



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mayor Tracey Roberts JP

The recent announcement of Western Australia moving into Phase 3 of the State Government's COVID-19 Roadmap to Recovery is fantastic news.

I want to thank everyone for continuing to adhere to the State Government's guidelines which has helped us to successfully progress through the Roadmap.

I know these have been challenging times, but I remain optimistic about the future outlook for both our City and the State.

As part of Phase 3, the City is now working towards reopening more of its services and facilities from next week. Please visit the City's website wanneroo.wa.gov.au or call 9405 5000 for full details.

We are all in this together: share your accounts of life during the COVID-19 pandemic

As a community, we have faced challenging times and the way we live, work, learn and recreate has been significantly impacted by COVID-19.

This unprecedented event has definitely touched all our lives somehow and we would like to capture these for future generations to come. Museums are an essential part of our community and our past, therefore it is really important we document this moment in time; collectively as a community.

The City of Wanneroo's Regional Museum is eager to hear from residents on how their lives have changed during the COVID-19 pandemic, from life changes, to the little things you have started doing differently to cope during this time.

The type of content the museum is keen to archive includes diary entries, photographs, drawings, recipes or

an anecdote of how you spent your time during the pandemic.

I encourage everyone to submit their individual experiences and together we can make local history available for many generations to come.

Interested residents can email their submissions to museum@wanneroo.wa.gov.au or complete the online form at wanneroo.wa.gov.au/covid19communitymemoryproject



Tapping Primary School Banner.

Repatriation project to return cultural objects to traditional owners

The Wanneroo Regional Museum is reaching out to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the country in an effort to return cultural objects to their traditional owners.

In 1981, James H. Turner donated the 'Turner Collection' to the then Shire of Wanneroo which contained various items believed to have been collected by Mr Turner while travelling across Australia.

Currently housed in the Wanneroo Regional Museum, a cultural expert established in 2017 that none of the items in the Turner Collection were connected to the First Nations people of the Wanneroo region.

Since then, the Museum has established the repatriation project which involves a private online catalogue available to all First Nations people from across the country to hopefully identify the

objects related to their community.

Wanneroo Mayor Tracey Roberts said she hoped the repatriation project reunites the Turner Collection objects to their traditional owners.

"We view this as a long-term project which will include ongoing consultation and conversation with First Nations individuals and communities over a number of years, as well as collaboration with

members of the City's Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group.

"For a Local Government to undertake such a project reaffirms our strong commitment to our Reconciliation Action Plan and is a very exciting journey."

For more information, contact the Wanneroo Regional Museum on 9405 5920 or email repatriation@wanneroo.wa.gov.au