

## Media Release

### March with the Mayor

9 April 2018

Buloke Shire Council Mayor, Cr David Pollard was again active across Buloke during a busy March with Emergency Management, Calder Highway improvements and community celebrations mixed in with Council business including Building Buloke 2030 and budget workshops.

The month started with the Mayor attending the announcement that Australian Eatwell had been awarded a grant under the Future Industries Manufacturing Program to facilitate the expansion of its Tofu Production Plant in Donald which will create 10 new jobs.



Cr Pollard attended the Municipal Association of Victoria Emergency Management Committee meeting. Items on the agenda included Emergency Management Legislation and Planning Guidelines, Vulnerable People in Emergencies policy review and some updates from Councils on emergencies projects.

Two considerable pieces of work that Council is currently undertaking are the Building Buloke 2030 project and the Annual Budget 2018/19. Cr Pollard has been active at workshops for both these undertakings right across the month of March.

The Calder Highway Improvement Committee Meeting, which Cr Pollard is Council delegate to and chair of, met with State Member for Bendigo West Maree Edwards to discuss its priorities for the highway. The list includes major intersection improvements, major widening improvements and major traffic diversion proposals.

Cr Pollard hosted the Donald High School Year 11 geography class on a trip to The Rex Theatre in Charlton as they discussed flood impacts and recovery procedures for the towns of Charlton and Donald. The theatre's big screen was the ideal platform for the presentation.

The Mayor was also a guest at the Wycheproof Debutante ball and was suitably impressed by the occasion and the stunning young debutantes and their partners.

Finally a bit of fun, as the Mayor joined Councillors to judge the winners of Council's recent social media contest for registered pets from Buloke.

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