

Words from the Shire President

Well it's finally rained!!! Let us hope there is more following soon.

The Shire of Woodanilling welcomes our new Chief Executive Officer Paul Hanlon and his family. Paul commenced duties at the end of April. We will be having a function on the 22nd June so that the community has an opportunity to have a Meet and Greet not only with our new Council Officers but also new members of our community. Please save this date as it will be great to get our community together for a catch up. More details can be found in this wongi.

The oval has had a lot of rehabilitation carried out on it and the transformation in 8 weeks is incredible. Special mention to BGL Solutions for the effort to get it back to where it is today.

ANZAC Day was again well attended. Thank you to CWA for organising the event and the lovely morning tea. I would like to thank Phil Burgess for his address and the Shire for their part. Also a big thank you to the Scouts for their participation, they helped make it a very successful ANZAC Memorial.

The Shire has commenced work on the Community Strategic Plan. Please have your say as this will be the Shire's plan for the future and we need to know what the community needs and wants. The facilitator will be making contact with both groups and individuals, so get involved and put in your opinion.



Dale Douglas
SHIRE PRESIDENT



Words from the CEO

It is my pleasure to be writing this article for the May edition of the Wongi as the Shire's Chief Executive Officer.

I want to start this message by providing my thanks to President Douglas, Councillors, staff and the community I have met to date for making my family and I feel so welcome to Woodanilling.

My family and I moved to town at the end of April after two years in the coastal Pilbara town of Onslow. When we left Onslow it was hovering above 40 degrees, so it is a welcome change to be greeted by some cooler weather and rain – fingers crossed more is to come.

I have worked in local government across Queensland, Tasmania and Western Australia primarily in Economic Development roles. Woodanilling is my first Chief Executive Officer role after spending the past two years as the Manager of Business and Economic Development for one of WA's largest local governments by land mass and economic output, the Shire of Ashburton. I am a passionate advocate of regional Australia and look forward to learning about the significant contribution that our primary producers make to Western Australia and the nation.

As a new CEO, I am thrilled to be working with an experienced Shire President and Deputy President, as well as dedicated councillors and staff to achieve positive outcomes for our community. I am committed to listening and engaging with all members of our community and urge you to make a booking with me if you have any matters that require my attention.

I am also looking forward to working with our Executive Manager of Infrastructure, Mr Phil Burgess, on our roads program as we look to deliver a well-planned maintenance program and new capital works. I would like to thank our works and office staff for their dedication and help in my first few weeks in the role. The community are lucky to have a committed team delivering to a high standard.

On a personal level, my wife and I are looking forward to raising our young child in the beautiful Woodanilling community. As our family grows, we are excited to be involved in the community.

Key Projects - Shire of Woodanilling Strategic Community Plan

A key piece of work that we will be undertaking as a Shire in the coming months is the redevelopment of our Strategic Community Plan and Corporate Business Plan. The Strategic Community Plan is the key document of Council that outlines the strategic objectives of the community over the next 10 years. This plan requires significant community consultation, which we will be conducting over the coming months. I urge you all to get involved and have your say on this important piece of work.



Paul Hanlon
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Anzac Day



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COMMUNITY WATCH

Ideally, we would like Woodanilling to be a welcoming, safe and secure place for everyone. As a community we can improve our personal safety and household security by reporting suspicious behavior and sharing information that helps build awareness. We strongly encourage reporting of crime or suspicious activity in your area to Police or Crime Stoppers.

Crime Stoppers - 1800 333 000

You can report information about criminal activity to the Crime Stoppers hotline or visit - www.wa.crimestoppers.com.au to report online.

FACILITY HIRE

The Shire of Woodanilling has the Town Hall and Recreation Centre for hire. If you are interested, click on the link and complete the online booking form.

<https://www.woodanilling.wa.gov.au/community/community-facilities/hire-of-council-facilities.aspx>

Or alternatively contact the Shire on 9823 1506 for a facility hire form.

WOODANILLING WASTE FACILITY OPENING HOURS

Thursday - 9am - 1pm

Saturday - 12pm - 5 pm

Sunday - 2pm - 5pm

WOODANILLING SHIRE OFFICE OPENING HOURS

9.00am to 4.30pm Monday - Friday

All Receipting transactions close
4.00pm.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Ray Baxter - 9823 1546

Russel Thomson - 0419 950 217

Peter Bartholomeusz - 0447 771 511

BARKING DOGS, DOGS NOT CONTAINED IN THEIR YARDS, CATS WANDERING

AROUND THE STREETS.

Complaints have been coming in recently from the community in regard to the above headings.

Council promotes responsible dog and cat ownership. Dog owners need to ensure their dog/s do not become a neighborhood nuisance by barking. Barking is a dogs natural means of communication and often signifies its alertness to danger or intruders. However, a dog that persistently barks to a degree or extent not normally habitual in dogs, constitutes a nuisance. For the purpose of Section 38 of the Dog Act 1976 a dog shall be taken to be a nuisance if the dog:

“Makes a noise, by barking or otherwise, that persistently occurs or continues to such a degree or extent that it unreasonably interferes with the peace, comfort or convenience of any person in any place”

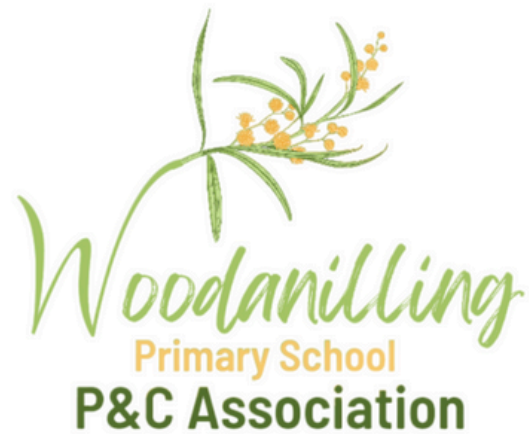
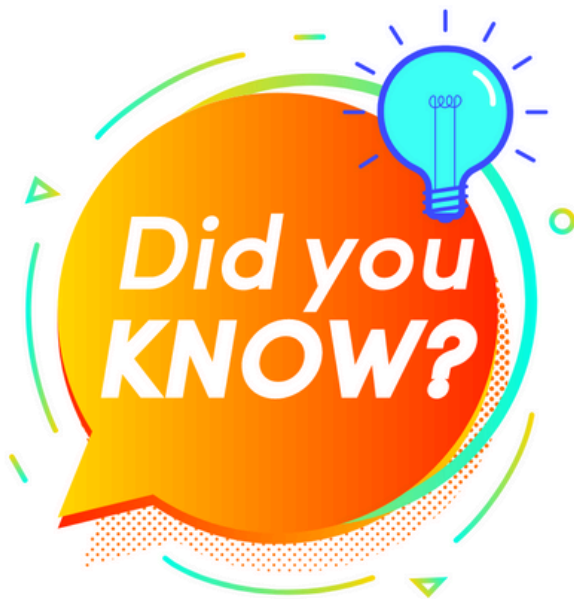
The Cat Act 2011 requires the identification, registration and sterilization of domestic cats, and gives Local Governments the power to administer and enforce the legislation. The legislation, which took full effect in November 2013, provides for better management of the unwanted impacts feral cats have on the community and the environment, and encourages responsible cat ownership. Local Governments enforce and administer the Cat Act. This is a reminder to Cat Owners to make sure they are being responsible and adhering to the Cat Act.

If you would like further information regarding your requirements as an owner of a Dog or Cat in the Shire of Woodanilling please don't hesitate to contact the Shire.

APPLY FOR PENSIONER RATES CONCESSIONS

Eligible pensioners or seniors may qualify for a concession from Council rates and the Emergency Services Levy and in some circumstances, to rubbish service charges. For the 2023-24 financial year, the pensioner rates capped amount is remaining at \$750. Seniors will have their rebates capped at a maximum amount of \$100.

To register for a concession, please visit the Water Corporation's rates concession page. This application will register you with the Water Corporation and the Shire of Woodanilling via one form. Once it is approved by the Water Corporation it will be forwarded to the Shire of Woodanilling to profess on the rates account.



**We now have an IBC located
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This means that anyone with spare bottles & cans can pop them into our bin and help us easily raise money for the Woodanilling Primary School kids.

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ALL CONTIBUTIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED.



COMMUNITY MEET AND GREET

AND SEND OFF FOR PAST COUNCILLORS AND STAFF
WOODANILLING PAVILION

SATURDAY, 22ND JUNE, 5PM

BBQ MEAT SUPPLIED



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**AND A SALAD OR SWEET TO
SHARE**

COME HUNGRY AND READY TO MINGLE





PUBLIC NOTICE

Council Meetings for 2024

The Shire of Woodanilling has resolved that Council Meetings will be held on the following dates in 2024:

No Meeting held in January 2024

20 February 2024

19 March 2024

16 April 2024

21 May 2024

18 June 2024

16 July 2024

20 August 2024

17 September 2024

15 October 2024

19 November 2024

17 December 2024

All meetings will be held in the Council Chambers, 3316 Robinson Road, Woodanilling. One of these meeting dates will be held at an alternative location, to be decided within the district.

For further information, please contact the Shire Office on 9823 1506 or by email:

shire@woodanilling.wa.gov.au

Kellie Bartley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
25 October 2023



Preparing for storms



Dangerous storms are the most common natural hazard in Australia and on average, cause more damage and destruction than cyclones, earthquakes, floods and bushfires.

Did you know?

Each year from May to October, storms, including, tornados, thunder, lightning, hail, flash flooding and gale force winds cause major destruction to the southern half of the State from Kalbarri to Israelite Bay.

As storms are unpredictable, felt locally and can happen at any time, their devastating impact is often underestimated.

Most storm damage to homes occurs from:

- Loose and broken roof materials.
- Fallen trees and branches.
- Flooding from blocked gutters.

IF YOU NEED HELP

For life-threatening emergencies call **000**

If your home has been badly damaged and you need help, call the SES on **132 500**



Follow these tips to help you and your family stay safe:

- **Clear gutters** and downpipes of leaves and blockages.
- **Check the roof** for cracked ridge capping, loose tiles or loose nails.
- **Clear rubbish** from around the yard, balcony or patio.
- **Hire a contractor** to clear trees from power lines.
- **Trim branches** around the home or business to prevent them falling on roofs or cars.
- **Store or weigh down loose objects** like outdoor furniture, play equipment, trampolines and sheds.
- **Prepare an emergency kit** with a portable battery operated radio, torch, spare batteries and a first aid kit.

For advice about what to do before, during and after a storm, visit dfes.wa.gov.au



During a storm



When a storm is passing through, it's best that you, your family and your pets stay indoors if you can.

If you are driving:

- Slow down, turn your headlights on and keep a safe distance from other drivers.
- Be alert and watch for hazards on the road like fallen powerlines, branches and debris.
- If it's raining heavily and you can't see, pull over and park with your hazard lights on until the rain clears.
- Don't drive into water of unknown depth and current.

Keep up to date:

- See the latest warnings on [emergency.wa.gov.au](https://www.emergency.wa.gov.au)
- Via the DFES Public Information Line on 13 DFES (13 3337)
- Through news bulletins on radio, TV or online (use a battery operated radio if the power is out)
- On the Bureau of Meteorology's website www.bom.gov.au or by calling their Weather Warnings and Flood Warnings Advice Line on 1300 659 213.

Follow these tips to help you and your family stay safe:

- **Close your curtains** and blinds, and stay inside away from windows.
- **Unplug electrical appliances** and don't use landline phones if you see lightning.
- **Park your vehicle undercover** and away from trees.
- If there's flooding, **create your own sandbags** by using pillow cases filled with sand and place them around doorways to protect your home.
- If you're outside, **find shelter away from trees**, powerlines, storm water drains and streams.
- If boating, swimming or surfing **leave the water**



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If a storm has damaged **your home**

Storms and floods disrupt households and it is possible power, water, sewerage and gas services may not be working. There could also be road, airport or port closures and telephone lines may be down.

If you are insured

- Call your insurance company immediately as most companies provide 24-hour service
- They may be able to provide you with temporary accommodation, food and financial assistance for immediate hardship
- Ensure your home is secure before you leave as you are responsible for the security of your home
- Do not attempt any repairs unless qualified as this may put you or your family at risk or cause further damage that may not be covered by your insurer
- If you have any insurance queries, contact the Insurance Council of Australia on 1300 884 934

If you need emergency accommodation, clothing, food and other essential items, and your family and friends cannot assist, contact the Department of Communities on 1800 176 888.

Loss of power

- Call Western Power on 131 087
- Call Horizon Power on 132 351 if you live in a regional area. (If you are unsure refer to your last bill)

Cleaning up

- Start cleaning up around your home - stack loose material such as branches and debris away from water meters, valves and telephone lines
- Call your local government to get advice about the removal of green waste and other materials such as asbestos fencing

If your home has been badly damaged and you need help, call the SES on 132 500



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Opening Hours

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Tuesday	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
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Do you know someone with an upcoming milestone or a new local to have their birthday added to our calendar or ad put into the Wongi. Perhaps you would like to place an add or make a comment or let us know something interesting.

Email- shire@woodanilling.wa.gov.au with your comments, suggestions and updates



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