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2011 COUNCIL MEETINGS & COMMUNITY FORUM SCHEDULE

MEETING	VENUE	TIME/DATE
Council Meeting	Senior Citizens Hall, Rutherglen	Tuesday 14 June 3pm
Community Forum (light supper provided)	Senior Citizens Hall, Rutherglen	Tuesday 14 June 6.30pm



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HARVEST CELEBRATION THIS WEEKEND

The Harvest Celebration is on this Friday – Sunday at La Trobe Beechworth. The weekend includes a Gala Dinner, a Producers' Picnic, Culinary Theatre and more. Local residents are encouraged to come out in force to support the festival. If you present the cut-out from the back page of the April Indigo Informer at the entry gate, you will pay \$10 entry and have a friend admitted for free.

A free shuttle bus will operate between the venue and the main street of Beechworth from 10am to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday. Parking is available at La Trobe. Please visit www.harvestcelebration.com.au for more information.

Wahgunyah Community Plan meeting Change of venue

The meeting for Wahgunyah residents to determine their priorities for their Community Plan will now be held at the Wahgunyah School of Arts (not the Wahgunyah Primary School) on Monday 16 May from 7pm.

For more information, call Scott Landells on 02 6028 1147, 0427 671 875 or email slandells@indigoshire.vic.gov.au

Comments on updated Council Plan

Council has completed its annual review of the Council Plan, the document that guides its work, and under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989, is asking Indigo community members to provide feedback on it.

The current plan was developed in 2009 through a series of community meetings, a survey and input from Council staff and Councillors. The updated Council Plan 2011-14 is on Council's website and copies are available at Customer Service Centres in Beechworth, Yackandandah, Rutherglen and Chiltern and other sites around the Shire such as stores and some Post Offices.

Under Section 223 of the Local Government Act a person making a submission on the Council Plan can ask to appear at a Council meeting to speak to their submission. If you want to speak to your submission, just highlight that in your written submission.

Please provide your comments by close of business on Monday 16 May, 2011, to the Chief Executive Officer, Brendan McGrath, at the address above. For any further information please call 03 5728 8000 or 1300 365 003.



Free information sessions to help you cut your power bill!

Tonight, Wednesday 11 May at the Rutherglen Senior Citizens Hall, 7pm – 8.30pm. Bring a recent electricity bill. Coffee, tea and light supper supplied. Presenter Karen Retra will discuss how to read your electricity bill and what it means, and discuss strategies to save energy and costs.

HIP POCKET HEROES: Councillor Peter Croucher (pointing to the price of his last electricity bill), Bernadette Cudars, Wal Cameron, Richard Ashman, Karen Retra and Helen Jones, Council Environment Projects Officer at the Yackandandah information session)

Induction for Council contractors

Council wants to ensure a high level of proactive Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare (OHS&W) management during the application of contracts. Council is conducting induction sessions across the Shire for its preferred contractors to inform them of the OHS&W requirements when doing work for the Council.

All contractors and their staff must complete two inductions before commencing work on a Council project, a general organisational induction and then a site-specific induction. General induction sessions are being held:

- Thursday 12, 8am – 10am at the Yackandandah Town Hall
- Friday 13 May, 3am – 5pm at the Senior Citizens Hall Chiltern
- Monday 16 May, 8am – 10am at the Rutherglen Council Chambers (upstairs)
- Thursday 19 May, 3pm - 5pm at the Supper Room of the Beechworth Memorial Hall.

Please contact Lauren Martin on 03 5728 8027 to reserve your place at one of the sessions.

Family Fun Day

The Wangaratta to Milawa Family Fun Day ride is on this Sunday 15 May from 10am – 3pm. The day includes the Grand Opening of the new Wangaratta to Oxley Rail Trail, the Pedal to Produce ride and the Family Fun Day at the Milawa Recreation Reserve. Spot prizes will be handed out on the day to best dressed bikes and teams, so come along for a fun day out. Visit www.murraytomountains.com.au for more information.

Draft Asset Management Plans - Building and Bridges

Council is seeking public comment from the community on the Draft Building Asset Management Plan and the Draft Bridge Asset Management Plan. Copies of the Plans are available for viewing at Council offices located at Beechworth, Yackandandah, Rutherglen and Chiltern during normal business hours, the Post Offices at Kergunyah, Wahgunyah and Barnawartha, the interim Post Office at Stanley, the General Stores at Kiewa and Tangambalanga, or from Council's website www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au. Electronic copies are available on request by contacting Di Townsend on 02 6028 1136 or email dtownsend@indigoshire.vic.gov.au. Submissions are to be addressed to the Manager Assets, PO Box 75, Yackandandah 3749 and must be received by close of business on Monday 23 May 2011.