

Review of Aged and Community Care Assets & Services

Project Update 4 April 2025

A few weeks ago, we let you know that the Shire of Manjimup is considering 'testing the market' to identify reputable providers of residential aged care and home and community care. As part of the Shire's commitment to ensuring the highest standard of care for our growing and evolving community, the Shire is exploring opportunities to expand and enhance local aged care services.

Over the past weeks, a project plan was created and approved by the Council on 25 February 2025, and a project team has been formed to move things forward.

The main goals of the project are:

- 1. To determine the opportunities and constraints of the Shire of Manjimup's aged and community care services.
- 2. To review the current and projected future risks of delivering aged and community care services for the Shire of Manjimup and its rate payers.
- 3. To determine the organisational requirements for growth in aged and community care services in line with community demand.

Over the coming months the Shire will be undertaking a thorough analysis of the Shire's assets and resources involved in aged and community care services.

As mentioned before, it is important to remember the following:

- **Continuity of Care:** Our intent is to ensure no disruption to the high-quality services currently provided by Manjimup Home and Community Care.
- Community Focus: Any potential provider would need to demonstrate their ability to expand and grow aged care services locally for the benefit of the Manjimup community.
- **Due Diligence:** The Shire is in an early due diligence phase. This involves careful research and preparation to make informed decisions in the best interest of residents.
- A Thoughtful Process: Significant preparatory work is required before any decisions are made. It could take 12-18 months before there is clarity on the next steps.

We will continue to keep you informed on a regular basis. Should you have any questions, please phone the Shire Office on 9771 7777.