Elected Members

Governance

Our Elected Members and District Wards

The Wanneroo City Council consists of a popularly elected Mayor and 14 Councillors. The City is divided into three wards – South Ward, Central Ward and North Coast Ward – with representatives councillors elected to their respective wards.

The 15 Elected Members represent the residents and ratepayers within the City. Elected Members form the Council and are responsible for setting the strategic direction for the municipality, policy development, identifying service standards and monitoring performance across the organisation.

Society

Residential Population: 195,253

41% of residents born overseas

Median Age: 33 years

2 major recreation areas

4 regional community facilities

4 libraries

Economy

Local Industry creates $4674 Million

2016 Gross Regional Product (GRP): $6.61 Billion

Local Jobs: 50,268

2 major industrial areas

3 major retail centres

1634km of roads and pathways

Civic Leadership

15 elected members

9 committees

13 internal working groups

15 external working groups

280 council decisions

Your City

Environment

Land Area: 687km²

Coastline: 32km

Suburbs: 36

Parks and open spaces: 538

Financial Snapshot

Result from Operations stable at $7.9 million surplus

Operating Revenues increased by 8.4% ($14.2 million) to $184.5 million

RATES Revenue (77% of Operating Revenues) increased by 7.3% ($9.7 million) to $143.1 million

Operating Expenses increased by 8.6% ($13.9 million) to $176.9 million

Net Assets increased by 17.8% ($423 million) to $2.8 billion

Cash & Investments increased by 11.4% ($38.6 million) to $377.3 million

Capital Projects Expenditure increased by 36.1% ($11.7 million) to $66.9 million

Awards

The City received the following external awards during 2016/17:

• Silver award for 2015/16 Annual Report at the Australasian Reporting Awards

• Local Government Improvement and Efficiency Award at the Irrigation Australia Awards of Excellence

• Best Newcomer (Metro) from the Garage Sale Trail Foundation

• WA Local Government Seniors Award

• Excellence commendation award for the development of It’s All About Play by the Library Board of WA

• WA Local Government Association/RSL WA Anzac Day award

• State Highly Commended award in the Heart Foundation Local Government Awards for our Public Health Plan

• A Lifetime Member award was presented by the WA Rangers Association to City of Wanneroo ranger Eric Ayers

• Wanneroo Aquamotion Swim School was named WA Recognised Swim Centre of the Year 2016 by AUSTSWIM and won Best Swim School for staff development

• Master Builders Local Government Best Practice Award for Construction Excellence at the Master Builders-Bankwest Housing Excellence Awards

The City of Wanneroo Annual Report Highlights 2016/17

City of Wanneroo
CITY HIGHLIGHTS 2016/2017

Council has determined that the vision of Building a Future Together will be achieved through the 4 strategic themes: Environment, Society, Economy and Civic Leadership.

Here are some of the key highlights from each theme for 2016/2017:

ENVIRONMENT
A healthy and sustainable natural and built environment

- The City provided about $50,000 to support community-based climate change and environmental projects delivered by community groups and organisations.
- Over 3000 trees planted through a free verge tree-planting service.
- 29% reduction in illegal dumping, using proactive new anti-dumping measures.
- The City increased the tonnes of recyclable waste collected by 6%.
- A collection drive was held to clear the City of illegally dumped tyres. 800 tyres were collected resulting in a projected diversion of 7.2 tonnes of tyres from landfill.
- Installation of the Quinns Beach swimming enclosure was completed, enhancing the safety of beach users.
- Six sport facilities and community buildings have been constructed.
- The City held Australia’s largest citizenship ceremony on Australia Day at the Wanneroo Showgrounds with 795 people from 56 countries taking the pledge to become citizens.
- A new record of 27,000 attendees was achieved at the City’s five free community events.
- 21km of pathways and 25km of new roads were constructed.

SOCIETY
Healthy, safe, vibrant and active communities

- The number of visitors to the Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre increased by 50%.
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Progressive, connected communities that enable economic growth and employment

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CIVIC LEADERSHIP
Working with others to ensure the best use of our resources

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