



Narrogin Narrative

September 2026



Council also resolved not to renew the Shire's membership with Astrotourism WA for 2026/27, determining that current local demand and utilisation did not justify the annual membership cost.

Council also considered a request to waive rates debt recovery and penalty charges on a vacant property, resolving that the existing debt recovery process should continue.

As urgent business, Council approved a lease with the Lions Club of Narrogin for land at Clayton Road to enable construction of a shed to house Lions Club equipment and the Community Assisted Transport Service (CATS) vehicle, supporting valuable community services.

Pioneer Drive Road Closure

Works will soon commence on the installation of a **new slip lane on Pioneer Drive**, which will provide improved access for southbound traffic entering the Visitor Centre.

 **Works are scheduled from Tuesday, 29 September to Friday, 2 October**, with works expected to take four days.

To allow these works to be completed safely and efficiently, **Pioneer Drive will be fully closed during this period** and while the road closure is in place, the Visitors' Centre **will be closed**.

We appreciate the community's patience and cooperation while these important works are undertaken and ask motorists to follow all traffic management and signage in the area.

Have You Completed Your Census?

Census Night was Tuesday 11 August 2026, but there's still time to complete your Census!

Why is it important to be counted? The information collected through the Census helps governments and communities understand the needs of local areas. This information can help inform funding, planning and decisions about important projects and services in the Shire of Narrogin — from infrastructure and community facilities to health, education and other essential services.

It's also important to complete your Census when directed. Failing to comply with a Census direction is an offence under the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*. If you do not complete the Census when directed, you can be prosecuted and fined **up to \$364 a day**. Knowingly providing false or misleading statements or information is also an offence and can result in a fine of **up to \$3,640**.

If you haven't received your Census instructions, or you're unsure what to do, help is available.

 Find out more about completing the Census: <https://info.census.abs.gov.au/about/doing-census> and <https://info.census.abs.gov.au/help>

Make sure you're counted — your Census helps shape the future of our community!

President's Post

As winter draws to a close, August has provided an opportunity to reflect on the resilience, generosity and community spirit that continues to define Narrogin.

It has been encouraging to see strong participation in local events, sport and community activities. These occasions not only bring people together but also contribute to the vitality of our town and surrounding districts. They remind us that regional communities thrive when people are willing to contribute their time, skills and energy for the benefit of others.

Council has continued its work behind the scenes to deliver essential services, maintain community assets and progress a range of projects that support the long-term needs of our Shire. While much of this work is not always visible day to day, it is important in ensuring Narrogin remains a capable, connected and forward-looking community. With spring now upon us, we look forward to a season that traditionally brings renewed activity across the region. From agriculture and business to recreation and community events, there are many opportunities ahead to showcase what makes Narrogin such a special place.

I encourage you to continue supporting local businesses, get involved in community activities and look out for one another. The strength of our Shire has always been its people, and it is that shared commitment to community that positions us well for the months ahead.

On behalf of Council, I thank everyone who contributes to making Narrogin a welcoming and vibrant place to live, work and visit.

Finally a huge congratulations to the Narrogin Hawks on ending their 11 year drought and becoming the 2026 Upper Great Southern Football League premiers!

Leigh Ballard
Shire President
#Narroginlovethelife

July Council Meeting Wrap Up

At its August Ordinary Council Meeting, the Shire of Narrogin considered a range of community, tourism and governance matters. Council approved \$2,500 in sponsorship for the 2026 Narrogin Jetsprint Championship Rounds, recognising the event's contribution to local tourism and community activity. Council also provided \$1,500 in sponsorship to Leadership WA's "Made by Narrogin" project, which will showcase local role models and inspire young people through community storytelling.

Council endorsed plans for a mural at the Narrogin Library entrance, subject to the inclusion of local authors, with external grant funding to be pursued before any municipal funding is considered.

Library News

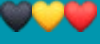
Follow the R.W. Bob Farr Memorial Library on Facebook!

The R.W. Bob Farr Memorial Library is excited to announce its new Facebook page. Scan the QR code or search "R.W. Bob Farr Memorial Library - Shire of Narrogin" to stay connected and informed.

Our Facebook page will keep you up to date with the latest news, including updates from our digital library partners such as Libby and BorrowBox, information on new resources available at the library, and details of upcoming events. Exciting activities planned include a Crime Writing Workshop, author visits, a fun-filled Petting Zoo, and, of course, appearances by the Paint the Town REAd mascot, Nelly Numbat.

Follow us today and discover everything your local library has to offer!

OUT 'n' ABOUT

 NAIDOC GALA DAY – 50 YEARS OF DEADLY! 

Come along and celebrate 50 years of First Nations art, culture, community and connection at our 2026 NAIDOC Gala Day!

 Thursday, 17 September 2026
 11am – 2pm
 Alby Park, Narrogin
 **FREE EVENT** – Everyone welcome!

What's happening on the day?

- ★ Cultural Performances
- ★ Traditional Foods
- ★ Mob Markets & Community Stalls
- ★ Opening of the 50 Years of Deadly Art Exhibition
- ★ NAIDOC Arts, Crafts & Activities
- ★ Giveaways & Prizes

Bring the family, enjoy the day and come together as a community to celebrate the incredible culture, creativity and contributions of First Nations people.

We can't wait to see you there!



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