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Library Service Prepares to Launch

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Buloke Shire Council is gearing up to deliver its own library service from 1 July 2018.

The extensive catalogue of over 12,000 new items began arriving in mid-June and the library team have been hard at work cataloguing titles and finalising the finer points of the service.

Free Buloke Library Service membership will give users improved access to collections, a 4 week borrowing period and the convenience of borrowing over the phone, online or in person. Membership cards will be a “Swift One Card” and can be used at any public library branch that is part of the Swift Consortium Library network.

Council is celebrating the Buloke Library Service with a launch on Tuesday 17 July 2018 from 11.00am until 12.00 noon at the Charlton Hall in Armstrong Street Charlton. This launch will have a very special guest speaker in renowned author and illustrator Graeme Base. Graeme is the man behind children's books such as “Animalia” and will speak on the importance of literature in early years.

It is important that current users understand that whilst Council transitions to the Buloke Library Service being delivered you can continue borrowing from your local library service. You will be able to return your Wimmera Regional Library Corporation or Swan Hill Regional Library stock throughout July and August to the new Buloke Library Service and we will ensure all stock is safely returned.



“It is truly very exciting to be this close to the dawn of the Buloke Library Service. To see all the books arriving and the library van all badged and ready to ferry the library stock around is excellent. This service will develop into something quite special and I am sure our loyal users will love it and we will attract a new generation of people to this vital service”, said Mayor Cr David Pollard.

For more information on the new Buloke Library Service, including the new library schedule, visit www.buloke.vic.gov.au/libraries

If you would like to attend the Buloke Library Service Launch, call our Customer Service Team on 1300 520 520 to reserve your spot.

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