

# COUNCIL NEWS

## Potential Special Rate Variation

Council at the meeting on 16 August voted to start a conversation with the community about a potential special rate variation. Council will take to the community a range of options and is currently preparing the necessary information to show the impact of each of the rate increase options. Community consultation will begin on **Wednesday 23 August** with information being made available on the **YourSay** Bathurst website. A series of community information sessions will also be held, with dates and locations to be advertised soon.

## Temporary Road Closure

### Alpha Street

Alpha Street is closed to traffic between **Russell St and Carlingsford Street** from **7am to 6pm Monday to Friday until 15 September 2023**

The road closure is for water supply works.

For information regarding the closure, please contact Hynash Constructions Pty Ltd on 0451 952 826 or 0439 686 096.

## Howick Street Nightworks

Howick St will be closed between **William St and George St** on **Monday 28 August to Thursday 31 August** for nightworks, from **6pm to 6am** (weather permitting)

## Notice of Proposed Development

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO 2023/222,  
LOT:A DP: 400029 153A HAVANNAH STREET BATHURST.  
ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO A COMMERCIAL  
PREMISES AND USE AS A RESTAURANT.

**Exhibition Period: 21 August 2023 to 4 September 2023**

Plans and documentation submitted with this application can be viewed on Council's online DA tracking system (<http://masterview.bathurst.nsw.gov.au>) or at the Civic Centre during business hours.

*Any submissions may be included without alteration in public reports, on Council's website and to the applicant for comment.*

## Careers @ Council

Working for Council is a stimulating and rewarding career option, providing the opportunity to be part of a team contributing to shaping the success and future of our Region. Please visit [www.bathurst.nsw.gov.au/careers](http://www.bathurst.nsw.gov.au/careers) for a full list of current vacancies.

## Draft Amendment to Bathurst Regional Development Control Plan

Council has prepared an amendment to the Bathurst Regional Development Control Plan 2014 (DCP).

The purpose of the DCP amendment is to provide detailed guidance and planning controls for secondary dwellings and detached studio developments to ensure consistency with other forms of residential development and to preserve existing amenity.

The draft DCP is on exhibition from **7 August 2023 to 4 September 2023** and is available for download from Council's website <https://yoursay.bathurst.nsw.gov.au/DCPAmendments>

## Art Gallery

### Dobell Drawing Prize #23

Free

**2 September - 5 November 2023**

The Dobell Drawing Prize is Australia's leading prize for drawing, an unparalleled celebration of technique, innovation, and expanded approaches to drawing by acclaimed and emerging drawing practitioners.

The Dobell Drawing Prize #23 touring exhibition showcases over 45 finalist artworks that respond to the Prize's fundamental question: what is drawing? The answers are compelling, challenging, and exhilarating, in an astonishing array of mediums and materials, from traditional pencil and graphite on paper to salt, staples and rust; from resin, fibreglass, enamel and wood to intricate three-dimensional wire objects; bodily video performance to sculptural forms built with tea bags and bamboo.

**Opening Friday 1 September 2023, 6pm**

## Village Meetings 2023

Council will be holding its next round of meetings with residents in rural areas during September and October 2023. You are invited to attend and meet with Councillors and Council's Senior Staff to discuss projects Council is currently undertaking and any other matters of interest to you.

Each meeting will be held at the following locations:

- Sofala, Sofala Community Hall – 7 September 2023 at 6.00pm
- Eglinton, War Memorial Hall – 14 September 2023 at 6.00pm
- Yetholme, Community Hall – 25 September 2023 at 6.00pm
- Raglan, Community Hall – 19 October 2023 at 6.00pm
- Peel, Peel Schoolhouse – 30 October 2023 at 6.00pm

If you have any enquiries, please contact Council on 6333 6111.

## Community Tree Planting Day

Join us on **Sunday 27 August 2023** for our Community Tree Planting Day and lend a hand to help plant native plants along a tributary of Raglan Creek.

Commencing at **10 am** in **Bonnor Street Drainage Reserve**, just off Murdoch Place, the event welcomes adults and kids alike to participate in planting native trees, shrubs, and grasses.

After the planting activities, the Bathurst Regional Council will host a free BBQ lunch for all participants.

Remember to bring your own water, sunscreen, hat, suitable shoes, and outdoor clothing. To ensure safe hygiene practices, we kindly ask you to bring your own gardening gloves, while hand washing facilities will be provided by the council. And don't worry about a little rain—this event will proceed even in light showers. Just remember to bring a raincoat if needed. Parking is available in Murdoch Place, Kelso. Four-wheel drive (4WD) vehicle access to the planting site is **ONLY** permissible for volunteers with a disability. This access is available via Murdoch Place.

For more information contact Councils Community Environmental Engagement Programs Officer Bill Josh (Habitat Connect) on 0407 256 791 or Councils Environmental Programs

Coordinator Kristie Kearney on 02 6333 6233.

