

# Access All Areas in the Bland Shire

**Bland Shire Council will today launch the latest round of funding under its Access Incentive Grant Scheme to coincide with Local Government Week.**

Applications are invited from local businesses, not for profit community organisations and community service providers for projects to improve public access to and within local buildings and facilities.

The theme for Local Government Week is "Active all Areas" in recognition of the various age groups and diverse cultures Councils work with as well as highlighting Council's role in providing better services for people with a disability.

Council established an Access Advisory Committee in 2000 and their input and recommendations over the last 15 years,

combined with the co-operation of local business and community groups, has helped earned the Bland Shire a glowing reputation as an access friendly community.

To recognise the long standing efforts and achievements of the committee and help celebrate Local Government Week, Council will provide a special morning tea for members of the Access Committee when they gather for their quarterly meeting this morning.

The committee remains as determined as ever to continue to raise Council and community awareness of access issues and improve access to and within buildings and passageways throughout the Shire.

A key strategy towards achieving these goals is Council's Access Incentive Grant which in 2015-2016 has a total of \$15,000

available to support suitable local access friendly projects. The new round of funding, which opens today, closes on Friday 30 October.

Nominations are available online at [www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au](http://www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au) or at Council's Shire Street offices. For more information or to arrange for forms to be posted or emailed people are encouraged to phone Community Development Officer, Rebecca McDonnell on 6972 2266 during business hours.

The Access Committee has responsibility for considering access matters that have been referred to Council from the community and/or committee members and subsequently providing advice from which Council makes formal decisions. The committee will also play a key role in the development of Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan.

## Did You Know?

As well as providing a range of vital services to the local community, Bland Shire Council is responsible for the service and maintenance of –

### A road network comprising -

- 867km of sealed roads
- 2,370km of unsealed roads
- 34km of footpaths and shared pathways
- 190km of kerb and gutter
- 9 bridges
- 47 pedestrian bridges
- 2 car parks
- 1,083 culverts

### 143 buildings and structures

#### including -

- Library/Visitor Information Centre/ Administration offices
- Childrens Services Unit
- Community Care Centre
- Public Halls
- Museums
- Men's Shed
- Buildings under Crown Trust

reserves and Council Section 355 Committees, and

### Council facilities such as -

- 17 parks and recreational spaces
- 15 playgrounds
- 7 sporting precincts including 9 ovals
- Wetlands
- 2 swimming complexes
- Outdoor fitness circuit
- 17 public conveniences/amenities blocks
- 5 cemeteries
- 3 sewerage treatment plants
- Livestock saleyards
- Aerodrome
- 8 landfills
- Animal pound



## PUBLIC NOTICES



**DREAM BIG** the annual one day conference for anyone involved in the arts, culture and community development in the Riverina region and beyond will be held on

**Friday 21 August at the Cootamundra Arts Centre from 10am – 2pm**

*Bland Shire Council is offering limited subsidised places for any artists and/or community volunteers wishing to attend the event.*

*For booking information or further details, please contact Council's Community Development Officer on 02 6972 2266.*

## DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS AND COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 101 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* that Bland Shire Council has consented to the following development applications, modification of development consents and complying development certificates:

| Application No | Address  | Development   | Date of Consent |
|----------------|--|---|-----------------|
| DA/2015/0104   | 12 – 20 Barnado Street, West Wyalong                                   | Covered structure used for a car parking facility             | 8/7/2015        |
| DA/2015/0111   | Adjacent to 138 Main Street, West Wyalong [Luxor Cafe]                 | Use of the footpath for outdoor dining                        | 15/7/2015       |
| DA/2015/0106   | 48 Church Street, West Wyalong   | Double garage and front fence                                 | 21/7/2015       |
| DA/2015/0112   | Adjacent to 268 Neeld Street, West Wyalong [Country Roads Motor Inn]   | Use of the footpath for an "A" frame advertising sign         | 21/7/2015       |
| DA/2015/0114   | Adjacent to 181 Main Street, West Wyalong [Lanyon's Plumbing Supplies] | Use of the footpath for an "A" frame advertising sign         | 22/7/2015       |
| CDC/2015/0007  | 527 Wamboyne Road, Lake Cowal via West Wyalong                         | Demolition of a rural dwelling and surrounding farm buildings | 24/7/2015       |
| DA/2015/098    | 246-248 Neeld Street, West Wyalong                                     | Additions to a commercial premises                            | 29/7/2015       |
| DA/2015/099    | 53 Wollongough Street, Ungarie   | Installation of a manufactured home including a double garage | 31/7/2015       |

The abovementioned development consents, consents as modified and complying development certificates are available for public inspection, free of charge, during ordinary office hours (8.30am to 5pm, Monday to Friday), at Bland Shire Council Offices, Shire Street, West Wyalong.

Ray Smith, General Manager

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**Council wishes to advise that a section of Clear Ridge Road, between Bodells Lane and Lonergans Lane, is closed until further notice due to the unsafe condition of a concrete causeway in this vicinity**  
**Council is organising repairs as a priority and apologises for any inconvenience caused by this closure**

## A PROPOSED VISITORS INFORMATION CENTRE WORKING GROUP

Council is currently calling for expressions of interest to establish a Visitors Information Centre Working Group and nominations are invited.

At the Council meeting held on Tuesday, 21 July 2015, council resolved to establish a Visitors Information Centre Working Group together with members of Council to investigate a suitable venue for a Visitors Information Centre in Wyalong/West Wyalong.

Details of the Draft Visitors Information Centre Working Group scope, membership, objectives and a Nomination Form are available from Council's website: [www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au](http://www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au) or at the Council Office.

### Nominations close on Friday 14 August 2015

For more information please contact Ray Smith on 6972 2266 or email [council@blandshire.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@blandshire.nsw.gov.au)

Office Hours: 8.30am - 5pm Monday to Friday

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