

EPPING WARD
WINTER 2020

EPPING WARD UPDATE

Epping Ward at a glance

Council is continually maintaining and constructing footpaths, roads, buildings and drains.

Here are our funding programs and allocated spending for the 2019/20 financial year in Epping Ward.

\$930,000	Better Neighbourhood Program
\$335,043	Pedestrian Access Mobility Program
\$138,933	Footpath Asset Renewal Program
\$2,050,458	Roads Program
\$850,000	Drainage Program
\$18,671,070	Open Space and Natural Resources
\$3,096,076	Local Traffic Facilities Program
\$342,950	Buildings
\$5,485,000	Stronger Communities Fund

TOTAL: \$31,899,530



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Message to our Community

Welcome to the project update newsletter for Epping Ward.

City of Parramatta Council has commenced 77 projects in your ward this financial year worth nearly \$31.9 million. These include footpaths, roads and drainage upgrades, which are listed in this document according to their funding groups.

We have currently completed 36 projects, worth \$7.3 million.

Upgrades to Epping Pool and Edwin Ross Reserve, and construction of the Somerville Park Amenities Building are three of the key projects for Epping Ward. These projects are important to ensure the needs of the community are met now and into the future. See further details on these projects and more in this edition of the Epping Ward Update.

Somerville Park Amenities Building

Council has finished constructing a new amenities building at Somerville Park, Eastwood. The upgrade will provide the community and local sporting clubs with much-needed new facilities. The improvement

works include a new sporting amenities building with additional storage, new barbecue, picnic tables and seating, and additional tree planting.



Epping Pool

The Dence Park Masterplan was adopted in December 2019. Following this, Council is focusing on delivering Stage 1, which includes a new eight-lane 50m pool, sky bridge, amenities building, spectator seating, indoor pool, and water play

facilities. A number of technical specialists (including architects, geotechnical engineer, and a pool recreation planner) are currently working with Council to develop a more detailed concept for Epping Pool so we can bring the masterplan to life.

Edwin Ross Reserve

Construction works will start in early June at Edwin Ross Reserve in Carlingford. The works will include a new playground, a multi-use informal court for games such as Newcombeball, seating, picnic settings and shelters, improved entrances, fencing and accessibility of the site, new turf, and shade tree and shrub planting.

The park was designed in consultation with schoolchildren at the nearby Carlingford Public School and residents living around the reserve.

The works are anticipated to be completed by August 2020.



Better Neighbourhood Program

The Better Neighbourhood Program (BNP) is a successful, long running Council initiative that aims to improve the liveability of our neighbourhoods and centres outside of the Parramatta CBD. It delivers capital upgrades to centres with the goal of enhancing safety, vitality and economic prosperity.

List of Works – 19/20

#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Pennant Hills Road Improvement Plan	Implement priority public domain works along the Pennant Hills Road spine of Carlingford	Stage 2 in design stage	\$350,000
2	Carlingford Station Centre	Provide improvements to Edwin Ross Reserve, including a new playground, fencing and landscaping	Design stage	\$200,000
3	Yates Avenue Shops, Dundas Valley	Undertake Stage 2 improvement works to better connect the centre to Curtis Oval. The works will start after the construction of Dundas Park Pavilion is complete	Planning Stage	\$300,000
4	Epping Town Centre	Improve the vibrancy of Epping Town Centre through small scale activation such as markets, pop-up retail, shop frontage improvement	Planning Stage	\$30,000
5	Mobbs Lane Shops, Carlingford	Investigate the opportunity for improved connectivity between the shops and Mobbs Lane Reserve, including additional tree planting	Execution Stage	\$50,000

Pedestrian Access Mobility Program

Building new footpaths and walkways throughout the City of Parramatta.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Footpath Construction	Dunlop Street, Epping - Orchard Street to Dunlop Street - north side - 164m	Completed October 2019	\$34,972
2		Holway Street, Eastwood - Spencer Street to Midson Road - south side - 288m	Completed October 2019	\$62,559
3		Avonlea Drive, Epping - Plympton Road to Pennant Parade - east/south side - 495m	Completed August 2019	\$76,904
4		Milton Street, Carlingford - Darwin Street to Rembrandt Street - north side - 235m	Completed October 2019	\$74,419
5		Robin Street, Carlingford - Wavell Avenue to Alamein Avenue - north side - 364m	Completed October 2019	\$86,189

*Projects correct as at April 2020



Footpath Asset Renewal Program

Council's Footpath Asset Renewal Program delivers important repairs and ongoing maintenance to footpaths in the Local Government Area (LGA).

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Footpath Work Programs	Bridge Street, Epping - Rawson Street to Victoria Street - right side - 100m	Completed November 2019	\$32,175
2		Keeler Street, Carlingford - Pennant Parade to Rickard Street - right side - 208m	Completed March 2020	\$58,498
3		Alexander Street, Dundas Valley - McKay Street to Neptune Street - right side - 342m	Completed January 2020	\$31,210
4		Somerset Street, Epping - Dead End to York Street - right side - 36m	Completed December 2019	\$17,050

Local Traffic Facilities Program

Council upgrades pedestrian crossings, crossing ramps and pedestrian light-signal phases as required to align with the Disability Discrimination Act.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Pennant Hills Road at Coleman Avenue, Carlingford	Upgrade Traffic Control Signal to include missing pedestrian phase	Completed	\$831,745 100% funded by NSW Government
2	Essex Street north of Pembroke Street, Epping	Install a raised pedestrian crossing	Completed	\$270,294
3	Midson Road at Ray Road, Epping	Install a speed cushion (eastbound approach)	Completed	\$3,747
4	Carlingford Road at Hepburn Avenue, Carlingford	Undertake design and cost estimate for new traffic signals	In design	\$70,000
5	Midson Road at Terry Road, Eastwood	Reconstruct traffic signals to provide missing pedestrian phase and upgrade kerb ramps to current standards	Tender evaluation in process	\$1.4 million 100% funded by NSW Government
6	Bridge Street (between Wyralla Avenue and Kent Street), Epping	Raise existing pedestrian crossing	Out for quotation	\$228,420 50% funded by NSW Government
7	Bridge Street, west of Rawson Street, Epping	Convert splitter island to a pedestrian refuge island	Out for quotation	\$291,870 50% funded by NSW Government

Roads Program

Some roads are maintained by Council, others by the State Government. This program funds local road repairs as well as kerb and gutter replacement.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Heavy Patching and Asphalt Overlay	Alexander Street from Evans Road to Friendship Street, Dundas Valley - Heavy Patching Only	Contractor selected	\$35,710
2		Alexander Street from Friendship Street to Neptune Street, Dundas Valley - Heavy Patching Only	Contractor selected	\$34,879
3		Alexander Street from House No. 56 to McKay Street, Dundas Valley - Heavy Patching Only	Contractor selected	\$31,402
4		Alexander Street from McKay Street to Perry Street, Dundas Valley - Heavy Patching Only	Contractor selected	\$50,000
5		Alexander Street from Neptune Street to House No. 56, Dundas Valley - Heavy Patching Only	Contractor selected	\$26,605
6		Chelmsford Avenue from First Avenue to Edenlee Street, Epping	Completed	\$69,445
7		Crawford Place from Kenilworth Road to cul-de-sac, Dundas Valley	Completed	\$17,280
8		Essex Street from House No. 6 to House No. 12, Epping	Under construction	\$84,000
9		Friendship Street from Alexander Street to Supply Street, Dundas Valley	Under construction	\$70,080
10		Friendship Street from Supply Street to Warwick Road, Dundas Valley	Under construction	\$96,000
11		Gloucester Road from Chester Street to North End, Epping	Completed	\$91,912
12		Kandy Avenue from Ray Road to Ray Road, Epping	Planning	\$75,000
13		Lamorna Avenue from Glenwood Street to cul-de-sac, Carlingford	Public consultation	\$138,240
14		Lilli Pilli Street from Ward Street to Pedestrian Crossing, Epping	Completed	\$47,695
15		Midson Road from Terry Road to Skenes Avenue, Eastwood	Completed	\$115,090
16		Murray Farm Road from Keira Place to Sunhaven Place, Carlingford	Completed	\$168,500
17		North Rocks Road from Kimberley Road to Pennant Parade, Carlingford	Procurement	\$100,500
18		Somerset Street from Derby Street to Sussex Street, Epping	Completed	\$103,000
19		Supply Street from Friendship Street to cul-de-sac, Dundas Valley	Completed	\$65,100

List of Works – 19/20 (continued)

#	Projectw	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
20	Kerb and Gutter Repairs and Maintenance Program	Friendship Street from Alexander Street to Supply Street, Dundas Valley	Completed	\$25,000
21		Friendship Street from Supply Street to Warwick Road, Dundas Valley	Completed	\$22,000
22		Gloucester Road from Chester Street to North End, Epping	Completed	\$25,000
23		Kandy Avenue from Ray Road to Ray Road, Epping	Planning	\$50,000
24		Lamorna Avenue from Glenwood Street to cul-de-sac, Carlingford	Public consultation	\$400,000
25		Murray Farm Road from Keira Place to Sunhaven Place, Carlingford	Resolved by asphalt work	\$0.00
26		Supply Street from Friendship Street to cul-de-sac, Dundas Valley	Completed	\$33,000
27	Base Replacement and Mill and Re-sheet	Blenheim Road from Baker Street to cul-de-sac, Carlingford	Planning	\$75,020

Drainage Program

As part of our stormwater drainage renewal program, we repair and re-line stormwater drainage pits and pipes, as well as increase inflow capacity, in order to improve the operation of the drainage network. Even in areas far away from creeks and rivers, local flooding can occur if there is insufficient drainage. By continuing to maintain and improve Council's stormwater drainage systems, the impacts of local flooding can be reduced or eliminated.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Drainage Construction Program	Lyndelle Place, Carlingford - Stage 1(a) & 1(b)	Design being finalised	\$200,000
2		8 Tarragandi Road, Epping - culvert works	Design completed. Construction scheduled	\$80,000
3		29 Eastwood Avenue, Eastwood	Design in progress. Construction planned for next financial year	\$200,000
4	Flood Mitigation Program	27 Eyles Avenue, Epping - alleviate local flooding	Design in progress	\$100,000
5		61 Wyalla Avenue, Epping - alleviate local flooding	Completed	\$200,000
6		34A Honiton Avenue, Carlingford - alleviate local flooding	Design completed. Out for quotations	\$30,000
7		50 Eastwood Avenue, Eastwood - stormwater pipe lining and construction of 375mm diameter pipe	Not started. Work being planned	\$40,000

Open Space and Natural Resources Capital and Operating Projects

Our open spaces – including parklands, parks and ovals – need ongoing maintenance and upgrades. This regularly involves new lighting, conversion to LED globes, play equipment upgrades, shade sails, landscaping and fencing.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Dence Park Masterplan	Implementation of the Dence Park Masterplan	Detailed design	\$18,000,000
2	Boronia Park amenities building	Design for a new amenities building at Boronia Park	Detailed design well advanced and review of environmental factors developed	\$200,000 design. \$2.2 million construction
3	Sportsground Improvement Program	West Epping Park cricket nets bracing to ensure longevity of the nets	Completed in November 2019	\$37,570
4	Playground Replacement Program	Playground replacement at James Hoskin Reserve	Completed August 2019	\$130,000
5	Parks Improvement Program	Minor park upgrades and resident requests such as fencing, pathways, bins and seating	Kerbing and boulder repair at Dundas water playground completed November 2019	\$80,000
6	Pavilion Improvement Program	Design and construction of West Epping Park amenities building	Completed. Opened for use in February	\$2,400,000 in SCF
7	Public Tree Program	Planting of trees on nature strips, and in parks and reserves	Extended watering of previous plantings completed February 2020. Planting of nature strip trees scheduled to commence May 2020	\$50,000
8		Playground shade tree planting	Completed February 2020	\$15,000
9	Waterways Restoration	Project involves restoration of various naturalised waterways throughout LGA	Maintenance of lower Terrys Creek bank	\$6,000
10		Restoration of natural areas	Bushland regeneration in Upper Ponds Creek	\$152,500

Buildings

This program funds structural upgrades of pools, toilet blocks, Council-owned preschool playgrounds and community buildings (such as Scout Halls and community centres).

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Epping Aquatic Centre	Installation of 1800 high slat privacy screen to pool deck; removal of three sections of damaged chain mesh fencing; replace fencing and handrails from car park to aquatic centre	Completed November 2019	\$65,650
2	Epping Creative Centre	Construct new steel awning on the concrete deck outside Room 2 – Ron Matthews room; compliance upgrades to comply with Building Code of Australia and renewal of rear staircase	Completed September 2019	\$103,277
3	Epping Library & Learning Centre	Security upgrades including installation of a boom gate	Completed September 2019	\$34,189
4	School of Arts 1916 (Epping Community Centre)	Renewal of timber floorboards in the main hall	Scheduled for completion in June 2020	\$35,834
5	West Epping Park Community Centre & Preschool	Upgrade electrical board; internal and external upgrade works to the Community Centre and Preschool	Completed April 2020	\$79,696
6	Forest Park Toilet Block	Building structural assessment	In planning	\$2,400
7	Sir Thomas Mitchell Reserve Pavilion and Storage Buildings	Internal refurbishment to pavilion and storage buildings	Completed April 2020	\$14,442
8	West Epping Park Tennis Courts	Tennis fencing and resurfacing works	Scheduled for completion in June 2020	\$4,800
9	Carlingford Bowling Club	Condition reports for the roof, air conditioning, fire, electrical and plumbing services	Completed February 2020	\$2,662



Upgrades

Stronger Communities Fund

The NSW Government established the Stronger Communities Fund to provide amalgamated councils with funding to kick start the delivery of projects that improve community infrastructure and services. The Stronger Communities Fund includes two programs:

- Community grant program: Distributes \$1 million in grants of up to \$50,000 to incorporated, not-for-profit community groups to implement projects that build more vibrant, sustainable and inclusive local communities.
- Major projects program: Allocates \$14 million to fund larger scale priority infrastructure and service projects that deliver long-term economic and social benefits to communities.

The projects listed below are all funded through the Major Project Program of the Stronger Communities Fund.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Sommerville Park Upgrade, Eastwood	This project is an upgrade of Somerville Park, Blaxland Road, Eastwood. The scope of works will be developed in consultation with the local community and park users. It will likely include an upgrade of the existing play equipment, amenities building and the walking track along Terry's Creek from Blaxland Road	Completed	\$2,085,000
2	Cycleway Infrastructure linking Epping with Carlingford	The project, which has received State Government grant funding, proposes the 5.5km Parramatta Light Rail shared path from the Parramatta River to Carlingford is extended on to Epping. The route makes use of existing shared paths and quieter local streets, and proposes new shared and bicycle paths on busy streets. At the 11 May Council report, Council approved the scope of work from the original proposal.	Delivery	\$1,000,000
3	Sporting Amenity Building at West Epping Park	This project will provide a new pavilion to support sporting and other uses of the park. The new pavilion will provide amenities, change rooms, storage and kiosk facilities for park patrons and groups who use the sportsground	Completed	\$2,400,000

CBD Special Infrastructure Rate

Council is investing in a range of upgrade projects in the Parramatta CBD.

The City Centre Special Infrastructure Rate has been running since 2000 and has helped Council make significant improvements in amenity throughout the CBD to support the growth of the City. The City Centre Special Infrastructure Rate will help deliver major projects like the Phillip Street Smart Street upgrade, Civic Link, and improvements to the River Foreshore.

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#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
1	Southern Precinct Renewal – Valentine Avenue upgrade Rosehill Ward	Valentine Avenue, Parramatta will be upgraded to improve traffic flow in the Parramatta Station car park precinct. The road will be upgraded to allow two-way traffic flow. This project forms part of the broader Southern Precinct Renewal and is required to facilitate future works in this area	Project delayed due to COVID-19. The required property acquisition and project construction moved to FY 2020-21	\$225,000
2	St John's Anglican Cathedral feature lighting treatment Parramatta Ward	This decorative lighting treatment complements the lighting effects at the nearby Parramatta Town Hall, celebrating Parramatta's historical buildings and providing an illuminated focal point for the future Parramatta Square	Preparation of DA and heritage applications. Heritage NSW approval is required before delivery of the project begins	\$719,040

List of Works – 19/20 (continued)

#	Project	Description of works	Current Status	Est Cost
3	Retail Frontage Improvement Program Parramatta Ward	A grant program that provides a financial incentive for commercial property owners and tenants to improve the visual appearance and quality of their building façades, shopfronts, and awnings	One grant application approved by Council in March 2020. Program relaunch delayed due to COVID-19	\$40,000
4	Phillip Street Smart Street upgrade Parramatta Ward	Phillip Street, which links the riverside from Charles Street to the Bankwest Stadium area, will be updated with built-in connected smart technologies. The delivery of Phillip Street will be staged, with the first stage (estimated at \$4.3 million) delivering the southern side of the street between Church Street and Smith Street. The remaining stages will be delivered with Council funding and proposed developments over the next three years	Construction commenced in May and is anticipated to be completed by the end of the year	\$600,000
5	St John's Anglican Cathedral lawn works Parramatta Ward	Restoration works on the sandstone borders and regrading of grassed lawn, construction of a new footpath and installation of stormwater drainage along the Queensland Arcade boundary	Complete	\$127,512
6	CBD Wayfinding update Parramatta & Rosehill Wards	Recently the City and its key destinations have changed due to the major infrastructure upgrades and development occurring in the City. Further to this, the City has changed its branding. This project will reskin and update the wayfinding signage, both for its practical operation and Council's visual identity	Design complete. Procurement for fabrication and installation in progress	\$100,000 in Parramatta Ward \$22,000 in Rosehill Ward
7	Centenary Square – temporary amenities Parramatta Ward	Installation of two semi-automated accessible toilets within Centenary Square. These will replace the current amenities which are being decommissioned as part of construction works being undertaken at 5PS and 7PS	Demountable toilets installed in the interim. A semi-automated toilet will be fabricated and installed replacing the demountable toilets within the next 3-6 months	\$280,000
8	CBD Smart Parking Project Stage 1 Parramatta Ward	Trial and deliver an integrated parking system that leverages emerging technologies across Council's on-street parking environment, and multi-level car parks to improve user experience and provide fair and equitable access to paid parking spaces within the CBD. Stage 1 will involve the implementation of the chosen technology across up to 1000 on-street parking spaces within the CBD, with real-time data collection offering users the opportunity to locate available parking, its cost and the maximum duration of stay permitted	Procurement delayed due to COVID-19	\$450,000

Epping Ward Capital Works Locations

