

COUNCIL CATCH-UP



Big weekend for arts with Gallery and Theatre seasons launched

Griffith residents were treated to a cultural by renowned local artist Hape Kiddle in The 2021 season offers a sophisticated program smorgasbord last weekend, with the Art Gallery and Theatre both kicking off the year in style.

On Friday, 5 February Griffith Regional Art Gallery and new wine sponsor Dee Vine Estate teamed up to launch the Art Gallery's 2021 Exhibition program.

The evening officially launched the Art Gallery's 2021 Exhibition and Arts Events brochure titled restART 2021.

It features a full rundown on all the touring and local exhibitions during the year, as well as public programs including workshops and art classes.

The large crowd was treated to the awesome carvings and exquisite artworks on display

his powerful exhibition Custodian, the first exhibition in the new program.

They also enjoyed catering by Limone Dining. Griffith Regional Art Gallery is located at 167 Banna Ave, Griffith. To find out about upcoming exhibitions head www. griffithregionalartgallery.com.au phone 69628338.

Locals were also welcomed back for the Griffith Regional Theatre and Griffith City Volkswagen's 2021 Season Launch EMERGE.

The 2021 theme is all about celebrating the Theatre's re-emergence into the wonderful world of live performance after the uncertainty of 2020.

of elegant, classical theatre experiences with opera, orchestras, drama and ballet plus world class children's entertainment as well as fabulous circus, dance, musical theatre, film and powerful Aboriginal theatre.

Local artists performed, celebrating the cultural and creative diversity of Griffith.

The EMERGE 2021 season launch featured live music, season tasters, fantastic food from In bocca and bubbles from sponsors Calabria Family Wines.

To find out what's on at the Theatre and to book go to www.griffithregionaltheatre.com or you can drop in or contact the Theatre's Box Office on 6962 8444.

COUNCILCAFE Bringing Council to You —

Join us for the next Council Cafe on Thursday 18 February at the Banna Avenue Kiosk from 10am - 11.30am Come along and give us your thoughts as we review our Community Strategic Plan (CSP), which sets out our priorities for the future.

Check out www.imaginegriffith.com.au

Keep safe during grape harvest

vintage now underway, a reminder has been issued to all road users to help keep local roads safe to ensure this year's crop gets from the farm to receival points as intended rather than being spilled across the region's roads.

Griffith City Council's Road Safety and Traffic Officer Greg Balind said complying with relevant legislation and allowing heavy vehicles plenty of room while sharing the road not only ensures safety on the roads but minimises the potential for fruit and juice spills across the road network.

Enforcement will be undertaken across the region throughout the harvest to ensure vehicles comply with restrictions and that loads are secured according to the Chain of Responsibility laws.

When a grape spill occurs and vehicles are identified, heavy fines

With the 2021 grape and wine can be applied under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act and any additional costs associated with clean-ups will also be passed on to operators.

> There is a responsibility on other road users to give heavy vehicles the space needed on the road to make their respective journeys as safe as possible.

> Residents can report a grape spill by calling Council on 1300 176 077 during business hours or 6969 4823 after hours (J&J Security.)

- •Further information on grape spills, including reporting procedures, is available on Council's website, www.griffith.nsw.gov.au.
- Further information the Chain of Responsibility obligations, including local winery penalties, can be found at www. riverinawinemakers.com.au.

THEATRE emerge Season 2021

SOME ENCHANTED EVENING

FRIDAY 12 MARCH 11AM MORNING MELODIES BLUEY'S BIG PLAY THE STAGE SHOW

THURSDAY 18 MARCH 10AM FLICKERFEST BEST OF AUSTRALIAN SHORTS

SATURDAY 20 MARCH 7.30PM

www.griffithregionaltheatre.com.au

GALLERY

SMARTY KIDS WITH LEITH FRY \$25 (FOR 4 SESSIONS) Starting Tue 23 Feb, 4 - 5pm. Ages: 9 - 12



LIFE DRAWING \$20 PER SESSION Each Wed 6 - 8pm. Age: 18+

RETHINKING THE VISTA: LANDSCAPE PAINTING WORKSHOP

MEMBERS: \$52, NON MEMBERS: \$65 Saturday 20 March, 10am – 4pm. Ages: 16 +

www.griffithregionalartgallery.com.au

BOOK NOW!







Join the Council team!

We are currently seeking applications for a number of exciting positions.

For more information or to apply visit our website: www.griffith.nsw.gov.au

Carp to be removed from the Lake



Council continues to take an evidence based approach to the restoration of Lake Wyangan.

This week contracted removal of European Carp will be undertaken in Lake Wyangan (North). The work is being carried out under a permit from NSW Fisheries.

European Carp are bottom feeders and continually disturb the fine sediment at the bottom of the Lake. The primary purpose of the exercise is to remove as many Carp as possible from the Lake. All fish caught, whether they are pests or native species, will be recorded and reported. All native species will be returned to the Lake.

Council is also investigating installing screens on the escapes of the main canal to prevent larger carp coming into the Lake.

The Carp removal work will be carried out up until Wednesday, 17 February 2021.

The Lake Wyangan Catchment Management Committee met for the first time this year last week, with a host of agenda items discussed. There are several issues/challenges which the Committee is working through, including:

- Reducing the prevalence of blue/green algae blooms
- The quantity and condition of the existing sediment in the Lake built up over several decades
- Minimising further sediment discharge into the Lake
- Reducing the salinity content in the Lake
- Additional fresh water inflow required as a consequence of reduced inflow from farms
- Improving water circulation in the Lake
- Respecting the Aboriginal cultural significance of the Lake Wyangan foreshores.

General Manager Brett Stonestreet said, "There is no "silver bullet" to address these issues but the Committee is working hard with investigating options that it considers will provide best value for money for the community. Once further research is undertaken with these options, there will be ample opportunity for the Community to provide input."

The removal of Carp is just one of a range of targeted exercises being undertaken as part of the wider remediation process.

Fisheries have released 5000 Murray Cod and 5000 yellow belly fingerlings into Lake Wyangan over recent months.

Council remains committed to ensuring any money spent on the Lake offers the best and most cost effective results for the whole community. Residents are reminded that Lake Wyangan was not intended to be a Lake, but is a drainage basin for both irrigation and urban systems, as a result it contains more than 50 years of build-up issues including sediment nutrients.

Council is working hard to find a solution, investing heavily in the best Lake restoration science in the country including scientists from Water Research Australia, the University of NSW and Professor David Hamilton from Griffith University who is recognised internationally as one of the world's leading lake restoration scientists.

A Red Alert level warning is currently in place at the Lake.

Councillor Catch Up - Mayor John Dal Broi

With grape harvest now in full Saturday 20 February. I am also swing I'd urge local motorists to be aware and consider our farmers who will be delivering their grapes to wineries around the clock in the coming weeks.

While it's extremely important that our operators and cartage contractors comply with relevant legislation and don't overload, it's also worth asking all road users to help by reporting any spills as soon as they notice them and appreciate that heavy vehicles are harder to handle.

Vintage is not a long period of time for us to share the roads with the truck drivers doing their best to get their loads delivered.

Council is delighted to be supporting the proposed NRL game and the clinics being held next week.

It will be great for the City to have the South Sydney Rabbitohs take on Group 20 invitational side on

extremely pleased to see that prior to the main match they will be playing the Roger Penrith Memorial Game at 5pm. What a wonderful tribute to a truly remarkable local man.

Work is progressing well on the Henderson Oval Playground. This is just one of the local playgrounds we have earmarked on our Playground Strategy.

The plans for this particular playground were the result of feedback from residents who use it. We want to make our playgrounds inclusive possible and ensure that they meet the needs of our community, that's why it's so important that when we call for input we receive it otherwise we have no other choice but to proceed as best we can to make sure we continue to make progress.

With this in mind I'd like to encourage everyone to give us

their views when asked about the priorities for our future.

Think about what you want to see in Griffith to make it the best place possible. We have an existing Community Strategic Plan (CSP) that sets out what residents told us they wanted us to focus on back in 2017. It's not a bad Plan, in fact it's great, but in reviewing it we are bound to find you want us to shift our focus a little.

We know we might get some pie in the sky ideas and that's okay too, but what we'd really love to hear are achievable ideas otherwise, they are simply not obtainable

We need positive members of the public who will actively participate in creating feasible goals with Council.

At the Council meeting on Tuesday night Council rejected all tenders for the Griffith Regional Sports Precinct - Westend Oval Design



and Construct Contract and will now enter into negotiations with a preferred tenderer.

What this means is that yet another big ticket item will be getting underway very soon. The work that will be undertaken at this site forms part of our overall Sports Precinct and includes the new 50m pool. Speaking of which, we are holding the We Love Our Pool Open Day this Sunday. Entry is free and includes a free BBQ and we've also got a DJ entertaining. This will be a great opportunity to come along and see how the new Pool turned out, I'm sure you'll be as impressed as I am.

Until next time,

Councillor, John Dal Broi

Yambil Street Stage 3 temporarily delayed after water seepage detected

Work on the Yambil Street upgrade Stage 3 has addition to subsoil drainage being installed been delayed due to the discovery of water seepage in the underlying soil.

Works on Stage 3, from Ulong Street to Daines Street, commenced early December 2020 with the removal of existing bitumen and kerb and gutter, the excavation of soil under the bitumen seal, in accordance with the initial geotechnical investigation report, installation of a new water main and additional sewer works. Following the removal of the subgrade soil in the travel lane, water seepage was detected and additional geotechnical investigations were undertaken.

The results of the additional soil tests confirmed water seepage and it was recommended that excavation and removal of additional soil below the road pavement be undertaken and replaced with more suitable material in along both sides of the Stage 3 Yambil Street project.

At the Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday night, Council approved the variation to the contract for Yambil Street Upgrade Stages 3 and 4 as submitted by B & C Plumbing for the removal of unsuitable material and replacement with "select fill" and installation of sub-soil drainage in line with geotechnical recommendations.

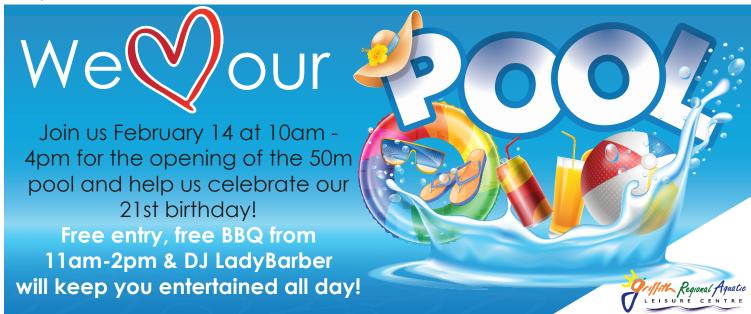
Griffith Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi, said the discovery meant unavoidable delays.

"It is extremely unfortunate and we do feel for the businesses affected, but this is something that is beyond our control," Cr Dal Broi said.

"Yambil Street has certainly presented many unexpected challenges, this is just another that we have to deal with.

"I want to thank our community and in particular Yambil Street businesses for their ongoing support and patience. Please know that we are working to ensure that the end result is worthwhile."





Public Notification

Notice of Intention to Give Consent to a Short Term Licence of a Crown Reserve - Part Lot 881 DP751728 (Wade Park Yenda)

Griffith City Council hereby gives twenty eight (28) days' notice of its intention to grant a short term licence over part Crown Reserves 61951, 63981 and 65511, described as part Lot 881 DP751728, Wade Park Yenda, to Yenda Golf Club Inc. Written submissions will be received up until **4pm Thursday 18 February 2021** and should be forwarded to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, Griffith NSW 2680 or via email admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au. Please note that any submissions may be included in the Council Business Paper for consideration at an Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Once the submission period is completed, Griffith City Council will consider all duly made submissions before deciding whether to continue with the licence. For all enquiries contact Daphne Bruce, Corporate Property Officer, Telephone 1300 176 077.

Classification of Land

In accordance with Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council resolved at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 10 November 2020 to classify Lots 186, 187, 189 DP705992 and Lots 14, 15, 16, 17 DP705992 as operational land on purchase of the land by Council. The land is being purchased for the purpose of residential subdivision to facilitate the future provision of affordable housing and a public park. Council will receive written submissions up until 4pm on Wednesday 24 February 2021. Any submissions made regarding the proposed classification of the land as operational land will be referred to an Ordinary Meeting of Council for consideration. A copy of your letter including name and address (unless specifically requested that these details be withheld) will be publicly available as part of that Council meeting agenda. All submissions are to be addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, 1 Benerembah Street, Griffith. For more information please contact Daphne Bruce, Corporate Property Officer, Telephone 1300 176 077.

Draft Plan of Management – Hanwood Sports Precinct (Womens Land Army Park & Hanwood Oval)

Pursuant to Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993, Griffith City Council advises that the Draft Plan of Management for Hanwood Sports Precinct (Womens Land Army Park & Hanwood Oval) is currently on exhibition until Friday 12 February 2021.

Written submissions will be received up until **4pm, Friday 26 February 2021** and should be forwarded to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, Griffith NSW 2680 or via email admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au. Submissions received will be referred to the Ordinary Meeting of Council for determination, and your submission will form part of Council's Business Paper. As such, a copy of your submission including your name and address (unless you specifically request that these details be withheld) will be publicly distributed and available to the public. The Draft Plan of Management can be viewed on Council's website or at Council offices during business hours. For further information, please contact Corporate Property Officer, Mrs Daphne Bruce on 1300 176 077.

Application for Membership - Audit Risk & Improvement Committee

Council currently has a vacancy on the Audit Risk & Improvement Committee. The main role of the Audit Risk & Improvement Committee is to provide advice and assurance regarding the effectiveness of Council's risk management and internal controls, fraud and corruption controls, business performance and improvement, financial management practices, compliance with Acts, Regulations, standards and best practice guidelines, and matters that are raised during external and internal audits. Nomination forms are available on Council's website **www.griffith.nsw.gov.au** - see Application for Committee Membership on our Council Forms page.

For more information please contact Council's Governance Manager, Leanne Austin on 6962 8186. Nominations must be submitted by **4pm, Friday 26 February 2021.**

Notice of Temporary Road Closure

Notice is hereby given under the Roads Act 1993, Section 122 that Construction is currently continuing on Stage 6B of the Griffith Southern Industrial Link (GSIL), funded under the Roads to Recovery and Restart NSW Fixing Country Roads Programs. The realignment of Brown Road and installation of additional turning lanes onto Kidman Way is proposed to be completed by end of March 2021, weather permitting. Normal hours of operation will be 6:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday, however works may occasionally be required on Saturdays and Sundays. For the safety of workers on site, any vehicles going through the closed roads will face prosecution under Section 102 of the Roads Act NSW. Offenders may also be liable for any damage to the road or traffic road facilities.

Part Road Closure - Garton Place

Proposed Road Closing Under Section 38b Roads Act 1993

In pursuance of the provisions of the Roads Act 1993, notice is hereby given that Griffith City Council proposes to close the Council public road listed in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1: • Part Garton Place, Griffith.

Upon closure of the road, Council intends to consolidate that part of the closed road into the adjoining land and then extend the road from Garton Place to Snaith Place.

All interested persons are hereby invited to make submissions concerning the proposal to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, 1 Benerembah Street, Griffith, within 28 days of the date of this advertisement (16 February 2021).

Please note that under the provisions of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, such submissions may be referred to third parties for consideration. Once the submission period is completed, Griffith City Council will consider all duly made submissions before deciding whether to continue with the road closure proposal.

Enquiries: Daphne Bruce, Corporate Property Officer. Telephone: 1300 176 077 For the General Manager, Griffith City Council.

Tender

Tender No: 22-20/21

Design and Construction of a BMX and Scooter Pump Track

Griffith City Council invites tenders for a contract for the design and construction of a BMX and Scooter Pump Track. **Tenders close on 4 March 2021 at 2pm.**

Tender documents may be obtained by contacting Tenderlink on www.tenderlink.com/griffith Please contact Tenderlink Customer Service by telephoning 1800 233 533. Tenders may be lodged by email at www.tenderlink.com/griffith, hand delivered to Council Offices at 1 Benerembah Street, Griffith NSW 2680 or by post to PO Box 485 Griffith NSW 2680. A non-mandatory tender briefing/site inspection will be held on Tuesday, 16 February 2021 at 2pm at the proposed construction site, 3 Olympic Street, Griffith NSW 2680. Canvassing of any Council members or officers will disqualify tenderers from the tender process.



NOTIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

JANUARY 2021

(Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979, s. 101) (Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000, CL. 124)

Council advises that the following development has been approved in the month of January 2021

DA No.	Address	Description
59/2014(2)	577 Kidman Way, Tharbogang	Alterations, additions & construction of new building
		related to an existing agribusiness
107/2015(5)	91 Cunningham Road, Warburn	Alterations & Additions to existing Commercial
		Premises
85/2018(2)	Kidman Way, Tharbogang	New Rural Supplies Premises & subdivision (boundar adjustment)
223/2018 (3)	686 Clifton Boulevard, Griffith	109 Lot Torrens Title Subdivision including 17 multi- dwelling lots
172/2020	9 Stafford Road, Griffith	Alterations & Additions to existing school
174/2020	114 Mallinson Road, Lake Wyangan	Construction & use of 8 x farm stay cottages, 1 x administration building and use of existing farm building as cellar door premises
281/2020	35-37 Twigg Street, Griffith	Construction and use for rural vehicle sales and repairs
288/2020	168 McCarthy Road, Lake Wyangan	Dual Occupancy
290/2020	36 Lawford Crescent, Griffith	Dual Occupancy
311/2020	25 Polkinghorne Street, Griffith	Dwelling
316/2020	21 Stanbridge Street, Griffith	Shed
324/2020	119 Erskine Road, Griffith	Stage 1 - Two Lot Torrens Title Subdivision & concept for Stage 2 – Detached Dual Occupancy Development
325/2020	27 Zirilli Avenue, Griffith	Additional dwelling to create a Detached Dual Occupancy
331/2020	7476 Burley Griffin Way, Bilbul	Dwelling & attached garage
332/2020	18 Ross Crescent, Griffith	Alterations & Additions to existing dwelling
336/2020	22 Wood Road, Griffith	Removal of existing shed & construction of new shed
339/2020	73 Mosley Road & 5 Ireland Road, Bilbul	Subdivision 3 Lot s Torrens Title
351/2020	68 Clifton Boulevard, Griffith	Dwelling – Lot 122 Sharam Drive Stage 1 Clifton Gardens

Copies of the development consents for the development applications listed above are available for public inspection free of charge at Council's Administration Building, during normal business hours



POSITIONS VACANT

Are you looking for a rewarding career? Then join our team and make a difference to your community. Griffith City Council offers the chance to work in a stable and secure environment while providing excellent opportunities to develop your skills and career potential. Council is proactive and passionate about creating ongoing opportunities for our growing population. Council is seeking applications for the following positions:

Plant Operator - Water Truck - Permanent

The purpose of this role is to work within a small team to operate Council's road construction and maintenance plant in a safe, economical and proficient manner. To carry out routine maintenance and regular servicing of plant items under the incumbents control. Qualifications: The successful applicant will require a current Australian HR truck licence, a White Card / General Construction Induction training card, have knowledge of small plant operations including use of pumps, knowledge and understanding of moisture content of road making materials. Please include copies of all relevant licenses, competencies and qualifications with your application. **Hours of work:** 38 hours per week **Salary and conditions:** Annual salary range \$53,919.31 to \$59,309.64 (Grade 6). Rostered day off once a fortnight. If you have any questions about the role please contact James Taliano on 1300 176 077.

Plant Operator - Tractor, Roller, Truck - Permanent

The purpose of this role is to operate Council's road plant in a safe, economical and proficient manner and to carry out routine maintenance and regular servicing of plant items under the incumbent's control. Skills and Knowledge: The successful applicant will require a current Australian HR truck licence and a White card/General Construction Induction Training card. Please include copies of all relevant licenses and qualifications with your application. Hours of work: 38 hours per week Salary and conditions: Commencement annual salary from \$53,919.31 to \$59,309.64 (Grade 6). Rostered day off once a fortnight. If you have any questions about the role please contact James Taliano on 1300 176 077.

Senior Engineer - Permanent

This is an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic and motivated Senior Engineer to join Council's Survey, Design and Drafting team. The ideal candidate will be a highly experienced and dynamic senior engineer who will provide professional design solutions for Council's civil works. There is a great variety of work as the assets requiring design include roads, drainage, flooding structures, water and sewer, and urban design civil infrastructure. Skills and Knowledge: The successful applicant will require tertiary qualifications in Engineering suitable for acceptance to the Institution of Engineers Australia as an Associate Member and hold a current Australian Driver licence. Please include copies of all relevant licenses and qualifications with your application. Hours of work: 35 hours per week Salary and conditions: Commencement annual salary from \$96,067.79 to \$105,672.29 (Grade 19) plus civil liability allowance, superannuation and a fully maintained lease back vehicle. Rostered day off once a month. If you have any questions about the role please contact Joe Rizzo on 1300 176 077.

Applications for the above positions close Monday 15 February 2021

Library Community Engagement Coordinator - Permanent

This position is responsible to lead the Library's Community Engagement Team in the provision of high quality, customer focused Library services in the areas of customer service, programs and events, marketing and promotion. Skills and Knowledge: The successful applicant will require Tertiary qualification in Library and/or Information Management or related field, with relevant experience; or, substantial equivalent experience in community-focused engagement and support services. To be considered for this position applicants must have a NSW Working with Children Check Clearance Number for employment screening purposes. To apply for a NSW Working with Children Check Clearance Number, log onto and complete the online application form www.newcheck.kids.nsw.gov.au (in child related industry sector, tick clubs or other bodies providing services for children). Hours of work: 35 hours per week. (Monday to Sunday) Salary and conditions: Commencement annual salary from \$74,589.79 to \$82,047.60 (Grade 14) If you have any questions about the role please contact Karen Tagliapietra on 1300 176 077. Applications for this position closes Sunday 28 February 2021

Animal Rehoming Officer - Permanent

This position is responsible for working as part of the compliance team to manage the day to day operations of Council's Pound & Rehoming Facility, ensuring the provision of high quality customer and animal care services to the City of Griffith with a strong emphases on re-uniting lost animals with their owners and successful re-homing of animals that enter the facility. Skills and Knowledge: The successful applicant will require experience and/or sound knowledge of and demonstrated experience relevant to the role including; companion animal management, animal shelter operations and animal welfare and hold a current Australian driver licence. Hours of work: 38 hours per week Salary and conditions: Annual Salary Range \$55,837.02 to \$61,419.22 (Grade 7). Rostered day off once a month. If you have any questions about the role please contact Merryn Benham on 1300 176 077. Applications for this position closes Monday 1 March 2021

Griffith Regional Arts & Museum Manager - Permanent

The Manager is responsible for facility and resource management, maintenance coordination and providing leadership in the planning, programming, promotion and presentation of performing and visual arts programs, collections and exhibitions for Griffith Regional Theatre, Griffith Regional Art Gallery and Griffith Pioneer Park Museum promoting community cultural development and participation as determined and approved by Council via the Griffith Cultural Facilities Committee. Skills and Knowledge: The successful candidate will ideally have a knowledge and passion for contemporary, performing, visual, cultural, heritage and arts. Tertiary qualifications and/or proven industry experience, well rounded management skills and the energy and vision to lead the facilities to new successes. Please include copies of all relevant licenses and qualifications with your application. Hours of work: 38 hours per week Salary and conditions: Commencement annual salary from \$105,287.41 to \$115,815.93 (Grade 21). Rostered day off once a month. If you have any questions about the role please contact Max Turner on 1300 176 077.

Building Certification Coordinator – Re-Advertised Position - Permanent

The purpose of this position is to coordinate the functions of the Building Certification Unit which includes the certification of buildings, building fire safety, swimming pool inspection and certification, maintenance of Council's building assets and local government activity approvals. It is the responsibility of the Building Certification Coordinator to ensure that all functions are carried out in accordance with the relevant legislation and standards. Skills and Knowledge: The successful applicant will hold a degree in building surveying or related field and hold an Australian Class C driver licence. Please include copies of all relevant licenses and qualifications with your application. Hours of work: 35 hours per week Salary and conditions: Commencement annual salary range from \$96,067.79 to \$105,672.29 (Grade 19) + Superannuation. Rostered day off once a month and a fully maintained leaseback vehicle. If you have any questions about the role please contact Carel Potgieter on 1300 176 077.

Applications for the above positions close Monday 8 March 2021

How to apply: 1. Log onto www.griffith.nsw.gov.au, go to the Jobs page and complete your application online. 2. Please include copies of all relevant licences and qualifications. Only those with current rights to work in Australia may apply. Griffith City Council is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer and welcomes diversity in the workplace.