Katanning Shire Matters

May 2021



KidSport in Katanning Eligible children in Western Australia can receive up to \$150 per calendar year to cover the costs of joining any approved KidSport club.

Vouchers can also be used across multiple KidSport clubs, helping more children to get active and connect with community sport.

In 2021, all eligible children will be able to access two KidSport vouchers with the second becoming available from 1 July 2021.

For more information please go online to:

www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/ kidsport

Katanning Council to Reduce Number of Elected Members

Following a decision at the October 2020 Council Meeting, the Shire of Katanning Council submitted a proposal to the Local Government Advisory Board to reduce the number of elected members from the current 9 to 7.

The proposal was considered by the Advisory Board in late 2020 with Ministerial approval for the change granted in January 2021.

Shire President Cr Liz Guidera said that she fully supported the change. "With the requirement for Councillors to undertake mandatory training and increasing demands for time and commitment to the role, Council felt it would become increasingly difficult

to attract community members to the role."

The reduction in numbers from 9 to 7 will be implemented at the ordinary local government elections being held in October 2021.

Department of Fire and Emergency Services Reminder: Burn SMART

The Department of Fire and **Emergency Services (DFES)** have updated resources for 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.

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.

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

Resources on how to Burn SMART can be found online at www.dfes.wa.gov.au/ plannedburning

Employment Opportunities The Shire of Katanning invites applications from suitably

qualified and experienced

people for the following positions:

- Senior Recreation Officer
- Junior Recreation Officer

Closing date: 4.00pm 14 May

To request an application package or discuss this role further please contact Moh Aeson on (08) 9821 9999 or please send an email to: moh.aeson@katanning.wa.gov

To be considered for this position applicants must address the Selection Criteria as detailed in the Application Packages found on the Shire website.

Applications addressed to the undersigned should be sent to moh.aeson@katanning.wa .gov.au or mailed to PO Box 130 Katanning, WA 6317 by 4.00pm Wednesday 14 May 2021.

COUNCIL **HIGHLIGHTS**

At the April Ordinary Council Meeting for the Shire of Katanning, held on Tuesday 27 April 2021, the following items were approved:

Local Emergency Management Arrangements

Council endorsed the Local **Emergency Management** Arrangements for the Shires of Katanning, Kent and Woodanilling that were updated to meet requirements of the new **Emergency Management** Legislation.

Appointment of Fire Control **Officers**

Council appointed 21 persons as Fire Control Officers in accordance with the Bush Fires Act 1954. The list of names can be found on the Shire website.

Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee **Members and Candidates**

Council in accordance with section 5.104 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopted the Code of Conduct Centre, located at 52 Austral for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates.

Southern Link VROC

Council accepted the invitation to become a full member of the Southern Link Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (VROC).

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

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 25 May 2021 **Katanning Public Ordinary Council Meeting**

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

Please see the Shire of Katanning website for the agenda on the Thursday prior.

Ordinary Council meetings are open to members of the public and a period is allocated in every agenda for public question time.











KATANNING HIGHLIGHTS





YOUTH WEEK SKATE EVENT

The Katanning Skate Park came alive with local and professional skaters for the Katanning Youth Week Skate Fitness Classes Event on 15 April 2021. The Shire of Katanning, Skate Sculpture, local businesses and clubs all came together to put on a fantastic evening for all with giveaways, fun Every Thursday music, food and a skate deck painting workshop.

www.katanning.wa.gov.au

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ongoing - 22 May 2021 Art Exhibition: Windows Katanning Art Gallery 16 Austral Terrace Monday - Saturday

Ongoing - May 2021 Seniors Gym (Ages 55+) 1:30pm - 2:30pm Katanning Leisure Centre Every Tuesday & Thursday

Ongoing - May 2021 CaLD & Noongar Women 10:30am - 11:30am Katanning Leisure Centre

Ongoing - May 2021 Katanning Library: Story Time 10:00am - 11:00am Katanning Library **Every Tuesday**

Saturday 15 May 2021 Katanning Farmers Markets 8:00am - 12:00noon Shearing Shed, Katanning Leisure Centre Grounds

Friday 21 May 2021 Katanning Rural Women's Network Event 6:00pm, Katanning Club **Amherst Street** Tickets \$25.00



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