

COUNCIL NEWS

NEWS FROM THE MAYOR



The General Manager and I had a very productive meeting earlier this month with the NSW Government's first Regional Infrastructure Coordinator, Ken Gillespie.

Ken is charged with accelerating the roll-out of infrastructure across the State. We discussed our Shire infrastructure priorities and were invited to forward him an updated list of any 'shovel ready' projects for their consideration.

By the end of May they will be providing the Premier with recommendations and we hope that some of our priorities will make the list. The Leeton Swimming Pool Upgrade is definitely one of those. We also used the opportunity to champion support for freight intermodals in the Shire that can service the Western Riverina, such as Wumbulgal.

I attended the Whitton Museum Committee meeting where the topic of acquiring more volunteers to host visiting tour groups was discussed. It's important that we as a Shire recognise the history of Whitton being the oldest town in our Shire. We are working towards building a bigger volunteer base with tour groups.

It was a great privilege to attend the first anniversary event for the Leeton Community Op Shop. Congratulations to everyone involved for the great work you are doing for our community.

I was also fortunate to formally thank volunteers throughout our community at the National Volunteer Week Morning Tea. On behalf of Council I passed on our gratitude to all volunteers in our Shire. They truly are the backbone of our community.

After attending the most recent Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation of Councils meeting in Jerilderie the General Manager and I both came home with jobs. I will be the representative on the new Customer Advisory Group for the Murrumbidgee River System. The General Manager will join the soon to be established Riverina Murray Regional Plan Coordination and Monitoring Committee whose role it is to oversight the Plan's implementation in collaboration with NSW Government departments.

A Community Energy Workshop was held in Coolamon this month which I found very interesting as we continue to explore opportunities for renewables in our Shire.

Along with Council staff, I attended a Regional Freight Forum hosted by Griffith Council. It was another opportunity to ensure that our road, bridge and intermodal priorities featured on a regional priorities map. It's always good to have the Roads and Maritime Services and National Heavy Vehicle Regulator in the room listening to the needs of transport companies and agricultural industries in the Western Riverina.

This month residents will have received a flyer in the mail outlining our Council priority projects for the next 4 years, with an invitation to Have Your Say. Remember that submissions close on 30 May 2017.

Take care and best wishes until my June Mayoral Update.

Mayor Cr Paul Maytom.

DOGS IN THE POUND

To view impounded dogs go to:-
<http://www.leeton.nsw.gov.au/animals-in-the-pound.aspx>

DRAFT DELIVERY PROGRAM 2017/2021 & OPERATIONAL PLAN 2017/2018

In accordance with the provisions of Sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act, 1993 Council has prepared a Draft Delivery Program, incorporating the Operational Plan for 2017/2018, detailing Council's principal activities to be undertaken for the four (4) year period 2017/2018 to 2020/2021.

The Draft Delivery Program 2017/2021 & Operational Plan 2017/2018 is on public exhibition commencing on Monday 1 May 2017, and concluding at 5.00pm on Tuesday 30 May 2017 and will be available for inspection at the Council Chambers, 23-25 Chelmsford Place Leeton during normal office hours, the Leeton Library in Dooley Lane during normal operating hours, Yanco Shop, Murrumbidgee and Whitton Post Office and also available on Council's website <http://www.leeton.nsw.gov.au/> or Have Your Say Leeton community engagement website <http://haveyoursay.leeton.nsw.gov.au/>

Thanks in advance for being an active and engaged citizen of Leeton Shire

QUOTATION - AIR CONDITIONER MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING CONTRACT (Various Locations)

Quotations are invited to undertake the air conditioner maintenance and servicing contract with Leeton Shire Council. The contract is for a two year term.

Quotations must be submitted using the quotation form (Attachment A of the Specification).

Any enquiries regarding the contracts are to be directed to Council's Building Services Officer, Matt Holt, on 0407 752 279.

Quotations will be received up to 4pm on Friday 2 June 2017.



LEETON SHIRE COUNCIL

2016/2017 RATES 4TH INSTALMENT

Leeton Shire Council advises all ratepayers that the Fourth Instalment for the 2016/2017 financial year is due Wednesday 31 May 2017.

Failure to pay the Fourth Instalment by the due date renders it overdue and subject to the addition of interest charges at a rate of 8 percent per annum, calculated daily.

Payment may be made on the Internet (www.leeton.nsw.gov.au) by credit card by clicking on the option to pay online. B-Pay is also available (Bill Code No. 303321). Payment can also be made at any Australia Post agency or Commonwealth Bank branch by presenting your intact notice. To pay by telephone with MasterCard or Visa, please call 1300 276 468 anytime.

Please note that if payments are made by post, ensure sufficient time is allowed for the payment to reach Council on or before the due date.

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