



## Caring For Our Community

Colac Otway Shire Council is committed to the management, coordination and provision of a high quality service that enhances the independence, health and wellbeing of all service users, their carers and significant support people.

Our Older Persons and Abilities Support Services (OPASS) team strongly advocate for people living in their own homes and community with programs offering a range of practical home and community based services for persons with a range of abilities, their carers and support people.

Our qualified, experienced and dedicated staff will ensure that all services will be delivered at high quality standard.

Some of the services offered by the Colac Otway Shire Council OPASS team include:

- Home Care Packages and Case Management
- General Homecare
- Personal Care
- Respite Support
- Medication Support
- Community Access, Social Support and Shopping
- Property Maintenance and Home Modifications



- Food Services - Meals on Wheels - Centre Based Meals
- Community Transport
- Personal Alarm Victoria
- Regional Assessment Services

Council's OPASS team will work with you to develop your support requirements determined by your personal needs.

Find out more on Council's website [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au) or call OPASS on 5232 9420.



## Manager Governance & Communications

Colac Otway Shire offers a rewarding lifestyle and is one of the most picturesque municipalities in Victoria, covering a diverse area from volcanic lakes, craters and plains in the north, through the hinterland forests of the Otway Ranges to the Great Ocean Road coastline.

Reporting to the Chief Executive Officer and forming part of the Executive Management Team, this position will be responsible for leading corporate governance, communications and delivering corporate planning and reporting within Council.

The Manager Governance & Communications will provide a high level of governance expertise, strategic direction and leadership to their team and across all areas of Council.

Building strong relationships, developing a culture underpinned by good governance and leading an integrated approach to corporate strategy will be critical in this role.

Leading the implementation and transition to the new principles-based Local Government Act will be a key priority, alongside the forthcoming Council elections and the opportunity to on-board any new elected members.

Colac Otway Shire is seeking a governance professional who is an established leader with the capacity to guide our corporate reporting framework, whilst working collaboratively with a range of internal and external stakeholders, especially Councillors.

You will also be responsible for leading a professional communications team to deliver high quality, efficient, effective, and educated outcomes and value-add services across Council and to the community.

As well, you will manage the Office of the Chief Executive including the staff who support the CEO, Mayor and Councillors.

You will be highly motivated, enthusiastic and demonstrate a passion for leading teams and delivering excellent results.

With relevant experience at a senior level within a government setting, you will utilise your knowledge to enhance the performance of the Governance & Communications team.

For an opportunity to work at senior management level within an innovative and progressive Council, please visit our website [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au) for more information including the full details of the role and how to apply.



## Bridge work and road closure - Forest Street, Colac

The existing bridge structure on Forest Street will be replaced with new wide concrete bridge structure in order to service current and future vehicle transport needs. The replacement works will include Barwon Water services relocation, installation of new bridge members, bridge approach roadworks and up to current standard safety barrier system.

While works are undertaken, the section of Forest Street from Hearn Street to Colanda Street will be closed for a period of 17 weeks. The road closure will be implemented from 17 October.

Detours will be setup for Forest Street traffic to be detoured through Queen Street. Council asks all road users to take care and observe any road signs in place; thank you for your cooperation while these important works are undertaken.

For further information please contact Colac Otway Shire Council on 5232 9400.



## Pool and spa registration

**The registration period for existing swimming pools/spas closes on 1 November, 2020.**

**Colac Otway Shire Council reminds owners of land where a swimming pool/spa is located that it is mandatory to register their pool/spa with Council, as per State Government legislation introduced on 1 December 2019. The new registration and inspection requirements provide for a safer community.**

**The registration fee to Colac Otway Shire Council for a pool or spa is \$31.84; an additional search fee of \$47.24 may apply where an owner is unable to provide a copy of the building permit or certificate of final inspection for the pool/spa. Failure to register a swimming pool/spa is an offence against the Building Regulations and may attract a fine.**

**For further information about pool/spa registration, please visit [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au) phone Council on 5232 9400 or email at [inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au](mailto:inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au)**



## Draft Development Plan - Submissions Invited

Colac Otway Shire Council has recently received a draft Development Plan for the land at 6230 and 6280 Great Ocean Road, Apollo Bay. A previous Development Plan for the land was refused at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) in 2018.

The current application seeks to address the issues raised in the VCAT decision.

Council invites the community to make submissions on the amended Development Plan prepared for the land, to help inform its decision.

Council recognises the significance of this site being the major entrance to Apollo Bay and is committed to ongoing community engagement and input to the planning process. It should be noted that as there is no statutory process for undertaking public notification on Development Plans, there are also no third party appeal rights (such as appeals to VCAT) for submitters.

The Development Plan can be viewed on Council's website

(<http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au/Planning-building/Planning-permits/View-planning-applications>).

If you do not have access to a computer or internet, please call 5232 9400 to make alternative arrangements.

Submissions must be made in writing giving the submitter's name and contact address, and clearly stating the grounds on which the development plan is supported or opposed.

Name and contact details of submitters are required for Council to consider submissions and to notify such persons of the opportunity to attend Council meetings and any public hearing held to consider submissions. Submissions should include the reference '**DPO5 Development Plan submission**', and should be lodged by **5.00pm on 21 October 2020:**

- By email to: [inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au](mailto:inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au)
- By post to: Colac Otway Shire, PO Box 283, Colac 3250

