

Long awaited freeway opens inside Wanneroo

On Thursday, 3 August we welcomed the Mitchell Freeway inside our City's borders for the first time with the official opening of the Burns Beach Road to Hester Avenue extension.

The project delivered:

- Six kilometres of dual carriageway in each direction, with capacity for expansion to three lanes;
- New interchanges at Burns Beach Rd, Neerabup Rd and Hester Ave;
- Extension of Neerabup Road from Connolly Drive to Wanneroo Road;
- Widening of Hester Ave from Hidden Valley Retreat to Wanneroo Road;
- Reconfiguration of the Flynn Drive / Wanneroo Road / Neerabup Road intersection;
- Widening of Wanneroo Road from Flynn Drive to Hall Road;
- Upgrading of Joondalup Drive and Wanneroo Road intersection.

The \$236 million project lays the platform for future extension through to Yanchep and provides direct access to the Neerabup industrial area.

Thank you to everyone who shared their voice through Connect Wanneroo and the Main Roads Community Reference Group to make sure we were heard by the State and Federal governments.

Strong transport links underpin the successful growth of our City; help ensure our communities are connected; and that our neighbourhoods are vibrant, progressive and prosperous places to live.

If we get the infrastructure right, the investment and jobs will follow.

Together with approved projects for the widening of Marmion Avenue through to Yanchep Beach Road and Wanneroo Road through to



Mayor Tracey Roberts with the Hon. Malcolm Turnbull, Prime Minister and members of the Community Reference Group at the official opening.

Flynn Drive and completing the widening of Wanneroo Road through to Hester Avenue, the works will deliver improved transport efficiency in the City's northern suburbs, ease congestion on local roads, improve traffic flow and stimulate investment to

enhance the development of the area.

Future extension of the Mitchell Freeway through to Romeo Road, Alkimos, is also a step closer to reality with Main Roads WA setting aside land for the project.

Local government first for vision impaired



Mia Wilkes reading the new Braille signage.

Braille signage has been installed at the Dinosaur Park in Kingsway, to create a 'training site' playground for vision-impaired children.

This training site provides a safer

environment for people with vision impairment to explore, bringing about greater confidence and skill development.

"The City of Wanneroo believes in accessibility for all, and these improvements give our young residents - of all abilities - the opportunity to have fun at the Dinosaur Park," said City of Wanneroo Mayor Tracey Roberts.

"Children who are vision impaired can now play in the space through the clever use of Braille, texture, and brightly coloured equipment."

The idea for the upgrade to the park came from local resident Nancy Wilkes who suggested the improvements after her vision-impaired daughter Mia used the playground.

"The Dinosaur Park was where Mia started her therapy and because of these upgrades it has made accessing the playground so much easier and enjoyable," Ms Wilkes said.

In addition to the Braille lettering, pathways and the bridge within the playground have been fitted with sensory surfaces and directional

pavers, while the tree logs in the playground have been painted in bright primary colours to assist those with vision impairment.

The wooden decking area also has had textured lines and patterns added to them to indicate different play spaces.

The City worked in partnership with Senses Australia to upgrade the Dinosaur Park play space, as part of the City's commitment to improving access to its facilities and parks.

Race in your rates



Your chance to win a \$5,000 holiday package*

Residents who pay their rates in full*, or pay the first instalment by Tuesday 5 September 2017 will go in the draw for a chance to win.

Prizes include:

\$5,000 holiday package

The Marina, Mindarie getaway

Shopping and dining vouchers

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*Terms and conditions apply.



Council Meetings

Council Briefing Session

Tonight - Tuesday 15 August / 6pm

Council Meeting

Tuesday 22 August 2017 / 7pm
23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo

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Helpful reminder

Property owners are reminded of convenient online options to pay rates:

BPay - please use the Biller Code 35410 and your reference number, or pay by credit card over the internet quoting your reference number and card details.

Rate notices have been sent and payments are due by 5 September.

Enquiries 9405 5000



RATES

Girrawheen Hub

Community Survey

Do you live in the suburbs of Girrawheen or Koondoola?

We would like to hear your views about the newly opened Girrawheen Hub. Located behind the library at 11 Patrick Court, the Hub provides a centre for building job skills and supporting small business development.

Visit wanneroo.wa.gov.au/girrawheenhubsurvey and you could win a FitBit Flex!

TALK



Soil Secrets event

Composting and worm farming

Enjoy interactive demonstrations and learn how to reduce your waste at home by producing beautiful compost that will return nutrients to your garden.

**Sunday 27 August 2017
9.30am-12.30pm**

Tamala Park Education Centre, 1700 Marmion Ave, Mindarie

Bookings 9405 5000

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Community Funding

Opening soon

The City of Wanneroo provides opportunities for community groups to apply for funding support for a variety of activities and events.

The next funding round opens on 4 September and community groups are encouraged to visit our website to determine whether their project or event is eligible for funding.

Visit wanneroo.wa.gov.au/communityfunding

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19 Civic Drive, Wanneroo

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