

## What's Happening

In the Shire of Broome?

### CinefestOZ Broome Film Festival



The Shire of Broome is proud to be a sponsor of the inaugural Cinefest OZ Broome Film Festival, which sees WA's First Nations Film Festival come to the Kimberley for the first time from November 3 to 6.

Cinefest OZ Broome comprises a mix of feature film screenings and special events spread across venues such as Sun Pictures and the Broome Civic Centre.

The festival will celebrate the importance of on-screen storytelling in connecting communities and fostering reconciliation in the Kimberley and beyond, giving attendees the opportunity to experience in-conversation filmmaker discussions centered around championing First Nations stories.

For more information and bookings, visit [cinefestoz.com](http://cinefestoz.com)

### Naughty or Nice Cabaret



Broome's biggest Xmas office party is back at the Broome Civic Centre in December with a huge night of entertainment featuring Jessica James, Studio 34 Dancers, Pearlesque Belles, The Hangar-Aerial Fitness and special guest Sum Ting Wong.

Tickets are priced from \$45 per head with food available for pre-purchase.

Naughty or Nice is on Saturday, December 10 from 8pm.

Book now at [broome.sales.ticketsearch.com](http://broome.sales.ticketsearch.com)

## Public invited to participate in Shire ward review

The Shire of Broome is embarking on a review of its wards and representation, with members of the public invited to have their say.

In line with WA State Government recommendations, Councils are being encouraged to assess their wards and jurisdictions to ensure a fair representation for residents.

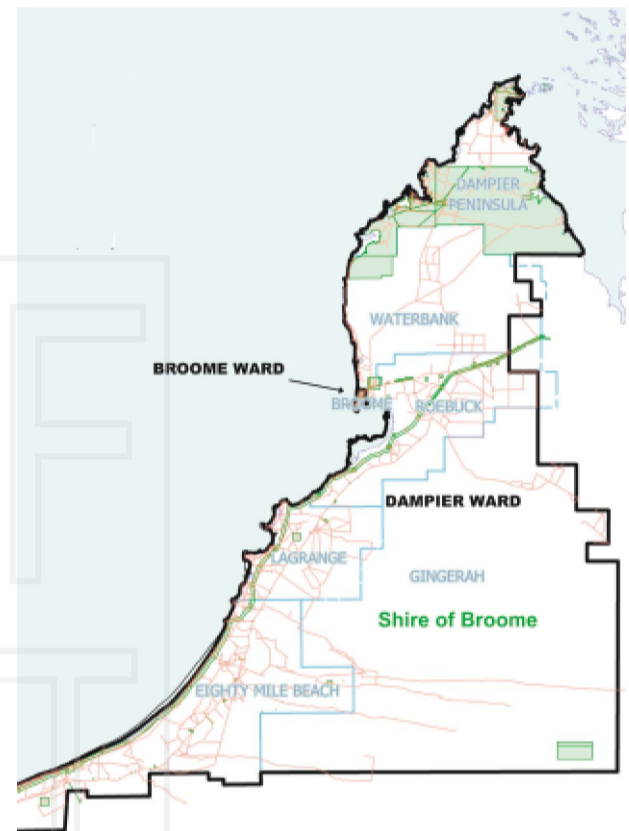
The Broome Shire Council also recently resolved to voluntarily move to elect the Shire President by a public vote, rather than being elected by the councillors as it currently stands. The move is a result of reforms announced by Local Government Minister John Carey on July 3, which will compel Band 1 and 2 local governments to hold direct elections for City Mayors and Shire Presidents.

The popularly elected Shire President will hold a single council position not tied to either of the Shire of Broome's two wards.

The ward review will evaluate a range of options to find a system of wards and representation that best suits the characteristics of the district and its people.

Any of the following options may be considered:

- Option 1 - No changes (Contrary to Ministerial Direction)
- Option 2 - Reduce Dampier Ward representation from 2 to 1
- Option 3 - Retain current ward boundaries with Publicly Voted Shire President



- Option 4 - Amend Broome Ward boundary to include Coconut Well, 12 Mile & Skuthorpe and reduce Dampier representation to 1
- Option 5 - Abolish Wards - Each elected members would represent the entire Shire.

The public submission period will close at 4pm, Friday, November 25.

For more information, see the Latest News page at [www.broome.wa.gov.au](http://www.broome.wa.gov.au)

## Fees waived for pre-cyclone waste disposal

With the wet season almost upon us, the Shire of Broome would like to urge the community to start to prepare for stormy weather.

Our town witnesses several cyclonic events each year, with the potential for substantial damage to properties and possessions.

The Shire offers residents the chance to dispose of selected household materials such as whitegoods, scrap metal, unwanted furniture, e-waste, green waste and timber at the Broome Waste Management Facility free of charge during the next two weekends (Oct 29-30 and (Nov 5-6) - things like mattresses, gas bottles, tyres, car parts and

commercial waste will still incur a fee.

Seniors/pensioners who do not have the ability to take rubbish to the Waste Management Facility can request a skip bin for a fee of \$11. This will be dropped off and picked up the following week - please contact the Shire Administration Office on 9191 3456.

Shire Rangers will be visiting properties where there is a concern of loose materials to ensure occupants are making their properties safe.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said it was important for residents to have a cyclone plan in place and be prepared for the wet season.