

GANNAWARRA News

Job Vacancies

Administration Officer

Permanent Full Time

Lifeguards

Casual

For further information please refer to our website www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au

Expression of Interest – **Audit Committee**

Gannawarra Shire Council is seeking Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified persons to become a member of Council's Audit Committee. The selected respondent will be required, as a member of the Audit Committee, to play a key role in assisting Council to fulfil its governance and overseeing responsibilities, ethical practices and accountability requirements. The primary objective of the Audit Committee is to assist Council in the effective conduct of its responsibilities for financial reporting, management of risk, maintaining a reliable system of internal controls and facilitating the Council's ethical development. A copy of the Audit Committee Charter along with further information and application details can be obtained on Council's website or by phoning Tom O'Reilly, Director Corporate Services on T: 5450 9333.

Extended Pool Hours

Pool hours will be extended in the months of December, January and February. The Kerang and Cohuna Pool opening hours for these months will be 10.00am -8.00pm.

Christmas Kerbside Bin Collection

Please note there will be no change to the kerbside bin collection over Christmas and New Year.

Long Day Care Enrolments

2017 Enrolments are now being taken for Long Day Care. Vacancies also exist within our Family Day Care service.

Please contact the Gannawarra Shire Children's Services team on 5452 1357 for assistance and enrolment forms

Australia Day Nominations Now Open!

Australia Day nominations are now open, nomination forms can be found on council's website

www.gannawarra.vic.gov.au.

Nominations close 25 November.

MAYORS MESSAGE

Firstly I would like to begin in saying what a an honour it is to be elected as Mayor of the Gannawarra Shire. As Mayor I will lead with integrity, honesty and most importantly listen to all of the community.

What a huge week it has been for the municipality and especially Koondrook with the opening of the magnificent wharf precinct.

This is a special project and has taken some time to realise but the result is wonderful. Volunteer celebrations were also held last week and was greatly

attended by our fantastic volunteers. Without their support many functions and services would not operate within the Shire, a huge thank you to everyone that offers their own time to help others.

I would like to remind residents that the fire danger period is now in force, so please remember that there is no burning off without a permit, zero tolerance will apply this year.

Lastly I would like to say there is a real feeling of passion and positiveness within the new Council and I welcome them onto our team, Charlie Gillingham, Steve Tasker, Sonia Wright, and Jodie Basile. I'm really looking forward to working together to achieve great things for the Gannawarra community.

Brian Gibson

Mayor

Gannawarra Shire Council Proposed Councillor Allowances

Gannawarra Shire Council at its meeting on Wednesday 16 November considered a report on the review of Councillor Allowances for the period of November 2016 to October 2020. Council now provides public notice of the review of these allowances.

Council proposes to;

- Fix the Councillor allowance at \$19,350 per annum and an amount equivalent to the superannuation guarantee of 9.5 per cent of the relevant allowance, equating to \$21,188 (exclusive of annual indexation).
- Fix the Mayoral allowance at \$57,812 per annum and an amount equivalent to the superannuation guarantee of 9.5 per cent of the relevant allowance, equating to \$63,304 (exclusive of annual indexation).

Submissions

Pursuant to section 74(4) of the Local Government Act 1989 any person has a right to make a written submission on the proposed Councillor Allowances. Submissions must be received by Council before 5pm on Tuesday 20 December 2016, and are to be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Gannawarra Shire Council, PO Box 287, Kerang, VIC 3579.

Submissions will be considered in accordance with Section 223 of the Act, and any person who has made a submission is requested to advise if they wish to be heard in support of their submission.

Youth Council Profile

Emma Carter

Barham High School

Year 10

Why did you join Youth Council?

I joined Youth Council because it allows me to make a difference as a young person living in a rural town.

Where do you see yourself in 5 years' time?

In 5 years I see myself studying my 2nd last year of a 4 year course. At this stage I think I want to study engineering.

Interests or something interesting about yourself

I am interested in sport, science, and space. Something interesting about myself is that I would love to become an astronaut.

What is one thing you would like to see happen or change in Gannawarra to make it a better place for young people?

I would like to help tackle boredom that a lot of young people around here experience. One way to do that might be to advocate for better public transport options so that young people can easily visit Echuca, Bendigo or Melbourne. Another way to tackle boredom is to bring activities to the area that young people can participate in.

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WHAT'S ON?



25 November - Mystic Melodies



26 November – Kerang Community Market



26 November - Gannawarra Memorial Toy Run



26 November – ReSpark the Park, Kerang



27 November - Skate Park League 2016 Grand Final, Kerang



3 December - Murrabit Market



3 December – Stiletto Sisters, Kerang



4 December – Hungarian folk music workshop with the Stiletto Sisters



6 December - Disability Day



celebrations

All event details are on Councils website



