

SHIRE UPDATE, MAY 2020

COVID-19 Update

Council is very aware that the community and local economy will be heavily impacted by the Covid19 pandemic. Council has introduced a number of measures that provide support to assist the financial recovery of the community. In response to the Covid-19 impacts, the Council has implemented the following measures:

Convened a Financial Recovery Working Group with membership comprising Councillors, staff, industry and business representation.

Resolved to freeze any rate increase for the 2020/21 financial year.

Waived charging penalty interest on overdue rates from 1 April 2020 to 30 June 2020.

Provided relief in the form of a reduction in lease payments due from tourism businesses leasing Shire property.

Visited more than 60 businesses to provide information and support.

Reduced sporting bodies fees so that they are only charged for the period 1 July 2019 to 29 February 2020 this financial year.

A Community Recovery Working Group has also been convened to provide support for community groups and individuals. This group is collaborating, delivering programs and services within the community, and providing online and practical support for residents, particularly for families and those that are isolated and/or vulnerable.

To assist those who are in home isolation or with social distancing, the Library is offering an expanded Books on Wheels program, a click and collect service and online Rhyme Time and Story Time. Roche Park Recreation Centre is offering an online Wellness Challenge and encouragement to maintain wellbeing.

For further information contact the Shire on (08) 9734 9000 or email colshire@collie.wa.gov.au

DOGS LOCAL LAW – OPEN FOR COMMENT

The Shire of Collie has resolved to make a local law relating to Dogs.

The purpose of the law is to control and regulate dogs and dog ownership within the Shire, to make provision for the impounding of dogs, control the number of dogs that can be kept on premises and control the manner of keeping dogs.

A copy of the proposed law may be obtained from the Shire's website or upon request.

ACTIVITIES IN THOROUGHFARES AND PUBLIC PLACES AND TRADING LOCAL LAW – OPEN FOR COMMENT

The Shire of Collie has proposed to advertise its intention to create the Activities in Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading Local Law 2020.

The purpose of the law is to provide for the orderly management of activities and trading in the Shire's thoroughfares and public places.

A copy of the proposed law may be obtained from the Shire's website or upon request.

HERITAGE FACADE UPGRADE

The Shire of Collie has recently completed the reconstruction of the historic verandah and balcony at the front of the Bilbe's building at 115 Throssell Street.

This project was part funded by the Shire's ongoing Facade Upgrade Incentive program in partnership with the previous and current owners of the building.



Before and after the facade upgrade of the Bilbe's building.

RIGHTS IN WATER AND IRRIGATION ACT 1914

Shire of Collie has made application for a permit under s11 to interfere with the bed and banks of the Collie River to replace the existing Venn Street Weir with a new structure at Crown Reserve 23560.

People who are interested in the application, may make a written submission within 15 days of this publication to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, PO Box 261 Western Australia, 6230, quoting DWERT968-2.

If you object to the proposal, your submission must specify what actions, if any, would overcome your objections. General enquiries to Andrew Cresswell on 9726 4142.

DEVELOPMENT ENCOURAGED

The Shire of Collie is committed to assisting you get started with your building project during the COVID-19 crisis. Whether it's work on your house, a new shed, patio, carport or a commercial building.

The Shire encourages building projects and views them as essential for both the response to this crisis and for economic recovery afterwards.

Shire Officers are eager to discuss your project with you and will ensure speedy approvals. While face-to-face discussions are no longer possible, you can still contact us to discuss your projects.

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

The entire Shire of Collie has now entered a restricted burning period. Meaning you now need to obtain a Permit to conduct any burning of Paddocks or stubble, bon fires or garden refuse until the 31st of May.

Permits are free and can be issued by your areas Fire Control Officer or through the Shire Rangers. Contact details can be found on the Shires website, on the back of the Hazard Reduction notice issued with your rates, or by phoning the Shire office on 9734 9000

Please note any burning done without a permit is an offence and infringements can be issued.

Waste Services

The Waste Transfer Station is operating at normal opening hours but have requested customers use Paypass or Eftpos where possible if they do not have a tip pass. The Re-use shop at the tip is currently closed.

River Trail Update

The Collie River Trail works between the East End and Coombes Street bridges are underway, completion of the project is due by the end of May.

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Weekly Online Activities

MONDAY

9.30am Rhyme time
Mrs Potts gets musical! Join in for a live session of your favourite nursery rhymes and some new ones, too! - Fortnightly

10am Story Time
Mrs Potts and her best friends read a picture book and sing some fun songs

10.30am ZUMBA
Fitness that is fun, combining Latin and International music with dance

TUESDAY

8am Strength For Life
Senior program, exercise for the over 50's bodyweight & dumbbell workout (for existing Strength for Life Clients)

WEDNESDAY

6.15am Metafit
30 minute, high intensity interval training, get ready to sweat!

10.30am ZUMBA Gold
Fitness that is fun, low impact dance class. Perfect for beginners of all fitness levels

6pm Bodypump
Barbell workout, low weight, high rep. The ultimate strength workout

THURSDAY

10.30am Strength For Life
Senior program, exercise for the over 50's bodyweight & dumbbell workout (for existing Strength for Life Clients)

6pm ZUMBA
Fitness that is fun, combining Latin and International music with dance

FRIDAY

Whats on?
Tell us what you would like to see online?

Share skills,
get in touch if you have a skill to share or an online class/gathering idea.

Library Services

The Collie Public Library is now closed, if you would like to borrow from us please phone 9734 9042, email us at library@collie.wa.gov.au, or send us a Facebook message. Let us know what you would like to borrow and we will let you know when it's ready for pickup or delivery.

For more details on Library programs, competitions and activities give us a call or send us an email.



Library & Information Week 25-31 May 2020

25 - 31 May 2020 COMPETITION TIME!

DESIGN YOUR OWN SUPERHERO OR SUPER-VILLAIN

For more details contact the
Collie Public Library
Entries close Sunday May 24,
winners announced Thursday
May 28

Help Available

A message from **Accordwest** for those in our community who require some extra support right now. Accordwest has increased the amount of supports provided through our Emergency Relief program to assist those in our community who have been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. We are currently assisting individuals and families located in Bunbury, Busselton, Collie and Harvey, and surrounding areas, with:

- Food Vouchers;
- Foodbank Vouchers and 3 month access;
- Utility payments, including assistance to establish payment plans with providers;
- Referrals to access Accordwest programs (including housing assistance, counselling and tenancy advice); and
- Referrals to other service providers located within these areas. We invite all who are struggling at this time to call **1800 115 799** or drop into the Bunbury Office. Our Client Service Officers will assess each individual's situation and work out the best way we can support them. During this time we can arrange delivery of Emergency Relief to clients residing in Busselton, Collie and Harvey. This is provided on designated days only

COUNCIL MEETING DATES

TUESDAY 7PM

MAY 12

JUNE 2

All meetings will be
held online until
further notice. Please
register at
colshire@collie.wa.gov.au. Details on how to
join will be sent to you

What can you put in your lime green lid bin?

If it once grew, it can be placed in your FOGO bin.
FO – Food Organics
GO – Garden Organics



LIFELINE 13 11 14 24/7 crisis support
KIDS HELP LINE (5-25 years) **1800 551 800** 24/7 general advice & support (any health-related issue)
HEALTH DIRECT **1800 022 222** 24/7 general advice & support (any health-related issue)
CRISIS CARE (family helpline) **08 9223 1111** or **1800 199 008** 24/7 crisis support (Country free call)
ALCOHOL AND DRUG INFORMATION SERVICE (ADIS) **1800 198 024** 24/7 support
MENTAL HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE LINE **1300 555 788** 24/7 crisis support
SAMARITANS **135 247** 24/7 counselling service
YOUTH LINE WA **1800 198 313** 24/7 crisis support

Free Counselling Directory

The Shire of Collie encourages all our local
community members to support our
local businesses



Shire of
Collie
Explore. Discover. Connect.

Let's work together to stop the spread of COVID-19

Please practice good hand hygiene
and social distancing

CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION HOTLINE

1800 020 080

For more information visit
www.wa.gov.au/covid19

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