

COUNCIL NEWS

Message from the Mayor

Stay safe on our streets

I have been approached by a concerned truck driver that many people walking in the early morning around Cummins are hard to see. He has suggested people could wear a safety vest or some type of fluoro garment so they can be seen by vehicles. A reminder also that drivers should turn off their high beam once entering the town.

Jo-Anne Quigley
Mayor

Council Elections

Key dates to keep in mind for the upcoming Council elections:

- Close of electoral roll: July 27
- Nominations Open: August 23
- Nominations Close: 12pm, September 6
- Mailout of ballots to electors: October 14-20
- Close of voting (polling day): 5pm, November 10
- Scrutiny and count: 9am, November 12

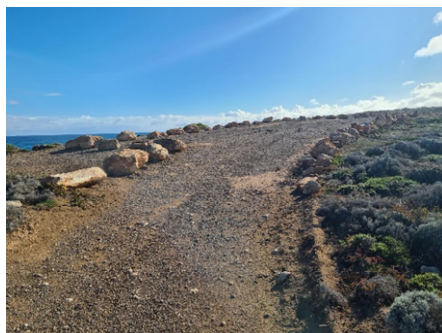
Becoming a councillor presents the opportunity to influence local directions and create long term, positive outcomes within your community and for fellow residents. If you consider yourself to be invested in the future of your community, are willing to learn and participate, and prepared to contribute strategically to decision making processes that benefit your broader community, then you should explore what it takes to be a councillor.

Flinders Highway upgrade & road detours

Work has started on the Flinders Highway upgrade with road detours now in place.

Stage One: Flinders Highway - East of the Pound Lane/Chapman Road intersection up to 100m west of the Cockatoo Road intersection

This stage of the works will see Flinders Highway (between Cockatoo Road and Pound Lane Chapman Road intersection) closed for approximately 12 weeks. This closure will be in effect from May 25 and information outlining the detours during this stage of works is available on Council's website.



Greenly Beach improvements

Earthmoving work has been carried out to improve and formalise the Greenly Beach camping area.

Lower Eyre Coast Care received grant funding to undertake delineation works at the Greenly Beach day carpark and campground to further protect the surrounding environment from vehicle intrusion and degradation.

Council supports this commitment as the works contribute towards better protecting our precious environment and enhancing both local and visitor experience to the area.



Light show in Coffin Bay

'Borealis' is an internationally recognised art installation, and it's coming to Coffin Bay!

The installation recreates the wonder of the Northern Lights or 'Aurora Borealis' and was created by Switzerland-based artist Dan Acher of Happy City Lab.

Locals and visitors will be able to enjoy this immersive display after dark, with live music entertainment and outdoor dining covering the Coffin Bay foreshore on October 28, 29 and 30. More information coming soon!

Annual Business Plan

Council's 2022/23 Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget is due to be released for public consultation on June 2.

A timeline detailing the process for adoption is outlined below and an online survey will be made available to assist with feedback.

- June 16: Formal presentation (that is to be live streamed) provided on the Draft Annual Business Plan from the Cummins Council Office Chambers starting at 7:30pm.
- July 1: Written submissions from community members close.
- July 4: Council to hear submissions from community members and determine any amendments as a result of submissions.
- July 15: Council adopt its Annual Business Plan and Budget.

Creating Connections is back

Council has partnered with the Red Cross to again offer the Creating Connections program - a free social initiative for people living in our district aged from 55 years.

The monthly events encourage people to get out and see and learn new things in a welcoming environment. Transport is available (subject to sufficient numbers).

Upcoming events

- Tuesday, June 14: Swan Sanctuary Café. 9am start in Cummins, tour of café and chocolate shop, scones jam cream tea and coffee.
- Thursday, July 14: Meditation and Mindfulness with Thalia Fowler of B-Balanced connections – group session in Cummins institute.

Bookings are essential. Please call the Council office on 8676 0400.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Grants for schools

Real Insurance's Real School Grants program is open for applications. The annual one-off grant of up to \$5,000 is awarded to a school, school group, and/or school committee that is committed to improving the quality of school resources and communities with regards to one of the following values: health, learning & development, information & technology, or community & infrastructure. Applications close September 30. Visit the website: www.realinsurance.com.au/grants/school-grant