

## EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES

- Pool Supervisor, Kerang Exercise Pool – Permanent part-time

For more information, visit [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/jobs](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/jobs)

## IMMUNISATION SESSIONS

KERANG Wednesday, 3 June 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](http://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 [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/meetings](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/meetings)

**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](http://www.facebook.com/gannawarra)).

## RATES INSTALMENT REMINDER

Ratepayers are reminded that if you choose to pay your rates by instalments, the final instalment payment is due by Monday, 1 June 2020. For more information, visit [www.gsc.vic.gov.au](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au) or phone (03) 5450 9333.

## 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.

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.

This position will be reviewed by 16 September 2020.

## REGISTER YOUR POOLS, SPAS

Residents who have private pools and spas on their property are urged to register these facilities with Council by 1 June 2020. This includes all permanent pools and spas, and most relocatable pools capable of holding water to a depth greater than 30 centimetres. Residents can register their private pools or spas by completing an application form, which is available online at [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/register-your-pool](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/register-your-pool) or by phoning Council on (03) 5450 9333.

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Thank you to everyone for their work in keeping our communities going at this time. Whether it has been by home schooling, working or adhering to social distancing measures, we have all helped stop the spread of Coronavirus.

One step we can all take to help our health is to have the influenza vaccine. For details regarding local sessions, please phone Council on (03) 5450 9333.

Council's trial of dog litter bag dispensers at Cohuna, Kerang and Koondrook has been well received so far. I encourage residents to use these facilities responsibly.

The next Gannawarra Shire Council elections are scheduled for 24 October. If you have a passion to serve your community and are interested in becoming a Councillor, please visit the Victorian Electoral Commission website for details regarding the nomination process. Finally, please do not forget that Council's 2020/2021 Proposed Budget is out for public comment. Submissions close at 5pm on Monday, 25 May, with further details available at [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/budget](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/budget)

Kind regards,  
Mayor Lorraine Learmonth

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## GRANT INFORMATION ONLINE

Community groups and organisations are encouraged to regularly visit Council's grants portal - [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/grants](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/grants) - for the latest information on funding programs managed by the State and Federal governments, sporting bodies, cultural organisations and other philanthropic organisations.

Council's grants portal also provides information on Council's three major grants streams – the annual Community Grants Program, the Gannawarra Community Resilience Grants Program and the Major Community Project Fund.

## HAVE YOUR SAY ON COUNCIL'S 2020/2021 PROPOSED BUDGET

Residents are encouraged to have their say on Council's 2020/2021 Proposed Council Budget, with submissions accepted up to 5.00pm on Monday, 25 May.

The Proposed Council Budget outlines a \$15.297 million capital works program that focuses on road and footpath rehabilitation, bridge works, parks and recreational facility improvements, flood mitigation measures and tourism initiatives.

Copies of the Proposed 2020/2021 Budget are available for inspection at the offices of the Gannawarra Shire Council located at 47 Victoria Street, Kerang and 23-25 King Edward Street, Cohuna. Copies may also be inspected on Council's website at [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/budget](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/budget)

Any person wishing to make a submission on the Proposed 2020/2021 Budget can do so by providing their submission in writing via email to [council@gannawarra.vic.gov.au](mailto:council@gannawarra.vic.gov.au) or by post to PO Box 287, Kerang VIC 3579.

Submissions can also be made by utilising the online form at [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/budget](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/budget)



Celebrate National Simultaneous Storytime  
with Emma Watkins and Lucinda Gifford!  
Register at [alia.org.au/nss](http://alia.org.au/nss).

## CONTACTING COUNCIL

Although Council's Customer Service Centres at Cohuna and Kerang are currently closed as part of efforts to stop the spread of Coronavirus, residents can still contact Council.

Residents can communicate with Council in the following ways:

- By phoning the Kerang Customer Service Centre on (03) 5450 9333 during business hours;
- By e-mailing [council@gannawarra.vic.gov.au](mailto:council@gannawarra.vic.gov.au) at any time;
- By visiting [www.gsc.vic.gov.au](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au) and chatting live with a staff member during business hours;
- By lodging a request form at [www.gsc.vic.gov.au/request](http://www.gsc.vic.gov.au/request) at any time; and
- By writing to PO Box 287, Kerang VIC 3579 at any time.

Please be advised that customers may experience some delays when contacting Council at this time.

## 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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