



# SHIRE NEWS

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## DERBY JETTY MAINTENANCE WORKS - GENERAL REPAIRS

Coming out of a comprehensive structural inspection undertaken by Merit Engineers on the jetty in August last year, a prioritised maintenance works program has been developed to address areas requiring attention. Council has engaged Malcom Watson from INFRAPRO Consulting (previously with Merit Engineers) who has extensive and intimate knowledge of the entire facility having managed the previous maintenance programs in 2000, 2009 and 2012 as well as undertaking a number of structural inspections over this time.

The prioritisation of the works has been based on their structural importance and urgency. Blocked in three stages across ten years, the first is due to be undertaken across the following six months with tenders expected to be released in the second half of January and awarded early March with the works commencing soon thereafter. The scope of these works include repairs to the concrete deck, corroded steel on sections of the edge beams on both abutments as well as the lower deck and main berthing face. Additionally, repairs to a number of piles, light poles and the removal of the boat landing access stairs to the dolphin will be undertaken.

The second and third prioritised blocks will go on to address other key areas such as sandblasting and painting the under-deck (soffits), painting head stocks and pile caps, anode replacement, replacing timber handrails and renewing chafing beams on the fender piles along with a number of other items that effectively form an ongoing maintenance regime.

## CCTV UPDATE

The CCTV implementation has been delayed due to the need to provide separate pole rather than use existing lights and poles initially proposed.

The Shire is finalising its procurement processes and will be required to complete installation by June 2017. The final location of each camera will be published after the tender responses and review by the Shire and WA Police State CCTV Strategy support. We apologise for the delay.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM - MONDAY 16 - FRIDAY 27 JANUARY 2017

Programs are available for 5-12 years and 11-17 years. Please see the Youth Centre and Services page on our website for the program and permission slips.

**WET SEASON ROAD CLOSURES** - As conditions can change quickly we encourage you to check our website for updates before travelling.

## MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT



Residents of Derby and surrounding communities are reminded that the activity of disease carrying mosquitos could increase with the recent high tide events.

In WA, mosquitos can transmit Ross River, Barmah Forest, Murray Valley Encephalitis (MVE) and Kunjin (KUN) viruses. There are no cures or vaccines for any of these diseases.

## **THE ONLY WAY TO PREVENT INFECTION IS TO AVOID GETTING BITTEN BY MOSQUITOS**

**AVOID.** Stay indoors particularly around dawn and dusk to avoid being bitten

**COVER UP.** Wear long, loose fitting, light coloured clothing, covering as much of the body as you can. Also make sure children are appropriately covered up.

**REPEL.** Apply insect repellent containing picaridin or DEET evenly to uncovered skin. Repellents containing up to 10% DEET can be used on children from 12 months of age.

**CLEAN UP.** Stop mosquitos breeding around your home by following some simple steps:

- ) Empty out or discard containers and rubbish that can hold water.
- ) Empty pot plant drip trays at least once a week or fill the tray with sand.
- ) Empty and refill bird baths, stock troughs and outdoor pet water bowls at least once a week.
- ) Empty wading pools at the end of each day.
- ) Keep swimming pools properly maintained and free from debris.
- ) Stock garden ponds with fish to eat mosquito larvae.
- ) Repair broken or cracked septic tanks.

Further information regarding mosquitoes can be obtained by calling the Shire of Derby/West Kimberley Environmental Health Services on 9191 0999.