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## **Council Looks to Community on Key Strategies**

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Buloke Shire Council is looking to the community to get involved in key pieces of work after endorsing the Terms of Reference for both the Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee and the Rating Strategy Steering Committee at its August meeting.

Council is calling for Expressions of Interest to join the Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee. The committee, a key element of the strategy adopted in July of this year, will be tasked with overseeing the strategy's implementation. The Advisory Committee will comprise of 12 members and be engaged until May 2021.

Similarly, Council is looking for interested ratepayers from different sectors of the community to join the Rating Strategy Steering Committee. Council has committed to undertaking a Rating Strategy prior to compiling its 2019/2020 Annual Budget and it is envisaged that the committee would be remain in place until the completion of the preparation of that budget.

"The Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee and the Rating Strategy Steering Committee will be key planks in the delivery of two crucial pieces of the Council Plan. Council knows how important the development of our economy and tourism opportunities is. In addition to that, we have made a commitment to undertake a ratings strategy and the community were very vocal in their views about rates during the preparation of our last budget. We are looking to really tap into the communities strong ideas about how this looks into the future. We have so many well credentialed residents for both of these committees and I implore them all to put forward their interest and get involved", said Mayor Cr David Pollard.

Terms of Reference for both committees are available on Council's website or in hard copy from Council's Wycheproof office.

Any persons interested in joining the Economic Development and Tourism Advisory Committee and/or the Rating Strategy Steering Committee can do so in writing to the Chief Executive Officer by email to buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au or by mail to Buloke Shire Council, P.O. Box 1, Wycheproof, VIC 3527.

Applications close at 5.00pm Friday 7 September 2018.

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