



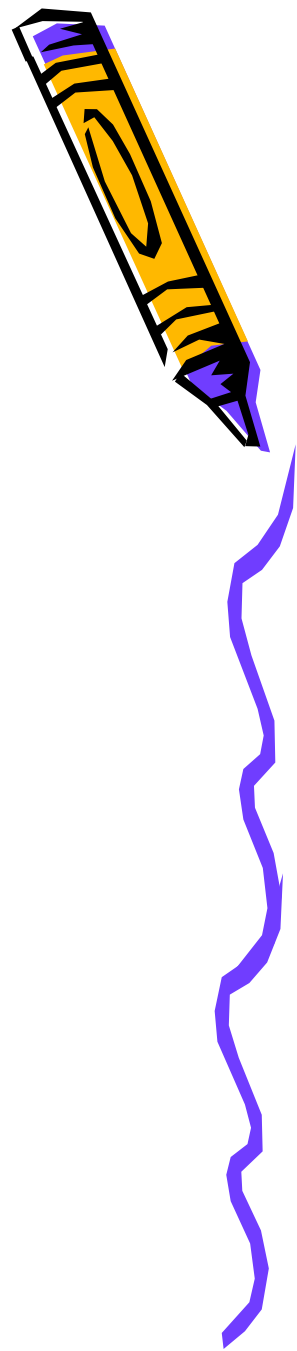
WEST LEEDERVILLE COMMUNITY GARDEN

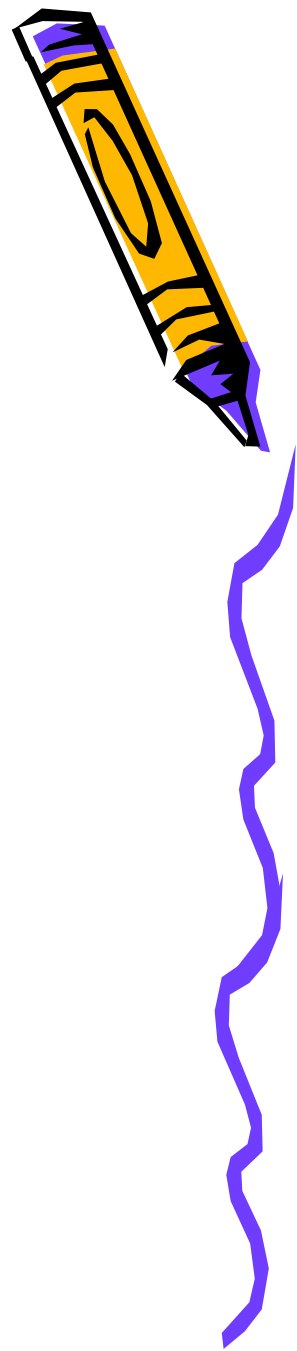
A product of community initiative,
cooperative neighbours and generous
partnership with the Town of Cambridge



How we got started...

- Why?
 - Focus for community building
 - Opportunity to grow healthy food
 - Green space with a purpose
 - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle





Our strengths

- We have community support
- We have skills and enthusiasm
- We can source independent funding to the council
- We have a detailed plan



Connection to the Town of Cambridge



- Our strategy developed through research and talking
- We had to find the most appropriate person to talk to within the council and build a relationship
- A good possibility of working together





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Partnership with the Town of Cambridge

The Town was approached by the Community Garden Members in 2007 and in April 2007 the Town provided \$17,000 for the establishment of 12 plots on the site in Cambridge Street.

Lots of internal discussion about the ramifications of letting a community garden get established on council land in a prime area occurred.



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May 2007





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July 2007

25/07/2007



August 2007



August 2007

2008





- February 2008 – Elected members and administration staff attended an information session.

February 2008 a Notice of Motion was passed to allow the extension of the garden by another 9 full beds and 5 half beds.

Growing Communities WA project

- The Town became a partner with WA Community Garden Network (WACGN), City of Swan, City of Gosnells, and DADAA Inc. (Disability in the Arts, Disadvantage in the Arts, Australia) in a successful Lotterywest application to deliver the Growing Communities WA project aimed at building the capacity of communities to develop sustainable and accessible community gardens in WA.
- Community Gardens WA website resources

October 2008

- Community Garden Open Day was held. The Community Garden received a Community Arts Network Grant for \$1,000 to produce several urban art boards in partnership with the Town' Youth Services.
- \$500 was received from the Open Garden Scheme for fruit trees
- \$3,000 Volunteers Small equipment grant from Federal Government



October 2008

Donated goods

- 27,000 water tank
- 1000 litre water tank
- Garden shed
- Brick pavers
- Limestone blocks
- Lawn clippings Garden tools
- Garden Furniture
- Reduced cost reticulation Bobcat time
- Expertise and labour for reticulation system
- Plans for on site constructions
- Occupational health and safety expertise
- Website set up and maintenance
- Plants and trees
- Worm farms
- Site plans and garden layout design services
- Transport for picking up goods and labour

Outcomes and progress...

- West Leederville Primary School's year 4 and 5 classes regularly visited the garden and had an allotment. Community Garden members organise to be on site to help the class with their garden bed.



Waste Wise themes

- Concentrate on using an organics that we create and recycle them through composting and worm farming and mulching
- Construction of garden through recycled materials, such as compost bays from old pallets or used compost and worm farms
- Community development through workshops and teaching areas for Earth Carers and for the members of the Garden themselves such as Mosaic workshops



Mosaic Workshop

The journey is the end...



Come and see us...

- Visit our website www.wlra.org.au and follow the links
- Visit us in person
The garden is located on Cambridge Street in West Leederville (near the Bowling Club and Rose Garden).
Activities happen on 2- 4pm on Saturdays