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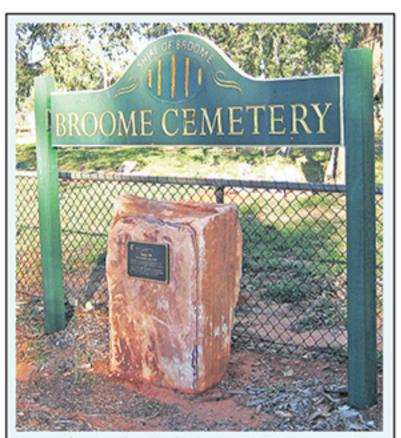


The Shire of Broome is working with organisations such as Training Alliance Group to promote Broome as a training centre and encourage new business.

Shire works to promote education and training

Broome's reputation as a regional centre for education and training is growing as the Shire works in partnership with other organisations.

In August the Shire of Broome worked with Training Alliance Group in partnership with Kimberley Employment Services and Nirrumbuk Aboriginal Corporation to qualify 15 participants in Certificate II Surface Extraction. With 80 per cent of the students Aboriginal, the course included tickets such as Working at Heights, First Aid, Bobcat and Traffic Management. Students are now working closely with KES and the successful completion of the course has created future business, training and employment opportunities for the students in growth industries such as construction, logistics and mining.



A new draft master plan will guide development at Broome's cemetery.

Have your say at cemetery open day

Shire staff will be at the Broome Cemetery this Saturday to answer questions about the new Broome Cemetery Draft Master Plan.

The Draft Master Plan is open for public comment until 1 October 2015 and presents a long-term vision for developing the Broome Cemetery.

It focuses on the existing site as well as adjacent land for future expansion, and includes upgrading and realigning internal roads, developing a columbarium, memorial garden and toilet block, and long-term expansion including a chapel and crematorium.

The open day on 12 September from 2pm to 5pm will allow community members to ask questions and identify areas of concern with Shire representatives and members of the Broome Cemetery Advisory Committee.

Submission forms will be available on the day and the Draft Master Plan is available on the Shire website or from Shire Administration office.

Community views sought on caravan park development

With the lease on the Shire-owned Roebuck Bay Caravan Park expiring in December 2017, Council is seeking the community's views on the future of the facility.

Shire CEO, Kenn Donohoe, says Council has resolved to select the new leaseholder through public tender.

"As part of the new lease, Council would like to see the park redeveloped in line with its iconic location," Mr Donohoe says.

"Council previously engaged a consultant to prepare a redevelopment master plan as a guide, though Council does not support all aspects of the proposal.

"Before going to tender, Council wants to hear the views of the community and industry on redeveloping the site, for incorporation into the vision for the park and tender information."

Public submissions are open until 28 October 2015 and full details are on the Shire website.

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Community volunteers to shape Chinatown

With the Chinatown Revitalisation Project set to take off, community members are being asked to come forward.

The revitalisation project will be undertaken by the Shire in conjunction with LandCorp and the Kimberley Development Commission, with a business case now awaiting approval by the WA Government.

The Shire of Broome is contributing \$2 million to the project with the State pledging a further \$10 million.

Broome Shire President, Graeme Campbell, says to ensure the community's voice is heard, Council is establishing a Stakeholder and Community Reference Group to provide input and feedback to the project group.

"Four community representatives, two Chinatown landowner representatives and one Chinatown traders representative are being sought to join representatives of Nyamba Buru Yawuru, the Broome Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Council," Cr Campbell says.

"This project is vital to Broome's economic future and we would encourage anyone who thinks they can contribute to put their name forward."

Nomination forms and more details available on the Shire website.



Kimberley Development Commission's Tim Bray in Chinatown.

Roadwork underway in Coconut Well

Work has started on the upgrading and sealing of Denham Rd in Coconut Well.

Shire Director of Infrastructure Services, Michael Dale, says initial work to upgrade drainage began this week, and would be followed by earthworks and pavement construction before sealing of the road. Work is expected to run about a month.

Mr Dale says Denham Rd has been graded and repaired regularly by the Shire in recent years but now that funding is available the road is being sealed to provide a safe all-weather road.

"This work will allow Coconut Well residents and others to access Denham Rd safely even in wet weather and will also reduce dust nuisance to neighbouring properties," Mr Dale says.

Recent work was carried out to repair road shoulders damaged during storms earlier in 2015, and continues improvements made by the Shire to the road network in Coconut Well which in recent years has included sealing the full length of McGuigan Rd.