



Perenjori
Embrace Opportunity

QUARTERLY REPORT

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2025



Our Social Highlights

Skate Clinic

A free, interactive skate workshop for all ages was held in November as part of funding received through the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industry's Community Place Based Grants program



Volunteer's Dinner

Funded by the Department of Communities and supported by Independent Rural and Karara Mining, an October dinner celebrated the invaluable contributions of local volunteers who keep our clubs, community groups, emergency services, and recreational activities thriving.



Bike Week

The Shire supported the Perenjori CRC at a Bike Week event, sponsored by Geraldton Bikes. Prizes, giveaways and a group town ride were highlights of the day.





Performance against the 2023-2033 Council Plan

STRATEGIC DIRECTION for the Shire of Perenjori

The strategic direction for the plan is driven by the community. It covers the things that the Shire is directly responsible for, as well as things that others are responsible for (such as Federal or State Government, industry, or other stakeholders).



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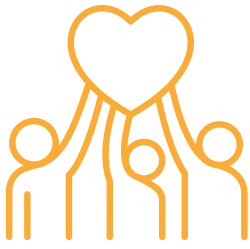
Our community is strong and growing.

We create our own future with imagination and energy.

We are proud of this place we call home and welcome visitors to share in its outstanding natural beauty.



Other Progress



Goal 1 - Social

An inclusive community and a great place to live for all ages and stages of life.

Strategic Objectives

The community is active and has access to a range of sport and recreation facilities.

- Free use of Gym for community members.
- Oval renovations undertaken.
- Continuation of upgrades to the Perenjori Pavilion.
- Aquatic Centre opened for the season on 29 October.
- Annual turf maintenance undertaken on the town oval and hockey field.

Community life is enhanced and nurtured with well supported clubs, community groups, and essential volunteer-based services.

- Employee support for St John Ambulance volunteer response.
- Annual Volunteers' Dinner held at the Perenjori Pavilion.
- Budget support for Perenjori Sports Club in house renovations.
- Budget support for a new bowling green at the Latham Golf and Bowling Club.

The community is accessible for and inclusive of people with disability.

- A community event held as part of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.
- Inclusion in the 2025/26 Budget for improved disabled access at the Perenjori Pavilion.

Early childhood services are provided in support of workforce participation and educational outcomes.

- Two furnished houses provided for REED staff members.
- Ongoing building and grounds maintenance for early learning centre.
- Regular Storytime reading with early learning centre children.
- Participated in Halloween Walk with Perenjori children.

Young people are engaged in pro-social activity and civic life.

- Shire support for school holiday events held by Blue Light.
- Skate Clinic held as part of a youth engagement project.

Gaps in medical, allied health services, and other community services are filled where possible to meet the needs of the local population.

- Visiting Physiotherapist located in Council building.
- Visiting Chiropractor located in Council building.
- Ongoing assistance to Perenjori Medical Centre.
- Discussions held with Pharmacist to introduce pharmacy supplies in a Council building.

Goal 1...continued

Strategic Objectives

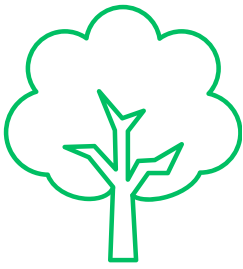
Seniors are valued and supported to age in place.

- Ongoing support for weekly seniors' morning tea at the Lodge.
- Ongoing advocacy for Home and Community Care services.
- Annual Senior's Christmas Lunch held at the Perenjori Pavilion.

Emergency management and associated community liaison and education activities are undertaken to protect the community and minimise harm from disasters.

- Local Emergency Management Committee meetings held quarterly.
- Ongoing Volunteer Bushfire Brigade inductions undertaken to comply with new WHS Act.
- Updates to burning season periods are provided to the public.
- Pre-harvest training undertaken by Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM).
- Works assistance in clearing debris from main road following road traffic accident.
- Annual townsite fire hazard checks undertaken and notification of breaches sent to residents.
- SMS Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban messages published to community as requested by DFES and Bush Fire Brigade.





Goal 2 - Natural & Built Environment

Eco-friendly, attractive and well-maintained towns, surrounded by outstanding natural beauty, landscapes, flora and fauna to be protected and enjoyed.

Strategic Objectives

Public health, safety and amenity standards are upheld.

- Provision of housing for two Police officers.
- GPS systems installed in graders to provide lone worker safety.
- Ablution renovations undertaken at the Latham Community Centre.

Land use and building regulations are designed and administered to meet the current and future needs of the community.

- A buy-back offer has been extended to Lot 160 England Crescent as per Council Budget and Council resolution.
- Monthly EHO visits to the Shire to assist the community in environmental health compliance.
- Completion of a new 3x2 residence in the Perenjori townsite.
- A funding application is being prepared for submission for the construction of two 2x1 residences.

The Shire's buildings and leases are administered to an appropriate standard for the benefit of the community according to their need and use.

- Annual housing inspections undertaken by external provider.
- Building maintenance schedule is ongoing.
- Scope of works sourced for relining of Aquatic Centre pool bowl.
- Bathroom renovations completed at Latham Community Centre.
- Financial support for Perenjori Sports Club house renovation.
- Council resolved unanimously to advertise the Latham Hall for freehold purchase.
- Tenants of three Council-owned residences invited to submit offers for purchase of houses.

Local Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal stories, structures and places of interest are acknowledged, preserved and promoted as appropriate.

- Townscape planning underway for Indigenous Interpretive site.
- Consultation with Indigenous leaders in cultural appropriate plantings for above.

Waste management services are provided efficiently and sustainably.

- Weekly disposal service with licensed waste provider.
- Regular maintenance at waste disposal sites.
- Budget allocation included in 25/26 Budget for upgrades to the Latham Tip.
- Two new pits constructed at the Perenjori Tip.
- Latham Tip pushed up.
- Request for Quote advertising published for the provision of kerbside general waste collection.

Roads, footpaths and drainage are appropriately managed according to their need and use.

- Maintenance carried out in line with the sealed roads program.
- Unsealed roads maintained regularly by fleet of graders.
- Regular street sweeping undertaken.
- Scope of works for sealed roads program developed and advertised for tender.

Parks, gardens, street trees and reserves are appropriately managed according to their need and use.

- Ongoing weed spraying program throughout townsites.

The provision of cemeteries reflects community needs, heritage values, and a peaceful natural environment.

- Budget provision made for installation of Niche Wall at the Latham Cemetery, and design/planning underway.



Goal 3 - Economic

A diverse economy, with flourishing businesses offering a suite of trades, services and retail offerings.

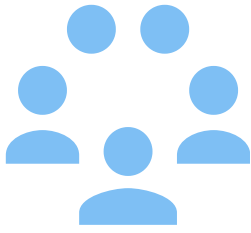
Strategic Objectives

Opportunities are maximised to promote economic growth and local development.

- Ongoing support for new supermarket.
- Partnered with LG Professionals in a local government career campaign initiative.
- Construction of new 3 x 2 residence completed.
- Working with Pharmacist to provide a Council-owned facility to open a Chemist two days per week.

Visitors are welcomed and well-catered for.

- Promotion of Astrotourism through social media updates.
- Subscription to annual Astrotourism Towns membership.



Goal 4 - Governance & Leadership

A strong and diverse Council working closely with the proactive and involved community.

Strategic Objectives

The community is well-informed and engaged.

- Regular social media and website posts of roadworks, events and projects.
- Flyers installed on notice boards throughout town advising of Council happenings, events, projects and general information.
- The Bush Telegraph utilised as an online/hardcopy tool to inform the community.
- Members of the public are able to ask questions on any matter affecting the Shire in time set aside for this purpose at meetings of the Council.

The Shire listens to and works closely with the community and its decision-making is transparent and accountable.

- Council Meeting Agendas and Minutes published on Shire website.

The Shire advocates and partners effectively on behalf of the community.

- Relationship building with mining corporations.

The Shire works proactively with the Traditional Owners regarding sites and other matters of significance to the Badimia people.

- Ongoing consultation and cooperative facilitation of Aboriginal Interpretive site with local Badimia elders.

People receive a high standard of customer service in their dealings with the Shire.

- Staff training schedule implemented to provide best practice delivery to the community.
- Job Descriptions updated as required.

The organisation, assets and finances of the Shire are managed responsibly.

- Capital works program undertaken in accordance with Council Budget.
- Compliance Audit Return adopted by Council and submitted to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Culture Industries.
- A successful Audit undertaken using external contractors.

Capital Expenditure - 2025/26

| Job | Description | Budget | Status |
|------|---|-----------|-------------|
| HC32 | 3x2 House - 3 Hirshauer Rd | \$300,000 | Completed |
| I009 | Latham Bowls Green | \$128,918 | Completed |
| I008 | Latham Refuse Site | \$50,000 | Pending |
| I012 | Radio Broadcasting | \$60,000 | Pending |
| I011 | Niche Wall Latham Cemetery | \$15,000 | Pending |
| BC29 | Supermarket | \$75,275 | Completed |
| LA01 | Purchase of Industrial Land | \$20,000 | In progress |
| BC01 | Pavilion Upgrade | \$72,500 | In progress |
| CP34 | EV Charging Station | \$8500 | In progress |
| BC30 | Units 2 & 3 North Rd Renovations | \$40,000 | Completed |
| HC34 | 11A & 11B Livingstone St Patios | \$14,000 | Pending |
| BC36 | Depot Lean-To Shed and Dome Shelter | \$33,000 | Pending |
| BC31 | Post Office Mail Room Extension | \$15,000 | Pending |
| BC32 | Latham Community Centre Amenities Upgrade | \$70,000 | Completed |

Capital Expenditure - 2025/26 Cont.

| Job | Description | Budget | Status |
|------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| I015 | Water Bore and Tank | \$57,990 | In progress |
| BC33 | Disabled Access Pavilion | \$8,000 | Pending |
| BC34 | Sports Club House Renovations | \$60,000 | In progress |
| BC35 | Gym Access Control System | \$9,000 | In progress |
| I014 | Swimming Pool Liner Repaint | \$500,000 | Pending |
| FE10 | EPR/Finance System Implementation | \$53,425 | In progress |
| I013 | Oval Plumbing and Electrical Upgrades | \$35,000 | In progress |

Capital Expenditure - 2025/26 Cont.

Road Program

| Job | Description | Budget | Status |
|---------|---|-----------|-------------------------------|
| RRG166 | Coorow Latham Rd SLK 5.1-16.31 | \$450,000 | Pending |
| RRG049 | Syson Rd SLK 0.00-6.00 | \$458,752 | Scheduled for Dec/Jan |
| RRG049A | Syson Rd SLK 2.84-4.00 | \$427,000 | RFT Pending |
| RRG018 | Wanarra Rd SLK 2.82-5.55 | \$410,500 | RFT Pending |
| R2R051 | Bunjil North East Rd SLK 4.55-9.5 | \$275,903 | In progress |
| R2R040 | Spencer Rd SLK 33.75-46.28 17.32-21.21 | \$375,822 | In progress |
| R2R017 | Rabbit Proof Fence Rd SLK 24.23-27.52 | \$271,354 | In progress |
| R2R124 | Timmings St Reseal | \$14,500 | RFT Pending |
| R2R085 | Rayner Rd SLK .39-3.46 | \$57,810 | Completed |
| R2R163 | England Cres SLK 0.03-0.17 | \$14,700 | RFT Pending |
| MWF047 | Boundary Rd - Retention | \$7,397 | Scheduled for April retention |
| MWF039 | Morawa South Rd - Retention | \$41,779 | Scheduled for April retention |
| FP01 | Fowler St Footpath Repairs | \$31,000 | Completed |
| R2R094 | Syson/Oversby SLK 33.11-37.16 | \$86,932 | In progress |

Capital Expenditure - 2025/26 Cont.

Plant Replacement Program

| Job | Description | Budget | Status |
|------------|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 04259 | CEO Vehicle | \$65,000 | Completed |
| CP43 | Mechanics Truck | \$130,000 | Pending delivery |
| CP44 | Triton Ute single cab | \$35,860 | Completed |
| CP45 | Triton ute single cab tipping | \$42,000 | Completed |
| CP46 | Ride-on mower | \$22,000 | Pending delivery |
| CP47 | Construction truck | \$130,000 | RFQ Pending |
| CP48 | Town tractor mower | \$100,000 | Completed |
| CP49 | Tri-axle float refurbish | \$50,000 | In progress |
| CP50 | Tandem box trailer | \$5,000 | Pending |
| CP51 | Latham Community Bus | \$60,000 | Pending |
| CP52 | 22-seater bus | \$147,000 | Completed |
| CP53 | Depot generator 20Kva | \$15,000 | Pending |
| CP54 | Aged Units generator 24Kva | \$24,000 | Pending |

Major Projects and Capital Works Highlights

COMPLETED

Latham Community Centre Ablutions Renovations

Contractors have completed renovations to the Latham Community Centre ablutions, providing a much-needed facelift and repairing ongoing water issues.



COMPLETED

Barrett Rd Water Project

As part of the Community Water Supplies Partnerships program, bore drilling, solar pump and water tanks have been installed on Barrett Rd to provide an emergency water source in the event of bushfire emergencies.

