

**COUNCIL COLUMN – WEDNESDAY 16 JUNE 2021**

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Ordinary Council meeting will be held **Wednesday, 16 June 2021** at Council's Chambers, commencing at 5.30 pm.

**NSW PLANNING PORTAL TO GO LIVE**

**Council advises from 1 July 2021 all Development Applications within Narromine Shire Local Government Area must be lodged through the NSW Planning Portal** in line with State Government legislation. The new online portal enables people to access planning services and information from anywhere, at any time.

The system is much more convenient than the paper-based transactions, with applicants being able to submit and track applications 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Council is encouraging residents to talk to their builder or designer and seek assistance with lodging an application as they may have the experience with the Planning Portal process.

This will apply to the lodgement of Development Applications (DA), Modification to Consent, Construction Certificates (CC) and Complying Development Certificates (CDC). The portal also contains a comprehensive collection of resources that will assist applicants and developers with Quick Reference Guides, fact sheets, useful links and much more.

For information on how to register for a Portal Planning account and other resources visit [www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/support/applicant-resource](http://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/support/applicant-resource) or contact Service NSW on 1300 305 695 or contact Council's Customer Service Centre at 118 Dandaloo Street Narromine or by phone on 6889 9999.

**ESSENTIAL ENERGY TREE TRIMMING**

Council wishes to advise residents that Essential Energy will commence tree trimming week commencing **24 May 2021** in the Narromine Shire area as part of its routine maintenance schedule.

**NOTICE OF AIRBORNE SURVEY**

Council advises that **FMG Resources Pty Ltd (Fortescue)** will be conducting an airborne geophysical survey commencing at the end of May 2021.

The survey will cover the areas south of Trangie to Peak Hill and south of Trundle. The survey will be conducted in daylight hours, seven days a week, with a fixed-wing aircraft flying at 50 metres above the ground in 100 metre spaced lines. For further information, please contact **Fortescue** by phoning **0429 452 273** or [nsw@fmgl.com.au](mailto:nsw@fmgl.com.au)

**SERVICE NSW MOBILE SERVICE CENTRES NARROMINE AND TRANGIE**

Council advises all residents that Service NSW will be located outside Trangie Library from 9.30 am until 3.00 pm on the following dates: 22 June, 17 August, 19 October and 14 December 2021 and in Narromine at the Men's Shed 66 Dandaloo Street from 9.00 am until 3.30 pm on the following dates: 24 June, 19 August, 21 October and 16 December 2021.

### **NARROMINE WETLANDS REMAINS CLOSED TO ALL VEHICLES**

Council advises all residents that the Narromine Wetlands is closed to **all vehicles** as construction of the first primary pond is underway. **Pedestrians** are able to access the Wetlands via the pedestrian gate near the public toilets.

Pedestrians are advised to enter the Wetlands with caution, as internal walkway closures will occur. For your safety, please observe all signs in place.

### **ROAD SAFETY REMINDER**

Council advises that the following roads remain closed to all vehicles: **McLeods Lane, Tyrie North Road** and **Merrinong Road** (between and Pineview and Ewenmar Roads). The remainder of unsealed roads are open to all vehicles. **All motorists are reminded not to drive through floodwaters** and proceed with caution on all other roads.

Council reminds motorists to check Council's website, social media and LiveTraffic for live updates, traveller information and personalised alerts for NSW roads. Please note, major roads come under the jurisdiction of Roads and Maritime Services. Please visit [www.livetraffic.com](http://www.livetraffic.com) for live updates, traveller information and personalised alerts for NSW roads.

Council also 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. 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 LiveTraffic app or call 132 701 for information on local roads and traffic. If your life is at risk, call Triple Zero (000) immediately. For SES assistance phone 132 500.

### **NARROMINE SPORTS AND FITNESS CENTRE**

Council advises that Indoor Netball and Soccer will be held over Term 3 at the Narromine Sport and Fitness Centre. These competitions will commence in July, registrations can be collected from Council or from Council's website. For further information phone Kaitlyn on 6889 9999 or visit [www.narromine.nsw.gov.au/community/indoor-sports](http://www.narromine.nsw.gov.au/community/indoor-sports)

### **NARROMINE SPORTS AND FITNESS CENTRE - UPDATED COVID SAFETY PLAN**

Council advises that an updated COVID Safety Plan now includes the indoor sports stadium and this plan can be found outside the front office of the Centre. Please ensure all users are familiar with this plan.

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – PRE-ELECTION CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSION**

Narromine Shire Council will be conducting a **Pre-election Candidate Information Session** commencing at **5.30 pm** on **Tuesday 22 June 2021** at **Council Chambers**. This session is to provide all candidates with an understanding of local government, the expectations of a councillor and how it fits in with other roles and levels of government. It will also offer an opportunity to learn and hear from experienced

councillors. To book your interest please RSVP to Council on 6889 9999 or email [mail@narromine.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@narromine.nsw.gov.au)

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS SEPTEMBER 2021**

Interested people who would like to work at the September 2021 local government elections can apply through the Electoral Commission's 'expression of interest' website.

Information about the roles available can be found on the website [www.elections.nsw.gov.au/About-us/Work-with-us/Work-at-an-election](http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/About-us/Work-with-us/Work-at-an-election)

Please note that registering an expression of interest is not an offer of employment, and should not be interpreted as a guarantee that employment will be offered. Applicants can work on the day (Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September) in a polling place, or for longer periods in a returning office or in one of the pre-poll voting centres.

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