



Community Recovery Meeting

On Wednesday the 15th June, the Shire of Harvey held a Community meeting at the Harvey Recreation and Cultural Centre. Members of the State Recovery Team, the Shire of Harvey and recovery support agencies attended to provide an update to residents on the progress of the recovery.

Legacy Contamination in Yarloop

State Recovery Controller, Dr Ken Michael addressed the meeting and advised that historical materials from industrial operations within the railway workshops and timber mill in Yarloop had been found during the Yarloop clean-up. Former housing demolished between 1957 and 1965 had left remnants of building materials including some asbestos. This was primarily due to waste disposal methods used then, which were not to the standards expected today. Dr Michael stated that all legacy material found will be cleared to ensure the area is safe and habitable. He explained that the clean-up schedule will not be impacted.

Opening of Zone 1

Project Manager, Rene Baur who is overseeing the clean-up in Yarloop stated that 71 properties have been cleared, 8 are underway and 16 will be starting soon. Two additional crews will also be joining the clean-up team. Mr Baur announced that Zone 1 (southern end of town) is set to reopen on 20th June 2016. The vehicle check point will be moved to the corner of School Road and Railway Parade (see map). Zone 2 (northern part of town) is scheduled to reopen in early July.

Community Consultation

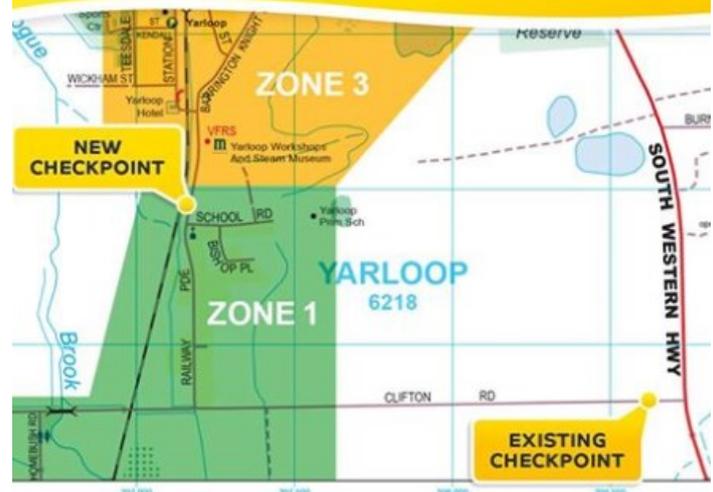
Sam Stokes from the State Recovery Team shared the results of the 178 interviews conducted with residents and interested parties. Information gathered showed people clearly value Yarloop for its quiet country lifestyle, affordable housing, its history and close amenities. Dr Michael advised that Yarloop will be rebuilt. Further analysis and discussions with the Shire of Harvey will now take place to develop options that will be shared with the community in July.

Essential Services for Yarloop

Dr. Michael advised the meeting that:

- Water Corporation will not be charging to reconnect water services for property owners who are rebuilding.
- The Department of Regional Development has agreed to contribute \$50,000 to the Yarloop CRC.
- The Yarloop Primary School is expected to re-open for Term 1 in 2017.
- A site inspection of the Yarloop Police Station by WA Police will be conducted by the end of the month, with a view to reopening the station.

OPENING OF ZONE 1



Clifton Road Bridge Update

Main Roads WA has notified the Shire of Harvey that the Clifton Road Bridge will be finished in the first week of July. The completion of the works has been delayed by one week due to the time required for the concrete to set properly in the cooler weather.



Special Bushfire Enquiry

The Ferguson Report

The Special Inquiry conducted by Mr Euan Ferguson has now concluded and the Report has been provided to the Public Sector Commissioner for consideration. The Premier and Special Inquirer, Mr Euan Ferguson will present an overview of the findings and recommendations of the Special Inquiry at a meeting at the Harvey Recreation and Cultural Centre on **Thursday 23 June** in two separate sessions to account for those who work during the day.

Session 1: 11:15 to 12:15pm

Session 2: 6.00 to 7.00pm

Question time for the local community will follow.

Assistance for Primary Producers

WA Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (WANDRRA) provides a range of measures designed to help Primary Producers. For assistance in completing WANDRRA's Online Application Form please contact Graeme Chopping from Rural Financial Counselling Service for **FREE** professional advice and assistance that comes to you. To make an appointment please contact Graeme on 0439 984 543 or rfc6@rfcswa.com.au

Farmers' Breakfast in the Paddock

Held second Friday of each month

The June Farmers' Breakfast in the Paddock was hosted by Owen and Jo Eastcott. A good turnout of local farmers enjoyed the scrumptious breakfast that was cooked up by the Harvey Lions and sponsored by the WA Farmers Federation and Harvey Beef.

The breakfasts provide a great opportunity for farmers to catch up and have a chat with other farmers who have been affected by the fire.

The next breakfast will be held at the Lions Club shed at the back of the Harvey Recreation and Cultural Centre on

Friday 8th July at 7.30am

If you would like to host or sponsor a breakfast, please contact Maree Ellis on 9729 0323 or email mareee@harvey.wa.gov.au



Bush Fire Recovery

Building and Planning Information Session

Wednesday, 29th June 2016

Harvey Recreation and Cultural Centre 5.30pm

The Shire of Harvey is facilitating a special information session for residents in Yarloop and surrounding areas wishing to rebuild after the bushfires. If you have any queries relating to rebuilding we highly encourage you to come along and participate in this session.

RSVP: recovery@harvey.wa.gov.au or 9729 0381

PROPOSED REVIEW OF LOCAL PLANNING POLICY FOR THE YARLOOP HERITAGE AREA

Shire of Harvey District Planning Scheme No 1.

The Shire invites comment on whether the policy should remain or be revoked. Submissions should be lodged in writing with the undersigned by Wednesday, 6th July 2016. The full details of the current Policy are available for viewing at Council's Administration Offices in Harvey and Australind or on the Shire's website www.harvey.wa.gov.au

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2016 Federal Election

The 2016 Federal Election Voting Day is Saturday 2nd July. For residents living in Yarloop, there will be an early voting centre at the Yarloop Bowling Club on **Wednesday 29th June 2016**, from 9am - 1pm. This will be your only opportunity to vote in the town of Yarloop, if you miss this day then you will have to travel to another polling place on Election Day. Alternately you may be able to apply for a postal vote. These can be completed online via the AEC website www.aec.gov.au/election/pva and must be received by 6pm on Wednesday prior to polling day. Further information will soon be available at the Yarloop Post Office.



GP down south

Local health. Our business.

If you or any member of your family has been affected by the recent fires and need someone to talk to please contact GP down south on **9537 5500** to make an appointment. GP down south are funded by Pinjarra Rotary to provide **free unlimited** counselling services in Harvey, Waroona and Preston Beach for people affected by the fires. **No GP referral needed.**