



# Media Release

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## **Neighbourhood Networking funds to help Cockburn communities reconnect**

As communities begin to ease their way back into normal activities following the lifting of more COVID-19 restrictions in Western Australia, the City of Cockburn is encouraging its residents to reconnect by holding small neighbourhood events.

The City will provide vouchers valued at up to \$250 to help residents, neighbours and community groups rekindle connections at organised events at public parks or even on street verges, in Cockburn suburbs.

City of Cockburn Community Development Coordinator Simone Sieber said the time was right for the Neighbourhood Networking initiative as people began to leave their homes following the pandemic shutdown period.

“It’s a great time to get together with neighbours and fellow community group members for a sausage sizzle or a barbecue, especially as the longer spring days begin to arrive,” Ms Sieber said.

“It’s also a perfect opportunity to explore some of the new and upgraded parks popping up within the City, and celebrate the great outdoors, perhaps by meeting some of your neighbours for the first time at one of these free events.”

Neighbourhood Networking funds are only available to City of Cockburn residents and community groups to hold free events at public properties in Cockburn.

Applicants should apply at least a month before they intend to hold the event, and items that qualify for funding include food, entertainment, decorations and promotion of the event.

Some upgraded local parks ripe for a Neighbourhood Networking party include:

- Pausin Crescent playground, Bibra Lake
- Powell Park, Coogee
- Botany Park basketball half-court, Hammond Park



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- Meares Park, Bibra Lake
- Bassett Park, North Lake
- Blackthorne Park, South Lake

Apply for the Neighbourhood Networking initiative [here](#).

For more information or to discuss your event please email [commdev@cockburn.wa.gov.au](mailto:commdev@cockburn.wa.gov.au) or call 9411 3444.

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