

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



July 2023

## Mayor's Message

**W**e celebrated NAIDOC Week 3-9 July. This is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that First Nations Australians make to our country and to our society. This year's theme For our Elders acknowledges and celebrates the invaluable contribution Elders provide for our community. Elders from Walcha and Uralla, Councillors and community members weathered rain and cool temperatures to attend Council's NAIDOC celebrations on 4 July. I extend my thanks to the Elders, community, Councillors and staff for a wonderful celebration.



Council is saddened by the recent passing of the much loved, respected and admired Uncle Les (Leslie Raymond Townsend 1942-2023) A leader of his, and the broader community. He will be sadly missed.

Council adopted its annual Operational Plan 2023-24 at the extra ordinary meeting on 29 June. Thank you to those who made submissions as this is an important part of the decision making process. The Operational plan continues the work we have commenced in executing the four year Delivery Program. In particular, Council will work on a range of projects which support service efficiency and reliability including work on a significant information technology upgrade, water mains upgrades, ongoing road rehabilitation and renewal, an integrated water cycle management strategy and the preparation of a long term waste management strategy.

Council has also adopted the fees and charges schedules for 2023/2024. Details have been posted on Council's website. Included with the 2023/2024 rates notice will be vouchers that can be used at the Uralla and Bundarra waste facilities to provide some cost relief for the disposal of domestic green waste. Details will be included on the vouchers.

We recognise from the work undertaken last year that long term financial sustainability remains a significant issue for our community. This will require a further and ongoing review of our financial position and the services we are providing, both of which will necessarily involve further consultation with the community. This year Council is reliant on the additional grant funding that we have secured for road renewal and will be diverting staff time normally spent on road maintenance to road renewal which will assist to keep a positive cash-flow.

It is with a heavy heart that I announce that our Executive Director Corporate and Community has resigned from Council. Christine and her husband have decided to relocate to SE Qld to be closer to their three children and their families, including their seven grandchildren. Council is very grateful for her significant contributions during the last six years. Under her leadership the Council's Aged and Community Services, and more recently Corporate Services, have thrived. We will miss her consistent compassion, composure and well informed expertise.

Council has commenced the recruitment process for a new Executive Director Corporate and Community.

**Mayor, Robert Bell**

## URALLA LIBRARY

Children's Book Week is celebrated in schools and public libraries across Australia each August and this year the theme is "Read, Grow, Inspire". We have colourful displays in the library to showcase the theme and colouring and activity sheets for while in the library or to take home. We will be highlighting the Children's Book of the Year shortlisted titles and will be spending the week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators.

On Tuesday 22 August we will be presenting a special storytime for Book Week. Our staff will be dressed in costume and we invite our storytime kids and carers to dress up as their favourite book character. There will be prizes for best costumes on the day.

Join us at the library during Children's Book Week as we celebrate the joy of books and reading.

We are now taking bookings for 2024 Artist of the Month exhibitions. All emerging and established artists who live or work in the Uralla Shire LGA are invited to exhibit their artworks at the library for a month. Please call into the library to pick up an application form and have a chat with our staff if you are interested in showcasing your artwork.



*Our Artist of the Month exhibition for July is a collaboration between emerging artist Bruce Cockbain and Gomeroi artist Donna Moodie inspired by the sentience of country. All works are acrylic and medium on canvas.*



Bookings are also being taken for our Community Corner cabinet displays in 2024. This is a wonderful opportunity for groups to promote the invaluable work they do in our community. If you are a community group and have not used our Community Corner in the past we would be happy to show you around and discuss a display opportunity with you.



*We have a beautiful display in our library to celebrate NAIDOC week – "For our Elders"*

## STREET STORE SCHEDULE

Located at 60 Bridge St, Uralla

4 30 July

## Samaritans Purse

31 July 6 August  
Can Assist Uralla

7 - 13 August  
Lodge of Peace - Masonic Lounge



# GREENWASTE, RECYCLING & WASTE COLLECTION DATES 2023/2024



## Waste Collection Calendar 2023/2024

July 2023							August 2023							September 2023							October 2023						
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Uralla Township-General waste & recycling collection dates
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NSW Public Holidays - Normal collection dates

Bundarra - General waste & recycling collection dates
Invergowrie, Arding, Saumarez Ponds - General waste & recycling collections
Kentucky - General waste collection dates

The Greenwaste collection service is available as an opt-in service for residents in Uralla township only. To access the service residents need to purchase a bin from Council as well as pay for the service. Please contact Uralla Shire Council for details 6778 6300.

Please put your bins out the night before your collection day so as not to miss an early morning collection.

Kerbside services are available in some circumstances, and upon prior arrangement, for residents in other areas of the Shire. If you live outside one of these localities and would like to know if a kerbside waste service is available for your property, please contact the Uralla Shire Council on 6778 6300.

## Development Application and Complying Development Certificate Approvals

Development Applications currently under assessment by Uralla Shire Council can be found on our website by typing the following address into your internet browser <https://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au/Council-Services/Building-Development/Development-Application-Tracking>

The Notices of Determination for these Development Applications and Complying Development Certificates are available for public inspection, free of charge, during office hours at Uralla Shire Council.

# CIVIL WORKS

## Upcoming & Ongoing over next quarter

- Graveling and grading Stoney Batter Road, Bundarra.
- Graveling and grading Carlon-Menzies Road, Uralla.
- Refresh line marking on Regional and main Rural roads.
- Commence slashing in Kingstown area.
- Commence Two Mile Creek Rehabilitation and widening project. Thunderbolts Way, Abington.
- Roman Street, Uralla pavement reinstatement and sealing up to new kerb and gutter road width.
- Pothole patching and maintenance on sealed rural and urban roads.
- Continue roadside slashing.
- Continue footpath and verge maintenance in Uralla and Bundarra Townships, and approaches, and at the parks and cemeteries.
- Continue sign maintenance.
- Tree pruning in parks and around Uralla and Bundarra Township.



Plane Avenue, Uralla footpath before the last 2 panels were poured. Finished the 22/23 program up to Rowan Avenue corner.

## Catch up on your Council Meetings

At the June Ordinary Meeting, Council resolved to:

- Endorse the stage 1 and stage 2 Pioneer Park Project plans
- Note the Third Quarter budget Review Statement 2022-2023
- Receive the May monthly Financial and Monthly Investment reports
- Adopt the revised Statement of Business Ethics 2023
- Defer consideration on the investment in residential property in Uralla

At the June extraordinary meeting Council resolved to adopt the 2023/2024 Operational Plan and Budget

## Meeting Dates

Meetings are open to the public subject to current COVID guidelines. Agendas, business papers, minutes, and meeting webcasts are published on Council's website at [uralla.nsw.gov.au/Council/Council-Meetings](http://uralla.nsw.gov.au/Council/Council-Meetings)

## Ordinary Meeting of Council

Tuesday, 25 July 2023, 4:00pm Council Chambers

## Council Workshops and Public Forums

Refer to Public Notices on the Council website for details

### Uralla Shire Council Aged and Community Care Services

**McMaugh Gardens** - Residential Aged Care - Permanent & Respite  
Call 6778 6380

**Tablelands Community Support (TCS)** - Home Care Packages (HCP),  
Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) | Call 6778 6350

**Tablelands Community Transport (TCT)** - Provision of community  
transport services | Call 6778 6451



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