

## **Shire of Kondinin**

# Wave Rock Improvement Plan 2022 - 2025

Adopted by Council 15th June 2022

#### **BACKGROUND**

Wave Rock is a key tourist icon in the Central Wheatbelt that attracts in the order of 140,000 tourists a year and assists in the broader promotion of tourism within the district, most notably through the initiative 'Pathways to Wave Rock'. The area collectively known as 'Wave Rock' encompasses a large granite outcrop known as 'Hyden Rock', together with supporting facilities such as picnic areas, walking trails, a shop and café, a caravan park, a kiosk, a resort, an airport, ablution blocks and car parking areas. Various land holdings, lease arrangements and licences are in place governing the area collectively known as 'Wave Rock'. This Improvement Plan relates primarily to Reserve 2883 which is vested in the Shire of Kondinin (excluding the leased area comprising the Wildlife Park and Wildflower Shoppe that expiries in 2037); Reserve 28832 which is vested in the Shire of Kondinin (excluding the leased area comprising the Caravan Park that expires in 2047) and part of Reserve 19929 which is vested with the Minister for Water Resources and leased to the Water Corporation. Broadly these areas include Wave Rock itself, Hippo's Yawn, the Breakers Picnic Area, the Car Park for Wave Rock and the walking trails linking these areas.

This Wave Rock Improvement Plan was first mooted by the Council at its Ordinary Meeting in April 2015 as a means to deliver improvements to the tourist facility over a (3) three year period. To engage the community in the process the Shire invited submissions for improvements to the facility. Drawing from this feedback received and site visits undertaken by Shire staff and Councillors a three (3) year plan was prepared to guide the delivery of improvements to the tourist facility.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council in November 2021 Council were provided an update on what had been completed in the 2018 – 2022 plan and resolved that a new plan 2022– 2025 be considered by Council in 2022 as a guiding document over the next 3 financial years. The ultimate aim of the Wave Rock Improvement Plan 2022-2025 is to provide direction to the Shire of Kondinin in maintaining and improving a high quality tourist facility that upholds the Shire of Kondinin's Vision: 'to have a thriving and sustainable future'.

#### STRATEGIC CONTEXT

The Wave Rock Improvement Plan is consistent with the following Goals, Objectives and Actions of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032.

- 1. Community
  - 1.3. Celebrate our pioneers, and community members and protect our heritage.
- 2. Economy
  - 2.3. Coordinated planning and promotion of the visitors and tourist experience.
- 3. Environment
- 3.2. We conserve and protect our Shire natural environment.

Action: Maintain and upgrade tourism facilities including the Kondinin Caravan Park and Public Toilets at Wave Rock

## 2022 - 2023 Financial Year - GENERAL MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONAL

No.	Action	Responsible Officer	Target Date for Completion	Estimated Budget
1.0	Remove dead vegetation and litter from walk trails on a regular basis	MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance
1.1	Regular checking and cleaning of BBQs at Wave Rock Car Park and Breakers Picnic Area	MOW & MPA	On-Going	General Maintenance
1.2	Regular checking of the Ticket Machine	MPA	On-Going	General Maintenance
1.3	Maintain a clean and clear walking trail at Hyden Rock & Mulka's Cave/ The Humps and continue to maintain it.	CDO & MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance

## 2022 – 2023 Financial Year – NEW IMPROVEMENTS

No.	Action	Responsible Officer	Target Date for Completion	Estimated Budget
2.0	Solar LED lighting along walking trails for night/evening walks	CDO	December 2022	\$2,506.36
2.1	Remove pine log railings that separate Wave Rock from the surrounding caravan park	MOW	In Progress	ТВА
2.2	Information signs near the ticket machine and signs for the ticket machine.	CDO	September 2022	Included in 2021/2022 budget
2.4	Ordering and planting of new plants at Bush Tucker Garden.	CDO	August 2022	Included in 2021/2022 budget.
2.5	Installation of entrance signage at the Bush Tucker Garden.	CDO	September 2022	Included in 2021/2022 budget
2.6	Organise and install plant identification signage at the Bush Tucker Garden.	CDO	September 2022	\$1,500.00
2.8	Replace damaged woodlands information signs throughout the walking trail at Hyden Rock and Mulka's Cave.	CDO	November 2022	\$3,500.00
2.9	Remove & Replace old benches on the walking trail between Wave Rock and Hippo's Yawn	CDO & MOW	January 2023	\$2,532.20
2.10	Remove and upgrade Hippos Yawn, The Breakers, Wave Rock x2 & Wave Rock Caravan Park trail signs	CDO & MOW	November 2022	\$7,500.00

2.11	Remove brochure holders at the car parking information	MOW	July 2022	General Maintenance
	signage to Wave Rock			
2.12	Installation of 'Selfie Stand'.	CDO	May 2023	\$5,500 Not confirmed
2.13	Remove Huts at the base of Wave Rock	CDO & MOW	June 2023	TBA
TOTAL				\$23,038.56

#### 2023-2024 Financial Year – GENERAL MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONAL

No.	Action	Responsible Officer	Target Date for Completion	Estimated Budget
3.0	Remove dead vegetation and litter from walk trails on a regular basis	MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance
3.1	Regular grading of Wave Rock Car Park	MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance
3.2	Regular checking and cleaning of BBQ's at Wave Rock Car Park and Breakers Picnic Area	MPA	On-Going	General Maintenance
3.3	Regular checking of the Ticket Machine	MPA	On-Going	General Maintenance
3.4	Maintain a clean and clear walking trail at Hyden Rock & Mulka's Cave/ The Humps.	CDO & MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance

#### 2023-2024 Financial Year - NEW IMPROVEMENTS

No.	Action	Responsible Officer	Target Date for Completion	Estimated Budget
4.0	Noongar six seasons art around seating area around the Bush Tucker Garden	CDO	June 2024	\$7,000
4.1	Purchase & install picnic benches for the Hippo Yawn area. X2	CDO & MOW	July 2023	\$6,500
4.2	Corrugated iron 2000L water tank with a tap at the gazebo in the picnic area	MPA & MOW	June 2024	ТВА
4.3	Purchase 'Photo Stands' for Wave Rock, Hippo Yawn, Mulka's Cave. 1 per location	CDO	July 2023	\$1,000 for each location Not confirmed
4.4	Breakers information signage	CDO		
TOTAL				\$16,500.00 TBA

#### 2024 - 2025 Financial Year - GENERAL MAINTENANCE

No.	Action	Responsible Officer	Target Date for Completion	Estimated Budget
5.0	Remove dead vegetation and litter from walk trails on a regular basis	MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance
5.1	Regular grading of Wave Rock Car Park	MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance
5.2	Regular checking and cleaning of BBQ's at Wave Rock Car Park and Breakers Picnic Area	MPA	On-Going	General Maintenance
5.3	Regular checking of the Ticket Machine	MPA	On-Going	General Maintenance
5.4	Maintain a clean and clear walking trail at Hyden Rock & Mulka's Cave/ The Humps and continue to maintain it.	CDO & MOW	On-Going	General Maintenance

#### 2024 - 2025 Financial Year - NEW IMPROVEMENTS

No.	Action	Responsible Officer	Target Date for Completion	Estimated Budget
6.0	Update entry signage at Wave Rock x2 locations (Wave Rock Welcomes You & Wave Rock Country)	CDO	June 2025	TBA
6.1	Investigate options for re-seal and design of Car Park, associated kerbing and line marking plus Asphalt and associated works to the entry		June 2024	TBA
6.2	Installing a boardwalk between Hippo Yawn and Wave Rock, in rough areas.	CDO & MOW	August 2024	TBA
6.3	Update Roadside signs, breakers, Mulka's Cave, The Humps, Cafe	CDO & MOW	June 2025	\$7,500.00
TOTAL				TBC