

Special Council meeting

A Special Council meeting will be held on:

Wednesday 2 February 2022, 4pm via videoconference

The business to be transacted at the Special Council meeting will be solely the consideration of:

- Forrest Caravan Park Lease
- Forrest Mountain Bike Trail Construction Contract Award
- Local Sports Infrastructure Fund Applications
- Lavers Hill Pool Funding Agreement
- Council Policy review - Maternal & Child Health Services
- Award of Contract 2202 - Design and Construct Sportsground lighting at four locations
- Environment Strategy Review Report

The Special Council meeting will be livestreamed to the public via Council's YouTube channel (search Colac Otway Shire Council at www.youtube.com).

In response to the current COVID-19 situation, we advise the 2 February Special Council meeting will be held online with all participants to dial in via videoconference.

Written questions may be submitted by 5pm on Monday 31 January. Community members may participate in Question Time by videoconference, please email: governance@colacotway.vic.gov.au by 5pm, Monday 31 January and a Council officer will contact you to set up the online arrangements. Please note, as per the Governance Rules of Colac Otway Shire Council, only questions related to the agenda for the Special Council meeting will be accepted.

Copies of the agenda will be available at www.colacotway.vic.gov.au Friday 28 January.

Council Meetings and Planning Committee Meetings - 2022

Please note below, dates and times for upcoming Colac Otway Shire Council and Planning Committee meetings. For the full calendar of meetings scheduled in 2022, please visit Council's website.

For confirmation of meeting venue, please check local media, Council's website or social media or call Council's Customer Service Centre on 5232 9400 closer to scheduled meeting date.

February 2022	Planning Committee	Wednesday, 9 February	4pm
	Council	Wednesday, 23 February	4pm
March 2022	Planning Committee	Wednesday 9 March	4pm
	Council	Wednesday 23 March	4pm
April 2022	Planning Committee	Wednesday 13 April	4pm
	Council	Wednesday 27 April	4pm
May 2022	Planning Committee	Wednesday 11 May	4pm
	Council	Wednesday 25 May	4pm
June 2022	Planning Committee	Wednesday 8 June	4pm
	Council	Wednesday 22 June	4pm

Notice of Upcoming Works on Barongarook Path

Colac Otway Shire Council advises the following path upgrade works are programmed to be undertaken:

Location: Barongarook Creek Reserve

Works: Replacement of the asphalt path in Barongarook Creek Reserve between Chapel Street and the Lake Colac Caravan Park with a 2.5m wide concrete path.

Duration: Work is scheduled to commence Monday 31 January 2022 with works expected to be completed by the end of February 2022 (subject to favourable weather conditions).

Path users are asked to seek alternative routes during these works as the path will be closed while works are undertaken.

Thank you for your cooperation while these important works are completed.

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

We're Recruiting

Community Care Worker

Permanent Part-Time (Minimum 15 hours per week)

Council's Older Persons and Ability Support Service (OPASS) requires additional staff to meet growing service delivery needs, providing in-home and community-based support for personal care, respite support and domestic duties.

This service is an integral part of Colac's highly-regarded health and community services sector with good opportunities for a rewarding career path in the Aged and Disability Services field.

Your responsibilities will include supporting older people and people with a disability with personal care, domestic tasks, attending appointments, participating in social activities and maintaining community connections. This position has a strong focus on identifying client's personal strengths and building capacity to support independence, wellbeing and community inclusion.

Community Care Workers make a real difference and meaningful contribution to people's lives. Positions are offered at permanent part time, according to roster requirements. In addition to the hourly rate you will be reimbursed for client related travel kilometres.

A Position Description is available on our website www.colacotway.vic.gov.au or by contacting Human Resources on 5232 9529.



Colac Otway Shire Community Awards

Entries are now open for the 2022 Colac Otway Shire Community Awards with residents encouraged to nominate their local heroes. Recognise the outstanding work done by a group or someone you know in our Colac Otway community. Council is calling for nominations in the following three categories:

Citizen of the Year

For outstanding individual achievement in areas including but not limited to business, science, education, environment, sport, diversity, community outcomes, arts etc.

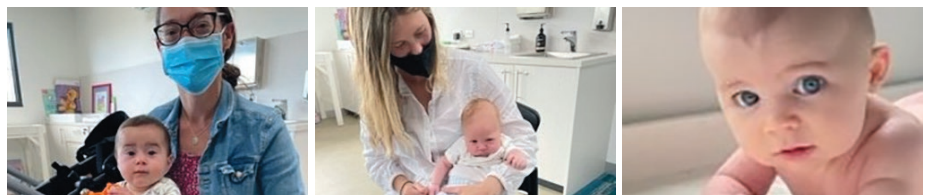
Young Citizen of the Year

For outstanding individual youth achievement in areas including but not limited to business, science, education, environment, sport, diversity, community, arts etc.

Community Service Award (Group/Individual)

For outstanding contribution of an individual or group to the Colac Otway Shire community over an extended period of time in areas including but not limited to business, science, education, environment, sport, diversity, community outcomes, arts etc.

Online nomination forms (and guidelines) are available via Council's website at www.colacotway.vic.gov.au hard copies of nomination forms are also available to collect from Council's Customer Service Centres in Colac and Apollo Bay. For further information please contact Colac Otway Shire Council on 5232 9400. Nominations close at 5pm Tuesday 8 February.



The first baby to visit the centre was baby Eros with Mum, Courtney. Baby Louis visited the centre with Mum, Annie. Baby Max visited the centre with Mum, Teagan.

New home in Apollo Bay for Council's Maternal & Child Health Services

Colac Otway Shire Council is very pleased to advise our Maternal & Child Health team have moved to their new home in the recently completed Apollo Bay Kindergarten building, located at the Apollo Bay P-12 College site on Pengilley Avenue.

Our first day working from the new site was Monday 17 January, with parents and Maternal and Child Health nurses impressed with the new centre.

To make an appointment to visit Council's Maternal and Child Health Nurses at the Apollo Bay centre and to arrange childhood immunisations, please call Di on 0427 344 606 or phone the Colac Maternal and Child Health Centre on 5232 9570.

Council Maternal and Child Health Nurses usually work from the centre in Apollo Bay every Monday, or more often as required. Please contact the Maternal and Child Health team for further information.

The Apollo Bay Kindergarten build was funded by the Victorian State Government, with Colac Otway Shire Council contributing 100 per cent of the cost of the Maternal and Child Health components of the building.

Information on Council Services and Operations for the upcoming public holiday

Council's Customer Service Centre in Colac will be closed next Wednesday 26 January for the public holiday. The after-hours service will operate for any urgent or animal related matters - please phone 5232 9400.

There will be no change to waste collection services and the waste transfer stations at Alvie and Apollo Bay will operate as usual with opening hours from 10am to 2pm.

The Great Ocean Road Visitor Information Centre (and Customer Service Centre) in Apollo Bay will be open for the standard operating hours from 9am to 5pm.

Thanks for being a 'Good Sort' Colac Otway!



Since the October 2021 roll-out of the purple 'glass-only' bin collection in Colac Otway Shire, Council has collected just over 52 tonne of glass. In all glass collected to date, there has been zero waste contamination in our purple 'glass-only' bins. This means all glass collected can be recycled - a fantastic result and a great achievement by our Colac Otway community!



During January, Council is offering free disposal of glass at the Alvie, Apollo Bay and Birregurra transfer stations and at the four drop-off facilities at Beech Forest, Carlisle River, Gellibrand and Lavers Hill. Council has also provided the Wye River and Kennett River townships with a bank of purple wheelie bins for any extra glass that local residents have during January.

To assist Colac Otway residents to continue to be a 'Good Sort', we encourage our community to download the free Colac Otway Shire 'Good Sort' App. The App will remind you when it's bin night and provides a guide for what waste goes in which bin.

The 'Good Sort' App is proving popular with our community having been downloaded 1,720 times. There have been 15,800 views of the App dashboard displaying upcoming collection dates and 8,577 views of the waste materials section.