



COVID-19 Update

As Council has been communicating to you, we are operating in a slightly varied capacity as we continue to work in accordance with information provided by the state and federal governments.

Remember that Council is here for you during this health alert and that we remain committed to community safety and wellbeing. Council also has an obligation to look after staff, volunteers and Councillors.

Our volunteers are always here for us in Buloke, last week was National Volunteer Week and we ran a social media campaign to say thank you.

The Community Indicators Victoria and Census data records that over 40% of Buloke residents report engaging in volunteer activity in their community. Rolling our sleeves up and helping out is the Buloke way.

During the pandemic many volunteers have shown the way. They have worked together to initiate contact with isolating residents as well as preparing and distributing regular newsletters specific to their community.

Men's Sheds, Sporting Club Committees, Service Club, Youth Groups, Show Societies, Landcare Groups, Emergency Services, Meals on Wheels and Community Transport volunteers. So many volunteers, there are so many more as well!

To these people and all the informal volunteers as well, thank you.

Some volunteerism is suspended during the pandemic, like Meals on Wheels, which is being undertaken by Council staff and Councillors. We look forward to reinstating these volunteers soon.

Minimising disruption is a high priority, second only to the health and wellbeing of the community. Council will continue to keep the community updated and you can find a range of resources and a full list of affected services at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19-health-alert.

For the latest updates on the COVID-19 from the Federal Government's Department of Health visit www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert.

#BulokeKind #BulokeSafe #BulokeCaring
#BulokeStrong

Notice of an Application for a Planning Permit

The land affected by the application is located at **94 Birchip-Sea Lake Road, Birchip**.

The application is for a permit for a **Diesel Fuel Cell**.

The applicant for the permit is **Hazkem Pty Ltd**.

The application reference number is **PPA 862/20**.

You may look at the application and any documents that support the application by making contact with the office of the Responsible Authority, **Buloke Shire Office, Wycheproof**.

This can be done during office hours and is free of charge. Any person who may be affected by the granting of the permit may object or make other submissions to the Responsible Authority.

An objection must be sent to the Responsible Authority in writing, include the objectors name and contact details, include reasons for the objection, and state how the objector would be affected. An objection form is available on the Planning and Building page of the Buloke Shire Council website.

The Responsible Authority will not decide on the application before **11 June 2020**.

If you object the Responsible Authority will tell you its decision.

2020 Victorian Seniors Festival

Victorian Seniors Festival Reimagined 2020

This year's Victorian Seniors Festival has been reimagined to become an online stream of rolling events.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is happening in a different way. Rather than public events in October, the Festival is running from May to October online and on radio.

2020 is the Festival's 38th year. Everyone is invited to get in the groove - with performances from many of your favourites and some new performers for you to enjoy!

This year the Festival will be brought straight to your home through online performances, zoom interviews and story-telling.

So get online and get in the groove!
Visit www.seniorsonline.vic.gov.au/festivalsandawards

Swimming Pool Renewal Program Continues

Whilst it's probably not really swimming weather, Council's Swimming Pool Renewal Program continues with the installation of new retractable covers at our swimming pools in Charlton, Watchem and Wycheproof.

Council staff work in the off season to continue to improve our swimming pools each year.

#BuildingABetterBuloke



Have Your Say on Draft Budget

Buloke Shire Council has prepared its proposed Annual Budget 2020/21.

The proposed Budget can be viewed online at www.buloke.vic.gov.au or will be made available for inspection by contacting Council's office on 1300 520 520.

Submissions

Community members are welcome to make a written submission on the proposed Budget in accordance with Section 223 of the Act. Submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Buloke Shire Council, P.O. Box 1, Wycheproof, 3527. Submissions must be received no later than 5.00pm Wednesday 10 June 2020.

Any person who wishes to be heard in support of their written submission must request this in their submission. Such persons will be entitled to appear in person or by a person acting on his or her behalf before the Council meeting where submissions will be heard. This will be a part of the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 10 June 2020. This meeting will either be held in the Wycheproof Supper Room or online.

Meeting to adopt the budget

Council's Annual Budget 2020/21 will be adopted at a Special Meeting of Council to be held at 6.00pm on 17 June 2020. This meeting will either be held in the Wycheproof Supper Room or online.

