

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy New Year and welcome to 2020.

Following, what I hope, was a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas and New Year, I know that you will be looking forward to the excitement and challenges of 2020. If you're taking a well-deserved break during January, I know it be enjoyable for you and I encourage you to be safe on the roads.

We start 2020 with two major events. Firstly, we will be having the new Northam Aquatic Facility Official Opening. Details will follow in due course through the Shire's communication channels.

The second major event is Australia Day celebrations. Apart from the activities right across the Shire, there will also be a citizenship ceremony and the Shire of Northam Community Citizen of the Year awards.

Early in the year, we will also see the opening of new private businesses within the Shire.

During January, I urge to continue to shop locally. Right across the Shire of Northam, you have many businesses and trades offering great service and products. Whether it is in Wundowie, Bakers Hill, or closer to the Northam Townsite, there is so much on offer. Apart from the retailers, there are many successful commercial and service-providing businesses within the Shire. If you are unsure of who they are, contact either the Shire of Northam Chamber of Commerce, or one of the Wundowie, or Bakers Hill Progress Associations.

If you're looking for details on any of the Shire of Northam Australia Day events, head to the Shire of Northam or Visit Northam websites or social media pages. Additional details can be found via your local Progress or Community Association.

Well done to all nominees and winners for the Shire of Northam Community Citizen of the Year award. The nominees and winners of the individuals and organisations will be announced on Australia Day.

Remember that we are still in the prohibited fire season. Have a Bushfire plan ready. In the case of a Bushfire; know if you are going to defend your property or leave. Thank you to all the Bushfire and other emergency volunteers during the Bushfire Season. For more information on Bushfires, look at either the Shire or the Department of Fire and Emergency Service's website.

As school approaches towards the end of January, you may be looking for school uniforms and supplies. Many of our businesses within the Shire can assist you with your back to school needs.

Take Care and welcome to 2020 in the Shire of Northam

Shire President Chris Antonio



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## GO FOR AUSTRALIA DAY

Join us in Bernard Park from 6pm on 26 January for an evening of celebration including:

- Live music from The Struggling Kings
- Free BBQ
- Citizenship Ceremony
- Presentation of the Community Citizen of the Year Awards
- Free kids activities

**Australia Day**

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## DATE SET FOR NORTHAM AQUATIC FACILITY OPENING

The Northam Aquatic Facility is set to officially open on Saturday, 25th January 2020 at 1.00pm.

The Hon. Christian Porter MP will officially open the Facility which will be open for swimming immediately following the official opening.

The project has been under construction over the past 12 months by Cooper and Oxley who were awarded the contract to build the new facility worth \$10 million. This followed an extensive planning process with the design being undertaken by Donovan Payne Architects. The facility includes an eight lane 50 metre outdoor heated swimming pool, four water slides, a heated learn to swim area, BBQ facilities, as well as a heated leisure / 'tots' pool and shaded water play area.

For more information about the opening day can be found on the Shire website

<https://www.northam.wa.gov.au/.../date-set-northam-aquati.../296>

# WHAT'S ON IN NORTHAM

## JANUARY



Visit our website for full details - [www.northam.wa.gov.au](http://www.northam.wa.gov.au)

### **MONDAY 20 JANUARY 2020**

Council Forum 5:30PM—6:30PM

### **WEDNESDAY 22 JANUARY 2020**

Annual Electors General Meeting 5PM

Ordinary Council Meeting 5:30PM

### **SATURDAY 25 JANUARY 2020**

Northam Aquatic Centre Opening 2PM

### **SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2020**

Australia Day Breakfast in Bakers Hill 8-10AM

Australia Day at the Pool 9AM

Australia Day Concert 6PM

Australia Day Celebration in Wundowie 5-9:30PM



## 2020 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

The 2020 Council Meeting dates can be found on the Shire of Northam Website, all meetings are to commence at 5:30pm.

<https://www.northam.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/>

Forum	Ordinary Council	Location
20 January 2020	22 January 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
12 February 2020	19 February 2020	Grass Valley Hall
11 March 2020	18 March 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
8 April 2020	15 April 2020	Bakers Hill Recreation Centre
13 May 2020	20 May 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
10 June 2020	17 June 2020	Wundowie Hall
8 July 2020	15 July 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
12 August 2020	19 August 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
9 September 2020	16 September 2020	Southern Brook Hall
14 October 2020	21 October 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
11 November 2020	18 November 2020	Shire of Northam Council Chambers
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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

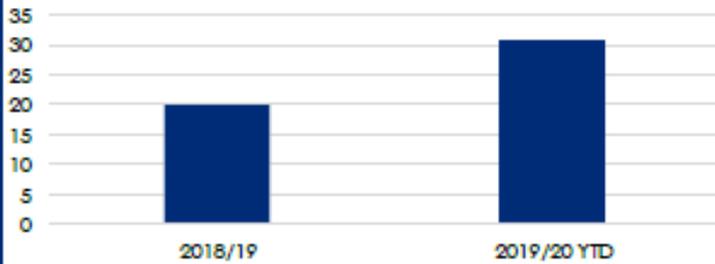
Planning Officer closes 24/01/2020

For more information refer to the Shire of Northam Website <https://www.northam.wa.gov.au/employment/>

# Shire of Northam Quarterly Report



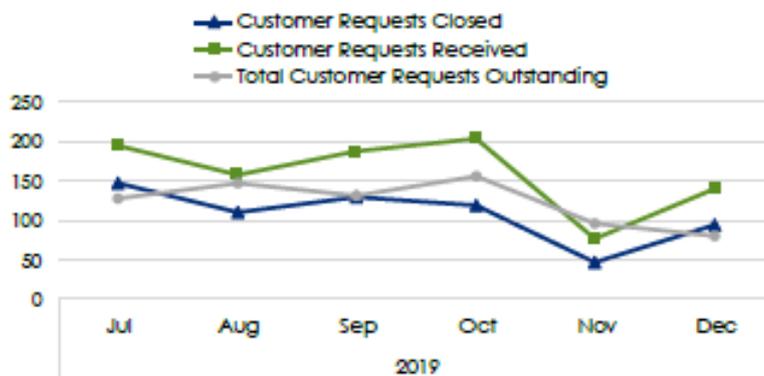
**New Citizens**



**Value of Planning & Building Construction**



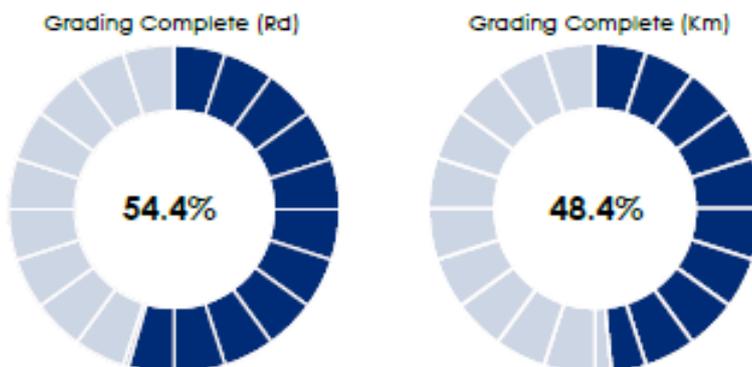
**Customer Requests (ICs)**



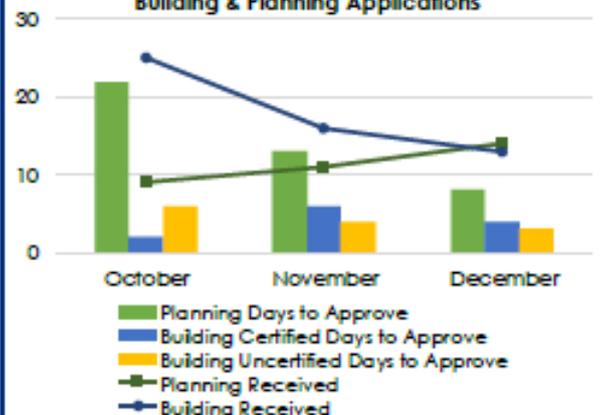
**Complaints**



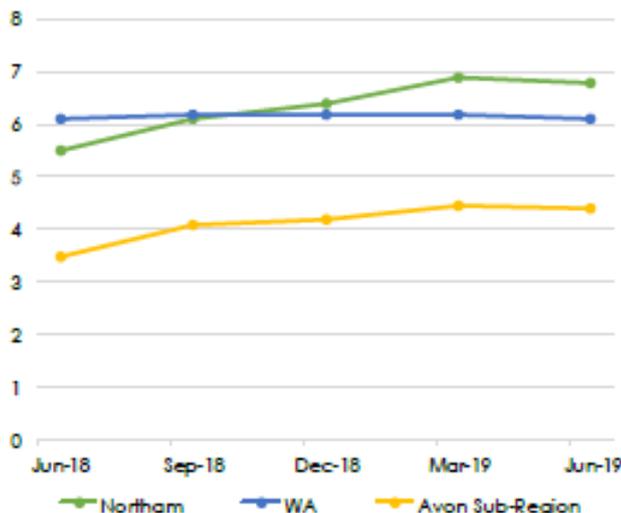
**Road Grading**



**Building & Planning Applications**



**Unemployment Rate**



**Council Payments October to December 2019**

