

SHIRE NOTICES

Commencement of unrestrictive burning time

Pursuant to Section 18 of the Bushfires Act 1954, the Shire of Gnowangerup would like to advise Landowner/ Occupiers that Unrestrictive Burning Time (Open Burning) will commence as of Friday 23 April 2021.

Public Notice of Intention to Borrow

Notice is hereby given of the Shire of Gnowangerup's intention to borrow funds.

At its Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28th April 2021 the Council resolved by absolute majority, to borrow up to \$340,000.00 for the purpose of providing the Ongerup Community Development Inc. housing project with a short-term loan for cash flow purposes. The loan is to be for a period of 6 months and facilitated by the WA Treasury Corporation.

Pursuant to section 6.20(2) of the Local Government Act 1995, one month's public notice of this proposal is hereby given.

Please call 9827 1007 or email gnpshire@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au for further information.

FROM THE OFFICE

Tip Access Swipe cards

Reminder to all property owners and residents that the gates to all 3 refuse sites (tips) are now locked. Access cards can be collected from the Shire Administration Office. One card can be issued per household.

Website Updates

The Shire of Gnowangerup website has had some additional pages added.

- ◇ Horsepower Highway
 - ◇ Transport and Licensing
 - ◇ Gnowangerup Shire Medical Practice
- Head over to the and have a look.

<https://www.gnowangerup.wa.gov.au/>

FROM THE LIBRARY

Tech & Tea at the Gnowangerup Library

Do you need practical help with your phone/tablet/laptop and basic tech questions answered? Join Olivia at the Library weekly for a cuppa and bring along your device.

Every Wednesday 10am-11am.

Free Membership

Did you know it is FREE to join the Gnowangerup and Ongerup Libraries? Each library holds a fantastic range of books, audiobooks, puzzles, games and DVD's.

Follow their Facebook pages for updates and events.

SHIRE JOBS AVAILABLE

Community Development Coordinator - 9 months maternity leave

The Shire of Gnowangerup is looking for an enthusiastic person to fill a 9-month (June 2021 to March 2022) maternity leave position as Community Development Coordinator. This is an exciting and interesting role assisting in the development and facilitation of the Shire's community programs and initiatives.

The full advert and further details can be found on the Shire website: <https://www.gnowangerup.wa.gov.au/council/our-shire/employment.aspx>

GETTING PREPARED FOR THE APPROACHING STORM SEASON

Storms can occur any time of year, but in Western Australia, storms occur more frequently between May and October.

Storms can be extremely dangerous and cause widespread damage and destruction. They can even cause injury or loss of life.

Storm damage to homes and property is usually caused by loose and broken roof materials, fallen trees and branches and flooding from blocked gutters and downpipes.

Preparing your family and property for storms is your responsibility. Make it a priority to get your home ready inside and out.

Tips on preparing your property:

You can minimise the amount of damage to your property by following some of the tips below:

- Check your roof and gutters and fix any damage.
- Remove any loose material, including broken or missing tiles.
- Clear gutters and downpipes of leaves and blockages.
- Trim branches near your home and clear trees from powerlines.
- Put away or tie down any loose material from your yard, balcony or patio, such as outdoor furniture or trampolines.
- Check your home and contents insurance is up to date.

A complete guide on how to prepare for Storms is available on the DFES website at

https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/storm/StormGuidelinesandManuals/DFES_Storm-Prepare.pdf

or available in booklet form at the Shire's Administration Office.

Upcoming Events

- **Movie Night : RAMS (2020)**
21st May 2021 - 5pm
Ongerup Sporting Complex
- **May Council Meeting**
26th May 2021 - 3.30pm
Council Chambers
- **Australia's Biggest Morning Tea**
27th May 2021 - 10am to 12noon
Gnowangerup CRC & Library
- **Gnowangerup Winter Sports Fixtures— Home Games in May**
Saturday 1st May - Boxwood Hill
Saturday 8th May - Lake Grace/Pingrup
Saturday 22nd May - Newdegate
Saturday 29th May - Jerramungup

CONGRATULATIONS TO GNOWANGERUP'S

NEWEST AUSTRALIAN CITIZENS

Ericson Ealdre and Nadia Farillon became Australian Citizens on Wednesday 28th April 2021 at a ceremony held at the Shire of Gnowangerup council chambers.

Congratulations from Shire Councilors and Staff, we love having you in our community.



Shire of Gnowangerup Community Financial Assistance Grants 2021/22

Community Groups within the Shire of Gnowangerup are now invited to apply for Community Financial Assistance Grants (CFAG) Program. There are three categories of funding available for projects taking place in 2021/22 financial year.

- 1. Quick Grants** - for applications up to \$500.00, primarily for volunteer support.
- 2. Community Grants**- for applications from \$501.00 - \$5,000.00 aimed at supporting community groups with small capital projects, events, projects etc.
- 3. Special Requests Community Grants** - for applications from \$5000.00 - \$20,000.00 aimed at supporting community groups with large capital projects, events, projects etc. The purpose of the grant is not to fund operating costs.

Comprehensive guidelines, application forms and acquittal statements for each category can be found on our website under "Public Notices" or by contacting the Shire Office on 9827 1007.

Requests for operational funding, works-in-kind or reimbursement for expenses prior to the 2021/22 financial year will no longer be accepted under the guidelines. Furthermore, this is now the only pathway to request Council contribution for partnership funding for any project throughout the year. Please consider all events, projects or infrastructure your community group is planning for the 2021/22 year carefully, as applications will only be open once per year.

If your community group is interested in applying for assistance under any of the grant categories, please make contact with our Community Development Coordinator, Kirsty Buchanan on 9827 1007 or kirsty.buchanan@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au to discuss your idea.

- Step 1 - Contact the Shire of Gnowangerup to discuss your project idea on 9827 1007
- Step 2 - Complete the respective Grant Application Form.
- Step 3 - Submit the application form by **4:00pm 28/5/2021**.
- Step 4 - Applications are assessed; Council approves suitable applicants at the Annual Budget meeting.
- Step 5 - Applicants are notified in writing in August 2021.

We look forward to supporting our fantastic community organisations in 2021/22.