



City of Subiaco becomes certified carbon neutral

The City has become the first certified carbon neutral local government in Western Australia under the Commonwealth's Climate Active program.

The City has always considered emission reduction through its operations but, with direction from the Strategic Community Plan and through the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan, the City has committed to ambitious targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from its operations, including obtaining and maintaining certified carbon neutral status and moving to 100 per cent renewable energy by 2025.

Mayor Penny Taylor said this was a huge milestone for the City and it was great to be leading the sector in taking action to address climate change.

Find out more at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news.

Bulk verge collection update

Community members will be able to choose when their bulk waste gets collected from October with the introduction of an 18 month trial of the verge valet service (VVS).

VVS is a personalised bulk waste collection service that allows residents to choose the week of collection rather than having to hold on to their junk for the previously bi-annual collections.

Extensive consultation over four weeks showed that the a majority were in favour of the switch to verge valet.

Subiaco Mayor Penny Taylor said verge valet had a number of proven benefits including better flexibility and convenience, reducing the amount of waste collected, increasing recycling, and limiting the time junk is out on the verge.

One final bulk verge collection for all households will take place from Monday 23 August, before the verge valet trial commences in October.

Read more at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news.

Heritage grants preserve the soul of Subiaco

The unique and rich history of the City is woven into every frieze, façade, and filigree of our buildings and places, as well as our cultural institutions.

Applications for Round Two of the 2020/21 financial year Heritage grants closed on 9 April 2020.

Seven successful applicants were approved funding at this week's Council Meeting, for conservation works which enhance and reveal the heritage significance of the property or for urgent conservation works required in order to stabilise a building.

The City has a deep appreciation for the owners whose work preserving and restoring these extraordinary buildings is ensuring the soul of the City of Subiaco lives on through our built heritage.

City helps celebrate NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week is an opportunity to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

This year, the City of Subiaco is putting on a range of free activities, including a traditional Welcome to Country and flag raising ceremony, featuring a short traditional dance and followed by a morning tea inspired by Australian native food.

Proud Noongar woman and artist, Seantelle Walsh, will paint the front doors of the Administration Centre and Subiaco Library, and Subiaco Library will be hosting a free special performance by Yirra Yaakin: Bilya Kaatijin.

The library will also be holding a special NAIDOC Storytime session for pre-schoolers, with special guest Freda Ogilvie, as well as school holiday art workshops run by Creative Native Aboriginal Art Gallery.

Find out more and book your spot at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news.

Budget approved

For the second year in a row, there will be a zero per cent rate rise in the City after the budget was adopted by Council at this week's meeting.

Last year, the City rolled out a comprehensive COVID-19 relief and support package for residents and businesses which included a one-off \$2M contribution towards rates to lessen the burden during the height of the pandemic, which lowered the rates payable last year. As this contribution will not be made this year, bills will be higher than those received last year.

There will be no increase in the rate in the dollar, waste service fees or the minimum rates this year, but the State Government has increased the Emergency Services Levy which the City is required to collect on its behalf.

Budget highlights include \$3.97M on road improvements, \$3.56M for parks and reserves, and \$338K in lighting upgrades.

For more, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news

Authorised Inquiry report update

The City will ask the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to consider a number of requests in relation to the recently released Authorised Inquiry report after a Council decision at this week's meeting.

As part of the inquiry process, people named within the draft report were given an opportunity to submit comments for the department to consider but only minor amendments were made to the final report with some factual inaccuracies remaining.

The requests to the department will include to consider all submissions received on the draft report, consider updating the final report to ensure it is factually accurate, advise that it is Council's preference that the independent governance review be conducted following the local government ordinary elections, and more.

The department is currently undertaking a further review of the contents of the final report.

Amended Plans – Development Assessment Panel application – 616 Hay Street, Jolimont

The City is inviting additional public comment on an amended Development Assessment Panel (DAP) application for a bulky goods showroom (Bunnings) at 616 Hay Street, Jolimont. For more information on DAPs visit www.dplh.wa.gov.au/daps.

View the plans or have your say on www.haveyoursay.subiaco.wa.gov.au. Comments are to be received by 5pm Friday 2 July.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

29 JUNE

Seniors Coffee Club

Tuesday 29 June, 10am to 11am
Red Chair Café, Crossways Shopping Centre | Free to attend | Food and refreshments available for purchase

07 JULY

NAIDOC Week Welcome to Country and Flag Raising

Wednesday 7 July, 11am to 12pm
Administration Centre, 241 Rokeby Road
Free

12 JULY

Ignite your Writing Workshop with Sasha Wasley

Monday 12 July, 6pm to 7.30pm
Subiaco Library, 237 Rokeby Road
Free | Bookings essential
*This event for students aged 12 to 17

Senior Space update

Starting on 7 July, Senior Space will move to Wednesdays instead of Thursdays each week. It will continue to be held in Tom Dadour Community Centre from 9am to 12pm.

To book your spot or view all upcoming events, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events.

City to investigate how to improve parking near KEMH

This week, Council considered parking issues around the King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH) precinct.

As a result the City, together with key stakeholders, will investigate how parking arrangements near the hospital can be improved, in particular for parents of children receiving care within the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and local residents.

City staff will now prepare a report to take to Council looking into ways it could improve parking, including – but not limited to: all available options to improve access to parking bays for patients and visitors, with regard to the impact of hospital staff parking; the impact of increased unrestricted parking by permit holders on nearby residential streets and on-street parking stations; the impact on local residential and business amenity; and possible State Government parking subsidies.

The Council is keen to resolve parking issues in and around the precinct and find the best outcome for all stakeholders.



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