



Pictured here at Cressy are Mayor Kate Hanson and Robyn Alexander.



Thanks Cressy!

Thanks to the Cressy community for your hospitality and coming along to share your thoughts with the Mayor, Councillors and Council staff at the Community Conversation at the Cressy Bowling Club on Wednesday evening. We appreciate your feedback and Council looks forward to responding to ideas and issues raised by the Cressy community.



National Volunteer Week

To all the amazing volunteers across Colac Otway - THANK YOU! We're so grateful to you for your time, dedication and commitment to our community. Colac Otway Shire is made all the better thanks to wonderful people like you. Thank you

NATIONAL 17-23 MAY 2021
VOLUNTEER
WEEK
RECOGNISE. RECONNECT. REIMAGINE.



Council Meeting

The May 2021 Council meeting will be held on:

Wednesday 26 May 2021, 4pm at the Senior Citizens' Centre, 4 Whelan Street, Apollo Bay.

Agenda items include:

- Colac Otway Shire Resource Recovery and Waste Management Strategy
- Draft Social Housing Strategy
- 36-52 Bruce Street Colac - Land Sale Options

Copies of the agenda are available www.colacotway.vic.gov.au

Council meetings are open to the public and interested people are welcome to attend. Please note, in line with current COVIDSafe Settings, attendees will be required to scan in using an electronic record keeping system for contact tracing purposes.

This month's Council meeting will be audio recorded and the audio will be available via Council's website (www.colacotway.vic.gov.au). Livestreaming on Council's You Tube channel will not be available from Apollo Bay due to the limited technical capabilities at the venue.



Rates Payments

If you have elected to pay your rates by quarterly instalment, please note the fourth instalment payment due date is Monday 31 May 2021.

Council also reminds ratepayers, lump sum rates payments for 2020-21 were due on 15 February 2021.

During COVID-19, Colac Otway Shire Council introduced an interest free period on overdue rates - but this finishes on June 30 this year.

Your overdue rates must be paid by June 30 to avoid interest charges.

If you are struggling financially and need extra time, we're here to help - contact Council today on 5232 9400.



Reconciliation Week - 27 May - 3 June

The Colac Otway Shire Council proudly acknowledges the Guldijan and Gadabanud peoples, past, present and emerging as the traditional custodians of the Colac Otway region.

Next week Colac Otway Shire recognises National Reconciliation Week (NRW). National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.



We're recruiting

Colac Otway Shire Council is an exciting place to work. If you are passionate about delivering great customer service, working for a progressive and innovative council, and making a difference to your local community, we would love to hear from you!

- OPASS Administration Officer
- COPACC Manager
- Principal Strategic Planner

For a position description and to apply online, visit Council's website or contact Human Resources on (03) 5232 9529.



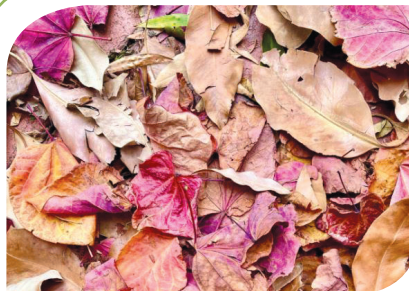
Vote for Apollo Bay and Win!

Apollo Bay is a 2021 Victorian Top Tourism Town finalist!

The inaugural Awards, delivered by VTIC, recognise towns that deliver amazing visitor experiences and are committed to growing visitation to their destination. By voting, you will enter the draw to win a host of great prizes AND be supporting your Colac Otway community! Visit <https://www.vtic.com.au/toptourismtown/> to vote Apollo Bay as your favourite Victorian town!



Leaf Collection



Thanks to our community who've been raking and piling leaves for collection on their nature-strips in Colac. You're doing a great job! The contractor will be continuing to collect leaf piles twice a week through Autumn.