

Playground Update



Artist impression

At the August 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council awarded the tender to Design and Construct the Sandakan Park playground to Active Discovery. It is anticipated works will commence by the end of this year/beginning of next year, with a projected completion date of June 2025. More information will be available soon including plans of the all ages play space.

This amazing project has been generously funded by Talison Lithium through the Talison Community Investment Program (CIP).



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



Successful Grant Funding

Over the past month, the Shire has successfully been awarded grant funding for the following projects:

- \$19,430 through the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's Community Water Supply Partnerships program, which will enable us to purchase and install a Solar-powered Standpipe for the community to access water for agricultural and livestock purposes during periods of low rainfall when required. This will be located at the southern end of Sandakan Park near Cowley Street.
- \$50,000 from the WA Football Commission, through its WA Football Facilities Fund, which will go towards the redevelopment of the Sports & Recreation precinct, and specifically providing accessible and all-inclusive changerooms. We're also working on other grant applications to contribute to this important community priority so watch this space!

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



✉ PO Box 2 Boyup Brook 6244
(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 9 October
Wednesday 23 October
Wednesday 6 November

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

! Important Information Regarding Rates Payment Options !



Did you pay your first rates instalment or pay in full by the 16th September 2024? When a payment is made after the due date, the instalment option is automatically made unavailable and no reminders or statements are sent. If you missed the payment date, please contact the Rates Officer to discuss available options.

The Shire of Boyup Brook offers 5 different ways to pay your rates. These are:



BPay - Biller Code 151662, the reference number can be found on the bottom left of each notice. Each property has a different reference number so please pay these individually. It is the ratepayers responsibility to allocate payments to the correct property assessment.



In person at the Shire of Boyup Brook, 55 Abel Street, Boyup Brook. You can pay in person by cash, cheque or card. Please bring your Rates Notice with you.



Cheque - Please make cheques payable to Shire of Boyup Brook and include the payment slip at the bottom of your Rates Notice. Mail to Shire of Boyup Brook, PO Box 2 Boyup Brook 6244. If you would like a receipt, please request one as receipts are not automatically mailed out.



Phone - Payment can be made by credit card or debit card. Phone the Shire of Boyup Brook on 9765 1200. Please quote your Assessment number or numbers if you are paying for more than one property.



Direct Bank Deposit - Pay directly to the Shire from your bank account. Please make sure to add your Assessment number in the description. If you are paying for more than one property, please email the Shire and let us know what the Assessment numbers are and how much you are paying for each property. Please phone the Shire for details.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties in paying your rates, please contact the Shire to discuss payment arrangements.

If you have any questions regarding your rates or would like more information, please contact the Rates Officer either by phone on 9765 1200 or email the Shire shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au with Attention Rates Officer in the subject line.



Community Awards

Nominations are now open for the Shire of Boyup Brook Community Awards - Citizen of the Year, Young Achiever of the Year, Sports Person of the Year and Kevin Henderson Memorial Award - Volunteer. If you know a local community member who has shown an outstanding contribution to the community, is a great role model with inspiring qualities, or has brought about a significant initiative which has enriched our community, consider nominating them for a Shire of Boyup Brook Community Award.

Nomination forms are available at the Shire Administration Office and on the Shire website www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au. Nominations must be in an envelope clearly marked "Citizenship Award", "Sports Person Award", "Young Achiever Award" or "The Kevin Henderson Memorial Award" and forwarded to the Shire Administration Office, either in person, by mail or email by 4.00pm Friday 1st November 2024.



Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice - Frequently Asked Questions

Q What is the Shire of Boyup Brook Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice?

A The Shire of Boyup Brook Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice is a legal document under section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954 that instructs landowners/occupiers of the actions they must take to prepare their properties for the upcoming fire season. Landowners/occupiers who fail to comply with conditions contained in the Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice by the date of inspection may be issued with a penalty of up to \$5,000.00 under the Act.

Q What happens if I never received a copy of the Notice or have misplaced it? What can I do?

A There are a few options available to you.

- Contact the Shire of Boyup Brook during office hours for another copy to be posted out to you.
- Copies are available to be picked up from the Boyup Brook Shire Office.
- The Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice can be found on the Shire website www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

Please note if you did not receive the Notice in the mail, you are still bound by the requirements of the Notice.

Q I live in town, do I need to comply with the Fire Break and Fire Hazard Notice?

A Yes. All residents/landowners/occupiers of land within the Shire of Boyup Brook, including those with land within town sites, are required and have the shared responsibility to ensure that they comply with the Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice.

Q How will reducing fuel loads on my property make a difference if a bushfire comes through?

A Reducing the fuel loads around your home means that embers from a bushfire will have less chance to catch fire when they hit the ground. This will also reduce the damage caused by the fire and slow the rate of spread of the fire. The better you prepare your property the higher the chance it will survive a bushfire, even if you are not there.

Q Why does a fire break need to be bare earthed and need to be 3 metres wide with 4 metres vertical clearance?

A Fire breaks, when established, need to be a bare earth mineral break which assist in preventing the spread of fire into neighbouring paddocks and exposes the terrain to drivers of firefighting appliances. If erosion or other land use issues prevent a bare earth fire break being established where required, you will need to apply for a variation to that requirement (you must apply no later than 1st October).

Breaks are required to be 3 metres wide with 4 metres vertical clearance to allow clear access to firefighting appliances. Current firefighting vehicles are already 2.5 metres wide and 3.5 metres in height, which provides enough room for vehicles to negotiate and transverse firebreaks. Vertical clearance is required to limit damage to firefighting appliance and eliminate crews working on the crew deck getting injured from over hanging tree branches.

Q Can I just use a chemical herbicide spray to kill the grass to create a firebreak?

A No, all firebreaks are to be bare mineral earth. Whilst spraying herbicides will kill off weeds/plants/grasses and stop growth, the dead material also creates a flammable fuel source if the weed/plant/grass has not degraded down to bare earth.

If you have any further questions, you can find the full FAQs – Firebreak and Fire Hazard Notice on the Shire website or you can contact the Shire on 9765 1200.

Bush Fire Brigade Contact Details

Brigade	Job Title	Name
Benjinup	Fire Control Officer	Rob Imrie
Benjinup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Clint Westphal
Chowerup	Fire Control Officer	Glen Mead
Chowerup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Luke Harding
Dinninup	Fire Control Officer	Tristian Mead
Dinninup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Wayne White
East Boyup Brook	Fire Control Officer	John Ritson
East Boyup Brook	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Ken Holland
Gibbs Road	Fire Control Officer	Ron Bingham
Gibbs Road	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Paul Goerling
Kenninup	Fire Control Officer	Geoffrey Dalton
Kenninup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Nick Bagshaw
Kulikup	Fire Control Officer	Brad Fairbrass
Kulikup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Anthony Marsh
Mayanup	Fire Control Officer	Ben Creek
Mayanup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Matthew Francke
McAlinden	Fire Control Officer	Kieran Power
McAlinden	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Glenn Kirk
Mickalarup/Dwalganup	Fire Control Officer	Clint Graham
Mickalarup/Dwalganup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Jamie Forbes
Nollajup	Fire Control Officer	Marcus Gifford
Nollajup	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Rob Introvigne
Scotts Brook	Fire Control Officer	Charles Caldwell
Scotts Brook	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Dylan Roney
Tonebridge	Fire Control Officer	Matt Della-Gola
Tonebridge	Deputy Fire Control Officer	David Turner
Tweed	Fire Control Officer	David Muir
Tweed	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Scott Nix
West Boyup Brook	Fire Control Officer	Brian Cailes
West Boyup Brook	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Peter Jennings
Volunteer Fire & Rescue	Fire Control Officer	Clint (Arky) Wawillow
Volunteer Fire & Rescue	Deputy Fire Control Officer	Ross Parker

For full details including contact phone numbers, please refer to the Shire website <https://www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au/services/emergency-services/bushfire-control.aspx> or the Emergency Information Pamphlet that was included in your rates notice. Additional copies are available for all residents at the Shire Administration Office.



SHIRE NEWS

WORK WITH US



Great team, rewarding work

Are you looking for an exciting career path that allows you to make a meaningful difference in your community?



Practice Manager – Boyup Brook Medical Services

We are seeking a dynamic and highly organised Practice Manager for the Shire managed Boyup Brook Medical Services.

About the Practice

The Practice is an accredited, mixed billing practice, focused on delivering access to high quality patient services, supporting community health and wellbeing.

About the Role

As the Practice Manager you will manage the administrative, financial, and operational aspects of the Practice. You will work in a supportive environment alongside a team of experienced professionals, including a Senior General Practitioner, General Practitioner, Practice Nurse, receptionists, and visiting allied health practitioners.

Applications close 4.30pm Tuesday 8th October 2024.

For further information, contact Janette Kuypers, Practice Manager on 9765 1026.



Farm Working Manager – Rylington Park

A unique opportunity to manage an operational farm, events and educational facility (Rylington Park Institute for Agricultural Training and Research), with the support of the Rylington Park Committee.

About Rylington Park

Rylington Park is 650Ha property, gifted to the Shire of Boyup Brook in 1985 by the late Mr Eric Farleigh, for research and training in agriculture and to benefit the community.

About the Role

This position is responsible for coordinating annual cropping and livestock programs using sustainable farming practices, coordinating events, developing and implementing agricultural research and training in accordance with the Rylington Park Charter, and developing innovative ways for local government and communities to work together.

Applications close at 4.30pm Friday 18th October 2024.

For further information, contact Leonard Long, Chief Executive Officer on 9765 1200.

Please visit the Shire of Boyup Brook web page for Position Description and information on how to apply. www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

The Shire of Boyup Brook is an inclusive and equal opportunity employer that values and respects diversity in the workplace.

FREE VacSwim and FREE Perth Zoo Entry



VacSwim will be free over the December and January school holidays to encourage more children to learn vital water safety skills. Free summer VacSwim enrolments are open now until Wednesday, 16 October 2024. For more information visit <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/vacswim>



This spring you can take advantage of free tickets with the WA Government Perth Free Zoo Pass! The Perth Zoo Free Pass offer provides Western Australian residents up to four free tickets which can be claimed and booked via the ServiceWA app.

To claim the Perth Zoo Free Pass, log into the ServiceWA app with your Standard strength Digital Identity and navigate to the Discovery tab, to find 'Offers'.

For more information visit <https://perthzoo.wa.gov.au/zoo4you>



Winter grading is on schedule and expected to be completed by the end of the month.



Recent Theft and Vandalism



Last month the community fell victim to incidents of theft and vandalism. These involved the theft of star pickets from newly planted trees in town and various road signs in the Shire. Acts of vandalism have also occurred on white posts and signage resulting in these items having to be repaired and in some cases completely replaced.

When these incidents occur the whole community pays the price. The cost to repair and replace these items is covered by the ratepayer which means other non-essential areas will have funds redirected to cover the cost. These incidents have been reported to the police, where the offenders will face prosecution.

Please respect our Shire assets and keep our community an enjoyable and safe place for everyone.



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.

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 0429 661 051
(Shire President)
Cr Sarah Alexander 0417 941 744
Cr Charles Caldwell 0418 913 531
Cr David Inglis 0418 651 088

Cr Helen O'Connell 0427 653 146
(Deputy Shire President)
Cr Philippe Kaltenrieder 0429 700 708
Cr Darren King 0417 796 298
Cr Michael Wright 0427 191 785



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this code and open
the Shire website.