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1. WORKS REPORT

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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 4 August 2024 to 31 August 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.

Melanie Slimming

Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services

WORKS REPORT

Water and Sewer

During the report period, the water and sewer team worked on two primary projects. The first project involves installing a sewer service for the new toilets at Dundas Park. The sewer main has been extended to the park's edge, positioning it for connection once the toilet installation is complete. The second project focuses on the booster pump station on Nymagee Street. The pump set and building have been installed, electrical conduits are in place, and the connection pipework has been ordered. This project is expected to be completed by the end of October, which should enhance Narromine's water system's capacity to maintain consistent water pressure throughout the town as the warmer weather approaches.



Figure 1: The pump station building on Nymagee Street has been installed.

In August, Council hosted a visit from the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, which oversees regulatory matters for potable water systems. The representatives toured the Narromine Water Treatment Plant and engaged in discussions regarding the planning of the proposed plant. Council is in the process of finalising a report that will allow the Department to consider funding for the concept design.

Additionally, the water team, in collaboration with Council's Engineering team, completed GPS data collection for the sewer network in Narromine. This data, which maps the location of manholes and includes information on pipe depth, size, and material, was finished in late August and will be integrated into Council's GIS management system.

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 organised by NetWaste and Council is not involved with the scheduling or organising of the event. Council has started to advertise 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.

Wetlands

Minor works at the wetlands are ongoing, with the new carpark remaining closed until fencing can be installed to ensure pedestrian safety from traffic. The installation of the fencing is scheduled to begin in early September. Additionally, several new signs have been placed throughout the newly developed area of the wetlands.



Figure 2: New signage has been installed at the Narromine Wetlands

Parks and Gardens

The Parks and Gardens team has installed trees in various locations across Narromine, including Manildra Street and Fourth Avenue. The team continues to identify suitable locations for tree planting and is evaluating tree varieties to ensure long-term growth and health.



Figure 5: New trees have been planted along Fourth Avenue where the new kerb has been installed

Work has been completed at the new Rotary Park toilet area, with sandstone blocks installed and new turf planned for planting in the coming weeks. Additionally, the team contributed to preparations at the Showground to ensure it was ready for the Narromine Show.

Levee Audit

During August a Levee Specialist from NSW Public Works visited Narromine and showed staff how to undertake a levee inspection. The specialist walked the length of the levee (approximately 900 metres) and identified key areas of concern. Whilst the levee is generally in good condition there are a few areas that need addressing including removal of trees and ant nests which impact the integrity of the bank and topping the levee in a few lower spots. The remediation work required can be carried out internally and is expected to occur before the end of the year.

Narromine Show

The Narromine Show occurred at the end of August. The Council's Parks and Gardens team, along with the Facilities team, worked to maintain the grounds in good condition during the warm weather. A weeds van, staffed by experts, and a Council tent, staffed by the Community Engagement team and a NetWaste representative, were present to provide information on recycling and battery disposal.

Roads

Council has completed the first 2 km of Tullamore Road (approximately 15 km south of Narromine), with sealing taking place in August. Further work on this road is planned but will be deferred until later in the financial year due to high demand on Council resources.

Gainsborough Road was opened at the end of August, with a posted speed limit of 80 km/h, as per Transport for NSW guidelines. The road is suitable for both heavy and light traffic. The Tomingley/Gainsborough Intersection is undergoing a design review, with construction expected to begin in mid-2025, following the completion of flood repair works. The intersection remains safe for use, and the road is operational in the meantime.

Maintenance work continues on Wyanga Road, Newhaven Road, Macquarie View Road, and Lincoln Lane. Maintenance on Tantitha Road is scheduled to commence in mid-September.



Figure 6: Sealing of Tullamore Road was undertaken in August