



**MEDIA RELEASE
RICHMOND SHIRE COUNCIL
MARCH 24, 2020**



COVID 19 UPDATE 2

Council would like to confirm that all Council operations are business as usual. The Local Disaster Management Group are meeting regularly and are closely monitoring potential impacts to the community. "There are no cases of COVID 19 in our Community and it important that we allow businesses to continue to operate" said Mayor John Wharton.

Mayor John Wharton has urged local businesses who are making changes to the way they are operating during this crisis to contact Council so that information can be provided to the Community.

The following Council facilities have made temporary alternations to their work schedule in order to abide by Government mandated social distancing rules. The following services affected are:

Aged Care Service – Commonwealth Home Support Package Holders will have all services suspended until further notice. All High Care Clients will receive their normal services. Meals on Wheels is also unaffected.

Swimming Pool – Closed until April 15 with a possibility of an extension.

Community Gym – Closed until April 15 with a possibility of an extension. Memberships can be refunded on a pro rata basis or rolled over to the next operating quarter. Please speak with Angela.

Kronosaurus Korner – Reduced Trading times from 9am to 3pm.

Moonrock Café – Reduced Trading times from 9am to 3pm 7 days a week. Takeaway options and Home Delivery between 11.30am – 12.30pm.

Council Halls, Offices and Buses are unavailable for Hire until further notice.

Lake Fred Tritton, Charlie Whelow Oval, Bobby Murray Park, Jack Brown Lions Park, Richmond Racecourse and the Skate Park are still available for public use being mindful of the 4 metre square social distancing rule. No organized gathering or event is permitted at any of these venues until further notice.

Lakeview Caravan Park and RV Park will remain open.

Richmond Airport and Saleyards will remain open.

Richmond Refuse Tip will remain open.

Shire Library and Centrelink Hub will be open normal operating times. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 12 noon to 4pm and Wednesday 9am to 1pm.

Outside of School Hours Care will remain open.

Council is urging all of the community to shop local. Please support our business's that provide jobs in our Shire.

Council will provide updates as they become available via our website and social media pages.

Please direct all enquiries to Mayor – John Wharton – 0427 777 660