

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 David Reid and Councillor Don Hanran-Smith on Tuesday, 5 May 2009 at the Busselton Library between 11am – 12 noon.



Community Reference Group

The Shire is seeking individuals of the Shire to form a **Community Reference Group (CRG)** as recommended in the Scheme Review Communications Strategy 2007. The Group will be established to have input to the development of a "Local Planning Strategy". A Local Planning Strategy (LPS) is a major part of the Scheme Review process. Six sector based strategies have or are currently being developed that relate to: settlement (including housing, transport and infrastructure); tourism; commerce; culture and heritage; environment; and rural land use. These strategies will be integrated to form the basis of the LPS.

The CRG is to be established during the development of the sector based strategies, specifically at the commencement of the Local Settlement Planning Strategy to provide input to the development and finalisation of the LPS. The Group will support the process for a time frame of approximately 12 to 18 months from early 2009 to late 2010, and may be asked to reconvene towards the final approval stages of the Scheme Review to obtain feedback on the decision-making process.

The CRG will be a broad based group. A total of approximately 15 representatives will be sought from the following sections of the community: Indigenous; Youth; Environment; Surfer/Recreational Fisherman; Cultural; Commercial business owner; Development Industry; Farm business; Sporting Groups; Tourism Operator; Local industry representative; Busselton locality; Dunsborough locality; Rural; Coast. Where adequate representation cannot be obtained from the abovementioned sectors individual consultation may occur with specific groups.

Members will be selected based on the following attributes:

- Understanding of sustainability and planning issues
- Past and current involvement in the community (especially community groups and activities)

The LSPS has recently commenced and the LPS will commence later this year. Participation in approximately two workshops and four formal meetings by representatives during this period is anticipated.

Terms of Reference for the CRG are available by contacting Joy Reading at the Shire: joy.reading@busselton.wa.gov.au or phone (08) 97810 469. Submissions of a maximum length of one page should be made in writing or email to Joy Reading, Shire of Busselton, Locked Bag 1, Busselton, WA 6280 by Thursday, 23 April 2009. For further information please contact Mersina Robinson, Project Manager Scheme Review 9781 0342 or email mersina.robinson@busselton.wa.gov.au

Busselton 2020 Project Group Community Representative Vacancies

The Busselton 2020 Project Group is a Shire working group made up of industry representatives and community members with a vision for the future direction of the Busselton town centre.

The vision is based upon a heritage rich, coastal urban lifestyle with distinctive ocean, town and river character.

'Our people, activities, environment and design will form the heart of the Central Business District (CBD) where businesses can succeed and enhance the vitality of the town.'

The Busselton 2020 Project Group is seeking community representatives to work with Shire staff and industry representatives to achieve this vision.

Successful representatives should live in the Busselton Shire and can represent the broader views of the community on items including urban design, lifestyle, public art and the future of the Busselton town centre.

Applicants should also share the following traits:

- Dedicated
- Great communication skills
- An interest in town centre enhancement
- Openness to new ideas and group discussion
- A sense of humour!

The Busselton 2020 Project Group generally meets once a month on Thursdays at 4pm – 5.30pm at the Shire office, however some flexibility is required.

Please send a written expression of interest outlining your background, interests, group memberships and what you feel you could bring to the Busselton 2020 Project Group by close of business Tuesday 24th April 2009.

Email Expressions of Interest to:

C/o Natalie Venosi, Project Officer Busselton 2020 Project Group mosaic@wn.com.au or

Att: Natalie Venosi, Busselton 2020 Project Group, Shire of Busselton, Locked Bag 1, Busselton WA 6280.

COMMUNITY & SPORTING GROUPS

Would you like to manage and reward your volunteers better?

Do you need more volunteers?

Then this **FREE** workshop is for you...

Come along to gather ideas for a fresh approach and to get some great practical tips

VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT, RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Date: Tuesday 19 May 2009

Time: 6.00 – 9.00pm

Venue: Busselton Youth and Community Centre, Cnr Bussell Hwy and High St, Busselton

Light supper and refreshments will be provided.

To register you need to complete a simple registration slip and these can be found on the Shire's website – www.busselton.wa.gov.au or by calling **Emma O'Brien, Community Development Officer on (08) 9781 0496.**

This workshop is being hosted by the Shire of Busselton with support from WACOSS.

LOST YOUR PLOT COMPETITION



The Shire of Busselton is giving away a plot in the ever growing Community Garden. The use of the plot is for 12 months and any School or Community Group can write to us for your chance to win!

How to enter: In 25 words or less tell us why your school or group deserves to win a plot for 12 months. Please submit your entry to Helena Webb at helena.webb@busselton.wa.gov.au or Locked Bag 1, Busselton WA 6280.

Entries close 30 April 2009. Winner announced in the Council for Community.

APPLICATIONS SOUGHT SHIRE OF BUSSELTON STS LEEUWIN II OCEAN ADVENTURE SCHOLARSHIP

The Shire of Busselton invites sponsorship applications from youths in the 16 - 25 age group for a "Leeuwin Ocean Adventure".

Sponsorships up to \$600 are offered with successful applicants required to pay the balance for a voyage. To be eligible, please submit a resume (one A4 page) and written application (max 250 words) describing how you would benefit from a voyage aboard the Leeuwin.

Applications must be received by close of business, **17 April 2009** and be addressed to:

Wayne Baddock
Administrator for
Busselton Shire
Leeuwin Ocean Adventure
Scholarships
C/- PO Box 229
COWARAMUP WA 6284



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