# SHIRE SNIPPETS

News and updates from the Shire of Morawa

# A message from the President



CR. KAREN CHAPPEL

#### 2023 Young Achievers Awards

It was my pleasure to attend the 2023 Channel 7 Young Achievers Award and witness Morawa's own constable Cohen Taylor win the National Indigenous Times Community Leadership Award.

Cohen Taylor joined the Morawa police station in 2022 and since then has become an important figure in our community. He has organised men's and women's basketball teams in Morawa. He is a facilitator of the youth emergency services program, and he is also a facilitator of the Morawa Blue Light Unit, as well as his outstanding service as a police officer.

Congratulations Cohen, for your outstanding achievement. It is always a great pleasure to see a Morawa local superstar on show on the State and National stage.



#### 'The Gathering Space Morawa'-Jubilee Park Project

It is exciting to see the RAC supported Jubilee Park revitalisation vision starting to take shape. The park enhancements aim to incorporate indigenous culture within the Morawa cultural precinct, whilst also creating a more inviting space for visitors and locals to gather.

A Rock Painting Event will be a fantastic community event on 30 June 2023 at Jubilee Park.

During this event, students from Morawa District High School and the Morawa Agricultural College collaborate with MEEDAC, Indigenous Community Members and Elders to paint rocks to use as part of the park's revitalisation. The event will flow on through the afternoon and all are invited to participate in the fun concluding with a free BBQ and Movie Night. Come and celebrate; let's invigorate our Gathering Space.

For further information on events see the flyer attached to the snippets and the Shire's website and Facebook page.



# **Council News**

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS - 18 May 2023

#### Council Policy ELM26 - Electronic Meetings and Attendance

Council adopted the ELM 26 – Electronic Meetings and Attendance, as attached, noting a 12 month review period to evaluate functionality against the new regulations.

#### 2024 Art Show Planning and Endorsement

Council resolved to underwrite the 2024 Morawa Art Exhibition to a maximum financial contribution of \$90,000, support the CEO actively pursuing funding/sponsorship opportunities that reduce the Shire's financial contribution to the event and contribute towards its ongoing sustainability and encourage the CEO to explore opportunities to expand the event.

#### May 2023 Minutes of WALGA State Council Meeting

Council received the Minutes of the WALGA State Council Meeting held 3 May 2023.

#### Date of June Ordinary Council Meeting

Council accepted and acknowledged the next ordinary meeting of Council will be amended from in person attendance, to being held via eMeeting on Thursday, 22 June 2023 commencing at 5.30pm.

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS – 6 June 2023 - Special Council Meeting

#### **Budget Efficiency and Setting of Differential Rates**

Council resolves to:

- 1. Notes the consideration of the efficiency measures listed in this report and in the Statement of Objects and Reasons (Attachment 2) used in the development of the Draft Budget for the 2023-2024 Financial Year;
- 2. Adopt the Statement of Objects and Reasons for each Differential and Minimum Rate for 2023-2024;
- 3. Pursuant to sections 6.32, 6.33 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopt a 4.5% rate in the dollar increase to the GRV category to form the basis of the proposed rate setting for the 2023-2024 Budget;
- 4. Pursuant to sections 6.32, 6.33 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopt a 7% rate in the dollar decrease to the UV Rural category to form the basis of the proposed rate setting for the 2023-2024 Budget;
- 5. Pursuant to sections 6.32, 6.33 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopt a 4.5% increase to the minimum rates for the GRV and UV Rural categories to form the basis of the proposed rate setting for the 2023-2024 Budget;
- 6. Pursuant to sections 6.32, 6.33 and 6.35 of the Local Government Act 1995, adopt a NIL rate in the dollar and NIL minimum rate increase across the UV Mining category to form the basis of the proposed rate setting for the 2023-2024 budget see table in the Minutes for detail.
- 7. Adopt the Rates Discount amount of 1.5% for prompt payment.
- 8. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to advertise the proposed Differential Rates for 2023-2024 and call for submissions in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 Section 6.36 for a minimum of 21 days.
- 9. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to seek ministerial approval under Section 6.33 of the Local Government Act 1995 to impose differential rates at the end of the advertising period, subject to no submissions being received.

#### NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

#### 22 June 2023 at 5.30pm via eMeeting

View full details of Council Meetings at: <u>www.morawa.wa.gov.au/council-meetings</u>

## Shire Updates and News

#### **Project Updates**



Left: Work progress on Cemetery

> Right: Work progress on Landfill



#### Standpipes

The Shire of Morawa is happy to inform the Community that our new swipe card access system for the Water Standpipes is ready for operation.

Access can be gained by attending the Shire Office and completing either a Business or Personal account application form and making a payment of \$50 by way of deposit for each card issued to the account. Please note: Business Accounts wishing to obtain more than one access card must provide staff member details and pay an additional \$50 fee for each additional card.

Simple and easy to follow instructions on how to use the standpipes are located on each of the standpipes. If you incur any issues when accessing water, please notify the Shire immediately.

For any further information, please contact the Shire Office on 9971 1204.

#### Wildflower Park-Updates

The Wildflower Park Project is in progress With works undertaken based on the results of our Community Consultations. The picture to the right shows a work update on the basketball court.

#### Solomon Terrace Community Precinct



The Shire has developed a draft Master Plan for a community space on Solomon Terrace. You can view the draft Masterplan and submit your thoughts via a short survey by following the link <u>www.morawa.wa.gov.au</u> We look forward to hearing your input to help guide the refinement of this plan.

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# **Shire Updates and Community News**

#### **Reconciliation Week**

The Morawa Youth Centre organised a Reconciliation Week celebration on 31 May 2023. Attendees participated in various exciting activities, including yarning, engaging games, friendly competitions, hand printing, and a delicious BBQ.



#### Ladies Paint and Sip event

This ladies-only event series has been a fantastic addition to the Morawa social calendar. So far, four workshops have been held, each with a different craft or theme. The fourth Paint and Sip workshop was held at the CRC on Friday, 26 May 2023. Thanks to FRRR and Nutrien AG Solutions for making this event series possible. Special thanks also to our Local Artists for their kind support.



#### Upcoming event

**Paint and Sip workshop**: Ladies only events on 16 June 2023 and 30 June 2023. These events provide a social and creative outlet at the Morawa CRC building.

**Gathering Space Park Revitalisation Project - Rock Painting Event:** This community event is on 30 June 2023 at Jubilee park.

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#### SHIRE OF MORAWA NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY DIFFERENTIAL RATES

In accordance with section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995, the Shire of Morawa hereby gives notice of its intention to adopt the following differential rates for unimproved value on mining and rural land and differential minimum rates on unimproved rural land and unimproved mining land within the Shire in the 2023-2024 financial year.

Rate Type	Proposed Rate in the Dollar (Cents)	Proposed Minimum Payment
GRV Residential/ Commercial	8.8342	\$339
UV Rural	2.2728	\$339
UV Mining	30.1974	\$683.00

A statement detailing the objectives and reasons for each proposed rate is available for inspection at the Shire of Morawa administration office, Winfield Street, Morawa during office hours of 9.00am to 4.30pm, on Council's website or can be emailed out upon request to:- <u>emccs@morawa.wa.gov.au</u>

Submissions addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Morawa, PO Box 14, Morawa WA 6623 by electors or ratepayers in respect of the intention to Levy Differential Rates may be made to Council within twenty-one (21) days of this notice and close at 4pm Wednesday 5 July 2023.

Scott Wildgoose Chief Executive Officer



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# FRIDAY 30 JUNE from 3:00Pm

♀ Jubilee Park

GATHERING SPACE-PARK REVITALISATION

# **COMMUNITY EVENT**

JOIN US TO HELP CREATE A VIBRANT AND INVITING "GATHERING SPACE" FOR OUR COMMUNITY,COME ALONG AND HAVE SOME FUN CREATING ART FOR THE PARK.

# KIDS ROCK PAINTING FAMILY FUN TIME

Free bbq > Rock painting
Family Movie NIght

For more details

9971 1204 🕲

26 Winfield Street, Morawa

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MEEDAC





Ladies Only

## FREE EVENT

No one is here to criticize your artwork come along for some fun

Where: Morawa CRC building When: Friday Time: 6PM to 8PM Drinks & Nibbles provided

MORAWA

Desert Blue Connect

# 16 june 2023 Karen Egan Dot Painting



fifth of six paint & sip workshops No walk-ins

Please RSVP your attendance by 2PM - 14 june 2023 Limited spaces available Ring Naomi on 0437 768 183 or

email- Naomif@desertblueconnect.org.au



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