



# Shire of Mt Marshall

— THE SANDALWOOD SHIRE —

June 2023

## STAFF FAREWELLS

June saw us say farewell to Coordinator of **Community Development**, **Rebecca Watson** and **Grader Operator**, **Alex Bauer**.

**Rebecca** has been employed at the Shire for many years, first commencing in 2004 as our Community Development Officer. She resigned in 2015 as she was welcoming her daughter, Chloe. We were lucky enough to welcome her back to the Shire in 2019 and have benefitted from Beck's extensive experience and knowledge in the area of Community Development. A highly dedicated member of the community, Beck will be missed throughout the Shire. We wish her and Chloe all the absolute best as they move on to their new adventures in the city.

**Alex** joined the works team as a Parks and Gardens Officer in late 2018 and around 6 months later transferred across to positions where he would spend more time working on the Shire's roads. He completed time in the role of Road Maintenance Officer and finally as a Grader Operator towards the end of his time on the Shire. Alex has moved on to a similar role at the Shire of Trayning and we wish him all the success in his next local government chapter.

## DIARY DATES

### 18 July 2023

Ordinary Meeting of Council @  
3pm in Council Chambers,  
Monger St, Bencubbin

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# Council Meeting Outcomes



The June ordinary Council meeting was held on 20 June and below is a brief overview of some of the Council decisions made at this meeting.

## **Councillor Sitting Fees 2023/2024**

The Salaries and Allowances Tribunal (SAT) determines remuneration, fees, expenses and allowance ranges for Elected Members and they have recently determined an increase for Band 4 Local Governments of 2.5% from those determined for the 2022/23 financial year. Council considered the SAT determined ranges and approved the officer recommended fees, expense reimbursements and allowances.

## **Acquisition of Lot 170 (2) Collins St, Bencubbin**

The Grand Lodge of Western Australia of Antient Free and Accepted Masons Incorporated has offered to 'Gift' Lot 170 (2) Collins Street, Bencubbin to the Shire. Council considered this offer and acquiring the land for another purpose in the future. An absolute majority was needed and carried.

## **Freedom of Information Statement 2023**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 1992 the Shire is required to cause an up to date information statement to be published at intervals of no more than 12 months. Council endorsed the Freedom of Information Statement 2023 and it is now available on our website.

## **Fees and Charges 2023/2024**

The Shire's Fees and Charges schedule form part of the Shire's annual budget and Council considered the proposed schedule for 2023/2024 at the June meeting. The schedule was endorsed and the fees and charges will be effective on 1 July 2023.

# Projects Update



## Beacon Recreation Centre

Re roofing of the sporting complex is now complete. Paving works have also finished, improving access between the tennis club and the complex.



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## Beacon Community Park

Works continue at the project with gardens now being complete. Paving is currently under way with the erection of the gazebos and fencing to follow.



## Bencubbin Multipurpose Complex

Limestone walls have now been installed around the garden beds located along the gym side of the complex. A final tidy will be completed in the coming weeks.



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## Beacon Community Garden

The lean-to and lockable garden shed have been completed and we are now awaiting on final supplies to arrive so we can get the garden up and running.

If you wish to get involved in the community gardens, please contact Phoebe at the Shire on (08)9685 1202 or [cdo@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@mtmarshall.wa.gov.au) .



## Events and Tourism

### Cultural Day

We are excited to be working with the primary schools again to deliver the annual Cultural Day event on Friday, 30th June. This year the Beacon Primary School will be welcoming the Njaki-Njaki Aboriginal Cultural Tours Group to deliver a wide range of engaging activities. This event first began with Beacon and Bencubbin Primary Schools but its success has seen surrounding primary schools, including Koorda and Trayning, joining the day's activities.

# Works Report



## Construction Crew

Works on Ayres Rd and Gilham-Cooper Rd have now been completed and the construction crew will now move on to getting some road maintenance works done around the Shire. This will include gravel patching and some clean up works.

## Maintenance Grading

Bencubbin West - The grader in this area has been tidying up some roads that experienced off road rally traffic during the long weekend as well as some roads in the south western end of the Shire that had been damaged by water recently.

Budgeted construction works have been completed for the 2022/2023 financial year so another grader is now available to assist in catching up on maintenance on the eastern section of the Shire.

Beacon North - The grader is currently working in the Clarke Rd and Scotsman Rd area.

## General

### Food Safety Standard, 3.2.2A – Food Safety Management Tools

Are you selling food from your place of business? This new standard will come into force on 8 December 2023 and some information is provided on the following pages for those it will effect.

**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*** - Any business in the Shire of Mt Marshall that is selling consumable goods needs to register as a food business with the Shire and undergo an inspection by our contract Environmental Health Officer to ensure the safety of consumers. Please contact the Shire to begin the approval process.