

Council Meetings

Ordinary meetings of Council are held on the third Tuesday of the Month commencing at 9.30 am.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions regarding gatherings and the need to comply with social distancing measures, Advice from the NSW Office of Local Government is that Council meetings will continue to go ahead by audio-visual link and they should continue to be accessible to the public.

To help ensure we slow the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) within our workforce and the community from the 21st of April 2020 Council Meeting our public gallery has remained closed.

Federation Council is pleased to offer LIVE streaming of our monthly Council Meetings on YouTube. This gives residents the opportunity to observe Council business via their computers and mobile devices.

Please visit Council's website and click on the LIVE STREAM link to watch the Ordinary Council Meeting live on YouTube.

The following schedule outlines the 2021 ordinary meetings of Council commencing at 9:30am.

Tuesday 18 May 2021	Tuesday 15 June 2021
Corowa Chamber	Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 20 July 2021	Tuesday 17 August 2021
Corowa Chamber	Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 21 September 2021	TTuesday 19 October 2021
Corowa Chamber	Corowa Chamber
Tuesday 16 November 2021	Tuesday 21 December 2021
Corowa Chamber	Corowa Chamber

Firewood Collection

Residents in the Federation Council area can apply to obtain a permit to collect firewood from road reserves for home heating during winter.

Firewood collection is limited to 1 April – 30 September each year. To apply for a permit, residents must complete the application form and show proof that they reside in the Federation Council area (i.e. drivers licence).

Applicants must certify on the application that they will abide by the permit conditions and acknowledge that Council is not liable for any injuries to person, or any loss or damage to property arising from the firewood collection activities. Applications received from outside the Federation Council area will not be considered.

Residents will need to apply for a permit each firewood season (each year).

The permit application fee is \$31.00.

Federation Council will deliver the region's first Economic Development Strategy in 2021



Collaboration with the community is vital to the success of this Strategy. Council is inviting members of the community to get involved in the development of the Strategy by completing a short online survey, and by attending one of the community workshops in early May.

The Strategy will ultimately provide clear and comprehensive strategic guidelines and tools for supporting the development of our economy across the entire local government area.

Council encourages attendance at the upcoming community breakfast sessions and evening workshops:

Wednesday 5 May

- 8:30am-9.30am Breakfast Session Urana Council Chamber.
- 5pm-6.30pm Evening Workshop Corowa RSL Club.

Thursday 6 May

- 8:30am-9:30am Breakfast Session Club Mulwala
- 5.30pm-7pm Evening Workshop Howlong Golf Resort

Register to attend the workshops and complete the community survey from Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au



Tim Fischer Memorial Sculpture Unveiling

Federation Council invites community members to attend the community gathering to honour the late Tim Fischer AC, at Tim Fischer Community Park, Boree Creek on Sunday 23 May, from 10:30am.

This event is to recognize the outstanding contributions by Mr Tim Fischer AC and to celebrate his life with a memorial sculpture unveiling at the Tim Fischer Community Park located in Boree Creek.

The sculpture was made by local sculpture artist Andrew Whitehead and was funded through the Drought Funding Program offered through the NSW Government. This is an opportunity to recognize the hard work and positive outcomes Mr Fischer worked his entire life to bring to the community and honour him after his passing in August 2019.

Register to attend this event from Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

This event is registered as COVID-safe. Council would like to remind everyone to scan the QR code provided prior to entering the park for the official proceeding, remain socially distanced while within the space and use the hand sanitisers provided upon entry.

If you are unable to remain socially distanced, please wear a mask, there will be some available prior to entering. It is important if you feel unwell to please stay home and get tested and isolate until a negative result is obtained

Library Storytime

Federation Council invites children and their parents/carers to participate in FREE Storytime sessions that involve sharing stories, rhymes and themed activities at your local library.

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

Storytime sessions are held weekly at the Corowa Library and fortnightly at the Howlong and Mulwala Libraries.

Meet new people, introduce your child to a world of books and lay the foundation for a lifelong love of reading. Howlong Library, Friday each fortnight at 10:30am (except in NSW School Holidays):

- 7 May
- 21 May
- 4 June
- 18 June
- 16 July
- 30 July
- 13 August

- 27 August
- 10 September
- 8 October
- 22 October
- 5 November
- 19 November
- 3 December

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a maximum of 20 people are able to attend at each library. Bookings are required and can be made via Council's website or by contacting your local library.

Find out more and book your place via Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au or by contacting the Corowa Library on P: 02 6033 8941.



Corowa Aquatic Centre officially opens

Federation Council has officially opened its doors to the \$10.2 million dollar Corowa Aquatic Centre.

The regional significant facility features a 50m pool set within the picturesque Ball Park Precinct, a 25m indoor pool, indoor program pool, kids' splashpark and café.

The Corowa Aquatic Centre is offering a special early bird reward for patrons of the facility that sign up for a 2021-2022 membership.

For all Winter Season Passes, a \$5 Aquatic Centre Voucher will accompany your membership to spend within the Corowa Aquatic Centre.

For all Yearly Passes, a \$10 Aquatic Centre Voucher will accompany your membership to spend within the Corowa Aquatic Centre.

Find out more, including how to become a member of this amazing new facility from the Corowa Aquatic Centre website. www.corowaaquaticcentre.com.au or liking or following the Facebook page @corowaaquaticcentre



CLUBGRANTS 2021 Category 1 – Applications now open

The ClubGRANTS program is now open.

Community groups are invited to apply for funding through the ClubGRANTS (Category 1) Scheme.

ClubGRANTS will fund local projects that address the following priorities: -

- Community Development
- Aged Services
- Youth Services
- Community Mental Health
- Emergency Services
- Veteran Welfare Services

Groups operating in Victoria or outside of the council area may apply for funding assistance if they are able to demonstrate a service is being provided to NSW residents.

Innovative new projects are encouraged as are applications for other important projects.

All applications for the ClubGRANTS program must be made through the new ClubGRANTS Online System. To register your organisation and make an application visit www.clubgrants.com.au

To be considered your application must be completed and submitted by 11.45 pm on Wednesday, 30 June 2021.

Further information concerning ClubGRANTS Category 1 funding can be obtained from the ClubsNSW website on www.clubgrants.com.au/how-to-apply



NSW Planning Portal introduction

The NSW Government is making the planning system easier to use with the introduction of the online NSW Planning Portal.

The NSW Planning Portal is a digital space where community, industry and government can work together to better understand and meet their obligations under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The NSW Planning Portal is a single place to go for planning processes and transactions online, it is simpler, faster and more transparent for everyone.

The portal can be used to lodge and process Development Applications (DA's) including modifications, Complying Development Certificate Applications (CDC's) and for certificates under Part 6 of the EP&A Act).

From Thursday 1 July 2021, it will be mandatory to lodge your Development Applications (DA), Construction Certificates (CC) and Complying Development Applications (CDC) via the online NSW Planning Portal. Find out more by visiting Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

Responsibilities of Pet Owners



Whether you consider yourself a dog person or a cat person, we all have a responsibility to our companion animals.

Residents are reminded of the responsibilities of pet owners to ensure the safety of companion animals and the community. For further information on responsible pet ownership, visit Council's website at www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au



Whether you're visiting for a summer splash, regularly swim laps or want to hire a pool for a school, sporting or corporate function, the Corowa Aquatic Centre has everything you need. Our wheelchair-friendly centre is a safe, welcoming and fun place.

With a 50m outdoor Olympic pool, a 25m indoor heated pool, indoor program pool and a splash park, the Corowa Aquatic Centre welcomes everyone to enjoy the water all year round.









OPENING HOURS

Winter season 1 April – 31 October	
Days	Times
Monday, Wednesday & Friday Tuesday & Thursday Saturday Sunday Public Holidays Summer season 1 November – 31 March	7am – 11am; 2.30pm – 6.30pm 6am – 8pm 8am – 2pm 10am - 4pm Closed
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Monday, Wednesday & Friday Tuesday & Thursday Saturday & Sunday Public Holidays	7am – 11am; 3pm – 7pm 6am – 8pm 7am – 6pm 10am – 6pm (closed Christmas Day and Good Friday)