

This is Future Federation 2025-2026: Have Your Say this May!

Shape the Future of our community!

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Find out more by visiting Council's website www.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au or scan the QR code below.

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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:

- **Water Cart Operator x 2**
- **Team Leader Reticulation**
- **Gardener/Horticulturist**
- **Building Maintenance Officer**
- **Property Officer**

A more detailed advertisement and position description can be obtained from Council's website. Emailing jobs@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au or by phone on **(02) 6033 8903**.

ON EXHIBITION

Sanger Street Corowa Tactile Upgrade

Federation Council invites qualified and experienced businesses to participate in our Request for Quotation (RFQ) process to deliver the project outlined below.

- Sanger Street Corowa Tactiles
- Closing: 22/5/2025, 12pm
- RFQ 2025-236

This project is funded by Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program Phase 4 as part of pedestrian safety and mobility improvements on Sanger street. The project will be installing hazard tactiles at existing road crossings to improve safety for visually impaired members of the community. Documentation relating to this RFQ is available via the eProcure link from Council's website.

OPTUS MOBILE PHONE STATION COROWA

Optus is proposing to upgrade the existing mobile phone station at Corowa Telstra Telephone Exchange 50 Queen St Corowa NSW 2646.

- Replacing (3) existing panel antennas with (3) new panel antennas
- Installing and relocating ancillary equipment including but not limited to remote radio units, new steel mounts, new cables as well as works within the existing outdoor equipment cabinet.

Optus invites feedback until **Tuesday 27 May**, to submissionsVIC@cpstech.com.au or P: **02 9300 1700**.

CONNECTIONS EXHIBITION COROWA ART SPACE

Corowa Art Space is excited to present Connections, a thought-provoking art exhibition by artist and photographer Col Strauss. This exhibition invites viewers to reflect on the beautiful threads that weave together the fabric of their lives. Col's work acts as a catalyst for reminiscence and aims to evoke powerful memories and emotions, transporting viewers back to cherished moments and significant places. Connections illustrates the fundamental human need for belonging and the emotional significance of relationships with family, friends, time and place, nature, and pets. Connections will be on display until **Tuesday 20 May 2025**. Corowa Art Space's operating hours are Wednesday to Friday, 10am to 4pm, and Saturday to Sunday from 10am to 2pm.

SERVICE NSW COROWA

We are pleased to advise customers that the Service NSW Corowa agency has re-opened with the following hours:

- Monday to Wednesday: 9:30am to 4:30pm
- Thursday: 9:30am to 4:30pm, lunch break 12:30pm to 1:30pm
- Friday: 9:30am to 1pm

The Service NSW app is available to download via the Apple App Store or Google Play store. You can also reach us on P: **13 77 88** or service.nsw.gov.au.

HOWLONG COUNCIL OFFICE & LIBRARY

Federation Council is pleased to advise the Howlong Council Office and Library building renovations on 59 Hawkins Street are now complete. The newly refurbished facility at 59 Hawkins Street will re-open to the public from **Wednesday 14 May 2025**, at 10:00 am. We look forward to showcasing the improvements and welcoming you to the newly refurbished building.

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 |
|--------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 10.2025.48.1 | 15 Wanani Road, Mulwala | Demolition of Dwelling |
| 10.2025.5.1 | 339-343 Honour Ave, Corowa | Single Storey Dwelling |
| 10.2025.43.1 | 28-32 Heather Circuit Mulwala | Shed 48sqm |

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.

APPLICATION TRACKER

Federation Council is excited to announce the launch of our updated online Application Tracker, making it easier than ever to stay informed about building and planning applications.

This user-friendly tool provides greater transparency and accessibility to information regarding applications being assessed by Council.

The Application Tracker provides convenient access to the current status of applications being assessed by Council, as well as those that have already been determined.

You can now find information on:

- Development Applications (DAs)
- Complying Development Certificates (CDCs)
- Construction Certificates (CCs)
- Development Modification Applications
- Section 68 (Local Government Act) Applications

Access the Application Tracker here:

<https://datracker.federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au/>

We're also working hard to bring you the ability to view lodged documents directly through the tracker in the near future. For more detailed inquiries, please don't hesitate to contact us at planning@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au

To learn more about the development process, relevant legislation and policies, and how to lodge your application via the NSW Planning Portal, please visit our website.

MOBILE PRESCHOOL SERVICE

At Federation Council, we believe that every child deserves access to high-quality early education, no matter where they live.

That's why our Mobile Preschool plays such a vital role in bringing a nurturing and stimulating learning environment directly to families in our rural communities. Our Mobile Preschool provides a comprehensive Preschool Education program for children aged 3 to 5 years, operating Tuesday through Friday during the NSW school terms.

We pride ourselves on creating a safe, supportive, respectful, and nurturing environment where children can learn, grow, and thrive.

We are proud to serve families in the following communities:

- Rand
- Daysdale
- Boree Creek
- Oaklands
- Urana

We understand the challenges that distance can sometimes present, which is why we are pleased to offer transportation options to our families, making it easier for children to attend our program.

Learn more and complete the online expressions of interest form from Council's website.

NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY WEEK

It's National Road Safety Week, an annual initiative from the Safer Australian Roads and Highways (SARAH) Group, partnering road safety organisations and Government. The week highlights the impact of road trauma and ways to reduce it. Every year, approximately 1200 people are killed and another 40,000+ are seriously injured on Australian roads. Traffic injury is the biggest killer of Australian children under 15 and the second-biggest killer of all Australians aged between 15 and 24. These numbers are growing every year but are preventable if we choose to Drive So Others Survive!

Learn more: roadsafetyweek.com.au

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Why your voice matters this May:

Federation Council is committed to working with you, our community. In line with our Community Engagement Strategy and the Local Government Act 1993, we want your feedback on the following key planning documents that will shape the next year and beyond:

- Draft 'This is Future Federation' Delivery Program / Operational Plan & Budget 2025-2026
- Draft Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) 2025-2035
- Draft Revenue Policy 2025-2026

Here's how you can get involved

- Email us: Share your thoughts via email to: council@federationcouncil.nsw.gov.au
- Visit our offices: Pick up and complete a feedback form available at any of our Council offices in: Corowa, Howlong, Mulwala & Urana
- Mail your feedback: Send written submissions to: PO Box 77, Corowa, NSW, 2646. Submission lodgement closes at 5pm on **Thursday 29 May**.
- Book a one-on-one meeting: Speak directly with Council's Senior Executive team. Call **(02) 6033 8999** to arrange a meeting until **Thursday 29 May**.

Drop-In Information Sessions: Come and chat with Council Staff and Councillors to find out more!

- Howlong: **Wednesday 14 May** (11am - 1pm & 5pm - 7pm) at the Howlong Library
- Mulwala: **Monday 19 May** (11am - 1pm & 5pm - 7pm) at the Mulwala Library
- Urana: **Wednesday 21 May** (11am - 1pm & 5pm - 7pm) at the Urana Council Chamber

Community & Councillor Conversations:

- Corowa: **Monday 26 May** (9am - 11am) at Corowa Bakery
- Howlong: **Monday 26 May** (1pm - 3pm) at Howlong Bakery
- Mulwala: **Wednesday 28 May** (9am - 11am) at Mulwala Bakery
- Urana: **Wednesday 28 May** (1pm - 3pm) at Urana Take Away Store

Find out more on Council's website. We hope to see your or hear from you in May!

NOTICE OF ROADWORKS - WHITEHEAD STREET, COROWA

Federation Council is upgrading Whitehead Street (from Steel St to Redlands Rd) starting **Tuesday 20 May** until **Wednesday 28 May** (7pm - 4:30pm, weather permitting). To ensure efficient work, there will be no parking on Whitehead St (7am - 5pm) over this time. Residents should expect short, temporary restrictions to driveway access (approx. 5-10 mins) and brief road closures. We recommend businesses and residents consider alternative routes during work hours. Traffic controllers will be on-site to help navigate the area. We understand this may cause some inconvenience and appreciate your cooperation as we work to improve our local road network. Learn more from Council's website.

AUTHOR TALK - GORDON NIGHTINGALE

Gordon Nightingale, a talented local writer, draws upon his own life experiences to craft compelling poetry and imaginative science fiction novels. Come along for a relaxed afternoon of conversation and enjoy a cuppa while you chat with Gordon about his writing journey and inspirations at the Corowa Library.

- **Thursday 29 May, 2025** at 3pm

This is a free event, but bookings are essential. To secure your place, please phone the Corowa Library on **02 6033 8941**.

We look forward to seeing you there!



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