

COUNCIL TO COMMUNITY

February

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SURVEY OPEN!

The survey closes 28 February 2020

Have You Completed Our Survey?

The Shire of Gingin's biennial survey is once again open to the public and we're looking for your feedback. Complete it online via <https://survey.websurveyscreator.com/s/Gingin2020> or drop into the Shire's Administration Centre in Gingin or our Lancelin Office to collect a hardcopy of the survey.

By completing this survey you will go into the draw to **WIN 1 of 5 x \$100 CASH PRIZES!**

Your survey answers will contribute towards informing your Councillors as to the strategic direction you would like to see Council take and what you believe Council should focus on in regards to infrastructure improvements and Shire provided services.

The survey is open to any adult resident or ratepayer and takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. **YOU MAY ONLY COMPLETE THE SURVEY ONCE.** This includes the online version. Please undertake the survey in one sitting. There is no opportunity to save the survey so if you exit the website half way through completing the survey, you will not be able to access it again.

The Shire would like to hear from as many community members as possible – especially those aged 45 years or less as typically responses from this age bracket tend to be limited.

The Terms and Conditions for entry into the Cash Prize competition are available on the Shire's website for viewing (www.gingin.wa.gov.au). **Survey responses close Friday, 28 February 2020.**

For further information please contact Linda Fidge, Coordinator Corporate Planning, on (08) 9575 5119.

2020 Shire Community Grants Program

OPEN NOW – Closing on Friday, 20 March 2020 at 4pm

The Shire of Gingin's annual Community Grants Program round is now open!

This program provides the community with the opportunity to apply for funding for projects and events. Applications will be considered in conjunction with the Shire's 2020/21 Annual Budget.

To Apply:

Refer to the Grants & Funding page on the Shire's website (www.gingin.wa.gov.au/community/grants-funding.aspx).

Further Information

Contact Genesia Koorasingh (Mon-Tues and Thurs-Fri) on (08) 9575 5162.

*Note – the Mid-Year Grants round is no longer being offered from 2020 by the Shire

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Fire Mitigation Works

Recently the Shire of Gingin was successful in obtaining \$270,685 from the Department of Fire & Emergency Services (DFES) to go towards fire mitigation works for the district to be implemented prior to June 2020. This funding is part of the Mitigation Activity Fund which falls under Royalties for Regions which seeks to support activities that build the fire management capacity and overall resilience of regional communities.

These works are currently being carried out around Ocean Farm, Seaview Park, Lancelin and the Gingin town site area. The reason that these works are being carried out in these areas first is because they were identified as being at the highest risk as per the Shire's Bushfire Risk Management Plan and therefore, have been given the highest priority. The works include installing firebreaks, prescribed burning, mechanical works (i.e. mulching) and chemical works.

The Shire is committed to undertaking the recommended mitigation activities identified within our Bushfire Risk Management Plan which include other areas around our Shire such as Guilderton, Woodridge, Gabbadah, etc. Therefore, the Shire will seek further funding support in 2020 to extend the current work into these other areas within the district.

Priorities will be based on risk levels identified within the plan and the ongoing assessments the Shire is continually engaged in. As much of this work as is possible (subject to the availability of funding, weather conditions, resources, etc.) will be initiated during 2020-21. In some instances/areas work will need to spread over 1-2 years as part of a phased approach necessary to complete the work in a safe and effective manner.

If community members have any further queries we encourage you to contact Phil Barrett, the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, for the Shire of Gingin. Mitigation is an ongoing conversation and the Shire aims to work with the community collectively to address it as the need arises. Please call 0408 943 576 if you have any concerns or questions you would like to discuss with Phil.



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Upper Coastal Sporting Facilities Master Plan

We're two workshops down with one to go as we all work towards completing a Master Plan for sports facilities in the Upper Coastal Region (UCR).

Thank you to all of those community members who attended the first two workshops held at the Ledge Point Country Club (30 November 2019) and the Lancelin Sporting Complex (19 February 2020). Your feedback is proving invaluable and the consultants, together with the Shire and the Working Group, look forward to using your feedback to produce the Master Plan for sporting facilities in the UCR.

Copies of the notes from those workshops are available on the Shire's website – www.gingin.wa.gov.au/community/community-projects/upper-coastal-s.aspx. Please note that the notes for the meeting from 19 February may take approximately 10 working days to be placed on the Shire's website following the workshop.

Unfortunately numbers have been less than desired for the first two workshops with youth and those in the 25-45 age bracket under represented. The Shire therefore encourages as many community members as possible to come to the final workshop which will focus on the "Priorities" for the Master Plan.

The last workshop will take place at the Ledge Point Country Club on Saturday, 14 March 2020. To register please email register@gingin.wa.gov.au with the subject line 'Scenarios Workshop' by Monday, 9 March 2020. Please include your full name(s), your contact number and any dietary requirements if applicable, e.g. gluten-free, vegetarian, etc.

Queries

Contact Jodie Mortadza on (08) 9575 5139.

Save the Dates!

- **22 February** – Virtual Swim to Rottneest from 8am, Gingin Aquatic Centre – **all proceeds to the Red Cross Fire Appeal**
- **28 February** – the Resident Satisfaction Survey closes for the Shire of Gingin. Visit www.gingin.wa.gov.au to complete the survey. It takes just 10 minutes. **5 x \$100 Cash Prizes to be won!**
- **29 February** – Melody & Movie in the Park, Ledge Point Oval – **FREE Event**
- **14 March** – Upper Coastal Sporting Facilities – 'Priorities' Workshop, Ledge Point Country Club
- **17 March** – Ordinary Council Meeting at 3pm, Shire Administration Centre, Gingin
- **22 March** – Gingin Triathlon, Gingin recreation grounds/town site – **Participation Fee**

Please go to the **Events Calendar** on the Shire's website www.gingin.wa.gov.au for more details for these event and others.