



COOTAMUNDRA-
GUNDAGAI
REGIONAL
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POSITIONS VACANT – Council currently has 3 full time positions vacant.

SENIOR BUILDING SURVEYOR – COOTAMUNDRA
Permanent Full Time. This position is a technical advisory role to internal/external customers in development planning, building surveying and building compliance.

TOWN PLANNER – COOTAMUNDRA
Permanent Full Time. This position provides professional services and advice to a wide range of customers in relation to development control, land use and compliance matters in accordance with environmental and land use planning legislation.

TECHNICAL WORKS COORDINATOR – GUNDAGAI
Permanent Full time. This role is responsible for managing the effective scheduling, costing and technical control of the Council's technical engineering crews and support units in order to ensure efficient day to day delivery of construction, maintenance and civil works services to meet Council's objectives and requirements. Complete construction and maintenance projects and programs for local roads, bridges and drainage infrastructure. **Further information and a Position Descriptions** for the above positions are available on Council's website www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au. Or by contacting Council's Human Resources Department on 1300 459 689.

NOTE: Applicants must adequately address the selection criteria contained in the relevant Position Description. Failure to do so may result in your application not being considered. Applicants must also include a current resume. Applications, addressed to the General Manager should be submitted **by 5p.m. on Friday 4th December 2020** by post to Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, PO Box 420, Cootamundra NSW 2590, delivered to Council's offices at Cootamundra or Gundagai or by email to mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au

SERVICE NSW - Mobile Service Centre will be visiting Gundagai on 9 December 2020 from 9am to 12 noon, Gundagai District Services Club car park, 254 Sheridan Street.

EPLANNING TO BE IMPLEMENTED CGRC will implement the NSW Government's ePlanning program. As of 15 December Council will only accept development applications through the planning portal. Council is currently developing information, checklists and guidance packages to assist applicants navigate the planning portal and ePlanning platform. Please contact CGRC staff for further information.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE FOR NOVEMBER: Maintenance Grading has been completed around the Tarrabandra, Bundarbo, Wee Jasper and Willis Rd areas. Crews will be moving towards Brungle Rd and Nanangroe. Culverts are being installed along Brungle Road. Patching works are underway on Adjungbilly and Brungle Roads. Preliminary investigation and drainage works have been completed on Mount and West Streets in preparation of Stabilisation Works. Works have commenced on Nanangroe and Redhill Road including topsoil stripping, drainage and shoulder widening. Town streets culvert cleaning and maintenance is underway. The Cootamundra roads crew are currently concentrating on the Gap Bridge Project as well as repairing damaged culverts on Rosehill Road which were damaged in the February 2019 storm event.

The spectacular view of Gundagai taken from Mount Kimo by CGRC Manager Miriam Crane



SHOPPING LOCALLY ENCOURAGED WITH WHY LEAVE TOWN GIFT CARD PROGRAM

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) is participating the Why Leave Town (WLT) Gift Card program which provides a unique and convenient gifting solution while also supporting local businesses. CGRC mayor Cr Abb McAlister said the initiative is all about ensuring local people spend their money locally. "Our Council is committed to assisting local business by encouraging locals to participate in the program. It's about locals spending locally, the whole region will benefit. The 'Why Leave Town' gift card helps to trap your dollars in your community increasing the size of the business pie for all," Cr McAlister said. WLT Gift Cards can be purchased and redeemed at any of the participating stores within the CGRC Local Government Area (LGA). That means, if the card is bought at Store A, it can then be redeemed for goods and services at Store A or Store B or Store C and so on. So, with only one purchase you can give a gift that allows the recipient to get exactly what they want from a wide variety of stores. The card, however, can only be redeemed in the Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council area. This means that every time a WLT card is purchased you are supporting your local community. As little as \$1 to as much as \$1000 can be loaded onto a single gift card. The cards are single load only which means that additional amounts cannot be loaded onto the card after the initial purchase. All transactions work through Eftpos machines which means that redeeming goods and services with the WLT Gift Card is the same as making an Eftpos purchase with your bank card. The cards expire 3 years from the time they are loaded. "Shopping local helps to generate local jobs, build local infrastructure and ensure products can be acquired locally." Cr McAlister added.

Participating Stores

Foodworks Gundagai & Local Liquor	Gundagai District Services Club
Gundagai Visitor Information Centre	Banjo's Kitchen
Braybrooks Pharmacy	Claude Longs Radio
Dusty Road Coffee Roasters	Eccentric Beauty
Elders Gundagai	Family Hotel
Gundagai Bakery	Gundagai Pharmacy
Helen's Coffee Lounge	Junque and Disorderly
Kevin Deeps Clothing & Footwear	Riss & Co. Hair
The Stem and Petal Florist	Wren Store & Styling
The Little Apron Coffee Shop & Cakery	



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EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – An extraordinary meeting of Council will be held at 5pm on Thursday 3 December 2020 at the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre Cootamundra starting 5pm. To make a resolution on the Special Rate Variation.

THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – will be held on Tuesday 8 December 2020 in the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre, Cootamundra. The meeting Agenda will be available from Council website prior the meeting. Livestreaming will commence at 6pm. Written Open Forum Submissions can be received by 5pm on the day before the meeting.

FREE MICROCHIPPING FOR YOUR PETS

CGRC will be conducting FREE Microchipping for Cats and Dogs in Gundagai on Thursday 3rd December 2020 in Carberry Park between 4pm and 7pm.



CHANGE TO TRAFFIC CONDITIONS WALLENDON – SUTTON STREETS COOTAMUNDRA

Residents and motorists are advised that a change to traffic conditions/signage will be implemented in Wallendoon and Sutton Streets Cootamundra week commencing Monday 30 November 2020. Wallendoon Street will become the priority street for through traffic. Council will remove the give way signs on Wallendoon Street to make Wallendoon Street the priority street. ie Normal traffic rules will apply to all motorists.

CGRC congratulates all winners in 2020 CDC Business Awards.

- Individual Dedication to Customer Service - **Josh Black – Blackies Power Tools**
- Giraffe Award for Customer Service - **Westpac Bank**
- Contribution to the Community - **The Full Monty Team**
- Apprentice/trainee of the year - **Jessica Pellow The Rusty Table**
- Employer of the Year - **Dusty Road Coffee Roasters**
- Employee of the year - **Claudia Walker**
- Best New Business - **Blackie's Power Tools**
- Excellence in Business – Joint winners **CW Jewellers and Dusty Road Coffee Roasters**



THE RURAL FINANCIAL COUNSELLING SERVICE (RFCS)

is a regionally focused, not-for-profit service. Providing services at no cost to Farmers, which is critical for those experiencing financial hardship. Jessica Keemink has been with The Rural Financial Counselling since February 2020. Jess brings 10 years of experience within the Financial Planning sector and grew up on a sheep, beef and cropping enterprise near Uranquinty. The services provided are:

- Farm Budgeting
- Forecasting & Cashflow Analysis
- Farm Debt Mediation
- Bank Reviews and Relationships
- Help Refinancing Debt



Jess, can meet you on farm, help over the phone or you can come into the office for an appointment. Don't self-assess give Jessica a call and see how we can assist you on 0409 222 748 or jess@rfcsnsw.com.au.

CHRISTMAS/NEWYEAR CLOSURES – All Works Depots: Close on Wednesday, 23rd December 2020 at Midday and reopen on Monday, 4th January 2021. Administration Offices: Close Thursday, 24th December, 2020 at Midday and reopen on Monday, 4th January, 2021 at 9:00am. Cootamundra Library: Close Thursday, 24th December, 2020 at Midday and reopen on Monday, 4th January, 2021 at 9:00am. Gundagai Library: Close Thursday, 24th December, 2020 at Midday and reopen on Monday, 11th January, 2021 at 9:00am. Gundagai Visitor Information Centre: Close Thursday, 24th December, 2020 at Midday and reopen on Tuesday, 29th December, 2020 at 9:00am. Cootamundra Aquatic Centre: Closed on Friday, 25th December, 2020 and reopen on Saturday, 26th December, 2020 at 10am. Gundagai Swimming Pool: Closed on Friday, 25th December, 2020 and reopen on Saturday, 26th December, 2020 at 2pm.

PROPOSED RAIL TRAIL – COOTAMUNDRA - TUMBLONG

The previous resolution 229/2020 regarding the proposed Rail Trail between Cootamundra and Tumbalong, be held in abeyance, until; A Community Engagement Strategy for the project is prepared and adopted by Council; A detailed Cost Estimate is prepared for the project, including capital and ongoing maintenance costs, and forms part of any community consultation; A report on the outcomes of community consultation is prepared and submitted to Council. The community will be kept informed as this resolution is implemented.

REQUESTS FOR GRANT FUNDING – Council referred the following requests for funding to the Ordinary December meeting for consideration under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.

- *Refurbishment Bradman Oval Cricket Nets (\$16022.35)
- *Urgent works at Pioneer Park Cootamundra (\$175,000).
- *Cootamundra Art & Craft Centre Disabled Access (\$1300.00).

Take care driving around slow moving vehicles this harvest season



BRADMANS' BIRTHPLACE IS LOOKING FOR A

Volunteer Gardener

If you have a love for gardening and want a project to work on, please contact the Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council for more information.

P: 1300 459 689
E: info@visitcootamundra.com.au

COOTAMUNDRA DRAFT FLOOD STUDY REPORT FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Council has been working with the Floodplain Risk Management Committee and WMAwater to undertake the first stage of the Floodplain Risk Management Process, a Flood Study for Cootamundra. The study identifies flood risk to people, property, infrastructure and assets across the study area, resulting from localised overland flow and large rainfall events over the broader catchment. The study has established a suite of tools and outputs that can assist Council and the community to understand and manage flood risk. The Draft Flood Study for Cootamundra can be found on Council's website: www.cgrc.nsw.gov. Feedback on the Draft Flood Study and should be addressed to the General Manager and submitted by 4 January 2021 by post to Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, PO Box 420, Cootamundra NSW 2590, delivered to Council's offices at Cootamundra or Gundagai or by email to mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au

DROP IN SESSION FOR DRAFT FLOOD STUDY COOTAMUNDRA

Council is holding a drop-in information session for the community Alby Schultz Meeting Room Cootamundra, Tuesday 1st December 2020 from 3pm – 6pm. The community can drop in at any time between these hours to meet with Council staff and WMAwater. COVID-19 management plan will be in place.

Christmas Craft

Santa Slime

Monday 21 December – 2.00pm

Cost: \$5.00

Fill a jar full of fluffy slime



Reindeer Craft

Tuesday 22 December – 10.00am

Cost: \$2.00

Decorate a wooden reindeer



Sequin Baubles

Wednesday 23 December – 2.00pm

Cost: \$5.00

Sparkly baubles to hang on your tree



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
phone: 1300459689

email: cootamundra.library@cgrc.nsw.gov.au



Mayor Abb McAlister, Deputy Mayor Dennis Palmer, Cr Leigh Bowden, Cr David Graham, Cr Gil Kelly, Cr Penny Nicholson, Cr Doug Phillips, Cr Charlie Sheahan, Cr Craig (Stewie) Stewart
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