Joondalup Council approved the release of the draft Hepburn Heights Conservation Area Management Plan for public consultation (until 16 March). It is now available to read on the City’s website.

The Council approved refurbishment works at the Kingsley Park Memorial Clubrooms. The work will include the refurbishment and extension of the players’ changerooms and a new umpires’ changeroom. Work is expected to start in early 2016.


The Council accepted the tender submitted by Engineered Water Systems for demolition of the existing jetties at Ocean Reef Boat Harbour and construction of six piled floating jetty systems.

Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony Success

Premier of Western Australia Colin Barnett was among the dignitaries at the City of Joondalup’s 2015 Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony on 26 January.

245 residents took the Citizenship pledge at an outdoor ceremony at Central Park, Joondalup – one of the largest events of its kind to be staged in Perth on Australia Day.

Premier Barnett was also on hand to present the 2015 Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards, a joint initiative of the Australia Day Council of Western Australia, the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) and the Office of Premier and Cabinet. These prestigious awards recognise the outstanding community work of local residents who have demonstrated leadership and enhanced the lives of people in their communities.

The 2015 winners were:

- Individual Active Citizenship Award – Ron de Gruchy
- Active Citizenship Award for a Community Group – Poynter Primary School Parents and Citizens Association
- Active Citizenship Award (aged under 25) – Sian Dooley

Stay Informed

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Welcome to the first edition of City News for 2015.

I hope you enjoy this quarterly newsletter which provides our residents and ratepayers with information about the City and its many innovative and premier services, events and facilities that are available to the local community.

It’s hard to believe that another year has come and gone - another year in which Joondalup consolidated its position as a benchmark Local Government in Western Australia for service delivery and enhanced its reputation as the Capital City of the Northern Corridor of Perth.

Joondalup’s growing global reputation received a significant boost in January when one of the world’s largest retail outlets announced it would open its first WA store in our City.

Swedish-based clothing giant H&M will operate out of Lakeside Joondalup Shopping City from late 2015. Traditionally, large international chains such as H&M likely would have chosen the Perth CBD as the location for its first WA store. But times are changing and underpinned by a 47% increase in Gross Regional Product over the past decade, Joondalup is now recognised globally as an attractive location for any business seeking to grow and connect nationally and internationally.

While the City is focussed on ensuring that we maximise new economic and infrastructure development opportunities and investment attraction for Joondalup, we remain committed to making our City an even better place to live for our 167,000 local residents. Complementing the more than 150 services, programs and facilities delivered to our residents, the City’s free summer events program is one initiative that demonstrates our dedication to enhancing community wellbeing and promoting the importance of an active and engaged community.

Tens of thousands of people have already attended our events this summer, including the Little Feet Festival, Twilight Markets and Music in the Park concerts.

More than 8,000 people witnessed Silvie Paladino, David Hobson and the Perth Symphony Orchestra play on a world-class performance at Joondalup Resort at the City’s annual Valentine’s Concert on Thursday 12 February.

The summer program concludes on 28 and 29 March when the Joondalup Festival – the region’s biggest cultural event – returns to the Joondalup City Centre (see page 8).

Joondalup is a great City we can all be proud of. I encourage everyone to take an active interest in the affairs of our community as we strive to enhance our suburbs, infrastructure and natural attractions, which all contribute to why our region is such an attractive destination for residents, visitors and businesses.

It promises to be a busy and exciting year for our thriving City. I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Joondalup Festival, another fantastic City event that will not disappoint!

Mayor Troy Pickard
What’s Going On In Your City

Seacrest Park, Sorrento
Parks Equipment Program
Sports Lighting

Work has started on the installation of four new 30m high floodlight poles at Seacrest Park. The sports lighting will be to training standards but the design allows for upgrade to competition standards. A new control system will be installed to operate lighting to both ovals.

Bramston Park, Burns Beach
Major Projects Program

This multi-year project includes the construction of new club rooms, parking facilities, a playground and new sports floodlighting. The installation of four 35m high floodlight poles is planned for March 2015.

Warrigal Park, Greenwood
Lighting Program

New pathway lighting is planned for the pathway in Warrigal Park. The lights are modern energy efficient LED lights. Work is expected to start in April/May.

Admiral Park, Heathridge
Parking Facilities Program

Work has finished on the extension of the existing car park. There are now an extra 12 new bays and 13 new on-road bays.

Between Drovers Place and Joondalup Drive, Joondalup
Shared Path Renewal Program

The City recently completed surface upgrade works on a section of shared pathway. This included patch and crack repairs and a new emulsion slurry seal installation. This construction method was used to prolong the life of the existing asphalt and is new to WA.

Did You Know

In 2014, the City held 21 Citizenship Ceremonies during which more than 1,550 people from 78 different countries became Australian citizens.

City News asked three residents to share their favourite place for a coffee or a bite to eat in the City of Joondalup.

Chris and Pat Pearse
We really enjoy visiting the Dome at Hillarys Boat Harbour. Not only is it picturesque but you can rely on the food there without having to pay too much. It’s also a place we can take the grandchildren.

Marie Brown
As a Burns Beach resident, we regularly go to Burns Beach Cafe. Mr Ho’s Cafe and Restaurant (in Joondalup) is also a great place to eat.

Gerardineok and Dale Brooks
We often go to the Sovereign Arms for lunch if we are in town and the Currambine Tavern is also very good. The Shehnai Tandoori Indian Restaurant in Ocean Reef is another favourite. People come from as far as Rockingham to go there.
Streets Paved with Colour

Thanks to the efforts of local primary school students and Joondalup Festival-goers, the City Centre streets are again paved with hundreds of colourfully hand-made tiles.

The City recently replaced many of the lost and damaged hand-made tiles that were installed in the kerb stones of Joondalup during its early days of construction.

Last year, a new series of tiles were created by students at Heathridge, Edgewater and Glengarry Primary Schools, facilitated by a professional practicing ceramic artist Denise Brown.

The artist developed themed workshops relevant to the City, including local flora and fauna, local indigenous history, and things students love most about the area.

There was also a free craft activity set up at the 2014 Joondalup Festival, allowing festival-goers the opportunity to create their own tiles.

About 500 new tiles were manufactured in total.

The project is part of an ongoing effort to enhance the appeal of public spaces in Joondalup through the use of art, and to improve the community’s sense of connection to the urban environment.

POPRTable

Have you checked out the second of the City’s outdoor table tennis tables at Picnic Cove Park in Edgewater yet?

Artist Elizabeth Maruffo was responsible for the mural which adorns the table, that provides users with a free recreational activity that is also artistically engaging.

NEW ADDITION TO CENTRAL PARK

Central Park in Joondalup now has its own US designed M2A2 Howitzer field gun.

This permanent structure will play a key role in this year’s Centenary Anzac Day Ceremony on 25 April when the community comes together as one to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings - a milestone of special significance to all Australians.

The US designed Howitzer was in service with the Australian Military until it was decommissioned last year and acts as a permanent reminder of the significant efforts of the Australian Defence Forces and those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.
City to Participate in BinTagging Pilot Program

The City will participate in a WA Local Government Association initiative aimed at improving recycling practices and reducing kerbside bin contamination.

Modelled on a successful program used in South Australia, Bin Tagging involves direct intervention that provides feedback to households regarding their bin use.

2,000 households in Burns Beach and Kinross will be part of the Program’s trial, and if successful it could be rolled out across the City.

The program uses a combination of incentives, information and enforcement tools and consists of four possible steps:

1. A visual check of recycling bins will be done to identify any contamination. Residents will then receive a tag on their bin to introduce the Bin Tagging program.

2. Over the following two pick-ups, visual checks will again be completed with households given feedback on their performance via tags on the bin handles.

3. For the fourth visit, if a household has shown contamination in all previous audits, the bin will be stickered shut and not collected. Another tag will instruct the home owners to remove the contamination in time for the next pick-up.

4. If a household continues to contaminate the recycling bin, the service will be removed.

Households that exhibit good recycling practices will be in the running to win prizes throughout the trial.

Business Unit in Focus – Compliance

The City’s hard-working Compliance team is one of the many teams that make up the City’s workforce.

The Compliance team has the task of ensuring that homeowners, builders and businesses comply with the Town Planning Scheme, Local Laws and numerous other Acts and Regulations.

One of many important tasks undertaken by Compliance is inspecting the swimming pool security of over 21,000 private swimming pools owned throughout the City – once every four years.

The City has more private swimming pools than any other Local Government in WA.

Compliance officers assist home owners, builders and others with practical advice on dividing fences, retaining walls, unauthorised works, home businesses and commercial works and also offer advice where they can with regard to neighbour disputes.

Business Edge

The latest edition of the Joondalup Business Edge magazine can now be viewed on the City’s website.

The publication highlights news and information on business and investment in the City of Joondalup as well as profiling local, innovative businesses and projects that are continuing to transform the City.

If you would like to receive free copies of this biannual magazine please e-mail business@joondalup.wa.gov.au

Frequently Asked Question

If I want to build a cubby house in my backyard am I able to do so?

The City has a Cubby House Policy with clearly defined requirements to ensure all such structures are safe for users and do not impact on the amenity and privacy of neighbouring properties. Under the City’s Cubby House Policy, the structure should not exceed 2.1m in height above the natural ground level (with the exception of architectural features such as a flagpole, which shall not exceed 2.5m above natural ground level).
City Centre Growth

As work continues on the largest construction project ever undertaken by the City – the Reid Promenade Multi Storey Car Park; approval has been given for an 18-storey high-rise building at nearby 113 Grand Boulevard.

The proposed development comprises 190 residential apartments, four commercial tenancies, 235 car bays and residential amenities including a swimming pool, gym, spa, sauna and lounge.

This proposed development would bring a host of positive social, economic and environmentally sustainable benefits that are characteristic of a City Centre to Joondalup and would be a bold addition to the urban fabric of the City Centre area.

It epitomises many of the future aspirations that the City holds.

The City has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Devwest Group for delivery of an integrated mixed-use development in the Joondalup City Centre.

Mayor Troy Pickard and CEO Garry Hunt recently joined representatives from Devwest Group for the MOU signing, which outlines the process the parties will undertake to bring the project to fruition.

Located across 90 Boas Avenue and 70 Davidson Terrace, the proposed City Centre development – approximately 13,000 square metres in size – incorporates high quality commercial, residential and retail components along with flexible public spaces that will provide the community with a variety of settings for activities.

Should the City be requested to do so, it will also collaborate with Devwest Group on a detailed proposal for the State Government’s EOI process for the provision of Joondalup Office Accommodation.

The development will stimulate economic opportunities and great vibrancy in the Joondalup City Centre, as well as providing an ideal location and space for a State Government department or agency when one is relocated to Joondalup.

The City looks forward to working with Devwest Group to meet the agreed objectives, vision and philosophy that has been identified for the development.
The Joondalup City Centre landscape will be transformed with colour and curious creatures for the 2015 Joondalup Festival on the final weekend in March.

Now in its 17th year, the annual Festival brings over 50,000 people from across the Perth metropolitan area to the Joondalup City Centre for the showcase event of the City’s summer calendar.

The theme for 2015 is a Curious Landscape, with the Festival offering a varied program of music, stand-up comedy, magic, illusion, cabaret, illuminated art installations and theatre from 2.00pm on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 March.

The Festival was named Coates Hire Best Community Event in WA at the prestigious 2014 Australia Event Awards.

The 2015 Joondalup Festival is made possible by Premier Partner the Commonwealth Bank, Key Partners Lakeside Joondalup Shopping City, Medibank, The Good Guys Joondalup and West Coast Institute, Media Partners Community Newspaper Group, NOVA 937 and Channel 9 Perth, and Partners Lotterywest and Healthway promoting the Make Smoking History message.