NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 25 JUNE 2025 REPORTS TO COUNCIL – INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES

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 5 May to 16 June 2025 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

The water and sewer team have been busy over the last month. The trunk main from the reservoir along Harris Street in Trangie has now been successfully replaced. This significant infrastructure project aims to enhance water distribution and ensure ongoing reliable service to the residents. The two scheduled town-wide water outages to connect the new main have taken place, and the project went smoothly with minimal disruption. The new pipeline will ensure service continuity and a secure water supply for Trangie well into the future.



Figure 1: A new four way valve set installed as part of the main replacement works in Trangie

Roads

The roads team has recommenced works on McGrane Way, south of Wyanga Road, with shoulder widening currently in progress. In addition, stabilisation works –where lime is mixed with the road base to strengthen and improve the long-term durability of the pavement – were completed on this road over the past month.

These works form part of Council's ongoing commitment to improving road safety and resilience, supported through funding from Transport for NSW's Regional Emergency Road Repair Fund.



Figure 2: Shoulder widening on The McGrane Way

Significant upgrade works on Momo Road were also completed during the review period.



Figure 3: Upgrade works to Momo Road

Roads (Cont'd)

Tantitha Road has recently received a maintenance grade, while routine maintenance works are currently underway on Narwonah Siding Road. Additionally, works on the sealed section of Buddah Lake Road commenced in early June.

Parks and Gardens

The Parks and Gardens team has completed a range of works over the past month, including:

- Mowing of all highway entrances into town to ensure a tidy and welcoming appearance.
- Preparations for the upcoming Governor of NSW visit.
- Shrub and tree maintenance, including trimming, throughout Trangie.
- Delivery of replacement trees to the Trangie depot; these will be planted progressively as the team balances other operational priorities. The replacement trees will restore plantings that were lost due to vandalism.
- Cleaning of stormwater drains to support drainage and reduce debris buildup.
- Maintenance at the Narromine and Trangie pools
- Completion of works in the Baby Graves area at Narromine Cemetery, with new fencing and plantings significantly enhancing the appearance and creating a more peaceful, reflective space.



Figure 4: Plants have been planted at the Baby Grave area in the Narromine Cemetery

Parks and Gardens (Cont'd)





Figure 5(Left): Maintenance of Yukkas at the Showground, (Right): Trangie Pool maintenance

Council Chamber Roof Replacement

The Council Chamber Roof Replacement Project is now complete. As part of the project, the roof has been replaced, and new carpet and internal painting have been completed within the offices. All office spaces are now fully operational.



Figure 6: Updated engineering open-plan office space

Library Works

Works at the Narromine Library are now complete. The project included the construction of a new toilet, meeting room, kitchenette, and emergency exit. These upgrades have significantly improved the functionality of the facility, providing better amenities for library users and enhancing the workspaces for staff.

At the Trangie Library, construction works are progressing. Earthworks have commenced, with excavation for the footings and piers currently underway. The concrete piers are expected to be poured in late June, marking an important milestone in the delivery of this project.



Figure 7: Freshly painted Narromine Library

Narromine Stormwater

Recent rain and supplier delays have temporarily paused works on the Northern Drainage Project. The underboring of the Mitchell Highway is scheduled for late June, with the remaining stormwater works expected to be completed in early July. Further tidying and reinstatement works along Meryula Street will take place in the coming months.

Narromine Stormwater (Cont'd)



Figure 8: Northern Drainage Project - construction site

In addition to the capital works project, Council engaged a contractor to clean major stormwater mains within Narromine, with works undertaken in late May. This resulted in a thorough clean of the stormwater pipe network on the southern side of the railway line at Manildra Street.

The contractor reported that the pipe was over 70% blocked with debris, which had been significantly restricting stormwater flow and contributing to upstream flooding and water pooling. The cleaning works have restored the drain's capacity, allowing stormwater to flow freely away from residential areas and towards the river. The effectiveness of these improvements was evident during the recent rain event.

Dandaloo Street Footpath

Footpath works on Dandaloo Street, Narromine are progressing, although recent wet weather has caused some delays. The eastern side of the road has now been completed, and construction is underway on the western side.

During excavation of the existing footpath, the contractor discovered the culvert to be in very poor condition. As a result, the culvert is being replaced, which has slightly extended the expected project duration.

The new footpath will continue through to the northern edge of the access laneway to Coles, connecting with the existing pavers.





Figure 9: Dandaloo Street Footpath: (Left) completed eastern side; (Right) western side under construction.

Narromine Shire Entrance Signs

Earlier this year, Council staff became aware that the "Welcome to Narromine" sign on the Mitchell Highway had been stolen. Council took this as an opportunity to update and refresh the signage not only on the highway but also on all main entrance roads into the Shire.

Several new signs, similar to the example below, have been ordered for installation at multiple locations throughout the Shire. As part of the refresh, the sign size and text have been increased to improve visibility – particularly to ensure easier and safer reading for motorists.

Narromine Shire Entrance Signs (Cont'd)

However, before signs can be installed on roads owned by Transport for NSW – including the Mitchell Highway – a Development Application (DA) must be approved by Transport for NSW. Council is actively working through this approval process and aims to complete installation of the new signage in the coming months.





Figure 10: New signage to be installed on main entrance roads into the Shire

Vandalism

Vandalism continues to be a persistent issue across Narromine, resulting in both disruption to operations and unnecessary costs. Recently, significant damage was caused at a job site on Tullamore Road, including damage to the grader, roller, and site caravan. There has also been ongoing damage to playground equipment and repeated vandalism of public toilet facilities.

Council continues to report these incidents to police. In addition, Council is actively investigating options for deploying a mobile CCTV unit in key areas and assessing the feasibility of installing permanent CCTV infrastructure to help deter and address these acts.