Works Committee meeting Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 2014

## **Parks and Gardens Report**

The grassed areas of the Shire's parks and gardens have been fertilised With more recent additional applications to Peace and Avon parks.

Peace Park, Avon Park, and Memorial Parks have received an application of a wetting agent in order to improve the moisture penetration of these areas

Rose garden areas have also been fertilized with an appropriate fertilizer and will shortly be followed up (if not already completed) with an additional application.

Avon Park. As mentioned briefly in previous meetings, the Sub Committee has recommended that a couple of sections where the turf is virtually non-existent due to pedestrian traffic and shade from the trees, be covered with mulch. (plant attached)

These three areas would require approx. 10 cubic metres of mulch to be spread at approx. 75mm thick

This introduction of this material will reduce sand erosion and also benefit the health if the trees.

Intend giving the Avon park an additional application of a wetting agent and fertilizer in readiness for the Australia Day services.

Early November the SOY received an email from Rod Botica of the Water Corp re a report of the shire watering Tavon park outside the prescribed times. After consulting with staff it was found that on this occasion the staff member was checking the reticulation following the vert-drain operation, which had broken a few underground pipes

I explained and received further correspondence from Rob Botica Leonie has all info on file.

Attached a budget estimate to upgrade the Residency Museum Indigenous section

CEO's residence Fruit fly problem Gardener to remove and rake up effected fruit, and although it may be too late, spray the adjoining unaffected fruit trees