



Life in the City of Gosnells

Help City's smart drainage win award

A program using smart technologies to improve the way drainage is managed in the City of Gosnells is in line for a prestigious National Local Government Award – and the City needs your help.

With two major rivers and large wetland areas in the City, drainage is critical but often-overlooked infrastructure. The program has improved the City's ability to monitor, maintain and repair the drainage network, reducing the effects of drainage work on nearby residents, providing early warning of local flooding and saving the City money.

The technologies implemented as part of the program include tractor-mounted CCTV to investigate inside pipes, push cameras to go where the tractor cannot reach, Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) connected to interpretive software to identify and accurately size air pockets in the soil surrounding damaged pipes, (which can then be filled with expanding foam technology) and flow meters linked to texting software so the City's drainage crews are called to the site before flooding occurs.

The program recently won two awards at the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) WA Excellence Awards, and now it's in line for a National Local Government Award.

Cast your vote for the City at <https://tinyurl.com/VoteNalg2024> or by using the QR code on the right.



Hazardous waste drop off

Drop off your household hazardous waste to the City of Gosnells Operations Centre on **Saturday 20 April**, from 8am – 3pm.

The City will be collecting items including aerosols, gas bottles, car batteries, paint, solvents, household chemicals, fluorescent globes and tubes, x-rays, tyres, e-waste, pool chemicals, flares, smoke detectors, used engine oil, bulk cardboard and polystyrene.

Charities will also be on site collecting clothing and accessories.

Simply load up your vehicle, bring along proof of residency and drive through the drop-off area at 2 Canning Park Avenue, Maddington.

Limits apply, so please check the City's website for details. Commercial waste will not be accepted.

Youth Week Mini Fest

Celebrate Youth Week at the City of Gosnells with a Mini Fest at Mills Park Skate Plaza, 4pm to 7pm on **Thursday 11 April**.

Aimed at 10 to 25-year-olds, the event includes live music, a dodgeball arena, inflatable climbing wall, art workshops, food, basketball scrimmage and a skate, scooter and bmx jam.

For details about the Youth Week Mini Fest and other youth programs, visit gosnells.wa.gov.au.



Events listing

School Holiday Park Play

Friday 5 April
9.30am – 11.30am
Sutherlands Park Playground,
Huntingdale

She Brews Success – Women in Small Business

Tuesday 9 April
10am – 11.30am
Timber Café, Harrisdale

RAC Bike Basics: Learn to Ride

Tuesday 9 April
1.30pm – 3.30pm
Richard Rushton Community Centre

Morning Melodies – Beatles Tribute

Wednesday 17 April
10am – 12pm
Don Russell Performing Arts Centre

Visit the City's website for details.

Councillor's Corner

Autumn is the perfect opportunity to explore the parks, playgrounds and natural spaces we have in the City of Gosnells.

With more than 300 parks, including 226 playgrounds, nine sporting reserves, four skate parks and large bushland areas, there really is something for everyone, whether you want to occupy the kids or dog, have space to run around, enjoy a picnic or immerse yourself in nature.

The City also has a great range of school holiday activities for children and young people, including skate jams, library activities, youth centre drop-in sessions, Park Play and Baby Play events and much more. The fun doesn't end when school goes back, with plenty more exciting in-term programs and activities scheduled.

We are lucky to have so many great places to enjoy in the City of Gosnells, so visit the City's website to check out our extensive events listing and get out and about this month.

Councillor Caren Baayens

Plants for locals

Register now for your pack of 10 free native plants and do your bit to improve biodiversity and make our City greener.

Plants must be collected at the Native Plants for Locals event on Sunday 14 April, from 9am – 1pm, at the City of Gosnells Museum at Wilkinson Homestead in Gosnells.

Visit gosnells.wa.gov.au for details.