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**NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL  
ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 9 JULY 2025  
QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE REPORT**

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The following Questions with Notice have been received: -

**Questions With Notice from Cr Smith**

**1. PUBLIC TOILETS ADJACENT NARROMINE AQUATIC CENTRE**

What are Council's plans for the public toilets alongside the Narromine Aquatic Centre?

Bearing in mind that the 25 Club funded the building of these public toilets and local tradies donated their time and skills to the project, will the community be included in the decision making?

**Response from Director Infrastructure and Engineering Services: -**

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 14 May 1979, Council resolved to accept the tender of \$68,880 submitted by Mr R Davies to construct the swimming pool buildings (dressing sheds, first aid room, toilets, entrance section, and new residence). A previous report to Council indicated that the new dressing sheds building incorporate a park public toilet block on the western end of the building and immediately adjacent to the Fire Station property. The tender submitted did not include demolition costs. Council resolved to advertise and contact the local service organisations for the demolition of the baths entrance building, residence and dressing sheds with everything to be moved from the site.

In 2023, Council commissioned the development of a Precinct Plan for Dundas Park and Payten Oval. This plan, prepared by an external consultant, incorporated feedback from both Council and the community. Following public exhibition in mid-2023, the Plan was formally adopted by Council at the October 2023 meeting.

The adopted Plan included the closure of the existing toilets adjacent to the Aquatic Centre, to occur after the construction of a new, fully accessible amenity block in Dundas Park. This new facility, funded under the Stronger Country Communities Fund and a contribution from Council, was completed in early 2025. The old toilet block was subsequently closed. The old facility is not compliant with the Disability Discrimination Act (1992) and has ongoing issues with the underground sewer infrastructure.

At this time, there are no confirmed plans for the future use of the old toilet site, and no funding has been allocated in the current financial year for works in that location.

Council aims to engage with the community through the public exhibition of master plans and strategic documents and encourages feedback to ensure all voices are considered in shaping the Shire's long-term planning.