



Life in the City of Gosnells

City switches to greener vehicles

The City of Gosnells has moved to switch its light fleet to hybrid vehicles, with a view to progressing to fully electric vehicles in a few years' time.

From this point forward, any new or replacement light fleet vehicle at the City will be selected from a list of hybrid vehicles.

The change represents a big step in the City's efforts to reduce its reliance on fossil fuels and carbon emissions. And with the price of fuel expected to increase even further, the move will reduce the City's fuel use and make the fleet cheaper to run.

With up to 50 light fleet vehicles at the City, such as cars and utes, these benefits add up quickly. With 10 to 12 vehicles replaced every year, the entire light vehicle fleet will be replaced within five years.

The switch is one of many ways in which the City is working to reduce carbon emissions and support a cleaner, greener future.

Last financial year, solar panels on the City's buildings produced 366,761 kWh, saving \$80,687 and reducing carbon emissions by 249,397kg. This financial year, the City signed up to the WA Local Government Association's Power Purchase agreement which will power 23 of the City's highest energy consuming sites with renewable energy. For more details about sustainability and caring for our environment, visit the City's website.



Playgrounds on the way

Construction will begin on three all-abilities playgrounds this month, at Mills Park, Walter Padbury Park and Bracadale Park.

The all-abilities playgrounds at Mills Park and Walter Padbury Park will extend the existing playgrounds, while the Bracadale Park playground will be a new playground for the area.

The City has committed to building 11 new all-abilities playgrounds at a total cost of \$5 million and four have already been completed at Harmony Fields, Robinson Park, Langford Sporting Complex and Thornlie Park.

The playgrounds enable people of all abilities to spend time outdoors and play together in locations close to home. For detailed plans, visit the City's website.



Art Exhibition open soon

Feast your eyes on artworks submitted as part of the City of Gosnells Community Art Exhibition and Awards at Lyal Richardson Hall between **Saturday 21 May and Sunday 29 May**.

The Exhibition is open 10am – 4pm Monday to Saturday and 1pm – 4pm Sundays and features a wide range of entries from professional and budding artists, in a variety of media. It is free to enter and most artworks are for sale.

Events listing

Divas Drag Revue

Saturday 7 May

7.30pm – 9.30pm

Don Russell Performing Arts Centre

Baby Play Parent Pamper Morning

Monday 16 May

11am – 12pm

Huntingdale Community Centre

Blank Canvas art workshop – Posca Pen Vinyl Records (for 10 – 18 year olds)

Sunday 22 May

10am – 11.30am and 12pm – 1.30pm

Lyal Richardson Hall, Gosnells

Women in Small Business

Wednesday 25 May

10am – 12pm

Thornlie Park Centre

Please visit the City's website for more details.

Councillors' Corner

Looking at the news lately, it's easy to feel disheartened by events beyond our control. Now, more than ever, we need to look after each other. I encourage you all to look, think and act local.

There are many ways we can each make life better in our community. Even the simple act of saying 'hello' to others or giving someone a smile makes a difference. Getting to know your neighbours and looking after each other can improve community safety and the way we feel about our neighbourhood.



Supporting local businesses and community organisations can also have positive effects throughout the community.

The City of Gosnells provides many facilities and services to support our community, including programs for youth, families and seniors, community events, library services and the Safe City initiative. Park enhancements, careful management of our bushland areas, provision of community facilities, and road improvements also make the environment around us enjoyable to be in.

If you have more ideas about how your community can be improved, my fellow Councillors and I would love to hear from you.

Cr Glenn Dewhurst

Kenwick library

The Kenwick Library building will remain open until **Saturday 28 May**, as work is completed on the new Mills Park Library in Beckenham.

All resources will be available to borrow or use in this period. Story Time, Toddler Time and Baby Rhyme Time are available at the City's three other libraries and will commence at Mills Park Library when it opens.