

Budget 2018/19 Media Release

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More than \$5.5m to be spent on Capital Works projects across the Shire

Balonne Shire Council today announced at its Budget Meeting it would spend \$5,505,018 on capital projects in the next financial year.

Mayor Richard Marsh said \$1.292 million would be spent on roads across the Shire.

“Projects include Roads to Recovery works on Honeymah Lane, Whyenbah Road and Cubbie Road; Transport Infrastructure Development funding will see Kooroon Road re-sheeted and an upgrade to a floodway and re-sheeting of 13km of the Mitchell-Bollon Road; and gravel re-sheeting of Secret Plains Road,” he said.

“Regional Economic Development Projects that continue in the 2018/19 financial year include kerb and channel works on Arthur Street and Kenny Lane; St George CBD and River Foreshore upgrades, Dirranbandi Rail and River Precinct Stage 1.”

Cr Marsh said other projects would include the \$750,000 Works for Queensland funded thermal springs at the St George Pool.

“Council will begin the design on this project in the new financial year,” he said.

“We have budgeted \$80,000 for the St George Aerodrome for an automated weather information system and to improve drainage around the apron and taxiway.

“Works for Queensland funding of \$70,000 will be spent on improving community safety with the installation and upgrading of closed circuit television in St George. We have applied for funding for upgrades in Dirranbandi, but have not been successful in securing any as yet.

“In parks and gardens, \$200,000 has been allocated toward the Dirranbandi Sports Oval amenities, Works for Queensland funding of \$150,000 will be spent on the refurbishment of the Rowden Park Grandstand and Council will reinstate the playground there as well.

“Council will spend \$27,000 on Shire Showgrounds including installing a hydrant and storage tank at the Bollon Showground and putting white rock at the Hebel Showground between the entrance and cattle yards.”

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