

BUSINESS PAPER

ORDINARY MEETING

THURSDAY 26TH MARCH 2026

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL

AGENDA - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

26th March 2026 commencing at 8.30 am

1. OPENING OF MEETING

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Warren Shire Council acknowledges the traditional owners of the lands within Warren Shire and acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who reside within this Shire.

3. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday, 26th February 2026.

5. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS

6. MAYORAL MINUTE(S)

Item 1 General Matters Concerning Warren Shire (C14-4)

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Meeting of the Plant Committee held on Wednesday, 4th March 2026 (C14-3.8)

Meeting of the Roads Committee
held on Wednesday, 4th March 2026 (C14-3.28)

Meeting of the Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee
held on Monday, 9th March 2026 (G2-5.4)

Meeting of Manex held on Tuesday, 17th March 2026 (C14-3.4)

Meeting of the Local Traffic Forum held on Thursday, 19th March 2026 (T5-2)

7. REPORTS OF DELEGATES

Item 1 Ordinary Meeting of the Castlereagh Macquarie County Council held on
Monday, 23rd February 2026 (C15-1)

Item 2 Ordinary Meeting and Annual General Meeting of the Alliance of Western
Councils Board held on Friday, 27th February 2026 (C14-6.5)

8. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

POLICY

Nil.

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9. NOTICES OF MOTIONS/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

Nil.

10. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil.

11. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil.

12. CONCLUSION OF MEETING

13. PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL
Minutes of the Plant Committee Meeting
held in the Community Room, 115 Dubbo Street Warren
Wednesday 4th March 2026 commencing at 10:07pm

PRESENT:

Councillor Andrew Brewer (Chair)
Councillor Greg Whiteley (Mayor)
Councillor Noel Kinsey
Councillor Mark Kelly
Councillor Dirk McCloskey
Gary Woodman (General Manager)
Sylvester Otieno (Divisional Manager Engineering Services)
Bradley Pascoe (Divisional Manager Finance & Administration)
Darren Walton (Town Services Overseer) (Observer)
Jason Boyd (Workshop Coordinator)
Stephen Smith (Roads Overseer) (Observer)
Ray Egan (Flood Restoration & Special Projects Manager) (Observer)
Angie Tegart/Belinda McNamara (Minute Takers)

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Tony Wass who was absent due to external commitments, and it was **MOVED** Brewer/McCloskey that the apologies be accepted, and a leave of absence be granted for this meeting.

Carried

ITEM 2 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 5th AUGUST 2025

MOVED Brewer/Whitley that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 5th August 2025 be accepted as true and correct record of the meeting.

Carried

ITEM 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 5th AUGUST 2026

Nil.

ITEM 4 ACTION CHECKLIST

MOVED McCloskey/Brewer that the information be received and noted and the items marked with an asterisk (*) be deleted.

Carried

ITEM 5 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

MOVED Brewer/Kinsey that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ROADS COMMITTEE

Attached are the Minutes of the Meeting of the Roads Committee held on Wednesday 4th March 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Roads Committee held on Wednesday 4th March 2026 be received and noted and the following recommendations be adopted by Council:

ITEM 5.1 10-YEAR ROADS RENEWAL PROGRAM (R4-1)

That Council approves the 10-Year Roads Renewal Program.

ITEM 5.3 ROADS ASSETS MANAGEMENT PLAN (A13-2)

That Council adopts the Roads Assets Management Plan.

**ITEM 5.4 CARINDA ROAD/DUBBO STREET/INDUSTRIAL ACCESS ROAD INTERSECTION
DESIGN (R4-2.5, R4-1.72/10, R4-1.91)**

That Council approves the detailed design of the realignment of the intersection between Dubbo Street, Industrial Access Road and Carinda Road.

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL

Minutes of the Roads Committee

Meeting held in Council's Community Room at 115 Dubbo Street
Warren on Wednesday, 4th March 2026, commencing at 11:24am

PRESENT:

Councillor Noel Kinsey (Chair)
Councillor Greg Whiteley (Mayor)
Councillor Andrew Brewer
Councillor Dirk McCloskey
Councillor Mark Kelly
Gary Woodman (General Manager)
Sylvester Otieno (Divisional Manager Engineering Services)
Stephen Smith (Roads Overseer)
Ray Egan (Flood Restoration & Special Projects Manager)
Angie Tegar/Belinda McNamara (Minute Takers)

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Tony Wass who was absent due to external commitments, and it was **MOVED** Brewer/McCloskey that the apology be accepted, and a leave of absence be granted for this meeting.

Carried

ITEM 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD 5TH NOVEMBER 2025

MOVED Brewer/Whiteley that the Minutes of the Meeting held on, Tuesday, 5th November 2025 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

ITEM 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 5TH NOVEMBER 2025

Nil.

ITEM 4 ACTION CHECKLIST

MOVED Brewer/Kelly that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ITEM 5 REPORTS

ITEM 5.1 10-YEAR ROADS RENEWAL PROGRAM

(R4-1)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED McCloskey/Brewer that:

1. The report be received and noted; and
2. Council approves the 10-Year Roads Renewal Program.

Carried

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ITEM 5.2 TRAFFIC COUNTER SUMMARY AND TRENDS (R4-1)

MOVED Brewer/Kelly that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ITEM 5.3 ROADS ASSETS MANAGEMENT PLAN (A13-2)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Brewer/Kelly that:

1. The report be received and noted; and
2. Council adopts the Roads Assets Management Plan.

Carried

ITEM 5.4 CARINDA ROAD/DUBBO STREET/INDUSTRIAL ACCESS ROAD INTERSECTION DESIGN (R4-2.5, R4-1.72/10, R4-1.91)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Kelly/McCloskey that:

1. The report be received and noted; and
2. Council approves the detailed design of the realignment of the intersection between Dubbo Street, Industrial Access Road and Carinda Road.

Carried

ITEM 5.5 ROADS RECATEGORISATION (R4-1)

MOVED Brewer/Kelly that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ITEM 5.6 RMCC CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE REPORT (W6-11, W6-11.25, R4-2.2)

MOVED McCloskey/Kelly that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ITEM 5.7 INSPECTION SCHEDULE (R4-1)

MOVED McCloskey/Kelly that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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ITEM 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 6.1 BUDGET SUBMISSION TO MEMBER FOR PARKES (P14-1)

Priorities and information have been provided to the Member for Parkes that include the following road projects:

- RR202 Marthaguy Road Reconstruction (\$20 Million);
- RR333 Carinda Road Reconstruction access to Macquarie Marshes from Warren (\$20 Million); and
- SR36 Gibson Way Construction access to Macquarie Marshes from Coonamble (\$3.5 Million).

Councils' submission has also included commentary about the following previous and continuing programs that involve roads:

- Federal Assistance Grants (FAGs);
- Local Roads and Community infrastructure (LRCI) Program;
- Roads to Recovery (R2R) Program;
- Roads of Strategic Importance (ROST) Program;
- Australian Government Blackspot Program;
- Remote Roads Program;
- Bridges Renewal Program;
- Safe Local Roads and Infrastructure Program (SLRIP);
- Heavy Vehicle Rest Area Program; and
- Regional Precincts and Partnership Program – Precinct Delivery;

ITEM 6.2 ROAD SHOULDER REGROWTH (R4-1)

Arrangements will be made to poison the timber that is starting to regrow (DMES/RO).

Example areas are:

- SR66 – Wambianna Road
- RR333 – Carinda Road
- SR56 – Tabratong Lane
- SR91 – Industrial Access Road
- SR66 – Bundemar Road
- SR64 – Ellengerah Road
- SR83 – Rifle Range Road
- RR202 – Marthaguy Road

ITEM 7 NEXT MEETING

3rd June 2026, approximately 11:30am

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1:03pm.

EWENMAR WASTE DEPOT COMMITTEE MEETING

Attached are the Minutes of the Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee Meeting held on Monday 9th March 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee Meeting held on Monday 9th March 2026 be received and noted and the following recommendations be accepted:

ITEM 5.2 DRUMMUSTER IN WARREN SHIRE (G2-4.1)

That Council no longer considers being involved in DrumMuster as it is already being undertaken by another organisation in Warren Shire and that the funds allocated for the setup for DrumMuster at the Ewenmar Waste Depot be returned to the Waste Reserves for use of other waste projects in the future.

ITEM 5.4 FOOD ORGANICS AND GARDEN ORGANICS (FOGO) (G2-4.5)

That Council apply for an appropriate exemption under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act, 1997 for the introduction of Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) services due to the prohibitive cost, geography and population restraints, current waste services contract arrangements, lack of supporting infrastructure and limitations and timing.

ITEM 5.5 EWENMAR WASTE DEPOT OPERATIONS UPDATE (G2-5.4, C13-110, P2-1)

That:

2. The available \$31,290.00 be allocated from the Waste Reserves to the repair/replacement of the excavator main motor.
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WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee
held in the Council Community Room, 115 Dubbo Street Warren
on Monday 9th March 2026 commencing at 9.03 am

Present: Councillor Andrew Brewer (Chairperson)
Councillor Pauline Serdity
Gary Woodman General Manager
Sylvester Otieno Divisional Manager Engineering Services
Raymond Burns Town Services Manager
Rebecca Christian Note Taker

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor David Cleasby who was absent due to external commitments, and it was **MOVED** Woodman/Burns that the apology be accepted, and a leave of absence be granted for this meeting.

Carried

ITEM 2 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 17th NOVEMBER 2025

MOVED Brewer/Otieno that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th November 2025 be accepted as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Carried

ITEM 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 17TH NOVEMBER 2025

Nil.

ITEM 4 ACTION CHECKLIST

MOVED Brewer/Burns that the information be received and noted and those marked with an asterisk (*) be removed.

Carried

ITEM 5 REPORTS

ITEM 5.1 PROPOSED KERBSIDE RECYCLING FOR 2026/2027
(G2-2, G2-4.1, G2-5.4, C13-71)

MOVED Brewer/Serdity that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ITEM 5.2 DRUMMUSTER IN WARREN SHIRE **(G2-4.1)**

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Brewer/Serdity that Council no longer considers being involved in DrumMuster as it is already being undertaken by another organisation in Warren Shire and that the funds allocated for the setup for DrumMuster at the Ewenmar Waste Depot be returned to the Waste Reserves for use of other waste projects in the future.

Carried

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee
held in the Council Community Room, 115 Dubbo Street Warren
on Monday 9th March 2026 commencing at 9.03 am

ITEM 5.3 RETURN AND EARN FACILITY (G2-4.1)

MOVED Brewer/Burns that the information be received and noted.

Carried

ITEM 5.4 FOOD ORGANICS AND GARDEN ORGANICS (FOGO) (G2-4.5)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Brewer/Serdity that Council apply for an appropriate exemption under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act, 1997 for the introduction of Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) services due to the prohibitive cost, geography and population restraints, current waste services contract arrangements, lack of supporting infrastructure and limitations and timing.

Carried

ITEM 5.5 EWENMAR WASTE DEPOT OPERATIONS UPDATE (G2-5.4, C13-110, P2-1)

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Brewer/Serdity that:

1. The information be received and noted; and
2. The available \$31,290.00 be allocated from the Waste Reserves to the repair/replacement of the excavator main motor.

Carried

ITEM 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 6.1 DISPOSAL/RECYCLING OF BATTERIES (G2-2)

A report be provided detailing what arrangements are in place for disposal/recycling of batteries (larger/vehicle types) within Warren Shire. (GM)

**ITEM 6.2 USE OF CLEAN WOODCHIP MATERIAL STOCKPILED AT THE WARREN
SHOWGROUND RACECOURSE (S7-2, G2-2)**

Clean woodchipped material will be stockpiled near the curator's compound that will be made available for use of residents. Appropriate advertising will be arranged. (TSM/DMES)

ITEM 7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting 9.00 am Monday 13th April 2026.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.19 am.

MANEX MINUTES

Attached are the Minutes of the Meeting of Manex Committee held on Tuesday, 17th March 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Manex Committee held on Tuesday, 17th March 2026 be received and noted.

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL
Minutes of the Manex Committee Meeting
held in Council's Community Room on
Tuesday, 17th March 2026 commencing at 2.38 pm

PRESENT:

Gary Woodman	General Manager
Jody Burtenshaw	Executive Assistant to the Mayor and GM
Joe Joseph	Infrastructure Projects Manager
Susie Balogh	Economic Development and Visitation Manager
Sylvester Otieno	Divisional Manager Engineering Services
Raymond Burns	Town Services Manager
Ray Egan	Flood Restoration and Special Projects Manager
Bradley Pascoe	Divisional Manager Finance & Administration (Chair)
Erica Kearnes	Librarian
Scott Hosking	Work Health Safety and Risk Officer (Observer)

1 APOLOGIES

Nil.

2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

3 ACTION CHECKLIST

MOVED Woodman/Burns that the information be received and noted and the items marked with an asterisk (*) be deleted.

Carried

4.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICE MATTERS

4.1.1 Marketing and Communications Update (GM)

MOVED Woodman/Burns that the information be received and noted.

Carried

4.1.2 The Western Plains App Monthly Report (GM)

MOVED Burns/Balogh that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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4.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICE MATTERS

4.1.3 Preparation of the April 2026 Council Newsletter (GM)

APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER

Item	Responsible Officer
HEADER OR FOOTER ITEMS	
Registration of Local Contractors on Unimarket	DMFA, CC
Subscription to Newsletter (Only for 2 Page PDF)	GM
Livestreaming of Council Meetings	DMFA
VIC Volunteer Advertising	EDVM
PRIORITY MATTERS	
From the Mayors Desk	(EA/ GM /Mayor)
Vacant Positions	Finance Officer – Payroll/HR Officer
Road Maintenance Construction Program for March/April 2026	FRSPM/ DMES
Warren Showground/Racecourse Complex Automatic Gates Operational	TSM
Warren Shire Alert Roll Out Program	TSM/ Works Clerk /AOES/ATOR
Alliance of Western Councils Board Meeting	GM
Garbage Service Days in Warren, Nevertire and Collie	GM/ PAO
Recycling Services Survey for Warren, Nevertire and Collie and rural areas	GM
Cat Ownership Information and Responsible Pet Ownership	Ranger /GM
Library School Holidays Program	LIB
Splash Park Late Closure	TSM /Pool Manager
LOWER PRIORITY MATTERS	
Women of Warren Shire	GM
RR202 Marthaguy Road Towards Zero Safety Roads Update	FRSPM /DMES
RR202 Marthaguy Road Flood Damage Segment 0	FRSPM /DMES
SR 66 Wambianna Road, SR 68 Bundemar Road and SR 91 Industrial Access Road Flood Damage	DMES/ FRSPM
Warren Shire Youth Support Program under the Community and Family Support (CAFS) Program	GM

MOVED Kearnes/Burns that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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4.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICE MATTERS

CONTINUED

4.1.4 Suggestions in the Council Suggestion Boxes (GM)

Nil.

4.1.5 Legislative Non-Compliance Risk for Warren Shire Council (GM)

Deferred to 14th April 2026 Manex Meeting.

4.1.6 Draft 2026/2027 Operational Plan and Estimates Finalisation Timetable (GM)

- The Manex Team were advised that all capital and major operational items were to be provided to the Divisional Manager Finance & Administration by Friday, 13th March 2026 (Manex Members, Human Resources Officer, Work Health Safety – Risk Co-Ordinator, Warren Sporting and Cultural Centre Manager, Roads Overseer, Town Services Overseer);
- Divisional Manager Finance & Administration to review Draft Estimates with Individual Manex Members. Week from Monday 16th March, 2026 onwards;
- Divisional Manager Finance & Administration to arrange meetings of SMT to go through Draft Estimates;
 - Wednesday, 1st April 2026 9:00 am - 5:00 pm; and
 - Monday, 13th April 2026 11:00 am – 5:00 pm.
- General Manager /Executive Assistant to draft Annual Operational Plan;
 - Starting 28th March, 2026 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (if possible); and
 - Final Work Monday 30th March 2026 10:00 am – 5:00 pm.
- Divisional Manager Finance & Administration to draft 2026/2027 Estimates (General Fund 3.6%, Waste 3.6% plus recycling \$140/house assessment);
- Divisional Manager Finance & Administration to draft 2026/2027 Fees and Charges (3.6%, Government Announced Charges);
 - New complete, SMT Tuesday 17th March, 2026 to consider draft.
- SMT and Councillor / SMT Workshop plus optional Manex Members, 4.00pm-6:00pm Wednesday, 15th April 2026 – GM to present the Estimates and talk about AOP, missed projects etc;
- General Manager to draft the Draft Annual Operational Plan Report to the April, 2026 Council Meeting;
- Divisional Manager Finance & Administration to draft the Draft 2026/2027 Estimates Report to the April 2026 Council Meeting;
- Divisional Manager Finance & Administration to arrange the advertising of the AOP & Estimates for 2026/2027 Documents on the website, newspaper, Facebook, front counter, library, community room display screen; and
- General Manager to draft the 2026/2027 Operational Plan and Estimates Adoption Report to the June 2026, Council Meeting.

MOVED Woodman/Joseph that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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4.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICE MATTERS CONTINUED

4.1.7 Project, Program & Portfolio (P3) Life-Cycle Management for Local Government (IPM)
MOVED Joseph/Burns that the Infrastructure Projects Manager, Divisional Manager Engineering Services and Town Services Manager be nominated as the Project Management Team for Council during the testing and trialling of the project, program and portfolio (P3) Life-Cycle Management for Local Government Platform.
Carried

4.2 FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT MATTERS

4.2.1 Warren Shire Council Contract Register (DMFA)
MOVED Pascoe/Kearnes that the information be received and noted.
Carried

4.2.2 Warren Shire Council Grants Register (DMFA)
MOVED Woodman/Burns that the information be received and noted.
Carried

4.2.3 Manex Member Advice on Large Payments for Investment Strategy Information (DMFA)

Estimated major expenditure for March/April 2026:	Estimated income / payments for March/April 2026:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Marthaguy Road Towards Zero Safer Roads Program R2 – Sealing \$240,000 (FRSPM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Levee milestone (6) payment \$1,422,684.60 (IPM)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Marthaguy Road Towards Zero Safer Roads Program R2 - Neil Earthmoving \$170,000 (FRSPM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LGP Procurement Capability Grant Program FY25 – Final Payment (MS#2) \$4,772.72 (IPM)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marthaguy Road Towards Zero Safer Roads Program R2 – Stabiliser \$120,000 (FRSPM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bridges BRP Milestone 4 - \$776,640 (DMES)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warren Road – Linemarking \$25,000 (FRSPM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Warren Road Rehab RNSW - \$266,981 (DMES)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marthaguy Road Flood – Ausroads \$40,000 (FRSPM) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ewenmar Waste Depot Flood Damage AGRN 1034 \$233,535.48 (FRSPM)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wambianna Road Flood– Seal \$15,000 Stabilizer 15,000 (FRSPM) 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial Access Road Flood – Stabiliser \$15,000 Seal \$10,000 (FRSPM) 	

- Engineering Services to take urgent action on the required changes for the internal plant hire rates to take into account the increase in fuel costs and the subsequent effects on budgets (DMES).

MOVED Otieno/Egan that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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4.1 EXECUTIVE OFFICE MATTERS

CONTINUED

4.2.4 Proposed Budget Variations/Adjustments Sought for Quarterly Budget Review Statements Inclusion (DMFA)

No report this month.

4.3 ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT MATTERS

4.3.1 Flood Recovery Works (DMES/FRSPM/RIM)

Event Name	Event Description	Work Completion Deadline	Approved Scope	Payment Claim	Funds Received	Comments	Status
AGRN 1034 EPA RW	NSW Flooding from 14 September 2022 onwards - Roads	30.06.2026	\$8,655,818.00	\$7,790,237.26	\$7,790,237.26	*The paid amount is 50% payment under the Tripartite Agreement. The \$700,351 that was transferred from the IRW has been included in the paid amount. NSW RA has taken over administration of DRFA and now uses <i>Smartygrants</i> for reporting. NSW RA have now paid up to 90% of the approved amount - \$7,790,237.26 Balance \$865,582 to be paid after completion of works. A variation has been submitted for full claim of SR23 Gradgery Lane causeways \$1,027,000.	Works ongoing
*AGRN 1034 EPA RW	NSW Flooding from 14 September 2022 onwards – Ewenmar Facility Access Road	30.06.2026	\$220,500	\$220,500	\$198,450.00	Q2 2025/26 Claim and Final Acquittal - Submitted	Completed
*AGRN 1034 EPA RW	NSW Flooding from 14 September 2022 onwards – Ewenmar Facility Operations	30.06.2026	\$38,983.86	\$38,983.86	\$35,085.47	Q2 2025/26 Claim and Final Acquittal - Submitted	Completed

MOVED Egan/Pascoe that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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4.3 ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT MATTERS

CONTINUED

4.3.2 Road Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC)- State Highway 11 (DMES/FRSPM/RIM)

Project	Estimate / Budget	Comments
*Heavy Patching 2025-26	\$449,648	Complete
RMAP Activities – 2025-26	\$493,431.14	Ongoing

MOVED Otieno/Egan that the information be received and noted.

Carried

4.3.3 2025 Calendar of Events at Showground/Racecourse (TSM/IPM)

MOVED Burns/Otieno that the information be received and noted.

Carried

4.4 HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT MATTERS

Nil.

4.5 WORK HEALTH & SAFETY RISK MATTERS

4.5.1 Workplace Inspection Calendar (WHS-RC)

MOVED Woodman/Otieno that the information be received and noted.

Carried

4.5.2 Safety Culture Sites and Group Structure Discussion

Safety Culture progressing with the following currently in train:

- Complete all employees into the system;
- Correct the assets with the help of the Workshop Coordinator (plant that needs servicing); and
- Finalise the templates that have been mentioned previously including incident register, pre-start checklists, toolbox meetings and risk assessments.

MOVED Otieno/Joseph that the information be received and noted.

Carried

4.5.3 WHS Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday, 12th March 2026

MOVED Otieno/Pascoe that the information be received and noted and the following recommendations be adopted:

Item 4.1 Incidents and Accidents (S12-14.15)

Further training in relation to hazardous manual tasks be implemented due to the increased injuries (**WHS-RC**).

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4.5 WORK HEALTH & SAFETY RISK MATTERS

CONTINUED

4.5.3 WHS Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday, 12th March 2026

Continued

Item 4.3 Staff Training

(S12-14.1)

That refresher training for all Work Health and Safety Committee members take place on the 18th March 2026 **(WHS-RC)**.

Item 4.6 Inspection Calendar

(12-14.1)

Manex endorse the attached Inspection Calendar for 2026

Item 4.8 Policy/Procedure Updates

(12-14.1)

That the Draft Managing Psychosocial Hazards in the Workplace Policy be adopted by MANEX if no objections are received from WHS Committee members by 5.00 pm, 18th March 2026 **(WHS-RC)**.

Carried

4.6 HUMAN RESOURCES

4.6.1 Determination of Vacant Positions in accordance with the Workforce Plan (GM)

Position	Permanent/ Contract	Responsible Officer	Status
Accountant	Permanent	DMFA	Advertising with an open closing date.
Records Administrator / Relief Service NSW	Permanent	DMFA	Advertising with an open closing date.
Treasurer	Permanent	DMFA	Advertising with an open closing date.
Administration Officer Engineering Services	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Assets Manager	Permanent	DMES	Candidate to attend pre-employment medical assessment.
Heavy Diesel Mechanic	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Heavy Plant Operator (Grader)	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Light Plant Operator	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Pavement Maintenance Team Leader	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Roads Infrastructure Manager	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Utilities Maintenance Team Leader	Permanent	DMES	Advertising with an open closing date.
Utilities Maintenance Team Member (2)	Permanent	DMES	Interviews were held. No appointments. Advertising with an open closing date.

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4.6 HUMAN RESOURCES

CONTINUED

4.6.1 Determination of Vacant Positions in accordance with the Workforce Plan (GM)

Continued

Position	Permanent/ Contract	Responsible Officer	Status
*Apprentice Heavy Diesel Mechanic	Apprentice – 4 years	DMES	Round 3 closed. No appointment.
*Roadside Maintenance Team Operator	Permanent	DMES	Candidate has commenced with Council.
*Trainee Plant Operator	Trainee – 3 years	DMES	Round 3 closed. No appointment.
Tourism Information Officer	Permanent	EDVM	Advertising with an open closing date.
Administration Officer Health & Development	Permanent	GM	Advertising with an open closing date.
Manager Health & Development Services	Permanent	GM	Advertising with an open closing date.
Youth Support Officer	Part-time	GM	Interviews were held. No appointment. Advertising with an open closing date.

Items marked with an () asterisk and have been highlighted grey indicate that they have been finalised and are to be removed from the listing.*

MOVED Woodman/Pascoe that the information be received and noted and the item marked with an asterisk (*) be deleted.

Carried

5.1 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CIRCULARS

(L5-3)

Date	Circular No.	Description	Comment/Action
18.2.2026	26-03	Council-Led Affordable Housing on Operational Land in NSW	Noted
20.2.2026	26-04	Advice to Councils on transfer of Crown Roads to Councils	Noted

MINISTERIAL CIRCULARS

Date	Circular No.	Description	Comment/Action
Nil			

MOVED Woodman/Pascoe that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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5.2 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT STRATEGIC TASKS

Councils are required to submit several reports and returns/surveys annually, as required by the [Local Government Act 1993](#) and by OLG policy. The [Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework](#) details the reporting requirements that are mandated in the Local Government Act.

The Calendar of Compliance includes key deadlines for strategic management tasks for all Councils and Joint Organisations in NSW. Statutory and other reporting deadlines are not limited to those included in the Calendar of Compliance.

The OLG Calendar of Compliance & Reporting Requirements 2025-26 is available to view [here](#). A hard copy has been provided to Manex Members via an email sent on Tuesday, 12th August 2025.

		March 2026	Status		April 2026	Status
Finance	1	Valuer General to provide estimates of changes in the value of land for which supplementary valuations are required within one (1) month of date of request (LGA s 513(2))	Noted	30	Public bodies to provide Council with a list of parcels of land to which rate rebate applies [LGA s 600(5)]	Noted
		Councils are reminded of the need to engage infrastructure asset valuers in a timely manner to ensure compliance with the financial reporting legislation	N/A	30	Fourth quarter rates instalment notices to be sent [LGA s562(5)]	Noted and Engineering Service arranged for a further inclusion of Shire Alert pamphlets in the mail out (DMES)
				30	Income Adjustments for Newly Rateable Crown Land due	Noted
Governance	27	2026 Recordkeeping Monitoring Exercise will run from 2 – 27 March 2026 and is mandatory for all councils. See FAQ for further information.	Noted			
	31	ARIC to have met this quarter [LG Reg s216J]	Meeting held 3 February 2026			

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5.2 OFFICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT STRATEGIC TASKS

		March 2026	Status		April 2026	Status
Grants					Local Government Recovery Grants – AGRN 1012, 1025, 1030/34 - YTD Reporting due	Noted
Companion Animals						
Other	31	Fresh Start Recipient organization must submit a claim for funding within 5 working days of 30 September (for the period of 1 January to 31 March)	N/A			
Education		Revenue Professionals Conference	Noted			
		LG Professionals – Governance Conference	Noted			

MOVED Woodman/Otieno that the information be received and noted.

Carried

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6 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES (I2-11.1)

Nil.

7 FEBRUARY 2026 DRAFT MINUTES AND MARCH 2026 DRAFT BUSINESS PAPER

The Committee previewed the March 2026 Draft Business Paper and the February 2026 Draft Minutes and actions required were placed on the Action Checklist in Item 1 of the General Manager's Report.

8 CORRESPONDENCE AND CUSTOMER REQUESTS STATUS

The correspondence list and the outstanding request/actions list were circulated. It was requested that the Responsible Officers update the outstanding complaints/actions list and return to the Engineering Administration Officer.

9 GENERAL BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.13 pm.

LOCAL TRAFFIC FORUM MINUTES

Attached are the Minutes of the meeting of the Local Traffic Forum held in the Council Conference Room on Thursday, 19th March 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Local Traffic Forum held on Thursday, 19th March 2026 be received and noted, and that the following recommendations be adopted:

ITEM 5.1 ANZAC DAY 2026 (C19-9)

Subject to the NSW Police Force concurrence, the application for the 2026 ANZAC Day Dawn Service and Parade to be held along Burton and Dubbo Streets, Warren be approved subject to the Roads Occupancy Licence being obtained from the Transport for NSW.

ITEM 5.2 TRIATHLON 2026 (S21-12)

Subject to the NSW Police Force concurrence, the application for the 2026 Warren Triathlon to be held along various streets in Warren be approved.

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Minutes of Local Traffic Forum
held in Council Conference Room, 115 Dubbo Street, Warren on
Thursday 15th May 2025 commencing at 2.05 pm

ITEM 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

- E-Scooter and E-Bike issue needs to be referred to the Police.
 - TfNSW maintenance teams are working on replacing the signs that were damaged on Oxley Highway and Mitchell Highway in Nevertire.
 - For future Triathlon events, a map showing the proposed circuit be obtained and presented at the meeting, along with the application.
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ITEM 7 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is TBA.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 1:16 pm.

CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CASTLEREAGH MACQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COONAMBLE ON MONDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 2026 COMMENCING AT 10:31AM

PRESENT: Member D Batten, Member N Kinsey, Member P Fisher, Member M Cooke, Member D Bell, Member G Peart, Member P Heuston and Member Z Holcombe.

ABSENT: Member G Rummery and Member M Garnsey

STAFF MEMBERS: M. Urquhart (General Manager), A. Fletcher (Senior Biosecurity Officer) and R Wilson (Minute Secretary)

WELCOME: Meeting was opened at 10:31am and Chairman Member Batten, welcomed all Members and staff to the meeting.

Member Penny Heuston, Warren Shire Council read the Councillor Oath as per Section 233A of the Local Government Act 1993.

01/26/01 Leave of Absence

Resolved:

That the leave of absence from Member Rumery and Member Garnsey is accepted and a leave of absence is granted.

Moved: Member Fisher
Seconded: Member Bell

Carried

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

01/26/02 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting – 27th November 2025

Resolved:

That the minutes of the ordinary Council meeting held 27th November 2025, having been circulated be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Member Fisher
Seconded: Member Kinsey

Carried

01/26/03 Reports of Committees**Recommendation:**

That the reports from the following committees be received and noted;

- Cactus & Mesquite Meeting Minutes
- ARIC Committee Meeting Minutes – 20th November 2025

Moved: Member Kinsey

Seconded: Member Heuston

Carried

01/26/04 Council's Decision Action Report – February 2026**Resolved:**

That the Resolution Register for February 2026 be received and noted.

Moved: Member Cooke

Seconded: Member Kinsey

Carried

The General Manager noted that written invitations had been extended to Local Member Roy Butler and the Biosecurity Commissioner, and he was working with their staff to arrange a Teams Meeting.

01/26/05 Circulars Received from the NSW Office of Local Government**Resolved:**

That the information contained in the following Departmental circulars 25-23 to 25-24 from the Local Government Division Department of Premier and Cabinet be received and noted.

Moved: Member Peart

Seconded: Member Holcombe

Carried

01/26/06 Cash and Investment Reports – 30th November, 31st December and 31st January 2026**Recommendation:**

That the investment report for 30th November 2025, 31st December 2025 and 31st January 2026 be received and noted.

Moved: Member Kinsey

Seconded: Member Bell

Carried

01/26/07 Adoption Of Model Code Of Meeting Practice**Resolved:**

That: Council have not received any submissions from the community, formally adopts the “Code of Meeting Practice” as tabled.

Moved: Member Holcombe
Seconded: Member Heuston

Carried

11:00am – The Senior Biosecurity Officer joined the meeting.

01/26/08 Second Quarter Operational Plan 2025/2026 & Half Yearly Annual Delivery Program**Resolved:**

That Council accepts the progress made on the 2025/2026 Operational Plan as at 31st December 2025 and half yearly Delivery Program.

Moved: Member Peart
Seconded: Member Bell

Carried**01/26/09 Quarterly budget review statement – December 2025****Recommendation:**

That Council adopt the attached Quarterly Budget Review Statement for 31st December 2025 as tabled.

Moved: Member Fisher
Seconded: Member Peart

Carried**01/26/10 Home Internet Reimbursement - Policy****Recommendation:**

That Council adopts the “Home Internet Reimbursement” policy effective 23rd February 2026.

Moved: Member Kinsey
Seconded: Member Holcombe

Carried

01/26/11 Staff Uniform and PPE - Policy**Recommendation:**

That Council adopts the “staff Uniform and PPE” policy.

Moved: Member Peart

Seconded: Member Heuston

Carried

01/26/12 Important Dates for Members - Upcoming Meetings & Events**Recommendation:**

That Council receive and note the list of upcoming meetings and events.

Moved: Member Holcombe

Seconded: Member Bell

Carried

01/26/13 Quarterly Biosecurity Report**Resolved:**

That;

1. the report be received and noted and
2. the General Manager write to Walgett Shire Council expressing concern following grader activity through the Hudson Pear Monitoring site at Calrose TSR.

Moved: Member Fisher

Seconded: Member Kinsey

Carried

The Senior Bio Security Officer provided Council with information following recent grader operations in the Calrose TSR, where Hudson Pear had been identified and ongoing monitoring was being conducted.

Date of the next CMCC Council Meeting will be advised to all Members, following the announcement of the ANZAC Day public holiday on Monday 27th April 2026 (the scheduled meeting date.)

Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 11:38am

Chairman

General Manager

DRAFT



Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, 27 February 2026

Warren Shire Council Community Room
115 Dubbo Street, Warren

Date: Friday, 27 February 2026
Time: Meeting commenced at 8.36 am

IN ATTENDANCE:

Clr Glen Neill (Chair)	Mayor	Bogan Shire Council
Clr Lachlan Ford	Mayor	Bourke Shire Council
Leonie Brown	General Manager	Bourke Shire Council
David Kirby	General Manager	Brewarrina Shire Council
Clr Bob Stewart	Chairman	Central Darling Shire Council
Clr Jarrod Marsden	Mayor	Cobar Shire Council
Peter Vlatko	General Manager	Cobar Shire Council
Clr Danny Keady	Mayor	Coonamble Shire Council
Greg Hill	General Manager	Coonamble Shire Council
Clr Josh Black	Mayor	Dubbo Regional Council @ 9.27 am
Luke Ryan	Acting General Manager	Dubbo Regional Council
Clr Doug Batten	Mayor	Gilgandra Shire Council
David Neeves	General Manager	Gilgandra Shire Council
Clr Ewen Jones	Mayor	Narromine Shire Council
Jane Redden	General Manager	Narromine Shire Council
Clr Greg Whiteley	Mayor	Warren Shire Council
Clr Sarah Derrett	Deputy Mayor	Warren Shire Council
Gary Woodman	General Manager	Warren Shire Council

Via Teams:

Brad Cam	General Manager	Mid-Western Regional Council
Leanne Ryan	Acting General Manager	Warrumbungle Shire Council

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Shari Blumer	President, Murray Darling Association
Mark Lamb	Chief Executive Officer, Murray Darling Association
Damien Pfeiffer	Executive Director Partnerships & Integration West, Transport for NSW
Peter Thomas	Regional Engagement Officer (Lachlan – Macquarie Region), Murray Darling Basin Authority
Megan Winter	General Manager Basin Plan Implementation Team, Murray-Darling Basin Authority
Gerry Collins	Director Western Regional Coordination, NSW Premier's Department
Angela Shepherd	Deputy Director – Western, NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development
Ian Smith	Executive Director, Regional Economic Development, NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development
Justine Campbell	Chief Executive Officer, Regional Development Australia – Orana NSW
Shona Whitfield	Regional Engagement Officer, Murray-Darling Basin Authority
Olivia Vane-Tempest	Executive Officer Basin Plan, Murray-Darling Basin Authority
Tess Burdon	Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW), Canberra
Kasey Smith	ICT Officer, Warren Shire Council
Jody Burtenshaw	Executive Assistant to the Mayor and GM, Warren Shire Council

1. Welcome

Clr Glen Neill assumed the Chair and welcomed attendees, including those who attended online.

Clr Greg Whiteley provided a welcome to Warren.

2. Acknowledgement Of Country

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered by the Chair.

3. Apologies

Apologies were received from the following members:

Derek Francis	General Manager	Bogan Shire Council
Clr Tom Stanton	Mayor	Brewarrina Shire Council
Robert Hunt	Acting General Manager	Central Darling Shire Council
Clr Des Kennedy	Mayor	Mid-Western Regional Council
Clr Jasen Ramien	Mayor	Walgett Shire Council
Andrew Brown	General Manager	Walgett Shire Council
Clr Kathryn Rindfleish	Mayor	Warrumbungle Shire Council
Lindsay Mason	General Manager	Warrumbungle Shire Council

- 4.** Declarations of Interest
Nil declarations of interest were made.
- 5.** Chairs Report
RESOLVED Cllr Glen Neill/Gary Woodman that the Chairperson's report be received and noted.
Carried
2026/1
- 6.** Confirmation of Board Meeting Minutes
- 6.1.** Alliance of Western Councils Board Meeting – 7th November 2025
RESOLVED David Neeves/Jane Redden that the Minutes of the Alliance of Western Councils Board Meeting held on 7th November 2025 be confirmed.
Carried
2026/2
- 6.2.** Matters Arising
Nil.
- 7.** Confirmation of General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) Minutes
- 7.1.** GMAC Meeting – 10th December 2025
RESOLVED David Neeves/David Kirby that the Minutes of the General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) Meeting held on 10th December 2025 be confirmed.
Carried
2026/3
- 7.2.** Matters Arising
Nil.
- 7.3.** GMAC Meeting – 6th February 2026
RESOLVED David Neeves/David Kirby that the Minutes of the General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) Meeting held on 6th February 2026 be confirmed.
Carried
2026/4
- 7.4.** Matters Arising
Nil.
- 8.** Update on Actions from Previous Board Meetings
Consideration and update of matters on the outstanding actions list (by Exception)

11. Presentations/Deputations commenced at 9.00 am

9.00am – 9.30am Murray Darling Association President, Shari Blumer and Chief Executive Officer, Mark Lamb
Murray-Darling Basin Plan Review and Opportunities for Councils to Influence the Future of Water Management in the Basin

- Need to frame the issues of the Plan and their affects on our community.
- Need to get at least four or five issues across to the Murray-Darling Basin Authority.
- Mention your town/communities at every point.

What is being reviewed?

Under the Water Act 2007, the Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) must review the Basin Plan every 10 years. The 2026 Review is underway, with submissions open until 1st May 2026.

The operating context has materially shifted since 2012:

- A maturing environmental water portfolio (around 30% of consumptive water recovered);
- Climate change (hotter, drier, more extreme variability);
- Greater accountability/compliance expectations;
- Stronger First Nations rights recognition (Water Act amended 2023);
- Fiscal constraint; and
- Communities seeking 'stability and consolidation' after a decade of reform.

Likely Federal Objectives in this Meeting/Presentation

Based on the Discussion Paper, they will likely seek:

- Evidence of socio-economic impact of water buybacks;
- Local impacts of water recovery on employment and business;
- Perspectives on climate resilience;
- Views on First Nations engagement locally; and
- Ideas for improving implementation efficiency.

Questions to ask the Murray-Darling Basin Authority

- What consultation is envisaged in our communities (Council, Community and Aboriginal Organisations).

Dubbo Regional Council Mayor Josh Black joined the Meeting at 9.26 am.

9.30am – 10.00am Transport for NSW Executive Director Partnerships & Integration West, Damien Pfeiffer
Transport for NSW Partnership with Local Councils and Changes to Operations, Communications and Team Structures

- Change now to the following:
 - Technical Section;
 - Human Services Section; and
 - Public Transport.

- Works, Programs liaison for road reports elsewhere;
- Follow-up in the future of RMCC (General Manager Cobar Shire council, Peter Vlatko is the Local Government Representative on the RMCC Committee).
- Development Applications – new referral process, (Development Co-ordination Authority) – Transport for NSW local staff and knowledge may be lost; there may be a disconnect.
- Road Recategorisation – portal is now open for applications.
- Contactable and based in Dubbo.

10.00am – 10.45am Murray-Darling Basin Authority Regional Engagement Officer (Lachlan - Macquarie Region) Peter Thomas and General Manager Basin Plan Implementation Team, Megan Winter
Murray-Darling Basin Authority Basin Plan Review Discussion Paper

- Opportunity to review to improve the Plan.
- Set the priorities for the next 10 years.
- Considering Town Water Supply will always be the number one (1) priority, strengthen to them be put in the Water Sharing Plans.
- Water Quality (more than salinity) – perhaps a hot spots approach.
- Native Fish, not involved in the carp virus, considering developing programs for fish restocking, virus approval at least two (2) years away.
- Basin Plan, a political plan, involving Commonwealth and all State Governments.
- What are the priority areas? This is the opportunity for improvement.
- Letting catchment management happen, prioritise, not unlimited funds.
- What priorities should be funded?
- For community – they are accepting submissions by video and audio (recorded phone calls), plus traditional written submissions.
- Advertising is case by case, trying to stop the staff abuse, not doing town hall sessions, prepared to chat with groups, meetings on an one on one basis (drop-in sessions), Regional Engagement Officers are making the decisions on where and how. The need to know numbers of attendees for practical arrangements and catering.
- Water recovery could make our communities government run only, no industry or resources.
- Authority does want to move away from water buybacks, irrigation and dry land cropping is important, not about volume anymore.
- Population decline is quantifiable.
- Socio-economic impacts of water reform would not have happened in the city.
- Young farmers do not want any more change, have regulatory fatigue.
- Need ideas of environmental outcomes that can be achieved through operational changes, constraints relaxation on infrastructure instead of further water recovery.
- Hopefully modelling of socio-economic outcomes of proposals.
- Plan needs to be big picture, time to allow dam improvements, construction, weir constructions, improved operationally to ensure economic development and water resource usage to stop population decline.

- Murray-Darling Basin Authority is considering certainly for the future.
- Previous structural adjustment has been very low.
- Put people in front of fish, need to contain water for human/industry/ agricultural use. Need consideration of infrastructure.
- Want to have the Plan focus on solutions.
- What is cultural water – Commonwealth – can be used for any purpose if used for cultural purposes, investment, used to make money, can sell it.

At 10.46 am the Board broke for Morning Tea
Meeting resumed at 11.15 am

11.15am -11.45am NSW Premiers Department, Director – Western Regional Co-ordination, Gerry Collins
NSW Premiers Department Update

- Will share their slides.
 - Regional Co-ordination 18 months ago, went back to the Premiers Department.
 - Purpose of Regional Co-ordination is to deliver for regional communities through partnerships, co-ordination, connection through place and a voice to the heart of government.
 - Western NSW – Youth Engagement – Coonamble, Brewarrina, Walgett, Bourke – funding of local Councils to deliver targeted activities, review services models, and develop long-term strategies for safer, more engaged communities.
 - Regional Housing – reviewing regional housing plans and discussions with agencies around future work programs and commitments.
 - Development of an Action Plan for Regional Housing, 10-12 key deliverables with responsibilities allocated to agencies.
 - Working Group Terms of Reference. Identifying whole of government responses, probably will be Dubbo Regional Council focused initially.
 - Energy Infrastructure Group
 - NSW Premiers Department is chairing the Whole of Government Steering Committee.
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11.45am – 12.15pm NSW Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, Deputy Director – Western, Angela Shepherd and Executive Director, Regional Economic Development, Ian Smith.
NSW Regional Development Update and Regional Development Trust Fund Program Initiatives

- Regional Economic Development now under Executive Director Ian Smith, based in Dubbo.
 - Chair of Renewal Energy and Economic Development Infrastructure Roadmap and attempting to get more local content which is a priority.
 - Will be handed over to Energy Co to continue the process.
 - Trying to develop/attract lasting legacy industry related to the renewable energy industry.
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- Training – target workforce development program – support for what the industry needs workforce wise.
- Business/company productively improvement analysis to ensure job retention.
- Regional Economic Development Conference, Sydney – Economic Development Managers and General Managers, also a Regional Economic Development Conference being organised.
- Due diligence, data, information etc, ability to undertake checks.
- Business Briefings – Energy Co, end of March, 2026.
- Safety Training and Industry Training – Warren and Cobar.
- Regional Development Team will be a single point of contact for businesses/industry for relevant government departments.
- Need to consider operations funding grants in the future.
- Regional Development Trust – Advisory Board advertisements currently out, Councillors and Council staff are not eligible.
- \$400 million initially in the Trust, \$160 million has been spent to date. Newcastle and Wollongong are in the regions.
- Increased freight rates on the Golden Highway due to delays on the Golden Highway are a concern.

9. General Business

9.1. Murray-Darling Basin Plan Review

- Local Government is most critical for the Plan Review;
- John Gordon from Reins Agri through RDA Orana could be engaged to help with any Alliance of Western Council's Submission on the MDBA Plan Review;
- An Appropriate Public Relations Campaign should be considered following any Alliance of Western Councils Submission; and
- Sub-Committee – Bourke, Narromine, Warren and Brewarrina Mayors and General Managers and this group meets with RDA Orana to finalise the cost contribution from the Alliance of Western Councils Reserves and to co-ordinate the drafting of the Alliance of Western Councils Submission for the Murray-Darling Basin Plan Review.

RESOLVED Cllr Doug Batten/Cllr Danny Keady that the Alliance of Western Councils Board form a Sub-Committee of Bourke, Brewarrina, Narromine and Warren Mayors and General Managers and this group meets with RDA Orana to finalise the cost contribution from the Alliance of Western Councils Reserves and to co-ordinate the drafting of the Alliance of Western Councils Submission for the Murray-Darling Basin Plan Review.

Carried
2026/5

Brad Cam left the meeting via teams at 12.20 pm.

9.2. Executive Officer Alliance of Western Councils Update

- Initial interviews for the Far North West Joint Organisation (FNWJO) Executive Officer is scheduled for the 24th March, 2026; and
- Hoping to appoint an officer by the end of March 2026.

RESOLVED Peter Vlatko/Gary Woodman that the Board note the update on the Far North West Joint Organisation (FNWJO) Recruitment process for the Executive Officer role which will include executive management services to the Alliance of Western Councils (AWC).

Carried
2026/6

9.3. Little Wings Services

- Narromine have now received information from Little Wings;
- Warren and Nyngan currently have a number of community groups who are contributing to the cost of Little Wings Services.

RESOLVED Clr Ewen Jones/Gary Woodman that the information be received and noted.

Carried
2026/7

9.4. Refresh of the Joint Organisation Framework by Minister for Local Government The Hon. Ron Hoenig MP

RESOLVED David Neeves/Jane Redden, that the Alliance of Western Councils and each constituent member Council of the Alliance be requested to write to the Minister for Local Government advising that it wishes to confirm that the Alliance of Western Councils is the appropriate body for collaboration in the Western Region of NSW.

Carried
2026/8

9.5. Western NSW Local Water Utilities Reform Program and Co-design Process

- Members wish to be involved when some decisions to be made following the Gap Analysis on the Regulatory Assurance Frameworks is undertaken, an Action Plan is developed and costed together with analysis of a required CSO.

RESOLVED Jane Redden/Gary Woodman that the information be received and noted.

Carried
2026/9

9.6. Land Acquisition for National Parks in Western NSW

- The Minister has agreed to have a Memorandum of Agreement with the Country Mayors Association in regard to communication by the relevant Government Department before purchases of land are undertaken for National Parks.

Leanne Ryan left the meeting via teams at 1.03 pm.

RESOLVED Clr Lachlan Ford/Clr Ewen Jones that the information be received and noted.

Carried
2026/10

9.7. Impact of Recent Policy Decisions by NSW Government on Regional and Rural NSW

RESOLVED Clr Glen Neill/Clr Ewen Jones that an appropriate letter concerning the impact of recent Policy Decisions by the NSW Government on Regional and Rural NSW be sent to the Premier by the Chair of the Alliance of Western Councils.

Carried
2026/11

9.8. Vacant Social Housing in Western NSW

- Further information provided by Homes NSW was provided to the Meeting and;
- Teaching Housing where possible should also be made available for the use of the NSW Police Force and NSW Health, etc.

RESOLVED David Neeves/Clr Bob Stewart that the Alliance of Western Councils rewrite to the Minister for Housing asking for a response to our letter of 24th November, 2025.

Carried
2026/12

9.9. Lobby the NSW Government to Reduce Costs for Operating a Taxi in Regional and Remote NSW

RESOLVED Clr Ewen Jones/Clr Josh Black that the Alliance of Western Councils write to the Minister for Transport requesting the State Government appropriately reduce the costs of operating a taxi service (registration and insurances) in rural and remote areas of NSW to be the same as Uber operators to encourage a competitive service.

Carried
2026/13

9.10. Financial Statement Ending 16th February 2026

RESOLVED Jane Redden/Gary Woodman, that the financial report be adopted.

Carried
2026/14

10. Late Reports

Health in NSW – Leonnie Brown, Bourke Shire Council
Councils should consider supporting the Dr Joe McGirr Rural Health Action Plan.

Murray Darling Association Presentation to Country Mayors Association
RESOLVED Greg Whiteley/Lachlan Ford that the Alliance of Western Councils write to the Country Mayors Association and NSW Premiers Rural and Remote Regional Advisory Council requesting that the Murray Darling Association be provided time to provide an appropriate presentation as a matter of urgency due to the closure date of submissions for the Murray-Darling Basin Plan Review.

Carried
2026/15

Dubbo Sports Hub Stage 2 – Mayor Josh Black, Dubbo Regional Council
Dubbo Regional Council has been advised that funding amounting to around \$15M for the Dubbo Sports Hub Stage 2 has been announced. Cllr Black formally thanked all the Alliance Councils for their support.

August 2026 Alliance of Western Councils Board Meeting
Currently the date for the August 2026 Board Meeting conflicts with the Country Mayors Association Meeting.

11. Next Meeting at Cobar on Friday, 5th June 2026.

12. CLOSE
The meeting closed at 1.36 pm.

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL
 Report of the General Manager
 to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held in the
 Council Community Room, Warren on Thursday, 26th March 2026

ITEM 1 OUTSTANDING REPORTS CHECKLIST

(C14-7.4)

Date	Resolution or Qwn	Outstanding Matter	Officer Resp	Response/Action
General Manager				
25.1.23	12.1.23	Affordable Housing Opportunity – Housing Plus	GM/DMES	Negotiations continuing to finalise the required agreement with Housing Plus for the eventual sale of all or most of the nine (9) vacant land lots in Gunningba Estate for a maximum five (5) year period. Housing Plus considering making an application for affordable housing in the next Round of funding from Housing Australia. Housing blocks will be put on the market in the near future if Housing Plus not successful in funding. Individual applications for purchase are being considered.
25.5.23	118.5.23	Destination Macquarie Marshes Taskforce	GM/EDVM	<p>That within 12 months and, after the Taskforce’s short and long term goals and Destination Macquarie Marshes Action Plan, Macquarie Marshes Promotions Strategy and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy are formulated, other organisations/ community representatives be invited to be members of the Taskforce.</p> <p>Development continuing. Ongoing with a taskforce meeting scheduled to be called for in February/March 2026 to discuss logos, brochure content and the also the development of the Macquarie Marshes specific website.</p> <p>Meeting to be postponed to after the Easter break due to</p>

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL

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to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held in the
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General Manager				
				the unavailability of many Taskforce members.
7.12.23	293.12.23	Destination Macquarie Marshes Taskforce Meeting 7th June 2023	GM/ EDVM	<p>1. That grant funding opportunities to improve signage in the Macquarie Marshes be investigated - ongoing.</p> <p>2. That neighbouring Councils to the Macquarie Marshes be requested to consider funding grant applications for appropriate signage to the Macquarie Marshes.</p> <p>Ongoing pending future meeting discussion. Next meeting to be called for February/March, 2026.</p> <p>Meeting postponed until after the Easter break due to the unavailability of many taskforce members.</p>
7.12.23	301.12.23	Internal Auditor – Human Resources Review – June 2021	GM	The priorities as listed in the recommendation be actioned and progressed.
24.4.24	87.4.24	Warren Shire Council Customer Service Ethos Policy	GM	The Draft Customer Service Ethos Policy be redeveloped to solely consider Ethos and a separate Policy be developed to cover Customer Service. Expected to be provided to the June 2026 Council Meeting.
23.5.24	114.5.24	Regional Industry Educational Partnership (RIEP)	GM / EDVM	The program is currently on hold pending discussions between the Economic Development and Visitation Manager, Department of Education and Careers Adviser for Warren Central

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				<p>School regarding limited interest from students in attending a Job Market within Warren Shire Council. Also in discussion is the development of School Based Traineeships program being offered in Warren.</p> <p>Program still on hold pending renewed interest from students.</p>
27.6.24	147.6.24	Legislative Compliance Policy and Procedure and Legislative Compliance Register	GM	<p>1. Actions to be taken on how non-compliance is managed to ensure that matters are not repeated and that appropriate high level risk assessments are undertaken and documented and that implementation of actions to reduce risk are arranged – in progress.</p>
27.3.25	69.3.25	Drought Resilience Plan Project	GM/ EDVM	<p>Minister for Regional NSW has extended the funding grant by six months, with a new effective acquittal date of 30 June, 2026.</p> <p>Working with the signage contractor to finalise the installation of wayfinder and interpretive signage currently in production. This is the only project deliverables outstanding.</p> <p>Future meetings of the Steering Committee will be organised for the continuation of the project deliverables such as social media, promotion and stakeholder recruitment,</p>

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				<p>beyond the terms of the original project funding.</p> <p>Far Northwest Joint Organisation have advised that they will be preparing the final project acquittal report.</p> <p>Currently the EDVM is continuing to work with the other two shires to finalise remaining signage and social media ownership/contribution moving forward.</p>
28.8.25	264.8.25	Destination Macquarie Marshes Taskforce	EDVM	<p>Work on a new brochure, website and logo for Destination Macquarie Marshes is continuing.</p> <p>Request for quotations will be generated in the near future for the website development component. Subject to funding approvals, the same will be undertaken for the brochure production and printing.</p>
25.9.25	302.9.25	Work, Health & Safety Risk Framework	WHS-RC/GM	The Committee to be updated in the future on the progress and implementation of the Targeted Assistance Program – in progress for a report to the ARIC in June 2026.
25.9.25	302.9.25	Work, Health & Safety Risk Framework	WHS-RC/GM	Key indicators are progressively reported to ARIC through the Work Plan on the WHS indicators on the implementation of the Framework (trends on injury, lost time, training, improvements, workers

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				compensation, lost time) – in progress for a report to the ARIC in June 2026.
4.12.25	360.12.25	ARIC Continuous Risk Improvement Program	WHS-RC/GM	That the information be received and noted and that the Committee advise Council that it supports the continuous risk improvement program that has been implemented and the priorities of improvement should be arranged to ensure improvement is implemented and progress on the implementation be reported to the Committee in the future. An Action Plan to prioritise improvement items to be developed.
26.2.26	27.2.26	ARIC - Risk Management Framework Review (Enterprise Risk Management – Maturity Review Report)	GM/ WHS-RC	That: 2. An Action Plan on the progress to be reported back to ARIC within six (6) months and included into the Work Plan – in progress; and 3. Council seek or utilise access to other external resources where possible – in progress.
*26.2.26	30.2.26	Review of the Warren Shire Council Public Art Master Plan	GM	That: 2. The reviewed Warren Shire Council Public Arts Master Plan has been adopted with minor amendments.
26.2.26	38.2.26	Review of Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy	GM	That: 2. The reviewed Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy with minor amendments as detailed within the report, has been placed on public exhibition

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General Manager				
				for a minimum of 28 days; and 3. Subject to no adverse submissions being received, the Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy as amended be adopted.
26.2.26	42.2.26	Proposed Sale of Council Land in Wilson Street, Warren to Adjoining Resident Schalk Blom	GM	Make the necessary arrangements for the sale of Council's vacant land adjoining 22 Wilson Street, Warren (Lot 330 DP 822424) to Mr Schalk Blom as resolved – in progress.
26.2.26	55.2.26	Deacon Drive Dwellings	GM	Further reporting be presented to Council on how to rectify the houses – in progress.

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Divisional Manager Finance and Administration				
7.12.23	301.12.23	Internal Auditor – Media Communications Review – June 2023	DMFA	The following priority and action be progressed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new electronic document management system to be purchased and implemented. Licence Agreement has been signed and project is expected to be complete by March 2026 – progressing.
7.12.23	301.12.23	Internal Auditor – Fraud Control Review – June, July 2023	DMFA	The following priorities and actions be progressed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online Fraud training to relevant staff – This is pending Internal Audit outcomes and suggestions, also training options are limited though internal options are being sought.

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Divisional Manager Finance and Administration				
				Ongoing
27.6.24	147.6.24	Notice of Public Exhibition – Fraud and Corruption Policy and Framework	DMFA	An Implementation Action Plan being developed. Expected completion in March 2026 - progressing.
5.12.24	287.12.24	Promoting Better Practice Review	DMFA/ GM	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Arrangements be made to review the Business Continuity Plan as soon as practical and update it where required – in progress; and 2. A review of the Records Management Policy has been undertaken. The Policy will need to be updated in part with the new electronic document system being put in place. – in progress
27.3.25	59.3.25	ARIC Committee Risk Management Framework Review	GM/ DMFA	That a report that includes the direction and purpose be provided on the review of the Policy – in progress.
26.6.25	196.6.25	ARIC Committee Asset Management/ Valuations	DMFA	Council's actions to develop and implement an ICT Strategic Plan be reported to a future ARIC Meeting – pending
*4.12.25	359.12.25	Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee Ewenmar Waste Depot Operations	DMFA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. \$11,000 be allocated from the Waste Reserves to replace the slew motor in the excavator; 3. \$15,000 be allocated from the Waste Reserves to engage a suitable consultant to develop an Operations Plan for the Ewenmar Waste Facility; and

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				4. \$30,000 be allocated from the Waste Reserves to provide and install a 12kw PV Solar and battery system. Being done through December QBRS process.
4.12.25	360.12.25	AIRC Audited Financial Statements and Audit Reports	DMES/DMFA	That: 2. The Committee noted the staff efforts in relation to the proper monitoring of cash income and expenses, a visual graph snapshot of major projects cash flow summary to be arranged if possible and reported at least quarterly to the Council such as a major projects cash flow summary. Ongoing review to assess if this is required or possible.
*4.12.25	376.12.25	2026/2027 Operational Plan & Estimates Timetable	DMFA	2. Council endorsed the 2026/2027 Operational Plan & Estimates timeline; and 3. A Councillor workshop be held on Wednesday, 15th April 2026 to go through the Draft 2026/2027 Annual Operational Plan & Estimates prior to the final Draft being recommended for public exhibition at the April 2026 Council Meeting. Workshop arranged.
26.2.26	27.2.26	ARIC - Financial Management Preparation Timeline – 2026 Operational Plan & Estimates Timetable	DMFA	That: 2. The Audit Engagement Plan be provided to the next ARIC Meeting

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Divisional Manager Finance and Administration				
				outlining key milestones for the 2025/2026 Audit.
26.2.26	27.2.26	ARIC - AI Use Within Warren Shire Council	DMFA	That an introductory report be presented to ARIC on how AI is being used within the organisation, where it is being used, how it is being used and the benefits and issues. Not required at this stage, very limited use of AI occurring.
*26.2.26	34.2.26	Proposed Budget Variations/Adjustments Sought for Quarterly Budget Review Statements Inclusion	DMFA	3. Appropriate arrangements made to finalise the final changes of Council's Estimates in this regard using the December 2025 Quarterly Budget Review Statement. Changes have been processed in Practical Plus.

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Divisional Manager Engineering Services				
6.12.18	284.12.18	Amendments to the Boundaries of Lot 79 & 80 DP 724585 Wambianna Street, Collie to provide for the existing Collie Hotel accommodation units	DMES	Survey completed. This project is currently on hold until further discussions are held with the new Hotel owners.
27.6.19 3.12.20	129.6.19 256.12.20	Warren Levee Rehabilitation (total project - \$7.1M)	DMES/ IPM/TSM	Contract awarded for Levee Rehabilitation works on 15 th May 2025. Works on the Levee Rehabilitation commenced on the 17 th June 2025 The retaining wall works scheduled to start in September 2025. However, elevated river level, flow

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				<p>over the toe berm constructed, due to environmental flow release and irrigation demand release (simultaneous release) is slowing down the piling works at the Levee site.</p> <p>Contractor temporarily demobilised the site, aiming to return to the site in late April 2026 or early May 2026.</p> <p>The project Workplan has been updated to Version 12 and approved by DCCEEW, with a revised program completion date of 30 June 2026.</p> <p>MGN also advised at the recent meeting that their construction crew is currently engaged on another project in Queensland, which is experiencing wet weather delays. Despite this, MGN indicated that they remain confident that the Warren Levee works can be completed prior to 30 June 2026.</p>
22.7.21	148.7.21	Warren CBD Upgrade Stage 2	DMES	Seek necessary grants for this extensive 10 year project – ongoing. Commonwealth Government Grant Program Application re-submitted.
26.10.23	270.10.23	Warren CBD Upgrade – Land Acquisition	DMES/ GM	Further investigations be undertaken and reported on in regard the estimated cost of any proposed private land purchases, what could be developed and the

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				estimated costs of the proposed use - in progress.
28.3.24	60.3.24	Warren Shire Council Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Strategy Document	DMES / TSM	NSW Public Works Advisory has commenced the assignment. Progressing – Grant Period extended to 31 st December 2026.
25.7.24	183.7.24	Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) And Workplace Surveillance	DMES/ TSM	SIMTEC are working through installation issues. Most cameras now functional. Additional cameras at Ebert Park (2) and Racecourse (2) are being explored, subject to funding. SIMTEC has provided an initial dilapidation report.
24.10.24	283.10.24	Sewer Main Condition Assessment (CCTV) and Smoke/Dye Testing	DMES/ TSM	Contractor has finished. Council has engaged Vapar to use AI to analyse the data. They have found the data captured to be of less volume than expected. Contractor provided a spreadsheet with sites that could not be videoed. Collating main sections for reline/repair/replace. A report will be provided to the Water & Sewerage Committee meeting in April.
5.12.24	291.12.24	Proposed Traffic Alterations on Bundemar Street	DMES	That subject to NSW Police Force concurrence: 1. A section of the centre median in Bundemar Street be removed from the existing intersection with the Oxley Highway, Burton Street, to a point level with or just east of the access serving the business premises of

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				<p>Tyreright thus allowing for improved and safer ingress/egress to Tyreright, for AB-Triple Vehicles; and</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The removed section island to be converted into a painted island; 3. The NO STOPPING restriction be extended by 30m along Bundemar Street on the northeastern side of the intersection; and 4. Council apply for the designation of the Bundemar Street route to Tyreright as a heavy vehicle route to accommodate AB-Triple Vehicles. <p>Work to be programmed after completion of major works on RR333 and RR202. Residents have been informed of imminent traffic changes.</p>
23.1.25	7.1.25	Water Supply in Collie Village	DMES/ TSM	That a master plan be developed for improvement of water supply in Collie Village. This would be considered in the IWCM - ongoing.
23.1.23	23.1.25	Proposed Land Acquisition – Lot 128 DP 755314 & Lot 313 DP 724603	DMES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Authorises acquisition of approximately 10,000 square metres and 7,000 square metres portions of land through Lot 313 DP 724603 and Lot 128 DP 755314 respectively, as depicted on Figure 2 of the 23rd January 2025 Divisional Manager Engineering Services

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Divisional Manager Engineering Services				
				<p>report to Council, Item 4 – in progress.</p> <p>2. Authorises the General Manager and Divisional Manager Engineering Services to obtain a Planning Certificate under Section 10.7(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1997 – in progress.</p> <p>3. Authorises the General Manager and Divisional Manager Engineering Services to enter negotiations with the owners of the land within provisions of the NSW Roads Act 1993, and the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991, with a view of acquiring the portions for an agreed monetary compensation – in progress.</p> <p>4. That a plan of subdivision be registered, and if required, a notice be published in the Government Gazette dedicating the acquired land as a public road – in progress.</p>
28.8.25	262.8.25	Structural Damage to the Inlet Works – Tiger Bay Sewer Treatment Plant	DMES/ TSM	Council approves the use of the \$63,500.00, surplus funds from the construction of the additional evaporation lagoon, for the repair of the Tiger Bay Sewer Treatment Plant Inlet Channel with any unused funds to be returned to the sewer fund at the completion of the project.

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Divisional Manager Engineering Services				
				Works being arranged - ongoing. Works to commence April 2026.
23.10.25	325.10.25	Local Roads Loam and Gravel Re-Sheeting Program	DMES/ RIM	That Council undertakes the following Local Roads Loam and Gravel Re-sheeting Program for 2025/2026: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SR65 Old Warren Road, Segment 36 at a cost of \$137,437.50; ▪ SR98 Colane Road, Segment 12 at a cost of \$101,797.50; and ▪ SR23 Gradgerly Lane Segment 00, 2km from RR333 Carinda Road at a cost of \$197,377.50. ▪ Work to be completed between April and June 2026.

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Manager Health and Development Services				
27.2.20	36.2.20	Draft Plans of Management	MHD	1. Categories assigned as detailed in report; 2. Crown Reserves classified identified as operational land; and 3. Draft Plans of Management nearing completion. Plan of Management for Victoria Park and Oxley Park provided to the March 2026 Council Meeting for finalisation.
7.12.23	301.12.23	Internal Auditor – Waste Control Review – November 2022 – February 2023	MHD	The following priority and action be progressed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An overarching Operational Plan be developed to include risk

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Manager Health and Development Services				
				assessments, procedures, control measures and future strategic actions – in progress and initial commencement 22 August 2024. - Consultant engaged.
24.4.23	83.4.24	Ewenmar Waste Depot Recycling Options	MHD	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Manager Health and Development Services to investigate the feasibility of implementing a return and earn facility and other recycling services in conjunction with NetWaste, on a regional basis and other organisations – in progress; and Council re-assesses the community's satisfaction with recycling services in 2 years' time (for 2026/2027 Estimates) – in progress with a new community survey arranged for commencement 13 March 2026 and closing 7 April 2026.
5.12.24	290.12.24	Carter Oval Youth Sports Precinct Usage Tracking and Analysis	MHD/ WSCCM	All user groups of the Carter Oval Youth Sports Precinct be requested to implement measures to record facility usage over the next two years to ensure Council is able to report in accordance with grant conditions on usage of the new facilities – in progress.
5.12.24	331.12.24	Planning Proposal – LEP Review	MHD	Finalisation before or on 4 March 2026 – in progress with final mapping being arranged and eventual advice to Parliamentary Counsel, maybe slightly

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Manager Health and Development Services				
				delayed and a request for time extension has been arranged.
23.10.25	347.10.25	Local Environmental Plan Review	MHD	3. Subject to the mapping changes being checked and endorsed by National Parks and Wildlife, Council proceeds with the amendment to the Warren Local Environmental Plan 2012 for various housekeeping amendments to finalisation and that Council recommends to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure as planning proposal authority, to exercise its functions as plan making authority under section 3.36(2) of the Act, subject to the conditions of the Gateway Determination [Department reference PP-2025-217] – in progress, with final mapping being arranged and eventual advice to Parliamentary Counsel, maybe slightly delayed and a request for time extension has been arranged.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted and that the items marked with an asterisk (*) be deleted.

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ITEM 2 COMMITTEE/DELEGATES MEETINGS

(C14-2)

The following is a listing of various committee/delegates meetings of Council since the last meeting.

MEETINGS HELD

Date	Committee / Meeting	Location
26.02.2026	AWC Board Members Meeting with Murray Darling Association (MDA)	Warren
27.02.2026	Alliance of Western Council's Board Meeting	Warren
3.03.2026	Atom Consulting Strategic Planning Gap Analysis for Regulatory Assurance Framework	Online
4.03.2026	Roads Committee Meeting	Warren
4.03.2026	Plant Committee Meeting	Warren
10.03.2026	Regional Planning Panel Meeting	Online
10.03.2026	Muse State Monthly Meeting	Online
10.03.2026	ANZAC Day Preparation Meeting	Warren
11.03.2026	North West Bush Fire Management Committee Meeting	Coonamble
12.03.2026	Connecting the Orana and Hunter Beyond Transport Taskforce Meeting	Maitland
17.03.2026	MANEX Committee Meeting	Warren
18.03.2026	TfNSW PEG Meeting	Dubbo
18.03.2026	MERC Meeting	Online
19.03.2026	IPWEA Orana Group Meeting	Coonamble
23.03.2026	Macquarie - Wambuil Water Security Project - Update	Online
24.03.2026	JLT Statewide Mutual Pre Renewal Meeting	Online

FUTURE MEETINGS NOT ON MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	COMMITTEE / MEETING	LOCATION
31.05.2026 – 2.06.2026	2026 Local Roads Congress	Sydney
22-24.11.2026	LGNSW Annual Conference	Wollongong

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

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(C14-7.2, G4-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

The following are details of Infrastructure Projects and Grant Applications that are being managed by the Executive Office including the Infrastructure Projects Manager for the period 12th February 2026 to 11th March 2026:

Project	Budget	Expenditure/ Committed	Resp	Comment
General				
Restart NSW Warren (STP) Upgrade JC 220-3-0	92,000	Nil	TSM	EPA to write to Council advising licence and decommissioning requirements.
NSW Severe Weather & Flood Grant for AGRN 1025 (\$1,000,000) (part of Warren Levee Rehabilitation Project \$7,100,000) Warren Town Levee Remediation JC: 3300-4400-0000 Federal; 3300-4410-0000 State; and 3300-4420-0000 OLG AGRN.	5,291,206 851,018 879,815	5,051,553 813,973 879, 815	GM/ IPM/ DMES/ TSM	Contract awarded for Levee Rehabilitation works on 15th May 2025. Works on the Levee Rehabilitation commenced on the 17th June 2025. Works on Toe Berm with Type 2 Rocks completed with temporary over fill for machinery access for future works. UC- Piles installation was scheduled to start 12th September 2025. Elevated river flow, currently above the toe beam constructed, limiting the access. Information received from Water NSW indicates that farming/irrigation demand release from Burrendong dam is occurring now along with Environmental flow to Macquarie Marshes. The flow/river level may recede by end of December and by the end of February 2026 the flow may be favourable for accessing the river. Contractor temporarily demobilised the site, aiming to return to the site in late April 2026 or early May 2026.

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Project	Budget	Expenditure/ Committed	Resp	Comment
				<p>The project Workplan has been updated to Version 12 and approved by DCCEEW, with a revised program completion date of 30 June 2026.</p> <p>MGN also advised at the recent meeting that their construction crew is currently engaged on another project in Queensland, which is experiencing wet weather delays. Despite this, MGN indicated that they remain confident that the Warren Levee works can be completed prior to 30 June 2026.</p> <p>Gate 38 to be reviewed due to leakage rate.</p> <p>Pumps to be assembled in cages. Hoses cut to shorter lengths with works progressing.</p> <p>Miscellaneous works on pumps, generator & control gate pits (Solar Lighting & Trickle Charging System for Portable Pumps, Soft Starters for Generators and Flood gate Lid Modifications) are outstanding.</p>
<p>Library Renovation & Expansion Project JC 1400-36-10</p>	63,192	11,900	IPM/LIB/ DMFA/ MHD/ GM	<p>Final concept plans (Rev F dated 23/1/26) reviewed on 5 Feb 26 by Project Control Group. PCG proposed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise drawings in consultation with regular library uses • Finalise costing of all 4 stages by a QS consultant in conjunction with project team. Costing to include each stage fit outs, foundation for likely soil conditions, proposed grade/level of finish materials, extra solar panels etc. • Present to Council the vision concept, staged plan & drawings, all costing (price escalation for stages), timeline. <p>Stage 1 detailed documentation and consultant quotes, Council has asked Belinda (Concept design Architect) to proceed/continue under current engagement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To manage the engagement (subject to Council approval) of the required consultants for detailed design documentation, including civil and structural, HVAC, hydraulic, electrical and QS services, with direct costs passed through.

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Project	Budget	Expenditure/ Committed	Resp	Comment
Safety Management System GL 3210-4010-5	75,825	54,976	WHS-RC /GM	Works Program ongoing.
Asset Management & IPR	112,636	Nil	GM/ DMES	Works program being formulated.

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Project	Budget	Expend	Resp	Comment
Grant Applications				
Regional Housing Strategic Planning Fund Round 4 – RHSPF Round 4-037	190,009	Nil	DMES	The project aims to develop a comprehensive Structure Plan and associated studies, aligned with the NSW planning framework, to a standard that enables Council to lodge a subdivision development application for the next stage of the Gunningbar Residential Estate. This work will facilitate the release of much-needed residential land and help address ongoing land supply challenges in Warren. Pending.
NSW EV Fast Charging Program.	NIL	NIL	IPM	<p>Council was successful in submitting an Expression of Interest (EOI) to host electric vehicle fast charging infrastructure under the NSW EV Fast Charging Program for Nevertire. Proposed NEVERTIRE Vehicle Rest Area/ Parking site meets the eligibility criteria and have been added to the Site Host List and visual map.</p> <p>Next step: Liaising with charge point operators (CPO) seeking to develop and operate charging infrastructure in NSW. Option being considered are leasing of parking space for a fixed terms (10 -15 years) on a rent or revenue sharing model. Pending.</p>
Commonwealth Accessible Australia Initiative Tranche 2 – Application No. AAT265 Grant Amount -\$200,000 (Max)	249,120	Nil	IPM	<p>Changing Place Facility @ Bob Christiansen Reserve; Bob Christiansen Reserve is a popular stop for regional travellers and caravan visitors. Installing a portable Changing Places facility would support families and people with high support needs who cannot use standard accessible toilets, enable inclusive travel and longer stay. A portable unit is appropriate given the site’s flood-prone location.</p> <p>Grant Application submitted on 4 March 2026. Outcome expected by 30 June 2026. Pending.</p>
Future Drought Fund's Communities Program Regional Drought Resilience Plan Social Outcome Grant	100,000	Nil	EDVM	<p>Heartline Reconnected: Creating pathways to wellbeing, connection and lasting resilience Concept:</p> <p>Heartline Reconnected will address the growing need for stronger social connection, improved community wellbeing and increased drought resilience across our shire and region.</p>

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ITEM 3 WORKS PROGRESS REPORTS – INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

(C14-7.2, G4-1)

Project	Budget	Expend	Resp	Comment
Grant Applications				
				Application submitted 9th December, 2025. Pending. Full Business Plan submitted to FRR/Future Drought Fund on 10 March, 2026 for further review by the assessment team.

The items marked with an asterisk (*) be deleted.

ACRONYMS

GM - General Manager

DMFA - Divisional Manager Finance & Administration

DMES - Divisional Manager Engineering Services

MHD - Manager Health and Development Services

ACC - Accountant

TSM - Town Services Manager

RIM - Roads Infrastructure Manager

IPM - Infrastructure Projects Manager

PAO - Projects Administration Officer

TREAS - Treasurer

AM – Assets Manager

WSCCM – Warren Sporting & Cultural Centre Manager

EDVM - Economic Development and Visitation Manager

WHS-RC – Work Health Safety / Risk Co-Ordinator

FRSPM – Flood Restoration and Special Projects Manager

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(R4-13.2)

RECOMMENDATION that:

1. The information be received and noted; and
2. Council approve the attendance of the Mayor and up to two (2) interested Councillors with the General Manager and Divisional Manager Engineering Services or nominee to the 2026 Local Roads Congress - IPWEA (NSW) on Monday, 1st June 2026.

Purpose

To seek Council approval for the Mayor and up to two (2) Councillors to attend the 2026 Local Roads Congress - IPWEA (NSW) on Monday, 1st June 2026.

Background

In previous years Council has sent up to two (2) Councillors and sometimes the Mayor to attend the Local Roads Congress - IPWEA (NSW) together with relevant staff.

Council's General Manager is the Chairperson of the Committee of Management of the IPWEA Roads and Transport Directorate that is responsible of the conduct of the NSW Local Roads Congress and attends due to this. The Divisional Manager Engineering Services or nominee also attends due to the nature of the Congress.

In 2021 Councillor Brewer and the General Manager attended and both found the Congress worthwhile attending. In 2022 Councillors Whiteley and McCloskey, the Divisional Manager Engineering Services and the General Manager attended and all found the Congress worthwhile attending. In 2023 Councillors Whiteley and McCloskey, the Divisional Manager Engineering Services and the General Manager attended and all found the Congress worthwhile attending. In 2024 Councillors Whiteley and McCloskey, the Divisional Manager Engineering Services and General Manager again attended and all found the Congress worthwhile attending. In 2025 the Mayor Councillor Whiteley, Councillors McCloskey and Kinsey, the Divisional Manager Engineering Services and General Manager attended and all found the Congress worthwhile attending.

Report

The theme for this year's Congress is "Shaping Policies for Stronger Communities" which will encourage local government leaders to reflect on past experiences, embrace innovation and implement practical, forward-thinking solutions.

It is believed that by examining challenges, reimagining traditional approaches and committing to smarter, more resilient infrastructure, Councils can actively shape the future of NSW's local roads and transport networks – building stronger, more connected communities for all.

The Congress will also be turning 21 this year and I believe has been a most successful event for particularly Councils/Councillors/Mayors most interested in roads and transport matters.

Attached is a copy of the Flyer (**Attachment 1**) for the event together with a Draft Congress Program (**Attachment 2**).

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This Congress has been most successful in attracting the attendance of the NSW Government Ministers and Opposition Spokespersons for Roads and Transport over the years.

Also attached is a copy of the 2025 NSW Local Roads Congress Communique (**Attachment 3**) together with information from previous Congresses (**Attachment 4**).

It is considered worthwhile for at least one (1) Councillor, up to two (2) Councillors, who most probably have an interest in roads to attend with staff. The Mayor has also expressed an interest in attending.

Practically, it would mean travel to Sydney by plane late Sunday, 31st May 2026 staying for two (2) nights and returning back to Warren in the morning of Tuesday, 2nd June 2026.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Attendance costs are expected to amount to approximately \$1,900 per attendee for Congress registration, accommodation, meals and flights.

Council provides annual funding for Councillors to attend this Congress.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no legal requirement for Council to attend this Congress however, Council is a member of the IPWEA Roads and Transport Directorate and local and regional roads are Council's most major asset and a high priority.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

There are no known risks.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

N/A.

OPTIONS

Council can choose to have Councillors attend or not attend.

CONCLUSION

This report has been prepared to advise Councillors of the upcoming 2026 NSW Local Roads Congress and to arrange the attendance for up to two (2) interested Councillors and the Mayor, together with the Divisional Manager Engineering Services and General Manager.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 3.1.1 Ensure that the road network is maintained to acceptable community standards;
- 5.3.1 Provide effective training and development of our staff;
- 5.3.2 Create a productive and cooperative working environment for Councillors to support their governance responsibilities; and
- 5.4.3 Actively seek external support (financial and in-kind) from Government, alliance partners, the community and philanthropists to support the provision of new services and amenities for the community.

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION /ATTACHMENTS

1. NSW Local Roads Congress 2026 Flyer.
2. Draft NSW Local Roads Congress 2026 Program.
3. 2026 NSW Local Roads Congress Communique.
4. Previous Local Roads Congress Information.


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2026 Local Roads Congress

Monday 01 June 2026 at 09:00 am - Monday 01 June 2026 at 07:00 pm

Sector Technical Conferences

Select a Product

2026 LRC - RTD Member Early Bird ▼

Register Here

The 2026 Local Roads Congress is an annual event for local government to join together to discuss policy changes, challenges and constraints within the NSW local roads network. The congress provides a forum for NSW council executive staff and elected officials to discuss policy issues with NSW state Ministers in order to optimise road and transport outcomes across the state.

Shaping Policies for Stronger Communities

Under the theme “Shaping Policies for Stronger Communities”, the 2026 Congress encourages local government leaders to reflect on past experiences, embrace innovation, and implement practical, forward-thinking solutions. By examining challenges, reimagining traditional approaches, and committing to smarter, more resilient infrastructure, councils can actively shape the future of NSW’s local roads and transport networks—building stronger, more connected communities for all.

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Local Roads Congress turns 21 2026 Local Roads Congress

The Local Roads Congress has a proud 21 year history having first been held in 2005 by the Roads & Transport Directorate, a joint initiative between IPWEA NSW & ACT and Local Government NSW (LGNSW). Over the years the Local Roads Congress has seen multiple NSW State Government Ministers and Shadow Ministers attend, including last year with The Hon. Jenny Aitchison MP (Minister for Regional Transport and Roads), The Hon. John Graham MLC (Minister for Roads), and The Hon. Natalie Ward MLC (Shadow Minister for Transport and Roads, and Shadow Minister for Infrastructure). This year will continue to showcase local government decision-makers.

Who Should Attend

The Congress primarily targets local government decision-makers. We highly encourage Mayors, Councillors, General Managers and Directors of Engineering to attend.

Congress Program

The event promises a day of insightful guest speakers and dialogue, concluding with an opportunity for networking accompanied by drinks and canapés. The final Program will be announced shortly, promising a line-up of expert speakers and relevant topics.

Networking Evening

After a day of critical discussions at the 2026 Local Roads Congress, delegates can continue the conversation at the Networking Evening with drinks and canapés. This exclusive gathering provides mayors, councillors, general managers, and executives with the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions on the day's key topics, exchange insights, and strengthen professional connections. In a relaxed setting, attendees can share perspectives on local road funding, policy challenges, and innovative solutions, ensuring the dialogue extends beyond the conference room. Don't miss this chance to connect with fellow decision-makers shaping the future of local roads.

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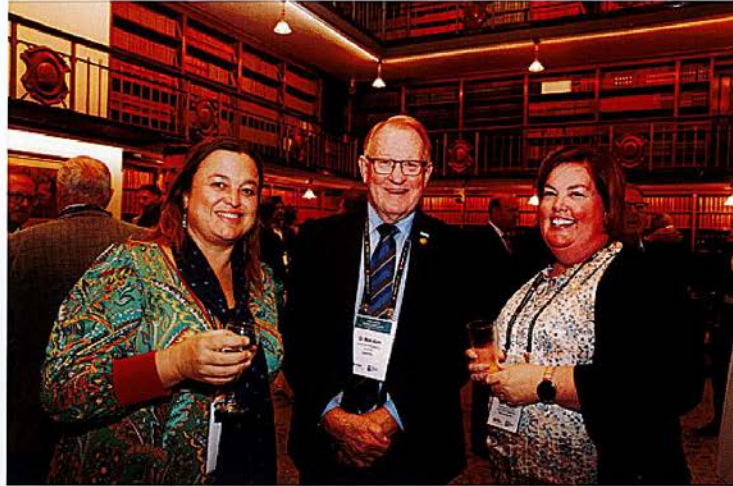
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Registration for Mayors and Councillors

Each registration to the 2026 Local Roads Congress will include a complimentary registration for a mayor or councillor. Upon registering you will be given the option to add the details of the mayor or councillor you will be attending with. If you have already registered and did not include a mayor or councillor and would now like to do so, please contact events@ipweansw.org with their name and dietary information. Attendance is limited so we recommend that you do this upon registering.

Registration Type	Cost	Closes	Additional Information
Registration – Early Bird RTD Member	\$600	5 May 2026	Each registration includes complimentary attendance for a mayor or councillor
Registration – Early Bird RTD Non-Member	\$700		
Registration – Full price RTD Member	\$750	23 May 2025	Each registration includes complimentary attendance for a mayor or councillor
Registration – Full price RTD Non-Member	\$850		

Standard Price:
\$600.00

Member Price:
\$600.00

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Attachment 2 - Draft NSW Local Roads Congress 2026 Program.

MORNING PROGRAM	
8:30am – 9:00am	Delegate registration
9:00am	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>Uncle Allen Madden <i>'Welcome to Country'</i></p> </div> </div>
9:10am	<p>David Elliott <i>'Congress Welcome'</i></p>
9:20am	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>Grant Baker IPWEA NSW & ACT <i>'Opening Address'</i></p> </div> </div>
9:30am	<p>Mayor Darcy Byrne Local Government NSW <i>'Welcome Address'</i></p>
9:40am	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>Joshua Devitt Roads & Transport Directorate <i>'Communiqué Update'</i></p> </div> </div>
11:45am	<p>Sponsor Presentation TBA <i>'TBA'</i></p>
10:00am – 10:30am MORNING TEA Fountain Courtyard	
10:30am	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <p>The Hon. Jenny Aitchison MP Minister for Roads and Regional Transport <i>'Keynote Address'</i></p> </div> </div>
10:50am	<p>Mark Coure MP Member for Upper Hunter, Shadow Minister for Roads <i>'Keynote Address'</i></p>
11:10am	Panel Discussion – Minister and Shadow Minister
12:00pm-1:30pm LUNCH Strangers' Dining Room	
	

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AFTERNOON PROGRAM

1:30pm **Scott Greenow**
Transport for NSW
'Automated Asset Assessment Project'

1:50pm **Alejandra Torres**
Waverley Council
'Sustainable Procurement in Road Pavements'

2:10pm  **Ruth Graham**
Transport for NSW
'Roads Act Review'

2:30pm **Keith Redenbach**
Redenbach Legal
'Local Road Liability'

2:50pm **Panel Discussion – Technical Speakers**

3:10pm – 3:40pm **AFTERNOON TEA**
Fountain Courtyard

3:40pm **Nathan Skelly**
IPWEA NSW & ACT
'Asset AI Benefits Realisation'

4:00pm  **Morgan Spruce**
IPWEA NSW & ACT
'Asset Management Maturity'

4:20pm  **Joshua Devitt**
Roads & Transport Directorate
'2026 Congress Communiqué'

NETWORKING EVENING
Jubilee Room

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Special Guests:
The Hon. Natalie Ward MLC
Paul Toole
Jordan Lane
Greg Warren
Mr Edmond ATALLA

**Program subject to change*

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Over 115 delegates, encompassing council executive staff, mayors, and elected council officials gathered with State Government Ministers and Shadow Ministers at NSW Parliament House on 2nd June 2025 to attend the 2025 Local Roads Congress. The discussions and presentations from the Congress inform the advocacy focus of the Roads & Transport Directorate over the next 12 months which is outlined in this communique.

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REFLECT, RETHINK, RESOLVE

The NSW Roads and Transport Directorate (RTD), a joint initiative between Local Government NSW (LGNSW) and the NSW Division of the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA NSW and ACT), is pleased to present the 2025 Local Roads Congress Communiqué.

Under the theme of 'Reflect, Rethink, Resolve', congress delegates identified the following list of recommendations as key priorities for Local, State and Federal governments to improve the NSW local road network.

NSW Local Government

The Congress supports a commitment from NSW Local Government to:

- i. Develop and implement integrated network plans for the local road network, aligned to federal, state and regional plans, and considering critical infrastructure, resilience, local transport needs, asset and risk management, road safety, freight and delivery and operational programs.
- ii. Investigate AI technology solutions, as a means of improving the efficiency of road maintenance, road safety and natural disaster assessment activities.
- iii. Develop and align Asset Management Plans and Long-Term Financial Plans that fully incorporate service levels, lifecycle costs, and risk.
- iv. Provide a register of high-risk bridges to the IPWEA (NSW & ACT) Roads and Transport Directorate.
- v. Adopt a holistic approach to local road safety, including integrating road safety considerations into asset and risk management plans, community strategic plans, as well as design standards and specifications.
- vi. Prioritise funding of local road infrastructure to address the current annual shortfall and improve the condition of road assets.

NSW Government

The Congress calls on the NSW Government to:

- i. Review the Fixing Local Roads Program with an annual allocation aligned to the Roads to Recovery distribution formula to provide greater certainty and allow improved short-medium term infrastructure planning by NSW Local Government.
- ii. Fund an additional round of the Fixing Country Bridges program to support NSW councils in removing the risk of ageing timber bridges on the local road network.
- iii. Explore funding options to support councils in replacing ageing causeways and concrete, steel and composite bridges.
- iv. Review the linkages between council long term financial plans and asset management plans and develop new guidelines to support greater alignment between these plans. This review is to be undertaken by the Office of Local Government, supported by their expert advisory panel.

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- v. Ensure council asset managers are represented on the Office of Local Government's expert advisory panel convened to assist in reforming council infrastructure funding.
- vi. Support the implementation of integrated network plans by Local Government which are aligned to federal, state and regional plans, and consider critical infrastructure, resilience, local transport needs, asset and risk management, road safety, freight and delivery and operational programs.
- vii. Provide incentives for local government to adopt AI solutions for road maintenance activities, leading to earlier intervention and an overall improvement in operational efficiency.
- viii. Ensure natural disaster funding arrangements allow resilience improvements to be included as a part of restoration works and provide dedicated funding for proactive betterment works to improve the overall resilience of the network.
- ix. Review the draft road recategorisation framework to ensure that the criteria used for assessment are applicable across all regions of NSW, and ensure councils have a right of refusal to the transfer of state road assets.
- x. Recognise the shared responsibility for road safety by all road authorities in NSW in the review of the NSW Roads Act and provide funding to support local government road safety initiatives, whilst ensuring councils are not exposed to additional liability.
- xi. Provide clearer delegation of authority for NSW councils as part of the Roads Act Review, providing councils greater freedom to make decisions in relation to the roads they manage, such as the reduction of speed limits.
- xii. Collaborate with NSW councils to prepare the local road network for the transition to zero emission vehicles and Connected and Automated Vehicles (CAVs), including support for infrastructure upgrades and ongoing maintenance costs.
- xiii. Urgently address the management and enforcement of e-mobility devices.
- xiv. Strategically deploy state government funding to ensure sustainable resourcing and delivery by councils and to avoid oversaturating the market.
- xv. Legislate the coordination of works between councils and utility providers.

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Australian and NSW Government

The Congress calls on the Australian and NSW Governments to work together with NSW Local Governments to address the following:

- i. An increase in base funding support for Local Government to address the current funding shortfall of road assets, and a corresponding reduction in individual competitive grants.
- ii. Develop a proactive long-term strategy to address the skills shortage in Local Government professional engineers and other infrastructure workers, including support for the development of local capacity.
- iii. The NSW Reconstruction Authority (RA) and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to collaborate to streamline natural disaster funding and assessment requirements, including a maximum limit of 6 months to finalise agreements or claims from councils.
- iv. Reduce cost shifting to local governments, particularly those associated with the provision and ongoing care of local road assets servicing large-scale economic generators and state significant developments.
- v. Align grant funding processes to accommodate council timelines and priorities and develop consistent definitions for metropolitan and regional classifications.

Australian Government

The Congress calls on the Australian Government to:

- i. Increase the annual Roads to Recovery Program allocations to align with the construction cost index and the growth in the road asset base, ensuring funding levels are maintained in real terms.
- ii. Revise the Roads to Recovery funding conditions to include the development of integrated network plans, aligned to federal, state and regional plans, and considering critical infrastructure, resilience, local transport needs, asset and risk management, road safety, freight and delivery and operational programs.
- iii. Ensure the program guidelines for the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program allow for equal consideration of projects proposing to upgrade or replace bridges on the local road network.
- iv. Support collaboration between local councils, universities, and specialist research organisations into innovative technologies and practices to improve the management, resilience and overall condition of local road assets.
- v. Proactively engage with NSW Local Government and the Roads and Transport Directorate in implementing the National Service Level Standards on local roads, particularly in relation to the ongoing review of the NSW Roads Act.
- vi. Increase the Federal Assistance Grants to 1% of Commonwealth Tax Revenue and review the funding allocation.

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Local Roads Congress

The 2024 Local Roads Congress was held on the 3rd June
2024 at NSW Parliament House

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About the Event

The Roads and Transport Directorate, in collaboration with Local Government NSW, holds an annual Local Roads Congress, where local council mayors, councillors and executives gather to discuss road-related policy issues. The purpose of the Congress is to address policy issues rather than technical issues and to optimise roads and transport outcomes. The first NSW Local Roads Congress was held in December 2005 and has been held annually since then.

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2024 Local Roads Congress

The 2024 Local Roads Congress will be held on Monday 3 June 2024, at the NSW Parliament House in Sydney with the theme of '*Planning for the Future*'.

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2023 Local Roads Congress

The 2023 Local Roads Congress was held on 5th June 2023 at NSW Parliament House. The Congress was attended by over 100 local government executives, managers and elected officials. We welcomed the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads the Hon. Jenny Aitchison, Minister for Roads the Hon. John Graham, the Shadow Minister for Transport and Roads the Hon. Natalie Ward, and the Shadow Minister for Regional Transport and Roads the Hon. Sam Farraway.

2023 Local Roads Congress
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Local Roads Congress 2022

The Local Roads Congress was held on Monday 6 June 2022, at the NSW Parliament House in Sydney.

The theme of the Congress was Putting Policies into Practice.

2022 NSW Local Roads Congress
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2021 Local Roads Congress

The 2021 Local Roads Congress was held on 7 June 2021 as a hybrid event at the NSW Parliament House and online. The theme of the Congress was Reconnecting the Dots in Community Recovery – the connections being Emergency Management, Management of Assets, Road Safety, and Resources – strategic areas which are interrelated and of primary importance to local government.

2021 NSW Local Roads Congress
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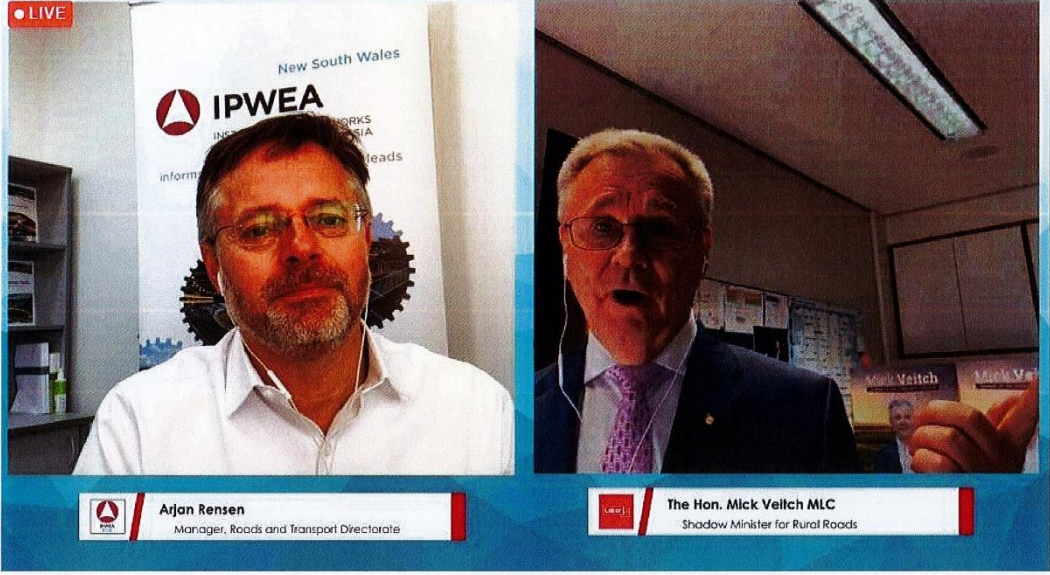
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2020 Local Roads Conference

The annual NSW Local Roads Congress was delivered as a virtual conference, with sessions on 1 June 2020 and 15 June 2020. The theme for this year's event was Connecting the Dots – the connections being Emergency Management, Management of Assets, Road Safety, and Resources – strategic areas which are interrelated and of primary importance to local government. The conference took place over two session days- the first session tackling the challenges associated with 'Saving lives on local roads' and the second session focusing on 'Providing high quality infrastructure to the community'.

<https://www.ipweansw.org/roadsdirectorate/local-roads-congress#:~:text=The 2024 Local Roads Congress,information will be available soon.> 6/8

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2019 Local Roads Congress

Roads, Risk, Regulation & Resourcing. The 2019 Local Roads Congress and Congress Dinner was held at the Parliament House NSW Theatre on 3 June 2019. The Minister for Regional Transport and Roads, Paul Toole MP and the Shadow Minister for Local Government and Communities and Shadow Minister for Regional Roads, Peter Primrose, MLC each addressed the Congress. At the conclusion of the Congress delegates adopted a Communiqué which succinctly captured the outcomes of matters discussed during the day.

For information and enquiries about the Local Roads Congress, please contact us at
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ITEM 1 RECONCILIATION CERTIFICATE – FEBRUARY 2026

(B1-10.16)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Statement of Bank and Investments Balance as at the 28th February 2026 be received and noted.

PURPOSE

To certify that the internal and external cash and investments position of Council is reconciled each month.

BACKGROUND

Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires the Responsible Accounting Officer to provide a written report setting out details of all money that the Council has invested under Section 625 of the Local Government Act.

REPORT

Following is the reconciled internal funds of Council that have been reconciled with the Bank Statements as at 28th February 2026.

Council should note that investment items listed as

INTERNAL LEDGER ACCOUNT RECONCILIATION

	Balance		Balance
	31-Jan-26	Transactions	28-Feb-26
General	6,087,088.92	4,594,142.15	10,681,231.07
Water Fund	888,691.77	28,310.60	917,002.37
Sewerage Fund	1,051,908.98	24,046.60	1,075,955.58
North Western Library	266,089.13	(5,324.31)	260,764.82
Trust Fund	94,136.13	0.00	94,136.13
Investment Bank Account	(4,500,000.00)	(4,500,000.00)	(9,000,000.00)
	3,887,914.93	141,175.04	4,029,089.97

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BANK STATEMENT RECONCILIATION

Balance as per Bank Statement =	4,029,090.27
Add: Outstanding Deposits for the Month	0.00
Less: Outstanding Cheques & Autopays	0.00
Balance as per Ledger Accounts less Investments =	<u>4,029,090.27</u>

INVESTMENTS RECONCILIATION

Investments as at 28th February 2026

No.	Institution	Amount	Term (days)	Rate %	Indicative BBSW	Maturity Date
	CBA	0.00	NA	NA	NA	On Call A/c
1	NAB	1,000,000.00	59	3.95%	3.68%	23-Mar-26
3	NAB	1,500,000.00	60	4.00%	3.68%	31-Mar-26
4	NAB	1,000,000.00	31	3.45%	3.68%	2-Mar-26
5	NAB	1,500,000.00	90	4.40%	3.66%	27-May-26
6	NAB	1,500,000.00	60	4.10%	3.68%	27-Apr-26
7	NAB	1,000,000.00	32	3.60%	3.68%	30-Mar-26
8	NAB	1,500,000.00	120	4.50%	3.62%	26-Jun-26
TOTAL INVESTMENTS =		<u><u>9,000,000.00</u></u>				

BANK AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS BREAKDOWN

Externally Restricted Funds Invested	10,140,372.27
Internally Restricted Funds Invested	2,388,718.00
Unrestricted Funds	<u>500,000.00</u>
TOTAL BANK & INVESTMENTS ACCOUNTS BALANCE =	<u><u>13,029,090.27</u></u>

As Councils Responsible Accounting Officer, I note the External and Internal Restricted Funds are an estimate only, pending review and reconciliation into the future.

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FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

N/A.

OPTIONS

N/A.

CONCLUSION

This report is provided to advise Council of its financial position.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

5.3.2 Create a productive and cooperative working environment for Councillors to support their governance responsibilities. (Provide timely, accurate and relevant reporting and information to Councillors to enable informed decision making.)

SUPPORTING INFORMATION / ATTACHMENTS

N/A.

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ITEM 2

STATEMENT OF RATES & ANNUAL CHARGES

(R1-4)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Statement of Rates and Annual Charges information as at 9th February 2026 be received and noted.

PURPOSE

To advise Council of the rates and annual charges levied, collected and currently outstanding as at the report date.

BACKGROUND

A major source of revenue Council receives each year is through the levying of rates and annual charges on property owners in the Warren Shire Council local government area to provide and maintain services to the Warren Shire community.

REPORT

Attached to this report is the statement of rates and annual charges as at 9th February 2026 including comparisons over the last four years.

This report is considered the most accurate and relevant information available for Council to consider relating Rates and Annual Charges collection percentages, comparatively to prior years.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

N/A.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

N/A.

OPTIONS

N/A.

CONCLUSION

This report is provided to advise Council of the balance of rates and annual charges.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

5.3.2 Create a productive and cooperative working environment for Councillors to support their governance responsibilities. (Provide timely, accurate and relevant reporting and information to Councillors to enable informed decision making.)

SUPPORTING INFORMATION / ATTACHMENTS

Nil.

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Name of Rate				COLLECTIONS FOR YEAR		NETT ARREARS	
	NETT ARREARS 1st JULY \$	NETT LEVY \$	TOTAL RECEIVABLE \$	AMOUNT COLLECTED \$	COLLECT AS % AGE OF TOTAL REC'ABLE	ARREARS AMOUNT \$	ARREARS AS % AGE OF TOTAL REC'ABLE
General Fund Rates	257,982	5,948,687	6,206,669	3,584,202	57.75%	2,622,468	42.25%
Warren Water Fund	121,735	633,677	755,412	421,322	55.77%	334,089	44.23%
Warren Sewerage Fund	142,360	659,466	801,826	433,845	54.11%	367,981	45.89%
TOTAL 2025/2026	522,077	7,241,830	7,763,907	4,439,369	57.18%	3,324,538	42.82%
TOTAL 2024/2025	486,670	6,931,692	7,418,362	4,095,073	55.20%	3,323,289	44.80%
TOTAL 2023/2024	445,604	6,630,720	7,076,324	3,788,803	53.54%	3,287,521	46.46%
TOTAL 2022/2023	321,306	6,186,817	6,508,123	3,784,746	58.15%	2,723,377	41.85%
TOTAL 2021/2022	303,871	6,118,775	6,422,646	3,793,077	59.06%	2,629,569	40.94%
		08-Feb-22	11-Feb-23	16-Feb-24	10-Feb-25	09-Feb-26	
COLLECTION FIGURES AS \$		3,793,077	3,784,746	3,788,803	4,095,073	4,439,369	
COLLECTION FIGURE AS %		59.06%	58.15%	53.54%	55.20%	57.18%	

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ITEM 3 WORKS PROGRESS REPORT – FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION PROJECTS
(C14-7.1, C9-1)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

The following are details of the projects undertaken by the Finance and Administration Department for the 2025/26 financial year.

Project	Budget	Expend	Resp	Comment
Office Equipment Purchases – PC Purchases – Electronic Records Management System Investigation/ Implementation	\$222,000	\$52,386	DMFA	2024/25 carry over value, included in the budget figure is \$112,000. Purchase new office equipment, PC's and other ICT equipment as needed. Ongoing implementation of a Document management system, this will include implementation of a new Finance System.

ACRONYMS

DMFA - Divisional Manager Finance & Administration

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(C14-7.2)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

The following are details of Projects, Programs and Grant Applications that are being managed by the Divisional Manager Engineering Services, Roads Infrastructure Manager and Flood Restoration and Special Projects Manager.

ACRONYMS

DMES	Divisional Manager Engineering Services	GR	Gravel Resheet
RIM	Roads Infrastructure Manager	BRL	Bitumen Reseal Local Road
RO	Roads Overseer	BRR	Bitumen Reseal Regional Road
AM	Assets Manager	FRSPM	Flood Restoration and Special Projects Manager

Roads M & R (Maintenance and Repair) Budget and Works
From 12th February 2026 to 11th March 2026.

PROGRAM	BUDGET	EXPENDITURE
Urban Sealed Roads	\$65,832	\$43,791
Kerb and Guttering	\$22,000	\$3,197
Footpaths & Cycleway	\$41,000	\$3,318
Urban Unsealed Roads	\$31,491	\$12,699
Rural Sealed Roads	\$522,953	\$520,575
Rural Unsealed Roads	\$1,169,278	\$709,331
Rural Bridges	\$96,037	\$7,003
Regional Sealed Roads	\$822,000	\$563,099
Regional Unsealed Roads	\$120,000	\$21,001
Regional Bridges	\$113,000	\$0
Bushfire Hazard Reduction Works (Shire Roads, Regional Roads and Council Facilities)	\$15,175	\$1,260
Total	\$3,003,591	\$1,885,274

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PROGRAM	BUDGET	EXPEND	COMMENTS
AGRN 1034 EPA RW RR333 Carinda Road	\$1,251,499	\$778,186	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW RR347 Collie-Trangie Road	\$290,281	\$46,288	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW RR202 Marthaguy Road	\$3,344,735	\$1,952,349	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW RR7515 Warren Road	\$886	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW Regional Roads	Total \$4,887,402	Total \$2,776,823	
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR49 Arthur Butler Drive	\$21,420	\$4,901	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR29 Belah View Road	\$10,116	\$5,334	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR8 Ben Avon Road	\$1,862	\$5,012	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR9 Booka Road	\$4,577	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR42 Boss' Lane	\$30,309	\$4,101	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR35 Bourbah Road	\$19,861	\$7,263	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR62 Buddabadah Road	\$50,244	\$50,245	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR68 Bundemar Road	\$111,272	\$12,506	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR3 Canonba Road	\$13,742	\$7,376	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR 33 Castlebar Road	\$64,070	\$64,070	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR54 Cathundral-Bogan Road	\$94,421	\$96,138	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR44 Charlieville Road	\$8,111	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR37 Collie Road	\$138,231	\$110,208	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR87 Cremorne Road	\$9,899	\$12,598	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR25 Cullemburrawang Road	\$3,987	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR60 Dandaloo Road	\$17,438	\$22,847	Completed

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PROGRAM	BUDGET	EXPEND	COMMENTS
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR41 Dick's Camp Lane	\$6,536	\$6,536	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR26 Drunglear Road	\$15,962	\$15,962	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR21 Duffity Road	\$49,752	\$53,830	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR64 Ellengerah Road	\$176,223	\$176,223	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR86 Ellerslie Road	\$19,036	\$27,941	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR36 Gibson Way	\$72,305	\$71,734	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR23 Gradgery Lane	\$15,595	\$15,476	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR79 Greentree Road	\$53,605	\$53,605	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR95 Gunningba Road	\$34,795	\$42,098	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR91 Industrial Access Road	\$94,534	\$4,545	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR15 Johnsons Road	\$54,589	\$54,966	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR97 Kainga Marebone Road	\$62,363	\$67,742	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR89 Leeches Creek Road	\$3,554	\$3,554	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR12 Lemongrove Road	\$219,839	\$171,171	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR18 Mannix Road	\$17,072	0	Not Yet Started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR69 Mullengudgery Road	\$132,974	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR51 Oakley Road	\$19,465	\$19,466	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR74 Old Showground Road	\$3,578	0	Not Yet Started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR65 Old Warren Road	\$297,616	\$161,710	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR1 Oxley Road	\$73,550	\$43,968	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR75 Pineclump Soldiers Road	\$36,735	\$38,035	Completed

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PROGRAM	BUDGET	EXPEND	COMMENTS
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR34 Pleasant View Lane	\$11,479	\$11,480	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR88 Quigley Carroll Road	\$31,430	\$15,775	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR6 Retreat Road	\$15,543	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR83 Rifle Range Road	\$31,398	\$35,773	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR48 Ringorah Road	\$69,994	\$69,243	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR28 Rothsay Road	\$5,447	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR2 Sanctuary Road	\$11,789	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR72 Snakes Lane	\$7,529	\$7,713	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR56 Tabratong Lane	\$118,951	\$118,309	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR53 Thornton Road	\$12,721	0	Not yet started
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR59 Tottenham Road	\$66,975	\$178	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR73 Udora Road	\$727,128	\$542,355	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR66 Wambianna Road	\$470,947	\$392,638	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR77 Wambianna Soldiers Road	\$50,773	\$65,663	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR46 Widgeree Road	\$38,524	\$206	Ongoing
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR52 Windabyne Bridge Road	\$7,018	\$10,734	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW SR38 Yungundi Road	\$31,504	\$31,505	Completed
AGRN 1034 EPA RW Local Roads	Total \$3,747,620	Total \$2,732,840	
RMCC Routine Maintenance - Oxley Highway SH11	\$493,431	N/A	Ongoing
*RMCC Ordered Works- Oxley Highway SH11	\$449,648	N/A	Completed

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MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION

WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	WORK COMPLETED
Grader Crew 1 (Three-man crew)	RR333 Carinda Road	Shoulder Grading	6km Completed
	SR95 Gunningba Road	Maintenance Grading	2km Completed
	SR65 Old Warren Road	Shoulder Grading	6km Completed
	SR91 Industrial Access Road	Heavy Patching Flood work	Completed
	SR68 Bundemar Road	Heavy Patching	Ongoing
Grader Crew 2 (Three-man crew)	SH11 Oxley Highway RMCC	Heavy Patching	Completed
	SR66 Wambianna Road Flood	Heavy Patching	Completed
Grader Crew 3 (Three-man crew)	SR60 Dandaloo Road	Flood Works	6km Completed
	SR59 Tottenham Road	Guidepost	Completed
	SR93 Thornton Road	Guidepost	Completed
	SR69 Mullengudgery Road	Grading Flood work	4km Completed
Grader Crew 4 (Three-man-crew)	SR16 Notts Road	Maintenance Grading	2km Completed
	SR15 Johnsons Road	Flood Work	10km Completed
Grader Crew 5 (Two-man crew)	No Crew (Spare)		

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WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	EMULSION USED	STONE USED
Paveliner (Tar Patching)	SR27 Bullagreen Road	20 Edges	200L	2Ton
	Oxley Highway SH11	Potholes	150L	2Ton
	RR7515 Warren Road	90 Edges	3,500L	35Ton
	SR37 Collie Road	1Km Edges	2,600L	26Ton

WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Roadside Maintenance Team	SH11 Oxley Highway	Signs
	RR202 Marthaguy Road	Signs & Guidepost
	RR333 Carinda Road	Signs
	SR27 Bullagreen Road	Guidepost
	SH11 Oxley Highway	Escort for patching
	SH11 Oxley Highway	Signs
	SH11 Oxley Highway	Slashing 80km completed
	Sh11 Oxley Highway	Signs
	SR91 Industrial Access Road	Signs
	SR66 Wambianna Road	Guideposts 20 new; 6 straighten

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WORK CREW	LOCATION	WORK COMPLETED	EMULSION USED	STONE USED
Tar Patching - Austroads	RR333 Carinda Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	1,250L	11.4T
	SR65 Old Warren Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	7,625L	66.1T
	SR66 Wambianna Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	2,820L	21T
	SR68 Bundemar Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	3,850L	36T
	SR75 Pineclump Soldiers Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	550L	7T
	RR202 Marthaguy Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	10,900L	105T
	SR59 Tottenham Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	1,600L	16T
	SR35 Collie Bourbah Road	Potholes/Edges/Heavy Patches	6,630L	58T

WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	WORK COMPLETED
Neill Earthmoving	RR202 Marthaguy Road Road Safety Program Segment 12	Road Rehabilitation	Ongoing
Batterline Earthmoving	RR202 Marthaguy Road Road Safety Program	Stabilisation	1,200m

UPCOMING WORKS (MARCH/APRIL)

WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Grader Crew 1 (Three-man crew)	RR333 Carinda Road	Flood Work Heavy Patches Shoulders
	SR65 Old Warren Road	Flood Work Heavy Patches
	RR202 Marthaguy Road	Flood Work Heavy Patches
	SR68 Bundemar Road	Flood Work Heavy Patches
	Bundemar Street	Traffic Improvements

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WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Grader Crew 2 (Three-man crew)	RR347 Collie/Trangie Road	Heavy Patching
	SH11 Oxley Highway	Shoulder Grading
Grader Crew 3 (Three-man crew)	SR28 Rothsay Road	Maintenance Grade / Flood
	SR26 Drunglear Road	Maintenance Grading
	SR65 Old Warren Road	Gravel Resheeting
	SR44 Charleville Road	Maintenance Grade/ Flood
Grader Crew 4 (Three-man-crew)	SR16 Notts Road	Grade
	SR6 Retreat Road	Maintenance Grading & Flood
	SR2 Sanctuary Road	Maintenance Grading & Flood
	SR36 Gibson Way	Maintenance Grading & Flood

WORK CREW	LOCATION	ACTIVITY
Neill Earthmoving/Council	RR202 Marthaguy Road	Rehabilitation of Intersection
Neill Earthmoving	RR202 Marthaguy Road	Road Safety Program Segment 12-20
Central West Line marking	RR7515 Warren Road	Line Marking

CAPITAL WORKS IN PROGRESS

Project	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
Urban Unsealed Roads Resheeting	\$39,488	Nil	DMES	Being scoped.
Floodplain Management Program (DCCEEW) – Warren Town Flood Study	\$226,308	\$199,500	DMES	Study Ongoing.
Kerb and Guttering Renewal Chester Street (Stafford-Readford) (R2R)	\$170,000	\$90,000	TSM	Ongoing.

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Project	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
Bundemar Street Safety Improvements (R2R)	\$50,000	Nil	DMES	Being planned.
Rural Unsealed Roads Resheeting – SR23 Gradgery Lane	\$197,377	Nil	DMES	Being planned.
Rural Unsealed Roads Resheeting –SR98 Colane Road	\$101,797	Nil	DMES	Being planned.
Rural Unsealed Roads Resheeting – SR65 Old Warren Road	\$137,437	Nil	DMES	Being planned.
RR202 Marthaguy Road (TZSRP \$4,777,592 and Council \$450,000)	\$5,227,592	\$4,231,762	RIM/FRSPM	Ongoing.
Australian Government Black Spot Program – SR66 Wambianna Road Safety Improvements	\$1,260,000	Nil	DMES	Funding Deed to be executed

Project	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
Grant Applications				
Regional Precincts and Partnership Program – Precinct Delivery – Warren CBD Upgrade Grant Application	\$13,244,452	Nil	DMES	Pending Grant Approval.
Safer Local Roads Infrastructure Program – Beleringar Bridge	Grant - \$2,236,800 Council – \$559,200 \$2,796,000	Nil	DMES	Pending Grant Approval.
Safer Local Roads Infrastructure Program – Weemabung Bridge	Grant - \$2,424,000 Council – \$606,000 \$3,030,000	Nil	DMES	Pending Grant Approval.
Heavy Vehicle Rest Area Tranche 7 – Nevertire Rest Area	Grant - \$1,167,360 Council – \$291,840 \$1,459,200	Nil	DMES	Pending Grant Approval.

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TRAFFIC CLASSIFIER REPORT

<i>12/02/2026 to 10/03/2026</i>					
Road	Segment	Class	AADT	V%	Days
Dubbo Street	0	Light	298	57%	25
		Heavy	224	43%	25
SR27 Bullagreen Road	0	Light	50	82%	25
		Heavy	11	18%	25
SR64 Ellengerah Road	4	Light	29	56%	25
		Heavy	23	44%	25
SR91 Industrial Access Road	2	Light	247	65%	25
		Heavy	135	35%	25
SR58 Nevertire - Bogan Road	14	Light	18	29%	26
		Heavy	43	71%	26
SR53 Thornton Road	0	Light	29	73%	26
		Heavy	11	28%	26
SR59 - Tottenham Road	14	Light	13	19%	22
		Heavy	57	81%	22
SR66 Wambianna Road	24	Light	79	41%	25
		Heavy	112	59%	25
RR7515 Warren Road	4	Light	81	58%	25
		Heavy	58	42%	25

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(C14-7.2)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

The following are details of Projects, Programs and Grant Applications that are being managed by the Town Services Manager for the budget and works period from 12th February 2026 to 11th March 2026.

ACRONYMS

- DMES Divisional Manager Engineering Services
- TSM Town Services Manager
- MHD Manager Health & Development Services
- IPM Infrastructure Projects Manager
- TSO Town Services Overseer

TOWN SERVICES OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET

Project	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
General				
Nevertire Storm Damage February 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacement of damaged toilet building at Noel Waters Oval, • *Repairs to damaged fences at Nevertire Community Park and RFS Site. • Repairs to damaged Rodeo/Pony Club Shed at Noel Waters Oval. JC: 0106-0400-0010		\$5,119	TSM	*24/11/2025 RFS & Community Park fences have been repaired. Finalising replacement amenities submission to Insurance assessor for approval. 9/03/2026 Drafting Scope and pricing for the replacement amenities building at Noel Waters Oval.
Nevertire Storm Damage – Insurance Claim. November 2025 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacement of shade sail. • *Repairs of damaged fence at Nevertire Community Park, • *Replacement of damaged fence at RFS Site, • *Replacement of Barge Capping at RFS building. JC: 0106-0500-0010		\$22,151	TSM	*24/02/2026 RFS Fence replaced and strengthened with RHS posts. Barge Capping at RFS Shed replaced. Mural fencing at the Nevertire Community Park repaired and strengthened. 9/03/2026 Awaiting approval from Insurance to replace the shade sail.

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General				
Replacement of Front & Rear Fencing – Rotary Park. JC: 0096-0004-0100	\$6,000	\$2,160	TSM	10/11/2025 Fencing delivered. Waiting on contractor to install.
Top Dressing of Carter Oval Soccer Field. JC: 0094-0001-0005	\$10,000	Nil	TSM	10/11/25 Ongoing, leveling with soil.
Water Services				
Water Extraction Meter Compliance GL: 4580-4320-0003 JC: 0190-0010-0000	\$1,346	Nil	TSM	22/07/2025 Once completed, Information from the IWCM and Water Security Projects will support the need for the additional Water Access Licence (WAL). 9/03/2026 Additional information has been submitted to NSW Water to substantiate the WAL for Ellengerah Bore.
Water Valve Replacement Program 2025-2026. GL: 4580-4320-0055 JC: 0190-0030-0005	\$100,000	\$62,717	TSM	4/08/2025 Replacement program has commenced. 24/11/2025 Program Ongoing 08/01/2026 Program Ongoing.
Water Main Renewals GL: 4580-4320-0010 JC:	\$100,000	\$17,020	TSM	Arthur Butler Drive Main Ongoing
*Replacement of MCC at Oxley Park River Water Pumping Station. GL: 4580-4320-0001 JC: 0191-0001-0095	\$75,000	\$44,281	TSM	15/09/2025 New MCC installed and commissioned. Minor tidy up works to be carried out. Waiting on final invoices.

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Sewerage Services				
Review of CCTV data by VAPAR. GL: 5580-4320-0002 JC: 0230-0000-0005	\$100,000	\$52,000	TSM	12/08/2025.Plumbtrax have completed works. Council has engaged Vapar, an AI firm to review data and provide reports. They have found the data captured to be of less volume than expected. Staff are working with the contractor to sort out the discrepancy. *15/10/2025. All data from Plumbtrax has been sent to VAPAR for their analysis. 9/03/2026 List of sewerage main repairs being created.
Decommission Old Warren Sewerage Treatment Plant GL: 5580-4320-0001 JC: 220-3-0	\$92,000	Nil	TSM	27/01/2026 *Response has been sent to EPA who have acknowledged receipt and have no comments to make. Liquid Alum has been ordered and will be dosed into the Effluent Channel to reduce pH levels in plant. Alum has been delivered. Flow monitoring of the Inlet channel to be improved to allow for total flow inlet, including septage amounts. A monitored/alarmed flowmeter to be installed into the overflow structure to provide discharge

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				volume if the plant is required to discharge to the water course. 9/03/2026 New Groundwater monitoring wells to be constructed at Gillendoon and Tiger Bay STP.
Decommission Gillendoon SPS. GL:5580-4320-1011 JC:	\$125,000	Nil	TSM	*27/01/2026 Response has been sent to EPA who have acknowledged receipt and have no comments to make. 9/03/2026 New Groundwater monitoring wells to be constructed at Gillendoon and Tiger Bay STP.
Repairs to Tiger Bay STP Inlet Channel. GL: JC: 202-5-11	\$63,500	Nil		15/09/2025 Works will be undertaken by Council staff and local contractors early 2026. 12/03/2026 Inspected by contractors and waiting on quote.
Sewerage Mains Replacement.	\$100,000	Nil	TSM	18/08/2025 Scope of works will be determined after review of CCTV investigation. 9/03/2026 Mains to be repaired/replaced or relined;

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Levee Restoration			
Levee Rehabilitation Non-Civil Costs JC:			
3300-4400-0020		\$596,218	
3300-4400-0021		\$193,454	
3300-4400-0022		\$38,520	
3300-4400-0023 Federal		\$140,545	
		\$968,737	
3300-4410-0020		\$94,671	
3300-4410-0021		\$41,535	
3300-4410-0022	\$2,000,000	\$10,806	TSM
3300-4410-0023 State		\$31,971	
		\$178,983	
3300-4420-0020		\$144,905	
3300-4420-0021		\$24,289	
3300-4420-0022		\$12,910	
3300-4420-0023 OLG		\$410,875	
		\$592,979	
Total		\$1,740,699	
Comments			
30/09/2025			
All new flood gates have been installed, all concrete repairs at pits and gates completed. Water tightness testing complete. Gate 38 to be reviewed due to leakage rate.			
8/01/26			
Pumps to be assembled in cages. Hoses to be cut to shorter lengths. Ongoing.			
24/02/2026			
Floodgate pit lids to be modified to allow lid to be closed when pipework is installed. Electric pumps to be set up for each of the 6 sites. Suction hose for the diesel pumps to be modified to allow safer handling and easier storage. Storage container to have pump charging points and lighting installed. Operation and Maintenance manual to be developed. Training of key staff on the set-up and operations of the new equipment to be undertaken.			
23/03/2026 Diesel pumps have been assembled and loaded into individual cages along with 2 x 6m lay flat delivery hoses. Diesel pump storage container being fitted with solar lighting and charging for the pump batteries. Pit lids being modified. Discharge pipework at gate 26, (Central School) being manufactured. Suction hoses have been modified and loaded into stillage frames for ease of handling.			

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IWCM & Water Security Projects				
Project	Budget	Expend/Comm	Resp	Comment
Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM) Strategy Project GL: 4580-4320-0006 Water JC: 191-6-0 Water GL: 5580-4320-0003 Sewer.	\$439,470 Council contribution is \$43,947	\$363,636	TSM	*3/09/2025 Warren, Nevertire & Collie Water Supply, Water Security Review and Options Assessment has been awarded to Engeny Australia Pty. Ltd. 10/11/2025 Ongoing
Warren Shire Water Security Project GL: 4580-4320-0007 JC:191-4-0	\$1,127,700 Council contribution is \$112,770	\$1,025,182	TSM	*3/09/2025 Warren, Nevertire & Collie Water Supply, Water Security Review and Options Assessment has been awarded to Engeny Australia Pty. Ltd. 10/11/2025 Ongoing

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Activity	Required Interval	Details	
Water System Planned Maintenance			
River mains flushing	As required	Flushing occurs three monthly when hydrants are flushed. Additionally, river water mains are flushed when problems such as poor pressure/flow are identified.	
Water main flushing (Bore)	As required	Sections are done where and when found necessary.	
Fire hydrants. Covers checked, painted, flushed, and replaced where necessary, Blue reflective indicators and signs installed	Quarterly	Flushing every 3 months as agreed with NSW RFS and Fire and Rescue NSW.	
Bore Inspections	5 Year Rolling Program	Next inspections due 2028	
Warren, Nevertire and Collie water Chlorine, Turbidity, Temperature, and pH testing	Weekly at specific locations	Testing carried out daily at Warren and Nevertire.	
Warren river pumps		Ellengerah Rd Oxley Park Macquarie Park Racecourse	Breakdown maintenance only.
Reservoir cleaning	3 to 5 years	Ellengerah and Nevertire Bore Reservoirs	Next Diver inspection December 2026. *30/09/2024 Ellengerah inspected & hosed out September 2024 during valve replacement
		River Water Reservoirs	Investigate using Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) to inspect in 2026.

Sewerage System Planned Maintenance		
Warren Sewerage Treatment Works	Currently effluent analysis is carried out monthly.	22/07/2025 Negotiations with EPA regarding the new license and possible effluent reuse. 9/03/2026 Discussions will re-commence when treatment levels are under control, IE high PH levels and after ground water monitoring wells have been reinstated.

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Water and Sewerage Works Subject to Funding					
Location		Work Under Development			
Collie Water Supply (Reliability, Quality and Chlorination)		Relocation of the two, large Pioneer tanks to a new site located West of the Village. Construct a 10m high tank stand to support one or two, 25,000 litre water tanks at the Pioneer tank location. Installation of small package Water Treatment Plant and new gaseous chlorination equipment to return water supply to potable status. Install pressure pumps into a new building at the base of the new elevated tanks. Decommission and remove the old, elevated tanks.			
Water and Sewer – Routine Works Budget vs Expenditure as of 9th February 2026					
Account		Budget	Expenditure, Inc. Commitments		
Water Fund Maintenance and Repair		\$641,496	\$441,574 (69%)		
GL's: 4200-0003, 4220-0003, 4230-0003, 4240-0003, 4250-0003 & 4300-0003					
Sewer Fund Maintenance and Repair		\$293,834	\$182,553 (62%)		
GL's: 5200-0003, 5250-0003, 5280-0003 & 5300-0003.					
Parks and Gardens – Routine Works Budget Vs Expenditure as of 9th March 2026					
Account		Budget	Expenditure, Inc. Commitments		
Parks, Gardens, Cemeteries, Racecourse & Levee		\$1,707,193	\$1,061,292 (62%)		
GL's: 0701-0003, 0900-0002, 0950-0003, 1151-0003, 1601-0003, 1651-0003, 1701-0003, 2455-0003, 2505-0003, 2655-0003, 2660-0003 & 2670-0003					
Aerodrome – Routine Works Budget vs Expenditure as of 9th March 2026					
Account		Budget	Expenditure, Inc. Commitments		
Aerodrome Operations		\$183,040	\$123,661 (68%)		
GL: 2555-0003 JC: 2549-0-0					
Town Services Routine Budget Position Year to Date		Budget	Expenditure	Percentage of Year Elapsed	Percentage of Budget Expended/ Committed
		\$2,825,563	\$1,809,080	69%	64%

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Note:

1. Pump replaced at Garden Ave SPS - \$11,542.00. Complete
2. Pump replaced at Depot SPS - \$8,013.00. Ongoing.
3. Motor failure at Bore Flat Bore Pump - \$16,000. Complete
4. Pump Failure at Saleyard - \$1,000. Complete.

Water and Sewer Works

- Hydrant flushing Warren/Nevertire
- Valve replacement in Warren (on going)
- Showground water leaks
- 25 Chester St Bore presser issue
- Silo Road Bore main break
- Depot toilet urinal repairs
- Oxley Park toilets urinal repairs
- CNR Zora/Cook St Bore main break
- Macquarie Park toilets repair
- 22 Bundemar St Sewer shaft repair
- CNR Readford/Dubbo St Bore main break
- 2 Stuart St meter repairs
- 178 Dubbo St toilet repairs

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Warren Sewerage Treatment Works inflow Sewerage Year – 1st June 2025 to 31st May 2026				
Month	Peak Daily Flow (KL)	Average Daily Flow (KL)	Monthly Flow (ML)	Cumulative Annual Flow (ML)
June 2025	1044*	399	11.97	11.97
July 2025	522	385	11.93	23.90
August 2025	622	368	11.41	35.31
September 2025	601	373	10.44	44.75
October 2025	908**	375	11.62	58.16
November 2025	657	418	12.55	70.71
December 2025	530	357	11.05	81.76
January 2026	718	376	11.65	93.41
February 2026	624	402	11.03	104.44
March 2026	1072*	548	4.38	108.82
April 2026				
May 2026				

*Due to wet weather

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Bulk Water Reading per Quarter

Water Source	FIRST QUARTER READING	BULK USAGE TO DATE (ML)	SECOND QUARTER READING	BULK USAGE TO DATE (ML)	THIRD QUARTER READING	BULK USAGE TO DATE (ML)	FOURTH QUARTER READING	BULK USAGE TO DATE (ML)	% OF ANNUAL ALLOCATION	Max. Allocation (ML)
	1/07/24-31/09/24		1/10/24 - 31/12/24		1/01/25-31/03/25		1/04/25 - 30/06/25			
Warren Bores										
Bore 1 (Bore Flat) Lic. 80AL703155	64.74	64.74	80.73	145.46	61.44	206.90	0.00	206.90		
Bore 2 (Ellengerah) Unlicensed	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	64.74	64.74	80.73	145.46	61.44	206.90	0.00	206.90	29.56%	700
Warren River										
Oxley Park Lic. 80AL700017	0.34	0.34	0.00	0.34	0.00	0.34	0.00	0.34		
Ellengerah Rd Lic. 80AL700017	16.01	16.01	63.83	79.84	49.34	129.19	0.00	129.19		
	16.35	16.35	63.83	80.19	49.34	129.53	0.00	129.53	17.27%	750
Showground (Racetrack)										
Lic. 80AL700645	0.00	0.00	18.70	18.70	45.78	64.48	0.00	64.48	34.30%	188
Nevertire Bore Lic. 80AL703158	3.48	3.48	10.39	13.87	9.04	22.91	0.00	22.91	57.28%	40
Collie Bore Lic. 80CA724011	0.88	0.88	1.93	2.81	1.87	4.68	0.00	4.68	18.72%	25
Macquarie Park 80AL700996	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%	14.2

*Rainfall for March: 55 mm

*YTD Rainfall: 140.9 mm

*Burrendong Dam Level: 29%

*As of 09/03/2026

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The maintenance mowing and weeding of the Parks and Gardens are carried out on a 2-week rotating cycle with the following areas generally grouped together.

Parks and Gardens Works

- Skate/splash park mow/snip
- Town approaches mowing
- Stubbs levee mow/snip
- Woolnough levee mow/snip
- Ravenswood park mow/snip
- Event preparation Nevertire
- Victoria Oval mow/snip/line marking
- CBD area weeding/pruning/spraying
- Lawn Cemetery mow/snip
- Shire chambers mow/snip
- Woolnough levee mow/snip
- Bob Christenson reserve mow/snip
- Saunders park mow/snip
- Far west academy mow/snip
- Warren medical centre mow/snip
- Warren median strip's mow/snip
- Inspect irrigation systems (on going)
- Cricket pitch prep
- Prep for triathlon
- Prep for AFL clinic on Carter oval
- Prep for race meeting
- Boston st levee mow/snip
- Library mow/snip
- Bore flat mow/snip
- CBD area tidy up weeding
- Victoria oval Cricket pitch preparation (on going)
- Assist with Carter oval top dressing
- Orchard St park mow/snip
- Ebert park mow/snip
- Oxley park mow/snip
- Rotary park mow/snip
- Lions park mow/snip
- Macquarie park mow/snip
- Macquarie Drive mow/snip
- Tiger bay pump station mow/snip
- Warren Shire Chambers mow/snip
- Line marking carter oval (Soccer)
- Prep for FWAS preparation
- Prep for rugby/union football

The Play Equipment at Macquarie and Ravenswood Parks are inspected, and soft fall areas are cleaned **daily**.

BBQs at Macquarie Park, Oxley Park, Skate Park and Splash Park are cleaned twice a week.

The following locations were mown, whipper-snipped, and weeded as needed.

- Bore Flat
- Bore Flat Levee
- Carter Oval
- Other Reserves
- Woolnough/Stubbs Street Levee
- WOW Centre
- Weed Spraying
- Sewer Pumping Stations
- Shire Housing
- Town Medians and Approaches
- Water Pumping Stations and Reservoirs
- Tiger Bay Walking Track

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Town Crew

- Weed spraying around Warren
- Assist P&G with weekly duties
- Pickup limbs around town
- Assist with escort of tar truck
- Remove burnt remains from a car fire at Tiger Bay

Thursday

- Dubbo St (CBD), Deacon Dr, Banks St, Azar Pl, Pittman Pde
- Intersections for loose stones,
- Sweep other areas as needed
- Sweep out front of IGA

Street Sweeper

Monday

- Empty bins at rest area on Wambianna road
- Empty bins on Gilgandra Road
- Oxley Ave, Macquarie Dr
- Dubbo St (CBD), Library, Chester St (schools)

Friday

- Dubbo (CBD) small sweeper
- M/R on both sweepers' cleaning/repairs
- Man, Ewenmar Waste Facility as required

Tuesday

- Dubbo St (CBD)
- Ravenswood
- Nevertire streets
- Burton St, Hale St, Sturt St
- Lawson St, Glen St, Wilson St

Additional

- Pickup water on wet days around Warren

Wednesday

- Dubbo St (CBD), Zora St, Mable St
- Stafford St, Chester St, Bundemar St
- Thornton Ave

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Non-Roads November/ December 2021 Flood and Storm Damage Works

Description	Expenditure/ Committed
<p>Non-Roads November/ December 2021 Flood and Storm Damage Levee and Flood Gate Emergency Operation Works. (Application for reimbursement submitted 8/03/2022)</p>	<p>\$173,456.91 Note: \$37,163 per event will be funded by Council as per the agreement. This includes the Roads Flood and Storm Damage Claim contribution. 9/05/24 Currently only \$73,012.03 has been approved for payment by SES/RA. GM met with the Minister for Emergency Services on 9th May 2024 to obtain a commitment and support for full reimbursement of both AGRN987 and AGR1034 emergency levee operational costs. Mayor & GM met with NSW Treasurer on 9 August 2024. Working with Member for Barwon to obtain funding. Mayor met with the Minister for Recovery on 28th March, 2025. Mayor and General Manager met again with the Minister for Recovery on 13 November, 2025. No further positive advice.</p>
<p>0700-0050-0500, 0700-0050-0510, 0700-0050-0520, 0700-0050-0530, 0700-0050-0540</p>	

Non-Roads July, August, September, October, November, and December 2022 Flood Damage Works

Description	Expenditure/ Committed
<p>Non-Roads July, August, September, October, November and December 2022 Flood and Storm Damage Levee and Flood Gate Emergency Operation Works. (Application for reimbursement submitted 28/2/2023).</p>	<p>\$757,745.33 Note: \$37,163 per event will be funded by Council as per the agreement. This includes the Roads Flood and Storm Damage Claim contribution. 9/05/24 Currently only \$169,827.86 has been approved for payment by SES/RA. GM met with the Minister for Emergency Services on 9th May 2024 to obtain a commitment and support for full reimbursement of both AGRN987 and AGR1034 emergency levee operational costs. Mayor & GM met with NSW Treasurer on 9 August 2024. Working with Member for Barwon to obtain funding. Mayor met with the Minister for Recovery on 28th March 2025. Mayor and General Manager met again with the Minister for Recovery on 13 November, 2025. No further positive advice.</p>
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ITEM 3 WORKS PROGRESS REPORTS – PLANT

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RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received and noted.

The following are details of Projects and Programs that are being managed by the Workshop Coordinator for the budget and works period from 12^h February 2026 to 11th March 2026.

Plant Number	Description	Repairs	Plant Down Time	Repair Time (Man Hours)
P107	Isuzu Med Tipper with Water Tank	HVIS rego defects repaired, brakes checked and repaired. New track rod installed. New driveshaft fitted between axles 2 and 3	6hrs	6hrs
P2045	CAT 232d3 Skid Steer	A/C system not working, check finds leak in high side fittings, repair leak vacuum system refill with r134a test operation. All seems ok now.	5hrs	5hrs
P2143	John Berrends Flail Mower	Fit new bar for drawbar attachment manufacture x2 stabiliser bars, explain to operator the importance of using the float function on the tractor to assist with load on mower drawbar.	Not in use	10hrs
P1047	Isuzu Street Sweeper	Service done on rear engine. General check over seems ok. Bare wires fixed to coolant sensor.	6hrs	6hrs
P2404	Triple a Tri Axle Dolly	Dolly delivered to Ryan Mason for fitment of new weld in draw bar eyelet.	Not in use	3days
P501	New Silvan 100ltr Spray Tank	Made cage for surrounds of tank as protection and to assist with fitting a hose reel to, cage made from 25x25mm bars.	Not in use	6hrs
P3621	Toyota Hilux	170,000km service done. General handbook check overs done.	4hrs	4hrs
P2141	6" Superior Slasher	Wheel bearings replaced, draw bar cracks welded and strengthened. All ok now.	Not in use	8hrs
P1047	Isuzu street sweeper	A/C not working properly, check system low on gas, find leak in low side filler valve, repair leak, vacuum system and refill with 900g of r 134a test operation. All ok now.	2hrs	2hrs
P2802	Iseki Ride-on Mower	Changed blades.	.5hr	.5hr
P2803	Iseki Ride-on Mower	Blade spindle repairs and re fit belts, replaced bearing/bush in tensioner arm pivot point, re attach belt, test function. All ok.	Not in use	4hrs

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Plant Number	Description	Repairs	Plant Down Time	Repair Time (Man Hours)
P2001	Cat Grader	Brought to workshop for 1,000hr serviced by Westrac mechanic. All ok.	8hrs	1hr
P240	Toyota Aurion	Macquarie Toyota inspected damage and is ordering plastic parts for repairs.	1hr	1hr
P3622	Toyota Fortuner	60,000km service done general check over seems ok, phone kit registered and working now, two-way aerial re-secured too two-way.	5hrs	5hrs
P2082	Cat CW34 Roller	Remove replace x2 rear tyres, suspect leaks in automatic tyre system.	6hrs	6hrs
P2340	Isuzu Tender Truck	100,000km service done general check over. All seems ok. Fit new modified bump stops to front suspension as supplied by Isuzu to assist with operator comfort. New second hand driving lights fitted to bulbar as old brackets had broken due to vibration.	Not in use	6hrs
P38	Tri Axle Float	Welded hangers for spring alignment adjusted and fit no.3 axle back to trailer.	Not in use	10hrs
P2380	Isuzu Paveliner	Remove replace gravel auger for front patching arm. Remove and replace hangers for rear broom, setup broom to be refit to machine when time permits.	6hrs	6hrs
P14	Cat 432f Backhoe	Brought back from Tip repairs to be made to lift ram cylinder, seat operation, new turbo fitted to reduce oil bypass awaiting new intercooler hoses to finish.	3days	3days
P3601	Toyota Hilux	Rego check done, driver side low beam bulb replaced, all ok now. Rego done	2hrs	2hrs
P3605	Toyota Hilux	Rego check done, all ok.	1hr	1hr
P1041	Isuzu rigid water truck	a/c belt making noise, check and tighten belt test operation all ok now. Blow out radiator.	2hrs	2hrs
P1042	Isuzu rigid water truck	Transmission light and code has come on oil deteriorated. Remove replace oil and filters from transmission, clear codes and check function. All seems ok.	4hrs	4hrs
P2002	Cat 140 Grader	250hr service oil samples taken to be sent away awaiting results.	1hrs	1hr
P1042	Isuzu Rigid Water Truck	Transmission light and code has come on oil deteriorated. Remove replace oil and filters	4hrs	4hrs

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ITEM 3 WORKS PROGRESS REPORTS – PLANT CONTINUED

Plant Number	Description	Repairs	Plant Down Time	Repair Time (Man Hours)
		from transmission, clear codes and check function. All seems ok.		

ACRONYMS

- WC Workshop Coordinator
- TBD To be determined.
- DTC Diagnostic trouble code
- DPD Diesel particulate diffuse.

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ITEM 1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION APPROVALS

(B4-9)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

PURPOSE

To inform the Councillors of the approved Development Applications by Council for the previous month.

BACKGROUND

Council received Development Applications from residents in the Warren Shire area to seek approval.

REPORT

Development Applications that have been received for approval for February 2026.

FILE	LOCATION	WORKS	RECEIVED	APPROVED
P16-26.3	618 Carinda Road Warren Lot 274 DP755314	Erection of New Structure - Dwelling	27/01/2026	18/02/2026
P16-26.4	18 Chester Street Warren Lot 130 DP538760	Installation Manufactured Home	10/02/2026	25/02/2026
P16-26.5	2 Boston Street Warren Lot 1 DP357930	Installation Fibreglass Inground Swimming Pool	11/02/2026	25/02/2026

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Council is required under the EPA Act to assess and determine applications within established timeframes.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

The EPA Act provides appeal mechanisms for applicants who believe that their application requires review.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION OPTIONS

Council issues a S101 EPA Act list of approvals monthly for the community to review.

CONCLUSION

This report is provided to allow Council and the community to see the applications determined each month.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1.1.4 Ensure current and future housing needs for the community are met.
- 5.2.1 Ensure that this strategic planning framework becomes an integral part of our operating culture.
- 5.2.6 Embrace a team centred culture of continual improvement to improve operational efficiency.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION/ ATTACHMENT

Nil.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

The following are details of the projects and grant applications that are being managed by the Manager Health and Development Services.

Budget and Works from 7th February 2026 to 11th March 2026

2020 Projects	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
*Construction of two (2) x Council dwellings. 21 Deacon Drive and 8 Deacon Drive. JC 300-0065-0010	56,145	446,106	MHD/GM	Completed July 2020. New complaint lodged with Department of Fair-Trading 18th May 2021. Additional information provided 2nd and 7th June 2021. Formal complaint lodged with Department of Fair-Trading 4th March 2021. Additional information provided 11th March 2021. A further report provided to Council in August 2021. Rectification order issued - Expired 26th October 2021. Builder expected at the end of November to complete requested maintenance and repair work which has not progressed. Report provided to February 2022 Committee of the Whole Closed Council Meeting concerning directions on this project. Council resolved that: Council proceeds to a hearing before The NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) Consumer Division and if required the District Court. Mediation undertaken on 30 th April 2024. Further reporting undertaken to the May 2024 Council Meeting. Matter set down for the District

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2020 Projects	Budget	Expend./Comm	Resp	Comment
				<p>Court for 4th – 8th November 2024. Adjourned new date yet to be determined. Update given at the October 2024 Council Meeting. Expert reports provided, meeting with Solicitor and Barrister held 7th August 2025, mediation set for 1st September 2025, District Court date set at present for 13th – 17th October 2025. Update given at the October 2025 Council Meeting. Further expert reports provided. Adjourned court dates are set for 9th -13th February 2026. Matter has been settled.</p> <p>A further report provided in Committee of the Whole Closed Council to the February 2026 Meeting.</p>
Warren Support Services (Targeted Early Intervention)				
	Budget	Expend/Comm	Resp	Comment
2.63 Warren MPS – Dolly Parton Imagination Library	5,000	Nil	MHD	6th March 2025 – 6th March 2026
*2.65 Warren Youth Group Music Workshop	4,250	4,250	MHD	Complete and acquitted.
2.74 Warren P and A Show Entertainments 1	5,000	Nil	MHD	6th June 2026
2.75 Warren P and A Show Entertainments 2	5,000	Nil	MHD	6th June 2026

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Town Planning				
LEP Review.	45,000	40,518	MHD/GM	Consultant engaged. Planning Proposal submitted 5th February 2025 for gateway determination. Gateway determination and conditions received 23rd May 2025. LEP to be finalised before or on 4th March 2026. Public exhibition 25th June 2025 – 17th July 2025. One submission received. Report to the October 2025 Council meeting.
2024 Projects	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
Council Building Renovations Fit Out (New Kitchen, Accessible Toilet). GL 3210-4100-0005 JC 3200-4100-0005	90,000	90,000	MHD/ IPM	Quotations obtained. Report to June 2025 Council meeting. Contractor arranged.
Warren Family Health Centre Internal Painting JC 3326-4320-0005	20,000	Nil	MHD	
Administration Centre Air-conditioning and External Blinds JC 3326-4320-0010	15,000	5,982	MHD	Blind installation complete.
Warren Works Depot Air-Conditioning and Workshop Bird proofing JC 3326-4320-0015	18,000	9,091	MHD	Investigations into bird proofing commenced. Contractor engaged. Scheduled for March 2026.
Warren War Memorial Swimming Pool Improvement Works JC 0100-0055-0000	48,000	25,293	MHD/IPM	Quotation obtained for pathway work.

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2024 Projects	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
Warren War Memorial Swimming Pool Improvement Works JC 0100-0055-0000	48,000	25,293	MHD/IPM	Quotation obtained for pathway work.
Carter Oval Youth Sports Complex Building Fit Out GL 3360-4050-0016	12,000	5,473	MHD	Urn, Bain Marie, pie warmer, microwave, chest freezer, BBQ, shelving delivered. Additional tables purchased.
Ewenmar Depot Excavator Slew Motor Replacement	11,000	Nil	MHD/WC	On hold pending engine repairs/replacement
2025 Projects	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
Development and Implementation of Ewenmar Waste Depot Operations Plan JC:	15,000	4,000	MHD/GM	Consultant engaged and given initial briefing.
15kw DV Solar and Battery System Ewenmar Waste Depot JC:	30,000	25,137	MHD/GM	Contractor engaged, expected installation April 2026. (15kw Solar power system with 30 kwh battery storage).
*DrumMuster Setup at Ewenmar Waste Depot	31,290	Nil	MHD/GM	Further investigation undertaken to determine if DrumMuster setup is warranted, report provided to the March 2026 Ewenmar Waste Depot Committee.
Youth Support Services – Community and Family Support (CAFS) Program January – June 2026 JC:	43,738	Nil	MHD/GM	Arrangements in train to employ a Youth Support Officer (Part-Time) at the Warren Youth Centre and Community Hub.

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GRANT APPLICATIONS				
Projects	Budget	Expend/ Comm	Resp	Comment
NSW Office of Responsible Gambling. Infrastructure Grants – Round 1 2025/26. (\$0.00 Co-Contribution from Council)	150,000	Nil	WSCCM	Submitted by Warren & District Rugby League Football Club (Breakdown of budget - \$60,000.00 for new composite style log fencing surrounding main oval, \$60,000.00 for continuous LPG gas hot water systems to Sporting Complex, \$30,000.00 to construct sandstone block yarning Circle). Application submitted 21st July 2025 – Awaiting outcome.
NSW Office of Sport – Rugby World Cup Legacy Program. Co-contribution \$45,000 of \$27,500 Council and \$17,500 Warren Rugby Club if successful.	180,000	Nil	WSCCM	Project for gas hot water, Ice baths (2), Turf cricket wicket removal, Main oval log restoration at Warren Sporting & Cultural Centre and Victoria Park. Application submitted 16th February 2026 - Awaiting outcome.

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ITEM 3 VICTORIA PARK AND OXLEY PARK PLAN OF MANAGEMENT

(P1-7.11, P1-7.9, L1-9)

RECOMMENDATION that:

1. Council adopts the draft Victoria Park and Oxley Park Plan of Management; and
2. A copy of the adopted Victoria Oval and Oxley Park Plan of Management be sent to the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

PURPOSE

To report on the progress of the Plan of Management for Victoria Park and Oxley Park and to arrange Plan adoption.

BACKGROUND

The Victoria Park and Oxley Park Plan of Management was developed in October 2019.

As requested at the May 2021 Sporting Facilities Committee meeting, the Draft Crown Land Management Plan for Victoria Park and Oxley Park was circulated to the Committee members on the 5th April 2021. Additionally, the Management Plan was placed on public exhibition from 22nd September 2021 to Thursday 28th October 2021, with no submissions being received.

REPORT

To date, the only feedback received was from the Warren and Sporting Cultural Centre Manager, and the Plan of Management was adjusted accordingly prior to being placed on public exhibition.

Due to no other submission being received it is recommended that the Victoria Park and Oxley Park Plan of Management be forwarded to the Minister and consent to adopt The Victoria Park and Oxley Park Plan of Management was requested and issued.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

As Victoria Park and Oxley Park are Crown Land Reserves and Council is the Manager, it is now a legal requirement to provide Plans of Management for Crown Land Reserves. Council must also notify the Minister administering the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* (CLM Act) of a draft Plan of Management for a Crown Reserve, in accordance with the requirements of section 39 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act).

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Due to the long period of time between the development of the Plan and working towards finalisation of feedback received, the amended version was placed on public exhibition, to ensure suitable consultation had occurred.

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CONCLUSION

The Victoria Park and Oxley Park Plan of Management has progressed through the required consultation and review processes, including public exhibition, with no submissions received. Minor amendments arising from internal feedback were incorporated prior to exhibition to ensure the Plan accurately reflects current operational and management considerations.

In accordance with the legislative requirements for Crown Land, the Plan has now been finalised and forwarded to the Minister, with consent to adopt having been requested and issued.

Adoption of the Plan of Management will provide Council with a clear, compliant and contemporary framework to guide the ongoing use, development and management of Victoria Park and Oxley Park.

LINK TO POLICY AND / OR COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

- 1.1.2 Maintain high levels of community cohesion and community sport.
- 3.2.1 Maintain parks, gardens and reserves in a safe and attractive condition.
- 3.2.4 Maintain community facilities to an appropriate standard (e.g. Sporting Complex).

SUPPORTING INFORMATION / ATTACHMENTS

Victoria Park and Oxley Park Plan of Management – Provided under separate cover.

STAFF POSITION ACRONYMS

EXECUTIVE OFFICE	GM	General Manager
	IPM	Infrastructure Projects Manager
	PAO	Project Administration Officer
	MIO	Maintenance & Improvement Officer
	WHS/RC	Work Health & Safety/Risk Co-Ordinator
	EDVM	Economic Development and Visitation Manager
	EA	Executive Assistant to the Mayor and GM
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	DMFA	Divisional Manager Finance & Administration
	TREAS	Treasurer
	ACC	Accountant
	LIB	Librarian
ENGINEERING	DMES	Divisional Manager Engineering Services
	AOES	Administration Officer Engineering Services
	WC/AOES	Works Clerk /Admin Officer Engineering Services
	AM	Assets Manager
	FRSPM	Flood Restoration and Special Projects Manager
	WC	Workshop Co-Ordinator
	RIM	Roads Infrastructure Manager
	RO	Roads Overseer
	ATOR	Assets Technical Officer Roads
	TSM	Town Services Manager
	Store	Storekeeper
	TSO	Town Services Overseer
	ATOS	Assets Technical Officer Services
HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT	MHD	Manager Health and Development Services
	AOHD	Administration Officer Health & Development
	WSCCM	Warren Sporting & Cultural Centre Manager (CM)