

City of Wanneroo


# Annual Report

2019/20




# Our City

## Society

  
RESIDENTIAL POPULATION  
**208,237**  
(2019)

  
41%  
OF RESIDENTS  
BORN OVERSEAS

  
33yrs  
MEDIAN AGE OF  
RESIDENTS (2016)

  
2  
MAJOR RECREATION  
CENTRES

  
4  
LIBRARIES

## Economy

  
LOCAL INDUSTRY CREATED  
**\$4.99 Billion**

  
2019 GROSS REGIONAL  
PRODUCT (GRP)  
**\$6.76 Billion**

  
LOCAL JOBS  
**54,070**

  
7  
MAJOR  
ACTIVITY  
CENTRES


  
LOCAL  
BUSINESSES  
**13,277**

  
**1,685km**  
OF ROADS AND  
1,340KM OF PATHWAYS

## Environment

  
LAND AREA  
**685km<sup>2</sup>**

  
COASTLINE  
**32km**

  
SUBURBS  
**36**

  
**594**  
PARKS AND  
OPEN SPACES

  
**2**  
NATIONAL  
PARKS

## Civic Leadership

  
**15** ELECTED  
MEMBERS

  
**7** COMMITTEES

  
**16**  
INTERNAL  
WORKING  
GROUPS

  
**16**  
EXTERNAL  
WORKING GROUPS

Source: All data is sourced from the City's Community Profile, Economic Profile and Population Forecasts ([http://www.wanneroo.wa.gov.au/info/20003/council/18/city\\_of\\_wanneroo\\_statistics](http://www.wanneroo.wa.gov.au/info/20003/council/18/city_of_wanneroo_statistics)), which are based on ABS Census 2016 and Population Forecasts data prepared by: id, May 2020.



# Financial Snapshot

Surplus operating result from continuing operations of  
**\$1.8 million**

Operating revenues increased by 2.8% (\$5.5m) to  
**\$201.7 million**

Rates (67% of operating revenues) increased by 2.5% (\$3.2m) to  
**\$134.2 million**

Operating expenses increased by 7.1% (\$13.3m) to  
**\$199.8 million**

Net assets increased by 3.1% (\$81.3m) to  
**\$2.55 billion**

Cash & investments decreased by 1.3% (\$5.1m) to  
**\$394.3 million**

Capital projects expenditure increased by 35% (\$20.2m) to  
**\$78.3 million**

Total number of properties as at 30 June 2020 was  
**80,001**



# CITY HIGHLIGHTS 2019/2020

Council has determined that the City's Vision of Inspired by our past, working to create a vibrant, progressive City, providing opportunity and investment to enable our growing communities to prosper will be achieved through 4 strategic themes: Society, Economy, Environment and Civic Leadership.

Here are some of the key highlights from each theme for 2019/20:



## SOCIETY

Healthy, safe, vibrant and active communities



Construction of two skate parks, three sports amenities buildings and a dog park.

Individual fire mitigation plans were developed for over 500 reserves managed by the City, reducing our bushfire risk.



The Council adopted the Yanchep Lagoon Masterplan in August 2019.

Local Area Plans (LAPs) for Girrawheen/Koondoola and Yanchep/Two Rocks were adopted by the Council in September 2019.



21 access audits (11 buildings, 8 parks and 2 beaches) were carried out as part of the City's program to improve access to buildings and facilities for people with disability.

A feasibility study and business case were completed for the proposed North Coast Aquatic Centre at Alkimos Central.



## ECONOMY

Progressive, connected communities that enable economic growth and employment

Committed to work with, and support, small business by signing the Small Business Friendly Local Governments Charter with the Small Business Development Corporation.



Reinforcing the City's commitment to 'buy local' and including a local economic benefit weighting in evaluation criteria for quotations and tenders.

Tourism plays a significant part in our local economy and we play a central role in creating great destination experiences, taking pride in our facilities and spectacular natural environment.



The City participated in a promotion targeting drive trails along the coast.

The Channel 10 TV series Good Chef Bad Chef filmed two segments in the City.



## ENVIRONMENT

A healthy and sustainable natural and built environment



22 community events were held in 2019/20 to improve conservation of local flora and fauna and bring people together.

12,500 tube stock trees and shrubs were planted in conservation reserves.



The City achieved Gold Waterwise status after meeting water usage targets for a sustainable future, including a decrease in daily water use of 12% over 12 months.

The Council signed up to the Western Australia Local Government Association (WALGA) Climate Change Declaration.



The Council endorsed a three bin kerbside collection system that separately collects food and garden organics for processing into a clean, saleable compost.

Illegal dumping was decreased by 29% during 2019/20, bringing the 5-year reduction to 63%.



## CIVIC LEADERSHIP

Working with others to ensure the best use of our resources

The City continued to advocate on behalf of the community for major projects including:

• Alkimos aquatic and recreation centre (\$5 million federal government grant).



• key road projects, in particular the dualling of Flynn Drive, which will activate the Neerabup Industrial Area.



• development of new train station precincts, providing pleasant, safe and convenient connections to residential streets, and a mix of commercial and hospitality buildings.



We logged 66,433 requests for service through our Customer Request Management system, responding to 96% within our target timeframes with an average response time of five days.



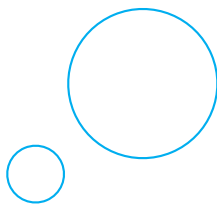
94% of initiatives under the 2019/20 Corporate Business Plan were delivered on time.



Our community and businesses were surveyed to determine their perceptions of our City. Overall satisfaction with the City as a place to live improved by 4% to 94%.



# Elected Members



**Mayor Tracey  
Roberts JP**  
Elected in 2011

## North Coast Ward



**Cr Linda Aitken**  
Elected in 2013



**Cr Chris Baker**  
Elected in 2019



**Cr Sonet Coetzee**  
Elected in 2017



**Cr Lewis Flood**  
Elected in 2017



**Cr Natalie Sangalli**  
Elected in 2015

## Central Ward



**Cr Frank Cvitan JP**  
Elected in 2011



**Cr Jacqueline Huntley**  
Elected in 2019



**Cr Paul Miles**  
Elected in 2017



**Cr Dot Newton JP**  
Elected in 2001

## South Ward



**Cr Hugh Nguyen**  
Elected in 2013



**Cr Vinh Nguyen**  
Elected in 2019



**Cr Glynis Parker**  
Elected in 2019



**Cr Brett Treby**  
Elected in 1999



**Cr Domenic Zappa**  
Elected in 2013



# Awards

**The City received a number of prestigious awards and nominations in 2019/20. These awards and nominations acknowledged innovative work in key areas and further demonstrated our leadership in local government.**

- Noelene Jennings, our Director of Corporate Strategy and Performance, was honoured for more than three decades of outstanding work in state and local government and received the Public Service Medal (PSM).
- Winner of a Gold Award for 2018/19 Annual Report at the Australasian Reporting Awards.
- Finalist in the 2019 Parks & Leisure Australia (PLA) National Awards of Excellence in the category Best Use of Technology at Kinkuna Park in Eglinton for Australia's first installation of Biba smart playground technology. The project was in partnership with Biba, Satterley Property Group, LandCorp and The Playground Centre.
- Winner of the 2019 National Growth Areas Alliance (NGAA) awards. The City is a key member of Growth Areas Perth Peel (GAPP). GAPP won a Research and Practice Award: Commendation for Sport and Recreation Facility Investment.
- Winner of the 2019 National Smart Cities Award in the category 'Best Integration of an Individual Technology' for the Rail Smart Planning Support System project, a collaboration with Planning and Transport Research Centre (PATREC).
- Finalist in the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia – Western Australia (IPWEA WA) Awards in the category for Excellence in Environment & Sustainability for the City's waste service delivery review.
- Finalist in the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA) Excellence Awards in the category for Excellence in Environment & Sustainability for the Irrigation Efficiency Project.
- Winner in partnership with consultants RobertsDay, of the Planning Institute of Australia (WA) 'Public Engagement and Community Planning Award' for the Yanchep Lagoon Masterplan Project.
- Finalist in the International City Nation Place Awards in the category Best Citizen Engagement for its work on the Yanchep Lagoon Masterplan.
- One of only two local government authorities highly commended for the 2019 Most Accessible Community WA Awards (MACWA).
- Accepted in 2019 as a member of the World Health Organisation's Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities Network.
- The City's modules for management and performance assessment won an award at the PeopleStreme annual conference. The award was for Best Change Management and Adoption.
- In March 2020, the City received its WALGA Certificate of Declaration of Climate Change, recognising our commitment to combat climate change.
- The City achieved Gold Waterwise accreditation after meeting water usage targets for a sustainable future. The Waterwise Council Program is run by the Water Corporation in partnership with the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.
- Finalist in the 2019 Economic Development Australia National Economic Development Awards for Excellence in the category Digital Entrepreneurs for the 'Discover Wanneroo mobile app' project.
- The City's 'Introduction to DJing' course received the 2020 National Award for Local Government in the 'Arts Animates' category.

## Governance

As one of Australia's three tiers of government (federal, state and local), local government most closely affects the daily lives of people in the community. This third tier of government is referred to as councils, shires or local governments.

The City is one of 139 local governments in Western Australia operating in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995. The Act sets out a system of local government by providing for elected members to form a Council, describing the functions of local governments, providing for the conduct of elections and polls, and providing a framework for the administration and financial management of local government, including accountability and transparency.

## Further reading

The Local Government Act and associated Regulations can be downloaded from the Department of Justice at [www.legislation.wa.gov.au](http://www.legislation.wa.gov.au)



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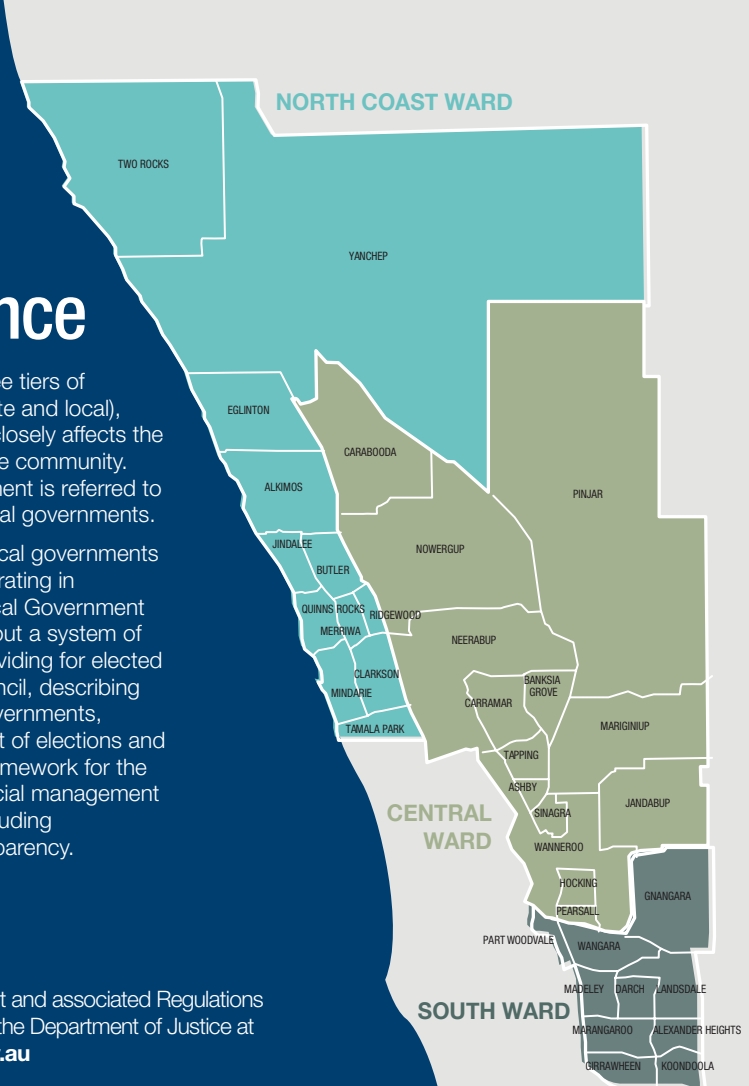
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