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# Council Newsletter

SHIRE OF WYALKATCHEM



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## Council's Vision

That Wyalkatchem is an inclusive, dynamic community where all share in a thriving economy and a sustainable, safe and valued environment

## Our Purpose

The Council of Wyalkatchem works with the community to protect and enhance the quality of life for current and future generations.



# Road Works

We have recently completed maintenance grading on the Wylie North Rd and others around Cowcowing and Nalkain.

We are now working on Elsegood Rd in the East and Davies Road, South of Korrelocking, and offshoots.

Please be aware of road plant and drive safely

Thank you

Terry Delane – Manager of Works

## Family Day Care

Congratulations to Wyalkatchem on the new Kulangar Early Learning Centre!



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# Main Street Upgrade

Following the 23 June Working Group meeting, the draft masterplan has been reworked. The most significant changes are;

1. Gazebo, BBQ & playground moved from the vicinity of the Honour Ave intersection to the area behind the memorial wall as it was considered unsafe to have these features located immediately south of this intersection.
2. A new road loop is established in the vicinity of the existing playground & grassed area.
3. Existing Wheatbelt garden is extended to the west.

## STAGE 1 (Initial funding)

### Zone 1 - Town centre & heritage loop walk

#### HIGH PRIORITY

Playground and shade structure  
Footpaths/pedestrian connections  
New street furniture throughout and picnic setting under existing shade structure  
Tree planting  
Garden bed planting  
Improvements to grassed area  
Resurfacing of carpark  
Drainage culvert with handrails and crossing

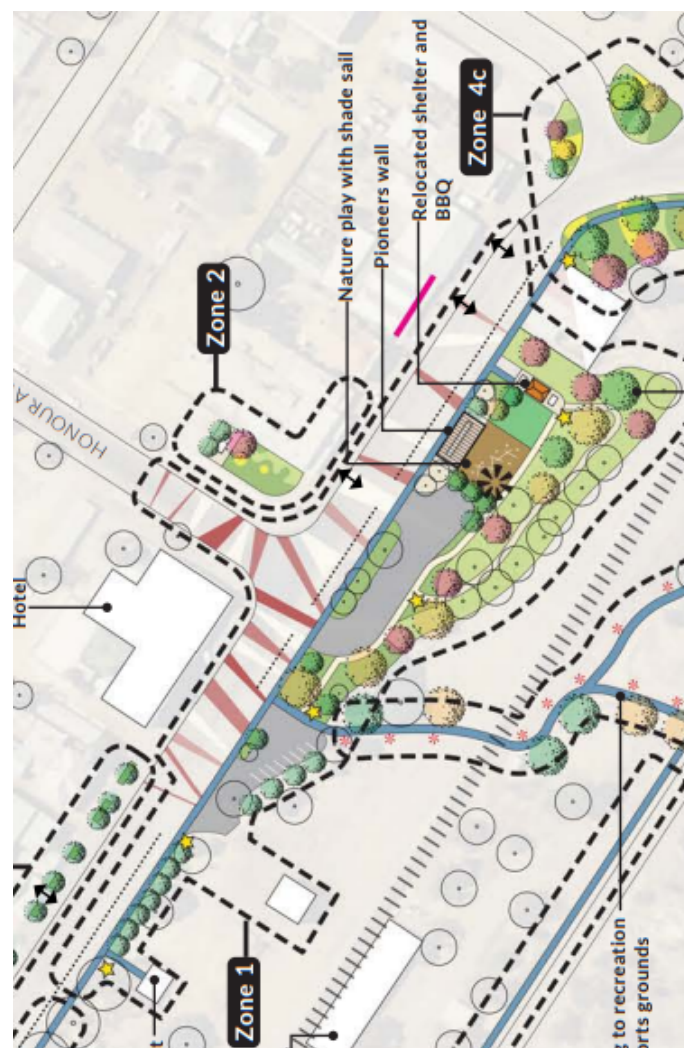
#### LOW PRIORITY

Shade structure to Pioneers Wall  
Road artwork  
Infill planting to wheatbelt garden  
Heritage loop trail with interpretive/wayfinding signage

### Zone 2 - Waterwise garden (assumes community involvement)

#### HIGH PRIORITY

Improvements and infill planting to waterwise garden  
Picnic space with table setting and shade trees



The Working Group is reconvening on Thursday 8 July to consider the revised masterplan and to discuss and agree on improvement elements that will progress to the next stage of design.

The Shire has received a special \$200,000 COVID-19 economic stimulus grant from the Federal Government which it will apply to this project.



## Shire of Wyalkatchem

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# **WA government unveils plan to ban single-use plastic items by 2022**

The West Australian government has brought forward a plan to abolish single-use plastics, vowing to ban a range of items — including plastic plates, bowls, cups, cutlery and takeaway polystyrene food containers — by the end of the year.

Phase 1 has commenced and the Government has advised that single-use plastic or disposable items that will be banned by the end of the year are as follows:

- bowls
- plates
- cutlery
- stirrers
- straws
- cups
- thick plastic bags
- polystyrene takeaway food containers
- helium balloon releases

Plastic-lined coffee cups and lids, produce bags and microbeads will be banned by the end of 2022, according to the policy.

Items to be banned by the end of 2022 include:

- barrier/produce bags
- microbeads
- polystyrene packaging
- polystyrene cups
- coffee cups and lids
- cotton buds with plastic shafts
- oxo-degradable plastics (plastics designed to break up more rapidly into fragments under certain conditions)

Plastic food packaging (Prepackaged fruit and vegetables) will continue to be permitted to be wrapped, and takeaway containers will remain in use and under further consideration.

Stay tuned.....