

## 9 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

### 9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, CAPITAL WORKS MONTHLY REPORT - APRIL 2025

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**Attachments:**

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on capital works projects undertaken by the Infrastructure Services Department during the month of April 2025.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services Capital Works Monthly Report for the month of April 2025.

#### BACKGROUND

Council's Capital Works program is focussed on renewal and upgrade of Council infrastructure to achieve Council's corporate vision of "A growing, confident and sustainable Shire". The program is funded through a combination of Council's own funding and external grants and subsidies.

#### RISK IMPLICATIONS

##### Financial

The capital works program is tracking within budget.

##### Infrastructure and Assets

Infrastructure and Assets Projects included in the current capital works program were identified through Council's Project Prioritisation Tool (PPT) which uses a risk-based, multi-criteria approach to rank projects in order of priority. The PPT is aligned with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan and Asset Management sub-plans, which focus of renewal of existing assets.

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

##### *Capital*

All capital works are listed in and funded by the 2024/25 Capital Works Program.

#### LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

**Transport and Infrastructure:** The provision of quality infrastructure to service our growing community using sound asset management principles.

#### IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
<b>Program: 01 - Rural and Urban Roads Reseal Program (Renewal)</b>			
CP0003731	24/25 Bitumen & Asphalt Reseal Program	Reseal preparation works are completed & the works will commence 14 May weather dependent.	Construction
CP00835	DRFA Gully Betterment	Complete (Final report to be provided).	Completed
<b>Program: 02 - Gravel Resheet</b>			
CP0003732	24/25 Gravel Resheet Program	No resheeting programmed until after 2025 wet season	Construction
<b>Program: 03 - Urban Streets</b>			
CP0001023	Recovery Way (WTS) Rehab Ch 0.176-0.272	Works will be undertaken after wet season & Herb/Constance intersection project	Construction
CP0002069	MBA Chewko Rd Rehab/Widen & Seal	Practical completion reached 24/04/2025. Line marking will be installed late May.	Construction
CP00795	TIDS 23-27 Herberton/Constance Inter	Five traffic islands remain to be poured. Pavement works will be completed the week of 28 April followed by chip sealing & asphaltting. Practical completion is estimated to be mid-May.	Construction
CP00797	TIDS 22/23 24/25 Rankin/Walsh St R'bout	Detailed Design & Documentation Engagement 90% completed. Tender Specification being developed by Consultant for handover to MSC Projects Team.	Design
<b>Program: 04 - Rural Roads</b>			
CP0002040	KDA KIA08 Barron Falls/Masons Rd/L-out	Survey is underway, design to be scheduled	Planning
CP0002041	KDA KIA09 Barron Falls Rd Thongon-Mason	Survey is underway, design to be scheduled.	Planning
CP0002048	KDA Kuranda Heights Rd Intersection	Survey complete, design to be scheduled.	Planning
CP0002050	MBA McIver Rd Rehab & Widen	Designs to be completed prior to end of year 2025 by external consultant. Survey and soil investigations complete.	Planning
CP0002060	KDA Oak Forest Rd Rehab & Widen	Survey complete, design to be scheduled.	Planning
CP0002066	DIM Leafgold Weir Rd Widen Curves	Design to be finalised May 2025	Design
CP00801	TIDS Ootann Rd Section 1&2 Widen & Seal	Works recommenced on site 28/04/2025. In the coming weeks the formation will be trimmed to subgrade level, tested & road base carting will commence 14/05/2025.	Construction
<b>Program: 05 - Bridges</b>			
CP0001558	MBA Tinaroo Creek Rd Ada Creek Causeway	Design to be completed June 2025 by external consultant. Survey and soil investigations complete.	Planning
CP0001564	KDA Oak Forest Rd, Barron River Bridge	The Contractor proposes to commence bridge work in mid-July if the river height is conducive. Decking timber has been procured in preparation.	Construction
CP00841	Bolton Rd Inspect/Design/Repl Girders	Girder replacement commenced 28/04/2025 & is expected to be complete in 7 to 10 days weather permitting.	Construction
<b>Program: 06 - Drainage</b>			

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CP0001598	24/25 Renew Minor Culverts & Drainage	Temporary RCP repair works completed at Park Avenue. Full repairs will be undertaken after 2025 wet season.	Construction
CP0003689	MBA CBD Drainage Upgrade Stage 1	Project planning will be undertaken in conjunction with the Mareeba CBD Blueprint Project	On Hold
CP0003690	MBA Ray Rd Culvert Upgrade	On hold pending outcome of Ray Road Drainage Study.	Planning
CP0003695	Irvinebank Jessie St/Rubina Tce Upgrade	Investigations will be scheduled in 2025.	Not Commenced
CP0003830	Hastie Road - Stormwater	Project completed December 2024	Completed
CP00844	MBA Amaroo Drainage Upgrades	Quotes will be called to undertake this work post wet season.	Construction
CP00938	Tilse Street Upgrade Drainage	Built infrastructure on-maintenance, authorisation of final payment to develop provided.	Completed

## Program: 07 - Traffic Facilities

## Program: 08 - Parking

CP00846	MBA Heritage Centre Carpark Connection	The footpath layout has been finalised and the RFQ documents prepared. Commencement to be in conjunction with perimeter fence works late May-June, 2025.	Procurement
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## Program: 09 - Footpaths

CP0001026	23/24 Footpath Renewal Program	Atherton Street and Lloyd Street footpath sections complete. Further sites for renewal are currently under assessment.	Construction
CP0001665	Mt Molloy Footpath & Furniture Refurb	Design to be scheduled	Planning
CP0001666	KDA Barron Falls Rd Replace Footpath	Survey is underway, design to be scheduled	Design
CP0001687	KDA WNP Arara St Footpath Missing Link	Design being finalised in preparation for procurement	Design
CP0001742	MBA WNP Constance-Lloyd St Footpath	Works are complete.	Completed

## Program: 10 - Parks and Gardens

CP0001029	Kda Com Precinct Parks Upgrade	Planning & Development ongoing 2025	Planning
CP0001803	Julatten Geraghty Pk Refurb Playground	Further community engagement and planning continuing.	Planning
CP0001805	MBA Bicentennial Lakes Northern	The tender has closed and the submission results to be reported to the 21 May Council Meeting.	Procurement
CP0001871	MBA Centenary Park Upgrade Fencing	Works program on hold, to coincide with Centenary Park footpath project.	Construction
CP0003670	MBA Amaroo Park Shade	Tender documents being prepared in preparation for procurement.	Planning
CP00809	MBA Bicentennial Lakes (Southern) D&C	Slides embankment fence installation is 80% complete.	Construction
CP00860	KDA Anzac Park Landscaping	Plaque posts have been fabricated. Plaque format and wording being finalised prior to ordering.	Completed

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
CP00861	KDA Coondoo Street Refurb	<p>The upper Coondoo Street pavement, soft landscaping and stone works is 95% complete. The contractor has commenced pavement works in lower Coondoo Street with works expected to continue through to early June 2025.</p> <p>The upper Coondoo LED lighting upgrade has been completed. The streetlights and fig tree bud lighting have been commissioned and are operating.</p> <p>Ergon propose to undertake the lower Coondoo Street streetlighting upgrade works in the second half of 2025.</p>	Construction
<b>Program: 11 - Water</b>			
CP0001038	23/24 Retic Valve/Hyd Replace Program	New valves have been sourced and will be installed at Lerra and Byrnes Streets intersection subject to scheduling and contractor availability.	Construction
CP0002670	FY24/25 - WTP Minor Infrastructure	Works are underway and will be completed by mid to late May pending delivery of equipment.	Construction
CP0002671	FY24/25 - Water Main Replacement	Hort Street completed. Lloyd Street watermain commenced and near completion. Byrnes Street crossings to commence 12 May.	Construction
CP0002672	FY24/25 - KDA WTP Turbidity Meters	Installation and commissioning works completed.	Completed
CP0002675	FY24/25 - Replace Chlorine Analysers	Works completed	Completed
CP0002677	FY24/25 - Telemetry/SCADA Upgrades	Following on from project scoping late 2024 works commenced March 2025.	Construction
CP0002680	FY24/25 - Hydrants & Valve Renewal	Works to commence once all materials have arrived and will be scheduled once the Herberton/Constance Street Roundabout is complete to minimise traffic disruption.	Construction
CP0002682	FY24/25 - Irvinebank Ibis Dam PS	Waiting on servicing and inspection before obtaining pricing from suppliers on new equipment.	Construction
CP0002683	FY24/25 - DIM WTP Pump Replacement	Pump will be assessed during routine servicing in May though it is unlikely the pump needs to be replaced.	Planning
CP0002684	FY24/25 - Smart Meters Replacement	Installation works on new receiver in Kuranda completed. Taggle to provide early access to new meters for trial in areas with connectivity issues.	Construction
CP0002762	FY24/25 - MBA WTP Refurbish Clarifiers	Works well advanced on stripping out Clarifier One.	Construction
CP0002764	MOL Replace Hunter Ck Weir	GHD to do inspection as soon as weather permits.	Construction
CP0002921	MBA Booster Pump Station Relocation	Centenary Park Pump station works commenced offsite.	Construction
CP0003667	FY24/25 Irvinebank Ibis Dam Valves	Valves selected, electrical schematics being produced.	Procurement
CP0003668	CHI Renew Water Line	This project will only be done in 2024-2025 if there are residual funds left over from replacing water mains in Mareeba and Mt Molloy in 2024-2025.	On Hold
CP0003734	MBA WTP Fuel Pod For Generator	Procurement stage	Procurement
CP00878	MBA Decommission Basalt St Elevated Tank	The water tower has been isolated, and the reservoir section needs to be cleaned. A permanent closure and lockout of the feed line is anticipated to occur by mid-year.	Construction

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CP00879	MBA Decommission Granite Ck Pump Station	Pump set has been removed and taken away to remove pump veins that won't be required at the relocated site of Centenary Park.	Construction
<b>Program: 12 - Wastewater</b>			
CP0001041	Mba WWTP Inlet Works Replacements	Works now completed and we are waiting on contractor to provide invoicing for payment then the project can be closed out.	Completed
CP0001043	Atherton St Pump Station Refurb	Project subject to grant funding.	On Hold
CP0001047	23/24 WW CCTV & Relining Program	Works completed.	Completed
CP0001050	Kennedy Hwy PS Control Board Upgrade	Switchboard installed and commissioned. Waiting on final invoice	Completed
CP0001053	23/24 WWPS Refurbishment Program	Works substantially completed.	Construction
CP0002474	FY24/25 - MBA Sewer CCTV & Reline Prog	CCTV works continuing. Works to be completed mid 2025.	Construction
CP0002475	FY24/25 - WW Pump Station Ancillary	Contractor manufacturing new safety lids to be compliant with modern standards. Once manufacturing has been completed site works will commence.	Construction
CP0002476	FY24/25 - WW Reticulation Pumps Renewal	Project complete	Completed
CP0002477	FY24/25 - Telemetry/SCADA Upgrades	Contractor progressing with investigating processes and systems relevant to alarming and code deployment.	Construction
CP0002479	FY24/25 - Pump Station Generators x 2	W&W fabricator manufacturing housings for generators ready for installation.	Construction
CP0002480	FY24/25 - Manhole Rehab & Replace	Works to recommence late May.	Construction
CP0002481	FY24/25 - MBA Constance St Rising Main	Waiting for deed of agreement from Queensland Government so project can commence.	Design
CP0002482	FY24/25 - KDA WWTP Renew Control Panels	Electrical works are now completed.	Completed
CP0003715	KDA WWTP Renew 6x4m Shed	Contractor has commenced works despite ongoing inclement weather in Kuranda. Actual project works will be completed by 30 June.	Construction
CP0003722	KDA WWTP Renew 6x6m Shed	Contractor has commenced works despite ongoing inclement weather in Kuranda. Actual project works will be completed by 30 June.	Construction
CP00889	22/23 MBA Sewer CCTV & Relining	Works are currently in progress in Kuranda. Reports are anticipated to be received within the coming weeks.	Construction
<b>Program: 13 - Waste</b>			
CP0002216	KDA WTS New Ablution Block	Construction works completed. Awaiting final certification.	Construction
CP0002220	MBA TS Leachate Pump Annual Program	There has been some safety issues highlighted with accessing the pumps, this is now under review and a methodology will be developed to mitigate any risks. Pumps will then also be reassessed for replacement during the scheduled May servicing.	Planning
CP0002221	MBA TS Leachate PS Pump	New pump on order with a reasonably long lead time on delivery.	Procurement

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
<b>Program: 14 - Aerodromes</b>			
CP0000947	Mareeba Aerodrome Safety & Repairs	Works completed. Chubb servicing all hydrants.	Completed
CP0003899	MBA Aerodrome Drainage Improvements	Replacement animal swing gates installed, drain design underway. Design Drain remains too wet for works.	
<b>Program: 15 - Fleet</b>			
CP0001071	Fleet Replace #1231 Toyota WW	Project Complete	Completed
CP0003738	Replace Asset 741 Street Sweeper	Truck waiting on delivery, expected date of delivery June 2025	Procurement
CP0003739	Replace Asset 620 Job Truck	Truck currently having body fabricated, delivery June 2025	Procurement
CP0003740	Replace Asset 1255 Toyota Hilux	Vehicle delivered, waiting for body to be fabricated	Procurement
CP0003741	Replace Asset 1274 Toyota Hilux	Vehicle delivered, waiting on body fabrication	Procurement
CP0003773	Replace Asset 1307 Mit. Pajero INSURANCE	Project Complete	Completed
CP0003776	Replace Unit 5422 Tool Trailer INSURANCE	Trailer delivered, waiting on canopy to be fabricated	Planning
CP0003826	Replace Asset 1244/6263 L'cruiser INSUR	Vehicle delivered, 25/04/2025. Spray unit in service	Procurement
<b>Program: 16 - Depots and Council Offices</b>			
<b>Program: 17 - Community Buildings</b>			
CP0001059	Mba/Dim Aquatic Condition Assessment	RFQ to be released to market prior to end of Fin Year.	Planning
CP0001632	24/25 Amenities Refurbishment Program	Funds to be carried over to 2025-26 program so that the Pat Kinnear Park toilet in Chillagoe can be upgraded to an accessible and DDA compliant toilet.	Procurement
CP0001637	KDA Library Paint & Roof Improvements	Contract to refurbish gutters and flashings awarded to Brett Seawright Plumbing. Construction works to commence early June 2025.	Construction
CP0001639	Annual Minor Building Refurbishment	Cenotaph Plinth works complete. Extra handrail to the Mareeba Sports Hall Entry stairway in procurement.	Construction
CP0001664	Annual Facilities LED Lighting	Contract awarded to Brad Owens Electrical for the installation of LED lighting to the Kuranda Recreational Centre Tennis courts. Works have commenced.	Construction
CP0002909	DIM Memorial Hall Park Lighting Upgrade	All works completed.	Completed
CP0003718	MBA Davies Park Field 2 Lighting Upgrade	Works on hold. Awaiting suitable funding.	On Hold
CP0003729	MBA Aquatic Centre Pool Expansion Joints	Pool Lessee advised expansion joints planned for reseal by End of May 2025.	Construction
CP0003756	MBA Davies Park Field 1 Lighting Upgrade	Luminaires and headframes installed and lights operational. New distribution boards to be installed early May.	Construction
CP00793	MBA Women's Restroom Refurb	To be completed in conjunction with the Mareeba CBD Blueprint Project	Planning
CP00909	KDA Aquatic Cnt 25m Pool Aquaris Upgrade	Pump replacement at Kuranda Aquatic Centre underway. Works to be completed prior end of financial year.	Procurement
CP00941	23/24 Park/Sporting LED Lights Arnold Pk	Contract awarded to Brad Owens Electrical. Construction commenced.	Construction

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
<b>Program: 18 - Non-Infrastructure Items</b>			
CP0001085	Mba Cemetery Expansion Planning	Inception meeting held with Community Dep and Technical Services Team to commence layout development, Targeted for June 2025.	Planning
CP0003684	MBA New Cemetery Lawn Plaque on Beam	Additional irrigation works to be undertaken	Construction
CP0003716	MBA Smartnet GPS Base Replacement	Works Complete, capitalisation of project required.	Completed
CP0003717	KDA Heights Cemetery Lawn Plaque on Beam	Additional irrigation works to be undertaken	Construction
CP0003754	Mareeba CBD Blueprint	Tender has been awarded to GHD and project planning has commenced. All milestones are currently being met.	Planning
CP00446	Kuranda New Cemetery	All works completed.	Completed
CP00932	MBA MIP Expansion	Masterplan at 95% design stage. Stage 11 construction plans anticipated for completion Mid June 2025. Meeting with MSC Real Estate Agents, Consultant and Council Staff undertaken.	Design

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** Herberton/Constance Streets Intersection Upgrade

**Program:** Urban Streets

### Background

The Far North Queensland Regional Roads and Transport Group (FNQRRTG) Works Program for the 2024-2025 financial year contained a non LRRS (Local Roads of Regional Significance) project for Mareeba Shire Council to 50% fund the upgrade of the Herberton Street/ Constance Street intersection. The funding is provided by the Queensland State Government through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme. (TIDS).

### Scope of Works

The scope of works includes the installation of a roundabout, a number of traffic islands, kerbing, footpath extensions and light pole relocations.

### Progress Update

During April, all pavement works were completed. The southern and eastern sides of the intersection were primer sealed and asphalted and the light footings were poured.

Works will achieve practical completion early May with full completion estimated to be mid-May 2025, following line marking and road furniture installation.



*Bitumen seal*



*Light pole footing*



*Pavement replacement*



*Traffic island prior to infill*

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** Chewko Road Rehabilitation, Widen and Seal

**Program:** Urban Streets

### Background

The FNQRRTG Works Program for the 2024-2025 financial year contained a LRRS (Local Roads of Regional Significance) project for Mareeba Shire Council to 50% fund the rehabilitation and widening of a section of Chewko Road, Mareeba. The funding is provided by the Queensland State Government through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS).

### Scope of Works

The scope of works includes the relocation of a water main, upgrade accesses, widen and seal the existing pavement and drainage improvements.

### Progress Update

During April all pavement works were completed including the removal and replacement of a failing subgrade section at the eastern end of the project. The 16mm/10mm bitumen seal was installed mid-April and the final asphaltting works were carried out on 24 April signalling practical completion for the project. Full completion is estimated to be mid-May with the application of line marking.



*Start of project*



*Adjacent to Borzi Park*



*Heading towards Spanish Club and Pony Club*



*Asphaltting at the Chewko/Reynolds intersection*

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** Ootann Road Section 1 and 2 Widen and Seal

**Program:** Rural Roads

### Background

Ootann Road is a 90km long important freight link that is mostly unsealed. This project will seal 4.2km of gravel road over two sections. The initiative is funded by the Australian Government, with contributions from the Queensland Government Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme and Mareeba Shire Council.

### Scope of Works

The scope of works includes the widening, sealing and drainage upgrade of two (2) unsealed sections of Ootann Road. Section 1 is from Ch 79.69 to Ch 81.99 and Section 2 is from Ch 75.72 to Ch 77.68.

### Progress Update

The construction crew tasked with the Ootann Road project re-established on site 15 April. Works to be undertaken this calendar year include the trimming and testing of the existing subgrade layer of Section 1 prior to importing road base. Road base carting operations are programmed to commence 14 May. Once the base layer has been compacted and trimmed to height Section 1 will be bitumen sealed.



*Watering existing subgrade prior to trimming*

*Trimming of existing subgrade*

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** Mareeba Water Plant Clarifier Upgrade Project

**Program:** Water

### Background

As part of Council's 10-year water strategy, the Mareeba Water Treatment Plant is being progressively upgraded to boost the capacity of water that can be treated and distributed to the community. The Mareeba Water Treatment Plant is currently producing 200 litres per second, which is below its capacity due to the ageing infrastructure's inability to operate at peak performance. The clarifiers are a critical component in the water processing chain and require an upgrade to relieve the pressure on the filtration system and enable the production of more water for the community (250L/s).

### Scope of Works

- Replacement of Clarifier 1 sludge rake and centre drive, including new power and control cabling;
- Replacement of all 4 X flocculator mixers with new mixers and VFDs, including new power and control cabling;
- Replacement of concrete panel platform with new steel structure;
- Replacement of handrails with marine grade aluminium or 316 stainless-steel and standard kick-plates;
- Replacement of covered area on Clarifier 1 with a new roof; and
- Supply and install new automated polymer make-up and dosing system, including new dosing pumps and dosing lines from the proposed new location in the Main Control Building.

### Progress Update:

Installation of new chemical dosing equipment is progressing well.



*Installation of new chemical dosing equipment.*

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** 2024-2025 Water Main Renewal Program (Stage 2)

**Program:** Water

### Background

As part of Council's 10-year Water Strategy, ageing water mains are being replaced and upgraded throughout the Shire. An allocation has been provided in the 2024/25 capital works program to replace failing and ageing asbestos cement (AC) composition watermain at (5) five locations within the Mareeba township.

### Scope of Works

The scope of works includes the supply and installation of PVC Supermain and Ductile Iron Concrete Lined (DICT) on road crossings, in addition to new service connections, valves and hydrants are being installed.

### Progress Update

Works have progressed well with no major interruptions to the scheduled program. Hort Street, Middlemiss Street and Lloyd Street pipelines have been installed, with upcoming connections to watermain on Byrnes Street to complete the works.



Installation of 100mm Ductile Iron pipe. Hort Street, Mareeba



Trenching works on the corner Middlemiss and Walsh Streets, Mareeba.

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** Davies Park, Mareeba Lighting Upgrade – Field One

**Program:** Facilities

### Background

In 2022, the Mareeba Gladiators Rugby League Club developed a Preliminary Master Plan and audit report for Davies Park. The audit revealed that the existing lighting for both Field One and Field Two was outdated and did not meet the Australian Standards for training, amateur match play, and semi-professional match play and needed to be upgraded.

This project received a funding contribution of \$172,699 (excluding GST) from the Queensland Government Minor Infrastructure and Inclusive Facilities Fund.

### Scope of Works

Upgrade works to Field One lighting include:

- New Distribution Boards
- Existing Main Switchboard modifications
- Submain cables to Distribution Boards
- Luminaires and General lighting sub-circuit cabling
- Diming and Lighting control
- Recover / disconnection of existing services, outlets and Luminaires
- Design and construct Luminaire Headframe
- Undertake all necessary testing required and record all results.

### Progress Update:

Works commenced in January for the prefabrication of luminaire headframes and main switchboard upgrades. Installation of luminaire headframes and luminaires to the four light poles were successfully conducted in mid-April 2025, allowing for the full operation of the lights for the Mareeba Leagues Club's Anzac Day match. Further works to upgrade the distribution boards for the four (4) light poles to commence mid-May.

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Installation of headframes



Completed headframe and luminaires



Anzac Day Night Game 2025

## Infrastructure Services Capital Works Report Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name:** Kuranda Recreation Centre Tennis Court Fence Replacement

**Program:** Community Buildings

### Background

The tennis court at Kuranda Recreation Centre has been valued and utilised by the local community for many years. Following condition assessments of various recreational and sporting facilities across the Shire, Council officers identified the need to replace rust-affected posts on the outer perimeter fence of the tennis court.

### Scope of Works

- Remove and retain wire mesh
- Remove and replace all fence posts
- Reinstall wire mesh fencing

### Progress Update:

Works commenced in late February and were finalised in April.



Kuranda Recreation Centre New Tennis Court Fence

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### Project Highlights – April 2025



**Project Name: Coondoo Street and Centenary Park Kuranda Streetscape**

**Program: Footpaths and Parks and Open Spaces**

**Background:**

This project received a funding contribution of \$200,000 (excluding GST) from the Queensland Government Building Bush Tourism Program.

This project brings together several projects from the Kuranda Township Infrastructure Masterplan 2021- 2031 to deliver infrastructure and improvements that enhance the 'Village in the Rainforest' as a unique, authentic experience for residents and tourists alike, by improving safety, accessibility, connection with the environment and integration between the activities of residents and tourists.

The included projects are:

- Centenary Park Upgrade (Pathways Component Only)
- Upgrade of planter boxes and garden bed planting through the CBD areas (Coondoo Street)
- Coondoo Street Upper Refurbishment (footpaths, lighting, tree bud lighting)
- Coondoo Street Lower Lighting Upgrade

**Scope of Work:**

*Footpaths Pavement Safety Improvements*

Work will include renewed sections of footpath and relaying of pavers to repair cracks and uneven surfaces. The work will match the look and feel of the current footpaths. Footpaths are not being fully replaced. Some minor footpath repairs will also be undertaken in Centenary Park.

*Gardens Planter Box Maintenance*

The existing plantings in the Coondoo Street planter boxes will be revamped and plant species consolidated. Competing plants will be removed as required to protect the fig trees.

*Streetlighting Upgrades and Fig Tree Fairy Lights Installation*

Works will see existing streetlights along upper Coondoo Street being upgraded with new poles and LED fixtures. The design of the upgraded fixtures will maintain the current heritage look.

Lighting upgrades will provide an opportunity for businesses in Kuranda to extend trading into the evening and night. The existing lighting at the base of the fig trees will be replaced with lighting pillars to service the fairy lights and provide 240 v power outlet options for potential street events.

Ergon will also upgrade the lower Coondoo Street lighting later in 2025.

**Works Progress:**

The pavement upgrade works in upper Coondoo St is 95% complete. Slab replacement, paver and cobble reinstatement and garden bed stone wall repairs are ongoing with the contractor having commenced work in lower Coondoo Street. Works are expected to be complete in early-mid June.

The upper Coondoo Street garden beds and fig tree planter boxes have been refreshed with invasive species removed or thinned out and the beds mulched. The irrigation reticulation has been repaired by the contractor as required.

The lighting contractor has commissioned the LED streetlights and fig tree bud lights.

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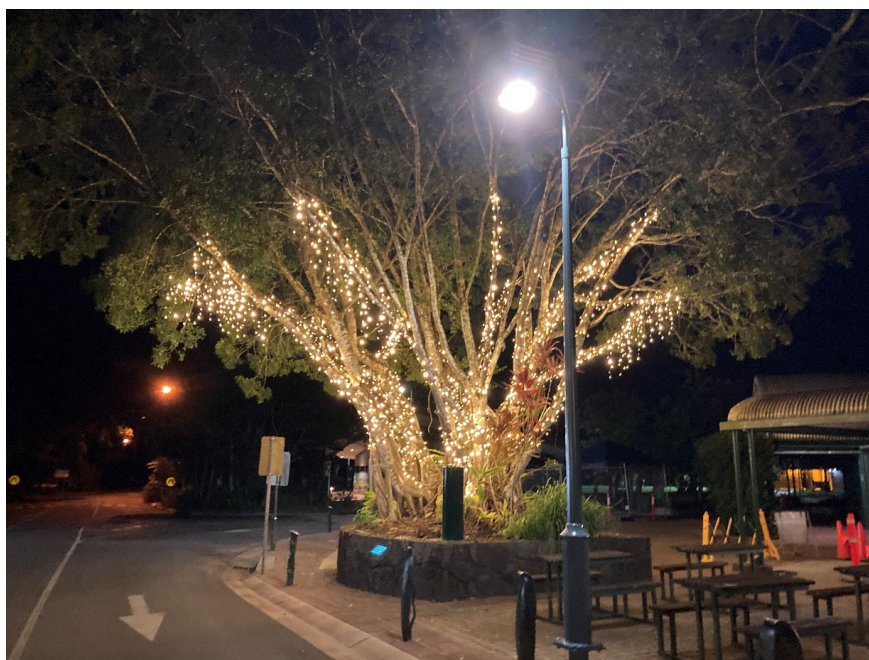
Replacement of Displaced Slab in Front of the Chemist - Corner of Coondoo & Thongon Streets



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Upper Coondoo Street Bud and Street Lighting Upgrade



Upper Coondoo Street Bud and Street Lighting Upgrade

**9.4 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, DISASTER RECOVERY OPERATIONS REPORT - APRIL 2025****Date Prepared:** 9 May 2025**Author:** Manager Disaster Recovery**Attachments:** 1. April Major Project Summary [↓](#)**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to outline to progress of Council's activities funded under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) during the month of April 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

1. receives the Infrastructure Services, Disaster Recovery Operations Report for April 2025; and
2. Notes that the restoration works for the 2025 event will be undertaken as variations to the 2024 contracts where necessary.

**BACKGROUND**

The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and State Government, providing financial assistance to help communities recover from eligible disasters. Current projects and their respective weather events are provided herein.

**2022 DRFA – Far North Queensland Low Pressure Trough, 1 – 7 February 2022**

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2023-16 Gamboola Crossing	All works completed and financials finalised. Project to be removed from future reports.
T-MSC2023-12 Gully Betterment Program	All works completed and financials finalised. Project to be removed from future reports.

All works associated with the 2022 DRFA Program have been finalised.

**2023 DRFA – Northern and Central Queensland Monsoon and Flooding, 20 December 2022 – 30 April 2023**

Project Name	Update
Mount Mulligan Road Rain Gauge reinstatement	All works completed and financials finalised. Project to be removed from future reports.
T-MSC2024-06 – MSC DRFA 2023 Eastern Roads Package	Ikin Civil Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Sealed works complete.
T-MSC2024-07 – MSC DRFA 2023 Dimbulah Roads Package	Keltone Construction Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Works on Hurricane & Karma Water Road 90% complete.

Project Name	Update
	Works commenced on Kondaparinga & Mt Mulligan-Kondaparinga Road. Works forecast for completion June 2025.
T-MSC2024-08 – MSC DRFA 2023 Mid-Western Roads Package	All works completed and financials finalised. Project to be removed from future reports.
T-MSC2024-09 – MSC DRFA 2023 Western Roads Package	MC Group Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Works to commence on Bulimba and Blackdown Road after access is re-established (currently underway).

### **2024 DRFA – Tropical cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023**

#### **Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Projects**

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2023-04 Kuranda Landslip Remediation	All works completed and financials finalised. Project to be removed from future reports.
T-MSC2024-10 Jarawee Road Stabilisation	Civform Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Works underway on site. Abutment A wingwalls complete. Abutment B ongoing. Works scheduled to be completed 30 June 2025.
T-MSC2024-13 Bushy Creek Bridge	Davbridge Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Bridge works complete. Minor defects forecast to be completed May 2025.
T-MSC2024-15 Emerald End Culvert Construction	Terra Novus is engaged to deliver contract. Upstream concrete works complete (apron, wing walls, headwall and batter protection). Backfilling complete. Construction of pavement and guard rails outstanding. Scheduled for completion June 2025.
T-MSC2024-16 Carman Road Culvert Construction	Terra Novus Pty Ltd is engaged to deliver contract. Base slab and aprons poured. Landing of culverts underway. Scheduled completion early June 2025.
T-MSC2024-33 – MSC DRFA 2024 Eastern Roads Package	Council has resolved to award contract to Ikin Civil Pty Ltd. Finalisation of scope is being sought from QRA prior to Contract award.
T-MSC2024-34 – MSC DRFA 2024 Western Roads Package	Council has resolved to award contract to Gregg Construction Pty Ltd. Finalisation of scope is being sought from QRA prior to Contract award.

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2024-36 – MSC DRFA 2024 Dimbulah Roads Package	Council has resolved to award contract to Cheshire Contractors Pty Ltd.  Finalisation of scope is being sought from QRA prior to Contract award.
T-MSC2024-35 – MSC DRFA 2024 Mid-Western Roads Package	Council has resolved to award contract to Gregg Construction Pty Ltd.  Finalisation of scope is being sought from QRA prior to Contract award.
Black Mountain Road Culvert Replacement	Funding approval has been received from QRA. Design phase currently underway.
MSC DRFA 2024 Landslip Program	Funding approvals have been received from QRA for geotechnical sites on the following roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ivicvic Road (Mareeba)</li> <li>• 2 x Mount Haren Road (Kuranda)</li> <li>• Warril Drive (Kuranda)</li> </ul> Design phase currently underway.
Hastie Road Embankment	QRA Funding approval received for Hastie Road Embankment restoration.

#### Clean-up Program (exceptional circumstances package)

Funding was made available to eligible local governments and state agencies that require extraordinary assistance to undertake assessments and conduct extraordinary clean-up activities of rivers, waterways, beaches, community and recreational assets and National Parks and to support removal and disposal of disaster related debris.

All approved works under this program were completed in late 2024. Reconciliation of costs for reimbursement is underway.

#### Water & Sewer Program (exceptional circumstances package)

In December 2024, a Water and Sewerage Infrastructure Package was announced, and is available to Mareeba Shire Council, Cook Shire Council and Douglas Shire Council.

The objectives of the Water and Sewerage Infrastructure Package is to restore essential water and sewerage infrastructure that was damaged by the event and ensure essential services are delivered to the community, accelerating recovery and relieving distress.

In addition to request for reimbursement of immediate and emergency costs, the following submissions have been lodged to QRA:

- 1) Lloyd Street Sewer Main Works
- 2) Kuranda Water Treatment Plant Works

Guidelines for the funding program have been received. As of March 2025, no approvals for the projects have been received.

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2025-08 – MSC Water and Waste Program Management Services	Recommendation provided to council for award of services at May 2025 meeting.
T-MSC2025-09 – Lloyd Street Sewer Replacement Project	Tenders closed 2 May 2025. Evaluation of tenders is currently underway.
T-MSC2025-10 – Kuranda WTP Infrastructure Project	Jacobs Group engaged for design. Design to be staged for embankment reconstruction and sludge thickener.

#### Betterment Fund (exceptional circumstances package)

The Betterment Fund is available to eligible local government areas in Queensland impacted by the Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 - 28 December 2023. It is jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments. The objectives of the Betterment Fund are to restore essential public assets damaged in TC Jasper to a more resilient standard.

Submissions have been lodged to QRA and are currently being reviewed.

#### Local Recovery and Resilience Grants (LRRG)

Local Recovery and Resilience Grants are available to eligible local councils significantly impacted by Tropical Cyclone Jasper, 13 - 28 December 2023 in Far North Queensland. Funding will help councils address economic, social and community recovery needs and support future resilience measures.

A submission has been lodged for this grant. No movement for the month of April.

#### 2025 DRFA – North and Far North Tropical Low 29 January – 28 February 2025

##### Event Activation

Council has been activated for QRA eligible event North and Far North Tropical Low 29 January – 28 February 2025. Council has been activated for:

- 1) Counter Disaster Operations (CDO)
- 2) Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA)

##### Project Management Services

The contract for project management was awarded to ARO Industries at the Council meeting of 19 March 2025. A project inception meeting has been held with the contractor.

##### Emergency Works

The Emergency Works period has ended for roads accessible since the commencement of the event. Emergency Works are ongoing/being scheduled for roads that have been inaccessible.

##### Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Projects

Scoping of REPA associated with the event is currently underway.

To more efficiently deliver the scope associated with the 2025 event, it is proposed that these approvals will be treated as variations to the 2024 roads contracts depending on Contractor availability and progress. Any works not delivered in this way would be tendered as per Council's Procurement Policy.

**RISK IMPLICATIONS****Financial**

Funding arrangements state that eligible expenditure is reimbursed.

Expenditure is considered eligible when:

- 1) Extraordinary costs are incurred that could normally not be absorbed by, or reasonably managed within, the local government or state agency's financial, human and other resource capacity, and
- 2) Costs are directly associated with the delivery of eligible works on eligible essential public assets that have been damaged by an activated eligible disaster.

No ineligible cost reported for active projects. Risk of ineligible expenditure is mitigated through engagement of suitably qualified consultants.

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**2024 DRFA – Tropical cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023**

**T-MS2024-10 Jarawee Road Stabilisation**



**Project Manager:**

ARO Industries Pty Ltd

**Contractor:**

Civform Pty Ltd (design & construct)

**Status:**

**Works ongoing**

Mareeba Shire Council (MSC) engaged ARO Industries Pty Ltd (ARO) for the provision of engineering design and project management services for remediation works at the culvert failure on Jarawee Road, Kuranda. The culvert was damaged as a result of the Tropical cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023 weather event.

As a result of an alternative tender, Civform was engaged for the design and construction of a reinforced concrete bridge with pedestrian lane in lieu of a culvert structure. Construction commenced September 2024 and is ongoing.

MSC was granted funding through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) to undertake construction of the bridge.

Major updates for the month include:

- 1) Abutment A complete.
- 2) Abutment B works progressing.

**Infrastructure Services Disaster Recovery Operations  
Major Projects Summary – April 2025**



***T-MS2023-15 Emerald End Culvert Construction***



<b>Project Manager/Designer:</b>	ARO Industries Pty Ltd/Trinity Engineering and Consulting Pty Ltd
<b>Contractor:</b>	Terra Novus Pty Ltd
<b>Status:</b>	<b>Works ongoing</b>

Mareeba Shire Council (MSC) engaged Trinity Engineering and Consulting Pty Ltd (TEC) for engineering design and ARO Industries Pty Ltd (ARO) for project management services for the construction of a RCBC structure across Cobra Creek on Emerald End Road, Mareeba. The existing crossing was damaged as a result of the Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 12 – 28 December 2025 weather event.

MSC was granted funding through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) to undertake construction of the causeway.

Terra Novus Pty Ltd is engaged to deliver the works. Construction is currently for completion June 2025.

Major updates for the month include:

- 1) Upstream concrete works complete
- 2) Upstream batter protection complete.
- 3) Road pavement works ongoing.

**Infrastructure Services Disaster Recovery Operations  
Major Projects Summary – April 2025****T-MSC2023-16 Carman Road Culvert Construction**

**Project Manager/Designer:** ARO Industries Pty Ltd/Trinity Engineering and Consulting Pty Ltd

**Contractor:** Terra Novus Pty Ltd

**Status:** **Works ongoing**

Mareeba Shire Council (MSC) engaged Trinity Engineering and Consulting Pty Ltd (TEC) for engineering design and ARO Industries Pty Ltd (ARO) for project management services for the construction of a causeway on Carman Road. The existing crossing was damaged as a result of the Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 12 – 28 December 2025 weather event.

MSC was granted funding through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) to undertake construction of the causeway.

Terra Novus Pty Ltd is engaged to deliver the works and is scheduled to be completed June 2025.

Major updates for the month include:

- 1) Base slab and aprons poured.
- 2) Culvert placement underway.

**9.6 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, TECHNICAL SERVICES OPERATIONS REPORT - APRIL 2025****Date Prepared:** 17 April 2025**Author:** Manager Technical Services**Attachments:** Nil**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to outline Council's Fleet, Design, Soils Lab, Survey, Quality, GIS, Facilities and Investigation Services activities undertaken by Infrastructure Services during the month of April 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Technical Services Operations Report for April 2025.

**BACKGROUND****Technical Services**Design, quality, and investigations:

Investigation activities undertaken in April included:

Activity	Current Requests	Closed Requests
Road Infrastructure Review	72	45
Drainage Investigations	46	14
NHVR Permit Applications	0	17
Traffic Count Surveys	0	0
Parks Investigations	4	2
Aerodromes	0	1
Miscellaneous e.g. Planning; Local Laws	21	23
Before You Dig Requests	0	58

Soil Laboratory:

Council's Soil Laboratory provides NATA-accredited soil and material testing for internal and external services. The laboratory delivered 174 tests in April, with the majority being for external clients.

GIS:

Ongoing improvements to GIS data associated with water, sewerage, roads, underground stormwater, and kerbs asset data sets continues, as information is received from other areas of Council.

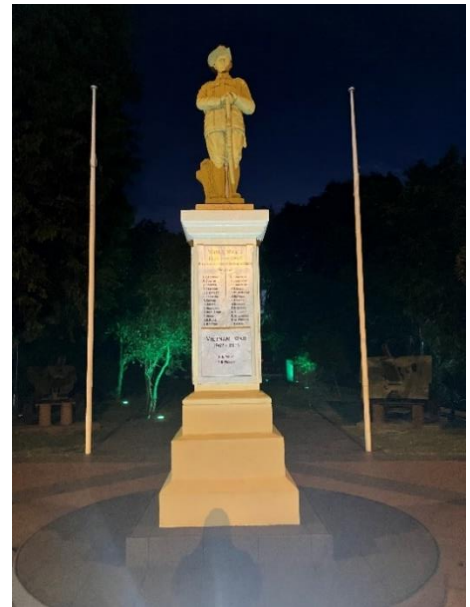
Operational Works and Subdivisions:

To ensure ongoing compliance with development conditions, both during construction and on-maintenance, Council undertakes routine inspection and monitoring of sites. The following developments remain current:

Locality	Subdivisions Name	Status
Kuranda	Jum Rum Rainforest Estate Stage 1, Fallon Road	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	Emerald End Road and Country Road – Stage 3	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	Emerald End Road and Country Road – Stage 4	Under Construction
Mareeba	The Rise: Catherine Atherton Dr – Stage 3 (Drainage)	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	Amaroo Stage 13a (Drainage)	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	Amaroo Stage 13b	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	Prestige Gardens Stage 5-6	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	Mareeba Roadhouse & Accommodation Park, Williams Close	On-Maintenance - Monitoring
Mareeba	7 Kenneally Road	On-Maintenance
Mareeba	9 Kenneally Road	Under Construction
Mareeba	McIver Road, St Stephen's College	Under Construction
Kuranda	2-6 Black Mountain Road	Under Construction
Kuranda	Jum Rum Rainforest Estate Stage 2, Fallon Road	Under construction
Kuranda	Myola Heights – Christensen Road	On-Maintenance

Facilities

Facility	Works completed
Anzac Park, Mareeba	Repaired and replaced the lighting in preparation for ANZAC Day.
Dimbulah Depot Amenities	Upgrade the hot water system .
Coondoo Street Shelters	Performed roof cleaning and conducted general maintenance tasks.
Davies Park, Netball Toilet Block	Apply epoxy to the flooring.



*Anzac Park, Mareeba – Lighting*



*Davies Park Netball Toilet Block floors*



*Coondoo Street Shelters – before*



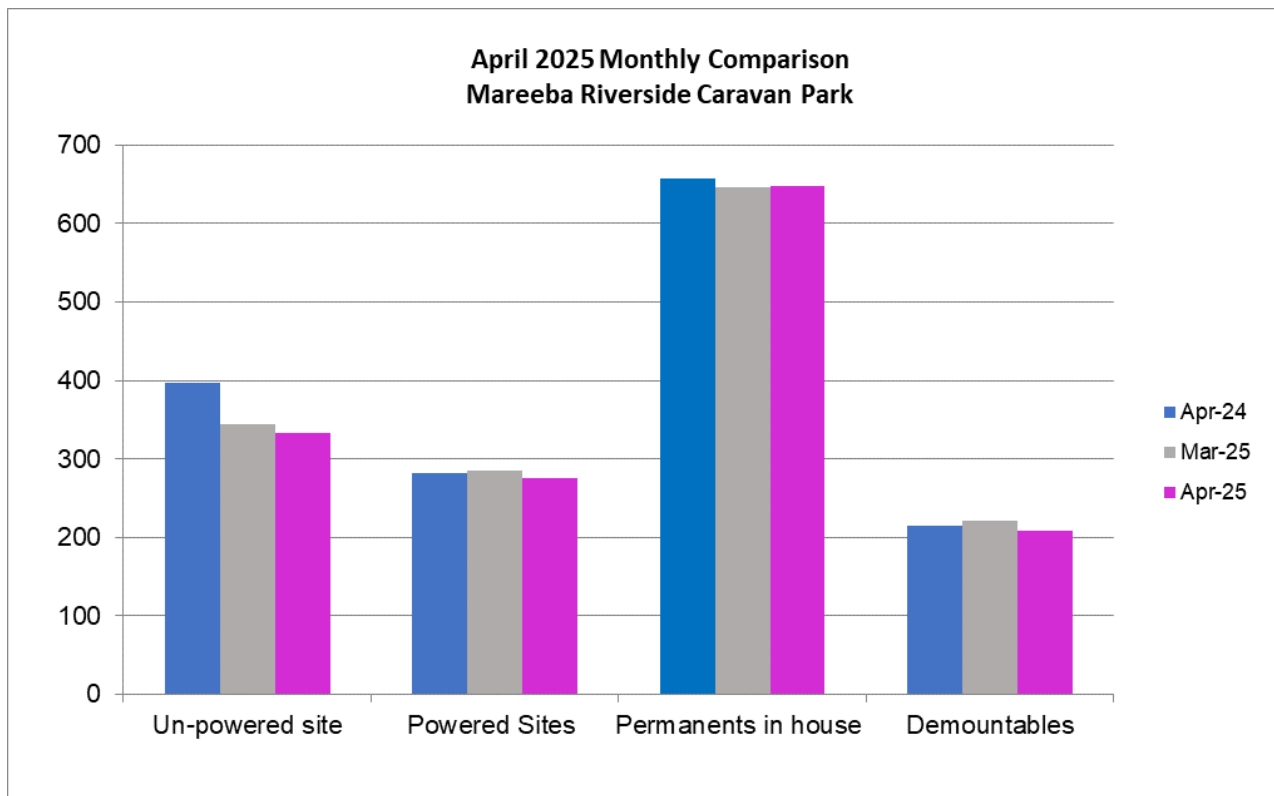
*Coondoo Street Shelters - after*

### Preventative Maintenance

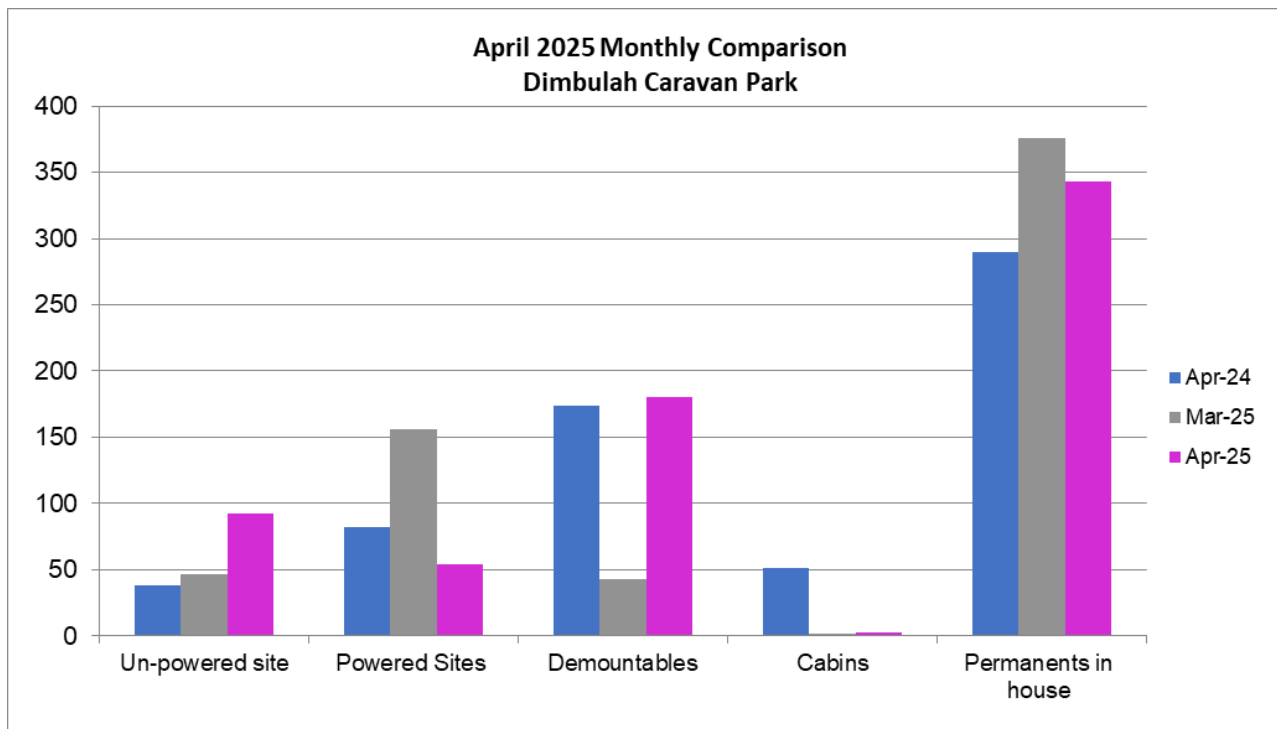
- The maintenance of air conditioning units has been finalized for all buildings.
- The RCD and tagging tests have been successfully completed on the council buildings.

### **Caravan Parks:**

Mareeba Riverside Caravan Park utilisation for has generally remained stable.

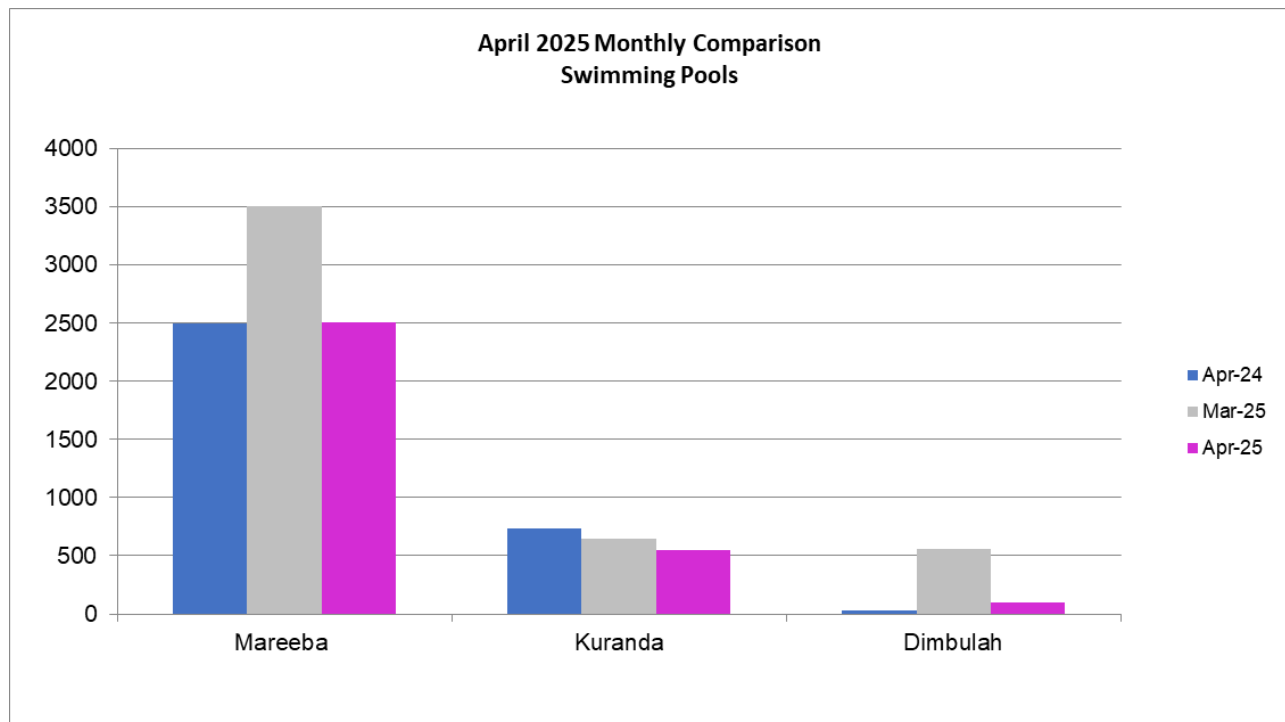


Dimbulah Caravan Park overall user numbers have generally remained stable against previous year's numbers.



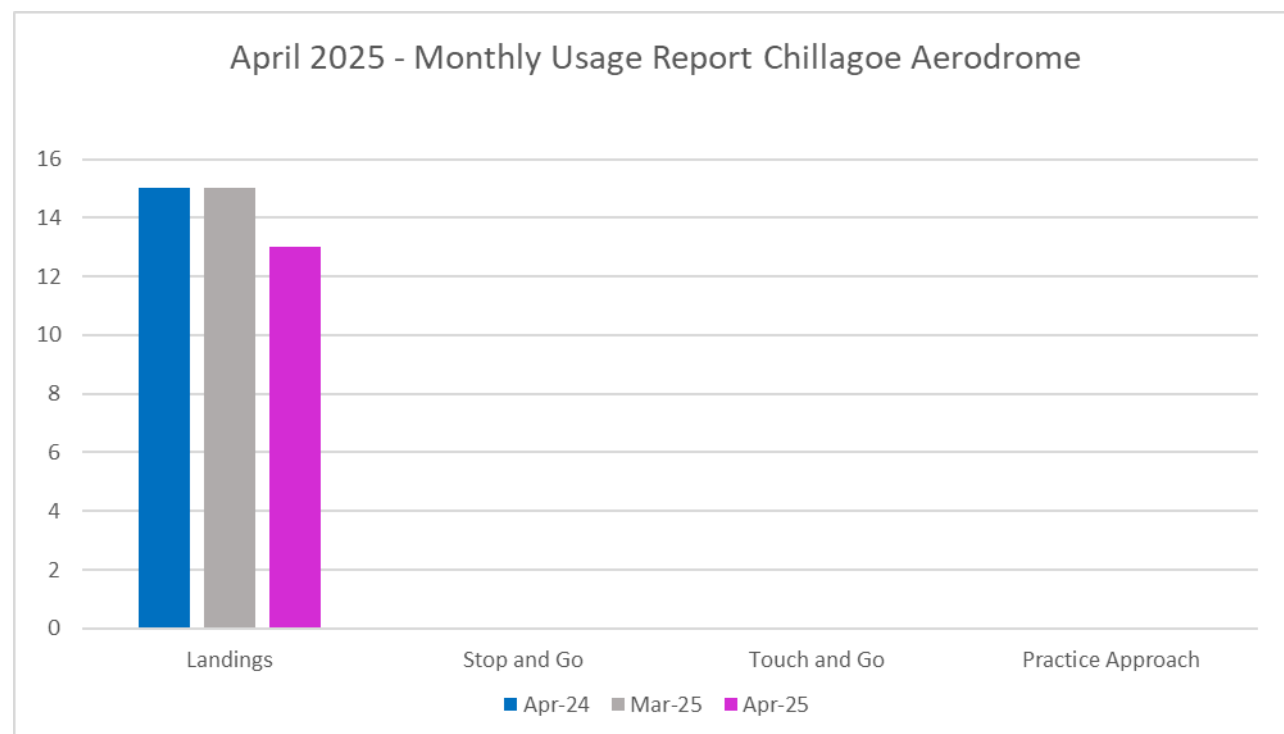
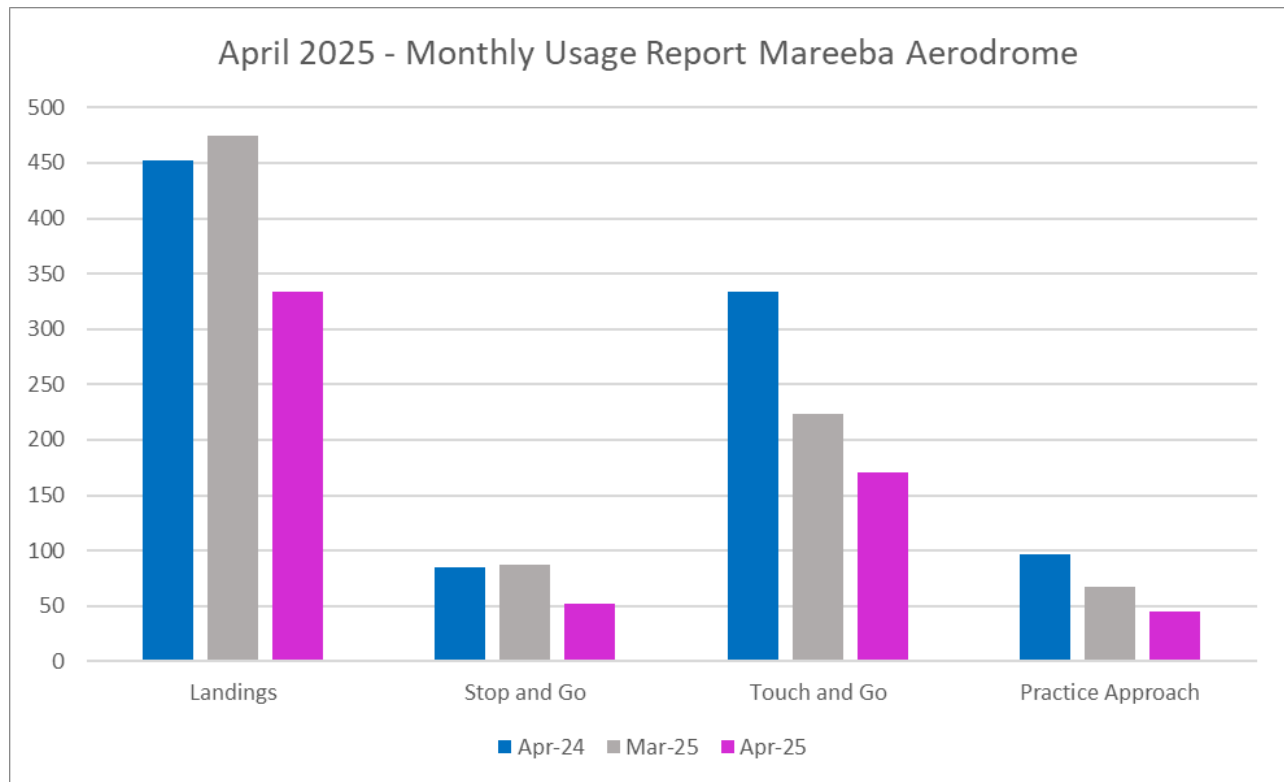
### Aquatic Centres

Attendance has seen a reduction across all facilities, which is expected as winter months approach.



Aerodromes:

The data recorded below is current for the month of April, however there is usually a lag of some data for each current month from the service provider, which continues to be updated into the next month.



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**IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION**

Nil

**9.8 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, WATER AND WASTE OPERATIONS REPORT - APRIL 2025****Date Prepared:** 17 April 2025**Author:** Manager Water and Waste**Attachments:** Nil**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to summarise Council's Water and Waste activities undertaken by the Infrastructure Services Department during the month of April 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Water and Waste Operations Report for April 2025.

**BACKGROUND****Water and Wastewater Treatment:**

All treatment plants are generally performing satisfactorily. Interim measures are in place to address damage to Kuranda Water Treatment Plant intake infrastructure which resulted from Cyclone Jasper and ongoing rain.

Connections have been updated with information provided by the Rates Section to correspond with annual KPI reporting.

<b>Water Treatment</b>	<b>Mareeba</b>	<b>Kuranda</b>	<b>Chillagoe</b>	<b>Dimbulah</b>	<b>Mt Molloy*</b>
Water Plant average daily production (kL)	6791	940	222	308	109
Number of Connections	4141	1053	127	246	111
Average daily water consumption per connection (L)	1640	893	1751	1251	984

\* Mt Molloy is an untreated, non-potable water supply

<b>Wastewater Treatment</b>	<b>Mareeba</b>	<b>Kuranda</b>
Wastewater Plant average daily treatment (kL)	4928	177
Number of Connections	3519	356
Average daily inflow per connection (L)	1400	498

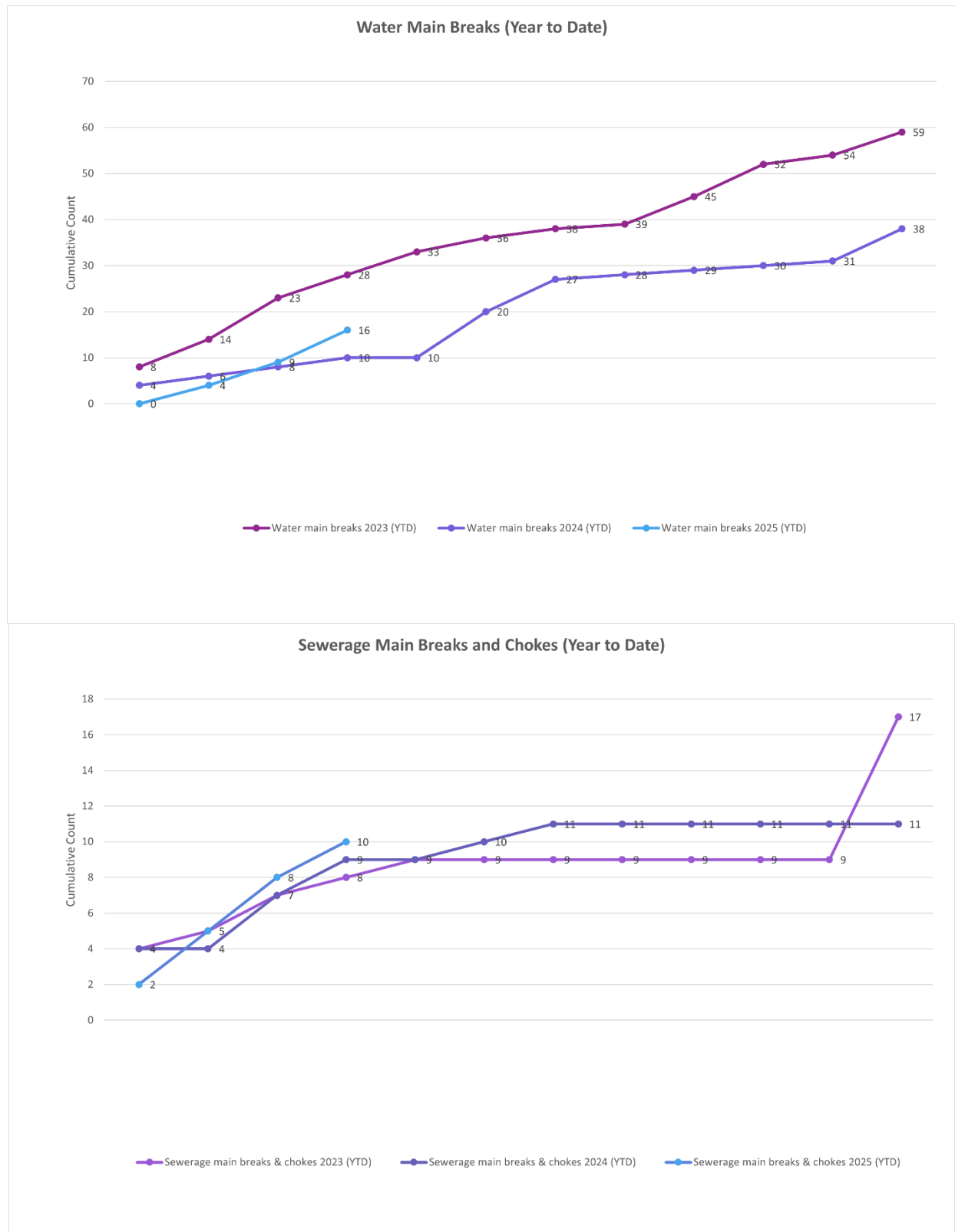
**Water and Wastewater Reticulation:**

Council's water reticulation crew attended one (6) water main breaks and two (2) sewer main breaks/chokes this month, and average response times were within targets set out in Council's customer service standard for water services.

The temporary solution to address the blockage of the Lloyd Street sewer in Mareeba continues to operate to mitigate wastewater discharges to the Barron River. Tender has been issued for the project works on a long-term solution. The various regulators are satisfied with Council's response

to the incident which is now closed out and they have advised that no regulatory action against Council will be taken.

Monthly statistics are shown on the water reticulation main breaks and sewerage main breaks and chokes:



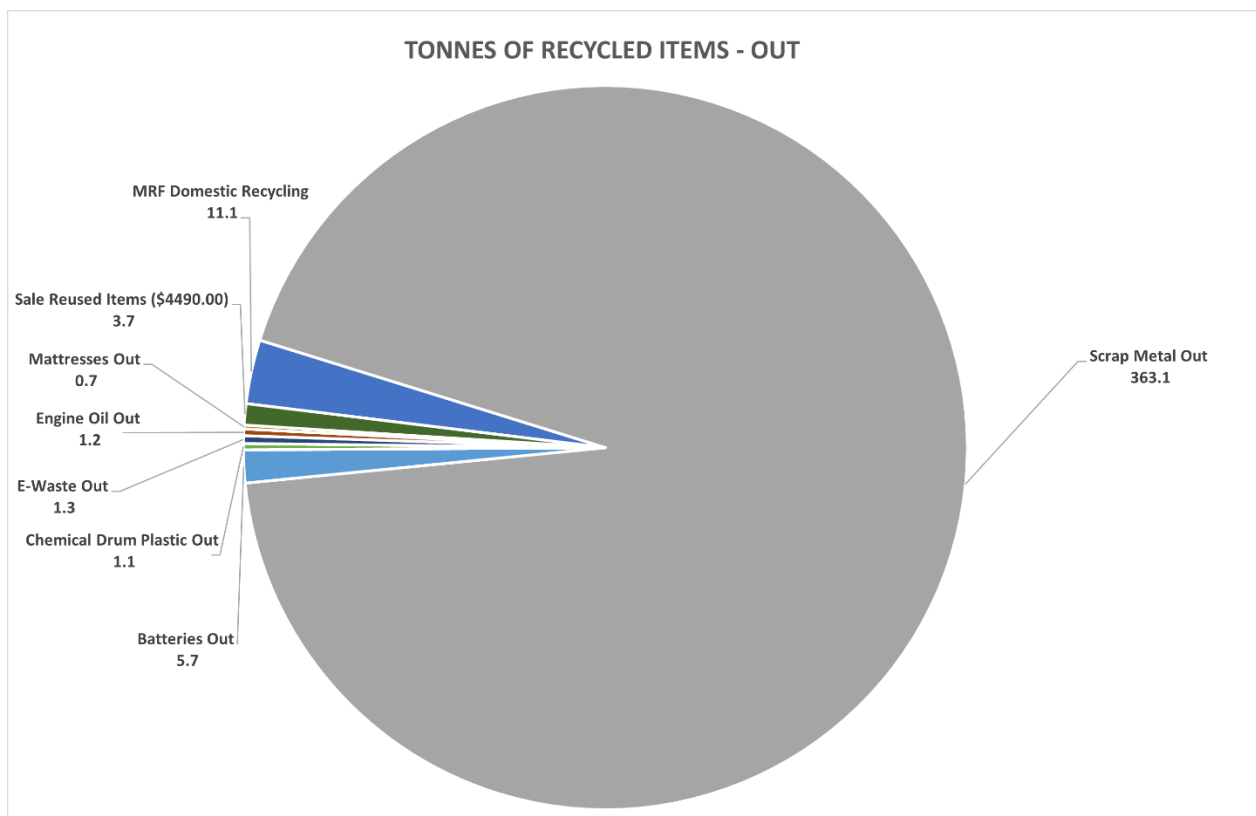
**Waste Operations:**

Under normal conditions, waste material collected in Kerbside trucks is transported to the Advanced Resource Recovery Facility (ARRF) in Cairns for processing. Residual waste and waste collected at Transfer Stations is transported to Springmount Waste Facility, and recyclable material is transported to the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) in Cairns for processing.

On 23 January 2025, a fire started on the tipping floor of the ARRF in Cairns, resulting in Veolia being unable to process waste material in accordance with Contract 1396.

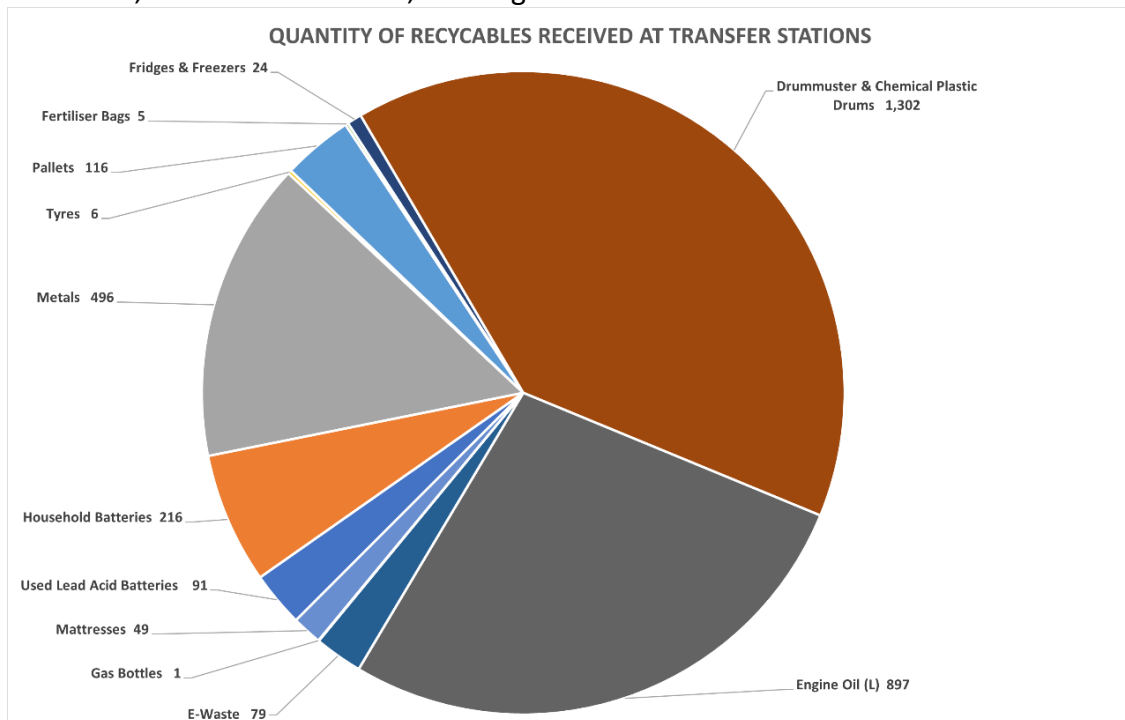
During April, all waste collected in kerbside trucks has been transported directly to Springmount Waste Facility rather than being sent down to Cairns for processing. A long-term arrangement is currently being negotiated.

During April, no waste was processed through the ARRF, 730.88 tonnes of waste was sent to Springmount Waste Facility and 11.1 tonnes of domestic items were recycled at the MRF.



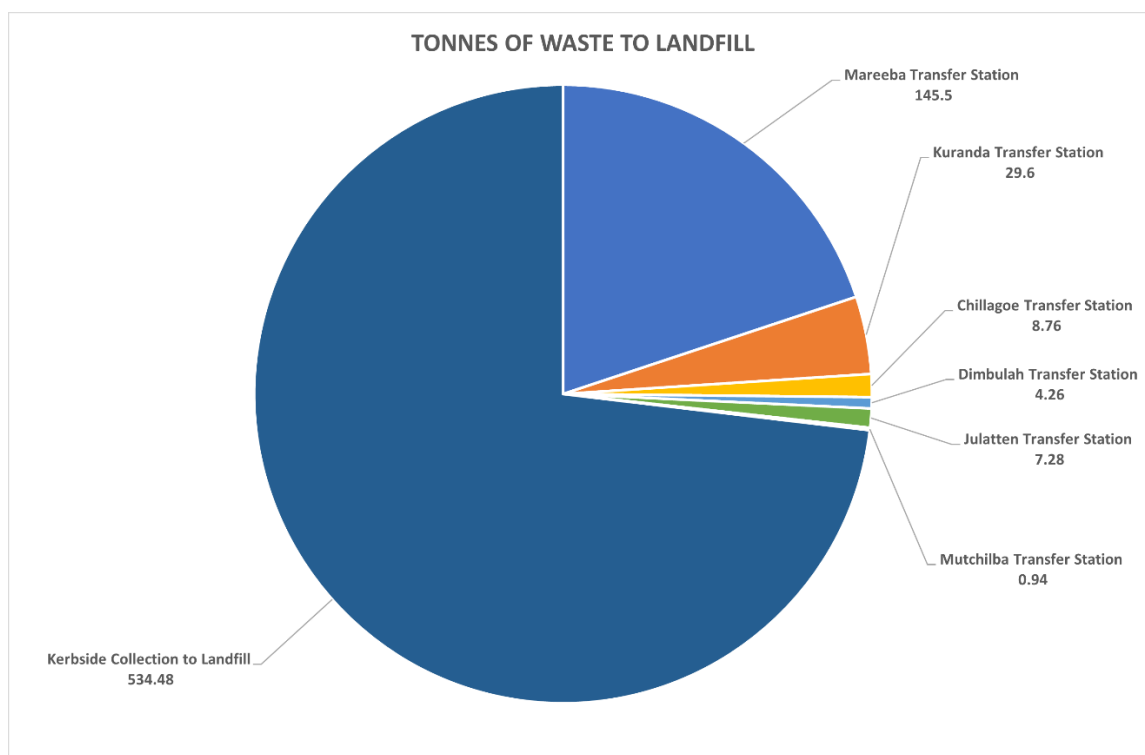
## Recycling

Residents continue to recycle at the Transfer Stations. During April the highest count of recyclable received were 1,302 Chemical drums, 897 Engine oil and 496 Metals.



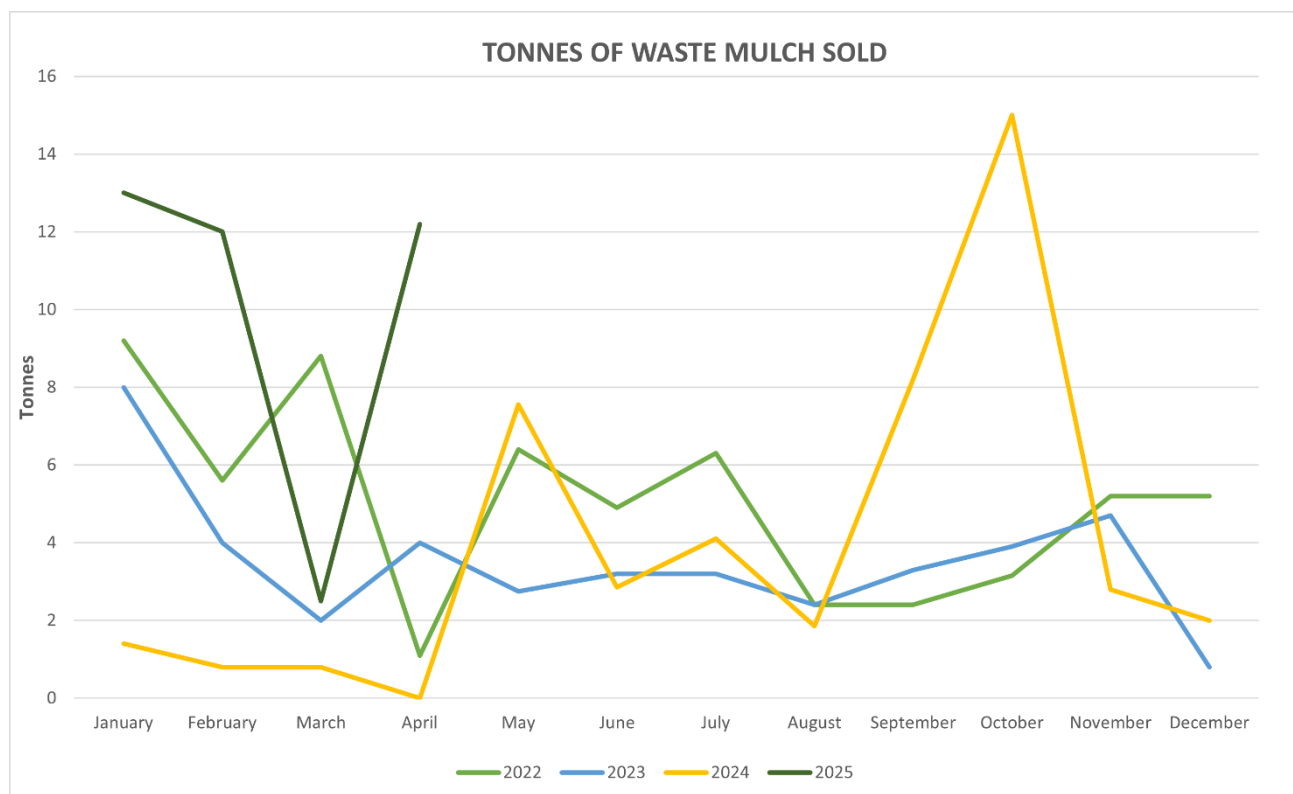
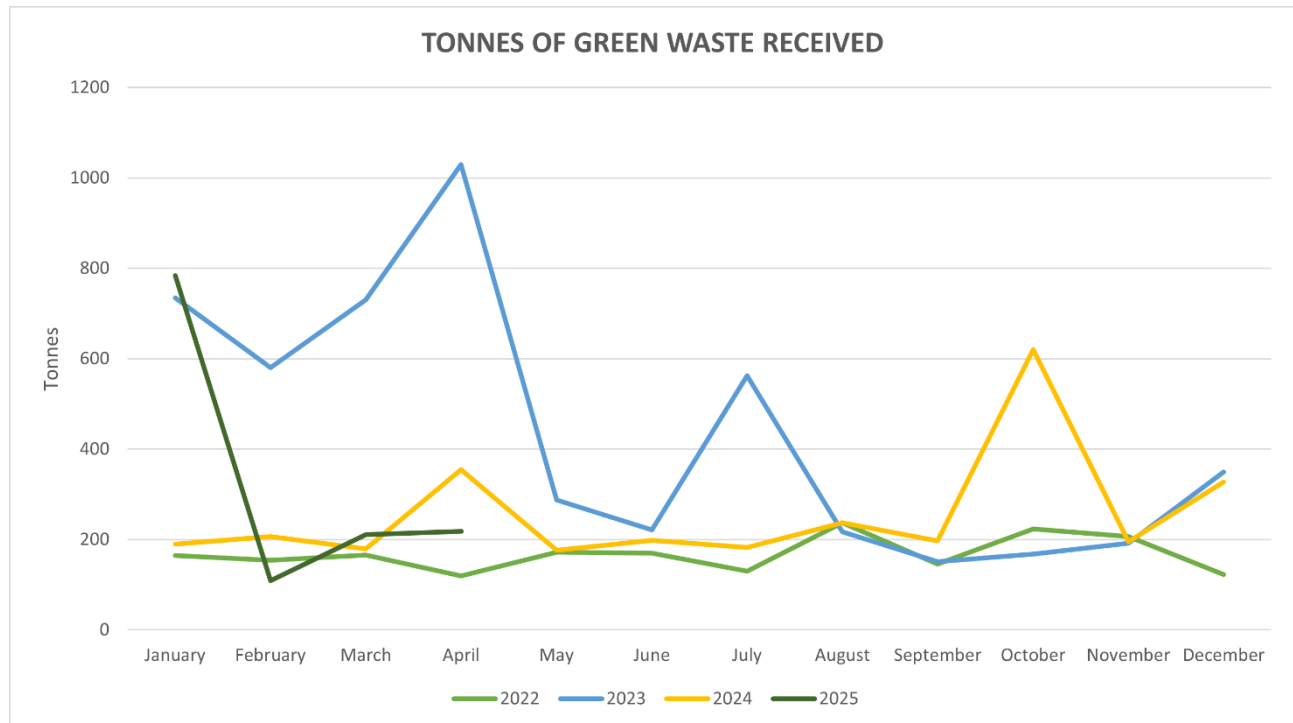
## Kerbside Collection Waste and Transfer Station Waste

Kerbside collection waste and Transfer Station dry waste is transported off site to the Springmount Waste Facility. During April a total of 730.88 tonnes of waste was sent to landfill from transfer station dry waste and kerbside collection waste. Kerbside collection contributed 534.48 tonnes to landfill, Mareeba Transfer Station contributed to 145.5 tonnes, and Kuranda 29.6 tonnes.



### Green Waste:

During April, Council received a total of 217.89 tonnes of green waste. 12.20 tonnes of mulch was sold. Kuranda recorded 6.09 tonnes of green waste from locations registered as being potentially contaminated with Electric Ants.



**RISK IMPLICATIONS****Environmental**

Council holds an Environmental Authority issued under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* to operate landfill facilities.

**LEGAL/COMPLIANCE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

**FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS*****Capital***

Nil

***Operating***

Nil

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**IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION**

Nil

**9.9 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, WORKS SECTION ACTIVITY REPORT - APRIL 2025****Date Prepared:** 9 May 2025**Author:** Manager Works**Attachments:** Nil**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to summarise Council's Transport Infrastructure, Parks and Open Spaces, TMR Routine Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC) and Land Protection operational activities undertaken by Infrastructure Services during the month of April 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Works Progress Report for the month of April 2025.

**BACKGROUND**

A summary of works completed in April 2025 is provided below.

**Transport Infrastructure**General Maintenance

The major maintenance activities carried out in April are listed below;

Activity	Location
Unsealed Road Grading	Armstrong Road, Austin Road, Bischoff Mill Road, Black Mountain Road, Black Mountain Road, Julatten, Bump Track, Eichblatt Road, James Street, Watsonville, Jeffrey Road, Jessie Street, Lockyer Lane, Mt Mulligan Road, Ootann Road, Pashen Road, Riley Road, Sandridge Road, Shiffron Road, Toy Creek Road, Walsh River Road, West Bischoff Mill Road, Wetherby Road, Zaicz Road
Bitumen Patching	Bilwon, Julatten, Mareeba
Emergent Works	Mt Mulgrave, Mt Molloy
Tree Clearing	Julatten
Herbicide Spraying - Area	Dimbulah, Eureka, Wolfram, Mt Molloy, Mareeba, Paddy's Green, Arriga, Chillagoe, Bibbohra
Slashing - Area	Dimbulah, Mutchilba, Koah, Speewah, Julatten, Mt Molloy, Wolfram, Mareeba
Road Signage	Black Mountain Road Kuranda, Ericson Road, Frew Street, Kennedy Street, Linedale Road, Mary Jane Drive, Mutchilba Road, Narcotic Creek Road, Pin Road, Quinn Road, Raleigh Street
Illegal Dumping	Algoma Road, Leadingham Creek Road, Wolfram Road

Customer Requests

During April, the Works Group received 124 Customer Requests (CRs) with 223 resolved (resolved requests include those received prior to March 2025). The table below shows the number of requests lodged per Works Section for the month.

Month	Roads	Parks and Gardens	Pest Management
April	94	28	2

At the time of reporting, the Works Group had 120 open requests.

2025 DRFA Emergent Works

Mareeba Shire Council received advice from the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) that Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) has been activated for the North and Far North Tropical Low 29 January – 28 February 2025 event.

The 90 day emergent period concluded on 28 April, 2025. Several areas in the western parts of the shire have obtained emergent works extension of time due to limited access during the original emergent works period.

A total of 107 roads across the shire were affected by the event.

TMR Routine Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC)**32A - Kennedy Highway (Cairns - Mareeba)**

- Rest Area Servicing - Edmund Kennedy Bridge

**34A - Mulligan Highway (Mareeba - Mt Molloy)**

- Removal of all wet season warning signs
- Rural slashing two (2) cut width - Brady Road to Mt Molloy
- Pothole patching at various locations

**34B - Mulligan Highway (Mt Molloy - Lakeland)**

- Rest Area servicing at Rifle Creek
- Roadside litter collection - Rifle Creek and Mt Carbine Truck Stop
- Rural slashing Rifle Creek to Desailly Range
- Pothole patching at various locations
- Supply only- 2 x Spear Creek and 1 x Holmes Creek signs
- Cut and poison suckers/regrowth in cuttings along length of road
- Rifle Creek Rest Area - replace stolen showerhead and tap handles

**653 – Mossman-Mt Molloy Road**

- Rest Area servicing at Hunter Creek
- Roadside litter collection - Hunter Creek, Environ Park and Lyons Park
- Rural slashing Mt Molloy to Mossman - full cut both sides where possible
- Clean up roofing screws that were scattered on road
- Install 2x Bushy Creek and 2x Hunter Creek signage
- Removal of wet season warning signs

**6632 - Herberton-Petford Road**

- Remove dead tree at Pipe 45
- Emergent Work – Road inspection and photographing existing and completed emergent works
- Emergent Work - Clearing silt from causeways and major road repairs along gravel section of road from Petford to Irvinebank

**664 - Mareeba-Dimbulah Road**

- Herbicide spraying full length of road
- Pothole patching at various locations

**89B - Burke Developmental Road (BDR)**

- Herbicide spraying full length of road
- Eureka Creek Rest Area servicing and ground maintenance
- Emergent Work - Clear silt off Little Pump Creek Almaden
- Emergent Work – Road inspection and photographing existing and completed emergent works

Parks and Open Spaces

Description	Comment
Mowing	Mareeba, Dimbulah, Kuranda, Mt Molloy/Julatten, and Chillagoe mowing is on schedule. Vegetation growth is slowing and mowing now roughly every 12 to 15 days.
Playing fields mowing	All playing fields now mowed weekly at 50mm
General maintenance	Herbicide spraying has been done weekly on the areas mowed the week before as the weather permits.
Gurney Crew	Cleaning in Mareeba three (3) hours early morning four (4) days per week. Kuranda streets two (2) hours two (2) days per week. Pressure cleaning of Mt Molloy and Dimbulah tennis courts.
Playgrounds	Safety “D” shackles replaced on “Basket Swing” at Centenary Park Kuranda. One (1) fence panel replaced at Centenary Park Liberty swing in Mareeba.
Projects	Assist Perosa Landscaping with Coondoo Street Planter box upgrades in Kuranda.
Slashing	Northern approaches to Mareeba, Hastie and Emerald End Roads. Commence firebreaks slashing.
Burials	Mareeba Cemetery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four (4) in-ground interments in Lawn Plaque on Beam</li> <li>• One (1) Mausoleum Wall interment</li> <li>• Two (2) in ground interments in Headstone on Beam</li> <li>• One (1) above ground vault interment</li> <li>• Three (3) ash interments in Columbarium Wall</li> </ul>

Description	Comment
LOA	Mareeba Cemetery and Pioneer Cemetery maintenance. LOA's now assisting in Dimbulah each Monday and have worked at Dimbulah Cemetery, Barooga Gardens and the Dimbulah Tennis Courts.
Fire Management	Herbicide fire breaks in Mareeba
Events	Anzac Day events shire-wide

### Land Protection

**Parthenium Weed:** Inspections carried out on all sites. All landholders are complying with their biosecurity obligation.

**Gamba Grass:** Foliar spray Gamba Grass on local roadsides from Mareeba to Dimbulah and Tinaroo Creek/Henry Hannam areas.

**TMR works:** *Gamba Grass* - Foliar spray on Kennedy Highway to TRC boundary.

**Thatch Grass:** Land protection staff assisted the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) in the collection and spread of Thatch grass in the MSC area. The department is researching Thatch grass management and control.

**Electric ants:** Sentinel site surveys at MSC transfer stations, samples sent to DPI for identification and no suspect ants were found.

**Feral Pigs:** Two (2) pigs trapped in Koah. 1080 baiting carried out for pigs in the Dimbulah area.



*Gamba Grass – post treatment*

**FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS*****Operating***

All operational works are funded by the section specific 2024/25 maintenance budgets.

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**Liveability and Environment:** Improve the liveability of the Shire by enhancing amenity and valuing natural assets.

**Economy and Growth:** Promote and encourage investment in local industry to build a resilient economy.

**IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION**

Nil