

**TENDERS AND RFQ**

#Q21/2023  
**HORSHAM CITY OVAL EARTHWORKS HILL REMOVAL**  
Closes 12noon, Wednesday 23 November

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**RECONSTRUCTION OF HOCKING STREET**  
Closes 12noon, Friday 11 November

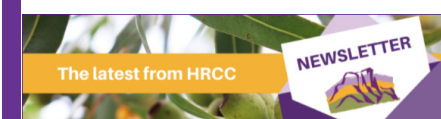
#Q13/2023  
**ACCESSIBLE DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS FOR AMENITIES**  
Closes 5pm, Monday 21 November

All tender, EOI and RFQ details online at: [www.eprocure.com.au/horsham-rural-city-council/](http://www.eprocure.com.au/horsham-rural-city-council/)



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HEALTH AND WELLBEING SESSIONS

Council is partnering with fitness and wellbeing providers to deliver free sessions at Sawyer Park.

**This Saturday**  
**Fit4You Haven Tai Chi Session**

Slow gentle flowing movements with deep breathing. Tai Chi is great for your mental wellness and helps to increase balance and energy flow.

**ALL SESSIONS START 9AM**

# New grader to tackle road program

A new motor grader has joined Horsham Rural City Council's road plant fleet.

The six-wheel-drive John Deere 672GP will be responsible for the important task of road re-construction and maintenance across the municipality.

The timing of its delivery is particularly valuable as HRCC gets to work repairing flood damaged roads.

"The new grader is a big step up in technology compared to the older machines. This allows it to provide much improved fuel economy, driver comfort and ease of operation," Acting Fleet Coordinator Tim McDonald said.

"Graders have traditionally been one of the more difficult pieces of equipment to master but manufacturers have incorporated GPS guidance technology to make operation easier and increase production and efficiency," he said.

With a road network that spans more than 3,000 kms, Council's graders can always be found working on road maintenance, improvement and rehabilitation.

"We aim to replace our graders every



**ASSET RENEWAL:** Acting Fleet Coordinator Tim McDonald with the new grader.

10 years to obtain good trade in values while minimising repairs and down time," Mr McDonald said.

One of the new grader's first operations will be the reconstruction of Polkemmet Road in the north west of the municipality.

As well as sealed road construction

work, the grader will be used for the gravel road re-sheeting program which will continue in the Haven and Wartook areas in coming weeks.

The new grader is one of five motor graders in the HRCC fleet and replaces an older model which has recently completed 10,000 working hours.

## STOP MOSQUITOES FROM BREEDING IN YOUR BACKYARD

Residents are being urged to do their part to limit the breeding of mosquitoes in their backyards, as Horsham Rural City Council steps up its control program ahead of summer.

Council's Environmental Health team uses an integrated mosquito management approach, including larval and adult insecticides to control mosquito numbers.

But its co-ordinator Luke Mitton said it was up to locals to do their part in their own backyard.

"Reducing breeding grounds for mosquitoes is one of the most effective ways to limit mosquito numbers in the Horsham area. You can do your part by regularly emptying out stagnant water from containers, pet bowls, old tyres, bird baths and flowerpots," Mr Mitton said.

"While there are no outbreaks at the moment, mosquitoes in Horsham have the potential to carry and transmit diseases like Ross River Fever, Barmah Forest Virus, Dengue Fever and Japanese Encephalitis, all of which have serious health implications.

"Using personal protections like using insect repellent, wearing long-sleeved loose-fitting clothing, avoiding the outdoors at dawn and dusk, and using mosquito coils around the house can reduce your chance of being bitten and avoid a potential mosquito-borne disease."

Don't forget the children – and consider spraying or rubbing insect repellents on their clothes rather than directly onto their skin.



**NOT WELCOME:** HRCC Environmental Health Co-ordinator Luke Mitton and Horsham resident Morelle Pedler make sure there is no stagnant water for mosquitoes to breed in.

## MAYORAL ELECTION

Members of the Public are advised that the Horsham Rural City Council will hold a Council Meeting on Thursday 17 November 2022 at 5.30pm in the Municipal Offices, Council Chamber, Roberts Avenue, Horsham.

The purpose of the Council Meeting will be for the election of the Mayor and related matters.

The meeting will also be livestreamed on the Horsham Rural City Council website [www.hrcc.vic.gov.au](http://www.hrcc.vic.gov.au).

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MULTIPLE BIRTH SUPPORT PROGRAM

Do you love babies? Would you enjoy helping a local family look after their twins, triplets or more? We need your help!

The Horsham Rural City Council and Maternal Child Health Nurse centre recruits, trains and coordinates local people to help multiple birth families in their homes, primarily when their multiples are babies.

To express your interest in becoming a volunteer for this program, contact Jo Taylor on 0437 747 280.

## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

**28 November 2022 - 5.30pm**  
For details visit [hrcc.vic.gov.au](http://hrcc.vic.gov.au)

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