# **COUNCIL NEWS**

JUNE 2020

### **CORONAVIRUS UPDATE**

Over the last month, The NSW Government has allowed the lifting of restrictions to public access. This has been a very welcome outcome for both the community as well as Council.

Council has been able to open the playgrounds, the skate park, the Council Administration building, the library and the gym. The NSW Government has also opened up sporting fields and these are now available for sports groups to use. Council recognises that COVID-19 has caused disruption to the day to day lives of our residents, but we accept that the inconvenience of the shut down may have saved many lives across Australia and potentially in Warren.

Restrictions still apply to other service areas and we thank the work undertaken at our medical centre and hospital by all concerned to be prepared for and help us through this first stage of this pandemic.



### **COUNCIL ELECTION DATES**



LOCAL

GOVERNMENT

The NSW Government has announced that the local government elections will be held on 4 September 2021.

It follows the decision to postpone the September 2020 council elections for 12 months because of the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure the health and safety of candidates, voters, and NSW Electoral Commission staff.

Current councillors will continue to hold their civic offices until the rescheduled local government elections are held on 4 September 2021.

### SKATE PARK SHADE

Council advises that over the next month, large shade sails will be installed at the skate park. This will ensure that users are protected from the sun but also to enhance the seating areas and free BBQ.

We apologise for any inconvenience as works are undertaken and the short closure periods of the skate park to allow concrete and steel to be installed.

### **COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING UPDATE**

Work is progressing rapidly on the development of the Council chambers and administration areas of Council's main office building. Over the last month local trades have installed piers for the footings, installed sewer and water lines, prepared and poured the concrete slab and installed steel piles for the raised timber flooring. Over the next month, walls, roofing and brickwork will commence.





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### MAJOR PROJECT UPDATE

#### Warren War Memorial Swimming Pool

Since March Warren Shire Council has commenced investigation on reported pool leakage at the Warren War Memorial Swimming Pool.

During this time the pool integrity has been assessed by looking at the pipework, valving and holding tanks to investigate what was leaking and what repairs were necessary.

The next stage required that the concourse on the skate park side of the pool was to be removed so that access to drains could be made available. During this time all pool shade structures were also dismantled and removed from site.

The concourse will be replaced in the next few weeks.

The pool was drained and the pool internal surface was assessed. It was then decided to engage a qualified pool contractor to further assess the internal lining of the pool for repairs and repainting prior to re-filling the pool.

Fibreglass repairs have been identified for sealing the pool gutters and other remediation works.

The main pool old filtration house is being demolished with the assistance of local contractors and specialist asbestos removalists. A new colour bond building will be constructed over the new filters and also enclose the new circulating and backwash pumps.

New chlorination injectors and chlorine dosing controller/analyser will be installed.

Council and the Sports Committee visited the pool and decided that new colourful shade structures would be procured and installed in-lieu of the previous metal structures. The new shade structures will be installed during July. A new all-access BBQ will be installed as will a drinking fountain. The majority of costs associated with this project are covered by Government funding that has already been obtained.



### **ROAD UPDATES**



Maintenance works are being undertaken on the Carinda Road (RR 333).

Grading works to be undertaken on the following roads from 29th June:

- · Boss Lane (SR 42);
- Bundemar Road (SR 68);
- · Kianga Marebone Road (SR 97);
- Billybingbone Road (RR 7516);
- · Gunningba Road (SR 95);
- Heatherbrae Road (SR 63).

There is also heavy patching being undertaken on the Warren Road (RR 7515) as well as maintenance work on the shoulders.

Council has also recently completed works on the following roads.

- Drungalear Lane (SR 26);
- Castlebar Lane (SR 33);
- Colane Road (SR 98);
- Marra Road (RR 424).

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