



SHIRE OF
CUNDERDIN

SHIRE SNIPPETS

31 July 2025



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Thank You and Goodluck!

After 12 years of dedicated service, we sincerely thank Hayley for her commitment and contribution to the Shire of Cunderdin.

Hayley joined the Shire in April 2013 as a Finance Officer. Over the years, she demonstrated consistent dedication, strong work ethic, and a willingness to take on new challenges. Her progression to Deputy CEO reflects her professionalism and the trust placed in her by the organisation.



Throughout her time here, Hayley has been a key member of the leadership team, supporting both staff and community initiatives. Her ability to lead with calm confidence and focus has helped guide the Shire through many important projects and decisions.

We appreciate the many ways Hayley has contributed to the growth and success of the Shire. Her positive attitude and steady approach have made a lasting impression.

As Hayley moves on to new opportunities, we wish her continued success and thank her for everything she has done for the Shire of Cunderdin.

– Shire of Cunderdin



Mid-Year President's Report



2025 is flying by and as we move into the second half of the year, here's a snapshot of what's been keeping the Shire busy in the first six months.



Yilgarn Street Executive House Construction



GPG Solar Farm Opening



Mitchell Street, Cunderdin housing construction

An update on medical happenings

The new palliative and overnight facility at the Cunderdin Health Centre slowly continues to be developed with a new extension into the rear courtyard approved by WACHS. An architect has been engaged to provide a detailed design, with a full cost estimation and a business case to be prepared around October. It is a grindingly slow process, but one that Council is determined to bring to fruition.



TENDER

RFT 03-25/26
Provision of GENERAL
PRACTITIONER SERVICES
to the Shire of Cunderdin

The current contract to provide GP services to Cunderdin expires at the end of August. Council has advertised a tender process for the future provision of services.

Local government elections will be taking place this year on October 18th. With so much going on in the Shire, now is a great time to get involved. If you're interested in becoming a Shire of Cunderdin Councillor, please feel free to chat to me, or any of our Councillors, or come along to our informal Councillor Information Evening on Monday 18th August 2025 from 5.30pm in the Shire of Cunderdin Council Chambers.





ANZAC Dawn Service Meckering



Citizen of the Year - Courtney Thomson



Citizenship Ceremony for:

- Mark Groenestein
- Kadri Siro
- Jocelyn Mathias



Delivery of NEW Accessible Community Bus



Watch this space!

Cricket Pitch Practice Nets Installation



Cunderdin Bowling Green Surface Renewal

As you can see, it's been a really productive six months. Your Shire will continue working hard for the betterment of all in our community. Hopefully, the remainder of 2025 will see more rain and calmer world events.

Alison Harris
Shire of Cunderdin
President.

COUNCIL MEETING

Highlights



Ordinary Meetings of Council are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, (excluding January and December, in which the meeting is held on the third Wednesday due to the Christmas period). Meetings commence at 6pm in the Shire's Council Chambers located at the Administration Office.

Council receive reports and recommendations, covering a range of topics crucial to the development and governance of the Shire. Following are a summary of items recently deliberated by Council:

July 2025

2025/26 Budget Adoption

The Council Budget for the 2025/26 financial year was adopted. The budget is a forecast of income and a program of planned expenditure for the year. Keep an eye out for the budget information flyer enclosed with rates notices for more information of what projects have been included in this year's budget.

Pool redevelopment

Council were asked to consider and authorise application submissions for Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund and a Lotterywest Community Grant, to further support the refurbishment of the Cunderdin Memorial Swimming Pool into the Cunderdin Memorial Aquatic and Community Wellness Hub.

Extension of Lease – Portion of Cunderdin Health Centre

The section of the Cunderdin Health Centre used for the Doctors Surgery, is owned by the WA Country Health Services. The Shire has a lease agreement with WACHS for the surgery which has been extended for a further of 5 years expiring August 31, 2030.

WALGA State Conference and Annual General Meeting

As a Member of WALGA the Shire is asked to register attendance and voting delegates for their AGM on Tuesday, 23rd September 2025. Council nominated Cr Alison Harris and Cr Natalie Snooke as the voting delegates with Cr Todd Harris and Cr Tony Smith as proxy delegates.

Audit Committee Presiding Member Election

Council's are required to appoint Audit Committee presiding members and deputy presiding members to the Shire's audit committees. This committee assists local governments to ensure governance and financial responsibilities are met. Cr Alison Harris was appointed as the presiding member and Cr Tony Smith as the deputy presiding member.

Amendments to Cunderdin Museum Management and Operations Policy

Council policies are reviewed regularly. The review of the Cunderdin Museum Management and Operations policy is to ensure it aligns with the current statutory and contractual responsibilities.

Advocating for Sustainable Rural Health Care

Local Government Rural Health Funding Alliance have developed a position paper advocating for a recalibration of Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants proposing a way to alleviate financial burden Local Governments face in providing health care and doctors to their communities. Council agreed to support the Rural Health Funding Alliance in their endeavours.

Chief Executive Officers Report

- Pathways Construction - Pathway construction is proceeding as planned.
- WEROC Housing Study - The draft of the Housing study commissioned by WEROC has been released for comment. The study will be used to attract funding for the development of land and the construction of houses.
- CRISP Wireless - Wireless tower on corner of Vanzetti St and Bulgin Road in Meckering has been constructed.
- Deputy Chief Executive Officer Position Update - Several very good applications for the DCEO position were received with interviews were held the 24th June 2025. The preferred applicant has accepted the position and will commence in early September 2025.



Public Notice



RFT 02-25/26

DESIGN & CONSTRUCT

Multi-Purpose Play Surface at Cunderdin Sport & Recreation Centre

Tenders are invited for the Design and Construction of a multi-purpose play surface at Cunderdin Sport & Recreation Centre in Cunderdin WA.

To obtain tender documentation please visit the Shire's website www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au or contact Liezl De Beer at the Shire's administration office via phone (08) 9635 2700 or email Liezl.debeer@cunderdin.wa.gov.au

Tenders must be received by 3:00pm, Thursday 11th September 2025 and submitted in accordance with the Conditions of Tendering.

Late tender submissions will not be accepted.

Stuart Hobley
Chief Executive Officer

NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK 2025

EXPLOSIVE SCIENCE SHOW

August 10TH - 11-12:00pm

Cunderdin Town Hall

ALL AGES WELCOME!

FREE EVENT!!!

SCIENCE WORKSHOP

WANT TO BE A PART OF SOME FUN

HANDS-ON SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS?!

Ages 9-14

12:15 - 1:15pm

Cunderdin Town Hall

Please scan the QR code to register.





Media Release – Bendigo Bank Closure

The Shire is extremely concerned over the announced closure of the Cunderdin agency of the Bendigo Bank leaving the town without a single in-person banking service.

This decision has sparked a deep concern in the community. The closure will have serious consequences for elderly residents, small business owners, and people with limited internet access or digital literacy.

The closure was initiated with no consultation and comes as a complete shock to the Shire and the community.

Shire President Alison Harris commented, "This will have negative repercussions throughout our community. I feel for the seniors and those in our community who do not have the ability to travel who will now have a 1hr round trip to the nearest Bendigo Bank."

Bendigo Bank came into Cunderdin after the closure of the Westpac Bank with the promise that it wouldn't abandon Cunderdin like the other big banks, however this decision seems to renege on this commitment to support regional communities.

Local businesses and community groups will now be forced to travel to other towns to complete their banking requirements.

Closure of the Cunderdin Bendigo Bank agency will have a negative economic effects on Cunderdin as people who are forced to do their banking in other towns will naturally spend money in these towns damaging Cunderdin's long-term economic sustainability.

Stuart Hobley
Chief Executive Officer
25 July 2025



Administration Open Hours

Open Monday - Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm

Department of Transport and State Library Services
are available from the Cunderdin Community
Resource Centre located on
57 Main Street, Cunderdin.

Councillors

Shire President:	Alison Harris
Deputy President:	Tony Smith
Councillor:	Natalie Snooke
Councillor:	Todd Harris
Councillor:	Norm Jenzen
Councillor:	Bernie Daly
Councillor:	Holly Godfrey

Staff

CEO:	Stuart Hobley
Deputy CEO:	Hayley Byrnes
Manager of Works:	Robert Bell

Further Information

Contact details for Councillors or staff is available
from the Shire of Cunderdin website at:
www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au

We encourage you to subscribe to the Shire
Snippets or consult the website to keep up to date
on Council matters or events.

Restricted Burning Periods

The dates below may change due to seasonal
fire conditions in which case the details of the
changes will be published locally and on
Council's website.

Shire of Cunderdin - Burn Permit
Request Form



OPEN BURNING PERIOD

01 April - 30 September 2025

NO PERMITS REQUIRED

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

1 October 2025 - 1 November 2025

PERMITS REQUIRED

PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD

2 November 2025 - 14 February 2026

BURNING PROHIBITED

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

15 February - 31 March 2026

PERMITS REQUIRED

Please check website for up to date information

Waste Transfer Stations

MECKERING TRANSFER STATION

Opening Hours:

Wednesday: 11:00am-4:00pm

Saturday: 11:00am-5:00pm

CUNDERDIN TRANSFER STATION

Opening Hours:

Everyday - 8am to 5pm

(with swipe card only)

Closed: Tuesdays for maintenance.

