



## Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct underway

Work on the Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct officially commenced in July. The first sod was turned on the site by Mayor, Cr Tim Overall and CEO Peter Tegart, Dr Aunty Matilda House and ADCO Construction Manager, Matthew Wilkinson. Dr Aunty Matilda House also performed a traditional smoking ceremony to acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional custodians of the land.

Now that work is underway there have been changes to parking in the CBD.

- ▶ You can find out more about these parking changes and what is involved in the project at [qprc.nsw.gov.au/qccp](http://qprc.nsw.gov.au/qccp)

## Christmas in September Market

**AMENDMENT \*** These markets were cancelled on 23 August\*

The Christmas in July Markets are now being held Sunday 19 September between 10am-3pm at the Queanbeyan Showground, subject to relevant NSW Public Health orders.

We are very excited to be bringing you a range of food, wares, treats and Christmas inspired goodies.

The rescheduled event will feature:

- Our first Carol Karaoke - Caroloke competition
- A Christmas wrapping competition
- Santa photos
- ... and so much more.

- ▶ Find out more at [bit.ly/QBNChristmasMarket](http://bit.ly/QBNChristmasMarket)



## Local Government Elections POSTPONED

In late July the NSW Government announced the Local Government elections would be postponed until **Saturday 4 December 2021**. The change was made due to COVID-19 and the resulting Public Health Orders impacting Greater Sydney.

- ▶ A new timeline of key dates is available on the NSW Electoral Commission Website along with an FAQ on changes and what they mean for candidates and electoral staff [bit.ly/LGEQPRC](http://bit.ly/LGEQPRC)



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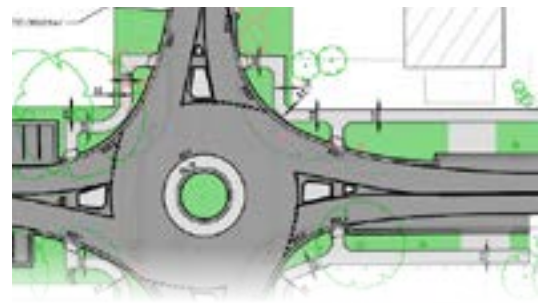
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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR, TIM OVERALL

It has been a busy few months at Council with our Towards 2042 Community Strategic Plan consultation, the postponed local government elections and beginning of work for the Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct.

Grading on rural roads has been progressing, with work in the last month including Hoskinstown Road, Rossi Road and resheeting on Harolds Cross Road. There have also been significant works on Tomsitt Drive reconstructing the lanes towards Lanyon Drive.

Other activities include: securing over \$360,000 of Federal Blackspot Funding for dangerous intersections, progressing the Botanic-Sister City Gardens in Queanbeyan to the detailed design phase and receiving the Construction Management Plan for the seal of Miners Road and replacement of Foxlow Street Bridge in Captains Flat.



## Bungendore Roundabout

Work on the Bungendore Roundabout is expected to commence by September and construction is expected to take five months, weather permitting. During construction one lane of traffic will be maintained, however, drivers should expect delays and plan their trip accordingly.

The roundabout will improve traffic flow and formalise some parking in the area as well as improving pedestrian safety with designated refuge crossings. Some driveways will also be relocated to improve safety.

- For more information on the project head to [bit.ly/BND-Rdbt](https://bit.ly/BND-Rdbt)



## Waste Changes

Following the adoption of the QPRC Waste Strategy, all QPRC ratepayers and residents are now able to access all QPRC waste facilities.

- For opening times, locations, accepted materials and fees & charges, please refer to [bit.ly/WasteTSWMC](https://bit.ly/WasteTSWMC)



## Household Chemical CleanOut

In October, Council and the NSW EPA will run two Chemical CleanOut sessions where residents can correctly dispose of household chemicals and hard to recycle materials for free.

### QUEANBEYAN

- Collett Street car park, 66 Morisset St
- **9 October** 1-4pm

### BRAIDWOOD

- Braidwood Waste Transfer Station
- **10 October** 10am-4.30pm

- The events will be run contact-free to comply with current health advice. For updates head to [bit.ly/ChemCleanout](https://bit.ly/ChemCleanout)



## Disability Inclusion **Action Plan**

Every four years we revisit our Disability Inclusion Action Plan. This plan considers what Council and the community can do so that people with disability can access supports and services, and participate fully in the community. A survey is now online to get your feedback on how you experience our community as a person with disability, carer or community member.

- Head to [bit.ly/DIAP22](https://bit.ly/DIAP22) for more information and to have your say. For assistance submitting your response call **6285 6045**.



# #NaturePact People & Parks Foundation

Council has partnered with the People & Parks Foundation to support the #NaturePact campaign. This campaign encourages residents to be out in nature, enjoying local parks, walks and hikes.

The campaign invites residents to get their dose of nature and gain all the health benefits our green spaces offer.

Throughout the last 18 months many of us have a new appreciation of the importance of nature, bushland and urban parks for mental and physical wellbeing.

Each week of September is an opportunity to get involved, connect with your local, natural spaces and build lasting habits.

- Find out more about the campaign and how you can become involved at [peopleandparks.org](https://peopleandparks.org) and connect with the campaign through our Facebook page.



## Main Street Upgrade Fund Applications Open

A Main Street Upgrade Fund has recently been established to assist owners of commercial buildings to undertake renovations and improvements to façades that contribute to the public streetscape.

This program provides financial assistance on a dollar for dollar basis (excluding GST) for eligible buildings located within the Queanbeyan Central Business District and business-zoned areas in the main streets of Bungendore and Braidwood.

- For more information on eligibility and to apply head to [bit.ly/MSUF-21](https://bit.ly/MSUF-21)



## Pet Ownership

Did you know that lifetime registration is now free for rescue animals? This includes animals from shelters and other approved agencies.

This change was made by the NSW Government and applies to desexed animals.

Getting your pet desexed is the best way to prevent unwanted litters, it also has a range of health benefits. Desexed animals tend to live longer, have a lower risk of certain cancers and are less likely to roam.

- For more information on responsible pet ownership head to [bit.ly/ResPet](https://bit.ly/ResPet)

## Upcoming shows at The Q

**LEAVING JACKSON | RESCHEDULED 7.30pm 9 October 2021**

The Johnny Cash and June Carter show Take a step back in time to when country music told a true story of life, love and heartache. From the famous *Walk The Line* and *Folsom Prison Blues* to the iconic *Ring of Fire*.

**OKLAHOMA! | 15-24 October 2021**

This Broadway classic follows the complicated romance of Laurey (from a farming family) and Curly (a cowboy) along with a cast of interesting characters. This musical includes *Kansas City*, *I Can't Say No* and *The Farmer and The Cowman*.

**JOHN PAUL YOUNG | 8PM 21 October 2021**

From 70's pop icon to the ARIA Hall of Fame, John Paul Young became the soundtrack for the countdown generation and beyond. John tells and sings his own story from Scottish immigrant to his place in Australian music history.



For tickets go to  
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## Regional Sports Complex

The Regional Sports Complex in Jerrabomberra is now in the detailed design phase.

Initial site preparation, including demolition and waste removal, was completed in late 2020 alongside initial archaeological surveys.

An Aboriginal archaeological survey was then required for the DA to progress. This work was completed in late July 2021 and the findings were presented to NSW Heritage, so that the DA can be determined by the Regional Planning Panel, and bulk earthworks commence.

- For updates on the project head to [bit.ly/QP-RSC](http://bit.ly/QP-RSC)



## NatureMapr

Have you ever been walking and seen a plant or animal you want identified?

NatureMapr is an app that allows you to record findings of species that you know, as well as getting answers for those you don't. The app is free to join and covers QPRC and the Canberra region.

- Download the app for IOS or Android and start mapping.

## Rusten House Art Centre

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3-25 September |  
Sueanne Matthews and  
Bradley Santos.

This exhibition shows the diversity of practice of local high school visual arts teachers, Sueanne Matthews and Bradley Santos.

The artworks showcase the individual practice of these teachers and highlight the expertise they foster in their students.

- Find out more about the gallery and future projects at [bit.ly/RustenHouse](http://bit.ly/RustenHouse)



## Next steps for Lascelles Street

The water main upgrade on Lascelles Street, Braidwood between Ryrie Street and Wallace Street began in early August.

The work includes laying the new main along the southern side of Lascelles Street, and then connecting the existing services.

The project is expected to be completed by mid-September, weather permitting.

Once this connection upgrade is completed the Lascelles Street upgrades can finally begin above ground. After a range of delays, including Heritage NSW approval, we hope to begin the work before the end of the year.