



# Wentworth

SHIRE COUNCIL

## **Operational Plan Quarterly Progress Report September 2024**

## About this report




This progress report is for the three-month period 1 July 2024 to 30 September 2024 and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 404(5) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, (NSW) which states that the General Manager must ensure that regular progress reports are provided to the Council, reporting as to its progress with respect to the principal activities detailed in its delivery program. Progress reports must be provided at least every 6 months.



Each action has been allocated to a Department who is accountable for its progress. The responsible officer is required to assess the status of the action as follows:

Status Option	Definition	Legend
Annual Action Completed	Annual Action completed for the year	
Specific Action Completed	Specific Action completed for the year	
Annual Action Progressing	Annual Action underway and is progressing as planned	
Specific Action Progressing	Specific Action underway and is progressing as planned	
Stalled	There is an issue that has delayed progress with this action	
Not due to start	Action not scheduled to start until later in the year	
Deferred	Action will not happen this year	



## Strategic Direction: Our Economy


Wentworth Shire is a vibrant, growing and thriving Region.


Objective Code	Objective	Action Code	Action Name	Status	Responsible Officer Position	Comments	Traffic Lights
1.1	Promote the Shire as an ideal location for investment and the establishment of innovative, sustainable and diversified industries.	1.1.1	Advocate for local businesses on issues which further business and career opportunities for all	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	Council continues to develop a new Economic Development Strategy that will be tabled with the new Council for endorsement.	
		1.1.2	Ensure that land is suitably zoned, sized and located to facilitate a variety of development that is supported by strategic and affordable infrastructure.	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		1.1.3	Develop, review and update Strategic Planning documents as required.	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	Acting Director Health & Planning is currently seeking quotes to update the Buronga Gol Gol Structure Plan.	

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1.2	Promote the Wentworth Region as a desirable visitor and tourism destination.	1.2.1	Provide Visitor Information Centre Services	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Visitor Information Centre	This is an ongoing annual action of Council. Staff have been actively preparing for the move into the new Visitor Information space in the New Civic Centre building.	
		1.2.2	PS Ruby	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	The General Manager tabled a report on the PS Ruby to the Heritage & History Advisory Committee meeting held on 24 July. The Committee recommended that Council apply to Heritage NSW to have the PS Ruby registered as a State Heritage Item and to investigate funding opportunities to support the future preservation of the PS Ruby.	




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		1.2.3	Support the activities of Murray Regional Tourism, Destination NSW Riverina-Murray, and Wentworth Regional Tourism Inc.	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Tourism & Promotion	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		1.2.4	Willowbend Caravan Park Redevelopment	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Final handover of the site to the new tenants is scheduled for the end of October.	

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		1.2.5	Fibre Optic Symphonic Orchestra - Bruce Munro Art Installation	Specific Action Progressing	General Manager	At the July Council Meeting, Council endorsed a business case for the creation of an events space to support the FOSO Art Installation. A Capital Expenditure Review Report is being prepared for the Office of Local Government as required by the Local Government Act. Council is currently preparing a grant application to the Growing Regions Program to assist with the funding of the project.	
1.3	High quality connectivity across the region.	1.3.1	Advocate for the ongoing provision of quality transport and freight links	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	

Objective Code	Objective	Action Code	Action Name	Status	Responsible Officer Position	Comments	Traffic Lights
		1.3.2	Advocate for improved region-wide internet and mobile connectivity	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council	



1.4	Encourage lifelong learning opportunities.	1.4.1	Undertake a program of activities and services that facilitate learning opportunities at Council's library services	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Library Services	<p>Visitation number for the quarter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Buronga - 2066</li> <li>- Dareton - 515</li> <li>- Wentworth - 691</li> </ul> <p>(N.B. - numbers for Wentworth are down as the library was closed from August 7 to allow for the relocation to the new library space in the Visitor Centre.)</p> <p>Key Activities for the quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Book Clubs as Buronga, Dareton and Gol Gol</li> <li>- S'morytime at Wentworth &amp; Buronga</li> <li>- Social Sewing</li> <li>- Seniors Middy Movie</li> <li>- Book Week sessions in August</li> <li>- Ongoing outreach sessions/visitations from Preschools in the region and Hive/Home School Group</li> </ul>	
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		1.4.2	Advocate for community access to a wide range of learning spaces, resources and activities for education and employment pathways that support local growth.	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
1.5	Encourage and support initiatives that improve local employment opportunities.	1.5.1	Promote Wentworth Council as an employer of choice	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Human Resources	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		1.5.2	Advocate for and promote initiatives that promote sustainable and resilient economic growth.	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Ongoing discussions with potential Renewable Energy and Critical Mineral projects.	



## Strategic Direction: Our Community



Wentworth Shire is a great place to live.






Objective Code	Objective	Action Code	Action Name	Status	Responsible Officer Position	Comments	Traffic Lights
2.1	Continue to create opportunities for inclusion where all people feel welcome and participate in community life.	2.1.1	Acknowledge and celebrate the contribution that people from all backgrounds make to our community	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Tourism & Promotion	This is an ongoing action of Council.	
		2.1.2	Support opportunities to promote and celebrate Wentworth Shire as a welcome and inclusive community focusing on diversity, access, inclusion and capacity building.	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	


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		2.1.3	Actively engage with and include the perspectives and knowledge of the local indigenous community	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Ongoing consultation with the Indigenous community to finalise the interpretative space at the Wentworth Civic Centre.	
		2.1.4	Support a broad program of Civic and Community events	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	Councils has support the following events: - Sunraysia Safari Rally - Wentworth Show	
		2.1.5	Support cultural, recreational and community interaction opportunities through the Financial Assistance Program	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Council approved \$31,342.22 of financial assistance to the community for this quarter through the financial assistance program.	

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		2.1.6	Implement actions outlined in the Disability Action Plan	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Council is finalising the update of the Dareton to Namitjira Sharedway and is working with Essential Energy to install additional lighting on the Shareway between Buronga and Gol Gol.	
2.2	Work together to solve a range of social and health issues that may impact community wellbeing and vulnerable people.	2.2.1	Deliver a program of activities and services that facilitate opportunities for vulnerable members of the community at Council's library services.	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Library Services	see 1.4.1	
		2.2.2	Collaborate with Government Agencies and other organisations to support the provision of health services across the Region	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	


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		2.2.3	Advocate for the provision of social services that meet the needs of all our community including families, children, youth, people with disability and the aged	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		2.2.4	Our buildings and spaces are designed to be inclusive and accessible to all community members	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Council is finalising the update of the Dareton to Namitjira Sharedway and is working with Essential Energy to install additional lighting on the Shareway between Buronga and Gol Gol.	



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		2.2.5	Work with the community to implement recommendations of the Wentworth & Balranald Brought Resilience Plan	Specific Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	The Plan has been approved by the NSW Government and is now awaiting approval by the Federal Government. Meeting to be arranged to consider which projects can be delivered by 30 November 2025 with the available funds.	
		2.2.6	Implement recommendations of the Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan - Get Active NSW Projects - Silver City Highway Dareton Sharedway	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carry over project from the previous financial year. Relevant approvals have been received from Essential Energy. Contractor has been appointed to install new street lights. Once this has been achieved the project will be complete.	

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2.3	To have a safe community	2.3.1	Provide Public Health Function	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		2.3.2	Companion Animals & Buronga Pound Operations	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	This is an ongoing annual action of Council	
		2.3.3	Provide Building Compliance Function	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	Councils Building Surveyor carried out the following inspections for the period: Plumbing - 67 Building - 21 Swimming Pool - 8 Infrastructure - 36 Total - 132.	
		2.3.4	In partnership with the RFS undertake hazard reduction works	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Works	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		2.3.5	Continue to engage with the Local Area Command on key community safety issues	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	




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		2.3.6	Facilitate the Local Emergency Management Committee to ensure a co-ordinated approach by all agencies having responsibilities and functions in emergencies	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	







		2.3.7	In partnership with Transport for NSW continue to identify and resolve road and pedestrian safety issues	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Works	Commenced stakeholder engagement in relation to road safety issues. Assisted in applications to TfNSW for submissions to the Country Passenger Transport Infrastructure Grant and the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program. Attended a regional RSO forum in Parkes. Attended the quarterly Local Traffic Committee meeting in August. Next meeting is scheduled for November. In conjunction with TfNSW delivered a fatigue awareness session at the Wentworth Visitor Information Centre promoting	
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						awareness to in-coming visitors.	
		2.3.8	Implement strategies to embed NSW Child Safe Standards across the organisation.	Specific Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Training was provided to Parks and Gardens staff via a toolbox meeting in August. Procurement Manual has been updated to reference child safe obligations when procuring services from contractors engaged in Children's activities.	
		2.3.9	RFS Boree Spring Hill Station	Specific Action Completed	Director Corporate Services	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year and has since been completed.	


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2.4	A well informed, supported and engaged community	2.4.1	Communicate the role of Council to the community	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Tourism & Promotion	Council launched a series of 123 social media/website posts during the quarter to connect with the community and enhance public awareness. These posts included a variety of content types, each tailored to address key topics and issues relevant to the community.	

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		2.4.2	Communicate information to relevant communities and stakeholders about Council achievements, activities, services, policies and plans through media liaison and external and internal publications and platforms	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	See 2.4.1	
		2.4.3	Communicate funding opportunities available for the community	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		2.4.4	Work with communities to establish town plans	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Currently researching and developing a framework and its links to the Community Strategic Planning Process and the Community Engagement Strategy.	

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2.5	To have a strong sense of place.	2.5.1	Maintain and update the amenity of the Shire to meet community expectations for clean and well-presented public spaces and townships that enhance healthy living and promote active lifestyles	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Parks & Garden	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		2.5.2	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Reserves Upgrades	Specific Action Completed	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year and has since been completed.	

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		2.5.3	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Buronga Riverfront Toilet Block	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year. Toilet block has been completed. The tender for the connection to services has been awarded with works commencing in October.	
		2.5.4	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Pooncarie Toilet Block	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year. Toilet block as been completed. Contract to deliver and install on site has been awarded. Connection to services will then be completed.	





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		2.5.5	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Ski Reserve Rehabilitation project	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services	Due to commence in October.	
		2.5.6	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Buronga Pump Track Stage 2	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services		
		2.5.7	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Open Spaces Development	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services		
		2.5.8	Undertake specific public spaces capital works projects - Greater Junction Viewing Platform	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services		




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		2.5.9	Undertake specific public open spaces capital works projects - James King Park Riverfront	Specific Action Completed	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carryover action for the previous financial year and has since been completed.	








## Strategic Direction: Our Environment




Wentworth is a community that works to enhance and protect its physical and natural environment.


Objective Code	Objective	Action Code	Action Name	Status	Responsible Officer Position	Comments	Traffic Lights
3.1	Ensure our planning decisions and controls ensure the community benefits from development.	3.1.1	Deliver timely services for the assessment of Development Applications and planning proposals.	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.1.2	Develop, review and update Strategic Planning documents as required.	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	See 1.1.3	
3.2	Ensure that community assets and public infrastructure are well maintained.	3.2.1	Land Tenure Program	Annual Action Progressing	Property & Land Tenure Officer	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.2.2	Maintain transport network including Roads, Bridges & Footpaths	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Roads	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	




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		3.2.3	Maintain community facilities including halls, ovals, pools and other sporting facilities	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Works	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.2.4	Wentworth Civic Centre Redevelopment	Specific Action Progressing	General Manager	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year. Awaiting sign-off of the fire services by Fire & Rescue NSW before the occupancy certificate can be issued. Building to be open for business on October 8th.	
		3.2.5	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Fixing Local Roads - Log Bridge Road	Not Due To Start	Team Leader Roads	This is scheduled to commence once the Arumpo Road Project has been completed in November.	





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		3.2.6	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Flood Recovery Activities - Roads, Bridges, Footpaths	Specific Action Progressing	Team Leader Roads	The Roads team continue to work through the approved schedule of works.	
		3.2.7	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Remote Roads Pilot Upgrade Program - Arumpo Road Upgrade	Specific Action Progressing	Team Leader Roads	Project is on track for completion in November.	
		3.2.8	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Regional Emergency Road Repair Program	Specific Action Progressing	Team Leader Roads	Works have commenced on projects nominated for this financial year.	

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		3.2.9	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Pothole Repair Program	Specific Action Progressing	Team Leader Roads	Roads Maintenance team are working though the projects nominated for this year.	
		3.2.10	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Darling Street Footpaths	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Outcome of the public consultation process was reported to Council at the July Council meeting. The plans are being revised to reflect the outcome of the consultation process with the aim to go out to tender in November.	





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		3.2.11	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Loop Road	Not Due To Start	Director Corporate Services	Project is scheduled to be completed in conjunction with the Log Bridge Road project following the completion of the Arumpo Road works.	
		3.2.12	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Wamberra Road	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Final design has been completed, with the tender process to commence in November.	
		3.2.13	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Alcheringa Drive	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Final design has been completed. Tender process to commence in November.	



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		3.2.14	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Wentworth Rowing Club Extension	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Internal works on the existing building have been completed. Tender for the construction of the extension to commence in October, to be reported to Council for approval at the December meeting.	
		3.2.15	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Showgrounds Kitchen Upgrade	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Tender to commence in October, to be reported to the December Council meeting.	
		3.2.16	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Pooncarie Reserve Kitchen Upgrade	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Procurement process commenced in early October.	




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		3.2.17	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Dareton Main Street	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	This is a carryover project from the previous financial year. Currently seeking quotations for the demolition of the Old Toilet Block in Kuhn square. Remaining works to be completed in house.	
		3.2.18	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Wentworth Depot Upgrade	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Works	Final designs being completed.	
		3.2.19	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - George Gordon Oval Lighting Upgrade	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Tenders have closed and currently being assessed. Will be reported to the October Council meeting for a decision.	



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		3.2.20	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Wentworth Riverfront Mooring Sites	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Final design has been completed. Procurement process to commence in October.	
		3.2.21	Prioritise and implement recommendations of Asset Management Plans - Buronga to Gol Gol Shared Ways	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	finalising the design with the tender process to commence in November. Working with Essential Energy to install additional lighting along the path.	
		3.2.22	Dareton Men in a Shed Fire Services Upgrade (LRCIP)	Specific Action Completed	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carryover action for the previous financial year and has since been completed.	
3.5	Infrastructure meets the needs of our growing Shire.	3.2.23	Finalise Civic Centre Project - Footpath Replacement (LRCIP)	Specific Action Progressing	General Manager	This action is a carryover action from the previous financial year and has since been completed.	









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3.3	Minimise the impact on the natural environment	3.3.1	Undertake actions identified in the Western Weeds Action Plan	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Works	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.3.2	Monitor and investigate Illegal Dumping Activities as required	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.3.3	Support the activities of the Murray Darling Association	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.3.4	Advocate for the sustainable management of the Darling-Barka River and the Menindee Lakes	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	




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		3.3.5	Wentworth Shire Council Flood Study	Specific Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	An update on the modelling of Riverine Flooding will be presented to the Flood Risk Management Committee in December. Still waiting on approval from the Department of Planning to expand the scope of the project to include overland flooding as suggested by the Committee.	
3.4	Use and manage our resources wisely.	3.4.1	Provide best practice water, waste water and stormwater management infrastructure	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Water & Waste Water	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	




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		3.4.2	Provide and promote resource recovery and recycling initiatives.	Annual Action Progressing	Team Leader Landfill Operations	Council officers continue to work with RAMJO to roll out an education program to the community regarding future FOGO collection.	
		3.4.3	Encourage businesses and the community to be socially and environmentally responsible	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Tourism & Promotion	This is an ongoing annual action of Council	
		3.4.4	Buronga Landfill Expansion	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Contractor has commenced work on site. Ongoing communication with the Department ensuring that Council complies with the conditions of the Development Consent.	

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		3.4.5	Review energy efficiency and the use of renewable resources across Council facilities and assets.	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Council has been successful in receiving funding to install 3 EV Chargers at various locations across the Shire. Still awaiting outcome of grant application for installation of Solar Panels on a number of Council buildings.	
		3.4.6	Prioritise and implement recommendations of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan - Fotherby Park SPS # 8	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services	Is due to commence are completion of the Dareton SPS#2. project.	




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		3.4.7	Prioritise and implement recommendations of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan - Dareton SPS # 2	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Contract has been awarded. Materials being deliver in Mid October with construction to commence at the end of October in line with the agreed construction schedule.	
		3.4.8	Prioritise and implement recommendations of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan - Sewer Main Refurbishments	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Tender process to commence in October with a report to go to the November Council meeting for approval.	
		3.4.9	Prioritise and implement recommendations of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan - Buronga Waste Water Treatment Plant	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Bill of quantities being finalised to enable procurement process to commence.	


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		3.4.10	Prioritise and implement recommendations of the Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan - Wentworth Waste Water Treatment Plant	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	see 3.4.9	
		3.4.11	Water Leakage & District Metering Program	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year. Flow meter installation plan being finalised. Project is on track to be completed by 30 June in line with the funding agreement.	
		3.4.12	Wentworth Raw Water Pump Station	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	New pump has been order and contractor has been appointed to install. Pump due to be delivered onsite at the end October.	

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		3.4.13	Dareton Raw Water Pump Station	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Scope of works have been completed. Procurement process to commence in October.	
		3.4.14	Gol Gol Water Treatment Plant	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Scope of works have been completed. Procurement process to commence in October.	
		3.4.15	Wentworth Water Treatment Plant	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Scope of works have been completed. Procurement process to commence in October.	

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3.5	Infrastructure meets the needs of our growing Shire.	3.5.1	Advocate to the Federal and State governments for adequate funding for the delivery of key projects and the provision of essential infrastructure for the region.	Annual Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		3.5.2	Plan for appropriate infrastructure and services that support current and future needs	Annual Action Progressing	Director Roads & Engineering	This is an ongoing annual action of Council. Council has received funding from the Safe and Secure Water Fund to progress planning and designs for the upgrade of critical water infrastructure.	
		3.5.3	Progress actions from the Buronga/Gol Gol Structure Plan - Rose Street Storwater	Specific Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Final plans have been completed. Materials to be delivered on site in Mid October with construction to commence by the end of October.	









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		3.5.4	Progress actions from the Buronga/Gol Gol Structure Plan - 3 Sisters Stormwater	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services		
		3.5.5	Progress actions from the Buronga/Gol Gol Structure Plan - Crane Drive Stormwater	Not Due To Start	Manager Engineering Services		
		3.5.6	Wentworth Aerodrome Facilities Upgrade	Specific Action Progressing	Team Leader Civil Projects	This is a carryover action from the previous financial year. CASA certification flight of the proposed RNAV flight path took place in the late September. Minor adjustments have been made in conjunction with Mildura Airport. Waiting final CASA certification before the RNAV can be installed.	





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		3.5.7	Undertake a review of current and future sporting needs within the Shire - Buronga/Gol Gol Sporting Master Plan	Specific Action Progressing	Acting Director Health & Planning	Draft Concept Plan being developed based on feedback received during the first round of consultation to be included in draft master plan being prepared for endorsement by Council for further community consultation.	



## Strategic Direction: Our Leadership

Wentworth Shire is supported by strong and ethical civic leadership with all activities conducted in an open, transparent and inclusive manner.

Objective Code	Objective	Action Code	Action Name	Status	Responsible Officer Position	Comments	Traffic Lights
4.1	Consistently engage and consult the whole community to ensure feedback is captured and considered as part of decision making and advocating processes.	4.1.1	Support local decision making through transparent communication and inclusive community engagement	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	See 2.4.1	
4.2	A strong, responsible and representative government.	4.2.1	Ensure that Council is accountable to the community, meets legislative requirements and supports the Councillors to undertake their civic responsibilities	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council. New Councillors to undertake compulsory induction training in Mid October.	
		4.2.2	Support Councillors to undertake ongoing professional development	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	See 4.2.1	

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4.3	An effective and efficient organisation.	4.3.1	Engage the community on a regular basis to ensure that Council is providing services that deliver value for money and are relevant in meeting the changing needs of the community.	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Quotations have been received to undertake an asset management service review in line with Council's requirement to undertake at least one service review per year.	
		4.3.2	Staff are supported to deliver high quality services to the community	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		4.3.3	Ensure the organisation is well led and managed through the implementation of Good Governance, Risk Management and Compliance Frameworks	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	The Internal Auditors presented the results of the WHS Internal Audit to the August Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee meeting.	

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		4.3.4	Monitor compliance with NSW Modern Slavery obligations	Specific Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	Council continues to implement various aspects into procurement and contract management practices.	
4.4	Provide strong leadership and work in partnership to strategically plan for the future.	4.4.1	Support the work of the Wentworth Interagency Group	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
		4.4.2	Foster strong partnerships with all levels of government, peak bodies, agencies and the community	Annual Action Progressing	General Manager	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	
4.5	Adopt practices of prudent asset, financial and human resource management across Council to ensure long-term sustainability and efficiency.	4.5.1	Maintain a strong financial position that supports the delivery of services and strategies and ensures long term financial sustainability	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	

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		4.5.2	Provide accurate and timely financial reports, monthly, quarterly and annually	Annual Action Progressing	Director Corporate Services	4th Quarter 23/23 Budget Review Statement presented to Council and the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee in August. Auditors commenced final audit of the 23/24 Annual Financial Statement in Mid September.	
		4.5.3	Be the best employer that we can be by attracting, developing and retaining skilled staff to ensure a capable and effective workforce	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Human Resources	This is an ongoing annual action of Council.	

		4.5.4	Implement actions outlined in the Workforce Management Plan	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Human Resources	<p>HR and WHS activities for the September Qtr: Crystalline Silica awareness sessions - Civil &amp; Water Teams</p> <p>Statewide Mutual Continuous Improvement self audits - Footpaths, Swimming Pools, Enterprise Risk Management</p> <p>Attended the Statewide Mutual Annual Conference - Sydney</p> <p>Training sessions for the new safety management reporting system</p> <p>8 x new employee inductions</p> <p>Attended Jobs Fair - Wentworth Sporting Complex</p> <p>Attended the Coomealla High School students information day</p>	
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						Attended a Diversity and Inclusion seminar (Australian Human Resources Institute)	
		4.5.5	Implement sound asset management practices to ensure adequate provision is made for the maintenance and long-term replacement of Council's infrastructure assets	Annual Action Progressing	Manager Engineering Services	Currently assessing quotes to undertake a service review of the asset management function. An Internal Audit is also planned for March 2025.	