

POP-UP READING ADVENTURES

Pop-Up Story Walks are a fun and active way for families to enjoy stories together outdoors. Pages from a children's book are displayed along a walking path, encouraging movement, curiosity and shared reading.

These temporary installations will soon be popping up around Buloke, an initiative in partnership with Mallee Family Care playgroups across the Shire.

Recent windy weather has caused some delays.

The Story Walks will be available for a few weeks once installed at these locations:

- Birchip Memorial Park
- Sea Lake Apex Park
- Donald Memorial Park
- Wycheproof Centenary Park
- Charlton Gordon Park

Take your time on each page before moving to the next, and enjoy being active while reading together!

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

GAZANIA WEED ALERT

Gazania, a vibrant flowering plant native to Southern Africa, is now classified as an Environmental Weed in Buloke Shire. Though not listed under the CaLP Act 1994, it poses a serious threat to farmland and environmental land and should be controlled by landowners.



Important:

- Do not slash if seed has set – this can spread the weed further.
- Gazanias spread rapidly via wind-blown seed, water, rhizomes, and dumped garden waste.
- One flower can produce 60+ seeds, which may travel up to 1km.

Control Tips:

- Winter and spring are ideal for control, especially after rain.
- Physical removal (including roots) is most effective. Bag and dispose of plants properly.
- Chemical control works best when sprayed between August and December while actively growing. Use care around native vegetation.

Let's work together to protect our landscapes—early action makes a big difference!



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITH BULOKE

Council is an equal opportunity employer. Our roles are non-gender specific, and Council encourages all suitably qualified applicants to apply. For more information on equal opportunity, call Human Resources on 1300 520 520.

You can find all current employment opportunities at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/employment

Applications can be lodged by:

Mail - PO Box 1, Wycheproof VIC 3527 or Email - recruitment@buloke.vic.gov.au

SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISOR – CHARLTON

Permanent (Part Time) – From \$29.57 per hour (allowances included) plus statutory superannuation

→ Applications Close: 31 October 2025

Love to be outdoors and enjoy working with children? We are seeking a friendly,

reliable and responsible individual to assist children to travel safely to and from school and reduce their risk of being involved in accidents with vehicles.

The successful applicant will need to demonstrate knowledge of road laws and be willing to undergo necessary Working With Children and Police Checks.

EVENTS OFFICER (RE-ADVERTISED) – CHARLTON

Permanent (Part-time 0.6FTE) – From \$38.73 per hour plus statutory superannuation

→ Close of applications extended to:
9 November 2025

Council is looking for a motivated person to provide support and guidance to community event organisers to enable them to meet the relevant regulatory requirements, policies and objectives.

The successful applicant will need to demonstrate an understanding and knowledge of event planning, within a local government environment and have experience working with event managers and volunteers.

REMINDER TO HAVE YOUR SAY

The Draft Building A Better Buloke 2040: Community Vision is currently on public exhibition and open for submissions.

It aims to assist in shaping the future of the Buloke Shire and enable collective response to our challenges, aspirations and opportunities to deliver outcomes that benefit the whole community.

Submissions must be received in writing no later than 5pm on **Thursday 30 October 2025**.

A hard copy of the Draft can be viewed at the Wycheproof Customer Service Centre 367 Broadway, Wycheproof, VIC 3527 or by request by calling 1300 520 520.

The Draft can also be downloaded from the Have Your Day section on Council's website, visit: www.buloke.vic.gov.au.