

JUNE 2026

SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP



COUNCIL BUZZ

WELCOME FROM THE CEO!

Welcome to the June edition of the Council Buzz.

Staff have been busy over recent months working through the development of the 2026/27 budget, with planning focused on ensuring the Shire continues to deliver services, maintain infrastructure and support priority projects across the district. A budget workshop will be held with Executive Staff and Councillors on Friday 26 June with the finalised budget due to be presented at the July Council meeting on 29 July 2026.



Our works crews have also had a strong start to the winter period, continuing gravel sheeting works on Cowalellup, Corackerup and Monjebup Roads, alongside ongoing road grading north of the South Coast Highway. We've also welcomed new team members to the works crew, strengthening capacity ahead of the busy winter maintenance season.

In other news, our Manager of Development, Richard Hindley, recently presented at the Planning Institute of Australia Regional Conference in Bunbury, sharing insights into the Shire's Soldier Settlement Scheme and its ongoing influence on planning and land use in the district.

Finally, this will be the last Council Buzz in its current format, with our new branding and logo to be introduced in July. The next edition will feature our refreshed look and updated style for Council communications, so keep an eye out for the changes as they roll out.



Martin Cuthbert
Chief Executive Officer

OPERATING HOURS

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

8 Vasey Street,
Jerramungup

Monday - Friday
8.30am - 4.00pm

Ph: 9835 1022

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UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Ordinary Council Meeting
1pm Wednesday 29 July
2026. Council Chamber,
Jerramungup.

Community News

SHIRE HISTORY FEATURED AT REGIONAL PLANNING CONFERENCE

The Shire's Manager of Development, Richard Hindley, presented at the recent Planning Institute of Australia Regional Conference in Bunbury, sharing insights into the history and ongoing planning implications of the Soldier Settlement Scheme in the Shire of Jerramungup.

Richard's presentation explored the development of the district from early pastoral settlement through to the establishment of the Land Settlement Board in 1951 and the creation of the Jerramungup townsite in 1953. Between 1956 and 1962, 141 farms were distributed under the Soldier Settlement Scheme, which is recognised as one of the most successful programs of its kind in Western Australia.

The presentation also highlighted how the scheme continues to influence planning decisions today. Many properties remain under Conditional Purchase Lease arrangements, with 89 leases still in place across the district.

These lease conditions affect land use and development outcomes, including subdivision opportunities, road dedications and the types of approvals that can be granted. While leasehold land can be converted to freehold title, the legacy of the scheme continues to shape planning and development within the Shire.

The conference provided an opportunity to showcase the Shire's unique history and share the challenges and opportunities associated with managing long-term land tenure arrangements in a regional setting.



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24 June 2026

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

29 July 2026

An Ordinary Meeting of Council is to be held on 29 July 2026 at 1.00pm at the Council Chamber, Jerramungup.

A full copy of the meeting's Agenda can be viewed at the Shire office, or downloaded from the Shire website at the link below 72 hours prior to the meeting:

<https://www.jerramungup.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/>

The minutes from the last council meeting held 24 June 2026 can be found on the Shire's website.

INFORMATION BULLETIN MAY – JUNE

During the reporting period, eight planning applications were approved, five building permits and two crossover permits were issued, reflecting ongoing development activity across the Shire.

2026/2027 PROPOSED FEES & CHARGES

Council adopted the 2026/2027 Schedule of Fees and Charges to be implemented and effective from 1 July 2026. The schedule outlines fees for a range of Shire services and facilities. These Schedule of Fees and Charges can be found on the Shire website.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

Council approved a number of amendments to the 2025/2026 Annual Budget to reflect updated project requirements, funding allocations and operational needs. Full details of the adopted budget amendments can be found in the June 2026 Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda, available on the Shire's website.

COMMUNITY FACILITY LEASES APPROVED

Council approved new lease arrangements for several community facilities in Jerramungup and Bremer Bay, helping to ensure important local services continue into the future. The leases cover the Community Resource Centres and public libraries in both Jerramungup and Bremer Bay, as well as the Bremer Bay Pharmacy and childcare centre. The new arrangements provide greater certainty for service providers while supporting ongoing access to these valued community facilities.

PUBLIC HEALTH PLAN

Council adopted the Public Health Plan 2026–2031. The Plan provides a strategic framework to guide how the Shire supports and improves community health and wellbeing over the next five years. It has been developed in alignment with the WA State Public Health Plan 2025–2030. The Plan will be implemented across existing Shire services and reviewed regularly to ensure it remains relevant to community needs and emerging health trends. A full copy of the plan can be found at the Shire office or on the Shire website.

Council Matters

24 June 2026

RECENT SHIRE WORKS

Works Report

Works crews have continued progressing gravel sheeting projects on a number of local roads, with works underway across Cowalellup, Corackerup and Monjebup Roads. Once completed, the team will transition to maintenance activities in various areas throughout the Shire.

Road grading operations have also continued north of the South Coast Highway, with crews undertaking winter grading works to help maintain road conditions ahead of the wetter months.

The Shire has also welcomed new team members to the works crew, further strengthening its capacity to deliver road maintenance and infrastructure projects across the district. The additional resources will support ongoing grading programs and provide opportunities for staff training and skill development, helping to ensure the continued delivery of essential works throughout the Shire.

Town Services: Bremer Bay

- Pruning walk trails
- Mowing around parklands and townsite
- Victorian tea tree control
- Weed spraying and removal
- Filling potholes
- Removal of fallen trees within parklands and townsite following recent storms
- Rubbish collection within the townsite
- Wellstead Estuary walk trail weed control
- Expansion of green waste facility bays
- Installation of a new bin at Paperbarks

Town Services: Jerramungup

- Weed spraying throughout the townsite
- Mowing of parklands and the cemetery
- Rubbish collection within the townsite
- Pruning of street trees along Vasey Street and Memorial Street
- Pruning of trees throughout the townsite
- Mowing and clearing weeds around lights and structures at the airstrip
- Removal of fallen trees within parklands and around the townsite following recent storms



Public Notices



PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSAL TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY PORTION 7 MARY STREET, BREMER BAY

In accordance with section 3.58 (3) and (4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, it is hereby notified that the Shire of Jerramungup proposes to lease portion of 7 Mary Street, Bremer Bay to Purple Butterfly Pty Ltd trading as Skylar Early Learning for \$5,200 per annum to be reviewed in two years.

The market value of the disposition was assessed at \$11,250 per annum on 13 May 2026.

SUBMISSIONS:

Written submissions are invited on the above proposal and will be received up to 4:00pm on Wednesday, 8 July 2026. Submissions can be lodged by post to PO Box 92, Jerramungup WA 6337 or by email to council@jerramungup.wa.gov.au

MARTIN CUTHBERT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

24 June 2026

Public Notices



PUBLIC NOTICE

UNHOSTED SHORT TERM RENTAL ACCOMMODATION LOCAL PLANNING POLICY

The Shire of Jerramungup has prepared the Draft Local Planning Policy: Unhosted Short Term Rental Accommodation.

The purpose of this policy is to provide the opportunity for Unhosted Short Term Rental Accommodation and provide guidance on the requirements for this form of development.

The draft Local Planning Policy is available for public inspection at:

- The Shire offices in Jerramungup and Bremer Bay
- On the Shire Website (Public Notices)

Submissions

Written submissions are invited on the above proposal and will be received up to 4:00pm on Thursday, 23 July 2026. Submissions can be lodged by post to PO Box 92, Jerramungup WA 6337 or by email to planning@jerramungup.wa.gov.au

ADOPTION OF AMENDED LOCAL PLANNING POLICIES

The Shire of Jerramungup has resolved to proceed with the following Local Planning Policies in accordance with Clause 5(1) and (2) of the Deemed Provisions (set out in the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* Schedule 2):

- LPP 16 – Outbuildings
- LPP17 – Water Conservation
- LPP 18 – Point Henry Fire Management

Copies of the Local Planning Policies are available on the Shire's webpage.

MARTIN CUTHBERT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

25 June 2026

Public Notices



PUBLIC NOTICE

FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 2026/27

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 6.16 of the Local Government Act 1995; The Shire of Jerramungup intends to impose fees and charges for the 2026/2027 financial year effective from 1 July 2026.

The schedule of fees and charges was adopted by Council at its Ordinary Meeting of Council held 24 June 2026.

A schedule of these fees and charges can be obtained from the Shire office, 8 Vasey Street, Jerramungup during office hours or viewed on our website www.jerramungup.wa.gov.au.

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MARTIN CUTHBERT

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

24 June 2026

Ranger News

CAT OWNERSHIP

Owning a cat is a commitment and cat owners have responsibilities to help their cats live happy, safe and healthy lives and ensure they do not pose a risk to our native wildlife.

All cats six months or older need to be:

Micro-chipped

Microchips are implanted under a cat's skin, are about the size of a grain of rice and use a unique identification number to identify you as your cat's owner. This makes it faster and easier for you to be reunited with your cat if your cat is missing.

Sterilised*

Sterilised (or de-sexed) cats make better pets. De-sexing has health and behaviour benefits and reduces the risk of your pet contributing to the population of unwanted cats that may become feral.

Registered with the Shire of Jerramungup

You can register your cat by downloading our Cat Registration Form from our website and returning the completed form to our office via fax, email, post or hand delivery. Please ensure you have proof of microchipping and sterilisation to accompany your application to register your cat.

**Exemptions to this can be given if the cat is owned by a registered breeder, or by letter from a veterinarian in special circumstances regarding the cats health or well being.*

It is the responsibility of the owner of domestic cats to ensure they are contained and not left to roam freely. In rural areas such as ours, surrounded by native bushland, domestic cats roam much further than owners think.

Shire of Jerramungup Cat Registration Fees

FEES	1 Year	3 Years	Lifetime
Sterilised	\$20.00	\$42.50	\$100
(Eligible pensioners receive a 50% discount on registrations)			
Replacement Animal Registration Tag if Lost - \$5			



NEED A RANGER?

The Shire Ranger is responsible for enforcing a variety of Acts, Regulations, Local Laws and Policies applicable to Local Government, including those for traffic control, parking, fire prevention, animal control, and littering.

For more information, to report any of the above matters, or for urgent matters such as dog attacks, contact:

DAVID MYERS, RANGER

Phone:

0499 351 141

9835 1022 (Shire office)

Email:

ranger2@jerramungup.wa.gov.au
(monitored during business hours)

For more information on dog ownership laws refer to the Dog Act 1976.

Job Opportunity



Town Services Officer

Part-Time Position (3 days a week)

Salary: Level 2 – 3 (depending on skills and qualifications)

\$34.48 – \$37.24 per hour

The Shire of Jerramungup is seeking a motivated and hands on individual to join our Town Services team in the position of Town Services Officer.

Primarily based in Bremer Bay, this role also provides support across the Jerramungup townsite.

This is an ideal opportunity for someone seeking meaningful, practical work, a flexible part-time arrangement, and the chance to contribute to the presentation and maintenance of our local communities.

Days of work can be negotiated.

A LR Drivers licence is highly desirable.

About the Role:

As a Town Services Officer, you will work as part of a small and supportive team, playing a key role in maintaining Council-owned assets to a high standard for both residents and visitors.

Key responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Maintenance of Council parks, gardens, landscaped areas and coastal reserves
- Upkeep of ovals, road reserves and public open spaces
- General maintenance of Council buildings and properties
- Use and maintenance of plant, equipment and tools in a safe manner

The position offers great benefits, including:

- 15% employer contributed superannuation;
- A small and supportive team environment;
- Overtime as approved;
- Working conditions allowance;
- Housing allowance (as per Council Policy);
- Training and development opportunities; and,
- A great employee Health and Wellbeing Program including flu shots, skin cancer checks and an Employee Assistance Program.

Job Opportunity

Dependent on qualifications, skills and experience, a Level 2 – 3 salary will be offered to the suitable applicant.

Conditions of employment are in accordance with the Shire of Jerramungup Works and Services Industrial Agreement 2024.

PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS

A copy of the information package and position description must be obtained to assist in preparation of your application. The information package and position description is available by contacting the Shire Administration Office on (08) 9835 1022 or via website www.jerramungup.wa.gov.au. For further job specific enquiries please contact Jamie Turner, Team Leader – Parks & Gardens on (08) 9835 1022.

APPLICATIONS

Applications close **4:00pm on Thursday, 16 July 2026** and are to be addressed to the **Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Jerramungup, PO Box 92, JERRAMUNGUP WA 6337**. Applications **must** contain all requirements listed in the information package. They may be submitted in hard copy or by email to hr@jerramungup.wa.gov.au.

Applicants must have the legal right to work in Australia. Sponsorship is not available for this position.

****Please note only shortlisted candidates for this role will be contacted.****

The Shire of Jerramungup reserves the right to close this vacancy earlier, should a suitable applicant be identified.

If no suitable applicant is identified, the position will remain open until it is filled.

The Shire of Jerramungup is a family friendly and equal opportunity employer committed to workplace equality and diversity. We value the unique diversity that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability, people from culturally diverse backgrounds, and members of our LGBTQIA+ community, women and youth bring to our workforce.

We strongly encourage people from diverse backgrounds to apply.

People with disability will be provided with reasonable adjustments in our recruitment processes and in the workplace.



Martin Cuthbert
Chief Executive Officer
18 June 2026