



Mount Isa Mail

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Council has begun implementing its Transitioning Mount Isa's Economy strategy, with two stakeholder engagement sessions held in March.

One workshop was for representatives of local small- to medium-sized businesses, and was run in conjunction with consultants Urban Economics.

It was held on March 4 at the Redearth Hotel boardroom.

The second workshop will be held on Monday, March 19, from 10am to 2pm at the Civic Centre, and is for the region's agricultural landholders and graziers. Attendees were encouraged to share



Council Acting GEO Tim Rose

their business perceptions, expectations, opportunities, and needs in this time of transition.

They also got a chance to hear more about the ongoing work towards transitioning Mount Isa's economy.

These workshops were held following Glencore's announcement in October last year that it will be closing its

Mount Isa copper-mining and copper-processing operations by 2025.

At its December 2023 Ordinary Meeting, Council accepted the feasibility study for the development of a motorsports complex on the R48 Reserve, off Moondarra Drive, about 500m from the Ryan Road turnout.

Council will complete further regulatory requirements – such as a flora and fauna survey of the area, an environmental impact assessment, core infrastructure report, and cultural heritage assessment – as well as look for external funding for further development

opportunities. The next steps for the committee are to explore – with input from stakeholders – the feasibility of holding a series of motoring events, including a Go to Whoa competition, burnout competition, and streetcar drag racing, as well as expanding the existing annual Show and Shine event. Once the above are completed, a further business case can be developed in support of any further funding submissions.

A reminder that Local Government elections in Queensland will be held on Saturday, March 16. Pre-poll voting is available at the Civic Centre until Friday, March 15.

What's Happening in The Isa?



St Patrick's Day Races

Date: Saturday 9 March 2024

Time: From 11am

Where: Mount Isa Race Club, 108 Simpson Street



A Night of One-Act Plays

Date: Saturday 9 March 2024

Time: 7pm-10pm

Where: MITS Theatre, Transmission Street



Queensland Police Recruiting Seminar

Date: Saturday 9 March 2024

Time: 9am-11am

Where: PCYC Mount Isa, 67 Isa Street



Great Northern Rodeo Buckle Series Rodeo

Date: Saturday 16 March 2024

Time: From 4pm

Where: Buchanan Park

Boil-Water Notice

Council conducts regular monitoring for E. coli bacteria in the water supply system. Recent water monitoring has shown E. coli to be present in the water supply system in Camooweal.

The presence of these bacteria indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that may cause disease.

As a precaution, Camooweal residents are advised that water for consumption should be brought to a rolling boil. Water should then be allowed to cool and stored in a clean container with a lid and refrigerated.

Cooled boiled or bottled water should be used for: drinking; cooking; washing raw foods (such as salads); making ice; cleaning teeth; and pets' drinking water.

Dishes should be washed in hot soapy water or in a dishwasher.

Children should take bottled or cooled boiled water to school.

E. coli itself is generally not harmful, but its presence in drinking water is often associated with faecal contamination.

Council is working to alleviate the problem. Precautions should be taken until further notice.

Did You Know?

- Mount Isa City Council's Animal Management Facility Facebook page is updated regularly with information about dogs and cats that have been impounded and are looking for their owners, or are available for adoption. Be sure to check it out at www.facebook.com/mountisacitycouncilpound.
- Have you got a great idea for an arts or cultural project? Do you need a grant to help get your project off the

ground? Consider applying for a Council Regional Arts Development Fund grant. Round 2 of the 2023/24 grant is now open to applications, closing on 14 March 2024, for projects starting after 28 March 2024. A RADF grant could cover up to 65% of your total project costs. For more information, visit www.mountisa.qld.gov.au/homepage/66/radf-funding-rounds or call Council's RADF Liaison Officer on 4747 3200.



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Latest Council News

Latest Rates Notices Issued

Council advises that rates notices for residential and non-residential properties for the period ending 30 June 2024 were issued on Monday 12 February, and are due for payment in full by 4.30pm on Wednesday 13 March 2024.

Rates notices have been posted to the last known postal address registered with Council.

It is the owner's responsibility to notify Council in writing of any change of address.

If you have not received your rates notice, please contact Council to obtain a copy. Due to a change in Council's finance systems, rates and water notices will now be

issued on separate accounts.

This means that your rates and water notices will have different account and payment reference details.

When paying your rates or water notice, please check your payment details to ensure you are making the payment to the correct account.

For ratepayers that receive notices electronically, and with the change in systems, you may be required to re-register to eNotices to receive your notices.

To sign up for electronic notices, please refer to the link on your current rate notice, or visit www.mountisa.qld.gov.au/

[homepage/307/rates-enotices](http://www.mountisa.qld.gov.au/homepage/307/rates-enotices) for more information.

Pay your rates notice account with ease using one of the many payment options Council offers.

For more information, visit www.mountisa.qld.gov.au/pay-my-rates.

If you are unable to pay your rates notices in full, or would like further information on account balances for both rates and water accounts, contact Council on 4747 3200 or email city@mountisa.qld.gov.au.

Council is committed to providing you with flexible payment solutions.

Out and About and Council Updates

UPCOMING SHOW: Opera

Queensland's latest production – "Do We Need Another Hero?" – is coming to Mount Isa, thanks to Council funding.

At its February 28 Ordinary Meeting, Council agreed to support Opera Queensland's 2024 Regional Tour performance by providing \$8800, which will cover the show's presenters fee.

A live musical tribute, "Do We Need Another Hero?" is set to be performed at the Mount Isa Civic Centre in May.

It is from the creative team behind "Are You Lonesome Tonight" and "Lady Sings the Maroons".

The show is described as a fusion of the classical and the contemporary, blending the grandeur of opera with chart-topping anthems that pay homage to heroes from every corner of the world, from artists including the Beatles, David Bowie, and John Farnham.

Council has previously financially supported the Opera Queensland performances "Are You Lonesome Tonight" in 2021, "Composed in Queensland" in 2022, and "Lady Sings the Maroons" in 2023.



Opera Queensland conducts regional tours each year, delivering opera-based performances to cities and towns throughout regional Queensland.

SPLASH OF COLOUR: A mural will soon be installed on the western-facing wall of Splashez Aquatic Centre, after Council endorsed a recommendation from its Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee to go ahead with the project.

The endorsement was given during Council's February 28 Ordinary Meeting.

Council will now move ahead with a procurement process, to seek quotations and a design for the mural.

It's envisaged the mural will create a welcoming environment at the Splashez entry and have an aquatic theme.

The project's estimated cost is between \$20,000 and \$30,000 (depending on the artist, design, and preparation requirements) and will be covered by the RADF budget for Council-initiated projects.

Council will undertake community and Council consultation prior to the design being finalised.

RADF is a partnership with the Queensland Government to deliver both a community grants program, as well as Council-initiated projects.

The program's objectives are to support arts and cultural activities that provide public value for Queensland communities; build local cultural capacity, cultural innovation, and community pride; and deliver the Queensland Government's objectives for the community.

The Mount Isa Regional Arts Development Fund committee is made up of local volunteers and represents a cross-section of the local community arts sector.

EVENT SPONSORSHIP: Council will be a Diamond sponsor of this year's Zonta Club of Mount Isa's International Women's Day Celebrations, to be held on April 20 at the Mount Isa Civic Centre.

At its February 28 Ordinary Meeting, Council approved a \$5000 sponsorship of the event. The Zonta Club of Mount Isa has redesigned its International Women's Day event, giving it a fresh new approach.

The changes include a new separate International Women's Day Dinner, created to recognise Young Women of Achievement in the community, with new criteria and a different way of recognising nominees.

The Young Women of Achievement Dinner will be held at the Redearth Boutique Hotel on Friday, March 8. The Celebrating Women event will be held at the Civic Centre on Saturday, April 20. Council is a regular sponsor of the Zonta Club of Mount Isa's International Women's Day events.

TENDER OPEN: Council invites tenders for appointment as a Pre-Qualified Supplier of Wet/Dry Plant and Equipment Hire. Tender documentation is now available at www.vendorpanel.com.au. Tenders must be submitted via VendorPanel by no later than 5pm on Thursday 4 April 2024. Council reserves the right to invite all tenderers to change their tenders to take into account a change in the tender specification.

For more information, contact Glenn Cunningham at procurement@mountisa.qld.gov.au.