

Talk of the Town September 2021



All smiles at Shark Park were Premier McGowan and Minister for Sport Dr Tony Buti, with member for Bicton Lisa O'Malley, Mayor Jim O'Neill, CEO Gary Tuffin and the East Fremantle Football Club.

Funding Secured for East Fremantle Oval

The redevelopment of East Fremantle Oval is now secured following a major funding announcement at Shark Park by Premier McGowan and Minister for Sport Dr Tony Buti. CEO Gary Tuffin advised that a project team will be appointed to engage designers, architects and other disciplines to deliver the project.

Key points to note:

- \$20 million committed by the State Government plus \$6 million from the Town.
- Opening the space up to community access and use, retaining A Class Reserve status.
- Upgraded facilities for East Fremantle's Football Club, Bowling Club and Croquet Club.
- New commercial tenancies offering services that complement active and healthy living.
- New hospitality spaces and recreation opportunities for all ages and abilities.
- Many new trees, green spaces for walking (including with dogs), mixed-use courts, a skate zone and areas ideal for community use and learning.
- Opportunities for local business to help build the new facility that will be as energy efficient and sustainable as possible.

Stay tuned for updates as we bring your vision to life.

125th Anniversary Celebration

Did you know that on 2 April 2022 our Town will turn 125?

We are planning to make this a special occasion. If you have special memories, images and stories of growing up in East Fremantle, please register your interest with **admin@eastfremantle.wa.gov.au** so we can follow up with you.



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Green News New Tree Plantings

East Fremantle will soon become greener, cooler and more inviting as the Town undertakes tree planting through a \$70,000 grant from the State Government and the WA Local Government Association (WALGA) as part of the Urban Canopy program.

Over the next two years, more than 400 new trees will be planted, with Round One beginning in these areas:

- Locke Park (47 trees).
- Gourley Park (51 trees).
- Corner of East and Marmion Streets (31 trees).
- Corner of St Peters Road and King Street (27 trees).

Planting began in August 2021 of tree species consistent with the Town's **Urban Streetscape and Public Realm Style Guide** – available at our website and on request.

Closing the FOGO Loop – Compost for Sale

To help with Spring cleaning your yard and encouraging new life, residents can purchase FOGO-derived compost from the Fremantle Recycling Centre for an introductory price of \$2.50 per bag. The bags contain 30% FOGO derived material and by using this compost, residents are closing the loop on their food and garden waste. For details call the Fremantle Recycling Centre on 9432 9999 or visit their website.

Waterwise Policies for Pools/Spas and Verges in Effect

New waterwise policies are now in effect aimed at reducing water consumption and evaporation levels across the Town. This will be done by enforcing the use of water saving pool and spa covers/blankets for new pools and spas and encouraging their use for existing ones. Helpful advice is also available to assist you with designing and caring for a waterwise verge/garden at your place. To read the policies in full, and to access the handy new Verge Garden guide, please visit our website, and if you need advice, please call us on 9339 9339.

Waste and Recycling

Recently residents received their Waste Calendars for 2021/22. With your rates notice, you will have also received your pass to access the City of Fremantle Recycling Centre and Bulk Drop Off Service including four (4) visits to the Centre to dispose of bulk waste. Keep your letter and take with you to the Centre with photo ID and proof of address. **Plus save the date for the Garage Sale Trail over two weekends – 13/14 and 20/21 November**.

Bulk Waste Dates 2021/22

Green Waste Collections – 1 September 2021 and 2 March 2022

Bulk Waste Collection – 11 October 2021

MOORING PENS FOR LEASE Keen to take the boat out and want to moor it in the Town of East Fremantle? We currently have available $4 \times 10m$ pens and $3 \times 8m$ pens. These pens are located on Riverside Road, opposite The Left Bank. **Visit our website and search 'mooring pens' for details or call us on 9339 9339.**

Help With Paying Your Rates

By now you will have received your rates notice. If you need help with paying, here's how we can assist:

- paying by instalments.
- discounts for pensioners.
- hardship provisions.

To discuss your payment options, please call us during office hours on 9339 9339 for a confidential conversation.



Footpath Upgrades

The Town's Operations Team have been hard at work improving footpaths in the Town, including the most recent works on Angwin and Fortescue Streets. We thank residents for their patience during the works. Further improvements are planned elsewhere in the Town.

Seniors' Christmas Lunch If you have lived in East Fremantle continuously for 30 years or more, are 65 years or older and haven't previously received an invitation to our annual Seniors' Christmas Lunch, please give us a call on 9339 9339 or email jmay@eastfremantle.wa.gov.au

The event, to acknowledge our longstanding residents, is generally held on the first Monday in December and invitations will be sent out in early November.

Pipes for Perth

Water Corporation will soon be renewing 3km of water pipes in East Fremantle, Bicton and Palmyra. This work will improve the security and reliability of the water supply to the area for decades to come.

Construction work is planned to begin in late 2021 and will be completed in a staged approach which will continue through to mid-2022.

At yoursay.watercorporation. com.au/eastfremantle see the pipe alignment, access business support resources, ask a question, and subscribe for project updates.

Royal George Hotel Update

At its most recent meeting, Council resolved to make a submission to the State Development Assessment Unit/WA Planning Commission (SDAU/WAPC) on the development application for the Royal George Hotel site. Council resolved to only support the proposal on the basis that the WAPC required that the development comply with the Town's Planning Scheme building height limit and car parking provisions, and our public art and waste management policies. Details of our submission are available at our website or by contacting Planning Services on 9339 9339. The development application is currently under assessment.

Feedback from the community, key stakeholders, local government and State agencies is being considered by the WAPC in order to inform a recommendation – for updates, visit their website at dplh.wa.gov.au/sdau-applications



Swan River Crossings Update

Main Roads advise that the location of two new bridges across the Swan River in Fremantle has now been confirmed, with the preferred alignment selected - new crossings are proposed to be built between the existing Fremantle Traffic Bridge and the existing rail bridge. Now that the alignment is confirmed, the project will be progressed through to the detailed design and development phase of the project, which will include further investigation of constructability, environmental assessments, scheduling, and detailed costing.

To find out more, visit Main Roads' website at mainroads.wa.gov.au and follow the links to Swan River Crossings.

Council Elections are Coming

Residents and electors, including owners of properties in East Fremantle, are advised that Council elections will be held on 16 October 2021. The electoral roll closed on 27 August and includes all eligible voters as at that date. An information session was held on 31 August where advice was given to prospective candidates, but there is still time to nominate.

At the election in October, that will be conducted as a postal vote, there will be four (4) positions of Councillors open for election and that of the Mayor of East Fremantle. Nominations to stand for office in East Fremantle open on Thursday 2 September 2021, and close at 4pm on Thursday 9 September 2021. The profiles of the various candidates will be available for viewing at the Town Hall during business hours, at our noticeboard outside the Town Hall, or at our website. If you have any questions about local government elections, call the Election Line on 13 63 06.





Resurfacing and Upgrades at Henry Jeffery Oval

Council is proceeding with works at Henry Jeffery Oval that will involve the complete replacement of the playing surface and cricket wicket. As our grant application for the works was not successful, Council resolved to fund the shortfall from our reserves. While we do the upgrades, the ground will be temporarily fenced for approximately six months. We look forward to welcoming you back for more classic catches, run-outs and as well as big kicks and marks once the new playing surface is ready in 2022.

Funding for Clubs

The Town recently allocated funds to our local clubs through our Community Grants programme:

- East Fremantle Croquet Club \$980
- East Fremantle Cricket Club \$1.100
- East Fremantle Junior Cricket Club \$2,310
- Fremantle Outrigger Canoe Club \$1,000
- Fremantle Sea Scouts \$1,000
- HMAS Perth Memorial \$3,516
- Hurricane Dragon Boat and Canoe Club \$990
- Lions of East Fremantle \$931

Total \$11.827

We look forward to seeing what great things our local clubs can achieve thanks to grants funded by our residents.

Also, clubs are reminded that Healthway's Healthy Sporting Club Program is now open for Summer applications until 24 September, with up to \$4,000 available. For details visit healthway.wa.gov.au



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