



COCKBURN SOUNDINGS

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COOGEE MARITIME TRAIL OPENS THIS SUMMER!



This summer, you can explore Western Australia's unique maritime heritage at Port Coogee. Just 25 metres from the shore, the 230 metre long dive and snorkel trail will surround the *Omeo*, the State's premier shore-based shipwreck, and will include artificial reefs, underwater art sculptures and educational signage.

A universally accessible trail will be available along the pathways at Port Coogee and will feature maritime artefacts as well as a viewing area to the *Omeo* shipwreck.

Coogee Maritime Trail is part-funded by Lotterywest and is being developed by the City in partnership with the Western Australian Museum, Murdoch University Divers, Perth NRM and Frasers Property Australia.

For more information and to watch a video of what's on offer, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/CoogeeMaritimeTrail

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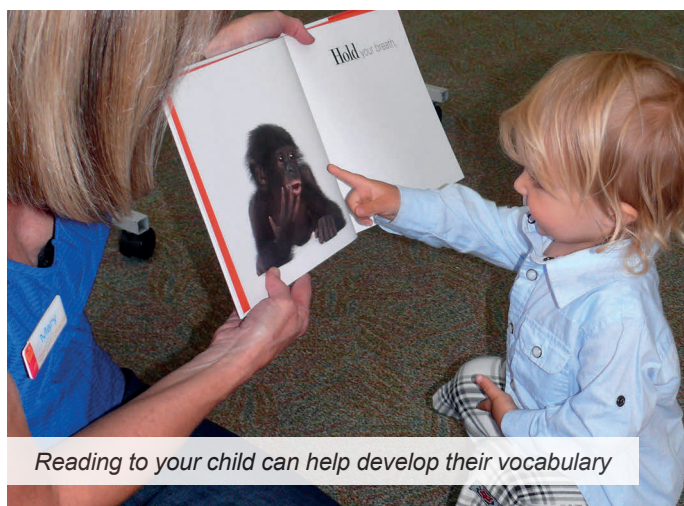
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READING & CHILDREN @ COCKBURN LIBRARIES

Benefits of reading with small children



Children who are read to regularly know more words than others. They develop a love of reading and books, they hear a large range of rich language in context, and it helps to develop memory and attention span.

Children also develop understanding from reading and can talk about concepts such as colours, numbers and shapes, to emotions and the world outside of their actual experiences.

The best thing about reading with small children is that it gives you a chance to spend time with your precious child.

The right book

Reading should be fun, not a chore. Set aside time with your child to explore a range of books together. Not only will this help your child's reading skills, you will also get to know each other and potentially have discussions you never dreamed were possible. Not all children love storybooks so why not try something from our non-fiction section instead. We have a team of librarians on-call to help you wherever we can.

Not much of a storyteller?

Children love being read to, especially by members of their family. If you don't feel comfortable reading aloud, come along to Storytime and see how it's done. But remember, practise makes us better and children don't mind if we make mistakes.

Children's Book Awards



Every year the Children's Book Council of Australia selects the very best books written and illustrated by Australians. The shortlist was released in May and our staff will be reading and reviewing them on the Library blog. All of the shortlisted books are available to borrow at the Cockburn Library branch, so check them out before the winner is announced during Children's Book Week.

Pram Jams – It's never too early for early literacy (Ages 0-2)

Pram Jams is for babies and their parents, grandparents or carers. It's noisy, fun, and a wonderful way to learn new songs for bedtime, bath time or when you're stuck in the car. Sessions are free and go for 20-30 minutes. Bookings are not required.



Coolbellup Library

Mondays at 10am

Success Library

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10am

Spearwood Library

Thursdays fortnightly at 10am

Storytime (Ages 2-5)

Come along to hear great stories, join in on songs and rhymes and make a masterpiece of craft to take home.



Spearwood Library

Tuesdays and Fridays at 10.30am

Coolbellup Library

Wednesdays at 10.30am

Success Library

Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.30am

cockburnlibraries.com.au





MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Local jobs for local people is a concept that all communities should embrace to ensure their growth, sustainability and prosperity is based on a strong foundation. The small business sector is at the heart of Australia's prosperity and when that sector is buzzing, so too is consumer confidence, a

degree of risk taking prevails and investment emerges as a catalyst to spark the economy.

Each year many individuals, families and other investors take a risk and establish a small business in their local community. Their success is related to their drive, experience, decision-making, staff training, risk taking, focus on product and customer service, and their willingness to seek expert advice. A person's success will also be enhanced by their ability to establish networks and how they position themselves and respond to market forces.

It is pleasing to see the continuing number of small businesses that decide to make Cockburn their home. They include: restaurants, cafés, hair salons, real estate agents, financial institutions, telcos, supermarkets, speciality stores and many others that bring local jobs and career opportunities to our community.

The sustainability of small businesses in Cockburn can be enhanced by seeking them out prior to making a purchasing decision. As neighbourhood shopping centres make a comeback we find an increasing number of outlets within a short walk, cycle, bus ride or when it necessitates, a car journey from your home.

As consumers, we give little thought to why someone has taken on the challenge of starting a small business or investing in an existing business. Perhaps the following quotes about small business may give us an insight:

"Behind every small business, there's a story worth knowing. All the corner shops in our towns and cities, the restaurants, cleaners, gyms, hair salons, hardware stores – these didn't come out of nowhere." – Paul Ryan

"Small business isn't for the faint of heart. It's for the brave, the patient and the persistent. It's for the overcomer."
– Unknown

So let's support our local small businesses and help create local jobs.

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GET READY FOR THE NEXT GARAGE SALE TRAIL



On Saturday 22 October, communities from the coast to the country will unite to take part in the Garage Sale Trail, the biggest council run program in Australia.

Garage Sale Trail is a national program that promotes reuse, waste education and community building, and is free to register.

It's a great way to declutter your home, meet your neighbours, fundraise or find bargains at thousands of garage sales on one big day of selling and shopping. It's good for your back-pocket and great for the environment!

When you register your sale, it will appear on the Garage Sale Trail website where you can add photos of sale items and receive tools to help you sell your items.

For more information and to register your garage sale, visit garagesaletrail.com.au



Don't miss out, register your garage sale as part of the trail

NOMINATE AN AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR

The Australian of the Year Awards recognise the contributions and achievements of Australians who inspire others through their actions and help make this country a better place to live.



Nominations are sought for Australians from all backgrounds and fields of endeavour including

community service, reconciliation, humanitarian, business, science and technology, arts, entertainment, sport, education, the environment, and in the case of the Local Hero award, those making an extraordinary difference locally.

To recognise an Australian worthy of an award, nominate online at australianoftheyear.org.au or call 9325 9988. Nominations close Sunday 7 August.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE COCKBURN SENIORS CENTRE?
ACTIVE AGEING FOR OVER 50s**

Seniors Centre Open Day – 13 August

The Cockburn Seniors Centre will be opening its doors to the community on Saturday 13 August from 10am to 2pm for its annual open day.

A range of activities and offerings will be available at the award-winning centre, including:

- Class demonstrations
- General entertainment
- White elephant stall
- Free sausage sizzle
- Devonshire tea.

For more information, call 9411 3877.



Cockburn Seniors Centre opens its doors on Saturday 13 August

COCKBURN YOUTH CENTRE

Battle of the Bands – we need Musicians!

Cockburn Youth Services will be hosting the annual Battle of the Bands on Friday 9 September and are looking for local musical artists between the ages of 10 – 24 years to compete. It's free to enter and there are plenty of prizes up for grabs!

School Holiday Programs

School holidays always seem to come around faster than expected. Cockburn Youth Services has some fantastic October school holiday programs on offer for youths aged 10 – 17 years.

The Youth Outrage Program heads to a whole range of exciting venues all over the metro area to participate in a range of cool activities. If whole day activities aren't your thing, check out the Youth Centre Program for shorter activities to try out each day. All programs are fully supervised by qualified and experienced staff ensuring a safe, fun and engaging day for all.

Cockburn Youth Centre 9411 3888

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cockburn.wa.gov.au/youthservices



There are always fun things to do at the Cockburn Youth Centre during school holidays



COCKBURN EVENTS

cockburn.wa.gov.au/events



6 AUG	Seed saving and plant propagation	13 AUG	What is a solar passive house?	13 AUG	Cockburn Seniors Centre open day 10am to 2pm cockburn.wa.gov.au/seniorscentre	16 AUG	Recycle Right Bus Tour	
20 AUG	Bird and Beyond	23 AUG	Sustainability in Early Years	27 AUG	Green Cleaning Workshop	30 AUG	Open - October vacation swimming enrolments Register now for lessons 27 Sep - 7 Oct cockburn.wa.gov.au/sllc	
1 SEPT	1 OCT	Landowner Biodiversity Conservation Grants now open	2 SEPT	Henderson Waste Recovery Park Bus Tour	3 SEPT	Water, water, everywhere?	7 SEPT	Building a community in your street
10 SEPT	Composting Workshop	11 SEPT	Bibra Lake Fun Run 10am to 2pm Registrations open from Monday 1 August (see below for details)			17 SEPT	Garden Design Masterclass	
18 SEPT	Fur Run (dog event) Manning Park cockburn.wa.gov.au/events	22 SEPT	End of term dance party Cockburn Youth Centre 6pm to 9pm cockburn.wa.gov.au/youthservices			30 SEPT	Snake Awareness Workshop	
24 SEPT	9 OCT	Cockburn Youth Services - holiday activities cockburn.wa.gov.au/youthservices		26 SEPT	7 OCT	Get Wild about Wetlands Native ARC Program Register: 9411 3444		
28 SEPT	5 OCT	History Mystery at Azelia Ley Museum 10am to 1pm Register: 9418 6648						



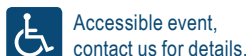
6km timed run | **6km family walk**

» Race starts 10am, Sunday 11 September

» Corner Gwilliam and Progress Drive



cockburn.wa.gov.au/bibralakefunrun | 9411 3444



BIBRA LAKE FUN RUN 2016

The annual City of Cockburn Bibra Lake Fun Run will be held on Sunday 11 September from 10am. Entry into the fun run is free and prize money is awarded to the top three male and female placegetters in each of the four categories. The 6km course is suited for all abilities.

You can register for a timed run at the website below. Registrations open Monday 1 August and close Friday 2 September.

There is also a \$250 prize up for grabs for the school, sports club or workplace with the most participants on the day.

Register online at cockburn.wa.gov.au/bibralakefunrun or call 9411 3444.

FUNDING APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Funding opportunities to support local groups, organisations and individuals for a range of activities and services are available in the following categories:

- Grants
- Donations
- Sponsorship
- Cultural grants
- Youth art scholarships (18 years and under).

Applications close 4pm on Friday 30 September 2016.

For information on grants, donations and sponsorships, email communitygrants@cockburn.wa.gov.au or call 9411 3444.

For information on cultural grants and youth art scholarships, email culturalgrants@cockburn.wa.gov.au or call 9411 3444.

To obtain a copy of the relevant guidelines and application forms, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/GrantsandDonations

HEAL™ TO STAY HEALTHY

The City has received an overwhelming response to the HEAL™ program and will be running HEAL™ Maintenance. This is a follow on program to assist with maintaining weight loss and staying healthy.

Term 4 Information and Registration Sessions

Saturday 1 October at 10am

Cockburn Intergrated Health, Success

8 week program runs 15 October - 3 December

Saturdays 9am to 11am

Tuesday 4 October at 11am

CALO Health, Bibra Lake

8 week program runs 18 October - 6 December

Tuesdays 11am to 1pm

Places are limited. The cost of the 8 week programs is \$50 (\$25 with healthcare card) with \$25 refunded on completion of the program.

HEAL™ Maintenance Nutrition & Weigh-In

For anyone who has completed HEAL™ or a similar program. 29 October, 26 November, 17 December at 10am \$5 per session. Contact 9494 3790

FREE Exercise Sessions

Mondays 11am - 12pm

Cockburn Youth Centre

Support with stress, anxiety and depression

Run by Curtin Clinics. Contact 9494 3751

Places are limited. For more information and to book, contact Khris on 0418 839 796 or visit

beactivecockburn.wa.gov.au



Rik Honisett (pictured) kick-started his 25kg weight-loss experience with the HEAL™ program in 2012.

RATES ROUNDUP FOR 2016/17

All rates notices for 2016/17 have been sent out, as well as an accompanying brochure.

Please read your brochure in conjunction with your rates notice as it explains:

- What your rates are used for
- How your rates are calculated
- If you are eligible for a rebate
- As an owner of a property, what you need to do to comply with the Fire Order.

If you haven't received your rates notice, contact the Council immediately as the due date for payment is 2 September 2016.

If you have chosen the instalment option, a reminder notice will be sent before the next instalment due date of 4 November 2016.

The City will issue reminder notices throughout the year which will also include your updated balance. Penalty interest will accrue daily on all overdue accounts.

Sign up for eRates and WIN!

Register to receive your rates notices and instalment reminders by email and go into the draw to win an iPad.

To sign up, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/rates



PARENTING SUPPORT

Services and workshops aimed at helping parents

Cockburn Early Years is a City of Cockburn service that supports parents pre-birth and with children up to 8 years old. The service provides information on children's development and ideas for learning and play in the home. It also provides strategies for setting limits and encouraging a closer relationship between parent and child, emotional support and information throughout pregnancy and early parenthood.

Services & Information available:

- Home or centre-based visits
- Parent and child playgroup
- Parenting groups
- One-on-one parenting consultations
- Short-term parenting counselling
- Early learning and play information.



To encourage your child's self-confidence, try giving your child regular 'special time' where he/she chooses a play activity and you follow the their lead.

Special time is 'focused' time with your child that is playful, warm and encouraging. Your eye contact, gentle tone of voice and warm touch is something your child thrives on. Regular, 10 minute 'special time' sessions will make big changes to your child's often challenging behaviour.

To find out more, contact Cockburn Early Years on 9411 3855 or visit:

cockburn.wa.gov.au/CockburnEarlyYears

NEW COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

The cities of Cockburn, Fremantle and Melville, along with the South West Metropolitan Partnership Forum (SWMPF) have launched Access My Community, a directory of over 780 human services available throughout the three cities.

The community service directory will provide residents with easily accessible information in the following areas: Accommodation and Housing, Education, Employment and Business, Financial Support and Low Cost Goods and Services, Health and Wellbeing, Information Services, Law and Justice, and Transport.

To access My Community, visit swmpf.org.au

Summer Indoor Team Sports

Final season @ South Lake Leisure Centre!

Join the summer competition at South Lake Leisure Centre and secure a priority spot in Cockburn ARC's new sport competitions.

- » Ladies Netball
- » Mixed Netball
- » Mens Futsal



Call to register or email sports@cockburn.wa.gov.au



TRAIN ▪ PLAY ▪ LEARN ▪ ENJOY

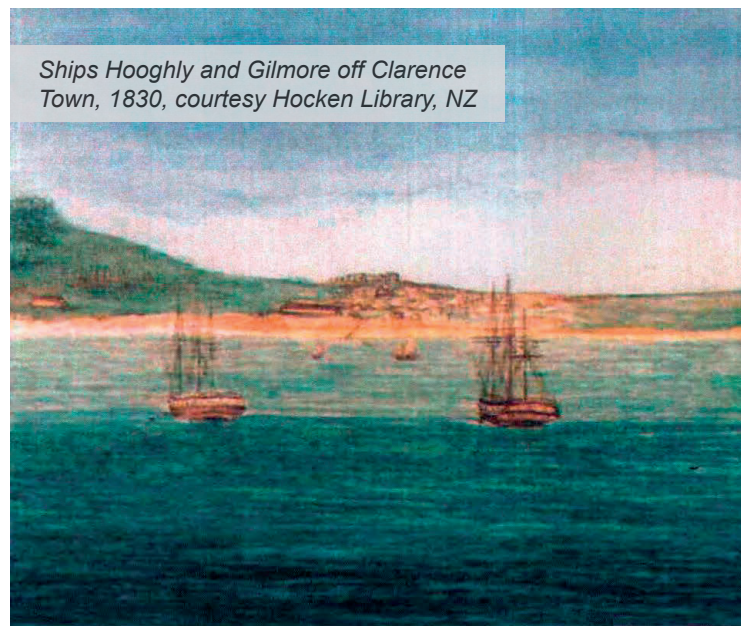
cockburn.wa.gov.au/sllc

Call Now!
T: 9411 3355



HISTORY WITH LEAH

One of the first European settlements in Western Australia was near what we now know as Woodman Point. It was a bold scheme on a grand, idealistic scale, but it was doomed to fail.



Ships Hooghly and Gilmore off Clarence Town, 1830, courtesy Hocken Library, NZ

In 1829, enticed by promises of arable farmland and temperate climates, a young attorney's clerk named Thomas Peel brought a proposal to the British government: he would further the fortunes of the new Swan River colony by shipping out 10,000 settlers. In return, he asked for four million acres of land in the new colony. He was granted one million.

Arriving in mid-December, the first 500 settlers and Peel were shocked by the harsh weather and the sandy, arid land. They could not farm or grow their food, and provisions were soon running dangerously low. Disease was rife, and without work the settlers grew idle and drunk. They camped on the beach, naming their new settlement Clarence in honour of the Duke of Clarence, though it would be a year before houses were constructed. Discontent grew.

After three years of transience, without leadership from Peel, most of the settlers had left for brighter horizons, and Peel himself drifted away to live in disgrace. What remains of the doomed settlement can be found between Woodman Point and Mt Brown.



COUNCIL DECISIONS

Adoption of 'The Lakes Revitalisation Strategy'

Council adopted the Lakes Revitalisation Strategy, its latest revitalisation project to guide the delivery of residential development in South Lake, Bibra Lake (east) and part of North Lake.

Engagement with the community provided valuable input to the final strategy and as a result, the City will initiate the scheme amendment process which will put in place the recommended residential density and zoning changes. This process is expected to take 12-18 months.

Details of the recommendations including significant proposed upgrades of local parks, open spaces and traffic related actions can be viewed at: cockburn.wa.gov.au/TheLakes



A key recommendation of the Strategy relates to the creation of a multi-functional gathering space on the eastern side of the Bibra Lake wetland.



UPGRADE TO ROCKINGHAM ROAD & REVITALISING PHOENIX CENTRAL

Community consultation is underway for the upgrade to Rockingham Road and the draft Phoenix Activity Centre Structure Plan.

Upgrading Rockingham Road

As a key action identified in the Phoenix Central Revitalisation Strategy, the upgrade to Rockingham Road will transform and beautify the section of Rockingham Road between Coleville Crescent and Phoenix Road in Spearwood. New street trees, landscaping and cycle paths will be key features of the proposed road which includes a reduction from two lanes to one lane in each direction, reducing traffic speeds and making the road safer for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers.

The City is proposing to allocate \$3.5 million to upgrade the road in 2017.

Revitalising the Phoenix Central Precinct

The Draft Activity Centre Structure Plan builds on the objectives and actions of the Phoenix Revitalisation Strategy and provides the planning framework to guide future growth and change in the centre.



Community consultation is underway

The plan seeks to facilitate a mixed use activity centre that will offer a range of lifestyle choices, as well as promoting walking and cycling. It will ensure all development meets the objectives of the Phoenix Revitalisation Strategy.

For further information, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/PhoenixCentral

HOME EVACUATION FLAGGING SURVEY

Results from our recent Home Evacuation Flagging Trial survey show 50 per cent of respondents are willing to take part in the trial. In a major emergency, residents will trial the effectiveness of green and orange flagging bags which cover council bins to alert emergency services to whether they have chosen to leave, stay or defend their property.

Results also showed that only four per cent of respondents are prepared with a survival pack for bushfire, storms and other major emergencies.

Congratulations Dan Franklin, who has won an iPad for taking part in our survey and providing valuable feedback and ideas about emergency preparedness within the City of Cockburn.

This project has been funded by the 'All West Australians Reducing Emergencies' (AWARE) Program.



Survey winner Dan Franklin (centre) with Emergency Management Project Coordinator, Michael Emery and Emergency Management Research Officer, Simone Clarke.

COOLBELLUP AVENUE MAKEOVER

As part of the recommendations of the Coolbellup Revitalisation Strategy which was adopted in 2014, the latest works have commenced or have been completed, including:

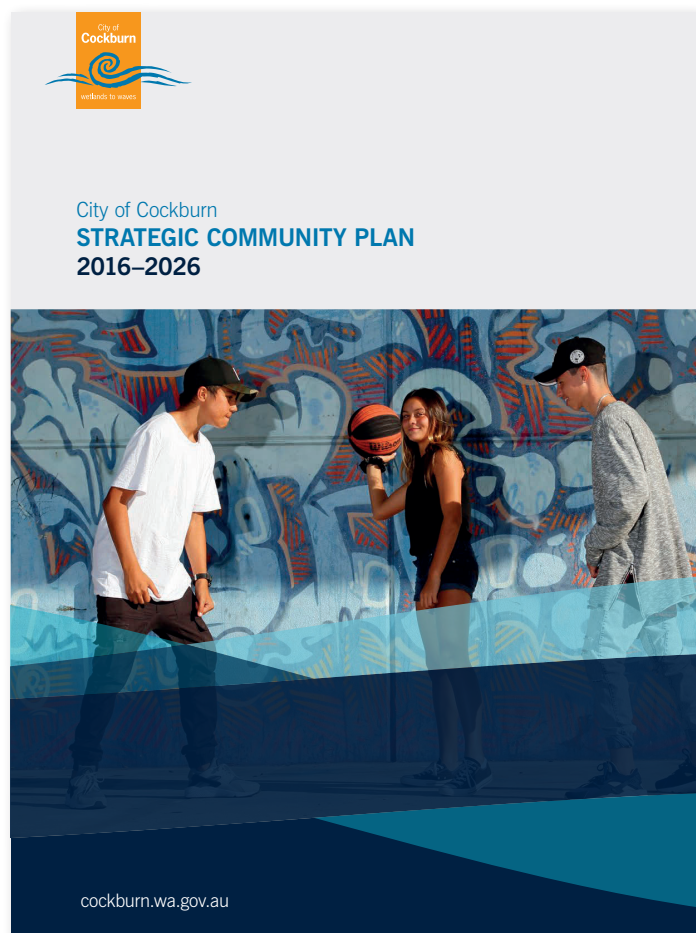
- Planted 90 avenue trees comprising of Tuarts and Ironbarks
- Re-planted 35 Grasstrees
- Planting 3,000 native varieties of Tube Stock along the eastern verge bushland remediation area
- Landscape treatment at the Cordelia Avenue cul-de-sac to create a gateway entry point to the town centre with feature stone mulching and native plantings
- New irrigation system for all street tree plantings
- Bushland remediation works to remove weeds and rubbish.



90 avenue trees and 35 grasstrees have been planted along Coolbellup Ave as part of the revitalisation strategy

In addition to the new landscape elements, the roadside has been cleaned to reduce the threat of bushfires to nearby homes.

If you would like to know more about the other initiatives visit: cockburn.wa.gov.au/Coolbellup



The Strategic Community Plan ensures Cockburn remains the most attractive place to live, work, visit and invest in, within the Perth metropolitan area

WHAT WILL COCKBURN LOOK LIKE 2016–2026?

As is evident in the new Strategic Community Plan 2016–2026, the future Cockburn will continue to be the most attractive place to live, work, visit and invest in, within the Perth metropolitan area. The plan contains the City’s strategic objectives and priorities for the next 10 years and how it will achieve these. In formulating these objectives and priorities, extensive and on-going community feedback was sought.

Areas of focus

Extensive community consultation revealed a number of key focus areas which are included in the plan:

- Traffic congestion
- Greening streetscapes
- Security.

Population

The plan takes into account the City’s expanding population. By 2025, the City expects to have more than 148,000 calling Cockburn home, an increase of 35 per cent.

Thank you to everyone who contributed at the consultation and draft plan development stage.

The Strategic Community Plan 2016–2026 is available at cockburn.wa.gov.au/StrategicCommunityPlan



PORT COOGEE MARINA BOAT PENS AVAILABLE

The City's idyllic harbour, Port Coogee Marina is now managed by the City of Cockburn. The marina offers secure floating mooring pens, competitive rates and direct access to the wonders of the Indian Ocean, including:

- Rottneest, Penguin and Carnac Islands
- Woodman Point
- Cockburn Sound

For more information on what the Marina has to offer or to secure a boat pen, contact the new Port Coogee Marina Manager on 9411 3444 or email customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au





COUNCILLORS' CORNER

Cr Lyndsey Sweetman

The City's Strategic Community Plan 2016–2026 sets the City's direction, encompassing the community's priorities and aspirations. It was developed following a comprehensive public consultation process including workshops with all of the City's reference groups as well as feedback from Cockburn residents, ratepayers and business people.

Participating in public consultation for both big picture strategies and for local level issues is a great way to ensure your opinions are considered and counted.

There are many ways to participate in consultation - check the City's website or join your local community group to ensure you are represented on issues of concern or interest, as most community groups have productive working relationships with the City's administration and their opinions are highly regarded and respected.

As we emerge from Winter into Spring, Cockburn will come alive with a series of free events for the whole family. I hope you will be pleased to note some new and exciting events are in the works, so look out for them!

Cr Bart Houwen

Now that the strategic direction of the city has been reset through a constructive engagement with our citizens, it is important that our communities stay engaged as plans across various domains are reviewed and rolled out.

It has been a rewarding experience to work with what is a mainly enlightened council and community to deliver a balanced approach to continually improving the liveability of the city through a good understanding of balancing priorities in housing, employment, public open space, active transport, and public safety - with people as our focus.

Our strong stance against Roe 8, the expansion of Armadale Road and development of Armadale Road Bridge has put community health and wellbeing at the heart of developing a better Cockburn.

Thank you to the officers of the City who have done such a great job in facilitating this process. May the active participation of our citizens continue to flourish to secure a vibrant and prosperous future.

YOUR COUNCIL

**CITY OF COCKBURN
WARD BOUNDARIES**

West Ward: Coogee, North Coogee, Hamilton Hill, Spearwood

East Ward: Atwell, Aubin Grove, Banjup, Cockburn Central, Hammond Park, Jandakot, Leeming, South Lake, Success

Central Ward: Beeliar, Bibra Lake, Coolbellup, Henderson, Munster, North Lake, Wattleup, Yangebup



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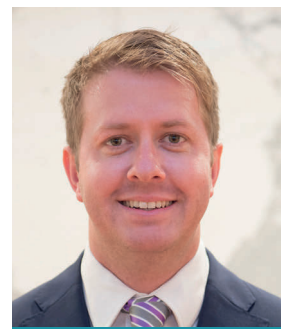
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