

CITY VIEWS

GROWING
Armadale Campaign

HARRISDALE
Sports and Community Facility

OUR TREE
Canopy



Lunch time music in Jull Street Mall

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| Meeting Dates | | | |
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| Date | Month | Time | Meeting Type |
| Monday 1 | February | 7pm | Technical Services Committee |
| Tuesday 2 | February | 7pm | Community Services Committee |
| Monday 8 | February | 7pm | Council |
| Monday 15 | February | 7pm | City Strategy Committee |
| Tuesday 16 | February | 7pm | Development Services Committee |
| Monday 22 | February | 7pm | Council |
| Monday 29 | February | 7pm | Technical Services Committee |
| Tuesday 1 | March | 7pm | Community Services Committee |
| Monday 14 | March | 7pm | Council |
| Monday 21 | March | 7pm | City Strategy Committee |
| Tuesday 22 | March | 7pm | Development Services Committee |
| Tuesday 29 | March | 7pm | Council |
| Monday 4 | April | 7pm | Technical Services Committee |
| Tuesday 5 | April | 7pm | Community Services Committee |
| Monday 11 | April | 7pm | Council |
| Monday 18 | April | 7pm | City Strategy Committee |
| Tuesday 19 | April | 7pm | Development Services Committee |
| Tuesday 26 | April | 7pm | Council |

Mayor's Message

2016 will be another exciting and busy year in the City of Armadale as we continue with the provision of quality services, programs and amenities to meet the needs of our ever growing community.

During the year the City will continue to provide an exciting calendar of community events, with the popular Twilight Markets in Jull Street Mall scheduled for early February and March along with Movies in the Park.

As we go to print, preparations for the City's Australia Day celebrations are well underway and I hope many of you enjoyed the entertainment and activities planned for all the family – and of course the fireworks held in our iconic Minnawarra Park.

The relocated Kelmscott Library in the Stargate Shopping Centre opened its doors in early January, offering patrons an enhanced library service. If you haven't already visited, I encourage you to check out the modern and colourful space, and enjoy a coffee in the new café style seating while you browse the new collection of books on offer.

Several other large scale projects are underway, and you'll find a project update on the new playing fields in Harrisdale on page 4 of this edition.

The City continues to recognise the need to engage with our community and seek comment to understand what people would like in their City; and I would like to thank all the residents who participated in the *Growing Armadale* campaign. Now completed, the results

from the campaign will form the basis of a review of the *City of Armadale Strategic Community Plan 2013 - 2028* which will provide a blueprint for the future direction of the City and its community.

We finished 2015 on a very good note, with the City receiving an award for Orchard House, the City's landmark building project and recognition for the successful joint Community Connect South campaign (with the City of Cockburn) earning a commendation at the National Growth Areas Alliance Awards.

Inspired and driven by community input the City's social media campaign #TheDale won the Public Relations Institute of Australia (PRIA) WA Award for Excellence and a Highly Commended in the National competition, for its role in highlighting the positive side of living in Armadale.

At this time of year, it's timely to remind residents of the importance of being fire prepared and ensuring you have taken every precaution in case of a bush or house fire threat. The City can provide advice on fire preparedness, see page 7 for some handy hints.

Henry Zelones OAM, JP

Mayor



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2015 NGAA Congress Awards

Win, win, win for Armadale community

With such rapid growth taking place in the district the City of Armadale works very hard to deliver great outcomes to residents, and is proud to have been acknowledged for our efforts across three areas in 2015.

The City's landmark building, **Orchard House** won the 2015 National Growth Areas Alliance (NGAA) Congress Award for the *infrastructure which has proven to be a catalyst for economic development, jobs or community connection* category.

The award was due recognition for the City's successful efforts to attract investment and development in Armadale's CBD and to meet the growing demand for modern, quality commercial office space.

The successful **Community Connect South (CCS)** campaign lead by the Cities of Armadale and Cockburn and embraced by our communities earned a commendation at the 2015 National Growth Areas Alliance (NGAA) Awards.

The Cities earned the recognition for *Collaboration on building or financing of infrastructure* for the road funding campaign prior to the Canning by-election in September 2015, which resulted in Federal and State Governments committing \$145 million funding for the widening of Armadale Road.

Look out for phase two of the CCS campaign where we'll be seeking your assistance to ensure State and Federal government commit to finishing the job and provide access to jobs in Cockburn and the greater Perth metro region via the Freeway, by constructing the new North Lake Road Bridge.

The City's **#TheDale social media campaign** won the Public Relations Institute of Australia (PRIA) WA Award for Excellence, and a Highly Commended at the National PRIA Awards 2015, for its role in highlighting the positive side of living in Armadale.

The interactive campaign provided a fantastic way for residents and visitors to get to know the City of Armadale, helping to shift outdated perceptions of Armadale by showcasing our beautiful City.

The number and quality of entries, along with popularity of the campaign, were testament to the passion Armadale residents have for their City and its surrounds.

The PRIA Award is a fantastic achievement for a local government organisation, and the campaign was only so successful thanks to the enthusiasm and participation of the community.



#TheDale weekly winner

Growing Armadale Campaign

The City of Armadale would like to thank the more than 3000 residents who participated in the Growing Armadale consultation.

From October, the City embarked on its largest ever community consultation exercise to determine what people want to see for the future of their community.

Now completed, the results of the Growing Armadale research will form the basis of a review of the City of Armadale Strategic Community Plan 2013 - 2028 which will provide a blueprint for the future direction of the City and its community.



Growing Armadale Campaign

Early feedback from the consultation showed that residents highly rated the local natural environment and City parks, as well as diversity within the community, and wanted the City to build on its reputation and think big for the future.

Most were very proud to live in the City and wanted to see that reflected in local news stories and in the programs and events that the City delivers. Public transport was seen as both positive

and a challenge and there was a strong desire to see better employment and higher education opportunities in Armadale.

For more information visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au/growing-armadale or call 9394 5642.



New Australian Technical College opening in Armadale

The new Australian Technical College Western Australia (ATCWA) will welcome its first students to its Commerce Avenue campus in February 2016.

ATC is currently taking enrolments of students for courses including:

- Course IV in Business
- Diploma of Business
- Advanced Diploma of Leadership and Management.

The first term will begin in February 2016, with more courses becoming available throughout the year.

It is great to see a new education service provider operating in the heart of Armadale.

Additional courses including Hospitality, Cookery and Trades will become available in the coming 12 months.

For more information and to apply online visit www.atc.wa.edu.au or call 6196 2709.

Spread your rates bill over the year!

The City of Armadale's A Smarter Way to Pay is a no-fuss way to pay rates over a 12 month period.

Payments are made via direct debit on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis running from April to March each year. Now is a great time to set up yours for the coming rating year 2016/17.

For further information contact the City's Rate Department on 9394 5164.





Sports and community facility on the go in Harrisdale

Construction of the City's newest sports and community facility is well under way, with work progressing at a rapid pace.

The 4.7 hectare Harrisdale Community and Sporting Pavilion and oval complex is located on Gracefield Boulevard between the Harrisdale Primary School and Harrisdale High School. Both schools are currently under construction, with the primary school scheduled to open for the 2016 school year and the high school set to open in 2017.

The City's facility will feature a multi-purpose playing field with lighting, a pavilion for sports and community use, playground and car park.

The pavilion will feature four separate change rooms, multipurpose function rooms, integrated kitchen and kiosk, alfresco area, storage areas and tiered outdoor seating for spectators.

Funding of the project includes more than \$7 million from the City and \$800,000 from grant funding secured through the Department of Sport and Recreation's Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund.

Based on the current program, the playing fields and car park are due for completion in February/March and construction of the pavilion is scheduled to be completed in late 2016.

River Road Streetscape Project underway

Construction is well underway on streetscape and safety upgrades to River Road, Kelmscott.



The River Road Streetscape Project involves installation of median islands to slow traffic along River Road, spaced with trees for aesthetic and traffic control purposes.

Turning lanes will also be provided at the intersections with Orlando Street and Church Street to enhance safety in the vicinity of the Kelmscott Primary School.

This road project will enhance and improve road safety within the heritage area along River Road, as well as providing an improved visual appearance.

Council provided additional funding for the provision of parking bays, repairing and providing a consistency to brick paving and resurfacing for the length of River Road between Church Street and Rundle Street.



Yoga in the Park

Start your Mondays with free yoga classes outside in the fresh air in Minnowarra Park.

This popular FREE early morning yoga class continues in 2016. Run by a qualified instructor, try a class and discover the many benefits of yoga. These can include improvements in your well-being and lifestyle, such as: a decrease in anxiety and depression levels; increase in muscle strength, tone and flexibility; reduction in fatigue; and improved posture, concentration and energy levels.

Suitable for residents of all fitness levels, 16 years and over.

Monday 22 & 29 February
Monday 14 & 21 March

Minnowarra Park, Armadale:
6.30 – 7.30am

For further information call 9394 5840.



Growing our tree canopy

"The best time to plant a tree was 50 years ago. The second best time is right now." Chinese Proverb

As one of the first local governments in Western Australia to develop an Urban Forest Strategy, the City of Armadale will become even leafier and healthier under our plans to green the city, helping reduce power bills as well as beautifying the existing landscapes.

The environmental, economic and social benefits of trees and plants will be maximised under our Urban Forest Strategy, helping us to protect and increase the total vegetation of the City to provide future generations with a resilient, healthy and diverse urban environment.

The City has already commenced planting a mixture of native and exotic street trees within parks, streetscapes and around community facilities that are attractive, healthy, safe and appropriate to the location.

- Urban Forest planting – 2000 street trees (60% native, 40% exotic) 14,000 native shrubs.
- Warton Road Stage 1 median island planting – 200 native trees and 35,000 native shrubs.
- Nicholson Road streetscape planting – 10,500 native plants.
- Environmental Rehabilitation Projects – 80,000 tube stock.
- Forrestdale Business Park – 20,000 native tube stock plants for drain rehabilitation.

For further information or to view the City's Urban Forest Strategy visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au.



Community Garden seeks your input

The City of Armadale's Community Garden and Urban Orchard Project at the Champion Centre is seeking community interest.

The City is inviting community groups and residents with relevant experience in gardening, reticulation and planning to be involved in the creation of this exciting community space, located in between the Champion Centre and Seville Grove Library.

The City is interested in forming a Steering Group that will plan and oversee the preparation and establishment of the garden.

The group will also work together to engage the community, support volunteers, work with local businesses and provide support and insight on a range of other matters impacting the space.

For further information contact the Champion Centre on 9394 5820 or email championcentre@armadale.wa.gov.au.

Indoor sports

Winter season commencing April

For those looking to get involved in team sports, the new winter indoor sports series is for you.

Get a team together and play in a fun, competitive atmosphere, with qualified umpires and all the equipment you need supplied.

The Arena is currently taking nominations for ladies' netball, daytime and evening competitions and the men's soccer competition. Winter season commences in April and runs to October each year.

Expressions of interest are also being sought for a mixed netball competition and junior soccer.

Contact Armadale Arena on 9394 5840 for further details or to nominate a team.





Be Prepared this Fire Season

Some areas of the City are at greater risk of bushfires this summer and autumn after another dry winter and warmer temperatures forecast this summer.



Bushfires can start suddenly and without warning. If you live in or near bushland, you are at risk from a bushfire and developing a bushfire survival plan is critical.

Being prepared for a bushfire can help save you and your family's lives, your property and your livelihood.

Are you and your family at risk?

You need to think about the bushfire risk to your family and home:

- Do you live in or near bush?
- Does your local area have a bushfire history?
- Do you have trees and shrubs within 20 metres of your house?
- Is your house built on a slope?
- Is your bushfire survival plan more than one year old?

If you answered yes to one or more of these questions then being impacted by a bushfire is a real risk to you and your family. You need to have a bushfire survival plan and keep it updated, and remember to include your animals in the plan.

Prohibited burning period

The Prohibited Burning Period is effective from 1 December 2015 to 31 March 2016 which means all burning activity is prohibited.

For more information about fire safety this summer visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au or for updated Fire Danger Ratings visit the Department of Fire and Emergency Services website www.dfes.wa.gov.au.

Free Lifestyle Program for community groups

Healthy Around the House is an eight-week program that aims to support individuals to develop skills and confidence to enable them to take exercise and healthy cooking back into their homes and make it a part of their everyday life.

The program is available to community groups and organisations within the City of Armadale and is delivered on site to meet the needs of individual groups.

The program is suitable for people starting their journey back into exercising and interested in learning new ways to provide quick, healthy family meals on a limited budget.

Weekly sessions may include an exercise session, nutrition education and hands-on meal preparation, all underpinned by the ethos that being healthy does not have to be expensive. The exercise program uses readily available locations and equipment from around the home, while the cooking session focuses on producing balanced meals on a budget.



If your community group would like to participate in the Healthy Around the House program contact the City's Health and Wellbeing Officer on 9394 5000.



Harry Potter Book Night

Dress up as your favourite Harry Potter character and join us for this exciting evening of wizarding fun with games, quizzes and activities. Suitable for children aged six years and over. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the whole session.

Thursday 4 February, 6.30 – 7.30pm

Armadale Library, Armadale Central Shopping Centre
Call 9394 5125 to reserve your place.



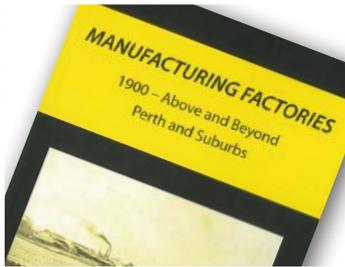
Twilight Markets

Experience the fun eclectic mix of street stalls, music and entertainment amongst the charm of overhead trees and ample seating of Jull Street Mall, in the Armadale City Centre.

Friday 5 February, 5 – 8.30pm

Friday 4 March, 5 – 8.30pm

Jull Street Mall, Armadale



Meet the author - Loraine Coates

Come along and meet Loraine and learn how her love of collecting led her to write about Western Australia's background of craftsmanship and manufacturing in the 1900s.

Thursday 11 February, 1.30 – 2.30pm

Armadale Library, Armadale Central Shopping Centre
Call 9394 5125 to reserve your place.



Movies in the Park – save the date!

Movie lovers will enjoy the Movies in the Park series, with free family entertainment at some of the City's most picturesque parks. Pre-show entertainment starts from 6.30pm, the movies screen once it's dark (from about 8pm).

Fridays, February 12 & 26

Fridays, March 11 & 18

Visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au or call 9394 5000 for venue location.



Step into Volunteering

Are you interested in volunteering but aren't sure how to get started? There are plenty of opportunities available with something for everyone. This free session is a great way to find a position which is perfect for you.

Thursday 18 February, 5.30 – 6.30pm

Armadale Library, Armadale Central Shopping Centre
Call 9394 5642 to reserve your place.



How to set up shop online in under two hours

Join other small and medium sized businesses for this informative workshop with expert guidance from Adam Guerin, a web consultant with 20 years' experience assisting businesses to achieve their online goals. Learn the success factors in selling online using cloud-based e-commerce platforms.

Tuesday 23 February, 4 – 6.30pm

Avocados Function Centre
2 Mount Street, Kelmscott
Call 9336 8000 to reserve your place.



Exhibition – Made in Armadale

Come and explore the creativity and innovation of Armadale residents past and present. Made in Armadale exhibition celebrates creations of all kinds, and the role they played in making our community great. From early industry to fine art, this exhibition will have something of interest for everyone.

History House Museum – exhibition runs until 20 April

Minnawarra Precinct, Jull Street, Armadale
Call 9394 5670 for opening times.

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