



### PIONEER PARK MAKEOVER:

Cootamundra's Pioneer Park redevelopment is nearing completion with the inclusion of a new free camping area, barbeques, toilet block and fire pits. The project should be completed by the end of August pending favourable weather conditions. The major component of the project consists of developing and adding to existing infrastructure, the sites significance and enhancement of the heritage value of the site. This will benefit local flora and fauna, the community, and visitors alike. The park has seen the upgrade of road and drainage, carparking area established, bollards and pathway refurbishment, signage and solar lighting installed.

*Pictured left and below new BBQ facilities and toilet block installed at Cootamundra's Pioneer Park.*



### NAIDOC WEEK FLAG RAISING CEREMONIES:

CGRC celebrated Naidoc week (2-9 July) with flag raising ceremonies in Gundagai and Cootamundra. The theme For Our Elders was acknowledged with potted plants presented by students to Gundagai Elders from the Gundagai Primary School and books made by the Gundagai Pre-Schoolers and Gumnuts students. *Pictured below:*



The Naidoc Week flag raising ceremony in Cootamundra concluded with a delicious morning tea, displays of artifacts, paintings, and bunches of native flowers. *Pictured below:*



### WELCOME DELIVERY:

A truck load of trees was delivered to Gundagai recently. Arriving in the early evening the trees will be used for the Sherwood Forest Masterplan. *Pictured left & below.*



### THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 2023

The ordinary meeting will be held on Tuesday 22 August 2023 at the Alby Schultz Meeting Centre, Cooper Street Cootamundra. Starting at and livestreamed from 6pm. Please refer to Council's website for meeting agenda.

Members of the public may address Council on matters related to associated agenda item only, as part of the Public Forum.

**YOUR NEW CAREER IS WAITING  
RE-ADVERTISED PARKS &  
GARDENS ATTENDANT –**

**COOTAMUNDRA - Full Time**

The successful applicant will provide general labouring, maintenance and garbage collection services at Council's parks, gardens, plantations and sporting facilities. Operate parks and gardens plant, including mowers, tractors, street sweepers, elevated work platform and spray equipment, as directed by the Parks Foreman, and will contribute to the manual labour pool within the Facilities Department.

**OPERATIONS SUPPORT –  
COOTAMUNDRA – 6-MONTH  
CONTRACT – Full Time**

This position is to provide confidential and professional administrative support to several council departments operating in the Cootamundra Office.

**Further information and a Position Descriptions** for the above positions is available by contacting Council's Human Resources Department on 1300 459 689 or by visiting Council's website

[www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/positions-vacant/](http://www.cgrc.nsw.gov.au/positions-vacant/)

NOTE: Applicants must adequately address the selection criteria contained in the Position Description and include a resume in their application. Failure to do so may result in your application not being considered.

**Applications close 5p.m. on Friday 4 August 2023.**

Applications are to be addressed to the Interim General Manager, and can be submitted by post to Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, PO Box 420, Cootamundra NSW 2590, or delivered to Council's offices at Cootamundra or Gundagai, or by email to [mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@cgrc.nsw.gov.au)



**LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK:** Showcases the work your local council does in the local community and the variety of services your council provides. Join us for an open day, in Cootamundra on Tuesday 1 August and Gundagai on Thursday 3 August from 11am to 1pm. Free Sausage Sizzle and lots of information available.

**TENDER OPEN ANNIE PYERS DRIVE CONSTRUCTION RFT2024/01:** CGRC is seeking suitably qualified contractors to complete a scope of construction works at Annie Pyers Drive. All Tenders can be viewed at, and submissions must be made through the VendorPanel Portal at VendorPanel Public Tenders. **Tenders close Friday 31 August 2023 at 2pm.**

Council welcomes current and potential subcontractors to register with VendorPanel.

**WEED SPRAYING NOTICE:**

Council wishes to advise residents across the region that weed spraying will be undertaken during the months of July to December 2023.

Notification is made in accordance with the Pesticide Regulation 1995.

Herbicide application will occur on roadsides, culverts, town & village streets & lanes, & weed control in public spaces.

Motorists are asked to be vigilant & look out for signs & spray vehicles.

**TENDER OPEN BETTS ST RISING MAIN AND OVERFLOW STORAGE RFT2024/02:**

CGRC is seeking suitably qualified contractors to complete a scope of works at the Betts St Pump Station and Cootamundra Sewage Treatment Plant. All Tenders can be viewed at, and submissions must be made through the VendorPanel Portal at VendorPanel Public Tenders. Tenders close Friday 11 August 2023 at 10am. Council welcomes current and potential subcontractors to register with VendorPanel. <https://vendorpanel.com/>



**FROM THE MAYOR:**

It has been a busy July for your councillors, with meetings, conferences, openings, and workshops. A highlight in July was the Naidoc Week celebrations with Council hosting flag raising ceremonies in Cootamundra and Gundagai. It was lovely to see so many turn out at these events and learn more about our indigenous culture. A big thank you to elders and leaders from our first nations people who assisted with bringing in artifacts and providing an insight into what Naidoc Week means to our communities.

The 2023 Cootamundra Business Awards was another highlight for the Coota community during July, I extend my congratulations to all award winners and nominees for a job well done and acknowledge CGRC's Road Safety Officer Kylie Grybaitis who took out the Customer Service Award. Thank you to Business Cootamundra who host and organise this annual event.

I am saddened and disappointed to hear of the imminent closure of the National Australia Bank (NAB) in Gundagai and have written to the NAB Bank & relevant Government ministers voicing concerns. As a community I believe we all need to ensure that vital services such as financial, health and education services are maintained and enhanced in rural areas. I urge members of the community to write to our local parliamentary members (both state and federal), to voice your concerns.

We are continuing to see much need improvements and redevelopments across our communities' facilities. Pioneer and Jubilee Parks in Cootamundra will soon be completed, along with the Sherwood Forest redevelopment. I'm also pleased that the Muttama Hall kitchen has been installed and turf laying completed at Gundagai's Lindley Park.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all volunteers across the LGA, for the work they do in our communities and thank you to our s355 committees for the work they do in maintaining their respective facilities.

We are continuing to work with the Office of Local Government in respect to the de-merger and will keep you updated as more information comes to hand.

Until next month, stay safe, stay warm and be kind to each other.

**Charlie Sheahan  
Mayor CGRC**



Mayor Cr Charlie Sheahan, Deputy Mayor Cr Leigh Bowden, Cr Abb McAlister, Cr David Graham, Cr Gil Kelly, Cr Penny Nicholson, Cr Logan Collins, Cr Trevor Glover, Cr Les Boyd.

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