



COMMUNITY NEWS

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**COOTAMUNDRA
GUNDAGAI** REGIONAL COUNCIL

VACANT: DESIGN ENGINEER –

GUNDAGAI (Full time). Applications are invited from interested persons for the above full-time position of Design Engineer to be based at our Gundagai Office. This role is a professional civil engineering position within Council and requires the applicant to be proficient in survey design and estimating works for roads, footpaths, culverts, bridges, stormwater drainage, water and sewerage facilities and other capital or maintenance works projects, including public recreational facilities, to ensure completion to engineering standards. **Key responsibilities include:** 1. Investigate and design civil infrastructure projects in line with Council's forwards works and delivery Program e.g., roads, parking, water, drainage, and sewer systems. 2. Provide quality construction and design drawings liaising with others involved to meet client and Council needs, ensuring compliance with relevant standards. 3. Complete onsite surveys and inspections as required. 4. Ensure all underground and overhead utility services are located, noted and related actions taken by technical crews. 5. Implement best practice design principles and standards and identify and implement innovative design solutions. *Please refer to the Position Description for additional responsibilities. **Benefits** - Salary range of \$1,569.00 to \$1,836.00 gross per week, plus Civil Liability Allowance. A Market Allowance may be negotiated for the right applicant. Leaseback vehicle option available. - 10.5% superannuation. - 9-day fortnight. **NOTE: To be considered for this position, candidates must supply a covering letter, a current resume and address the Essential Criteria contained in the Position Description.** Those who don't address the selection criteria will not be considered. Further information and a Position Description is available by contacting Council on 1300 459 689 or Council's website www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au. Applications, addressed to the General Manager should be submitted by **5p.m. on Friday 5th August 2022** 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.



Livvi's Place @ Albert Park has won prestigious award at National Sports and Physical Convention 2022.

Livvi's Place is a Winner: A partnership formed between Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) and the Touched by Olivia Foundation, to deliver an inclusive playspace in Cootamundra's Albert Park, has won the PLAYGROUND DESIGN Award at the National Sports and Physical Activity Convention 2022 (NSC22). Livvi's Place Cootamundra took out the award for 'Designs and developments that allow and encourage more children to play, have fun and be active.' Presented at the annual National Sports Convention in Melbourne, the award recognises the inclusivity and wide-ranging activities available within the playspace. "This has been a project we are all very proud of. Our young people, parents and carers all came together and told us what they wanted. The parks and gardens team, headed by Wayne Bennett listened to them and had a great vision on what they could put together. This award is credit to their hard work, their foresight and their abilities to deliver a space that is inclusive to all regardless of age, ability or capabilities," Cr Sheahan said.



Above: TESTING AND COMMISSIONING OF GUNDAGAI SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT. Newly constructed Gundagai Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) has been tested for a 14 day period and now ready to be commissioned. Commissioning activities commenced on 25 July 2022 and will continue for 3 to 5 days to ensure the plant operates as intended. Once the final commissioning is completed the plant will be fully

\$160 MILLION TO MAKE OUR REGIONS STRONGER

Acting Premier and Minister for Regional NSW Paul Toole announced \$160 million will be available to eligible regional councils and community groups for projects that focus on community and sporting infrastructure, enhance accessibility for people with disability, and improve outcomes for Aboriginal people. Applications for Round Five of the Stronger Country Communities Fund opens Friday, 5 August 2022. For more information, visit: www.nsw.gov.au/sccf.

COUNCIL IS INVITING COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO VIEW AND COMMENT ON:

RES 8.10.1/2 Council's Amendment to Adopted 2022/23 Fees and Charges in its Draft Operational Plan. All existing Sports Ground and Open Space User Fees & Charges be removed for the 2022/2023 financial year. 2. The adjusted 2022/2023 Sports Ground and Open Space User Fees and Charges be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. **RES 8.7.1** The Draft Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council Safety Action Plan 2022-2026. Council is now inviting submissions from ratepayers and residents on the above items which are on public exhibition for 28 days. To make your submission, you are required to do so in writing by **4pm Tuesday 23 August 2022**. Submissions may be: Delivered to the administration centres at Cootamundra or Gundagai, or posted to The General Manager, Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, PO Box 420 Cootamundra NSW 2590. Or emailed to mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au.

These items can be accessed at:

<https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/connect-with-us/have-your-say/documents-on-public-exhibition/>

GUNDAGAI LIBRARY

MAHJONG

THURSDAY 2.00 - 5PM

All Welcome!

Social Beginners to Magic Masters

For more information contact the library on 69440270

STORY TIME 2022

Every Thursday @ 10am (not including school holidays)

READ CRAFT PLAY

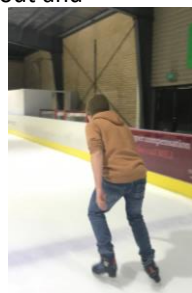
Gundagai Library 0269 440270

AUGUST 2022 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING: The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Tuesday 23 August 2022 at the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre Cooper Street Cootamundra commencing, and livestreamed from 6pm. Meeting agenda on CGRC website.



Above: Sami Bayley, talented young author and illustrator who is currently shortlisted for the CBCA 2022 Book of the Year, will be visiting the Gundagai Library and presenting a workshop on illustrating to local schools that are attending on the 12 August.

Cootamundra Youth Council: ENJOY DAY OUT: Ice skating, go-karting and shopping at Canberra Central were enjoyed by all on the youth day out to Canberra. Thanks to CYC for organising such a great day out and the Office for Regional Youth for the holiday program funding.



Coota Library

PAINT POURING TECHNIQUE

FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST
2PM-4PM
\$10.00
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
69402200

Special Storytime for 2022 CBCA BOOK WEEK
Dreaming with eyes open...
Gundagai Library 10am Dress for fun!

FROM THE MAYOR:
Councillors and staff attended NAIDOC Week flag raising ceremonies in Gundagai and Cootamundra. The event in Cootamundra hosted by the Cootamundra Aboriginal Working Party (CAWP) and was well attended. Positive feedback from the CAWP was received. I would like to congratulate the Staff at Council that assisted in the design and construction of Livvi's Place@Albert Park. The Touched by Olivia Foundation has been presented a nationally recognised award for this playground. It is a great achievement for Council and the Community. I would like to acknowledge and congratulate the following achievers: Ashleigh Armour from Gundagai, who is a recipient of an Early Childhood Education scholarship. Indi Cooper from Gundagai, who has been selected to represent Australia in athletics at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham England. Katherine Donoghue, the Care Coordinator at the Cootamundra Hospital, who has been awarded the Exceptional Rural Health Care Award.

Book Launch

CHARLOTTE:
My parents have separated: a 10 year old's perspective

BY DR RHONDA EMONSON
Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner

COOTAMUNDRA LIBRARY
Friday August 26
10am

Free event
Morning tea provided
Books on sale
RSVP: ph 6940 2200

HAVE YOUR SAY ON PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND MOBILITY PLAN (PAMP)

The Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council (CGRC) PAMP will align with Council's key principles and objectives identified in the 2022 Community Strategic Plan by achieving pathway network infrastructure and maintenance that respects community expectations and needs. It will provide the framework for developing pedestrian routes or areas identified as important for walkability, safety, convenience and mobility, with a particular focus on footpaths, kerb ramps and crossing facilities at critical locations. The CGRC PAMP will be used to guide investment in safe, convenient and connected pedestrian infrastructure. It is the key instrument for planning and building needed pedestrian infrastructure in a prioritised manner. It is essential in supporting all major pedestrian funding requests directed through Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and will ensure that all available funding sources are being used effectively to improve the pedestrian network. Community consultation and feedback is important in the development of this PAMP and Council thanks you for your participation.

<https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/community-engagement/>

I have issued a statement in regards to Council's financial issues, and a report undertaken by Finch Consulting. The Finch report was at my request and the Interim General Manager Les McMahon, engaged Bob Finch to do an audit into the processes and structure around finances within the organisation. I am very pleased with the report in the sense that it is easy to understand and provides the platform for moving forward with addressing the long-term problem of managing budget restraint. Firstly, let me make it quite clear that council has not lost any money, our problem has been spending too much, which has put pressure on our financial resources and future sustainability. The full statement is on the CGRC website.

Library STEM Learning!

Exciting self paced STEM kits for Junior members to use in the library after school. Pick from the many different kits to learn, build and create at your own pace!

For more information on getting into STEM at the Gundagai library or becoming a member call in or phone on 69440270

APPLICATIONS FOR THE LOCAL HERITAGE GRANTS 2022/2023 ARE NOW OPEN:

A local heritage grant program has been established by Council with the aid of funding support from NSW Government. The aim of the program is to encourage the conservation of heritage items within the Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council Local Government Area (LGA) and promote a positive community attitude to heritage conservation. Generally, the level of funding per project will be \$1,000, with a maximum amount of \$5,000 for a major project, however, due to the competitive nature of the program, Council may offer funding less than the requested amount. Payment of grants will not be made until the project is complete and a final report from Council's heritage advisor is received. Applicants will be required to provide at least matching finance for the projects. Applications close – 9.30am Monday 22 August 2022. Notifications to Applicants – September 2022. Projects must be completed by 30 April 2023 for more information please visit: <https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/2022/07/19/application-s-open-for-local-heritage-grants/>

Regards,

Cr Charlie Sheahan,
Mayor: Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council



AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT MOBILE SERVICE CENTRE (MSC):

Coming to Cootamundra & Gundagai. Speak to staff about: payments & services concession & other cards • complex issues social work support. Help with Department of Veterans' Affairs services. The MSC will be outside the Cootamundra Town Hall in Wallendoon St, Cootamundra on Tuesday & Wednesday 9 & 10 August 2022 from 9am to 4pm & in Gundagai on Wednesday 24 August 2022 from 9am to 4pm Gundagai Services Club car park, Sheridan St, Gundagai.

THE BREASTSCREEN NSW

van will be visiting Cootamundra Monday 8 August until Friday 9 September 2022 at Cootamundra Stadium Car Park, access via Adams Street. The mobile clinic is in Gundagai until 5 August 2022 at Mirrabooka Community Building, access via Sheridan Street. The service is free providing mammograms to eligible women and there's no referral needed. You can book online @ <https://book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au/>

Mayor Charlie Sheahan, Deputy Mayor Leigh Bowden, Cr Les Boyd, Cr Logan Collins, Cr Trevor Glover, Cr David Graham, Cr Gil Kelly, Cr Abb McAlister, Cr Penny Nicholson, Visit <https://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/>