

Climate Resilience, Infrastructure & Net Zero Plan

At its May meeting, Council considered and adopted an integrated Climate Adaptation, Critical Infrastructure and Net Zero Plan 2026–2036, bringing together climate adaptation, infrastructure resilience and emissions reduction into a single strategic framework. The Plan has been developed in response to increasing climate risks, ageing infrastructure and the transition to a low-emissions economy, with the long-term goal of achieving net zero operational emissions by 2050. It provides a coordinated approach to protecting critical infrastructure, maintaining essential services and strengthening the Shire's resilience to future challenges.

The Plan recognises the impacts already being experienced across Hay Shire, including more frequent extreme heat events, flooding and pressure on essential infrastructure and community services. By integrating climate adaptation, infrastructure planning and emissions reduction, Council aims to improve long-term decision-making, reduce costs associated with

asset failure and disaster recovery, and position itself to access future grant funding and investment opportunities. The Plan also supports Council's broader strategic goals around sustainable infrastructure, environmental stewardship, community wellbeing and economic sustainability. Implementation of the Plan will occur in stages over the next decade and will be supported through Council's long-term financial and operational planning processes. Actions will focus on improving infrastructure resilience, increasing energy efficiency, reducing emissions and strengthening partnerships with government agencies, emergency services, industry and the community. Progress will be monitored through annual reporting and regular reviews to ensure the Plan remains responsive to emerging risks and opportunities.



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LGNSW Six Point Action Plan on Rural and Regional Health

Rural and regional communities across NSW continue to face significant challenges in accessing essential healthcare services, with shortages of GPs, limited specialist services, reduced maternity care and inadequate patient transport placing increasing pressure on local communities. In response, the Local Government NSW has released its "Caring for our Regions" six-point action plan, calling for urgent and coordinated reform from both State and Commonwealth governments to improve healthcare access and outcomes for rural, regional and remote areas.

At its May meeting, Council considered supporting the advocacy campaign, which highlights the growing role councils are playing in

filling healthcare gaps traditionally funded by other levels of government. Hay Shire Council currently supports local healthcare through provision of the Hay Medical Centre, accommodation and vehicles for GPs, community transport services and a range of aged care and in-home support programs. The advocacy plan calls for stronger investment in the rural health workforce, improved patient transport, restoration of local maternity services, support for ageing in place, and reimbursement for councils subsidising health services. Council's support aims to strengthen coordinated advocacy to ensure rural communities receive fair and equitable access to healthcare, regardless of postcode.

EVENTS

June

- 5-7 Club Standard and Triumph
- 5-8 Hay Plains Bowls Carnival
- 6 Moppett St, Markets
- 6 Dustdrunkers B&S Ball
- 6-7 Australian Hay Mini Nationals
- 13 Hay Merino Sheep Show

July

- 24 Wine tasting 2HAYFM

September

- 11-12 Hay Show
- 12 Cocktails in the yard Toganmain Woolshed

October

- 9-10 Hay Glow
- 23-26 Rust n Dust Outback Rally

November

- 12-15 Rainbow on the Plains
- 22 Hay Races



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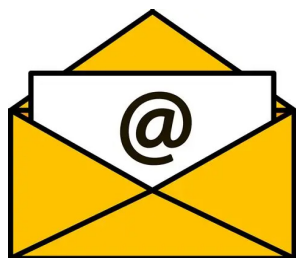


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Hay Shire Snippets

e-Snippets



Council is transitioning the Shire Snippets newsletter to an electronic format, making it easier for residents to stay informed about Council news, projects, events and community updates. Moving to e-Snippets will provide faster delivery, improved accessibility and reduced printing costs and paper use. Residents are encouraged to scan the QR code to register and receive the Shire Snippets directly to their email inbox, ensuring they never miss an important update from Council.



Hay Shire Council proudly hosted the 2026 Australia's Biggest Morning Tea on Wednesday, 21 May, in the civic space in front of the Lands Office building. Despite the fresh morning weather, a very generous crowd gathered to support the important cause, helping raise a total of \$1,521 for the Cancer Council. Funds raised will contribute towards life-saving cancer research, patient support services, prevention programs, and advocacy initiatives. Council was pleased to see the online donation system utilised this year, including a generous anonymous online contribution of \$55. The popular 'Morning Tea' raffle was also drawn during the event, with Jo Corliss taking out first prize and

Leanne Congdon winning second prize. Morning tea refreshments were prepared and donated by Council staff and generous community members, whose contributions helped make the event such a success. Council would also like to sincerely thank the wonderful group of ladies who volunteered their time to assist with setting up the event and ensuring all attendees were well catered for and warmly looked after throughout the morning. Hay Shire Council extends its appreciation to everyone who attended, donated, volunteered, and supported this year's Biggest Morning Tea. Community generosity continues to make a meaningful difference in the fight against cancer.

Let's stop our contamination in your yellow lidded bin!



Invest in us
so we can
invest
in them

Local Government: Creating the communities we live in

Restore Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants to 1% of total taxation revenue

Everyday, across Australia, councils are creating and maintaining the communities you, your family and your friends live, work and play in.

We go to work on roads maintained by council or perhaps we ride or walk using bikeways or footpaths built by councils. We eat lunch in a park cared for by council staff and we drop our rubbish in a bin that is collected and disposed of by council.

Local Government,
everyday in so many ways is making a difference.
Investing in us, is investing in the community you live in.

SUPPORT the return of Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants to
Local Government to 1% of total taxation revenue



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Development Applications May - April 2026

2026-6	Lot 149 Sidonia Rd	Subdivide into 3 lots	Approved
2026-11	379 Russell St, Hay	2 Units	Approved
2026-12	264 Lachlan St, Hay	Demolition of all buildings	Approved
2026-16	330 Lang St, Hay	Gauzed verandah	Approved
2026-17	204-216 Lachlan St	Renovate CWA/RSL Room	Approved
2026-20	442 Moppett St, Hay	Alteration & additions to Dwelling	Approved