

# Nedlands News



## CEO appointment confirmed

Mr Bill Parker has been appointed to the position of City of Nedlands CEO, following his 12 month tenure as Interim CEO. Bill brings to the role, 18 years experience across five local governments in a range of positions including General Manager, Corporate Services at the City of Perth, and CEO at the Shires of Jerramungup and Denmark.



## Have your say on Nedlands foreshore plan

The City is holding a series of focus group meetings to facilitate community participation in creating a Foreshore Management Plan for the Swan River foreshore between Broadway, Nedlands and Watkins Road, Dalkeith.

Interested parties are encouraged to attend the forums between 10 and 20 August with time and location details listed on [yourvoice.nedlands.wa.gov.au](http://yourvoice.nedlands.wa.gov.au)

## Rates notices on the way

City of Nedlands electors and ratepayers will receive rates notices by mail, from the end of August. Notices will include a 'Rates Explained' information sheet setting out details of City services and budget allocations.

## Deputy Mayor's message

Council Budget 2022/23.

At this time of the year, budgets and rates are the Council's priority. The Council has held five concept forums, discussing capital works, operating budgets, fees and charges, rates setting and funding. We have also voted to advertise differential rates reflecting a 0% rate increase for residential and 2.5% increase for residential vacant properties, with capital works reflecting a level that can be achieved this financial year. However please note, the rate setting is yet to be approved by Council.

There will be no new loans this year and a report will be brought to Council during the first half of 2022/23 addressing underground power for the remaining areas. Some high-volume savings have been identified in areas including employee costs, materials and contracts.

While remaining financially responsible, there will be a continuation of the City's urban forest strategy and maintenance of bushland, parks and reserves. We will also continue to support the community via our libraries, Tressilian Arts Centre, Nedlands Community Care and Childcare at Point Resolution.

Cr Leo McManus

Deputy Mayor, City of Nedlands

(Mayor Argyle is currently on leave.)



## EMERGE Youth Art Awards 2022

Visit Tressilian Arts Centre and cast your vote for the People's Choice Award. 126 outstanding works by artists aged 12 to 25 years. Gallery open Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm. See the Opening Night photos and all the winners on the City's website.

## Make a difference – become a City Councillor

The Electoral Commission of WA is calling for nominations to fill a vacancy on the City of Nedlands Council following the resignation of Cr John Wetherall from the Hollywood Ward. Nominations close 4pm on 10 August 2022, with the Extraordinary Election taking place 16 September 2022. See the City's website for details.



## Lawler Park upgrades approved

Following extensive consultation with residents and landscape architects, the Lawler Park Master Plan has been approved by the Nedlands Council. Upgrades will include repairs to grassed areas, new cricket pitches, exercise equipment and increased tree planting.



## Wood heater education brochure now available

Following lengthy debate on the health aspects of wood heaters in the City of Nedlands, an education brochure has been prepared, explaining the characteristics and associated health effects of wood fires within the metropolitan area. The brochure is available online or can be picked up from the City's Administration Office.

## Council and Committee Meetings – August 2022

The following meetings will be held in the Council Chamber, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands and are accessible via livestreaming at: [www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/livestreaming-council-committee-meetings](http://www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/livestreaming-council-committee-meetings) Members of the public can participate via question and submission forms available on the City's website and all WA Health Department COVID-19 requirements will apply. Please see the City's website for agenda details.

**Council Meeting Agenda Forum – 6pm, Tuesday 9 August**

**Special Council Meeting (Annual budget adoption) – 6pm, Thursday 11 August**

**Ordinary Council Meeting – 6pm, Tuesday 23 August**

**Audit and Risk Committee Meeting – 5.30pm, Monday 29 August**

## August 2022 – Works Program

### Road Rehabilitation and Maintenance

#### Waratah Avenue

Road and drainage work requiring traffic management commences 1 August, and will continue throughout August. There will be partial road closures between Alexander and Adelpa Roads but businesses will remain open.

#### Nedlands Swanbourne Surf Life Saving Club

Construction work commences on the clubhouse from 1 August until approximately February 2023. No impact anticipated on traffic, parking or beach use.

### Natural Areas

Bushland Weed Control July – October 2022. For more information, please visit: [Yourvoice@nedlands.wa.gov.au](mailto:Yourvoice@nedlands.wa.gov.au)