



## COVID-19 Update

If you have symptoms or have attended an exposure site, please get a COVID-19 test. Under the current 7-day lockdown in place in Victoria, one of the five reasons to leave home is to get vaccinated. For current information on eligibility and the COVID-19 vaccination roll-out across Colac Otway Shire or testing sites please visit the Colac Area Health or Great Ocean Road Health website.

**We're all in this together Colac Otway.**



## Notice of Submissions Committee of Council meeting

### Draft Budget 2021 - 2022 and 2021 - 2025 Draft Revenue and Rating Plan submissions

A Submissions Committee of Council will meet (as detailed below) to consider submissions for both Council's proposal to adopt the Draft Budget 2021 - 2022 and the 2021 - 2025 Draft Revenue and Rating Plan.

**Date/Time:** Wednesday 9 June 2020 at 4pm

**Venue:** COPACC, Colac

The meeting of the Submissions Committee of Council is open to the public (subject to current COVID restrictions) and interested people are welcome to attend. Only those who lodged submissions and have requested to speak to their submission are able to participate in the meeting. 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.

Committee meetings are livestreamed on Council's You Tube channel (search Colac Otway Shire Council at [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)).



## Planning Committee Meeting

### Cancellation | 9 June 2021

The Planning Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 9 June, 2021 has been cancelled. There are no planning matters to be determined by the Committee at this time.



## Draft Resource Recovery and Waste Management Strategy

**The Colac Otway Shire Draft Resource Recovery and Waste Management Strategy outlines sustainable resource recovery and waste management strategies for the shire for the next ten years.**

The purpose of the Draft Strategy is to set a vision for the community to manage waste and resource recovery in a way that minimises impacts on the environment.

The draft Strategy provides actions and plans which will deliver better waste and resource recovery services, that support the community in continuing to minimise waste generation and maximise waste diversion from landfill.

Copies of the strategy can be viewed online at Council's website at [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au) or at Council's Customer Service Centres in Colac or Apollo Bay. The draft strategy will be on public exhibition for a period of six weeks. Any person wishing to make a submission must lodge their submission in writing by **5pm on Friday 9 July, 2021**.

**Post:** Written submissions should be addressed to the Chief Executive, Colac Otway Shire, PO Box 283, Colac VIC 3250.

**Email:** Submissions may also be sent via email to [inquiry@colacotway.vic.gov.au](mailto:inquiry@colacotway.vic.gov.au) with the subject line being 'Draft Resource Recovery and Waste Management Strategy'.

Any person requiring further information concerning the draft strategy or making a written submission should contact Council on 5232 9400.



## Draft Social Housing Strategy

**Colac Otway Shire Council is participating in the G21 Regional Social Housing Project which aims to develop individual Council plans that can be aggregated to a regional strategy (the G21 Regional Social Housing Strategy).**

Council has prepared the draft Colac Otway Shire Social Housing Plan which is now on exhibition and submissions from members of the public are invited.

The draft Colac Otway Shire Social Housing Plan will be instrumental in shaping social housing initiatives in our municipality into the future.

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## 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.**

Rates can be paid online or via Bpay. No interest will be charged on late payments if you are unable to pay in person due to office closures.



## Reconciliation Week

**Colac Otway Shire Council proudly acknowledges the Gulidjan and Gadubanud peoples, past, present and emerging as the traditional custodians of the Colac Otway region.**

Colac Otway Shire Council 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.



## Have Your Say

**Colac Otway Shire Council currently has the following items on public exhibition:**

- Colac Otway Shire Council 2021-2022 Draft Budget (closes midday 31 May)
- 2021 - 2025 Draft Revenue and Rating Plan (closes midday 31 May)
- Draft Social Housing Strategy
- Draft Resource Recovery and Waste Management Strategy

For more information, and to make a submission, visit Council's website.



## Thanks Cressy!

Thanks again to the Cressy community for your hospitality and coming along to share your ideas and aspirations with the Mayor, Councillors and Council staff at the Community Conversation at the Cressy Bowling Club last week.

**Pictured above is Mayor Kate Hanson with Bev Jacobs (our apologies for the incorrect name which accompanied the photo in last Friday's notice).**



## 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**
- **North Roads Supervisor - Services & Operations**

For a position description and to apply online, visit [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au) or contact Human Resources on (03) 5232 9529.