

Manager of Works Report October 2026

Yelbeni Refuse

Yelbeni refuse site has been cleaned up in preparation for conversion to a transfer station. A six-cubic-metre bin is now available for residents to dispose of household rubbish. The scrap metal and green waste areas remain unchanged for now.

Spraying program

Spraying program is on going

Grading Program

Maintenance grading is continuing, despite approximately 10 days lost to heavy rain over the past month. Zone 1 is complete, and work is halfway through Zone 2. The crew will continue zone grading but may move to other roads if harvest traffic becomes too heavy, to ensure crew safety and minimise disruption.

New mower

The new toro mower has been purchased and in service this is a significant purchase by council all reports back from staff are very positive.

Road material trial

Inspections of material that were laid on Flemming Road are continuing findings so far are as follow.

The deep fill has performed well when combined with the existing natural gravel. Early observations indicate a reduction in clay content, which has improved the road surface and enhanced driving safety.

14/20 aggregate has worked to a point this material requires much more machine time to ensure it is mixed with the natural gravel if not observations have shown that it can get very loose on the road carriageway.

Clay Crete

Clay Crete is a water-soluble stabilising product that requires significant mechanical working and multiple grader, and roller passes to incorporate it into the existing pavement. Once cured, the treated surface becomes firm and stable; however, observations indicate that it becomes slippery when wet.

Further inspections will continue and report back to council next month.