

HVWRP - Project News, December

Master Plan up-date

The Minister for Environment recently released environmental conditions for the project and these will be reflected within the Master Plan before it is sent to the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC).

The WAPC will make its final recommendations to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure regarding formal approval of the Master Plan.

LandCorp is hopeful of the final process being completed in early 2005.

New fire station

Construction has started on a new \$1.5 million dollar state-of-the-art fire station to be built at the corner of Armstrong and Hoyle Roads, in Hope Valley.

The Fire and Emergency Services Authority (FESA) expects the station – the first development within the Hope Valley precinct area - to be operational by March 2005.

FESA Director Fire Services Metropolitan Russell Stevens said the station would provide the Kwinana community with a full time, paid emergency fire service.

FESA firefighters at the new Hope Valley station would be supported by already existing volunteer fire fighting brigades to provide a more effective and efficient emergency service to the Kwinana community.

The station crews (in total 16 fire fighters) would respond to local area emergencies such as structure fires, industry incidents, road crash rescues and bush fires.

Mr Stevens said the station was ideally situated, with ready access to adjacent arterial road networks, allowing for rapid mobilisation to both the northern and southern extremities of the region.

Former school relocated

The Wandi Progress Association has praised LandCorp for its assistance in the relocation of the former Hope Valley Primary School.

Vice-president of the association, Rodney Cocks, said the funds provided by LandCorp to assist with the relocation were maximised by the generous support of many local people who volunteered their time and specific skills to ensure the former school was reinstated on the new site and improved.

Like many others in Wandi, Mr Cocks had children who formerly attended the school and he was glad it was now being put to good use by the Wandi and Mandogalup communities.

Already particularly popular with a range of woodwork organisations based locally and in Perth, the Wandi Association welcomes the former school which will be home to the Wandi Landcare and a branch of GreenSkills - who with the Progress Association have dreams of one day using the building as an environmental centre.

Christmas – office hours

The HVWRP office will be closed from Christmas Eve (Friday, December 24, 2005), reopening 9:00am on Tuesday, January 4, 2005.

However, MSA Security will still be operating throughout that period and should you witness any adverse behaviour, you can contact them by telephoning 9228 4455.