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COTTESLOE COUNCIL NEWS

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News in Brief ...

Not Just a Name

ON Friday, April 10 Cottesloe RSL launches a new book – *Not Just a Name* – to commemorate more than 1000 local servicemen and women who served in WW1. The 235-page volume includes 996 personal profiles and will also be available online.

Launch is at the Civic Centre's War Memorial Town Hall, 6pm for 6.30. For catering purposes, please RSVP to Mary (menj7579@gmail.com) or Ralph (ralph1@iinet.net.au); or call Town admin on 9285 5000.

Thumbs-up for SLSC handprints

A SMALL area adjacent to the North Cottesloe SLSC on Marine Parade has been approved for hand-prints and plaques recognising donations to develop the club building.

Meetings at Civic Centre

NEXT Council meeting Monday, March 23, at 7pm.

Development Services Monday, March 16, 6pm.

Works and Corporate Services Tuesday, March 17, 6pm.

Planning applications:

For May – lodge by April 6, 2014.

DAP reps

CR WALSH and Cr Jeanes will represent the Town when required on any State joint Development Assessment Panel that includes Cottesloe. DAPs adjudicate on any development considered too large for local decision alone. Cr Downes and Cr Angers are the Town's deputy appointments.

'Aussie Food and Farmers' is this year's Earth Hour theme, to be lauded at the Mayo Community Garden's free night-event on March 28 (91 Wood Street, Swanbourne, from 5pm-9pm).

Cottesloe and Nedlands are joint sponsors of this fun 'electricity-free' evening. Also free – food, children's activities, and entertainment by local musicians. There's also a 'community mural' to create; bring old rubber things to add! If you leave the car at home you might win a Travel Smart prize too. (If you have to drive, please don't park in Wood Street; use the Allen Park lower pavilion car park.)

Council commends Town finance staff

REVIEW of Cottesloe's ten-year financial plan has led Mayor and Council to thank and congratulate Town staff. The plan indicates a surplus within three years, predicting a likely rate increase across the ten years of just 3.5% per annum (being the midpoint of the reserve bank's inflation target, plus 1%).

In the first five years of the plan debt is likely to be eliminated, resulting in much lower interest costs.

Depot sale

The positive trend for Cottesloe was boosted by sale of the old Town depot – which was completed on

Tuesday, March 3 – which allows the Council to make progress on several strategic projects. Improvements to the Town centre and foreshore are anticipated.

The reviewed plan shows the major loan for the Grove Library paid out in

year one, so reducing Cottesloe's loan repayments by \$446,000 a year. After year six, a loan for Civic Centre refurbishment will finish, and add a further \$207,000 to the Town's annual budget. All of these savings ease pressure on rates.



5-storeys at Blue Waters site

THE first new Marine Parade development under Cottesloe's Local Planning Scheme 3, a five-storey building on the Blue Waters Café site at the corner of Warnham Road/Marine Parade, has been passed by the Council.

It comprises ground-floor commercial space for a shop or restaurant, six apartments on upper floors and parking for 10 cars in the basement.

The Town's planning committee queried the total parking requirements for

the site. Cottesloe Council ruled that the developer shall pay cash in lieu of one extra car parking bay, in addition to meeting a wide range of planning standards.

Town staff will also now examine Cottesloe's Park-

ing Matters Policy, 'to ensure it is sufficiently comprehensive and flexible to embrace (LPS3) provisions and respond to planning considerations and development proposals over time'.

Cottesloe CEO heads to the Kimberley

CARL Askew, CEO of Cottesloe for the past six years is leaving the Town for the Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley, where he will be chief executive officer of a council area encompassing 120,000 sq km, with 120 staff and an annual operating budget of \$20m.

Paying tribute to Carl on

behalf of Town and Council, Mayor Jo Dawkins thanked Mr Askew for his significant contribution to Cottesloe, wishing him well in his future role.

"He has most ably assisted us bring about many positive and important

changes such as Local Planning Scheme 3, sale of the old depot site, and our Strategic Community Plan.

"Of course, over the past 5 years he has been deeply involved in managing the State Government's local government reform agenda as it applies to Cottesloe.

Residents' satisfaction

"During Carl's time at Cottesloe some long-standing, contentious issues have been put to rest, bringing greater stability. This was reflected in our most recent Community Perspectives survey, showing most residents to be satisfied with the Town, with performance ahead of the industry average. Eight out of 10 residents are delighted with living in Cottesloe.

Financial planning

"The CEO has overseen development of long-term works programmes and

Anzac fly-past

THIS year's Anzac Day service, on Saturday, April 25, will be marked with a triple fly-past. Numbers attending the annual service have grown continually, and in this centenary year the Cottesloe RSL organisers anticipate even greater attendance.

They plan to use the Civic Centre main lawn, where seating will be arranged. Everyone is welcome, including children.

Please assemble at the southern gate, opposite Loma Street, from 6.45am.

As well as the fly-past

by three aircraft, the service will include flag-raising, wreath-laying, prayers, brief speeches and the Last Post.

People are encouraged to lay wreaths, flowers or a rosemary sprig. Light refreshments will follow the service.

Below, Mayor Dawkins leads the community into last year's Anzac Day service. Above, bearers ready to raise the flag.



Free ride to the show!

SCULPTURE by the Sea is under way, delighting thousands of visitors every day along the Cottesloe seafront. Don't miss it; you have until March 22 to take in this year's assembly of beautiful and thought-provoking sculptures.

Make the going easy and avoid traffic hassles by taking the free Cott Cat from Cottesloe train station. It shuttles between station and seafront every day, every 15 minutes, from 10.30am-5.30pm.

On the sand

Many sculptures are on the beach. To make disabled access easier, the Town built a new path from Marine Parade to the main beach last year.

Also, beach wheelchairs are available and can be used on the sand/grassed areas; but not in water. Pre-booking is essential, by phoning 02 8399 0233; or email info@sculpturebythesea.com, or calling at the site office, near Cottesloe SLSC. Sculpture by the Sea also runs free Tactile Tours for visitors with disabilities at set times. Further information is at www.sculpturebythesea.com/exhibitions/cottesloe/tactile-tours.aspx



Naming snags

A WORKING group of 'relevant local people' will consider and advise the Council on suitable potential names for otherwise un-named locations, such as laneways.

Formation of the group, chaired by Cr Burke, follows recent discussions to find names that meet the requirements of WA's Geographic Names Committee, which has the final say.

The new name submitted for RoW 55 is Foulkes Lane, after Charles Griffiths Foulkes, Cottesloe's first homeowner. He developed our original electoral role and was elected to the inaugural Cottesloe Road Board. Council has also submitted to the Committee 'Macarthur St', for an access road behind part of Curtin Avenue.



CEO Carl Askew; in May he takes over at Wyndham East Kimberley.

forward financial planning so that the Town is in a strong financial position well placed to build on this and further improve service levels," said the Mayor. Carl takes up his Kimberley post in May, and Cottesloe has begun the recruitment process to appoint a successor.

Town Centre work

WORK is under way on Town Centre improvements, including new paving in Napoleon Street.

Last month Council approved a \$128,000 tender for paving replacement by the Affirmative Group. The old pavers will be recycled or sold for re-use.