# Gannawarra NEWS

#### MAYOR'S MESSAGE



With the Gannawarra experiencing Stage 3 COVID-19 restrictions, residents are urged to play their role and adhere to these measures. These include only leaving your home for one of four reasons - to shop for food and essential goods or services; to provide care or to seek medical treatment; to exercise; or for work or study if you can't do it from home.

Please try and keep in contact with your older neighbours and those living alone at this time. A phone call or note of support can make a difference. Kind regards,

**Mayor Lorraine Learmonth** 

### IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY, 19 AUGUST COHUNA (10.30am - 12 noon) KERANG (4pm - 5.30pm) 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, please visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au/ immunisation

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 19 August 2020 at 6.30pm.

NOTE: Council is operating in accordance with the *COVID-19 Omnibus (Emergency Measures) Act 2020,* with the following arrangements in place to 1 November 2020:

- Meetings of Council will be closed to the public; and
- Meetings of Council will be livestreamed at www.gsc.vic.gov.au/livestream

#### TENDERS

For information regarding active tenders currently open to the public, please visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au/tenders

#### **COUNCIL SERVICE CHANGES**

Residents are advised that changes have been made to the following Council services due to COVID-19 Stage 3 restrictions:

- Council's Customer Service Centres at Cohuna and Kerang are closed to faceto-face transactions.
- The closure of Gannawarra Library Service's branches at Cohuna, Kerang, Leitchville and Quambatook.
- The closure of playgrounds, exercise equipment and skate parks throughout the Gannawarra.

Residents can contact Council during this time by:

- Phoning (03) 5450 9333 during business hours;
- Emailing <u>council@gannawarra.vic.gov.au</u> at any time;
- Visiting <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au</u> and chatting live with a staff member during business hours;
- Lodging a request form at www.gsc.vic.gov.au/request any time; and

• Writing to PO Box 287, Kerang VIC 3579. Gannawarra Library Service members can continue to access online resources at <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au/libraries</u> For more information, please visit

For more information, please visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au/coronavirus

#### COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Community groups and organisations are encouraged to apply for up to \$5,000 from Council's Community Grants Program. Grant applications can be submitted through the online SmartyGrants system, accessible via <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au/grants</u>, under the following categories:

 Community Event Grants to support events that demonstrate compliance to COVID-19 social distancing measures; and

Community Support Grants.
Applications close at 5pm on Monday, 24
August 2020.

For further information, please visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au/grants or email grants@gannawarra.vic.gov.au

#### HAVE YOUR SAY

Council is seeking feedback on its *Draft Community Engagement Strategy 2020-2025*. Submissions close 5pm Friday, 21 August. To learn more about this document and to have your say, please visit <u>www.gsc.vic.gov.au/publicnotices</u>

#### STAND FOR COUNCIL

The 2020 Gannawarra Shire Council elections will be held in October. For more information, including how to nominate as a candidate, please visit www.gsc.vic.gov.au/election

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