



Ordinary Council meeting

The September 2020 Council meeting will be held on:

Wednesday 16 September, 4pm at COPACC, Gellibrand Street, Colac.

Agenda items include:

- Colac Otway Shire Grants Program 2020 - 2021 Round 2 - Allocation of Funds
- Sport and Recreation Victoria Local Sports Infrastructure Fund
- Planning Scheme Amendment C106cola - Heritage Overlay Changes

Please note: the September Ordinary Council meeting was originally scheduled to be held in Apollo Bay however Council resolved at its August meeting to change the location to COPACC (Colac) due to factors related to COVID-19.

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

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Stay Safe and Restricted Activities Directions issued by the Chief Health Officer of Victoria that are in place at the time of publication, Council advises only Councillors and Council staff are permitted to attend the Ordinary Council meeting. Strict hygiene and social distancing measures will be in place.

Copies of the agenda will be available today at www.colacotway.vic.gov.au

COLAC'S BIG NIGHT IN



Colac's Big Night In

Colac's Big Night In is coming to a screen at your house this Saturday, September 12 at 6.30pm, live from COPACC! Let's all get behind this fantastic local event and support our local cafes, restaurants and producers with a delicious meal at home while enjoying great entertainment from local talent.

Colac's Big Night In is proudly supported by Colac Otway Shire Council.



Live Local Shop Local

Colac Otway community, local businesses need you! Shop local and support our great businesses who have supported Colac Otway during COVID-19. We're all in this together!

How can you support local business through current restrictions?

- Order takeaway or home delivery from one of the great local eateries in Colac Otway.
- Make the most of time at home, start online shopping for Christmas presents early. Follow local businesses on social media, many are adapting and offering great online shopping services and even home delivery.
- Purchase a voucher now for birthday or Christmas presents coming up.

Let's look out for each other - We're All In This Together Colac Otway!



COVID-19 Restrictions - What's Changing?

COVID-19 restrictions in regional Victoria will change as of 11.59pm on 13 September. From that time, playgrounds will open across Colac Otway Shire. In accordance with State Government restrictions, skateparks will remain closed.

For further information and updates visit the Department of Health and Human Services website www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19



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!

- **Senior Project Manager - Civil and Recreation Projects**
- **ICT Coordinator**

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



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For more information, visit www.colacotway.vic.gov.au
Stay safe Colac Otway!
We're all in this together.



Communities Combating Pests and Weeds Grant -

Applications close Wednesday 16 September 2020

The Communities Combating Pests and Weeds grant opportunity for spring and early summer 2020 is now available with a new closing date for submissions to Council by 4pm Wednesday 16 September. The grant enables Council to support private property owners across the shire in their efforts to control weeds and rabbits on their properties.

The grant program requires private landowners to contribute a dollar for dollar amount equivalent to what they receive through the grant for works on their land.

For a full list of weed species applicable to the grant funding and to complete an application, please visit Council's website at <https://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au/Environment-Sustainability/Communities-Combating-Pests-Weeds-Grant-Opportunity>

The project is funded by the Australian Government under the Communities Combating Pests and Weed Impacts During Drought Program.



Australia Day Award Nominations - Now Open

2021 Colac Otway Shire Australia Day Award nominations are now open.

Council is calling for nominations in five categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Community Service of the Year
- Sporting Service of the Year
- Arts Service of the Year

Nomination forms and guidelines are now available, please contact Customer Assist on 5232 9400 or visit www.colacotway.vic.gov.au
Nominations close 2 October, 2020.



Colac Otway Shire COVID Support Hotline: 5232 9440

Colac Otway Shire residents self-isolating or quarantining due to COVID-19 with no access to food, masks and essential supplies can receive emergency relief packages by contacting the COLAC OTWAY COVID SUPPORT HOTLINE on 5232 9440. The hotline operates daily (7 days) from 8.30am to 5pm. If you have other support needs, please provide details and we will assist connecting you with the appropriate agencies.