions are to be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, PO Box 507, Esperance WA 6450 or submitted to the Shire of Esperance Office, Windich St, Esperance before 4pm on 19 June 2016.

Why should you register your dog?



When Rangers are called to pick up a lost dog they want to reunite them with their owners as quickly as possible. Registration and microchipping your pet helps this to occur. Where lost dogs are registered Rangers have the ability to contact the dog's owner and if possible return it immediately. Sometimes this isn't possible and to ensure the dog is safe and cared for they will be impounded at the animal management facility.

To assist the Shire return lost dogs to their concerned owners it is urged that dogs are registered and details are kept current. All dogs over the age of three months, including all farm dogs, must be registered.

To register your dog or find out more go to Pet Ownership under the Live section of our website.

Recycling Guide

Confused about what you can recycle? Pop in to our admin or library building to pick up a sticker to put on your blue bin or head to our website for more information.

The Shire's recycling accepts paper, cardboard, steel and aluminium containers, glass bottles and jars and plastic bottles and containers. Please take lids off bottles. We also accept plastics graded 1-6 which includes plastic shopping bags. Please make sure all items are clean and loose and don't put foam, polystyrene, garden waste or liquids in your blue recycling bin.

Don't forget the best way to go is to say NO to single use items where possible.



Ready for a laugh?

Don't miss out on the Melbourne International Comedy Roadshow heading to the Esperance Civic Centre!

On Wednesday 31 May 8-11pm. Tickets are from \$42.90 and are available from Shire outlets or on the Shire website.

