

HOW WE ARE RESPONDING

We are monitoring developments relating to COVID-19 (novel coronavirus) daily and assessing any potential impacts on Shire services and events. We are planning to maintain current levels of service to residents and businesses during this period and will take advice on all public health matters from the State and Federal health departments.

The following facilities are now closed:

- All public halls and facilities
- All playgrounds, BBQ's and gazebos
- Some public toilets
- Council Meetings will be closed to the public
- Customer Service closed for face-to-face enquiries
- All libraries
- Swimming Pool.



Please avoid physical contact where possible by directing all enquiries to 08 9827 1007 or emailing gnpshire@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au.

STAY UP-TO-DATE

Stay up to date with the latest information about the spread of COVID-19.

Download the Coronavirus Australia App from the [Apple App Store](#) and on [Google Play](#). You can also stay updated with the Government's new [WhatsApp feature](#).

WA Department of Health

The leading authority in this COVID-19 emergency is the [WA Department of Health](#) who've set up [COVID Clinics](#) throughout the state.

You can get the latest advice by:

- [Visiting WA Department of Health's website](#)
- [Calling the information line \(1800 020 080\)](#)

Public Gatherings and Events

Public gatherings significantly increase the risk of COVID-19 spreading. On 29 March, the National Cabinet agreed to further limit most indoor and outdoor non-essential gatherings to two people. Under the Public Health Act and Emergency Management Act, penalties of up to \$50,000 will apply.

- [Find out more about Limits on Public Gatherings.](#)

Intrastate Travel Restrictions

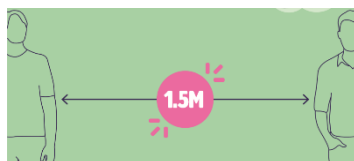
From 11:59 pm Tuesday, 31 March 2020, Western Australians will not be allowed to travel outside their designated region. If you're a Great Southern Resident, you can still travel within the region. Non-essential travel is discouraged. Exemptions apply.

- [Find out more about intrastate travel restrictions.](#)

KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

One way to slow the spread of viruses, such as coronavirus, is social distancing (also called physical distancing). The more space between you and others, the harder it is for the virus to spread.

Social distancing in public means people:



Keep 1.5m away from others

Avoid public gatherings and risk groups like older people



Practice good hand hygiene

Avoid physical greetings such as handshakes, hugs and kisses



Stay at home; only go out if it is essential



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Use tap and go instead of cash

SUPPORT DURING THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

As the Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation continues to evolve, we want to help our communities during a time of crisis. It's important that we keep a healthy distance between us while ensuring no one goes through this alone.

We have created this list of services in our area should you require assistance.

HEALTH AND COUNSELLING SERVICES

COVID Health Hotline	1800 020 080	COVID WA Hotline	13 26843
Gnowangerup Hospital	9827 2222	Gnowangerup Medical Practice	9827 1116
Southern Ag Care	9827 1552	Community Alcohol & Drug Service	9821 8306
Anglicare	9821 9666	Domestic Violence Advocacy Support	1800 818 593
Aboriginal Health	9821 6317	Men's Line Australia	1300 789 978
Beyond Blue	1300 224 636	Mind Spot Clinic	1800 614 434
Palmerston	9821 8306	Kids Helpline	1800 551 800
Life Line	13 11 14	Headspace	1800 650 890
Health Direct	1800 022 222		

FOOD AND MEDICINE

Gnowangerup IGA	9827 1109	Ongerup General Store	9828 2288
Gnowangerup Pharmacy	9827 1046		

RELIEF ORGANISATIONS

Emergency Relief Hotline	1300 794 054	Centrelink	132 850
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EMERGENCY SERVICES (CALL 000 IF AN EMERGENCY)

Gnowangerup Police	9827 2800	Gnowangerup SES	0447 271 753
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TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

The WA State Government has introduced restrictions on travel within the State to assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19. From midnight on Tuesday 31st March 2020 Western Australians will only be permitted to leave their regional boundary for essential purposes. Police have the power to enforce these restrictions if necessary, and fines of up to \$50,000 can be issued. Exemptions will include, but are not limited to:

- travelling for employment purposes
- medical reasons including health and emergency services
- people living in 'border communities', who may not have access to groceries or supplies within their region
- transport of goods
- compassionate grounds.

