

Council NEWS

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BENALLA
RURAL CITY



Did you know? RECYCLING

Soft plastics, such as garbage bags, can't be recycled.

Across the Benalla community, the most common contamination of our yellow lid (recycling) waste is from soft plastics.

Soft plastics that can't be recycled include balloons, bread bags, bubble wrap, cellophane, cereal box inserts,

chip packets, cling wrap, frozen food bags, reusable shopping bags, plastic bags and garbage bags.

For more information about what can and can't be recycled, download the BRCC Waste App on your smartphone or go to **benalla.vic.gov.au**

Community Grants

The Community Sponsorship Program encourages not-for-profit, community-based organisations to seek funding for projects and activities that develop healthy, vibrant and sustainable communities across Benalla Rural City. You can apply to the Community Sponsorship Program for grants of up to \$500. Applications can be submitted at any time and are presented to the Council each month.

Information about Community Sponsorship Program and other grants can be found at **benalla.vic.gov.au**



Brandon Sebaly received a Youth Participation Grant, which he put toward purchasing new mannequins for the Benalla Aviation Museum. Congratulations, Brandon.

NEW SIGN AT LIBRARY

A new sign on the outside wall of the Library promotes the national sexual assault, domestic family violence counselling service at 1800RESPECT.

Professional help is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you, or someone you know is experiencing sexual assault, domestic or family violence call 1800RESPECT. In an emergency always call Triple Zero (000).



2020-2021 Budget

The Council's 2020/21 has been adopted.

To read the budget in full, go benalla.vic.gov.au



Planning for three-year-old kindergarten begins

The Victorian Government is rolling out three-year-old funded kindergarten. We recognise the importance of early learning programs in our community. We've received funds to work with current providers, parents/caregivers and key community services to explore how three-year-old kindergarten will be delivered in Benalla Rural City in 2022.

Property valuations

All properties are now valued every year by the Valuer General Victoria. The rates you pay are apportioned according to the value and type of your property. Higher valued properties contribute more and lower valued properties contribute less.

The Council collects the Fire Services Property Levy on behalf of the the Victorian Government. The Levy does not form part of Council revenue.

If you feel your property has been incorrectly valued, see the back of your Valuation, Rate, Charge and Levy Notice and contact the Council's Customer Service Centre.

How do you pay your rates?

There are many ways to pay your rates.

You can use BPAY via your online banking service using the Biller Code and reference number shown on your Valuation, Rate, Charge and Levy Notice.

You can also present your rates notice at Australia Post, call Australia Post on 13 18 16 or pay online at postbillpay.com.au

Payments can be made directly to the Council's Customer Service Centre over the phone by credit card or by mailing a cheque.

WORKS AROUND BENALLA RURAL CITY

We've been patching roads in Benalla on Morey Road and Gardner Road. We're preparing bitumen footpaths across the Rural City for resealing.

As we near the end of winter, the street sweeper is busy clearing kerbs and channels across Benalla.

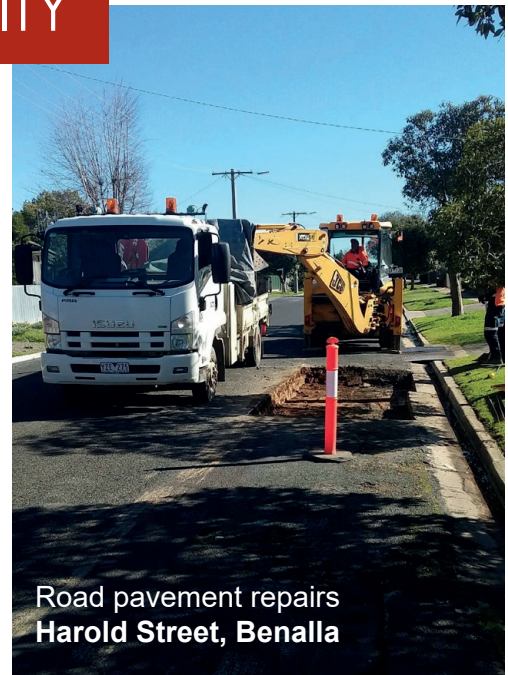
GRADER

Our grader has been working around Winton and Lurg on Old Lurg Road, Coach Road, Webster Road and Grimwade Road.

Around Boweya, we've graded James Road, Leitch Road, Parker Road, Glenrowan-Boweya Road and Thoona-Boweya Road.



Clearing the drains
Irwin Road, Benalla



Road pavement repairs
Harold Street, Benalla

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