



## Mayor's Message

Linda Aitken JP

Welcome to the August edition of Wanneroo Link.

Late last month, I attended the Aquamation Dolphin Program's 25-year anniversary celebration, which was quite an occasion.

The Dolphin Program is an initiative that helps kids and adults with disabilities and additional needs develop life-saving skills in the water.

Anniversary celebrations coincided with the annual Dolphin Olympics, where swimmers showed off their skills and had lots of fun.

There's a real sense of community among the group, with some members being enrolled in the program for over 10 years.

I also want to take the opportunity to thank the team for their commitment and devotion to this successful program.



The safety of our community is our top priority and I'm pleased to announce that applications for our CCTV Rebate Scheme are now open.

City of Wanneroo residents, businesses, and community groups can apply for a rebate of up to \$500 to subsidise the cost of installing a new CCTV system. CCTV in public spaces can deter offenders and help support investigations by the City or Police.

For terms and conditions visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/CCTVRebateScheme](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/CCTVRebateScheme)

This year's Local Lens photo competition theme is Wanneroo Eras, where we invite you to help us showcase the City of Wanneroo throughout the decades. Search through your old photos or capture the present era and your image could be featured in our 2025 calendar!

Entries close at 5pm on Friday 4 October 2024.

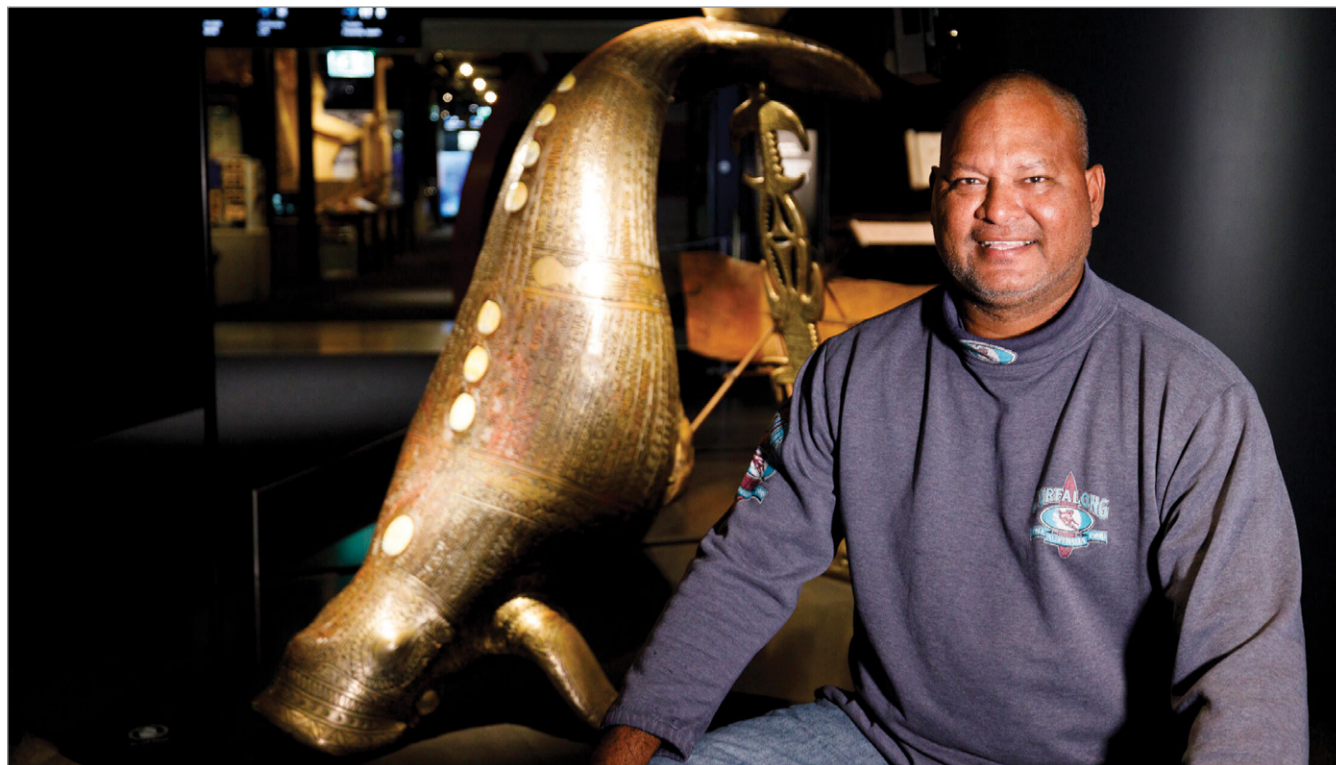
For more information, visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/localens2024](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/localens2024)

The City has streamlined its online planning application process.

It is now easier than ever to lodge a planning application with our new customer portal.

Find out more at [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/planning](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/planning)

Mayor Linda Aitken



Alick Tipoti. Photo credit: Marinco Kojdanovski, Australian National Maritime Museum.

## New exhibition explores Torres Strait Islander culture and connection to land, sea and sky

The City of Wanneroo has welcomed a rare opportunity to showcase an extraordinary collection of works by internationally renowned Torres Strait Islander artist, Alick Tipoti.

Mariw Minaral, meaning spiritual patterns, features a range of Alick Tipoti's works, including carvings, linocuts, masks, film and a life-size sculpture of a dugong.

The exhibition, from the Australian National Maritime Museum, forms part of the state-wide Indian Ocean Craft Triennial, an arts festival spanning more than 70 exhibitions and events across WA.

Wanneroo Mayor Linda Aitken said the City is incredibly proud to be one of 40 galleries across the state participating in this year's Indian Ocean Craft Triennial.

"Alick Tipoti's work has been shown around the world, from London to Monaco and even projected onto the side of the Sydney Opera House, and now we're lucky enough to be showcasing it right here in Wanneroo," she said.

As a cultural custodian, Alick Tipoti is passionate about preserving his native language and reviving cultural traditions through his art.

By employing complex background designs disguised among ritual objects and land and sea creatures, Alick Tipoti says his art allows him to reclaim the cultural history of his people and offer his depictions of their environmental and spiritual world.

"I use my art as an educational tool, teaching people about important cultural events, practices and

beliefs from the past," he said.

Mariw Minaral is supported by the National Collecting Institutions Touring and Outreach Program, and forms part of the Indian Ocean Craft Triennial 2024, supported by Lotterywest.

The exhibition runs until 26 October at the Wanneroo Regional Gallery, Wednesday to Saturday, 10am-4pm [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/wanneroogallery](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/wanneroogallery)



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Councillors advocate for improved local government programs, facilities and infrastructure to benefit the community.

Central Ward includes Wanneroo, Sinagra, Hocking Pearsall and Gngara. [Have a query? Get in contact!](#)



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### Council meeting dates

**Council Briefing Session**  
Tuesday 3 September, 6pm

**Ordinary Council Meeting**  
Tuesday 10 September, 6pm  
23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo

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