

Kyogle Council set to shine in 2025

Kyogle Council continued to improve and maintain its bridge and road networks throughout 2024, replacing 33 timber bridges, grading/resheeting almost 410km of rural roads and upgrading 16.5km of sealed roads.

On top of that, Council continued to deliver flood recovery works in the wake of the 2022 catastrophic flood event and completed an annual capital works program of \$80.5 million, the second largest in Council's history.

"2024 was a year of major achievements for Council," Mayor Cr Danielle Mulholland said.

"We replaced more bridges than any other local government agency in Australia and started the \$47 million Clarence Way renewal project.

"But we know there is much more to do, and councillors and staff will be working collectively to ensure we embrace every opportunity we get in the coming year to deliver improved services and infrastructure for our communities."

Other achievements during the 2023-2024 year, as outlined in Council's annual report included:

- 40,921 potholes patched
- 1285.41 tonnes of materials recycled
- Completion of the Ettrick Road upgrade
- Repairs to 29 landslips completed
- Completed upgrades of the Kyogle Memorial Institute Hall including supper room and main stage improvements
- Met all renewable energy targets, seven years ahead of schedule by improving energy efficiency at Council-operated facilities, installation of 355kW of on-site photovoltaic systems, LED streetlighting and the purchase of 100% green grid energy for electricity suppliers.
- Started development of a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan with the aim of identifying how climate change will impact the local economy, lifestyle and environment and what needs to be done to adapt
- Secured funding to restore 15 hectares of koala habitat on six properties within the local government area.
- Provided \$100,398 in one-off community assistance grants and annual donations to local sporting, cultural and community organisations and events.

"Kyogle Council has a long-held reputation of punching well above its weight and we will be working with our State and Federal Government funding partners throughout 2025 so we can continue to invest in our towns, villages, and rural communities," Cr Mulholland said.

"We will seize every occasion presented to us to benefit the Kyogle LGA and we will be actively working to create opportunities for the betterment of all."

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