



EXCITING NEWS FOR BULOKE'S YOUTH

Council has received a \$2,000 grant from the Victorian Government's Youth Fest 2026 program to support 'Shining a Spotlight on Buloke Shires Young People' - a youth-led festival and fete-style event planned for this September during the school holidays.

Buloke's Youth Advisory Group will be at the heart of shaping the event, which is set to feature music, interactive activities and market stalls, all designed by young people, for young people. The event will celebrate the talents and contributions of young people in the Shire and create opportunities for them to have their voices heard and get involved in their community.

NEW HARD WASTE TRIAL

Council is preparing to launch a trial Hard Waste Collection Service in Berriwillock, Nandaly and Sea Lake, making it easier for township residents to dispose of bulky and accepted items.

As part of the trial, residents will be able to place eligible items at their kerbside for collection, where materials will then be sorted for recycling or appropriate disposal.

The trial will include four key waste streams:

- E-waste
- Mattresses
- Furniture
- Scrap metal

While open to all residents in these towns, the service is expected to be particularly beneficial for those who find it difficult to transport items to one of Council's five waste transfer stations.

Council currently provides access to five waste facilities operating across much of the week.

However, Council recognises that disposing of larger items can still present challenges for some community members.

The Waste team is excited to roll out this trial in late June.

Insights gathered from the northern Shire will help inform the feasibility of introducing an ongoing hard waste collection service across all Buloke Shire townships.

If you live in Berriwillock, Nandaly or Sea Lake, keep an eye out for further details soon including accepted items, collection routes and schedules.

ROAD CLOSURE – DONALD–SWAN HILL ROAD, DUMOSA

The Donald–Swan Hill Road rail crossing at Dumosa will be closed from Tuesday 2 June to Saturday 6 June 2026 for critical rail maintenance.

A signed detour will be in place via surrounding roads (including Dumosa–Birchip Road). Motorists are advised to follow all safety and detour signage on site.

This is a VicRoads-managed road. Council is assisting with community notification.

HAVE YOUR SAY - DRAFT BULOKE AQUATIC STRATEGY

Buloke Shire Council has developed its Draft Aquatic Strategy to guide the future of our pools and aquatic services and we want to hear from you!

This is your opportunity to help shape how we provide accessible and sustainable aquatic facilities across the Shire.

Whether you're a regular swimmer, a parent, part of a club, or a community member, your input is important. Help us plan for the future of aquatic spaces in Buloke.

Consultation closes: **5:00pm Thursday 2 July 2026**

View online: Download a copy of the Draft Buloke Aquatic Strategy from Council's website Have Your Say page www.buloke.vic.gov.au.

View in person: A hardcopy can be viewed at the Wycheproof Customer Service Centre, 367 Broadway, Wycheproof, or you can request a copy by contacting Council on 1300 520 520.

The draft can also be viewed at neighbourhood houses:

- **Birchip Neighbourhood House** - "The Shamrock" 77 Cumming Ave, Birchip.
- **Charlton Neighbourhood House** - 30-34 High St., Charlton.
- **Donald Learning Group** - 31 Wood St., Donald.
- **Sea Lake** - 33-43 McClelland Avenue, Sea Lake.
- **Wycheproof** - 280 Broadway, Wycheproof.

Have your say by:

- Submitting a written response to: buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au
- Contacting the Buloke Aquatic Team by phoning: 1300 520 520
- Posting your response to Buloke Shire Aquatic Team, PO Box 1, Wycheproof 3527.

Any person who makes a written submission in relation to the Draft Buloke Aquatic Strategy may be heard by Council on **Monday 27 July 2026**.

The Buloke Aquatic Strategy will be considered for adoption at the Council Meeting to be held **19 August 2026**.



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