

Mount Isa City Council News



Ph: (07) 4747 3200
(24 hours)
Email: city@mountisa.qld.gov.au
Facebook: [MountIsaCityCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/MountIsaCityCouncil)
Web: www.mountisa.qld.gov.au

Welcome to 2025! I hope you all had a safe, relaxing, and refreshing Christmas and New Year break.

Council is gearing up for this year's Australia Day Awards presentation and citizenship ceremony, both of which will be held from 9am on Sunday, January 26, at the Mount Isa Civic Centre. The event will include a morning tea.

For those with mobility issues or a disability, please be aware that while the lift at the Civic Centre is not in operation, there is an alternative disabled-access entry to the Civic Centre auditorium.



That's not all there is to do on

Australia Day – there'll also be free entry to Splashez Aquatic Centre from 10.30am.

And from 12 noon to 1pm, Splashez will be hosting a free sausage sizzle, as well as fun Australia Day activities.

With the recently installed water slide up and running, this will be a terrific day out for families and people of all ages to celebrate Australia Day with the community. As well as this, Outback at Isa will have a Locals' Open Day from 9am to 2pm. It will feature free short tours, bush tucker walks, and an Aussie-

themed cafe menu, so be sure to head down to enjoy all that Outback at Isa has to offer.

Looking to the year ahead, while 2025 will be a year of uncertainty economically, there is much to look forward to. The only thing we can be certain of is change, and how we adapt and react will be the predictor of success. We at Mount Isa City Council feel prepared for the upcoming challenges and look forward to sharing our future-ready economic roadmap being launched on February 21.

Deputy Mayor, CEO Speak With PM

Deputy Mayor Kim Coghlan, Councillor John Tully, and Council CEO Tim Rose were delighted to meet and speak with Prime Minister Anthony Albanese on Wednesday, January 8, during his whistle-stop tour of Mount Isa.

Cr Coghlan and Mr Rose outlined Council's concerns with the impact on Mount Isa of the upcoming closure of Glencore's Mount Isa copper mining and processing operations, as well as the work Council has been doing to attract new business and industry to the city.

These include renewable energy generation and storage from Green Gravity; the proposed Flying Whales airship transport base; and the potential Cobalt Blue pyrite-roasting facility.

Cr Coghlan and Mr Rose stressed these projects would not be possible without support from the Federal Government, and had the potential to bring more than 1000 short- and long-term jobs to Mount Isa.



After the meeting, held in the Council Chambers, Mr Albanese and Federal Minister for Infrastructure,

Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Catherine King had their photo taken with Council staff.

Register Now for the Sign On Expo

Registrations for the 2025 Sign On Expo are open until Wednesday, January 22.

Don't miss your chance for your sports club or community group or organisation to be a part of this popular free annual event.

Register online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/LYLV6GL.

Please ensure you include your club or organisation's Certificate of Currency for public liability with your registration.

The Sign On Expo will be held on Saturday, February 1, from 9am to 12 noon, at the Mount Isa Mines Entertainment Centre at Buchanan Park. Come along and discover the wide range of sporting, community, and arts clubs and organisations you can get involved in in Mount Isa.

The Sign On Expo gives local clubs, groups, and organisations a chance to expand their member numbers, as well as boost residents' awareness of their events, competitions, and activities.

News in Brief

- The Australian Government Mobile Service Centre is coming to Camooweal. It will be set up at the Williejudarra Hall carpark on Thursday, 30 January, from 11am to 3pm. Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, jobseekers, people with disability, carers, farmers, and self-employed people. Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. Visit <https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice>.