



# Media release

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## City to complete underground power

The City of Subiaco Council last night resolved to allocate \$4.5 million to complete the undergrounding of power in the city.

The final section of power to be undergrounded includes homes between Onslow and Aberdare roads in Shenton Park.

Works are expected to take place towards the end of the 2012–13 financial year and, once complete, it will mean all streets in the City of Subiaco will have underground power.

Mayor Heather Henderson said the city was pleased to deliver underground power to the remaining areas in the city.

"This is a great outcome for the city and our residents," Mayor Henderson said.

"The city was one of the first local governments in Western Australia to begin undergrounding of power, with the first streets done in the early 1980s.

"Completing underground power has been on the agenda for some time, so the council is very pleased to be able to finish this with technical assistance from Western Power."

The city is unique in delivering underground power at no direct cost to ratepayers, instead funding it through loans.

Undergrounding of power lines improves the continuity and reliability of power supply and assists in avoiding power outages caused by trees, storms and overload.

It also provides additional benefits such as opportunities for streetscape improvements, by removing the visual impact and street tree constraints that powerlines impose.

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