

NEWSLETTER

Spring 2018

Junee Says Welcome!!

From the Mayor

2018 is rolling by way too quickly for me, as I'm sure it is for many of you. I find it re-assuring though, that many people are choosing Junee as their new place of residence for a slower pace than that of our urban cousins. Welcome to all of our new arrivals and I wish you a safe and happy landing.



Over the past month, in a series of conversations council has been having with some of our new residents we have found that people are arriving here for all sorts of reasons.

For our tree changing retirees who were looking for a 'not too big town, but big enough' town with a daily passenger rail service to both Melbourne and Sydney, Junee is the perfect answer.

For others in the younger age bracket it is the job

opportunities that have arisen with the expansion of the correctional centre, and the growth of the Bomen industrial estate combined with affordable opportunities to enter the housing market for the first time and enjoy the space and freedom one can only dream about in the suburbs.

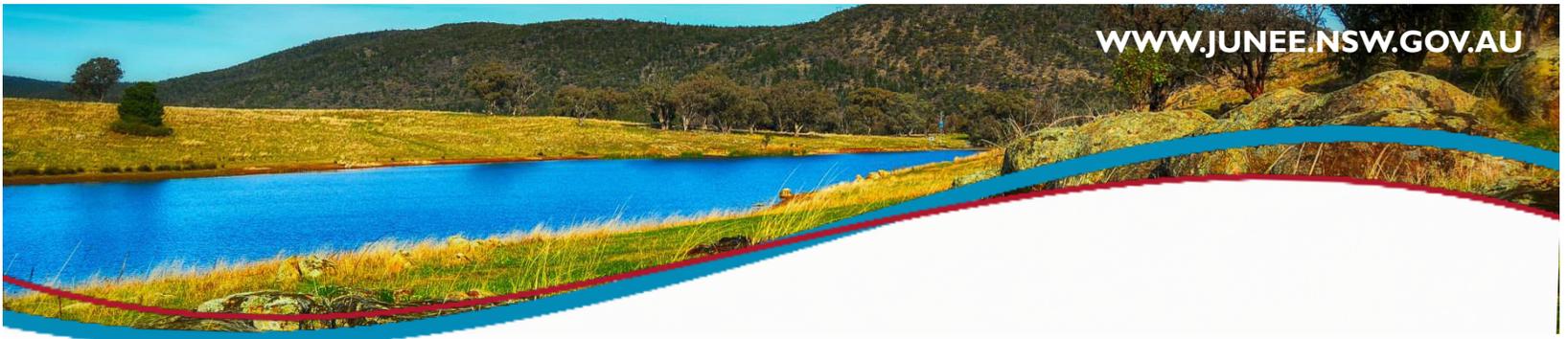
Still others fall into the category of what I call 'eco-commuters'. These are our new arrivals who have retained a professional or managerial role, and, due to the NBN roll out, workplace flexibility and reliable flight services, have been able to seamlessly shift their job out of a CBD location and work remotely from Junee. The ultimate best of both worlds!

I'd like to congratulate Junee Business and Trades for coordinating a wonderful Meet'n'Greet event for our new residents. Everyone there had a terrific afternoon and the people I met come from all walks of life, bring their own skills and views of the world, and will make Junee a richer and more interesting place to live.

Mayor, Cr Neil Smith



Images from Junee Meet n Greet events



Introducing Cole Davis Director Engineering Services



The new Junee Shire Council Director of Engineering Services Cole Davis joined us in mid July, but went missing in action immediately to welcome his fourth child, baby girl, Letti. Cole's world has settled and he now has his steel caps firmly under the desk here in Junee. Cole brings with him many years of experience, most recently with Yass Shire Council over the past three years and for eight years prior to that with Goulburn Shire Council, where he completed his Engineering degree.

Cole has two large scale projects to focus on immediately with the \$6.6m upgrade of the Junee Sewage Treatment Plant and the upgrade of Junee's iconic Laurie Daley Oval. Cole says his focus will be providing 'real world' competitive and cost effective engineering services, and setting up systems and processes that improve both productivity and performance.

Illabo Roars!

Never underestimate the power of a village. Illabo sure is an example of community resilience and renewal.

The Gasworks Motorsport Park continues to go from strength to strength with events attracting regional and interstate competitors and hundreds of motorsport enthusiasts who love to see a little dust kicked up! The additional program of driver safety training for youth enriches the program at the Park. Congratulations to the organising committee and the dozens of local volunteers who have made this dream a reality.

The Illabo Tennis Courts are receiving a significant upgrade as a result of a successful application into Round One of the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund. The upgrade comprises new surfaces for a tennis court and a multi-purpose court, renewed fencing, clubhouse refurbishment, and an RV dump point. Works are due to be completed by summer. This, combined with a Crown licence agreement over the site will give Illabo a 'main street' lift, the Illabo Public School a fantastic additional sport zone, and provide an asset which no doubt the community will beautify and make their own. Illabo Public School is a proud achiever, providing the children with a balanced combination of learning, modern day technology, and real world skills like cooking and gardening.



FindYourFit@JJRAC

Join Junee Recreation & Aquatic Centre between 1 Oct & 25 Nov and;

- The \$50 joining fee will be waived.
- Receive a free JJRAC branded drink bottle, bucket hat and Junee shopper bag.
- Receive two free fitness assessments.
- Join exclusive member only events.

It's your 24/7 Local Gym! With heated indoor pool, fully equipped gym, classes and stadium facilities.



Illabo Motorsport Park



Illabo Public School

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A big thank you to everyone with a wheelie bin

Making big changes is never easy, and it's very difficult to ensure that everyone is clear on how it impacts them, but during our transition across to the new waste and recycling collection schedule throughout July and August Junee community has coped remarkably well.

We would like to thank the administrators of the many social media sites, both in Junee and in our villages for sharing all of our communiques, and those who took on neighbourhood roles to ensure that people in their patch were well informed.

It's great to report that cases of contamination of the recycling stream is dropping every month as everyone becomes much more aware of what can be recycled. Because the new collection trucks have kerbside and hopper cameras, contamination in recycling bins can be detected at the point of collection and the bin returned to the kerbside without being emptied. This means that the sorting teams at the recycling centre don't have to handle objects like nappies, and sharps.

Further resources and information can be found at <http://www.junee.nsw.gov.au/services/rubbish-and-recycling/town-village-kerbside-collections>.

The Empower team at Junee High School has turned their attention to how waste and recycling is handled within the school precinct. With the assistance of Junee Shire Council they have put in place new recycling and green waste bins are planning to return and earn their drink containers and have conducted a whole school survey on waste and recycling. Next steps are a staff room raid and a tuck shop tidy!



Well done to Alex, Eilee, Connor, Max and the rest of the team who have formed the Reduce & Recycle (R&R) team at Junee High School. Great leadership!

As we head into summer, its a good time to review the state of your back yard pool.

Is your pool fence up to scratch?

Do you think it would pass a swimming pool compliance inspection?

There is a wealth of information to help pool owners ensure their pools are safe and secure.

Check out www.swimmingpoolregister.nsw.gov.au.

Register your pool on the swimming pool register and download a site specific swimming pool self-assessment checklist to help you.

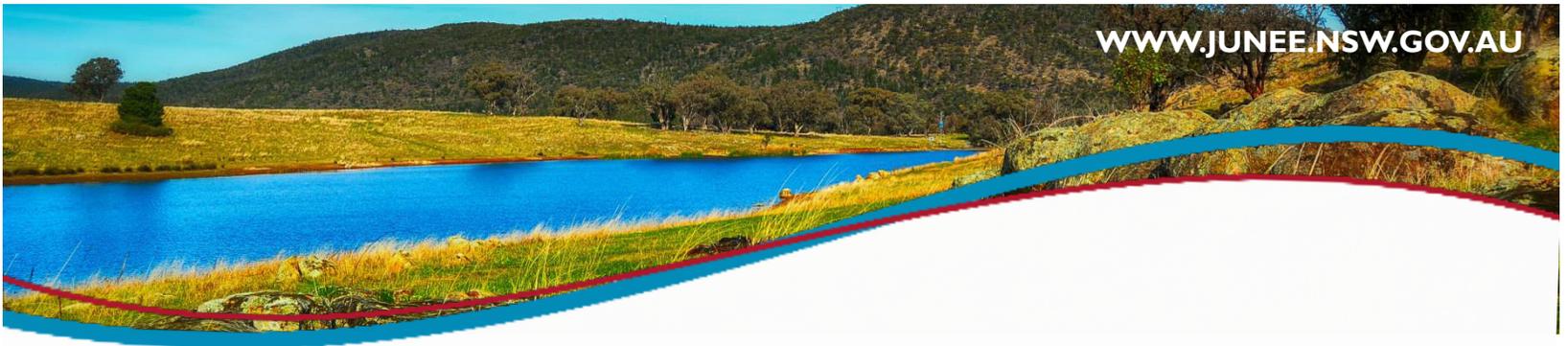
If you have any concerns contact Junee Shire Council, we are here to help by providing advice on design, materials and compliance with the Standards for swimming pool barriers. We can even conduct a site inspection and answer all of your pool fencing questions. And of course we will always investigate swimming pool related complaints. Be Safe and Enjoy the Summer...



We are experiencing plastic contamination in green waste bins, and this is easy to fix. There's no place for plastic in the green waste bin. Plastic contamination means the green waste cannot be converted into soil or used in the parks and gardens around the shire. Please help us here by keeping your green waste clean.

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Work and earn at home.

Are you interested in finding out more about being a Family Day Care Educator? South West Regional Family Day Care is seeking individuals who wish to support children learning in an environment that creates fun, interesting learning opportunities and will establish them as active learners in the future.

South West Regional Family Day Care is located in the Junee Council Chambers, 29 Belmore Street, Junee NSW 2663 Phone: (02) 6924 1017 Mobile: 0428 970 771 Email: fdc@june.nsw.gov.au

If you'd like to attend an information session about providing a Family Day Care Service or to register your children with us please call today.



Have you seen our new Junee shoppers? What a great environmental Christmas gift for friends and family. Check them out at the Visitors Information Centre or Junee Junction Recreation & Aquatic Centre.

The do's and dont's of backyard burning

Burning wood and rubbish in open fires and incinerators can cause smoke which is a major cause of air pollution. Under the Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Regulation 2010 the burning of rubbish and the use of incinerators is not permitted on residential properties.

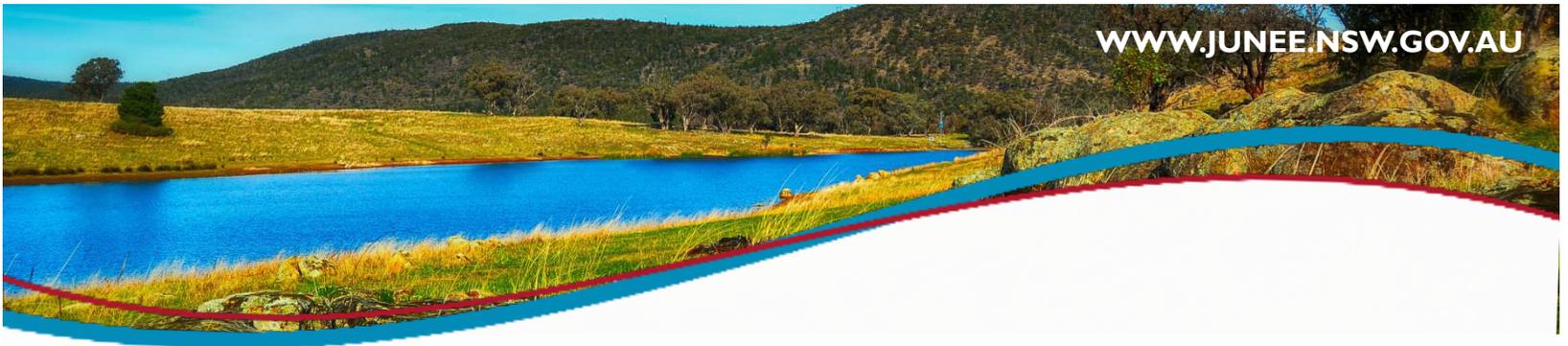
Only residents on those rural properties which do not have access to a domestic waste collection service are allowed to burn rubbish. The burning of tyres, coated wire, paint and solvent containers and residues and treated timbers is strictly prohibited. Burning of dead and dry vegetation in residential areas is not permitted including in incinerators and bonfires.

Property owners are encouraged to re-use or recycle vegetation as mulch or compost. The Regulation does allow for exemptions for small fires including for BBQ's, cooking, camping, braziers or pizza ovens.



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Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade

Junee's growth is now secured with Council committing to the upgrade of the Sewage Treatment Plant. This large capital works project takes the existing plant capacity from a residential population of 4,500 to 7,000. This expansion enables the plant to provide for the expansion of the correctional facility and provides large scale infrastructure to support our own residential and industry growth goals.

Council moved through the preliminary stage for the Junee Sewage Treatment Plant upgrade in May 2018, and has now awarded the construction contract to Precision Civil Infrastructure Pty Ltd. Based in the Blue Mountains, Precision Civil specialises in innovative water and wastewater treatment services, and aim to deliver this project to highest possible standard. Though the current works have been well-maintained this upgrade is a timely and welcome component in our large scale works program.

In technical terms the Junee Sewage Treatment Plant upgrade will deliver a new 7,000 Equivalent Persons (EP) capacity Intermittently Decanting Extended Aeration (IDEA) type plant. Broadly the actual site works will include earthworks, roadworks, water and power supply, drainage, sewerage, pipework, lighting and fencing. The upgrade also includes the installation of 98KW photovoltaic (solar power) system, a new electrical switch room building, with emergency generator connection.



Michael and the team at the Sewage Treatment Plant are very proud of the work that they do to maintain the quality of the environment there, but the real test is when all these beautiful creatures choose to call it home. Hello spring babies!



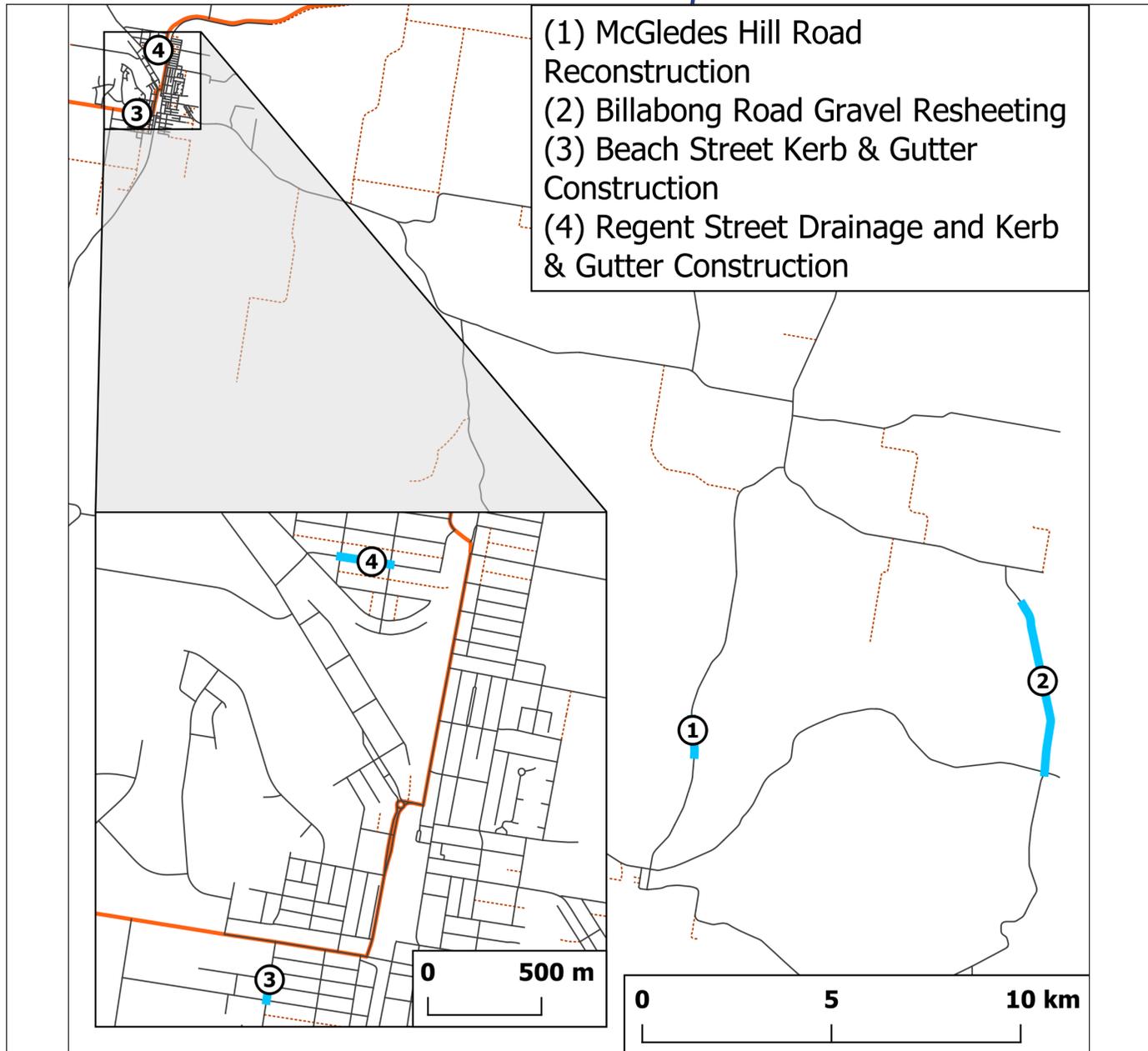

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With a 98KW solar system going in at the Sewage Treatment Plant, Junee's environmental footprint is getting less and less.



Roadworks to 30 Sept. 2018



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