



GWYDIR
SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Held on Thursday 14 July 2022

Commencing at 12:00 am

in the Roxy Conference Room

Present

Members: Cr John Coulton (Mayor), Cr Catherine Egan (Deputy Mayor), Cr Geoff Smith, Cr Tiffany Galvin, and Mr Alex Eddy

Staff: Max Eastcott (General Manager), Leeah Daley (Deputy General Manager), Helen Thomas (Manager Finance) and Thais Simpson (Admin Assistant)

Public:

Visitors:

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1 OFFICIAL OPENING AND WELCOME - MAYOR

The Mayor welcomed all present to the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Crs. D Coulton and Matthews

Apologies received from Crs. D Coulton, Dixon OAM, Matthews, Mulligan and Moore.

3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Minutes of the Public Infrastructure Committee held on 9th June 2022 as circulated be taken as read and CONFIRMED.

(Moved Cr Galvin, Seconded Cr Smith)

CARRIED

For: Cr J Coulton, Cr Egan, Cr Galvin, Cr Smith and Alex Eddy

Against: Nil

4 CALL FOR THE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, GIFTS RECEIVED AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

5 OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 June Technical Services Report

File Reference: NA

Delivery Program

Goal: 2. Building the business base

Outcome: 2.1 Our economy is growing and supported

Strategy: 2.1.1 Plan for and develop the right assets and infrastructure

Author: Administration Assistant

STAFF DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil

IN BRIEF/SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION

This report is for reception.

TABLED ITEMS Nil

BACKGROUND

The Monthly Technical Services report has been identified by Council as the process of reporting the activities carried out monthly by the Technical Services Department.

COMMENT

Construction

Long Street Rehabilitation

The rehabilitation of Long Street, along with the realignment of its intersection with Gragin Road was sealed and opened to traffic on 30 June.

Minor concrete works remain, including the construction of a new median on Gragin Road and the replacement of a section of footpath on Long Street.

The project was funded under Phase 2 of the Local Road and Community Infrastructure program and was delivered within budget. Further stages of the project, including the construction of a new footpath to access Naroo Aged Hostel and All Abilities Park are currently in the preconstruction phase with the expectation that they will be delivered by a contractor in the 2022/2023 financial year.

Henry Dangar Bridge Approaches – North Star Road

This rehabilitation project on North Star Road was sealed and opened to traffic on 29 June. The project addressed failed pavement on the bridge approaches, along with a poor vertical alignment. The work included removing poor material from the bridge abutments and replacing it with gabion rock baskets and no fine concrete before overlaying a new granular pavement.

The project was funded under the TfNSW Repair Program and was delivered under budget.



Henry Dangar Bridge

Maintenance

General maintenance continues on Regional and State roads, including vegetation control, whipper snipping of guideposts and guard rails.

Seal maintenance is ongoing on all State, Regional and Local Roads as potholes continue to develop with the wet weather.

Crews have also been busy on the Warialda Bypass with signage, drainage, and silt protection.

Drainage repairs have also been undertaken on SR13 Oregon Road and MR63 Fossickers Way.

Emergent works have been completed along SR16 Trevallyn Road, SR45 Bereen Road and SR48 Mt Rodd Road.

Council's skid-steer loader continues with general town street maintenance, cleaning out of dry beds at the truck wash and minor drainage projects.

Gravel Resheeting

1.5 km of material has been carted from a gravel pit on 'Getta Getta' and a further 1.5km from a gravel pit on 'Westfield' and laid on SR06 Getta Getta Road. This project is an evaluation of locally occurring gravels to test wet weather performance prior to resheeting the entire length of Getta Getta Road and stabilising with a polymer binder under Round 3 of the Fixing Local Roads Program.

Maintenance Grading

Maintenance grading has been carried out on SR69 Tucka Tucka Road, SR41 County Boundary Road, SR43 Buckie Road, SR18 Gineroi Road, SR207 Yamacoona Estate Road, SR12 Upper Whitlow Road and SR19 Whitlow Road.

Slashing

During June, slashing has been undertaken on RR7705 North Star Road, SR007 Croppa Creek Road, SR04 Baroma Downs Road, SR05 Croppa Moree Road, HW12 Gwydir Highway, SR283 Airstrip Road, MR63 Fossickers Way, SR11 Horton Road and MR134 Delungra Road.

Flood Damage

Work is complete on a 2km section of SR42 Mungle Road, adjacent to the Property "Mungle". Delays in work have been due to wet surface conditions, making it very difficult for the plant and gravel trucks to continue while wet weather persists.



SR42 Mungle Road

Aztech Civil Construction completed works on a 6km section of Goat Road from the Bruxner Way to the intersection of Forest Creek Road. Aztech have since moved to SR61 Peates Road and have commenced work on a 6km section from Forest Creek Road, north towards the Bruxner, as well as a further 2km south of Forest Creek Road.



SR68 Goat Road before and after

Resheeting work on Trevallyn Road is complete. Southern flood damage staff have commenced work on SR23 Wearnes Road.



SR16 Trevallyn Road

Flood damage work has been completed on the following Roads:

- SR67 Agincourt Road 3km
- SR45 Beren Road 6km
- SR62 Hibernia Road 12km
- SR54 Pinecliff Road 4.5km
- SR97 Sadowa Road 800m
- SR99 Terregee Road 3.4km, including 300m of new seal. (2 coat Emulsion)

SR14 Mosquito Creek Road – at Racecourse Creek
SR21 Terry Hie Hie Road 1.2km
SR68 Goat Road 6km
SR42 Mungle Road 7.5km
SR16 Trevallyn Road 6.5km

DESIGNS AND ASSETS

Soil Testing

Soil testing is currently being undertaken on gravels from various sources to ensure suitability for upcoming road works including IB Bore Road, future flood damage works and resheeting projects.

Miscellaneous Projects

1. Koorilgur Walks- Furniture and signage have now been installed at the Koorilgur Walk.
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3. Bridge Inspections- The team have carried out Bridge inspections on Warialda Road and North Star Road to apply for SLGAAP (Strategic Local Government Asset Assessment Program) grants. The findings from the inspection would help the managing assets and planning maintenance works.

ROADS MAINTENANCE COUNCIL CONTRACT – WORK ORDERS ISSUED BY TfNSW

All Work Orders issued by RMS are quality assurance schedule of rates projects carried out by Council staff under the Roads Maintenance Council Contract with Transport for New South Wales.

Designs still awaiting approval from TfNSW include 'Wendouree' Rehabilitation, segment 5150, 'Hollymount' Rehabilitation, segment 6120 and 'Upper Bingara North' Rehabilitation, segment 4420, all on MR63 Fossickers Way. This year's heavy patching program is almost complete with current delays on HW12 Gwydir Highway due to product deliveries.

The heavy patching crew will now complete the remainder of work early in the new financial year.

Next financial year will see large heavy patching and reseal preparation programs, as well as an extensive resealing program.

Works are currently being scoped, with the aim of starting a crew on these early in the new year.

Flood damage works have also been approved for HW12 Gwydir Highway and will be completed by the heavy patching crew whilst completing their program. No rehabilitation projects have been advised for the new financial year.

Routine maintenance continues each week undertaking inspections, rest area services, vegetation control and bitumen repairs.

CONCLUSION

The activities carried out by the Technical Services Department are in line with the 2022/23 Management Plan and otherwise directed.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is carried out within the Technical Services Department during the monthly Technical Services team meetings and other relevant persons.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Monthly Technical Services Report for June 2022 be received.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Monthly Technical Services Report for June 2022 be received.

(Moved Cr Egan, Seconded Cr Galvin)

CARRIED

For: Cr J Coulton, Cr Egan, Cr Galvin, Cr Smith and Alex Eddy

Against: Nil

6 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Nil

7 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 9.28 am.