

# Council for the Community

Community Information for the Shire of Busselton

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## CUPPA WITH A COUNCILLOR

"Cuppa with a Councillor" is an informal and relaxing way to get to know your councillors at the Shire of Busselton.

Come and chat with your councillors about issues that concern you, or simply get to know the people that represent you. Two different councillors will be available every month.

"Cuppa with a Councillor" is held on the first Tuesday of every month at the Busselton Library between 11am – 12 noon.

Dunsborough Library sessions will be held every three months between 11am – 12 noon.

The next session will be held with Councillor Ross Bromell & Councillor Beth Hastie on Tuesday, 3 March 2009 at the Busselton Library between 11am – 12 noon.

Councillors attending subject to change without notice.



## Financial Assistance for Community Projects, Groups & Events

### Community Bids for the 2009 / 2010 Budget

The aim of the Community Bids is to grant financial assistance to organisations that provide services or activities that align with the Shire's strategic plan and deliver sustainable social, environmental and / or economic benefit to the Shire of Busselton community.

Funding allocations include the following:

- General donations and grants
- Fee waivers (facilities, services and other)
- Events sponsorship
- In-kind works

**This year's applications must be submitted on the NEW application form by 4.30pm Friday, 27 February 2009.**

Application forms, information & guidelines are available from the Shire Office, website [www.busselton.wa.gov.au](http://www.busselton.wa.gov.au), by contacting **Kate Meggitt on 9781 0383** or [katherine.meggitt@busselton.wa.gov.au](mailto:katherine.meggitt@busselton.wa.gov.au).

Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact **Allan Whitfield, Manager of Community Development on 9781 0462** to discuss their applications prior to submission.

## INVITATION TO ATTEND LOCAL TOURISM PLANNING STRATEGY WORKSHOPS

A draft Local Tourism Planning Strategy (LTPS) has been developed by consultants, Sustainable Development Facilitation, Landvision and Centre for Sustainable Tourism in conjunction with Shire staff and the LTPS Technical Working Group.

Extensive consultation occurred with relevant stakeholders and members of the community during its preparation. The consultants have developed the LTPS following the completion of stakeholder workshops in conjunction with the Shire, and an "Accommodations Audit", "Issues and Opportunities Paper" and a "Demand Analysis".

The LTPS, background documents and a summary document including an Executive summary and summary of recommendations, are available for viewing on the Shire website at [www.busselton.wa.gov.au/tps/tourism](http://www.busselton.wa.gov.au/tps/tourism)

Council has resolved to conduct further consultation to enable discussion or resolution of key issues. This will assist to further refine the LTPS before it is submitted to Council for consent to advertise for community consultation. Two workshops will be held to discuss the LTPS as follows:

### Workshop 1 – Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds

This workshop will provide opportunities for dialogue on the assessment and recommendations of the draft Local Tourism Planning Strategy as they relate to caravan parks and camping grounds.

When: **Thursday 26 February 2009**

Time: **8.30am to 3.00pm**

Where: Bayview Geographe Resort

555 Bussell Highway, Busselton

### Workshop 2 – Local Tourism Planning Strategy

This workshop will provide opportunities for dialogue on the assessment and recommendations of the draft Local Tourism Planning Strategy in general.

When: **Friday 27 February 2009**

Time: **8.30am to 3.00pm**

Where: Bayview Geographe Resort

555 Bussell Highway, Busselton

To confirm your attendance and nominate the workshop you wish to attend please email **Joy Reading: [joy.reading@busselton.wa.gov.au](mailto:joy.reading@busselton.wa.gov.au)** or phone **9781 0469** by **Friday 6 February 2009**.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT LATE RESPONSES MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED**

## Yoongarillup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade Meeting

A meeting for the Yoongarillup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade will held **on Wednesday, 11 February 2009 at 7.30pm at the Yoongarillup Hall.**

### Business of the meeting

To discuss future direction of Yoongarillup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade and its members.

All members & residence are welcome.

For further information, please contact **Andy Thompson, Fire Management Officer on 9781 0468.**

## SHIRE SEEKING THREE COMMUNITY MEMBERS - SHIRE OPERATIONS & COUNCIL CHAMBERS COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

The Shire is seeking 3 members of the community willing to participate on the Community Reference Group for the proposed Shire Operations & Council Chambers project at Rotary Park.

Meetings will be held on the fourth **Tuesday of each month, 5.30 pm – 6.30 pm (approximately) in the Committee Room at the Shire offices.**

A nomination form which will allow you to demonstrate your interest in the project and the community in general will need to be completed for a selection process.

Nomination forms are available from: **Moira King, telephone 9781 0498 or via email at [moira.king@busselton.wa.gov.au](mailto:moira.king@busselton.wa.gov.au).**

This is your chance to get involved in this exciting project and have input in all stages of the process.

## Keeping you up to date with your Shire

**NEW** quarterly newsletter available at the Shire of Busselton, your local Library or click onto [www.busselton.wa.gov.au](http://www.busselton.wa.gov.au)



## Helicopter Line Washing - Information for Busselton Shire Residents

Western Power will be carrying out routine washing of powerlines by helicopter in **January and February 2009.**

This important maintenance work will reduce the risk of pole top fires and improve the quality of your power supply.

Landowners are advised to consider moving livestock as the helicopter may need to land in paddocks for closer inspection or to refuel.

To find out when the Western Power helicopter will be in your area call **13 10 87.**

**Andrew Macnish, Chief Executive Officer**  
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