

# COUNCIL NEWS

OCTOBER  
2020

## NEW COUNCIL CHAMBERS HOLDS FIRST MEETING

Council held its first Council Meeting in the new Council Chambers and community space on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020. As many of our residents have witnessed, the project has been undertaken over the last five months to go from a vacant land area into the new building. The building has been a dream of Council for many years and funding was progressively reserved to allow for the structure to be built without any loans being taken. The Council has

allocated \$1.7 million to the project and it is below budget and well within the time frame set for such a large building. Council test drove the Council Chambers at the October meeting to ensure that the facilities and services worked as required and that under the COVID-19 restriction a reduced public audience was allowed to attend.

An official opening will be held when all the renovations are complete.



## GM RETIRES

Council's General Manager Glenn Wilcox finished his contract term at Council on 30<sup>th</sup> October and will semi-retire with his family and friends. At the October Council meeting Glenn thanked Council and the community for the strategic direction that they have worked to put in place and to look towards a very positive future for this Shire.

The Mayor thanked Glenn for the long term direction and leadership that he has provided for the community and the support he has provided to Council to look at new opportunities and an understanding of what can be achieved if Councillors are provided the knowledge to lead their community.

We wish Glenn well in his semi-retirement and welcome him back to visit in the near future.



## NEW TREES FOR WARREN, NEVERTIRE AND COLLIE

In coming weeks some new trees will be planted in Warren, Nevertire and Collie. The project is funded by the Federal Government's Murray Darling Basin Economic Development Program.



## ROADS UPDATE

### Works during the remainder of 2020/21 budget year

With regard to capital works on rural roads during the remainder of the 2020/21 budget year it is planned that the following roads and locations will be subject to rehabilitation or construction works:

- Construction - Ellengerah Road Segment 20 (2km). Works commenced on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020 and should take around 6 weeks.
- Construction – Old Warren Road Part Segment 22 and all of Segment 24 (2.75km). The plan is that this will follow the work on Ellengerah Road. This project has commenced in that approximately 6,000 tonnes of gravel has been hauled from the Bogan Shire Quarry and stockpiled on site.

During the first half of 2021 the following works are scheduled for completion:

- Rehabilitation - Collie-Trangie Road Segment 14 (2km).
- Rehabilitation - Nevertire Bogan Road Segment 02 (2km).
- Construction Tyrie (Dandaloo) Road Segment 00 and Part Segment 02 (2.20km).
- Rehabilitation – Warren Road Segment 12 and Segment 14 (4km).

Prior to Christmas 2020 the following Gravel Resheet works will be undertaken:

- Old Warren Road – Segment 28 (2km).
- Canonba Road – Part Segment 14 and all of Segment 12 (2.50km).

## EQUESTRIAN CENTRE UPDATE

Good progress is being made on the construction of the Equestrian Arena at the Warren Showground and Racecourse.



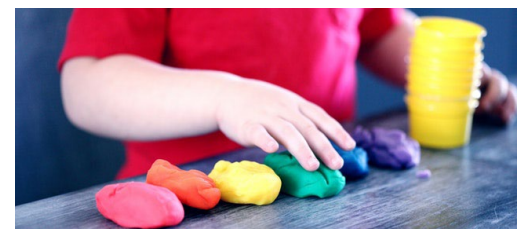
## LIBRARY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Warren Shire Library is currently running a Library Outreach Program, visiting organisations around town and also running a pop up library service at Warren Preschool and Kindergarten:

Locations the Library is visiting include:

- Warren Central School
- St Mary's Catholic School
- Warren Preschool and Kindergarten
- Little Possums
- Warren Family Day Care
- Vacation Care

The Library staff are also working with the activities coordinator at Calara House to supply access to digital resources Kanopy and Borrow Box along with large print resources that will be changed regularly.



## DUBBO STREET PARKING BAY UPGRADES

Dubbo Street parking bay kerb edges between Hale Street and Readford Street were completed at the end of September.



## FOR MORE INFORMATION

