

Mayor's Message

Linda Aitken JP

Welcome to the November edition of Wanneroo Link.

It's been an incredibly difficult week, and my heart goes out to everyone who has been impacted by this devastating bushfire.

I am so proud of our community for coming together to support each other.

We at the City will continue to support those impacted through the recovery phase.

Until February 2024, the City is hosting Brickman Cities in Wanneroo.

Created by one of the world's leading LEGO® brick artists and the only LEGO Certified Professional in the southern hemisphere, Ryan 'Brickman' McNaught, this immersive exhibition showcases the life and architecture of some of the world's most iconic cities. Running until Sunday 18 February, there is something for LEGO fans young and old, so come along to Wanneroo Regional Gallery to build, learn and play with Brickman Cities! Visit our website for details and ticket information.



The Wanneroo Town Centre will come alive with Christmas celebrations on Saturday 2 December with Christmas carols, free entertainment and a sack full of activities for the kids. The event will kick off with a

lively Christmas parade featuring festive floats and rousing routines from local groups and Santa Claus himself.

There will be plenty of music and entertainment, as well as giant games, face painting and market stalls where you can pick up the perfect Christmas gift. Find out more about our events at wanneroo.wa.gov.au/ featureevents

No one should spend Christmas alone and the City is proud to support Rotary Mindarie's Wanneroo Christmas Day Lunch.

The free ticketed event at Irene McCormack Catholic College in Butler is open to people living in the Wanneroo area who are in need of company, or doing it tough this Christmas.

Find out more at facebook.com/ wanneroochristmasdaylunch Take care,

Mayor Linda Aitken

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Mayor Linda Aitken with Department of Communities staff and Australian Red Cross volunteers at the evacuation centre at Gumblossum Community Centre.

Community bands together

The City of Wanneroo community has banded together over the last week, dealing with the impact of the devastating bushfire in Mariginiup.

The City thanks the fantastic emergency services personnel, volunteers, City staff, State Government departments and community members who pitched in, working to fight the fires, provide medical care, support evacuees and keep the community informed.

Mayor Linda Aitken said she thanked volunteers and staff who fought the fires and supported community members during the difficult week.

"My heart goes out to everyone who has been impacted by this devastating bushfire. I have been so impressed by the community spirit, whether that is through volunteering or checking up on neighbours," she said.

"I would like to thank the emergency services personnel who fought in trying conditions and the volunteers and staff who ran the evacuation centre at Gumblossum Community Centre and the animal evacuation centre at Wanneroo Showgrounds.

"Thank you also to the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund Board for activating the fund. I encourage community members to donate if you are able."

To donate, please visit appealswa.org.au

The Board has also determined an initial relief payment of \$5,000 per home will be made available for each of the homes destroyed in the bushfire and an initial relief payment of \$3,000 per home will be made available for homes categorised as suffering major damage. Residents whose houses were destroyed or severely damaged in the devastating fire are also eligible for a \$4,000 Premier's Relief Payment.

Those whose homes suffered more minor damage will also be able to access a \$2,000 payment. Head to the WA Government's website for more details.

For bushfire recovery information, please make sure you visit **emergency.wa.gov.au**

The City has been working closely with Western Power and the Water Corporation to return power and water to homes, with City staff clearing streets and resuming waste services.

The City will continue to provide information on support available as we transition to recovery at wanneroo.wa.gov.au



Free Community Calendar

The free 2024 Community Calendar contains essential information such as waste collection dates, school and public holidays and free community events.

The Calendar is now available for collection at the City's Civic Centre and Wanneroo, Clarkson, Girrawheen and Yanchep/Two Rocks libraries.



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Council dates Council Briefing Session Tuesday 5 December, 6pm Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 12 December, 6pm 23 Dundebar Road, Wanneroo Head to our dedicated Youtube channel 'City of Wanneroo Council Meetings' to watch. wanneroo.wa.gov.au/ councilmeetings