

# Community Strategic Plan Presentation of Draft

Cobar Shire Council  
Public Meeting

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# What Are We Doing Today?



- Integrated Planning and Reporting
- Community Strategic Plan – draft out for public comment
- Look at the process of putting it together
- Look at how it and the other plans are integrated
- Go through the issues
- Public exhibition ends 4 April

# What is Integrated Planning and Reporting



Local Government Planning and Reporting framework



# The process from here?

- 4 April Public exhibition closes
- April Comments considered, draft finalised
- 26 April Council adopts Community Strategic Plan
- 30 April Plan sent to Division of Local Government



# The other planning documents



- Resource Strategy
  - Workforce Plan to Council 22.3.12
  - Long Term Financial Plan - commenced
  - Asset Management Plans etc – completed except for Recreational Assets and Transport Asset Plans being updated
- Four Year Delivery Program – draft complete except for budget
- Annual Operational Plan - commenced
- All documents adopted by Council by 28 June

# The Community Strategic Plan

- State Government requirement
- Must be a **community** document – NOT A COUNCIL DOCUMENT
- Minimum 10 year focus
- Consider state and regional plans
- Outline how progress in implementation will be measured and reported
- Provide for the council to regularly report to the community on progress.

# The Engagement Process

- Social Plan 2011-2016
  - 2010 Visited all villages, 2 Cobar meetings and more – starting point
- 2011
  - 430+ people participated
  - Council staff, community, CBA and Tourism groups, View Club, CWP, Rural Roads, Govt depts, Interagencies, Youth, mines, Euabalong Progress, Murrin Bridge, Nymagee

# Important Things to Remember

- Annual budget \$28m
- Workforce limitations
- Level of service provision desired
- Basic functions that must be maintained
- Asset management planning
- Council's roles and responsibilities





# Community Values

- A community that is generous, engaged and participative and that welcomes new residents and encourages them to stay.
- Vibrant and valued industries with a strong social consciousness that participate in the community.



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- A well funded and well governed Council that is engaged with the community and encourages their participation in decision making.
- Access to quality and well maintained infrastructure.

# Key Challenges

- Need for good infrastructure provision and access to services while considering the key constraint – lack of financial resources

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- Community services and facilities to assist residents and encourage new residents to Shire
- Assist community groups
- Grow and strengthen key business sectors
- Increase funding for events, services and infrastructure provision

# 5 Key Headings

- Community Strategies
- Economic Strategies
- Governance Strategies
- Infrastructure Strategies
- Environmental Strategies

# Strategies

- 65 Strategies across the 5 areas
- Responsibility given to governments, community, council or business
- Organisation given support responsibility
- Timing – generally ongoing

# Delivery Program

- Council document outlining what we're going to do over the Councillor term.
- Updated in Sept
- Gives the actions we'll undertake to achieve the strategies in CSP
- Annual operating plan then developed with action activities to be undertaken each year

# Delivery Program

- 43 actions in community
- 19 actions in economic
- 43 governance actions
- 22 infrastructure actions
- 11 environment actions
- Report 6 monthly to council on progress



# Reporting

- Quarterly report to Council on operating plan
- Six monthly report to Council on Delivery Program
- Annual Report on Delivery Program and Annual Operating Plan.
- End of term report on Delivery Program
- Performance indicators in Delivery Program

# Conclusion

- CSP to go to Feb meeting to be advertised
- Delivery Program activities prepared
- Annual Operating Plan to be developed once these agreed to
- Comments back in a fortnight
- Community plan

# The Plan

