

COUNCIL PLAN

QUARTERLY REPORT

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2023



Perenjori

Embrace Opportunity



Our Highlights this Quarter

SENIORS & VOLUNTEERS DINNER

Funded through Council, Centre of the Aged (COTA) and Volunteers WA, the annual dinner was attended by 48 community members.



OFF-ROAD RACING

CEO meets with off-road racing representative to discuss the 2024 Perenjori 300 and how the Shire can assist in promotion of the event.

UWA INTERNSHIP

An agreement between UWA McCusker Centre provided an Intern to assist with creating digital content for marketing purposes.



TOWN OVAL PROJECT

Bore water sourced and piped to water the town oval and hockey field.

AGED UNITS

SHERP Aged Units arrive in Perenjori townsite.



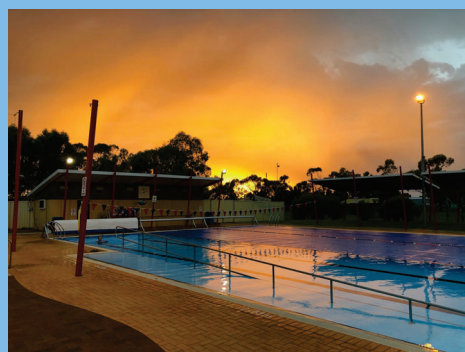
WELL WOMEN'S CLINIC

Funded through Rural Health WA, a quarterly Well Women's Clinic attended by a female GP provides health and wellbeing services for female community members.

16th October

Perenjori Aquatic Centre opens for the season.

An average of 29 visitors per day. The 23/24 season includes early morning swimming and late night barbecues.





Performance against the 2023-2033 Council Plan

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

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).



VISION

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.

- Town Oval water supply project complete with bore water being used to maintain the oval and hockey field.
- The Aquatic Centre opened with an average of 27 people per day.
- Free use of Gym for community members.
- Free entry to Aquatic Centre.
- Tai Chi classes implemented.

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

- Employee support for St John Ambulance training.
- Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM) conducted Bushfire Brigade training.
- Citizen of the Year award nominations reviewed and selected by Council for presentation at the Australia Day celebrations in January 2024.

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

- Receipt of Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) report received which includes Shire of Perenjori statistics.

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

- Assisted with promotion of advertising for early educators for Regional Early Education & Development (REED).

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

- Financial assistance for annual Halloween town walk and disco.
- Ongoing support for Blue Light school holiday activities.
- Young people engaged to provide input for design of murals proposed for the old Telstra building in Fowler St.
- Annual sponsorship of achievement awards for Perenjori Primary School.

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

- Facilitated a Well Women's Clinic.
- Visiting Physiotherapist located in Council building.
- Ongoing assistance to Perenjori Medical Centre including upgrading of air-conditioning.
- Advocated for Home and Community Care (HACC) services and provision of room at Medical Centre for HACC consultation.

Goal 1...continued

Strategic Objectives

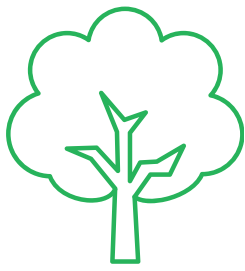
Seniors are valued and supported to age in place.

- Met with representatives of Staying in Place - an organisation designed to assist seniors in remaining in their own homes.
- Support for weekly seniors' morning tea at the Lodge.
- A Seniors and Volunteers' Dinner was held at the Perenjori Pavilion, supported by funding through Council Budget, Centre of the Aged (COTA), and Volunteers WA.
- Ongoing advocacy for Home and Community Care services.

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

- A Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC) desktop exercise was held at the Perenjori Pavilion, simulating a cyclonic event.
- Fire hazard inspections undertaken by Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM) and Ranger and landowners notified if improvements are required.





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.

- Engagement of new IT provider for Medical Practice.

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.

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

- Liaising with Perenjori Sports Club to administer a current Lease Agreement.
- External provider engaged to conduct house inspections on Council properties, providing comprehensive reports.
- Annual pest control inspections undertaken on Council buildings.
- Annual air-conditioner inspections undertaken on Council buildings.

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

- Inclusion of an Aboriginal Interpretive site in the 2023 Perenjori Townscape Plan.

Waste management services are provided efficiently and sustainably.

- Weekly disposal service with licensed waste provider.
- Regular maintenance at waste disposal sites.
- Directional signage installed.

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.
- Resheeting program reviewed for next 3 years.
- Approval of funding of \$329,801 was received from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (LRCI) for upgrades to the Warriedar Copper Mine Rd.

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

- Townscape Committee meeting minutes and plans presented to Council for endorsement.
- Fortnightly schedule developed for Parks & Gardens team.
- Town oval and hockey field in greatly improved condition.

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

- Cracker dust spread to delineate Perenjori Cemetery carpark.
- Commenced installment of gazebo at Perenjori Cemetery.



Goal 3 - Economic

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

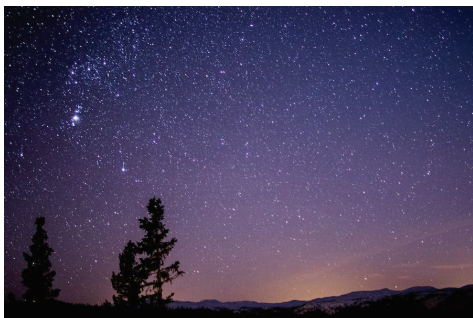
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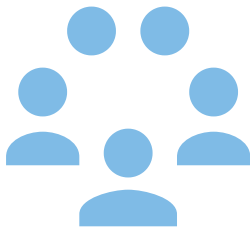
Opportunities are maximised to promote economic growth and local development.

- CEO and MCCS met with Aurizon representative to discuss accommodation package for future iron ore rail program.
- Fenix Resources presented to Council on proposed iron ore haulage operations.
- Terra Mining, Asia Iron and Aurizon met with Council to discuss plans and requirements for Extension Hill project.
- Two 3 x 2 houses being constructed to add to Council housing stock for staff and/or private rentals.
- A Request for Tender was advertised for the Design and Construction of a Supermarket.
- Funding of \$500,000 was received through the DFES Cyclone Seroja Local Government Resilience Fund to be allocated towards the construction of a community hub.
- Approval of funding of \$571,756 was received from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (LRCI) for the construction of a community hub.
- Provision of housing for Community Resource Centre Manager.
- Provision of housing for Government Regional Officer Housing (GROH) for a Police Officer.
- Presentation to Council from Cooperative Bulk Handling (CBH) regarding upgrades to facilities and future grain outloading plans.
- Presentation to Council from Western Power on planned upgrades.
- Representatives from tree farm entity presented to Council on plans to purchase land within the shire.

Visitors are welcomed and well-catered for.

- Council and staff representatives attended a Wildflower Country meeting to discuss future of tourism group.
- Annual budget allocation to staff a part time Tourist Centre officer during wildflower season.
- Content supplied for Australia's Golden Outback 2024 planner.
- Continued financial membership of Australia's Golden Outback.
- Promotion of Astrotourism through public events and social media updates.
- Council-owned Caravan Park upgrades to Chalets, increased garden maintenance.





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.
- Significant promotion of local government election.

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.

- Council met with mining haulage contractor to be provided information on future haulage considerations.

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

- Correspondence between Shire and Southern Yamatji Group regarding Townscape Project for Aboriginal Interpretive site.

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.

- Implementation of MEX software to streamline the Shire's maintenance and asset management practices.
- Capital works program undertaken in accordance with Council Budget.
- Engagement of full time in-house Finance Manager to provide
- Housing valuations undertaken by Landgate.
- Annual audit undertaken in order with compliance regulations.