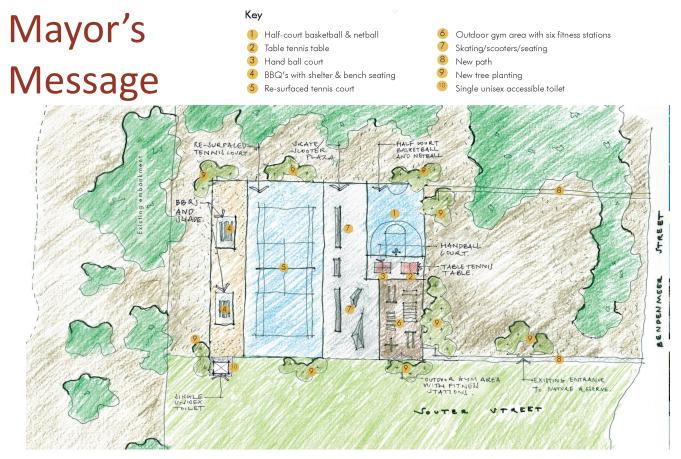
# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER







The design of the Bundarra Multi-Courts project which is nearing completion. Features include an arena for skating and scooters, outdoor gym area, basketball/netball half court, hand ball court and table tennis table, along with BBQs, seating and toilet.

he start of Spring brings with it the perfect weather to enjoy the beauty of the outdoors, where ever you live across the Uralla Shire. The joy of exercising outdoors is made even sweeter at present as it offers us a refreshing change from the rest of our days spent indoors at home during this latest COVID-19 lockdown.

Residents of Bundarra and surrounds will soon have a beaut new place to exercise, as the lighting is installed and finishing touches are added to the Multi-Courts project. involved in developing the design, which is pictured here.

Thank you to the Bundarra General Store for generously assisting to coordinate community feedback on the project, and to others who have been instrumental in making this project a reality - thank you all.

Improvements at the Uralla Swimming Pool are also being finalised, with the accessible toilet and change room now completed. Along with the improved parking at the front, an upgraded canteen and the fantastic mural and shade sails, it's set to be a great place to enjoy the warmer months. The current plan is to open the pool in October, COVID restrictions permitting. Wishing you good health,

### **Mayor Michael Pearce**



Students from Bundarra Central were

### MCMAUGH'S RESIDENTS STAY CONNECTED

During our lockdown period, residents of McMaughs Gardens have been making phone calls and catching up on Face-time with their families and having Zoom catch-ups with our volunteers.



# SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY LIBRARY PROGRAM

Planning is underway for the September School Holiday Library Program (holidays run from Monday 20 September to Friday 1 October).

The program will focus on online activities, featuring the Central Northern Regional Library Innovation Studio.

Activities so far include:

- Slime Time (fun interactive activity making different slimes)
- Microwave recipes in a mug (quick and easy snack recipes)
- Movies through Kanopy and Beamafilm
- Making a flying Albatross with Pool Noodles and Cardboard

Keep an eye on the website and Facebook for more details as they become available.

### DRAFT LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN TO GO ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

How can councils and communities work together to manage a Shire's financial sustainability?

That is the challenge councils must embrace each year as they review service costs, prepare a budget, determine fees and charges and develop an annual operational plan. In doing so, councils demonstrate how they will resource the goals of their community strategic plan as defined in their long term delivery programs.

Uralla Shire Council's 2021-2022 Operational Plan (including Budget and Fees and Charges) was adopted by Council after a multistage community engagement process, and all documents are now available on Council's website for residents to access.

The next step is to look to the longer-term view – securing financial sustainability over the next decade through the Long Term Financial Plan.

Council is looking to find that right

balance, guided by community feedback, on how to secure the revenue needed to run essential Council services – like water, waste, roads – as well as those additional services that build a strong and healthy community - library, transport, aged care, sporting facilities and so on.

A fair approach involves determining which services ought to be subsidised by the broader community, and which services users should expect to pay the full cost.

The financial plan is based on the following key strategies:

• Provide spending on infrastructure renewal so that Council's physical assets are maintained to standards that provide functionality and serviceability

• Rate increases that are equitable and not excessive and that the increase can be justified in a positive and transparent manner • A pricing strategy for services based on a combination of subsidisation and user-pays principles.

• New community assets to be funded via property developer contributions.

Throughout the months of September and October we will be seeking submissions from our residents and ratepayers to start a conversation on the Shire's financial sustainability. Please visit uralla.nsw.gov.au/Community/ Community-Consultation.

If you wish to have a copy of the consultation materials posted to you, please contact Customer Service on (02) 6778 6300.



### **ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION**

Draft Policy: Disposal of Assets 2021

The draft Policy: Disposal of Assets 2021 has been prepared as part of Council's ongoing policy review program.

The objective of the draft Policy is to provide a systematic and accountable method for the disposal of surplus assets that is transparent and complies with Council's Code of Conduct and Supplier Code of Conduct.

Submissions can be made to Council up until 5:00pm, 28 September 2021.

### Draft 7.11 and 7.12 Developer Contribution Plans

The Draft 7.11 and 7.12 Developer Contribution Plans have been drafted to provide an update to Council's existing Section 94 Contributions Plans which are inconsistent with 2018 amendments to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the Uralla Local Environmental Plan 2012.

### Submissions can be made to Council up until 5:00pm, 27 September 2021.

Proposed amendments to 2021-22 Fees and Charges

Proposed amendments relate to:

- Uncontaminated garden and wood waste charges
- Pool admission fees
- Construction certificate fees

# Submissions can be made up until 5:00pm, 27 September 2021.

All submissions must be made in writing and can be submitted by letter addressed to the Office of the General Manager, PO Box 106, Uralla NSW 2358 or by email to council@uralla.nsw.gov.au.

More information on each of these consultations can be found at: <u>uralla.nsw.gov.au/Community/</u> <u>Community-Consultation</u>

## FUNDING SECURED FOR COURT HOUSE RESTORATION



Uralla Court House, cnr of Maitland and Hill Streets, Uralla

\$925,000 has been secured through Federal and State funding to restore the historic Uralla Court House to be suitable for adaptive reuse.

Uralla is lucky to have beautiful examples of 19th and 20th Century architecture which are showcased in the town's heritage walk.

Council is very appreciative of the opportunity through this grant to restore the Court House building.

Works will include:

- roof repairs
- flooring
- painting
- electrical renewal
- a new kitchen
- fencing

a solar array

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- restoration of doors
- asbestos removal.

Restoration works are to be completed by 30 June 2023.

Updates will be posted to <u>https://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au/</u> <u>Council-Services/Major-Projects</u>

Council is yet to scope the range of possible uses for this Court House building however consideration will include how to fund the building's ongoing operational costs.

Community input to this consideration will be sought shortly.

### Development Application and Complying Development Certificate Approvals July 2021 Approvals:

Applicant	Property	Development
Ms B Banister	73 Macleay Way, Saumarez Ponds	Cabana
Uralla Showground Land Manager	8A King Street, Uralla	Primitive Camping, Disabled Toilet & Shower, and Dump Site
Uniplan Group Pty Ltd	39A Uralla Street North, Uralla	Installation of Manufactured Dwelling & Two Bay Shed
Mr W Sellings	26 Maitland Street, Uralla	Carport & Relocated Shed
Mr M Ayre	36 East Street, Uralla	Shed
	Ms B Banister Uralla Showground Land Manager Uniplan Group Pty Ltd Mr W Sellings	No.No.Ms B Banister73 Macleay Way, Saumarez PondsUralla Showground Land Manager8A King Street, UrallaUniplan Group Pty Ltd39A Uralla Street North, UrallaMr W Sellings26 Maitland Street, Uralla

Withdrawals: Nil

Refusals: Nil

The Notices of Determination for the above Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates are available for public Inspection, free of charge, during office hours at Uralla Shire Council pursuant to Section 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 No. 203*.

# CIVIL WORKS

### August

- Preparation of Old Gostwyck, • Hariet Gully and Corey roads for sealing
- Commenced footpath construction in Bundarra
- Commenced construction of approaches to Tolleys Gully Bridge

### Coming up: September

- Sealing of Old Gostwyck, Hariet Gully and Corey roads
- Sealing of 2km section of Hawthorne Drive from Rocky River **Road intersection**



The purchase of a refurbished Compactor Plant will extend the life of the landfill

# Catch up on your Council Meetings

### August Ordinary Meeting of Council

- Resolved to place the draft Policy: Disposal of Assets 2021 on Public Exhibition
- Resolved put proposed amendments to the 2021-2022 Fees and Charges on Public Exhibition. These proposed amendments relate to:
  - 1. Uncontaminated garden and wood waste charges
  - Aquatic Centre child 2. admission fees
  - 3. Construction certificate fees
- Adopted the revised Uralla Shire Council Drought Management Plan (with some revisions)

# Meeting Dates

Outside of stay at home restrictions, Council Meetings are open to the public. Numbers are limited due to COVID-safe distancing guidelines social which are designed to protect the health and safety of our community. Face masks are currently required to be worn.

Agendas, business papers, minutes, and meeting webcasts are published Council's website on at uralla.nsw.gov.au/Council/ **Council-Meetings** 

- Endorsed the draft Uralla Section 7.11 and 7.12 Developer Contributions Plans for Public Exhibition and submission of the Plans to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment for consideration and comment
- Determined that the Budget Review and Finance Committee continue to meet bi-monthly during 2021-22

### August Extraordinary Meeting of Council

Accepted tenders for 1x refurbished Tana E320 Compactor and 1x John Deere 624K-II WasteSpec Front End Loader



General Managers sessions for Councillors (refer to Public Notices on website for details)

Ordinary Meeting of Council Tuesday, 28 September 2021, 12:30pm Council Chambers.

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