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COTTESLOE COUNCIL NEWS

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Vote locally on October 19

Fight for North Ward position

JUST one councillor position will be contested, in North ward by nominees Philip Angers and Greg Boland.

Jo Dawkins was the sole nominee for the position of Cottesloe Mayor and so she is elected unopposed.

Councillor seats available in our other three wards were uncontested, so elected members are Katrina Downes in Central Ward, Jay Birnbrauer, East Ward and Helen Burke, South Ward.

Details of all the new Council members, including the two contesting North Ward, are on the Town website.

All the new representatives will be sworn in at a special Council meeting on Monday 21 October at 7pm in the Council Chambers, when committee duties will also be allocated.

Nominate someone for Australia Day awards – by October 18!

NOMINATIONS for Cottesloe's Australia Day Awards close soon. Please don't miss your opportunity to recognize and thank those selfless people who give so much to our community.

This year the awards ceremony – with all the other Australia Day trappings – will be held at the Civic Centre, presided over by new Cottesloe Mayor, Jo Dawkins.

The Town will combine with Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove for a truly local celebration.

In 2013 Mike Ewing became our Citizen of the Year; Oliver Angliss was the Young Citizen of the Year, and Perth Studio Pottery received Cottesloe's own community group award.

You can nominate those to succeed them in the next Australia Day awards.

Contact the Town's community development officer, on 9285 5000.

Or you could go directly

to the nomination form on the Town's website link – www.cottesloe.wa.gov.au – Events – Cottesloe Annual Events.

FREDERICK BELL V.C. MEMORIAL LECTURE



Friday 15 November 2013
Cottesloe Civic Centre
War Memorial Hall
6.00pm for 6.30 start.

The extraordinary life of local war hero Lt. Col. Frederick William Bell VC (1875-1954) will be the subject of this year's presentation by Cottesloe RSL sub-branch Hon. Secretary, Dr. Neville Green.

An annual lecture is given in remembrance of Fred Bell, who served in the WA Mounted Infantry Contingent and was awarded the Victoria Cross for bravery during the Boer War.

The talk is sponsored by the RSL WA branch and the Cottesloe sub-branch.

Entry is by gold coin donation with light refreshments provided. Please confirm your attendance by contacting Cottesloe's Sherilee Macready on 9285 5000 or by email at cdo@cottesloe.wa.gov.au; or contact Dr Neville Green at marnev18@y7mail.com

Come to tea!

ALL senior residents are invited to the Bendigo Bank Seniors' Week morning tea, at Mosman Park bowls club – on Wednesday November 13, 10am-noon.

There will be a sumptuous tea, entertainment and a door-prize. RSVP essential – to Danielle at the club, on 9384 7951.

Roosters to crow at Harvey Field

NEWLY-formed Cottesloe Roosters AFC has been given the Council go-ahead to play home matches at Harvey Field.

In the event of dates clashing, priority will be given to the existing users – Cottesloe Junior FC and Cottesloe Rugby Club. No additional liquor licence will be considered for the reserve area and the approval will be reviewed at the end of the 2014 season.

Beachfront Challenge Ends



“Government has rewritten the rules”

COTTESLOE'S Local Planning Scheme (LPS3) is to be finalised and sent to the WA Planning Commission for approval, signing by the Minister and eventual gazetting.

The Town has discontinued its legal proceedings in the Supreme Court which signals the end of Cottesloe's long struggle against the building height limits added to LPS3 by the State Government.

Cottesloe Council has reluctantly bowed to the inevitable, because the Minister has now made changes to the State Coastal Planning Policy on which the Cottesloe challenge was based.

Mayor Kevin Morgan said:

“The Barnett government has re-written the rules to ensure that their previously unlawful decision can now be legalised.



Kevin Morgan

“It means that Council's challenge is now futile.

“However you can take some comfort from the fact that coastal planning now has at least paid some lip-service to some of the factors that epitomise the Enquiry by Design process and outcome. I think the future for this council is to get those principles refined and applied on the beachfront, when development does occur.”

Mayor thanks the Town

AT his final meeting as Mayor of Cottesloe, Kevin Morgan thanked the whole community for the privilege of serving the Town, as Mayor and Councillor, over the past ten years.

Those thanks were extended to fellow councillors and the Town staff too, as Kevin recounted the achievements, and the battles fought during his tenure.

Passing the mantle to incoming Mayor, Jo Dawkins, he said:

“I have utmost faith that Jo Dawkins will be no-one's patsy; and I have no doubt that she will have the best interests of Cottesloe at heart.

“Council is a collective decision-making body ... it is much better to have a well functioning council and accept the view of the majority as best for Cottesloe.”

Tributes

Deputy Mayor Jack Walsh led tributes to retiring Councillors Yvonne Hart and Victor Strzina and the Mayor, saying of Kevin Morgan:

“Kevin has been instrumental in many Council achievements but perhaps his own greatest achievement is the manner in which he worked for, and with, our local community.

“This is exemplified by his fight for the beachfront, acting as advocate for our residents.

“His success can be judged by the recent Cottesloe residents' survey which produced the highest satisfaction rate ever recorded in WA.”

Cr Sally Pyvis echoed the Deputy Mayor's comments, telling Kevin Morgan:

“You have provided exemplary leadership to Councillors, administrative staff and the Cottesloe community and demonstrated outstanding management during tumultuous times, with issues such as beachfront building

heights and forced council amalgamations.

“I thank you for your honesty, your articulate intelligence and above all, despite external pressures, the way you have consistently represented residents and ratepayers.

“You have been by far the best Mayor during the 23 years I have lived in Cottesloe – your priority being the well-being, amenity and future of our community.”

News in Brief ...

Meetings at Civic Centre

SPECIAL post-election Council meeting – Monday October 21, 7pm.

Next regular Council meeting Monday November 4, at 7pm.

Development Services Monday October 28, 6pm.

Works and Corporate Services Tuesday October 29, 7pm.

Planning applications: For November – lodge by October 7, 2013.

Depot design guidelines adopted

REDEVELOPMENT of the old Town depot site moved a step closer with Council's adoption of design guidelines, following advertising for comments and incorporation of amendments.

As stated last month, only WAPC approval, anticipated soon, is now required for the sales process to progress.

Bullen Lane requested

RoW 39, which runs between Forrest and Station streets, will be named Bullen Lane if approved by Landgate Geographic Names Committee. Cottesloe's second choice is 'Halfway Lane'.

Havianas OK – with conditions

THE 2014 Havianas Thong Challenge at Cottesloe Beach (Sunday January 26) has been allowed by the Council with extensive conditions and limitations. A request for a merchandise shop was refused.



Hullabaloo is back! – Saturday November 9, 9am-5pm in Napoleon Street.

Motor cars are celebrated at Civic Centre (Sat/Sun November 16/17, 10.30am-3.30pm) for charities; entry \$20, children \$10.

Cottesloe now regulates fitness and personal training groups in the Town; \$20 permit fee is charged.



Your comments are invited ...

Strategic Community Plan

A STRATEGIC Community Plan for Cottesloe has been drafted and presented to the Council, which now invites the community to comment.

The Town's previous Plan for the Future expired in May 2011. An update has been in abeyance, awaiting a conclusion to LPS3, and potential local government reform.

First step in formulating a new plan was surveying current community attitudes and this was completed in April. Now it has been endorsed by the Council, the next stage is a two-month period advertising and feedback period.

Residents can now view the draft Strategic Community Plan at the Town website, and are asked to make their comments and suggestions by Friday, 29 November.

The final plan is expected to be re-presented to the Council in December.

Sustainable travel allowance for Town staff

COUNCIL also invites residents' comments on the concept of paying a small allowance to encourage staff to walk or cycle to work, in order to support its ongoing commitment to environmental sustainability and goal of carbon neutrality by 2015.

Full details are on the Town website and submissions are requested by 4pm, October 25.