



## Farewell to Peter Brown

Mayor, Councillors and staff of Colac Otway Shire Council would like to thank Peter Brown for his work as Chief Executive of the shire over the last three years.

Peter has been a dedicated member of the Colac Otway community and shown great leadership, particularly as Colac Otway dealt with the challenges of COVID-19.

As Peter finishes up this week, we would like say thank you and wish both Peter and Wendy all the very best for the future.



## Planning Committee Meeting

**The next meeting of the Colac Otway Shire Council Planning Committee is scheduled for:**

**Date:** Wednesday 11 August 2021

**Time:** 2pm

**Venue:** COPACC, Colac

**Agenda item:**

- PP9/2021 - 288 Sunnyside Road Wongarra - Use and Development of Telecommunications Facility (33.8 metre monopole) and associated works.

The Planning Committee meeting will be livestreamed to the public via Council's YouTube channel (search Colac Otway Shire Council at [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)).

Please check next week's Colac Herald or contact Council on 5232 9400 for up to date details, subject to current COVID restrictions, regarding public attendance at the August Planning Committee meeting.

Copies of the agenda will be available Friday 6 August at [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au)

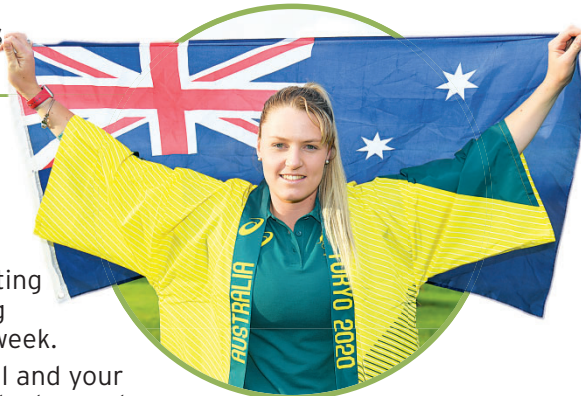


## Congratulations Penny Smith

**The Colac Otway Shire Council would like to congratulate Penny Smith on her Olympic debut.**

Penny, a long time Bluewater employee, is currently competing in the women's trap qualifying shooting event at Tokyo this week.

The Colac Otway Shire Council and your colleagues at Bluewater and the team at Services & Operations are very proud of your dedication, hard work and achievement.



## Council Facilities - Update following easing of COVID-19 restrictions

### Customer Service Centres

Colac Otway Shire's Customer Services Centres at Rae St, Colac and GORVIC, Apollo Bay have reopened to the public. All customers and visitors are required to wear a mask and check in using QR Codes.

### Bluewater

Following the easing of current COVID-19 restrictions for Victoria, Bluewater Leisure Centre is able to recommence swimming lessons and fitness classes. Density limits of 1 person per 4 square metres will be applied and all patrons must check in using QR Codes.

For further information on Swim School and other Bluewater services and facilities please visit the Bluewater website [www.bluewater.org.au](http://www.bluewater.org.au) or phone 5232 9551.

### COPACC

COPACC has reopened to the public in a limited capacity. Following current COVID Safe guidelines, venue density limits and social distancing rules will apply. All patrons must wear masks and check in using venue QR Codes.

Please keep up to date with the current program of events at [www.copacc.com.au](http://www.copacc.com.au) or COPACC's Facebook page.

### Visitor Information Centres

The Great Ocean Road Visitor Information Centre (GORVIC) at Apollo Bay has reopened to the public. Visitors to the centre must check in using the QR Code and wear a mask.

The Colac VIC will remain closed until further notice. If you would like to get in touch with our Tourism Team, call 1300 689 279 or you can plan your COVID-safe visit at [www.visitgreatoceanroad.org.au](http://www.visitgreatoceanroad.org.au)



## Community Information Session - Bruce Street, Colac - Land Sale

**A community information session regarding the sale of Council owned land at Bruce Street, Colac will take place on Tuesday 3 August.**

Community members are invited to drop in any time between **9am - 11am** or **5pm - 7pm** at COPACC, Gellibrand Street, Colac.

The sale of Council owned land at 36 - 52 Bruce Street is a part of work being conducted by Council in their commitment to open up land for residential development to meet the growing demand for housing stock in Colac Otway Shire.

Members of the public are welcome to contact Council with questions or feedback on 5232 9400 or email [inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au](mailto:inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au)

The information session will be subject to current COVID-19 restrictions.



## Have Your Say

### Draft 2050 Community Vision and Council Plan

Colac Otway Shire Council's draft 2050 Community Vision and Council Plan (incorporating the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan) is currently on public exhibition for six weeks.

The draft plans can be viewed at [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au) in the Have Your Say section, or in hard copy at:

- Council's customer service centres in Rae Street, Colac and GORVIC at Apollo Bay
- Public library branches in Queen Street, Colac or Pengilly Avenue, Apollo Bay.
- COPACC in Gellibrand Street, Colac.

Feedback on the draft plans can be emailed to [inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au](mailto:inq@colacotway.vic.gov.au) or mailed to Council at 2-6 Rae Street, Colac, Victoria, 3250.

**Comments close on Friday, 10 September.**

### The Colac Otway Shire also has the following items on display:

- Draft Policy Communications
- Rates Assistance to Community Groups policy (from Monday 2 August)
- Expression of Interest - Notice of Intention to Sell Land (Bruce Street, Colac)

For more information, and to make a submission, visit Council's website [www.colacotway.vic.gov.au](http://www.colacotway.vic.gov.au)



## 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!

- **Coordinator Financial Services**
- **Customer Service & Tourism Officer - Casual**
- **School Crossing Supervisor - Casual**

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