

## Media Release

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## River Street set to be rejuvenated

Ballina Shire Council will start works on the fourth and final stage of the River Street Upgrade next week.

Once complete, the \$2.7 million investment will significantly improve the amenity and accessibility of River Street, between Moon Street and Grant Street.

"Council is committed to renewing the infrastructure in our town centres. This final stage of the Ballina town centre upgrade will be consistent with other River Street stages previously completed by Council," said Mr John Truman, Ballina Shire Council Director — Civil Services Division.

"Once completed the beautification upgrade will help deliver economic outcomes for our local business community and be a fantastic first impression for visitors entering our town centre," added Mr Truman.

The project will commence on 28 May 2019 and expected to be completed late 2019, weather permitting.

## The works will include:

- reconstructed road and stormwater infrastructure
- wider and paved footpaths
- new street trees and landscaping
- updated street furniture
- modern lighting
- improved footpath accessibility
- undergrounding of electricity (south side)
- reinstated pedestrian crossing

To minimise the impact to motorists, pedestrians and businesses Council has divided the road reconstruction into four zones, which will be completed one stage at time. The footpath works and landscaping will be a combination of night and day works to ensure pedestrian access is maintained to River Street businesses.

Council are working closely with River Street business operators and would like to remind the community these businesses will be remain open during the construction works.

For more information, visit **ballina.nsw.gov.au** (search River Street Upgrade).

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Image: River Street, between Moon and Grant Street

