

## Attracting events to Broome

**Receiving approval to hold events in public places around Broome is now simpler and more streamlined following a review of the Shire's policy.**

The updated Events Policy was developed following consultation with Broome's events and tourism industry and adopted after a public comment period.

Key changes include reducing the regulations around holding events on iconic Cable Beach, Cable Beach Amphitheatre and Cable Beach Reserve

The process for gaining approval for events has been streamlined, and to reduce waiting times fewer events now require full Council approval.

New, clearer event categories have also been established to make it simpler for organisers to understand.

Shire of Broome Events and Economic Development Coordinator, Rhondra Chappell, says Broome's climate, culture and lifestyle make it the ideal location for special events, functions and festivals. However, Shire approval is necessary to prevent clashes between events in public places and to make sure they adhere to relevant laws, maintain community safety and minimise the impact on the environment.



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The Events Policy can be viewed on the Shire website, along with all the information and guidelines for making an application.

## Lighting up Anne St to improve safety

**Street lighting in a section of Anne St in Old Broome has been upgraded to improve community safety.**

The section between Dora St and D'Antoine St has two new street lights installed with brighter LED lamps and longer highway arms that provide a better spread of light; 17 existing street lights have been upgraded to brighter LED lamps; and seven street lights have been upgraded with longer highway arms.

Broome Shire President, Ron Johnston, says the work was carried out in consultation with Police and others in the Shire's Community Safety Working Group who identified areas most in need of upgrades as part of developing a new Community Safety Plan.

The project was funded by the Shire of Broome at a cost of almost \$100,000 with work carried out by Horizon Power.

In 2016/17 funding has been allocated for street light upgrades on Reid Rd and Cable Beach Rd West.



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## Community plant giveaway a big success

**More than 3000 native plant seedlings have made their way into the community after the Shire's recent giveaway.**

Each year the Shire of Broome provides free native plant seedlings to the community at North West Expo, but with the postponement of this year's event the seedlings were recently made available at the Shire of Broome Depot.

The community response was huge with the entire stock collected in only three hours.

The Shire's Parks and Gardens team plants hundreds of new trees around Broome each year, and the giveaway was a chance for the community to help by planting a wide variety of native species, from ground covers to shrubs and trees.



**Community members collected more than 3000 native seedlings in just three hours.**



**Broome Shire Councillor Mala Fairborn and John Bill Quilisadio.**

## Broome banner is bound for Perth CBD

**A 3m-tall banner in the centre of Perth designed by St Mary's College student John Bill Quilisadio is representing Broome in one of WA's biggest annual community art projects.**

The annual Banners in the Terrace event is run by the WA Local Government Association as part of the WA Local Government Convention.

Representatives from shires, towns and cities around the State will gather in Perth where the banners are displayed along St Georges and Adelaide Tce from Sunday 24 July to Saturday 6 August.



**A new pedestrian ramp at Cable Beach is making access easier.**

## New ramp improves access at Cable Beach

**A new access ramp at Cable Beach is making life easier for those in wheelchairs, pushing prams or who would otherwise have difficulty accessing the world-famous location.**

The new ramp is constructed with exposed aggregate concrete and the project included installing new stainless steel handrails, retaining walls, garden beds and neighbouring steps.

The new ramp is located right next to the ACROD parking bays and provides direct access to the lawn area and facilities such as the restaurant and picnic tables.

The Shire of Broome conducted an Access and Inclusion Audit in 2014 to determine areas of town requiring improvement, with other recent upgrades including improvements to the access ramp in Carnarvon St in Chinatown.

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