



# BRAIDWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## COMMENTS ON THE QPRC DRAFT INTEGRATED PLANS 2025-26

The Braidwood Community Association (BCA) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council (QPRC) Draft Integrated Plans for 2025-26.

### SUMMARY

#### Draft Revenue Plan

- The third 18% increase in general rates as a result of the SRV will further exacerbate the hardship being suffered by households in QPRC and it is therefore even more important that Council delivers, and be seen to deliver, its services to ratepayers in an efficient, timely and cost-effective manner.
- The BCA welcomes the increase in the voluntary pensioner rebates and encourages QPRC to take all steps to bring this to the attention of eligible pensioner ratepayers.

#### Draft QPRC Operational Plan

- While the new presentation makes the Operational Plan easier to follow, it lacks some of the detail of the previous format. It is also very difficult to make comparisons with previous years.
- The previous Operational Plan not only had a wider range of indicators but targets as well. The BCA asks why the targets have been dropped and where are the indicators published?
- Regarding the BCA's six priority actions / projects:
  - 1) The draft Plan appears to contain a significant increase in road funding, including rural roads, which is very much supported by the BCA.
  - 2) Several important components are either complete or in progress which would allow the development of an overarching long-term strategic plan for Braidwood. The BCA encourages Council to complete the Braidwood Structure plan, the IWCMPs review, the development of the revised Development Control Plan arising from the Heritage Review in a timely manner.
  - 3) The BCA is disappointed that safeguarding Braidwood's water supply is delayed because the outcomes of the reviews of the IWCMP are now not expected to inform the Integrated Plans process until 2025-26 at the earliest, when initially it was flagged that this would be undertaken in 2023-24. The BCA urges Council to ensure that these reviews are completed in the coming year.
  - 4) As for 3 above, the harmonisation of water, sewage, and waste charges across QPRC is disappointingly delayed.
  - 5) The BCA is disappointed that it is now not possible to know if the budget for Environmental actions is going up or down as the information provided is no longer compatible with previous years. It is concerned that some of the actions under the Urban Forest and Cooling Strategy are being delayed to create savings in 2025-26. The BCA supports the proposals for an '*Annual report and status review of the Climate Change Action Plans and implementation of prioritised actions*' and a '*Review our Urban Forest and Cooling Strategy*'.
  - 6) The Operation Plan (and Delivery Program) is silent on the issue of Community Transport, despite it being included in the Community Strategic Plan. The BCA is very keen to engage in a dialogue with Council on the provision of better community transport in the Braidwood district.

- The BCA welcomes the current consultation on a pedestrian and cyclist priority list and the foreshadowed review of the Braidwood Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP).
- The BCA supports the intention to ‘*Implement the prioritised and Council actions from the Affordable Housing Strategy in partnership with the Government*’ and ‘*Update and review Affordable Housing Background Report and overarching Strategy*’, but questions why Council will only ‘*Investigate opportunities in Queanbeyan CBD to increase housing diversity and supply.*’ The BCA suggests this should state ‘*town centres*’.
- The draft Plan is silent on the issue of European wasps, with the BCA hopeful that Council will continue to have a budget allocation to continue controlling wasps throughout QPRC.

#### **Draft QPRC Delivery Program 2025-29**

- The Delivery Program contains a very ambitious investment program of \$618 million in capital works over the four-year period, an increase in QPRC’s assets by nearly 25%.
- This will inevitably significantly increase the depreciation allowance and borrowing costs and hence put upwards pressure on rates and charges paid by residents (see comments on the LTFP below).
- There are some actions which have been foreshadowed for Braidwood but are not included in the Delivery Program which the BCA asked to be added. Namely:
  - 1) New Braidwood Cemetery, with the Structure Plan process suggesting the current Cemetery is fast reaching capacity.
  - 2) Development of the Braidwood Heritage Interpretation Plan and Review of the Braidwood Development Control Plan as part of the implementation of the 15 Year Review of Braidwood’s Heritage Listing recommendations.
  - 3) Braidwood Depot Relocation and development of the site for affordable housing and parking which has been on the agenda since at least 2020-21.
- There is no Delivery Program Financial Summary as in previous Delivery Programs, notably no draft budget position for all funds over the four-year outlook. This is a significant reduction in transparency. The BCA requests that this be rectified in the final Delivery Program.
- There are no total costs given in the listings of projects by Directorates over the draft Program or in total for QPRC by year. This reduces transparency and makes it more difficult to understand what is happening in aggregate. The BCA suggests project information be presented in a more user-friendly form, including with project numbers, and the reinstatement of Annex 1 of the previous Delivery Program.

#### **Draft QPRC Long Term Financial Plan 2025-35**

- The BCA is concerned by the statement ‘*The Council has not yet achieved a financially sustainable position*’ (p10). It is unclear whether this is the situation as at 2024-25 or is the situation going forward. The BCA believes it would be prudent to amend the text to clarify which it is.
- From the modelling scenarios presented, the BCA reluctantly agrees that there should be a third and final 18% SRV increase in rates in 2025-26, before reverting to the rate peg increase of 2.5% for future years.
- From the budgets presented, the investment program will lead to a total increase in annual borrowing and depreciation costs of \$19.3m by the end of the Delivery Program, which equates to \$637 per household.
- The BCA is aware that grants are being sought but urges Council to redouble its efforts to get grants to reduce borrowing costs.

## **Draft QPRC Workforce Management Plan**

- The BCA fully supports the Draft QPRC Workforce Management Plan but notes from the long list of ‘weaknesses’ in the SWAT analysis there is a long way to go before the aspirations are met.

## **DRAFT REVENUE PLAN FOR 2025-26**

### **Special Rates Variation**

General rate charges are proposed to increase by a further 18% in 2025-26, the third and final such increase. The cost-of-living crisis is still very much with us and while the reasons for this significant rate increase are well understood, it must be acknowledged that this increase will further exacerbate the hardship being suffered by many households in the LGA.

In this environment it is even more important that Council delivers, and is seen to deliver, its services to ratepayers in an efficient, timely and cost-effective manner.

### **Annual charges**

Annual charges are set to generally increase by 3.9%, with the exception of the annual charge for the Queanbeyan Sewerage Scheme which will increase by 6.0%, which is required because of the upgrade of the Queanbeyan Sewerage Treatment Plant.

This will slightly reduce the disparity of charges between Palerang and Queanbeyan, with Palerang residents paying on average \$573 more per residential dwelling than those in Queanbeyan (see Attachment 1).

The BCA appreciates that the disparity can only be addressed when the reviews of Queanbeyan and Palerang Integrated Water Cycle Management Plans (IWCMPs) have been completed, when charges could then be harmonised, with single Water and Sewerage schemes for QPRC.

### **Pensioner rebates**

The draft Operational Plan highlights that Council will provide an extra voluntary rebate of \$50 to all pensioners in QPRC (up by \$10), in addition to the compulsory rebates for general rates, domestic waste, water charges, sewerage charges to all eligible pensioner ratepayers. This brings the total maximum pensioner rebate to \$475 per annum.

The BCA welcomes this proposal. The BCA also encourages QPRC to take all steps to bring this to the attention of eligible pensioner ratepayers, including the rebates being more prominent in Rates and Charges Notices.

### **Community Service Obligations**

The BCA is surprised that in the discussion on CSOs, expenditure on Economic Development and Tourism (p50) is considered to be 100% CSO with no private benefit at all, when even environment activities are considered to have 15-25% private benefit. The BCA suggests that this should be reviewed as there is clearly private benefit. While for Strategic Planning there is a 90-95% CSO and a 15-20% private benefit. The BCA asks how does the total benefit exceed 100% in this instance?

## **DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR 2025-26**

### **General Comments**

The presentation of the draft Operational Plan has been changed significantly. While the new presentation makes it easier to follow, it lacks some of the detail of the previous format. The helpful annex on Road Maintenance is not given. Also, project numbers are no longer given so it is more difficult to know how the proposed projects relate to existing projects.

The budget is also now presented by Directorates and Branches, when previously it was by the Pillars in the Community Strategic Plan and by Program links. While there is broad alignment between the two, it does mean that comparisons with previous years are difficult because of this change.

Moreover, the budgets for each Branch are now presented in a different way so comparisons with previous Operational Plans budgets are simply not possible. This means that there is no way of knowing the direction or extent of change of expenditure at this level.

The draft Operational Plan is also combined with the draft Delivery Program, which was previously a separate document and contained more information than given this time. The Delivery Program has a different role to play to the Operational Plan in the Integrated Planning process and unless it is intended to provide an updated Delivery Program in future Operational Plans this is a retrograde step.

The previous Operational Plan not only had a wider range of indicators but targets as well. The BCA asks why have the targets been dropped and where are the indicators published?

### **Braidwood and District Projects in the Draft Plan**

The BCA is pleased to see that there are 26 separate projects in the Braidwood district for 2025-26 in the Draft Capital Works Program (see Attachment 2) for a total cost of \$21.7m.

The largest projects being Nerriga Rd, Ninge Nimble (MR92) - Reconstruction Part Funding (\$6.7m plus \$1.5m), Braidwood Landfill rehabilitation (\$5m), Braidwood Drainage Design (\$3.1m), Braidwood 88 Wallace St - Placemaking & Carpark (\$1.7m plus \$0.7m), and Braidwood Swimming Pool upgrades (\$1m).

The BCA also understands that Council staff, as they did last year, will be presenting a separate Carryover Report around the end of the financial year of current projects, like unfinished projects in the [Braidwood Major Projects Update](#), and will be rolling the uncompleted projects into the 2025-26 Operational Plan.

### **Priority Issues and Projects for Braidwood and surrounding district**

In the lead-up to the 2024 Queanbeyan and Palerang Regional Council elections the BCA undertook a survey of residents on a range of possible priority projects/issues to be progressed during the current term of Council. The results identified 6 priority projects/issues which most of the elected councillors signed up, in one form or another, to progressing.

The BCA's assessment of the Draft Plan against these priorities are as follows.

#### **1. Better maintenance of rural roads**

The draft Plan appears to contain a significant increase in road funding, including rural roads, which is very much supported by the BCA.

We say 'appears' because there seems to be a change in the names of some of the budget lines for roads and there are new budget lines which were not given before. But assuming that there is a like for like comparison, funding for roads should increase by nearly 27%. This is due mainly to a 53% in *Road to Recovery* Budget and the introduction of two new Regional Road budget lines (see attachment 3).

The BCA notes the *Local Roads Renewal - Reseals and Resurfacing* budget is increasing by 25% which directly addresses the BCA's number one priority, with the BCA very appreciative of this commitment.

The BCA is very pleased that Council decided to increase the number of road crews from two to four this financial year. This gives the capacity to make real progress on improving the maintenance of the LGA's roads.

#### **2. Long-term strategic plan for Braidwood**

A number of important components are either complete or in progress. Once all are complete, they will allow the development of an overarching long-term strategic plan for Braidwood.

The completed components are the Braidwood Community Plan and the 15 Year Review of Braidwood's Heritage Listing. Those in progress include the Braidwood Structure Plan and the IWCMP review. The development of the Braidwood Heritage Interpretation Plan and a revised

Development Control Plan arising from the Heritage Review are still to commence and are needed for there to be clarity on Heritage issues.

The BCA encourages Council to complete all these reviews in a timely manner.

### **3. Securing Braidwood's water supply**

The BCA is disappointed that the outcomes of the reviews of the IWCMP are now not expected to inform the Integrated Plans process until 2025-26 at the earliest, when initially it was flagged that this would be undertaken in 2023-24. The BCA urges Council to ensure that these reviews are completed in the coming financial year.

### **4. Harmonisation of water, sewage, and waste charges across QPRC**

As for 3 above, the BCA urges Council to ensure that the IWCMP reviews are completed in the coming financial year.

### **5. Environmental enhancement**

As stated above, it is now not possible to know if the budget for Environmental actions is going up or down as the information is no longer compatible with previous years.

The BCA is concerned by the observation in the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) that there will be a '*Staged implementation of the Urban Forest and Cooling Strategy*' (p23), as part of the budget cuts made in the next year's budget, although the savings made are not specified.

The BCA supports the proposals for an '*Annual report and status review of the Climate Change Action Plans and implementation of prioritised actions*' and a '*Review our Urban Forest and Cooling Strategy*' (p66).

### **6. Community Transport**

The Operation Plan (and Delivery Program) are silent on the issue of Community Transport, despite it being an identified priority in the Community Strategic Plan.

Given the age profile of Braidwood's population and its relative isolation, access to transport is important to enable community members to access necessary services in larger centres. The BCA is aware of a demand for subsidised community transport for Braidwood residents. Medical transport to larger centres is limited and most residents rely on friends and relatives to drive them to essential medical appointments and treatment. Our senior residents have identified a need for transport to larger centres for shopping and social outings. There is no public transport and limited private bus transport from Braidwood to regional cities.

The BCA has researched the Community Transport system operated by Eurobodalla Shire Council and other Councils. This is funded from a number of sources and provides a successful model that could be followed by QPRC.

The BCA is very keen to engage in a dialogue with Council on the provision of better Community Transport in the Braidwood district.

### **Other issues**

#### **Paths and Pedestrian Refuges**

The BCA notes that Council is currently [consulting](#) on a pedestrian and cyclist priority list. The BCA welcomes this consultation and the foreshadowed review of the Braidwood Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP).

Paths are an important issue for Braidwood and a priority for all ages of the community, in particular older persons (some with significant mobility issues, with an increasing usage of mobility scooters), children and teenagers. Braidwood has the highest percentage (12.3%) of people who walk or cycle compared to the rest of the LGA<sup>1</sup>.

In addition to completing the network of paths within Braidwood and the installation of pedestrian refuges, the BCA considers a recreational path around the outskirts of Braidwood

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<sup>1</sup> p49 of the QPRC Draft Local Strategic Planning Statement "Towards 2040".

for the benefit of residents and visitors as a priority for the community, including the concreting of the currently washed out gravel path along Bombay Road to Garvey Street.

There is a need to have better and safer access to footpaths from roads. This issue has been raised many times by our residents, especially those who use mobility scooters or walking frames. We believe this would only require a small investment in concrete verges at intersections.

### **Affordable Housing**

The BCA notes that Council intends to ‘*Implement the prioritised and Council actions from the Affordable Housing Strategy in partnership with the Government*’ and ‘*Update and review Affordable Housing Background Report and overarching Strategy*’ (p67). The BCA welcomes these statements.

The draft Plan also states Council will ‘*Investigate opportunities in Queanbeyan CBD to increase housing diversity and supply.*’ (p67). The BCA questions why this should be limited to the Queanbeyan CBD and suggests this should state ‘*town centres*’.

In this respect, the BCA notes the Affordable Housing Working Group has discussed opportunities in Braidwood to increase housing supply and diversity.

Affordable Housing is a major issue and is only getting worse. The focus of these activities must be to find and implement solutions to this pressing issue, in collaboration with other levels of Government and other stakeholders.

Council’s commitment to affordable housing as part of the long-term redevelopment of the Council depot site will not be acted on for many years, as there is no projected funding for this project in the Delivery Program.

### **European Wasps**

The wasp problem in Braidwood has diminished this year, suggesting that the action taken by Council and Braidwood European Wasp Offensive (BEWO) has had an impact. Nevertheless, a lot of wasps were caught during the autumn when the new Queens left the home nests. This suggests that we need to continue to be vigilant in the coming years. The draft Plan is silent on the issue of wasps, with the BCA hopeful that Council will continue to have a budget allocation to continue controlling wasps throughout QPRC (in 2024-25 it was of \$28,000).

### **DRAFT QPRC DELIVERY PROGRAM 2025-29**

The BCA notes that the Delivery Program involves \$618 million in capital works over the four-year period (p4), which is an increase in QPRC’s assets by nearly 25% (current assets being \$2.5 billion). This is a very ambitious investment program, with just 2 projects (Queanbeyan Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade and Q2B Bulk Water Pipeline projects) accounting for 47% of this total and just 8 projects for nearly 60% of the total (see Attachment 3).

The BCA notes that Council has not yet formally voted to approve the Q2B pipeline.

QPRC staff and Councillors will need to be on the top of their game to manage such a huge investment over such a short period.

An increase in assets and associated loans of this order of magnitude will also significantly increase the depreciation allowance and borrowing costs and hence put up upwards pressure on rates and charges paid by residents (see comments in the LTFP below).

The BCA also notes that while there is significant expenditure in the Braidwood District in 2025-26, it drops off rapidly in the outlook years to zero specific projects in 2028-29. The BCA appreciates that this may be because Council is yet to approve any projects for the Braidwood District for 2028-29 and few for elsewhere in the LGA, but this does undermine the value of the Delivery Program.

The BCA notes that there are some actions which have been foreshadowed but are not included in the Delivery Program. Notably:

- 1) New Braidwood Cemetery (p35) with the Structure Plan process suggesting the current Cemetery is fast reaching capacity.
- 2) Review of the Braidwood Development Control Plan (p66 & 68) as part of the implementation of the 15 Year Review of Braidwood's Heritage Listing recommendations. The BCA notes with thanks that Council at its meeting on 25 May 2025 approved a contribution of \$50,000 from the Heritage Reserve Fund towards the Braidwood Heritage Interpretation Plan, another key recommendation from the 15 Year Review.
- 3) Braidwood Depot Relocation and development of the site for affordable housing and parking which has been on the agenda since 2020-21. The BCA acknowledges this is a long-term action, but notes Council staff are already working on all the preliminary requirements for this project with consultants engaged to provide concept plans and ideas for the redevelopment of the site.

There is no Delivery Program Financial Summary as in previous Delivery Programs, notably no draft budget position for all funds over the four-year outlook. This is a significant reduction in transparency. The BCA requests that this be rectified in the final Delivery Program.

There are no totals given in the listings of projects by Directorates over the draft Program or in total for QPRC by year (although we acknowledge there is one in the LTFP but you have to know to look there). This reduces transparency and makes it more difficult to understand what is happening in aggregate. The BCA suggests project information be presented in a more user-friendly form, including with project numbers and reinstating Annex 1 of the previous Delivery Program.

#### **DRAFT QPRC LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2025-35**

The BCA notes the problematic financial situation of QPRC outlined, which led to the Special Rate Variation (SRV) and the actions being taken to curtail cost and seek productivity improvements.

The BCA is concerned by the statement '*The Council has not yet achieved a financially sustainable position*' (p10). It is unclear whether this is the situation as at 2024-25 or is the situation going forward. The BCA believes it would be prudent to amend the text to clarify which it is.

In this iteration of the LTFP, it appear the main purpose of the modelling is to compare three scenarios: 1) current proposal of the third and final year of the 18% SRV; 2) reduced services (a rate increase of 12% with reduced asset renewal and operational expenditure); and 3) significantly reduced services (a rate increase of 3.9% with an even greater reduced asset renewal and operational expenditure). The BCA notes that measured against Council's objectives, only scenario 1 '*more closely meets these objectives*'.

From the modelling scenarios presented, the BCA reluctantly agrees that there should be a third and final 18% increase in rates in 2025-26, before reverting to the rate peg increase of 2.5% for future years.

The LTFP also gives insights into the impact of the ambitious investment program on the ongoing costs to the budget and additional charges to residents.

The Delivery Program (Annex 2) has debt rising by \$123m over 4 years, while the LTFP uses the assumption that debt rises by \$175m over the 10 years. This is a huge increase when compared with debt levels at the end of June 2024 of 149m. While the Debt Service Ratio remains above the benchmark of >2.0x, it only just does in 2029 at 2.5. Should there be cost blow outs, which have to be financed by more debt, during the management of the various large projects envisaged then the outcome may easily be worse.

In the base line data given in the LTFP, the cost of servicing loans across the four funds is expected to increase in the four years of the Delivery Program from \$6.3m in 2025-26 to

\$14.2m in 2028-29, an increase of \$7.8m or 124%. While the total depreciation allowance increases from \$97m in 2025-26 to \$108.5m in 2028-29, an increase of \$11.4m or 11.8%.

This is a total increase in borrowings and depreciation costs of \$19.3m, which equates to \$637 per household.

The BCA is aware that grants are being sought but urges Council to redouble its efforts to get grants to reduce borrowing costs.

**DRAFT QPRC WORKFORCE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2025-29**

The BCA continues to be impressed by the dedication of Council staff and their willingness to engage with the Community.

The BCA fully supports the Draft QPRC Workforce Management Plan but notes from the long list of ‘weaknesses’ in the SWAT analysis there is a long way to go before the aspirations are met.

The BCA acknowledges the challenges QPRC has in attracting and retaining quality workers, given the competition from other employers in the region, notably from the ACT. It supports the desire to build internal capacity and reduce the number of contract staff. It also supports expanding the opportunities for the employment and training of local youth.

The BCA appreciates the commitment to maintaining services in Braidwood.

The BCA is very pleased to see it reiterated that additional resources are being provided for Road Maintenance works in this Plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

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BCA President  
On behalf of the Braidwood Community Association

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Attachment 1

## Queanbeyan and Palerang charges

	Queanbeyan					Palerang					Difference (Palerang - Queanbeyan)				
	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Water access	\$283	\$290	\$303	\$317	\$329	\$556	\$570	\$596	\$689	\$623	\$273	\$280	\$293	\$372	\$294
Water Usage <sup>1</sup>	\$698	\$715	\$748	\$782	\$812	\$621	\$636	\$666	\$690	\$696	-\$77	-\$78	-\$82	-\$92	-\$115
Total Water	\$981	\$1,005	\$1,051	\$1,099	\$1,141	\$1,177	\$1,206	\$1,262	\$1,379	\$1,319	\$196	\$202	\$211	\$280	\$179
Sewerage	\$736	\$769	\$819	\$872	\$923	\$1,133	\$1,161	\$1,214	\$1,268	\$1,317	\$397	\$392	\$395	\$396	\$394
General Waste	\$80	\$166	\$225	\$234	\$243	\$362	\$307	\$225	\$234	\$243	\$282	\$141	\$0	\$0	\$0
Domestic Waste	\$315	\$328	\$343	\$355	\$369	\$315	\$328	\$343	\$355	\$369	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Stormwater	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sum	\$2,137	\$2,293	\$2,463	\$2,585	\$2,701	\$3,012	\$3,027	\$3,069	\$3,261	\$3,273	\$875	\$735	\$606	\$676	\$573

<sup>1</sup> Water usage assumed at 167kL, the targeted usage for Palerang (Queanbeyan current targeted usage is 40% higher at 233kL)



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Attachment 2

## QPRC Draft Capital Works Program 2025-26 for Braidwood and District (2622)

Project description	Total	Source of Funds (\$'000)							BCA Comment
	Expenditure	General Revenue (Rates)	Grants and Contributions	Internal Reserves	Other External Reserves	Developer Contributions	Sale of Assets	Proceeds from Borrowings	
<b>Community</b>									
Braidwood Pool Plant Room Replacement	875	875							
Braidwood Pool UV sanitiser	83	83							
Braidwood Showground upgrade of electrical supply	208	208							To make good previous substandard work?
<b>Connection</b>									
Braidwood Saleyards upgrades	42			42					
<b>Roads</b>									
Nerriga Rd, Ningee Nimble (MR92) - Reconstruction Part Funding	1,500					1,500			
Majors Creek Bridge Realignment - Design	100	100							
Araluen Road - Saleyard to Cooma Road Intersection - Design	50						50		
Mongarlowe - Clyde St, Northangera Rd Realignment - Design	130	130							
Nerriga Rd, Ningee Nimble (MR92) - Reconstruction Part Funding	6,700		6,300			400			
Cooma Rd Stage 3 - Jinden Realignment - Design	67						67		
Araluen Road - Araluen - Rehabilitation	501					501			
Neringla Road - Braidwood - Rehabilitation	270					270			Should this be Araluen?
Little River Road - Braidwood - Rehabilitation	115					116			
<b>Bridges</b>									
Jerrabattgulla Creek Bridge (Hereford Hall Rd) - Construction	5	5							Can you construct a bridge for \$5,000? Typo?
Tantulean Creek Bridge (Little River Rd) - Construction	5	5							Can you construct a bridge for \$5,000? Typo?
Jerrabattgulla Creek Bridge (Jerrabattgulla Rd) - Construction	15	15							Can you construct a bridge for \$15,000? Typo?
<b>Regional Roads</b>									
Nerriga Rd Nadgengutta Causeway (MR92) - Design	150						150		
<b>Parking</b>									
Braidwood 88 Wallace St - Placemaking & Carpark	694	193		501					
Braidwood Carpark	1,700		1,700						
<b>Sormwater</b>									
Braidwood Drainage Design	3,120	3,120							
<b>General Waste</b>									
Braidwood Landfill rehabilitation	4,967			4,967					
Nerriga Landfill rehabilitation	104			104					
Construct Nerriga Waste Transfer Station	104			104					
Majors Creek Bin Compound Upgrades	26			26					
Araluen Bin Compound Upgrades	26			26					
<b>Palerang Sewer Scheme</b>									
Braidwood SPS#1 - Upgrade pump set	135					135			
<b>Total Braidwood &amp; District</b>	<b>21,692</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>5,770</b>	<b>2,922</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>QPRC Total</b>	<b>148,655</b>	<b>20,482</b>	<b>50,022</b>	<b>12,208</b>	<b>52,302</b>	<b>5,152</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>7,739</b>	
<b>Braidwood as % of QPRC Total</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>23.1%</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>47.3%</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>QPRC less Braidwood &amp; District</b>	<b>126,963</b>	<b>15,748</b>	<b>4,208</b>	<b>46,532</b>	<b>49,380</b>	<b>4,885</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>-</b>	

Note: Estimated Eastern Palerang population is 3158 in 2024, which is 4.7% of QPRC population.

### Transport and Facilities Capital Works Program

Program	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	% change			
						2025-26 on 2024-25	2026-27 on 2025-26	2027-28 on 2026-27	2028-29 on 2027-28
Local Roads Rehabilitation	\$1,599,000	\$1,700,000	\$1,748,000	\$1,796,000	\$1,847,000	6.3%	2.8%	2.7%	2.8%
Local Roads Renewal - Reseals and Resurfacing	\$3,202,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,108,000	\$4,218,000	\$4,332,000	24.9%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%
Local Roads Renewal					\$7,371,000				
Local Roads Resheeting Program	\$513,000	\$600,000	\$616,000	\$633,000	\$650,000	17.0%	2.7%	2.8%	2.7%
Road to Recovery Budget	\$1,589,000	\$2,444,000	\$2,903,000	\$3,055,000	\$3,461,000	53.8%	18.8%	5.2%	13.3%
Regional Road Reseals		\$394,000	\$410,000	\$427,000	\$445,000		4.1%	4.1%	4.2%
Regional Roads Renewals - Block Grant		\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,903,000</b>	<b>\$8,744,000</b>	<b>\$9,375,000</b>	<b>\$9,702,000</b>	<b>\$17,661,000</b>	<b>26.7%</b>	<b>7.2%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>82.0%</b>



# BRAIDWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Attachment 4

## QPRC Draft Capital Works Program 2025-26 - 2028-29 - projects over \$10million

Project description	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	Total
Queanbeyan Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade	27,500	71,408	71,560	21,126	191,594
Q2B Bulk Water Pipeline - Survey, Investigation, Design	4,978	54,926	39,879		99,783
Old Cooma Road - Edwine Lane Parkway to Queenbar - Design	245	11,989	13,970		26,204
Jerrabomberra Reservoir No 2	12,553	12,553			25,106
Dunns Creek Road - Design and Land acquisition - Stage 1	6,000	16,780			22,780
Monaro St upgrade	13,546	2,000			15,546
Queanbeyan Water Meter Replacement Program	3,120	3,120	3,120	3,120	12,480
Nerriga Rd, Ningee Nimble (MR92) - Reconstruction Part Funding	6,700	3,300			10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,642</b>	<b>176,076</b>	<b>128,529</b>	<b>24,246</b>	<b>365,467</b>
<b>% of QPRC Total</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>59%</b>

Attachment 5

## QPRC Draft Capital Works Program 2025-26 - 2028-29 for Braidwood and District (2622)

Project description	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	Total
Braidwood Pool Plant Room Replacement	875				875
Braidwood Pool UV sanitiser	83				83
Braidwood Showground upgrade of electrical supply	208				208
Braidwood Saleyards upgrades	42	43	461		546
Braidwood Recreational Ground Flood Mitigation Works		156			156
Nerriga Rd, Ningee Nimble (MR92) - Reconstruction Part Funding	1,500				1,500
Majors Creek Bridge Realignment - Design	100				100
Araluen Road - Saleyard to Cooma Road Intersection - Design	50				50
Mongarlowe - Clyde St, Northangera Rd Realignment - Design	130				130
Nerriga Rd, Ningee Nimble (MR92) - Reconstruction Part Funding	6,700	3,300			10,000
Cooma Rd Stage 3 - Jinden Realignment - Design	67				67
Araluen Road - Araluen - Rehabilitation	501				501
Neringla Road - Braidwood - Rehabilitation	270				270
Little River Road - Braidwood - Rehabilitation	115				115
Jerrabattgulla Creek Bridge (Hereford Hall Rd) - Construction	5				5
Tantulean Creek Bridge (Little River Rd) - Construction	5				5
Jerrabattgulla Creek Bridge (Jerrabattgulla Rd) - Construction	15				15
Nerriga Rd Nadgengutta Causeway (MR92) - Design	150				150
Braidwood 88 Wallace St - Placemaking & Carpark	694	1,360			2,054
Braidwood Carpark	1,700	300			2,000
Braidwood Drainage Design	3,120	3,120			6,240
Shoalhaven Pump station and rising main		728			728
Braidwood Water Treatment Plant renewal		335			335
Braidwood Landfill rehabilitation	4,967				4,967
Majors Creek landfill rehabilitation		697			697
Araluen Landfill rehabilitation		684			684
Nerriga Landfill rehabilitation	104	904			1,008
Construct Nerriga Waste Transfer Station	104				104
Majors Creek Bin Compound Upgrades	26				26
Araluen Bin Compound Upgrades	26		336		362
Braidwood SPS#1 - Upgrade pump set	135				135
<b>Total Braidwood &amp; District</b>	<b>21,692</b>	<b>11,627</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34,116</b>
<b>QPRC Total</b>	<b>148,534</b>	<b>220,402</b>	<b>165,019</b>	<b>84,222</b>	<b>618,177</b>
<b>Braidwood as % of QPRC Total</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>