



## Wimmera Councils to advance gender equity

Four Wimmera Councils have received Victorian Government funding to improve the way they engage with the public so that a diversity of women's voices are better heard.

Horsham Rural City Council (HRCC) was successful in applying for the Free from Violence Local Government Grants scheme and will partner with the neighbouring Shires of West Wimmera, Hindmarsh and Yarriambiack to deliver the gender equity in community engagement project.

HRCC Chief Executive Officer Sunil Bhalla said the 12-month project would provide greater community participation in local planning and decision making processes.

"This project will lead the auditing and review of HRCC and partnering Councils current community engagement processes, including Council committees to identify broader community representation," Mr Bhalla said.

"Wimmera Councils are committed to improving and strengthening community engagement so that all of our community, particularly women and girls, can participate.

"It is important that we all work together to increasing awareness and develop a greater understanding in community engagement of how gender inequality can lead to violence against women.

"Gender inequality is the root cause of family violence and strategies that promote positive, equal and respectful relationships can help to prevent violence against women.

Mr Bhalla said preventing family violence was a key part of HRCC's Health and Wellbeing Policy.



## HRCC says NO to family violence

Council has designed "say no to family violence" bumper stickers as part of White Ribbon's 16 Days of Activism.

The message will be displayed on Council's corporate and operations vehicles.

"The Wimmera has one of the highest rates of family violence in the state," Mayor Mark Radford said.

"These statistics are alarming and Council is taking a stand. What we want to say very clearly to our community is that any form of violence is completely unacceptable.

"Family violence is everyone's responsibility and we need to involve everyone in the conversation if we are to turn the statistics around," he said.

The 16 Days of Activism started last Friday (International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women) and ends on 10 December which is International Human Rights Day.

Visit [whiteribbon.org.au](http://whiteribbon.org.au) for more information.

### CAREERS

Horsham Rural City Council is an outwardly focused, modern and progressive organisation which is highly committed to innovative practice. The Council provides excellent employment conditions and flexibility to meet staff needs to achieve work/life balance.

#### Manager Arts, Culture and Recreation

Lead and manage Council's arts, community and recreation programs to create safe, healthy and connected communities.

Applications close 9 December 2018

For more information on this position contact contact Director Community Wellbeing, Kevin O'Brien on (03) 5382 9743.1

To obtain a position description and to apply visit [hrcc.recruitment.com.au](http://hrcc.recruitment.com.au)



### WHAT'S ON

Horsham and Grampians Visitor Information Centre  
20 O'Callaghan Parade  
Ph: 5382 1832 email: [tourism@hrcc.vic.gov.au](mailto:tourism@hrcc.vic.gov.au)



#### Makers' Gallery & Studio Christmas Market

Saturday, 9am to 1pm, Horsham Library carpark, McLachlan St  
About 80 stalls of locally-made items including giftware, artworks, clothing, jewelry, toys, baked goods and more. Ph: 0427 777 198

#### Haven Market

Saturday, 9am to 1pm, Haven Recreation Reserve  
Fresh fruit and vegetables, homemade cakes, produce and interesting crafts. Ph: 0409 257 256

#### Beer, Beats, Cider & Sliders

Sunday, between Rowing and Apex club rooms  
Launch of mobile Cafe on the Wimmera River.  
Ph: Jodie 0476 007 054

#### Horsham Carols By Candlelight 2018

Sunday, 5.30pm to 10pm, Soundshell, Sawyer Park, Horsham  
Annual community Christmas Carols event to ignite the Christmas spirit. Free entry (Donations welcome). Ph: 0404 092 407

#### Dance for Cancer - Old Time Dance

Tuesday, 7pm, Hamilton Lamb Memorial Hall, Kalkee Road  
Dance evening to raise money for the Cancer Council. Cost: \$6 with supper. Ph: 5382 4371 or 0419 538 206

### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Horsham Regional Art Gallery and Horsham Town Hall are looking for expressions of interest for new workshop leaders.

We are looking for artists or teachers experienced in traditional art mediums, contemporary art mediums, audio visual, photography, STEAM, coding and robotics.

Horsham Regional Art Gallery offers a range of workshops throughout the year to children through to adults. Workshop presenters are paid and this would be a wonderful opportunity for the right persons to develop their own skills and expand their network.

We are keen to see your skills and hear your ideas.

For further information contact Project Officer Faith Hardman  
Ph: 5382 9578 or [faith.hardman@hrcc.vic.gov.au](mailto:faith.hardman@hrcc.vic.gov.au)



### MEALS ON WHEELS

Council thanks the following volunteers from October:

Red Cross, Horsham Apex Club, St Michaels and St Johns Primary School, Horsham City Bowling Club, Horsham Primary School, Mrs Vince Antouncci, Mr & Mrs Karl Kaucner, Ms Joylene Turgoose and Mr Ian Clough.

### WDA BOARD VACANCY

Council is inviting nominations for its Community Representative on the Wimmera Development Association (WDA) Board for a two-year period starting 1 January 2019.

The WDA meets monthly as the leading influential economic development organisation for the economic growth and development in the Wimmera.

Persons interested in this board position should lodge a written application and CV to Council's Chief Executive Officer, Sunil Bhalla by 5pm, 7 December 2018.

### TENDERS

#### SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SEEDLINGS FOR RURAL REVEGETATION PROGRAM 2019

Tender No. 19/015

Tenders close at 12 Noon Thursday 29 November 2018

#### CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR HORSHAM URBAN TRANSPORT NETWORK PLAN

Tender No. 19/019

Tenders close 12 Noon Tuesday 18 December 2018

#### STAGE 1 ISSUES, OPPORTUNITIES & DIRECTIONS REPORT TO SUPPORT THE HORSHAM SOUTH STRUCTURE PLAN

Tender No. 19/016

Tenders close 12 Noon Wednesday 5 December 2018

Submissions are invited from consultants in town planning/urban design, structure planning and stakeholder consultation

#### RECONSTRUCTION OF URBAN ROADS

Tender No. 19/014

Fechler Avenue - Kalimna Avenue to Valentine Street  
Federation Avenue - Drummond Street to Kalimna Avenue  
Frederick Street - Wavell Street to north 140 metres  
Gardenia Street - Laurel Street to Wotonga Drive  
Wavell Street - Queen Street to Kalkee Road

Tenders close at 12 Noon Wednesday 12 December 2018

#### HORSHAM AQUATIC CENTRE STAGE 2 OUTDOOR POOL REPAIR/UPGRADE

Tender No. 19/017

Tenders close at 12 Noon, Friday 21 December, 2018

#### RECONSTRUCTION DIMBOOLA MINYIP ROAD

Tender No. 19/018

Tenders close at 12 Noon, Friday 21 December, 2018

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