

# COVID-19 UPDATE

The safety of our staff and patrons is our first priority and we appreciate your understanding in these uncertain times.

We are attempting to stay on top of the COVID 19 situation by following guidelines from the WA Department of Health and our peak industry bodies.

Recent announcements from the Department of Premier & Cabinet has allowed Community facilities such as Recreation Centres, youth centres or senior citizens centres are permitted to open, with a 20 patron limit. There must be at least 4 square metres of floor space per patron.

This will allow the **Westonia Recreation Centre (Complex)** to be open (**BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**) for fitness classes or small group training up to a maximum of 20 participants and there is 4 square metres of floor space per person, up to a maximum of 20 participants in total at the venue.

Equipment is not allowed to be shared in a session. It must be cleaned between every session.

This means you cannot use any gym machines, like Pilates reformers, weight machines, exercise bicycles, rowing machines, and treadmills.

## THE WESTONIA 24/7 GYM IS STILL STRICTLY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Please ensure you wipe down all equipment used with the provided disposable wipes and/or sanitiser (where available).

We also urge all patrons to use common sense when it comes to illness and infection control and follow all advice from the WA Department of Health at [www.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.health.wa.gov.au)



### Roadworks

The roads crew will be completing their final construction project for the financial year with the re-sheeting and drainage improvements of a 2km section of DellaBosca Rd.

This is being carried out in conjunction with some winter grading when conditions allow. Council has one grader/roller combination working in the North of the Shire with the other unit working in the central portion of the Shire.

### Townsite

The town crew have been working hard on several projects in the townsite including

- Clean up and restoration of the old generator/storage shed adjacent to the CO-OP.
- Clean up of Council material laydown area.
- Tidy up of depot sheds and surrounds.
- Tree lopping of Street Trees to allow improved visual of street facades.
- Infill planting of native species on vacant townsite lots northern section of town.



### SHIRE OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note the Shire Office and Public Library will be closed on the following Public Holidays:-

**WA DAY—1st June 2020**



### Goverance Update

The next Council Meeting will be held on **Thursday 18th June 2020**, from 3.30pm. The meeting will be held at the Westonia CRC Building (Old Shire Administration Building) The meeting's agenda will be published on Council's website from 5.00pm on **Friday 12th June 2020**.

Public Question Time commences as 3:30pm and is limited to 15 minutes

for more info: (08)90467063

[www.westonia.wa.gov.au/council-meetings](http://www.westonia.wa.gov.au/council-meetings)



## Are you an Elector?

**THEN GOOD NEWS!** THE SHIRE OF WESTONIA HAS MADE A DECISION TO PROVIDE ALL RESIDENTS, WHO ARE OVER THE AGE OF 18 AND WHO ARE ALREADY ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL FOR WESTONIA, WITH FIVE (5) \$10.00 VOUCHERS WHICH ARE REDEEMABLE AT ANY OF THE ELIGIBLE WESTONIA BUSINESSES WITHIN THE SHIRE.

MORE DETAILS WILL BE ROLLED OUT IN THE COMING WEEKS WITH A START DATE SOMETIME IN JUNE.

THIS AND OTHER COVID-19 RELIEF & RECOVERY STRATEGIES PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED AMOUNT TO OVER \$85,000 IN STIMULUS AND RELIEF MEASURES TO WESTONIA BUSINESS AND RESIDENTS.

May 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting Decisions

**COVID-19 RECOVERY@WESSY**

*We've all in this together*





Primary Care Nurse Practitioner  
**LAURA BLACK**

NEXT VISIT

Thurs 28th May 2020

9.00am—2.00 pm

Booking made through

SHIRE ADMIN on (08) 9046 7063



**DR OLGA WARD**

MBBS, FRACGP, GDRGP, FARGP  
Procedural Surgical GP Westonia

SHIRE ADMIN on (08) 9046 7063

Consulting Dates 2020  
(Monday's)

15th of June 2020

13th of July 2020

10th of August 2020

5th of October 2020

9th of November 2020

7th of December 2020

Due to COVID-19 Distancing Precautions, The Shire Medical Waiting Rooms will only Take 2 People at a Time other Patients will be requested to wait Outside or in Vehicles.



WESTONIA SHIRE  
LIBRARY

The Shire Library will re-open from Monday 18th May 2020 from 8.30am with the following \*Restrictions



**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY DIFFERENTIAL RATES 2020/2021**

Pursuant to Section 6.33 and 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995, notice is hereby given to ratepayers of the intention of the Shire of Westonia to impose the following differential and minimum rates for the 2020/2021 rating year. This rate is taking into consideration Council's decision at April meeting to impose a 0% rate increase:

Category	Rate in the \$	Minimum Rate \$
GRV General	7.2073	355.00
GRV Mining	20.4953	355.00

**RATE IN THE DOLLAR**

The proposed rates-in-the-dollar and minimum payments are based on estimates at the time of giving public notice and may change as part of Council's 2020/21 budget consideration. The object and reasons for each proposed rate may be inspected at the Shire Office, Wolfram Street, Westonia during normal business hours or by visiting our web site [www.westonia.wa.gov.au](http://www.westonia.wa.gov.au). All submissions in writing with reference to the proposed differential rates or minimum payments should be forwarded to the Shire of Westonia no later than 4:00pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2020



Restricted Burning Period ENDING



The Restricted Burning Period for the Shire of Westonia has ended, as of Thursday 30 April, 2020 Burning is now permitted without a permit.



**NEW SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN TO SUPPORT WHEATBELT TOURISM**

#awindowinthewheatbelt aims to inspire people to take a road trip to the Wheatbelt once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted and it is safe to do so.

Wheatbelt Local Tourism Groups of NEWTRAVEL, RoeTourism and the Central Wheatbelt Visitors Centre are asking locals during the month of May to support the regions tourism industry by putting photos taken from their windows on social media to remind everyone of what they're missing -and inspire them to travel once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. Wheatbelt locals are invited to take a picture of a view from their property and post it on social media using the hashtag #awindowinthewheatbelt and their location, such as #Westonia

Inspired by this initiative in Scotland by VisitScotland, we hope this campaign will also offer Western Australian Wheatbelt tourism businesses and communities an outlet to showcase their own views of the Wheatbelt and inspire visitors to see them for themselves when they can in the future.



get your **flu shot** here!

**Be Flu Smart and get your Flu Shot Now!**

Free flu vaccines are available now at Westonia Drs Surgery. **All People who are eligible for the Free vaccine** To book an appointment Please call the Shire Office on **(08) 90467063**

**Please be patient as we clear the existing appointment backlog.**

