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Community Priority: Building/maintaining local roads

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Maintain all roads to higher standard (potholes, drainage, resurface)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional \$750k in this years budget. • Rowley Road upgraded. • Hypergrowth Road construction commencing this financial year. • Captured asset data into Enterprise Resource Planning System. • Better road upgrade planning. • Charging extractive industries. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider additional local roads reseals. • Advocate for further funding for local roads as part of 2025 election. • Prioritise Asset Management Plan for Roads within 10 year forward works plan, linked to Long Term Financial Plan and annual budget. • Improved communication about what has been done and what is scheduled to be done.
Ensure maintenance is a permanent solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handed over Thomas Road to State Government. • Doing more asphalt treatment on roads rather than chip seal. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commence advocating for handing over of Mundijong and Anketell Roads to State Government.
Bituminise unsealed roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not financially able to occur – or in some cases not best outcome for low traffic volumes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of additional funding for gravel re-sheeting. • Investigate gravel pit for Shire use.
Review of intersections to improve safety.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review crash data from Main Roads WA. • Assessment of Blackspot locations and funding applications submitted. • Many intersections will be resolved when Tonkin Highway construction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve communication and coordination of works with Main Roads WA.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrades to Kargotich will address intersection safety concerns on this road. • Undertaking speed audit of roads. 	
Plan for increase traffic volumes – widen roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upgrade of Hypergrowth Roads to commence this financial year. • Some sealing of shoulders is occurring (i.e. Keirnan Street). • Developers delivering some road widening (i.e. Orton Road, Kargotich Road). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify next stage of road upgrades as priorities for 2025 State/Federal Elections. • Consider hosting a host forum with developers to achieve more coordination on road upgrades.
Prioritise Tonkin Highway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy has not been to prioritise the timing of the project to date, instead to ensure a good planning outcome for the community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commence advocating for prioritisation of Tonkin Highway and communicating this to public.

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Community Priority: Community Safety and Crime Prevention

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Advocate for greater Police presence - Hooning, train to Byford, Petty Crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreed. This can be done. • Working with MetroNet to reduce impact of end of line social issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request meeting with Police Minister to raise community concerns. • Engage more with Armadale and Mundijong Police. • Request Metronet to hold a community forum as part of planning for Byford Metronet.
Advocate for Police Station in Byford	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not possible given station in Mundijong. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocate for Station to be 24hrs.
Provide security patrols, especially at night	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not able to afford nor found effective. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocate for greater police presence in hot spots.
Provide increased Ranger presence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ranger services currently provided throughout the Shire. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider additional Ranger resourcing in 2023/24 FY budget. • Review Neighbourhood Watch activities and engagement. • Greater promotion of Friendly Neighbourhood grant and eWatch newsletter.
Install more CCTV cameras and lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCTV as part of building planning as design principles. • CCTV installation being considered as part of Byford skate park upgrades. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with developers to install CCTV cameras in new parks. • Update Community Safety Crime Prevention Plan with a focus upon being able to attract funding for CCTV, lighting and other initiatives in 2023/24 FY.





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Community Priority: Waste Services

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Reinstate verge collections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complex issue currently being reviewed as part of Waste Transfer Station review. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate options as part of Waste Transfer Station review Communicate investigations occurring and timeline with the community.
Provide alternatives to the waste transfer station - skip bins, on demand services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Waste Transfer Station being undertaken this year which will provide recommendations moving forward. 	
Introduce 3 bin system (FOGO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feasibility Study for FOGO being undertaken this year in accordance with Waste Management Plan and being presented to Council this financial year. 	

Community Priority: Streetscapes, trees and verges

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Improve verge maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewing Verge Maintenance Policy. Zone plan for maintenance implemented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operations Centre review recommendations to be considered as part of the budget process. Communicate schedules and what we are doing.
Beautify streetscapes and roundabouts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centre island on South West Highway in Byford being reviewed and improvement being considered. 	
Improve Weed Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New schedules for spraying developed to be implemented. 	
Ensure Drains are cleaned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25km of drains cleaned out last financial year and a further 25km to be delivered this financial year. 	
More Street Cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Street Sweeper purchased and undertaking cleaning schedule. 	



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Community Priority: Playgrounds, parks and reserves

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Provide new and updated Playgrounds – nature/adventure playgrounds,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MetroNet Town Centre in Byford. • Bike Pump track feasibility commencing. • Water Corp currently upgrading playground facility at Serpentine Dam • Serpentine Falls upgrades being delivered by State Government. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feasibility study for destination playground in the Shire in next year's budget and advocate in 2025 election. • Investigate grant funding for new construction of playgrounds.
Update and upgrade existing playground equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground Audit in progress. • Asset data being captured this year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for short term maintenance works in playgrounds at mid-year review. • Investigate other grant funding for improvements.
Provide all ages equipment in playgrounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground upgrade plan being prepared this year including park classification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask developers to include all ages equipment in new parks.
Ensure Playgrounds have public toilets, water, seating, BBQ's, bins and lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground upgrade plan being prepared this year including park classification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider playground upgrade plan recommendations in the 23/24 annual budget.
Ensure adequate shade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground upgrade plan being prepared this year including park classification. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider playground upgrade plan recommendations in the 23/24 annual budget.
Ensure parks and clean, safe and well maintained.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create position to clean and undertake maintenance of playground equipment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground maintenance position in next year's budget – inspection and repairs.

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Community Priority: Sport and Recreation Facilities

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Provide greater range of sport and recreation activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver club development programs with sporting clubs. • Keirnan Park stages (1A, 1B and 1C). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access more Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) funding for facility upgrades.
Provide an Aquatic Centre with swimming pool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming Pool identified within the Keirnan Park Master Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be considered in future planning as part of Keirnan Park Master Plan implementation.
Improve existing recreational facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SJ Community Rec Centre - \$500k being invested in upgrades this FY. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocate for 2 additional indoor courts at SJ Community Rec Centre in 2025 election. • Work with Clubs to advocate for CSRFF Small Grants.
Resurface the netball courts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine costs for resurfacing courts and present for consideration for 2023/24 Budget. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider funding for resurfacing of courts in 2023/24 Budget.
Provide greater access to community gyms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SJ Community Recreation Centre currently 24/7. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with YMCA to improve promotion and signage of SJ Community Recreation Centre.

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Community Priority: Lighting of streets and public places

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Ensure lighting is well maintained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Majority of lighting is Western Power responsibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote how residents can report faulty lights to Western Power
Ensure streets are well lit to enhance community safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All new developments incorporate latest standards for public lighting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Western Power rolling out lighting upgrades to LED which will improve level of lighting
Ensure footpaths and public places are well lit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All new developments are designed with appropriate level of lighting 	
Provide more street lighting at intersections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$50k for Abernethy/Hopkinson intersection lighting included in this financial year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Black Spot projects will identify future intersections for lighting upgrades
Improve lighting in Old Byford area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No funding currently considered for this. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Western Power rolling out lighting upgrades to LED which will improve level of lighting

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Community Priority: Festivals, events, art and cultural activities

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<p>Hold more events to encourage community connection and bring visitors to Shire (Food festivals, Famers Markets, Music Events, Art Exhibitions).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently support an annual events program (Farmers Market, Food and Farm Fest, Food Truck Fiesta series etc.) • Log Chop event returning 2023 • Promoted through Major Events Guide – hard copy to each household annually • 3-year funding agreements for major events with external organization, providing certainty 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider recommencing a Music Festival and/or Opera at the Mill • Consider increasing the number and type of events delivered • Increase promotion of community events program (street banners)
<p>Ensure activities and events cater to a variety of demographic groups (Families etc.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently support an annual events program (Farmers Market, Food and Farm Fest, Food Truck Fiesta series etc.) • Annual survey carried out to identify community priorities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider increasing the number and type of events delivered • Increase promotion of community events program (street banners)

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Community Priority: Footpaths, trails and cycleways

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Provide a more extensive network of well connected footpaths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk and Bike Plan which identifies major connecting paths required • Funding applications with State Government • Currently allocate only \$50k for footpath renewal annually. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare a Footpath Plan to identify gaps and renewal of local footpaths • Consider increasing funding for footpath renewal in annual budget.
Provide cycleways to encourage safe cycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$3million allocated for Soldiers Road Principal Shared Path. • Principal Shared Path to be delivered as part of Tonkin Highway and Thomas Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocate for State Government to prioritise delivery of Soldiers Road Principal Shared Path and Tonkin Highway and Thomas Road Principal Shared Path.
Keep all footpaths and cycleways clean and well maintained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance carried out on a reactive basis in line with budget constraints 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider purchasing a footpath sweeper in 23/24 budget (and additional staff member)
Create more bush walk, trails and bridle paths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enough walking and bridle trails • New bridle path in Jarrahdale in partnership with Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater promotion and maintenance of existing trails • Lobby Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) for greater maintenance of their trails • Consider funding actions from Equine Trails Master Plan in 23/24 budget.

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Community Priority: Stormwater Drainage

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Improve stormwater drainage systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25km of open drains cleaned in 2021/22 and Operations Team are on track to clean similar length of drains (25kms) by end of 2022/2023 financial year. • Attachment for street sweeper being purchased to clean pits and gullies • Audit of culvert conditions being carried out which will be used to develop improvement plans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lobby Water Corporation to maintain their drains.
Ensure stormwater drains are regularly maintained and cleaned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance works are being carried out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule of proactive maintenance works to be developed • Investigate cold burning program for priority areas where terrain is not suitable for slashing.
Improve drainage around roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More cleaning carried out around drains 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue drain maintenance program.
Address concerns over mosquitos in stagnant water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proactive and reactive mosquito monitoring based on complaints or reports from Department of Health. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise awareness by educating residents • Turn stormwater drains and basins into living streams. Investigate Living Streams into Natural Resource Management scope.

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Community Priority: Youth Services and Facilities

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Provide safe spaces for young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Briggs Park Pavilion - Funds allocated for facility upgrades 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocate for new Briggs Park pavilion to free up pavilion for dedicated Youth Centre
Provide a greater range of activities for youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pump track feasibility currently being undertaken 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider additional funding for youth programs in 23/24 budget. Review youth program and activities being delivered
Provide more activities and the Rec Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> YMCA provides calendar of events and activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with YMCA on greater promotion of activities and events
Upgrade the Skate Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$800k upgrade to occur this year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Byford Skate Park upgrade.
Ensure young people have access to public transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocating to Metronet for greater bus public transport around Byford when Byford train extension is delivered. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue advocacy with Metronet.

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Community Priority: Council's Leadership

Community Driven Action	Officer Comment / Current Status	Additional Actions to be considered during the 23/24 IPR processes
Review and improve Council culture		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake a Values and Purpose workshop with Elected Members.
Increase transparency, accountability and integrity		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognise contributions of community where appropriate.
Address concerns with election process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submitted invalidity complaint • New election held 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 Local Government Election format to be considered by Council.
Improve community engagement (inform, involve and listen to community)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Engagement Officer position created in 22/23 budget. • New Strategic Communications Plan developed. • Major Review of Strategic Community Plan being undertaken 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement new Strategic Communications Plan. • Complete Strategic Community Plan – Major Review Project.
Improve value for money for Council rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning underway for a range of community infrastructure projects (Keirnan Park, Skate Park, Hypergrowth Roads etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve communication and promotion of Shire projects being planned and delivered • Improve physical signage at project locations informing community of works being delivered.