



## Deputy Mayor's Message

**Brett Treby**

Welcome to the June edition of Wanneroo Link.

The City adopted its 2022/23 budget this week, allocating funds for important capital works, with investment in a range of community services and facilities that benefit everyone.

Council worked hard to deliver a financially responsible budget that works for land, home and business owners and will help us deliver new



City of Wanneroo Civic Centre.

facilities, construct safer and more efficient roads, build vibrant and accessible parks and playgrounds, protect and preserve our natural environment, responsibly manage waste, enhance community safety, and much more, to help make the City of Wanneroo a great place to live.

Keep an eye out for more details in our budget spread in next week's edition of PerthNow Wanneroo and visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au) to find out more about the free services in your community you can access every day.

On behalf of the City, I would like to congratulate departing Mayor Tracey Roberts on her declaration to office as the Federal Member for Pearce.

Over her 19 years of dedicated service, Tracey demonstrated a strong commitment and passion for our community and, with Council, has delivered a number of fantastic initiatives, services and facilities to benefit our growing community.

We look forward to continuing to work with Tracey as the Federal Member for Pearce on projects for our community.

At its June meeting, City of Wanneroo Council resolved to hold an extraordinary election to fill the mayoral vacancy.

The Western Australian Electoral Commission will be engaged to conduct a postal vote, with the election count to occur on Friday, 2 September 2022.

The new mayor's term would expire in October 2023, when the role is due for re-election as part of the Local Government's regular election cycle.

The City has also asked the Minister for Local Government to consider exercising any powers he may have by 11 July 2022 to allow the City to leave the mayoral position vacant until the next Ordinary Election in October 2023.

The Minister has also been asked to consider that in the event of an extraordinary election in 2022, the elected Mayor remain in office

until the 2025 Ordinary Election. We have requested the Minister respond by 11 July.

I would like to assure our residents and ratepayers that City services and Council procedures will continue uninterrupted during this transitional period.

NAIDOC Week kicks off this weekend and to mark the occasion the City will hold a series of community events celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, language and culture.

The theme of NAIDOC Week (3 to 10 July) this year is 'Get up! Stand up! Show up!' and I encourage City residents to take the opportunity to learn more about our local Noongar history.

Keep an eye out for details about the City's NAIDOC Week Flag Raising Ceremony at [wanneroo.wa.gov.au](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au)



## Local business reaps benefits of mentoring scholarship

A Mindarie resident's small business has gone from strength to strength after the City of Wanneroo sponsored her placement in the Curtin Ignition program.

Led by Curtin University, the program helps aspiring entrepreneurs, academics and corporate innovators trial and prepare their business idea for the market.

The City is offering two fully funded scholarships for an intensive, one week education program in 2022.

Nurse Nicola Cuthbert took part in last year's program and said

the scholarship helped her launch her business Still Me, a service that allows carers to create a more meaningful and engaging experience for the resident or patient.

"I wanted to start my own business but didn't know where to start – the Curtin Ignition Program covered absolutely everything," she said.

"They show you how to pitch to investors, how to handle marketing, branding, dealing with finances and creating business cases."

Wanneroo Deputy Mayor Brett Treby said the City was delighted to provide these scholarships as strong businesses with high growth potential are an essential part of the growing Wanneroo community.

"We encourage businesses and residents wanting to develop an innovative business idea or concept to take up this exciting opportunity," he said.

The Curtin Ignition Program runs from 4 to 9 September 2022 and eligible residents can apply online at [curtin.edu/ignition](http://curtin.edu/ignition) before 5pm Friday 15 July.



Nicola Cuthbert enjoying her business Still Me.

### School holidays

#### Plenty to see and do

JULY

Looking for something to do during the school holidays? We offer a number of fun and exciting holiday programs and activities for children of all ages. Have a go at African drumming, inflatable billiard soccer, a drama class or visit the Museum.

[wanneroo.wa.gov.au/schoolholidayactivities](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/schoolholidayactivities)



### Six weeks free

#### Wanneroo Aquamotion

SAVE

Join during July and get six weeks free access to the gym, group fitness, pool and crèche\*. Choose a package to suit you! No joining or lock in fees, cancel any time. \*Conditions apply. Call 9405 5999 or visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/aquamotion](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/aquamotion)



### Have your say

#### Urban Forest Strategy

TALK

Do you care about protecting, retaining and improving the City's tree canopy and vegetation? Make sure you have your say on our draft Urban Forest Strategy by visiting [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/consultations](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/consultations)



### Seeking volunteers

#### Put your hand up

SEEK

The City is currently recruiting volunteers for a range of roles, including new drivers for the Community Transport Service. All you need is a C-class driver's licence and a few hours to spare on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

To browse all current volunteering opportunities and to apply, visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/volunteers](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/volunteers)

### Council meetings

#### Council Briefing Session

Tuesday 5 July / 6pm

#### Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 12 July / 6pm

23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo

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