

Free flu vaccination for children under five

Horsham Rural City Council children aged between six months and under five years can get free flu shots.

Manager Community Services and Safety Mandi Stewart said the Health Department recommended people aged six months and over get the annual vaccination, unless there was a medical reason not to.

“Vaccination is the most important measure to prevent influenza and its complications,” Ms Stewart said.

“While everyone has been focussed on COVID-19 vaccines in recent years, the influenza vaccine is just as important.

“We strongly recommend people get the shot to keep their families and community safe. It’s not mandatory but is available for those who want it,” she said.

The Australian Government supplies seasonal influenza vaccines through the National Immunisation Program (NIP) for people most at risk.

Due to their increased risk of complications from the flu, the following groups can get flu shots for free.

However Council is only able to vaccinate the under-fives. Flu vaccinations are also available through local GPs and chemists.

- All children aged six months to less than five years
- All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged six months and over
- Pregnant women (during any stage of pregnancy)
- All people aged 65 years and over



FREE SHOT: Dad Wade and son Henry with Horsham Rural City Council nurse Brooke.

- People aged six months and over with medical conditions which increase the risk of flu complications
- Children who have not received a flu vaccination before will require a booster dose 28 days later.

Bookings for children over six months and under five years are available for Tuesday June 20. Book using the QR code.



Free E-waste disposal at transfer stations

With e-waste banned from going to Victorian landfills, residents are being reminded to use the free e-waste disposal services at the Horsham Transfer Station.

E-waste or electronic waste is growing three times faster than any other waste stream.

E-waste is any item with a plug, battery or power cord that is no longer working or wanted.

It covers a vast range of items from phones and refrigerators to fluorescent light tubes, batteries, drills, computers, laptops, mobile phones, printers, remote controls, televisions, the list goes on.

Mayor Robyn Gulline said these items should not go in your rubbish or recycling bin.

“E-waste contains potentially hazardous and valuable materials which do not belong in landfill,” Cr Gulline said.

“E-waste also contains precious metals that can be recovered and reused.”

E-waste can be disposed of for free at any of HRCC's transfer stations.

Once collected, it is recycled in Horsham at Axis Worx.



Aquatic centre change rooms progress

Horsham Aquatic Centre visitors will soon have four new change rooms at their disposal.

The change rooms are currently under construction on the Hamilton Street side of the aquatic centre.

The contractor is currently about a week ahead of schedule, and is now plastering and completing internal fit outs.

Works are expected to be complete by August.

The project will provide two family rooms and two accessible change rooms that allow access to both the indoor and outdoor pools.

In the accessible change rooms, hoists are being fitted to allow all disabled people to use the aquatic centre.

It also includes an outdoor function area with access to a public barbecue, water fountain and kitchenette.

The project is being supported via the Commonwealth Government's Building Better Regions Fund.



TENDERS AND RFQ

23/040
OPERATION OF VARIOUS RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATIONS
Closes 12noon, Wednesday 31 May

Q51/2023
GREEN LAKE SIGNAGE AND AIDS TO NAVIGATION PROJECT
Closes 5pm, Wednesday 31 May

Q53/2023
FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION - PALM AVE
Closes 12noon, Thursday 1 June

Q52/2023
FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION - MARY ST
Closes 12noon, Thursday 1 June

23/039
HORSHAM & NATIMUK HOUSING DIVERSITY & AFFORDABILITY STRATEGY
Closes 12noon, Friday 9 June

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



NATIMUK ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLAN

Project Advisory Committee Members Needed

HRCC is seeking applications from Natimuk community members to join a Project Advisory Committee that will guide the implementation of the Natimuk Economic and Social Plan.

Committee positions will include:

- One Natimuk business operator
- One member with an interest in tourism
- One member with sustainability interests
- One member with recreation interests
- One older person (60 + years)
- One younger person (16-25 years)

Applications close Friday 9 June, 2023

More information and paper copy forms are available at Natimuk Post Office and the Civic Centre in Horsham.

For Terms of Reference and to apply online visit hrcc.vic.



HAVE YOUR SAY

Current Community Engagements

For full details visit the Have Your Say section of the HRCC website

2023-2024 DRAFT BUDGET

The Draft Budget 2023-2024 and Revenue and Rating Plan 2021-2024 are now presented for community inspection with the public able to provide comment until 5 pm, Friday 9 June.



Next Council Meeting: Monday 26 June 2023 - 5.30pm

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