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**NAIDOC WEEK & POCKET PARK OPENING** The Shire marked NAIDOC Week with the official opening of the new pocket park at 25

Parade Street. The event brought together people from all sections of society, creating a vibrant atmosphere that reverberated with laughter and lively conversations around the crackling fire.

The Shire of Pingelly extends our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who attended, as their presence added warmth and spirit to the occasion. A special thanks is due to the local Elders that attended, Malcolm Jetta, Bevan Winmar and Frank Winmar for their Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony. Their contributions and support further elevated the significance of the occasion.

The dynamic performances by the Bigurda Dancers and the Pingelly Noongar Dance Group were truly mesmerising, captivating the audience and showcasing Pingelly's rich cultural heritage. This unique and intimate space is welcoming to everyone with a yarning circle and fire pit, community chalkboards and stage, lit with festoon lights which create a vibrant atmosphere.

The Shire is now undergoing consultation with our local Aboriginal community for the naming of the park. The park is now open and ready for use. Please contact the Shire if you wish to use the fire pit.

The realisation of the pocket park was made possible in part by the generous support of Reconnect WA, who provided partial funding for its construction. The Commonwealth Government's NAIDOC Week grant also played a crucial role in making the event and the park a reality. Without their financial assistance, such an endeavour would have been much more challenging to achieve.

Finally, the hardworking staff at the Shire of Pingelly deserve recognition for their dedication and commitment. Their tireless efforts in planning and organising the NAIDOC Week event, as well as overseeing the creation of the pocket park, ensured its smooth execution and success. Their vision and passion for community development were evident in every aspect of the event and the park.

This year's NAIDOC Week event and the opening of the Pocket Park were an opportunity to express heartfelt gratitude to the Elders of the community. Their wisdom, guidance, and resilience have paved the way for future generations and ensured the preservation and celebration of indigenous culture.

As the laughter and yarns continued to resonate around the fire in the newly unveiled pocket park, it was a testament to the power of unity, appreciation, and respect for the rich tapestry of indigenous heritage. The event and the park stand as a testament to the enduring spirit of the community, embracing diversity, and fostering a sense of belonging for all who call Pingelly home.



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