

# SHIRE NEWS



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## DERBY AIRPORT - UPDATE

Derby Airport continues its evolution towards becoming a modern port with the capacity to service a broad range of industries.

The main terminal construction is complete with the fit out of functional equipment such as security screening and furniture soon underway.



*New Main Terminal Building*

Another major step is demolition of the old terminal and placement of the buildings to undergo their transformation into the new Tourism Air Lounge.



*Old (soon to become new) Tourism Lounge Buildings*

The apron and lighting work remains in abeyance until the water table drops to enable earthworks. With the water table just 300mm below the surface, any holes or trenches quickly backfill with water creating an unworkable bog.

The anticipated time for completion at this stage is mid-July.

## SHEFFIELD RESOURCES

You may have heard last week that Sheffield Resources have signed a binding Port Access Agreement at the Wharf with the Shire that spans a minimum of twenty years.

This is an important element as they now have security over the export pathway to international markets.

Shire President Geoff Haerewa and CEO Stephen Gash were recently in Perth to sign the documents that have now been fully executed by all parties

Geoff has welcomed this significant step saying "It has been a long and complex process working with the Department of Transport and Sheffield Resources, navigating through a myriad of legislative requirements.

The benefits I see for Derby and the West Kimberley region will be opportunities for local businesses that will generate employment which has always been our focus in discussions with proponents looking to invest in our Shire."



*Sheffield's Managing Director Bruce McFadzean, Shire President Geoff Haerewa and CEO Stephen Gash.*

To see the full media release from Sheffield, please visit [www.sheffieldresources.com.au](http://www.sheffieldresources.com.au)

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## FIRE BREAKS - REMINDER

Please note that if you have been previously advised by the Shire that your property is required to have a firebreak, these need to be addressed prior to 30 June.

The type of firebreak is dependent on the nature of your property or particular site, including:

- Rural Lands
- Pastoral Lands
- Townsite Lands
- Rubbish Sites
- Fuel Dumps and Depots

If you are unsure of whether you are required to have a firebreak or to see the specifications for your property type, please visit our website to see the Firebreak Notice at [www.sdwk.wa.gov.au/our-community/ranger-services/bushfire-management](http://www.sdwk.wa.gov.au/our-community/ranger-services/bushfire-management) or contact the Shire on 9191 0999.



## DERBY PORT MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Completion of the deck works on the southern abutment has been reached allowing the passage of vehicles, including triple road trains, full access and eliminating the need to reverse trailers via the northern abutment.

There are a number of further work components to be completed, however these will generally not have an effect on the activities at the wharf.

The Shire acknowledges the patience and cooperation of all users as well as the flexibility that DWA Industrial Resources have provided to limit any disruptions while carrying out their work to a high standard.

## STAFF MOVEMENTS

Similar to many organisations in the northwest, or indeed northern Australia, we have change overs of staff from time to time.

Below is a summary of the more recent (warm) Welcomes and Farewells (with our best wishes for the future):

### *Welcomes:*

- Genevieve Russ - back from maternity leave
- Shani Foai - Customer Service, Fitzroy Crossing Visitor Centre
- James Letheby - Customer Service, Fitzroy Crossing Visitor Centre
- Tenille Parasiliti - Customer Service, Derby
- Carly McCulloch - Customer Service, Derby
- Natasha Kaweme - Environmental Health Officer, Derby

### *Farewell:*

- Martin Cuthbert - Director Corporate and Community Services
- Manu Mason - Works Labourer, Fitzroy Crossing
- Chiezdza Sakupwanya, Customer Service, Derby
- Taryn Dyer - Environmental Health Officer, Derby
- Roberta Marshall - Trainee Aboriginal Environmental Health Officer, Derby
- Isaac Buckle - Trainee Aboriginal Environmental Health Officer, Derby