



COCKBURN SOUNDINGS

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Teddy Bears Picnic



Grab your favourite teddy and head down to Manning Park to meet your favourite cheeky sheep, Shaun the Sheep!

Teddy Bears Picnic will be jam-packed with awesome activities including the new Hello Baby Corner, offering free massage for parents and a special baby Welcome to Country. For the toddlers there will be a fairy face-painter, storyteller, parachute play, mini ferris wheel and lots of informative stalls. Plus, catch the live performance by ABC's Shaun the Sheep!

Food and drinks are available to purchase including \$1 kids' ice creams and a healthy teddy lunch pack for only \$2.50 provided by Friends of the Community.

FREE EVENT – Teddy Bears Picnic

10am–1pm

Wednesday 25 October

Manning Park, Azelia Rd, Hamilton Hill

For the latest information, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/events

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New free WiFi locations in Cockburn!

Free public WiFi is now available at Coogee Beach and Coolbellup Skate Park!

WiFi is available at a number of locations throughout the City, including:

- Bibra Lake Regional Playground
- Cockburn ARC
- Libraries (Spearwood, Coolbellup and Success)
- Youth Centre
- Seniors Centre

For more information, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/wifi



Join Matt Okine along with other well-known comedy personalities

SIDE SPLITTER Comedy Festival

SIDE SPLITTER Comedy Festival is bringing lols to the hood with our nation's funniest comedians.

The gut busting line-up features:

Matt Okine, Randy, Pete Rowsthorn, Famous Sharron, Danny McGinlay (Bulldogs Bannerman Live), Suns of Fred, Tomas Ford's Crap Music Rave Party, Alcohol is good for you with Sam Kissajukian, (NOT) the Bachelor Live – hosted by Luke Bolland, Brewed Laughter – Beer tasting with a comedian, Dating Naked with Tor Snyder, Uncorked Comedy – Wine tasting with a comedian, Australia's Funniest Shorts, plus a free comedy workshop.

SIDE SPLITTER will also include Hecklers Outdoor Pop-Up Bar for patrons to enjoy a casual beverage or bite to eat, plus DJs and live music from local artists.

SIDE SPLITTER Comedy Festival

27–28 October and 3–4 November
Memorial Hall, 465 Carrington Street,
Hamilton Hill (fully licensed)

Show info and tickets available at sidesplitter.com.au

Presented by Vulture Culture and City of Cockburn.



Halloween

Join us at Spearwood and Success Libraries on Tuesday 31 October for a special Library After Dark Halloween session from 6–7pm. Dress up and head to the library to see something spooky, magical, or just plain hilarious. This family event is free, however bookings are essential.



Get spooked this Halloween at Cockburn Libraries

Where's Wally?

Attention Wally-Watchers! To celebrate the 30th anniversary of Where's Wally, we're giving you the chance to win some Wally-tastic prizes from 13 to 24 November. Look for the entry forms in your local Cockburn library during this time and good luck!

Home Grown Fruit & Veg Swap

Do you have an oversupply of home-grown fruit, veggies or herbs? This can include seeds, seedlings or cuttings, compost or vermiculture (worms), flowers and even small plant pots and seedling trays. Bring them along to the Fruit & Veg Swap at the Coolbellup Hub on the first Saturday morning of each month. No money changes hands and there is no weighing or calculating. Join your neighbours for a cuppa and a chat!

Rates Reminder

The second instalment is due on 27 October 2017.

Don't forget, you can register for eRates to receive your rates notice and reminders by email. You must register 14 days before the due date. It's quick and easy and you'll be doing our environment a favour by saving paper. Visit www.erateswa.com/cockburn

Map it!

It is now easier to locate books, DVDs and everything else with our new 'Map It' function.

When you find an item in the library catalogue just click 'Map It' and a map showing its exact shelf location within the library will be displayed.



Locate what you're after before you wander the shelves

Make Your Own Tofu

Saturday 14 October 1.30–3.30pm
Success Library, Community Rooms

Discover the ancient art of tofu making. Explore the different types of tofu and their use in low fat, high protein meals. Take home a small block of firm or silken tofu and notes to help you get started at home.

Make Your Own Natural Cosmetics

Saturday 28 October 1.30–3.30pm
Success Library, Community Rooms

Learn to make extractions for use in cleansers, toners and creams made from herbs, food grade oils and essential oils with simple kitchen equipment. Take home a variety of safe, natural products and a greater understanding of their ingredients and production.

For more information, visit library.cockburn.wa.gov.au

Meet the City's First Cultural Diversity and Inclusion Officer

The City's first full time Cultural Diversity Inclusion Officer Meski Ashagrie was born in Ethiopia. She studied Public Policy and Social Management at the University of York in England for three years, before she and her husband moved to Australia in 2010 to start a new life together. She was in Australia for two years before the arrival of her first child.

As a new mother adapting to a new social and cultural environment, Meski felt isolated and believed the child health nurse was the only support she could access. Unaware of the mother's and play groups that were available, Meski would often walk around shopping centres, making most of any social interaction she would come across during the day.

Meski says hers is one of the many young families immigrating to Cockburn who are not aware of the range of community, family, youth, senior and children services the City of Cockburn offers and is passionate about getting this message across. Australian Census 2016 results show the City of Cockburn is becoming increasingly diverse. In 2016, 45 per cent of our residents had both parents born overseas, which is above average for Western Australia; 26 per cent of the Cockburn population speaks a language other than English at home.



Meet Meski the City's first Cultural Diversity and Inclusion Officer

English Conversation Groups

If English is your second language and you would like to practise your English conversation in a safe and supportive place, come along to one of the conversation groups that meet every week at:

Spearwood Library

Thursday mornings, 10am. Free.

Success Library

Monday mornings, 10.30am–12pm (school terms only). By gold coin donation.*

Coolbellup Library

Tuesday mornings 10–11.30am (school terms only). By gold coin donation*.

Interpreting and Translating Services

Interpreting and translating services are available for non-English speaking residents. This service is free for residents and ratepayers who do not speak English when accessing the City's services.

Visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/accessibility for details of free translation services and when you can access them.



Rehabilitating Roe 8 Corridor

Development of a 10-year plan to rehabilitate the Roe 8 Corridor has begun following the Rehabilitating Roe 8 working group's appointment of consultants, Emerge Associates.

The plan will be strongly influenced by community and stakeholder consultation in coming months.

Reports of vandalism to the temporary fencing around the Corridor continue, with limited funds being diverted to repairing damaged, pushed-over



What's on at Cockburn Seniors

Laughter Session

Thursday 9 November, 10.15–11.15am
\$5 per person

Laughter sessions are based on the belief that voluntary laughter provides the same physiological and psychological benefits as spontaneous laughter. It is a class to be enjoyed – just let go and don't take yourself too seriously. Everyone over 50 years of age is welcome.

To book call 08 9411 3877.

Activity and class timetables now available

Cockburn Seniors Centre offers a broad range of activities and classes to promote physical activity, social connection and mental wellness for over 50s.

Pick up a timetable now from one of the City's libraries, Seniors Centre or Administration Building and join in!

Meals

Seniors Centre Meals

Enjoy a delicious two-course meal on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 12pm. Bookings essential by calling 08 9411 3877.



It's a thumbs up for laughter sessions at Cockburn Seniors Centre

Giardino Fresco Café

Savour the tastes from the amazing Giardino Fresco Café open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am–2pm.

Memberships

Membership to Cockburn Seniors Centre is \$47 for the period 1 July 2017–30 June 2018.

Members enjoy access to:

- Centre activities ranging from free to \$7.50 per class
- A range of outings (prices vary)
- Meals - \$10 for two courses, plus tea/coffee. Takeaway meal (main only) \$7.

For more information, phone 08 9411 3877, email csc@cockburn.wa.gov.au or visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/seniors

or removed fencing. Vehicles have illegally accessed the site, destroying property, compromising the fragile regrowth and potentially putting rare species at risk.

Protecting the regrowth is a high priority, with residents urged to report any unauthorised vehicles on the site to Police on 131 444 or CoSafe on 1300 267 233.

For more information on the rehabilitation works, visit rehabilitatingroe8.org



Rehabilitation has commenced on the Roe 8 corridor

Community-Wide



Get a team together and get fit with social sport



Nominate your team

Join the fastest growing social sports program in Perth. Held in our new, state-of-the-art, air conditioned facilities, we offer social sport competitions in basketball, netball and futsal.

Adult Timetable

Basketball

Monday, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5.45pm

Futsal

Mondays and Wednesdays from 5.45pm

Netball

Monday and Wednesdays from 9.30am to 1pm
and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5.45pm.

We accept nominations from teams and individuals looking to join a team.

Cost is either \$63 or \$70 per game depending on your preferred payment option where you can choose from upfront, fortnightly or weekly at the counter.

Junior Social Sport

We are still accepting enrolments for our junior social sports competition. We offer basketball, netball and futsal in a no fuss, no hassle competition.

Games run on weekdays after school for all ages, from school Year One to Year 12.

You organise your team and we organise the fixtures and referees, ensuring a fun competition that runs smoothly. It's a no-fuss social sporting activity for parents and players alike.

Cost is \$55 per team per week or \$495 up front.

For more information, phone 08 9411 3344, email sport@cockburnarc.com.au or visit cockburnarc.com.au

Event to celebrate 55 years of Hamilton Senior High School

Saturday 25 November, 5–11pm
Coogee Beach Surf Life Saving Club

\$70 per ticket includes food, beverages, memorabilia auctions and continuous free entertainment from previous Hamilton SHS students and bands.

For tickets and information
email hamilton.shs@education.wa.edu.au



Celebrate the memories of Hami Hill High



Youth Services RYDE Program

The City of Cockburn's Youth Services is excited to partner with the Regional Youth Driver Education Program RYDE. It gives young people the opportunity to complete their 50 hours of supervised driving experience with a volunteer driving mentor.

Many young people find it difficult to complete the 50 hours of driving experience now required for a Western Australian Driver's Licence. The RYDE program will connect learner drivers with a volunteer driver mentor and automatic vehicle, so that they can get their licence and all of the opportunities that come with it.

The City is currently looking for volunteer driver instructors. You do not need to be a qualified driving instructor but will need to undertake an induction and pass a police clearance.

For more information, phone 08 9411 3888 or visit ryde.org.au



Learning to drive is now more convenient with lessons at Cockburn Youth Centre

Children learn Nyungar with word games

The City of Cockburn was the first Perth metropolitan council to have a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) through Reconciliation Australia. The City is currently compiling its third RAP. A RAP helps us to develop actions for building respectful relationships and creating opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to participate in the Cockburn community. The local Nyungar language is a key focus of the City's commitment to reconciliation.

As part of this, our Aboriginal Community Development Officer, Samantha Mourish, recently taught some Nyungar words to our Children's Reference Group (CRG) via a word game. Deni, who has been in the CRG since its inception in late 2012, said he was "winyarn" - he had not won the game, but was pleased to learn some Nyungar words.

For more information on the City's Reconciliation Action Plan, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au



The City's Aboriginal Community Development Officer Samantha Mourish with CRG members, India and Bianca Seymour-Eyles



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Check out the website www.garagesaletrail.com.au for more info and sales near you.

Community-Wide

Cockburn Community Events

cockburn.wa.gov.au/events



25 Oct	Teddy Bears Picnic 10am–1pm Manning Park
29 Oct	Cockburn Rotary Spring Fair 11am–8pm Manning Park
5 Nov	Bibra Lake Fun Run 9am Progress Drive

Sustainable Living Events – For more details visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/sustainability



7 & 10 Oct	Healthy Living Eating & Activity Lifestyle (HEAL) Info sessions 7 October at 9.30am and 10 October at midday Cockburn Health and Community Facility
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12 & 18 Oct	Sustainable Building Design Consultation Select a free, half hour time slot between 10am–midday Tickets: events.ticketbooth.com.au/events/24045
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13 Oct	Henderson Waste Recovery Park Tour Free to attend, book via www.ticketbooth.com.au 9.30am
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31 Oct	Landowner Biodiversity Grant Open Submissions by 31 October
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School Holiday Programs

Cockburn ARC – various fun activities cockburnarc.com.au
Youth Outrage Program and In-centre activities cockburn.wa.gov.au/youth
Terrific Turtle Family Fun Day Explore where turtles live, their lifecycle and wildlife rehabilitation Cockburn Wetlands Centre 9.30am–12.30pm \$10 pp Call 9417 7105





Australia Day Awards – Make a nomination

The City invites you to nominate an outstanding individual or group for one of the Australia Day WA Citizen of the Year Awards. These awards celebrate the outstanding contribution that people make to our community.

There are four award categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Citizen of the Year – Youth (under 25 years of age)
- Citizen of the Year – Senior (over 65 years of age)
- Active Citizenship – Group/Event.

The winning nominee of each category receives a framed certificate and a gift voucher to the value of \$300. The person who nominates the winner in each category also receives a prize to the value of \$100.

The Awards will be presented at a special Australia Day Ceremony on 26 January 2018.

Online nominations

All nominations must be received by the City of Cockburn by 4 December 2017.

To view the criteria and complete the nomination form, visit citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate

Postal nominations

To submit a postal nomination, print and complete the nomination form at: citizenshipawards.com.au and post it to:

City of Cockburn
Australia Day Awards
PO BOX 1215
BIBRA LAKE DC WA 6965

For more information call 08 9411 3444.

Choose to reuse!

The City of Cockburn has teamed up with Responsible Cafes as a Council partner to support cafes that do the right thing and offer a discount to customers with reusable takeaway cups.

View the online map to find out which cafes are taking part at responsiblecafes.org

Reduce your waste – subsidies and rebates available!

If you are a resident, you are eligible for a range of subsidies and rebates to help reduce your waste.

Worm farm subsidised rate \$85

Worm farms are a great way of using kitchen scraps to produce fertiliser for your garden. To access the subsidised rate, you need to attend a workshop to learn how to set up and use the units.

Bokashi bin subsidised rate \$50

Bokashi bins are designed for odour-free composting in the kitchen and are great for those with smaller gardens. Purchase a bin from the City.

Compost bin rebate – \$50

Compost bins are ideal for households with a medium to large garden and can be used to transform kitchen and garden waste into a valuable soil additive. Purchase your own compost bin and receive a \$50 rebate on proof of your receipt and residence then visit us at the City's Admin Building and complete a rebate form. A \$50 rebate is then reimbursed electronically to your nominated account.

Visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/compostsubsidies, call 08 9411 3444 or email customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au



Choose to reuse

Pools at the ready

As we approach the warmer weather, it's a good time to check that your home swimming pool meets the safety requirements.

You can download the Building Commission Booklet, Rules for Pools and Spas at cockburn.wa.gov.au/poolsandspas, to ensure your pool meets safety standards.

Things to consider:

Swimming Pool Gates

A pool fence gate is crucial in preventing a child's access. Too often pool gates are not secured properly and this can lead to drowning. A child doesn't need a lot of strength to open an unsecured gate. Gates must be:

- Self-closing and self-latching from all open positions, including latch on latch
- Open away from the pool area



Mosquitoes

Mosquitoes generally breed in higher numbers in warmer months and can occasionally spread disease-causing viruses. It is important for residents to be aware of how to avoid mosquito bites.



Windows that are within the pool enclosure:

- Must be fitted with a compliant security screen or fixed to open no more than 100mm. Key locks are not compliant.

Climbable objects

The pool fence must be clear of any climbable objects, for example pot plants, BBQs, window sills, retaining walls etc. For all pools, not including glass fencing, there must be an internal 300mm clearance. Refer to the Building Commission Booklet Rules for Pools and Spas on our website for further information.

Swimming Pool Fences

Fencing is another essential layer of defence in the prevention of drowning. Pool fencing is a legal requirement in all states and territories in Australia. Heavy penalties can be imposed for pools that are deemed non-compliant. Swimming pool fences should be:

- Secure and in good working order
- No more than 100mm from the ground
- At least 1.2m high
- Boundary fence should be at least 1.8m high
- No vertical gaps more than 100mm apart

You can also learn more by visiting commerce.wa.gov.au and search 'pools and spas'.

Tips:

- Avoid exposure to mosquitoes for the first few hours after dusk
- Wear protective clothing when outdoors
- Use a personal repellent
- Install insect screens
- Use mosquito nets and mosquito-proof tents when camping and outdoors
- Empty pot plant-bases, birdbaths and ornamental pools weekly.

cockburn.wa.gov.au/mosquitomanagement



Deputy Mayor Carol Reeve-Fowkes



During my ten years with Cockburn Council, I have seen very rapid growth and many changes in our City.

I believe that Sustainability is the key for a happy and healthy future. It is the vital component to allow for growth, but still protects our Parks, Wetlands and Beaches and open spaces.

We must ensure we plant more shade trees to help keep our drying climate more manageable, but still keep mindful of the bush fire season. I support and strongly advocate for the retention and planting of more shade trees for future generations to enjoy and to help mitigate the effects of urban heat in our environment.

Recently, I was very honoured to be awarded a Certificate of Merit from the West Australian Local Government Association. This acknowledgment by my peers was a huge surprise and very humbling to receive. It's been a great privilege to help build and grow the City of Cockburn and I hope to serve our Community for many more years as we welcome our newly Elected Members in October.

Cr Stephen Pratt



Cockburn is fortunate to have a large number of active and engaged community and sporting groups.

I'm taking this opportunity to encourage you, as a resident of Cockburn, to get involved with your local community group or a sporting club.

The City is extremely supportive of our community groups as they are a good place to meet new people and contribute towards making our great city even better.

If you are interested get in touch with the City's administration or website for more information.

Local Government elections will be held this month is your opportunity to vote on who represents our City on the council.

Often only around 20% of residents vote and this number should be higher, so I encourage everyone to have their say by returning their postal ballots by 21 October.

Get ready for Cockburn Rotary Spring Fair!

29 October, 11am-8pm
Manning Park

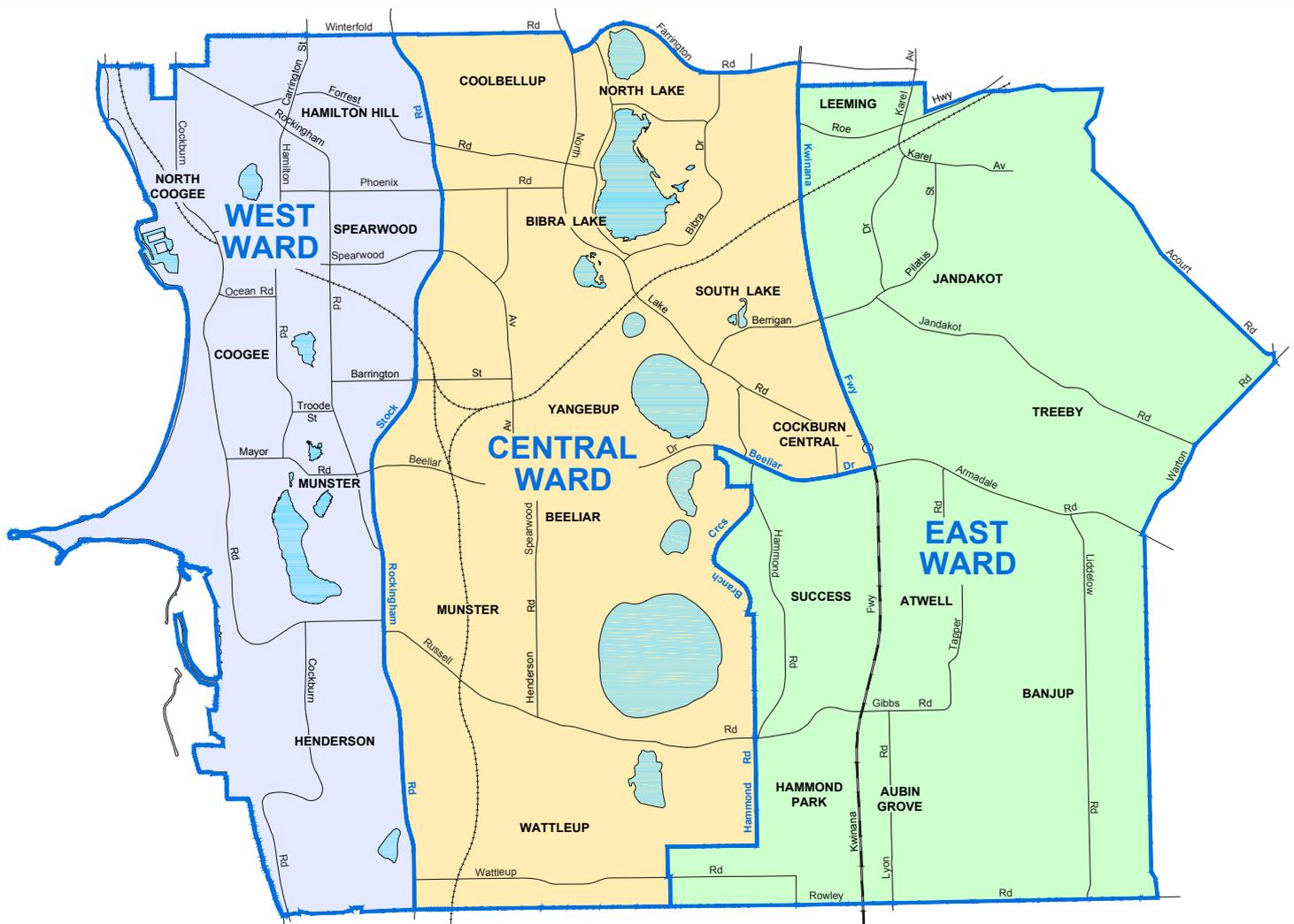
The 2017 Spring Fair is Bollywood themed and will be bursting with colour and entertainment.



The Bollywood-themed Spring Fair will be bursting with colour and activity

Entertainment includes local circus acts, dancers with snakes and swords, belly dance displays and workshops. Delight in music from local artists including Bhangrology, the premium Bollywood and Bhangra act in Perth. This year the Colour Run will return and is scheduled for a 3.30pm start. People can walk or run the 2km track around the park while being showered in colour.

Along with all the festivities there will be stall holders selling their wares and lots of amusements to enjoy with a firework finale starting at 7.30pm. Check cockburn.wa.gov.au/events for stage schedules closer to the date. Bring along your most colourful attire and get amongst the fun!



City of Cockburn Ward boundaries are made up of the following suburbs:

West Ward	Central Ward	East Ward
Coogee	Beeliar	Atwell
North Coogee	Bibra Lake	Aubin Grove
Hamilton Hill	Cockburn Central	Banjup
Spearwood	Coolbellup	Hammond Park
Munster	North Lake	Jandakot
Henderson	South Lake	Leeming
	Wattleup	Success
	Yangebup	Treeby

2017 Local Government Elections

The election of the Mayor and five Councillors will take place on Saturday 21 October.

There are vacancies for the position of Mayor and in the West Ward (two Councillors), Central Ward (two Councillors) and East Ward (one Councillor). You can view details about the candidates here:

cockburn.wa.gov.au/elections

Voting is important for our community, so when you receive your voting pack in the mail, make sure

you have your say. Complete the ballot paper and submit by 21 October 2017 to either the Electoral Commission via the reply paid envelope or via the ballot box located at the City's front counter in the administration building, Coleville Crescent, Spearwood.

Please ensure you have signed the envelope before submitting it.

For more information, phone 08 9411 3444 or email customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au