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1. WORKS REPORT

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Link to Strategic Plans	CSP – 4.3.4 Ensure Council's property assets are monitored and well managed

Executive Summary

This report provides information regarding works undertaken during the given period for operational and capital works.

Report

The Works Report (**Attachment No. 1**) for the period 1 September 2024 to 29 September 2024 is presented to Council for information.

Financial Implications

Council has provision for these services in its Operational Budget.

Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Local Government Act 1993
Roads Act 1993

Risk Management Issues

Nil

Internal/External Consultation

Nil

Attachments

1. Works Report (**Attachment No. 1**).

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

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WORKS REPORT

Water and Sewer

In September, a new potable water reserve was successfully installed in Tomingley. This innovative solution repurposes the original disused tank as a foundation for the larger, 35,000-litre tank. The reserve will provide at least three days' worth of water storage during peak demand. Additionally, the increased height of the tank will enhance water pressure, delivering significant benefits to residents once the tank is connected in the coming weeks.



Figure 1: A crane lifted the tank into position

Water and Sewer (Cont'd)



Figure 2: The new reservoir is mounted on top of the existing reservoir

Council is actively collaborating with the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) and consultants to finalize the Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Strategy. Initiated in 2022, this strategy aims to establish a comprehensive 30-year plan for the water and sewer systems within the Shire. Additionally, Council is working closely with DCCEEW to finalize the preliminary funding proposal for a new water treatment plant in Narromine.

During September Council completed the annual return which is submitted to DCCEEW. This comprehensive report includes over 500 reporting parameters and is compiled from data gathered from utilities across the state. The State Government uses this information to provide targeted assistance and support to local water utilities.

Water and Sewer (Cont'd)

A new generator has been installed at the Tomingley water treatment plant to provide back-up and ensure water supply even during power outages.



Figure 3: New electrical generator installed at the Tomingley Water Treatment Plant

NetWaste Clean-Up

The annual NetWaste Clean-Up event is scheduled for October 10th. The event will occur at both Trangie and Narromine waste depots. Due to time constraints with the contractor and limited availability, there was no room in the timeframe to accommodate Tomingley. This event is organized by NetWaste and Council is not involved with the scheduling or organizing of the event. Council has been promoting the event on social media. NetWaste is an Australian waste management organization that collaborates with local councils and communities to promote sustainable waste practices and provide waste disposal solutions.

Garage Sale Trail

Council has partnered with Garage Sale Trail, an Australian initiative aimed at raising awareness about waste and promoting the reuse of items. As Australia's largest secondhand treasure hunt, Garage Sale Trail features over 3 million pre-loved items available for sale over two weekends.

While Council will not be hosting a sale, we are actively promoting the event through a comprehensive media plan, generating significant traction on social media, and currently supporting two registered sales.

Garage Sale Trail (Cont'd)

The Garage Sale Trail will take place on November 9-10 and 16-17. Community members can participate by holding their own sales, contributing items to existing sales, or shopping at the various sales happening across the area!



Figure 4: Look out for our promotional material on Facebook!

Narromine and Trangie Pools

Both the Narromine and Trangie pools opened to the public on Saturday, September 28, with the Trangie pool maintaining a lovely temperature of 24 degrees, demonstrating the effective operation of the heat pumps. Significant improvements were made during the off-season, including the painting of the Trangie pool, the installation of new shade shelters, and the creation of a new concrete ball game area. Meanwhile, the Narromine pool received new shade structures and a replacement hot water system for the bathrooms, enhancing the overall experience for visitors.



Figure 5: New Shade Sails at the Narromine Pool

Depot Upgrade

Council's store upgrade at the Narromine Depot is now complete, significantly enhancing onsite security by restricting access to Council equipment. Additionally, the depot's restroom facilities have been upgraded for the benefit of all users. To further improve safety and visibility, Council has implemented a new traffic movement plan for the Depot. Heavy vehicles will now enter via Murgah Street and exit onto Manildra Street, while light vehicles will access the Depot through Terangion and also exit onto Manildra Street. This separation of traffic flows aims to enhance overall safety at the site.



Figure 6: The Narromine Depot toilets have been refurbished

Roads

Council has been awarded over \$4 million in flood repair funding, with projects distributed throughout the Shire. It is essential that all works are completed by March 31, 2025, and as a result, these projects are currently prioritized. While the majority of repairs focus on unsealed roads, a few sealed roads are also included in the program. It is important to note that there are specific guidelines governing how this funding can be utilized, which may not always align with our preferences. Consequently, other capital works will be postponed until the funding projects are completed.

Recent maintenance works have occurred on the following roads.

- Wallaby road
- Dappo road
- Brummagen Lane
- Newhaven Road
- Wyanga Road
- Foreman's Lane
- Drew's Lane
- Gibson's Lane
- Wingfield Road
- Currington's Road
- Woodside Road
- Bundamar Road
- Merrinong Road
- Ewenmar Road

Works are continuing on Papworth Lane, Enmore Road and Back Tomingley West Road.

Roads (Cont'd)

Upcoming work is scheduled for October on the following roads, contingent on weather conditions.

- Frecklington's crossing
- Montgomery's road
- Herrings Lane
- Brennans Lane
- Lincolns Lane
- Cobocco Road
- Kyalite and O'Leary's Roads
- Tomingley Cemetery Road
- Mungery Hall Road

In September, Council submitted a report to Transport for NSW regarding ongoing capital improvement funding we have received. As part of this reporting, we included before-and-after photos of the roads to illustrate the impact of the funding. The photos below serve as a visual comparison of the road conditions before and after the improvements.



Figure 7: Before (left) and after (right) of Tomingley West Road

Roads (Cont'd)



Figure 8: Before (left) and after (right) of Peak Hill Railway Road



Figure 9: Before (left) and after (right) of Bulgandramine Road

Roads (Cont'd)



Figure 10: Before (left) and after (right) of Enmore Road

Northern Drainage

Council is currently out to tender for the Northern Stormwater Drainage project, with submissions closing on October 11. A pre-tender site meeting held in mid-September was well attended by numerous local companies, indicating strong interest in the project. This initiative aims to significantly reduce flooding on Burraway Street (Mitchell Highway) during rain events, as well as alleviate flooding in Dundas Park. The project involves installing 900mm diameter stormwater pipes along the western side of Meryula Street, providing a direct outlet to the river and effectively removing excess water from these areas above ground.