

SHIRE SNIPPETS

News and updates from the Shire of Morawa

A message from the President

CR. KAREN CHAPPEL



Welcome and Congratulations

The Shire Welcomes and congratulates Grant Chadwick and Diana North as our new Councillors. Cr Ken Stokes and I have once again been entrusted with the roles of Shire President and Deputy Shire President. It is an Honor to serve our community, and I am forever grateful for council's unwavering support. The new Council is looking forward to working together with the administration to deliver positive community outcomes. Lastly, a sincere thank you to our outgoing Councillors for their valuable contributions during their tenure.

'A Short Drive from Morawa'-closing event

Thank you to all those who visited the 'A Short Drive from Morawa' photography exhibition. A heartfelt thank you to the Tropiano family for allowing us to exhibit Tony's exquisite photographs and to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries for supporting the exhibition as part of the Shire of Morawa's Art Space Feasibility Project.



Council News

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS – 19 October 2023

Tennis Court Renewal Project

That Council:

- In principle supports the Tennis Court renewal project and an application for CSRFF funding associated with Court renewal.
- Directs the CEO to use Shire resources to scope and cost the project to support the grant application and subsequent tender applications.
- Direct the CEO to include a \$35,000 budget allocation in the Budget Review that comes to Council in November to ensure funds are available for the completion of detailed plans to support the project.

Decision regarding Tender RFT-01-2324 Morawa Yalgoo Road Upgrade

None of the tenders submitted were accepted and the CEO was empowered to negotiate and enter into an alternative agreement to deliver the project.

Confidential Item – CEO Performance Review Evaluation

Council noted the CEO performance as exceeds expectations and set his key result areas (Goals) for 2024.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING RESOLUTIONS – 23 October 2023

Morawa Council Representatives Various Committees and Panels

Council voted for representatives on several committees and panels, the below table outlines these committees and the councillor representing the Shire of Morawa and the position taken.

	Cr Karren Chappel	Cr Ken Stokes	Cr Debbie Collins	Cr Mark Coaker	Cr Diana North	Cr Grant Chadwick
WALGA Northern Country Zone	Delegate	Proxy Delegate				
Regional Road Group-North Midland's Subgroup		Delegate				Proxy Delegate
Local Emergency Management Committee			Proxy Delegate	Chair		
Morawa Sinosteel Future Fund Committee	Delegate	Delegate				
Audit and Risk Management Committee	Delegate	Delegate	Delegate		Delegate	
Development Assessment Panel	Delegate	Delegate	Proxy Delegate	Proxy Delegate		

Council News

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING RESOLUTIONS – 23 October 2023

Election of the Shire President

Cr Karen Chappel was elected unopposed as Shire President.

Election of Deputy Shire President

Cr Ken Stokes was elected unopposed as Shire Deputy President.

COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS – 16 November 2023

Adoption of Ordinary Council Meeting and Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Dates for 2024

Council approved the meeting dates of Ordinary Meeting of Council and Audit and Risk Committee for 2024.

Response to Request from Morawa MDHS

That Council:

1. Acknowledges and values the history of the Morawa Gliding Club and directs the CEO to work with the Morawa District Historical Society to accommodate their request for commemorative signage to be erected appropriately and safely at the Morawa Airport and review further options to appropriately acknowledge the history of the Morawa Aerodrome and its users in a more publicly accessible area.

2. Request the CEO to bring to Council “Welcome to Morawa” signage designs and costing for Councils consideration in the 2024/2025 Budget.

Amendment of December Ordinary Council meeting date.

The December Ordinary Council Meeting Date has been amended from Thursday, 21 December 2023 commencing at 5.30pm to being held on Monday, 18 December 2023 commencing at 5.30pm, to accommodate sufficient time between the meeting and the Christmas/New Year office closure to allow Resolutions to be actioned by the Administration.

NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

18 December 2023 at 5.30pm

View full details of Council Meetings at:

www.morawa.wa.gov.au/council-meetings

Shire Updates and News

Project Updates

During October the Shire has been busy with general maintenance of our roads.

Pintharuka West Road has had the current Culvert replaced which will aid in drainage.

Sections of Collins Road have been completed and White Road is currently being resheeted.

Both graders are busy completing maintenance around the Shire, and we ask that during this harvest period that any trucks please slow down and advise drivers when passing using channel UHF 40.



Completed resheeting on Collins Road.

Cemetery Carpark

The Cemetery carpark facelift has been completed with new line marking complete. All access to the Cemetery and EV Charging stations have been reopened.



Works at Old Roads Board/ Town Hall

The space between the Town Hall and Old Roads Board is receiving a landscaping upgrade. This is an ongoing project and new paving already laid will add to the area around the new storeroom and outside decking.

The project will also be the site of the new Family Engraved Bricks from the Morawa District High School and P&C Committee. More paving and new planter boxes and greenery work will commence in 2024.



Shire Updates and News

Granville Street Footpath

Construction on new footpaths on Granville Street have now been completed.



Jubilee Park Rejuvenation

Jubilee Park's 'The Gathering Space Morawa' project has been completed with the addition of information signage around the shelter and artwork from local children during Morawa's Naidoc Week celebration held in July 2023.

The Shire would like to thank RAC for its support through their 'Reconnect WA' initiative.



Shire Employee Update

Daniel Blakemore

Daniel has taken on the role as general hand/plant operator.

He has recently moved to Morawa from South Australia with his wife and 3 children. Daniel has already become a member of the Morawa Fire Brigade and the Morawa Speedway Committee.

Daniel is a 4x South Australian Dirt Rally Champion and is looking forward to working closely with Morawa Speedway for future events and race meets.



Shire Updates and Community News

Bush Basket Weaving Workshop: The Bush Basket Weaving Workshop on October 20th was a success, with Basket Case Lady and the Mad Hatter. It was part of the Shire of Morawa's Art Space Feasibility Project, co-funded by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.



Seniors Morning Tea: On 27th October, the Morawa Swimming Pool hosted a delightful morning tea for seniors. The event was well attended and provided a fantastic opportunity for seniors to enjoy a morning of socializing and relaxation.



Bike week event: The Morawa Youth Centre organized a two-day bike week event on October 28th and 29th. Kids participated in bike building, repair and maintenance activities on the first day. On the second day, Morawa's cycling event included an obstacle course, bike race, slow cycle race, and bicycle rally. Additionally, kids and parents enjoyed free entry to the pool and hot dog lunch.



Shire Updates and Community News

Piano Concert:

On the 3rd November the Shire had the privilege of hosting pianist Roman Rudnytsky. It was a lovely evening enjoyed by all that attended.



Seniors Mad Hatter Morning Tea:

It was a fantastic turn out for Kate's monthly senior morning tea at the Morawa Swimming Pool on the 17th November. There were some very creative hats on display and prizes for the best hat. There was even an impromptu performance from the Morawa singing group.



Rahul and Drisya Community Farewell:

It was great to hear that the community organised a farewell for the Shire's Community Development Officer, Rahul. Rahul had an abundance of energy and applied himself wholeheartedly to serve the Morawa community, and he was very moved by the communities act of appreciation for his work. Rahul and his wife Drisya, who also worked at the Shire, have both moved to Perth to take on exciting new challenges, and we wish them all the best.



Upcoming Events:

Christmas Movie Night:

Free movie screening of 'The Grinch' showing at the Morawa Swimming Pool on December 16 2023 starting at 7:30pm. See flyer on page 11 for more details.

Employment Opportunities

If you want to make a valuable contribution to the Morawa community whilst utilising and developing your skills in a supportive environment, then one of the below roles with the Shire might interest you:

For further information, download an application package and position description from www.morawa.wa.gov.au/employment/ or submit your resume to ea@morawa.wa.gov.au

Finance Officer

The Shire is seeking a suitably qualified and/or experienced Finance Officer. Senior Finance Officers are also encouraged to apply.

This fulltime role is a fantastic opportunity to support the Shire's Finance functions, working within the Corporate & Community Services team. The role will see you providing accounting services, including monthly general ledger and bank reconciliations, preparation of monthly financial reports, assisting in the preparation of annual budgets and maintenance of the Shire's asset register.

Applicants with current or previous local government finance experience will be highly regarded. The ability to multitask is essential, and a positive demeanour will go a long way towards ensuring success in this role.

Coordinator People, Culture, and Safety Role.

The Shire is seeking a motivated and suitably experienced/qualified HR & WHS guru to fill the role of Coordinator People, Culture, and Safety.

This full-time role is a fantastic opportunity to demonstrate your ability to deliver on a wide scope of HR tasks through the full employee lifecycle, to manage workplace risk factors appropriately, and to support change management processes.

Applicants with a strong background in building a positive and committed workplace culture will be highly regarded as well as those applicants with an in-depth knowledge of the new WHS legislative requirements.

The ability to multitask is essential, and a positive demeanour will go a long way towards ensuring success in this role

Community Development Officer

The Shire of Morawa is seeking to appoint a highly motivated, energetic, and suitably qualified and/or experienced Community Development Officer to join their dedicated Corporate and Community Services team.

Applicants will need to demonstrate their abilities to plan and facilitate community development initiatives and events in a range of areas including youth, club development, arts and culture, seniors, health and wellbeing, and other areas as required. A pivotal component of this role is the ability to open, manage and activate the Morawa Youth Centre for children age between 8 to 12 years old to the benefit of the Morawa Youth, and the broader community, so a passion for working with young people is key to achieving fantastic outcomes in this area.

**SHIRE OF MORAWA****PUBLIC NOTICE – CORELLA CULLING ACTIVITIES**

The Shire of Morawa will commence Corella Culling activities using licenced firearms commencing from Wednesday 22 November 2023 until 29 February 2024.

Shooting will be undertaken to try and reduce the damage being caused the Corellas. Shooting is planned to commence at the Morawa Swimming Pool, Oval and other Shire facilities and reserves, during times where no community members are present.

Please do not approach Shire staff or contractors conducting shooting activities.

Scott Wildgoose

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

20 November 2023

SHIRE OF MORAWA**AMENDMENT TO DECEMBER 2023 COUNCIL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the December 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting will be amended from Thursday, 21 December 2023 commencing at 5.30pm to Monday, 18 December 2023 commencing at 5.30pm.

Scott Wildgoose

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

21 November 2023



SHIRE OF MORAWA

Adoption of Ordinary Council Meeting and Audit & Risk Committee Meeting Dates for 2024

At the 16 November 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council, the Council resolved to set the below dates for 2024:

Event	Date	Time
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 15 February 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 21 March 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 18 April 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 16 May 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 20 June 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 18 July 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 15 August 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 19 September 2024	1.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 17 October 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Thursday 21 November 2024	5.30pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Monday 16 December 2024	5.30pm

Audit Committee Meeting	Thursday 14 March 2024	6.00pm
Audit Committee Meeting	Thursday 11 July 2024	6.00pm
Audit Committee Meeting	Monday 9 December 2024	6.00pm

The location for all the above-mentioned events is the Shire of Morawa Council Chambers, 26 Winfield Street, Morawa.

Scott Wildgoose
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
 17 November 2023

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

Christmas MOVIE NIGHT



POOL ACCESS WILL BE FREE FROM 6:00PM ONLY



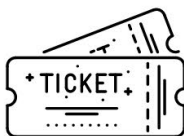
**MOVIE:
THE GRINCH
ANIMATED VERSION**



**TIME & DATE:
SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER
7:30PM - 9:00PM**



**LOCATION:
MORAWA SWIMMING POOL**



EVERYONE ATTENDING WILL BE GIVEN A FOOD VOUCHER WHICH WILL ENTITLE THEM TO 1X FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND 1X FREE SERVING OF POPCORN. AVAILABLE FROM 6:00PM

• KIOSK FACILITIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS EVENT *



SOFT DRINKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR \$2 EACH



FEEL FREE TO BRING A PICNIC TO ENJOY SOME SNACKS AND FOOD DURING THE MOVIE



PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS STRICTLY AN ALCOHOL FREE EVENT