

COUNCIL CATCH-UP



Griffith celebrates the opening of sporting and community facilities

Griffith City Council officially opened more than \$7.7M in community infrastructure on Saturday, marking the completion of the Jubilee Amenities Block, Griffith Community Stage and the Griffith Community Centre.

Wes Fang, MLC conducted the openings on behalf of the NSW Government, who partially funded each project.

Part of the new Sports Precinct, Jubilee Oval's \$1.6M amenities block was funded through an \$878K grant under the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund, \$620k from Griffith City Council, and \$160k under Round 2 of the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Fund.

Local sporting teams competing at Jubilee Oval will enjoy 4 new change rooms, accessible toilet with shower, toilets, control room, cleaners store, referee room and a canteen with storage. The next stage of the Sports Precinct development is the \$25M Westend upgrade which is currently underway.

The \$1.2M Community Stage Development was delivered as part of the Stronger Country Communities Fund with \$878K, a NSW Government initiative to help deliver local

projects to regional communities, as well as contributions of \$195k from Griffith City Council, \$50k from the La Festa Committee and the late Stuart McWilliam who bequeathed \$100k.

Centrally located in the Burley Griffin Community Gardens, the stage will enable event organisers to host a range of outdoor events for Griffith.

With a beautiful backdrop of the canal and spectacular gardens surrounding the venue, it will be a great place to enjoy a range of live acts in the outdoors.

Griffith Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi thanked the La Festa Committee and the late Stuart McWilliam for their contributions.

"Working across all levels of Government and community organisations and individuals, Council is able to deliver incredible projects such as these," said Councillor Dal Broi.

"I will be proposing to Council that we formally acknowledge the late Stuart McWilliam for his contribution - not just for this project but his tireless work and generous donations across this community - by naming this stage the 'Stuart McWilliam Community Stage'."

Funding was also used to construct a toilet block in City Park, totalling \$150K.

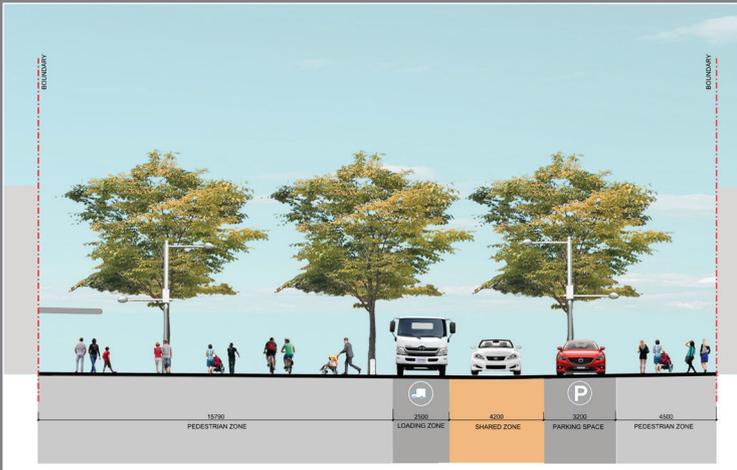
The \$4.8M Griffith Community Centre project was fully funded with the NSW Government funding \$3.65M, Griffith City Council contributing \$690k and Country Universities Centre - Western Riverina each contributing \$498K, following years of lobbying by Griffith City Council, Griffith Community Centre Inc. and community members.

The Centre is home to a range of services and organisations including:

- Western Riverina Country Universities Centre
- Griffith Community Centre Inc.
- Griffith Counselling Service
- Multicultural Disability Advocacy Association
- Red Cross Humanitarian Services
- Regional Disability Advocacy Service
- Charles Sturt University – Three Rivers
- One Door
- Kerrie Weymouth – Arts Therapist
- Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)
- Narcotics Anonymous (NA)
- Griffith Grow Group



Kooyoo Street redevelopment commences



Exciting work to transform Kooyoo Street into an urban plaza to be used for cultural and art events, markets and holiday celebrations, is set to commence on Monday, 22 November 2021.

From Monday, all vehicle access will cease however, pedestrian access to the southern block from Banna Avenue will still be available until after Christmas. This first stage is expected to be completed by May 2022.

The Kooyoo Street project will enhance the link between Banna

Avenue and Yambil Street within the Griffith CBD, creating a space that can be temporarily closed to be used for cultural and art events, markets and celebrations. It will also improve traffic, pedestrian, retail and outdoor eating amenity. The proposed design includes a shade canopy with trees, with no kerb and gutter in the northern block and one way traffic from Banna Avenue to Banna Lane.

A new permanent café and community kiosk is included in Stage 1 of the project.

Pump Track consultation rescheduled

Griffith City Council staff and interested residents braved the stormy conditions last Saturday, to consult on the Pump Track which is to be located in Olympic Street.

Due to the weather conditions interrupting the session, Council will hold another community consultation on Saturday 27 November, 9am - 11am onsite.

The \$445,000 project is funded under the Stronger Country Communities Fund and is currently in the design stages, with Council needing feedback from the community in order to progress.

A consultation session will be held at the Olympic Street site (adjacent to the Skate Park), with Council staff on hand to answer any questions and take any ideas and feedback.

Director Sustainable Development, Mr Phil Harding encourages all interested members of the community to come along and have their say on this important project.

“The new Pump Track will complement the existing Skate Park, and is expected to include a continuous loop of berms and

rollers that can be ridden by cyclists of all different ages and skill levels, inclusive of those living with a disability,” said Mr Harding.

“The track will have an asphalt seal, rather than a traditional dirt track, which will allow riders to use scooters and skateboards as well as bikes.

“It is important that we get your ideas and feedback so that we can deliver a track which meets the needs of the community – come down to Olympic Street Saturday 27 November and speak with our Urban Design staff who can answer your questions and note your ideas for the design phase,” he added.

The pump track is centrally located within a walking distance from surrounding neighbourhoods and the CBD. The Olympic Street area has been identified as a Youth Precinct and incorporates and links a number of youth sporting and active recreational facilities in a single area including the PCYC Service, Griffith Regional Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Skate Park and the recently completed Community Centre.



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Griffith City Volkswagen

NSW Public Health Order Applies

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Season Launch

5.30PM MONDAY 13 DECEMBER 2021

TICKETS \$10 | 2021 MEMBERS FREE Tickets must be booked before 5pm Friday 10 December. 2021 Members - please contact the Box Office to book your complimentary ticket.

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www.griffithregionaltheatre.com.au

Work underway at Wood Park



Construction work on a new and inclusive playspace for Wood Park has commenced.

The exciting \$390,000 project includes \$155,650 funded by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment under the Everyone Can Play program to provide an inclusive playground inter-generational playspace.

Everyone Can Play aims to provide people of all ages, abilities and cultural backgrounds with an opportunity to play.

The new play space will deliver significant improvements to the existing playground including inclusive play and exercise equipment with shade shelter, accessible barbeque, and accessible water bubbler.

A new picnic shelter with accessible seating, bin enclosure and 1.2m pathway will also be the part of playspace upgrade.

Griffith City Council Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi said community consultation, carried out at Wood Park on Saturday, 22 May 2021, saw five designs presented for input.

"We had around 30 residents stop by to have a coffee, put their ideas forward and view the draft designs," Councillor Dal Broi said.

"The new plans incorporate the feedback received and it's wonderful to see construction works start."

It is envisaged that the construction will be completed by the end 2022.

Council secures low cost loan to deliver infrastructure to Collina subdivision

Griffith City Council has undertaken a large scale \$2.7M infrastructure project in Collina, with thanks to a \$2.2M low cost loan from the NSW Government.

Council has provided the infrastructure for this project which included the acquisition of a portion of land to provide storm water drainage and construct a detention basin, along with a new sewer pumping station, rising main and new roads. The investment by Council allows the further progressive development of housing allotments in the Collina precinct of the City.

Griffith Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi said that providing the services as part of the Collina Precinct Master Plan is essential in providing the civil infrastructure necessary for developers to acquire and then develop the land for sale.

"Providing the infrastructure has

opened up approximately 280 new building lots in the Collina precinct of the City," said Councillor Dal Broi.

"Council has designed, built, and will maintain the Council owned infrastructure funded under this project."

"The City is experiencing jobs and housing growth with severe shortfalls in rental accommodation as well as new dwellings to purchase," said Councillor Dal Broi.

"This low cost loan from the NSW Government assists Council in delivering projects such as these, in-turn allowing developers to create housing opportunities.

I would like to thank the NSW Government for their support through the \$2.2M low cost loan, which ultimately saves our community a considerable amount of money."

The Low Cost Loan Initiative provided by the NSW State Government.



Griffith Christmas Light and Merry Mailbox Competition
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Public Notification

Draft Griffith Large Lot Residential Supply and Demand Analysis and Strategy 2021

Council has resolved to place the Draft Griffith Large Lot Residential Supply and Demand Analysis and Strategy 2021 on exhibition and is required to publically exhibit a Planning Strategy in accordance with the Griffith Community Participation Plan. The Draft Griffith Large Lot Residential Supply and Demand Analysis and Strategy 2021 is available on Council's website at griffith.nsw.gov.au along with the Griffith Local Environmental Plan 2014 and the Griffith Local Strategic Planning Statement.

Anyone wishing to provide a submission on the Draft Griffith Large Lot Residential Supply and Demand Analysis and Strategy 2021 can do so in writing addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, GRIFFITH NSW 2680 or admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au. Online submissions can also be made at griffith.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition. Submissions should include a contact name, address and telephone number. Submissions made on behalf of a company should also include the names and addresses of all company directors.

Comments or submissions will be received until 4pm Tuesday 14 December 2021. Submissions will be presented in a report to an Ordinary Meeting of Council for review. As such, copies of all submissions (including the writers name and address) will form part of Council's Business Paper and be available to the public. Should you wish to have your contact details withheld it is recommended that you request this in your submission. For further information regarding the Draft Griffith Large Lot Residential Supply and Demand Analysis and Strategy 2021, please contact Council's Contract Strategic Planner, Kelly McNicol on 1300 176 077 or kelly.mcnicol@griffith.nsw.gov.au.

Draft Council Committees Policy

Council has resolved to place the draft Council Committees Policy (GOV-CP-402) on public exhibition. Council is required to notify the public and provide the opportunity for submissions regarding this policy. The draft policy may be viewed at the Council Chambers, 1 Benerambah Street Griffith, the Griffith City Library and on Council's website at www.griffith.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition

Anyone wishing to make comment on the draft Council Committees Policy can do so in writing addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, GRIFFITH NSW 2680 or online at griffith.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition

Comments or submissions will be received up to 4pm, Friday 10 December 2021.

Proposed Park Name - Prendergast Park

Council has resolved to place the naming of a previously unnamed park in Ortella Street, Griffith to Prendergast Park on public exhibition. Council is required to notify the public and provide the opportunity for submissions regarding this document. Anyone wishing to make comment on the Naming of Prendergast Park can do so in writing addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, GRIFFITH NSW 2680 or online at griffith.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition. Submissions received will be included in a report to be presented to an Ordinary Meeting of Council. As such, copies of all submissions (including the writer's name and address) will form part of Council's Business Paper and be available to the public. Should you wish to have your contact details withheld it is recommended that you request this in your submission. Comments or submissions will be received up to **Friday 10 December 2021.**

Locality: Griffith

Reason for Proposal: To name an unnamed park.

For further information on this proposal, please contact Council's Information Management Administrator at the Council Offices or by phone on 1300 176 077.

Naming of Hanwood Pathway

Council has resolved to propose the name of 'Bartter Path' for the shared pathway joining Hanwood and Griffith which runs parallel to Kidman Way. Council is required to notify the public and provide the opportunity for submissions regarding this document. The Naming of Hanwood Pathway may be viewed at the Council Chambers, 1 Benerambah Street Griffith, the Griffith City Library and on Council's website at griffith.nsw.gov.au/onexhibition

Anyone wishing to make comment on the Naming of Hanwood Pathway can do so in writing addressed to the General Manager, Griffith City Council, PO Box 485, GRIFFITH NSW 2680 or visit Council's website to provide an online submission. Submissions received will be included in a report to be presented to an Ordinary Meeting of Council. As such, copies of all submissions (including the writer's name and address) will form part of Council's Business Paper and be available to the public. Should you wish to have your contact details withheld it is recommended that you request this in your submission.

Comments or submissions will be received up to 4pm, 10 December 2021.

Notice of Temporary Road Closures

Notice is hereby given under the Roads Act 1993, Section 122 for the temporary closing of:

Tyson Road between Back Hillston Road and Kidman Way from Wednesday 17 November until Tuesday 23 November 2021 for the installation of a pipeline under the road by Stahmann Webster. Detours and access for local traffic will be provided.

Kooyoo Street between Banna Avenue and Banna Lane from Monday 22 November 2021 until Friday 27 May 2022 for the upgrading of Kooyoo Street by Griffith City Council. Access for local traffic and detours around the site will be provided. The

pedestrian crossing will also remain open during the works.

Expression of Interest - Cultural Awareness Training

Griffith City Council would like to hear from local Aboriginal people or local Aboriginal organisations who are able to deliver Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training to Council staff and Councillors. Suitably qualified applicants will be contracted as Consultants who will deliver small group interactive Workshops which focus on embedding quality Aboriginal culturally safe and appropriate practices into Council's organisational and service delivery processes.

Workshops would be gradually delivered to all Staff and Councillors in a timetable to be arranged. Consultants will design the content and format for Workshops, including presentations, handouts, and activities and be responsible for the direct delivery and facilitation of the Workshops. In particular, Council would like all Council officers to understand the significance of the land and the water within the Wiradjuri country around the City of Griffith. Workshops could include options for using sites of significance within the City of Griffith as training locations in addition to Griffith City Council provided Training Rooms.

For Selection Criteria and How to apply, please visit griffith.nsw.gov.au/on-exhibition. Submissions and questions can be sent to shireen.donaldson@griffith.nsw.gov.au and must be received by **30 November 2021.**

Notice of Public Meeting - NSW Local Government Grants Commission

A public meeting of the NSW Local Government Grants Commission and Griffith City Council will be held on Thursday 25 November 2021, commencing at 12.30pm at Griffith City Council Chambers.

The purpose of this meeting is for the Grants Commission to explain its operations and the basis of its determination of general purpose grants paid under the provisions of the Commonwealth Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995. The meeting will also provide Council with the opportunity to present to the Commission its particular circumstances. It is anticipated that the meeting will last approximately two hours. Members of the public may attend.

Please RSVP to pa@griffith.nsw.gov.au

Notification of Pest Control Program at the Tharbogang Waste Management Centre

The Waste Department of Griffith City Council will commence a pest control program at the Tharbogang Waste Management Centre from 6pm, Tuesday 14 December 2021 ending 6am on Thursday 16 December 2021. Please ensure that all pets are secured on your property for this period. For further information contact John Roser – Waste Operations Manager during business hours on 1300 176 077.



Join the Council team!

We are currently seeking applications for the following positions:

Trades Assistant - Water & Wastewater (Permanent)

Applications for the above position close Monday 22 November 2021

Truck Driver – Team Leader Tar Patch Crew (Permanent)

Swimming Coordinator (Permanent Part Time)
Water & Wastewater Maintenance Operator / Relief Pumpwell Operator (Permanent)

Applications for the above positions close Monday 29 November 2021

Mechanic (Permanent)

Applications for the above positions close Monday 13 December 2021

For more information or to apply visit our website: griffith.nsw.gov.au