

Proposed Playground at Sandakan Park

The Sandakan Park Playground concept plan was endorsed at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 14th December 2023. The new playground is subject to the Shire obtaining funding to complete all phases including the main play area (below), perimeter fencing and landscaping, urban warrior course, perimeter play equipment and dog park.



The playground is part of the overall masterplan for Sandakan Park which will see the area transform over the coming years to be a family friendly green space for the community, visitors and tourists to enjoy.

If you would like to partner with the Shire in this innovative, community based project, please contact the Shire CEO, Leonard Long, for details.



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



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

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

Recycling Dates
Wednesday 7 February
Wednesday 21 February
Wednesday 6 March

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

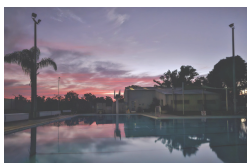
SWIMMING LESSONS AT THE BOYUP BROOK SWIMMING POOL



Infant to four year old swimming lessons will be commencing on the 5th February and will run from 12:00pm - 2:00pm on the following Mondays in February - 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th and the following Mondays in March 4th, 11th and 18th. Please note the swimming pool will be closed to the public during these lessons.



Water aerobics offers low-impact exercise, reducing joint stress. It enhances cardiovascular fitness, strength, flexibility, and is suitable for all fitness levels. Lessons are held every Monday and Wednesday and commence at 8:30am.



Come along to early morning swimming and enjoy the cool, quiet surrounds as you enjoy a refreshing and invigorating workout. Early morning swimming is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday during the hours of 5:30am - 7:15am.



The Shire of Boyup Brook has been successful in receiving funding from the Royal Life Saving Society WA Swim & Survive Fund to provide swimming lessons to multicultural, disadvantaged and older children in lower swimming stages. Lessons are fully funded for those who meet the criteria. If you are interested please contact Tara at the pool as places are limited.

If you are interested in your child attending swimming lessons, or would like to attend water aerobics or early morning swimming, please contact Tara at the swimming pool on 9765 1166.



There has been an increase in the dumping of rubbish along the roads and reserves of the Shire. Please dispose of your rubbish thoughtfully so these spaces can be used and enjoyed by all of the community. The rubbish pictured left was found in a short 5km distance and includes recyclable items and many containers for change items. Containers for change baskets have been installed around the townscape if you are unable to attend the collection point.



When was your last Cycle of Care Check?

Cycle of care checks should be performed annually. Book in with our Nurse to discuss your diabetes management as well as risk identification and additional support options.

What's involved:

- Discussing lifestyle choices such as diet and exercise
- Checking blood pressure and pathology results.
- Performing foot checks
- Reviewing medications
- Arranging referrals to specialists for continued care

This is a service available to all Diabetic patients and is covered by Medicare.

Don't have Diabetes, but want to assess your risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes? Scan the QR code to open the free Diabetes Australia risk calculator



Boyup Brook Medical Services
78 Abel Street, Boyup Brook
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Email: reception@boyupmedical.com.au



Do You Have Diabetes?



TOTAL FIRE BAN versus HARVEST VEHICLE MOVEMENT BAN

There has been some confusion when it comes to a Total Fire Ban and a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban. To help clarify, let's look at the differences below.

Total Fire Ban



These are issued by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) on days where a fire is most likely to spread rapidly because of extreme fire weather, or if there are already widespread fires and we don't have the resources to fight additional fires. The lighting of open-air fires or any other activity in the open air that is likely to cause a fire is banned. Total Fire Bans affect everyone.

How do you know if a Total Fire Ban has been declared? You can check by



checking the Emergency WA Website
www.emergency.wa.gov.au



calling the Total Fire Ban Hotline on
1800 709 355



by calling DFES
on 133 337



follow DFES on
Facebook or Twitter



listen to ABC local radio and
other media outlets

What you need to know about Total Fire Bans

- TFBs are announced either in the afternoon, the day before, or on the actual day.
- TFBs affect farmers, campers, construction workers and residents both urban and rural.
- TFBs usually start at midnight and last for 24 hours.
- The need for the ban is assessed throughout the day and may be cancelled depending on conditions.
- Exemptions can be granted for some industries and activities.
- Any burning permits held by residents or landowners are fully suspended until the ban is over.
- TFBs are declared using the whole local government boundary.

For more information on what you can and can't do during a Total Fire Ban including activities that may be exempt, visit the DFES website - www.dfes.wa.gov.au

Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans



Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans are put in place by the local government of the area. Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans may be declared at any time throughout the day as conditions change. If you ignore a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban and cause a fire it could render your insurance invalid and attract a fine of up to \$25,000 and/or a conviction.

How do you know if a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban has been declared? You can check by



add your mobile number to the
Shire SMS communication list



checking the Shire Website
www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au



by calling the Shire
on (08) 9765 1200



calling the Harvest Vehicle Movement
Ban Hotline on (08) 9765 1543



follow the Shire
on Facebook



listen to ABC local radio
558am, 648am & 1044am

For more information on what you can and can't do during a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban including activities that may be exempt, visit the Shire website - www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

Stay safe this summer and prepare a bushfire plan. For more information visit the DFES website <http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/hazard-information/bushfire/prepare>



CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO JOIN THE RYLINGTON PARK COMMITTEE

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The Committee currently comprises of 6 Councillors and 4 voluntary Community Committee members and is chaired by the Shire President.

Background Information

Rylington Park Institute for Agricultural Training and Research (Rylington Park) is located in Mayanup, 27km from Boyup Brook town site on the Boyup Brook-Cranbrook Road. The 650 hectare property was gifted to the Shire of Boyup Brook in 1985 by the late Mr Eric Farleigh for Research and Training in Agriculture and the betterment of Boyup Brook.

The property is managed by the Shire of Boyup who employ staff to operate the farm, host training schools and workshops and coordinate fertiliser and seed trials on the property. Australian Wool Innovation (AWI) provide financial support for Rylington Park to hosts shearing and wool classing schools annually. These training schools attract youth interested in shearing or sheep and wool handling professions, which is important for the sustainability of the sheep industry.

Rylington Park also hosts field days each year, which include 'Storm in a Teacup' Women's Day in March and the Annual Field Day in September.

Rylington Park provides financial support to youth in Boyup Brook who are considering a future in agriculture, by granting scholarships to students attending Agriculture Schools in Year 11 and 12.

Further information can be found in the Charter of the Rylington Park Institute for Agricultural Training and Research by visiting the Shire website www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

As a Community Committee member of Rylington Park Committee, you will:

- Have a commitment to the betterment of Rylington Park;
- Attend and contribute to committee meetings once a month.

Enquiries

If you would like to discuss this role further, please contact the Shire President Richard Walker on 0429 661 051.

To submit your interest in the role, please email shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au, attention to the Shire President, with the following details by Friday 8 March 2024:

- Name
- Email
- Phone Number
- Why you would like to be considered for this position.

Leonard Long
Chief Executive Officer

11 January 2024



SHIRE NEWS

Change of Ownership or Address of Your Property

To ensure prompt receipt of your rate notice, please complete a change of address form. This can be completed by either coming into the office or by downloading, completing and submitting the form from the Shire website to notify us of any change to the ownership or changes of postal address. There is an obligation on property owners to ensure that the Shire has the correct address for service of notices. The Shire accepts no responsibility for mail not received due to an incorrect mailing address or a mail redirection.

Notice must be given in writing to the Shire within 21 days after a rateable property has been sold. Details of land description and name and address of the new owner must be provided. Proof of new ownership will be required prior to the Shire's records being updated.

For more information regarding rates, including Pensioner Concession Rebates, please visit the Shire website <https://www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au/services/ratepayers-residents/rates.aspx>

If you are having difficulty paying your rates, please contact the Shire Rates Officer on 9765 1200.

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26 MARCH 2024



**TOWN TEAM
MOVEMENT**

Are you one of the passionate members in our community who would love to be involved in making improvements in our town? If so, Town Team Movement is for you!

If you are interested in being a change maker and being part of a Town Team Movement for Boyup Brook, contact Nicki at the Shire. Town Teams are community lead, inclusive, open to all and are all about improving a place or area. For more information on the Town Team Movement visit www.townteammovement.com

Heading to the Transfer Station?



Don't forget to separate your recyclables from your general waste. This not only helps our environment by sending less waste to landfill, it will cost you less as greenwaste and residential recycling are free! The Transfer Station attendant will direct you to the correct location for each category.



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.

29 February 2024	28 March 2024	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