

Dimboola Netball Change Rooms

Works on the construction of the new Dimboola Football Netball Club's netball change rooms is progressing well.

The main change rooms are a modular building that was constructed in Ballarat with local contractors and volunteers currently constructing the veranda, deck and all-abilities access ramp and connecting services.

It was hoped that the change rooms would be completed and operational for the second round of the Wimmera Football and Netball season but as works are still be carried out it should be available by the end of June 2019.

Funding for the change rooms has been made available through Sport and Recreation Victoria's Country Football Netball Program, Female Friendly Facilities Fund, Hindmarsh Shire Council and the Dimboola Football Netball Club.



**Dimboola
Library**

The tender for the construction of the Dimboola Library extension was awarded at Council's 10 April 2019 Council meeting.

It is anticipated that works will commence in early June 2019 with construction expected to take 6 – 8 months.

Victorian Government's Minister for Local Government, the Hon Adem Somyurek performed the sod turning ceremony for the new building on Thursday 16 May 2019.

A pleasing aspect of the winning tender will be the use of local tradespeople as sub-contractors during construction.



Above, Minister Somyurek and Hindmarsh Shire Council, Cr Ron Ismay perform the sod turning ceremony.

Below, an artist's impression of the new Library.



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Flood Recovery Works Update	<p>Works in Packages two and three are progressing well, with both packages covering 149 sites and approximately 200km of flood affected road. So far, culvert replacements, table drain clearing and medium formation grading works have taken place along a number of roads, including Miram East Road, Angle Road and River Road, with a final resheet required to complete these sites. Roads currently scheduled to be completed include Kiata North Road, Hamlyn's Road, I Kennedy's Road and Propodollah Extension Road.</p>
E-waste sheds progress update	<p>The building permit applications for the two E-waste sheds have been lodged, with requests for further information currently being responded too. Once the building permits have been issued, the shed construction will be going full steam ahead in order to provide facilities for residents to safely dispose of their electrical waste. With the State Government imposing a ban on e-waste going into landfill as of the 01 July 2019, Council is working hard to get the sheds operational prior to this date.</p>
Horsham Road Drainage works update	<p>Kerb and channelling works in Dimboola to improve drainage and amenity are almost complete, with approximately 420m of kerbing yet to be laid.</p>  <p>Kerb and Channel Works – Dimboola</p>
Rainbow Nhill Road – Upgrade project	<p>Further works along Rainbow Nhill Road have recently commenced, with the first 1km section having been stripped and new material laid, ready for prepping and shaping. The recent purchase of a new articulated grader under Council's plant replacement program has vastly improved the efficiency of these works, with the grader blade now working automatically according to programmed dimensions.</p>

<p>Council Buildings - Essential Safety Measure and Condition Audits</p>	<p>Council has engaged a building surveyor to undertake audits on all Council owned buildings, to ensure that their essential safety measures are up to standard, and that the building condition is being well maintained. Currently, twenty buildings have been audited with more scheduled to be completed prior to the end of the financial year.</p>
<p>Nhill Aerodrome Master Plan</p>	<p>At its meeting on 01 May 2019, Council adopted the new Nhill Aerodrome Master Plan. This plan is updated from the 2012 version, and outlines the future of the Nhill Aerodrome, providing for development and tourism opportunities. The Nhill Aerodrome is a unique aviation heritage site, and the amended plan allows for the preservation of such rich history onsite, while still providing functional aerodrome facilities for local residents and emergency services.</p>
<p>Bongiorno's Carpark Reseal works</p>	<p>Council has recently engaged contractors to reseal Bongiorno's carpark, located in the median along Victoria Street, Nhill. These works have improved the condition of the surface, and created less trip hazards for pedestrians using the carpark. Council is awaiting the availability of line marking contractors to complete this project.</p> 
<p>Budget 2019/20</p>	<p>At the Council meeting held on 22 May 2019 Council approved the draft 2019/20 budget for public consultation. The budget will be considered at the Council meeting on 26 June 2019.</p> <p>The draft budget contains the following proposed initiatives:</p> <p>Community Infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sum of \$100,000 has been allocated towards the facilities at Davis Park Nhill, this can be added to in future years and allows Council the opportunity to take advantage of any funding opportunities that arise throughout the year. • \$45,000 in recurrent and \$55,000 in capital as seed funding for grant opportunities arising during the year. • \$5,000 contribution to the installation of heating and cooling in the Rainbow Civic Centre Hall. This is a project fundraised by the community groups using the facility.

- \$5,000 assistance grant allocation to assist public halls throughout the Shire that are not owned by Council.

Tourism Development

- \$10,000 to support the Rainbow Desert Enduro in August 2019.
- \$10,000 to support the Nhill Aviation Heritage Centre Nhill Airshow in November 2019.
- \$5,000 to support the Dimboola Ski Club Barefoot Championships event on the Wimmera River at Dimboola in March 2020.
- \$3,000 to support the Human Powered Vehicle event to be held at the Dimboola Recreation Reserve in July 2019.
- Redevelopment of Hindmarsh Tourism Brochures \$10,000.

Economic Development:

Business Assistance Grants. The Business Assistance Grants Program (BAGP) aims to support local businesses expanding their operations or new businesses, large and small, to establish in the Shire. It will provide assistance to offset costs associated with expanding or establishing a business in Hindmarsh Shire. \$20,000 has been included in the 2019/20 budget for this project.

Empowered Communities

- \$7,500 to each of the Shire's four Town Committees. This funding can be used as seed funding for grants that will fund works important to the community in each town. In its fourth year, this funding has enabled some fantastic projects in our towns since its inception.
- Hindmarsh Youth Council funding of \$10,000 to allow this successful initiative to continue.
- \$30,000 to its Community Action Grants which will enable community groups to apply for funding for events, minor facility upgrades, small equipment and community assistance.

Infrastructure

- \$400,000 towards the upgrade of the Dimboola Library to a multi-function community hub. Along with a further \$195,000 for the upgrade of facilities to house library services in both Jeparit and Rainbow.
- Local Roads: Block 40 Road, Broughton \$144,954; Antwerp-Woorak Road \$485,818; Netherby-Baker Road \$155,052, Rainbow-Nhill Road \$2,251,796 and Winiam East Road \$233,504 will be reconstructed in 2019/20.
- Unsealed road resheet projects: Bothe Road, Pigick-Pella Road, Geodetic Road, Greig/McKenzie Road and Boundary road (in collaboration with West Wimmera Shire), totalling more than \$413,000.
- Sealed Pavement Shoulder Resheet: In 2019/20 Council will

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	<p>be undertaking 2 sealed pavement shoulder resheets on Block 40 Road, and Kurnbrunin Road at just over \$168,000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council will be undertaking 13 reseal and final seal projects in 2019/20, totalling more than \$620,000. These projects include Victoria, and Wimmera Streets, and Horsham Road in Dimboola, George, and Farmers Street in Nhill, Lorquon East Road, Rainbow-Nhill Road, Antwerp-Warracknabeal Road, Coker Dam Road, and Pullet East Road.• Kerb and Channel will be constructed in Charles Street Jeparit, costing approximately \$235,000.• Wimmera River Discovery Trail incorporating visitor nodes at both Dimboola and Jeparit will be constructed at a total cost of \$1,200,000. Funding for this project was received by the Federal (\$600,000) and State (\$400,000) Governments, and Council (\$200,000)
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