

## Council Meetings

The Ordinary meeting of Council is responsible for dealing with matters relating to finance, works, development, planning, health, building and community services. This meeting also makes a decision on Committee recommendations and is the forum for making the final decision of Council.

Residents and ratepayers are cordially invited to attend Council meetings.

2024 Council Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, 30 April Corowa Chamber	Tuesday, 28 May Urana Chamber
Tuesday, 25 June Corowa Chamber	Tuesday, 30 July Urana Chamber
Tuesday, 27 August Corowa Chamber	Tuesday, 22 October Corowa Chamber
Tuesday, 26 November Urana Chamber	Tuesday, 17 December Corowa Chamber

## Corowa Pet's Day Out



Mark your calendars, pet lovers! The Corowa Pet's Day Out event is scheduled on Saturday 13 April, 2024 from 9am – 1pm at the Corowa Civic Centre.

A great day is planned with local businesses attending the event including Federation Vet Hospital, Corowa Vet Clinic, Mobile Pet Parlour and the Office of Local Government (OLG) - Pet Registry Division.

Not only will your dog and/or cat receive FREE microchipping (if they're 4 months or older), but they'll also enjoy complimentary veterinary and registration checks. Find out more from Council's website.



## Library Storytime



Federation Council invites parents and carers to Storytime sessions at the Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala Libraries.

Howlong Library Storytime takes place every 1st and 3rd Thursday at 10:30am (except in NSW School Holidays).

Children and their parents/carers can participate in FREE story time sessions that involve sharing stories, rhymes and themed activities.

Storytime sessions are suitable for ages 0-5 years and run for 30-45 minutes.

Join in the fun, meet new people, introduce your child to a world of books and lay the foundation for a lifelong love of reading.

## Delivery Program Progress Reports



The Delivery Program Progress Report is a report from the general manager to the elected council. It must be provided at least every 6 months and report on the progress against the principal activities of the Delivery Program. The purpose of the report is to enable councillors to understand how council is tracking in the context of the commitment it has made to the community through the Delivery Program. The report is prepared in accordance with section 404 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Progress reports are available for download on Council's website.



## Miki City Exchange Program 2024



Federation Council is excited to announce that applications are open to all residents from 15 and over for the 2024 Sister City Program exchange visit to Miki City, Japan.

Coinciding with the Autumn Festival, the exchange is anticipated to take place between the 28 th September and the 12 th October (actual dates during this period to be confirmed). Residents expressing interest must be available for travel between these dates, with the duration of the stay approximately 9 days of homestay plus additional travel time to and from Miki City. The delegation will be treated to local family homestays for the duration of the visit and a full daily program of activities being hosted by Miki City.

Federation Council Mayor, Cr Patrick Bourke said, “This year Council is encouraging any residents who may have an interest in learning about the Japanese culture, building community and business relationships, connecting with community members, students 15 and over, as well as potential chaperones, to apply”.

Federation Council has had a long-standing sister city relationship with Miki City, now in its 27th year, providing community members from both countries the opportunity to continue building on the strong relationship.

Cr Bourke also added, “Participants have experienced a different culture first hand and built special lifelong friendships.” Miki City, with a population of around 77,000 people, is located in Western Honshu, Japan. It is known for production of quality blacksmithing and metal hardware, which is in demand worldwide. Miki City residents are proud of their culture, love their sport including golf and tennis, their variety of festivals and of course their food.

Further information about this Cultural Exchange Program and the Application Form is available on Council’s website. Applications are due to be submitted by Friday 26 April 2024.



## Funding granted under Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program - Phase 4

Federation Council has received \$1,396,532 as part of Phase 4 of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure program, a funding initiative launched by the Australian Government to support local councils in delivering priority road and community infrastructure projects.

When assessing projects nominated for the funding program, Council applied a strict assessment criteria to only endorse projects that supported upgrades and renewal, or delivered efficiency improvements, as opposed to building new projects.

Howlong projects that have been approved under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 4 include:

- Howlong Public Swimming Pool Perimeter Fence Replacement: \$120,000.
- Lowe Square, Howlong Electrical Supply Upgrade: \$110,000.

Works on these projects are set to begin throughout 2024 and all projects are anticipated to be completed by the end of June 2025.

Read the full media release from Council’s website.

## Youth Week 2024

2024 NSW Youth Week will take place from 11 to 21 April 2024. The week-long celebration is organised by young people, for young people, in communities across the state. Federation Council is hosting several activities across the region to celebrate the occasion.

These events include:

- Federation Youth Event Assistant Program: 18 April, Corowa’s Bangerang Park
- Express Youth Community Art Exhibition: 5-28 April, Corowa Art Space
- Oaklands Outdoor Cinema: 11 April, Oaklands Recreation Ground.
- Trick out Your Tumbler Workshops: 15 April, Rand Recreation Ground + 17 April, Mulwala Council Office & Library.

Find out more on Council’s website!

## Capital Works Projects



Council has an ongoing program of capital works and upgrades to buildings, parks, playgrounds and roads across the Federation Council Region.

Visit Council’s website for the latest!