



Corrigin
Community Resource Centre

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SEPTEMBER COUNCIL DECISIONS

RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK REVIEW

The Shire's Risk Management Framework was updated and endorsed following its scheduled review. The framework guides how risks are identified, assessed, managed and monitored across the organisation, helping to support clear responsibilities, transparent decision-making and strong governance.

COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN

The Shire's 2025 Compliance Audit Return was adopted following review by the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee. The return checks compliance across a range of areas including financial management, delegations, disclosures, tendering, elections and integrated planning. The completed return will now be certified and submitted to the Local Government Inspector by the required 30 September deadline.

REPORT ON AUDIT FINDINGS

The Shire's interim audit identified two areas where existing processes can be strengthened, relating to information technology controls and annual related party disclosures. Further consideration will be given to server-level encryption as part of future ICT planning, while the annual declaration process for Councillors and key management personnel will be updated to improve the completeness of information provided each year.

EXECUTION OF COMMON SEAL FOR TELSTRA SURRENDER OF LEASE

An administrative step will be completed to allow the Shire's new 20-year lease with Telstra to be formally registered with Landgate. The previous expired lease remains recorded on the property title and will now be surrendered using the Shire's Common Seal, allowing the replacement lease approved in 2025 to be officially registered on the land title.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

A new Information and Communication Technology Governance Framework was endorsed to guide the Shire's management of technology, cybersecurity, digital services, ICT assets and future technology investment. The framework brings together the existing ICT Strategic Plan with operational planning, risk management and asset replacement processes, providing a clearer roadmap for technology improvements through to 2030.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DRAIN

The Shire will advise the Deputy Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation that it has no objection to a proposed drainage project on Lot 48, Avon Location 21857. The proposal involves approximately three kilometres of drainage works to help manage groundwater and salinity, with neighbouring landowners also indicating they have no objection. The works are expected to help reduce waterlogging and its impact on Hills Road.

REQUEST FOR TENDER – GRAVEL PUSHING

S & J Bozanich Earthmoving Pty Ltd was selected as the preferred contractor for the Shire's gravel pushing works for the 2026/27 to 2028/29 period. Ten compliant tenders were assessed on price, experience, available resources, local knowledge and regional price preference, with the successful submission considered to provide the best overall value for money. The works will support the Shire's ongoing road construction and maintenance program, including approximately 76,000 cubic metres of gravel required during 2026/27.



2026 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Council meetings will be held at 4.00pm in the Council Chambers, 9 Lynch Street, Corrigin, on the following dates:

- 20 October
- 17 November
- 15 December

2026 AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee Meeting is scheduled for 8 December at 6.00pm. The meeting will take place in the Council Chambers, 9 Lynch Street, Corrigin.

Members of the public are welcome to attend both Council Meetings and Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee Meetings.



COFFEE WITH COUNCIL

Everyone is welcome to pop in for a chat at Mallee Tree Café from 10:00am to 11:30am on Tuesday, 6 October 2026. It's a great opportunity to ask questions, share your thoughts and connect with the Shire team. We'd love to see you there!

SHIRE UPDATES



WILDFLOWER PHOTOGRAPHY

On Friday 4 September, 14 participants joined wildflower photographer, Sophie Xiang, for a hands-on smartphone photography workshop.

Sophie guided the group through practical tips on lighting, composition, subject selection and simple editing, before everyone headed to the bushland between Camm and Adams Street for a guided photography session.



HEATED POOL CLOSURE

The heated pool will be closed for maintenance from Monday, 28 September, reopening on Monday, 12 October.

During this period, upgrades will be carried out across both indoor and outdoor pool areas ahead of the 2026/27 season. Outdoor works include retiling the edges of the toddler pools and the ends of the 50m pool. Indoors, the tiles along the gutter system will be regrouted.



LOCOMOTIVE RELOCATED

The locomotive previously located at the Corrigin CRC has been relocated to the Corrigin Pioneer Museum's train shed as part of the new railway display.

The train has been a well-loved fixture in Corrigin, beginning at Sibley farm before being bought and donated by Harry Gayfer to the Corrigin community.

Visitors can now view the locomotive in the train shed alongside the new model railway and other railway memorabilia.



BOOK LAUNCH AND MEET THE AUTHOR

On Tuesday 1 September, 16 people attended the Book Launch & Meet the Author event at the Corrigin CRC.

Author Jeffrey A. Peirce shared insights from his book *Great War Stories 1914–1919*, highlighting the courage, mateship and sacrifice of men from South Western WA who served with the Light Horse Regiment during the First World War, with special mention of those who originated from the surrounding districts.



WILDFLOWER SEASON

The Wildflower Drive is currently in bloom, with plenty of colour and a wide range of wildflowers and orchids on display.

We've seen plenty of visitors stopping in to enjoy the drive, with many commenting on how good the wildflowers are looking this season.

For the best viewing spots and species information, visit the CRC or visit www.comeexplorecorrigin.com



WORKS UPDATE

The town crew has been busy tidying up around Corrigin Recreational and Events Centre ahead of the Agricultural Show, while also maintaining the oval in preparation for the interschool athletics carnival. A new bin has also been installed at Lew's Lookout.

Meanwhile, the road crew has been busy carrying out maintenance grading on Walton Road, Wogerlin Road, Bilbarin–Quairading Road, Caley Road, Nornakin East Road, Dry Well Road and Morrell Road.

USEFUL INFORMATION



PROPOSED REVIEW OF LOCAL LAWS 2026

The Shire of Corrigin has resolved to undertake a review of the following local laws in accordance with section 3.16 of the Local Government Act 1995:

- Shire of Corrigin Pest Plants By-laws, 1982
- Shire of Corrigin Local Law Relating to Trading in Public Places
- Shire of Corrigin Local Laws Relating to Standing Orders
- Shire of Corrigin Local Laws Relating to Fencing
- Shire of Corrigin Health Local Law 2016
- Shire of Corrigin Animals, Environment and Nuisance Local Law 2016
- Shire of Corrigin Dogs Local Law 2021
- Shire of Corrigin Bush Fire Brigades Local Law 2024

The purpose is to determine whether local laws should be repealed, be amended or remain unchanged. A copy of the local laws and any review proposals may be inspected at or obtained from the Shire of Corrigin Administration Office, 9 Lynch Street Corrigin, or at www.corrigin.wa.gov.au.

Submissions about the proposed review may be made to The Shire of Corrigin 9 Lynch Street Corrigin by 9 October 2026.



CAT & DOG REGISTRATIONS

All dogs and cats must be registered with the Shire of Corrigin by 31 October 2026.

Renewal notices were issued at the beginning of September, so please keep an eye out for yours and ensure your registration is completed on time.

Please remember that fines apply for each unregistered cat or dog.

If your pet no longer requires registration, please contact the Shire Office on 9063 2203.

For further information on responsible pet ownership visit www.corrigin.wa.gov.au



GRANT FUNDING PROGRAMS

The Shire of Corrigin provides annual funding to local businesses, community groups, and residents through its grant programs. Two programs are currently open: the Business Assistance Grant and the CCTV Subsidy Partnership Program.

The Business Assistance Grant supports projects that improve business presentation, streetscape appeal, and local economic development. Up to \$2,000 per successful application is available.

The CCTV Subsidy Partnership Program helps businesses and eligible properties install CCTV systems to enhance safety and support WA Police. Up to \$500 per successful application is available. Rebates are paid after installation is verified.

Applications close April 2027 or when funding allocation is exhausted.

For program details and application packages, visit www.corrigin.wa.gov.au



TREEBATE

The State Government Treebate program is open once again! Residents can now receive a rebate for up to five native trees to a total value of \$150.

To claim the rebate you must:

- Choose native trees that reach at least 3m when mature
- Have a photo of the plant label including the scientific or common name
- Have a tax invoice as proof of purchase

For further information visit www.wa.gov.au

USEFUL INFORMATION



POOL SAFETY

Propped open pool gates and faulty latches are a leading cause of drowning deaths in young children.

It only takes seconds for a child to drown, so regularly check that the latch is working and never prop the pool gate open.

Owners and occupiers are responsible for keeping the pool gate closed and maintained.

Remember:

- Don't prop the gate open. Keeping it closed will help
- Prevent young children from drowning – a gate that is propped open will not.
- Keep the pool gate maintained and make sure it is self-closing and self-latching.
- Always supervise young children around swimming and spa pools.

For further information visit

www.wa.gov.au/organisation/building-and-energy



CORRIGIN LIBRARY

The Corrigin Public Library, located inside the Corrigin CRC, provides access to books, digital resources, and learning materials. Membership is free, with borrowing available from age 12 and up.

The library offers a broad range of materials for all ages including fiction, non-fiction, reference books, large-print titles, audiobooks and DVDs. New items arrive each month through the State Library of WA, ensuring the collection stays fresh and relevant.

Members also have access to free eResources including eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines and films. These digital services offer flexible, on-the-go reading and viewing with no late fees and generous borrowing limits.

Hours: Monday to Friday, 8.30am–4.30pm
(Closed 12.30pm–1.30pm on Fridays)

Address: 55 Larke Crescent, Corrigin

Phone: 9063 2778



STEVENSON SCHOLARSHIP

The Stevenson Scholarship, established by Edna Stevenson, provides support for the education of residents in the Shire of Corrigin. The scholarship is administered by the Edna Stevenson Trust, and applications for 2026 are open.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 9 November. Applications must be submitted at least one week prior to the meeting date to be considered for inclusion in the agenda. Applications received after this deadline will be considered at the following meeting.

Application forms can be downloaded from the Shire of Corrigin website. For further information, please contact the Shire at 9 Lynch Street, Corrigin, by phone on 9063 2203, or by email at eso@corrigin.wa.gov.au



SAVE THE DATE

The annual Corrigin Park Party is back on Friday 18 December.

Bring the family along for an evening of live music, food stalls, amusements, face painting and a visit from Santa. It's a great way to come together and celebrate the festive season with the community.

Keep an eye out for more details coming soon!

FIRE SAFETY

BUSHFIRE BRIGADE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Thank you for your ongoing commitment as a Bushfire Brigade Volunteer. Your contribution helps keep our community safe and resilient.

Completing required training is an important part of maintaining active brigade membership and Shire insurance coverage.

All brigade members, including active firefighters and auxiliary members, are required to complete Rural Fire Awareness (RFA) online training within 12 months of joining a brigade and for ongoing membership.

Members who attend fires or drive brigade vehicles must also complete:

- Bushfire Safety Awareness
- Firefighting Skills

A step-by-step guide to accessing and completing the training is available on the Shire website at www.corrigin.wa.gov.au/services/emergency/bushfire-control-and-fire-information.aspx

For assistance, please contact your Brigade Captain or the Community Emergency Services Manager Mark on 0448 494 027.

TEXT MESSAGING SERVICE

Harvest Bans are put in place by the Bush Fire Control Officers. To register for SMS notifications of Harvest Bans via your mobile phone, email shire@corrigin.wa.gov.au with your name and mobile number, or call the Shire office on 9063 2203.

Don't need to receive updates? Call or email and let us know so we can update our text messaging service database.

FIREBREAKS

FIREBREAKS MUST BE IN PLACE BY 31 OCTOBER 2026

All firebreaks and reduction of fire hazards are due to be completed by 31 October 2026 and must remain in place until 15 April 2027 as required by the section 33 of *Bush Fires Act 1954*.

FIREBREAK CONDITIONS

-  Rural land must have mineral earth firebreaks of at least 2.44m for each 250ha inside, and must have firebreaks on boundaries adjoining public roads and railways.
-  All land exceeding 0.2ha must clear and maintain 2.44m firebreak within 20m of buildings, fuel tanks and hay sheds.
-  Townsite land is required to clear all inflammable material and fire hazards, and may need to have firebreaks depending on the property size.
-  All properties will be inspected from 31 October 2026. Failure to comply may result in penalties up to \$5,000.
-  Full details of firebreak requirements can be found on the Shire of Corrigin website corrigin.wa.gov.au/services/emergency/bushfire-control.aspx

IMPORTANT DATES FOR BURNING

UNRESTRICTED BURNING	16 APRIL to 18 SEPT ANNUALLY (No permit required)
RESTRICTED BURNING	19 SEPT to 31 OCT ANNUALLY (Permit required)
PROHIBITED PERIOD	1 NOV to 15 FEB INCLUSIVE (No burning, permits will not be issued)
RESTRICTED BURNING	16 FEB to 15 APRIL ANNUALLY (Permit required)

Visit Emergency WA for current fire alerts, warnings and incident information.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Join us for Let's Get Digital, a series of free sessions designed to build practical digital skills, strengthen online safety awareness, and explore creative ways to use AI. Across the week you can take part in a digital quiz, learn about scam awareness, and discover how AI can support writing family memoirs.

MONDAY 19 OCTOBER – 11.00AM TO 1.00PM

QUIZ with prizes to be won!

BYO device - smartphone, tablet/iPad or laptop

Guest Speaker - Kurk Brandstater: Device Security, Passwords & Passkeys

Lunch provided

TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER – 9.30AM TO 10.30AM

Financial Wellbeing: Focusing on scams & scam awareness

Guest Speaker - Louise Bowler from Commonwealth Bank

Morning tea provided

THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER – 9.30AM TO 10.30AM

Online Presentation “Writing your Family Memoirs with AI”

Morning tea provided



RSVP for catering purposes by Monday 12 October
Phone: 9063 2778 Email: admin@corrigin.wa.gov.au



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DATES TO REMEMBER

- 22 September
Bullaring Pre-Harvest Breakfast 7.30am - 9.30am
- 23 September
Bulyee Pre-Harvest Breakfast 7.30am - 9.30am
- 24 September
Gorge Rock Pre-Harvest Breakfast 7.30am - 9.30am
- 30 September
Practical Driving Assessments
- 6 October
Coffee with Council 10am - 11.30am
- 13 October
Movie Club 7pm
- 19 October
Get Online Week - Quiz 11am - 1pm
- 20 October
Get Online Week - Financial Wellbeing 9.30am - 10.30am
- 20 October
Ordinary Council Meeting 4pm
- 21 October
YUCK Circus
- 22 October
Get Online Week - 'Writing with AI' 9.30am - 10.30am
- 28 October
Practical Driving Assessments
- 28 October
Second Rates Instalment Due
- 31 October
Cat and Dog Registrations Due

OPENING HOURS

Administration Office & CRC

Monday	8.30am - 4.30pm
Tuesday	8.30am - 4.30pm
Wednesday	8.30am - 4.30pm
Thursday	8.30am - 4.30pm
Friday	8.30am - 4.30pm (closed 12.30pm - 1.30pm)

Waste Transfer Station

Monday	10.00am - 2.00pm
Wednesday	10.00am - 2.00pm
Friday	10.00am - 3.00pm
Saturday	10.00am - 3.00pm
Sunday	9.00am - 12.00pm

