

Careers at Council

**WE'RE
HIRING**



We are seeking suitably qualified people to fill the roles of:

- Branch Librarian-Harrington (12 month fixed term contract)
- Catchment Weed Biosecurity Officer
- Contracts Officer
- Customer Service Officers
- Engagement and Education Coordinator
- Environmental Health Officer
- Finance and Service Intermediary
- Plant Operator
- Procurement Officer
- Team Member-Labourer (Taree)
- Team Member-Operations (Gloucester)
- Team Member-Operations (Taree x 3)
- Team Member-Specialist Operator (Tea Gardens)
- Team Member-Specialist Operator (Tuncurry x 2)
- Trainee - Civil Construction (4 positions)

Visit our website for further information and to apply.

Community Donations

Our Community Donations and Heritage Funding rounds opened on 1 March, two of the competitive funding opportunities we offer each year. Community Donations funding rounds are administered under Council's Community Donations Policy which invites not-for-profit organisations to apply for funding to deliver community-development and capacity-building projects and activities. Applications for the 2021/22 Donations Program open on Monday 1 March and close on Saturday 27 March. Full details of eligibility and application criteria can be found at www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/community/grants-and-funding where you can also complete the online application form.

Rate harmonisation

As required for all merged councils, a new region-wide rating structure will be introduced from 1 July 2021, replacing the three different rating systems currently in place. While the new system does not increase the total amount of rates we can collect (which is regulated by IPART), it will result in a more consistent and fairer distribution of rates across the region. Details about how this impacts individual rate-payers will be made available soon. For more information visit www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/rates.

Bulky waste 2021



The annual bulky waste and scrap metal kerbside collection is back this year, and kicked off in the Manning region last week. The message is loud and clear – don't put your waste out any earlier than specified for your zone or you may be fined.

Manning residents can find full details, including when and how to place your waste on the kerb on our website www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/bulkywaste

And don't panic if you're in Gloucester or Great Lakes, you won't miss out – the dates for when you should place waste on the kerb will be provided well in advance. Check our website in the meantime for information on what items will be accepted and what will not.

Strategic committee meeting

The next Strategic Committee meeting will be webcast live on Wednesday 10 March at 2pm. Members of the public will be able to view the meeting through an audio-visual weblink. Due to COVID-19 the ability to physically address Council at a Council meeting is unavailable until further notice. You may however make a written submission to Council in relation to an item on the Agenda. For further information go to www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/councilmeetings.

Have your say

We are seeking community feedback on:

- Development Proposal DA-262/2021 - Extension to caravan park - 10 Tea Tree Road, Forster
- Development Proposal 39/2021/GDA - Additions to Recreation Centre Grandstand - Boundary Street Gloucester
- Rezoning Proposal - Lake Street Forster
- Ageing Strategy
- Draft Asset Management Policy
- Draft Climate Change Policy and Strategy
- Draft Events and Festivals Sponsorship Policy

Visit the Have Your Say page on our website for further info.

Companion animals

We love companion animals on the MidCoast. We try our best to keep animals out of the pounds by encouraging responsible pet ownership, and with the help of our online register we have been able to rehome or reunite more animals than ever before.

If an animal isn't registered or microchipped, our register is a great way for us to spread the word about lost pets, or pets in need of a new home.

Our animal shelter partners provide great support to us and regularly take on those animals whose owners can't be located and who are suitable for rehoming.

To find out more and see the register of animals currently in our care head to www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/lostpet.

Local Heritage Fund

Anyone across the MidCoast who owns a heritage listed place or property within a heritage conservation area, may be eligible for a grant through the Local Heritage Fund.

The Local Heritage Fund aims to preserve the region's heritage while breathing new life into buildings and places from our past.

Some examples of the work that could be completed with the heritage grant funding include repairing front fences, replacing guttering and fascia board, external painting, replacement of roofing and repairs to windows and verandahs.

For further information on the Local Heritage Fund and to find out if your property is eligible, visit www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/LHF applications close at 4pm on Monday 19 April.