GANNAWARRANEWS



IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

KERANG

Wednesday, 1 July 2020 10.30am – 12 noon

NOTE: Bookings must be made prior to attending any of Council's immunisation sessions, which can be done by phoning (03) 5450 9333. It is encouraged that only one parent/guardian attend with the child to be vaccinated. Anyone showing any of the symptoms of Coronavirus, or those who are in isolation, should not attend. For more details, visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au/immunisation

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 24 June 2020 at 6.30pm. The agenda will be available two days prior to the meeting at <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au/meetings</u> NOTE: Council is operating in accordance with the new *COVID-19 Omnibus (Emergency Measures) Act 2020*, with the following arrangements in place from 1 May 2020 to 1 November 2020:

- Ordinary Meetings of Council will be closed to the public; and
- Ordinary Meetings of Council will be live-streamed via Council's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/gannawarra).

KERANG AERODROME – PROPOSED LEASE

Gannawarra Shire Council hereby gives notice under Section 190 and 192 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) of its intention to lease a 12-hectare parcel of land within the Kerang Aerodrome site known as Lot 2 PS747952 for the purpose of construction,

commissioning and operating a 5-megawatt solar micro grid.

Written submissions about the proposed lease will be considered in accordance with Section 223 of the Act. Submissions can be made by email to

<u>council@gannawarra.vic.gov.au</u> or by post to PO Box 287, Kerang VIC 3579.

Submissions must be received by the Chief Executive Officer by 5pm on Monday, 29 June 2020.

A person may request in their submission to appear in person, or be represented by a person specified in the submission, to be heard in support of the submission at the July 2020 Ordinary meeting of Council.

Tom O'Reilly CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE GRANTS

Community groups and not-for-profit organisations located within the Gannawarra have until 5pm on Friday, 26 June to apply for up to \$5,000 in funding to support community-led initiatives thanks to the Gannawarra Community Resilience Grants Program. Developed by the Gannawarra Community Resilience Committee, the \$40,000 program, funded by the Federal Government's Drought Communities Programme – Extension, supports a variety of small activities that promote community-led activity and mental health and wellbeing. For more information and to apply, please visit

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

On behalf of Gannawarra Shire Council, I would like to congratulate Dr Peter Barker OAM, Debbie Grove AM, Noel Lake OAM and Allan McCallum AO for being recognised during this year's Queen's Birthday Honours. These four residents are great contributors to our Shire. As the weather becomes colder, I would like to encourage those who haven't already had an influenza injection to consider doing so. As we look to keep warm, please make sure your heaters and open fires are safe and clothes/curtains are not too close to appliances. This will help reduce the risk of house fires starting.

It is encouraging to see many projects across the Gannawarra nearing completion, including Stage 1 of the Cohuna Waterfront Project and Stage 3 of the Koondrook CBD Redevelopment.

With Council recently receiving notification that it will receive State and Federal government funding for projects that will make the Gannawarra a great place to live, work and play, the second half of the year will be just as busy.

Kind regards, Mayor Lorraine Learmonth MAYOR LORRAINE LEARMONTH





SCHOOL TRANSITION GUIDE LAUNCHED

Parents and guardians with children enrolling for Prep or Year 7 in 2021 will benefit from the recent production of the *School Transition in Gannawarra* guide. The publication features details on all primary and secondary schools located within the Gannawarra, as well as Swan Hill Specialist School.

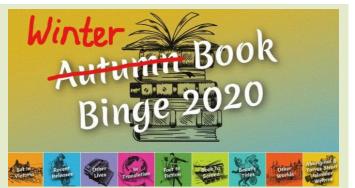
The booklet also provides guidance to assist with the transition process – whether it is from kindergarten to primary school education or moving from Grade Six to Year Seven.

All children enrolling in Prep or Year 7 in 2021 will receive a copy of the *School Transition in Gannawarra* booklet. Copies are also available online at <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au</u> and by phoning (03) 5450 9333.

GET TESTED FOR CORONAVIRUS

Residents who display symptoms associated with Coronavirus are encouraged to contact Northern District Community Health and get tested. Symptoms of Coronavirus include:

- Fever
- Breathing difficulties
- Breatning difficulties
- Breathlessness



BINGE ON BOOKS THIS WINTER

Gannawarra Library Service members can win book vouchers from Readings by taking part in State Library Victoria's Winter Book Binge program.

To be in the running for one of the book vouchers to be given away each month, library service members need to read or listen to three items from any genre listed on the Winter Book Binge game card.

Once you have completed three books from any genre, fill out a game card, which can be downloaded at <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au/bookbinge</u> or included with any "click and collect" items borrowed from the service, and write down which month you are entering in the draw for, by crossing out the autumn month list and replacing it with the relevant winter month.

To be in the monthly draw, drop your entry into your local library branch book chute by the end of each month, or email scanned cards to library@gls.vic.gov.au

For more information, please click on the Events and Programs button at <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au/libraries</u>

FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Residents and business owners who cannot pay any outstanding bills they have with Council at this time are encouraged to phone (03) 5450 9333 and discuss their situation with our friendly staff. Council will hold interest and hold off on any legal action on applicable charges for those who contact Council indicating that they are financially impacted by COVID-19.

- Cough
- Sore throat
- Fatigue
- Tiredness

If you have any of these symptoms, please phone (03) 5451 0200 between 9am and 12 noon Monday to Friday to arrange to be tested at one of NDCH's swabbing clinics, located at Cohuna, Kerang, Koondrook, Boort and Pyramid Hill.

This hold date is backdated from the declaration of the State of Emergency on 16 March 2020, and will stay in place for six months.



www.gsc.vic.gov.au/grants

COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES CONTINUING

Gannawarra Shire Council is continuing to provide its Community Care services to residents. Residents receiving these services are asked to contact Council on (03) 5450 9333 if they are feeling unwell; if anyone in their home is feeling unwell; or if anyone in their home is recommended to self-isolate.

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