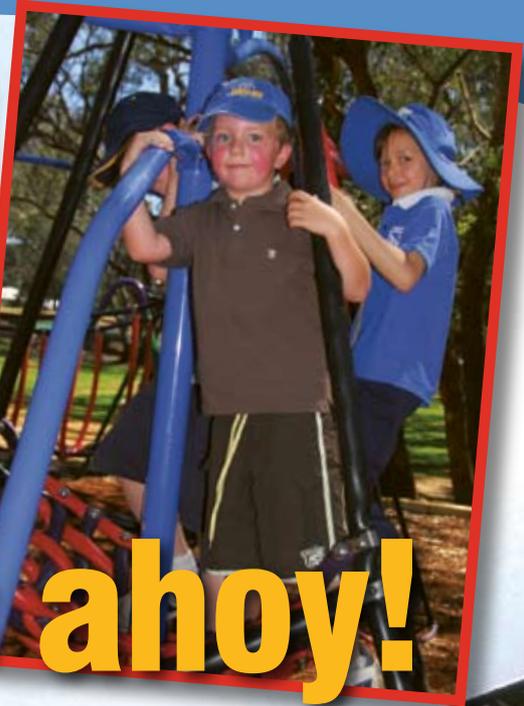


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Ships ahoy!

**New children's playground
at Frye Park**



Children's edition

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- Free immunisation
- New road upgrades improve safety



Fantastic new children's playground is **so much fun!**

The new Pirate Ship playground at Frye Park in Kelmscott is a world of wonder for children with lots of different activities for children of all ages.

Walking the Plank is one of the favourites and there are over 20 different things to do on the Ship including sea serpent spiral slides, a drum canon, music making, climbing frames, a sunken treasure hunt, the ship's steering wheel, portholes and flags.

The Pirate Ship is suitable for children aged 5-12 years, and sits alongside a new junior area, suitable for 0-5yrs. There is also a new picnic area with tables and shade cloth for parents to sit and watch their children engage in stories of high sea.

The junior area has junior swings, a toddler castle, a sand play area, a birds nest swing, overhead shade and an octopus seesaw.

Mayor Linton Reynolds said that the range of activities on offer for children at the new Pirate Ship playground added to the dozens of wonderful playgrounds in the City.

Playtime is very important for children. Themed playgrounds can encourage children to create their own stories and adventures, which promotes intellectual development, develops social and

language skills, and stirs the imagination he said.

For more information on where playgrounds in the City of Armadale are located, please turn to pages 4-5.

How many schools in Armadale?

Primary schools =	21
High schools =	10
Kindergartens =	27
Playgroups =	15
Childcare centres =	16
Family day care =	6
Armadale, Brookdale, Kelmscott, Mt Richon, Roleystone, Seville Grove.	
Outside School Hours and Vacation Care =	10
Vocational/tertiary education = Polytechnic West (Armadale); Australian Trades College WA (Armadale); Curtin University (selected courses at Polytechnic West, Armadale).	
More local education information –	www.armadale.wa.gov.au

An apple a day ...

Fresh fruit is great for children, but are yours eating enough?

Two pieces a day is the recommended amount for good health, yet some kids in the City of Armadale may miss out.

There are very good reasons to have a diet that includes fruit: a lower incidence of overweight and obesity, lower risk of heart disease,

diabetes and some forms of cancer – plus, fresh, seasonal fruit tastes fantastic!

Accessing fresh local produce at reasonable prices in the City of Armadale is easy.

Aside from supermarkets, a range of Roleystone and Karragullen orchards sell bags and boxes of fruit direct to the public.

In peak season, apples, citrus and stone fruits may be only \$2 to \$3 a kilo!

You could also visit the fresh fruit stall located in the Jull Street Mall on Thursdays and Fridays.

The City of Armadale and the Hills Orchard Improvement Group (HOIG) conducts a healthy eating initiative in seven local primary schools, known as the Fruit in Schools program.

Local HOIG orchardists kindly donate surplus fruit each week, which is collected by parent volunteers from a central location and delivered to the schools for kids to enjoy.

So next time you're packing a lunchbox, skip the packets and reach for some local fruit!





Holiday activities for children

Communicare provides school holiday childcare for working parents or those that just need a break. It's a safe, stimulating and creative environment. Activities are different each time and range from going to the movies, making puppets, mini golf, rock climbing, crafts and sports.

Communicare is committed to ensuring that vacation care is affordable and therefore the price per day is inclusive of all activities, meaning that once you have paid for your enrolled days there will be no further costs.

**Communicare
Vacation Care
@ Armadale Arena**

Who: Pre-Primary to 14 years
 When: Monday to Friday
 Starts: 3 to 14 October
 Time: 7:30am – 6:00pm
 Cost: Child Care Rebates available
 Contact: 9251 5777 or www.communicare.org.au

Mayor's Message



I hope that you enjoy this special edition of City Views with its focus on our children and youths. In more recent years Council has been determined to provide quality entertainment options, and play spaces for our youngsters.

I don't know about you, but for me, both as a parent and grandparent, it has made my role in the family so much easier, and so much more rewarding. A weekend doesn't go by without my family members making use of one or more of the new and expanded facilities that offer a better balance of healthy activities than we were able to provide in previous years.

Providing the necessary early finance to get commercial cinemas into town was a first step, and the coffee outlets that followed were a boon to those of us less active, but just as determined to enjoy our city centre. These were followed by significant upgrades to many of our neighbourhood parks, and especially the dramatic improvement over the last three years in playground equipment. The Pirate Ship playground in Frye Park is but the latest of these, with more to follow in the years to come.

Frye Park's upgrade also marks the beginning of a ten or more year long project to revitalise and expand the district's sporting facilities. The next one will be a magical new area for young children at the aquatic centre, opening in October.

Why are these facilities getting priority treatment when there are so many other projects that we could spend your money on? Put simply our kids are our future! If we provide quality facilities parents and grandparents will more readily spend time with our young people, ensuring that they receive a better upbringing, and become the quality adults that we can pass on stewardship of our community.

**Cr Linton Reynolds AM JP
City of Armadale Mayor**

Immunisation helps stop disease

The immunisation process begins in infancy, continues through childhood and into adulthood.

The City of Armadale provides local residents with a free immunisation program with vaccinations against a range of diseases, according to the WA Department of Health recommended schedule.

Clinics staffed by community nurses are held on every second Wednesday of the month 9-10.30am at Armadale Hall (Jull Street) and on the fourth Wednesday of the month 9-10.30am at the Evelyn Gribble Community Centre in Hilbert (Ninth Road).

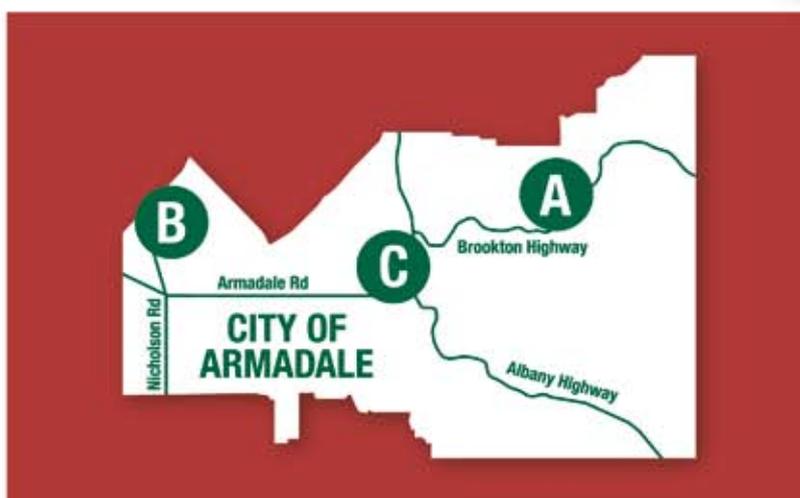
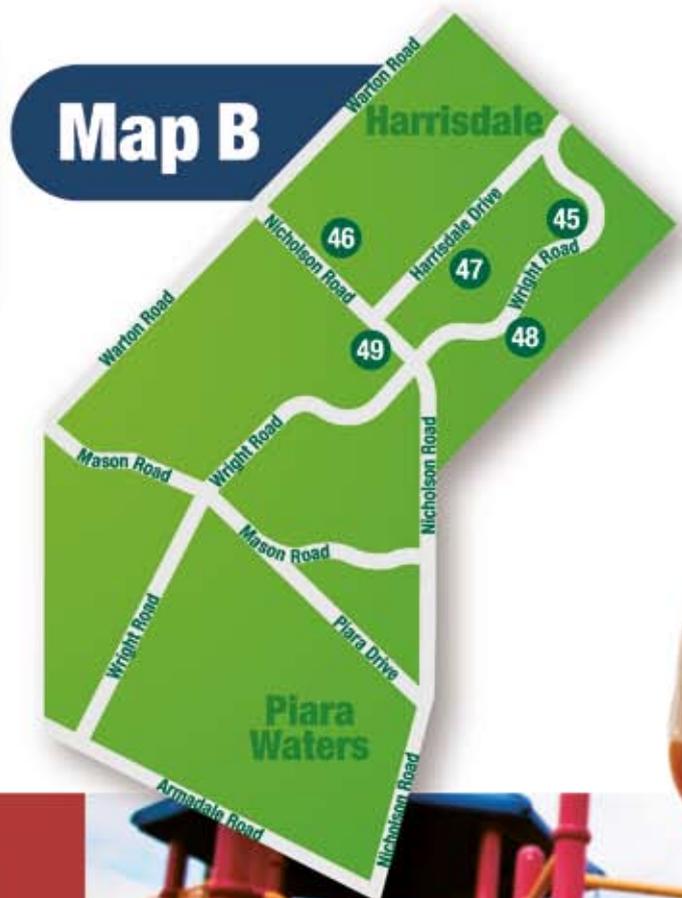
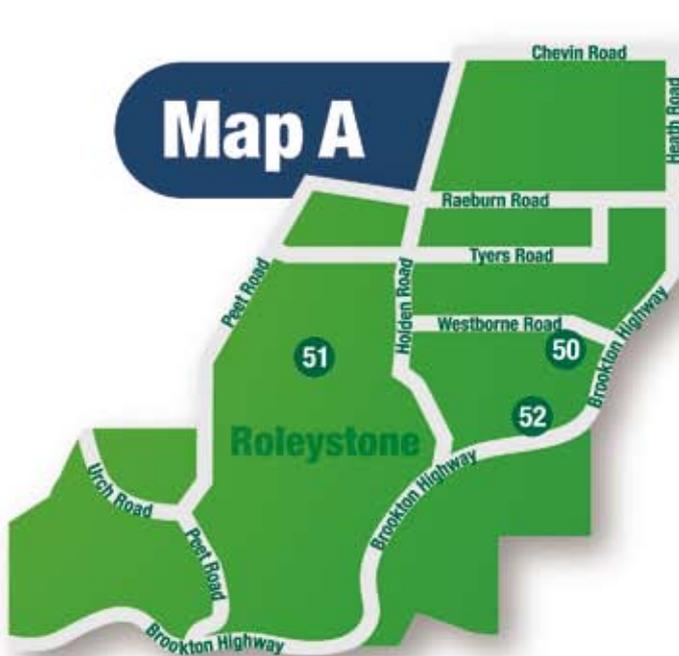
No bookings are required – simply go along and bring your Medicare card.

Immunisation fact sheets and clinic dates can be downloaded from the City's website www.armadale.wa.gov.au or contact the City's Health Services staff on 9399 0111.

More information is also available from the WA Department of Health.

Playgrounds in the City

There are over 50 playgrounds across the City of Armadale and that means there's lots of fun activities for your children. Catering for all ages, the playgrounds are great for a day out, a picnic BBQ on a sunny afternoon or for a day of adventure.



Map C



- 1 Troon Reserve
- 2 Westfield Heron Reserve
- 3 Westfield Park Reserve
- 4 Fancote Park
- 5 Frye Park
- 6 Eva And Bill Moore Reserve
- 7 Heather Lock Reserve
- 8 Bryan Gell Reserve
- 9 Kuhl Park
- 10 Rushton Park
- 11 Grovelands Drive Reserve
- 12 Bernice Hargraves Reserve
- 13 Migrant Park
- 14 Tollington Park
- 15 John Dunn Memorial Park
- 16 Apex Park
- 17 Valentine Reserve
- 18 Paterson Park
- 19 Armadale Aquatic Centre
- 20 Creyk Park
- 21 Bob Blackburn Reserve
- 22 Barry Poad Reserve
- 23 Matron Olive Galliers Park
- 24 Pamplona Reserve
- 25 Corondale Reserve
- 26 Damerham Park
- 27 Derry Reserve
- 28 Mazzega Park
- 29 Wilcannia Reserve
- 30 San Jacinta Reserve
- 31 Matthew Stott Reserve
- 32 Morgan Park
- 33 Seminole Reserve
- 34 Reg Williams Reserve
- 35 Sexty Reserve
- 36 Memorial Park
- 37 Rotary Park
- 38 Dawson Reserve
- 39 Gwynne Park
- 40 Alderson Park
- 41 Tredale Field
- 42 Don Simmons Reserve
- 43 Horrie Hill Reserve
- 44 Bronzewing Reserve
- 45 William Lockard Park
- 46 Northerty Park
- 47 Splendid Gardens Park
- 48 Jim and Alma Baker Park
- 49 Turin Park
- 50 Lina Hart Reserve
- 51 Cross Park
- 52 Borrello Park

Other Parks in Armadale:

- Alfred Skeet, Forrestdale
- Skeet Memorial Park, Forrestdale
- William Skeet, Forrestdale
- Karragullen Oval, Karragullen



TEN TOP THINGS FOR KIDS TO DO...

Saturday 20 August 2011

1. Children's Book Week

**Josephine and Goggles the Goose
Armadale Library, 10.30am - 12 noon**

Celebrate books, reading and literacy with author, singer and children's entertainer Josephine as she and Goggles present a story and do some fantastic balloon sculpting for kids. Bookings are essential – contact Armadale Library on 9399 0125.



however all children are welcome. Weekly sessions at each library:

Mondays at Kelmscott Library,
Tuesdays at Armadale Library and
Thursdays at Seville Grove Library

Wednesday 5 October

5. School Holiday Program

**Pyjama Storytime – Treasure Trove
Armadale Library, 6.30pm**

Come and make a treasure map and join in a treasure hunt. Bookings are essential.

Friday 7 October

6. School Holiday Program

**Communicare Nocturnal night time
Crafts, Seville Grove Library
1pm - 2.30pm**

Come along and create some bedtime crafts such as sock puppets, door hangers and mobiles. Parents must stay with their children at this session. Bookings are essential.



Sunday 9 October 2011

7. Dogs' Day Out

Rushton Park, 10am – 2pm

Families can join their pets for the City's Dogs' Day Out at Rushton Park on Sunday 9 October from 10am to 2pm.



Staged annually by Ranger Services to encourage responsible pet ownership, Dogs' Day Out features fun canine capers, stalls

with dog products and services, free veterinary advice, agility course, micro chipping, grooming, animal rescue groups and dog washing service.

Rangers will be on-hand to offer advice for pet owners. This is a FREE event.

Thursday 13 October

8. School Holiday Program

**Pyjama Storytime- Pirate
Pandemonium
Armadale Library, 6.30pm**

Make a pirate hat and mask, and pretend you are a pirate. Bookings are essential.



Mon 24 – Fri 28 October

9. Children's Week

Activities include a Toddler Morning, a tree planting activity for primary school students and a libraries event. The theme for Children's week is Nature Play – go outdoors, engage in nature-based play such as building cubbies, sand pits, water play, exercise and bush walks.

Wednesday 19 October

10. Monkey Play

Improve your child's coordination and fitness. A fantastic program designed to enhance the early development of your child through sports and activities. Ball skills, balancing, actions to music, matching shapes and colours, exercises that mimic animals and running.

Who: 2 – 5 yrs
When: Wednesdays
Starts: 19 October – 14 December
Time: 9.15am – 10am
Cost: \$7 per session, 9 week program (paid upfront)
Contact: Armadale Arena, 9399 0840



Wednesday 7 September

2. Baby Rhyme Time

The Armadale Library, 10.30-11.00am

Baby Rhyme Time is specifically for under 2's and their carers and aims to encourage babies and toddlers to develop an early love of language, rhymes and songs. The City of Armadale holds regular FREE Baby Rhyme Time provides parents and their babies the chance to bounce and sing-a-long to some favourite rhymes and how to entertain and educate your baby at home.

Friday 16 September

3. Baby Rhyme Time

Seville Grove Library, 10.30-11.00am

Bounce and sing-a-long to some favourite rhymes and learn how to entertain and educate your baby at home.

September, October – weekly

4. Storytime

**Libraries program
10.30-11.00am, weekly**

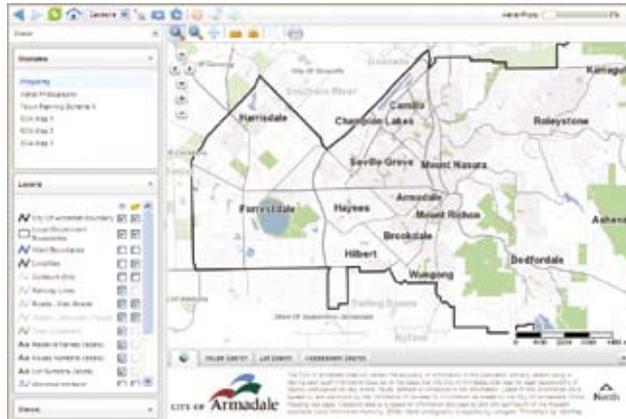
Storytime encourages a love of reading, stimulates imagination and encourages social interaction with other children. Storytime involves stories, songs or rhymes and a simple craft activity and is aimed at pre school aged children,

Online mapping – good for school projects

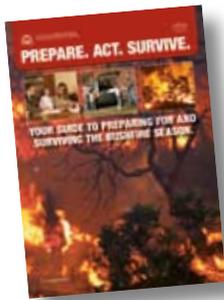
Online mapping is a great research tool for looking at any property within the City. You can search different addresses, zoom in and out and pan around the map.

It's also a great tool for students and school projects.

You can discover information about a particular property, look at the surroundings, find out who your local Councillors are, what day bins are collected, which zone the property is in or where the nearest train station or swimming pool can be found.



Developers can use it to view the Town Planning Scheme including Special Control Area maps, and visualise what planning constraints they might need to be aware of.



Plan to survive a bushfire – early advice for residents

Bushfires occur every summer and often start without warning.

This is why it is important that

residents start thinking now

about developing a Bushfire Survival Plan especially if you live in, or near, bushland.

City of Armadale Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, Brian Watkins, said this plan would help local residents take action and avoid making last-minute decisions that could prove deadly during a bushfire.

"When developing your plan, decide if you will leave for a safer place – which may be the home of family or friends – or stay to actively defend your home," Mr Watkins said.

"The plan needs to take into account different circumstances and be based on the Fire Danger Rating. You must decide in what conditions you will stay – if any – and when it would be best to leave.

Mr Watkins said a bushfire survival plan must be written down and practiced with every household member before the bushfire season.

The FESA website has an excellent checklist for households to prepare for the bushfire season. Please visit www.fesa.wa.gov.au to start your planning.

"Remember that this year's bushfire season is approaching fast. This means you need to bring your planning forward as well."

Useful Council Numbers

City of Armadale Administration Centre

Tel: 9399 0111

Fax: 9399 0184

Email: info@armadale.wa.gov.au

Address: 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale WA 6112

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 8.15am to 4.45pm

City of Armadale newsletter

City Views provides residents with information about Council policies, services, activities and community events. We welcome your articles and suggestions.

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DEVELOPMENT

Making our roads safer – major investment in road upgrades

The City of Armadale is coordinating a series of major road and signal projects worth almost \$30 million that will improve traffic flow, increase user safety and provide better connectivity across the region.

Among the projects scheduled to take place over the next 18 months are: the long-awaited Abbey Road-Railway Avenue realignment at Armadale Road, upgrades of sections of Warton and Nicholson Roads and dual carriageway works on Ranford Road adjacent to the new Forrestdale Business Park.

Armadale Mayor Linton Reynolds said he believed the roads initiatives would make a considerable difference for commuters.

“These projects are about making roads and intersections safer and easier to use,” Cr Reynolds said.

(1) Abbey Road, Railway Avenue – Armadale

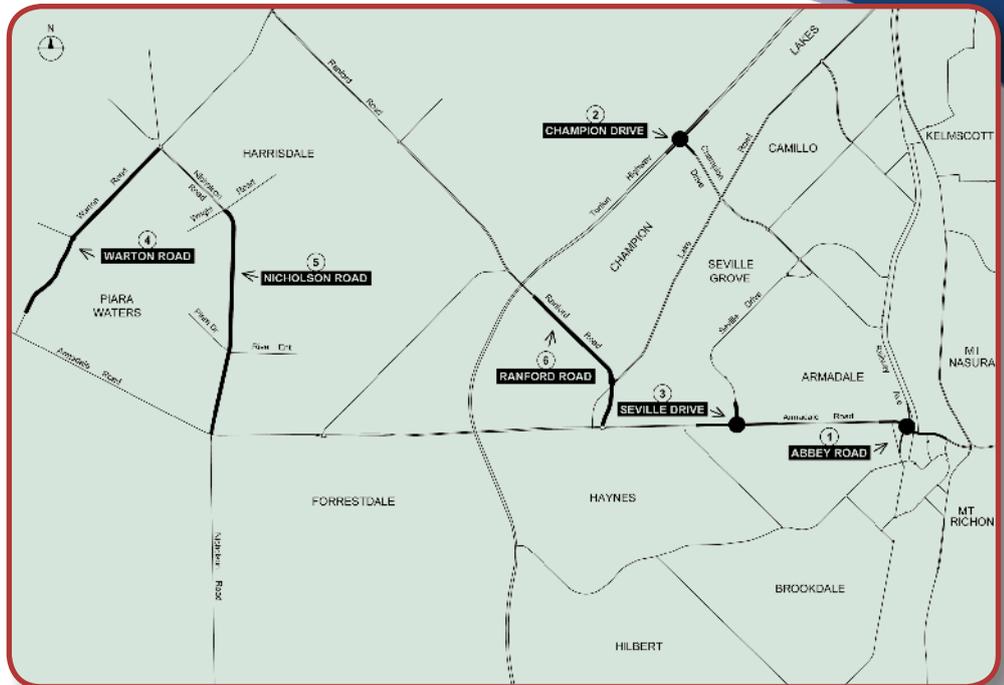
Works to realign Abbey Road and Railway Avenue at Armadale Road and install traffic signals.

Starting in first half of 2012, expected to take six months to complete.

(2) Tonkin Highway, Champion Drive – Champion Lakes

Installation of traffic signals at the Champion Drive, Tonkin Highway intersection.

The process is waiting final approval from Main Roads.



(3) Seville Drive, Armadale Road – West Armadale

Installation of traffic signals at Seville Drive and Armadale Road T-junction.

Starting first half of 2012, expected to take 6 months.

(4) Warton Road – Piara Waters

Dual carriageway upgrade to 3km section of Warton Road between Armadale Road and Nicholson Road. Main Roads WA will upgrade the intersection, which will include traffic lights.

Works 75% completed.

(5) Nicholson Road – Piara Waters

Upgrade 3.3km section of Nicholson Road between Armadale and Wright Roads to a boulevard style street which will be able to be upgraded to a 2 lane dual carriageway in the future.

Stage 1: Wright Road to Piara Drive works 40 per cent completed and expected to finish in 2012.

Stage 2: Piara Drive to Armadale Road provisionally programmed for 2013-14, based on population growth rates.

(6) Ranford Road – Champion Lakes

Dual carriageway works on Ranford Road between Tonkin Highway and Armadale Road, including new link to Twelfth Road/ Armadale Road roundabout.

Starting: end of winter 2011, expected completion 18 months from start date.

City of Armadale Council and Committee Meetings

August, September and October meeting cycles are displayed below. All meetings are held in the City of Armadale’s Administration Centre, 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale and are open to the public.

August 2011

Mon 22 Aug	7pm	Council meeting
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September 2011

Mon 12 Sept	7pm	Technical Services
Tues 13 Sept	7pm	Community Services
Mon 19 Sept	7pm	Development Services
Tues 20 Sept	7pm	City Strategy
Mon 26 Sept	7pm	Council meeting

October 2011

Mon 3 Oct	5.30pm	Technical Services
Mon 3 Oct	7pm	Development Services
Tues 4 Oct	5.30pm	Community Services
Tues 4 Oct	7pm	City Strategy
Mon 10 Oct	7pm	Council meeting
Sat 15 Oct		Local Government Elections
Mon 17 Oct	7pm	Council Meeting