

Budget 2018-19

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Mayors Message

I am pleased to deliver the Budget for the 2018-19 financial year. This budget will continue to promote our outback lifestyle and activities. The Bulloo is a beautiful region with wide open spaces, outback charm and a relaxed lifestyle. This budget continues to deliver our vision of growth, community, local, everyone. It aims to enhance our lifestyle, maximising our tourism experience and also exploring feasibilities for growth, green projects and renewable energy.

The budget papers that are being presented detail Councils \$14.56m budget with an additional (\$13.680 m) for capital projects. Capital projects are funded from grants, proceeds of sale, reserves and depreciation.

Our long term financial plan indicates a small cumulative operating surplus at the end of the ten years and providing Council can maintain its budgetary constraint, it will be in a strong financial position throughout that period with sufficient positive cash flow to maintain its asset base, and provide community expectations in respect of the range and quality of its services. We forecast a balanced net operating result for 2018-19 and we have had make some tough decisions on both the operating and capital works programs absorbing the impact of higher wages costs as part of our new 2018 – 2021 Enterprise Agreement.

On the revenue front, increases in UCV categories by the State Valuer-General has been adjusted to take into account rate rises. Where there have been increases beyond the rate rise we have evened these out to a minimise increase despite growth in capital values. Council continues to contain rate increases across all different rate categories and utility services to 3% with discounts for early payment. Based on an average residential lot in the town of Thargomindah this increase equates to approximately \$45 per year per household. We have also revised our fees and charges to ensure that we support cost recovery wherever we can so that service levels remain viable.

On the expenditure side, despite some cuts we have held costs steady by using natural attrition to our advantage and allocating lower civil expenditure based on less activity. We still, however, continue to heavily support and subsidise non-traditional community services such as the remote learning facility, primary school salaries and health accommodation for visiting nurses and doctors. We also continue our commitment to the support of children and families with low or no cost activities in relation to swimming lessons, after school programs and library services.

After a series of flood events that impacted on our road networks during 2016, we can say that staff and contractors have worked almost everywhere across our network in the last twelve months and this has been a major boost to our local economy and helped reinstate the road network back to condition. The final flood projects will finish this year and the 2018/19 budget will be the first budget to have minimal impact from flood in over 7 years.

This means that we return to 'business as usual' and reflects a much smaller delivery schedule. As a result, there are less dollars to go around and we will need to monitor maintenance and plant utilisation closely. Our civil capacity pattern as a Council seems to require spikes in capacity every two to three years to meet the impact of regular flood events. This is problematic as it affects our ability to provide a stable baseline and also requires us to often hold more staff and plant than we need to in the off years. This all comes at a cost and is a pressure to the bottom line. This year will be no exception.

Given this impact, after a full revaluation of our assets last year, we will continue our focus on improving our asset management planning to ensure that we have good financial data for decision making. We acknowledge that a percentage of our community assets are ageing or at end of life and we would like to have a clear plan ahead for renewal, replacement and impairment to reduce the burden of costs on future generations. This is also linked to our ongoing financial sustainability so

where realistic opportunities arise, or when funding is available, Council will allocate additional amounts on asset replacement or appropriate new facilities that resolve the burden of multiple facility maintenance costs.

In relation to capital works, despite a smaller civil schedule, thanks to Works 4 Queensland and LGGSP State grant programs we will still be busy delivering rounds of over \$4m in capital works for tourism and energy projects. The major project for us over the next two years is the geothermal project and we are carefully progressing this complex, first for Queensland, project. This requires due diligence and regular risk assessment given the regulatory and technical elements that form part of this project. Renewable energy is a very important part of our vision not only for its environmental strengths but in its ability to drive business costs down. As a result, we are always constantly exploring options to support our lifestyle and industry.

On behalf of Councillors Jon Cobb, Donna Humphris, Shirley Girdler, Alison Petty and the senior management and staff of Bulloo Shire Council I am pleased to deliver this budget to Bulloo Shire residents and we look forward to meeting all the challenges that lie ahead, whilst at the same time providing essential services and infrastructure in the most cost efficient manner for the betterment of our shire. The 2018/19 budget shows our commitment to ensuring that the whole of the Shire remains viable long into the future.

Cr John Ferguson **Mayor**

Budget Influences & Principles

In preparing the budget, it has been necessary to consider a number of internal and external influences that are likely to significantly impact on the services delivered by Council during the budget period. Accordingly, it has been necessary to make some assumptions about the internal and external environment within which Council operates.

The following section outlines the main assumptions made: -

External Factors

Inflation

In the medium to long term Council tries to keep the level of rates in line with the level of inflation as it applies to Council's costs. The long-term trend, based on the Local Government Inflation Index, is approximately 3%, and this has been factored into Council's long term sustainability forecast. The rate increase for 2018-19 has been held at the same level, with longer term rate projections based on a 3% increase.

Interest Rates

Interest rates on money invested by Council are taken at 2.65% which is the rate currently received on our deposits with Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC).

Interest rates on existing borrowings are 4.717%, 4.256%, and 4.671%, depending on when the funds were borrowed.

Flood Damage

The area is subject to flooding in most years and this has a substantial effect on the Council's financial performance and the cost of provision of most of its services. Overall, a major flood event has three impacts on the Council. Firstly, there is a significant loss of assets, which appears as a cost in the Council's accounts. Secondly, the Council rebuilds the affected assets, either with its own workforce or, where that is not feasible, with contractors. Thirdly, the State and Commonwealth Governments provide funding to pay for a substantial element of the cost of rebuilding, if submission for funding is approved.

The financial effect of these events is complex, and the timing (together with the requirements of the Accounting Standards) means that expenditure in respect of a flood event is not normally matched with the income from the grant in the same financial year.

Because the timing and size of flood events cannot be predicted, such events occurring in the future have not been included in the financial projections.

Government Funding

For many years the State and Federal Governments have provided substantial funding, by way of grants, to local governments, either as general funding for operations, as specific funding for particular activities, as capital funding for the construction of assets, or for the restoration of assets damaged in major natural disasters. Council is dependent on this funding to support the provision of services to its community and visitors to the area. In preparing this budget, it has been assumed that this funding will only continue where a specific or general commitment by government has been made. In all other cases, no assumptions have been made regarding Council's entitlement to either the continuation of such funding, or for new funding.

Accordingly, the costs of any activities that rely on such funding are not included.

Budget Principles

The budget also takes into account the following principles:

- The underlying operating result must ensure Council's long-term sustainability
- 2. All strategies contained within the Corporate and Operational Plans for the year must be funded in the budget.
- 3. Rate revenue will be levied in accordance with Council's Revenue Policy and Statement
- 4. Spending and rating policies must be consistent with a reasonable degree of stability in the level of the rates burden.
- 5. Council must have regard to the effect on future generations of decisions made.
- 6. Staffing levels should be sufficient to achieve the outcomes in the operational plan.
- 7. Long-term assets should be managed to maximise community benefit.
- 8. Existing fees and charges should be increased in line with market forces.
- 9. New revenue sources should be identified wherever possible.
- 10. New initiatives or new employee proposals should be justified.
- 11. Council recognises that government grants are a crucial element of financial sustainability.
- 12. The balance of 2017-18 projects that were not completed by 30 June 2018 should be considered for inclusion in the 2018-19 budget.
- 13. Council's budget must take into account all of Council's other strategic plans.
- 14. Financial risks faced by Council must be managed having regard to economic circumstances.

Financial Management Strategy

By maintaining the retained surplus under the model of financial budgeting and reporting which separates capital and operating performance and position, Council ensures that it has, in the long term, sufficient funds from available sources to meet its operating and capital requirements.

In the current budget year 2018-19, Council forecasts a balanced Net Operating Result. The future projections indicate a small cumulative operating surplus at the end of the ten years of the sustainability forecast. Providing Council can maintain its budgetary constraint, it will be in a strong financial position throughout that period, with sufficient positive cash flow to maintain its asset base, and provide community expectations in respect of the range and quality of its services. Council constantly reviews its programmes with a view to eliminating unnecessary costs, and looking for opportunities to increase its revenue streams.

It is reasonable to anticipate that additional funding may become available, which would allow Council to spend additional amounts on asset replacement, or appropriate new facilities. Where realistic opportunities arise, these would be included in future budget revisions.

An important aspect of our financial management and operational strategy, is to improve the way in which our roads are constructed, so that the annualised cost is minimised. In view of the reduced funding available for roads projects, Council adopts a strategy of high-level maintenance of essential roads and a reduced, but sufficient service level for minor roads.

As can be seen from the sustainability forecast, Council intends to fully fund its depreciation, with the resulting funds available for reinvesting in assets.

Ten Year Financial Forecast

					BULLOO SHIR	E COUNCIL								
					Ten Year Finan	cial Forecast								
					Operating St	atement								
				For t	the Years Ended 3	30 June 2018 - 203	0							
	Actual 17/18	Amended 17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30
Operating Revenue														
Rates and Utility Charges	4,743,911	4,807,000	4,871,500	5,017,645	5,168,174	5,323,220	5,482,916	5,647,404	5,816,826	5,991,331	6,171,070	6,356,203	6,546,889	6,743,29
Less: Discount Allowed	(132,191)	(132,000)	(137,100)	(141,213)	(145,449)	(149,813)	(154,307)	(158,936)	(163,705)	(168,616)	(173,674)	(178,884)	(184,251)	(189,77
Total	4,660,000	4,675,000	4,734,400	4,876,432	5,022,725	5,173,407	5,328,609	5,488,467	5,653,121	5,822,715	5,997,396	6,177,318	6,362,638	6,553,517
Fees and Charges	72,550	76,593	247,750	255,183	262,838	270,723	278,845	287,210	295,826	304,701	313,842	323,258	332,955	342,94
Interest	218,645	277,000	275,100	283,353	291,854	300,609	309,627	318,916	328,484	338,338	348,488	358,943	369,711	380,80
Rental Income	248,428	311,000	338,500	348,655	359,115	369,888	380,985	392,414	404,187	416,312	428,802	441,666	454,916	468,56
Recoverable Works	1,993,216	2,390,386	1,821,000	1,875,630	1,931,899	1,989,856	2,049,552	2,111,038	2,174,369	2,239,600	2,306,788	2,375,992	2,447,272	2,520,69
Gain on Sale of Developed Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	3,658,563	6,509,661	7,043,401	7,179,897	7,395,294	7,617,153	7,845,667	8,081,037	8,323,468	8,573,173	8,830,368	9,095,279	9,368,137	9,649,18
Total Operating Revenues	10,803,122	14,239,640	14,460,151	14,819,150	15,263,724	15,721,636	16,193,285	16,679,083	17,179,456	17,694,840	18,225,685	18,772,455	19,335,629	19,915,69
Operating Expenditure														
Administration and Governance	2,783,776	3,406,912	3,691,305	3,802,044	3,916,105	4,033,589	4,154,596	4,279,234	4,407,611	4,539,840	4,676,035	4,816,316	4,960,805	5,109,62
Community Services Costs	1,563,856	2,241,500	2,331,200	2,401,136	2,473,170	2,547,365	2,623,786	2,702,500	2,783,575	2,867,082	2,953,094	3,041,687	3,132,938	3,226,92
Infrastructure Operations	1,237,152	1,794,820	1,570,200	1,617,306	1,665,825	1,715,800	1,767,274	1,820,292	1,874,901	1,931,148	1,989,082	2,048,755	2,110,217	2,173,52
Recoverable Works Costs	2,185,795	2,366,386	2,178,000	2,243,340	2,310,640	2,379,959	2,451,358	2,524,899	2,600,646	2,678,665	2,759,025	2,841,796	2,927,050	3,014,86
Net Plant Operating Costs	(2,256,914)	(2,169,000)	(1,922,906)	(1,980,593)	(2,040,011)	(2,101,211)	(2,164,248)	(2,229,175)	(2,296,050)	(2,364,932)	(2,435,880)	(2,508,956)	(2,584,225)	(2,661,75
Health and Environmental Costs	490,909	686,590	772,200	795,366	819,227	843,804	869,118	895,191	922,047	949,709	978,200	1,007,546	1,037,772	1,068,90
Finance Costs	89,538	159,000	140,435	144,648	148,987	153,457	158,061	162,803	167,687	172,717	177,899	183,236	188,733	194,39
Depreciation	3,679,166	4,415,000	4,433,000	4,565,990	4,702,970	4,844,059	4,989,381	5,139,062	5,293,234	5,452,031	5,615,592	5,784,060	5,957,581	6,136,30
Works Administration Costs	851,182	1,121,500	1,169,500	1,204,585	1,240,723	1,277,944	1,316,283	1,355,771	1,396,444	1,438,337	1,481,488	1,525,932	1,571,710	1,618,86
Operating Result	10,624,460	14,022,708	14,362,934	14,793,822	15,237,637	15,694,766	16,165,609	16,650,577	17,150,094	17,664,597	18,194,535	18,740,371	19,302,582	19,881,66
	178,662	216,932	97,217	25,328	26,087	26,870	27,676	28,506	29,362	30,242	31,150	32,084	33,047	34,03
Capital items														
Sale of Non-Current Assets	(12,123)	-	(335,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,00
Flood Damaged Road Write Off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capital Grants, and Subsidies	2,411,903	9,964,629	5,550,732	2,652,250	1,000,000	1,030,000	1,060,900	1,092,727	1,125,509	1,159,274	1,194,052	1,229,874	1,229,874	1,229,87
INCREASE IN OPERATING CAPABILITY	2,578,442	10,181,561	5,312,949	2,477,578	826,087	856,870	888,576	921,233	954,871	989,516	1,025,202	1,061,958	1,062,921	1,063,91

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						Budge	ted Financial Posi	tion							
						For the Yea	rs ended 30 June 2	2018-2030							
		Actual 17/18	Amended 17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30
Current Assets															
Cash and Equivalents		14,923,382	14,197,870	14,898,301	15,179,038	13,912,212	13,669,126	13,544,343	13,334,534	13,451,441	13,874,753	14,241,455	14,702,781	14,542,472	14,475,603
Trade Receivables		830,068	1,279,601	1,343,660	1,188,649	1,197,038	1,405,979	1,207,818	1,111,685	985,195	944,921	1,004,937	1,015,225	1,015,225	1,015,225
Inventories		416,731	238,417	261,562	245,570	252,937	260,526	268,340	276,391	284,682	293,224	302,020	311,080	311,080	311,080
Other Current Assets		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Current Assets		16,170,181	15,715,888	16,503,523	16,613,257	15,362,187	15,335,631	15,020,501	14,722,610	14,721,318	15,112,898	15,548,412	16,029,086	15,868,777	15,801,908
Non-Current Assets															
Receivables		723,493	720,477	769,617	644,317	559,017	260,111	263,611	263,611	263,612	263,612	263,612	263,611	263,612	263,612
Property, Plant and		214,385,415	224,608,150	222,732,827	226,391,415	229,260,979	231,139,151	233,022,958	234,912,416	236,807,542	238,708,354	240,614,869	242,527,103	245,045,073	247,470,598
Total Non-Current Assets		215,108,908	225.328.627	223,502,444	227,035,732	229,819,996	231,399,262	233,286,569	235,176,027	237.071.154	238.971.966	240.878.481	242,790,714	245,308,685	247,470,330
Total Non-Current Assets		213,108,308	223,328,027	223,302,444	227,033,732	223,813,330	231,335,202	233,280,303	233,170,027	237,071,134	238,371,300	240,878,461	242,730,714	243,308,083	247,734,210
TOTAL ASSETS		231,279,089	241,044,515	240,005,967	243,648,989	245,182,183	246,734,892	248,307,069	249,898,637	251,792,472	254,084,864	256,426,893	258,819,800	261,177,462	263,536,118
Current Liabilities															
Trade and Other Payables		443,941	842,707	711,235	579,699	597,090	615,003	633,453	652,457	672,031	692,191	712,957	734,346	734,346	734,346
Interest Bearing Liabilities		489,181	511,273	308,419	528,428	552,846	578,395	605,127	214,189	-	-	-	-	-	
Provisions		377,172	341,908	291,082	295,819	304,694	313,834	323,250	332,947	342,935	353,233	363,820	374,735	374,735	374,735
Total Current Liabilities		1,310,294	1,695,888	1,310,736	1,403,946	1,454,630	1,507,232	1,561,830	1,199,593	1,014,966	1,045,415	1,076,777	1,109,081	1,109,081	1,109,081
Total current Liabilities		1,310,234	1,055,000	1,310,730	1,403,540	1,434,030	1,307,232	1,301,030	1,133,333	1,014,500	1,043,413	1,070,777	1,103,001	1,103,001	1,103,001
Non-Current Liabilities															
Trade and Other Payables		-	5,415	171,770	169,819	174,914	180,161	185,566	191,133	196,867	202,773	208,856	215,122	215,122	215,122
Interest Bearing Liabilities		2,597,579	2,479,200	2,192,923	2,086,490	1,533,643	955,248	350,121	135,932	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions		193,311	214,281	286,625	283,410	291,912	300,669	309,689	318,980	328,549	338,406	348,558	359,015	359,015	359,015
Total Non-Current Liabilities		2,790,890	2,698,896	2,651,318	2,539,719	2,000,469	1,436,078	845,376	646,045	525,416	541,179	557,414	574,137	574,137	574,137
TOTAL LIABILITIES		4,101,184	4,394,784	3,962,054	3,943,665	3,455,099	2,943,310	2,407,206	1,845,638	1,540,382	1,586,594	1,634,191	1,683,218.0	1,683,218.0	1,683,218.0
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS		227,177,905	236,649,731	236,043,913	239,705,324	241,727,084	243,791,582	245,899,863	248,052,999	250,252,090	252,498,270	254,792,702	257,136,582	259,494,244	261,852,900
Community Equity															
Retained Surplus		112,242,598	122,447,418	117,555,547	120,033,125	120,859,212	121,716,082	122,604,658	123,525,891	124,480,762	125,470,278	126,495,480	127,557,438	128,620,359	129,684,272
Asset Revaluation Reserve		114,935,307	114,202,313	118,488,366	119,672,200	120,867,872	122,075,501	123,295,206	124,527,108	125,771,329	127,027,992	128,297,222	129,579,144	130,873,886	132,168,628
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY		227,177,905	236,649,731	236,043,913	239,705,324	241,727,084	243,791,582	245,899,863	248,052,999	250,252,090	252,498,270	254,792,702	257,136,582	259,494,244	261,852,900
Capital Edxpenditure		12,562,634	18,602,531	13,054,763	5,487,020	5,456,020	5,506,620	5,558,738	5,612,420	5,667,712	5,742,664	5,784,322	5,843,741	5,843,741	5,843,741
Unfunded Depreciation		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loan Repayment		631,526	631,526	631,526	631,526	631,526	631,526	631,526	631,526	291,917	-	-	-	-	-
General Revenue for Capital		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Target	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	
Working Capital Ratios	>1.1	12.34	12.59	11.83	10.56	10.17	9.62	12.27	14.50	14.46	14.44	14.45	14.31	14.25	
Operating Surplus	0-15%	1.02%		1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	
Net Financial Liabilities	< 60%	17.26%		15.29%	13.02%	9.36%	5.63%	4.39%	3.57%	3.58%	3.59%	3.58%	3.62%	3.63%	
Asset Sustainability	> 90%	341.45%		120.17%	116.01%	113.68%	111.41%	109.21%	107.07%	105.33%	103.00%	101.03%	98.09%	95.23%	
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					Budgeted Cash Fl		•							
				For	the Years ended	30 June 2018-203	U							
	Actual 17/18	Amended 17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30
Cash flows from operating activities														
Receipts from customers	7,230,001	7,342,419	7,081,304	6,432,350	6,609,438	6,791,521	6,989,942	7,182,786	7,381,077	7,584,974	7,749,637	8,010,232	8,010,232	8,010,232
Payments to suppliers and employees	(7,246,229)	(9,464,067)	(9,731,709)	(8,754,213)	(9,243,574)	(9,646,611)	(9,934,878)	(10,452,579)	(10,948,642)	(11,361,321)	(11,769,709)	(12,210,033)	(12,210,033)	(12,210,033
	(16,228)	(2,121,648)	(2,650,405)	(2,321,863)	(2,634,136)	(2,855,090)	(2,944,936)	(3,269,793)	(3,567,565)	(3,776,347)	(4,020,072)	(4,199,801)	(4,199,801)	(4,199,801
Interest Received	218,566	277,000	275,100	321,885	333,151	344,811	356,880	369,370	382,298	395,679	409,528	423,861	423,861	423,861
Rental Income	249,778	311,000	338,500	425,936	424,824	419,781	413,626	410,431	403,411	405,794	414,970	425,040	425,040	425,040
Non-capital grants and contributions	3,658,563	6,509,661	7,043,401	6,403,510	6,595,615	6,793,484	6,997,288	7,207,207	7,423,423	7,646,126	7,875,510	8,111,775	8,111,775	8,111,775
Borrowing costs	(89,538)	(159,000)	(127,335)	(126,435)	(103,098)	(78,680)	(531,131)	(26,399)	(5,728)	-	-	-	-	-
Net cash inflow (outflow) from														
operating activities	4,021,141	4,817,013	4,879,261	4,703,033	4,616,356	4,624,306	4,291,727	4,690,816	4,635,839	4,671,252	4,679,936	4,760,875	4,760,875	4,760,875
Cash flows from investing activities														
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(13,314,072)) (21,351,411)	(13,054,763)	(5,487,020)	(5,456,020)	(5,506,620)	(5,558,738)	(5,612,420)	(5,667,712)	(5,742,664)	(5,784,322)	(5,843,741)	(5,843,741)	(5,843,741
Proceeds from sale of property, plant	(2,2 ,2 ,	, , , , ,	(2,22 , 22,	(2) 2 /2 2/	(4, 44, 44, 44, 44, 44, 44, 44, 44, 44,	(2)222,23	(2,222, 22,	(=/= / =/	(2,22,7,7,	(=/ /== /	(=/ = /= /	(2/2 2/ /	(=/= =/, /	(-,,
and equipment	318,134	332,594	335,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Grants, subsidies, contributions and														
donations	4,970,967	12,558,889	5,778,558	1,051,000	1,000,000	1,030,000	1,060,900	1,092,727	1,125,509	1,159,274	1,194,052	1,229,874	1,229,874	1,229,874
Net cast inflow (outflow) from														
investing activities	(8,024,971)	(8,459,928)	(6,941,205)	(4,236,020)	(4,256,020)	(4,276,620)	(4,297,838)	(4,319,693)	(4,342,203)	(4,383,390)	(4,390,270)	(4,413,867)	(4,413,867)	(4,413,867)
Cash flows from financing activities														
Proceeds from borrowings			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repayment of borrowings	(386,498)	(482,787)	(482,787)	(505,091)	(528,428)	(552,846)	(578,395)	(605,127)	(214,189)	-	-	-	-	-
Net cash inflow (outflow) from														
financing activities	(386,498)	(482,787)	(482,787)	(505,091)	(528,428)	(552,846)	(578,395)	(605,127)	(214,189)	-	-	-	-	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	(4,390,328)) (4,125,702)	(2,544,731)	(38,078)	(168,092)	(205,160)	(584,506)	(234,004)	79,447	287,862	289,666	347,008	347,008	347,008
Cash at beginning of reporting period	18,323,567	18,323,566	13,933,239	11,388,508	11,350,430	11,182,338	10,977,178	10,392,672	10,158,668	10,238,115	10,525,977	10,815,643	11,162,651	11,509,659
Cash at end of reporting period	13,933,239	14,197,864	11,388,508	11,350,430	11,182,338	10,977,178	10,392,672	10,158,668	10,238,115	10,525,977	10,815,643	11,162,651	11,509,659	11,856,667
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			Budgeted Sta	tement of Change	es in Equity								
			For the Years	s ended 30 June 2	018 - 2030								
	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30
Asset Revaluation Reserve													
Opening Balance	108,681,170	114,935,307	118,488,366	119,672,200	120,867,872	122,075,501	123,295,206	124,527,108	125,771,329	127,027,992	128,297,222	129,579,144	130,873,886
Increase in Year	6,254,137	3,553,059	1,183,834	1,195,672	1,207,629	1,219,705	1,231,902	1,244,221	1,256,663	1,269,230	1,281,922	1,294,741	1,294,742
Closing Balance	114,935,307	118,488,366	119,672,200	120,867,872	122,075,501	123,295,206	124,527,108	125,771,329	127,027,992	128,297,222	129,579,144	130,873,886	132,168,628
Accumulated Surplus													
Opening Balance	109,664,156	112,242,598	117,555,547	120,033,125	120,859,212	121,716,082	122,604,658	123,525,891	124,480,762	125,470,278	126,495,480	127,557,438	128,620,359
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	2,578,442	5,312,949	2,477,578	826,087	856,870	888,576	921,233	954,871	989,516	1,025,202	1,061,958	1,062,921	1,063,912
Closing Balance	112,242,598	117,555,547	120,033,125	120,859,212	121,716,082	122,604,658	123,525,891	124,480,762	125,470,278	126,495,480	127,557,438	128,620,359	129,684,272
TOTAL	227,177,905	236,043,913	239,705,324	241,727,084	243,791,582	245,899,863	248,052,999	250,252,090	252,498,270	254,792,702	257,136,582	259,494,244	261,852,900
TOTAL EQUITY													
Opening Balance	218,345,326	227,177,905	236,043,913	239,705,324	241,727,084	243,791,582	245,899,863	248,052,999	250,252,090	252,498,270	254,792,702	257,136,582	259,494,245
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	2,578,442	5,312,949	2,477,578	826,087	856,870	888,576	921,233	954,871	989,516	1,025,202	1,061,958	1,062,921	1,063,912
Inc/(Dec) Capital	6,254,137	3,553,059	1,183,834	1,195,672	1,207,629	1,219,705	1,231,902	1,244,221	1,256,663	1,269,230	1,281,922	1,294,741	1,294,743
Total Increase Income	8,832,579	8,866,008	3,661,411	2,021,759	2,064,499	2,108,281	2,153,135	2,199,092	2,246,180	2,294,432	2,343,880	2,357,662	2,358,655
Closing Balance	227,177,905	236.043.913	239,705,324	241,727,084	243,791,582	245.899.863	248.052.999	250.252.090	252,498,270	254,792,702	257,136,582	259,494,244	261,852,900

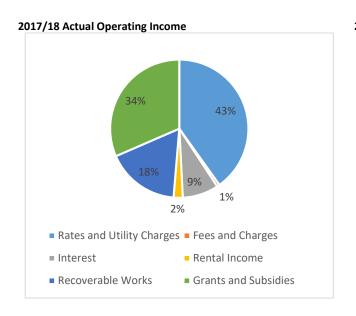
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	Actual 17/18	Amended 17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30
Operating Revenue														
Rates and Utility Charges	4,743,911	4,807,000	4,871,500	5,017,645	5,168,174	5,323,220	5,482,916	5,647,404	5,816,826	5,991,331	6,171,070	6,356,203	6,546,889	6,743,295
Less: Discount Allowed	(132,191)	(132,000)	(137,100)	(141,213)	(145,449)	(149,813)	(154,307)	(158,936)	(163,705)	(168,616)	(173,674)	(178,884)	(184,251)	(189,778
Total	4,660,000	4,675,000	4,734,400	4,876,432	5,022,725	5,173,407	5,328,609	5,488,467	5,653,121	5,822,715	5,997,396	6,177,318	6,362,638	6,553,517
Fees and Charges	72,550	76,593	247,750	255,183	262,838	270,723	278,845	287,210	295,826	304,701	313,842	323,258	332,955	342,944
Interest	218,645	277,000	275,100	283,353	291,854	300,609	309,627	318,916	328,484	338,338	348,488	358,943	369,711	380,803
Rental Income	248,428	311,000	338,500	348,655	359,115	369,888	380,985	392,414	404,187	416,312	428,802	441,666	454,916	468,563
Recoverable Works	1,993,216	2,390,386	1,821,000	1,875,630	1,931,899	1,989,856	2,049,552	2,111,038	2,174,369	2,239,600	2,306,788	2,375,992	2,447,272	2,520,690
Gain on Sale of Developed Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants and Subsidies	3,658,563	6,509,661	7,043,401	7,179,897	7,395,294	7,617,153	7,845,667	8,081,037	8,323,468	8,573,173	8,830,368	9,095,279	9,368,137	9,649,181
Total Operating Revenues	10,803,122	14,239,640	14,460,151	14,819,150	15,263,724	15,721,636	16,193,285	16,679,083	17,179,456	17,694,840	18,225,685	18,772,455	19,335,629	19,915,698
Operating Expenditure														
Employees Costs	4,576,868	5,120,222	5,846,762	6,004,625	6,166,749	6,333,252	6,504,249	6,679,864	6,860,221	7,045,446	7,235,674	7,431,037	7,631,675	7,837,730
Materials & Services	2,251,826	4,328,486	3,942,737	4,078,559	4,218,930	4,363,998	4,513,918	4,668,848	4,828,953	4,994,402	5,165,371	5,342,039	5,524,593	5,713,226
Finance Costs	116,600	159,000	140,435	144,648	148,987	153,457	158,061	162,803	167,687	172,717	177,899	183,236	188,733	194,395
Depreciation	3,679,166	4,415,000	4,433,000	4,565,990	4,702,970	4,844,059	4,989,381	5,139,062	5,293,234	5,452,031	5,615,592	5,784,060	5,957,581	6,136,309
Operating Result	10,624,460	14,022,708	14,362,934	14,793,822	15,237,637	15,694,766	16,165,609	16,650,577	17,150,094	17,664,597	18,194,535	18,740,371	19,302,582	19,881,660
	178,662	216,932	97,217	25,328	26,087	26,870	27,676	28,506	29,362	30,242	31,150	32,084	33,047	34,038
Capital items														
Sale of Non-Current Assets	(12,123)	-	(335,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000
Flood Damaged Road Write Off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Capital Grants, and Subsidies	2,411,903	9,964,629	5,550,732	2,652,250	1,000,000	1,030,000	1,060,900	1,092,727	1,125,509	1,159,274	1,194,052	1,229,874	1,229,874	1,229,874
INCREASE IN OPERATING CAPABILITY	2,578,442	10,181,561	5,312,949	2,477,578	826,087	856,870	888,576	921,233	954,871	989,516	1,025,202	1,061,958	1,062,921	1,063,912

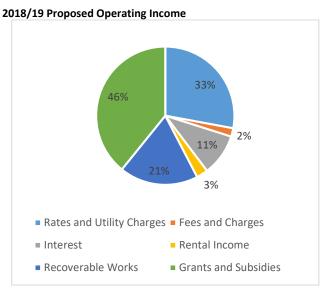
Summary of Key Information

The summary provides key information about the rate increase, operating result, capital works, financial sustainability and key strategic activities of the Council.

Council Operating Income

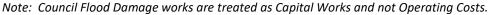
Council derives income from five major sources – rates; government grants; user fees and charges, recoverable works and interest. As indicated in the graph below, Council is very reliant on Grant funding as a primary income source, we have received a prepayment \$3.2m from Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grant.

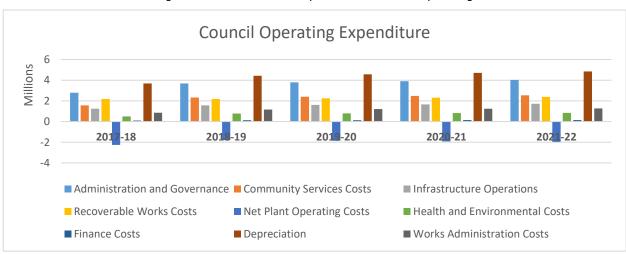




Councils Operating Expenditure

Councils operating expenditure for the 2018-19 year will increase by 36.13% compared to 2017-2018 expenditure levels. Net Plant Operating Costs show a larger return due to the proposed better utilisation of council plant.

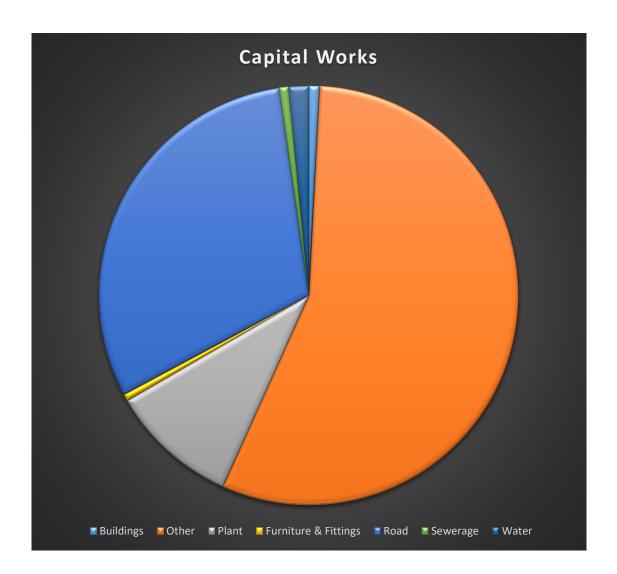




Capital Works

Bulloo Shire Council is continuing to undertake a very large capital program totaling \$13.680m.

Buildings	\$110,000
Other Structures	\$7,652,890
Plant	\$1,358,221
Furniture & Fittings	\$69,900
Road	\$4,178,953
Sewerage	\$100,000
Water	\$210,000
TOTAL	\$13,679,964



Capital Works Program 2018-19

DETAILS	TYPE	BUDGET	CAPITAL GRANTS	SOURCE	RESERVES	FUNDED DEPRECIATION	ASSET PROCEEDS
LAN+A2:H57D (>\$10), IMPROVEME		•					
RECORDS THE PURCHASE OF LAND A					GS ARE ACCOUNTE	ED FOR SEPARATE	LY.
IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE RETAININ	G W	ALLS, OVALS, LARG	E SCALE LANDSCAP	ING.			
Geothermal pipeline - see in other			0.00		0.00	П	
Tourism signage	Н	5,000.00	0.00	Res	5,000.00		
DCP Stage 3 - Caravan Park to Hydro	LI	588,390.00	588,390.00	Grant	0.00		
Stafford/Hosp)	Н	20,000.00	•	Res	20,000.00		
Industrial Precinct Stage 1	LI	450,000.00	225,000.00		225,000.00		
· ·	Ш	\$1,063,390.00	\$813,390.00		\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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BUILDINGS (>\$10,000) RECORDS THE BUILT ASSETS ON THE CLUB HOUSES.	LAN	D WHICH HAVE A F	OOF AND WALLS.	EXAMPI	LES INCLUDE PUBL	IC CONVENIENCE	S, HOUSES,
Geo Thermal Major Project	os	5,002,000.00	2,562,000.00	G	2,500,000.00		
ECP C'van Park Laundry/ storage	OS	100,000.00	0.00	Res	100,000.00		
addition							
Child Care venue		200,000.00	0.00		200,000.00		
Thermal Spa Baths design St 2	os	100,000.00	0.00	Res	100,000.00		
Connectivity grant B o R	OS	430,000.00	250,000.00	Res	180,000.00		
Decommission old ict hub	OS	70,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	70,000.00	
Big pool shade		10,000.00	0.00		10,000.00	0.00	
Install shade over slide		5,500.00	0.00		5,500.00		
Pound Shed Fencing		12,000.00	0.00		12,000.00		
Pelican Point Feasibility		150,000.00	0.00	New	150,000.00		
Multi Purpose Feasibility		50,000.00	0.00	New	50,000.00		
DCP stage 4		450,000.00	293,505.00	Grant	156,495.00		
ECP Sheltered furniture		5,000.00	0.00		5,000.00		
Goal posts	OS	5,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	10,000.00	
		\$6,589,500.00	\$3,105,505.00		\$3,468,995.00	\$80,000.00	\$0.00
FURNITURE & FITTINGS (OFFICE)							
Staircase climber		9,900.00	0.00	Res	9,900.00	0.00	0.00
Printers		40,000.00	0.00		0.00	40,000.00	0.00
Airport Terminal - CCTV & Depot	В	20,000.00	0.00	Res	20,000.00	0.00	0.00
		\$69,900.00	\$0.00		\$29,900.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00
BUILDINGS							
Dowling St house laundry/plumb	В	30,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	30,000.00	0.00
Old hospital back verandah	В	15,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	15,000.00	0.00
Community centre recladding	В	20,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
Fireproofing	В	20,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	20,000.00	0.00
Revamp upper area into an office	В	25,000.00	5.50	p	5.30	25,550.50	5.50
for workshop		25,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	25,000.00	0.00
		\$110,000.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$110,000.00	\$0.00
BRIDGES							
Bourke & Wills Bridge, Nappamerrie		200,000.00	0.00	Res	0.00	200,000.00	
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DETAILS	TYPE	BUDGET	CAPITAL GRANTS	SOURCE	RESERVES	FUNDED DEPRECIATION	ASSET PROCEEDS
ROADS							
Water Points Logging and							
Agreement	RI	20,000.00	0.00		20,000.00		0.00
Innamincka TIDS RRTG	RI	918,500.00	453,000.00	Grant	0.00	465,500.00	0.00
Road construction projects	RI	1,305,821.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	1,305,821.00	0.00
Reseal 2018/19	RI	440,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	440,000.00	0.00
		\$2,684,321.00	\$453,000.00		\$20,000.00	\$2,211,321.00	\$0.00
Roads Flood Damage Rec							
Roads Flood Damage Rec		0.00					0.00
September 2016 Event + 10% bsc		1,281,147.00	1,281,147.00	NDRRA	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Ш	\$1,281,147.00			\$0.00	\$0.00	
Roads Flood Damage Non-Rec 10% Council contribution to NDRRA							
works by Day Labour		0.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	13,485.00	0.00
Works by bay cabout		\$13,485.00	\$1,281,147.00	Берп	\$0.00	\$13,485.00	\$0.00
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PLANT & EQUIPMENT							
Cam am Trailer - New	P/E	8,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	8,000.00	0.00
Little pool filtration	P/E	25,000.00	0.00	depn		25,000.00	0.00
	P/E	,				,	
Change use for P509 to community	_						
maintenance Grader J Deere 770		0.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	0.00	
Durahana Massanadan ya kanda in		405 000 00	0.00			300 000 00	0.00
Purchase New grader - no trade in Plant 505 old grader - sell/trade		405,000.00	0.00	Depn Pro		380,000.00	-50,000.00
Trade PO 718 Mack Granite Truck		0.00	0.00	FIO			-30,000.00
(trade/sell)		0.00	0.00	Pro			-100,000.00
Purchase New Mack Granite Truck		239,900.00	0.00	Depn		239,900.00	
Toyota Hilux 344ryv sell		0.00	0.00	Pro			-19,000.00
Purchase new Hilux		53,000.00	0.00	Depn		53,000.00	
P 6007 toyota Prado sell		0.00	0.00	Pro			-30,000.00
Purchase new Toyota Prado		66,218.00	0.00	Depn		66,218.00	
Sell Po 905 Walker Mower		0.00	0.00	Pro			-3,000.00
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Sell 908 to replace Walker Mower Purchase walker mower dsd60		0.00 14,103.00	0.00	Pro Depn		14,103.00	-5,000.00
Sell bob cat stabiliser and assorted		14,103.00	0.00	Берп		14,103.00	
items		0.00	0.00	Pro			-2,000.00
PO 285 Donco weigh batcher			0.00	Depn			-1,000.00
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Plant 296 replace new whacka packa		12,000.00		Depn		12,000.00	
Sell off 386 Genset		0.00		Pro			-10,000.00
Sell off djr 150 genset		0.00	0.00	Pro			-10,000.00
Purchase Genset 60kva for admin							
BCP		25,000.00	0.00	Depn	25,000.00		
Prime Mover brought forward 717		300,000.00	0.00	Depn		300,000.00	
Sale of 717 Prime Mover		0.00	0.00	Pro		300,000.00	-80,000.00
Amman roller		150,000.00	0.00	Depn		150,000.00	
Sale of Old roller	Н	0.00	0.00	Pro		,	-20,000.00

DETAILS	TYPE	BUDGET	CAPITAL GRANTS	SOURCE	RESERVES	FUNDED DEPRECIATION	ASSET PROCEEDS
ForkLift		50,000.00	0.00	Depn		50,000.00	
Sale of old forklift		0.00	0.00	Pro			-5,000.00
Compressor		10,000.00	0.00	depn		10,000.00	
		\$1,358,221.00	\$0.00		\$25,000.00	\$1,308,221.00	-\$335,000.00
WATER							
Upgrade piping on Cooling pond No 2.	W	150,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	150,000.00	0.00
Smart Meters - Residential property connection. Stage 2 of meter	W						
program		60,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00		0.00
		\$210,000.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$150,000.00	\$0.00
SEWERAGE							
Thargomindah - Sewerage	S						
Telemetry.		10,000.00	0.00	Res	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
Replacement of existing vacuum sewer pots	S	80,000.00	0.00	Depn	0.00	80,000.00	0.00
Documentation and design of industrial area sewer for future	S	55,555.55	0.00	o cp.i.	0.00	55,555.55	0.00
development and connection		10,000.00	0.00	Res	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
		\$100,000.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00
			-		-		_
TOTAL		\$13,679,964.00	\$5,653,042.00		\$3,793,895.00	\$4,213,027.00	-\$335,000.00
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Roads and Maintenance		\$1,100,000.00			\$1,100,000.00	\$1,100,000.00	

Rates Calculation Summary

Differential General Rates

A number of factors can result in some rate categories in the table below decreasing or increasing by more than 3% from the previous year:-

- * UCV changes in value and increase/decrease in the number of rateable lots.
- ** Thargomindah Residential 1 property in this rate category has a capped valuation due to UCV changes and split valuations.

Category	Category Detail	2017-18 Revenue	2018-19 Revenue	% Change
1	Vacant Land – Thargomindah	\$ 5,623.90	\$ 5,794.16	3%
2	Vacant Land – Hungerford	\$ 1,704.48	\$ 1,578.00	3%
3	Vacant Land – Noccundra	\$ 3,196.68	\$ 3,292.62	3%
4	Vacant Land – Other	\$ 0	\$ 0	0
5	Residential – Thargomindah	\$ 27,235.66	\$ 27,645.88	3%
6	Residential – Hungerford	\$ 4,138.94	\$ 4,262.40	3%
7	Commercial – Thargomindah	\$ 4,344.66	\$ 4,474.84	3%
8	Commercial – Hungerford	\$ 339.50	\$ 350.00	3%
9	Commercial – Noccundra	\$ 890.92	\$ 917.64	3%
10	Commercial – Other	\$ 3,469.06	\$ 3,573.78	3%
11	Industry - Thargomindah	\$ 17,085.28	\$ 17,423.74	3%
12	Small Rural	\$ 1,267.24	\$ 1,306.44	3%
13	Rural	\$ 984,319.94	\$1,027,544.62	4%
14	Jackson & Naccowlah	\$ 583,510.00	\$ 601,078.54	3%
15	Ballera Gas Centre	\$2,131,732.00	\$2,195,683.96	3%
16	Petroleum Leases	\$ 646,677.22	\$ 666,120.06	3%
17	Extractive Leases	\$ 3,813.26	\$ 4,008.12	5%
18	All Other Land	\$ 21,250.92	\$ 21,952.54	3%
19	Worker Accommodation 50-100	\$ 0	\$ 0	0
20	Worker Accommodation 100-200	\$ 0	\$ 0	0
21	Worker Accommodation >200	\$ 0	\$ 0	0

Water Charges

Group	Rate Group Details	2017-18 Revenue	2018-19 Revenue	% Change
1	Thargomindah	\$ 104,577	\$ 108,975	4%
2	Hungerford	\$ 12,360	\$ 12,856	4%

Sewerage Charges

Group	Rate Group Details	2017-18 Revenue	2018-19 Revenue	% Change
1	Thargomindah	\$ 87,247	\$ 90,471	4%

Garbage Charges

Group	Rate Group Details	2017-18 Revenue	2018-19 Revenue	% Change
1	Thargomindah – Environmental	\$ 4,870	\$ 5,119	5%
1	Thargomindah - Collection	\$ 37,054	\$ 38,907	5%

Increase in Rates and Utility Charges

[section 169(6) – Preparation and content of budget]

The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for 2018-19 (as adopted on 29 June 2018) compared with the rates and utility charges levied in 2017/18 as adopted on 18 July 2017 is 3%, 4% & 5%.

National Competition Assessment

Council has undertaken an assessment of its activities and has not identified any that are subject to type 3 arrangement and therefore does not need to apply the Code of Competitive Conduct.

Operational Plan



OPERATIONAL PLAN 2018 / 2019

1. Natural Environment

Our community appreciates the variety of its natural environment, and protects and develops opportunities for its enjoyment by locals and visitors alike.

Key Result Area: Ecological Sustainability

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure/KPI	Date Due
Partner with other government departments and organisation to improve eco/enviro outcomes and contribute to better environmental management.	Investigate options that encourage the use of renewable or green energy solutions. <i>E.g. Geothermal Plant, Solar Farm</i>	2000	MCS	100%Update report to Council	Q4
Support initiatives that encourage and improve eco/enviro outcomes	 Continue to coordinate the following: National Tree Planting Day National Drum Muster Clean Up Australia Day Annual Bulk Waste Collection 	4100	RLO/MIS/ VICC	 100% - 4 initiatives delivered 1 Bulk Waste collection delivered 	Q4 Q4
Reduce amount of paper tonnage to landfill Execute a "Paperless Office" to drive operational efficiency, automate heretofore manual business processes, reduce costs and promote	 Implement a Framework for a Paperless Office Strategy to reduce and discourage paper usage Promote behaviors and leverage best practices and workflow technologies to reduce the persistence of paper in the workplace. 	2000	MCS	 Reduce physical consumption of paper by 40% Re-architect Key Business Processes to support initiative 	Q4
environmental awareness goals.	 Utilise current systems for Digitisation of Council Records Investigate Cloud storage systems and capability for extra digital storage. 	2000	MCS	Reduce off-site records by 100%	Q4

Key Result Area: Natural Re	sources				
Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure/KPI	Date Due
Partner with other local governments a groups to develop a regional approach management		4500	RLO/MCES	Plans implemented100% meetings attended3 liaisons	Q1 Q4 Q4
Implement our Pest Management Plan	 2016-2020 BSC Pest Management Plan Priority Programs – Pest & Weed Animals Educate & promote control of wild dogs within Bulloo Shire Attend the 2019 Hungerford Field Day 	4500	RLO	12 Newsletters published.10 Fact Sheets releasedEvent Attended	Q2
	 Assist landholders with wild dog management techniques and emerging technology i.e. education sessions, CPEs 	4500	RLO	12 sessions held	Q4
	Participate in Regional Wild Dog Meetings	4500	RLO	6 Meetings attended	Q4
	 Continue to support and coordinate the Pest Management Advisory Committee 	4500	RLO	PMAC Meetings held twice a year	Q2
	 Delivery wild dog & pig management program in line with policy including aerial baiting campaigns. Continue to source funding for pest management activities 		RLO	100% completeFunding application submitted	Q4
Continue to promote public awareness and strategies for pest and weeds	 Publication of Rural Newsletter insert as part of strategic communications Encourage landholders to provide articles for inclusion in publication 	4510	RLO	 12 publications 2 landholder articles included in publications 	Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure/KPI	Date Due
Implement programs to reduce weed infestation in the Shire by mapping, working with landholders and other governments agencies	Participate in southern rural lands officer meetings	4530	RLO	2 meetings per year100% program delivered	Q4
ranunoiders and other governments agencies	 Deliver High Priority Weed management program in line with 2016-2020 BSC Pest Management Plan Monitor & Treatment of Mesquite Monitor & Treatment of Parkinsonia Monitor & Treatment of Cactus (Coral; Snake; Devils' Rope; Prickly Pear) Awareness of existence of Parthenium; Prickly Acacia; Rubber Vine & Water Lettuce in neighbouring shires Continue mapping of weeds 	4530	RLO	100% delivered Annual Weed Map produced	Q4
Service levels maintenance in line with In-active stock Routes	 Monitor inactive stock routes and continue with pest management program Continue to maintain the Stock Route Network Management System 	4540	RLO	100% deliveredSRNMS system updated	Q4
Increase sustainability of RLO program	 Seek and apply for additional funding to subsidise or fund strategies as part of the BSC 2016-2020 Pest Management Plan Review the RLO program and its annual costs in order to consider the development of a business case to levy an appropriate landholder charge as part of Councils fees and charges 	4540	RLO	 Number of funding applications made Number of grants received Business case developed 	Q4
Stocking rates on the common meet the requirements of Department	 Manage Common as per the Local Law Undertake pasture assessment training and carry out 6 monthly pasture assessments Construct holding paddock on Town Common for mustering purposes 	4730	RLO	 2 musters per year 2 assessments completed Fence constructed	Q4

Key Result Area: Conservation and Heritage

Init	ciative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
•	Develop relevant conservation management plans for key assets	 Develop a brief/proposal for a conservation management plan Seek funding to develop a conservation management plan for the Thargo Hospital Once developed implement the management plan in accordance with councils budget 	5750	MCES	 Brief Developed Funding application submitted Funding application submitted CMP draft received 	Q2 Q3 Q4
•	Continue to partner with the Royal Historical Society of Queensland to conserve and promote the Dig Tree National Heritage asset	 Manage trust account on behalf of the Royal Historical Society Queensland Produce quarterly reports for the RHSQ 	5750	MFS	4 reports completed	Q4

2. Growth to support a strong and diverse Economy

We have a strong economy driven by innovative business ideas which are locally based

Key Result Area: Robust Economy

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target	
Partner with local businesses/industry and other local governments to promote local business	Meet regularly with Shires in the SW to cross promote and explore opportunities	5750	VICC/ MCES	2 meetings per year attended1 meeting attended	Q4	
	Support RDA membership		Memberships renewed		Memberships renewed	
	Support SWRED membership					
	 Implement cross border agreements to support and promote local businesses and maximise tourism visitation 	5750	VICC /MCES	MOU Bourke Shire in place2 meetings per year	Q4	
	Meet bi-annually to progress tourism and economic initiatives					
	Existing App updated to promote local business	5750	VICC	Annual review with local businesses	Q4	
	Collate statistics & data on customer service surveys	5750	VICC	2 Surveys completed	Q4	
	Provide opportunities for tourism stakeholders for customer service knowledge and skill development training to stay abreast of customer needs.		VICC	Meet quarterly with local businessesTraining Complete	Q1,Q2,Q 3,Q4	
	 Provide information to all businesses on visitor needs with regard to customer service, hours of operation, based on data and feedback. 			Customer Service Standards Developed		
	Provide the resources & support for local business to commit to gathering data and statistics on overnight stay & spend.		VICC	100% delivered	Q1,Q2,Q 3,Q4	
Continue to facilitate local purchasing to support viable enterprises	 Deliver a 2yr (bi-ennial) pre-qualified programs Facilitate local purchasing through pre-qualified suppliers 		VICC	100% delivered	Q2	
Participate in Council forums/bodies that support	Continue to support SWRED & other bodies	5750	BSC	4 meetings attended	Q4	

Key Result Area:	Grow Innovation in all sectors
	PART A - Tourism & Economic Development

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Assist in the promotion of local eco-tourism businesses	 Implement the MOU between Council and QPWS Cooperate with State Government to develop and promote access to National Parks – especially Lake Currawinya and Lake Bindegolly Cross promote eco tourism activities on the Visit Bulloo Facebook page Promote Kilcowera Station packages online and in print 	5750	CEO/MECS	 MOU signed Kilcowera packages promoted 	Q2 Q1,Q2
Partner with other local governments and industry bodies to develop a sustainable	Develop survey / statistics to identify number of visitors aware of Natural Sciences Loop	5750	MCES/VICC	Survey results published	Q3
tourism industry	Review Membership of Adventure Way in relation to value for money expenditure.	5750	MCES/VICC	Memberships subscribed	Q3
	 Collaborate with other local government tourism officers, RTO's and VIC's to cross promote the south west Update Great Southern Website 	5750	MCES/VICC	Website updated1 Pre-season liaison with neighbouring VICs	Q3
	Develop links with the new Toowoomba LTO to maximise growth opportunities for the region	5750	MCES/VICC	Forums participated in	Q4
Promote the visitor information centre as a key element driving economic development (promote tourism attraction, product and	Develop and implement Visit Bulloo campaign	5750	MCES/VICC	Campaign developed	Q4
(promote tourism attraction, product and events within the Bulloo Shire)	Review and develop online booking opportunities for local businesses	5750	VICC	Online booking capacity in place	Q1

	Continue to provide and develop local regional tourism product for retail in the VIC	5750	VICC	•	Local product is sold in VIC.	Qrtly
	Gather statistics and data from new and existing customers to obtain as a database for marketing & advertising.	5750	VICC	•	Database completed	Q1
	Use statistics and data from new and existing customers for a business plan to support a tour operator business.	5750	VICC	•	Business plan developed	Q4
	Include social media communication as a requirement in staff position description and organisation values.	5750	All Managers/ VICC/HR	•	100% complete	Q2
Grow tourism and visitation numbers by 10% per annum from 2018 - 2020	Implement the Tourism and Marketing Strategy Year 1	4820	VICC	•	100% delivery Increase visitors by 10%	Q4
	Vic to assist with the promotion of local events and business houses on Councils tourism website and Facebook page	4820	VICC	•	Number of events promoted recorded	Q4
	 Provide secretariat support of a Tourism Progress Association Co-ordinate Agendas and Minutes for the Bulloo Progress Assoc. Forward Minutes to Council for their consideration 	4820	VICC	•	4 meetings coordinated	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4
	Continue to support and participate in the Adventure Way Tourism Initiative	4820	VICC	•	3 meetings attended	Q1, Q2, Q4
VIC to develop a community program of events that signifies the Bulloo Region as an authentic outback destination	Review BrandReview duplicationIdentify gaps		VICC	•	Brand reviewed	Q1,Q2,Q4

	Enhance tourism promotion by delivering contact with market through attending regional events, i.e. Hungerford Field Day, Music in the Mulga.	4820	VICC	•	3 attended	Q1, Q2, Q4
Provide opportunities for tourism stakeholders for customer service knowledge and skill development training to stay abreast of	Develop Customer service surveys, collated and reported to Progress Association and tourism stakeholders.			•	Survey complete	Qrtly
customer needs.	Customer service training courses have been provided (subject to funding)			•	Training complete	Q1
	Certification and standards have been developed for all tourism stakeholders.			•	Standards developed	Q4
Grow demand from International Visitors	Develop Natural Sciences Loop Package & itinerary		VICC	•	1 package developed	Q2
Continue development and completion of existing tourism assets to provide the base for	Maintain and expand existing resource base for tourism	4830	VICC	•	\$ Budget expended	Q2
tourism activities.	Develop a tourism asset maintenance and upgrade schedule to ensure consistent, quality product and incorporate into Council's Corporate Plan.			•	1 schedule developed	Q3
Consolidate & Review Tourism Signage to create a positive first impression	 Undertake audit of tourism signage Design and install entrance signs to our Shire	4830	VICC	•	Funding application submitted	Q2
	consistent with branding IAW Marketing Strategy.			•	Signs designed	
				•	Signs installed	
Investigate the development of new infrastructure using investment strategies for tourism.	Gather statistics and data to ensure investment into new infrastructure supports a longer stay and increased visitor numbers.		VICC	•	Mthly data collected	Q1, Q4
	Data is collected and calculated to recognise potential on investment return on expenditure.					
Assess future needs and develop business plans on the development of new infrastructure based on customer interest and captured data expenditure from local businesses.	Business plan for potential assets has been developed.		VICC	•	Business plan developed	Q4

Key Result Area:	Grow Innovation in all sectors
	PART B – Explore Options for Innovation

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Identify and implement local and regional initiatives to capitalise on the environmental and economic potential of the local government	Develop an EDS that provides a range on initiatives to capitalise on environment and economic potential in the region.			1 EDS developed	Q4

Key Result Area: Grow Population

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsibl e Officer	Measure	Target
Ensure our Planning Scheme supports growth for industry, tourism and population	Adopt a new Bulloo Shire Planning Scheme that supports growth, renewables, commercial development and higher population density		CEO	Plan developedCouncil approved	Q2 Q2
	Develop and implement an Economic Development Strategy that support growth		CEO	Strategy draft receivedStrategy draft adopted	Q1 Q2
	Audit essential infrastructure to determine its capacity to support development.		MIS	Infrastructure audit conducted	Q2
	Effectively manage development assessments and building approvals to manage Das & Building approvals in line with Councils service standards		MCS	No of approvals	Q4
	Finalise subdivision of Residential lots – 14 Lots		MCS	Residential lots made available	Q4

Explore opportunities for funding for sewerage extension and completion of heavy and light industrial areas	MCS	blocks surveyed	Q2
Prepare project management plan including costings for service connections to new industrial precinct in preparation for grant application	MCS	Detailed PMP completed	Q2
 Arrange Native Title clearances and Finalise purchase of 3 lots from DNRM 	MCS	clearances finalisedTitles transferred	Q2
Prepare detailed scope of works including costings for the realignment and construction of roads and town boundary fence	MCS	• 100% complete	Q2

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Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Continue to support local purchasing and investment strategies	 Develop and co-ordinate bi-ennial pre-qualified tender Annual forum with local business for feedback Collaborate with SWRED & RDA around business opportunities 			100% delivered1 Forum delivered1 Meeting held	Q4
Facilitate increased training and development for businesses through State Development	Promote State Development business program with local community			100% delivered	Q4

Key Result Area: Grow Community Partnerships

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Provide financial assistance grants to community organisations to support them in undertaking community events/activities.	 Advertise financial assistance grant twice annually for community events/activities – March & September Review Community Grants Policy Annual Report to Council in June on total funds acquitted through grants program. 		MCE	 2 advertisements placed Policy reviewed 1 report to Council 	Q2, Q4
Develop partnership arrangements and agreements that support increased collaboration across the community and council	 Provide secretarial support to the Progress Association Co-ordinate Agendas and Minutes for the Bulloo Progress Assoc. Forward Minutes to Council for Information 		VICC	100% Minutes presented to Council	Q4 2020
	Form a working group with local businesses to develop strategies to promote local events and business houses including utilisation of technology and encourage families to move to the area.			 Strategies developed 2 meetings held 1 family relocated to the town 	Q4

3. Community Spirit and Well-being

We want residents to take pride in working together to build distinctive communities and create places which bring people together, places where neighbours know each other and help new residents embrace our country lifestyle. We want to engage young people in healthy habits and provide options that support the lifecycle. Our communities include Thargomindah, Cameron's Corner, Noccundra and Hungerford.

Key Result Area: Strong Communities

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Foster the unique sense of community that defines Bulloo Shire for both residents and visitors	Continue publication and distribution of Community newsletter and consolidate different aspects businesses and landholders	5000	CEO	Number of newsletters publishedDistribute electronically	Min 10
	Continue to produce and host video content that promotes the community	5000	CEO/MCES	Update existing videos and add to as required	Q2
	Support the 'Stay on Track Outback' campaign	5000	CEO/MCES	Council to approve budget	Q1
	Develop and Implement a Strategic Communications Strategy to support a range of objectives	5000	CEO/MCES	Strategy developed	Q2
	 Support community and businesses with value and activities Facilitate/deliver movie nights in conjunction with Blue Light Association & local Qld Police Facilitate movie nights in the ECP caravan park Promote availability of jumping castle for local events 	5000	SRC/VICC	 12 per annum SRC deliver 1 movie per week over Easter, June, September school holidays min of 3 over December Holidays. Assist VICC as required Number of requests 	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Provide equitable access and avenues for all residents to participate and contribute to decisions made in their community	Annual consultations are conducted communities and businesses within the identified localities – Hungerford, Noccundra, and Cameron Corner	2000	CEO/MW	100% delivered	Q4
Options support a diverse range of opportunities and activities for residents to participate in local community activities and foster common citizenship.	Deliver celebratory events	4430	VICC	• 100% delivered	Q4
	Informative and motivational breakfasts delivered	4430	VICC	3 breakfasts held	Q2
	Visit each community at least once per year	2000	CEO/MCS MSP/MIS	•	
	Develop village plans for each remote community	2000	CEO/MCS	4x Village plans completed	Q4
Ways to connect are fostered and supported through a range of strategies including community grants for events	Continue to liaise with organisations holding events within the shire about community grants and inkind support	4430	VICC	• 100% delivered	Q4

Key Result Area: A Safe Community

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Develop and maintain preparedness and response capabilities to ensure the community is	Review Disaster Management Plan annually	4500	MCS	Updated plan endorsed by LDMG	Q2
able to withstand a wide variety of disasters that may affect the region	Support and coordinate the LDMG	4500	CEO	LDMG meet min twice a year	Q4
Continue to deliver and support services that support health and safety across the region e.g. pest management, animal management, disaster preparedness	 Deliver Public Health Program Deliver Animal Control Management program Deliver Pest Management Program 	4500	MCES	• 100% delivered	Q4
F. 5PS. 5S. 1555	Animal related nuisance is minimised through proactive control measures • Deliver annual animal inspection program	4310	RLO/	• 100% Delivered	Q3
	Deliver annual animal inspection program	4510	Dalena	• 100% Delivered	Ųs
	Review bylaws and fees for animal registrations			Local Law reviewedFees reviewed	
	Facilitate a vet to deliver a microchipping program			1 program delivered	
	The impact of periodic mosquito infestations are mitigated through appropriate vector control measures				
	Deliver mosquito spraying program as required	4320	RLO	 Spraying locations recorded (seasonal) 	Q3
Community Environmental health is secured through ensuring compliance standards are maintained.	Deliver annual EHO inspection program	4210	Dalena	• 100%	Q3

Key Result Area:	Healthy Community
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Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Residents have access to a range of quality health and emergency services in accordance with community expectations.	Continue to liaise and brief government and other Health organisations in order to improve service delivery to Bulloo shire residents.	4100	MCES	2 briefings a year	Q2, Q4
	Continue to support additional clinic in conjunction with the Dept. of Health	4100	MCES	\$ Budget expended	Q4
Promote healthy lifestyles that include keeping fit and active and involved in physical activities such as walking, cycling and organised sporting activities	Deliver and actively market programs and activities that encourage healthy lifestyles i.e. Netball, Squash, Bowls, Tennis, Walking Group, Punch Fit, Exercise group, water aerobics, Aqua Group. Learn to swim program	4100	SRC	6 programs initiated100% complete	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4
Provide the community with linkages to Primary Health Care Services	Deliver Schedule 1 of WQPCC Healthy Ageing Funding Agreement		MCES	100% delivered	Q4
Provide support & advocacy for community members accessing Aged Care in home services	Liaise with Thargomindah Outpatients Centre in relation to community need and service delivery gaps		MCES	Quarterly	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4

4. Infrastructure and Services

A community with access to a range of services and infrastructure that supports lifecycle needs, health and safety. These services and infrastructure are supported by all levels of government and community organisations.

Key Result Area: Community Infrastructure

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Maintain and upgrade the current infrastructure in accordance with the needs of the community	 Update valuations in 2018.19 Review condition assessments and finalise review of Asset Management Plans to ensure maintenance and renewal allocations are adequate Investigate feasibility of updating Manual Signage to Digital for Community & Roads 		MI	 Valuations completed Plans updated and adopted by Council Report to Council 	Q4
Provide well maintained and liveable staff housing as part of Employer of Choice options to retain key staff	 Review Councils overall tenancy management program to maximise efficiencies and savings Deliver Councils Tenancy Management program in line with Councils policy and agreements Ensure that a Tenancy maintenance schedule is in place Ensure that tenancy agreements are up to date and are registered Manage arrears and notifications for all Council employee tenants to ensure that tenancies are being managed in line with policy and procedures 10 yr Maintenance schedule completed as part of councils long term planning 	4120	Dalena	 1 position paper to CEO 100% program delivered 100% agreements executed 90% of arrears resolved Number of notifications 10 Year Plan Endorsed 	Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
	Position Paper to CEO regarding efficiencies and Savings				
Provision of community housing to allow residents to have access to affordable housing	 Maintain tenancies in line with Councils Housing policy Ensure all tenancies have relevant agreements and are up to date. 	4130	Dalena	100% agreements executed90% of all arrears resolved	Q4
Maintain the cemetery reserve in line with community needs and expectations	 Research and determine adequate and sustainable service levels for the Thargo cemetery Deliver maintenance level in line with Councils budget and agreed service level 		MIS	 Number of service requests completed Service level determined Annual Cost Review 	Q4
Maintain good amenity for Thargomindah Main Street including streets, footpath and nature strip including streetscape	 Develop and deliver Councils annual footpath program Footpaths and nature strips regularly maintained and kept clean and tidy; Deliver maintenance level in line with Councils budget and agreed service level Monthly visual inspection of town streets, footpaths and nature strips within the towns of Thargomindah and Hungerford 		MIS	 Footpath program implemented 12 inspections completed Service level determined 	Q1,Q2,Q3 Q4
Maintain Infrastructure for Hungerford in a manner which reflects community priorities and standards	 Liaise with DNRM on outstanding land matters in the Hungerford Township Aerodrome Make application to resurvey the fenced area of the aerodrome and transfer Reserve 		MCG MCG	Application lodged	Q4 Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
	Purpose from Racecourse Reserve to Aerodrome Reserve Showgrounds Make application to survey and excise area from Lot 13 H2346 Camping, Water and Stock Route Reserve to Showground Reserve		MCG	Application lodged	Q4
	 Cemetery Make application to survey Cemetery located on Lot 1 H2344 USL and transfer to a Cemetery Reserve 		MCG	Application lodged	Q4
	 Road Opening Road to Showgrounds and Aerodrome to be surveyed on existing alignment and application made to have road opened 		MCG	Application lodged	Q4
	 Refuse Tip Survey area to be excised from Reserve Lot 13 H2346 Survey the existing road assessing the site Make application to purchase the area as freehold for the Refuse Tip Make application for Road Opening 		MCG	Application lodged	Q4
Annual inspection of playground equipment within the Shire, to ensure compliance with WH&S and public safety	 Carry out an annual inspection/audit on playground equipment to ensure compliance and will include: Condition rating Defect 		MIS & SIS	 Audit completed including photographs. Asset management files completed 	Q3

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
	Soft fall compliance.Shade structuresUpdate Asset management plans				
	Visual inspection carried out on equipment during normal park maintenance with inspections noted and all defects noted along with maintenance requirements		MIS & SIS	Weekly inspections completed	Q4
Community hall facilities meet the needs of the community	 Hall hire encouraged through media advertising Set schedule of fees as part of budgeting process Review asset condition and maintenance requirements between 2018 - 2020 as part of asset management and provide a report to council for decision making in relation to impairment 	2310	Dalena	 100% Fees adopted Asset condition report completed 	Q2
Provide sustainable and well maintained facilities that meet committee needs in line with councils budget	 Review Councils cleaning service in conjunction with Mgr of Corporate and Governance delivery to obtain savings and maximise a sustainable and efficient service for all of its facilities Deliver cleaning services to support the needs of facilities in line with their utilisation Develop and implement an annual Maintenance schedule for relevant facility maintenance as part of the annual budget process 	2320	Dalena	• 100%	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4
	Support community group funding applications for facilities and equipment			• 100%	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4
Grow library services and programs to ensure that the library is a well utilised community hub	Delivery a library service as per state library agreement and in line with Councils budget	4410	Librarian	Reporting submitted on time	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
	Grow library patronage and usage by 10 per cent	4410	Librarian	Percentage increase (min 10%)	
				Percentage Book borrowings (min up by 10%)	
				Number of new books ordered	
	Grow library programming by 10 per cent	4410	Librarian	Number of people attending programs	
				 Percentage of repeat attendance 	
				Percentage increase of visitor numbers	
	Grow collaboration with Primary and Middle School			Number of programs delivered	
	Continue subscription services	4410	Librarian	• 100% renewals	Q4
	Playgroup supported	4410	Librarian	Number of playgroup sessions held	Q4
	Deliver School Holiday Programs	4410	Librarian	Number of Holiday programs run	Q2,Q4
The Riverwalk is promoted and effectively utilised	 Walking Groups, activities are promoted Guided river walk is developed 	4710	VICC	 Guided River walks in Visitor Season Number of programs delivered 	Q4

Key Result Area: Social Services

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Maximise educational outcomes for school children in Thargomindah	 School has appropriate staff resources to provide education services in line with community expectations Provide financial support for 2nd Teacher at Thargomindah State School 	2000	BSC	\$ Budget expended	Q2, Q4
	 Provide financial support for distance education teacher and facility Distance Education Facility has appropriate resources to provide education services in line with community expectations 	2000	BSC	\$ Budget expendedTeachers aide in place	Q2, Q4
Primary and lower secondary education is supported through the Thargomindah school	 Continue to support secondary and primary education outcomes through the library such as homework club Innovation partnership (coding workshops) with library and school is in place and active 	4140	MCES	 Number of partnership programs delivered Number Coding workshops delivered 	Q4
Lobby and advocate for appropriate child care in line with rural remote community needs	 Continue to lobby government for remote appropriate childcare services Develop a remote childcare model to advance to government Facilitate a residential property for venue based child care, crèche and playgroup Continue to operate the Thargomindah Early Education and Care Committee to investigate sustainable, integrated service delivery model of 	2000	MCES	 Proposal developed Venue options paper provided to council 	Q3

	early childhood education and care in Thargomindah.					
Support community capacity building, social inclusion and connection through the delivery of Councils community grants program	Deliver Councils community grants program and advertise and coordinate twice yearly in line with	4110	MCES	•	100% allocated	Q4
Equitable access to appropriate telecommunications technologies in accordance with community needs	Advocacy for improved coverage put forward twice a year as part of intergovernmental briefings	2000	MCS	•	Number of briefings Grant submissions lodged for mobile blackspot program	Q2, Q4
	Explore options for increased radio coverage especially for flood guage network as part of Disaster Management data capture	2000	MCS	•	Grant submissions for radio coverage lodged	Q1
	 Continue to support radio service infrastructure services Continue to investigate options for rebroadcasting of free to air television. 	2330	MCS	•	100% Update report to Council	Q4

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	Key Result Area:	Essential Services – Water & Waste

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Ensure all required testing necessary for compliance with State Legislative requirements.	Testing is carried out in accordance with approved Drinking Water Quality (DWQMP) Complete and lodge with relevant departments all necessary departments' associated collected data.	6100	MIS	 DWQMP Amendments to DWQMP Plan Drinking Water Quality Management Plan (DWQMP) Review and Audit DWQMP Report for 2016-2017 	01/08/2018 01/10/2018 01/12/2018

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
				SWIM data	01/11/2018
Provide infrastructure required to supply water to urban and rural residents, industry and business in accordance with community needs	 Upgrade urban water supply: Connection of bore 2 into town reticulation; Upgrade Cooling pond manifolds to reduce water temperature; 	6100	MIS	 Connection of second bore – Thargomindah; Renewal and upgrade of cooling pond manifolds – Thargomindah 	Q3
	Upgrade Hungerford water supply to ensure adequate pressure and supply by: Carry out investigation and design of layout and sizing of required reticulation mains necessary for town supply; Installation of dual booster pump set to ensure adequate supply pressure throughout town;	6100	MIS	 Review of existing reticulation and installation of new reticulation – Hungerford Installation of town booster pump set - Hungerford 	Q2
Implement water conservation measures including community, industry and business education campaigns to minimise demand	 Develop and maintain water management plans for town supplies for Thargomindah and Hungerford to ensure town water consumption is within State allocation by: Analysis of existing data to ascertain current property consumption. Installation of smart meters through Thargomindah with continual collection of data throughout 2017 and 2018 	6100	MIS	 Areas of reference for water supply consumption and data collection Residential Commercial Industrial Parks and Gardens Reserves 	Q3 Q2
Maintain and upgrade the current infrastructure associated with the wastewater collection, pumping, treatment and disposal.	Review existing policies and procedure and existing	6100	MIS	Monthly inspections	Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Improve drainage in line with Thargomindah Master Plan	Implement 3 stages of development. Stage 1 and 2 completed. Stage 3 requires funding and is design ready.	6100		Stage 3 funding submission lodged for 2018 – 2020.	
Carry out design and documentation for upgrade to sewerage system to maximise operational efficiency and meet future development needs.	 Develop documentation and design of sewerage mains, pumping and treatment process for future residential and industrial development Design developed for sewerage extension to heavy and light industrial 	6100	MIS	 Sams St sewerage completed Designs developed for industrial precincts 	Q2
Carry out service level reviews maximise operational efficiency and cost recovery.	 Carry out review on service levels, Cost effectiveness and deliver a business case. Thargomindah Airport Water & Sewerage Parks & Gardens Airport Fuelling Waste & Landfill Workshop Stores 	6100	MIS	 Reviews Completed Business Case completed 	Q4

Key Result Area:	Waste Management

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Provide waste management facilities that meet EPA standards	Maintain Waste transfer and landfill to EPA standard	4330	MIS	90% Compliance with EPA standards	Q4

	Ensure licensing requirements are met including reporting and inspection schedule	4330	Dalena	2 Reports Complete6 monthly inspections (1 with EHO)	Q4
Review waste management program and facilities to ensure that they meet EPA standards and needs of the community.	 Ensure current licence in place Ensure maintenance and operation and transfer of waste are compliant with EPA license requirements. Incidents are notified to the regulator and remediated in line with their advice 	4330	MIS	 Licence renewed Monthly inspection of landfill and recycling area within the landfill area EPA incidents notified 	Q1,Q2, Q3,Q4
Develop a Strategic Plan for Waste for the long term	 Develop a long term Strategic Waste Management Plan 2019 – 2029 to ensure that long term options are in place including adequate management practices and resourcing Develop a resourcing strategy including cost benefit analysis to support the above. 	4330	MIS	 Strategic review completed Waste Management Policy/Plan developed Resourcing Strategy developed in line with Strategic Waste Management Plan 	Q3
Ensure that services and levels are sustainable	 Review current waste collection and street sweeping program and procedures to ensure operational efficiency of existing program and the future needs of the community. Areas of review to include but not limited to the following: green waste recycling; white goods, scrap metal recycling; hours of operation; land fill site security; commercial & industrial waste dumping; disposal of used tyres. 	4330		Business case/position papers developed in relation to Cost associated with disposal of commercial and industrial waste including the cost to council for the removal from site of the following: glass whitegoods tyres car bodies and scrap steel	Q3
	Develop and adopt a Local Law for Waste by July 2018 to meet regulatory changes.			Local Law Adopted	Q4

Key Result Area:	Recreational Facilities
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Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Maximise recreational services utilisation	 Participate in Regional recreational services planning activities in conjunction with Dept. of S & R Capture data in relation to recreational services utilisation across facilities Liaise with local and regional sporting groups to identify & promote events & activities. Participate in inter-town competitions Maintain annual licence for Magical Park for the sportsground Identify and develop health and recreation opportunities that encourage inter-town competitions 	5500	MCES	 3 engagements 1 licence fee 2 inter-town competitions promoted 	Q1, Q2,Q3,Q4
Sport and Rec program meets the needs of local residents and visitors	 Deliver Summer & winter sport and recreation programs Timetables implemented to provide maximum access for the community 	4910	SRC	 100% delivered 2 Seasonal timetables developed (additional Holiday Timetables) Number of users recorded daily 	Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Maximise utilisation of recreation facilities	 Development of management plan in consultation with local sporting clubs and community organisations to identify improvements and upgrades to recreational facilities Explore feasibility of a 24hr Gym 	4950	SRC	1 plan deliveredReport completed.	Q1, Q2,Q3
Carry out service level reviews maximise operational efficiency and cost recovery.	 Carry out review on service levels, cost effectiveness and deliver a business case. Sport & Recreation Event Support Pest / RLO 	6100	MIS	Reviews CompletedBusiness Case completed	Q4
	Facilitate working group with council and committees/clubs and other stakeholders to ensure sporting and recreational facilities are delivered in a cost effective manner			Working Group formedNo of meetings held	
Provide a sustainable level of recreational infrastructure that meets the needs of the community and is safe.	Develop sustainable service levels for parks and gardens across the Shire. Including service levels for lawn mowing, garden maintenance.		MIS & SIS	Service levels adopted	Q1,Q2,Q3Q4
Deliver annual pool season and supervision as part of sport and rec summer program in line with community needs	 Deliver annual pool program Staff are adequately qualified to deliver programs Programs are delivered in line with community need Support the school with pool activities Swim & Survive Program delivered 	4920	SRC	 100% Pool Program delivered Annual training undertaken Number of programs delivered Number of school activities Swim and survive program 100% delivered 	Q3

Key Result Area:	Transport
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Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Maintain an efficient and safe networks of roads	 Deliver Councils annual maintenance program Delivery Councils annual civil works program 	5300 5300	ОМ	Programs delivered 100%	Q1
	 Deliver R2R program Update the ten year road strategy and Roads Link Strategy 	3100			
Support State Roads Network maintenance. (TMR, TIDS, RMPC, WRUP)	Deliver the program to TMR requirements	5200 5210	ОМ	100% delivery95% conformance	Q4
Ensure road network recovers from flood events	Deliver approved activated flood program as per NDRRA contract	5230	OM & GHD	100% delivery	Q4
All stakeholders responsible for the delivery of transport infrastructure work in partnership to plan for and construct an integrated network	 Continue to support SWRRTG Participate in Regional transport planning initiatives 	3100	ОМ	Number of meeting attended	> 80%
Provide and maintain aerodrome facilities that accommodate community, business and industry needs	 Increase fuel storage capacity Source funding for airport reseals in 2019 Source funding for airport fencing upgrade in 2019-20 	3100	MIS & AO	Federal Grant submittedAnnual budget program adopted	Q2
Ensure compliance with CASA requirements	 Carry out the inspections of runway prior to arrival and departure of all commercial and RFDS flights. Conduct a technical inspection annually Review Councils Airport Manual to ensure compliance requirements are met 	3100	MIS & AO	 Drive airport runway inspecting for defects and wildlife Annual inspection delivered Manual reviewed 	>900 Q3

5. Excellence in Customer Service

A committed and responsive customer services focus that delivers a high level of products and services that meet customers' needs and provide value for money.

Key Result Area: Product & Service Delivery

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Exploit functionality of Council's hardware and IT network to provide "e" products,	Continue to provide direct debit service for payment rates and general debt	2000	MCS	Utilisation rate	Q4
services and information electronically to customers	Maintain an active Social media (Facebook) in accordance with Councils Website and Social Media Policy (1.07.1) for delivery of information.	2000	MCS	 Number of social media updates Increase followers by 15% 	Q4
	 Upgrade Websites to new Jadu Platform in conjunction with LGAQ. Ensure Website it maintained and up to date. 	2000	MCS	Website upgrade completedNumber of updates conducted	Q4
	Investigate Digitalisation Infrastructure to improve business processes.	2000	MCS	Proposal developed	Q2
Develop and implement strategies that are responsive to our community and establish a customer focused organisational culture.	Develop an online environment which facilitates the creation, sharing and exchange of information and ideas in virtual communities and networks.	2000	MCS	• 100%	Q4

Key Result Area:	Customer Service Culture

Review the Customer Service Charter and associated policies to assist customers build a level of service expectation in line with Council's deliverables	 Provide high quality customer service Resolute all complaints in accordance with customer service charter and customer service policy Level of customer service satisfaction measured by annual survey and number of complaints 	2000	MCS	1 survey conducted90% complaints resolved	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4
	Enhance the use of information and communication technologies and social media to inform and engage the community about Council services.	2000	MCS	1 post per week	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4
	Maintain customer service charter and standards to ensure responsive	2000	MCS	Standards reviewed annuallyNo of complaints	Q4
	Ensure customer service policy (including complaints) is in place	2000	MCS	Annual review of policy conducted	Q4
	Review administrative action complaints policy annually	2000	MCS	Annual review of policy conducted	Q4
	Develop flowcharts and procedures for different of complaints and their treatment			Flow charts and procedures developed and on the website	Q4
	 All new administrative staff have customer service induction Mandatory customer service training every 3yrs 	2000	MCS	 Number of staff trained annually 100% of new staff inducted 70% of existing staff updated as part of training programs 	Q4

6. Strong Business Practices

Streamlined business processes, underpinned by the strategic use of technology, and internal structures that match customer and service delivery needs.

Key Result Area: Information Technology (IT) Systems and Processes

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
ICT systems are contemporary and are maintained and supported to deliver efficient	Develop ICT strategy to support internet connection & associated hardware	2000	MCS	Draft strategy endorsed by council	Q4
and responsive business needs.	Review ICT Systems and Processes	2000	MCS	Review Complete	
	Implement Strategic Recordkeeping Implementation Plan January 2017 • Deliver in house hands on practical training for MAGIQ:- Basic Training to all administrative staff Advanced Training for all nominated staff	2000	Records Officer	Training delivered to 100% of nominated staff members	Ongoing
	 Basic training to be included in induction Investigate options for Virtual Server for remote backup of MAGIQ Purchase a cloud system for MAGIQ backup 	2000	MCS/Records Officer	System procured	Q2
	Develop annual Archiving procedure	2000	MCS Records Officer	Annual procedure developed	Q4
	Archive storage facilities and Boardroom storage room in Administration building to be made fireproof	2000	MIS	Project completed	Q2

	 Coordinate migration H & L Drive to Record Keeping System Staff engagement and support for migration 	2000	MCS Records Officer	•	% Migration complete No of information sessions held	Q1,2,3,4
	Ensure Work depot is functional, compliant with WHS standard and meets the needs of users					
	 Implement the Mead Perry Change management plan Maintain annual WHS work program Maintain data as part of DeltaS Review software systems that support the depot 	6100	DM	•	Actions completed Monthly Action plans completed Report to council Software review complete	Qrtly
	 Review the potential for automated work flows and redesign mapping 	6100	DM	•	Mapping completed	Q4
	Ensure Plant operations are compliant and efficient and plant activity meets productivity targets					
	Deliver budgeted plant schedule	2000	ОМ	•	100% delivery	Qrtly
	Renew 10 yr plan annually	2000	ОМ	•	program updated	Q4
	'Ensure plant is serviced in line with Councils capital works schedule	2000	ОМ	•	100% complete	Qrtly
	Monitor productivity and utilisation returns monthly	2000	ОМ	•	Review rates	Qrtly
	Investigate NHVR Options	2000	ОМ	•	100% delivery	Q1
Upgrade Council's hardware and IT network	Maintain hardware and IT networks to meet business needs	2000	MCS	•	Replace 10x PCs	Q1
	Investigate options to decommission Optic Fibre connection from old admin office	2000	MCS	•	Proposal presented	Q2
	Replace 3x Printers at VIC, Depot and Admin Centre	2000	MCS	•	Printers Replaced	Q3

Key Result Area: Procurement

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Ensure Councils procurement policy is able to meets council objectives in relation to local stimulus and transparency requirements	Continue to deliver procurement activities in accordance with Councils (buy local policy) And Promote Council procurement opportunities to local businesses Review Procurement Policy and Procedure	3500	FIN	 1x community session held Reviewed Policy adopted 	Q4
Ensure that a robust local economy is supported through Pre-qualified procurement	Review Councils Pre-qualified procurement panel by tender	3500	FIN	Tender advertised	Q2
and local purchasing wherever possible and in line with VFM.	Review Councils Procurement contracts up for renewal and renew cycle of contacts for effectiveness & VFM.	3500	FIN	Tender advertised2 yr tender endorsed	Q2

Key Result Area: Service Delivery & Organisational Structure

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Support continuing evaluation of organisational structure in line with BSC Strategic Plan.	 Annual renew organisation structure in line with budget All positions reviewed as they become vacant. 		HR	Organisation structure adopted.	Q4
Optimise service delivery through increased collaboration with other local Council organisations	 Explore the potential of shared resources for hard to fill positions e.g. engineer Develop an establishment list (i.e. permanent employees) for the organisation 		HR	1 consultation with neighbouring councils	Q4

Key Result Area: Bulloo 2022

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Review and endorse Councils community Engagement Policy in line with the updating of the 2016 – 2021 Corporate Plan.	Annual Review of community engagement as part of Councils annual consultation processes		MCS	Review complete	Q4
Develop and implement an ongoing community engagement plan with councillors and key staff to ensure that the community's ongoing needs are understood and met and to make amendments to the plan should community needs change	Review the Corporate Plan and budget in conjunction with community		MCS	• 1 plan delivered	Q4

Key Result Area: Advocacy

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Develop a five year advocacy plan to support a strategic and focused approach for advocacy.	Review and follow the LGAQ advocacy plan		MCS	1 plan developed	Q4
Foster relations with key stakeholder groups,	SWLGA membership maintained		MCS	2 meetings attended	Q4
that develop opportunities to partner with outside bodies to deliver benefits and services to the region and maximises government and private sector investment in the region	Meetings with ministers & VIPs wherever possible to advance cases.		MCS	2 meetings a year	Q4

7. Our Workforce

A skilled and valued workforce that is motivated to consistently deliver high levels of service in a safe and efficient manner.

Key Result Area: A Capable, Flexible, Productive and Committed Workforce

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Review Corporate values to develop a culture based on trust, teamwork and personal accountability	 Promote Corporate Value Awareness as part of HR Breakfast and Team Manager meetings Include as part of Annual Performance Review 		HR	Annual Survey% of employees with awareness	Q4
Establish and implement HR strategies to become an employer or choice that promotes a culture of unification, pride, satisfaction, well-being amongst its workforce.	 Continue staff BBQs Deliver on team building and staff recognition Quarterly Awards Deliver Team Leader meetings 		HR	Sessions delivered4 award sessions4 team leader meetings	Q4

Key Result Area: Learning & Development

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Enhance opportunities for people to learn and develop new skills	 Review corporate training matrix to capture training and development as part of annual appraisal system to enhance skill development. Ensure all staff received annual Code of Conduct training Create Succession Plan for Workforce 	2000	HR	 Training matrix reviewed 95% of identified training delivered DITA completed 1 plan completed 	Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
	Identify new opportunities and funding sources that can expand Councils employee investment resources	2000	HR	Number of partnerships/subsidies	Q4
Access to quality professional development initiatives for Council staff at all levels	 Monitor skills matrix to meet needs of workforce and Council initiatives Record training statistics and review against annual workplan requirements and staff satisfaction survey 	2000	HR	Annual report presented	Q2, Q4
Roles, accountabilities and decision-making processes are to be clear to enhance organisational efficiency	Annual Review of Position Descriptions aligned to Council's organisational structure (as part of Annual Performance Review)	2000	CEO/HR	• 100%	Q2

Key Result Area:	Workplace Health & Safety

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Continue to monitor and enhance workplace health and safety practices and programs and benchmark against external organisations and best practice	 Support Workplace Health & Safety Committee meetings Senior staff actively participate in the development and implementation of annual workplace safety plan 	2000 2000	WHSO WHSO	>8 meetings held95% of all MAPS complete each quarter	Q4 Q1,Q2, Q3,Q4
	BSC safety System maintained at 70% compliance	2000	WHSO	BSC system working well and reaching minimum standard of 70%	Q4
	WHS Management System Plan reviewed annually and 5 top WHS risks identified for each 12 month period of the plan.			5 key risks identified	Q1

Initiative Description	Actions	Progra m No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
	Offer WHS traineeship to build capability			Position advertised	Q4

Key Result Area:	Leadership & Management

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Enhance leadership capability through improved relationship behaviour	Continue to support effective leadership and management practices through ongoing professional development opportunities; facilitating, training and coaching.	2000	CEO	4 Leaders workshops conducted	Q4
	Leadership development is picked up as part of Managers annual appraisals.	2000	CEO	100% annual appraisal	Q2
	Managers performance is tracked quarterly incorporating leadership and management objectives in line with councils operational and corporate plan	2000	CEO	4 meetings per manager per year	Q4
Drive and promote Councils Recognition Strategy	Implement a corporate recognition strategy	2000	HR	Budget expended	Q4

Key Result Area:	HR Systems & Practices

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Review and monitor HR practices to ensure alignment with corporate and business planning outcomes	Continue to monitor existing policies to comply with employment legislation	2000	HR	All HR policies comply with current workplace legislation	100%

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Develop processes and practices to support	Review and Maintain current workforce plan	2000	HR	Plan adopted	Q4
effective delivery of HR Services	Implement HR Strategy actions	2000	HR	Number of initiatives	Q4
	Oversee WHS delivery and compliance	2000	HR	WHS safe plan in place and at 70%	Q4
	 Maintain Human Resources Team to act as sounding board be a source of knowledge survey, monitor and measure staff satisfaction 	2000	HR	 Develop suite of engagement techniques and tools to 'stay in touch' Annual survey completed 	Q4
	Identify and adopt technology that supports efficiencies in operations		HR	Annual proposal submitted	Q4
Develop a framework for encouragement of innovation, creativity and continuous improvement	Maintain a performance appraisal and development system that encourages staff participation and performance.		All managers	Performance reviews complete	Q2

Key Result Area:	Accountability and Performance

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Roles, accountabilities and decision-making processes are to be clear to enhance organisational efficiency as part of position descriptions	 Councils annual appraisal program is delivered Workforce plan received 	2000	HR	100%1 plan received	100%

8. Asset Management

Maintain strong asset management practices that ensure Council maximises the economic value of its assets over their total life cycle

Key Result Area: Efficient Asset Management

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer		Measure	Target
Develop strategic asset management plans covering all nominated asset types	 Finalise all condition reporting as part of asset management plans Source funding to update plans 	2000	MFS	•	Plans updated Grant submissions lodged	Q4
Implement an integrated asset management system into Council's operational processes	 Review and Investigate assets in line with new valuation information Position paper developed for restoration, useful lives and impairment 	2000	MFS	•	Position Papers submitted	Q4
	 Review Asset Disposal Policy Develop an Asset Disposal/Demolition strategy in relation to the consolidation of assets to support long term financial sustainability 	2000	MFS	•	Asset Disposal Policy reviewed Asset disposal strategy drafted	Q4
	 Review financial position and long term outlook based on updated valuations (asset sustainability ratio) Ensure councils financial system has appropriately recorded valuations for depreciation and balance sheet to maximise compliance 	2000	MFS	•	Long Term Financial Plan updated Asset PCS file updated Asset Sustainability Ratio reviewed	Q4

9. Governance and Financial Management

Employ strong corporate governance and continue to manage finances in a responsible and sustainable manner.

Key Result Area: Corporate Governance

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Develop and implement an ongoing community engagement plan to ensure that the community's ongoing needs are understood and met	Review Corporate Plan annually as part of budget process with Councillors and residents	2000	CEO/ MCS	Review completed	Q3
	Community Engagement is active and consultations are held regularly	2000	CEO/MCS	Number of consultations held	Q4
Ensure Council decision making represents good Governance	Elected Members sign all relevant documentation in relation to council meetings	2000	CEO/MCS	100% attendance sheets signed	Q1 – Q4
	IPads kept for Council business			 Contact details updated annually 	
				 Council email and iPad compliant 	
	Elected Members maintain disclosure requirements through electoral donations, register of interest, related party registers and MPI and COI registers.	2000	CEO/MCS	 Registers up to date Register of interest declarations received monthly 	Q2 Q4
				 MPI and COI recorded as part of minutes 	
				 Related party registers updated annually 	
	Elected Members undergo regular training as part of their role	2000	CEO/MCS	• \$ expended	Q4

	 Review Elected Members Code of Conduct in line with legislative changes Develop and adopt an Elected Members meeting policy (re conduct) 	2000	CEO/MCS	EM Code of conduct adoptedProtocol in place	Q1
	 Council agendas meet the publication timeframe Council Ordinary and Special meetings are minuted 	2000	CEO/MCS	100% timeframe met12 monthly minutes published	Q1 – Q4
	Annual budget consultation held with public	2000	CEO/MCS	Budget consultation held	Q4
	Annual budget workshop and special meeting are held in line with LG Act and regulations	2000	CEO/MCS	Special meeting date	Q4
Strengthen Council's existing corporate governance framework, focusing on such areas as internal controls, risk management	Continued review and development of Council's Risk Management Plan and Framework including risk register	2000	CEO/MCS	Risk Management process implemented	Q1
and business continuity	Finalise all waterpoint agreement with landholders as part of Risk Management		MCS	Complete Project	Q4
	 Review Business Continuity Plan for changes Develop BCP Sub Procedures/Processes 	2000	CEO/MCS	BCP reviewed and adopted	Q2
	Ensure all LGAQ governance checklists are met	2000	MCS	Checklists completed annually in line with all relevant legislation	Q1 ongoing
	Ensure Bulloo Shire Policies and Procedures are reviewed and up to date	2000	MCS	Review PolicesReview Procedures	Q4
	Updated Model By Laws for Bulloo Shire Council	2000	MCS	100% completed	Q4
	 Ensure adequate insurance policies are in place Undertake comprehensive review of asset schedules for insurance values 	2000	MCS	100% deliveredHandbook developedRegister developed	Q2

	 Develop an Insurance Handbook for employees detailing procedures & processes Develop an Insurance Claims Register 				
Develop and implement a fraud and	Review Fraud Management Policy annually	2000	MCS	Review complete & adopted	Q1/Q4
corruption framework	Review Fraud & Corruption Control Plan	2000	MCS	Review completePlan adoptedPlan Implemented	Q1
	 Implement Fraud Risk Assessment Procedure Policy, Control Plan, Fraud Risk Assessment Procedure available in MAGIQ Identify key management personnel for mandatory Fraud training 	2000	MCS	100% complete100% training delivered	Q1
	Develop & Maintain Fraud & Corruption / Losses Register	2000	MCS	Register updated	Ongoing

Key Result Area:	Financial Management		

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Council meets its internal revenue source needs through a balanced and equitable approach to the levy of rates and charges	 Implement annual budgeting processes including forecasting and analysis Carry out a Revenue Audit 	3100	MFS	Annual budget deliveredAudit Complete	Q3
Undertake financial planning and modelling to ensure long-term financial sustainability	 Develop alternative differential rating strategies. Annual public consultation/engagement as part of budget 	3100	MFS	Strategy adopted by Council1 public session held	Q3
Ensure that the level of capital expenditure and borrowings will result in a financial	Maintain long-term financial plan in line with QTC model as part of monthly decision making and budget development process	3400	MFS	Plan reviewed by Council	Q3

position that demonstrates long term financial sustainability					
Council maximises external opportunities for external grants which are in line with corporate aims	 Maintain revenue officer position in grant writing Develop unfunded project and spade ready program schedule Actively submit to relevant grant rounds 	3200	MFS	Number of grants submitted	Q2,Q4
Council maintains borrowing levels in line with its debt policy and maximises its own interest revenue	 Review debt policy annually Review councils position on debt management quarterly Comply with QTC financial tool requirements Conduct financial sustainability review in November 	3300	MFS	 Debt Policy reviewed Monthly update on QTC loans and investments 1 Fin Review report delivered 	Q4
Manage an efficient and compliant procurement function supporting organisational performance	 Review procurement policy annually Continue to support local pre-qualified program Conduct random audits and market research 	3500	MFS	 Procurement policy reviewed Prequalified program in place 6 random audits conducted 	Q4
	 Review large scale purchases for compliance Review the tender project plan and review Councils current template procurement process in line with LG regulations 	3500	MFS	 Tender project plan delivered Procurement template reviewed 	
	 Review centralised procurement frameworks for efficiency and effectiveness Develop through a staged process to maximum capacity for digitisation of Records into PCS 	3500	All managers	 Procurement review completed Stage 1 completed Procurement Policy reviewed and re-adopted 	
	Conduct related parties test in line with council policy		MFS	Twice yearly test	
Private works are compliant and meet user requirements	Deliver private works as per schedule	5220	ОМ	• 100% delivery	Q4

Initiative Description	Actions	Program No	Responsible Officer	Measure	Target
Council's measurement and reporting framework to achieve the corporate goals and objectives	Corporate Plan reviewed annually by Council and senior staff	2000	CEO	Annual workshop	Q4
	Quarterly Operational plans reported to Council	2000	EMT	Quarterly reporting	Q1 – Q4
	Quarterly budget revisions to be presented to Council		MF	3 Reviews complete	Q4
	Maintain Council's corporate website with all legislative requirements	2000	CEO/MCS	Website 100% compliant	Q1,Q2,Q 3,Q4
	Conduct annual compliance check				



Policy No: 2.09.2

Debt Policy

CONTROL:

Policy Type:	Financial
Authorised by:	Council
Head of Power:	Section 192 of the Local Government Regulation 2012
Responsible Officer:	Finance Manager
Responsibilities:	Nil
Adopted / Approved:	29 June 2018; Resolution 2018/197
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	Note: This Policy is reviewed annually and should be included with Council's current Budget documentation.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Policy to provide guidelines for those who work for Bulloo Shire Council ("Council") in respect to its approved strategies for borrowings for the Financial Year 2018-19.

1.2 POLICY OBJECTIVES:

The objectives of this Policy are to ensure that Council's intent with respect future borrowing is consistent with its annual Budget projections and approved long term strategies.

1.3 COMMENCEMENT OF POLICY:

This Policy will commence on adoption. It replaces all other specific Borrowing policies of Council (whether written or not).

1.4 SCOPE:

This policy applies to all Council employees, however particularly impacts the work scope of the Council Chief Executive Officer and Manager of Financial Services.

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2. POLICY

2.1 CONTEXT:

The context of this Policy aims to ensure a clear and concise approach is undertaken in respect to Council's approved strategy for long term borrowing.

2.2 POLICY STATEMENT:

In developing a Long Term Financial Plan, borrowing is identified as an alternative source for funding major capital projects.

To achieve long term financial sustainability, Council will adopt the strategies outlined in Section 3.

3. STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

3.1 KEY PRINCIPLES

- 3.1.1 Council's approved strategies are detailed below:
 - 3.1.1.1 Council will only borrow funds for new capital projects that provide an economic return and for which no other funding sources are available, or assets that contribute to the functioning of core Council activities.
 - 3.1.1.2 External borrowings will be limited to the funding of those major items of physical infrastructure:
 - 3.1.1.2.1 whose life will exceed the term of any loans borrowed for the same; and
 - 3.1.1.2.2 which cannot be funded from the revenue sources of the Council.
 - 3.1.1.3 Council will review, at least annually, its forward projections for reserves, borrowings and major capital funding and all decisions to undertake further borrowings take into account the projected reserves for the activity relative to the works to be financed.

3.2 CONSIDERATIONS

3.2.1 Based on Council's most recent review of its capital funding requirements, the following borrowings are identified as being required for the current financial year and the next nine financial years.

To maximize the use of its funds Council will borrow internally from amounts set aside for reserves where these are not required immediately. The extent of this borrowing is limited by the Internal Borrowings policy to a term of 5 years and a total amount of \$2m at any one time.

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External Borrowings

Loan	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
Housing	Nil									
Admin Building	Nil									

Internal Borrowings

Loan	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
Plant	Nil									

3.2.2 Loan Position

The following table sets out the status of Council's loan liability over the coming 2018-19 financial year.

Loan	Original Loan Amount \$'000	Liability as at 30 June 2018 \$'000	New Loan 2018-19 \$'000	Repayment Principal 2018-19 \$'000	Liability as at 30 June 2019 \$'000
External Loans		2,984	0	505	2,479
Total		2,984	0	505	2,479

Existing borrowings will be repaid by 2024.

External new borrowings will be repaid over a period of 10 years.

Internal new borrowings will be repaid over a period of 5 years.

4. REFERENCE AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 DEFINITIONS:

To assist in interpretation, the following definitions shall apply:

Word / Term	Definition
Council	means Bulloo Shire Council.

4.2 RELATED POLICIES, LEGISLATION AND DOCUMENTS:

Links to supporting documentation
Section 192 of the Local Government Regulation 2012

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Policy No: 2.10.2

Investment Policy

CONTROL:

Policy Type:	Financial			
Authorised by:	Council			
Head of Power:	Local Government Act 2009; Local Government Regulation 2012; and Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982.			
Responsible Officer:	Finance Manager			
Responsibilities:	Statutory compliance			
Adopted / Approved:	29 June 2018; Resolution 2018/196			
Last Reviewed:	June 2018			
Review:	July 2019			
	Note: This Policy is reviewed annually and should be included with Council's current Budget documentation.			

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE:

Council has a number of duties and responsibilities when investing funds. These are outlined in Sections 47 and 48 of the Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982 (SBFA).

The SBFA requires a statutory body to use its best efforts to invest its funds:

- at the most advantageous interest rate available to it at the time of the investment for an investment of the proposed type; and
- (b) in a way it considers is most appropriate in all the circumstances.

Further, the SBFA requires that a statutory body must keep records that show it has invested in the way most appropriate in all the circumstances.

1.2 POLICY OBJECTIVES:

The purpose of this policy is to prescribe the circumstances and terms on which Council may invest its funds.

1.3 COMMENCEMENT OF POLICY:

This Policy will commence on adoption. It replaces all other specific Investment policies of Council (whether written or not).

1.4 SCOPE:

This policy applies to all Council employees, in the investment of all funds by Council.

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2. POLICY

2.1 CONTEXT:

The context of this Policy aims to ensure a clear and concise approach is undertaken in respect to investments of Council funds.

2.2 POLICY STATEMENT:

It is Council's intention that all Council funds not immediately required for financial commitments be invested and that the investment vehicles used maximise Council earnings when taking into account counterparty, market and liquidity risks.

3. STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

3.1 KEY PRINCIPLES

- 3.1.1 All Council funds not immediately required for financial commitments are to be invested.
- 3.1.2 Investment vehicles used should maximise Council earnings when taking into account counterparty, market and liquidity risks.

3.2 SPECIFIC AND STANDARD

3.2.1 Placement of Investment Funds

- 3.2.1.1 Section 44 (1) of the Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982 authorises that investments comprise of the following:
 - 3.2.1.1.1 Deposits with a financial institution;
 - 3.2.1.1.2 Investment arrangements accepted, guaranteed or issued by or for the Commonwealth or a State or a financial institution;
 - 3.2.1.1.3 Other investment arrangements secured by investment arrangements accepted, guaranteed or issued by or for the Commonwealth or a State or a financial institution;
 - Investments with QIC Cash Trust, QIC Pooled Cash Fund, QTC Cash Fund, QTC 11am Fund or QTC Debt Offset Facility;
 - 3.2.1.1.5 An investment arrangement with a rating prescribed under a regulation for this paragraph; and
 - Other investment arrangements prescribed under a regulation for this paragraph.
- 3.2.1.2 Section 44 (2) of the SBFA states that the investment must be;
 - 3.2.1.2.1 At call; or
 - 3.2.1.2.2 For a fixed time of not more than one (1) year.

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3.2.2 Quotation on Investment

- 3.2.2.1 Not less than two (2) quotations shall be obtained from authorised institutions whenever a new investment is proposed.
- 3.2.2.2 The best quote on the day will be successful after allowing for administrative and banking costs, as well as having regard risk factors. This to be chosen by the Chief Executive Officer or his nominated delegate.
- 3.2.2.3 An exemption applies to the requirement to obtain quotes where funds are invested with QTC.
- 3.2.2.4 Investments held with QTC cash fund will be benchmarked against other investments or quoted investment rates half yearly to ensure Council is receiving the most advantageous rate given the risk/return trade-off.
- 3.2.2.5 When investing funds Council staff should aim to minimise the risk to the financial instruments. As such, the authorised investments must be from one of the following:
 - 3.2.2.5.1 Interest bearing deposits with a licensed bank;
 - 3.2.2.5.2 Deposits with Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC); or
 - 3.2.2.5.3 Deposits with a credit union or building society specifically approved by Council.

3.2.3 Term to Maturity

- 3.2.3.1 Council's investment portfolio should be realisable, without penalty, in a reasonable time frame.
- 3.2.3.2 The term to maturity of Council investments should not exceed one (1) year.

3.2.4 Internal Controls

- 3.2.4.1 Council is, at all times, to have in place appropriate controls to prevent the fraudulent use of public monies. The following controls detail the minimum that is required:
 - 3.2.4.1.1 A person is to be identified as the responsible officer for the investment function;
 - All investments are to be authorised by the Chief Executive Officer or nominated delegate;
 - 3.2.4.1.3 Confirmation advices from the Financial Institution are to be attached to the Investment Authorisation Form as evidence that the investment is in the name of Bulloo Shire Council; and
 - 3.2.4.1.4 A person, other than the Responsible Officer, is to perform the bank reconciliation at the end of each month (alternatively, the reconciliation needs to be reviewed by another officer).

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3.2.5 Record Keeping

3.2.5.1 Section 48 of the SBFA states that:

"A security, safe custody acknowledgment or other document evidencing title accepted, guaranteed or issued for an investment arrangement must be held by the statutory body or in another way approved by the Treasurer".

- 3.2.5.2 This is Council's current practice and will be continued as part of the investment procedures.
- 3.2.5.3 The procedure for the investment of Council funds is to be documented and followed at all times.

3.2.6 Legislative Requirements

- 3.2.6.1 Council is, at all times, to comply with legislation applicable to the investment function within Local Governments.
- 3.2.6.2 Council will utilise its Category 1 Investment Powers under the SBFA to earn interest revenue on its operating funds to supplement Council's other sources of revenue.

4. REFERENCE AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 DEFINITIONS:

To assist in interpretation, the following definitions shall apply:

Word / Term	Definition
Council	means Bulloo Shire Council.
SBFA	Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982

4.2 RELATED POLICIES, LEGISLATION AND DOCUMENTS:

Links to supporting documentation	
Local Government Regulation 2012 – Section 191	

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Policy No: 2.11.2

Revenue Policy

CONTROL:

Policy Type:	Financial				
Authorised by:	Council				
Head of Power:	Local Government Act 2009; and Local Government Regulation 2012				
Responsible Officer:	Finance Manager				
Adopted / Approved:	19 June 2018; Resolution 2018/173				
Last Reviewed:	June 2018				
Review:	June 2019 Note: This Policy may be included with Budget documents and as such, must be reviewed annually, together with the Budget, however may be amended at any time.				

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE:

The Revenue Policy is intended to be a strategic document. Its adoption, in advance of setting the budget, allows Council to set out the principles that it will use to set its budget and to identify in broad terms the general strategy to be used for raising revenue, and setting of funds aside into reserves.

This Revenue Policy will be of interest to ratepayers, federal and state departments, community groups and other interested parties seeking to understand the revenue policies and practices of Council.

1.2 POLICY OBJECTIVES:

The objective of this Policy is to identify the planning framework within which Council operates and to set out details of the principles applied by Council in:

- Levying of rates and charges;
- Recovering overdue rates and charges;
- · Granting rebates and concessions; and
- Cost recovery fees.

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Revenue Policy

1.3 COMMENCEMENT OF POLICY:

This Policy will commence on adoption. It replaces all other specific Revenue policies of Council (whether written or not).

1.4 SCOPE:

This policy applies to all revenue and rating functions of Council and as such, all employees, particularly those employees directly involved in such operations.

2. POLICY

2.1 CONTEXT:

The context of this Policy aims to ensure a clear and concise approach is undertaken in respect to the intended principles strategies for the raising revenue, and setting of funds aside into reserves.

2.2 POLICY STATEMENT:

Council will be guided by the principles of user pays in the making of rates and charges so as to minimise the impact of rating on the efficiency of the local economy and to meet the range and standard of services offered to and demanded by Council's stakeholders.

Council will also have regard to those Standards and Procedures outlined in Section 3 of this Policy.

3. STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

3.1 KEY PRINCIPLES

3.1.1 Planning Framework

- 3.1.1.1 The Local Government Act 2009 sets a general planning framework within which Council must operate. There are a number of elements to the planning framework including the preparation and adoption of a Corporate Plan, Operational Plan and an Annual Budget.
- 3.1.1.2 Section 193 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 also requires each Local Government to adopt a Revenue Policy prior to the start of the financial year to which it relates.
- 3.1.1.3 Council considers that the best way of setting its revenue objectives, and to achieve them, is to effectively plan through each of the elements of the planning framework. The revenue policy effectively cascades down from the Corporate Plan. Council's 2017 2021 Corporate Plan includes the following objective:
 - '..Efficient and effective management of Council's corporate services, assets and resources..'

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- 3.1.1.4 This will be achieved by maintenance of Council's existing revenue sources through the following strategies:
 - '..Maintaining an equitable system of rating and charges through annual review of the rating and charging structures..'; and
 - ".. Maximising other revenue sources, grants and subsidies.."

3.2 SPECIFIC AND STANDARD

3.2.1 Making of Rates and Charges

- 3.2.1.1 In general, Council will be guided by the principles of user pays in the making of rates and charges so as to minimise the impact of rating on the efficiency of the local economy and to meet the range and standard of services offered to and demanded by Council's stakeholders.
- 3.2.1.2 Council will also have regard to the principles of:
 - 3.2.1.2.1 Transparency in the making of rates and charges;
 - Having in place a rating regime that is simple and inexpensive to administer;
 - 3.2.1.2.3 Equity by taking account of the different capacity of land to generate income within the local community, and the burden the use of the land imposes on Council services;
 - Responsibility in achieving the objectives, actions and strategies in Council's Corporate and Operational Plans;
 - 3.2.1.2.5 Flexibility to take account of changes in the local economy;
 - Environmental conditions, particularly drought conditions that will have a suppressing impact upon the economic, social and financial recovery of the local region;
 - Maintaining local region services and assets to an appropriate standard;
 - 3.2.1.2.8 Meeting the needs and expectations of the general community; and
 - 3.2.1.2.9 Assessing availability of other revenue sources.

3.2.2 Levying of Rates

- 3.2.2.1 In levying rates Council will apply the principles of:
 - Making clear what is Council's and each ratepayers' responsibility to the rating system;
 - 3.2.2.1.2 Making the levying system simple and inexpensive to administer;
 - 3.2.2.1.3 Timing the levying of rates to take account the financial cycle of local economic, social and environmental conditions in order to assist smooth running of the local economy;

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- 3.2.2.1.4 Adjusting the way general rates are charged in response to fluctuations in valuations combined with economic and seasonal factors affecting major local industries; and
- 3.2.2.1.5 Equity through flexible payment arrangements for ratepayers with lower capacity to pay.

3.2.3 Recovery of Rates and Charges

- 3.2.3.1 Council will exercise its rate recovery powers in order to reduce the overall rate burden on ratepayers. It will be guided by the principles of:
 - 3.2.3.1.1 Transparency by making clear the obligations of ratepayers and the processes used by Council in assisting them to meet their financial obligations;
 - 3.2.3.1.2 Making the processes used to recover outstanding rates and charges clear, simple to administer and cost effective;
 - 3.2.3.1.3 Equity having regard to capacity to pay in determining appropriate arrangements for different sectors of the community;
 - 3.2.3.1.4 Providing the same treatment for ratepayers with similar circumstances; and
 - 3.2.3.1.5 Flexibility by responding where necessary to changes in the local economy and environmental conditions (including recovery from drought).

3.2.4 Concessions For Rates and Charges

- 3.2.4.1 In considering the application of concessions, Council will be guided by the principles of:
 - 3.2.4.1.1 The same treatment for ratepayers with similar circumstances;
 - 3.2.4.1.2 Transparency by making clear the requirements necessary to receive concessions;
 - Flexibility to allow Council to respond to local economic and environmental issues; and
 - 3.2.4.1.4 Fairness in considering the provision of community service concessions.
- 3.2.4.2 Council may give consideration to granting a class concession in the event of all or part of the Council area experiencing a natural disaster, environmental disaster or similar event.
- 3.2.4.3 Council may provide a concession to eligible pensioners for general rates to ease the burden of cost of living.
- 3.2.4.4 Council will also consider a concession of whole or part of the general rate levied on organisations or entities that meet the criteria detailed under the Local Government Act 2009.

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3.2.5 Council Reserves

3.2.5.1 Council constrains funds in reserves that are intended to meet specific future operating and capital requirements of the community. The funds in reserves are all backed by cash held in QTC investments except where they are the subject of internal borrowings.

3.2.6 Developer Contributions

3.2.6.1 While it is expected that developers will contribute to new physical and social infrastructure when they commence a new development, the amount of their contribution and how much of the infrastructure they fund may vary. This will depend on many factors and will be assessed for each development. The processes used in determining the contribution, however will be transparent, fair and equitable.

4. REFERENCE AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 DEFINITIONS:

To assist in interpretation, the following definitions shall apply:

Word / Term	Definition
Council	means Bulloo Shire Council.

4.2 RELATED POLICIES, LEGISLATION AND DOCUMENTS:

Links to supporting documentation
Local Government Regulation 2012 – Section 193

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Revenue Statement

Purpose

The Purpose of this Revenue Statement is to set out the revenue measures adopted by Council to frame its 2018-19 Budget. Specifically, the Revenue Statement: -

- 1. Explains the rates and charges to be made or levied in the financial year.
- 2. Outlines rebates and concessions available on rates and charges levied by Council
- 3. Establishes limitation in increases in rates and charges
- 4. Criteria used to decide the amount of regulatory fees.
- 5. Establishes the extent by which physical and social infrastructure is to be funded by charges for the development giving rise to the infrastructure need.
- 6. Outlines whether Council intends to maintain, decrease or increase the operating capability of the local government.
- 7. Determines the extent to which Council will fully fund depreciation.

Legislative Requirement

This Revenue Statement is required under section 172 (Revenue Statement) of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*

Explanation of Rates and Charges Levied for 2018-19

Rates are levied according to the principles outlined in Council's Revenue Policy.

Differential General Rates

In accordance with section 15 (Categorisation of Land for Differential General Rates) of the LGR, Council has adopted a differential general rating scheme.

Council has identified twenty one (21) categories of land for rating purposes, attached hereto. Each differential rate category attracts a different rate in the dollar of its unimproved capital value according to Council's assessment of:-

The rateable value of the land and the rates which would be payable if only one general rate were adopted;

- the level of general services provided to the land and the cost of providing the services compared to the rate burden that would apply under a single general rate;
- the use of the land in so far as it relates to the extent of utilisation of Council's services
- Location and access to services.

Minimum General Rate [section 77]

Council recognises that every rateable property in the shire receives a basic level of service from Council, and as such, sets a minimum general rate over all rate categories to ensure that all rateable properties contribute an equitable amount compared to other ratepayers for the basic level of service they receive.

Category	Criteria	2018-19 Rate in \$	2018-19 Minimum
Vacant an	d Residential Land		
1	All land within the Township of Thargomindah (i.e. inside the Town Common fence) that has a primary land use code designated as vacant land, horses /animal special or a reservoir.	7.31575	\$398.00
2	All land within the Township of Hungerford that has a primary land use code designated as vacant land, horses /animal special or a reservoir.	7.14	\$293.00
3	All land within the Township of Noccundra that has a primary land use code designated as vacant land, horses /animal special or a reservoir.	316.5944	\$293.00
4	All other land not identified in another category that has a primary land use code designated as vacant land, horses /animal special or a reservoir.	11.006476	\$338.00
5	All land within the Township of Thargomindah (i.e. inside the Town Common fence) that has a primary land use code designated as a single unit dwelling, multi-unit dwelling, large home site or Outbuildings.	9.0022	\$338.00
6	All land within the Township of Hungerford that has a primary land use code designated as a single unit dwelling, multi-unit dwelling, large home site or Outbuildings.	7.13646	\$284.00
	al and Industrial land		
7	All land within the Township of Thargomindah (i.e. inside the Town Common fence) that has a primary land use code designated as commercial, special use commercial or general.	9.004054	\$405.00
8	All land within the Township of Hungerford that has a primary land use code designated as commercial, special use commercial or general.	9.097888	\$350.00
9	All land within the Township of Noccundra that has a primary land use code designated as commercial, special use commercial or general.	305.89	\$339.00
10	All other land not identified in another category that has a primary land use code designated as commercial, special use commercial or general.	35.92208	\$350.00
11	All land within the Township of Thargomindah (i.e. inside the Town Common fence), not identified in another category, that has a primary land use code designated as transport and storage or industrial.	10.1622	\$405.00
Rural Land			
12	All land greater than 100 Ha but less than 1,000 Ha that has a primary land use code designated as grazing or agricultural.	1.4248	\$293.00
13	All land greater than 1,000 Ha that has a primary land use code designated as grazing or agricultural.	2.534	\$361.00
	ndustry and Other Lands		
14	All land recorded in Council's land record as being used for the production (extraction) of Oil and / or Gas / Petroleum and / or the treatment thereof, currently identified as the Jackson and Naccowlah Oil and Gas Facility.	88.72008	\$586.00
15	All land recorded in Council's land record as being used for the production (extraction) of Gas Petroleum and/or Oil identified as the South West Queensland Gas Centre.	1,0978.4198	\$586.00

16	All other land used for the production of oil and/or gas not included in Category 14 or 15 generally known as other petroleum leases in the Shire.	15.52004	\$586.00
17	All other land with a primary land use designated 'extractive' generally used for the extracting of precious metals and/or gemstones.	53.56	\$293.00
18	All other land in the shire.	68.8806	\$361.00
19	All land predominately used for providing intensive accommodation capable of accommodating 50 or more but less than 100 persons (other than travelling public) in rooms, suites or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose.	2.3151	\$10,610.00
20	All land predominately used for providing intensive accommodation capable of accommodating 100 or more but less than 200 persons (other than travelling public) in rooms, suites or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose.	2.3151	\$21,220.00
21	All land predominately used for providing intensive accommodation capable of accommodating 200 or more persons (other than travelling public) in rooms, suites or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose.	2.3151	\$42,440.00

Utility Charges [section 99]

Utility charges will be set on an annual basis having regard to the costs associated with providing the services. Rates will be determined with reference to maintaining assets and providing services and will generally reflect a user pays principle. Allowances will be made to balance the user pays system and to provide a service to ratepayers and/or the community at large at an affordable price.

Water Rates

Hungerford Water Rates

Council provides a dual water supply to all properties within the serviced area – a raw water supply for garden use and a treated supply for human consumption. Both Water Supplies attract a base infrastructure or access charge recognising that the properties have access to the water supplies. The treated water supply attracts a second charge based on the property's consumption of treated water, reflecting a user pays methodology as well as fulfilling a demand management role.

Vacant properties attract a water access charge recognising that a water service is available to the land as water infrastructure has been installed ready to supply the property once it is occupied.

Description	Units	2018/19 Charge
Each residence – Treated or Bore and Untreated Water	Water – Access Charge	\$414.70
Water – Consumption Charge – Treated or Bore Water Only	Per kL	\$1.03

Thargomindah Water Rates

Council provides a water reticulation system to all properties within the serviced area of the township of Thargomindah. The charging system includes the following descriptions and is defined by:

Charge Description	Definition	2018/19 Charge
Water – Access Charge	Charge applied to each parcel of land in the water area that has the potential to be connected to the water scheme, but is not connected.	\$294.12
Water – Connected Charge	Charge applied to a vacant land, single unit dwelling and each unit of a multi-unit dwelling that is connected to the water scheme.	\$459.00
Water – Commercial Unit Charge	Charge applied to each unit identified in the Commercial Water Unit Table	\$ 76.50

At present, not all properties are metered. Council operates a rating regime based on an indicative allocation per property with a water connection. It is Council's intention in the future to install water meters allowing a two part tariff charging regime, commencing with those assessments charged the Commercial Water Unit Charge. Once meters are installed a review of the utility charging methodologies will be conducted with the aim to adopting a new charging system to replace the current unit based approach for commercial properties.

In recognising that the water network can service a much larger customer base and that existing connections should not recover all system costs, these charges are established to recover at least **35%** of the costs of providing this service. The costs include operating and maintenance costs together with a component seeking to recover an amount towards future replacement and augmentation of the system.

/acant properties attract a water access charge recognising that a water service is available to the and as water infrastructure has been installed ready to supply the property once it is occupied.	

Water - Commercial Units

Class	Description	Units
03	Shops Government Offices, Buildings and Other Premises	6
04	Business & Commercial Premises with Residence (Attached or separate)	16
05	Cafes	10
06	Caravan Parks	25
07	Churches	3
08	Community Centre	10
09	Council Depot or Store	25
10	Electrical Supply Authority Workshop	6
11	Not allocated	
12	Hall	10
13	Hospital / Medical Clinic	25
14	Hotel / Motel	25
15	Motel / Restaurant	20
16	Laundromat	15
17	Office, Workshop & Store	12
18	Parks	20
19	Post Office	6
20	Racecourse / Showgrounds	10
21	School	30
22	Service Stations (Mechanical Repairs)	12
23	Shire Office	10
24	Swimming Pool	25
25	Telephone Exchange	6
26	Any other building not specified	6

Sewerage Rates

Council provides a vacuum sewerage reticulation system within the township of Thargomindah. The charging system includes the following descriptions and is defined by:

Charge Description	Definition	2018/19 Charge
Sewerage – Access Charge	Charge applied to each parcel of land in the sewer area that has the potential to be connected to the sewer scheme, whether connected or not.	\$ 223.50
Sewerage - Connected Charge	Charge applied to a single unit dwelling, each unit of a multi-unit dwelling, each room in workers accommodation and the 1st pedestal at all other connected allotments.	\$ 447.00
Sewerage – Additional Pedestal	After the Sewerage – Connected Charge, the Charge applied to each additional non-residential pedestal (including urinal cistern) that is connected to the sewer scheme.	\$ 223.50

Garbage Charges

Council provides a garbage collection service and disposal facilities within the township of Thargomindah. The charging system includes the following descriptions and is defined by:

Description	Charging Basis	2018/19 Charge
Garbage – Domestic Environmental Charge	Charge applied to each domestic assessment within Thargomindah to contribute towards to costs of providing the recycling and waste transfer facilities.	\$ 22.96
Garbage – Commercial Environmental Charge	Charge applied to each commercial assessment within Thargomindah to contribute towards to costs of providing the recycling and waste transfer facilities.	\$ 45.90
Garbage – Domestic Collection	Charge for one refuse bin of up to 240L to be collected and disposed of once per week from each domestic premises. Each additional bin will be each charged another Garbage – Domestic Collection.	\$ 172.30
Garbage – Commercial Collection	Charge for one refuse bin of up to 240L to be collected and disposed of twice per week from each commercial premises. Each additional bin will be each charged another Garbage – Commercial Collection.	\$ 332.40

All properties within the garbage service area are charged a *Garbage Collection Charge* as defined above. Because the garbage collection can service a much larger number of properties than the number in the town, the council considers that the charge for garbage collection should cover 50% of the operating costs excluding capital costs. The council intends to reduce the impact of this charge by phasing the new charges in over the next three year period.

A *Garbage Environmental Charge* was established in 2013/14 to partly fund the operation and maintenance of council refuse tips and recycling facilities. As the operational costs of these facilities are rising, council intends to phase in reasonable increases over the next three years to cover costs.

All occupied properties within the service area attract the *Garbage Environmental* and *Collection Charges* irrespective of whether they use the service or not. Council maintains that all levels of occupancy of land generate refuse that requires disposal at a central point. As such, all occupied land owners receive a collection and disposal service, it is their choice whether they take advantage of the collection service.

Average Residential Assessment Rate Increase

The below table displays a comparison of the 2018/19 rates and charges for an average residential assessment in Thargomindah.

Description	2017/18 Charge	2018/19 Charge
Average General Rates	\$ 393.38	\$ 405.20
Water – Connected Charge	\$ 441.14	\$ 454.40
Sewerage – Connected Charge	\$ 429.78	\$ 442.70
Garbage – Domestic Environmental Charge	\$ 21.84	\$ 22.50
Garbage – Domestic Collection	\$ 316.68	\$ 326.20
Total	\$ 1,602.82	\$ 1,651.00

Rating Frequency

For the purposes of Section 107 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Bulloo Shire Council will levy rates on a half yearly basis covering the periods:

- o 1 July 2018 31 December 2018
- o 1 January 2019 30 June 2019

Interest on Overdue Rates and Charges

Council discourages the avoidance of responsibilities for meeting rates and charges debts and to this end Council will impose interest on rates and charges which remain unpaid and therefore overdue, from the end of the discount period.

The rate of interest will be determined annually by resolution at the budget meeting.

The rate of interest for the 2018-19 financial year is 11% compounding daily.

Discount for Prompt Payment of Rates

To encourage the prompt payment of rates and charges, a discount will be allowed on general rates only: -

- a) Paid within 30 days after the date of issue of a rate notice.
- b) Paid after 30 days if special circumstances apply

The rate of discount will be determined annually by resolution at the budget meeting. The rate of discount for the 2018-19 financial year is 3%.

Rebates and Concessions

Pensioner Remissions

Council grants pensioner remissions according to following principles: -

- Pensioners who comply with the conditions required for State rate remissions will be granted
 a remission equivalent to 20% of total rates and charges with a maximum subsidy payable of
 \$200 per annum.
- Aged, invalid, war service, war widows, widows or other approved pensioners who comply with the above conditions will be granted a remission.
- A remission of the rates granted to aged pensioner(s) in conformity with the foregoing conditions shall be allowed in each year without further application so long as the pensioner(s) remain qualified to receive such remission.
- In genuine cases of hardship Council may grant a concession in respect of any of the charges imposed by the Council to Pensioners, charitable, non-profit or community organisations on application.

Limitations on Increases in rates and charges (Sec 116)

Council proposes to include a limitation on the increase in the amount of the general rate on all rateable land in the following differential rating categories

Category	Description	Limitation on increase
1	Vacant land – Thargomindah	20%
5	Residential – Thargomindah	40%
11	Industry – Thargomindah	20%
13	Rural Land > 1,000 ha	20%

State Fire Levy

The Council has a legal obligation to collect the *Emergency Management, Fire & Rescue Levy* in accordance with the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990. The levy is applied to all prescribed properties under the Fire and Rescue Service Act 1990.

The levies are set by *Regulation (The Fire and Emergency Services Regulation 2011)* and vary according to the classification of the property and class of district in which the property is situation, and are therefore outside Bulloo Shire Council's discretion.

General and Regulatory Fees

General charges shall be set by Council at an amount considered reasonable and relevant to the service or facility provided, based on the principles outlined in Council's Revenue Policy.

Funding of Physical and Social Infrastructure by Developers

The Council will negotiate with any proposed new developer in relation to any extraordinary costs involved in providing or extending roads, water sewerage, stormwater drainage or other service to the proposed development.

Funding of Depreciation

Council will charge depreciation on its assets in accordance with the requirements of the relevant Australian Accounting Standards. The cash equivalent of this depreciation will be used to replace Council's non-current assets. It is Council's intention to fully fund depreciation.