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Geophys probes deeper knowledge of Cott foreshore

A 2008 Council study of Cottesloe's coastal vulnerability led to the recent completed geophysical study along Marine Parade. Officers now know a lot more about just how much rock, and how much sand, is located below ground on the foreshore.

The knowledge would help decide where protective building works might be needed in the future to minimise damage from severe storms and future, increased sea-levels.

Cost of the study was originally estimated at \$80,000, shared equally between the Council and the

Dept of Transport. It was completed under budget, for \$56,00, and the savings will be used to revisit the study and extend the geophysical work to gain more accurate information.

All results will eventually be placed on the Council website.



The Hon. Simon Crean MP joined Cottesloe Mayor Kevin Morgan; Mosman Park Mayor Ron Norris (left); and Peppermint Grove President Brian Kavanagh (right) for the official opening of the Grove Library last month before a visit to John Curtin's family home in Cottesloe.

Anyone for tennis – parking?

A SEALED car park on Napier St north side has been requested by the Cottesloe Tennis Club. Three eight-bay parking blocks would be created, with native vegetation and

suitable trees. An allowance of \$52,000 will be considered in the 2011/2012 budget.

ANZAC Day – everyone is invited

RSL WA Cottesloe sub-branch invites the community to attend the ANZAC Day service at the Civic Centre and War memorial Town Hall at 6.45am Monday, April 25. There will be a parade and flag-raising, wreath laying, prayers, readings and playing of the Last Post. Light refreshments will be served. Please attend at the south gate (opposite Loma St) no later than 6.45am.



HAVING YOUR SAY
Dogs Local Law – comments by April 29

New, shared depot plans

A JOINT depot, shared with Nedlands and Subiaco, could provide a solution to Cottesloe's needs.

The Council has agreed to join with those two cities in negotiating access to suitable land from the State government, possibly in the Claremont/Shenton Park area. Staff

point out that any new depot construction would include a far higher level of environmental and sustainability than the present site in Cottesloe. A move would allow redevelopment of the old site, with a range of environmental improvements including deep sewerage.

Sculpture by the Sea collection is growing

ANOTHER miniature sculpture from the 2011 Sculpture by the Sea exhibition has been presented to the Town in appreciation for hosting the event once more.

The cast iron and lead sculpture – 'untitled' by Peter Tilley joins the collection of miniatures on display in the foyer of the Civic Centre administration offices.

The Town's major acquisition from the 2011 exhibition – Ron Gomboc's relationship: together series – is likely to be installed in Grant Marine Park.

Laneway Upgrading

NO written comments were received during the recent consultation period and the Council has moved to adopt the five-year programme of upgrading, with funding consideration beginning in the 2011/2012 budget. Cottesloe controls 12.23km of laneways, of which 6.88km are unsealed.

Council mounts up Town's Bike Plan

AS part of its five-year Cycling Facilities Plan Cottesloe will try for a 50 per cent contribution from Bikewest for a Forrest Street cycle path, and include improvement of the cycling network in all future development plans. In the current financial year, the \$15,000 allocation is budgeted for three small projects. These are a connection path at Curtin Ave/Kathleen St; crossing signs at Curtin Ave/Grant St; and shared path signs and bike ramps on the Eric St blister island near Hamersley St.



Workshop was pumped!

A FREE cycle skills workshop at The Grove Community Centre last month was organised by local councils and groups and sponsored by Bikewest as part of 'Cycle Instead' BIKE-WEEK with Australian Cycling Federation coach Paul Loring (pictured.)

"His audience gasped in amazement when Paul demonstrated how to quickly and easily change a tyre," says Cottesloe's sustainability officer Liz Lowrey.

"Having spent at least an hour trying to change tyres myself, this was amazing. If you are a bike rider yourself, then be pleased to know that if you break down in the vicinity, there are now a lot more people likely to be able to come to your aid!"



The Beachfront Debate



Marine Parade options to get wide publicity

The Council decided that – in addition to formal advertising – the best way to encourage public input and comments was by publishing and distributing a comparative table, showing the proposed changes, and Cottesloe's preferences as set out in LPS3, as well as disseminating the full details.

Legal advice

At the same time, the Council is taking legal advice on whether Minister John Day has met the requirements of the Government's coastal policy regarding height controls and community consultation.

Advertising

To make the advertising most effective, Cottesloe has requested the Minister extend the required 42-day advertising period to 56 days, spanning the Easter holidays.

The formal notice will appear in the Post and The West Australian. The Cottesloe Council news page will continue to report developments.

All information, including the comparative table will be placed on the Council website – and displayed at the Grove Library and at the Civic Centre. Letters to all properties including details of the proposed major modifications are also being

delivered throughout the district.

As pointed out by Mayor Morgan, despite requests from Cottesloe the State has provided no explanatory material regarding the planning rationale for or justification of the proposed major modifications.

Therefore, supporting information for the Ministers' proposals cannot be included in the advertising material. However, the Council hopes that describing the proposals and showing them together with the LPS3 provisions will enable the wider community to discern the differences and submit meaningful comments.

News in brief....

Meetings at Civic Centre

NEXT Council meeting Wednesday April 27, at 7pm.

Development Services Monday April 18, 6pm.

Works and Corporate Services Tuesday April 19, 7pm.

Planning applications: For June – lodge by May 9, 2011.

Council elections

LOCAL Government Ordinary Elections will be held on Saturday, 15 October 2011.

It is expected that all Cottesloe Councillors seats will be in contention, although the Council is still awaiting final confirmation that its recommendations for ward boundary changes and a reduced number of councillors has been gazetted.

GREEN and Bulk Waste collections

PLACE items for collection on the verge on the first date shown. Collections will be made from the second date.

- AREA 1 Place on verge – Apr 30/May 1; Collected – May 2
- AREA 2 May 7/8 – May 9
- AREA 3 May 14/15 – May 16