

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, 26 November Urana Chamber	Tuesday, 17 December Corowa Chamber
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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 our positions are for you! Visit our website for our detailed advertisements and position descriptions.

Australia Day Nominations



Do you know someone who has given outstanding service to your community?

Would you like to shine a spotlight on a local hero in your town?

Are you a member of an amazing community group which deserves recognition?

If so, consider submitting a nomination for the 2025 Australia Day Awards, which are now open! Submissions close Monday 18 November, 2024.

The Australia Day Awards program is a way to recognise people who make exceptional contributions to our local communities.

Find out more and nominate on Council's website.



Howlong Swimming Pool - Summer Season

Howlong SWIMMING POOL



The Howlong Swimming Pool will be opening on Monday 2 December, 2024 for the summer season.

Same-day pass outs will be available which means you pay to enter on any given day and you can return during the same day - free of charge! Stop by the pool reception to organise your pass out.

Entry Cost Options:

Ticket Name	Cost
Family Season Ticket	\$265.00
Adult Season Ticket	\$132.50
Child Season Ticket	\$110
Pensioner Season Ticket	\$110
Adult Entry	\$6.00
Supervising Adult Entry	\$3.50
Child Entry	\$5.00
Pensioner Entry	\$5.00
With School Per Entry	\$4.00
Family Entry	\$21.00

We look forward to welcoming all of our valued patrons.

Royal Life Saving NSW School Holiday Program



Registrations are now open for the Royal Life Saving's SwimVAC program hosted at the Howlong Swimming Pool in January 2025.

- Monday 13 January - Friday 24 January, 2025

SwimVAC is targeted at children from 6 months - 14 years of age with the aim of getting as many children as possible to the 6 and 12 year-old national benchmarks for swimming and water safety.

Register today from the Royal Life Saving's website:
www.drowningprevention.org.au/swimvac

Federation Council Mayor and Deputy Mayor elected



Federation Councillors, Cr Cheryl Cook and Cr Rowena Black have been elected into their respective leadership roles following an extraordinary meeting of Council on Tuesday, October 15.

Cr Cheryl Cook was elected to the position of Mayor, defeating Cr Derek Schoen, who was also nominated for the position 5-4.

Cr Rowena Black was elected to the position of Deputy Mayor unopposed. Mayor, Cr Cook and Deputy Mayor, Cr Black will hold their positions for a 2 year period, until September 2026.

Federation Council Mayor, Cr Cheryl Cook thanked councillors for putting their trust in her for the next 2 year period.

“Thank you to my fellow Councillors for their support, it is greatly appreciated,” Mayor Cook said.

“We are now at a point of transition, reflection and opportunity for influence and growth. I intend to bring a positive and balanced approach to my mayoral leadership and have a strong desire to see a strong team working for the best outcomes for our diverse community.”

Mayor Cook said she is grateful and paid thanks to the prior councillors for working under unmitigated circumstances during the past few years.

Federation Council Deputy Mayor, Cr Rowena Black said she was honoured to be elected to the position of Deputy Mayor.

“I look forward to working alongside Mayor Cook and fellow councillors over the next two years to make positive contributions and address the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for our region,” Deputy Mayor Black said.

Have your Say for Future Federation

In November 2024, we will be engaging with our community as we review our Community Strategic Plan.

The Community Strategic Plan is a shared vision of what the community wants for our local government area for the next 20 years. It's reviewed every four years to align with your aspirations and priorities.

Separate information will be distributed to each household via mail which will provide further details on how to put forward your ideas and priorities for our future.

Together, we look forward to shaping our community's future. Further information will also be available from Council's website.

Celebrating International Day of People with Disability



International Day of People with Disability (IDPwD) occurs every year on the 3rd of December.

Federation Council is celebrating the day by hosting a group exhibition which will be on display at Corowa Art Space, featuring work by several artists from the Art Factory.

Facilitated by the Riverina Community College in Wagga Wagga, the Art Factory is a unique contemporary arts studio that has established itself as a leading regional 'supported studio'.

The forthcoming exhibition titled 'Selected Works' presents recent paintings, prints, and mixed media works that showcase the breadth and depth of talent of artists in the program. New and established artists alike share their unique interpretations of the visual world.

'Selected Works' will be available to view at Corowa Art Space from Friday 22 November and closes on Sunday 12 January. The gallery is open Wednesday to Friday from 10am until 4pm and on Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 2pm.

IDPwD is a United Nations observed day which aims to promote community awareness, understanding and acceptance of people with disability. Learn more from Council's website.

