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## COUNCILLOR COLUMN-DEPUTY MAYOR



What an honour it was to be elected by the wider community to Snowy Valleys Council as a Councillor last December, while also

humbling to now represent our Council community as Deputy Mayor alongside Mayor Ian Chaffey.

As a Council we are facing many challenges, remembering this is the community we love and choose to live in as well, so decisions we make impact us as well.

I believe the first eight months have demonstrated that many of your councillors are focused and committed to engaging with all stakeholders, especially communities and individuals who have made it clear they want to be heard.

While not living in the past, I believe we need to understand and learn from issues we can do better at managing as well as those that worked well.

Change is not always easy, but together we can move forward and influence what our future will look like.

*Cr Trina Thomson*

Deputy Mayor

## SNOW VIEW ESTATE STAGE 3 DEVELOPMENT

Subdivision development works are being progressed with detailed designs for the civil works ready for issue of Construction Drawings.

A total of 18 residential lots will be developed in the stage 3 development.

The works will provide additional residential land for the community of Tumbarumba. It is expected that the construction and sale completion will occur around February 2023.



## TUMUT POOL STAGE 2 UPGRADES



Works to replace the old baby and toddler pools with a learn-to-swim pool and splash zone at the Tumut Pool complex is gaining momentum with teams recently completing a significant milestone of pouring the concrete for the learn-to-swim pool shell.

Upgrades will improve swimming facilities for babies and young children. Similar upgrades were implemented at the Tumbarumba Pool in 2020.

The next stage of the project includes excavation works for the plant room to house the new pool filtration and chlorination systems.

Favourable weather will help to keep works tracking, however when the pool season starts in October, the worksite will be fenced off so construction can be safely completed.

## KHANCOBAN POOL - DEMO BEGINS



Demolition of the old 1950's amenities building at Khancoban Pool is underway.

Stage 2 of the Khancoban Pool upgrade will see the old toilet block replaced with modern amenities, including a shower, canteen, entry area and office along with new fencing and the installation of solar heating and blanket system to help regulate water temperature.

The new building is being constructed offsite and will be located at the opposite end of the pool to enable ramp access and disabled entry parking.

The construction program is tight, but we are hopeful the project will not delay pool season opening. Stay tuned for opening dates to come.

Funding for all three pool upgrades was provided under the Bushfire Economic Recovery Funding Round 2 jointly funded by the Australian and NSW Governments.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

Mayor Ian Chaffey appreciates the opportunity to attend community meetings and activities when he can. Here are some he attended over the past two weeks:

- Business Snowy Valleys General meeting
- Pioneer Park meeting with Rotary / Blakeney Millar Foundation representatives
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Snowy Valleys Launch – represented by Deputy Mayor Trina Thomson and Cr James Hayes.
- Batlow United Community Chamber meeting

To invite the Mayor to your community meeting email [ichaffey@svc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ichaffey@svc.nsw.gov.au)

## BATLOW POOL MAJOR UPGRADES

The Batlow pool is getting a makeover with a new learn-to-swim pool, a splash play area, and a new entry, office and amenities building with accessible toilets, shower, and canteen.

Upgrade works are progressing, despite the wet weather which saw the postponement of last week's concrete pour.

Site fencing has been installed in preparation for demolition of the existing amenities building with the new building being constructed off-site and due to be installed in October.

The Pool's 2022/23 summer season opening may need to be delayed but we're sure it will be worth the wait!

Stay tuned for more updates to come.



## FUNDING FOR NEW BRIDGE



The timber bridge at Brungle Creek is set to be replaced with concrete infrastructure thanks to \$740,000 in funding from

the NSW Government's Fixing Country Bridges program.

The funding will assist in ensuring better access for the local community and future proofing the area in the event of extreme weather events.

Photo credit: Sam Farroway MLC standing on the timber Brungle Creek Bridge with our Interim General Manager Hamish McNulty