



COTTESLOE COUNCIL NEWS

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News in brief...

REMINDER – FUTURE PLAN

DEADLINE for your comments of Cottesloe's Future Plan is May 11.

FUTURE FINANCE

COUNCIL'S financial thinking is already into the far future – 20 years hence. In April, Council adopted a 20-year Long Term Financial Plan. Based on an existing model tested in South Australia, it will help foresee needs and budgets even beyond Council's current five-year plans.

The five-year plans aim to evenly spread maintenance and replacement costs of the Town's infrastructure. The 20-year plan builds on the five-year plans, helping ensure that Cottesloe can cope with the likely demands of future generations.

TENNIS FENCE PROPPED UP

FUNDING of \$7,500 will be granted by Council to Cottesloe Tennis Club, towards a \$15,000 replacement of the Napier Street fencing. "Council is acknowledging the club's contribution to the social fabric of the Town," said CEO Stephen Tindale. The grounds are part of an A-class reserve on Napier St administered by the Town, and the club has a 21-year lease.

Meetings at Civic Centre

NEXT Council meeting – Monday May 28, at 7pm.

Development Services – Monday May 21, 6pm.

Works and Corporate Services – Tuesday May 21, 7pm.

Development applications for July – May 30.

2007 ELECTION

LOCAL elections, held in May in the past, now take place on October 20. Nominations for election must be in by September 6.

STOP CRIME IN COTTESLOE call 131 444

ALL residents are reminded to note and report ALL incidents of anti-social behaviour: 131 444 is the number to call.

CELEBRATING COTTESLOE'S CENTENARY

Forward-thinking Council will honour Town's Past

THE Centenary Family Picnic Concert – on Sunday, 18 November – will be a community highlight of a summer when the whole community is encouraged to celebrate 100 years of Cottesloe as a municipality.

Displays by local community groups, showing people what is happening in and around the Town, will be part of the picnic day, which starts at 4pm on the Main Lawn at the Civic Centre.

Children's entertainment includes 'Bubblemania' and other children's entertainers. Darren Reid and The Soul City Groove will perform live from 6pm. So make a date to come along, byo picnic dinner, chairs, rugs etc and be entertained as the sun sets over the ocean.

Reminders

There will be lots of publicity and reminders leading into the Centenary.

Check your mailbox for a fridge magnet detailing all the events; these will be delivered to every household. The Events Calendar on the Town's website will also carry full details of each event.

As mentioned in a previous News page, Ruth Marchant-James' expanded history of Cottesloe will be launched in September.

Gardens

Our Great Garden Competition this Spring is part of the celebrations; watch your mailboxes for the nomination form (September).

Also in September (28-30), a display of historical photographs will open to the public in the War Memorial Town Hall. Further details and opening times to be announced.

Council supports water plans

Sea View retic update

TO ensure sustainable use of bore water and reduced wastage, the Town is supporting Sea View Golf Club in an application for loans of \$290,000. The principal and interest on one loan of \$100,000 is to be paid by the club while the Town will provide a further interest-free loan to the club of \$190,000 provided an application for a Sport and Recreation Dept grant of a further \$190,000 is successful.

Total cost of upgrading the golf course reticulation system is \$590,000. For some years the current system has been breaking down and wasting water with pipeline blow-outs. A new approach using storage tanks would drought-proof the course and the Town by linking the club into a network of Town bores and allowing water to be drawn and stored across the net-

work. The system would also reduce the likelihood of any specific bore extracting excessive ground water and drawing salt water into the shallow freshwater aquifer. The intention is to 'sip' rather than 'suck' on existing groundwater resources.

WESROC Project

A WESROC regional strategy to manage stormwater, initiated in 2001 and now ready for submission to State Government, is supported by Cottesloe Council. The Western Suburbs group of councils want the strategy included in a statewide review of standards and criteria for stormwater.

Cottesloe has also agreed to continue its own efforts to make better use of stormwater; continue education programmes targeting use of domestic fertilisers; and have staff review current use of pollutant traps.



Opening of the Civic Centre in 1950, by Governor Sir James Mitchell.

How the Town began

COTTESLOE was approved and gazetted as a municipality 100 years ago, on 20 September 1907. However, the district was named Cottesloe in 1886, to honour Captain Fremantle's brother, Baron Cottesloe.

Two years later some four-acre lots were sold but it was not until the 1890s that houses were built.

First permanent residence built near Cottesloe Beach was 'The Summit' in Avonmore Terrace; but by 1898 the Cottesloe population reached 1,000.

Local government in Cottesloe began with the first meeting of the Cottesloe Roads Board, on December 1895. Rates were levied a year later. In the first decade of the 1900s further development and the growing status of Cottesloe led the Roads Board to develop and promote the beach front.

COTTESLOE IS TOPS IN LIBRARY RESPONSES

COUNCILS of Cottesloe, Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove are considering the many library comments and submissions received from residents. Cottesloe will report in this page next month.

The highest level of interest in the library was shown by Cottesloe residents. Of a total 439 responses to the consultation process, 234 came from our Town and 81 per cent of those supported



Photo courtesy www.PDPhoto.org

Fireworks – what's your viewpoint?

SHOULD the Cottesloe beachfront be used to stage fireworks displays?

Cottesloe wants to hear from residents. Is it a damp squib, or a rock-eting good idea?

A draft fireworks policy has been prepared, and you can view it at the usual locations – Civic Centre, library, office and Town website.

Minimise distress

Paramount consideration of the Fireworks Policy is to minimise distress and potential risk to the public. At the same time, the Council wishes to support uses of the beach for public enjoyment.

Among the issues raised in the draft are potential damage to sand dune environment, litter management, noise disturbance of residents and nesting birds, and public liability protection.

Council called for a draft policy in December 2006, after it was suggested that the CEO be given delegated authority to allow up to six fireworks events a year.

Residents are now asked to make their comments - by June 8, please. Local groups such as SOS Cottesloe and Cottesloe Coastcare will also be invited to make submissions.

PARRY STREET PLAYGROUND:

More consultation needed

RESIDENTS living around Parry Street will have their chance to comment on a proposed children's playground in the area, if the Town of Claremont agrees to a suggestion made by Cottesloe Council.

Some residents petitioned Cottesloe, asking that the Council oppose the new playground. Instead, Council decided to ask Claremont to consult more widely with residents within a 400m radius of Parry Street, and ask for their views and comments. Funding of the consultation process would be shared.

Mixed bathing

What to wear – and how to behave on the beach became contentious, as did mixed bathing! Safety concerns brought volunteer life saving patrols in 1908, and founding of the Cottesloe Life Saving and Athletic Club,

1907 referendum

A referendum of residents preceded government approval for the 1907 conversion of Roads Board to a municipality. John Stuart was elected as the first mayor, the first Council was formed, and in 1908 Lord Cottesloe gave permission for the municipality to use his coat of arms.

For more information on the history of Cottesloe, see the Town website.

the project. Across the three local governments, the figure was 76 per cent.

Issues

Matters of most interest/concern to respondents were:

- a coffee shop, book café
- refurbishment of existing library/or 2nd storey
- the building façade
- meeting rooms
- environment and sustainability.