



MOORABOOL

SHIRE COUNCIL



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Mayor's Message

One of the most important processes and decisions Councillors are faced with is the adoption of the annual budget and community plan.

Since the Council Elections in March of this year, Councillors have attended a number of detailed workshops and information sessions to achieve a budget that is acceptable and deliverable to the people of Moorabool. It is a difficult process with all Councillors ensuring that the constituents of their Riding are justly provided for.

The 2003 Community Plan and Budget package includes over \$2.1million in new initiatives which will improve services and infrastructure to our communities. The budget is funded by a 5% increase in rate revenue, successful grant applications and borrowings of \$0.78 million.

Council has reviewed its rating strategy and developed four property rating categories;

General (includes developed residential, commercial and industrial) rated at 0.4672 cents in the dollar of capital improved value.

Extractive Industry rated at 0.7008 cents in the dollar of capital improved value.

Vacant Land rated at 0.5840 cents in the dollar of capital improved value.

Farm rated at 0.4205 cents in the dollar of capital improved value.

Council has decided that the farm rate will not be as heavily subsidised this rating year as it has in the past. At the end of the day we are one Shire, one vision. Council has accepted the budget and commends it to the community for review. Written submissions will be accepted until Monday 19 August 2002. Copies of the Community Plan and Budget information are available for inspection at the Ballan and Bacchus Marsh offices.

On Wednesday 31 July 2002, the Human Services Directorate of Moorabool Shire Council successfully launched the "Social Development Plan" at the Council Chambers, Ballan. Mr Shane Strachan, Director, provided a comprehensive and informative presentation which outlined Moorabool's social profile, issues for social well-being, social development priorities within the Shire and planning principles for the future. A tremendous amount of preparation went into this presentation and, on behalf of Council, I would like to congratulate Shane and his staff on a job well done. Printed copies of the plan are available at either the Ballan or Bacchus Marsh offices.

"Rin Tin Tin and Rusty"



Not the original Rin Tin Tin, but just as smart
I'm obedient and loving and full of heart
Rusty is my mate, and we've got a Sheltie too
And lots more to choose from, so we can please you
So call Council's Compliance
on 5366 7100

Public Notices

NOTICE OF PROPOSED BUDGET 2002/2003 AND DECLARATION OF DIFFERENTIAL RATES.

(SECTION 146 OF THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT ACT 1989)

INFORMATION

Moorabool Shire Council has resolved that a budget be prepared and differential rates be declared for the 2002/2003 financial year. The annual budget forms part of Council's three year Community Plan and five year Financial Strategy. The information is provided relative to the proposed budget for the financial year commencing on July 1, 2002.

Please refer to the Public Notice section in the classified advertisements for full details of the Proposed Budget 2002/2003 and Declaration of Differential Rates.

SPECIAL RATE

(SECTION 163

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989)

BACCHUS MARSH CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT - STREETLIFE

Notice is hereby given that the Moorabool Shire Council proposes to make a declaration to levy a special rate for the each of the financial years commencing from 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2005. The special charge and rate is in respect to commercial properties in the Bacchus Marsh Centre Precinct.

For full details of the Special Rate, refer to the Public Notice section in the classified advertisements in this paper.

Get your Tip Tickets Now

Residents in non-compulsory and no garbage service areas are reminded that they are able to purchase tip tickets to use for garbage disposal.

Tickets are available in sheets of 26 vouchers for a cost of \$33.00 and are not valid after 30th June on the year they expire. There is a limit of one sheet per year, and one voucher allows for a 240ltr bin of rubbish and four to six vouchers for a trailer load.

Tickets can be purchased at Moorabool Shire Council offices at Ballan and Bacchus Marsh and can be used at Ballan and Mt Egerton tips and at the Bacchus Marsh Transfer Station.

Is Your Garbage Bin the Correct Size?

Recently in the urban area of Ballan, it has been noticed that a number of residents are using the incorrect bin size being 140 litre mobile bins.

The standard mobile bin size used for domestic garbage collection in the Ballan township is a 120 litre mobile bin. Mobile bins, which are not of the standard size, will not be collected and will remain on the kerbside.

When purchasing a new bin, residents are reminded to ask the correct size of the bin.

Please Note: 120 litre bins are 12cm shorter than 140 litre and 240 litre bins.

If you have any queries regarding your garbage/recycling collection, please contact Customer Service on 5366 7100.

Planning Matters

NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMIT

All Enquiries To : Craig Griffiths

The land affected by the application is located at -

Location: **Ballan Greendale Road**
Title Details: **Crown Allotments 1, 2 3, 4 & 5, Section 5, Parish of Blackwood Greendale**

Town Name: **Ballan**
The application is for a permit to: **Development and Use of Two (2) Tennis Courts**

The applicant for the permit is - **Greendale Reserves Management Committee**

The application reference number - **2002-244**

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The land affected by the application is located at -

Title Details: **Main Street road reserve adjacent to**
Location: **219A & 216-222 Main Street**
Town Name: **Bacchus Marsh**

The application is for a permit to: **Promotion Sign (Community Events and Information)**

The applicant for the permit is - **Moorabool Shire Council**

The application reference number - **2002-245**

You may look at the application and any documents that support the application at the office of the Responsible Authority:

**Moorabool Shire Council,
197 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh
Postal Address PO Box 18 Ballan, 3342**

This can be done during office hours and is free of Charge.

Any person who may be affected by the granting of the permit may object or make other submissions to the Responsible Authority.

An objection must be sent to the Responsible Authority in writing, include the reasons for the objection and state how the objector would be affected.

The Responsible Authority will not decide on the application before - 20 August 2002

If you object, the Responsible Authority will tell you its decision.

Date: 6 August 2002

Before And After School Program

The Ballan Before & After School Program has been running successfully for 6 months now. The YMCA with fantastic support from the Ballan Child Care Proposal Committee and Human Services Department of Moorabool Shire Council have done a great job establishing a much needed service

An average of 60 children per week use the program from Ballan Primary School, St Bridgids Primary School and a transport service ensures Myrning Primary School students have access to quality care, fun activities and social opportunities.

There are still opportunities for other children to be involved in the program, but parents may not realise how affordable it can be. Did you know that by registering with Centrelink you may be eligible for Morning sessions that cost as little as \$1, or Afternoon sessions as little as \$1.50.

"Child Care Benefit" available through the Commonwealth Government aims to make approved Child Care Programs like Before and After School affordable. An income related rebate means that the actual cost to parents is reduced in most instances.

Call Catherine Morton on 5367 6650 for more information on accessing high quality Child Care supported by Child Care Benefit.

Enquiries Contact: Moorabool Shire Council, PO Box 18, Ballan 3342

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