

CEO Comments

The weather is heating up as we prepare for summer. Please be mindful that snakes are now moving around, and be careful when gardening or near long grass, as they may be hard to see.

COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 2026.

The following items were discussed at the September Ordinary Meeting of Council:

1. The Monthly Payments for August were presented.
2. The Financial Statements for August were presented.
3. A dual Fire Control Officer for the Shire of Narrogin was approved
4. Council has resolved to consolidate the “Citizen of the Year” awards and only have a single category that can be won by any person or group.
5. An update on the Shire’s Corporate Business Plan and current projects was noted.
6. The Shire of Wickpin Customer Services Charter was adopted by Council. This is now available on the Shire’s website.
7. Council has resolved to review the purposes of our Reserve Accounts as part of the 2027/28 Budget preparations to ensure the purposes meet the current needs of the Shire.
8. Council has resolved that any member attending the Central Country Zone Meetings is a voting delegate for the Shire of Wickpin. This is to ensure representation at the meetings
9. The Shire has initiated a Review of several Local Laws. As part of the process, the public are able to make submissions on the current local laws.
10. Tenders were accepted for Sealing Works, Road Stabilisation and a new Grader for the Shire.
11. The Terms of Reference were amended for the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee.
12. Council adopted the Annual Compliance Audit Return for 2025 for submission to the Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety.
13. The CEO’s Annual Performance Review was completed and adopted by Council with new KPI’s.

Minutes are available on the Shire of Wickpin website if you would like further information on the items discussed.

BUSHFIRE SEASON – FIREBREAKS AND FIRE HAZARDS

Just a reminder for all residents that the Restricted Burning Period comes into effect from 1st October 2026. Over the next few weeks, FCO’s and the Ranger will be inspecting properties for firebreaks and also fire hazards. This will include yards that have old vehicles and clutter than can prohibit access for the Fire Brigades in the event of a fire.

Please ensure your back yards are fire safe and free of clutter. Fines may be issued for non-compliance.

REGISTRATION OF INTEREST - PROPERTY

The Shire has received advice from Development WA that our application for funding for development of land has moved to the next stage, which will include due diligence for the project.

If you are interested in purchasing land or know someone interested in purchasing land in Wickpin, please register your interest with the Shire. Please call Emma at the administration office or email eso@wickpin.wa.gov.au to register your interest. No guarantees of property purchase can be offered; this is just to register interest.

RUBBISH SERVICES – CHANGES TO TIPS

The Shire is currently reviewing the processes for running all our waste facilities. We are concerned that there seems to be a lot of waste for our small community and are concerned that waste is coming in from other areas.

Possible changes may include:

- A pass for access
- Yealering manned and reduced hours
- All vehicles being stopped before dropping waste
- CCTV Cameras installed

We will keep the public advised of ideas and progress before it is actioned, but these steps are required to ensure the Shire is not being made to cover costs for items that are not from the Shire of Wickpin.

SHIRE OF WICKEPIN PUBLIC HEALTH PLAN – COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Shire of Wickpin is currently in the process of developing a Public Health Plan to help identify and address the health and wellbeing needs of our local community.

As part of this process, we will shortly be circulating a survey to the community and are seeking your valuable input to help inform the development of the Plan.

We encourage all members of the community to take the time to complete the survey and provide your feedback. Your input will help us better understand local priorities and ensure the Public Health Plan reflects the needs of our community.

Once completed, surveys can be returned to the Shire of Wickpin:

- **In person** at the Shire Administration Office; or
- **Via email** to admin@wickpin.wa.gov.au

We appreciate your time and contribution and look forward to hearing from you.

🚧 ROADWORKS WICKEPIN–CORRIGIN ROAD 🚧

The Shire of Wickpin has commenced road construction works on the Wickpin–Corrigin Road. Traffic management measures are in place, including traffic lights, and motorists should expect delays.

Please allow extra time for travel, exercise caution and follow all traffic management directions while travelling through the work area.

We appreciate your patience and understanding while these important works are underway and hope to have the project completed in a timely manner.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Further Information

For further information on what is happening in the Shire or information from the Council Meetings, please check the Shire website at www.wickpin.wa.gov.au

LOCAL PUBLIC NOTICE

Shire of Wickepin Local Laws Review

Notice is hereby given under section 3.16 of the *Local Government Act 1995* that the Shire of Wickepin proposes to review the following local laws:

- Health Local Law 2008
- Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2000
- Dogs Local Law 2000
- Local Government Property Local Law 2000
- Pest Plants Local Law 2000
- Harrismith, Toolibin, Wickepin, Yealering Cemeteries Local Law 2000
- Standing Orders 1998

The above local laws are available on the Shire's website at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au. A copy of the local laws may also be obtained from or inspected at the Shire of Wickepin administration office, 77 Wogolin Rd, Wickepin.

Submissions about the local laws may be made to the Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Wickepin and can be made as follows:

By mail or in person: Addressed to the CEO, Shire of Wickepin, 77 Wogolin Rd,
Wickepin, WA 6370

By email: admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au

Submissions will be accepted up until **4.00pm on Friday 6 November 2026** (being not less than 6 weeks after this notice is given).

David Burton
Chief Executive Officer

17 September 2026

Shire of Wickepin





King Rocks Wind Farm



Thank you

Thank you to the community in the Shire of Wickepin for your patience during the transportation of wind turbine components as part of the King Rocks Wind Farm.

The transportation of components for the 17 wind turbines commenced in late May 2026, with the final of the 51 wind turbine blades completing its journey on 20 September.

With all major wind turbine components now on site, turbine installations are progressing, with the first eight wind turbines now erected. The project's substation is also progressing, with electrical and mechanical works continuing and pre-commissioning activities now underway.

The King Rocks Wind Farm will generate up to 105 megawatts of renewable energy for the South-West Interconnected System and is anticipated to be operational from 2027.



For more information

community@synergy.net.au | 0487 993 106
synergyred.net.au/king-rocks-wind-farm



DOGS/CATS REGISTRATION RENEWALS

Renewals will be sent
out soon and are due by
October 31, 2026.



New registrations: All animals must be microchipped and microchip paperwork must be provided. All cats must be sterilised.



Dogs must be registered from 3 months of age.



Cats must be sterilised and registered from 6 months of age.



If your dog or cat has passed away, please inform the Shire so we can cancel the registration and keep our records up to date.

RANGER SERVICES ARE COMING TO WICKEPIN



**Feral cat control
will be carried
out using traps.**



**PLEASE KEEP YOUR PET
CATS INSIDE TO AVOID
THEM BEING CAUGHT
IN THE TRAPS.**

RESTRICTED BURNING

1 OCTOBER 2026 – 31 OCTOBER 2026

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WILL COMMENCE
1 OCTOBER 2026
TO
31 OCTOBER 2026**

www.wickepin.wa.gov.au



SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

VEHICLE IDENTIFIER STICKERS



Valid October 2026–
September 2028



PREPARING FOR FIRE SEASON?

Application forms available on
the Shire of Wickepin website
or Shire office:

- Brigade membership application
- Personal protective equipment information
- Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban SMS information
- Vehicle identifier stickers application

eso@wickepin.wa.gov.au

(08) 9888 1005

Snake Awareness

As warmer weather arrives, snakes are starting to come out. Stay alert and give snakes space.

The Shire of Wickepin is unable to deal with snakes as it does not have a trained or authorised snake handler available. Residents who encounter a snake should avoid approaching or attempting to handle it and contact an appropriately trained snake removal service.

Snake handler - Peter | Pingelly | 0400 615 154





THE SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

Seniors Christmas Lunch



THE SHIRE OF WICKEPIN IS LOOKING FOR AN
INDIVIDUAL, COMMUNITY GROUP OR
ORGANISATION TO TAKE ON THE PLANNING AND
COORDINATION OF OUR ANNUAL SENIORS
CHRISTMAS LUNCH

♥ INTERESTED IN GETTING INVOLVED? WE'D LOVE TO
HEAR FROM YOU!

☎ CONTACT THE SHIRE OF WICKEPIN FOR MORE
INFORMATION.

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