

Shire of Toodyay Public Health Plan Community Survey

The Shire of Toodyay is seeking input into the development of its Public Health Plan. This plan is a requirement under the *Public Health Act 2016* and will endeavour to identify the public health needs of the community. Once the health needs of the community have been determined, the Shire can establish objectives and policy priorities for the promotion and protection of public health. Your feedback is important as the Shire wants to advocate for the specific health needs of our residents. The survey is available on the Shire's [Website](#) and [Facebook](#) page, residents within Toodyay and Morangup will be posted hardcopies.

Your survey responses must be received by the Shire no later than **4:00pm on Monday, 20 May 2019**.

For any further enquiries or if you are unable to access a computer and would like a hardcopy of the survey, please contact the Shire's Environmental Health Officer on 9574 9300.



Food businesses within Toodyay

The Shire of Toodyay is fortunate to have an abundance of local produce on its doorstep, and many businesses utilise the opportunity to source this beautiful local fresh food. The Shire has seen an increase in food businesses being registered within the current financial year, and reminds businesses that under the *Food Act 2008* changes made within a food business must be reported to the Shire within seven days of the relevant change. These changes include:

- if the food business ceases to be conducted at the premises to which it is registered;
- if the food business is sold; or
- if there any changes made to the food business that would affect its risk classification (i.e. preparing different food then to what was initially approved).

Failing to report changes to a food business is an offence under the *Food Act 2008*. Further information is available from the Shire's Environmental Health Officer on 9574 9300.



RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

The Shire of Toodyay is currently in the Restricted Burning Period. Permits are required and are currently only being issued for the burning of stubble and chaff for crop preparation purposes for Primary producers. Application for permits must be made via the Shire of Toodyay's website. Please be advised the Restricted Burning Period may be extended beyond 30 April 2019 dependant on weather conditions. Please check the Shire of Toodyay website to stay update with the Restricted Burning Period. Any changes with also be advised via the Shire's Harvest, Vehicle Movement and Hot works Ban SMS system. To OPT IN to this service please text 'BANS' to 0408 017 439.

FIREBREAK ORDER REMINDER

Residents are reminded that they are required to maintain their properties as per the Shire's Firebreak Order until 30 April annually. The Shire's Firebreak Order is sent to property owners annually with the rates notice and can also be viewed on the Shire's website - www.toodyay.wa.gov.au.



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\$1.79 million set to revitalise Toodyay community recreation spaces

Construction of the new Toodyay Sport and Recreation Precinct is set to begin. Premier Mark McGowan visited Toodyay on Friday, 29 March 2019 to announce a \$1.79 million contribution from the State Government and meet local community sport clubs who will benefit from the Precinct.

The project - funded jointly by Federal, State and Local governments - will provide Toodyay with a multipurpose sporting pavilion; new tennis, netball and basketball courts; and relocate the existing hockey and soccer fields to a new location with floodlighting. Located next to the Toodyay District High School, the new precinct will become a hub for grassroots sport providing new facilities for the community's 4,500 residents.

The State Government's contribution is funded through the Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF), which provides funding to local clubs for sport and recreation projects, and Lotterywest.



Pictured (left to right): Stan Scott - CEO; Premier Mark McGowan, Debra Andrijich - Community Development Coordinator and Shire President Cr Brian Rayner

Memory Café Launch Success

The number of people in WA living with dementia is soaring and a new style of cafe is helping them and their loved ones to cope by easing their loneliness.

The newest Memory Café opened in Toodyay this week, thanks to the efforts of Angi McCluskey, whose husband Michael was diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's four years ago. As a social couple who adored going out, the McCluskeys longed for places and occasions they could meet friends, without the awkward conversations and embarrassed faces. So Angi decided to create such a place — a memory cafe. She helped open a similar cafe in Roleystone in February last year, another in York last September, and the most recent was opened this week at Toodyay's 'The Cola Café'.

Alzheimer's WA is striving to create dementia friendly communities in which whole townships or suburbs are geared towards helping people live with dementia. The memory cafe in Toodyay is one part of that goal.

It was especially nice to watch everyone reminisce with a sing along to some songs from yesteryear – it was quite a show! The Cola Café is providing that safe environment where people living with Dementia, their partners/carers, can socialise in a safe, relaxed environment and reduce the social isolation many feel after a dementia diagnosis.

Pictured: The wonderful team from the Cola Café

The Shire wishes to extend a special thankyou to Layla Riley from Alzheimer's WA, Bec and Michael Kays from the Cola Café for their assistance in getting this initiative off the ground and to all the community members who came along in support. The Shire of Toodyay is committed to becoming a Dementia Friendly Town, where people living with dementia can confidently go about their everyday lives while living in a supportive community. The Toodyay Dementia Friendly Working Group will be meeting again in May and there will be further opportunity for business and community members to show their support and get involved with this project.

Toodyay's Memory Cafe runs on the second Tuesday of every month from 10am at The Cola Cafe. It is supported by the Toodyay Shire and Alzheimer's WA.



BIG CHANGES FOR TOODYAY

Ward System Abolished - Every 8 years Local Governments with a ward system are required to review the ward boundaries, whether or not to have wards at all and the number of Councillors. The results of this review are sent to the Local Government Advisory Board which makes a recommendation to the Minister. Following advertising and a 6 week submission period, Council received 14 submissions. Based on the discussion paper and the submissions, Council recommended that wards be abolished. The Board has advised that the Minister has accepted this recommendation. There will continue to be 9 Councillors in the Shire of Toodyay. As a result, there will be 5 Council vacancies at the October 2019 Ordinary Election. The 4 Councillors who have 2 years remaining in their term of office will complete their terms as Councillors for the entire Shire. These Councillors are Cr Rayner, Cr Manning, Cr Greenway and Cr Chitty.

Cr Brook Resigns - Prior to the March Ordinary Council Meeting Cr Craig Brook submitted his resignation as a Councillor, with effect from 1 April 2019. After being elected to Council Cr Brook was employed in a position based in Melbourne and was granted a 6

month leave of absence from his obligations as Councillor. His leave of absence concluded in March and he advised that, due to continuing obligations outside WA he was unable to continue as a Councillor. It is likely that his position on Council will remain unfilled until the October Ordinary Election.

Council Opts for New CEO - Council has decided not to renew the CEO's contract of employment and will shortly commence the process of recruiting a new CEO. Stan Scott has served as CEO of the Shire of Toodyay since July 2012, and has been Toodyay's longest serving CEO.

Record Keeping Audit - Toodyay was one of 4 local governments and the only country local government included in a record keeping audit conducted by the Auditor General. There was a concern across all local governments at the quality of digital records including the scheduled disposal of digital records. Toodyay's new record keeping facility at the Toodyay Junction was recognised as an exemplar of good practice. The Shire has tendered to a new enterprise software system which will help address most of the issues raised. A new high speed data link went live this month which has dramatically improved back up processes.

Where is Moondyne Joe?

Next month we will be launching a "Where is Moondyne Joe" competition. A life size Moondyne Joe will be hidden around town at a different location each week. Take a photo with Joe and upload to Facebook or Instagram using #moondynejoe and #toodyay for a chance to win a prize! Further details can be found at www.toodyay.com.

The launch will be at the Moondyne Festival so make sure you come and find us!

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#MOONDYNEJOE



TOODYAY LIBRARY TALK – APRIL 2019

2019 is flying by, as all the years do – and it's already time for us to take a break for a few days over Easter and Anzac Day. Well, it's *almost* time. We're just letting you know in advance so you have time to come down and stock up on books, audio books and DVDs. We have over a hundred new items in stock for April, including the photography book *Terra* by last month's special guest Louise Coghill, and heaps of fresh adult fiction and fascinating non-fiction. Get in and grab something quick: we'll be closed from Friday, 19 April 2019 to Monday, 22 April 2019, reopening on Tuesday, 23 April 2019 and then closing again for Anzac Day on Thursday, 25 April 2019. Feel free to return your loans via our after-hours chute during this time. Don't forget to eat lots of chocolate and hot cross buns.....just maybe not while you're reading one of our books! **Happy Easter from all the Library ladies!**



April Shire Closures: The Shire administration offices library and depot will be closed at the following times over Easter and Anzac Day. The Visitors Centre will be closed on Good Friday only.

Friday, 19 March - Closed (Good Friday)
Monday, 22 March - Closed (Easter Monday)
Tuesday, 23 March - Open
Wednesday, 24 March - Open



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toodyay.wa.gov.au/subscribe-to-our-mailing-list

PELHAM gets a POLISH

The Pelham Lookout and picnic area is a popular attraction for Toodyay.

The location is steeped in history and the surrounding bush reserve provides opportunities for bush walking, scenic views and enjoying wildflowers. In spring carpets of Pink Everlastings draw many people. The garden, look out and walk paths were established in the early 70's by the then Council and the Toodyay Naturalists' Club Inc. An important part of the project was the creation of a memorial to James Drummond (1787 - 1863) Toodyay's own famous pioneer, explorer and botanist. It's fair to say that little development has taken place since then except of course the installation of town supply water tanks and more recently an NBN tower. Some improvements occurred in October 2013 with the placement of donated signage and five refurbished picnic tables through volunteer labour by the Stockland Group. Unfortunately, the tables were vandalised and smashed up for firewood leaving the location without any picnic facilities. But there is good news..... last year, the Shire's Museum Curator and Cultural Heritage Office, Margie Erberle and the Reserves Management Officer, Greg Warburton submitted a successful proposal and budget request to undertake improvements and development work at Pelham. Members of the Toodyay Naturalists' Club were invited to visit the site and put forward ideas and subsequently a plan was drawn up. Currently, resealing work of the access road has been completed and new picnic tables and bench seats ordered. Further work will include the enhancement of the Drummond Memorial and the addition of interpretive signage. The tracks will be extended and colour coded markers will guide walkers. New signage, especially to direct motorists to the Lookout will be prioritized as currently confusion reigns. Stand by for the new look Lookout, the perfect place for a picnic.



Photo: 2018 Everlasting display at Pelham.

Federal Government \$70M Funding Announcement

Wednesday, 27 March 2019 saw an announcement of the Federal Government's \$70 million commitment through the Roads of Strategic Importance initiative for the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Route (WSFR). The Deputy Prime Minister Michael McCormack joined representatives of the WSFR in Bindoon to mark the funding announcement. The Deputy Prime Minister, who is also the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, has been very receptive to what the project group is trying to achieve with the WSFR network. This will fund road improvements which will enhance productivity and driver safety across the Wheatbelt. The WSFR encompasses 80 connecting routes with over 4,400km of roads across the Wheatbelt comprising 42 local governments, the WSFR Working Group has been working for the past three years to secure funding for a project of strategic importance for the agricultural and transport sectors. The announcement brings together the 42 Wheatbelt shires and the Federal Government to identify and prioritise projects across this network in coming months.

NBN Co urges vigilance

NBN Co, the company building and upgrading Australia's telecommunications and broadband network, is urging residents to be wary of scammers impersonating the wholesale network provider. New information has been published on the company's website to help residents understand how to identify and avoid scammers posing as NBN Co. The advice follows an 84 per cent increase in enquiries about suspected scams made to the wholesaler's contact centre since October 2018. For more information on scams, please visit: www.nbn.com.au/scamadvice.



CASH for CANS



Get your 10c refund here

Recycle your containers at the Toodyay Farmers Market 19 May and receive 10c each!

Working with the Shire of Toodyay, WALGA with funding from the State Government, is providing you with the opportunity to try out the Container Deposit Scheme.

Conditions:

- ♦ You can bring beverage cans, plastic and glass bottles (lids off) and flavoured milk cartons.
- ♦ Please ensure the containers are clean and empty, not smelly and gross!
- ♦ If you are bringing containers from home, the limit is 200 containers per family / group (no ute loads!).
- ♦ Unfortunately we can't accept wine or spirit bottles or plain milk containers as they will not be covered by the [WA Container Deposit Scheme](#). The WA Container Deposit Scheme is coming in early 2020!

TOODYAY WASTE TRANSFER STATION

Where: Railway Road, Toodyay
Opening Times: open every day of the week from 8.00am to 12.00pm, excluding Good Friday, Anzac Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.
Contact: 9574 2661 Open until 3pm on the last Sunday of each month.



KOBUS NIEUWOUDT
Manager of Planning and Development
 Introducing Kobus Nieuwoudt, the newly appointed Manager of Planning and Development with the Shire of Toodyay. Kobus hails from Pretoria, South Africa and has worked as a town planner since graduating from the Cape Peninsula University of Technology. Kobus came to Toodyay from the Shire of Northam where he has worked for the last three and a half years.

Kobus commenced with the Shire of Toodyay in March 2019 and hopes to start achieving great things for the Shire and our community immediately. His skills and experience in local government is not confined to the discipline of town planning only, he has an in-depth understanding of all legislation and regulations relevant to the disciplines of building and environmental health, and significant experience preparing, reviewing and implementing strategic plans and policies within a local government setting.

Visitors Centre

Last month the Visitors Centre crew organised a Family Tour ride around town on a cherry red trike thanks to Avon Valley Trikes. It is a great help to us to get to know our partners and their businesses so we can promote them fully to our visitors. This month we are planning on visiting Wear Art and Butlers Essentials. We will also be heading up to the Newcastle Gaol Museum to take in the "Taking Up The Trail" exhibition. If you would like us to come and visit your business please contact Sharon, Steph or Sandy at the Visitors Centre on 9574 9380.



Healthy Sporting Club Program

Healthway is offering up to \$4,000 in funding to Western Australian community sporting clubs who run canteens or kiosks and competing in a recognised winter 2019 sporting competition.

Through the program the WA School Canteen Association will provide free training and work with clubs across the season to prepare healthier menus.

Clubs are encouraged to download and review the Application Guidelines and start planning how they can create a healthier venue for players, members and spectators.

For more information and to review the application criteria and guidelines check out the [Fuel to Go and Play website](#) or contact Michelle Riekke on (08) 9264 499.



Government of Western Australia
 Department of Health



New Cancer Symptom Website for Regional People

On Sunday 24 March, Cancer Council WA launched the new *Find Cancer Early* website. The site aims to improve regional cancer survival outcomes as research shows regional Western Australians are 20% - 30% more likely to die within five years of a cancer diagnosis than people living in Perth. The new website has been designed to improve regional Western Australian's understanding of the early symptoms of prostate, breast, skin, bowel and lung cancer and encourage them to report any unusual changes in their body to their doctor, clinic nurse or Aboriginal health worker early. Learn more about early cancer symptoms here:

<https://www.findcancerearly.com.au/cancer-symptoms/>



REGIONAL COMMUNITY GRANTS.

Reduce the bowel cancer risk in your community!



1 in 12 people will develop bowel cancer in their lifetime

Cancer Council WA is offering grants of up to \$200 to community groups in regional WA to raise awareness of bowel cancer... WHY? Bowel cancer is the second biggest cancer killer in Australia. However when caught early, up to 90% of those diagnosed with bowel cancer will beat it! Screening is the best way to reduce deaths from bowel cancer through early detection, but participation rates are too low. The Regional Community Grants program aims to reduce the impact of bowel cancer in regional WA by educating the community about bowel cancer risk factors, symptoms and the importance of screening. For more information visit the Cancer Council website: <https://www.cancerwa.asn.au/resources/2019-03-01-Regional-Community-Grants-Information-Sheet-2019.pdf>

CHOOSE RESPECT

The Choose Respect Campaign is a collaboration between SaferToodyay Inc, Toodyay Police, Toodyay District High School, Toodyay Bendigo Bank and the Shire of Toodyay. Our collaborative community is committed to providing a safe, supportive environment for all of our members. Fostering a Culture of Respect in our Community and Schools, Choose Respect provides a fundamental shift from focusing on the negative behaviour of bullying to call out not only students, but the whole school community to 'Choose Respect'. Choosing Respect in Sporting Organisations, Choose Respect fosters a safe and positive environment for players, coaches, parent, umpires and referees. Every member associated with your sporting organisation is encouraged to make a conscious effort to 'Choose Respect'.

Caravan & Camping Show

Last month staff joined the Toodyay Holiday Park and Chalets at the Perth Caravan and Camping Show. We all promoted Toodyay to many keen travellers. There were a total of 47,314 attendees to the show and over 750 Valley for all Seasons brochures were handed out plus several hundred Event Brochures and more. We had many compliments on our stand, and we received a special mention for best tourism stand. The overall feedback received from show attendees was that Toodyay is a very popular place to visit, and many people have some kind of connection to our town.



March Farmers Market

The Shire's Acting Manager of Corporate Services Narelle Rodgers, Compliance and Communication Officer Merridith Lamb, CEO Stan Scott, Councillor Chitty and Councillor Manning attended the March Farmers Market. All the feed back received from members of the community was really positive and many acknowledged the hard

work of the Shire staff. The clear message coming through was to *keep up the good work!* Councillors and Staff will be at the markets again this month to answer questions regarding the Toodyay Road Upgrade. Copies of the Public Health Plan Community Survey and copies of the new Toodyay Directory will be available and of course information regarding the new Recreation Centre will also be available. Find us near the coffee stall.

'Lead the Way - Drive so others Survive'

Yellow Ribbon National Road Safety Week: 6 -12 May 2019

National Road Safety Week provides a great opportunity to promote and raise awareness of the importance of road safety in our community. This year, the event will coincide with, and be an event of, the United Nations Global Road Safety Week. In support of this campaign, the Shire of Toodyay will light up Connors Mill and the Toodyay Library in yellow to encourage the community to 'Lead the Way - Drive so others Survive'.

Remember the 1200@12.00 - 1200 people lost their lives on Australian roads in 2018; the community is encouraged to observe a one minutes silence at 12.00pm on Monday, 6 May 2019, to acknowledge and support those victims, families and friends who have lost loved ones in road crashes. For further information visit www.roadsafetyweek.net.au

Community Information Sessions

On 20 March 2019 a community information session was held in Morangup, at the Morangup Community Hall. The information session gave Morangup residents the opportunity to ask questions on any issue. Maps of the Toodyay Road upgrades and the Recreation Centre were available for viewing. Kim Maddrell gave everyone a tour of the new St Johns Ambulance Sub Centre which really is very impressive.

The next Community Information Session will be held on 4 May 2019 at the Bejoording Fire Shed - all are welcome.



Chatcup Bridge - Update

Under Main Roads guidance, the Shire has engaged contractors to carry out the long awaited remedial works to Chatcup Bridge. Work will commence mid to late April 2019 and will continue for a period of approximately 2 weeks. The work will comprise of propping the bridge and abutment repairs including reinstatement of the road pavement. This will extend the life of the bridge for a further 2 to 3 years allowing time for the Shire to seek design options and funding for the full replacement of the bridge. The Shire will also be investigating a more 'user friendly' traffic management arrangement in the meantime. Your patience has been appreciated and the Shire thanks you.

There is an end in sight.....

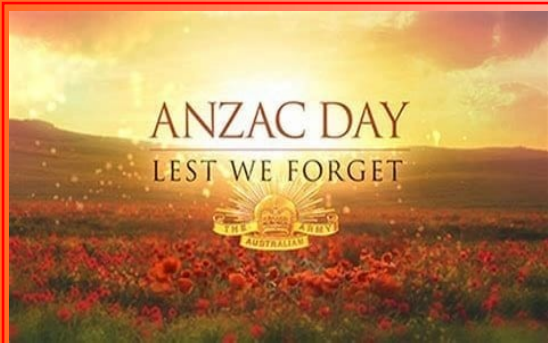


Come and join in the fun
Sunday, 5 May 2019 - The Moondyne Festival

Join in the fun with Moondyne Joe as he runs around town, robbing shops, escaping custody and being a general menace. The town comes alive with colour, sound, song, dance and laughter. Cheer on Joe's gang or help the coppers in their chase through the town in their never ending chase for Joe. Take part in the 'floozy' competition or sit on the sidelines and watch all the humour of the judging - there is even a 'moustache' competition - plenty of time left to grow one!!

So come along and experience the community spirit in the centre of Toodyay, complete with street theatre, swaggies, taste the stew from the authentic colonial village, watch the shearer and blacksmith at work, the Clydesdale horses 1890 Rifle Regiment, dancing, music, family fun fair, artisan and heritage crafts, food stalls and loads of non-stop, amazing fun activities for all the family. swaggies and the Town Crier join in the

This is a FREE family festival which begins at 9am and runs throughout the day to 4pm. Everyone is encouraged to dress in pioneer period costume! The Avon Link will be running from Midland to Toodyay arriving at 9.30 and departing for the return trip to Midland at 2.57pm. Bookings can be made at www.transwa.wa.gov.au. This is a dog free event.



Join with the Toodyay RSL in remembering those who have served and died in all wars, conflicts and peace-keeping operations.

The dawn service commences at 6.00am in ANZAC Park followed by a 'gunfire breakfast' at 6.30 at the Wicklow Shearing Shed - a short walk from Anzac Park. The breakfast is free for

anyone who would like to attend, however donations are very welcome.

At 10.30am a procession from the Memorial Hall down Stirling Terrace and up to ANZAC Park will conclude with a second remembrance service.



COMMUNITY
INFORMATON
SESSION

4 MAY 2019
BEJOORDING FIRE SHED
10.30am — 12.30pm
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Come along and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and discuss any issue with Shire Staff and Councillors.



Toodyay Community Program

Monday 15th - Thursday 18th April

MONDAY 15 APRIL

Clay Art



10.00am - 11.30am
Morangup Hall
Wallaby Way, Morangup

TUESDAY 16 APRIL

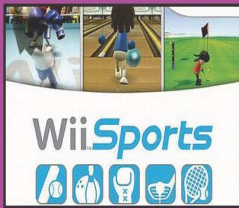
Treasure Hunt & Nature Prints



10.00am - 11.30am
Newcastle Gaol Museum
13 Clinton Street

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL

Wii & Board Games



10.00am - 12pm
Toodyay CRC
111 Stirling Terrace

THURSDAY 18 APRIL

Soccer



10am - 11.30am
Town Oval
Toodyay Street

REGISTRATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL!

Registration forms are available from the following locations:

- Toodyay Visitors Centre
- Toodyay Public Library
- Toodyay Community Resource Centre

For further information contact Maddie Ross at the Shire of Toodyay on 9574 9395 or email cdao@toodyay.wa.gov.au



Sunday, 21 April 2019

Toodyay Farmers Markets

Held on the third Sunday of the month, supporting sale of locally grown produce Organic veges, eggs, chickens, alpacas, plants and much more added products, plus education, art, music and fun!. Come along, meet with Councillors and Staff to catch up on what's happening in the Shire.



TOODYAY FARMERS MARKET

Toodyay Community Resource Centre PRESENTS

EASTER EGG HUNT AND FUN DAY

SUNDAY APRIL 14TH 2019

TCRC Courtyard 10am - noon

Colouring in Competition!

Easter Egg Treasure Hunt!

Craft Activities!

A Special Visit by the Easter Bunny!

Egg Decorating!

Face Painting!

Bring a hat and a water bottle!

FREE EVENT!

Call 08 9574 5357 or join the FB event to register



Epic Teen Community Program!

To celebrate Youth Week WA 2019: Nurture the now, the **Toodyay Youth Reference Group** is hosting a **FREE** week of activities. Join us in celebrating and showcasing youth as a stage of growth which deserves to be nurtured.

Monday 15th - Friday 19th April

Monday 15 April
Archery

2:00 - 4:00pm
Hoddywell
Archery Park
1027 Clackline-
Toodyay Road



Tuesday 16 April
Alcohol Ink Artworks

1:00 - 3:00pm
playheARTed Art
Education for Kids
Studio: 15 Clarke St,
West Toodyay



Wednesday 17 April
Wii and Xbox Challenge



1:00 - 3:00pm
Toodyay CRC -
111 Stirling
Terrance

Thursday 18 April

Boxing

10:00 - 12:00pm
Professional Boxer
Youth Hall
Toodyay Show grounds



REGISTRATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL!

Teens 13 - 18 years (Limited places)
Parental permission required for some activities

Registration forms are available from the
Toodyay Community Resource Centre
or you can request an electronic form from:
eventstodyaycra@iinet.net.au



Friday 19 April
Gym Session



10:00 - 11:00am (Must be 14yrs+)
B2B Fitness - 4 Piesse St, Toodyay

