SHIRE OF KOJONUP e-NEWS

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Korrinup House - Doctor Accommodation



At the Council briefing session on 1 March 2022 the GCCMC (George Church Community Medical Centre Inc.) presented and requested the Council to provide a housing option for the attraction and retention of a General Practitioner to Kojonup.

This conversation has been ongoing in the community for some time and required a resolution. The value proposition is clear - to attract a General Practitioner, a good standard of housing is required.

Robert Sexton, William Harvey and Kevin Broom (Picture credit Hon S Payne)

The Shire of Kojonup realised there is a number of factors required to grow the population in Kojonup that should be taken into consideration in this decision. The community return on capital will exceed expectations if a GP is secured in Kojonup on a long-term basis. People will not have to travel out of town to seek medical services and, therefore, don't look to move away, and further attraction of people to town is a lot easier when you have critical infrastructure supporting the move. One of the key services people seek when considering moving to a rural and regional town is medical services.

Kojonup has the essential infrastructure to support medical services - medical centre, hospital, and aged care facilities, but operating and maintaining infrastructure requires the attraction of skilled and qualified people.

The GCCMC has in place the location (Korrinup House Medical Centre), the remuneration package, and support from the community to create certainty and belonging in the town.

A long term lease, rather than outright sale, of the asset at 39 Vanzuilecom Street, Kojonup is better suited to meeting the objectives of the Council's housing needs, managing the risk of third party management, and retaining Shire ownership of the asset over the long term for continuity.

The GCCMC is a Kojonup community based organisation, established and operated by volunteers from within the Kojonup community.

It is expected the asset can be made available for lease by April 2023.



Ordinary Council Meeting and Council Advisory Committee Meeting Dates - 2022

Council has scheduled its Ordinary Meeting and Advisory Committee Meeting dates for 2022 – please see below for details of place, dates, and times.

ORDINARY MEETINGS OF COUNCIL 2022 MEETING DATES

Ordinary Meetings of Council for 2022 are scheduled (unless advertised otherwise) to be held in the Shire of Kojonup Council Chambers, 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup commencing at 3.00pm, for the following dates:

- 15 November 2022
- 13 December 2022

ADVISORY COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL 2022 MEETING DATES

Meetings of Advisory Committees of Council for 2022 are scheduled (unless advertised otherwise) to meet in the Shire of Kojonup Administration Reception Lounge, 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup, as follows:

Audit and Risk Committee (commencing at 9.00am):

• 2 November 2022

Local Emergency Management Committee (commencing at 9.30am):

• 7 November 2022

Bushfire Advisory Committee (commencing at 7.00pm):

• 8 November 2022

Council Briefs & Public Notices

Ordinary Council Meeting – 18 October 2022

Grant Thompson (CEO)

South West Native Title Settlement – Proposed Transfer of Land

Council:

Endorsed the comments provided in this report and agrees to the transfer of Unallocated Crown Land (PIN 514652) on Woodenbillup Road, Scotts Brook to the Noongar Land Estate (Noongar Boodja Trust) under the South West Native Title Settlement.

Allocating General Practitioner Housing – 39 Vanzuilecom Street

Council:

- 1. Seeks a sworn rental valuation for 39 Vanzuilecom Street, Kojonup.
- 2. Advertises, under Section 3.58 of the Local Government Act 1995 Disposing of property:
 - a) its intent to lease 39 Vanzuilecom Street, Kojonup, to The George Church Community Medical Centre Inc. (GCCMC) on a 10 year lease with an extension of a further 10 (ten) years, on the provision that the GCCMC renovates the house to an agreed suitable standard using the GROH (Government Regional Officers Housing) functional specifications as its renovation guide; and
 - b) that the lease amount will be negotiated on the basis that renovation costs, up to \$200,000, are wholly provided by the GCCMC, as well as a minimal rent amount covering the Shire of Kojonup's (Shire) costs associated with water and other utility costs.
- 3. Delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer and Shire President to negotiate the lease and renovation specifications with the GCCMC if no public submissions are received.
- 4. Reallocates 39 Vanzuilecom Street, Kojonup, from staff housing to housing for the attraction and retention of a General Practitioner to the Shire and updates Council Policy 2.2.7 accordingly.

Local Government Reform – Election Transition Arrangements

Council:

Advises the Department of Local Government, Sports and Cultural Industries that:

- 1. its preferred pathway for Election Transition Arrangements is the Voluntary Pathway; and
- 2. it will undertake a Representation Review and prepare, consider and adopt a Review Report for submission to the Local Government Advisory Board by 14 February 2023.



Kojonup Historical Society (KHS) – Foreshadowed Transferral of Asset Ownership

That Council agrees to the transferral of asset ownership of the Kojonup Historical Society Inc. (KHS) to the Shire of Kojonup in the event the KHS winds up.

Reserve 14215 (Lot 109 Kojonup) – Management Order

That Council

- 1. Declines the request to lease out Reserve 14215 (Reserve) for grazing;
- 2. Keeps the Reserve 14215 management order as is for camping so the Reserve can be considered in the future for recreational use in line with the development of the Corporate Business Plan that the Council is currently working on; and
- 3. Considers funding the fencing of the Reserve in the 2023/24 budget.

Meet the Team:



Emelee Peet Bushfire Risk Planning Coordinator

Introducing and welcoming Emelee Peet to the Shire of Kojonup as the Bushfire Risk Planning Coordinator, her role is shared together with the Shire of Katanning and the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup. Emelee has moved from Bullsbrook to Kojonup for this role, so she will be a new face in and around town.

Shire notices:





Bandana day at the Shire's head Office today. Drop in and show your support by buying your bandana for Canteen (youth struggling with cancer! Viv and Heather showing their support!

Throwing or dropping litter, even unintentionally, is an offence according to the *Litter Act 1979*. Dumping rubbish of any kind on any land not specified as a waste facility is also considered littering and attracts the same penalties under the Litter Act.

To become a litter reporter register online. To maintain your confidentiality, you will be assigned a number so that your name and address do not have to appear in the report. To make a report, access the online report form, download the smart phone app, or if you prefer, you can report via mailed reporting cards.

When reporting littering it is very important to collect information on the:

- vehicle registration
- make, model and colour of the vehicle
- date, time and place that the offence was committed
- type of litter that was deposited
- description of the offender
- whether it was the driver or passenger who littered



When Keep Australia Beautiful WA receives your litter report, authorised officers will investigate the complaint and take the appropriate action.

An infringement of up to \$500 may be issued for individuals or up to \$2000 for companies.





PUBLIC NOTICE

Review of Representation

(Number of Council Representatives)

On 3 July 2022 the State Government announced a package of local government reforms including a reduction in the number of Council representatives for many local governments, based on population. The Shire of Kojonup is required to reduce representation from 8 to either 5, 6 or 7 Councillors and to conduct a Representation Review. Reducing the number of elected representatives will not limit the matters that members of the community can raise.

Public submissions are invited as to the number of Council representatives the Community of Kojonup would prefer

(either 5, 6, or 7)

An information sheet* is available detailing the different representative to electors and population ratios for 5, 6 or 7 councillors for the Shire of Kojonup. The information sheet also outlines factors for consideration and perceived advantages and disadvantages of having a lower or higher number of councillors.

Public submissions, in writing, are invited or forms are available to be completed – either method of submission needs to be received by the Shire of Kojonup by 4.30pm, Monday, 12 December 2022 and can be delivered by:

- · Post or over the counter: 93 Albany Highway, KOJONUP WA 6395 or
- email: council@kojonup.wa.gov.au

*For a copy of the information sheet, which includes the form, please contact Judy Stewart, Senior Administration Officer — sao@kojonup.wa.qov.au, telephone 0898 312400, visit the Shire website www.kojonup.wa.qov.au, or call into the Shire Administration office at the above address.





PUBLIC NOTICE

Special Council Meeting

1 November 2022

The Shire of Kojonup will hold a Special Meeting of Council in the Council Chambers, 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup commencing at 4.00pm on Tuesday, 1 November 2022 to consider the following:

 Moonies Hill Energy Pty Ltd — Request to amend conditions of approval

There will be no other business addressed at this meeting.



KOJONUP BUSHFIRE BRIGADES



27 SEPTEMBER 2022 9AM - 1PM 31 OCTOBER 2022 9AM - 1PM MEMORIAL HALL

RSVP - 9831 2400 RSADMIN@KOJONUP.WA.GOV.AU

All BFB Volunteers Water Bomber Reloader Training 2022

> Friday 4th November 2022 08:30





of low intensity bushfires.

Firebreak Inspection Warning:

2 November 2022 – All firebreaks and fire hazard reduction measures to be completed on land within the gazetted townsite
 4 November 2022 – Council will conduct

4 November 2022 – Council will conduct its annual firebreak inspection of all land within the gazetted townsite

12 December 2022 – All protective burning and firebreak precautions to be completed on land outside the gazetted townsite

13 December 2022 – Council will commence its aerial inspection process of al land outside the gazetted townsite

HOW TOASTY IS IT?

Temperature is one of the important factors in calculating Fire Danger Ratings (FDR), which tell you how dangerous a bushfire could be if one starts.



NO RATING

Bushfires are unlikely to spread in a dangerous or life-threatening way.



MODERATE

Plan and prepare.Most fires can be controlled.



HIGH

Be ready to act. Fires can be dangerous.



EXTREME

Take action now.Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous.



CATASTROPHIC

Leave bushfire risk areas.

These are the most dangerous conditions for a fire.

Check your local Fire Danger Rating at emergency.wa.gov.au







BUSH FIRE BAN PHONE LINE: 9831 0145 EMERGENCY SMS LIST: Shire 9831 2400 BUSH FIRE EMERGENCY: 9831 1580 / 000

LANDCARE



Planting for the Queen Elizabeth's jubilee

The Showgrounds committee organised for a commemorative planting to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, and to honour her life's achievements. These events recognise her dedicated service to the United Kingdom, the Realms, Australia, and the broader Commonwealth over the last 70 years.

Eight students from KDHS and St Bernard's Primary school joined NRM Officers to plant eight pine trees amongst the existing trees at the showgrounds. When the

Kojonup show was first held at the showgrounds in 1922 pine trees were planted around what was the trotting track and provided shade for onlookers. The trees planted will hopefully be all grown up in 100 years from now.

Thanks to St Bernard's students, Alexander Mathwin, John Pajares, Adrianna Khan, Darcie Clayton, and KDHS Mikayla Campbell, Phoenix Scarfone, Hamish Eatt and Sonny Radford.

The AgriFutures Rural Women's Award

is Australia's leading award empowering and celebrating the inclusive and courageous leadership of women involved in Australia's rural and emerging industries, businesses, and communities, now and into the future. Applications for the 2023 Award have been extended until Wednesday, 16 November 2022.



http://www.agrifutures.com.au/people-leadership/rural-womens-award/



RSPCA WA urges owners to get dogs vaccinated against parvovirus after deadly outbreak in Great Southern

Jacob Morgan-de Laine | Albany Advertiser Thu, 20 October 2022 1:33AM

Great Southern pet owners are being urged to vaccinate their dogs against parvovirus after an outbreak in the region including the death of at least two dogs this month.

RSPCA WA Great Southern Inspector Georgina Brown said a string of cases of the deadly disease had presented at vet centres in Albany in recent weeks.



RSPCA WA Great Southern Inspector Georgina Brown and Skittles the dog. Credit: Supplied

"Clinics are doing their best to help, but the sad reality is that dogs and puppies are dying," she said.

"I know of seven dogs who've tested positive and two who've passed away from parvo in the past week."

Parvovirus is highly contagious and can stay on surfaces and in environments for a long time, withstanding heat, cold and humidity.

Dogs can contract the virus by interacting with infected dogs, or by coming into contact with contaminated faeces, surfaces or environments.

Signs that your dog could be infected with parvovirus include lethargy, loss of appetite, severe or repeated vomiting and diarrhoea, most commonly with blood present.

"I've spent over a decade working as a vet nurse in clinics across the region and have seen firsthand the devastation this disease can cause," Ms Brown said.

"By not vaccinating your dog, you're exposing your pet and other much-loved dogs in the community to the potential for terrible pain and suffering."

RSPCA WA is also concerned that some owners may be refusing to take their sick dogs to the vets because of concerns about the costs.

'If you're worried about costs, ask your vet about available payment plans," Ms Brown said.

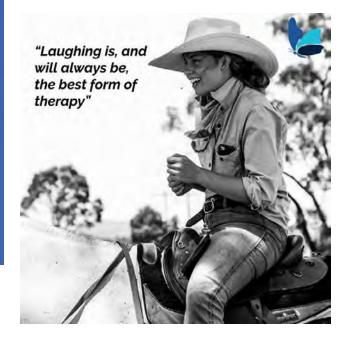
"RSPCA WA may also be able assist with your animal in emergency circumstances."



"Kindness is giving hope to those who think they are all alone in this world"













ONE STORY MANY VOICES - FRIENDS OF KODJA PLACE

Instagram@Kodjaplace / Facebook@Kodjaplaceculturalcentre

Latest News from Kodja Place Bloom Celebrations

Our Bloom festivities closed on a high note, with more spectacular events yet to come. Friday saw the top London trained florist Sally Wilson visiting Kodja Place who shared her skills in delivering her fantastic Australian Native Wreaths class - a sell out for the second year in a row. Watch out for the creative results in the next edition of E-News.

Spring has Sprung

We would like to thank our main sponsors for this event for their support and generosity in supporting the life-saving Albany Radiation Machine Project which will benefit everyone, including Kojonup when the Linac Suite finally opens early next year. We will continue to accept sponsorship, ahead, during and after the event so it is not too late to contribute.

ONE STORY MANY VOICE - FRIENDS OF KODJA PLACE

100% Tax refundable receipt available

YOUR DONATION IS WELCOMED



CARE & OUR * LOCAL RESPONSE TO FUTURE ACTIVITY THAT
PROMOTES SOCIAL WELLNESS IN OUR COMMUNITY!

MAJOR SPONSORS OF THIS EVENT

This event supports our 'Get Belonging' - Asset Building Community Development approach





Open Gardens 29 – 30th October 10am - 4pm

Tickets \$10 per garden, children free, pay at door.

(Information available from Kodja Place 98310500 & look out for directional signage)

Who knew that Kojonup had so many amazing gardeners in our midst?

I'm blown away seeing these hidden gardens which must be Kojonup's best kept secret – come and check them out for yourselves if you don't believe me! Huge thanks to all our participants who have spent the last 6 months ensuring their gardens are perfect for knowledgeable garden enthusiasts as well as those of you like me who just like to get planting ideas for their own home.

We would like to thank the following donating their time, effort and money to raise funds for good causes and creating a massive amount of work for themselves on behalf of others:

Mary Jones, The Hacienda Colin Rourke, Glenlossie Homestead Neit Ayres, Doreenup Cottage Simon and Di House Starhaven Roberta McGuire, Karaweera Cathy & Lefty Wright, Pine Avenue Wayne & Peta Zadow, Sunshine House

Champagne & Canapes at Pine Avenue Saturday 29th October 5 – 7pm

Advance Purchase of tickets from Kodja Place \$50 entry

(all proceeds going to Kodja Place Community funds Community Activities)

Come and join Leftie and Cathy Wright for Sundowners in their magnificent and internationally renowned garden and enjoy the views with a glass of bubbly in your hand accompanied by a selection of tasty canapes.





Saturday 29th Oct 5.00 - 7.00pm

Where: Pine Avenue

\$50.00 Entry by ticket - Booking Essential

Join hosts Cathy & Eric Wright for drinks and canapés in their Inspirational garden on the outskirts of Kojonup.

Wander around this acclaimed garden enjoying good company and great vistas.

Contact The Kodja Place For Tickets 9831 0500

























Library

Play Cafe is a wonderful way to be a part of our Early Years Community. Sessions are held in our Kojonup APEX Park every Wednesday morning from 9:30am. It's easy to join in, just turn up and introduce yourself to Lorreen & Libby and we will introduce you to other parents in our town. Stay connected with our 'Kojonup Play Cafe & Play in the Park' Face Book page, there I post most weeks to let you know what's happening in this space. I'd also like to share joining 'A Smart Start', so if you'd like more information, call Lorreen at the Library on 9831 2412.



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

1st birthday for Aroura, Jonah, Charles
 2nd birthday for Daisy, Lucy, Sage, Liam, Talia
 3rd birthday for Oaklyn, Georgie

Libby & I had the most incredible morning on the 12 October with Play Cafe. We collaborated with Early Years Partnerships (EYP) (Pauline & Hafidah), Amity Health (Kylie), A Smart Start (ASS) (Sarah) and Community Health (Camilla) to celebrate 'National Aboriginal & Islander Children's Day. Our highlight was Kristy from 'Earth Parenting' with all her nature play, the children truly enjoyed every moment playing with water, mud, vinegar & bicarb soda. Pauline & Hafidah cooked sausages, which we had in buns with sauce. EYP and Amity Health made take home packs for the children and ASS gave out books to families.



'The Weaving Mat'.... This is the only activity that is actually in place for our mother's but also enjoyed by the children. It gives us a chance to sit, connect with others and be creative with our hands. There is nothing that can be replicated exactly by others as it is in itself nature play.

Kristy encourages all of us to weave, wrap, decorate and create every time she is with us. We weave with traditional grasses and reeds from wetlands, use yarn, old jewellery and flowering plants to decorate and use as fragrance.

Whether it is a laurel to wear or hang in the garden, every piece is beautiful in itself because of its uniqueness in being hand made by its creator.

The Weaving mat leaves us feeling accomplished and harmonious. What a beautiful shared gift for us all!













hat's new in our library?

New books are always welcomed by all our readers!

Spellbound Ponies: Enchanting stories, taking the reader on magical pony adventures...



Amari: Twelve-year-old Amari is a Junior Agent at the Bureau of Supernatural Investigations, where she deals with all kinds of weird and wonderful creatures and has a weredragon as a roommate. But that's nothing compared to her biggest challenge: being accepted for who she is. For Amari is a magician, and magicians are the sworn enemies of the supernatural world

Exiles: At a busy festival site on a warm spring night, a baby lies alone in her pram, her mother vanishing into the crowds.



A year on, Kim Gillespie's absence casts a long shadow as her friends and loved ones gather deep in the heart of South Australian wine country to welcome a new addition to the family. Joining the celebrations is federal investigator Aaron Falk. But as he soaks up life in the lush valley, he begins to suspect this tight-knit group may be more fractured than it seems. Between Falk's closest friend, a missing mother, and a woman he's drawn to, dark questions linger as long-ago truths begin to emerge.



Lethal Agent: An unprecedented and terrifying bioterrorism plot threatens to kill millions in the midst of a divisive presidential election in this new thriller from the #1 New York Times bestselling Mitch Rapp series. Rapp embarks on a mission to infiltrate the Mexican cartels and track down the ISIS leader who he failed to kill during their last confrontation. But with Washington's political elite increasingly lined up against him, he knows he'll be on his own.

Desperation in Death: The *Sunday Times* bestselling series is back with a gripping new thriller that pits homicide detective Eve Dallas against a conspiracy of exploitation and evil... Mina Rose Cabot, age thirteen,

disappeared walking home from soccer practice in Devon, Pennsylvania. Eight months later her body is found in Battery Park, New York, speared through the chest by a three-inch piece of wood. Lt. Eve Dallas knows that whoever took Mina is responsible for her death. But who took her and where has Mina been for eight long months...?

The Opal Miners Daughter: A moving and heart-warming story about new life and new loves, about the treasures to be found above and beneath the surface of a small country town, and about the important choices women must make in life.

Hands Down: Sid Halley, former British jump racing champion and private detective, is not having a good time. His wife Marina has decided she needs some time out of their marriage to think about the future and Sid is devastated. But then Gary Bremner, an ex-jockey trainer, calls him to ask for his help – he is being



threatened by someone in the racing world and he needs a friend he can trust. However, the very next morning, Gary's stable yard is torched, horses killed, and Gary has disappeared.





Gantry - Expression of Interest

The Shire of Kojonup is seeking expressions of interest for the outright purchase of the following plant;

1 x gantry



For further information or to arrange inspection contact Mr Douglas Fraser on 0477 904024 between 7am and 3.00pm Tuesday to Friday.

Expressions of Interest are to be:

- 1) Received in writing by the closing date,
- 2) Include the purchase price offered (excludes GST), and
- 3) Marked attention to the CEO.

Closing Date: 12.00pm, Thursday 10 November 2022

These can be mailed to:

Shire of Kojonup PO Box 163, KOJONUP WA 6395

Or delivered to the Shire Office at 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup. Council reserves the right to not necessarily accept the highest or any offer.





High Pressure Pump (Kohler) - Expression of Interest

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1 x Kohler high pressure pump





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High Pressure Pump (Honda) - Expression of Interest

The Shire of Kojonup is seeking expressions of interest for the outright purchase of the following plant;

1 x Honda high pressure pump





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Pipe Cleaner - Expression of Interest

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1 x Rigid Kollman pipe cleaner





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Find the help you need with myagedcare

If you're finding it harder to do the things you used to, you might need a bit of support at home. The Australian Government's **my**agedcare phone line and website can help you to:

Access services to support you with:

- Transport
 (e.g. appointments and activities)
- Household jobs

 (e.g. vacuuming and preparing meals)
- Modifications to your home (e.g. hand rails, ramps)
- Nursing and personal care (e.g. help getting dressed, help shaving)

Find information in one spot on:

- Different types of services (in home support, short-term care, aged care homes)
- · Your eligibility
- · Your contribution to the cost
- Organisations that provide aged care

Connect with myagedcare on www.myagedcare.gov.au or call 1800 200 422

*1800 calls are free from land lines; calls from mobile phones might be charged.

