

COVID-19 Update

As Council has been communicating to you, we are operating in a slightly varied capacity as we continue to work in accordance with information provided by the state and federal governments.

Remember that Council is here for you during this health alert and that we remain committed to community safety and wellbeing. Council also has an obligation to look after staff, volunteers and Councillors.

As we all start to emerge somewhat as some restrictions are eased, we enter a really important period.

We need to continue to practise good social distancing measures and personal hygiene practises.

This isn't over. Now, more than ever, we need to demonstrate our care for each other. When moving around, demonstrate that kindness for each other, be patient with each other and let's keep the virus at bay.

As we reinstate some facilities and services minimising disruption is a high priority, second only to the health and wellbeing of the community. Council will continue to keep the community updated and you can find a range of resources and a full list of affected services at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19-health-alert.

For the latest updates on the COVID-19 from the Federal Government's Department of Health visit www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert.

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We're Hiring!

Are you out of work?

Council is recruiting NOW for 50 new temporary positions as part of the Victorian Government's Working for Victoria initiative.

These jobs are 6 month contracts and include indoor and outdoor positions, like all our roles, these roles are non-gender specific.

We want to recruit as many local people that need work as we can.

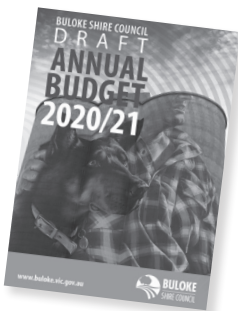
HOW TO GET STARTED

- Set up your profile
- Select up to 3 types of work that interest you
- Share your availability
- Select your preferred locality.

Visit www.vic.gov.au/workingforvictoria to find out more and apply.

Have Your Say on Draft Budget

Buloke Shire Council has prepared its proposed Annual Budget 2020/21. The proposed Budget can be viewed online at www.buloke.vic.gov.au or will be made available for inspection by contacting Council's office on 1300 520 520.



Submissions

Community members are welcome to make a written submission on the proposed Budget in accordance with Section 223 of the Act. Submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Buloke Shire Council, P.O. Box 1, Wycheproof, 3527. Submissions must be received no later than 5.00pm Wednesday 10 June 2020.

Any person who wishes to be heard in support of their written submission must request this in their submission. Such persons will be entitled to appear in person or by a person acting on his or her behalf before the Council meeting where submissions will be heard. This will be a part of the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 10 June 2020. This meeting will either be held in the Wycheproof Supper Room or online.

Meeting to adopt the budget

Council's Annual Budget 2020/21 will be adopted at a Special Meeting of Council to be held at 6.00pm on 17 June 2020. This meeting will either be held in the Wycheproof Supper Room or online.



Around the Towns

Tree Works to Commence

There will be some tree programs being undertaken from June in two towns across Buloke.

There will be extensive work undertaken in Centenary Park, Wycheproof on a number of trees to prolong the health of some existing trees as well as some risk minimisation treatments on some of the larger specimens in the park.

The second stage of the Beautify Charlton Project will also commence along Mildura Way in the middle of June.

The next stage involves removing Desert Ash trees and replanting with Ornamental Pears. Council will continue working closely with the North Central Garden Club on the project with the new trees expected to be planted in mid-July.



Playground Upgrades Continue

The upgrade to Soldiers Memorial Park playground in Culgoa has been completed!

New swings and softfall have given the playspace a wonderful lift.

Similar works will begin shortly in Watchem Park and are expected to be completed by the end of June.

Playgrounds have reopened across Buloke after some easing of COVID-19 restrictions. Remember to practise good personal hygiene and social distancing if you choose to attend.



#BuildingABetterBuloke

Lake Tyrrell Tourism Project Update

Despite the planned easing of COVID-19 restrictions by the Victorian Government on 1 June 2020, Council wishes to remind the public that Lake Tyrrell, including Baileys Road, will continue to remain closed to the public in June to enable construction works to be safely completed.

Please be patient as this work is undertaken, it will be worth the wait! Check out the latest look at the Sky Lounge!

Council will continue to keep the public informed on the reopening of Lake Tyrrell and Baileys Road and the progression of this exciting project.

New Pool and Spa Regulations

Have you got a backyard pool or spa?

Pool and spa owners are required to register pools or spas with their local Councils.

This was initially to be done by 1 June 2020, but has been extended to 1 November 2020. The new deadline is an acknowledgement of the extra burden currently on families and on Councils.

These new laws have been introduced to keep young children safe.

In addition, owners will be required to engage a registered building surveyor or building inspector to inspect and certify the compliance of their safety barrier every four years.

To register your pool or spa you can download the application form at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/new-pool-regulations or call Council's Building Department on 1300 520 520 for more information.