

# NORTHERN MIDLANDS IN PROGRESS.

Investing locally: Council Projects and Committees at a Glance.

## COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE: ROSS, CAMPBELL TOWN AND LONGFORD PROJECTS UNDERWAY

Several exciting projects across the Northern Midlands are progressing well, delivering improved facilities, recreation, and accessibility for our communities.

### ROSS QUARTER COURT BASKETBALL – NEARING COMPLETION

In Ross, the new quarter court basketball facility is almost finished. This welcoming space will offer young people and families a safe, fun, and active place to gather and play. The court supports healthy, active lifestyles and strengthens community connections. The Children's playground at the Campbell Town Recreation Ground is waiting on some finishing touches and landscaping. The four quarter basketball courts in Perth, Cressy, Longford and Ross and the Campbell Town Children's playground were funded through the State Government's Open Spaces Program Round One.

**BELOW, LEFT:** ¼ Basketball court, Ross. **RIGHT:** Children's playground in Campbell Town



### ROSS MENS SHED – FOUNDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE

Construction of the Ross Men's Shed is progressing steadily. More than just a workshop space, the new facility will include accessible toilets and amenities for broader community benefit. This project promotes social inclusion, learning, and wellbeing—key goals of Council's Strategic Plan 2021–2027. Funding from this upgrade was provided by the Australian Government's Investing in Communities Program, by local group donations and the Northern Midlands Council.



### LONGFORD SHARED PATHWAYS – CONNECTING COMMUNITY

Work is also progressing on the shared pathways along Union Street to the rail bridge and through Carins Park in Longford. These pathways will provide safer, more accessible walking and cycling routes for residents and visitors. This important infrastructure is being delivered with funding support from the Australian Government's Community Development Grants Program, helping improve connectivity and encourage active transport within our towns.



These projects reflect our commitment to building healthier, more liveable communities across the Northern Midlands. Stay tuned for opening dates and community celebration events!

## LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEES: RECENT MEETING SNAPSHOTS

Council works in partnership with local District Committees in towns across the Northern Midlands. These committees bring together residents, representatives from community interest groups, local organisations, and business owners to help guide and inform Council of local priorities.

### LONGFORD DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING SNAPSHOT

#### Signage & Promotion

- Longford Roundabout Signage: Delays continue due to State Growth conditions, including the proposed removal of the historic stone "Longford" wall. The committee strongly objects to its removal and relocation.

#### Environment & Safety

- Heavy Vehicle Access (A/B-Doubles): Concerns raised about 24/7 access through Longford due to impact on heritage buildings. Awaiting further clarification from the Minister.

#### Town Improvements

- Longford Cemetery: Some upgrades underway (roses, soil, irrigation), but shade trees and additional seating still requested.
- Neighbourhood House Proposal: NMC pursuing acquisition of the old police station for community use. Community support and funding are being explored.

#### Sub-Committee Reports

- Railway Committee: Bridge pillar construction underway; Model Railway Expo planned for July 26–27.
- Longford Legends: New concrete path being constructed.
- Town Hall: Minor repairs and assessment for solar panel viability ongoing.
- Arts & Culture: New exhibition scheduled for early August.

#### Other Notable Issues

- Longford Post Office: Monitoring national closures—local vigilance encouraged.
- Macquarie River Bridge Signage: Request for signage at Woolmers Lane supported by committee.

### CRESSY DISTRICT COMMITTEE PROJECT UPDATES AND ACTIONS

#### Swimming Pool Sign

- Committee agreed to position the sign at the southern end of the front wall, ensuring it does not impose on the War Memorial.

#### Secretarial Funding 2024–2025

- Committee decided to purchase a PA and speaker system for use at community events.

#### Trees at Recreation Ground

- Ongoing concern regarding lack of trees.

#### Brumbys Creek – Hydro Tasmania Works

- Recent improvements include tidying, boulders, and fence posts.
- Request for Council to write a letter of thanks to Hydro Tasmania.

#### Street and Puzzle Library

- Street Library in the park and puzzle library on King Street doing well.

#### Street Signage Banners

- Motion passed November 2024 to use 2023/24 secretarial funding for 4 double-sided banners:
  - Cressy Bike / Trout Fishing
  - Farming – Olden Day / Modern Day
  - Sheep Grazing / Local Shearing photo
  - Bulldogs Logo & 1993 Premiership photo
- Committee to source high-quality local images for banners.

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