



Interpretive Signage at the Flax Mill

New interpretive signage has been installed at the Flax Mill detailing the history of the flax industry in Boyup Brook. There are five large signs which are located outside the camp kitchen facing Jackson Street. This location is open to all residents and visitors for viewing. The signage was partly funded by the Heritage Council of WA through the Heritage Community Grants program.

You may have noticed roads works occurring throughout the Shire with the Boyup Brook-Arthur Road resealing project now complete. Along with this the Shire is in the final stages of the Boyup Brook-Cranbrook Road verge works which are now 95% completed.



Boyup Brook-Arthur Road resealing

Summer grading is now 90% complete with the remainder due to be finished by the end of April. Bridge inspections and bridge maintenance have been completed for the 2023/2024 year.

ANZAC Day Dawn Service and Main Service

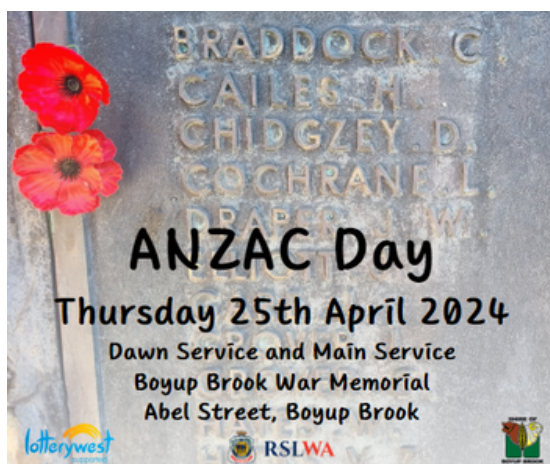
Everyone is welcome to attend the ANZAC Day Dawn Service at the War Memorial on Thursday 25th April 2024.

Pre Dawn Service coffee will be served at 5.30am, Service commencing at 5.45am followed by a Gunfire Breakfast.

The Parade will commence at 10.45am, Main Service at 11.00am followed by light refreshments in the Lesser Hall.

If you are part of the parade please assemble outside the old Commonwealth Bank at 10.30am.

ANZAC Day Boyup Brook is proudly supported by RSL WA, Shire of Boyup Brook and Lotterywest.



Shire Office
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 4:30pm



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☎ (08) 9765 1200
✉ shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au
🌐 www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

Department of Transport
8:30am - 4:00pm

Medical Centre
Monday- Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm
9765 1026

Recycling Dates
Wednesday 10 April
Wednesday 24 April
Wednesday 8 May

Transfer Station
Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm
Sunday 11:00am - 2:00pm

Waste Collection
Every Wednesday
After Hours
Trees on Road
0448 833 102
Harvest & Vehicle Movement Ban
9765 1543

WORK WITH US



Great team, rewarding work

Shire of Boyup Brook Works Department - General Hand - Immediate Start

The Shire is seeking an enthusiastic and versatile person to join our road construction and maintenance team to assist in strategic Capital Works Projects.

What's on offer: Casual and full-time positions.

What's required: Plant operating skills an advantage, training can be provided. Awareness of safety, good communications skills and strong work ethic.

Boyup Brook Swimming Pool - Season Commencing October 2024

The Shire is currently seeking enthusiastic, reliable and friendly Pool Operators and lifeguards to join the team at the Boyup Brook Swimming Pool.

What's on offer: Pool Lifeguard and Pool Operator qualification training.

What's required: Awareness of safety, adequate swimming skills and physical fitness, be available for occasional work over the 24/25 pool season.

Boyup Brook Early Learning Centre - Immediate Start

In this role, you will be responsible for working as part of a team to provide quality early education and care for children, supporting the next generation to develop, explore and learn through play, naturally.

What's on offer: Ongoing casual and flexible shifts for immediate start with the possibility of part-time conversion for the right person.

What's required: Certificate III or Diploma (or near qualified) educator/s and an ACECQA approved Early Learning Childhood Teacher.

These are fantastic opportunities to work close to home, be part of a team environment and be involved with the community. For more information please contact the Shire by phone 9765 1200 or email shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

SHIRE OF BOYUP BROOK COMMUNITY GRANTS ARE NOW OPEN



Applications are now open for the 2024 2025 Shire of Boyup Brook Community Grants program. The grant is to promote and support community-based initiatives that are beneficial to the community and support the Shire of Boyup Brook's Strategic Community Plan.

For information regarding the program please visit www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

New Registration Process for Foodsafe Online Course



The FoodSafe Online Course has a brand new registration process that's more user friendly and efficient! As part of this update, the registration platform has a new website. New Registration Website: <https://foodsafeonline.com.au>

Participants refreshing their knowledge can enroll using the same code an unlimited number of times. Simply click "add a coupon," enter the discount code, and click "apply" to access the course for free. There is no credit card required with Valid Code: **FSBOYUP318** If the discount code is correctly entered, credit card details will not be necessary. Orders placed without a valid code or with incorrect entries will not be refunded.

For any questions or additional information, please refer to the Guide and FAQs page on the new website. It provides comprehensive guidance and answers to common questions.



Rates Information



Pensioner Concession Rebates

To be eligible for the State Government Rebate for the current financial year you must pay your portion of rates and Emergency Services Levy by 30 June 2024. If your payment is not received by 30 June 2024, you will lose your entitlement to claim the State Government Rebate on your Rates and Emergency Services Levy for this year, and these will be automatically deferred. Deferred rates remain a debt against the property until such time as they are paid. Please note that all Waste charges are not deferrable and are required to be paid each year.

Pensioner Concession Rebate - Information

RevenueWA use a verification system which cross matches VEN, property address and Pensioner information. If you are a RURAL Pensioner, please ensure the address on your pensioner card is the same as the property address listed on your rates notice as many rural ratepayers have more than one assessment. Please ensure that the Shire has been provided with the preferred postal address for all correspondence.

Eligibility to Receive a Concession Rebate

To receive a concession, you must own and occupy the property as your principal place of residence on 1 July of the current financial year and hold a valid concession card.

Holders of the Pensioner Concession Card or State Concession Card

- The rebate is up to 50% for rates, limited to a maximum (capped) amount of \$750.
- The option to defer rates may be available if the required criteria is met.
- Receive a rebate on water usage charges, limited to a maximum (capped) amount.

Holders of the WA Seniors Card and the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card

- The rebate is up to 50% for rates, limited to a maximum (capped) amount of \$750.
- The option to defer rates may be available if the required criteria is met.

Holders of the WA Seniors Card only

- The rebate is up to 25% for rates, limited to a maximum (capped) amount of \$100.
- There is no option to defer rates.



If you have any questions or are having difficulties paying your rates, please give the Rates Officer a call on 9765 1200 or email shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au to discuss options that may be available to you.



Ordinary Council Meetings 2024

Shire Council Chambers
55 Abel Street, Boyup Brook



All Council meetings (unless otherwise decided by Council) are open to the public. Residents, ratepayers and other interested parties are welcome to attend. Meetings commence at 6:00pm.

18 April 2024	30 May 2024	27 June 2024	25 July 2024
29 August 2024	26 September 2024	31 October 2024	28 November 2024
19 December 2024			

**Dates correct at time of publication, please check the Shire website for any changes*

Your Councillors

Cr Richard Walker (Shire President)	0429 661 051	Cr Helen O'Connell (Deputy Shire President)	0427 653 146
Cr Sarah Alexander	0417 941 744	Cr Philippe Kaltenrieder	0429 700 708
Cr Charles Caldwell	0418 913 531	Cr Darren King	0417 796 298
Cr David Inglis	0418 651 088	Cr Michael Wright	0427 191 785



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Pine Plantations in Boyup Brook

The State Government campaign to expand State owned pine plantations in Boyup Brook is progressing as the Forest Products Commission purchases more farming properties to convert to pine plantations. There are local and real Social, Economic and Environmental issues associated with this State Government program to spend \$350m changing land tenure. However, in Boyup Brook we can minimise the impact and generate local opportunity at the same time.

Consider "Small Lot Forestry" (say 10ha to 40ha - 1 or multiple sites) on your property where you receive annual income from Carbon Credits - that is real dollars in the bank (typically over the last few years around \$600/ha per year for the first 18 years) then at around plantation age 25 years - 30years you receive income from harvest and sale of pine logs according to your production plan. This timber is Primary Production for taxation purposes with the capacity to generate substantial returns.

Some points to note are:

- The Forest Products Commission has historically offered to provide establishment support (such as free seedlings with conditions)
- The Timber Hub "Decision Tree" is a Federal Government support tool to assist with site selection and budgeting
- Industry has offered to provide Carbon Credit accumulation, market and regulation support with conditions
- Industry can offer options for pine log supply contracts
- Loss of local families is minimised
- Income is generated locally which supports increased local expenditure
- Biosecurity is improved through better pest and weed management by local landowners
- Water catchments and impact on local water tables is improved
- Fire risks are better managed

For further information, please contact Shire President Richard Walker - 0429 661 051 or Shire CEO Leonard Long - 9765 1200

Free Seedlings Available



The Forest Products Commission (FPC) manages the Farm Forestry Assist Program, a one-off grant for farmers and other landowners to plant pine trees on their land.

Successful applicants located within the State's South West are provided with high-quality radiata pine seedlings from the FPC at no cost to the successful applicant.

Farmers and landowners interested in establishing 20 to 50-hectare pine plantations on their properties are invited to apply.

For more information visit Farm Forestry Assist Program (www.wa.gov.au)

<https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/forest-products-commission/farm-forestry-assist-program>

Claim the WA Student Assistance Payment offer using the ServiceWA app



\$150 for
kindergarten
and primary
students

\$250 for
secondary
school
students

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get-ready-claim-the-wa-student-
assistance-payment-offer-using-
the-servicewa-app](http://www.wa.gov.au/announcements/get-ready-claim-the-wa-student-assistance-payment-offer-using-the-servicewa-app)