

# Katanning Shire Matters

July 2020



## SHIRE NOTICES

### Shire of Katanning Facilities Phase 4 COVID-19 Restrictions

As of Saturday 27 June 2020 the State Government moved into Phase 4 of the WA Roadmap to ease restrictions in place due to COVID-19.

The Shire will continue to monitor developments with COVID-19 and follow the advice of government and health authorities whilst maintaining services to the community.

Shire facilities are back to normal open hours and COVID-19 restrictions will be in place to maintain public and staff safety. Customers will be expected to abide by these rules. Please check the Shire of Katanning website for full information.

Community and staff safety will continue to be our priority. There have also been modifications to facilities (such as screens, barriers and signage) to ensure safe environments for all. All public spaces, playgrounds and parks are open. Physical distancing, good hygiene and the 2 square metre rule will apply to all activities permitted in Phase 4.

More information about the WA Roadmap can be found on the State Government's website: [www.wa.gov.au](http://www.wa.gov.au)

### DFES Reminder: Burn Smart

If you own or manage land in Western Australia it is your responsibility to reduce the risk of bushfire impacting it. This applies to all landholders and land occupiers, including private homes, businesses and Local, State and Federal Government.

One of the most effective ways you can reduce fuel loads and the risk of bushfire is planned burning.

Planned burning is the deliberate burning of a specific area, under carefully managed conditions, to reduce fuel such as dead wood, leaf litter, bark and shrubs.

Under the right conditions, planned burning can help you to reduce the amount of flammable material on your property, potentially reducing the impact of bushfire.

When a bushfire enters an area of reduced fuel, the rate of bushfire spread slows and the intensity at which it burns is reduced. This means landholders and firefighters have a better chance of containing the fire and it is less likely to cause damage to property.

In the wrong conditions, a planned burn can escape and become an uncontrollable fire, putting lives and homes at risk. If you plan to burn, plan to Burn SMART.

DFES' Bushfire Centre of Excellence has created a Burn SMART Guide and Burn SMART Checklist, with information for private landholders about planned burning, and actions to take before, during and after your burn. The Guide and Checklist apply to properties within the Swan Coastal Plain, Jarrah Forest or Warren biogeographic regions (including Katanning). Copies can be downloaded at [dfes.wa.gov.au/plannedburning](http://dfes.wa.gov.au/plannedburning) or ask your local fire brigade.

### Illegal Dumping and Littering

A reminder that illegally dumped rubbish is strictly prohibited, and penalties will apply if you are found responsible.

Illegal dumping is the unlawful disposal of any rubbish in public places such as bushlands, waterways, streets, laneways, parks, and footpaths. Dumped waste can attract others to dump waste at the same location, be aesthetically displeasing, attract pests, and create odour.

If you see anyone creating these dangers to our community, please report them to the Shire of Katanning by contacting 9821 9999 or emailing [admin@katanning.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@katanning.wa.gov.au) and inform us of where any dumping has occurred.

### Changing Places: Have you got your key?

The Shire of Katanning has a Changing Places facility located in the Katanning Lions Park on Blantyre Street, adjacent to the BBQ and picnic area.

A Changing Place is a secure and clean bathroom specifically designed for people who need space and assistance to manage their bathroom needs and for whom universal access toilets are not suitable.

There are two accessible parking bays directly in front of the Changing Place on Blantyre Street.

Access to the Shire of Katanning's Changing Place is via a Master Locksmiths Access Key (MLAK) – the key used for opening most Changing Places Toilets.

All Companion Card holders in Western Australia are eligible to receive a free Master Locksmiths Access Key (MLAK).

To get find out how you get your free MLAK key contact [changingplaces@nds.org.au](mailto:changingplaces@nds.org.au) or call 1800 617 337.

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

At the June Ordinary Council Meeting for the Shire of Katanning, held on Tuesday

23 June 2020, the following items were approved:

### Restricted Vehicle Access Network

Council supported the application to amend the Restricted Access Vehicle to Network 4 for Flugge Road, Stott Road and Rockwell Road as proposed.

### Fire Management Requirement Brochure

Council, in accordance with section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954, endorsed the 2020 – 2021 Shire of Katanning Fire Management Requirements as presented.

### Participation in National Redress Scheme

Council endorsed the participation of the Shire of Katanning in the National Redress Scheme as a State Government institution and included as part of the State Government's declaration.

The full minutes of the Shire of Katanning's Ordinary Council Meetings can be found on the Shire's website.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Tuesday 28 July 2020 Katanning Public Ordinary Council Meeting

Held in Council Chambers in the Shire of Katanning Administration and Civic Centre, located at 52 Austral Terrace, Katanning, commencing at 6:00pm.

## KATANNING HIGHLIGHTS



### FREE WEE LIBRARIES

The Katanning Mens Shed built six library boxes and together with the Shire, invited community members to come to their workshop to decorate. The boxes were given a colourful paint and soon will be installed around town for the community to read and exchange books.



### BRUSH LETTERING

Community members attended several workshops to learn Brush Lettering skills that are commonly used for encouraging and inspirational quotes. Community members were able to meet new people while learning a new skill.



### YOGA AT THE LIONS PARK

During a weekend of community events organised by the Shire's Community Development Team, community members enjoyed socially distanced yoga workshops held at the Lions Park. The workshops were a great way to keep active while socialising.



### WEAVING WORKSHOPS

At several fully booked cane and reed workshops, community members from Katanning and surrounding towns came together to make great reed and cane creations. Feedback from the workshop was that it was a great social opportunity since strict COVID-19 restrictions were lifted.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday 4 July 2020**  
School holidays commence

**Saturday 18 July 2020**  
Katanning Farmers Markets  
8:00am - 12:00pm (noon)  
Shearing Shed, Katanning  
Leisure & Function Centre

**Monday 20 July 2020**  
Term 3 of school resumes

Please go to the Events Calendar on the Shire of Katanning website for all school holiday programs available.

