



COUNCIL BUZZ

SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP | SEPTEMBER 2023

FROM THE CEO DESK



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 2023

Have you ever considered becoming a Shire Councillor? Nominations open on 31 August 2023 and close at 4.00pm on 7 September 2023.

Many thanks to Christine Weedon, who the Electoral Commission has again appointed as our Returning Officer.

If you have any questions regarding the process for nominating for Council, please contact Christine on 0475 718 571.

A postal election will be held on 21 October 2023.

WELL DONE TO THE SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP FINANCE TEAM

The Shire's Finance Team, led by Deputy Chief Executive Officer Charmaine Solomon, and Senior Finance Officer Tamara Pike, was recently recognised by the Office of the Auditor General as being in the top 20 local governments in the State for achieving 'best practice' for 2021-22. This took into consideration timeliness and quality of financial reporting and controls. Please see Media Release over page.

CONGRATULATIONS DANIELLE WISEWOULD

Our valued staff member, Danielle Wisewould, was recently recognised by St John Ambulance WA for 15+ years of service as a Volunteer Ambulance Officer. Not only does Danielle respond to emergencies, she works tirelessly behind the scenes as Chairperson of the Jerramungup Sub-Centre Committee, is heavily involved in progressing the new Emergency Services Precinct in Bremer Bay, and can often be found in the ambulance at winter sports. We congratulate Danielle on being recognised by St John Ambulance WA for her outstanding contribution to our community.

SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING CHANGE OF TIME

The Council Meeting to be held on 27 September 2023 will commence at **2.00pm** in the Council Chamber, Jerramungup.

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

Permits to burn are required in

ZONE 5—BREMER BAY/PT HENRY PENINSULA

From **1 September 2023** until **31 October 2023**

Welcome to the monthly edition of the Council BUZZ.

The Council Buzz aims to bring you the latest Shire information including decisions of Council, current works and other news from the office and around town.

The Buzz can be sent straight to your inbox, if you would like a copy, please email - council@jerramungup.wa.gov.au.

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MEDIA RELEASE

28 August 2023

SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP RECOGNISED FOR BEST PRACTICE BY OFFICE OF AUDITOR GENERAL

The Office of the Auditor General (OAG) recently released its whole of Local Government audit findings for the 2021-22 financial year.

This report to State Parliament summarises the final results of the OAG's annual audits of most local governments for the year ended 30 June 2022.

For the first time, this year's OAG report included a list of the top 20 of the 146 local government entities in WA achieving 'best practice' for 2021-22.

The Shire of Jerramungup was recognised in the top 20 for timeliness and quality of financial reporting and controls.

OAG Audit General Caroline Spencer said *'I congratulate these entities for their commitment to timely and quality financial reporting to their communities. I particularly acknowledge and commend the number of regional shires that have made this inaugural list, given the extent of resource and labour constraints that can disproportionately affect our regions.'*

The performance of the Shire was acknowledged across a number of criteria including the timely preparation for audit, high quality financial and maintenance of good financial management controls.

Shire President Joanne Iffla said *'This is fantastic recognition of the Shire of Jerramungup and in particular our Finance Team, who consistently strive for best practice in financial reporting.'*

'For a small, rural Shire such as ours to be listed in the top 20 local governments in the state is an amazing achievement, and our staff are to be congratulated for their efforts.'

Shire CEO Martin Cuthbert said *'I would particularly like to mention Charmaine Solomon, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, and Tamara Pike, Senior Finance Officer, whose high standards have resulted in this outcome we can all be very proud of.'*

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COUNCIL MEETING MATTERS

CSRFF Application—Jerramungup Sports Club

At the August 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council was requested to consider an application from the Jerramungup Sports Club for grant funding under the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) grants program for the construction of a new ablution block to be located at the Jerramungup Sports Complex.

The application to the CSRFF proposes the construction of an accessible and unisex ablution block between the Bowling Club shed and the Hockey oval. It has support from all the key users of the area.

As part of the application process, Council is required to assess and rank the application for formal lodgement with the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

If the project is successful in achieving funding through the CSRFF, Council's 2023/2024 budget includes provision for a cash contribution. In addition, in the event of a successful outcome, it is proposed that the Shire commit to maintaining the asset into the future to ensure the facility can be open to the wider public all year round.

Councillor Acknowledgements

- The Works Crew was acknowledged for the standard of their work on roads and verges.
- The Town Services Team was acknowledged for the tidiness and cleanliness of our towns.
- Steve Elson was acknowledged for his passion and support for responsible management of the environment.
- Danielle Wisewould was acknowledged for her 15 years of service with St John Ambulance WA.
- Jason Richter was acknowledged for being named Volunteer of the Year for the Great Southern Region.

If you have any questions about matters considered by Council, please contact the Shire office on 9835 1022 or email council@jerramungup.wa.gov.au.

Further detail is also available under Council Meetings on the Shire website www.jerramungup.wa.gov.au

RESTRICTED & PROHIBITED BURNING TIMES

The Shire of Jerramungup has gazetted the following datelines for its Restricted Burning Times & Prohibited Burning Times

ZONE 1, 2, 3 & 4—SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP

1 October 2023—31 October 2023	Restricted Burning Time, Permits Required
1 November 2023—7 February 2024	PROHIBITED BURNING
8 February 2024—30 April 2024	Restricted Burning Time, Permits Required

ZONE 5—BREMER BAY/PT HENRY PENINSULA

1 September 2023—31 October 2023	Restricted Burning Period, Permits Required
1 November 2023—5 April 2024	PROHIBITED BURNING
6 April 2024—31 May 2024	Restricted Burning Time, Permits Required

COUNCIL WORKS REPORT

Works

- Rabbit Proof Fence Road—Completed re-sheeting a 3km section .
- Jacup North Road—Started a gravel re-sheet of a 3km section.
- Maintenance of Swamp Road, Devils Creek South Road and Boxwood-Ongerup Road..

Town Services

Bremer Bay

- General maintenance activities of parks, gardens and reserves, including:
 - ⇒ Weed control along footpaths and roads.
 - ⇒ Pruning of street trees within the townsite.
 - ⇒ Coastal reserves maintenance, including the removal of rubbish, weed control and pruning of vegetation.
 - ⇒ General rubbish removal throughout the townsite and along Point Henry and Wellstead Roads.
 - ⇒ Revitalisation projects of Pelican Park Gardens and the Bremer Bay CRC front garden.

Jerramungup

- General maintenance activities of parks and gardens, including:
 - ⇒ Weed control, rubbish removal and pruning of street trees.
 - ⇒ Revitalisation project of the Jerramungup CRC grounds, and gardens near the Chemist.
 - ⇒ Weed control and pruning of overhanging vegetation throughout the Jerramungup laneways.
 - ⇒ Removal of graffiti from signage along the South Coast Highway.
 - ⇒ Street maintenance, including filling in potholes and clearing of drains.

Environment

- Follow up of fauna surveys within the fire mitigation zones of the Boxwood Hill region. Identified successful breeding of two pairs of the Endangered Western Whipbird. Both active nests supporting young were located just beyond the fire application zones. Note: The Shire of Jerramungup's road reserves support one of the most significant breeding populations of the Endangered Western Whipbird.
- Over the next couple of months, weed control activities will focus on Vic Tea Tree control within environmentally sensitive areas, including areas along Swamp Road and along the access road to the Bremer Bay Airfield.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Change of Time - Ordinary Council Meeting 27 September 2023

In accordance with Regulation 12 (3) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*, notice is hereby given of a change of time for the following Ordinary Council meeting:

Date: Wednesday, 27 September 2023
Time: 2.00pm
Venue: Council Chambers, Jerramungup



MARTIN CUTHBERT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

28 August 2023

INFORMATION

SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP RATES NOTICES

Rates notices have been sent out. If you do not receive a rates notice for property you own in the Shire of Jerramungup, please email rates@jerramungup.wa.gov.au or call (08) 9835 1022.

Due dates for payment are:

- Pay rates in full:

29 September 2023

- Pay by two instalments:

⇒ First Instalment payment:

29 September 2023;

⇒ Second Instalment:

2 February 2024

- Pay by four instalments:

⇒ First Instalment Payment: 29 September 2023

⇒ Second Instalment Payment: 1 December 2023

⇒ Third Instalment Payment: 2 February 2024

⇒ Fourth Instalment Payment: 5 April 2024

RUBBISH TIP OPENING HOURS

Jerramungup Tip — Chittowurup Road

Tuesday: 12pm—5pm

Sunday: 10am—4pm

Bremer Bay Tip — Wellstead Road

Wednesday: 10am—2pm

Friday: 10am—4pm

Sunday: 12pm—4pm

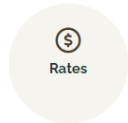
Fees apply

HAVE YOU MOVED?

If you own property in the Shire of Jerramungup, you must inform the Shire of your current address for rating purposes.

Changes of address must be provided in writing or submitted through the Shire of Jerramungup website online Change of Address form, which can be found at the end of the Rates page.

On the Shire home page, click



Or...

Email: rates@jerramungup.wa.gov.au

Mail: PO Box 92, Jerramungup WA 6337

COUNCIL MATTERS

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

27 SEPTEMBER 2023

An Ordinary Meeting of Council is to be held on 27 September 2023 at 2.00pm in the Council Chambers, Jerramungup. A full copy of the meeting's Agenda can be viewed at the Shire office, or downloaded from the Shire website <https://www.jerramungup.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/> 72 hours prior to the meeting.

MINUTES FROM LAST COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes from the last council meeting held 23 August 2023 can be found on the Shire's website <https://www.jerramungup.wa.gov.au/council-meetings>