

Dear Resident of the South-East Ward,

The bi-annual elections for the Shire Council begin on the 20th September when the Electoral Commission posts Residents their voter package.

I am standing for re-election as your Councillor for one of the two positions representing the South-East Ward.

An enormous amount has been achieved over the last four years, including the building of the new Zig Zag Cultural Centre; the new Depot building in Walliston; upgrading of the Swimming Pool; upgrading of the Ray Owen basketball courts; a reduction in the Shire's maintenance backlog; the first ever Town Centre and various shopping centre improvement plans; and the near finalisation of a new Local Planning Strategy.

Yet much more remains to be done. I would be honoured to have the opportunity to once again serve you on Council.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Lindsey

PRIORITIES

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMALGAMATIONS

The state government's desire to see metropolitan Councils amalgamated into as few as **ten 'super-Councils'**, comprising populations of up 300,000 residents, will make the next few years critical.

The level of representation that would be afforded hills residents in a 'super-Council' could be as little as one twelfth its present level. Our priorities for facilities; our low rates (37.5% below the metropolitan average); our 50% pensioner discount for rates; and our land reserves are likely to be placed at risk.

This is why I have strongly advocated the Shire undertake various land developments, which collectively are expected to net the Shire \$15 million by 2013. **Restoring the Shire's finances will put us in the best position to avoid a forced amalgamation.**

FUTURE PROJECTS THAT I WILL SUPPORT

- (1) Redevelopment of **Kostera Oval**.
- (2) Redevelopment of **Neil Tonkin Park**.
- (3) Redevelopment of the **Old Road Board Building** on Canning Road and of the super-block owned by the Shire.
- (4) Upgrade of **Lalor Park**.
- (5) Development of **Nangkita Way Reserve** to a neighbourhood park.
- (6) Review of the **Hills Orchard Study** and the reduction of rural lot sizes to 2 hectares.
- (7) **Integrated Aged Care Facilities** on Shire reserves in Walliston, Forrestfield and the private development in Wattle Grove.



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ENDORSEMENTS

Wendy Henderson, Lesmurdie

Des Hart, Lesmurdie

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George Spriggs, Pickering Brook

Geoff Stallard, Lesmurdie

David Vallis, Pickering Brook

Toni Warden, Piesse Brook

Bernard Martin, Kalamunda

The South-East Ward needs effective representation.

We urge you to re-elect



Frank

LINDSEY



Work in progress at the Kalamunda Swimming Pool, 2011

KALAMUNDA SWIMMING POOL

I have strongly supported the upgrading and restoration of the long neglected Kalamunda Swimming Pool.

Engineering reports advise the pool shell is expected to last many decades, making the \$5 million investment good value compared to the \$28 million cost of building a new facility without slides or tubes.

It will be a couple of years before this restoration is complete.

NATIONAL PARK EXPANSION

I have successfully sponsored a motion through the Council to **support the expansion of the Kalamunda National Park, Mundaring National Park and the Pickering Brook National Park by incorporating the surrounding state forests.**

This proposal, if adopted, will preserve the area from the encroachment of future development, such as Western Power's proposed sub-station.

In the lead-up to the next state election I will ensure the Shire intensifies its lobbying of the State Government .



A part of the Shire's new Zig Zag Cultural Centre



The Shire's new depot building in Walliston, completed 2011.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

In state Parliament the Treasurer has complimented the Shire on its financial management. The maximum debt service ratio that the WA Treasury Corporation permits for local government is 10%. The Shire of Kalamunda has a VERY low **debt service ratio at a mere 2.17%.**

This may slightly increase in the future as the Shire continues to move its maintenance backlog from off the books, to on the books.

EAST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL COUNCIL

After two years on Council, and having exposed the EMRC's foolish investment in high risk CDO's, my fellow Councillors elected me to represent the Shire on the board of the EMRC.

Subsequently, I was elected to the EMRC Investment Committee and Resource Recovery Project (RRP) Committee.

The EMRC's Investment Committee has returned 'profit' of approximately \$850,000 last financial year and has instituted policies which should make it impossible to repeat its past mistakes.

The RRP is progressing well and **THERE HAVE BEEN NO MORE JUNKETS.**



WESTERN POWER SUB-STATION

After my election to Council in 2007, I co-founded the SETS (Stop the Eastern Terminal) Action Group, which **successfully fought the proposal by Western Power to establish a regional sub-station in state forest near Hacketts Gully.**

This proposal would have involved building up to 27 high voltage lines from the sub-station, through state forest and the scar the picturesque valleys to the east of Kalamunda.