

# **Rural and regional bus fares from January 2011**

Maximum fares for regular bus passenger services in rural and regional NSW

**Transport — Determination**  
December 2010



## **Rural and Regional Bus Services**

**Determination No. 6, 2010**



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# Preliminary

## 1 Background

### 1.1 Passenger Transport Act 1990 (NSW)

- (a) Section 28J(2) of the *Passenger Transport Act 1990* (NSW) (the **Passenger Transport Act**) permits IPART to conduct investigations and make reports to the Minister on the determination of appropriate maximum fares for Regular Bus Services supplied under a Bus Service Contract.
- (b) Rural Bus Services and Country Town Bus Services are supplied under a Bus Service Contract (**Regulated Bus Services**).
- (c) In investigating and reporting on the maximum fares for Regulated Bus Services, IPART has had regard to a broad range of matters, including the criteria set out in section 28J(5) of the Passenger Transport Act.
- (d) By section 28J(6) of the Passenger Transport Act, a Bus Service Contract is taken to include a term that a passenger must not be charged a fare exceeding the relevant maximum fare determined under section 28J of the Passenger Transport Act.

## 2 Application of this determination

This determination:

- (a) sets the maximum fares for all Regulated Bus Services;
- (b) commences on the later of 2 January 2011 and the date that it is published in the NSW Government Gazette (**Commencement Date**); and
- (c) applies from the Commencement Date to the date on which this determination is replaced.

## 3 Replacement of Determination No. 11 of 2009

This determination replaces Determination No. 11 of 2009 from the Commencement Date. The replacement does not affect anything done or omitted to be done, or rights or obligations accrued, under Determination No. 11 of 2009.

## **4 Schedules**

- (a) Schedule 1 and the table in that schedule set out the maximum fares for Rural Bus Services.
- (b) Schedule 2 and the table in that schedule set out the maximum fares for Country Town Bus Services.
- (c) Schedule 3 sets out the definitions and interpretation provisions.



## Schedule 1 Maximum fares for Rural Bus Services

### **1 Application**

This schedule sets the maximum fares for Rural Bus Services.

### **2 Maximum fares for Rural Bus Services**

The maximum fares that may be charged by Bus Operators for Rural Bus Services are set out in Table 1.

## Table 1

**Table 1    Maximum fares<sup>a</sup> for Rural Bus Services**

| <b>Single Ride</b> | <b>Adult Fare</b> | <b>Concession Fare</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Section          | \$2.40            | \$1.20                 |
| 2 Sections         | \$3.50            | \$1.70                 |
| 3 Sections         | \$4.30            | \$2.10                 |
| 4 Sections         | \$5.10            | \$2.50                 |
| 5 Sections         | \$5.80            | \$2.90                 |
| 6 Sections         | \$6.40            | \$3.20                 |
| 7 Sections         | \$6.90            | \$3.40                 |
| 8 Sections         | \$7.50            | \$3.70                 |
| 9 Sections         | \$8.00            | \$4.00                 |
| 10 Sections        | \$8.50            | \$4.20                 |
| 11 Sections        | \$8.90            | \$4.40                 |
| 12 Sections        | \$9.40            | \$4.70                 |
| 13 Sections        | \$9.80            | \$4.90                 |
| 14 Sections        | \$10.20           | \$5.10                 |
| 15 Sections        | \$10.60           | \$5.30                 |
| 16 Sections        | \$11.00           | \$5.50                 |
| 17 Sections        | \$11.40           | \$5.70                 |
| 18 Sections        | \$11.70           | \$5.80                 |
| 19 Sections        | \$12.10           | \$6.00                 |
| 20 Sections        | \$12.40           | \$6.20                 |
| 21 Sections        | \$12.80           | \$6.40                 |
| 22 Sections        | \$13.10           | \$6.50                 |
| 23 Sections        | \$13.50           | \$6.70                 |
| 24 Sections        | \$13.80           | \$6.90                 |
| 25 Sections        | \$14.10           | \$7.00                 |
| 26 Sections        | \$14.40           | \$7.20                 |
| 27 Sections        | \$14.80           | \$7.40                 |
| 28 Sections        | \$15.00           | \$7.50                 |
| 29 Sections        | \$15.30           | \$7.60                 |
| 30 Sections        | \$15.60           | \$7.80                 |
| 31 Sections        | \$15.90           | \$7.90                 |
| 32 Sections        | \$16.20           | \$8.10                 |
| 33 Sections        | \$16.40           | \$8.20                 |
| 34 Sections        | \$16.70           | \$8.30                 |
| 35 Sections        | \$17.00           | \$8.50                 |
| 36 Sections        | \$17.30           | \$8.60                 |

| <b>Single Ride</b> | <b>Adult Fare</b> | <b>Concession Fare</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 37 Sections        | \$17.50           | \$8.70                 |
| 38 Sections        | \$17.80           | \$8.90                 |
| 39 Sections        | \$18.00           | \$9.00                 |
| 40 Sections        | \$18.30           | \$9.10                 |
| 41 Sections        | \$18.60           | \$9.30                 |
| 42 Sections        | \$18.80           | \$9.40                 |
| 43 Sections        | \$19.10           | \$9.50                 |
| 44 Sections        | \$19.30           | \$9.60                 |
| 45 Sections        | \$19.50           | \$9.70                 |
| 46 Sections        | \$19.80           | \$9.90                 |
| 47 Sections        | \$20.00           | \$10.00                |
| 48 Sections        | \$20.20           | \$10.10                |
| 49 Sections        | \$20.50           | \$10.20                |
| 50 Sections        | \$20.70           | \$10.30                |
| 51 Sections        | \$21.00           | \$10.50                |
| 52 Sections        | \$21.20           | \$10.60                |
| 53 Sections        | \$21.40           | \$10.70                |
| 54 Sections        | \$21.60           | \$10.80                |
| 55 Sections        | \$21.80           | \$10.90                |
| 56 Sections        | \$22.10           | \$11.00                |
| 57 Sections        | \$22.30           | \$11.10                |
| 58 Sections        | \$22.50           | \$11.20                |
| 59 Sections        | \$22.70           | \$11.30                |
| 60 Sections        | \$22.90           | \$11.40                |
| 61 Sections        | \$23.10           | \$11.50                |
| 62 Sections        | \$23.30           | \$11.60                |
| 63 Sections        | \$23.50           | \$11.70                |
| 64 Sections        | \$23.80           | \$11.90                |
| 65 Sections        | \$24.00           | \$12.00                |
| 66 Sections        | \$24.20           | \$12.10                |
| 67 Sections        | \$24.40           | \$12.20                |
| 68 Sections        | \$24.60           | \$12.30                |
| 69 Sections        | \$24.80           | \$12.40                |
| 70 Sections        | \$25.00           | \$12.50                |

<sup>a</sup> Children under the age of 4 years are entitled to travel free on all Rural Bus Services.

## Schedule 2 Maximum fares for Country Town Bus Services

### 1 **Application**

This schedule sets the maximum fares for Country Town Bus Services.

### 2 **Maximum fares for Country Town Bus Services**

The maximum fares that may be charged by Bus Operators for Country Town Bus Services are set out in Table 2.

## Table 2

**Table 2 Maximum fares<sup>a</sup> for Country Town Bus Services**

| <b>Single Ride</b> | <b>Adult Fare</b> | <b>Concession Fare</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Section          | \$2.10            | \$1.00                 |
| 2 Sections         | \$3.10            | \$1.50                 |
| 3 Sections         | \$3.90            | \$1.90                 |
| 4 Sections         | \$4.60            | \$2.30                 |
| 5 Sections         | \$5.20            | \$2.60                 |
| 6 Sections         | \$5.80            | \$2.90                 |
| 7 Sections         | \$6.20            | \$3.10                 |
| 8 Sections         | \$6.70            | \$3.30                 |
| 9 Sections         | \$7.20            | \$3.60                 |
| 10 Sections        | \$7.60            | \$3.80                 |
| 11 Sections        | \$8.00            | \$4.00                 |
| 12 Sections        | \$8.40            | \$4.20                 |
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| 14 Sections        | \$9.20            | \$4.60                 |
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## Schedule 3 Definitions and interpretation

### 1 Definitions

#### 1.1 General definitions

In this determination:

**Adult Fare** means the maximum fare that may be charged to a person who is aged 16 years or over.

**Bus Operator** means a bus operator who holds a Bus Service Contract.

**Bus Service Contract** means a contract with the Director-General of Transport NSW under Division 3 of Part 3 of the Passenger Transport Act for the provision of a Regular Bus Service in a Rural and Regional Contract Region.

**Commencement Date** means the Commencement Date defined in clause 2(b) of the section of this determination entitled “Preliminary”.

**Concession Fare** means the maximum fare that may be charged to a person who:

- (a) is aged between 4 and 15 years; or
- (b) is aged 16 years or over and is the holder of a valid concession card of a type that has been approved by Transport NSW.

**Country Town Contract Region** means a region marked as a “Contract B Service Region” in the maps numbered 1 to 51 in Appendix B to this determination.

**Country Town Bus Route** means the route travelled by a bus service provided pursuant to a Bus Service Contract:

- (a) between Coffs Harbour and Sawtell; or
- (b) between North Nowra and Bomaderry.

**Country Town Bus Service** means a Regular Bus Service where:

- (a) the origin and destination of the passenger’s journey is within the boundary of a Country Town Contract Region; or
- (b) the passenger’s journey is solely on a Country Town Bus Route.

**GST** means the Goods and Services Tax as defined in *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth).

**IPART** means the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of New South Wales established under the IPART Act.

**IPART Act** means the *Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal Act 1992* (NSW).

**Passenger Transport Act** means the *Passenger Transport Act 1990* (NSW).

**Regular Bus Service** has the meaning given to that term in the Passenger Transport Act.

**Regulated Bus Services** means the services defined in clause 1.1(b) of the section of this determination entitled “Preliminary”.

**Rural and Regional Contract Region** means all areas of New South Wales other than the regions numbered and labelled “Metro Bus Contract/Region” or “Outer Metro Bus Contract/Region” in the map attached as Appendix A to this determination.

**Rural Bus Service** means a Regular Bus Service in a Rural and Regional Contract Region that is not a Country Town Bus Service.

**Section** means a distance of approximately 1.6 kilometres into which a bus route is divided up for calculating fares.

**Transport NSW** means the New South Wales government department of that name with primary responsibility for transport policy, planning and coordination and includes the government departments having responsibility for those functions prior to the formation of Transport NSW.

## 2 Interpretation

### 2.1 General provisions

In this determination:

- (a) headings are for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of this determination;
- (b) a reference to a schedule, annexure, clause or table is a reference to a schedule, annexure, clause or table in this determination;
- (c) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- (d) a reference to a law or statute includes all amendments or replacements of that law or statute;



- (e) a reference to a person includes a company, partnership, joint venture, association, corporation, other body corporate or government agency;
- (f) a reference to an officer includes a reference to the officer who replaces him or her, or who substantially succeeds to his or her powers or functions; and
- (g) a reference to a body, whether statutory or not:
  - (1) which ceases to exist; or
  - (2) whose powers or functions are transferred to another body,
 is a reference to the body which replaces it or which substantially succeeds to its powers or functions.

## **2.2 Explanatory notes and clarification notice**

- (a) Explanatory notes do not form part of this determination, but in the case of uncertainty may be relied on for interpretation purposes.
- (b) IPART may publish a clarification notice in the NSW Government Gazette to correct any manifest error in this determination as if that clarification notice formed part of this determination.

## **2.3 Fares inclusive of GST**

Fares specified in this determination include GST.

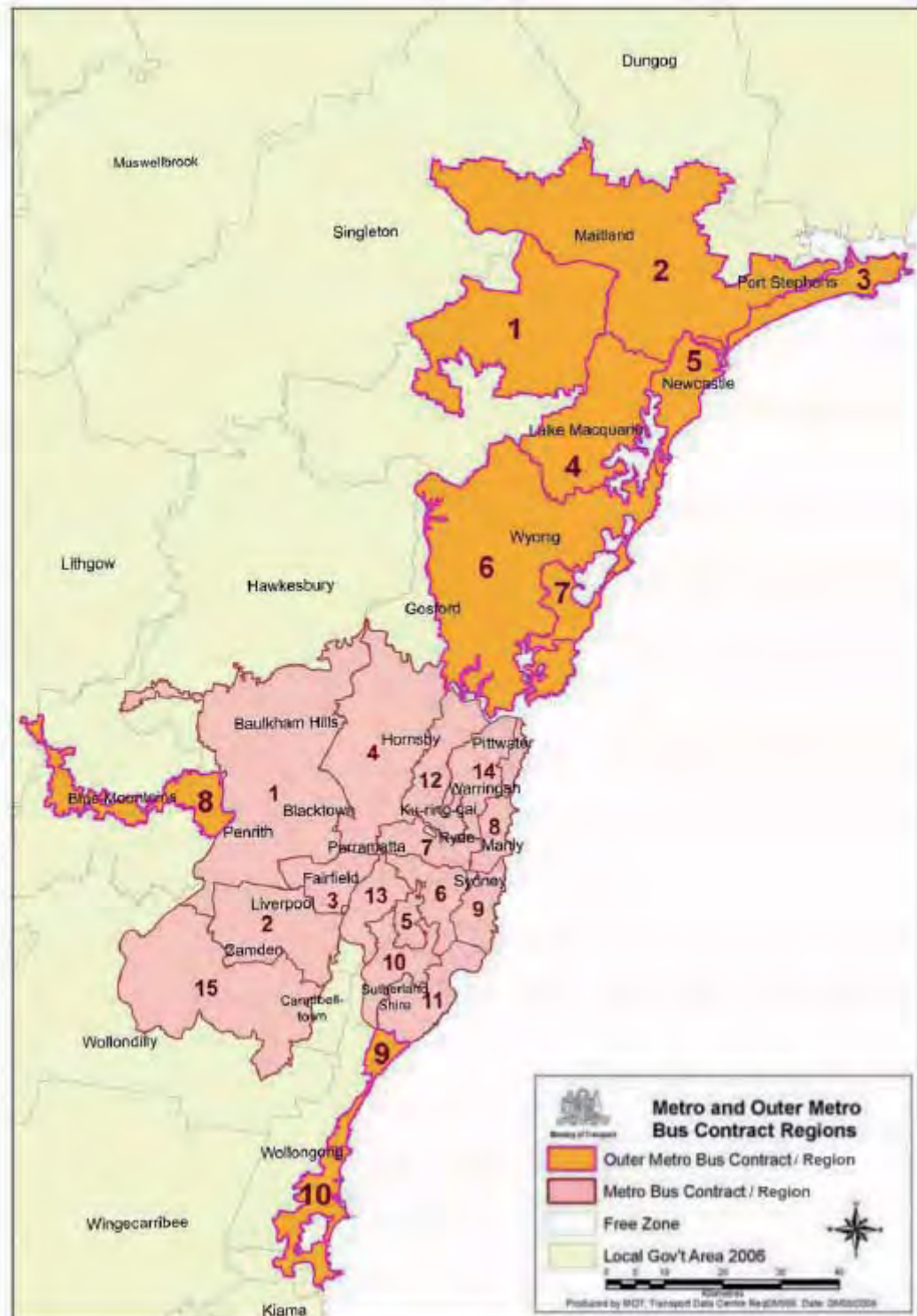




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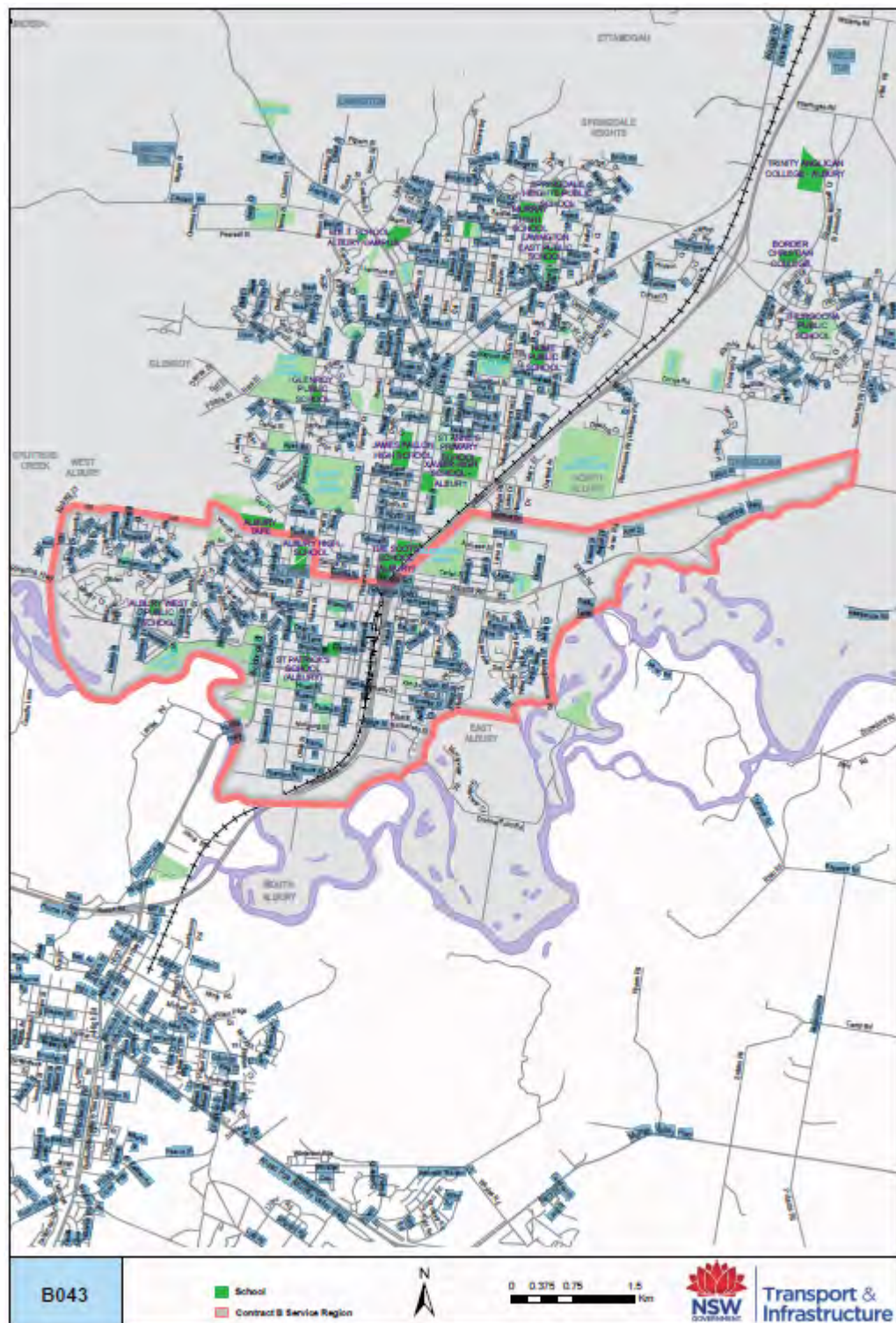
## A Metro and Outer Metro Contract Region Map



Note: A Rural and Regional Contract Region is an area of New South Wales that is not a Metro Bus Contract/Region or an Outer Metro Bus Contract/Region.

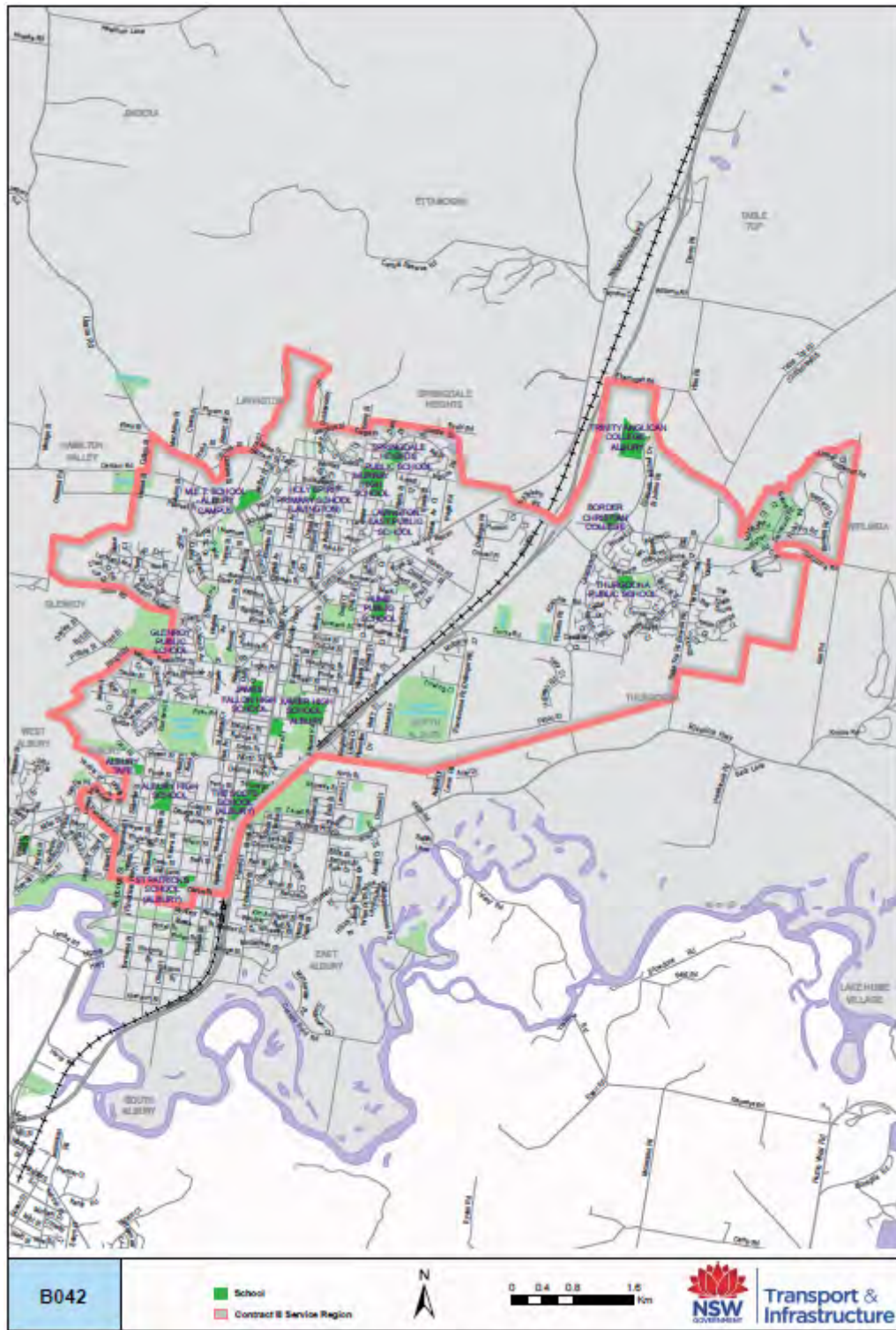
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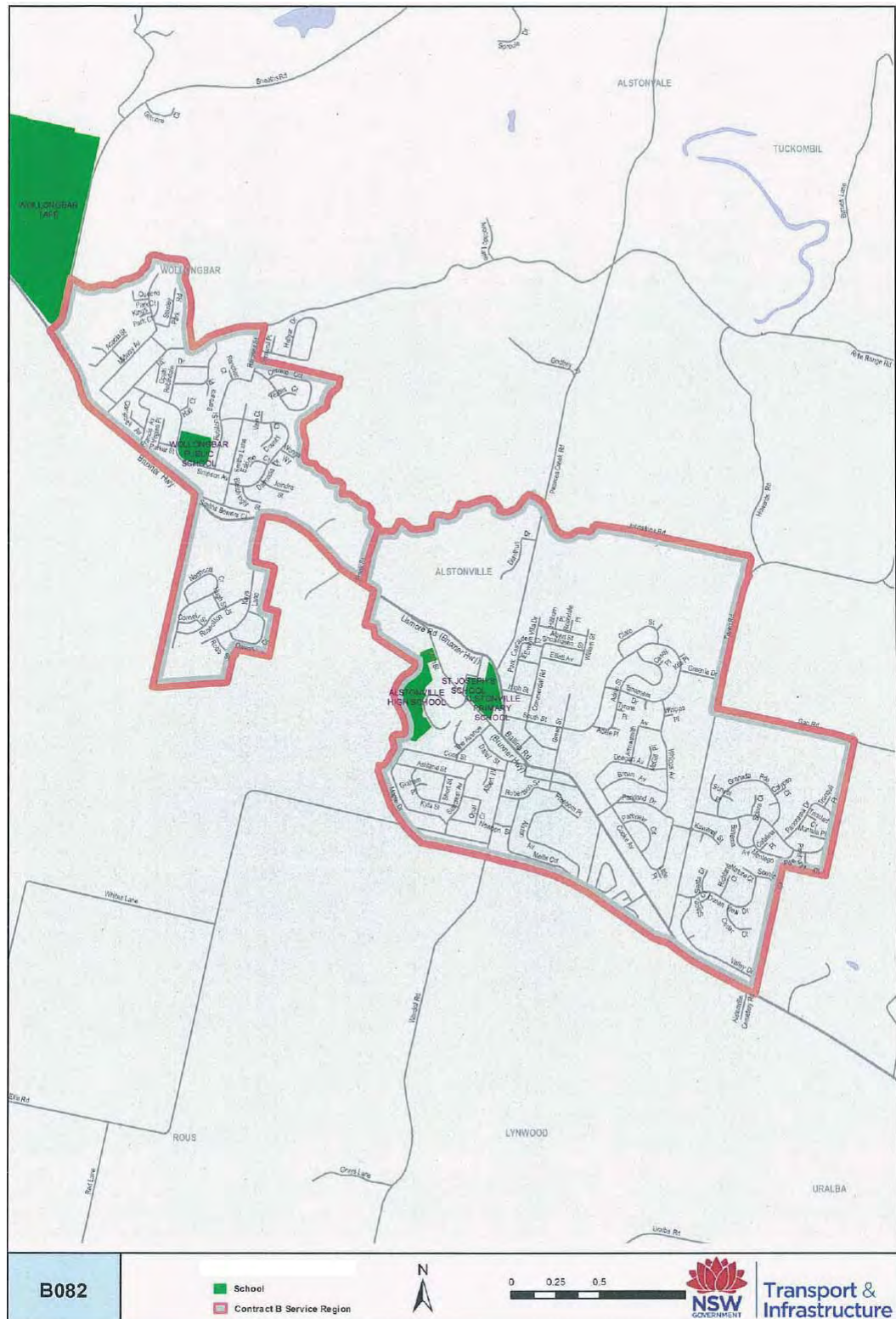


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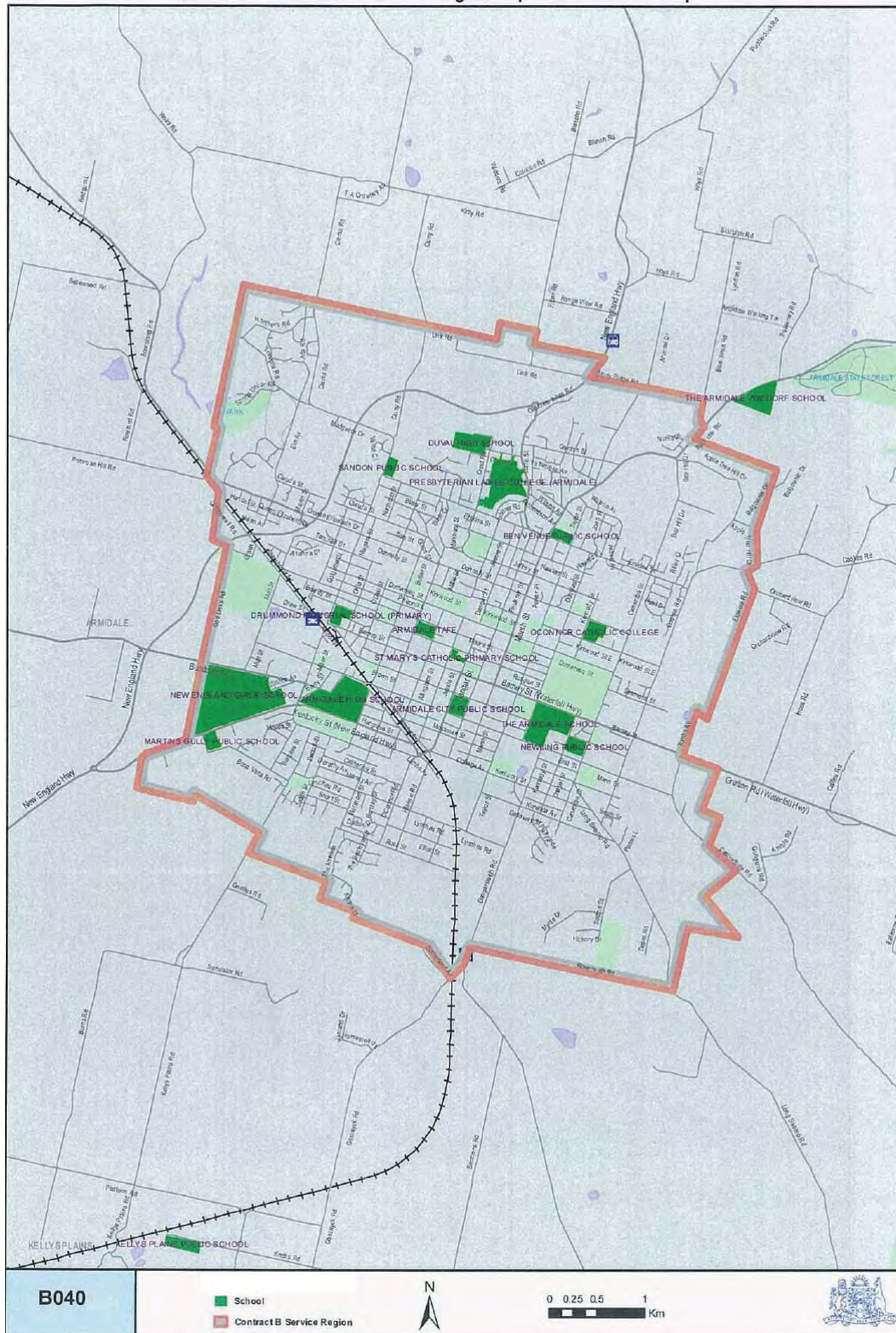


**Map 3: Alstonville - Wollongbar**





Map 4: Armidale





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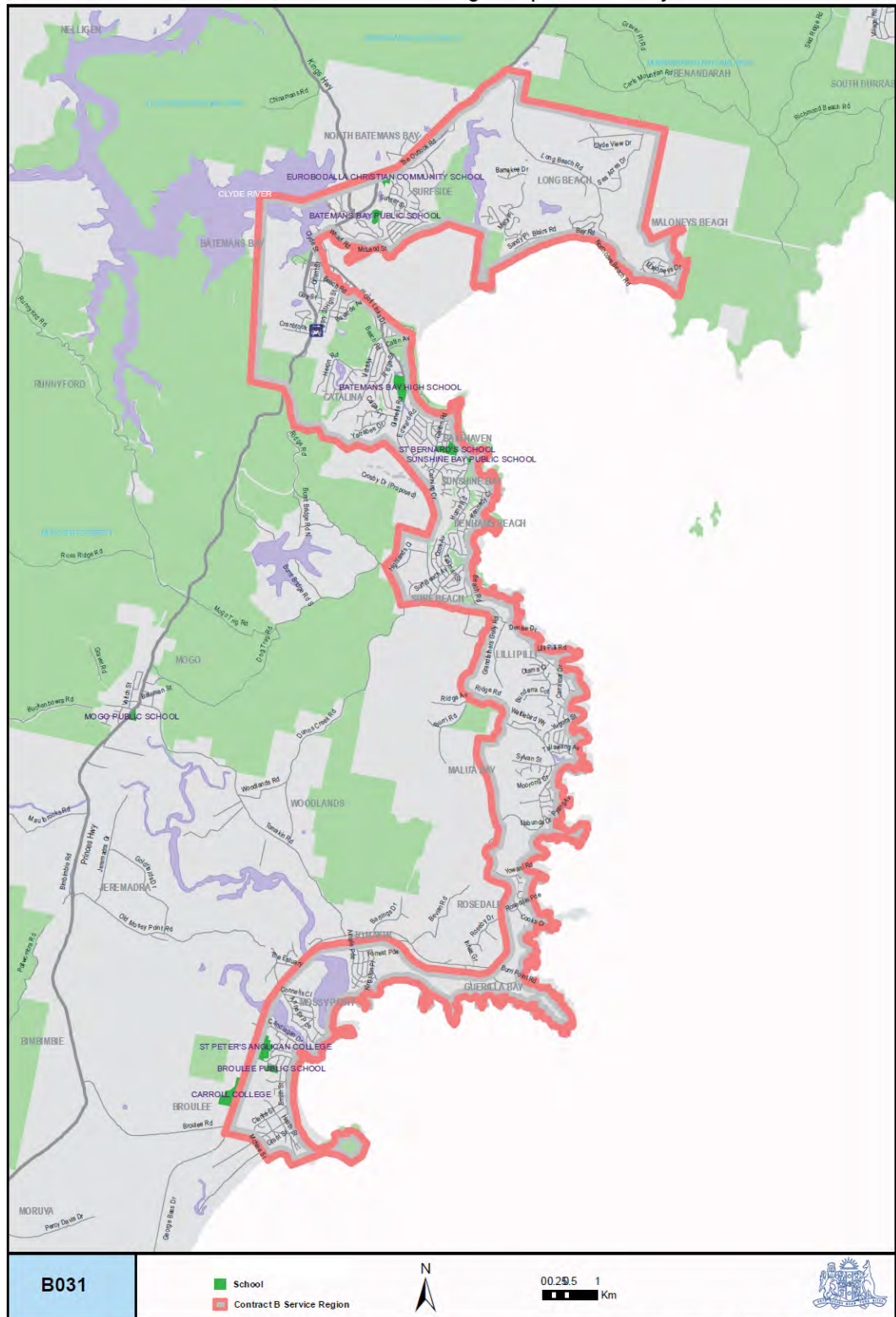
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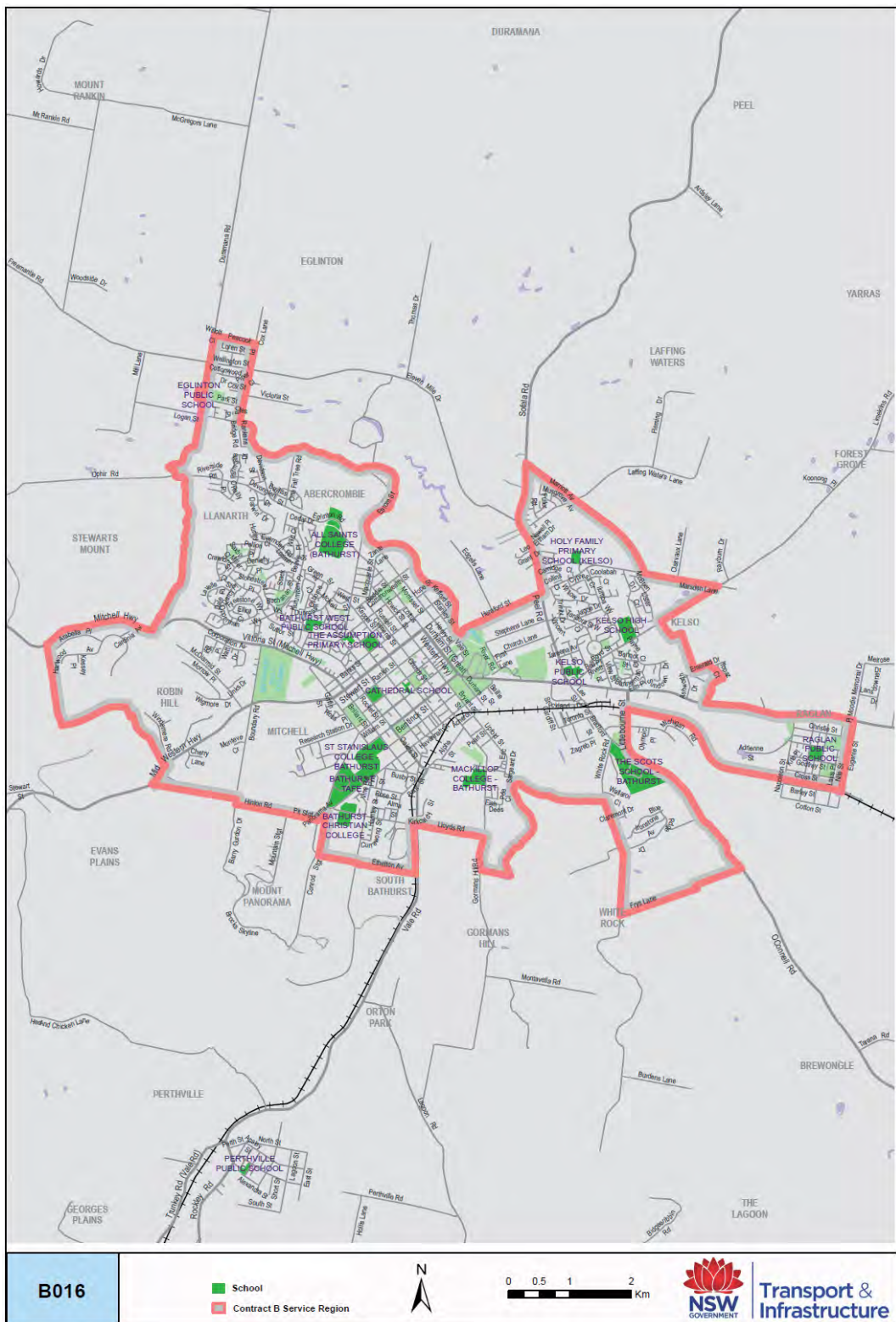


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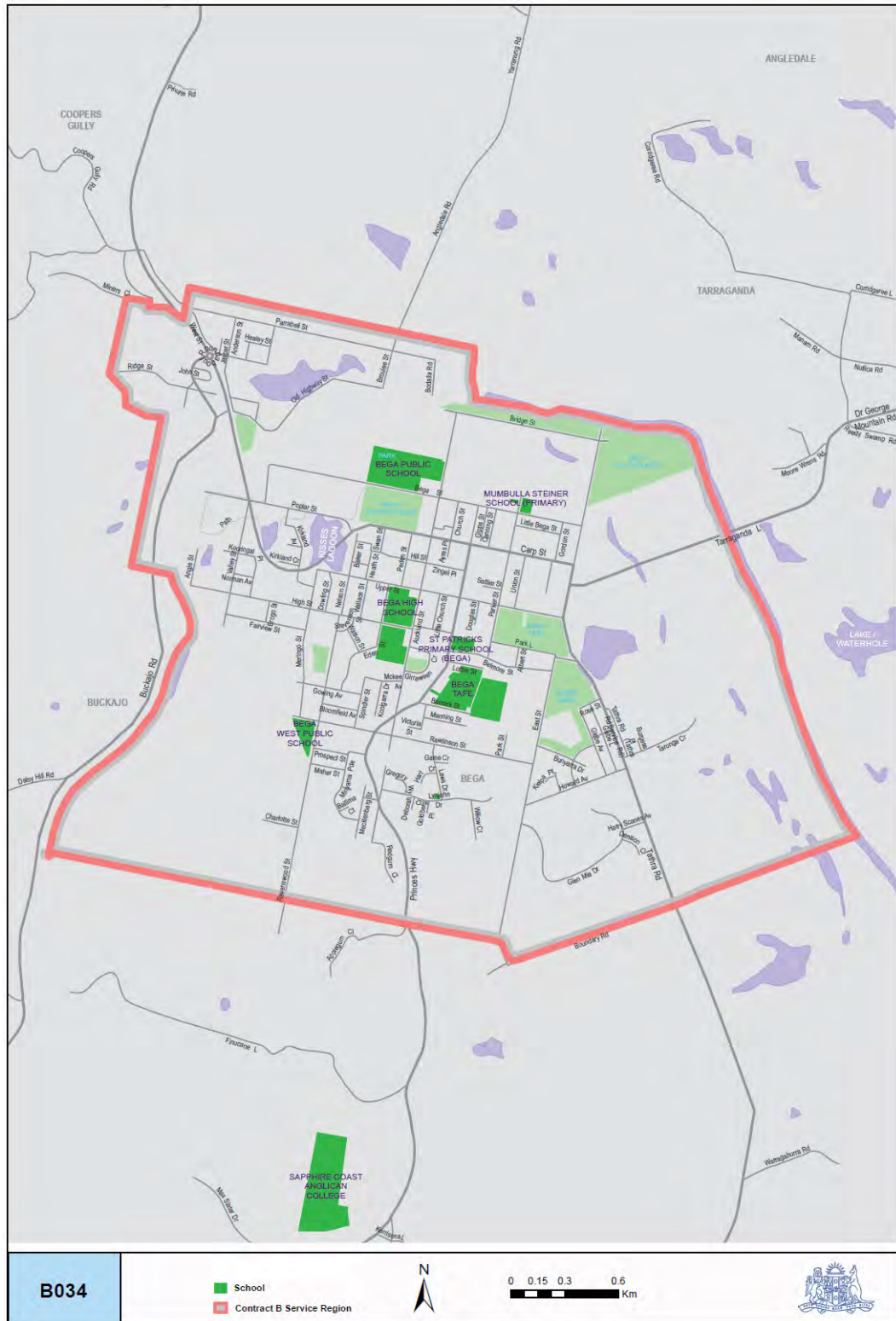




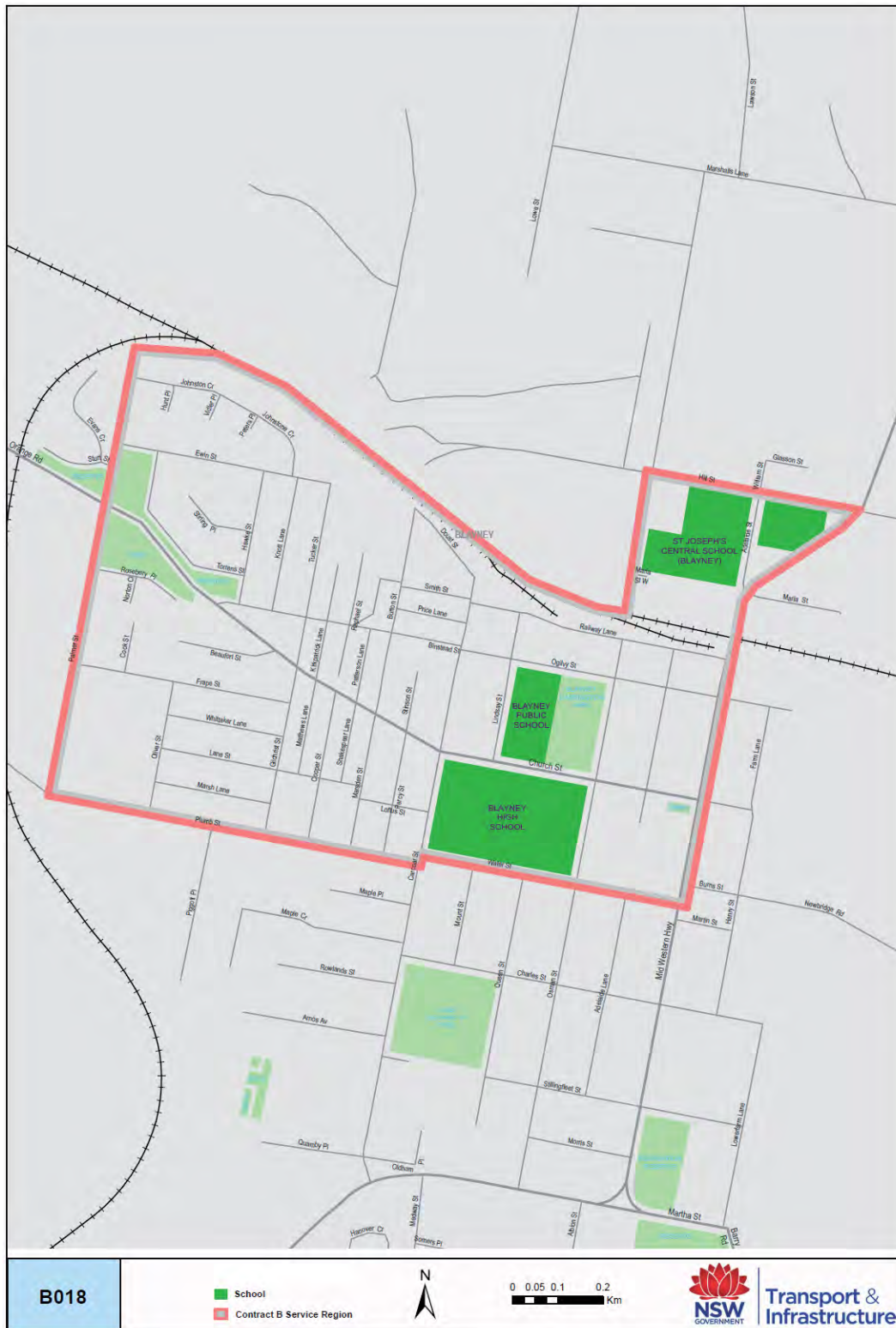
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Map 9: Bega

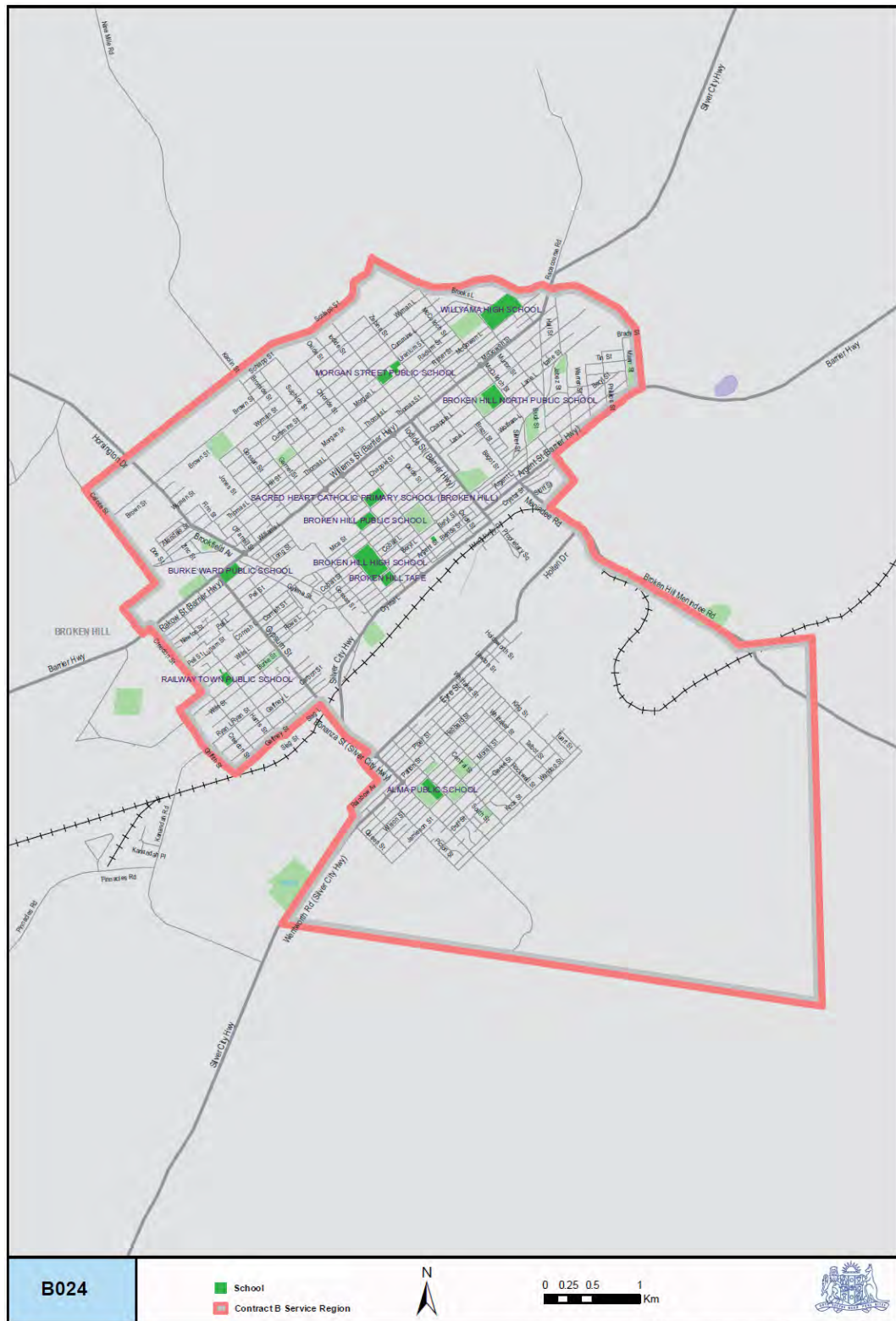


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Map 11: Broken Hill

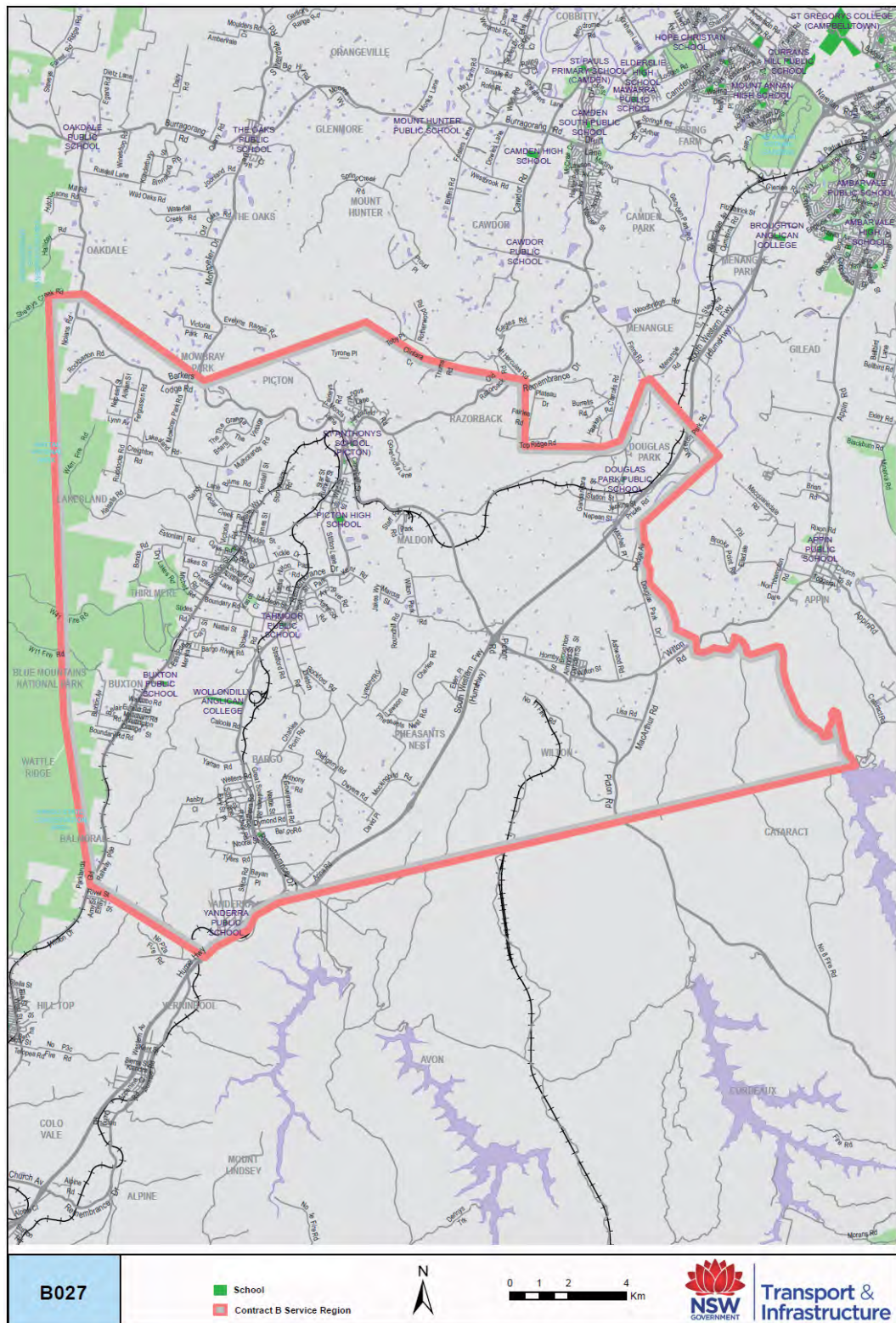


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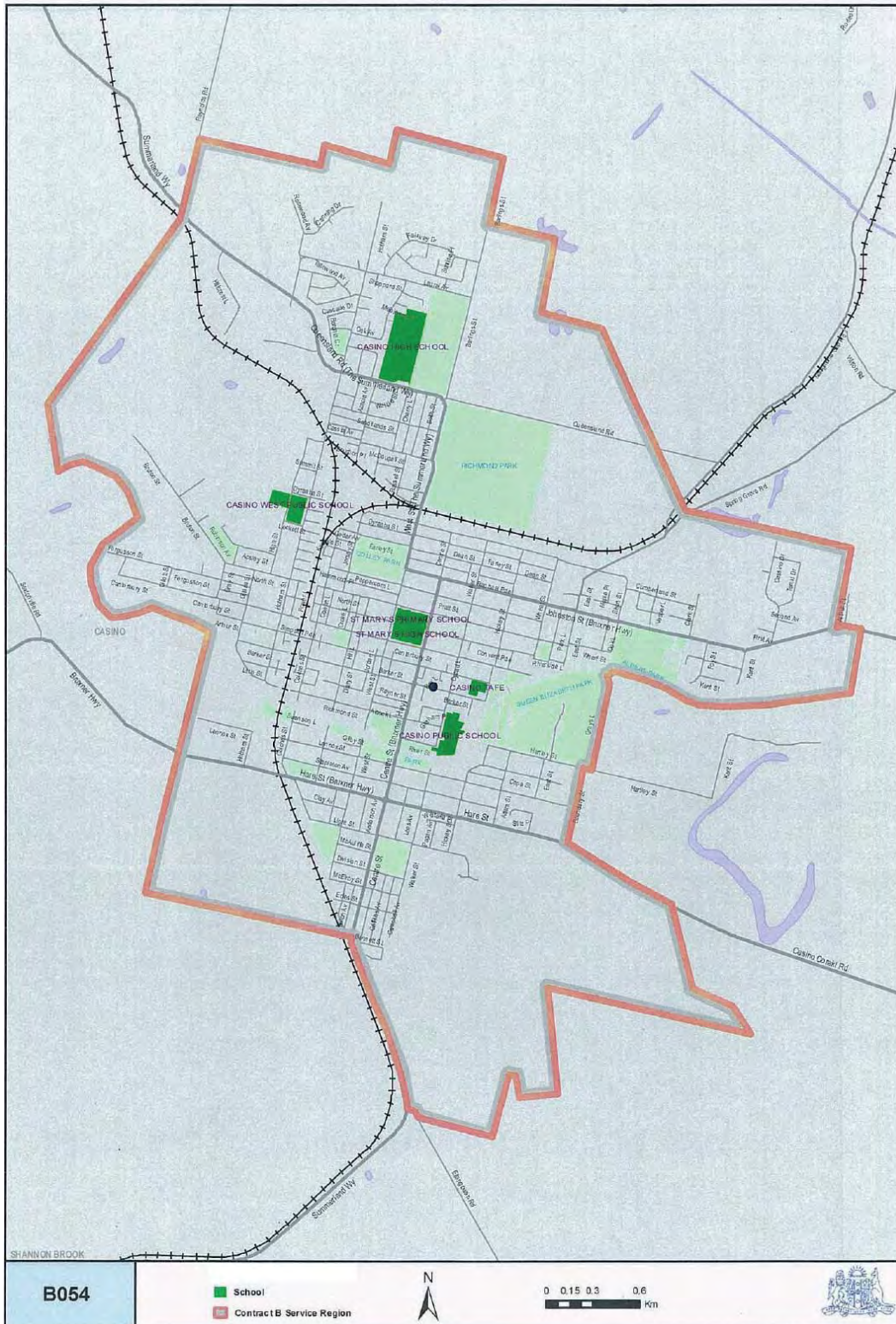


Map 13: Camden – Picton - Campbelltown





Map 14: Casino



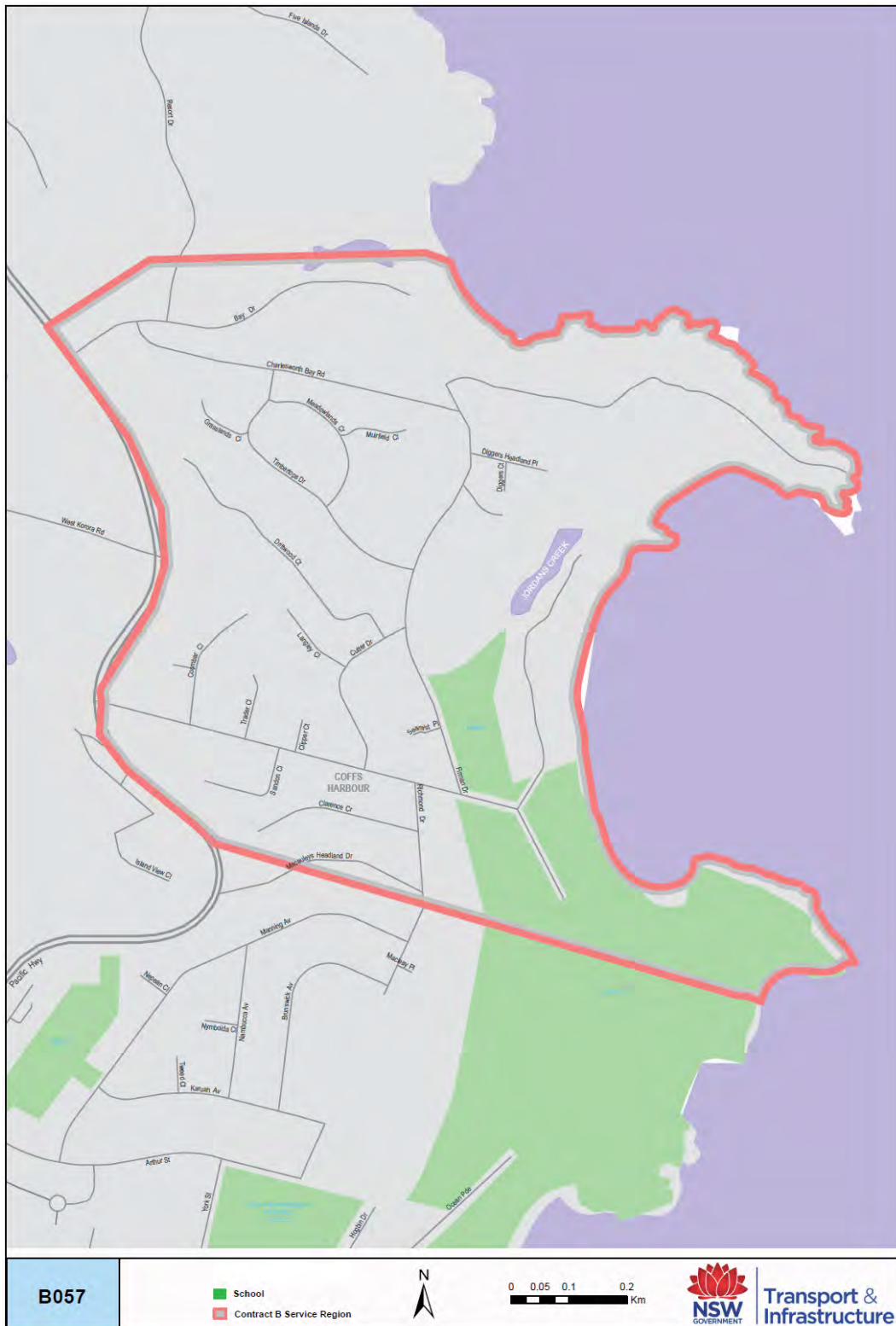


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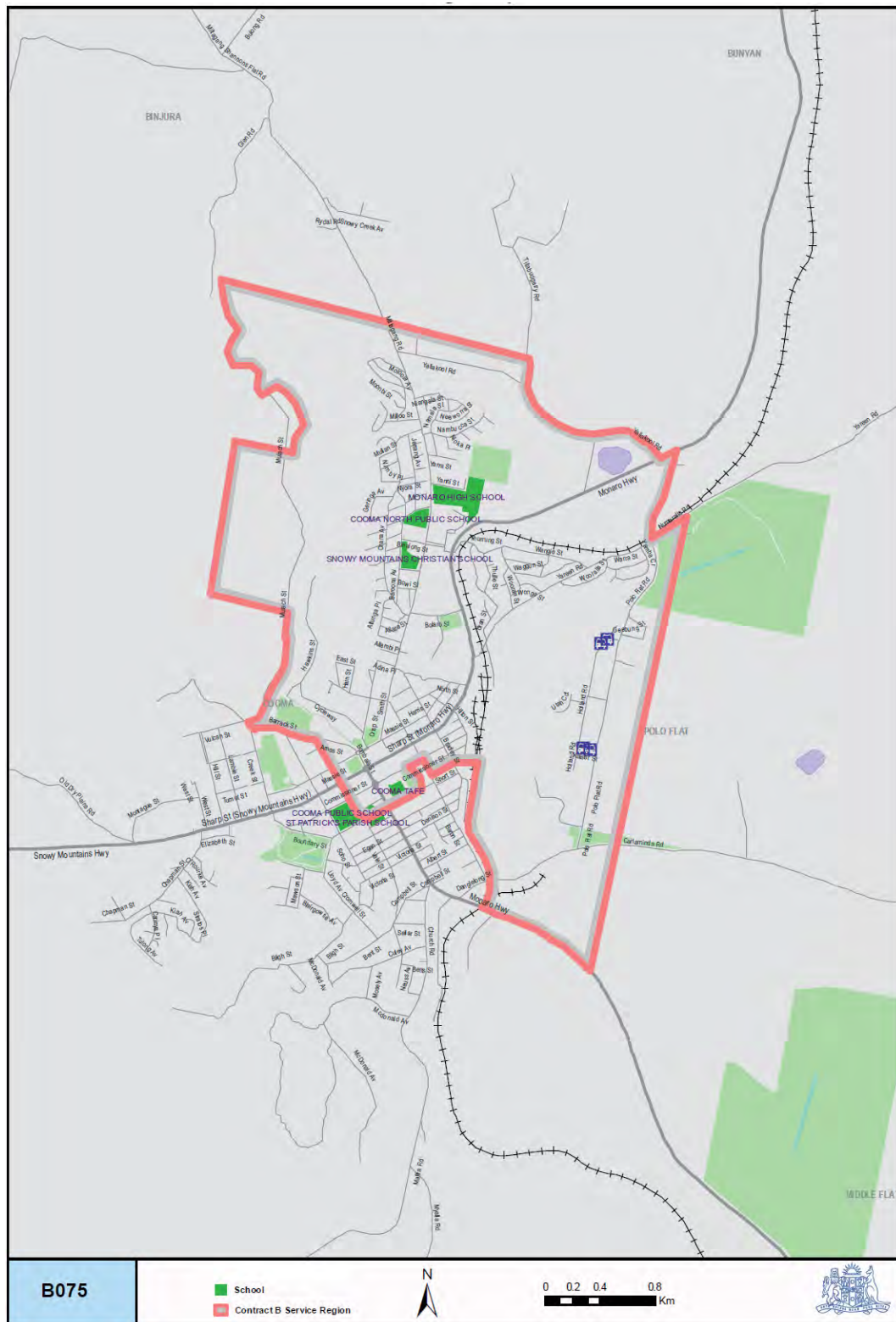
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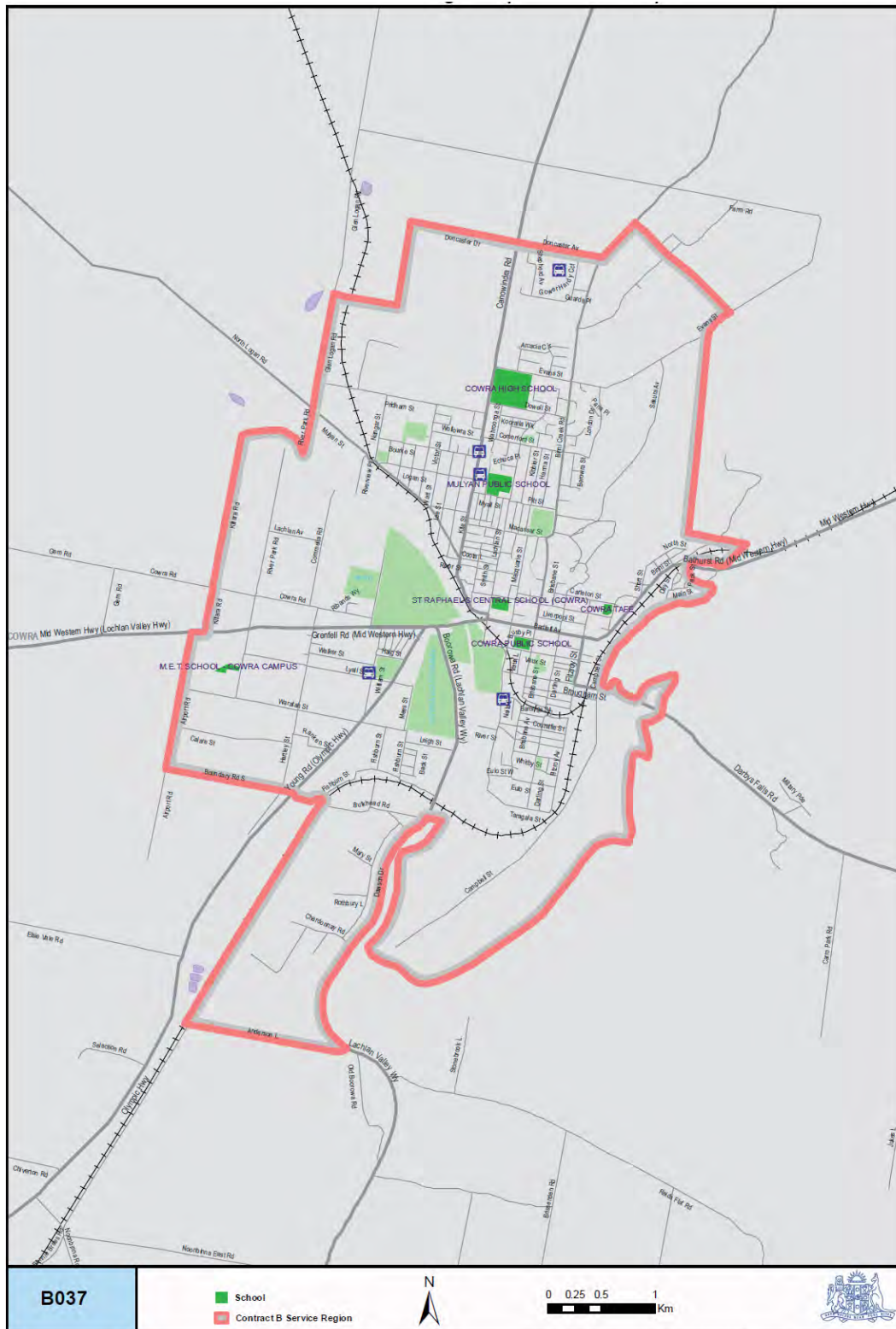




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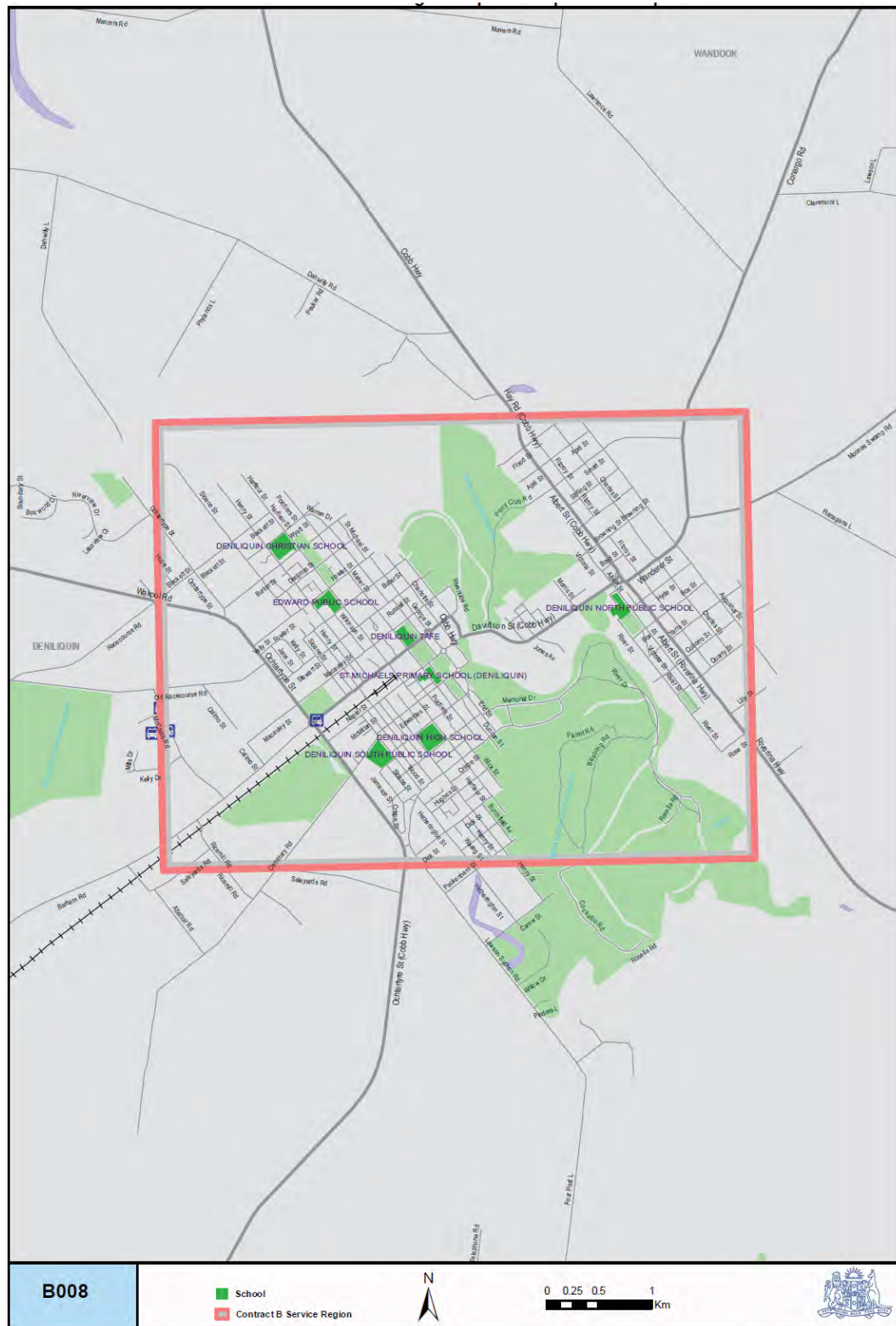


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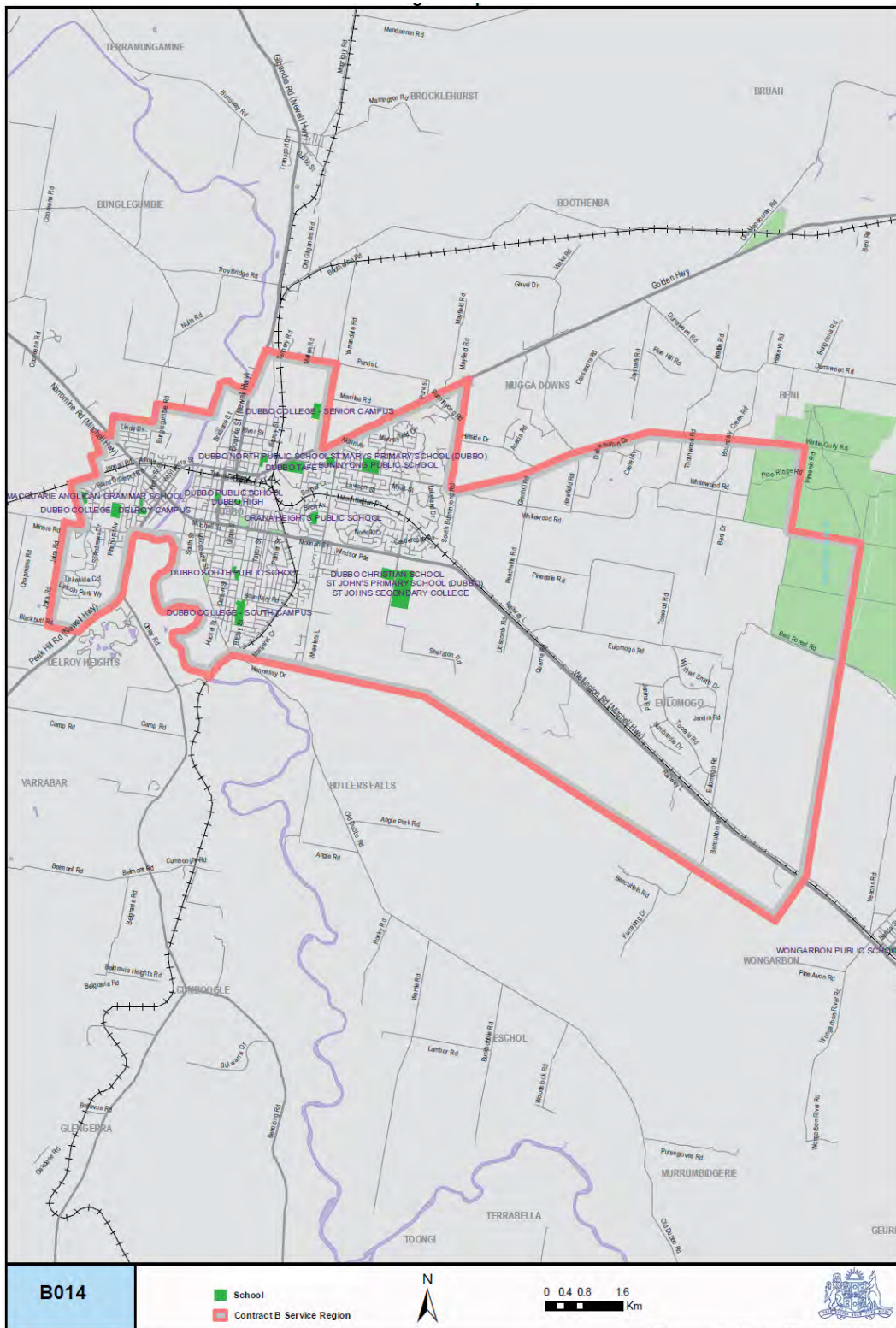




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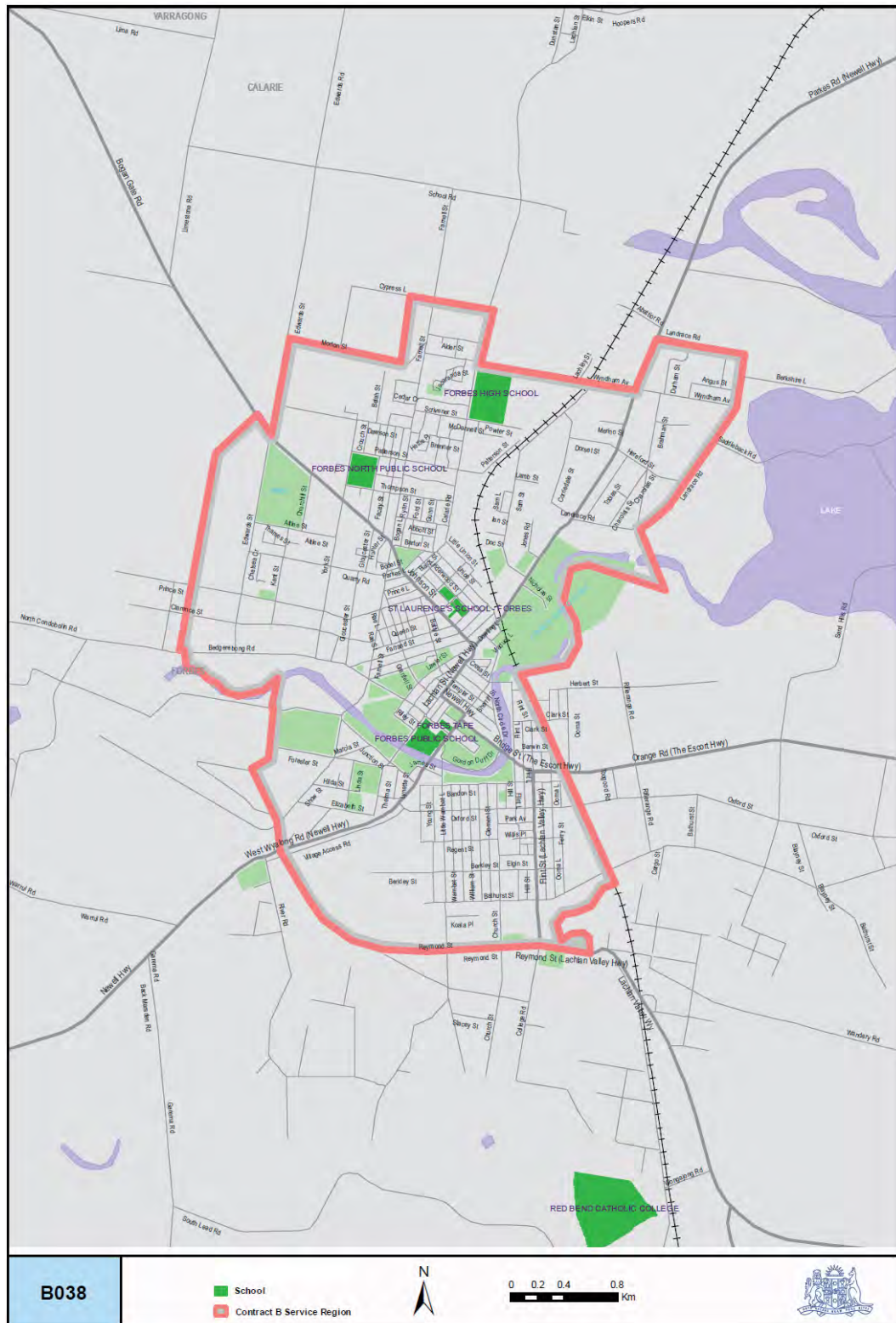


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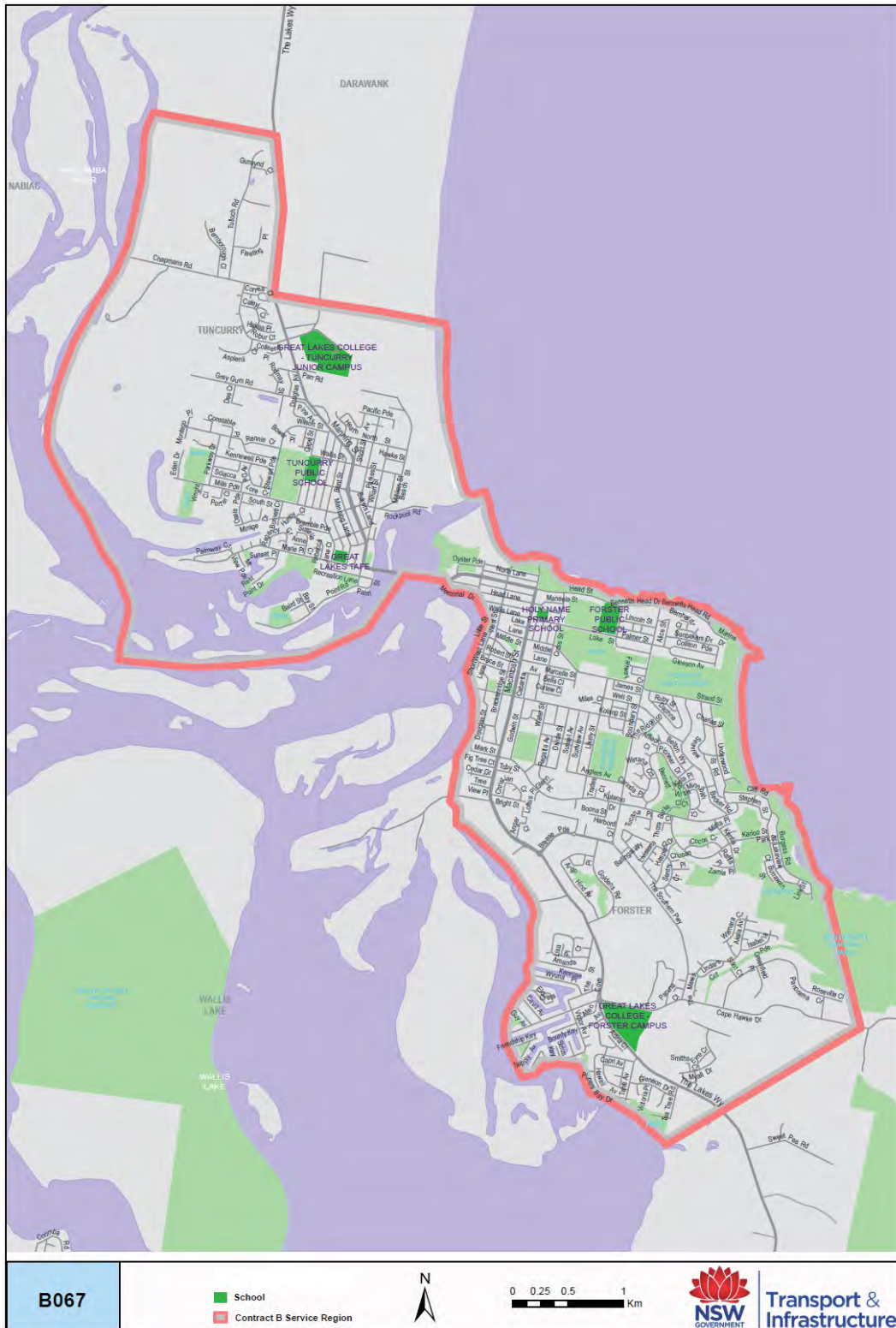




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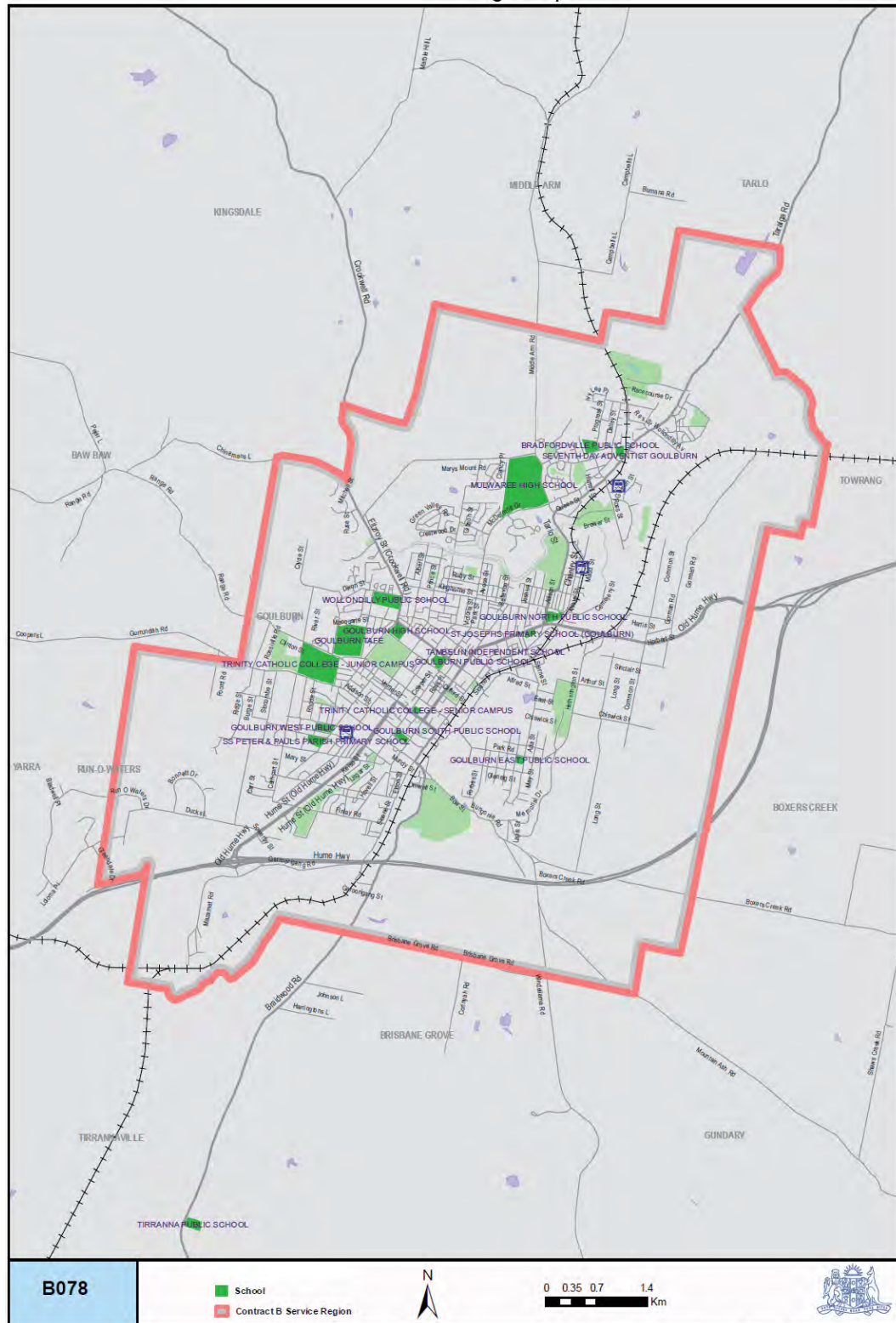


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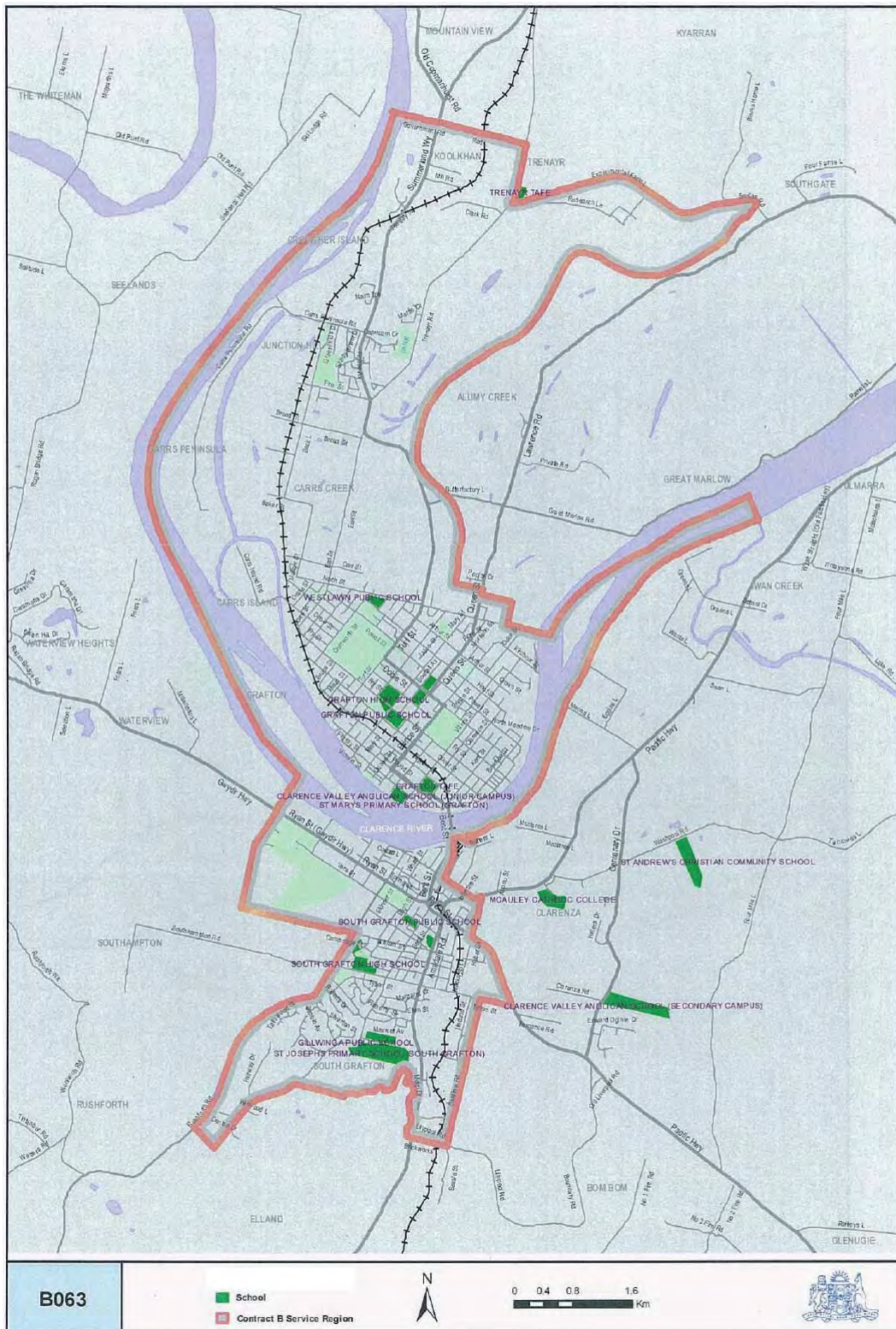




Map 23: Goulburn



Map 24: Grafton





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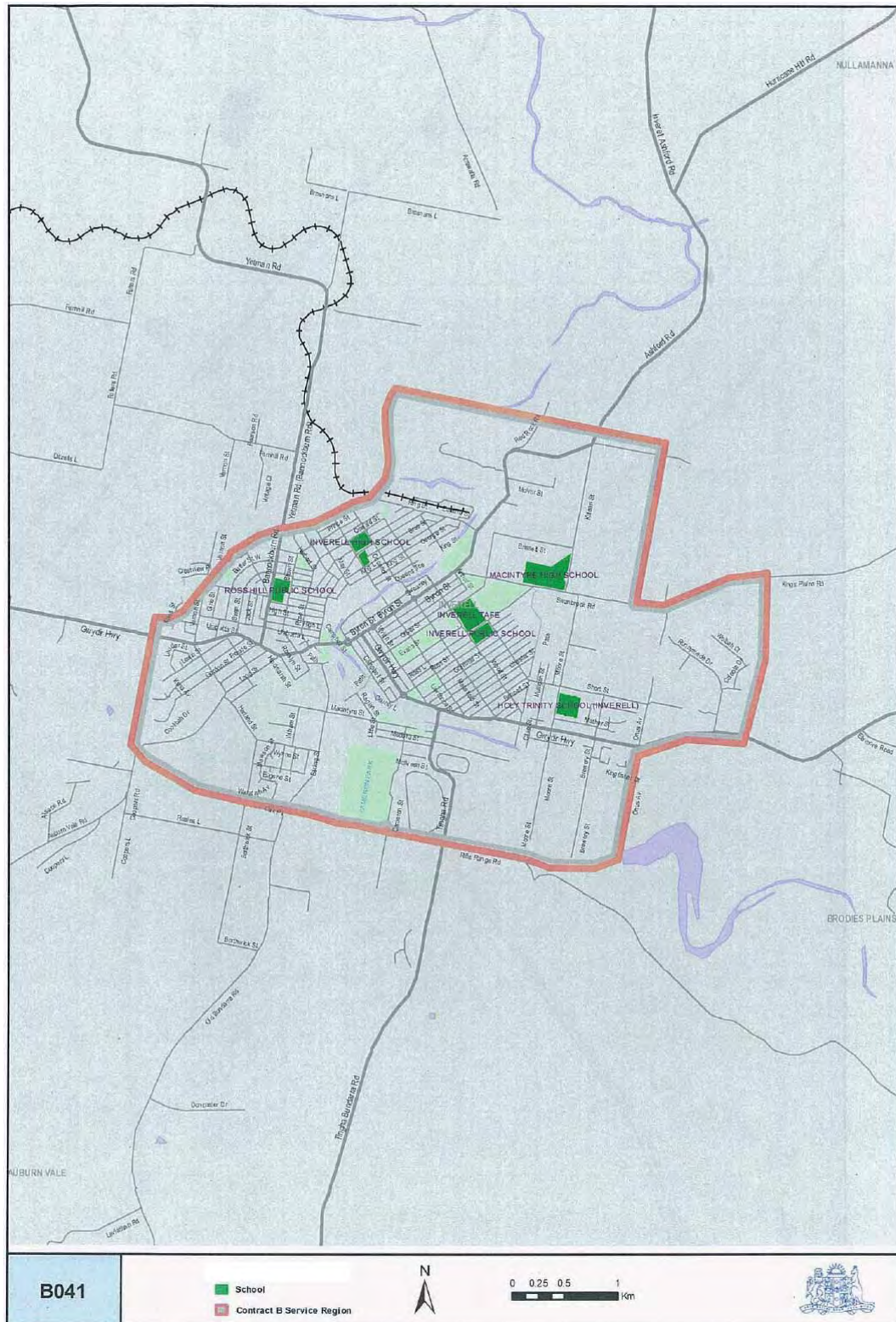


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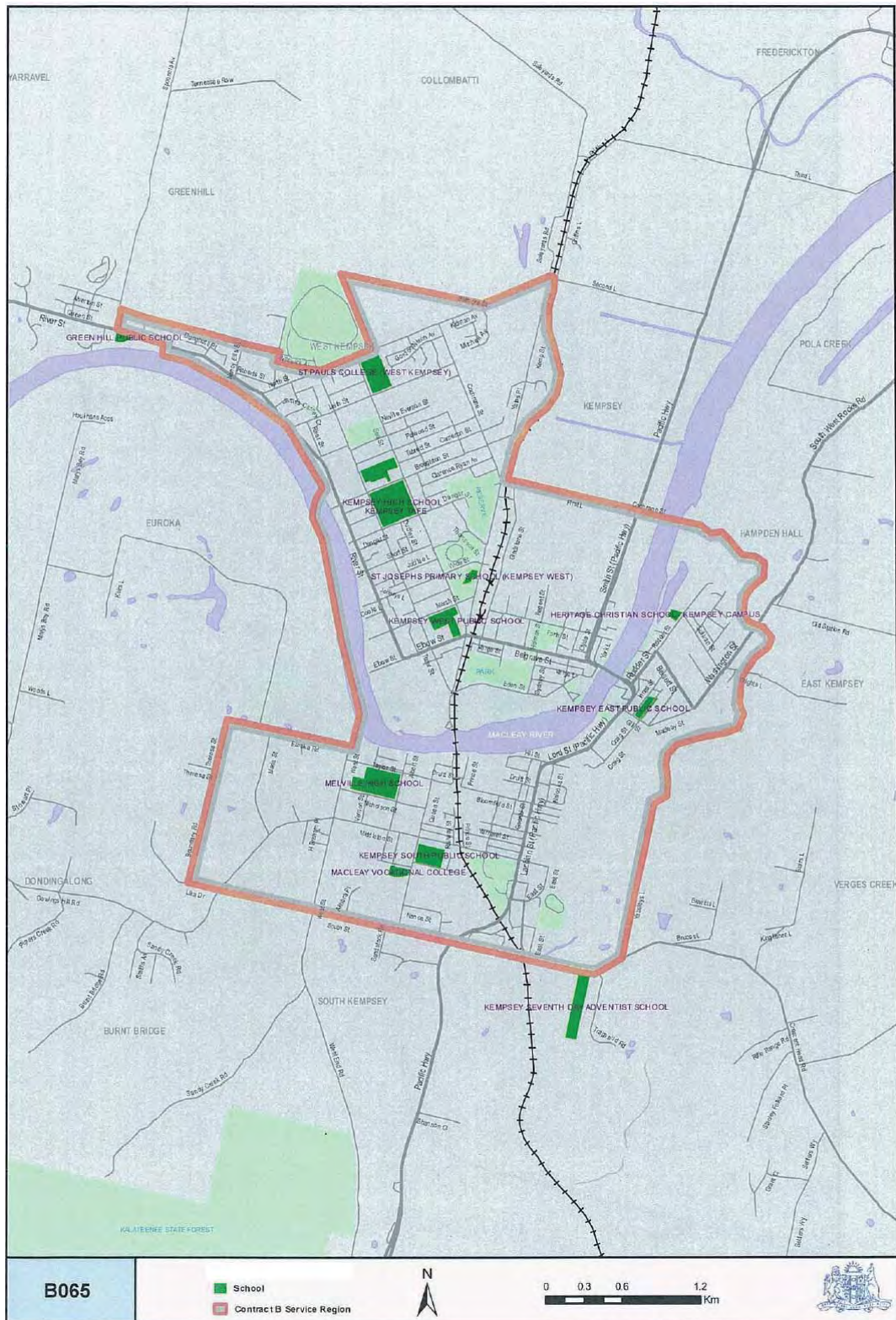


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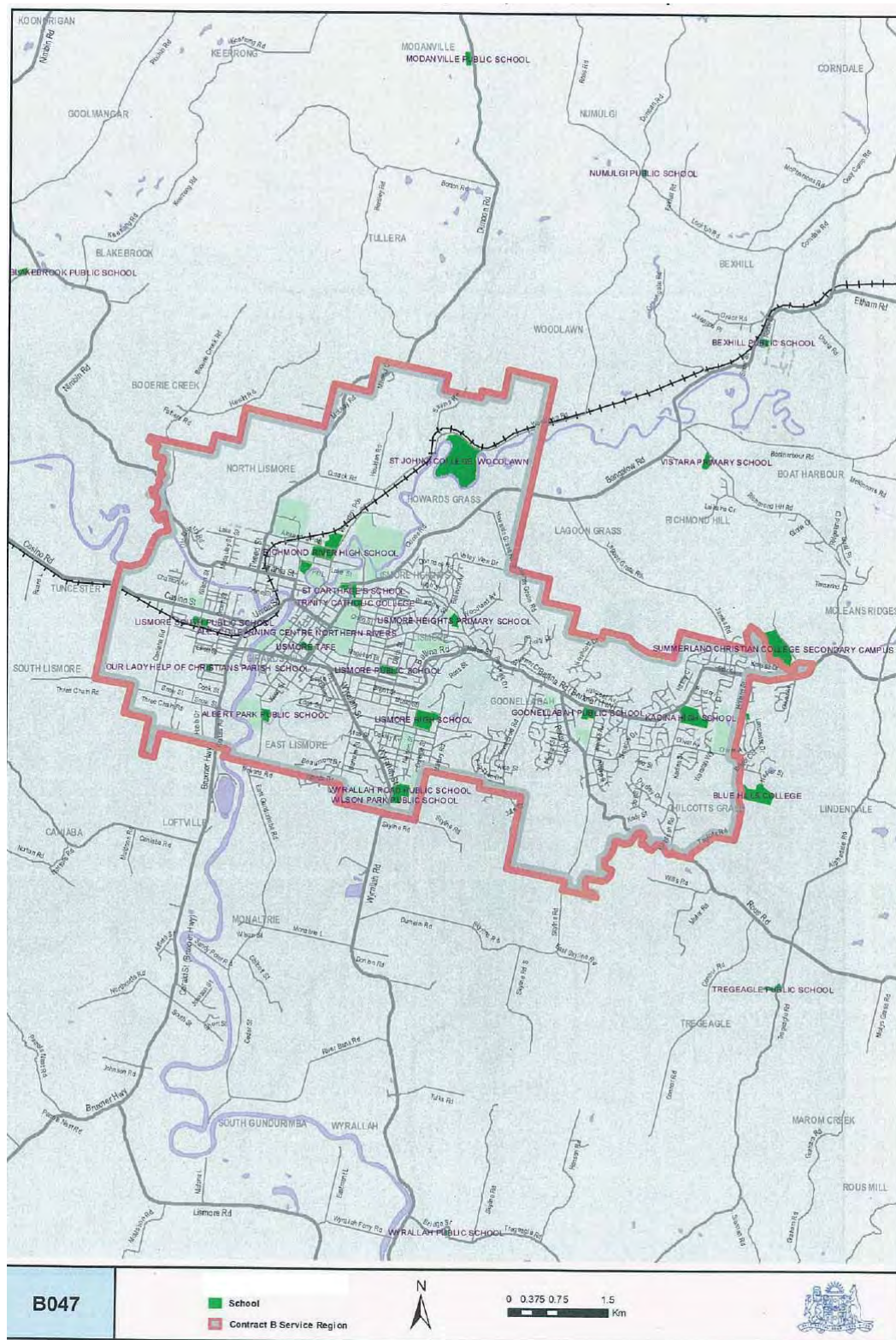


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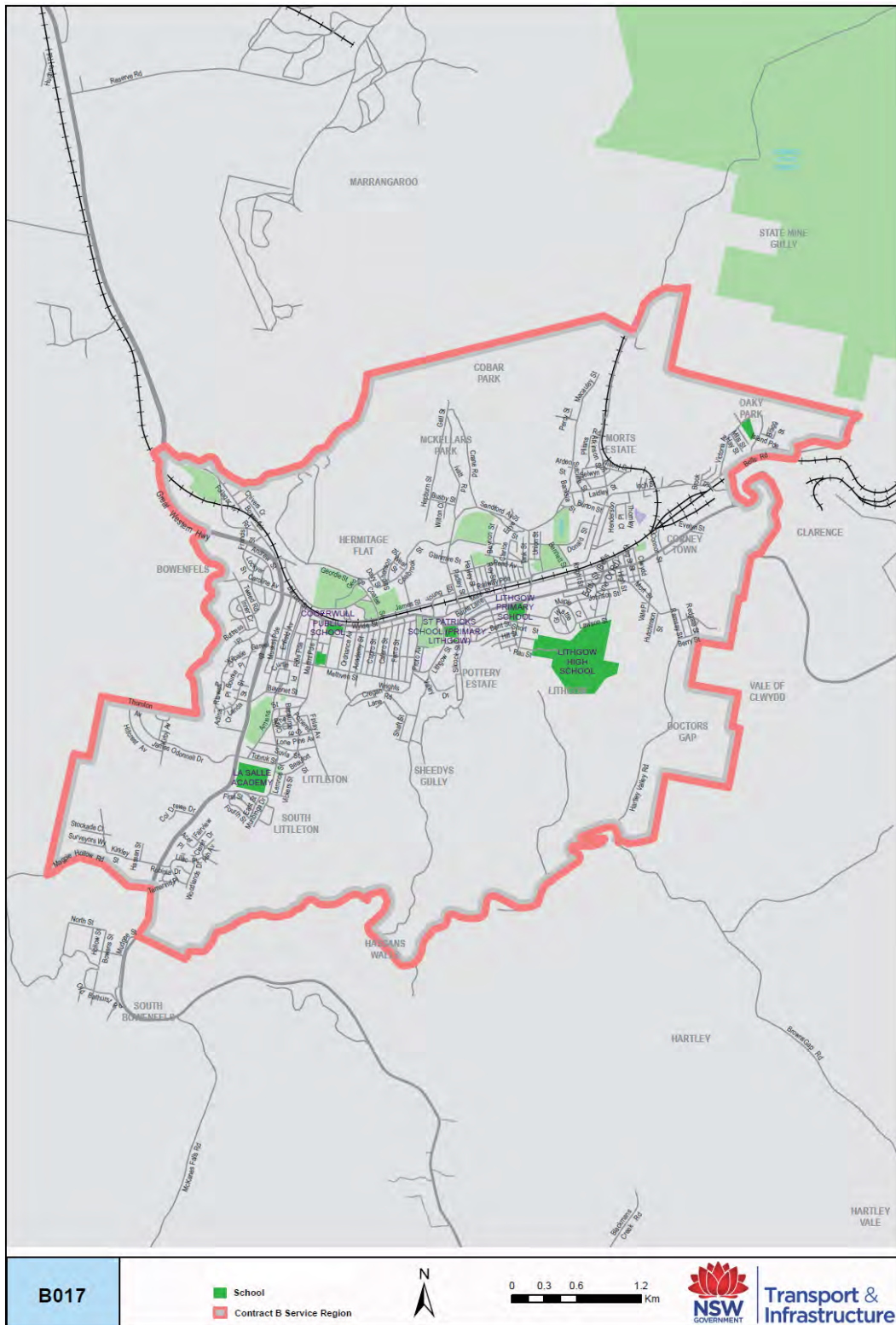




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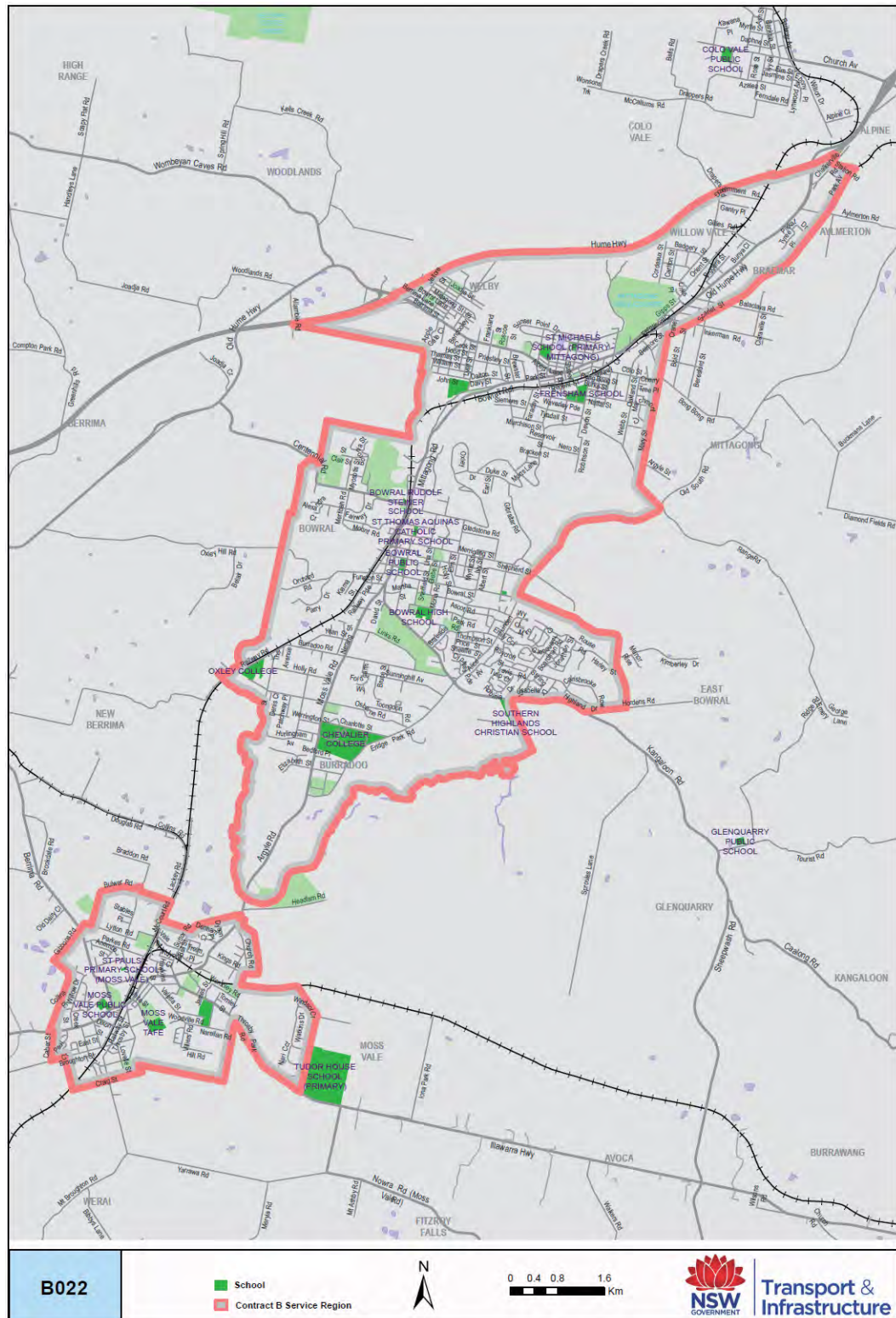


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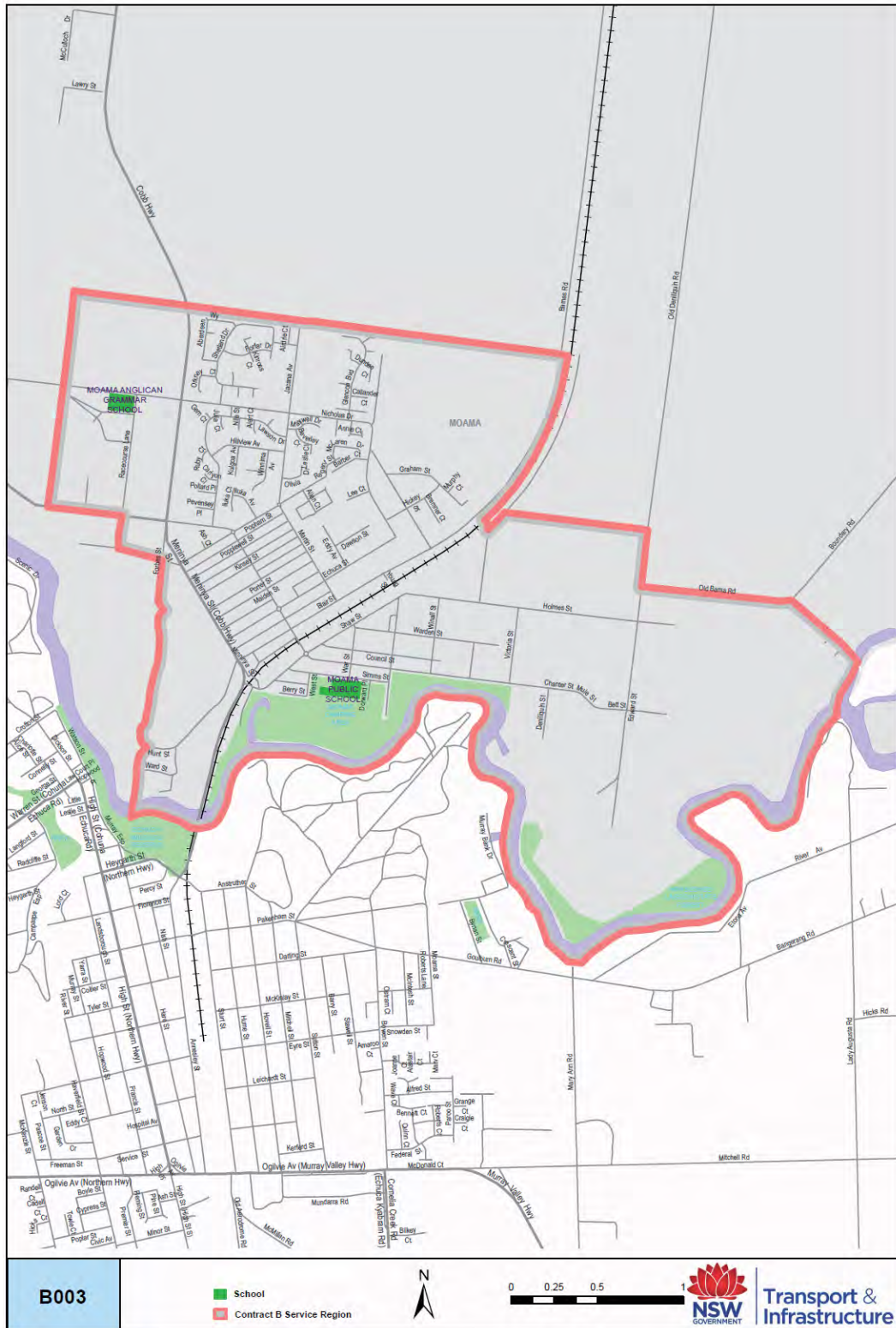




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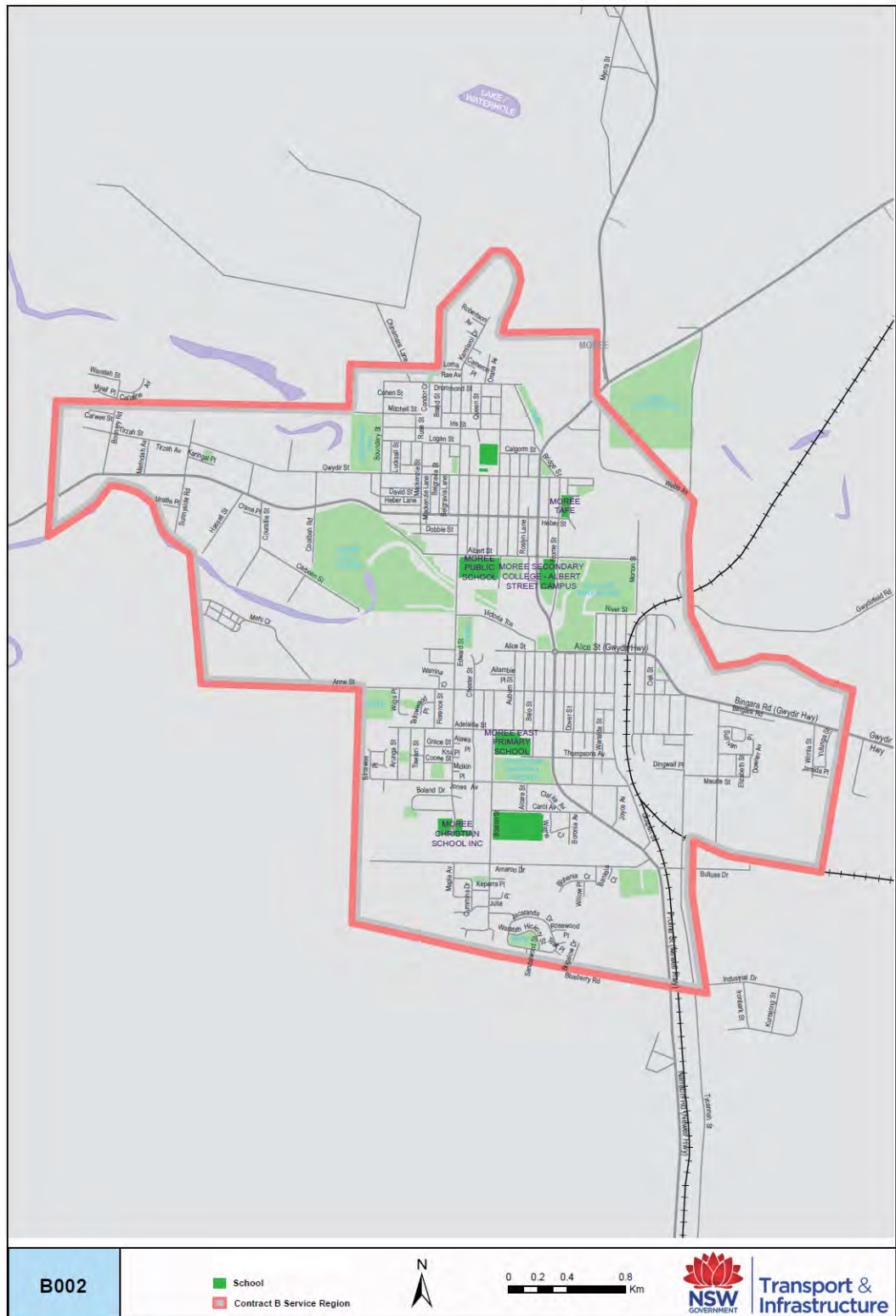


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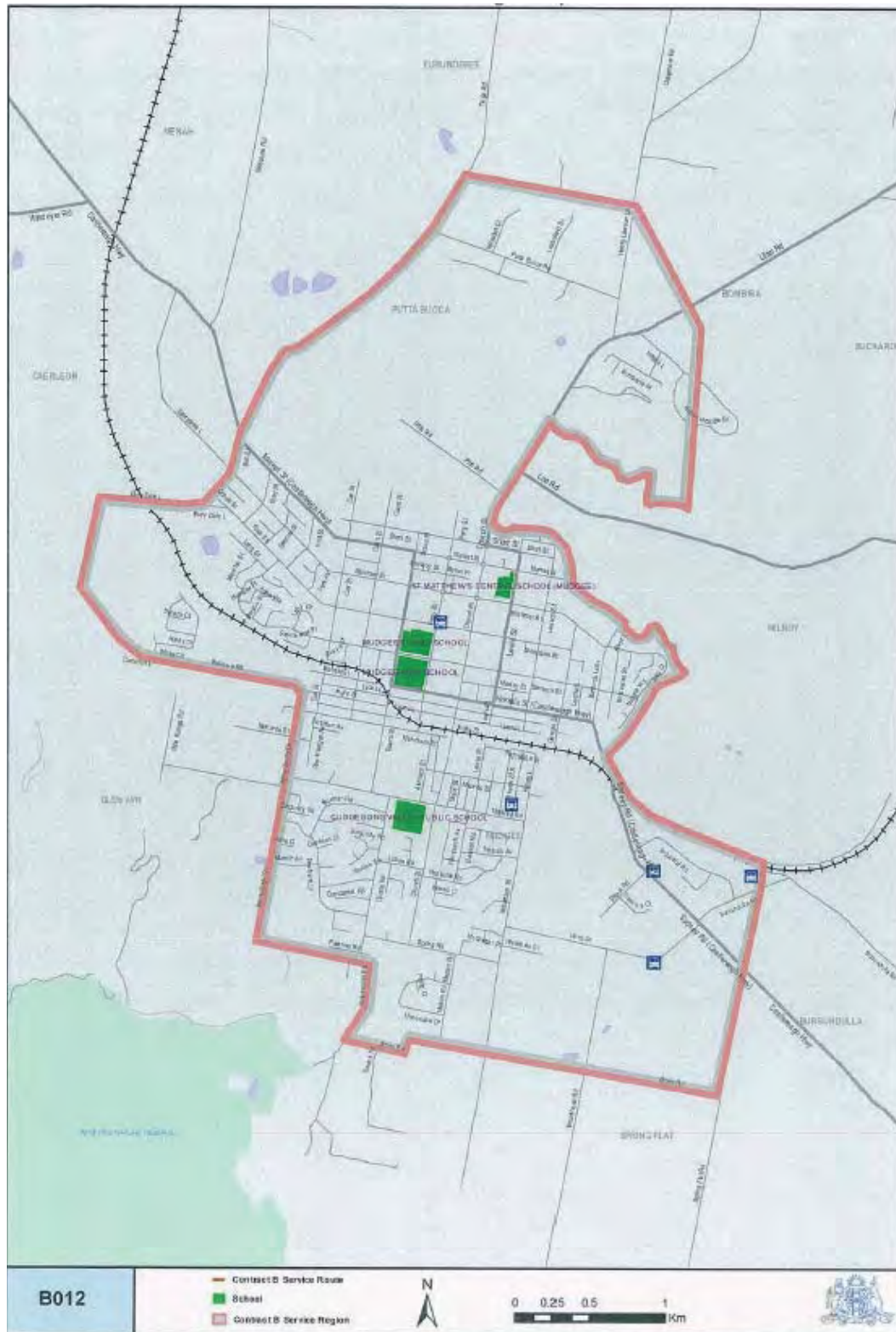




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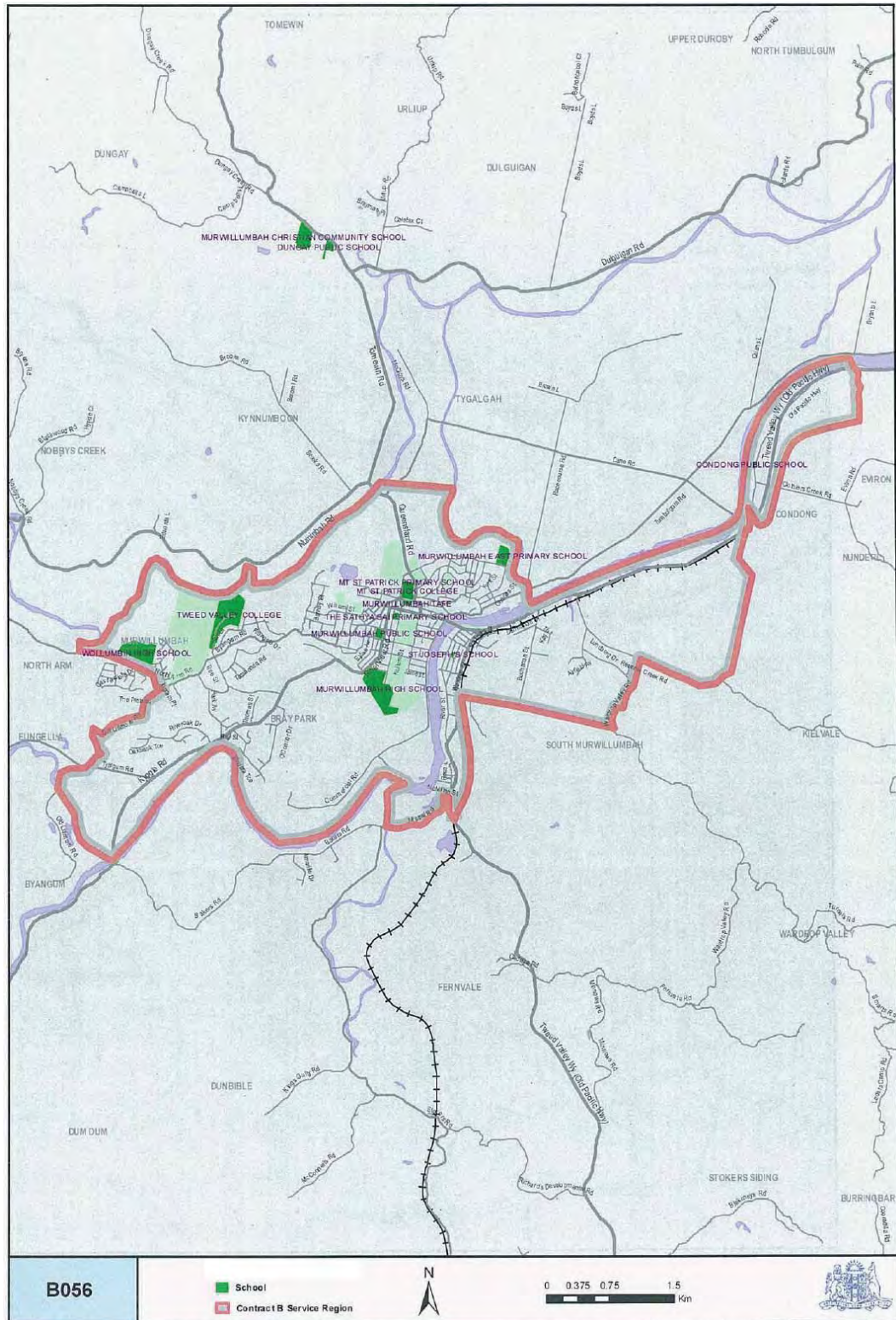


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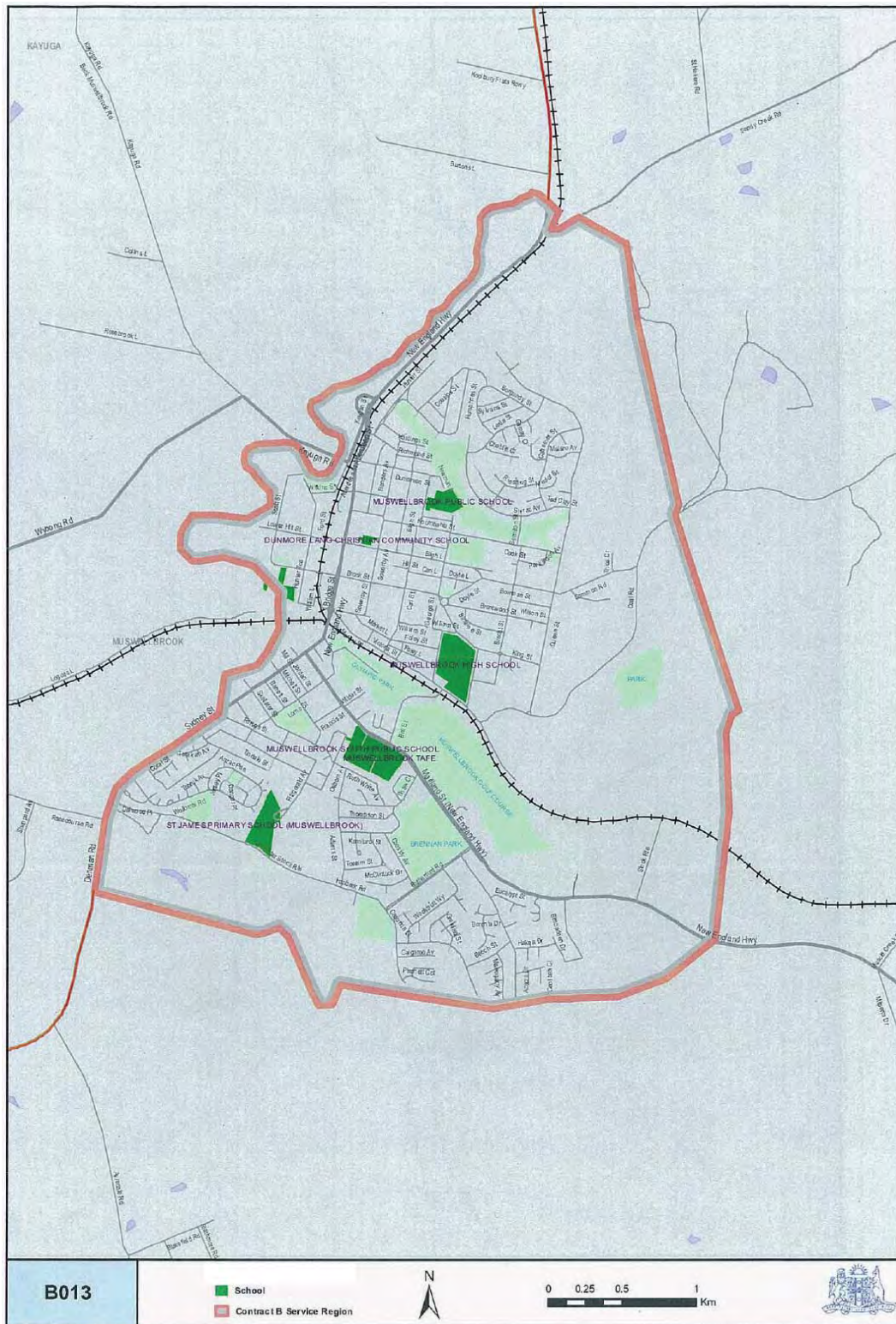


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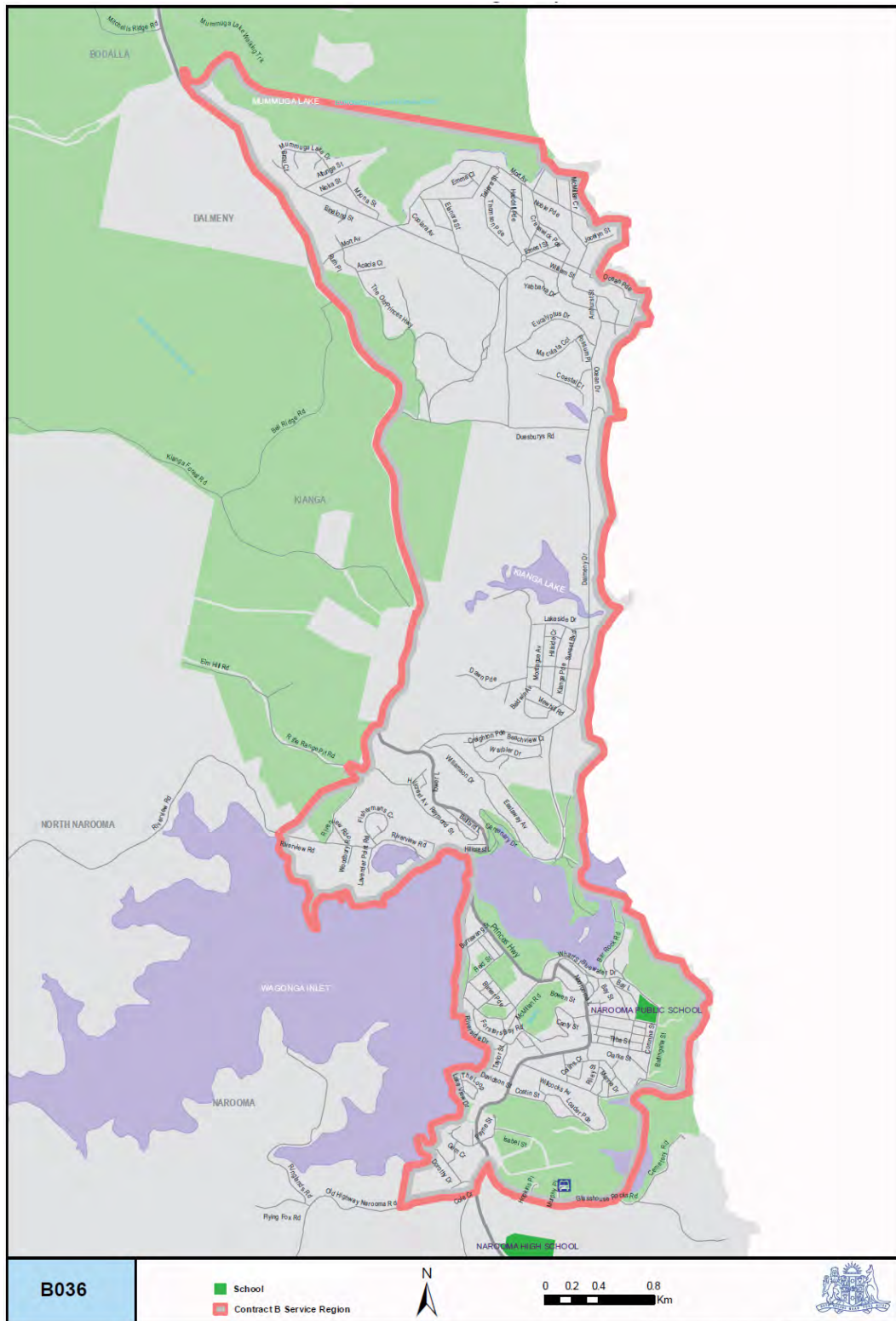




**Map 36: Muswellbrook – Scone – Aberdeen**

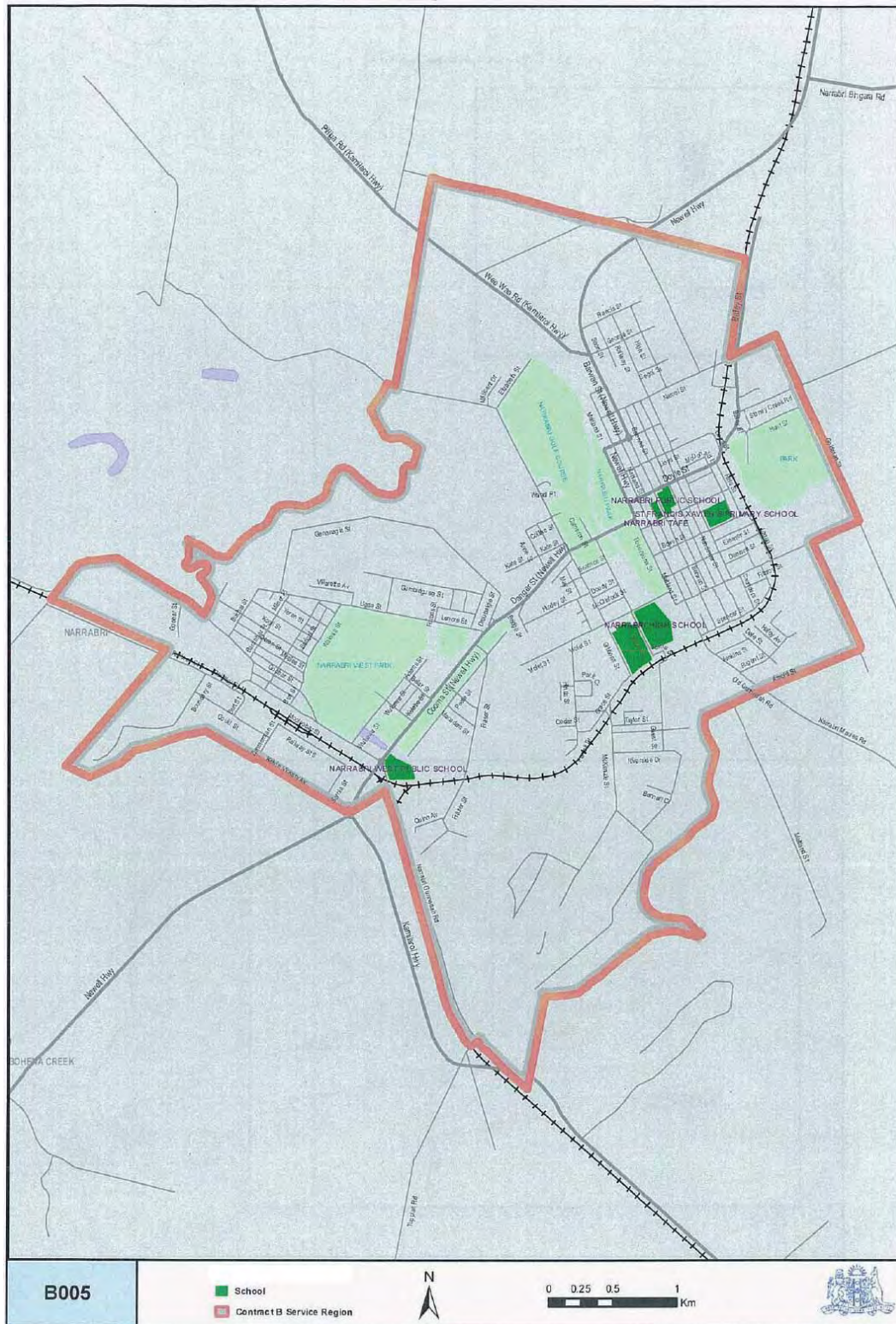


**Map 37: Narooma**



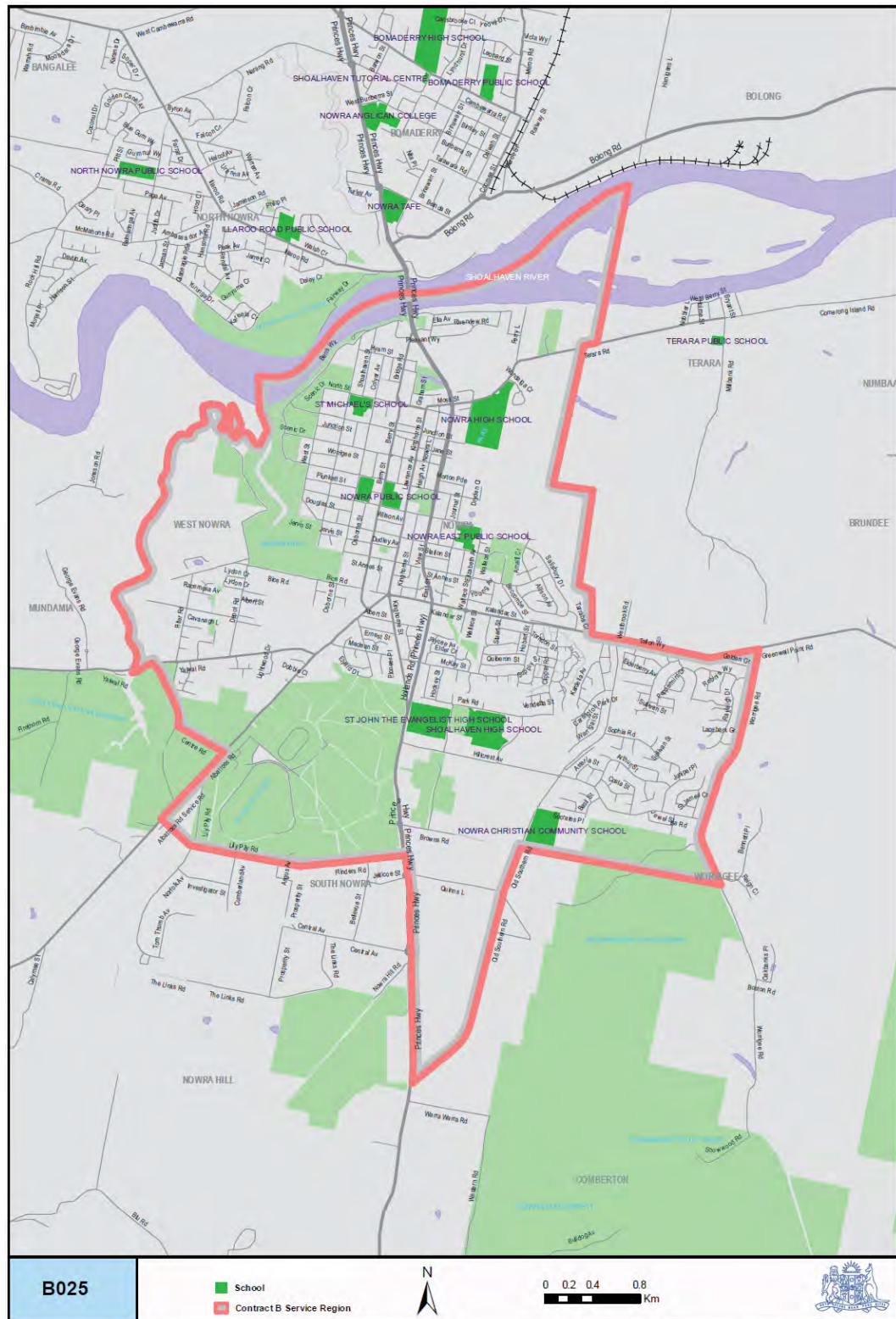


**Map 38: Narrabri**

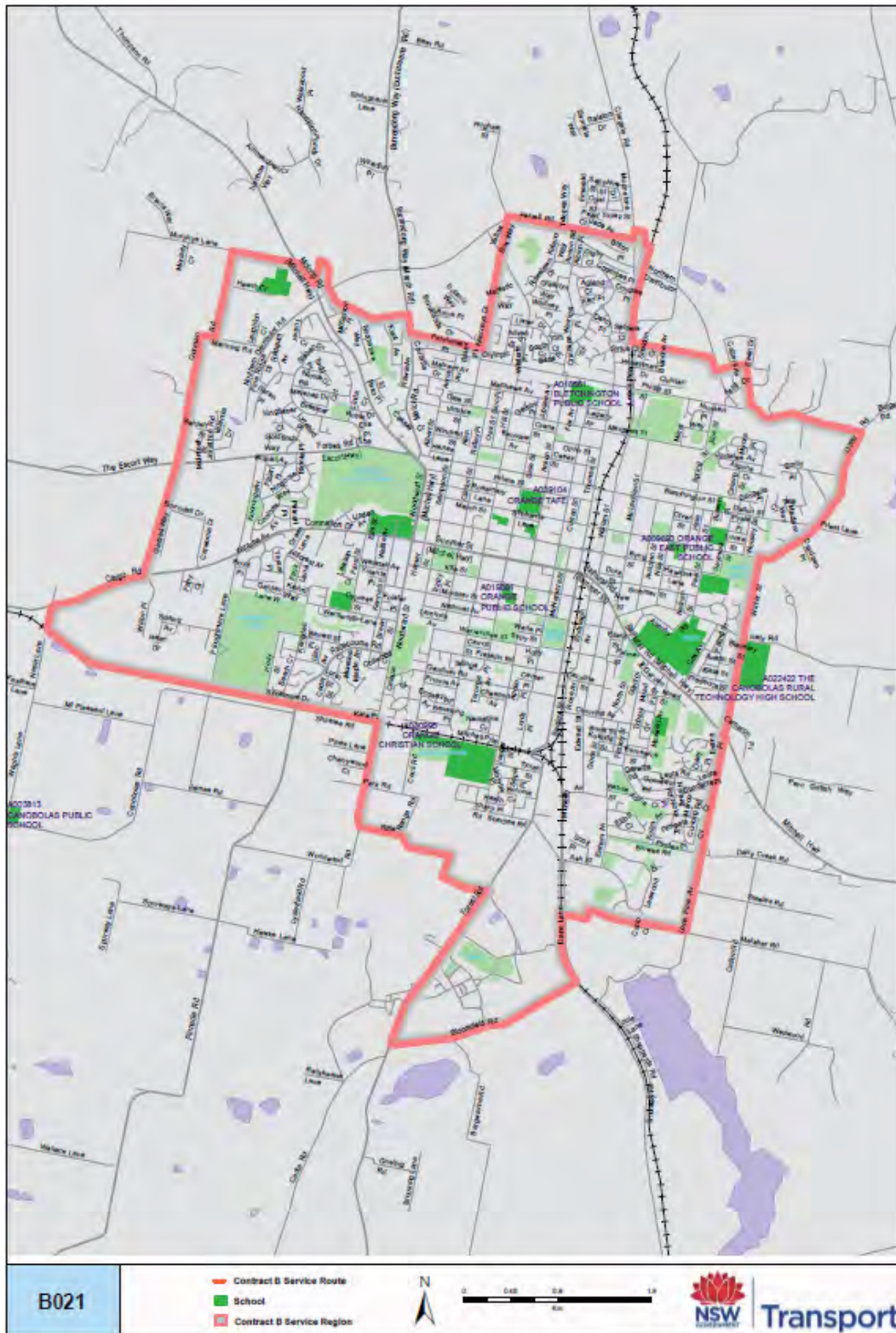




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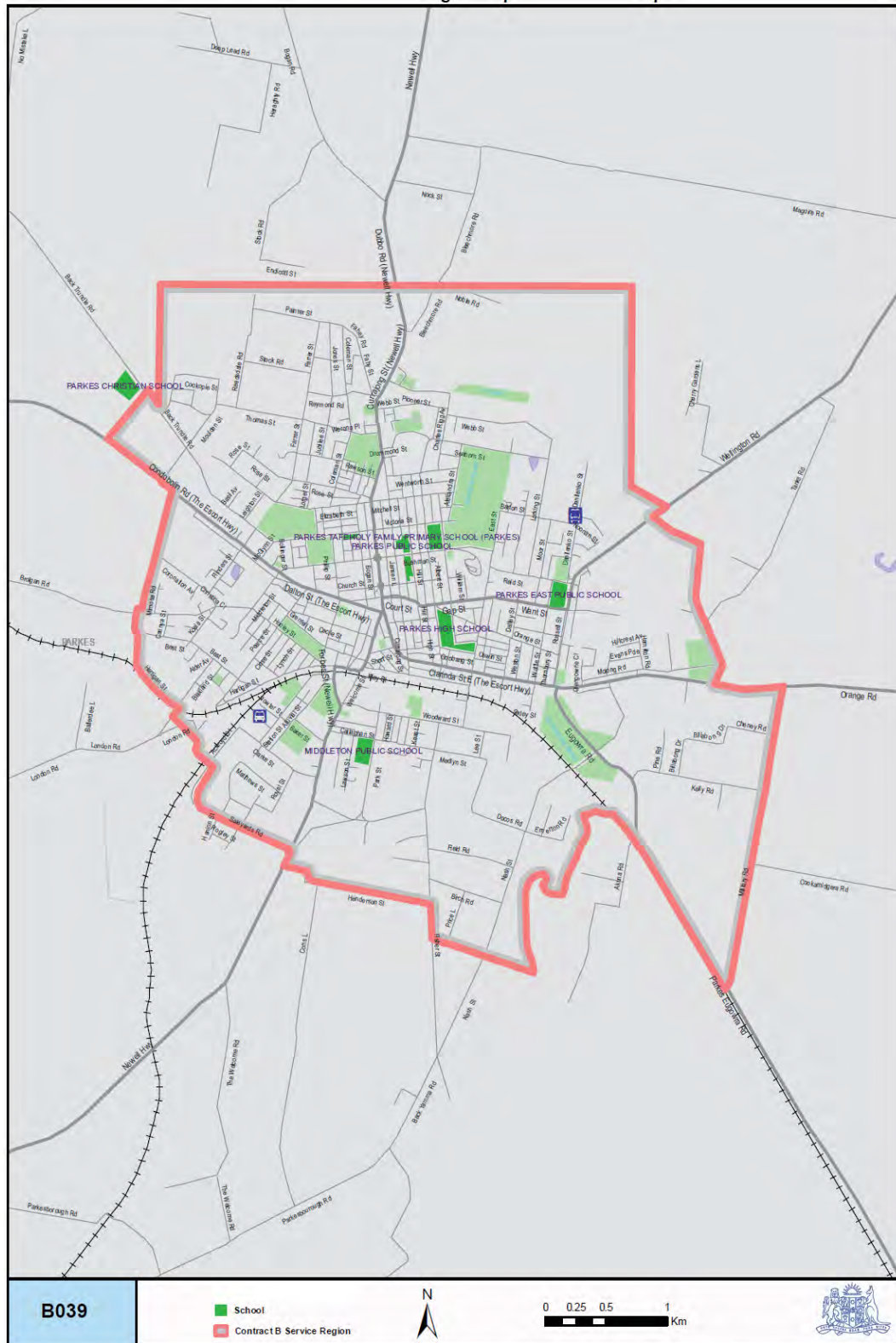


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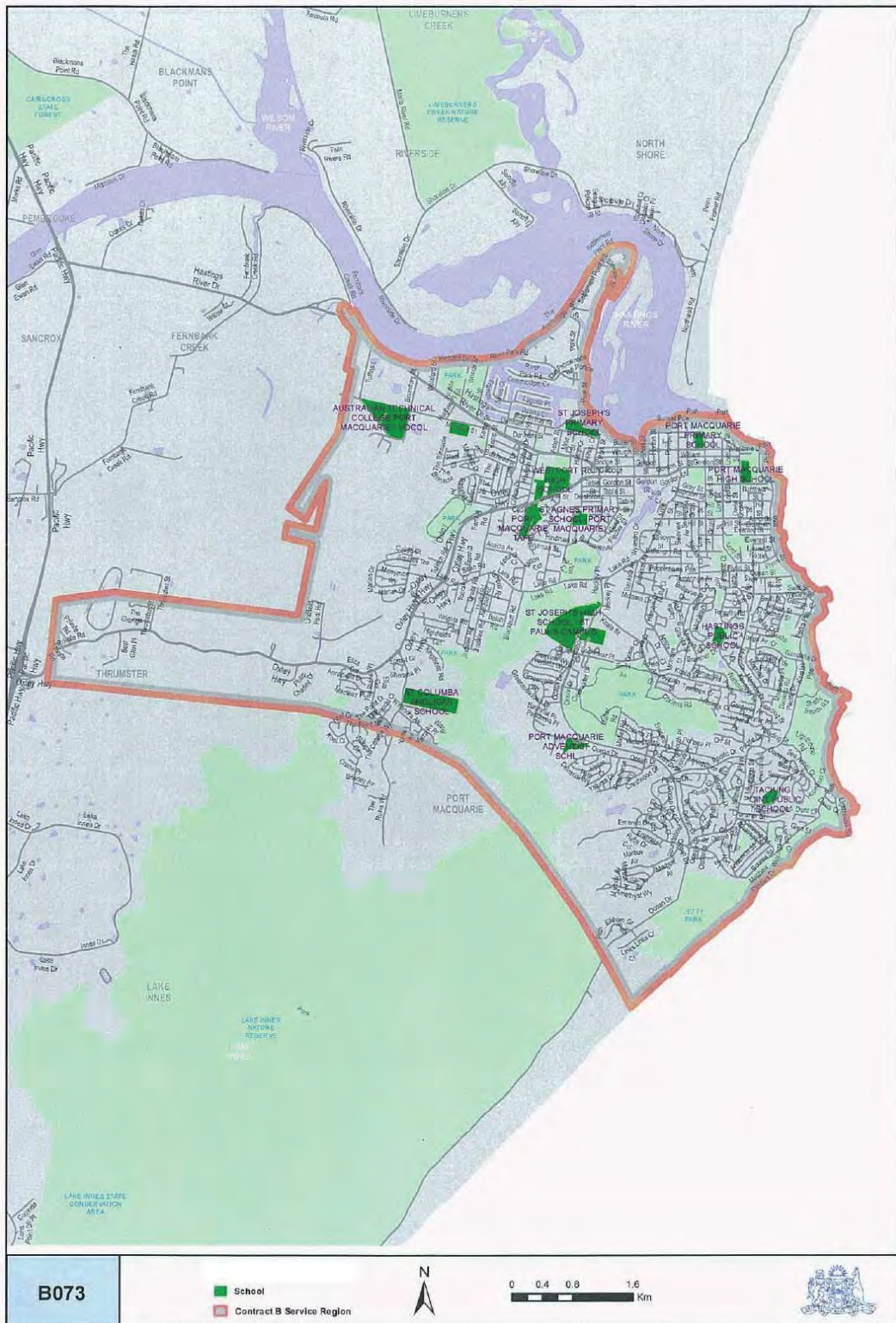




Map 41: Parkes

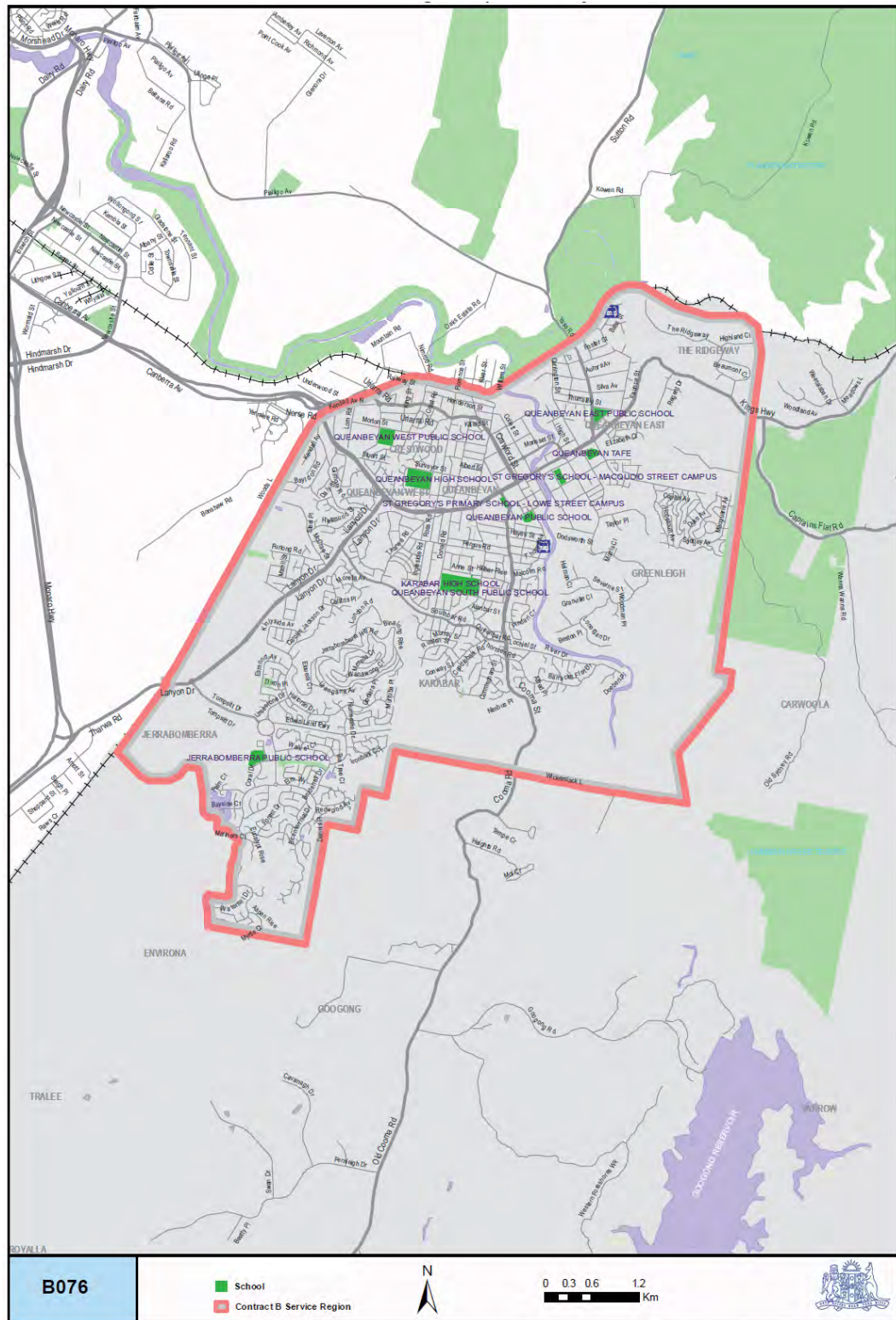


Map 42: Port Macquarie

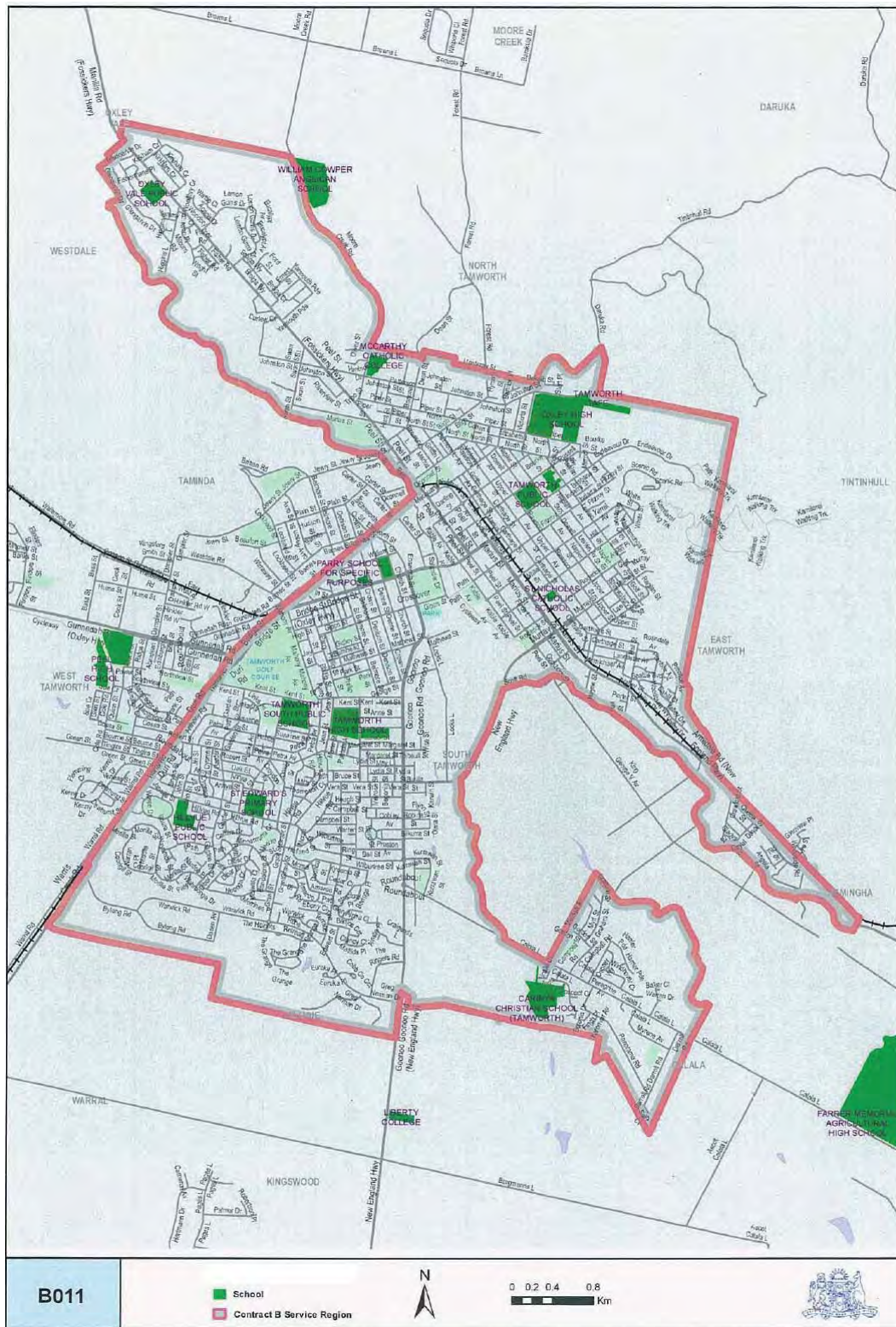




Map 43: Queanbeyan

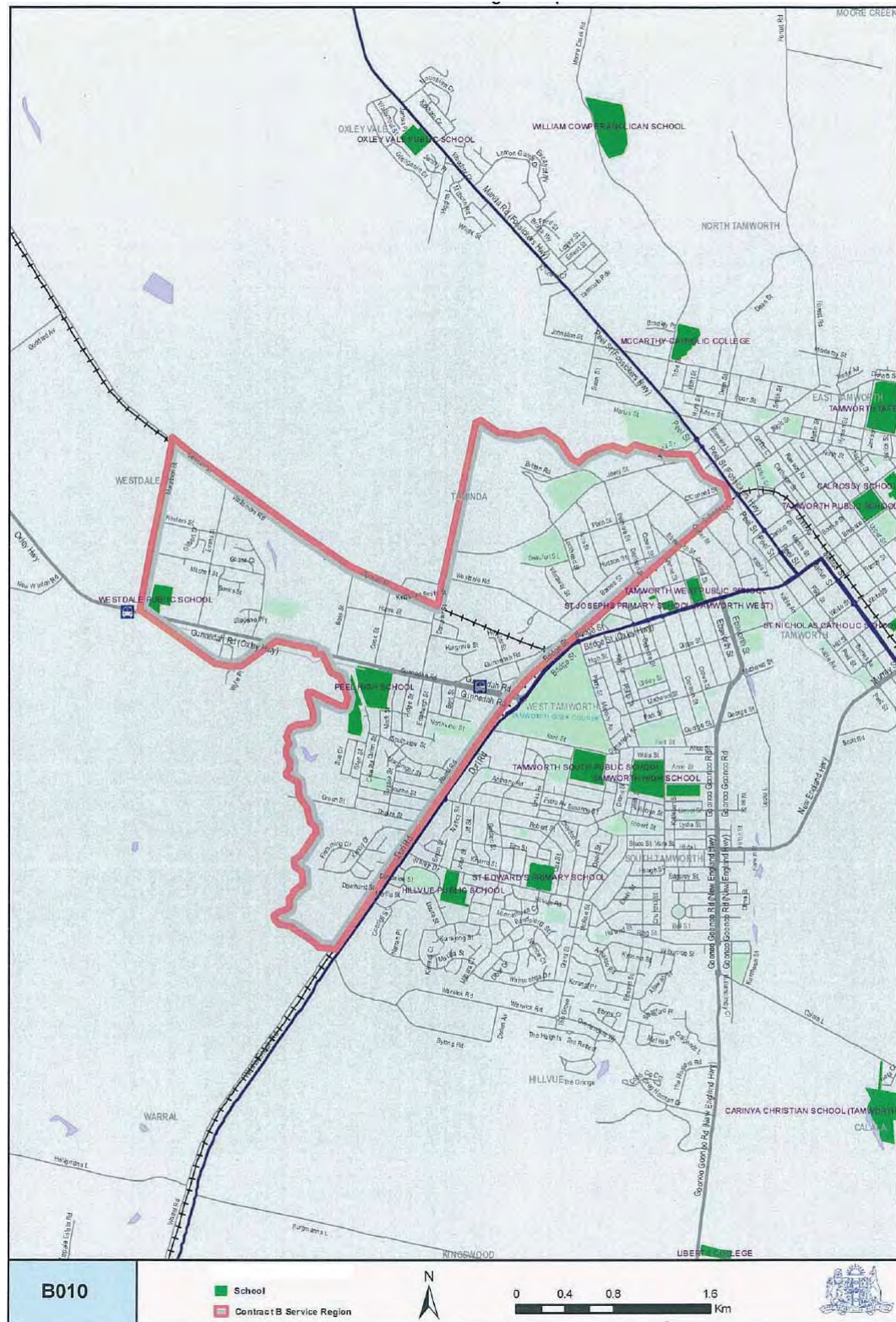


### Map 44: Tamworth (A)



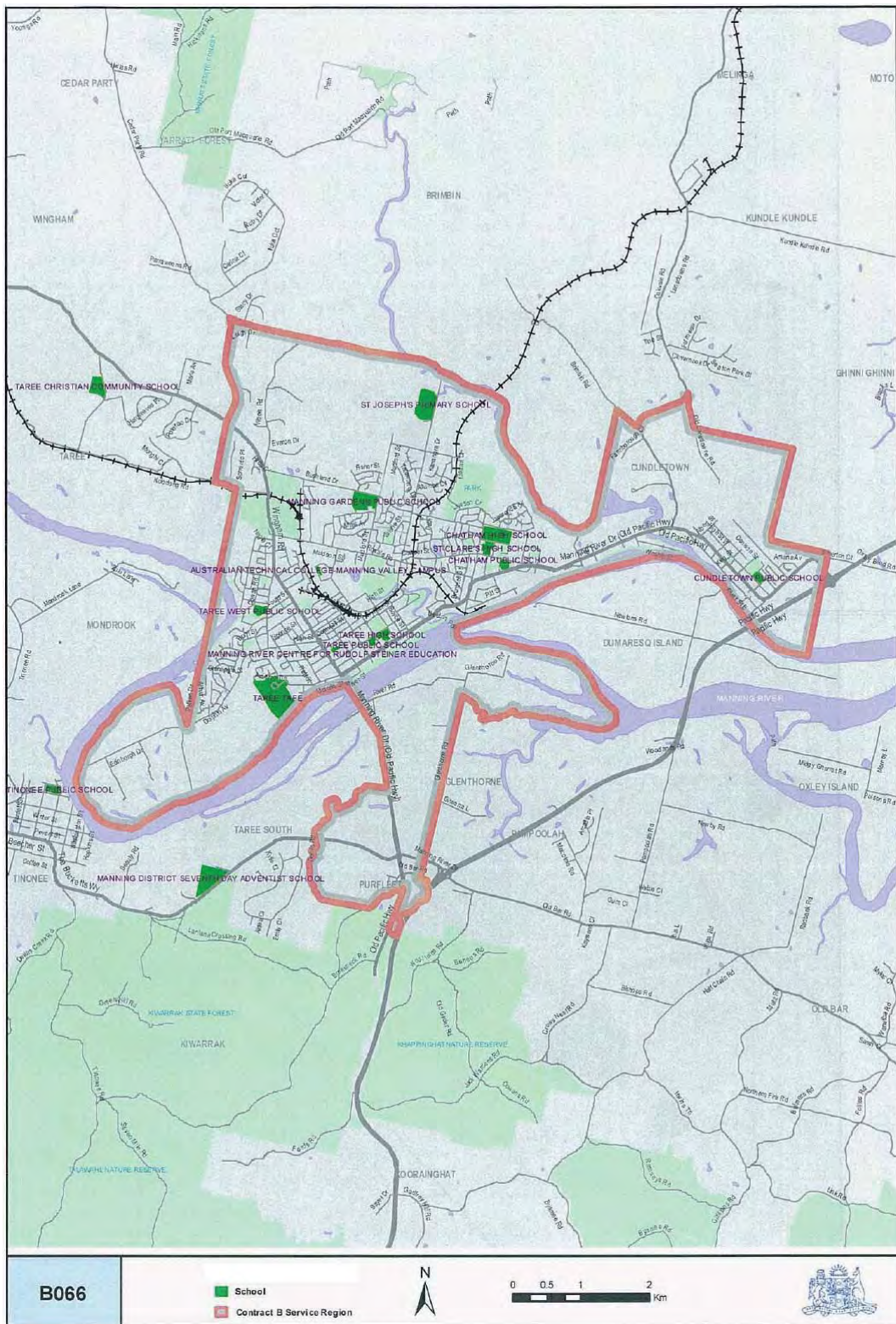


Map 45: Tamworth (B)



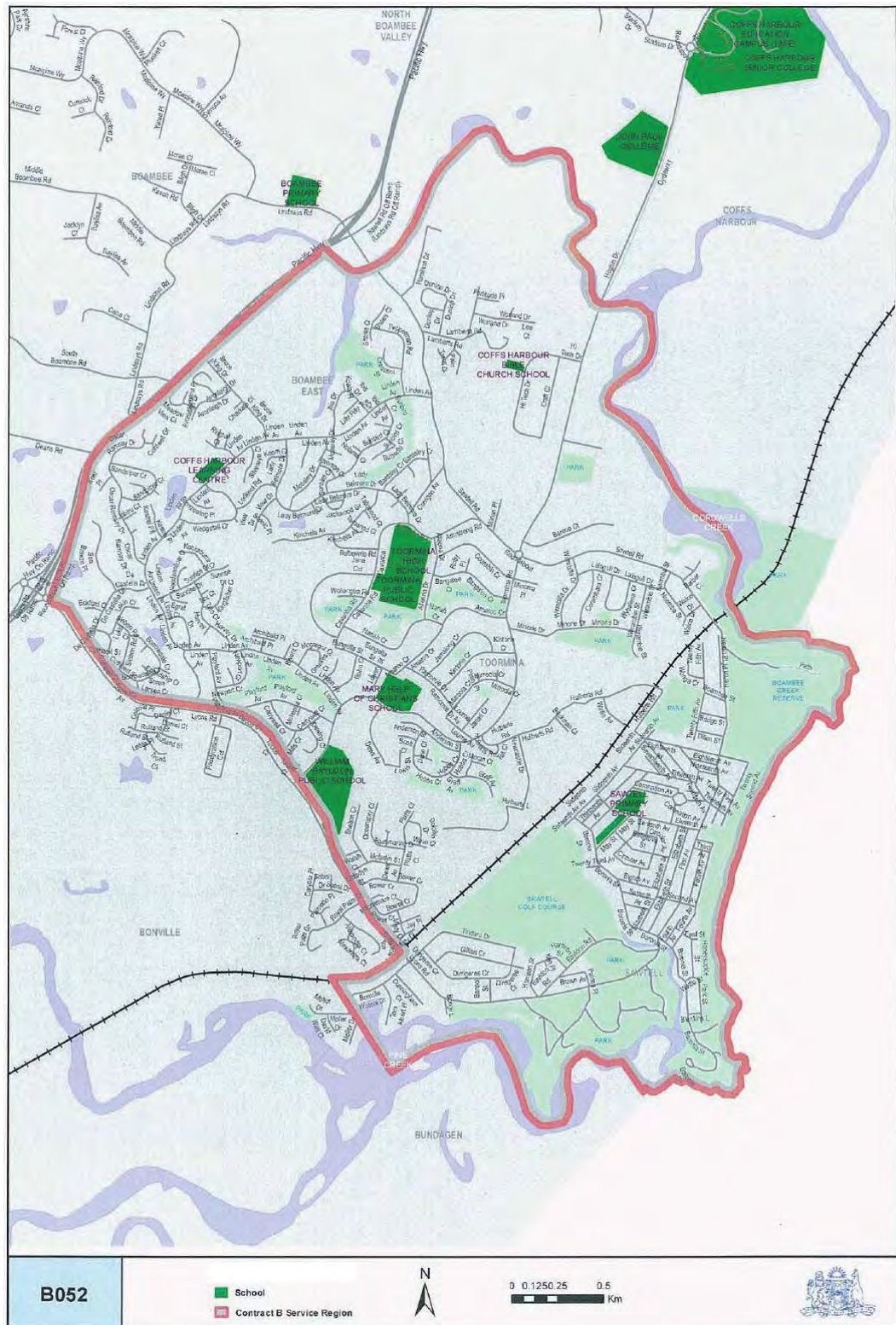


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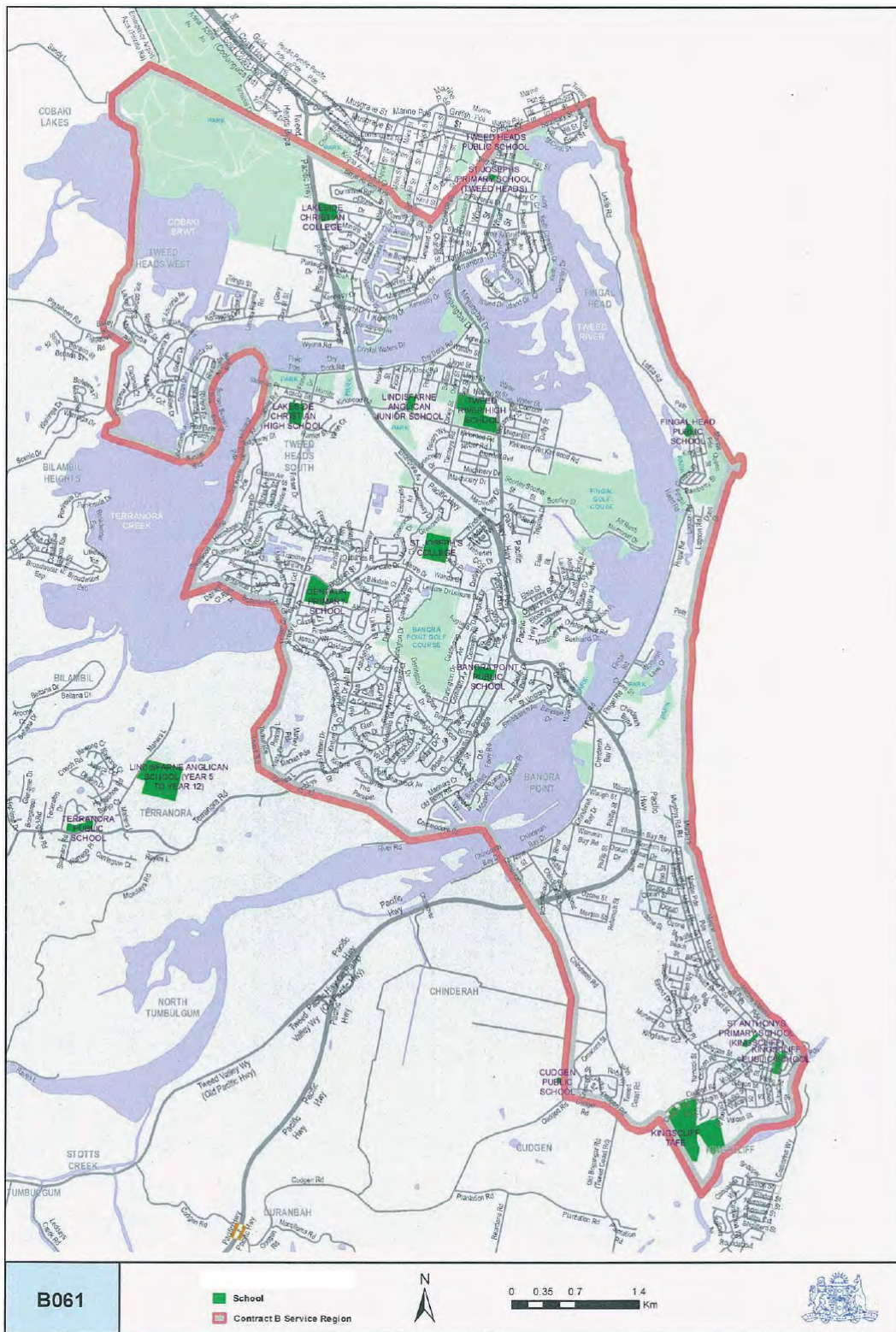


**Map 47: Toormina - Sawtell**



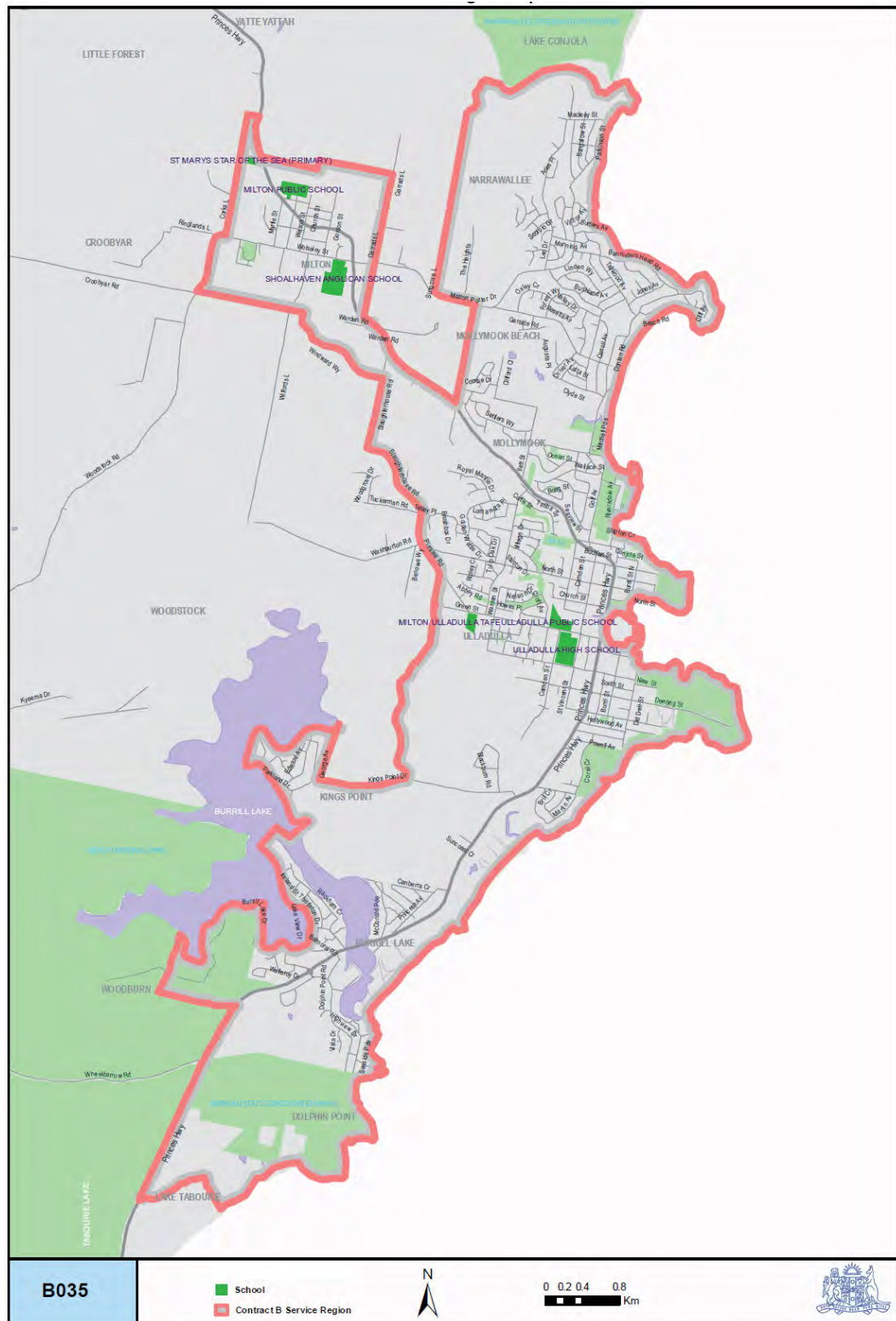


### Map 48: Tweed Heads - Banora Point

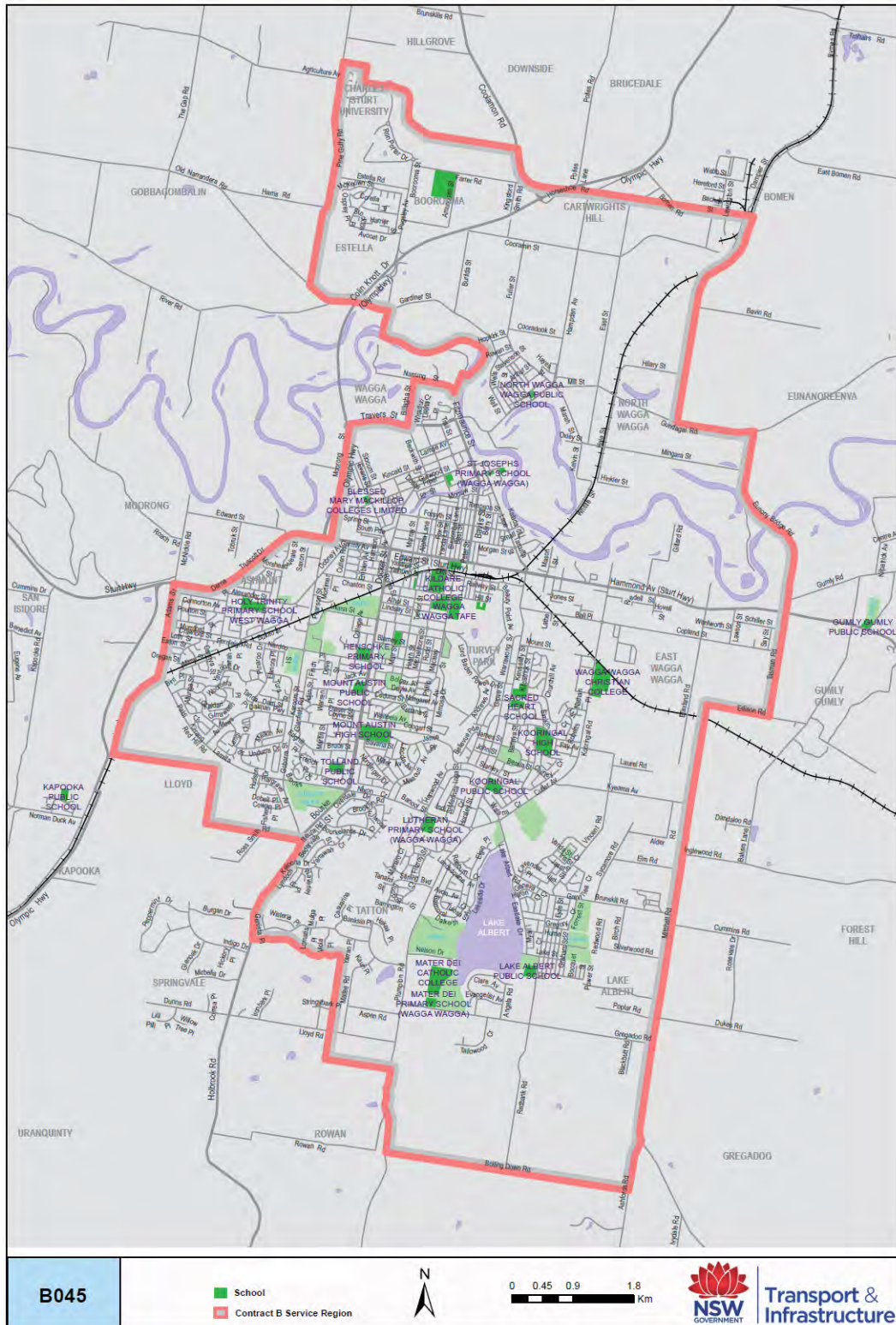




Map 49: Ulladulla - Milton



Map 50: Wagga Wagga





### Map 51: Wingham - Bungay

