

EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES

- Arbovirus Technical Officer – Temporary part-time and casual
- Horticulture Trainee – Temporary full-time
- ICT Manager – Permanent full-time
- ICT Officer – Permanent full-time

For more information, visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au

IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

KERANG Gannawarra Children's Centre
Wednesday, 7 August 2019
10.30am – 12 noon

Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to session closing time

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 21 August 2019 at 6.30pm in the Council Chambers, Kerang. Interested members of the public are welcome to attend. The agenda will be available two days prior to the meeting at www.gsc.vic.gov.au

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Applications are now open for Council's Community Grants Program.

Community groups and organisations within the Gannawarra are invited to apply for up to \$5,000 to support local project, events and activities.

Grant applications can be submitted through an online system, available via Council's website, under the following categories:

- Community Event Grants; and
- Community Support Grants.

Groups looking to apply for funding should first refer to the *Gannawarra Shire Council Plan 2017-2021*, which can be viewed on Council's website, and their relevant community profile to ensure their project complements the priorities of community and Council.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Council to discuss a project idea before submitting a grant application. Applications close at 5pm on Saturday, 31 August.

For further information, please visit Council's grants website, www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au/Council/Grants-and-Funding or e-mail grants@gannawarra.vic.gov.au



CONTRACTORS ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER WITH COUNCIL

Council is encouraging local contractors to register their details with Council to be considered for work on Council-managed projects.

Council oversees a range of projects each financial year, from business maintenance through to major items completed annually as part of its Capital Works program.

To be an approved contractor, contractors must hold current insurances, licenses, safety documentation and any other requirements relevant to their industry.

Being an approved contractor does not guarantee work, however the contractor becomes a legitimate option for Council to use.

Contractors interested in registering their details can contact Council on (03) 5450 9333.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The recent rainfall has promoted growth in the pastures and paddocks across the Gannawarra. Hopefully this is the start of what may be a great season for our agricultural sector.

One of the messages that I have promoted in the past few months during the dry conditions is to support each other.

There are many groups and organisations who have undertaken this role for many years. One of these groups is the Ladies Auxiliary of the Kerang Returned and Services League, which celebrated its 80th anniversary recently.

Council congratulates this dedicated group for their efforts in providing support and care for returned servicemen and women.

With recycling being in the news recently, I would like to encourage residents to continue using your household yellow bins for recycling. Our recycling is collected locally by Veolia and taken to Echuca, where it is sorted and transported for processing. It was very pleasing for Council to recently announce it received more than 100 planning permit applications in 2018/2019. This was the first time since 2014/2015 this figure was above the 100 mark. These figures are promising for future development opportunities within the Gannawarra.

Kind regards
Mayor Lorraine Learmonth

MAYOR
LORRAINE
LEARMONTH



MAINTAINING VACANT PROPERTIES

Landowners in urban areas of the Gannawarra Shire are encouraged to act now on maintaining vegetation on vacant blocks or the area surrounding their dwellings.

Although property inspections will occur in spring, Council staff are urging landowners to consider the situation on their properties now.

With many districts receiving close to average rainfall totals during the past four months, conditions have been ideal for the growth of vegetation on vacant blocks.

Taking time to check your vacant blocks and areas surrounding your dwellings now will assist in the future. Any works undertaken to clear vegetation now will ensure less work is needed in the coming months.

Landowners can be fined up to \$800 for failing to comply with Council requests to clear vegetation from vacant blocks or the areas surrounding their dwellings.



BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT PLANNING

Residents are invited to have their say on strategic bushfire management planning measures for public and private land within the Gannawarra.

Council is working with Engage Victoria in developing the Loddon Mallee Bushfire Management Planning Strategy, with feedback sought from as many people as possible.

The strategy looks at where fuel management is best utilised across the landscape to reduce the fire risk on both public and private land. It has a long term vision, with modelling to be developed to support the strategy for the next 40 years.

A survey has been developed to gather feedback on the proposed strategy, with residents able to answer 12 questions on the subject.

To have your say, visit <https://engage.vic.gov.au/bushfire-planning/loddon-mallee> between now and Monday, 12 August.

WHAT'S ON...

AUGUST 6-26	<i>Blurry Borders</i> exhibition, Kerang
AUGUST 6	Social Meal – Macorna
AUGUST 6	Social Meal – Quambatook
AUGUST 8	Men's cooking program, Cohuna
AUGUST 8	Social Meal – Kerang
AUGUST 8	Social Meal – Leitchville
AUGUST 9	Social Meal – Koondrook
AUGUST 11	Border Flywheelers Club Market, Barham
AUGUST 13	Social Meal – Lake Charm
AUGUST 13	Social Meal – Lalbert
AUGUST 15	Men's cooking program, Cohuna
AUGUST 16	Social Meal – Cohuna
AUGUST 16	Regional Renewable Energy Roadmap workshops, Kerang
AUGUST 20	<i>The Whale's Tale</i> , Cohuna
AUGUST 20	Social Meal – Quambatook
AUGUST 21	<i>The Whale's Tale</i> , Kerang
AUGUST 22	Men's cooking program, Cohuna
AUGUST 22	Social Meal – Leitchville
AUGUST 23	Kerang Book Parade
AUGUST 24	Kerang Community Market
AUGUST 25	Cohuna Farmers & Makers Market
AUGUST 28	Social Meal - Murrabit

Event details can be found on Council's Website

SUBMIT YOUR EVENT

Want to see your event featured here? Submit your event details to Council's website www.gsc.vic.gov.au

GANNAWARRA GIVING ACCOUNT

Residents can help support our local farming families by donating to the Gannawarra Giving Account.

The Giving Account aims to provide assistance such as funding uniform, equipment or fees to ensure inclusion into sport and recreation opportunities for children or anything else needed to meet other individual and community needs. Funding decisions are made by a small confidential panel consisting of representatives from Council, Northern District Community Health and Rural Financial Counselling Services Victoria – North West

For more information or to make a tax deductible donation to the Gannawarra Giving Account call Northern District Community Health on (03) 5451 0200 or donate online at www.givenow.com.au/gannawarragivingaccount



COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES – PERSONAL CARE

As we age, daily personal care routines can sometimes become more difficult to maintain without help. Something as simple as taking a shower or bath can become a slip and fall risk as mobility issues develop. The Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) provides a suite of services to frail, older clients aged 65 years and over, which is designed to help you stay living in your own home. Our team is trained to support you with such tasks as medication monitoring, meal assistance, showers and personal appearance so you can look your best every day.

For more details, contact Community Care on (03) 5450 9333.

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