

# Upper Lachlan Shire Council Community Outreach Meeting Gunning

21 October 2025



# Mayor and CEO Introduction and Greetings

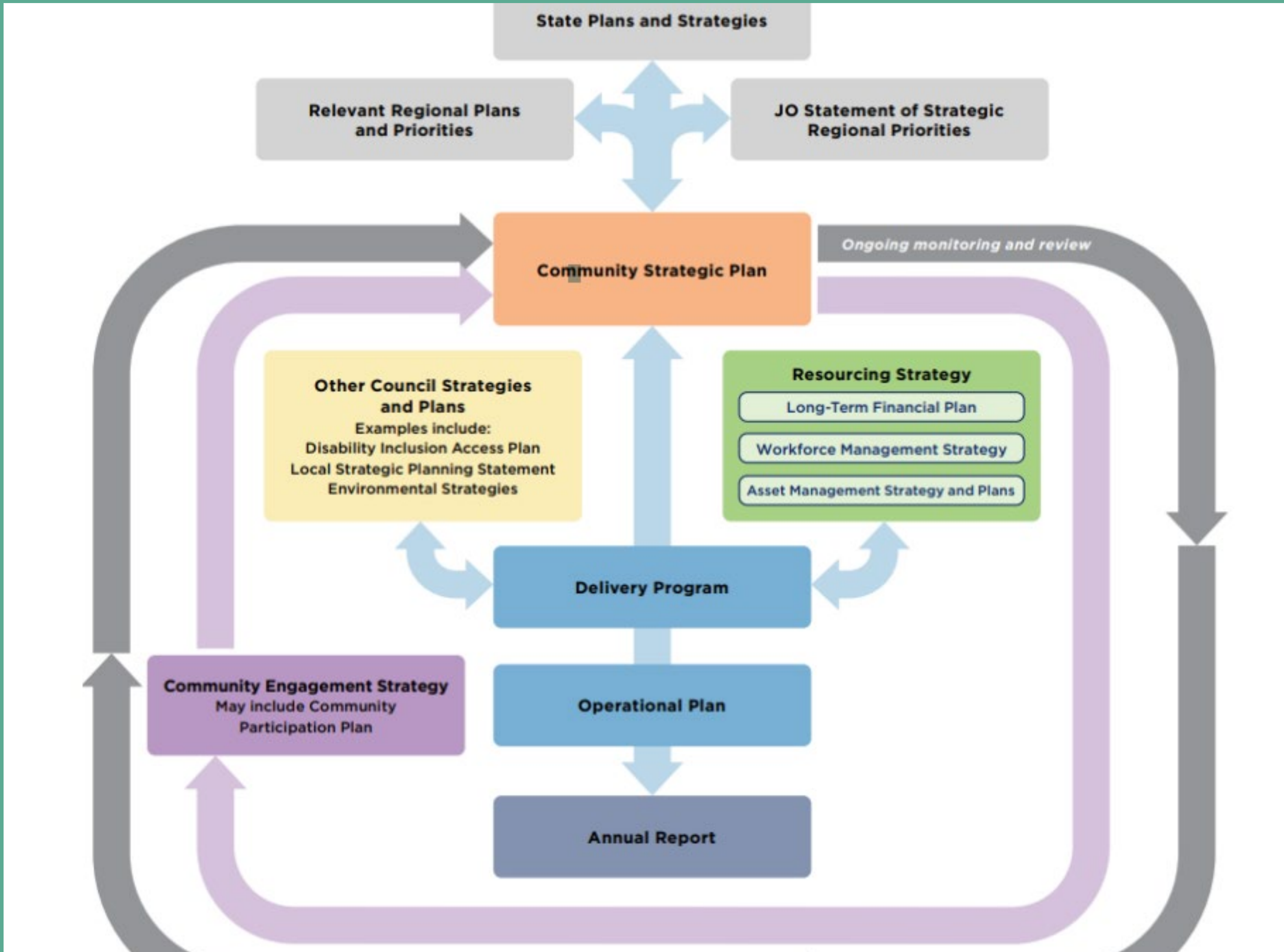


Paul Culhane  
Mayor

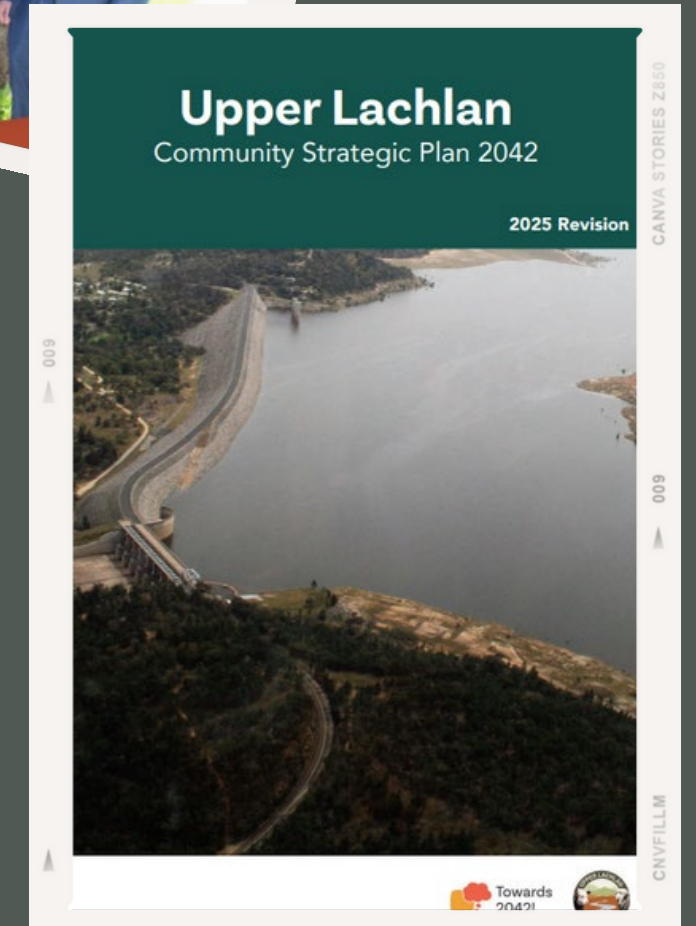
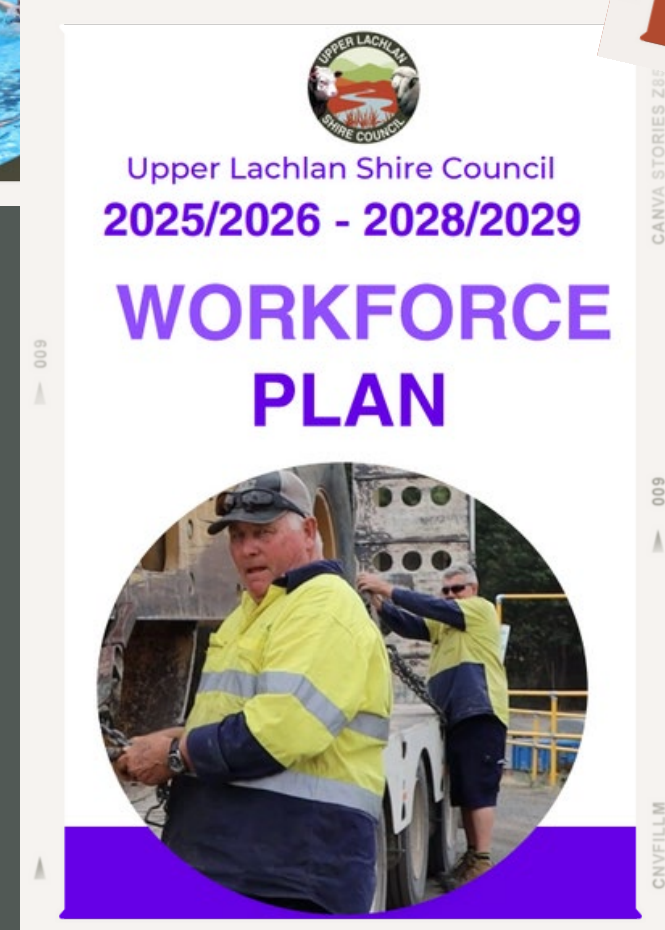
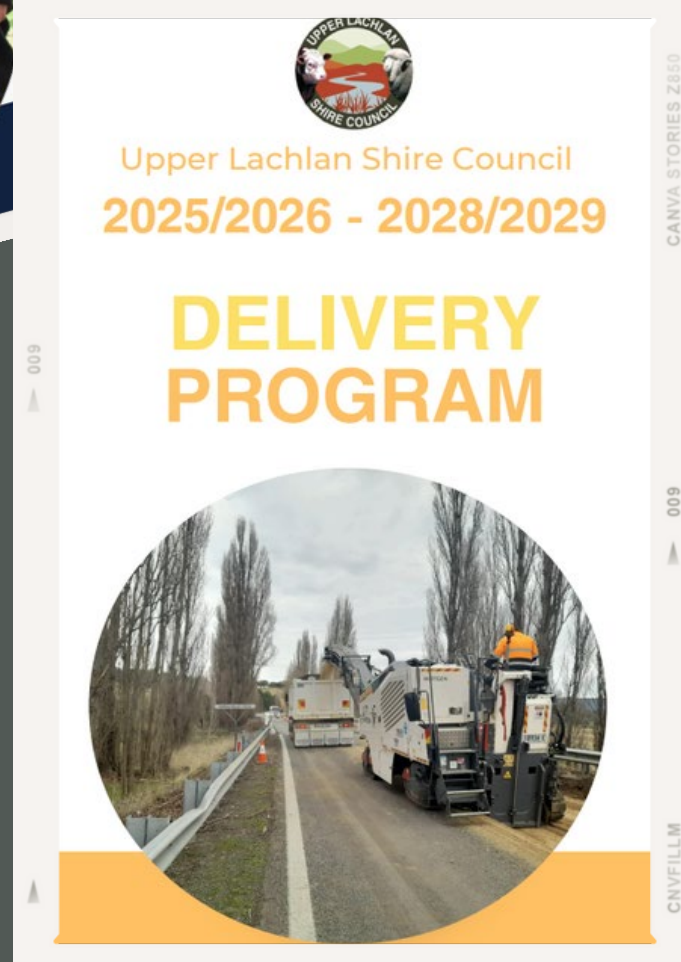


Alex Waldron  
Chief Executive Officer

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# ULSC - Strategic Documents



# Financial Performance Indicators

Performance Measures	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
Unrestricted Current Ratio	✓	✓	✓
Own Source Operating Revenue Ratio	✗	✗	✗
Rates and Annual Charges Outstanding	✓	✓	✓
Debt Service Cover Ratio	✓	✓	✓
Building and Infrastructure Renewals Ratio	✗	✓	✓
Operating Performance Ratio	✓	✗	✗

# Cash Flow Position

- Actions taken to address the long-term financial sustainability of Council.
- Cash position has improved at 30 June 2025. Council unrestricted cash position has improved from 117K (2023) to \$1.524 million (2025).
- Asset sales proceeds have been used to replenish internal restricted reserve funds such as the buildings and infrastructure reserve and plant replacement reserve. These sales were not used to artificially increase the unrestricted cash reserves.
- Council has taken measures to increase discretionary cash position including service level decisions taken by Council, management undertaking business unit service reviews and an organisation restructure with reduction in workforce numbers in 2024.
- Annual budget savings achieved of over \$1.5 million as a result of measures taken by Council.



Upper Lachlan Shire Council

**2025-2026**

# **OPERATIONAL PLAN**



## **Operational Plan 2025/2026**

- Council operational budget for 2025/2026 is \$43 million.
- Operational Plan is a public document on Council website reviewed and updated each financial year.

# Upper Lachlan Shire - Ordinary Rates Income

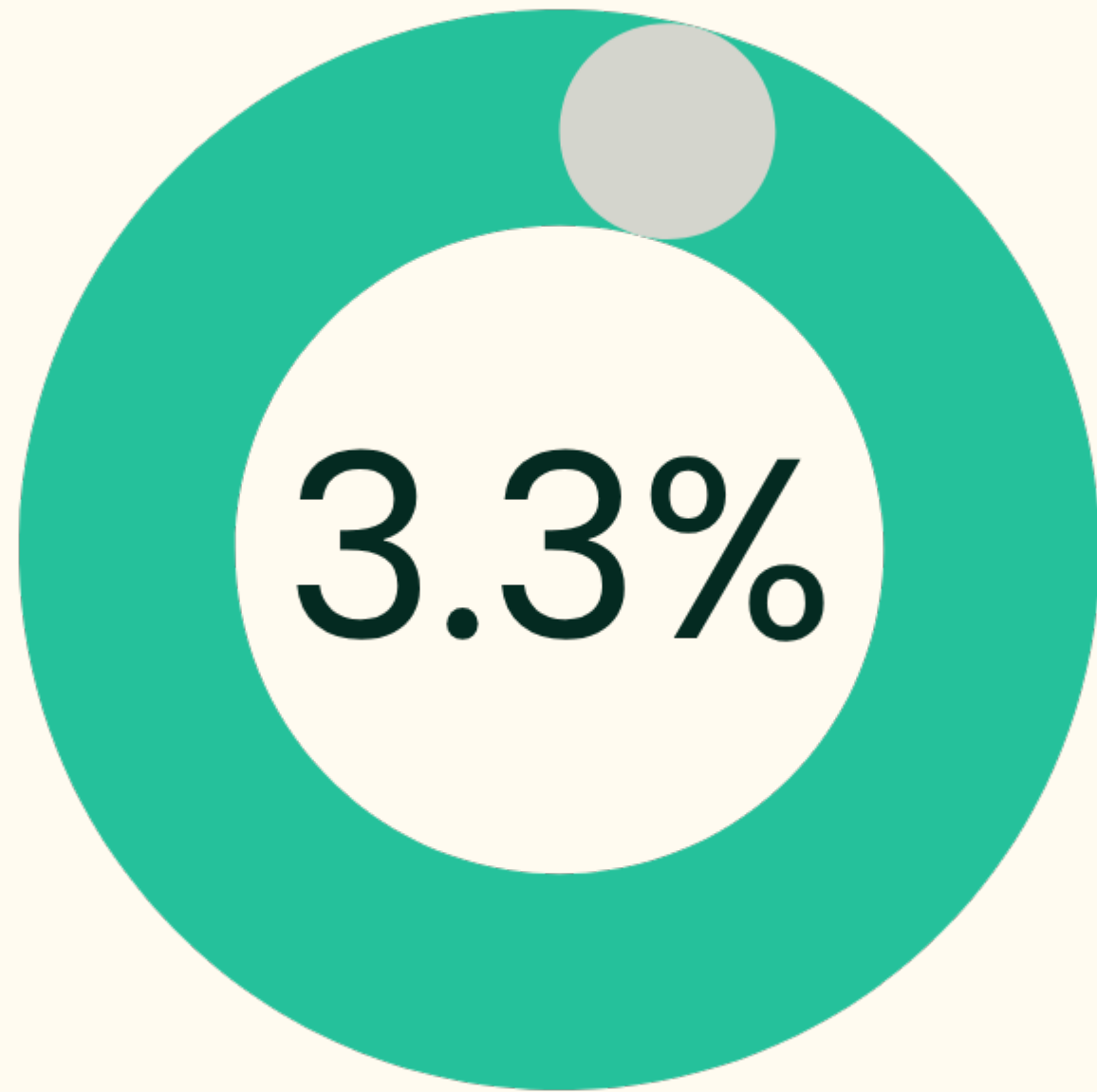


- Council ordinary rates total income is \$9.65 million (per annum). This equates to 23% of all income sources in the operating budget.

*(Note : information above excludes annual charges for water, DWM & sewer)*

- Farmland rating category account for 64% of total ordinary rates income.
  - Residential rating categories accounts for 28% of total ordinary rates income.
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# Gunning Ordinary Rates Income



Gunning locality (includes surrounding parishes) has 443 rates assessments with ordinary rates income totaling \$315,414 (per annum).

This is 3.3% of the total ordinary rates of the Upper Lachlan Shire.

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# **Water, Sewer & Waste Charges - Gunning**

- **Gunning Water supply Annual charge \$274,217 based on 443 assessments**
  - **Gunning Water consumption user pay charges \$195,615**
  - **Gunning Sewer Annual charge \$411,313 based on 391 assessments**
  - **Domestic Waste Management \$306,541 based on 457 assessments**
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# Council Services Provided to Gunning Region

- Library
- Council Office and Council Works Depot
- Swimming Pool
- Roads/Bridges/Footpath
- Water and Sewer
- DWM Waste Collection / Waste Management
- Halls/Buildings
- Sporting Field/Showground/Playgrounds
- Administrator for Windfarm CEP program
- Cemetery management
- Parks and Gardens
- Support for Gunning Health Services
- Ranger / Animal Control
- Biosecurity / Noxious Weeds Control



Gunning

# Gunning Projects Past 3 Years

These are projects completed in Gunning district from 2023 - 2025

**\$1.217 million**

Cullerin Road – Fixing Local Roads – Round 2 rehabilitations

**\$1.498 million**

Collector Road, near Gunning – Fixing Local Roads Round 1 – rehabilitation and sealing of a section

**\$386,000**

Jerrawa Road – Roads to Recovery roadworks

**\$1.207 million**

Gurrundah Road – Roads to Recovery reconstruction roadworks

**\$148,000**

Old South Road rehabilitation

**\$80,000**

Gunning Library – New shelving display units, furniture and inside of building upgrade

**\$20,000**

Automatic Rain Gauge and Creek Level monitor

**\$1.345 million**

MR52 Grabben Gullen Road – RERRF program rehabilitation

**\$78,000**

MR241 – Natural Disaster repair works

**\$126,000**

MR52 Grabben Gullen Road – Natural Disaster repair works

□ CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS (EXCLUDES MAINTENANCE/OPERATIONS)

**\$1.634 million**

MR241 Dalton Road – Blackspot rehabilitation and regional road repair program

**\$60,000**

Lade Vale Road – Natural Disaster repair works

**\$30,000**

Meadow Creek – Remediation works as part of Emergency recovery

# Key Achievements

- Gunning showground electricity upgrade
- Gunning all lighting/stage/acoustics upgrade & Gunning Courthouse Piano and lighting
- Disability ramp and pathways – Gunning Court House
- Installation of traffic speed display monitors at each Town/Village
- School zone pedestrian crossing installations in Breadalbane and Gunning

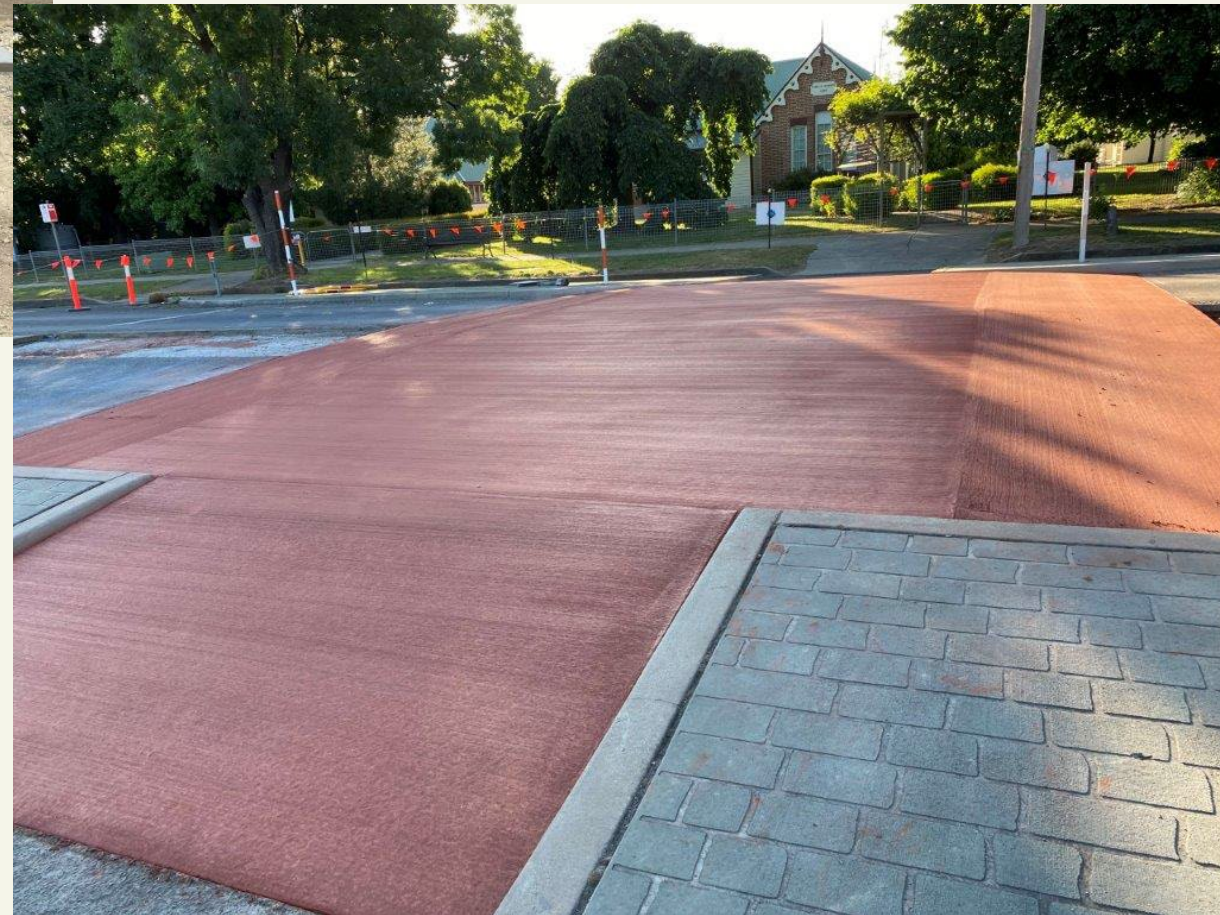


# Gunning Upgrades



Gunning Electrical upgrades  
Showground amenities

\$228,198



Gunning Raised Pedestrian Crossing

\$45,000



Saxby Street – Footpath

\$156,541

# Park and Amenities upgrades

**\$522,652**

Barbour Park in Gunning  
Construction of the female friendly  
sports amenities and change rooms

**\$731,430**

Endeavour Park in Gunning -  
Construction of amenities and change  
rooms

# Gunning Pool



# Gunning Forward Works Plan

□ CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS (EXCLUDES MAINTENANCE/OPERATIONS)

\$60,000

Gunning Library Footing Remediation and structural repairs

\$75,000

Gunning Historical Society research facility- access ramps and balustrade

\$75,000

Footpath - Copeland and Warrataw Street

\$600,000

Breadalbane Road - Rural Local sealed road- Pavement rehabilitation

\$60,000

Gunning Water Supply Fund - Water Mains replacement hydrants and valves

\$500,000

Stormwater Improvements and house raising

\$350,000

Warrataw Street (Cullivan Street to Lerida Street) road rehabilitation - Recently Completed

\$80,000

Ladevale Road - Gravel Resheeting

\$100,000

Gunning Sewage Fund - Sewer main rehabilitation/renewal and condition assessment

\$1.227 million

Detailed design of levee along meadow creek

\$71,000

Gunning Hall Connecting Pathways Grant

\$90,000

Gunning Sewage Fund - Grosvenor Street Pump station upgrade

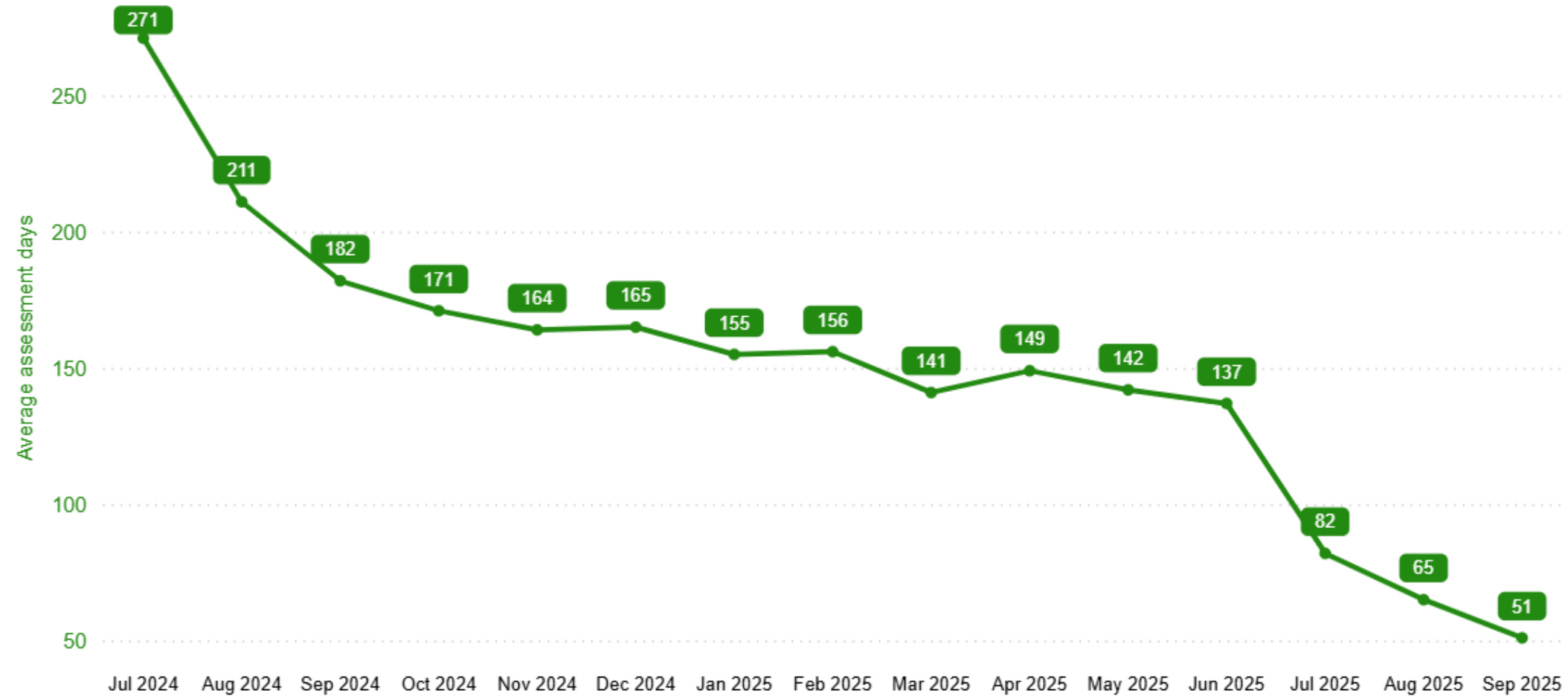
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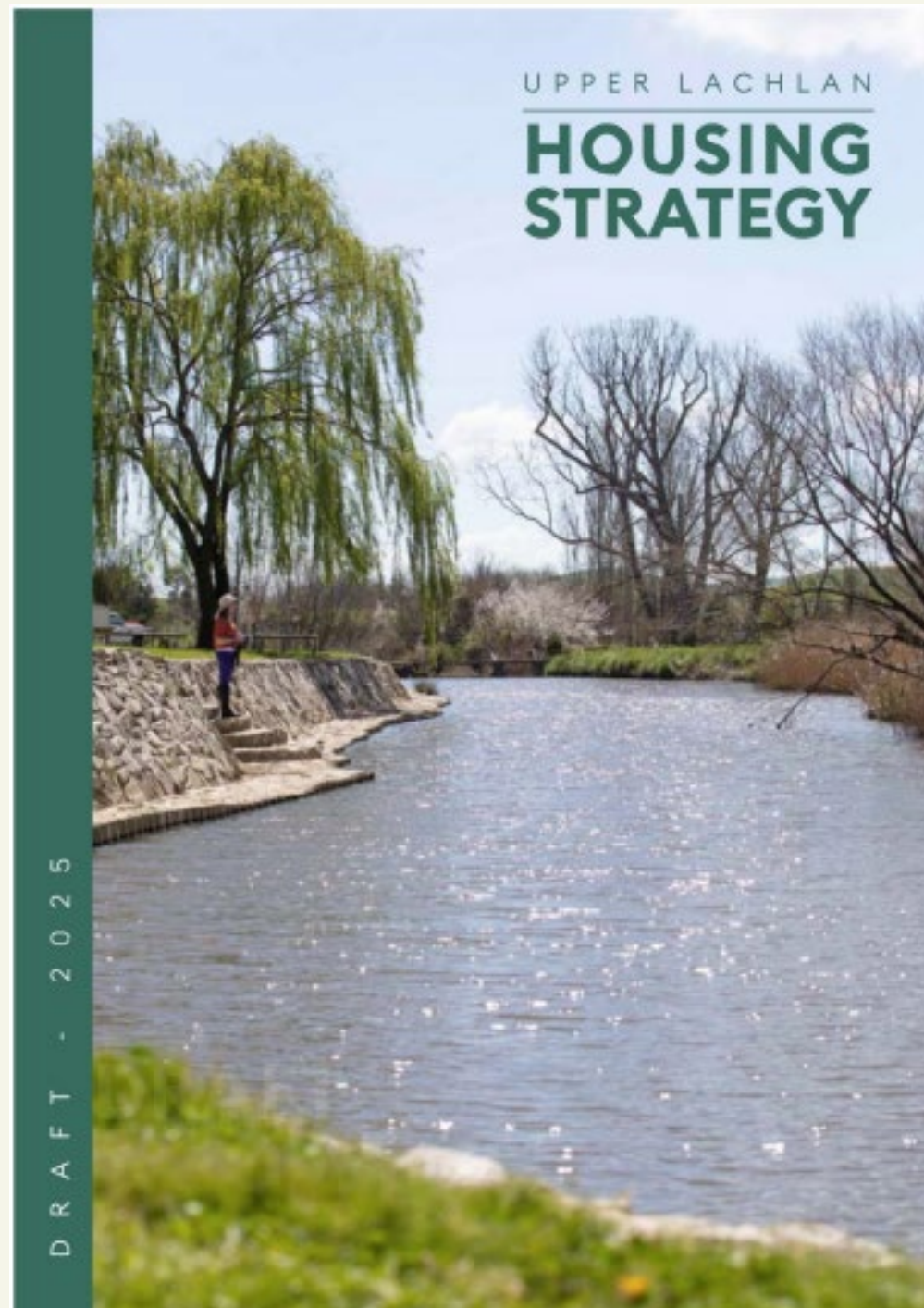
### Insights

For **Upper Lachlan**, average assessment timeframe was **51** days for **FY 2025-26** up to **30-Sep-2025**. In **FY 2024-25**, the average assessment timeframe was **137** days.

### Cumulative average assessment days



# Housing Strategy & Development Control Plan



# Water, Sewer & Waste - Gunning

Bore water and River water - sampling

Gunning Raw Well & Raw Water Pumps  
- Maintenance work/Replaced

Water mains leak detection program -  
defects and leaks repaired by council



# Gunning Water Treatment Plant (WTP)

**Gunning WTP & Off River Storage dam is at 100% capacity.**





**On behalf of ULSC – Thank you for your attendance**

