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Equal Access for all at Nangus

It's been a long time coming and thanks to grant from the Stronger Communities Fund, the public hall at Nangus village will soon accommodate disabled and elderly patrons with the installation of disabled toilet facilities.

Built in 1914 the public hall and adjacent recreation ground is a meeting place for a variety of social and sporting functions held within the Nangus community. Managed by the Nangus Recreation Ground and Public Hall management committee, the area consists of a five acre recreation ground, barbecue and playground area including three tennis courts. The hall seats over 100 people and has a stage, kitchen, dining area, bar and public toilets.

The members of the committee were successful in their application to the Stronger Communities Fund, with a grant of \$36,527.00 being awarded to fund the "Equal Access for everyone at Nangus project". The Stronger Communities Fund is an initiative of the NSW State Government and administered by The Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council.

The project consists of the addition of a well-designed disabled toilet, upgrading of the existing toilets with new cisterns, tiles, hand basins and taps, and construction of a concrete walkway to allow easy access to the amenities in all weathers.

President of the Nangus Hall management committee Mr Phil Makeham said the project will make a big difference to how the hall can now be used.

"The toilet upgrade and introduction of a disabled amenity will be fantastic for our hall patrons and so much easier for the community especially our elderly and disabled members when visiting the hall and attending functions," he said.

The work is being undertaken by local contractor Ian Yan and is expected to be completed in the next few weeks weather permitting.

Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council administrator Stephen Sykes said the hall can now be utilised for a host of events that may have otherwise been held elsewhere.

"These facilities will create a new dimension to the Nangus Public Hall and how it can be used in the future, hall patrons will now have access to modern user friendly amenities," he added.

Member for Cootamundra Katrina Hodgkinson MP said she is happy to support the project at Nangus Public Hall through the NSW Government's Stronger Communities program.

“It’s vital that the community have safe and up-to-date amenities, making the facilities at the hall accessible to all. I’m pleased by what the trustees Nangus Recreation Ground and Public Hall of the have been able to achieve with the assistance of this funding,” Katrina said.

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Picture and caption: The Nangus Public Hall, Equal Access for Everyone Project is nearing completion. Upgrade of existing toilet facilities and the installation of a disabled amenity, including new concrete access zones with user friendly ramps is expected to be completed by the end of August.



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