

**Roses take
bloom in Vale
Park on
Valentine's
Day**



Weekly Round Up

20 February 2026

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Draft Disability Access & Inclusion Plan consultation

The Town of Walkerville has created a draft Disability Access & Inclusion Plan for 2026-2030.

This plan aims to improve disability access and inclusion within the Township, and ensure people with disability - of all ages and abilities - have the opportunity to live active, connected and fulfilling lives in Walkerville.

In the plan, it outlines areas of focus and actions for Council to undertake in the Township to meet the needs and expectations of our community. These areas of focus cover:

- inclusive environments and communities;
- education and employment;
- personal and community safety; and
- safety, rights and justice.



Council wants to get feedback on the draft Disability Access & Inclusion Plan to ensure it is appropriately meeting the needs of our community, as well as understand if anything is missing from the draft Plan that Council should consider.

The consultation on the draft Disability Access & Inclusion Plan 2026-2030 will close at 5pm on Friday, 27 March 2026.

For more information or to undertake the online survey, head to [Your Say Walkerville](#).

Or pick up a hard copy survey from the Civic & Community Centre or from The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre.

Council wants to ensure that everyone is able to participate in this consultation on the draft Disability Access & Inclusion Plan. If you have another preference for being engaged, please let us know by contacting 8342 7100 and requesting to speak with Governance Officer, Yazmin King. Council will meet with all who request an alternative feedback option.

The W: Family Fun Day

Council is excited to officially announce the opening celebration for The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre.

Come down to The W between 11am-2pm on Sunday, 1 March 2026, to enjoy a Family Fun Day out!

There will be kids' activities, come and try sports sessions, a raffle draw, face painting, live music and entertainment, food trucks, a flagship basketball game and so much more!

This **free event** is not one to miss and is a great opportunity to check out the new Walkerville Recreation Centre.

Event schedule:



- **11am – Official opening**

Join us for the official unveiling of The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre, with speeches from special guests and enter into the raffle draw to win some great prizes

- **11am-2pm – Kids' Court (whole event)**

Court W2: Jumping castle, soft play, mini ball pit and ride-on cars

- **11am-12pm – Walkerville Netball Club**

Court W1: Come & Try netball sessions for 5-7 year olds

- **12pm-1pm – 22 Too Gymnastics & Volleyball SA**

Court W1: Come & Try sport sessions for gymnastics and volleyball

- **1pm – Adelaide 36ers with ACBA & Norwood Basketball Club**

Court W1: Flagship basketball game featuring the Adelaide 36ers and special VIP guests

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Walkerville Oval Football Netting consultation decision

From 21 January 2026 to 10 February 2026, Council consulted on a proposed change to Walkerville Oval – allowing for the installation of football goal netting at the northern and southern ends of the Oval.

Following consultation with nearby residents, users of Walkerville Oval and the wider community, the feedback received was provided to Council to help inform their decision on the matter.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on 16 February 2026, after a lot of deliberation and consideration of community feedback, Council decided to install football netting on the northern side of Walkerville Oval only. Council resolution **CNC052/02/26**



Council believes this is a fair outcome, which mitigates risks of damage to cars parked at the Walkerville Bowling & Community Club car park and accidents associated with stray balls into traffic on Smith Street, Walkerville.

Council has 50% grant funding and a contribution from the Walkerville Sports Club for both the installation and ongoing maintenance of the net.

The works to install the football netting on the northern end of Walkerville Oval will occur in the coming weeks.

Information and installation timeframes for the football netting will be made available in a future Weekly Round Up once dates have been set.

Vale Park gets Valentine's Day facelift

Local mosaic artist, Travis Cox, has created another Stobie pole masterpiece, 'Be My Valentine', which was installed - very timely - on Valentine's Day (14 February 2026).

The mosaic depicts vibrant roses and is located on Washington Street in Vale Park.

As Travis said for his new mosaic, "Roses are red, Violets are blue, I smashed up some tiles, And stuck 'em with glue..."

Travis also had a resident walk by and stop for a chat, who mentioned that it was a perfect spot for the mosaic, as two former residents (both since passed) had 'Rose' in their name, were close friends and used to grow roses in their gardens.



Walkerville Community Committee's Outdoor Movie Night was a hit!

On Friday, 13 February 2026, the Walkerville Community Committee held its first Outdoor Movie Night on the big scoreboard at Walkerville Oval.

The event was a hit, with around 200 people attending the event to watch the movie, *Smurfs*.

Attendees were able to enjoy snags from the Rotary Club of Walkerville – which sold out – and popcorn and fairy floss from the Walkerville Community Committee.

Due to the success of the event, the Walkerville Community Committee will investigate when they can next host a movie night at the Oval.



About Town hitting letterboxes Monday!

The autumn edition of About Town will be hitting letterboxes from Monday, 23 February 2026!

Keep up to date on the latest news happening around the Town of Walkerville and view updates on major projects in the Township, as well as what events are on for the coming months!



Walkerville Walkers breakfast

The Walkerville Walkers group had its quarterly health and wellness breakfast on Monday.

Local walkers learnt about heart health, including checkups, warning signs, latest data and research.



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We are hiring!

Governance Officer/ Senior Governance Officer

Town of Walkerville is looking for a dedicated professional to join our team as either a Governance Officer (Level 4-5) or a Senior Governance Officer (Level 5-6). The final classification and title will be determined based on the successful candidate's skills, qualifications, and depth of experience.

Reporting to the Group Manager Corporate Services, the incumbent will be responsible for providing support and advice to the Council on governance matters, including corporate governance principles, risk management and compliance.

The incumbent will also assist in the development, implementation and monitoring of governance policies and procedures; coordinate the activities of governance committees and subcommittees; prepare and distribute meeting materials and minutes for governance committees; track and report on governance performance indicators; and support the organisation's compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

The ideal individual will be an exceptional team player and will have the ability to exercise good judgement in a variety of situations, with strong written and verbal communication, administrative and organisational skills; and the ability to maintain a balance among multiple competing priorities. The incumbent will need to have the ability to work independently and in collaboration with the Mayor, CEO and department managers.

For more information or to apply, [click here](#).



2026 Volunteer of the Year Award nominations

Town of Walkerville is now accepting nominations for the 2026 Volunteer of the Year Awards.

Council encourages people to nominate a volunteer in our community by putting their name forward for an individual or local community event in the 2026 Volunteer Awards.

There are three volunteer award categories, plus a Mayor's Choice Award category – with a recipient selected from the pool of nominations by Council Members.



The below categories are:

Category 1: Volunteer of the Year

For exceptional voluntary service by an individual who has benefited the Town of Walkerville. This award is only for people aged over 35 years.

Category 2: Young Volunteer of the Year

For exceptional voluntary service by an individual who has benefited the Town of Walkerville. This award is only for people aged 35 years or under.

Category 3: Community Event of the Year (this can be in-person or virtual)

For a local event held between February 2025 and February 2026 that demonstrated a strong local community focus and volunteering element. Organisations can nominate their own events for the Community Event of the Year Award.

Nominations are now open, and will close at 5pm on Tuesday, 7 April 2026.

If you are interested in nominating a deserving person, [click here](#).

'Elly' The Elephant

For the month of February, Town of Walkerville is hosting 'Elly' The Elephant in the foyer of the Civic & Community Centre, as part of the Elephant In The Room project.

This project was created by Women's Safety Services SA and aims to give a voice to women with lived experience of domestic and family violence.

'Elly' also aims to raise awareness in the community about what domestic and family violence really is, how it can show up in everyday life and what options are available for people seeking support.

Give 'Elly' The Elephant a visit at Council to learn more.



Future of South Australia's libraries depends on updated funding deal

State Government funding for public libraries in South Australia is falling short of what's needed to maintain existing service levels and staffing, placing further pressure on one of the State's most heavily used and trusted institutions.

Ahead of the March State Election, the Local Government Association is urging the next State Government to commit to a funding model that recognises the increased public demand, rising operating costs and the expanded role public libraries are facing in communities.

This includes adding annual indexation as part of a new public libraries funding agreement that will ensure existing programs, staffing and other key services remain sustainable in the future.

Under the current agreement, which must be renegotiated by the end of January, the State Government's annual contribution of \$20.7 million toward public libraries has dropped to \$20.1 million.

LGA is calling to increase funding and include indexation in a new agreement, worth close to \$3 million over the next two years, based on average CPI figures.

Town of Walkerville is asking you to show your support for public library funding by contacting your local State MP, [the Honourable Lucy Hood](#), to let her know why you value the Walkerville Library and want the State Government to continue funding public libraries.



ENGLISH



SUPPORT

ASSISTANCE

STARTING WEDNESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2026

10AM-11.30AM | MEETING ROOM 2

FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH.

EXCLUDES SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

JOIN ONE OF OUR FRIENDLY SESSIONS, DESIGNED FOR ANYONE LOOKING TO IMPROVE THEIR ENGLISH AND GAIN CONFIDENCE. THE SESSIONS ARE LED BY A VOLUNTEER AND FORMER TEACHER WITH YEARS OF EXPERIENCE HELPING PEOPLE WITH THEIR ENGLISH.

WE CAN SUPPORT YOU WITH:

- PRACTISING EVERYDAY ENGLISH CONVERSATION AND WRITTEN SKILLS
- COMPLETING FORMS AND UNDERSTANDING DOCUMENTS

**FREE, DROP-IN SERVICE
NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL COUNCIL 8342 7100
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Safer Suburbs Grant Program

Helping residents and businesses feel safer at home and at work, the Town of Walkerville's Safer Suburbs Grant Program offers eligible applicants funding support for the installation of safety cameras.

The program reflects Council's commitment to fostering safe, resilient and connected communities, and directly supports the delivery of the Strategic 10-year Plan – TOWards2035.

This Policy applies to eligible applicants, including residents, local businesses, not-for-profit organisations, community groups and volunteer-based entities operating within the Township.



To be eligible for a Safer Suburbs Grant, applicants must be:

- a Town of Walkerville ratepayer living in the Council area;
- a resident living within the Town of Walkerville area (must provide written approval from property owner or landlord for installation of equipment);
- a not-for-profit organisation or community group based in the Town of Walkerville; or
- a local business operating within the Town of Walkerville that has an Australian Business Number, has current public liability insurance and, where relevant, have landlord and/or development approvals.

Funding will be provided towards the purchase of security camera/s, including CCTV installation and home security doorbells.

Residential applicants are eligible for a grant of up to \$100 per application, priority residents may be eligible for up to \$200 per application, and businesses and not-for-profit/community groups are eligible for a grant of up to \$500 per application.

For more information regarding the Safer Suburbs Grant Program, including the relevant Policy, and how to apply, [click here](#).

Your Art, Our Walls: Exhibit at the Theresa Walker Gallery in 2026

Are you looking to showcase your work and take your artistic practice to the next level in 2026?

The Town of Walkerville invites artists to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) for upcoming exhibition opportunities at the Theresa Walker Gallery, located within the Civic & Community Centre.

Whether you're a painter, photographer, or a textile artist — we are looking for passionate, innovative and diverse creators to showcase their work in this open community space.

For more information or to apply, [click here](#).



Waste tip: Deciphering plastic codes

What do the numbers on the plastics really mean? Are they recyclable?

The numbers 1 to 7 found on plastics is not a recycling symbol, but rather a plastic or resin identification code.

The number advises what type of plastic the item is made from, but not whether it's recyclable.

Most hard plastics coded 1 to 7 can be recycled in your yellow-lidded recycling bin, however, expanded polystyrene foam, number 6, and plastic bags, which are usually number 2 or 4, cannot be recycled through kerbside recycling bins.



For a rundown on what each number means, [click here](#).

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Learn



Laugh



Inspire

Wiggle, Giggle, Bubbles

Come along to Wiggle, Giggle, Bubbles! With songs and rhymes, lots of smiles, bubbles and special times! Wiggle, Giggle, Bubbles is a weekly interactive session focused on the first three years of development.

Every Monday morning. 10am-10.30am at the Walkerville Town Hall. Free to attend. *Excluding School and Public Holidays. Suitable for children 4+. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Bookings: [Click here](#) or call 8342 7100.



LEGO Club

Come and take on our monthly LEGO challenge! We'll provide the LEGO – YOU bring the imagination.

Free on the last Friday of each month.

*Excluding School and Public Holidays. Suitable for children 4+. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times.

3.45pm-4.45pm, Friday, 27 February 2026, at the Walkerville Library. No bookings required.



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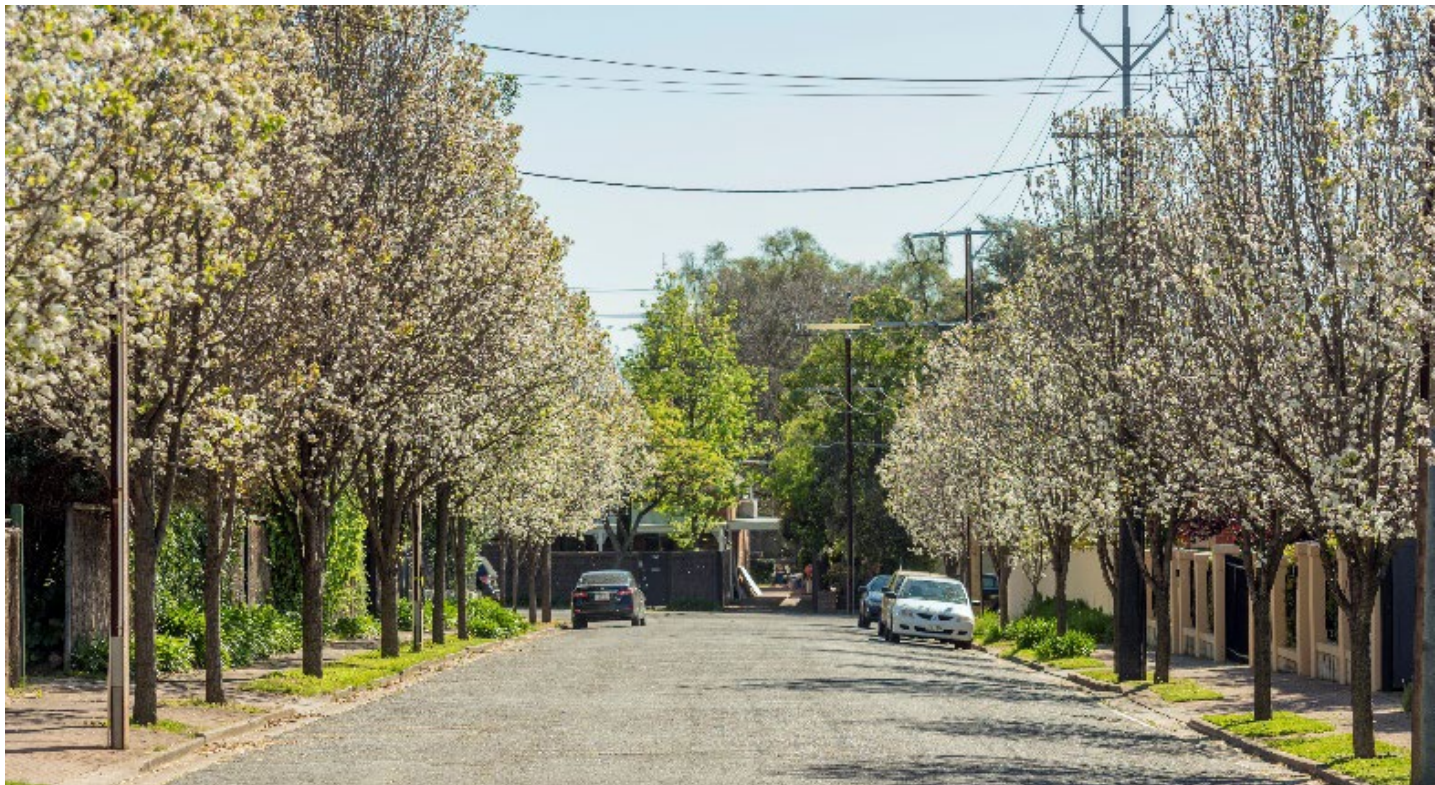
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Street sweeping helps keep the Township clean

Our street sweeping programs are seasonally adjusted to effectively manage the level of risk relating to street tree litter.



While we make every effort to keep our streets clean year-round, you can help out by doing the following:

- avoid sweeping leaves or clippings onto the road; and
- do not park caravans, trailers or boats on the road for extended periods.

Main Roads	Gilberton/Medindie	Walkerville	Vale Park
			25/2/2026
4/3/2026	11/3/2026	19/3/2026	25/3/2026
1/4/2026	8/4/2026	16/4/2026	22/4/2026
29/4/2026	6/5/2026	14/5/2026	20/5/2026
27/5/2026	3/6/2026	11/6/2026	17/6/2026
24/6/2026	1/7/2026	9/7/2026	15/7/2026
6/8/2026	12/8/2026	19/8/2026	26/8/2026
3/9/2026	9/9/2026	16/9/2026	23/9/2026

Council meetings

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Monday, 16 March 2026.



All community members are welcome to attend the gallery and ask questions of Council Members during meetings, without prior notice.

For further information or to email a question in advance, please contact Council's Governance Team via governance@walkerville.sa.gov.au

Council meetings are held at the Civic & Community Centre, 66 Walkerville Terrace, Gilberton.



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Sign up to the Town of Walkerville e-news

Do you want to stay connected with news, information and events in the Town of Walkerville?

Sign up to the Town of Walkerville e-news today!

The e-news is a weekly newsletter that provides you with all you need to know about what is happening in and around the Township.

It is also an important avenue for you to keep up to date with Council projects and initiatives.

For instance, Council regularly provides updates on major projects, like The W: Walkerville Recreation Centre or the Walkerville Bowling & Community Club, in the e-news.

To subscribe, click here: www.walkerville.sa.gov.au/subscribe



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