

Spirit OF KWINANA

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Mayor's Message



We've launched into 2026 with a new jump track, a series of free youth development programs and the launch of the Early Years Strategy with a real focus on improving support for our youngest residents.

Conversations will soon begin at the other end of the age spectrum, on how we can make Kwinana age-friendly and

inclusive of older residents. We will be looking at outdoor spaces, transport and more to develop an action plan, so I encourage your participation.

We have an incredible Alcoa Children's Festival planned for later this month, and we've opened an invitation to all artists to join the City's new artist collective.

Our natural environment is a treasure here in Kwinana, and our annual Living Green series is about to kick off. I'm thrilled to share there will be twice as

many plants available through the popular seedling subsidy this year!

As a Council we will also continue to advocate for investment in the area to provide facilities that strengthen and support our community and generations to come.

Peter Feasey
Mayor of Kwinana

Bunuru / Djeran

The Nyoongar seasonal calendar includes six different seasons in a yearly cycle.

Bunuru is the 'second summer', known as the season of adolescence, and the hottest part of the year in February and March.

April and May are in 'Djeran', also known as the season of adulthood and when the cooler weather begins.

CCTV report

At least 185 homes have been able to install CCTV since July last year, thanks to the City's CCTV Subsidy Program. The CCTV subsidy continues to make a real difference across the community. Residents have shared how CCTV could support them fleeing domestic violence, and in another instance, footage provided by a homeowner assisted Police with an investigation into suspected arson in nearby bushland.



Wandi Jump Track set to launch

The new Wandi Jump Track is ready to launch on 22 March with a fun session hosted by Freestyle Now.

The City responded to calls by residents for youth activities in the area, with the jump track subsequently built at the Honeywood Adventure Playground.

This high quality beginner-level track includes a two-jump line with a catch berm, offering a good introduction to jumping to build bike skills in a safe environment.

This jump track fulfils a community's dream for an active space for young people and the City is proud to deliver this facility in Wandi.

Stay tuned on socials or enews for launch event details!



SPIRIT *Spotlight*

Artisan Collective launches and features artist Jane Li

Artisans across Kwinana are gathering to create a core group of artistic practitioners.

This Artisan Collective is for the artists, makers, and artistic activators. The Collective's first meeting was held at Smirks Cottage in Medina with the aim of building creative spaces in our community.

Please watch for the next meeting to be announced in February.

The Collective's first meeting, including award-winning international artist Jane Li.

Li trained in fine art in both China and Australia and is best known for her highly detailed botanical and bird paintings and traditional Chinese art.



Not only is she a talented artist but Li is also a Tai Chi Master, and a skilled interpreter and translator. We are very honoured she is committed to sharing her knowledge and artist journey locally with workshops and watercolour classes held at the Koorliny Arts Centre and she encourages other artists to gather to bring a creative environment right here in Kwinana to life.



Early Years Strategy

The City of Kwinana’s first Early Years Strategy has launched! We invited parents and caregivers to learn more about the Strategy which outlines 10 commitments by the City to improve the wellbeing of our youngest residents aged 0 to 5 years.

These commitments focus on three areas: children, their parents/caregivers and families, and community.

From here, an Early Years Action Plan outlining key actions to deliver on these commitments will take shape.

At the launch, parents and caregivers expressed a sense of relief to know the City was working towards better access to local services.

Georgia King, of Parmelia, said it would help her connect to her community while Jamee Doherty, of Wellard, said when you have kids you don’t really know where to start in terms of knowing what services are available so would value increased education in that space.

Rebecca Bell, of Orelia, felt the Strategy’s impact would improve social connections, not only for mums but dads too. Tiffany Hubbard, of Wellard, said the Strategy would make it easier for parents to reach out for help.

The Strategy also expressed the City’s commitment to continuing to call for funding support for young families.

Mayor Peter Feasey said the City continues to advocate for the resources, funding and system changes needed to ensure every child and family can thrive.

“This includes calling for an investment fund for Early Years impact; sustained investment to establish and integrated community health and early years hub; improved public transport and active travel options; and dedicated resources to support shared data that leads to meaningful lasting impacts for children and families,” Mayor Feasey said.

OUR FOCUS

Children

OUTCOME

Children are happy, healthy, learning, nurtured and safe

COMMITMENT 1

Early childhood development is understood by everyone who contributes to raising children in Kwinana.

COMMITMENT 2

Children access healthcare that assists their development.

COMMITMENT 3

Community spaces are welcoming, safe and child friendly.

OUR FOCUS

Parents, Caregivers and Families

OUTCOME

Parents, caregivers and families are connected and supported.

COMMITMENT 4

Families know what’s happening and where to get support.

COMMITMENT 5

Supports and services for young children and their families are accessible and easy to navigate.

COMMITMENT 6

Families are connected to support from other families and community.

OUR FOCUS

Community

OUTCOME

Kwinana communities are inclusive, connected and child friendly.

COMMITMENT 7

Community events and activities bring Kwinana families together.

COMMITMENT 8

Communities and individuals that support children and their families are assisted to build their skills and enhance collaboration.

COMMITMENT 9

Innovative and bold ideas that assist children and families are championed and supported.

COMMITMENT 10

Decisions are shaped by what children and families want and need.

Age Friendly Kwinana

The City of Kwinana is inviting seniors to have their say as part of an exciting new project to help shape a more age-friendly community.

In early 2026, the City will be undertaking a series of age-friendly community consultations with seniors, local services and groups and City of Kwinana staff.

These conversations will inform the development of Kwinana's first Age-Friendly Action Plan and support the City's application to join the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities.

An age-friendly community is one where people of all ages can live safely, stay connected and remain active and involved as they age.



This includes outdoor spaces, transport, housing, social participation, access to information and community support.

- Community consultations with seniors: 17 and 19 March
- Consultation with City of Kwinana staff: 30 March

- Conversations with local groups and organisations: late February to mid-March

Keep an eye on the City's website, Facebook page and Love My Kwinana for updates.

Team Connect

A girls cricket team run by volunteer organisation Team Connect at Gilmore College, with the support of BHP funding and the City of Kwinana, wraps up a successful season this month.

Team Connect removes barriers to participation by supplying students with transport to away games, a healthy morning tea at games, and covers all the uniforms, registration fees and equipment.

The City of Kwinana allocated a youth worker who brought a new vibrancy to the team while offering the girls a safe and supportive environment.

Two prior team members also stepped into leadership positions this season, which runs October to March, supporting the team's participations in the girls Year 6/7 competition administered by WA Cricket.

Team Connect Founder Margie Oldfield said she hopes Gilmore College introduces a second team next season.

"Through this engagement with the City of Kwinana we have had more players signing up as the season progresses," Ms Oldfield said.



Back row (Left to right): Maddison Sheppard, Ellie Bridger (former player now leader), Olivia Vanderlei, Ruby Sheppard (former player now leader), Ms Jennifer (Jen) Bignell (teacher volunteer Gilmore College), Maddison Skelton, Chantelle Smith.
Front Row (Left to right): Shelby Prescott, Mikayla Rumens-Thornber, Jorja Spreadborough.

"Feedback from the girls last year included the team becoming their friendship group, how vital the bus was to their participation, and wanting to do it every year!"

She said it was a community effort, using cricket to connect the girls to the community and to the school, which often had a positive effect on confidence and school participation.

"A volunteer who plays for the Kwinana Cricket Club is now coaching the girls weekly at trainings and often supports the girls at their games on Saturdays,"

"We have school staff volunteering their time to support the girls after school and on weekends, the team also has a community volunteer who assists with scoring and supports the team at every Saturday game," she said.



LYRiK's coming of age

For 20 years, the Leadership, Youth and Respect in Kwinana (LYRiK) Program has played an important role in supporting and celebrating the young people who help shape our community.

LYRiK is about more than awards or scholarships — it is about recognising effort, encouraging growth and building connections between young people and the wider Kwinana community. Through the LYRiK Awards, local young people aged 10–24 are recognised for their leadership, resilience, creativity and positive contribution, reminding us that young people are active and valued members of our community.

The LYRiK Scholarships program supports young people aged 15–24 who are working towards education or employment goals. By combining financial assistance with structured mentoring, the program helps participants build confidence, set realistic goals and gain insight into future

pathways. The mentoring component also strengthens community connections by bringing together young people, local professionals and community mentors.

The benefits of LYRiK extend beyond individual participants. Families, schools, clubs, workplaces and community organisations all play a role in nominating, mentoring and supporting young people through the program. This shared approach helps build a stronger, more connected community that values inclusion, opportunity and mutual respect.

As LYRiK celebrates its 20th year in 2026, the program continues to invest in Kwinana's future by supporting young people to reach their potential and recognising the positive impact they make every day.

Nominations for the LYRiK Awards and applications for the LYRiK Scholarships are now open, giving the community the chance to support, recognise and celebrate local young people.



For more information please visit kwinana.wa.gov.au/lyrik

New Youth Development programs

Two new programs aimed at the development of youth have launched in Kwinana!



The Kwinana Youth Impact Grants gives provides funding for young people to grow, get involved or make an impact.

There's up to \$500 for individuals and up to \$1000 available for groups.

The Kwinana Youth Impact Grants support projects in four key areas:

1. Events / Activations / Programs
2. State / National Representation
3. Personal / Professional Development
4. Environmental and Sustainability – proudly supported by Eclipse Soils



Visit kwinana.smartygrants.com.au/KYIG



Are you aged 14–24 and looking to level up your skills for the future?

The City of Kwinana now offers free upskilling courses to help young people like you get ahead in life, school, or work.

Whether you're preparing for your first job, exploring new hobbies, or boosting your confidence, we've got you covered.

The YouThrive Pathways Program is proudly supported by Eclipse Soils.

kwinana.wa.gov.au/youthrive



Youth Services Kwinana supports young people aged 12 to 18 who live, work, or attend school in the area. Support is provided through intensive case management, advocacy, advice and information, and referrals to additional services. Youth Services Kwinana is located at the Zone Youth Space and provides a safe, inclusive, and welcoming environment for all young people, including those who identify as LGBTQ+.

To access the service, please call 9236 4556 or complete a Youth Services Kwinana referral form. Walk-ins are welcome.



Find the referral form here kwinana.wa.gov.au/youthsupport



Living Green

Living Green returns this autumn with a diverse program of environmental events running throughout April, May and June.

Take part in guided walks, contribute to citizen science, attend a workshop or get your hands dirty weeding and planting to protect our beautiful bushland reserves. Attend a planting or weeding event during Living Green to go into the draw to win a prize!

And we have great news! The Native Seedling subsidy will be back bigger than ever in May, with twice as many plants available. City of Kwinana residents can collect up to 20 native plants at a discounted rate during the release. Additional funding provided by The Urban Shade Forest initiative, supported by founding partner Chevron Australia and Chevron's premium fuel brand Caltex.

The 'Love Where You Live' subsidy can also provide up to \$400 to transform your front verges into vibrant native gardens. Conditions apply.



Find all the details at kwinana.wa.gov.au/livinggreen

How to – Organise a Street Tree

Help make Kwinana greener and more beautiful!

Eligible homes in established suburbs can apply for a tree to cool your street, support biodiversity, and improve the look of your neighbourhood.

Generally one tree per 10m of verge is permitted.

Visit kwinana.wa.gov.au/streettree now!



Wellard's new bird waterer

A new bird waterer on Glenworth Drive in Wellard's Living Edge Estate was installed in December to provide birds with a reliable source of clean drinking water in proximity to black cockatoo roosting sites.

This was the fourth bird waterer to be installed by the City of Kwinana, with a fifth about to be installed in Bruny Meander Park in Wandii.

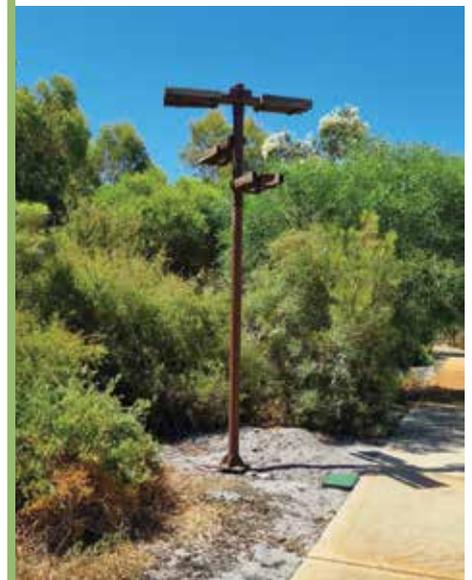
We have three species of black cockatoos here that are iconic and culturally significant, but their populations are declining due to habitat loss, fragmentation and reduced availability of food and water sources in urban landscapes.

Providing new and retaining existing food and water sources are key actions of the City's new Black Cockatoo Conservation Action Plan.

This bird waterer was installed as part of the Keep Carnaby's Flying – Ngoolarks Forever project with Murdoch University, jointly funded by the City of Kwinana and LotteryWest.

This project has funded two other waterers in the City, hundreds of mature native trees, and thousands of native seedlings over the last few years.

Temporary water stations are also deployed in local bushlands and filled regularly over the summer months to support our ground dwelling native animals through the hotter months.



Pre-booked Verge Collections

How are we performing?

In the past six months, the City of Kwinana has received 8,107 verge collection bookings, with 965 tonnes of material collected, with more than 44% of this material being recycled.

Thank you for supporting better waste management practices.

How to book

Residents must book their verge collection before placing any material on the verge.

Please ensure items are placed out no earlier than two (2) days before your confirmed collection date.

Material placed out too early or without a booking may result in an infringement.

1 Book here

Book your collection online by scanning the QR code, visiting kwinana.wa.gov.au/verge or calling 1300 867 166



2 Place items on your verge no earlier than two days before your scheduled collection.

3 We'll come and collect it – it's that simple!



For full details and FAQs visit kwinana.wa.gov.au/vergecollection

What's included?

1 Bulk Waste OR Green Waste
3m³ per collection OR 3m³ per collection

2 Bulk Waste OR Green Waste
3m³ per collection OR 3m³ per collection

3 1 mattress per collection OR 1 white good per collection OR 6 e-waste items up to 1m³ per collection

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What is 3m³?



Important reminder

All verge collection allocations reset on 1 July 2026. Any unused or unbooked collections will not be carried forward. To avoid losing your annual allocation, please ensure all bookings are made before 30 June 2026.

Let's continue working together to improve the way we manage waste in Kwinana.





Kwinana Recquatic

Welcome to the start of your health and fitness journey.

Welcome to Kwinana Recquatic!

No matter what kind of member you are, we have everything you need to kick start your health and fitness journey!

With four unique health and fitness spaces, we have what you need to reach your goals, whether it be group fitness, functional training, body building or wanting to build new relationships with your local fitness community.

It's all here and we can't wait for you to join the family with no lock in contracts. Find out more recquatic.com.au



For more information call [9236 4700](tel:92364700), email recquatic@kwinana.wa.gov.au or visit our Facebook page [/kwinanarecquatic](https://www.facebook.com/kwinanarecquatic).



Kwinana Swim School

Kwinana Swim School provides swimming lessons for children from three months of age through to adults. Classes are 30 minutes long and run mornings and afternoons during the school term. Our swimming instructors are experienced and fully qualified and aim to get the best swimming potential out of you or your child. Holiday swim programs are also available, allowing for an intensive format that reinforces techniques and builds on skills.



Sports Stadium Hire

Looking for a space to train, play or enjoy a social game? Our indoor sports stadium features two multi-purpose courts available for basketball, futsal, badminton, volleyball, netball and more. Bookings are essential. Secure your court via the online portal or contact the Recquatic on 9236 4700 or recquatic@kwinana.wa.gov.au for general enquiries.

Junior Programs

From first steps to first goals, our junior programs support children aged 1 to 12 through fun, movement-based learning. Whether it's *Tumbling Tots* and *Jumping Juniors*, designed for you and your little one to explore motor skills through music, play and movement, or *Multi-Sports* for older kids to try a variety of sports in a non-competitive, supportive environment, there's something for every stage.

Guided by enthusiastic coaches, these term-based programs help build confidence, coordination, and a lifelong love of being active.

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FUTSAL SKILLS
4-12 years

WED

LITTLE SPORTS
1-4 years

THUR

TUMBLING TOTS
1-2 years

JUMPING JUNIORS
3-4 years

FRI

BASKETBALL SKILLS
4-12 years

MULTI-SPORTS
4-12 years



MONDAY EVENING
mixed five-a-side futsal

Social Sports

Looking to stay active, meet new people and enjoy the game without the pressure? Our *Social Sports* programs are all about connection over competition. Whether you're in it for the laughs, the movement or the post-game chats, everyone is welcome no matter your skill level.

TUESDAY EVENING
mixed seven-a-side netball

WEDNESDAY EVENING
ladies seven-a-side netball

FRIDAY MORNING
ladies seven-a-side netball

Secret Women's Collab

The City has partnered with Secret Women's Collab to present three networking events in the next six months for women in business.

These events are for women south of the river, providing opportunity for women to connect, expand, develop their skills and capabilities, and build successful businesses.

Secret Women's Collab is the brainchild of Ash Battye and Emma Bennett, created to fill a gap for working women in Perth's south.

Events include a Coffee & Cowork, a Lunch and Learn and a Quarterly Coworking Day.



For details visit

facebook.com/secretwomenscollab



Kids clothing swap

January's Kids Clothing Swap proved a successful event to support the community and promote circularity.

A clothing swap held across two days catered to up to size 12, with the tables set up in Ken Jackman Hall for great visibility, complete with a red carpet and photo booth!

This swap involved more than 207kg of clothes with 196 people attending. Any remaining items were donated to maternity services and women/children's refugees.

The concept began in April 2025 with a small clothing swap at Baby Bounce, with families loving the initiative but calling for a greater range in sizes. The September swap expanded to 0-5 years, receiving 73kg of clothes and 53 people participating in the swap.

Resounding feedback showed families would love to see swaps occur every three months, so they will continue every school holidays in 2026, before review.

Due to the success of the swaps and the increase in programming around circularity and sustainability, the City now also has the Circular Kids Club branding, which has been used for the first time at this swap!

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City Noticeboard

Seniors Services

The City and local community groups provide numerous programs and services for people 50 years and over.

Check out the City's What's On web page for a full list
kwinana.wa.gov.au/WhatsOn

SpacetoCo

Planning your next event or workshop and looking for the perfect venue? Why not book one of the City's halls or facilities for hire! At various locations throughout the City and with a range of amenities on offer, there is something to suit everyone. Our online booking system, SpacetoCo allows you to submit a booking 24/7.

Find out more
kwinana.wa.gov.au/spacetoco

Business

Join us for an engaging and supportive Business Meet-up designed exclusively for business owners in the City of Kwinana. Share your experiences, exchange tips and strategies, and forge valuable connections that can propel your business forward. Keep an eye on our Business hub to stay informed about upcoming events.

Visit kwinana.wa.gov.au/business-support

Kwinana Loop Trail

For regular updates on the Kwinana Loop Trail Upgrade check lovemykwinana.com, or on the City's website.



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