

Congratulations to award recipients



Details about our award recipients are on Council's website.

Wilcannia

Message from the ADMINISTRATOR - Bob Stewart

We are now well and truly into 2025 and Council is preparing for the 2025/26 budget to be implemented on the 1st July. There has been no date announced for election of Central Darling Councillors and no doubt complicating the timing is the Federal Election which must be held on or before the 17th of May. The General Manager and I will travel to Sydney to meet with Minister Hoenig and the Local Member in early March to discuss the election and support funding,

under the new model. The operations of Council continues and the major infrastructure projects to upgrade the water treatment plants in White Cliffs, Wilcannia and Ivanhoe are progressing well. The plant in White Cliffs has reached practical completion, Ivanhoe works commenced and Wilcannia tenders are being reviewed. Council has not received any information on the findings of the Wilcannia Weir Review Panel and at the February meeting it

was resolved to write to the local member Roy Butler seeking representations to get a final report date.

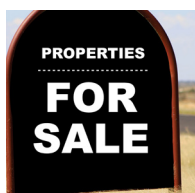
The release of the Far West Drought Resilience Plan is an important document which will enable communities to act strategically to manage drought impacts that impact all socially, economically and environmentally. This plan is on the Council's website in the *Projects in the Shire* section. Kind regards Bob Stewart.

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If you are looking to buy or sell property in Central Darling Shire a reminder to visit the Council Facebook Page

Properties for Sale in Central Darling Shire.

Here you will find details about surplus Council land which is being offered for sale, plus office space for rent in Wilcannia and plenty more.



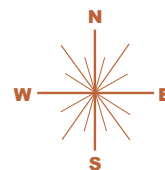
Level 2 water restrictions have been activated in **White Cliffs**.

Due to drought conditions, limited above ground storage and minimal rainfall expected, consumers are urged to minimise water usage. Restrictions apply to watering times, watering systems, washing vehicles, construction activities and washing windows. There is more information on Council's website.



At the February Council meeting a new draft policy was adopted to go on exhibition for 28 days for public comment.

The Council draft Verge and Street Tree Policy provides guidelines for residents to create, install and maintain an authorised street verge in front of their property on Council land. It supports the strategic plan objectives for the greening and beautification of towns and streetscapes.



Central Darling Shire Council



Pooncarie Road Celebrations at Menindee

A community celebration was held in February for the completion of the Pooncarie Road sealing project. A major project for our Shire it took three years of work. At a cost of \$39.6M million the Pooncarie Road sealing project will have long lasting

benefits for our Shire and the NSW Far West region. This project saw 61 kilometres of road sealed between Menindee and Pooncarie. The work was managed by Council and funded by the Australian and NSW Governments.

The community celebrations included the NSW Regional Transport and Roads Minister, Jenny Aitchison, the Member for Barwon, Roy Butler, Central Darling Shire Council Administrator Bob Stewart and the General Manager, Greg Hill.