

# Community Meetings



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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 is for you:

- Lifeguards
- Learn to Swim Instructor

A more detailed advertisement and position description can be obtained from Council's website.

Emailing [jobs@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jobs@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au) or by phone on (02) 6033 8903.

## PRE-LODGE MEETINGS FOR DEVELOPMENT REQUIRING CONNECTION TO THE WATER SUPPLY NETWORK - HOWLONG

The contract for water main upgrade works in Howlong to increase water supply and reliability was awarded earlier this year, with an anticipated completion date of December 2023.

Given the timeframes for construction of developments and the likely timing for connections to the water supply network, Council wishes to advise that we can now schedule pre-lodgement meetings to discuss proposed development with a water demand greater than a 3 bedroom dwelling, or greater than 1 allotment. This includes residential, commercial and industrial developments.

A reminder to applicants that the information provided with applications for development with a water demand of greater than a standard 3 bedroom dwelling or greater than a single residential allotment (known as an Equivalent Tenement, or ET) needs to provide appropriate commentary in response to the requirements of Clause 7.9 Essential Services of Corowa LEP 2012 in their supporting Statement of Environmental Effects. It will not be acceptable to state only that urban services are available and can be connected. A more detailed calculation of the water demand from the development (calculated using the NSW Water Directorate Guidelines) must be provided. This will enable Council to avoid the over-allocation of the additional supply generated by the current water main works.

Requests for pre-lodgement meetings should be submitted online via the following link: [www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/Building-Planning/Building-Renovating/Booking-an-Inspection-or-Meeting](http://www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/Building-Planning/Building-Renovating/Booking-an-Inspection-or-Meeting)

Please note that owing to significant resource constraints, we can only book meetings when staff are available to attend so delays may be experienced. We apologise for the delays, but we are currently prioritising reduction of the backlog of lodged applications throughout the local government area.

## DRAFT INVESTMENT POLICY

The draft Investment Policy is now available on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. The draft policy outlines Council's framework to invest to gain favourable return on investments whilst having due consideration of risk and security and complying with legislative requirements. Council invites residents to review the draft policy and provide any feedback by 5pm, **Tuesday 3 October, 2023**. The draft policy is available for viewing from Council's website or at any Council office. Anyone interested in providing feedback on the policy should do so in writing, addressed to the General Manager, PO Box 77, Corowa NSW 2646 or email to [council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au)

## FEDERATION COMMUNITY EXPO - SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

Whether you are new to the Federation Council area or a long-term resident keen to know more about what local community groups and organisations have on offer, everyone is invited to the Federation Community Expo on **Thursday 19 October**, from 5:30pm at Bangerang Park in Corowa. This is a free community event to showcase the organisations, clubs, groups, and service providers in the Federation Council area. It will include displays and interactive activities, food, giveaways and live music throughout the afternoon. Find out more from Council's website.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

In accordance with Council's Public Notification Policy regarding Development Applications, the following are hereby listed for public comment. Plans relating to these proposals are available for review from Council's website [www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au](http://www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au)

DA NO.	Address	Zoning	Proposed Work
2023/92	2 Marie Court Howlong	R1 General Residential	Shed
2023/150	31-35 Jude Street Howlong	R1 General Residential	Removal of existing dwelling & 2 carports

Any persons may make a submission on the proposal within a period of fourteen (14) days from the date of this notification.

Persons making a submission are required to comply with Section 147(5) of the Environmental Planning Assessment Act (Political Donations & Gifts Disclosure Statement). Forms are available from Council's administrative offices.

## 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
2022/691	78 McCarthy Street Mulwala	Unmanned service station and signage
2023/52	241 Honour Avenue Corowa	2 lot subdivision

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.

## 2024 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD NOMINATIONS

The annual Federation Council's Australia Day Awards honours and acknowledges individuals and groups who have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over several years. Residents are encouraged to consider who they believe makes a difference in their community, and nominate them to be recognised for their efforts and commitment. Online Nomination Forms are available from Council's website for the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year Award
- Young Citizen of the Year Award
- The Local Achiever Awards
- Community Group of the Year

Nominations are now open and close 5:00pm on **Monday 20 November 2023**. Find out more from Council's website.

## ROAD WORKS - MELBOURNE STREET MULWALA

On behalf of Transport for NSW, Council has engaged a contractor to undertake it's heavy patching road works program on Melbourne Street Mulwala on **Tuesday 3 October** (weather permitting), as follows

- Between Bayly and Dunmore Street.
- Southbound Lane

So that the work can be completed, we request no on-street parking from 7.00am - 3.00pm. Road access will be temporarily closed at the Bayly street roundabout (Southbound lane) and local residents will be able to gain access to their properties through the roundabout at Inglis Street. We ask local motorists and residents to observe traffic/road work signage and take extra care when travelling near the area. Council thanks our community for your patience and cooperation while undertaking this construction work.

## INDEPENDENT REVIEW UPDATE - PUBLIC MEETINGS

Council extends an invitation to its residents to attend upcoming public meetings in Corowa and Urana this October. The purpose of these meetings is for residents to receive an update on the Independent Review currently being undertaken by Professor Joseph Drew. These meetings will also provide ratepayers with the opportunity to provide valuable feedback in respect to this ongoing review.

At an extraordinary meeting on Friday, July 14, 2023 Council resolved to appoint the Institute for Regional Futures (University of Newcastle) to undertake an independent peer reviewed business case study on the financial sustainability of Federation Council and the advantages and disadvantages of amalgamation. An integral part of this project is to seek feedback from the community to accompany the findings that will be contained in the final report. Public meetings will be held on:

- **Monday 16 October** from 6.30pm-8pm at Club Corowa.
- **Tuesday 17 October** from 6.30pm-8pm at the Waterfront Pavilion Urana.

Find out more from Council's website.

## STEM-TACULAR SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Federation Council is excited to offer a great program of activities for our young residents during the upcoming Spring school holidays. The 'Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics' themed activities will help develop problem solving, creativity, critical analysis and digital literacy skills.

- Corowa Aquatic Centre Superhero Costume Day, **Thursday 28 September**.
- Parallel Wilds, **Tuesday 26 to Thursday 28 September** at Gorman Park and the Yarrowonga Mulwala Golf Club Resort.
- Board Game Days, Urana Soldiers' Memorial Hall on **Wednesday 4 October** and at the Howlong Library on **Thursday 5 October**.
- Corowa Aquatic Centre Under the Sea Costume Day, **Thursday 5 October**.
- Video Game Tournament, **Friday 6 October** at the Corowa Library.

Bookings for some activities are required and further information is available from Council's website.

## JACKIE MERCHANT - AUTHOR VISIT

Join Australian author Jackie Merchant as she introduces her three young reader novels at the Howlong and Corowa Libraries.

- Howlong Library, **Wednesday 11 October**, 5pm
  - Corowa Library, **Thursday 12 October**, 5pm & 7:30pm
- The novels include; The Promise Horse, The Pony Question and The Homecoming Horse.  
Book your place today at your local library.

## LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Federation Council offices, services and facilities will have altered operating hours for the Labour Day Public Holiday scheduled on **Monday 2 October, 2023**. Visit Council's website for more information. Federation Council Councillors and staff would like to wish you and your families a safe and happy Labour Day weekend.

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