



Norseman Woodlands to Eucla Coast

**22nd November 2022
Ordinary Council Meeting**

Papers Relating

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Appendix 1: Unconfirmed Minutes Ordinary Council Meeting 18th October 2022

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10.1 Members and Policy

10.1.2 Shire of Dundas Bushfire Risk Management Plan

Appendix 2: Shire of Dundas Bushfire Risk Management Plan 2022-2027

Appendix 2.1: Dundas Consequence Table

Appendix 2.2: Risk Register

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10.3 Officers Reports

10.3.1 Corporate and Community Services

AREA: Corporate and Community Services

OFFICER: Pania Turner

Period of reporting: 13 October – 17 November

After Hours Access Norseman Swimming Pool

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The Shire has received some request for access to the Norseman Swimming pool outside of normal operating hours. Currently due to no lifeguard onsite after hours the Shire is unable to accommodate these request due to the safety risk posed. Shire officers are working to find an affordable and workable solution to allow afterhours access.

New Water Point and Dump Point

The new water point and dump point are now in operation next to the Norseman Dog Exercise Park. The new locations allow for improved access and is conveniently located close to the RV park. The points are token operated, with tokens available at the Norseman IGA, Norseman Visitors Centre and Shire Administration Office.

Photo competition winners announced

Congratulations to the Dundas Images photo competition winners who will be awarded their prizes at this Council meeting.

Although a small group of entries this year, the photo of a high standard, many of which will feature in the Shire of Dundas Community and Local Business 2023 calendar.

Arid Region Forestry

The Shire was pleased to have a visit from David Kennet who is passionate about forestry research. David uses deep planting techniques he has developed over the years which see produce outstanding survival rates. This is of interest to the shire as the high survival rates are still witnessed when planting on 40 degree plus days.

David was interested in the Nullarbor an opportunity for planting workshops, however for this trip was only able to plant a small number of tuart trees on some Shire locations, including the dog park.

Planning for Christmas Events

The Events team are well into the planning for Shire Christmas events with the Seniors Christmas Dinner scheduled for the 9th December, and the Norseman Christmas Fayre scheduled for the Saturday 10th December.

Disability Access and Inclusion plan

The Shire Disability Access and Inclusion Plan is still out for community consultation, and members of the public are encouraged to share the feedback via submitting the paper survey directly to the Shire or via the website at

<https://www.dundas.wa.gov.au/news/disability-access-and-inclusion-plan-survey/116>

New National Fire Danger warning System

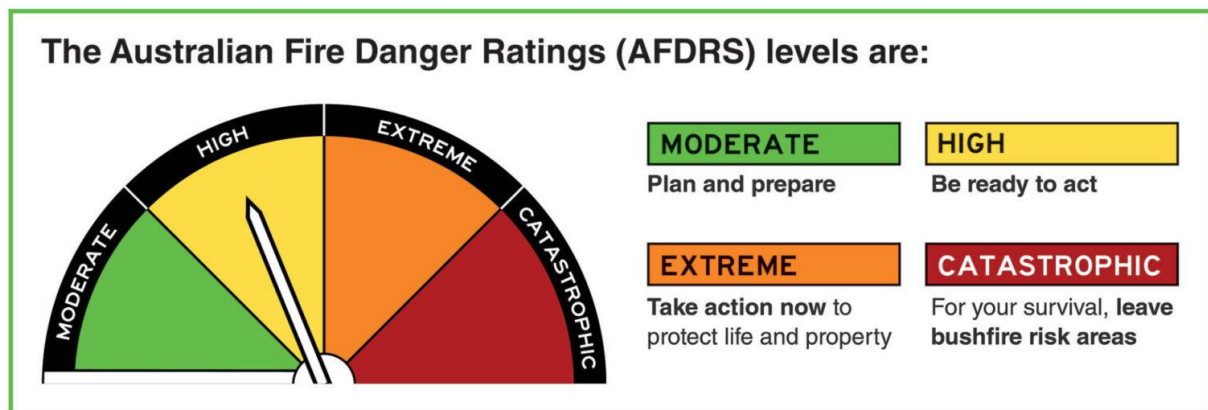
Western Australia has joined with other states and territories to deliver nationally consistent emergency information through the Australian Warning System (AWS). The AWS is an easy-to-understand warning system to help you stay safe during an emergency, no matter where in the country you are. New bushfire warning colours are now on Emergency WA, and over time you'll see more changes to emergency information.

The fire danger rating levels are:



The white bar under Moderate indicates No Rating for days where no proactive action is required by a community. This does not mean that fires cannot happen, but that any fires that start are not likely to move or act in a way that threatens the safety of the community.

Once the Shire of Dundas has received the new warning signs from DFES they will be installed by the Shire.



10.3.2 Works and Services**Manager of Works and Services: Barry Hemopo****Period of reporting: 13th October to 13th November****TOWN WORKS**

- Aeration of oval and sand spread onto top surface
- Verge slashing continued
- Pest control spraying on all Shire houses and buildings
- Sprayed asphalt and dog park with weed killer
- Planes on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday
- Tree lopping at various locations
- Continue pumping grey water pond to Tin Dam Pond
- Trees being inspected and marked for tree lopper to trim (Ongoing)
- Remove 3 dead trees and stumps from the Marks Park play area
- Fabricated and painted posts for signage at dog/RV park
- Repair water leak under sink that leaked out over the floor at the town hall
- Some fabricated wood seating placed in dog park
- Repairs to lights in admin
- Continue digging and laying water line for airport and cemetery, 800m already completed to date
- Measure up grandstand seating for sports complex
- Dig up, bag, and bury Noogoora Burrs found at the sewerage farm and spray area
- Continue with tree trimming on street verges
- Feral Cat control
- Mildura Street drains and fitting of culverts in progress

GARDEN CREW

- RV Park mowed
- Garden works ongoing
- Gardens to be put in at Dog Park near entrance and dump point

- Repairs to retic in garden beds and roundabouts

ROAD CREW

- Fit new guideposts along Hyden Road towards Lake Johnson
- Downed trees removed from Hyden Road and Queen Victoria Rocks Road

EUCLA

- All batteries and stainless-steel boxes at the Eucla airstrip have been replaced and all is working
- Street drainage to be evaluated and repaired so water will run away from the road
- Power to the kitchen has been repaired and new grey water pump fitted in kitchen under the sink

PLANT

- P338 Prime mover batteries replaced
- P329 Cracked front windscreen replaced
- P299 2000 Hr service and repairs

NORSEMAN LANDFILL

- Ongoing fabrication of infrastructure for the Sewerage farm
- Fencing completed for solar panel and pump at sewerage farm
- Pump out tanks at sewer farm
- Tip/ works, green waste and start to dig new slot

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

- WOHS course being held at TAFE, Esperance with 2 employees in attendance
- Ongoing JHA and SWP procedures being added to our system

HUMAN RESOURCES

- All rangers have completed the ranger exams and are all certified rangers
- Bush fire training to be carried out by several of the staff volunteers in November
- ARO courses will be carried out at the Shire admin in December

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

- Administration sliding doors drive mechanisms have been replaced and all locks on entry doors to the admin have been replaced by using a FOB for access.

- New white board fitted next to kitchen at sports complex
- All Shire houses to have fire/smoke detectors hardwired in
- New hot water element replaced

CEMETERY

- Cemetery sprayed

MWS WORKING ITEMS

- Repairs needed for retaining walls at admin offices at the rose gardens
- Tree removal around community ongoing
- Installation of signage at Dog Park for information and traffic management
- Street clean main street will need to be carried out when weather clears up
- Investigate funding to completely rebuild the swimming pool complex and infrastructure
- Quote to replace ageing aircon systems at the admin offices with wall mounted split systems due to limited roof space, fixed ceiling, and solar panels on the roof, they cannot install the same kind of air-conditioning without removing the ceiling to install
- Play equipment and fall material at Marks Park need quotes for replacement and or repair.
- Noogoora Burr has been found at our sewerage farm and down Mort Harslett drive to about 60kms West on the Hyden Road, the burr found at the sewerage farm has been dug up bagged and buried, then area sprayed
- Public notices planning for closing of the ungazetted road at the airstrip in Norseman that goes to Whitfield's, this road will be fenced off as part of the airstrip.
- Public notice to the community of Eucla regarding the closing of ungazetted road that comes off the main highway to join up with the Telegraph Road



SWIMMING POOL

- New pump and filter system has been put in place, for the toddler's pool to help improve back flushing rates for this pool
- Concrete entrance to the swimming pool has been ground down and sealed to remove trip hazards and steel protruding through, also concrete replaced along West side of toilets and shower block, all completed.

10.3.3 Youth & Recreation Services

Youth & Recreation Officer: Brad Turner

Period of reporting: 19 September – 12 October 2022

Norseman Youth Centre Attendance and Activities

13 October – 17 November- 2022 - 722 youth drop-ins.

Drop-ins are calculated on individual visits and contact to the youth centre and youth centre activities.

Halloween – A Night in the Woodlands was the big event for October, with over 80 children attending, as well as mums, dads and grandparents! Unfortunately, the much-anticipated spooky tour had to be cancelled due to weather closing the Heritage Trail.

This did not dampen the *fright night* activities with slimy crafts, painting and plenty of treats keeping attendees busy and having fun. There were some great costumes from both young and old, next year a fancy dress award will in order.

Additionally it seemed to be a good solution to providing a family friendly and safe activity for younger children instead of trick or treating door by door. Both the CRC and Youth Services will be reviewing the event to make it even better next year.

Norseman Swimming Pool

Pool season has commenced, and all Norseman kids have been excited to have enjoy swimming and playing there thus far.

Youth Activities:

Halloween Party – Norseman Youth and CRC

Sports afternoon/evening at the oval

Barbecue

Pool & games afternoon x 3 per week

Movie afternoon

Supporting Youth

Youth services is currently investigating a fitness program for identified youth who are experiencing challenges with positive social behaviours. The pilot trial program will commence with small group of participants and will support development of teamwork, self-discipline and resilience.

Seniors Activities:

The Shire supported the Norseman Craft Ladies Kalgoorlie and Hammond Park Activity, which included a lovely picnic at Hammonds Park. The gardeners in the group- all of them, were pleased to end the day with a stop at Bunnings. I am sure some Norseman gardens will have new plantings this weekend!

Goldfields Food Community

I attended the Goldfields Food Community launch on Friday. This community action project aims to strategically address food security for the Goldfields regions. The workshop provided opportunity for people to arise concerns around food security including access to healthy food for vulnerable people, supply and food production.

The project has long term objectives, and it will be beneficial for the Shire of Dundas to continue to contribute to the initiatives that come from the first discussions.