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Council's Operational Plan for 2023/24 Adopted

The Operational Plan for 2023/2024 has now been adopted by Council and is available to view on Council's website.

"The Operational Plan provides the community with an overview of the projects, programs and activities that Council will deliver in the next financial year ending 30 June 2024, along with proposed fees and charges and annual donations," said Warrumbungle Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Ambrose Doolan. "Council sought feedback from the community in relation to the proposed Operational Plan."

"Council appreciated the feedback that was received, this is a good opportunity to understand what the priorities are for the community," said Cr Doolan.

Included in the 2023/24 Operational Plan is:

- Road and bridges flood restoration (\$10.5M)
- Water (\$4.1M), Sewer (\$4.3M) and Waste Services (\$50K) capital related improvements
- Plant and equipment improvement and renewal (\$2.7M)
- Urban Services including town streets related works (includes trees/gardens, footpaths, kerb and gutter, drainage, pavements), ovals, parks, swimming pools and other amenities improvements (\$3.4M)
- Roads improvement and renewal Stage 1 State Forest Road, Coolah (\$1.94M)
- Improvements to Council offices and other property, public halls and cemetery equipment improvements – (\$1.5M)
- Tourism and development related improvements (\$750K)

To fund these works, as well as ongoing services and activities, Council has adopted a small increase in rates, fees and charges in 2023/24. "We understand the past few years have been difficult for some of our community members and increases have been kept as low as possible while at the same time recognising the need for necessary works to be carried out to our infrastructure," Cr Doolan explained.

The new financial year fees and charges for Council were also adopted as part of the 2023/2024 Revenue Policy and they can be found on Council's website under the Integrated Planning and Reporting Tab at www.warrumbungle.nsw.gov.au

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