

HAVE YOUR SAY

ON COUNCIL'S SPECIAL RATE VARIATION APPLICATION WITH IPART



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POSITIONS VACANT

Federation Council is committed to being a quality Council with a strong focus on the delivery of services that continually meet community expectations.

If you are committed to excellent customer service, being a competent team player and have a focus on results orientation that drives strategic thinking and fosters a culture of innovation, learning and continuous improvement, then one of these opportunities are for you:

- **Team Leader Grader**
- **Learn to Swim Instructor x2**
- **Works Overseer**
- **Reticulation Officers**

More detailed advertisements and position descriptions can be obtained from Council's website.

Emailing jobs@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au or by phone on **(02) 6033 8903**.

COUNCIL SERVICES RESUME FROM CIVIC CENTRE

Council is pleased to advise that the Corowa Civic Centre has been deemed safe to re-open from **Monday, February 13**. Following extensive flooding causing access issues and building damage late last year, Council services regularly located at the Civic Centre have been operating at Oddfellows Hall and at 11 Sanger Street, Corowa.

Please see further information below on when impacted services will resume from the Civic Centre:

- Council's Customer Service Centre will resume operations from the Civic Centre on **Monday, February 13 from 12 noon**.
- Service NSW will resume operations from the Civic Centre on **Monday, February 13 from 9.30am**.
- The Corowa Library will reopen to the public on **Tuesday, February 14 from 10am**.
- The Corowa Visitor Information centre will reopen to the public on Wednesday, **February 15 from 9.30am**.

Council thanks the community for their patience and understanding during this time. For further information, please contact Council on **(02) 6033 8999**.

COMMENCEMENT OF PARKING PATROLS AND ENFORCEMENT

Federation Council will soon commence actively conducting parking patrols to ensure that timed parking, loading zones and disability parking in our main shopping precincts of Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala are enforced.

To ensure everyone has time to adjust to parking enforcement, Council Rangers will be monitoring the above mentioned areas up until **Friday 3 March, 2023** and issuing warnings only. From **Saturday 4 March, 2023** any vehicle found to be parked disobeying parking signage will be issued with a parking fine. We encourage drivers to obey the regulated parking signs that are on display in our town centres.

Find out more by visiting Council's website.

RATE INSTALMENT NOTICE

Federation Council would like to advise residents that rate instalment notice three has been issued.

The payment due date is **Tuesday 28 February, 2023**. Flexible payment options are available, including online payment via Council's website.

DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS

Public notice is given pursuant to Section 101 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, that the Council has granted development consent in respect of the following developments. The consents are available for public inspection by contacting Council during business hours.

DA NO.	ADDRESS	APPROVED WORK
2022/695	212 Jones Street Mulwala	Demolition of Dwelling

Federation Council advises that there are significant delays to all applications being lodged for each stage of the development process. Staff shortages, in conjunction with the increasing complexity of the NSW Planning Portal Processes required to be undertaken by Council has seen pre-lodgement assessment times increasing to 6-8 weeks and average determination times taking between 10-12 weeks.

We ask you for your cooperation as Council officers concentrate on clearing the backlog of applications while maintaining all other legislated services.

HOWLONG MEDICAL CENTRE LEASE EOI

Council is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI's) for a General Practitioner to lease the Howlong Medical Centre. The centre is located in the township of Howlong, NSW, 20 minutes to Corowa, 30 minutes to Albury, on the banks of the Murray River.

Located within the Southern Riverina region, the area is the centre of one of the most productive wool, grain, lamb and beef-cattle growing areas of Australia and is set within a fabulous small rural community.

The region boasts a great climate and vibrant atmosphere and is an ideal location for families, businesses and visitors to experience its exceptional lifestyle and opportunities.

Expressions of Interest close at 12 noon on the **17th of March**. Find out more about this opportunity by visiting the Current Tender Opportunities on Council's website.

SERVICE NSW MOBILE CENTRE BUS

The Service NSW Mobile Centre bus will be visiting Federation Council communities during February 2023, as follows;

- **Tuesday 28 February, 9am - 3pm, Erne Street, Mulwala.**

Services offered include Driver Licence and Photo Card Applications and Renewals, Driver Knowledge Tests, Working With Children checks, NDIS worker check, birth, death and marriage certificates, Stay NSW and Parents NSW voucher applications plus up to 70 government rebates and savings.

BIN COLLECTION CALENDARS

Do you forget which bins to put out each week for kerbside waste collection?

No more guessing, download the 2023 kerbside bin collection calendar from our website or collect one from Council offices in Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala.

Some Helpful Tips:

- Be mindful not to overload the bins – maximum weight is 80kg.
 - Place bin close to the kerb with the handle facing toward your property.
 - Place your bin out the night before your collection day or by 6am on the morning of collection.
 - Keep clear of overhanging branches and power lines.
 - Please leave at least one metre between bins and other objects, including fences and vehicles.
- Find out more about waste services from our website.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON COUNCIL'S SPECIAL RATE VARIATION APPLICATION

Submissions have now opened for residents within the Federation Council Local Government Area to have their say on Council's Special Rate Variation application with the determining body - the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART).

Federation Council is one of thirteen councils across NSW that have applied to (IPART) for a special variation to increase income from rates above the rate peg.

The Special Rate Variation proposed for Federation Council is for four years from 2023/24 to 2026/27 at 19%, 17%, 14% and 10%, inclusive of any maximum rate peg amount set by IPART each year. Public submissions will be received by IPART til March 3, 2023. Please see Council's website or the IPART website www.ipart.nsw.gov.au for further details, including the application assessment timeline and further information on how you can view the application and/or make a submission.

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Round two of the Federation Council 2022 - 2023 Community Grants Program is now open, with funds available to help local community groups, organisations and clubs to deliver a range of community projects and events.

An easy to complete on-line application form is available from Council's website.

Eligible applicants can apply under one of three categories:

- **Category 1** – Seed funding grant; to support the establishment of new initiatives, applicable up to \$3,000 per applicant.
- **Category 2** – Emerging Grant funding; to support the promotion of emerging projects, applicable up to \$1,500 available per applicant.
- **Category 3** – Community events grant; to support the strategic development for small to medium events, applicable up to \$1,500 per applicant.

An easy to complete on-line application form will be available from Council's Corporate website from **Monday 6 February, 2023**.

Applications close **5pm, Friday 17 March** and further information is available from Council's website.

COUNCIL LIBRARY CENTRES TO CLOSE FOR STAFF TRAINING

Council wishes to advise residents that Council's libraries in Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala will be closed on **Thursday, February 23**.

The library closures will support Council's library staff to attend industry training on this day. All libraries will resume normal operating hours from **Friday, February 24**.

Council apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

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