

For the week starting Monday, 16 May 2022

SHIRE OF KOORDA

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 18 May

Ordinary Council Meeting. At the Koorda Council Chambers, starting at 5.00pm.

Sat 21 May

Drive In Screening

Wed 15 June

Ordinary Council Meeting. At the Koorda Council Chambers, starting at 5.00pm.

Wed 20 July

Ordinary Council Meeting. At the Koorda Council Chambers, starting at 5.00pm.

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LOCAL ROADWORKS

Dowerin Koorda Road

Please expect delays on the above road. We thank you for your patience.

Please be aware and abide by the road works speed limits.



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TV RE-TRANSMISSION UPDATE

Shire staff are continuing to work with its television service technicians to restore television reception and particularly in respect to recent outages affecting WIN, GWN7, ABC and SBS.

ABC, GWN7 and WIN channels have been restored but due to recent weather and power issues, reception quality may be adversely affected.

Unfortunately, even with the installation of a new transmitter unit, SBS channels are still not broadcasting.

All available resources are being directed to these issues with Shire staff continuing to work with the TV technicians next week to complete repairs as soon as possible.

The Shire apologises for the inconvenience caused by the outages and reception quality issues.

2022 FEDERAL ELECTION VOTING

The 2022 Federal Election will be held on Saturday 21 May 2022.

Electors can vote on the day at;

Koorda SES Building
21 Smith Street
Koorda WA 6475

Can't make it on polling day? Information on early voting options including postal voting are available at www.aec.gov.au.

DOG WASTE BAGS

Dog waste bags are available at the following locations;
Recreation Ground
Community Garden
Caravan Park
Volunteer Park

Please ensure to clean up after your dog while out walking.



MAY COUNCIL AGENDA

The May Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 May 2022 from 5.00pm.

The Agenda for the meeting is available on the Shire of Koorda website.



2022/2023 RATES

With the 2022/2023 rates season approaching, please see below information from Landgate regarding changes to the UV (Rural) Revaluations.

KOORDA RURAL UNIMPROVED VALUES - UNDERSTANDING THE CHANGES

Landgate is responsible for valuing all land in Western Australia for rating and taxing purposes in accordance with the Valuation of Land Act 1978. For land outside the metropolitan area and gazetted townsites, land is valued annually on an unimproved basis taking into account the property market activity, and characteristics of the property including broad soil types.

Each year, valuers from Landgate undertake extensive market research including analysing property sales of agricultural land to determine Rural Unimproved Values. Whilst undertaking sales analysis over recent years, it became apparent that our soil classification database limited the accuracy and reliability of our Rural Unimproved Values. The classification of soils into arable (clay, loam and sand types), non-productive (bush, salt, rock etc) and grazing areas is a key component of how unimproved values are calculated for rural properties.

Extensive research was undertaken including sales inspection and analysis, site inspections, and utilisation of various resources to attempt to rectify the issues and improve the accuracy of values supplied to the Shire of Koorda.

The landsystem information from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development was utilised as a basis for reclassifying and recording the soils in Koorda. The data also captured vegetated areas and areas affected by salt or likely to become salt affected. The result of using this data as a base for our soil classifications used to calculate Unimproved Values has seen a marked increase in the recording of non-productive areas (bush and salt) as well as a more consistent approach to the classification of arable and grazing areas.

The impact of this change is varied. Some landowners may see little change in their Unimproved Values, while others whose property was previously incorrectly graded may see reasonably significant changes either up or down. We have reviewed and analysed the data to make the transition to the revised soil classifications as smooth as possible.



2022/2023 RATES CONT..

KOORDA RURAL UNIMPROVED VALUES - UNDERSTANDING THE CHANGES

The broadacre rural market has seen strong growth in recent years due to a variety of factors - favourable finance lending, strong commodity prices, and relatively good seasons. Sales post date of valuation, indicate continued strong growth in market value. We will continue to closely monitor the rural market and assess the accuracy and reliability of the unimproved values we supply.

The reliability of Landgate records enables more accurate and reliable unimproved values which equates to a fair and equitable rating system.

DPIRD have a publicly available online map that shows the landsystem information as well as captures vegetated areas that landowners may wish to access:
<https://maps.agric.wa.gov.au/nrm-info/>

Yours sincerely

Adrian Carroll
PRINCIPAL VALUER - RURAL & PASTORAL
VALUATION SERVICES

May 2022



COVID-19

WA has now moved to 'baseline' settings of public health and social measures to control the spread of COVID-19 in the community. In practical terms, this means:

Masks are only **required** for people aged 12 years and older in the following settings:

- Hospitals and health care settings
- Aged care facilities, residential care facilities including disability service facilities and mental health residential facilities
- Public and passenger transport, including taxis and rideshare vehicles, tour buses and school buses
- Correctional facilities

In addition, masks are strongly encouraged where physical distancing is not possible. People may choose to continue wearing a mask in public and work settings for a number of reasons including:

- Masks reduce the chance of getting COVID
- Masks reduce the chance of spreading COVID - infected people may be asymptomatic and not know they are infected
- Wearing a mask protects others, including those at risk of severe COVID including people with disability, chronic illnesses and suppressed immune systems
- The risk of COVID transmission is greatest when indoors for prolonged periods without adequate airflow.

People are encouraged to:

- Practise good personal hygiene - wash hands often with soap and water, or hand sanitiser, cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your elbow
- Practise physical distancing - keep at least 1.5 metres or two arms lengths from each other
- Stay home if unwell.

If you return a positive RAT, you are still required to register it with the Department of Health.

Positive cases must still isolate for seven days.

Symptomatic close contacts need to isolate until symptoms are resolved.

Asymptomatic close contacts do not have to isolate for seven days, but must take a RAT each day they leave isolation, wear a mask outside the home, and avoid high-risk settings.



AVON WASTE COLLECTION CALENDAR

April 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

June 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

■ Rubbish ● Recycling

What can go into your recycling bin?

The following items can go into your recycling bins; glass, plastic, paper, cardboard, aluminum and steel and liquid paperboard. For more information visit the Avon Waste website. <https://www.avonwaste.com.au/>

What NOT to put in your Recycle Bin



Green waste
(Belongs in the waste bin)



Nappies
(Belongs in the waste bin)



Polystyrene
(Belongs in the waste bin)



Food scraps
(Belongs in the waste bin)



Soft (scrunchable) Plastics
(Belongs in the waste bin)

KNOW YOUR COUNCILLORS

Councillors are elected to represent the Shire's residents and ratepayers. If you wish to discuss a Council matter, offer any suggestions, have compliments, concerns or feedback, please contact the Councillors below.



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