



Charlton Solar Information Meeting

For anyone thinking about 'going solar' or adding battery storage on their home or business, there's an opportunity to learn more at a community information meeting at the East Charlton Hotel on **Tuesday 24 February from 6.00-7.30pm.**

Hosted by the not-for-profit Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance – and in partnership with Central Goldfields Shire Council – this meeting will provide attendees with the information they need to decide whether now's a good time to get solar installed or to invest in a battery.

Cr Vis, Deputy Mayor of Buloke Shire Council, will open the meeting. Presenters are from solar & battery bulk-buy – Mallee Sun Solar Bulk-Buy – which is owned and organised by the Central Victorian Greenhouse Alliance.

Mallee Sun Solar Bulk-Buy aims to encourage the uptake of more solar in the region, helping residents cut their electricity bills and reduce CO2 emissions. Community groups benefit with one percent of bulk-buy revenues distributed to not-for-profit groups in each shire in the form of free solar.

To learn more about Mallee Sun Solar Bulk-Buy and to register for this event, visit www.mash.org.au/buloke or call **1300 466 274.**



Get Involved in the MEMPC

Buloke Shire Council are seeking community members to be involved in the planning and development of the Municipal Emergency Management Plan through the Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee (MEMPC).

If you are passionate about your community and want to be involved in the development and implementation of strategies to assist us in ensuring the safety of our community during emergency events, then please get in contact with us to express your interest and submit a nomination.

The ideal applicant will have an understanding of the Victorian emergency management arrangements, have strong community links and be prepared to meet a minimum of 4 times per year. Further information can be obtained from the Coordinator Public Health and Emergency Management, Mel Wilson on **1300 520 520.**

Please email your completed nomination form to buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au. The nomination form can be downloaded at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/news-and-consultation

Rate Payment Reminder

Council offers residents the choice of paying rates in a lump sum or in instalments.

For those who elect to pay their Council Rates by annual payment, a reminder that the due date is **15 February 2021.**

For those who pay by quarterly instalments, the third payment is due by **28 February 2021.**

You can learn more about rates, your payment options and your options if you are experiencing financial difficulty at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/rates or you can call Council on **1300 520 520.**

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Wanted

Keeping connected is something we all enjoy. Regardless of age or abilities, a helping hand and a sense of caring gives us a boost. So, the helping hands which support the delivery of Meals on Wheels are vital on many levels.

A visit for the aged, or vulnerable in the community, can make a world of difference to their day, and brings more than just the drop-off of a tasty meal. While regular and nutritious food is important, it's often the friendly face and shared conversation which adds to the delivery experience.

Buloke is currently looking to recruit volunteers for the delivery of the Meals on Wheels service.

All it takes is just 30-60 minutes, and builds a sense of satisfaction from helping someone else.

If you would like to help, register your interest by calling: **1300 520 520** or email to buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au



Current Tenders

Contract No. C93 - 2020/2021 Provision of Municipal Building Surveyor and Building Inspector Services

The Buloke Shire Council invites tenders for the provision of municipal building surveyor and building inspector services in line with statutory requirements. Further details are available at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/tenders. Tender documents are available for downloading from <https://portal.tenderlink.com/bulokeshire>. Tenders close 2:00pm AEDT Monday 22 February 2021.

Contract No. C95 - 2020/2021 Sea Lake Visitor Information Hub – Renovation of Old Sea Lake Shire Office

The Buloke Shire Council invites tenders from suitably experienced and qualified companies to provide construction works associated with the renovation of the old Sea Lake Office into a Visitor Information Hub. Further details are available at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/tenders. Tender documents are available for downloading from <https://portal.tenderlink.com/bulokeshire>. Tenders close 2:00pm AEDT Wednesday 24 February 2021.

Community Satisfaction Survey 2021

Buloke Shire Council would like to inform residents that throughout February, your household may receive a call from an independent market research agency, National Field Services.

They have been commissioned to conduct a community satisfaction survey on behalf of Council.

Similar surveys will be undertaken across Victorian councils in the coming months. The survey has been designed to assess the performance of the Buloke Shire Council across a range of measures to identify ways to provide improvement or more effective service delivery to residents.

The survey will involve phone interviews conducted among a representative sample of residents.

We appreciate you taking the time to assist us with your valuable feedback.

Please be assured that your details and individual responses are confidential. Only the overall results are shared with Buloke Shire Council.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Council's Customer Service team on **1300 520 520.**

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