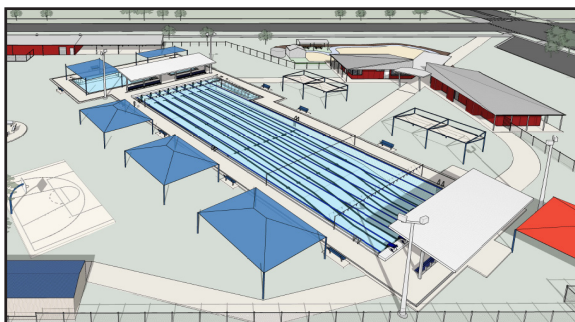


Pool Project Update

The redevelopment of the John Houston Memorial Pool is moving ahead smoothly, with demolition completed and detailed pool designs finalised. Construction has now entered the next phase, with the contractor initiating piling works, which are progressing well. All major contracts have been secured, and importantly, there are no outstanding large-scale cost uncertainties. The project continues to track on schedule and within budget, marking a major milestone for this highly anticipated community upgrade.



Help Shape the Future of Our Community!

In line with the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) Guidelines, Council has developed draft versions of the following key planning documents, now ready for public exhibition from 5th May 2025:

- Community Strategic Plan (10-Year Vision)
- Delivery Program (4-Year Roadmap)
- Operational Plan (1-Year Action Plan)

These plans reflect extensive community engagement, input from Council and staff, review of existing strategies, and the needs and priorities identified by our residents.

We're now inviting you—our community—to have your say.

Community Consultation Sessions

Come along, ask questions, and share your thoughts at a session near you:

Hay – 13th May at 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM | Council Chambers

Booligal – 14th May at 6:00 PM | Booligal Hall

Maude – 15th May at 6:00 PM | Maude Hall

Haydays – 16th May at 3:00 PM | Haydays Event

Youth Taskforce – 19th May at 4:00 PM | No. 1 Oval Kiosk

People with Disabilities – 21st May at 11.00am | Council Chambers

Public feedback is open until 6th June 2025 and comments/submissions can be made to Hay Shire Council, 134 Lachlan Street, Hay.

Budgee Creek Bridge

The Budgee Creek Bridge replacement project has been successfully completed and is now open to the public. The new structure features a two-lane design, enhancing traffic flow and safety, and is built to accommodate higher productivity vehicles, improving freight efficiency and regional connectivity. The project was funded by the Federal Governments Bridges Renewal Program and Hay Shire Council.



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May

7th Ranglands forum

10th CWA Community Fare & Market Day

June

5th CWA Casserole Day

6-9th Hay Plains Bowls Carnival

6-9th Australian Hay Mini Nationals

6-9th Club Standard & Triumph of Victoria

7th Moppet St Markets

7th Hay Dustdrinkers B&S Ball

14th Hay Merino Sheep Show

Notices to Residents

Road Shoulder Patching Works

Hay Shire Council wishes to advise that road shoulder patching works will be carried out along Lachlan Street by Council-appointed contractors. The works will occur on both sides of Lachlan Street, between Brunker Street and Macauley Street, at various locations. These works are scheduled to take place between mid-May and mid-June 2025, weather permitting. Council apologises for any inconvenience caused and appreciates your patience and cooperation during this period.

Access to Water Meters

Property owners and residents are kindly reminded to maintain clear and unobstructed access to water meters located on their property. This ensures that meter readers can perform their duties safely and efficiently. Most residential properties are equipped with two water meters: one for raw (untreated) water and one for filtered (treated) water. Both meters must remain easily visible and free of debris, overgrown vegetation, or any obstructions. Your cooperation helps maintain accurate water usage readings and supports the smooth operation of local water services.

Two Renewable Energy Projects announced for Hay Local Government Area

Council welcomes the news that Pottinger Wind Farm (Someva/AGL) and Bullawah Wind Farm (BayWa r.e) have been granted access under the South West Renewable Energy Zone Access Rights Scheme, announced on the 23rd April 2025.

The developments will be the first to be developed since Hay was identified as the centre of the South West Renewable Energy Zone in November 2022.

The South West REZ will unlock a significant pipeline of large-scale renewable energy and storage projects, while supporting \$2.8 billion in private investment by 2030 in our region. At its peak, the South West REZ is expected to support over 2,000 construction jobs.

Council has consulted the community widely since the South West REZ was announced, with our team understanding what changes the community wants to see to ensure the economy, community and environment can adapt and thrive into the future. This includes priorities to support healthy and connected communities, a prosperous regional economy, sustainable development, and thriving ecosystems.

Development Applications

AUGUST – DECEMBER 2024

2022-23	188-190 Lindsay St	Shed	Approved
2023-41	379 Macauley St, Hay	Carport	Approved
2024-27	32570 Sturt Hwy, Hay	Intensification of feedlot	Approved
2024-32	25350 Mid Western Hwy	Fence and Shed in association with road building business	Approved
2024-33	206 Lindsay St, Hay	2 x Manufactured Dwellings	Approved
2024-39	214 George St, Hay	Granny Flat as Office	Approved
2024-40	435 Macauley St, Hay	Storage Shed	Approved
2024-41	5 Meakes St, Hay	Fence	Approved
2024-43	394 Alma St, Hay	Security Fencing	Approved
2024-45	238 Bourke St, Hay	Single Dwelling	Approved
2024-46	415 Cadell St, Hay	Shed	Approved
2024-47	508 Clay St, Hay	Shed	Approved
2024-48	374 Church St, Hay	Shed	Approved
2024-49	241-249 Lachlan St, Hay	Hydrotherapy Pool	Withdrawn
2024-50	5 Meakes St, Hay	Swimming Pool	Approved
2024-51	238 Bourke St, Hay	Shed (as secondary dwelling)	Approved
2024-52	518-528 Keble St, Hay	Subdivision (5 lots to 6)	Approved
2024-53	338 Cadell St, Hay	Storage Shed	Approved
2024-55	456 Murray St, Hay	Demolition of house etc	Approved
2024-56	407 Bank St, Hay	Single Storey Dwelling	Approved
2024-59	522 Clay St, Hay	Use of Shed as Mechanic Workshop	Approved
2024-61	25542 Sturt Hwy	Shed with roofed area	Approved

Whats on at the Library



Rhyme Time: Children's reading and activities are held every Tuesday commencing at 10.30am for 0-5 years old.

Knitting & Scrabble Groups: Are held each Wednesday at 10am. Come and enjoy some knitting and scrabble with good company and a cuppa.

FARM & MARKET DAY

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE OUR 90 YEARS IN HAY

SATURDAY 10th MAY

9.00 - 2.00 pm

War Memorial Hall & Community Centre grounds

ALL DAY DEVONSHIRE TEAS

CAKE CEREMONY

MOTHERS DAY TREATS

FOOD & MARKET STALLS

COOKING & CRAFT

FAMILY FUN

BEES & GARDENING

LIFESTYLE & RELAXATION

Contact Sue 0428761102
Annette 0407971986
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Engie plains community sponsorship

Local Land Services

Production in the rangelands forum

Free workshop: exploring rangeland production in Hay

Join us for a day of cutting-edge research, real-world experiences, and networking with experts in the field.



When

Wednesday 7 May 2025, 8:00 am - 1:30 pm

Bonus!

Soil pit and moisture probe session
Tuesday 6 May, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Dive into the carbon potential of Hay soils and the science of soil probes featuring James Hunt, John Leys and Sally Ware. **RSVP essential.**

Meet at the Local Land Services Office
56 Lachlan Street, Hay

Where

Hay Services Club

RSVP

Before Friday 2 May 2025 for all events via the qr code or visit www.lls.nsw.gov.au/riverina

Contact Sally Ware on p: 0429 307 627 or
e: sally.ware@lls.nsw.gov.au for more information.

