Special Council Meeting

26 November 2026

Commencing at 4:30 PM

Agenda

Notice of Meeting.

To: The President and Councillors.

A Special Council Meeting of the Shire of Toodyay will be held at the Shire of Toodyay Council Chambers, 15 Fiennes Street, Toodyay WA 6566 on the above-mentioned date and time.

The Special Meeting of Council is for the purpose of:

1. Australia Day Community Citizen of the Year Awards 2027
2. Councillor Madacsi Notice of Motion OCM272/11/26

Cherie Delmage

ACTING EXECUTIVE MANAGER FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

On behalf of

Alan Hart

TEMPORARY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Information

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ATTACHMENTS can be found in the Attachments Paper.

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member is to run through the Preliminaries, and to declare the Ordinary Meeting of Council open.

Acknowledgement of Country: "*I acknowledge the Ballardong Noongar people, the traditional custodians of the land where we meet today and the Yued and Whadjuk people, who are traditional custodians of respective lands within the wider Shire of Toodyay. I pay my respect to their Elders, past, present and emerging*."

2 RECORDS OF ATTENDANCE

2.1 APOLOGIES

2.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

4 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

4.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5 PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

6 OFFICER REPORTS

6.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

6.1.1 Australia Day Community Citizen of the Year Awards 2027

Date of Report:	12 November 2026
Applicant or Proponent:	Shire of Toodyay
File Reference:	EVT6
Author:	S Ambrose – Executive Manager Economic Development and Community Services
Responsible Officer:	S Ambrose – Executive Manager Economic Development and Community Services
Previously Before Council:	N/A
Author's Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Council's Role in the matter:	Executive
Attachments:	1. Community Citizen of the Year Nominations (confidential) *Section 5.23* *(4) (b) information relating to the personal affairs of an individual;* 2. Youth Community Citizen of the Year Nominations (confidential) *Section 5.23* *(4) (b) information relating to the personal affairs of an individual;* 3. Senior Community Citizen of the Year Nominations (confidential) *Section 5.23* *(4) (b) information relating to the personal affairs of an individual;* 4. Active Citizenship (Group or Event) Nominations (confidential) *Section 5.23* *(4) (b) information relating to the personal affairs of an individual;*

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To consider nominations and select recipients for the 2027 Australia Day Community Citizen of the Year Awards categories.

BACKGROUND

The Community Citizen of the Year Awards are held annually across the State, promoted, and coordinated by the Australia Day Council of Western Australia (ADCWA).

The recipients are selected from people and groups who have made community contribution and participation rather than personal achievement.

The Community Citizen of the Year Awards consist of four categories for presentation:

1. Community Citizenship of the Year;

2. Community Citizen of the Year (Youth under 25 years);

3. Community Citizen of the Year (Senior over 65 years); and

4. Active Citizenship (Group or Event).

ADCWA and participating local governments call for nominations from community groups and individuals. Nominations are submitted to ADCWA online via the website or using the form provided by the local government. All nominations received before the close-off date are provided to the relevant local government for consideration and selection.

In choosing the recipients of the Community Citizen of the Year Awards, regard is given to the nominee's achievements in the year immediately prior to receiving the award, as well as their past achievements and ongoing contribution to the community. A nominee need only be nominated once to be considered, though can receive numerous nominations.

Nominations for the 2027 Community Citizenship Awards opened on 1 September 2026 and closed on 31 October 2026. Posters and the link to the nomination form were published on the Shire of Toodyay website and Facebook.

The winners of these awards will have been judged to have shown active citizenship and:

- Significant contribution to the local community;
- Demonstrated leadership on a community issue resulting in the enhancement of community life;
- A significant initiative which has brought about positive change and added value to community life; and
- Inspiring qualities as a role model for the community.

Community Active Citizenship Awards are a means of recognising those who show outstanding commitment and contribution to their local community.

COMMENTS AND DETAILS

The Community Citizen of the Year Awards are an opportunity for the Shire of Toodyay to recognise and honour the efforts of many residents, who dedicate their own time to actively work for the betterment of our community.

Nominees are formally invited to attend and participate in the Australia Day celebrations by the Shire of Toodyay.

ADCWA provides Certificates and Medals to the selected recipients.

Although it customary for only one winner from each category to be awarded, the Shire of Toodyay has previously awarded joint recipients in Citizenship Awards.

The Australia Day Council requests that it receive Award winner names by 3 December 2026 to allow time for printing and forwarding the Award certificates and medals to the Shire of Toodyay.

IMPLICATIONS TO CONSIDER

Consultative:

Shire of Toodyay and Nominees

Strategic:

Shire of Toodyay Plan for the Future: Council Plan 2023-2033

Outcome 2: An inclusive and connected community

Policy related:

Nil.

Financial:

Local governments are encouraged to engage residents to nominate fellow citizens. There is no additional cost for the Shire to support the Awards, or for those wishing to submit a nomination.

Legal and Statutory:

Nil.

Risk related:

The reputational risk of Council choosing to not nominate by secret ballot, recipients for the 2026 Community Citizen of the Year Awards categories, is considered minor (2) however this report mitigates the risk.

Workforce related:

Officers will arrange for nomination certificates and inform nominees

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

MOTION

That Council move behind closed doors to consider **confidential Attachments 1,2,3 and 4.**

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council, having considered the nominations for the Australia Day WA Community Citizen of the Year Awards 2027 (**confidential Attachments 1,2,3 and 4)**:

1. selects ___ as the recipient for the 2027 Community Citizen of the Year;
2. selects ___ as the recipient for the 2027 Youth Community Citizen of the Year;
3. selects ___ as the recipient for the 2027 Senior Community Citizen of the Year; and
4. selects ___ as the recipient for the 2027 Active Citizenship (Group or Event).

MOTION

That Council move from behind closed doors.

7 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

RECOMMENDATION

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 5.23 of the Local Government Act 1995:

7.1 Councillor Madacsi Notice of Motion OCM272/11/26

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 5.23 - (4) (b) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information relating to the personal affairs of an individual;

8 CLOSURE OF MEETING