

### **COUNCIL COLUMN - WEDNESDAY 3 MARCH 2021**

## **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held Wednesday, 10 March 2021 at Council's Chambers, commencing at 5.30 pm. Following the lifting of the COVID-19 Restrictions, Council has resumed meeting in the Chambers with a maximum of TEN (10) members of the public in attendance. The meetings will no longer be live streamed; however, an audio recording will be uploaded the following day.

## **WATER METER READINGS**

Council reminds all residents of Narromine, Trangie and Tomingley that water meter readings will be conducted during the week 1 March 2021 until 5 March 2021.

Please ensure your water meters are accessible and animals are secured during this period. If your water meter cannot be accessed, Council will estimate your water usage based on previous usage.

#### PLAYGROUND UPGRADES

Council reminds all residents that playground upgrades are presently underway at Dundas Park, Narromine and Swift Park, Trangie. These upgrades are significant recreation and community infrastructure projects within the Narromine Local Government Area. Council will keep the community informed as to when the playgrounds are open for use.

## MINERAL EXPLORATION DRILLING

Council advises that FMG Resources Pty Ltd (Fortescue) will be conducting mineral exploration within the Narromine Local Government Area. Following consultation (between FMG Resources Pty Ltd, the community and landholders) exploration drilling activities will commence in the Narromine/Tomingley area during March 2021 and work will be undertaken 7 days a week and is expected to run for three months. For further information please contact nsw@fmgl.com.au

# NARROMINE WETLANDS CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES

Council advises all residents that the Narromine Wetlands will be closed to **all vehicles** from **23 February 2021** as construction of the first primary pond will be underway for approximately six (6) weeks from this date.

**Pedestrians** are still able to access the Wetlands via the pedestrian gate near the public toilets.

Works at the site will be undertaken to minimise any inconvenience, however pedestrians are advised to enter the Wetlands with caution, as internal walkway closures may occur.

## **VEHICLE SAFETY**

Council urges all road users to be extra cautious around **school zones** particularly within the school zone times.

Council reminds all motorists to **be alert on roads and at rail level crossings** in the coming months as grain locomotives continue to use rail lines. Please be mindful that there is increased traffic on all roads.

All **unsealed roads remain open** to vehicles with caution due to damage caused by recent rain events. All drivers are reminded not to drive through flood waters.

Remember to plan ahead, slow down and allow plenty of time to get to your destination safely. Please refer to Council's website, social media and Live Traffic NSW for information on local roads and traffic.

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