



COMMUNITY NEWS

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SKATE PARK ISSUES CONSULTATION. Over 50 people attended a BBQ and consultation at the Cootamundra Skate Park recently to talk about making the skate park safe for all. Young people, parents, grandparents, community leaders and representatives came to have their say and enjoy a free sausage sizzle hosted by Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC), NSW Police and Mission Australia. A range of ideas were proposed including the need for a clear set of rules about appropriate behaviour and consequences for mis-behaviour. Police and Council are proposing a tiered system of warnings and banning notices to prohibit perpetrators from the park. Community members also expressed the need for programs to support older skaters to take the lead in making space for younger skaters, building on the good behaviour that also already occurs. Generocity Church members have offered to run a fortnightly barbeque at the skate park on a Sunday.

NSW Police Inspector Roberts encouraged community members to report any incidents to police so that they can investigate and follow up. "This is the appropriate place to report incidents rather than just posting on social media," she said. Even if police action can't be taken in every case reports to police help build a picture of what is happening at the park and other venues in our community. Triple 000 can be used by community members if there is an incident in progress that is compromising people's safety. CGRC will look at upgrading cameras and erecting signage with simple behavioural rules and police phonenumber for people to call in the event of an incident.



MARK YOUR DIARY
COOTAMUNDRA-GUNDAGAI REGIONAL COUNCIL
 Celebrate Australia Day in our iconic and picturesque parks
Jubilee Park in Cootamundra and Carberry Park in Gundagai
Wednesday 26 January 2022
Breakfast and Entertainment from 8:00 am.
Followed by Speeches and Australia Day Awards.
Meet and Greet our Australia Day Ambassadors
Bring the family, bring a chair or picnic rug and celebrate the achievements of outstanding members of our communities.

Pictured Right: CGRC Youth Liaison Officer James Tonson, addressed the gathering at the Cootamundra Skate Park. James invited comments on issues relating to the skate park. A sausage sizzle was held, with NSW Police and Mission Australia representatives assisting with the hosting of the event.

CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR OPERATING:

Residents are advised that CGRC Administration offices will close from 12 noon Friday 24 December 2021 and reopen at 9am Monday 10 January 2022. In the event of an emergency or emergency assistance during the closure period Council can be contacted by calling 1300 459 689.

WASTE DEPOT & GARBAGE COLLECTION

Cootamundra Waste Depot

Christmas Day, 25 December - CLOSED
Boxing Day, 26 December - CLOSED
Christmas Day Public Holiday, 27 December - 10:00am – 3:00pm
Boxing Day Public Holiday, 28 December - 10:00am – 3:00pm
New Years Day, 1 January - CLOSED
New Years Day Public Holiday, 3 January - 10:00am – 3:00pm

Gundagai Waste Depot

Christmas Day, 25 December - CLOSED
Boxing Day, 26 December - CLOSED
Christmas Day Public Holiday, 27 December - 7:00am – 11:00am
Boxing Day Public Holiday, 28 December - CLOSED
New Years Day, 1 January - CLOSED
Sunday 2 January, normal hours - 7:00am – 1:00pm
New Years Day Public Holiday, 3 January, normal hours - 7:00am – 11:00am
All other days operating as normal.
All kerbside collections for both Cootamundra and Gundagai will be as normal for Christmas and New Year period.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN 2022/2032:

Council is calling on community members in the region to participate in the review of the CGRC Community Strategic Plan 2022/2032. We invite community members to visit us at key information stands across the region
Gundagai Main Street Pop Up Thursday 16 December 9am – 12pm. Cootamundra Arts Centre Thursday 16 December 1pm – 5pm. Cootamundra Christmas Market Thursday 16 December 5.30pm – 7.30pm. Planted Café Cootamundra Friday 17 December 8am – 1pm. Stockinbingal – Ellwood's Hall (s355 committee) Friday 17 December 2pm – 4pm. Stockinbingal Bowling Club Friday 17 December 4.30pm – 7pm. Wallendbeen Hotel Wednesday 12 January 1pm – 5pm. Family Hotel Gundagai Thursday 13 January 12pm – 6pm. Completing the survey is easy, Alternatively copies are available at Council offices, complete on line at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PZ8F99N>. or simply scan the QR code below. More information can be found at <https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/community-strategic-plan.../>
This is your opportunity to shape the future.



COUNCIL MEETING NOTES:

At the Ordinary Council meeting held on Tuesday 30 November 2021. Council farewellled Cr Dennis Palmer Deputy Mayor and Cr Doug Phillips who have retired from Council. The Mayor acknowledged their terms of office and cited their achievements during their terms. Council and staff thank them and wish them every future success.
Council resolved:
ITEM 8.4.1, DA 2021/149- 137 Hurley Street Cootamundra – variation to Development Control Plan.
ITEM 8.4.2, DA 2021/163-42 Bourke Street Cootamundra - variation to Development Control Plan.
ITEM 8.4.3, DA 2021/171 – 63 Pinkerton Road Cootamundra - variation to Development Control Plan.
ITEM 8.4.4, Request for extinguishment of easement – 101-173 Cowcumbra Street Cootamundra.

GUNDAGAI ADMINISTRATION OFFICES RELOCATED TO GUNDAGAI LIBRARY TILL FURTHER NOTICE

Councillors and Staff at Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, wish all residents a very merry Christmas, and a happy and safe New Year. For emergency assistance during the festive season please call 1300 459 689

PROJECTS DELIVERED by the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program, funded by the Australian Government.

Rosehill Culvert Upgrade Council crews completed the replacement of Rosehill Culvert. The new culvert structure will provide increased waterway and will cater for two-lane traffic.

Bourke Street Footpath Council crews completed the upgradation footpath works (besides Olympic Hotel and Braybrooks Pharmacy) between Parker Street and Cooper Lane in Cootamundra. The upgraded section will provide safe passage for pedestrians with no trip hazards. Council appreciates the cooperations from all during construction period. (pictured right).

Sheridan Street Block 3 Upgrade (pictured right) Contract crews are progressing with concrete works. The installation of stone pavers is continuing. Steps have been installed at the entrance to the Gundagai Medical Centre. This project is being funded by Drought Community Funding and Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program. The LRCI program aims to protect and create jobs through stimulating additional infrastructure and roads construction within local councils.

Nicolson Park Missing Link Footpath Council crews completed the Nicolson Park missing link of footpath.

Sheridan and West Street Intersection Provides a significantly improved road asset with improvements to the visual amenity and safety at this location.

New Concrete Footpath along Muttama Creek Behind Ex Services Club Council crews installed bollards along newly constructed footpath. These bollards will increase the safety of pedestrians separating them from moving vehicles in Cootamundra Ex Services Club car park.

ALL STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY: Please be advised CGRC Administration Offices and Depots in Cootamundra and Gundagai will be closed from 11:00am on Wednesday 15 December 2021 for a staff development day. Normal hours will resume Thursday 16 December 2021. Apologies for any inconvenience



LOTS OF ACTIVITIES @ OUR LOCAL LIBRARIES. Check out the facebook pages, call in, join its easy its free and its fun for all ages.

Did you know our libraries have activities for the youngsters? They hold info sessions for seniors? They have arts & craft sessions? Its all happens @ your local library!!!



PRINCE ALFRED BRIDGE: Approx. 460 cubic metres of timber and trestles from the demolition of the Prince Alfred Bridge at Gundagai has been stored by Crown Lands & Transport NSW. The timber needs to be assessed for contaminates and future reuse in heritage memorial works. A public survey was undertaken outlining possible suggestions on possible historic projects.



TRANSFER STATION UPGRADE: Council will be implementing upgrades to existing transfer stations around the villages of Muttama, Coolac, Nangus and Tumblong. The upgrades will improve safety and security at these sites. With automated gates and upgraded CCTV equipment. Existing key holders will be required to fill out an application to exchange their existing registered key for an electronic tag at Council's administration offices. Initial tags will be free of charge to authorised key holders. New applications and replacement of lost or stolen tags will incur a fee of \$75.00. The new entry system is expected to be in place by mid-December.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR CASUAL POSITION: Plant Operator with HR Licence located in Gundagai. Please complete the Expression of Interest form, on the website <https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/positions-vacant/>.

POSITION VACANT WORKS LABOURER – COOTAMUNDRA - Full Time: Applications close 5pm Friday 3 December 2021.

POSITION VACANT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – 12 month Contract - GUNDAGAI Duties may also be required to be undertaken at Cootamundra. Applications, close 5pm on Friday 10 December 2021. Information on these positions including Key Responsibilities, Benefits and Position Descriptions can be found at <https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/positions-vacant/>. Applications for the above positions addressed to the General Manager can be submitted 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 *NOTE: Applicants must adequately address the selection criteria contained in the Position Description. Failure to do so may result in your application not being considered. Applicants must include a Resume.*

SALE OF RECYCLABLE ITEMS: At the ordinary meeting held on 30 November 2021, Council resolved to place fees for the sale of recyclable items on public exhibition for 28 days. The objective of this initiative is to reduce the volume of waste to landfill through a circular economy and will also increase the lifespan of Council landfills. The Sale of Recyclable Items Fee Structure will be on public exhibition from Wednesday 1 December to 3pm Wednesday 29 December 2021. Council welcomes feedback during the public exhibition period. Submissions will be considered by Council before the documents are adopted at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council on 25 January 2022.

Compost/Top Dressing - < 20tonne -\$30.00/tonne (Retail Value); - > 20 tonne - \$11/tonne (Wholesale Value),(to be reviewed again for the 2022/2023 financial year); Garden Growing Mix - \$15/tonne - (to be reviewed again for the 2022/2023 financial year); Garden Mulch - \$15/tonne; Clean Fill- \$20/tonne; Processed Concrete (suitable for road/driveway/drainage/stormwater construction); \$20/ton; Recycled Timber – Minimum \$1.50/Unit; - Medium \$5.00/Unit;- Maximum \$10.00/Unit; Recycled Steel (proceeds within Cootamundra to Elouera Pty Ltd) - Minimum \$5.00/Unit; - Medium \$10.00/Unit;- Maximum \$20.00/Unit; Recycled Goods (chairs, tables, bikes, mowers etc) , Minimum \$5.00/Unit; Medium \$15.00/Unit; - Maximum \$30.00/Unit; Bricks, Blocks, Bush Rocks etc.- Minimum \$1.00/Unit. Maximum \$10.00/Unit. High Value Items (e.g., Antique Items etc). Specific items that are considered by Council staff to be or have a high market value above that of the normal listed maximum value, may need to be negotiated by Council staff to a value that exceeds the maximum listed price. **Unit Description** A Unit is a saleable item that is determined as: - A single section, piece and or length of an Item (e.g., length of a piece of timber, single sheet of roofing iron etc.)*A single bulk Item (e.g., box of bolts etc)*A bound and or palletted Item (e.g., pallet of bricks/blocks/stone etc)*Bulk Items/Materials - m3 and or tonnage (e.g., soil/clean fill 1x m3 = 0.625t) Item (e.g., steel etc).

FLUSHING OF WATER MAINS COOTAMUNDRA: Council wishes to inform Cootamundra Residents that extensive water main flushing will be undertaken across all sectors in the Cootamundra Township. Residents may experience low water pressure, or discoloured water during this time. CGRC apologises for any inconvenience.