

STRONGER COUNTRY COMMUNITIES FUND

Stronger Country Communities Fund (SCCF) is a \$200 Million NSW Government funding program over two years/rounds for infrastructure projects in regional communities. Council recently submitted four applications to a total of \$1.5 Million as part of the 2017 funding round. These applications included further funding for the Gundagai Large Scale Adventure Playground, a Youth Playground at Jubilee Park, implementing Village Strategy projects in Nangus, Stockinbingal and Wallendbeen as well as a suite of other community fitness infrastructure projects: Gundagai Scouts Climbing Wall, Gundagai Tigers Gymnasium, Gundagai Rail Trail Detailed Development Plan, Cootamundra Turf Club Function Area, Cootamundra AFL Clubroom and Cootamundra Hot Shots Courts. Council invites community groups to review the guidelines for this year's SCCF at <https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/invest-in-nsw/regional-opportunities/stronger-country-communities-fund> and consider providing information to Council on any eligible community projects that they would like considered in the 2018 round.

NEW SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT FOR GUNDAGAI

Part of Council's advocacy strategy was to write to critical Government Ministers about the importance of vital infrastructure such as the new sewage treatment plant planned for Gundagai and ensure that the Government was aware of the issues faced in regional areas and add weight to the argument for funding through Cabinet. Plans for the new plant received a further boost of \$3.5 million through the Building Better Regions Fund and local Nationals' MP Michael McCormack. A total of \$14.5 million will be invested in the new facility. Council will contribute \$1 million to the project, the Federal Liberals and Nationals Government would contribute \$3.5 million and the NSW Liberals and Nationals Government would meet the rest of the project cost. The addition of the Building Better Regions Fund grant allows council to bring plans for the new sewage treatment plant forward by four to five years. Council is looking to complete planning for the new sewage treatment plant by December 2017 and begin construction by February 2018.



BRADMAN'S BIRTHPLACE

Bradman's Birthplace volunteers are proud to be hosting Andrew Leeming owner and restorer of Sir Donald Bradman's childhood home at 52 Shephard Street, Bowral, and avid Bradman collectors James Merchant and Peter Schofield. James has an unparalleled collection of Bradman ceramics and is author of a book entitled Sir Donald Bradman Memorabilia. Peter Schofield, a former player and level 2 accredited coach has had a lifetime fascination with Bradman. Members of the public are most welcome to drop by the Birthplace for a chat.



**89 Adams Street, Cootamundra
Friday 25 August 2017 11.00am
ALL WELCOME.**

LEARN TO SWIM—COOTAMUNDRA POOL

Last week 34 local children took on the challenge to learn to swim with Council Instructors at the Cootamundra Swimming Pool.

Two Sessions were held. One on Tuesday morning from 9.30am-10.30am with two instructors and 14 children participating over the two 30 minute sessions.

A second session was held on Wednesday afternoon from 3.00pm-4.30pm involving 30 minute one on one sessions followed by two further 30 minute sessions with 3 instructors and 18 children participating.

A very successful day was had by all.



WASTE DEPOT OPERATING HOURS

GUNDAGAI

Monday, Friday	7:00am – 11:00am
Tuesday, Thursday	Closed
Wednesday	1:00pm – 5:00pm
Saturday	11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am – 1:00 pm

COOTAMUNDRA

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri	8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Wednesday	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Saturday	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am – 5:00 pm

STOCKINBINGAL

Wednesday	8:00 am – 12 noon
Sunday	8:00 am – 12 noon

WALLEND BEEN

Wednesday	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

All Depots Closed Good Friday and Christmas Day

AUSTRALIAN ROAD TRANSPORT HERITAGE CENTRE GUNDAGAI

Australian Road Transport Heritage Centre will be an iconic national transport museum in the transport oriented town of Gundagai for the collection and upkeep of vintage vehicles, items and artefacts for display to the public preserving the history and heritage of road transport and associated interests from Cobb & Co to the present day. Details of the project are available at www.arthc.com.au.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held at Gundagai on Monday 31st July Council resolved to fund \$30,000 towards the cost of preparing a business case and interpretive plan for the project. Council anticipates this work will enable the Centre to apply for the New South Wales Government Regional Cultural Fund for which Expressions of Interest close on 4th September, 2017.



WORKS REPORT

Patching on Bethungra Road will be trimmed up and sealed when wet conditions improve. The crew will then move back onto Nangus Road to undertake extra patching, before moving across to Crows Road. Maintenance grading crews are currently working along Hopewood Road, Yannawah and Wallendbeen areas as weather permits. General bitumen road patching is being undertaken as required around the entire road network. The Gundagai main street project continues to progress. Limited progress has been made on the Cowcumbula Street causeway due to rain and high creek flows. Currently the crew is working on the construction of the apron slabs. This work is being partially funded by Restart Infrastructure NSW and the Roads to Recovery Program. Interflow will return to Cootamundra in the coming week to undertake the next phase of the sewer main lining. Affected residents will be notified in advance of works in close proximity to their properties.

MUTTAMA CREEK CLEANUP

NSW Fire and Rescue, in conjunction with other service organisations, intend to conduct a controlled burn of the cumbungi growth along Muttama Creek in the urban areas of Cootamundra on the weekend of 23rd and 24th September, 2017. Approval is currently being sought from the Environment Protection Authority to have this essential work undertaken in a responsible manner for the benefit of all residents.

NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council has received the following application to carry out 'development' under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. **DA267/2017**, Highway Service Centre and Two Lot Subdivision, 518 Coolac Road, COOLAC NSW 2727, Lots 100, 101 & 102 DP1065752. Applicant: Allspec & Partners. **Name of Consent Authority:** Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council.

The subject application and accompanying documentation, may be inspected at the following addresses by appointment until the closure of exhibition.

Submission Period: Submissions will be received until 4pm Thursday 31 August 2017.

Where: CGRC Gundagai Office 255 Sheridan Street, Gundagai or CGRC Cootamundra Office 81 Wallendoon Street, Cootamundra. **When:** By appointment between 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday (except Public Holidays).

FACILITIES OPERATIONS REPORT

The 6 solar light posts located along the Muttama Creek footpath have had the final cement finish installed. This will help lock the nuts in place along with water runoff and the overall aesthetics.—Staff removed the excess road base and concrete from the centre of the roundabout in Parker/



Adams Street. The centre was then filled with garden soil and planted out with annuals —Sport preparation works were carried out at Albert Park for the district athletics carnival. This included mowing, extra sand for the long jump pit, marking the change over areas for the relays and the 800m start line.—Stump grinding commenced this week in Cootamundra, Stockinbingal and Wallendbeen with the local

contractor (Nioka Trees) carrying out the works. The tree suckers that were growing close to the side of the Cootamundra roads were cut and poisoned to provide better sight clearance—There were several garden beds around Cootamundra where staff were required to hand weed and prune. Staff completed a number of customer requests including tree trimming and removals.



COMMUNITY RECYCLING CENTRES

Drop off your household problem waste for recycling. Gas bottles, paint electronic waste, fluoro globes, car and household batteries, motor and other oils, smoke detectors and more. CRC's are located at the Cootamundra and Gundagai Waste Depots and open during normal depot operating hours.



LLS INFORMATION SESSIONS LAND MANAGERS & LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS –

Discussing J-BAS, LPA Changes, Biosecurity Planning and Funding Opportunities – **Thursday 24 August 2017, 2pm – 4pm, Cootamundra Library, Wallendoon Street, Cootamundra. NO RSVP Required.**

NSW FIRE AND RESCUE

Council proudly supports the NSW Fire & Rescue, Keep Looking when Cooking, safety campaign. Did you know that almost half of the house fires in Australia start in the kitchen—all because cooking was being left unattended? To help prevent kitchen fires, Fire & Rescue NSW has released the **Keep Looking When Cooking** mini mag. Available in cafés, bars, community centres and other locations all over NSW, it features a great collection of recipes from firefighters that will give you the answer to that perennial question – “What’s for dinner tonight?”

The mini mag also has handy tips on how to stay fire safe in the kitchen. Visit <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au> [Keep Looking When Cooking](#) website to download the mini mag recipes.; If you'd like to share your delicious recipes, post them to [Fire & Rescue NSW](#) facebook hashtag #KeepLookingWhenCooking

WATER TO NANGUS

The village of Nangus is set to have mains water connected thanks to seed funding being made available from the Stronger Communities Fund. The project is part of Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council's \$9 million major projects program and will go ahead when further funding is secured from the NSW Government.

In partnership with Goldenfields Water County Council, \$1.295 million will connect the village with water from Tenandra Reservoir. Requiring approximately 11.7km of 100mm PVC main pipe, which will include reticulation in the village. A break tank will also be installed to reduce pressure in the village due to the high elevation from Tenandra reservoir to Nangus, this break tank will also allow three days water supply to be held in case a break in the supply line occurs.

Nangus locals have welcomed the project, expecting land values to rise, and the village to be more attractive for new residents.

Cootamundra Saleyards - Sheep sale will be conducted on Wednesday 23 August 2017 at 8.30am. Please book early with your agent.

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

24 August 2017—Gundagai—10am Story Time and Music Fun

31 August 2017—Cootamundra - 10.30am-11.30am—Riverina Author Tour

31 August 2017—Gundagai 4pm-5pm 10 years of RRL Book Club Please RSVP

4 September 2017—Cootamundra - 10.30am-11.30am Learn to make Pasta

6 September 2017—Cootamundra - 11.00am Railway Hotels of Australia

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RATES NOTICE REMINDER

The first instalment of your rates notice is due on **31 August 2017**. If you are experiencing financial difficulties please contact Council prior to the due date.

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