COMMUNITY UPDATE





Have Your Say

A range of key documents that will inform the medium and long term future of Council have all been adopted in draft form for the purposes of community consultation.

Council's Annual Budget 2021/22, Council Plan 2021-25 and Long-Term Community Vision, Revenue and Rating Plan and Financial Plan are all on public display and now is your chance to feed in to these key strategic documents.

Last week Council conducted listening posts in all ten townships, but there is still time to get involved!

You can find these documents and more information about getting involved at **www.buloke.vic.gov.au** or you can drop in to Council's Wycheproof Customer Service Centre and pick up any of these documents or call Council on 1300 520 520 to arrange delivery.





Get To Know Your Councillor

Cr. Carolyn Stewart's second term on Council has seen her elected as a representative of the Lower Avoca Ward.

With a strong commitment to ensuring future growth and viability for the region, Carolyn's accountancy background, family involvement and farming commitments at Buckrabanyule have her well placed to understand the future directions for Buloke's prosperity. Carolyn is a member of the Buckrabanyule Fire Brigade and is undertaking training to become a Volunteer CFA General Firefighter. She is has also served on the Board of the Rex Theatre since 2017 and is currently Secretary. In her spare time, she loves to play badminton and enjoys water skiing and knee boarding as well as

Cr Stewart has served two terms as Mayor from November 2018, 2019, and has also served on the Local Government Minister's Mayoral Advisory Panel in 2019/20.



anything horse related.

Current Tender

Contract No. C99 – 2020/2021 Cumming Avenue – Birchip – Landscape Works

The Buloke Shire Council invites tenders from suitably qualified Contractors for the landscaping works relating to the renewal of Cumming Avenue Birchip. 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 AEST Wednesday 16 June 2021.

Long Vehicle Parking

Did you know that you need a permit to park any vehicle over 4.5 tonnes or 7.5 metres in a built-up area for longer than 1 hour?

If you don't hold a permit, there are a number of long vehicle parking areas around Buloke:

- Sea Lake Calder Highway, south of town near old roadhouse
- Donald Racecourse Road
- Birchip off the Birchip-Berriwillock Road
- Charlton Boort Road near sub-station



Victorian Energy Collaboration

Buloke Shire Council is proud to be one of 46 Victorian Councils to join together and form VECO, the Victorian Energy Collaboration. VECO is the largest emissions reduction project ever undertaken by the local government sector in Australia.

The 46 Councils have pooled their electricity needs into one long-term contract with Red Energy which will provide the VECO group with renewable energy generated from wind farms here in Victoria. From 1 July 2021, that renewable energy will be used to power our council-owned infrastructure, like our town halls, sports grounds, community venues, leisure centres and streetlights.

By using renewable energy we'll be saving 260,000 tonnes of carbon emissions from entering the atmosphere — the same as taking 90,000 cars off the road.

The VECO project doesn't just the benefit the environment — by joining together, each Council will be paying less for their power than if we'd sourced our electricity individually. That means every dollar saved is another dollar that will be put back into providing vital community services and programs that benefit all of us. For more information, visit the VECO website at www.veco.org.au

At Work In Buloke

Council has partnered with the North Central LLEN to produce a series of inspirational videos promoting employment opportunities across the Buloke Shire featuring real life experiences of young people, as well as insights from their employers.

Following this week's introductory video about why the videos are important, a new video will be released each week capturing the career paths of 19 young people (18-24yrs) living and working in Buloke communities.

Check out the introductory video and each of the videos by searching North Central LLEN on YouTube or you can view a new video from the series each Wednesday on Council's Facebook page.

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