



Councillor Column

Hi, Cr Stuart Mackenzie here, sharing with you some of the insights of the South Ward inclusive of Alexander Heights, Darch, Girrawheen, Koondoola, Landsdale, Madeley and Marangaroo.

We strive to look at positive ways to invigorate the senior suburbs of the South Ward of the City with a strong commitment to opportunities for rebuilding and revitalising within budgetary considerations.

Ensuring open space to enjoy our great City lifestyle requires traditional and innovative solutions to provide the best we can for our families. The Mirrabooka Ave, Hepburn Ave and Hartman Drive improvements have given better economies of scale both in time and convenience for travelling around the South Ward.

Keeping children and youth fit and healthy, the Kingsway Regional Sporting Complex has become a vital hub in the City, while continuing staged improvements to the facility will see it remain an essential and vibrant centre well into the future.

Girrawheen Library improvements ensure that the facility remains a social and educational hi-tech centre of knowledge, providing modern functionality for learning excellence in the South Ward.

After the recent bushfire in the Koondoola Bushland Reserve, I must congratulate DFES and all emergency services for their fantastic response. We saved some bushland and the rest will, in time, be rejuvenated to an even better state.

As always I look forward to meeting you at events held across the City, particularly the very popular and well attended Global Beats and Eats presented by Act-Belong-Commit, held at Liddell Park in Girrawheen on Saturday, 6 April.

Many exciting activities occur every day and I encourage you to be a part of your community, the South Ward, and the greatest city in Western Australia. It is assuredly the very best place to be.

You are always more than welcome to contact me on **0420 481 954** or email me at stuart.mackenzie@wanneroo.wa.gov.au and I will do my best to help you enjoy the fantastic lifestyle and opportunities that the City of Wanneroo offers all of us.

Regards, Cr Stuart Mackenzie, South Ward

SOUTH WARD

MEET THE MAYOR

Meet the Mayor is coming to a suburb near you.

Friday 7 June 2013

Hainsworth Community Centre
Girrawheen // 11am-1pm
Bookings essential 9405 5654



Northern suburbs cheer Hester Avenue



Mayor Tracey Roberts and coastal ward councillors Rudi Steffens and Ian Goodenough at the recently upgraded Hester Ave and Wanneroo Road intersection.

Northern suburbs residents are cheering at the completion of City of Wanneroo's road works to improve the Hester Avenue link with Wanneroo Road at Neerabup.

The traffic lights are in - and the traffic is flowing well.

The intersection is the only link to Wanneroo Road for the whole of the northern suburbs - and the improvements are proving a resounding success.

Hester Avenue has been widened to allow for two lanes turning right into Wanneroo Road and the addition of traffic lights has considerably eased congestion.

"What a relief," said a Quinns Rocks resident, "It used to take me 20 minutes stuck in a traffic

jam every morning. Now with the new lights, the traffic is sailing through".

Mayor Tracey Roberts who lives in Mindarie said she uses Hester Avenue regularly and shares local residents' delight at the success of the roadworks.

"It is fantastic to see it finished," Mayor Roberts said.

"Residents have been waiting for a long time and it is great to see this major upgrade, from both a traffic congestion and safety perspective. These improvements should make travelling for the community both quicker and safer".

Funded by Federal Black Spot funding, the City of Wanneroo completed its part of the \$635,000 project in February.

Western Power completed the traffic lights soon after.

There has been a major improvement in traffic flow at the intersection - the only east-west connection for the residents of Clarkson, Quinns Rocks, Merriwa, Mindarie and Butler and beyond.

Instead of only a single lane, as was the case for many years, traffic heading east along Hester Avenue now has two lanes available to turn right into Wanneroo Road - and the intersection will now be controlled by traffic lights.

The 'slip lane' allowing north-bound cars to turn left from Wanneroo Road into Hester Avenue is still operational.

HARD HAT CHAT - Wanneroo Road Town Centre Streetscape Enhancement

Stage 1 of the redevelopment will include landscaping of the Wanneroo Road median between Church Street and Noonan Drive, Wanneroo.

Detailed design for stage 1 will now commence before being offered for public tender. For further details visit wanneroo.wa.gov.au



900000 BEATS & eats
PRESENTED BY ACT-BELONG-COMMIT
FREE EVENT
Saturday 6 April 2013
wanneroo.wa.gov.au
BLUE KING BROWN
5pm-9.30pm Liddell Park, Girrawheen
act belong commit healthway Community newspaper group
Smoke and alcohol free event

PRESERVING MEMORABILIA

Learn how to scan and digitally copy family documents and photographs and hear how to avoid the common pitfalls during this process.

Find out about archival prints, good storage practice and when conservation may be needed. Participants are invited to bring in items for examination.

Saturday 23 March 2013 // 2pm-4pm
Theatrette, Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre, 3 Rocca Way, Wanneroo
Cost \$20, bookings essential 9405 5920

FERAL ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM

The City of Wanneroo will carry out a coastal rabbit and fox control program in late March and April 2013, inclusive of Conservation Reserves south of Quinns Road to Tamala Park bushland, including Kinsale Park.

The program reduces the number of feral rabbits that are damaging the City's coastal dunes and bushland vegetation and rehabilitation sites, as well as reducing the number of foxes that are preying on native fauna.

Areas being targeted will be clearly sign posted. Please keep to access tracks and keep animals on a leash.

For Further information please contact the City's Conservation Team on 9405 5000.

COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Council Briefing
Tuesday 26 March // 6pm

Council Meeting
Tuesday 2 April // 7pm

City of Wanneroo
Council Chambers,
23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo