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FITZROY CROSSING RUNWAY LIGHTING

Aviators flying in and out of Fitzroy Crossing will soon enjoy improved illumination of the airport's runway, taxiway and wind sock after installation of new lighting infrastructure.

The existing equipment has reached the end of it's life and has reliability and compliance issues. This has been addressed through the upgrade and importantly, will improve safety for all users.

Funding for this project was through the Federal Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities Remote Aviation Program.

A commissioning flight by CASA is required to switch across from the old system which will be combined with the Derby commisioning after the work is completed in the near future as a part of the Derby Airport Redevelopment Project.

PEOPLES CHOICE WINNER

The outcome of the highly anticipated People's Choice Award for the Kimberley Photographic Award is in.



Kimberley Spirit by Louise Burns (pictured) caught the eye of the judges to win the Character Portraits category and their decision has been validated by the people who passed through the exhibition over last week.

Just a reminder that you can see all of the winning entries on the Shire's website at www.sdwk.wa.gov.au/news/134/7th-annual-kimberley-photographic-award/

2018/19 PROPOSED RATE SETTING

At the ordinary meeting of Council in Fitzroy Crossing held last Thursday, Council resolved to advertise the proposed rating structure for the 2018/19 financial year.

Across the five categories that rates are levied, there is a proposed average increase of just 0.9%. This reflects CPI increase and supports Council's continued focus on cost savings to absorb areas where there have been above CPI increases or declining rate and fee revenues associated with the downturn in the resources sector, and their influence on activity through the Shire managed port and airports.

Other notable decisions of Council coming from the meeting included:

- Granting of tenders for reconstruction of Sutherland Street and Knowsley Street West (Stage 1) to Buckleys Earthworks and Paving.
- Approval of an application for a traders permit for Deecee's Ice-cream (soft serve ice cream van).
- Assignment of the lease at Derby Port from Marine Produce Australia to Barramundi Asia Limited (subject to conditions).