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Australia Day Celebrations in Armadale



Meeting Dates					
Day	Date	Month	Time	Meeting Type	
Monday	2	February	7pm	Technical Services Committee	
Tuesday	3	February	7pm	Community Services Committee	
Monday	9	February	7pm	Council	
Monday	16	February	7pm	City Strategy Committee	
Tuesday	17	February	7pm	Development Services Committee	
Monday	23	February	7pm	Council	
Tuesday	3	March	7pm	Community Services Committee	
Wednesday	4	March	7pm	Technical Services Committee	
Monday	9	March	7pm	Council	
Monday	16	March	7pm	City Strategy Committee	
Tuesday	17	March	7pm	Development Services Committee	
Monday	23	March	7pm	Council	
Monday	30	March	7pm	Technical Services Committee	
Tuesday	31	March	7pm	Community Services Committee	
Monday	13	April	7pm	Council	
Monday	20	April	7pm	City Strategy Committee	
Tuesday	21	April	7pm	Development Services Committee	
Tuesday	28	April	7pm	Council	

Mayor's Message

The City continues to provide an exciting community events calendar throughout the year, with the annual Toy Parade and Christmas Carols in Memorial Park attracting thousands.

As we go to print, the City's Australia Day celebrations are being finalised with lots of entertainment and activities planned for all the family. The City anticipates another record crowd will attend these popular festivities and fireworks held in the iconic Minnowarra Park.

Following the Minister's announcement on Local Government Reform, 2015 will be a year of considerable changes for our City. The boundary adjustment between the City and the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and the Shire of Murray is scheduled to take place on 1 July 2015 and we are working towards a seamless transition during this period. More details on Local Government Reform can be found on the facing page.

Meanwhile Armadale continues to grow and, as predicated, our population topped 75,000 last year with Piara Waters and Harrisdale listed number six in the nation's top growth 'hotspots'. The continued expansion of these urban growth areas is set to continue with

developers producing attractive homes and communities and a variety of housing options.

The Ranford Road dual carriageway project, from Tonkin Highway to Armadale Road, was completed in 2014. This finalised the dual link from Armadale Road through to Canning Vale, and is of significant strategic economic importance to the region. It is estimated that the Tonkin Highway Ranford Road intersection will carry more than 30,000 vehicles a day.

There's lots happening in the City in coming months. Parents will find lots for younger residents to do at the City's libraries, and everyone will enjoy the new Twilight Markets which will bring the Jull Street Mall to life on evenings in February and March.

Please also take note of the important reminder about bushfire safety on page six.

Mayor Henry Zelones

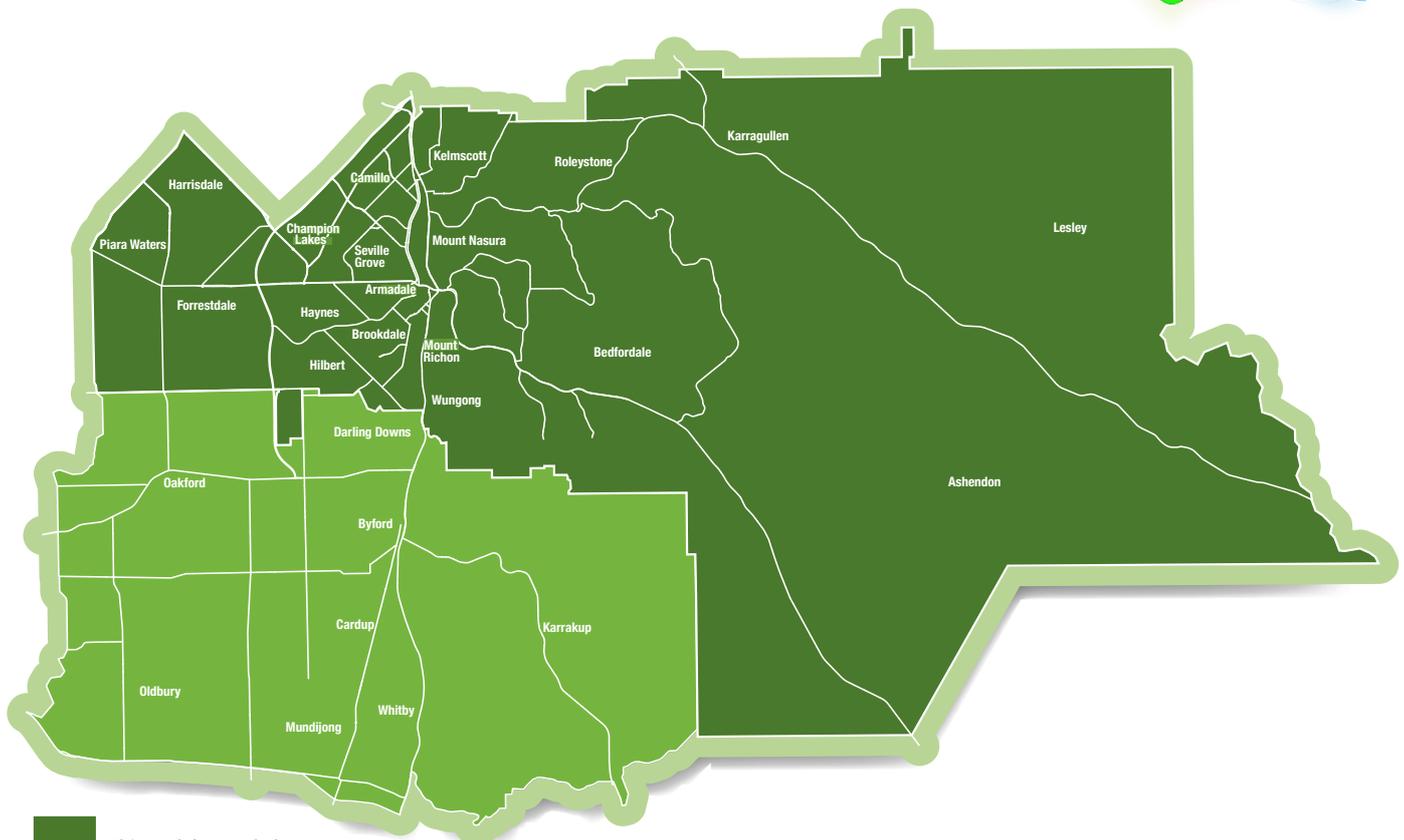
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	Cr Matthew Norman 0403 130 264
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	Cr Guenter Best 9399 4371
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	Deputy Mayor Ruth Butterfield 9390 1459
	Mayor Henry Zelones OAM, JP 9495 4838



- City of Armadale**
- (Northern half) Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale**
- New Boundary**

Local Government Reform Update

The Minister's announcement in October confirmed that the boundary adjustment between the City of Armadale, the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and the Shire of Murray will take place on 1 July 2015.

The new boundary will generally run along Mundijong Road with the northern half of Serpentine Jarrahdale joining the City of Armadale and the southern half joining the Shire of Murray.

Current SJ residents that will then come under the oversight of the Shire of Murray and City of Armadale will still be able to access services from both Murray and Armadale through the current Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire Office in Mundijong.

The City has been aware of the Government's deadline for some time and planning is already well underway. The Shire of Murray and City of Armadale have worked cohesively since February as part of the Local Implementation Committee to prepare our organisations for the changes which will come into effect on 1 July 2015.

In December the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale re-joined the LIC after losing their Supreme Court Appeal challenging the validity of Local Government reform.

Every effort will be made to ensure a seamless transition of services and over the next two years we'll work to streamline our business. SJ residents are being invited to visit their local government customer service offices at Armadale, SJ and Murray, and also to get onto their 'new' Council's website, over the coming year for information on the change process and any potential future changes to services.

Whilst the boundary adjustment occurs on 1 July 2015 it is important to remember that not everything has to be done by this date – as it is a transition process and any changes will be made in stages.

All three Councils deliver high quality services to the community, our challenge is to ensure services for residents are maintained from 1 July as if nothing has changed.

The boundary adjustment has the potential to strengthen our communities and, over time, to improve infrastructure and services across the region.

We do not anticipate there will be many changes for residents in the short term and as decisions are made, and any effects on residents become known, we will keep the community informed.

For further information contact the City of Armadale on (08) 9399 0111.



Mayor Henry Zelones, Melanie Pleysier, Deputy Mayor Ruth Butterfield

Congratulations to our iPad mini winner

The City of Armadale conducted a competition this year for the opportunity to win an iPad mini during the Kelmscott Show.

Visitors to the City's display were invited to complete an entry form and answer a few questions about the City of Armadale. All of the answers could be found by reading the posters, on services and programs, displayed around the tent.

Congratulations to a very excited **Melanie Pleysier**, who answered the questions correctly and is now the owner of a brand new iPad mini.

Community Grants & Annual Contributions

Community Grants Program 2014–2015

The second round of the City's 2014–2015 Community Grants Program opens Monday 23 March 2015.

If you are a community group looking for funding to support a special event or project you may be eligible to apply for up to \$1000.

The City welcomes applications from a variety of categories including welfare, educational, arts and culture, youth, seniors, children and families, sporting, and other community building activities.

Contact the City's Community Development Support Officer on 9399 0642 or info@armadale.wa.gov.au for more information.

Applications for the City's Community Grants Program 2014–2015 must be received by 5pm on Friday 17 April 2015.

Annual Contributions in 2015–2016

The City allocates a small number of Annual Contributions to support non-profit organisations to provide services and activities which benefit City of Armadale residents.

Applications for the allocation of Annual Contributions in 2015–2016 will open on Monday 2 February and will close at 5pm on Friday 27 February 2015.

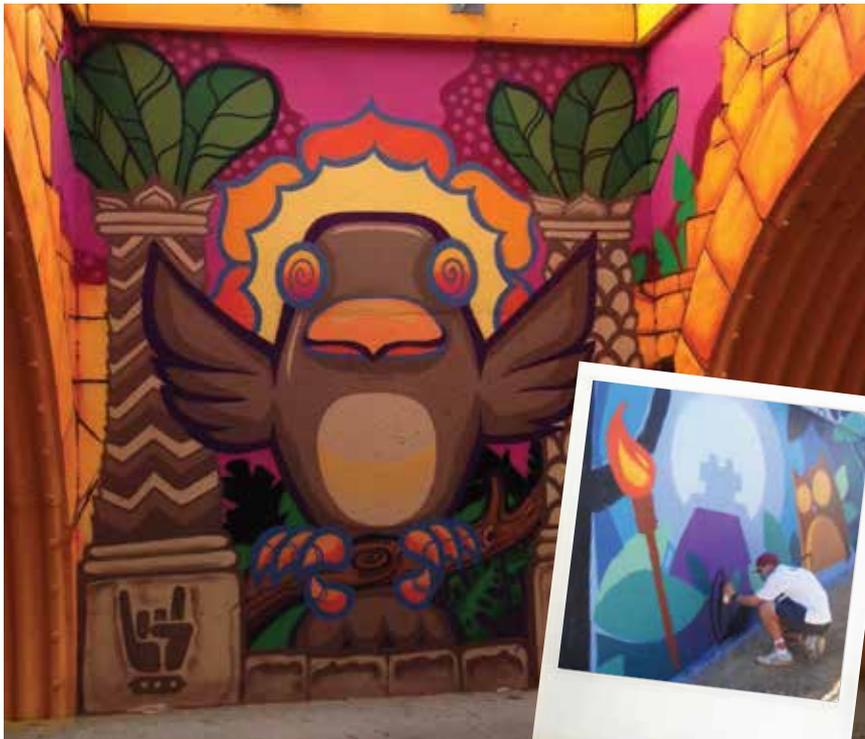
Planned construction projects in your City

A number of major road projects in the City of Armadale have recently been completed or are nearing completion. Keep an eye out for the following planned construction and maintenance projects around the City, scheduled to begin early this year.

Road resurfacing, rehabilitation and crack patching to sections of:

- **Chevin Road**, Roleystone: commencing February 2015
- **Grovelands Drive**, Kelmscott: commencing April 2015





Armadale Underpass Urban Art Project

Young people who participated in the City's Underpass Urban Art Project were excited to install their contemporary art mural onto the Camillo Road underpass.

The project commenced late October 2014 with a group of ten inspiring young people, including several young artists from previous creative art projects. They were joined by other worthy young people (nominated by local youth agencies, school chaplains and case workers) whom they considered would benefit from the project.

Youth culture and young people are a vital part of our community and this type of project aims to encourage young people that have an interest in art, but may have limited opportunity to explore their creative abilities.

The underpass links Westfield Park Primary with Westfield Park Reserve, and the installation of this mural produced by young local artists is seen as a tangible way to discourage illegal graffiti in the underpass.

The mural features a contrast to reflect opposites and balance. The

eastern end reflects a moon, night, water theme, while the western end demonstrates an opposing sun, day, fire theme.

An Aztec, Mayan subject was the inspiration for the design reflecting temples, totems and brickwork and the 'Indiana Jones' archaeological and adventure theme is intended to appeal to children. The design is intended to represent the Armadale community and explores culture and history to engage and appeal to community members of all ages.

The Armadale Underpass Urban Art Project was funded by the Community Arts Network of WA and CATALYST Community Arts Fund, with additional support from the City of Armadale.

For further information on the Armadale Underpass Urban Art Project contact 9399 0642 or visit the Youth page on the City's website www.armadale.wa.gov.au



George Howell VC medals, awarded 1917

History House Museum seeking WWI memorabilia

The City of Armadale's History House Museum is seeking information relating to what life was like living in Armadale during World War I.

Memorabilia will be displayed during an exhibition to be held in 2015 as part of the commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of World War I.

The exhibition will focus on what life in the City of Armadale was like for those who stayed home, while many young men and a few women from the district enlisted to serve with the AIF in Gallipoli and Europe.

The City is hoping to obtain a variety of local information and stories, including photographs and any objects that relate to this period in history, from diaries to business ledgers, letters, or any other memorabilia.

For further information and opening times call 9399 0670 or visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au

Business Armadale

Business Awards 2014 Winners

Congratulations to all the category winners in the Armadale Business Awards 2014 for their achievements this year, and to Business Armadale for an outstanding event and their continued support of businesses in the Armadale region.

- Business of the Year:
Spearhead Software
- Excellence in Small Business:
Coastline Sheds

For all the 2014 Category Award Winners, please visit the City's website.



Recycling – don't bag it!

The City encourages all residents to do the right thing – place all items into your recycling bin loose, not in plastic bags.

Did you know that recycling contained in plastic bags isn't recycled?

Why? Because the staff at the recycling plant are instructed to leave them due to dangers such as needle stick injuries.

Plastic bags can also clog up machinery causing the plant to shut down and fall behind on sorting all the recyclable items.

So how do I become a best practice recycler?

Have a dedicated bin/receptacle in your kitchen and other places where you gather recycling. Leave this unlined or line with a sheet of newspaper.

Know what can be recycled:

- Glass bottles and jars (rinse and remove lids).
- Plastic bottles and containers (rinse and remove lids).
- Paper and cardboard – including magazines, office paper, newspapers and flattened boxes.
- Milk and juice cartons (no UHT cartons).
- Steel and aluminium cans and aerosol containers.

For further information on recycling visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au



Walk trails in Settlers Common East

Now is the time to enjoy the magnificent natural beauty of the renowned Armadale Settlers Common East, a reserve situated 3km to the east of Armadale City Centre in the suburb of Bedforddale.

The reserve comprises 61ha of native jarrah and marri forest that is home to many unique plant and animal species, and is part of a declared biodiversity hotspot, of which only 25 have been declared worldwide.

In spring and early summer the forest floor blooms with a sea of colourful wildflowers, and visitors can also see an array of native animals including kangaroos, wallabies and a diversity of birds.

Explore over 6km of unsealed trails through beautiful bushland habitats. Trail heads are marked with directional signs which walkers can use to orient themselves on the downloadable map.

The circuit contains interpretative signage, providing information about the unique environment, and rest points with sheltered picnic tables and seating.

Accompanied, mobility impaired visitors can explore the 1km sealed circuit, accessed via the ACROD car park in Observation Circle Bedforddale.



Bushfire Ready

As we head into the last month of summer it is vital that we do not let our guard down in terms of bushfire safety and that residents continue to maintain their properties and fire breaks.

The City of Armadale *Fire Break Notice* requires that all residents 'maintain the specified land and firebreaks clear of all flammable materials up to and including the 14th day of March 2015'.

Residents should also be aware and understand how bushfires behave, to help you protect your family and home against them. All fires need fuel, air and heat.

FUEL Vegetation around your home like dry grass, leaves, twigs and bark provides fuel for a fire. This fuel plays a part in how hot a fire can be and how fast it can spread. If fuel is removed, the fire will starve.

AIR A bushfire needs air to keep going and the more there is the faster the fire burns. Strong winds not only force the fire along but also increase air circulation and provide more air. Any change in wind direction or speed can rapidly increase the rate of spread and the direction of the fire. The prevailing afternoon breeze in summer

presents the most common threat as it fans bushfires when fuel is at its driest during the day.

HEAT Bushfires generate unbelievable heat. Much of this heat goes up into the air but significant heat also radiates at ground level. This radiant heat spreads the fire by drying out vegetation so it will burn. Radiant heat may not set fire to your home but it can crack and break windows that will allow embers in. Embers can get into your home through gaps in roofs, walls, evaporative air conditioners, windows and doors. Research has shown that ember attack is the main reason that houses catch fire during a bushfire. Embers can continue to threaten your home even after the fire front has passed.

For a copy of the Bushfire Information 2014–2015 booklet call 9399 0111 or to get more information visit the Department of Fire and Emergency Services website www.dfes.wa.gov.au



Got some spare time on your hands?

Help manage and protect the important bushland in your area.

Friends Groups activities include planting, weeding, dieback management and holding events such as bird watching and spring walks.

Reserve Custodians have a 'Neighbourhood Watch' role for bushland, including protecting areas from illegal dumping or the destruction of flora and fauna.

For further information, contact the City's Environmental Officer on 9399 0111.

Yoga in the Park

Start your day with free yoga classes outside in the fresh air!

The City is hosting these popular FREE early morning yoga fitness sessions again this year in the beautiful surrounds of Minnowarra Park.

Discover the many benefits of yoga and improvements in your well-being and lifestyle, including a decrease in anxiety and depression levels, increase in muscle strength

and tone, flexibility, reduction in fatigue, improved posture, concentration and energy levels.

The classes will be held on Mondays 16 and 23 February and 9 and 16 March from 6.30 to 7.30am at Minnowarra Park in Armadale. Suitable for residents of all ages and fitness levels, 16 years and over.

For more information contact the Armadale Arena on 9399 0840.



Twilight Markets

Experience the fun eclectic mix of street stalls, music and entertainment in the newly refurbished Jull Street Mall in the Armadale City Centre.

Friday 6 February and Friday 6 March, 8.30pm
Jull Street Mall, Armadale



Harry Potter Book Night

Dress up as your favourite Harry Potter character and join us for an evening of fun celebrating J.K. Rowling's unforgettable stories. Glenn Swift will host this exciting event with readings, games, activities and quizzes. Embrace the magic! Suitable for children aged six years and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the whole session.

Friday 6 February, 6.30–7.30pm
Armadale Library
Call 9399 0125 to reserve your place.



Lego Encounters Club

Come and create some amazing things, there will be challenges to stretch your imagination. Suitable for children aged six to 12 years.

Tuesday 10 February & Tuesday 10 March, 3.30–4.30pm
Kelmscott Library
Call 9399 0125 to reserve your place.



Better Beginnings Parent Workshop – Boogie Babes

Join Kylie for an interactive and highly energetic music playgroup session. A variety of fun props are used to encourage movement, dance and social interaction with other babies and toddlers. Parents get to join in and have fun too. Suitable for children from birth to four years.

Friday 27 February, 10–11am
Armadale Library
Call 9399 0125 to reserve your place.



Armadale Volunteer Services – save the date for these sessions

Tuesday, 17 February – Workshop for Volunteer Managers. Human Resources Management for Volunteer Managers Level 2, one day session building on knowledge from previous training sessions.

Thursday, 5 March – Are you thinking about volunteering but not sure how to get started? Perhaps you have a New Year's Resolution to learn new skills or give back to your community. This session will outline the steps to help you find the right position.

Bookings for these workshops are essential. Call 9399 0642 for further information.



Minnawarra Art Awards

See the region's most prestigious art awards as the City exhibits outstanding works from WA artists in this annual competition.

Friday 1 May – Sunday 17 May, 11am–4pm
Armadale District Hall
Corner Jull Street and Church Avenue, Armadale



Minnawarra Festival

Come to Minnawarra Park as it comes alive with sounds, tastes and aromas from around the world, celebrating the truly diverse cultures that make up the City of Armadale.

Sunday 3 May, 11am–4pm
Minnawarra Park
Corner Orchard Avenue and Armadale Road, Armadale

For further details of what's on in the City of Armadale like us on Facebook or visit the City's website.