

Katanning Shire Matters

June 2020



PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

Great to see our community getting busier as community members and visitors start to move around the State as restrictions due to COVID-19 ease. Please consider local business first when purchasing goods and services, we are fortunate to have many skilled tradies in town and businesses that are ready to find the goods you require. Give local a go!

We have fantastic news in relation to our All Ages Playground with success in being shortlisted or finalists in the following awards: Park and Leisure Australia Awards of Excellence – Park of the Year, and the Landscape Architect Awards Western Australia in both the Parks & Open spaces and Play Spaces section! We are all so proud of our Playground upgrade and very excited to see the Playground reopen this week. We all look forward to seeing children and family from near and far playing in Katanning!

Councillors and staff have been working on COVID-19 Recovery for Katanning. Whilst some businesses were severely impacted others thrived. Similarly with community members. We will ensure that those adversely financially impacted by COVID-19 can access support that is available and we will be looking at specific measures

we as a Council can enact to assist clubs, organisations and businesses to re-establish.

If you have any great ideas please get in contact with me or any of your Councillors.

Liz Guidera - Shire President



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

At the May Ordinary Council Meeting for the Shire of Katanning, held on Tuesday 26 May 2020 via eMeeting procedures, the following items were approved:

Katanning Regional Business Association – Online Business Directory and eCommerce Platform

Council approved funding support for the Katanning Regional Business Association (KRBA) to establish an online business directory and eCommerce platform for local businesses in Katanning.

Drought Communities Funding Project Priorities

Council endorsed the priority projects for funding by the Drought Communities

Programme. The projects fit into the following categories: Water Security, Infrastructure, Community and Economic Projects.

SHIRE NOTICES

Shire of Katanning Facilities Now Open

As of Saturday 6 June 2020 the State Government moved into Phase 3 of the WA Roadmap to ease restrictions in place due to COVID-19.

The Shire will continue to monitor developments with COVID-19 and follow the advice of government and health authorities whilst maintaining services to the community.

All Shire facilities will now be open with some conditions to maintain public and staff safety. Please check the Shire of Katanning website for full information.

Community and staff safety will continue to be our priority. There have also been modifications to facilities (such as screens, barriers and signage) to ensure safe environments for all.

All public spaces, playgrounds and parks are now open. Physical distancing, good hygiene and the 2 square metre rule will apply to all activities permitted in Phase 3.

More information about the WA Roadmap can be found on the State Government's website: www.wa.gov.au

Katanning Aquatic Centre Pool Refurbishment - Update

The major refurbishment currently being undertaken of both the Olympic and Leisure Pools has progressed well.

This pool maintenance is required every 10 years and forms part of the Shire's 2019/20 Capital Program. The pool gutters (for both pools) have been refurbished and the Olympic Pool bowl has been cleaned, repaired and new coatings have been applied to the surface.

The restoration work is ahead of schedule.

Disability Access and Inclusion Community Survey - Feedback Required

The Shire of Katanning is reviewing how Disability Access and Inclusion standards are within Katanning and is calling on community members for comments and feedback.

Please go to the link in bold below to complete the survey. All personal information provided within the survey will remain confidential. Paper copies are also available at the Shire Administration front counter on request. **www.surveymonkey.com/r/255FM3B** The survey closes on 30 June 2020.

Preparing for Storm Damage

Storms and floods disrupt households and it is possible power, water, sewerage and gas services may not be working.

There could also be road or airport closures and telephone lines maybe down. You may find after a storm or flood you need emergency accommodation, welfare support services, money, food or water.

If you are insured:

- Call your insurance company immediately as most companies provide 24 hour service
- They may be able to provide you with temporary accommodation, food and cash for immediate hardship
- Ensure your home is secure before you leave as you are responsible for the security of your home
- Do not attempt any repairs unless qualified as this may put you or your family at risk or cause further damage that may not be covered by your insurer
- If you have any insurance queries, contact the Insurance Council of Australia on 1300 728 228

Loss of power:

- Call Western Power on 131 351

Cleaning up:

- Start cleaning up around your home - stack loose material such as branches and debris away from water meters, valves and phone lines

For advice about what to do before, during and after a storm, visit: www.dfes.wa.gov.au

KATANNING HIGHLIGHTS

RECONCILIATION WEEK: SEA OF HANDS

A Sea of Hands proudly exhibiting the Aboriginal and Australian flags swept across Albany, Gnowangerup, Katanning and Tambellup from 27 May—3 June.

The Exhibits were executed by the Baldjamaar

Foundation and supporting services, as part of a display of unity to mark National Reconciliation Week.

It encourages all Australians to learn about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements, and to champion respect across all communities.



YOUTH DIY KITS

Katanning Youth have been busy creating masterpieces through the Youth DIY Project Program. Youth aged 12 to 17 were sent mechanical kits to

put together and personalise. Some of the mechanical models play movies, music and move.

The kits will be displayed in places around Katanning soon and some will be part of a future Gallery exhibition.



IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 23 June 2020
Ordinary Council Meeting
6.00pm, eMeeting

JUNE RECYCLING CALENDAR

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