







Council meeting

The December Council meeting will be held on:

Date: Wednesday 13 December 2023

Time: 4pm

Venue: COPACC (95 - 97 Gellibrand Street, Colac)

Copies of the agenda will be available today, Friday 8 December 2023 at

www.colacotway.vic.gov.au

Council meetings are open to the public and interested people are welcome to attend. Council meetings are livestreamed to the public via Council's You Tube channel (search Colac Otway Shire Council at www.youtube.com)



Have Your Say

Council has the following projects and initiatives open for community feedback:

- Fair Access Policy
- Deans Creek Precinct Structure Plan **Community Reference Group**
- Birregurra Playspace Upgrade
- Donaldson Street, Colac Playspace Upgrade

For further information and to provide your feedback, visit Council's website at www.colacotway.vic.gov.au and click Have Your Say from the homepage.



We're Recruiting

If you're interested in working alongside your community, engaging in local projects and helping to make Colac Otway the great place it is, work with us!

- Senior Project Manager
- Coordinator Emergency Management

For all current employment opportunities, position descriptions and to apply online, visit <u>www.colacotway.vic.gov.au</u> or contact People and Culture on 5232 9529.



Is your cat desexed?

Spring and Summer brings out the most basic reproductive instincts in most cats.

As the days lengthen, female cats begin to come into heat when they are not desexed, and attract males who are also not desexed.

Female cats can be as young as 4 months old when they have their first heat cycle and become pregnant.

Un-desexed male cats become aggressive or anxious during the heat phase, resulting in escapes, cat fights, and a multitude of unwanted pregnancies.

By desexing your cat, they are less likely to escape and roam, your cat's health and longevity improve, most importantly you are preventing unwanted litters ending up in pounds or shelters like ours and Council registration is cheaper for desexed animals.

When you desex your cat, you are doing yourself, your cat, and your local community a big favour.

Please contact your vet to make an appointment to desex your pet today.



Waste Collection during Christmas and New Year 2023 - 2024

Please note, there will be no kerbside collection on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Due to Christmas Day and New Year's Day falling on a Monday, ALL kerbside collections during the last week of December 2023 and the first week of January 2024 will take place the day following your normal collection day.

For example, if you normally place bins out Sunday night for a Monday collection, please place bins out Monday night for collection Tuesday.

Extra Recycling Collection (Yellow Bin)

Week One: Weekly recycling collection will commence from 26 December, through to the end of January for all Week One areas including: Apollo Bay, Barwon Downs, Forrest, Beeac, Cressy, Cororooke, Alvie and parts of Colac.

Week Two: Weekly recycling collection will commence from 18 December, through to 26 January for all Week Two areas including: Marengo, Wye River, Kennett River, Grey River, Skenes Creek, Gellibrand, Kawarren, Barongarook and some areas of Colac.

Container Deposit Scheme - Get 10 cents back

Council is offering free glass disposal at all Council Transfer Stations and Drop-Off Facilities during January, however you can now get 10 cents back on eligible drink containers at container refund points. Look for the 10 cent rebate labelled on bottles and cans.

Local container deposit collection points are located at Coles Plaza in Queen Street, Colac and at the Apollo Bay Aquatic and Leisure Centre at 26 Costin Street, Apollo Bay.



Western Reserve Closure

Please note for community safety, Western Reserve in Colac will be closed to reserve users and vehicle traffic from Monday 4 December 2023 through to 30 January 2024 for oval drainage works to take place.

Council thanks you for your cooperation while these important works take place.



Colac Customer Service Centre - early closure

Please note, Council's Customer Service Centre in Colac will close at 3pm Thursday 14 December.

The after-hours phone service will operate, call 5232 9400. You can also submit a request or report an issue via Council's website or email us on inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au



Register your event on the Christmas in **Colac Otway website**

To help celebrate the family friendly Christmas activities and events throughout the shire, Colac Otway Shire Council with the Colac Herald and 3CS/Mixx FM is offering you the opportunity to promote your event via a Christmas in Colac Otway event website.

This joint initiative is free for community events, and to those groups providing volunteering opportunities and support to our communities this Christmas.

happening throughout all of Colac Otway to promote your event and encourage people to come along.

Visit <u>www.christmasincolacotway.com.au</u> to register your event.





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