



Colac Otway Shire Council Services and Operations during Christmas and New Year

Customer Service Centres

Council's Customer Service Centre and GORVIC in Apollo Bay will be closed Christmas Day, open all other days through December and January.

Colac's Customer Service Centre will close at 3pm on Friday 24 December 2021 and re-open on Tuesday 4 January 2022.

For any urgent or animal related matters during the office closure, please call 5232 9400 where you will be directed to the after-hours service. For non-urgent matters during the office closure, please submit a request through the website www.colacotway.vic.gov.au or contact us via email at inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au

Bluewater Leisure Centre

From Friday 24 December 2021 until Saturday 1 January 2022 (inclusive), Bluewater Leisure Centre will operate on modified hours as follows:

- Friday 24 December: **6am - 4pm**
- Christmas Day, Saturday 25 December: **CLOSED**
- Boxing Day, Sunday 26 December: **CLOSED**
- Monday 27 & Tuesday 28 December: **10am - 4pm**
- Wednesday 29 & Thursday 30 December: **8am - 6pm**
- Friday 31 December: **6am - 4pm**
- Saturday 1 January 2022: **10am - 4pm New Year's Day Public Holiday**

Normal Centre hours will resume on Sunday 2 January 2022.

A reminder that patrons who have 24/7 gym access on their membership will be able to access the gym and virtual room during all closures.

Childcare

Bluewater's Childcare Program will conclude Friday 17 December and recommence for 2022 on Monday 10 January.

Group fitness classes & aquatic classes

Classes will conclude Saturday 18 December and recommence for 2022 on Monday 10 January*.

*excludes virtual Les Mills classes

Swim School

Swim School classes will conclude Saturday 18 December and recommence for 2022 on Monday 31 January.

Extended weekend hours

Extended weekend hours will come into effect from Saturday 8 January 2022 and conclude Sunday 27 March 2022. The modified hours are as follows:

- **Saturday & Sunday: 8.00am - 6.00pm**

Maternal and Child Health Services

The last Maternal and Child Health Services session in Apollo Bay will be Monday 20 December 2021 (by appointment). The centre will re-open on Tuesday 4 January 2022.

The Colac centre will close at 12pm on Friday 24 December and will re-open Tuesday 4 January 2022.

If you need to speak to a Maternal and Child Health Nurse during the Christmas period, we encourage you to ring the 24-hour Maternal and Child Health Line on 13 22 29. If your baby is unwell please contact your closest medical service.

Older Persons and Ability Support Service

The Older Persons and Ability Support Service will close at 3pm Friday 24 December 2021 and reopen at 8.30am Tuesday 4 January 2022. To contact the support service please call 5232 9420 (an after-hours service operates while the service is closed).

Colac Regional Saleyards

The last sale of the year will be held on Thursday 16 December 2021. Sales will resume at the Colac Regional Saleyards as follows:

Weaner sale, Wednesday 5 January 2022

Fat sales resume, Thursday 13 January 2022

COPACC

The COPACC office will be closed from 3pm on Friday 24 December and will reopen from Tuesday 4 January 2022.




G21 - Be part of our transport future

Residents have the chance to share their vision for the region's future transport system by completing a short survey.

The survey results will shape priorities included in G21's Integrated Transport Strategy to be completed by mid-2022.

The strategy will explore active and public transport options, the road network and freight movements, clean energy transport infrastructure and rail connections in busy corridors. It will guide planning and investment now and for the decades ahead to ensure our region continues to grow and thrive.

<https://g21.com.au/news/transport-survey/>



Notice of early closure - Council Customer Service Centre - Colac

Please note, Council's Customer Service Centre in Colac will close at 4pm on Tuesday 21 December. From 4pm to 5pm any calls will be attended to by Council's Customer Service team.

Payments, enquiries and service requests may be made online at www.colacotway.vic.gov.au or via Council's Customer Service Centre in Apollo Bay at GORVIC.



News on Waste and Recycling - waste services over Christmas and New Year

Kerbside collections

There are no changes to kerbside collections this year, please put your bins out on your regular collection days.

Extra recycling collections

Extra yellow bin collections start from Monday 20 December (subject to which collection week you are) and continue through to the end of January.

The purple 'glass only' collections will continue as normal (once every four weeks).

For waste calendars and collection information, visit www.colacotway.vic.gov.au

Transfer stations

Transfer Stations will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

The Alvie and Apollo Bay Transfer Stations will open 7 days a week all other days through December and January, 10am to 2pm.

Important Updates for Transfer Stations and Drop-off Facility users:

- Separate glass recycling is now available at transfer stations and drop-off facilities.
- Please note, from 1 January 2022 there will be a new charge for recycling - \$4 for a 240L bin or \$2 for a 120L bin. The charge for disposing of rubbish remains at \$10 for a 240L bin.
- Please note, drop-off facilities will move to cashless from 1 January 2022. Payment may be made by EFTPOS or pre-purchased tip ticket. Tip tickets are available for purchase at Council's Customer Service centres in Colac and Apollo Bay.



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!

- **Local Laws - Ranger**
- **Development Engineer**

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



Expressions of Interest and Tenders

Lease of two consulting rooms located at Bluewater Leisure Centre, Colac

Council is seeking Expressions of Interest (EoI) from suitably qualified proponents to operate their service from the two available consulting rooms at Bluewater Leisure Centre, Colac.

Proponents have the option to lease a single room or both rooms at the Centre and negotiations regarding a hire agreement for other Bluewater facilities such as the pool, gym or stadium can be entered in conjunction with the consulting rooms' contract.

EoI close at 2pm, Friday 28 January 2022.

Design and Construct - Bridge Replacement - Pearce's Access Apollo Bay

Contract 2211

Council would like to invite submissions from suitably qualified and experienced contractors to design and construct works for replacement of the bridge (over Barham River) at Pearce's Access, Barham River Road, Apollo Bay.

Tenders close at 2pm, Friday 21 January 2022.

Design and Construct - Bluewater Pool Roof Replacement

Contract 2212

Council would like to invite submissions from suitably qualified and experienced contractors to design and construct works for replacement of the existing pool roof with new selected roofing, replacement of guttering with new guttering and stormwater modification. Replacement of existing purlins with new aluminium purlins is a Separable Portion of the Contract.

Tenders close at 2pm, Friday 28 January 2022.

Copies of the EoI and tender documents can be downloaded from Council's website at www.eprocure.com.au/colacotway

Submissions for the EoI and both tenders may be lodged in the Electronic Tender Box only. Late, posted or emailed tenders will not be considered.