



Media Release

December Meeting Wrap

18 December 2018

Buloke Shire Council held its final Ordinary Meeting of Council for 2018 on Wednesday 12 December where it released its draft Community Local Law for consultation, reviewed the Road Management Plan, noted the status of its actions related to the Local Government Women's Charter and adopted a range of policies.

Council has placed its draft Community Local Law 2019 out for community consultation. The Community Local Laws are designed to secure community safety, protect public assets, and enhance community amenity, whether in townships or rural areas. They embrace best practice local law making by employing the principles of accessibility, accountability, compliance, efficiency, enforceability, education, necessity and transparency. You can view the local laws on Council's website.

The Road Management Plan has been reviewed and adopted. The plan details the management systems for the roads under control of Council and sets relevant standards to ensure the provision of a safe and efficient road network.

Council had previously adopted the Victorian Local Government Women's Charter as part of its commitment to a whole-of-municipality approach to increasing participation of women in its community through gender equity, diversity and active citizenship. It has been noted that Council has developed a range of responses to support the principles of gender equity, diversity, active citizenship and the reduction of family violence within the organisation and the Buloke community. Council will continue to work with key agencies and partnership organisations to support and develop mechanisms to increase representation and participation of women.

A raft of policies were also adopted at the meeting including the Flag Flying Policy, Reimbursement of Expenses Policy and the Civic Function Policy.

The Flag Flying Policy outlines the protocols of flying of flags at Council's offices and other buildings whilst all providing access to the poles to celebrate significant community events and social causes.

Finally Council awarded a \$2.29 million contract under its Local Roads Rehabilitation Program to Greg's Digging of Birchip. The works relating to this contract will see upgrades to Birchip-Corack Road, Yeungroon Road and Watchem-Warracknabeal Road.

The minutes from the meeting are available on Council's website.

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 13 February 2019.

End release

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