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Mayor's Message

Dear Residents

As we step into 2024, I hope you have had the opportunity to relish leisurely walks in our picturesque City of Nedlands and enjoy a well earnt break.

As we stride into the future, it's important to acknowledge our overarching plan for the City — the Council Plan 2023-33, our blueprint for the years ahead. This plan underlines our commitment to fostering a sustainable and thriving community. Over the next decade, we will push to achieve the community's vision; to be sustainable and fiscally responsible for a bright future.

One of the defining features which makes our City truly exceptional is our lush tree canopy cover. Not only does it add to the aesthetics of the City of Nedlands, but it also serves practical purposes. Tree cover enhances the beauty of our surroundings and significantly contributes to reducing energy costs. Natural shade provided by trees keeps our homes cool, reducing the reliance on air conditioning. Moreover, trees play a vital role in combating Climate Change by absorbing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. As we move forward, we remain steadfast in our commitment to increasing our tree canopy cover through the implementation of the City of Nedlands Urban Forest Strategy and we seek the State Government's approval of Scheme Amendment 12 to our Local Planning Scheme.

Listening and responding to local community priorities, Council will be focusing on responsible growth and development, maintaining our green streetscapes and urban tree canopy, embracing sustainable practices and creating vibrant town centres.

As always, I encourage you to actively participate as a valued member of the City of Nedlands. Engage in community consultations, stay connected with us through social media, stand for Council and remain informed by reading the monthly Nedlands News. The Council and the Administration are here to assist you, working together to enhance and elevate the City of Nedlands into the best it can be. Your involvement makes a significant difference in shaping the future of our community. Thank you so much.

Yours faithfully,

Fiona E.M Argyle

Mayor, City of Nedlands

Upcoming Events

Keep up to date with all the latest City of Nedlands events at **www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/events/** or by scanning the QR code:



Capital Works

Carrington Street Works

Residents are advised that roadworks on Carrington Street, between Weld Street and Martin Avenue have commenced with an expected completion date of late February. Road closures and detours will be in place between 7am to 6pm for the duration of the project.

For more information about this project and others, visit www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/capitalprojects

In Focus



Council Plan 2023-33 Endorsed

To read the Council Plan 2023-33 visit www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/councilplan

Exercising dogs at Swanbourne Beach

The City is reminding the community to ensure their dogs are being effectively controlled particularly around Swanbourne Beach dog exercise area. In response to community concerns of dogs behaving badly in this area, Rangers will be increasing their patrols and failure to abide by the *Dog Act 1976* regulations could lead to a \$200 infringement notice being issued. Please remember that whilst you are permitted to have your dog off lead in this area it must be under control and not causing disturbance to other beach users. More information about dog exercise areas are available on the City's website.



Citizenship and Community Citizen of the Year Awards 2024

Last Thursday, the City held its first citizenship ceremony of 2024 where Mayor Fiona Argyle awarded Australian citizenship to 20 residents from 11 different countries.

The City was privileged to have Auspire Ambassador, Asha Bhat OAM, share her incredible journey migrating to Australia in 2004, her challenges and triumphs. After relocating to Albany four years after he arrival in Australia, she has been able to assist Noongar people in reaching their full potential through the Southern Aboriginal Corporation.

Having Asha share her story with Nedlands newest citizens and community leaders was truly inspiring and her passion and encouragement for celebrating identity, inclusion, community and heritage was appreciated amongst all.

Shopping Bus for Seniors

The Positive Ageing Program has introduced a shopping bus service for seniors (55 years and over) that runs to and from Floreat Forum on Thursday mornings and Friday afternoons. Residents in the area who can board and exit a bus without assistance to use this service.

For more information about this service and to register, please call the **Positive Ageing Team** on **9273 3660** or email **positiveageing@nedlands.wa.gov.au**

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Council and Committee meetings:

- Council Meeting Agenda Forum Tuesday 13 February
- Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Monday 19 February
- Council Meeting Tuesday 27 February

For more information visit www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/council/council-meetings

