

## Have Your Say - 2022-23 Draft Budget and Draft Asset Plan (closing today - Friday 3 June)

Please note, submissions to Council's Draft Budget 2022-23 (including the Draft Fees and Charges 2022-23) and Draft Asset Plan close at 5pm today Friday 3 June 2022.

There are a number of other Council items on exhibition with community submissions invited:

- Domestic Wastewater Management Plan (closes Friday 24 June)
- Draft Asset Management Policy (closes Friday 8 July)
- Development of new Environment Strategy (see notice on this page)

To view the documents and make a submission, visit Council's website and click the Have Your Say link from the homepage [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au)

## Event Planning Workshop

Join Rachella Thomas, owner of award-winning event agency, Event Kit, and e-commerce store, Event Planning Templates, as you learn how to setup your event the right way to ensure it is a success!

Rachella will provide advice and guidance to help you make an enjoyable event that runs as smoothly, as it is safe. It doesn't matter how big or small your event is, or how much experience you have in event planning, you can create a great event with the right tips, tools and resources.

**Creating Safe Events - What Does Best Practice Look Like?**

**Date:** 7 June 2022

**Where:** Meeting rooms 1 & 2 - COPACC

**When:** 6pm - 7.30pm

For more information and to register for workshops, please visit Council's website: and search 'event workshops'.



The current fish cleaning facility in Apollo Bay



## Upgrade to the fish cleaning facility at the Apollo Bay boat ramp

The Australian Government's Recreational Fishing and Camping Facilities Program has enabled grant funding of \$167,200 for a planned upgrade to the fish cleaning facility at the Apollo Bay boat ramp.

Delivery of the project is scheduled for 2022, with the finished facility expected to be complete before the 2022/2023 summer holiday season.

The existing facility is comprised of two fish cleaning tables, located adjacent to the boat ramp. The tables are open to the elements and lighting for use at dusk and after dark is limited to one solar-powered light pole in the area.

The opportunity exists for a substantial upgrade to this facility. The existing amenities at this site have reached the end of their useful life and are no longer compliant with modern standards for functionality.

The concept plan for the upgrade will include installation of new fish cleaning tables to replace the old. A park shelter will be installed over the tables to provide protection from sun and rain. Solar-powered lighting will be included under the shelter roof to enable use of the facility after dark. Improved waste disposal will be considered.

**Community Feedback - an opportunity to have your say.**

Colac Otway Shire Council invites feedback in relation to this exciting new project. Feedback from fishers, boat ramp users and the general community will assist in establishing user needs and design criteria for the planned upgrades.

- An online survey is available on Council's website (visit the Have Your Say page).
- Printed copies of the survey are also available at Colac Otway Shire Customer Service Centres at GORVIC, 100 Great Ocean Road Apollo Bay or Colac at 2 - 6 Rae Street.

For further information, please contact the Port of Apollo Bay by phone on 5232 9469 or by email at [inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au](mailto:inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au)

## National Reconciliation Week Event

Colac Otway Shire Council had great pleasure in welcoming Aunty Fay Stewart-Muir, an Elder and Traditional Owner of Boon Wurrung Country and Sue Lawson, a former Colac resident and author of fiction and non-fiction for children and young adults, to COPACC on Thursday for a National Reconciliation Week event speaking about their acclaimed book series, 'Our Place'. Our thanks to Aunty Fay and Sue for joining us for an engaging and informative conversation with the audience at COPACC.



## 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!

- **Bluewater Leisure Centre Manager**
- **Bluewater Operations Team Leader**
- **Bluewater Programs Team Leader**
- **Recreation Development Officer**

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

## Colac Otway Shire Council - Customer Service - Colac

Please note, on Tuesday 7 June Colac's Customer Service Centre at Rae Street, Colac will be temporarily closed from 9am to 10.30am.

During this time, there will be limited staff numbers to attend to phone calls. Council's Customer Service Centre at GORVIC Apollo Bay will operate as normal. We thank you for your patience and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

## Council Otway Shire Council is developing a new Environment Strategy - and we want your contribution!

The new strategy will guide Council's environmental strategic properties and targets for our region for close to the next decade.

It's essential that community opinion shapes this strategy - we need your help. Please join us at one of the drop-in sessions that will be held across the shire in June to have your say.

This is the first step in the development of the strategy that will involve a survey, widespread consultation, open submissions, and a request for feedback once the draft has been created.

Further information is available on Council's website. An online survey to assist us in developing the Environment Strategy will be published on Council's website on World Environment Day - Sunday 5 June.

### COMMUNITY DROP-IN SESSIONS:

#### COLAC

1pm - 3pm  
Tuesday, 7 June  
Colac Library

#### COLAC

5.30pm - 7.30pm  
Thursday, 9 June  
Colac Library

#### BEEAC

1pm - 3pm  
Friday, 10 June  
Council Marquee  
- in vicinity of Farmers Arms Hotel Beeac

#### FORREST

12.30pm - 2.30pm  
Tuesday, 21 June 2022  
Forrest Community Hub

#### APOLLO BAY

9am - 12 pm  
Saturday, 11 June  
Council Marquee  
- Apollo Bay Market

#### WYE RIVER

9.30am - 11.30 am  
Sunday, 12 June  
Council Marquee  
- in vicinity of Wye General Store

#### LAVERS HILL

11am - 1pm  
Tuesday, 14 June  
Lavers Hill Hall

#### GELLIBRAND

2pm - 4pm  
Tuesday, 14 June  
Gellibrand Hall

#### BIRREGURRA

12pm - 2pm  
Friday, 17 June  
Birregurra  
Community Hall

#### ONLINE SESSION

6pm - 7pm  
Monday, 20 June  
Please visit Council's website and go to the 'Have Your Say' page for information and to find a link to the online session.

