

## Delivery Program Operational Plan and Budget 2024-2025

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## Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather upon today. We acknowledge their continuing connections to the land, culture and community. We pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

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We will work together in Shoalhaven to foster a safe & attractive community for people to live, work, stay & play; where sustainable growth, development & environmental protection are managed to provide a unique & relaxed lifestyle

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## Message from the Mayor

This year's Delivery Program Operational Plan reflects the current budget constraints while continuing to support the needs of the community as outlined in our Community Strategic Plan 2032.

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The activities planned for the 2024–25 financial year respond to the call to action outlined in the Financial Sustainability Review report in November 2023 to increase revenue and decrease expenditure.

While an increase to income from any proposed Special Rate Variation will be the decision of the Council in 2025, the program of works and services planned for this financial year are a true commitment of what can be achieved.

A conservative capital works program has been developed, which includes the improvement and replacement works for roads and bridges in places across our city.

Packages of work will roll out progressively on major roads in the Bay and Basin area, including Forest Road, Callala Beach Road, Callala Bay Road, Culburra Road and at intersection points of Worrigee Road/Greenwell Point and Coonemia/ Currarong/Callala Bay. This \$40 million program is funded by the Federal Government.

Planning for the East Nowra Sub-Arterial Road is progressing with \$12 million funding provided by the NSW Government for planning and early works for this strategic road project. This is an exciting long-term project that will one day relieve the volume of traffic travelling along the Princes Highway in Nowra by providing an alternative route to our coastal villages.

Improving pedestrian access will continue, with shared user path projects planned for Matron Porter Drive, Murramurang Road in Shelley Beach and Kioloa, and Old Southern Road, South Nowra with \$5M in grant funding from the NSW Government.

During the last few years, the impacts of extreme weather events have exposed the vulnerability of the Shoalhaven to fire and flood. While we continue to rebuild from the fires of summer 2019–20, the 12 subsequent natural disasters have been the result of significant rainfall that have damaged lives and property across the region. This year, we will continue to map, study and develop a raft of risk management plans for flood prone areas across the city in consultation with residents.

It is exciting to see the work continue on the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), with community consultation being held this year to develop the initial phase of a 'reflect' level plan. It is so important to genuinely listen to our Aboriginal communities and respond to their needs for better health, employment and overall life outcomes. We all have a role to play as allies and we need to listen and learn to take the next steps.

While this year's budget is conservative, it is one that allows for concentrated planning and focus on the what's needed to address the community's vision of living in a safe and attractive place with a relaxed and unique lifestyle.

**Amanda Findley** 

Mayor, Shoalhaven

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Welcome from the CEO

This year's program of works and services includes initiatives, innovation and actions that we will be taking as an organisation to find efficiencies and enhance our operations wherever possible.

With the growing gap between operating revenue and expenditure that's been reflected in a forecast annual structural deficit of \$25 million to \$35 million, this budget model for 2024-25 is an opportunity to reset and establish a realistic financial platform upon which we can build.

In response to an independent report of Council's financial position in November 2023, we are working through a list of measures to increase revenue and decrease costs to continue to provide works and services across the city and try to rebuild our cash reserves to respond to unforeseen events.

While our financial position requires that we maintain a modest list of capital works and construction projects, we will turn our focus to the comprehensive planning work necessary to improve our asset maintenance and development in the long term. We recognise that the ongoing investment in repairing and rebuilding many of our road network needs to be planned and prioritised accordingly to achieve a better standard of asset maintenance. To realise this, we are improving processes for asset data collection and robust asset management planning.

Embedding consistency in our approach to project planning and delivery will form the basis for process improvement initiatives in the organisation that will ultimately increase our efficiencies into the future. Project management practices are being built-in that incorporate the associated costs across the lifecycle of new assets for inclusion in our long-term financial planning.

We will continue to review our levels of service to ensure we can sustain our budgetary obligations and balance the need of the community as expressed in the Community Strategic Plan 2032.

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While this will be a challenging time, I look forward to working with the Council and staff to reposition ourselves to make the most of the opportunities we have before us here in the Shoalhaven, in my first year here as Chief Executive Officer.

**Robyn Stevens** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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Our values guide our behaviour and help us live in balance with our unique environment and each other to fulfill our goals. We are committed to behaving and acting in ways that reflect our values.

## Our values

### Respect

We are mindful of and care about the feelings, wishes and rights of others

### Integrity

We are committed to maintain high ethics and standards

### Adaptability

We are ready for change and willing to embrace a new situation

### Collaboration

We enjoy working together to deliver for our community

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OUR VALUES

INTEGRITY



Shoalhaven is unique with its spectacular natural environment, growing population and robust economy. It is a wonderful place to live, work, stay and play. From Berry to Durras, the coastal strip sustains diversity of places, people and environments.

Shoalhaven is located on the south coast of New South Wales, with the regional centre of Nowra-Bomaderry located about 160 kilometres south of Sydney.

Most of the population is concentrated along the coastal fringe, which is traversed by the Princes Highway. The major centres include Nowra-Bomaderry, Milton-Ulladulla, Huskisson-Vincentia, St Georges Basin District, Culburra Beach and SussexInlet. The area encompasses a total land area of about 4,531 square kilometres, including substantial areas of national park, state forest, bushland, beaches and lakes. The natural amenity of the area is a strong attractor, for both new residents, holiday makers and day trippers.

Aboriginal peoples were the original inhabitants of the Shoalhaven and have lived here for many generations. European settlement dates from 1822 when land was taken up near the mouth of the Shoalhaven River.

The Shoalhaven is blessed with perhaps the most scenically beautiful landscapes on the east coast of Australia, ranging from the lush rainforests, woodlands, rocky terrain, coastal plains, farmland and floodplains. The area also has more than 165 kilometres of coastline, the longest of any local government area in NSW. The coast is very diverse in its character, with major estuaries, many coastal lakes, long wild beaches and small pocket beaches, extensive coastal dune systems, towering sandstone headlands and rugged bluffs.

The Shoalhaven population has a strong sense of community, a desire to help one another, friendly, welcoming and caring. Community involvement in Council and community activities is reflective of the large numbers attending key events being held throughout the year.

Council's integrated planning documents aim to complement the wonderful place that is the Shoalhaven and to deliver on the community's priorities for the future.

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### Our *people* Ξ

Population (ABS ERP 2022) 109,611 13.5% born overseas 8.1% need disability assistance

Average age

19.2% aged 0-17

**Projected increase** 

by 2031



Population of avg. age 60+

> Jobs 42,301

6.5%

of the Shoalhaven's population identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander



26.6% vocational education 15.8% university education

48.8% in workforce 4.9% unemployed

Households 21%

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made up of couples with children

18% Older couples without children -28% single person 10.3% Single parent



Renting Social

Mortgage

housing

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Depot Beach

## Our councillors ≣



Amanda Findley Mayor 0434151730



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Serena Copley *Councillor* 

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Tonia Gray *Councillor* 

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**Matthew Norris Deputy Mayor** 



John Wells Councillor

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Greg Watson Councillor 0412 210 979

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Mark Kitchener Councillor



Patricia White Councillor 0447 416 329



Gillian Boyd *Councillor* 0439 907 507



## **Executive and** ≣ organisational structure



**Robyn Stevens** CEO



**Robert Horner Executive Manager** WATER





Media/Comms

**Councillor Support** 

**Internal Audit** 







### Jane Lewis **Director - City Lifestyles**

### **Kerrie Hamilton Director - City Performance**

### Carey McIntyre **Director - City Services**

- **Coralie McCarthy** Director - City Futures (Acting)

- James Ruprai Director - City Development



# Our core services

We provide a vast range of services and facilities to our community from the footpaths you walk on, the water that comes out of the tap, the roads that you drive on and the recreational activities that you enjoy.

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🙆 Wood Hill Mountain Road

## Our core services

Some of the services that we provide everyday include:

### Footpaths, Roads and Traffic and Stormwater

- Service over 1,822 km of Council maintained roads
- Manage 246 road and pedestrian bridges, culverts and causeways
- Maintain 109 roundabouts
- Maintain 275km of cycleways and footpaths

### **Community Services, Events and Culture**

- Support, facilitate and evaluate a program of events with and for community
- Support the tourism industry resulting in the delivery of high quality products and events
- Facilitate, coordinate and support community grants programs
- Plan for and provide family day care services for children aged 0-6 years
- Provide 5 libraries including 2 mobile libraries
- Provide a range of entertainment opportunities at the Entertainment Centre
- Provide the Regional Gallery to showcase diverse range of art to residents and visitors
- Provide sporting, leisure and aquatic facilities to foster community welbeing

### **Environment and Sustainability**

- Manage 40 of the 109 beaches in Shoalhaven and including over 220 beach access ways
- Help protect 156 threatened species

### **Regulatory Services**

- Process approximately 100 development applications, certificates and approvals per week
- Investigate over 700 incidents each year

### Water, Wastewater and Waste Services

- Manage 10 recycling and waste depots
- Manage 4 water treatment plants and 1,587m of water mains
- Supply an average of 425 litres of water to each property every day
- Manage 13 Wastewater treatment plants and 1251km wastewater mains
- Collect over 11,902 mega litres of wastewater each year

### **Community Safety and Community Groups**

- Deliver, monitor and maintain over 40 CCTV cameras in the Nowra, Sanctuary point, Bomaderry Areas
- Support 56 parkcare groups and 60 bushcare groups

### **Visitor Services**

- Manage 12 holiday parks
- Drive \$1 billion in visitor spend, resulting in an estimated 7,000 tourism related jobs
- Manage 2 visitor information centres and associated mobile services

### **Bereavement Services**

• Manage 20 cemeteries, 7 active and 13 historic including the Shoalhaven crematorium, Chapel and Function Centre.

### **Corporate Support**

- Supporting the delivery of a range of services for our community is our efficient and effective Corporate support teams including:
  - Finance and Procurement
  - Human Resources, Work Health and Safety
  - Business Assurance, Governance and Legal Services
  - Information and Communications
    Technology
  - Corporate Performance and Reporting
  - Customer Experience
  - Communication and Engagement, Internal Audit

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## Our Capital projects



### Shared User Paths Connectivity

- Matron Porter Drive
- Murramarang Road Shelly Beach / Kioloa
- Old Southern Road (all grant funded)

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### Improving our Roads & Bridges

- Boxsells Bridge Meroo Meadow, Murrays Bridge - Conjola, Smarts Bridge - Croobyar (all grant funded)
- Local Roads Upgrade Program (Stage 1 Federal Government \$40M funding)
- George Evans Road Yalwal Interchange
- East Nowra Sub-Arterial-Detailed Design and Early Works (grant dependent)



### **Waste Facilities West Nowra**

- Materials Recovery Facility
- Waste Education Centre



### Water & Wastewater Services – Shoalhaven Water

- Water and Sewer capital works totalling \$34.6M
- Moss Vale Road Urban Release Area water and sewer development

## Our finances

The 2024/25 budget is in accordance with Council's adopted budget principles for no cash deficit budgeting and provides funding for strategic priorities identified in the operational plan totalling \$490.7 million comprising of an operating budget of \$363.8 million and a capital works program of \$126.9 million.

Not dissimilar to many other NSW councils, Council has experienced a growing gap between operating revenue and operating expenditure. The growth in the cost base of current services provided has exceeded the growth in revenue. This has placed Council in a difficult financial position.

A bottom-up budget process was adopted in building the FY2024/25 operational and capital budgets. This approach provides a realistic budget that is reflective of the cost incurred to deliver our current services at an agreed service level. It also ensures all costs required to meet legislative requirements are adequately budgeted for.

Whilst the severity of Council's current financial position is well documented, the FY2024/25 budget further reinforces the need for financial intervention.

The current lack of available cash will continue to be a major concern throughout FY2024/25 and Council will continue to struggle with its aged infrastructure. This lack of investment in asset renewal has led to a significant deterioration in the condition of Council's assets and has created infrastructure backlog issues. Council's current financial position does not allow for Council to actively deal with its backlog of infrastructure, nor the adequate funding of asset renewals moving forward.

In the 2008 audited financial statements, all of council infrastructure assets were rated as either category 1 or 2, category 1 being assets of excellent condition requiring normal maintenance and category 2 being assets in good condition requiring only minor maintenance work. As reported in the 30 June 2023 financial statements, Council assets now hold 51.3% in category 1 and 2, with 48.7% of assets now reported in categories 3 (satisfactory) to 5 (very poor).

Management of Council's cash position will continue to require considerable effort from Finance staff, diverting these resources from other financial responsibilities. Further, as the conditions of assets continues to deteriorate and funding needs to be diverted to increased reactive maintenance, the community will have a worse experience from poorer quality infrastructure and reduced service over time.

Council's dedicated Financial Sustainability project team will continue to coordinate Financial Sustainability actions and initiatives in response to previous Council resolutions and those noted in the AEC Financial Sustainability review, with the aim of returning Council into a financially sustainable position.

### The 2024/25 balanced budget is outlined below (\$'000)

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	General Fund	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Consol.	
Income from Continuing Operations	338,246	46,516	64,866	374,586	
Expenses from Continuing Operations	338,166	44,398	54,356	363,794	
Net Operating Result	80	2,118	10,510	10,792	
Net Operating Results Before Capital	-28,078	478	8,485	-21,031	
Net Cash Movement	-34,974	3,008	-618	-32,584	
Net Reserve Movement	-34,975	3,008	-618	-32,585	
Net Unrestricted Cash Movement	1	0	0	1	

## **⊨** Financial Sustainability

Council faced some harsh realities this year with a complex and independent review of its finances revealing an annual revenue shortfall of \$25 to \$35 million.

Many factors contributed to making Council's financial position unsustainable, most notably the impacts of the COVID pandemic and 13 consecutive natural disasters during the past five years. These events significantly depleted revenue and increased operational costs.

To address the current financial position, Council's focus has shifted to actions to increase revenue and cut costs. In January 2024, Councillors resolved not to proceed with a special rate variation application and in March, committed to sell underperforming assets, increase fees and charges, and put around 80 projects on hold.

In conjunction with the development of the draft 2024-25 budget, initiatives have been regularly

workshopped with Councillors and reported to the Council on a monthly basis for urgent decisions to be made by Council.

Council is taking a number of actions to improve our financial position.

- Paused the construction of new buildings and facilities
- Strategically managing recruitment to determine the urgency and necessity of filling vacant positions and extend vacancies wherever possible to reduce wages costs.
- Applications for grants are being considered against the resourcing capacity of the organisation including the number of staff, program management and order of priority against other current projects and tasks as well as long term financial implications to maintain and operate any new facilities.

- Sale of underperforming or excess assets and land.
- Strategic service planning to review the levels of discretionary service against community need and costs.
- Establishing a Project Management Office to set strict budget controls and parameters for projects to ensure they are efficient and enduring.

Despite these challenges, our commitment to the visitors and people of the Shoalhaven remains uncompromised and we continue to strive to deliver services that improve the lives of our residents.

# E Planning and reporting *framework*

Shoalhaven's plans are developed in conjunction with State and Regional Plans, the Resourcing Strategy, other supporting plans, Councillors, staff and the community.

The community plan for the Shoalhaven over the next ten years is captured in the Community Strategic Plan 2032 (CSP). While Council will use the plan to develop its objectives and actions, other government and nongovernment organisations can and will use the CSP to align their activities to meet Shoalhaven's needs.

Our future planning documents are made up of four key components (Figure 1):

- 1. Shoalhaven 2032 Community Strategic Plan (10 years)
- 2. Delivery Program Objectives (4 years)
- 3. Operational Plan & Budget (annual)
- 4. Council's Resourcing Strategy (4 years)

#### **Community Strategic Plan**

The community plan for the Shoalhaven over the next ten years is captured in the Community Strategic Plan (CSP). The purpose of the plan is to identify the community's main aspirations and priorities for the future. The CSP is organised under four themes and eleven key priorities. While Council will use the plan to develop its objectives and actions, not everything in the plan is Council's responsibility. Other government and non-government organisations can and will use the CSP to align their activities to meet Shoalhaven's needs.

#### **Delivery Program Operational Plan**

The Delivery Program Objectives are Council's response to the Community Strategic Plan and what Council can do within each term of the elected Council. The one-year Operational Plan Actions detail what will be completed over the next 12 months to address the Delivery Program Objectives. Budget, staff resources and assets are allocated to ensure the Actions are undertaken.

#### **Resourcing Strategy**

While the Community Strategic Plan describes the long-term goals of our community, the Resourcing Strategy outlines how we will help achieve these in terms of time, money, assets and people. It is used to address the budget needs through the Long Term Financial Plan, assets required through the Asset Management Framework, technology needs through the ICT Strategy and Council's workforce through the Workforce Strategy.





Figure 1: Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework

# Themes and key *priorities*

Each of the themes and key priorities that have been identified by the community have been allocated long term objectives and one-year actions. These are outlined in the following sections.

Each section explains why the priority is important, what objective has been set and actions that will be taken to meet each objective. Measurements are also outlined to ensure that Council continues to be accountable for the actions that have been set to meet community priorities.

### Resilient, Safe, Accessible & Inclusive *Communities*

- 1.1 Support inclusive, safe and connected communities
- **1.2** Preserve, support and develop cultural and creative vitality across our communities
- **1.3** Support community wellbeing through fostering active and healthy communities

### Sustainable, Liveable *Environments*

- 2.1 Manage our infrastructure for long term sustainability to meet community need
- 2.2 Manage growth and development with respect for environmental and community values
- 2.3 Protect the natural environment and enhance sustainability

### Thriving Local Economies that meet Community Needs

- **3.1** Strengthen and diversify the economy
- **3.2** Deliver safe, vibrant and attractive public spaces

### Effective, Responsible and Authentic Leadership

- 4.1 Deliver reliable, high quality services
- **4.2** Provide transparent leadership through effective government and administration
- **4.3** Inform and engage with the community about the decisions that affect their lives



Community Strategic Plan Code

Community Strategic Plan Goal

## **Priority 1.1** Support inclusive, safe and connected communities

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What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?	
Delivery Program Objective	
1.1.01 - Support communities to prepare for, respond to and recover from natural disasters, extreme weather and other emergencies	
1.1.02 - Support communities to become safer and more resilient through positive and effective planning, partnerships and programs	
1.1.03 - Develop plans and strategies which help to create an inclusive community and improve equitable access to opportunities	
1.1.04 - Advocate for improvements to public transport services and provide support for community-led initiatives that improve transp	port options
1.1.05 - Develop plans which will enable a variety of affordable and appropriately serviced housing options	

1.1.06 - Use Council's regulatory powers and government legislation to enhance community safety and deliver community safety programs and projects

**Delivery Program** 

Objective

## ■ How to read this plan

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## Resilient, Safe, Accessible & Inclusive Communities

### Council supporting strategies and plans that will guide us

- Community Infrastructure Strategic Plan
- Crime Prevention Plan
- Disability Inclusion Action Plan
- Shoalhaven Libraries Strategic Plan
- Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre Business and Marketing Plan
- Shoalhaven Affordable Housing Strategy
- Wellbeing Strategy

### What's important to the community

- Homelessness and the need for affordable housing
- Enhanced community preparedness and response to natural disasters and the effects of climate change
- Tackling social isolation and mental health
- Improved access to health care services
- · An inclusive and accessible community
- Increased number of cultural events and improvements to Shoalhaven's arts
- Community safety improvements
- Improvements to our parks and reserves and sporting facilities
- Improved public transport services

## **Priority 1.1** Support inclusive, safe and connected communities

### Why is this priority important?

The health of our community members is reliant on and affected by how safe, included and connected they feel within their community. Being connected and feeling included in the lives of others has been proven to increase overall happiness and wellbeing.

### How will we know we are making a difference?

- When Council has improved resilience and readiness capability in emergency management
- · When people feel more connected to their community
- When there is an improvement in socio-economic indicators for our area
- When there is a decrease in households in housing stress
- · When there is an increase in public or active transport
- When people feel safer in their neighbourhood with reduced crime

### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

### **Delivery Program Objective**

- 1.1.01 Support communities to prepare for, respond to and recover from natural disasters, extreme weather and other emergencies
- 1.1.02 Support communities to become safer and more resilient through positive and effective planning, partnerships and programs
- 1.1.03 Develop plans and strategies which help to create an inclusive community and improve equitable access to opportunities
- 1.1.04 Advocate for improvements to public transport services and provide support for community-led initiatives that improve transport options
- 1.1.05 Develop plans which will enable a variety of affordable and appropriately serviced housing options
- 1.1.06 Use Council's regulatory powers and government legislation to enhance community safety and deliver community safety programs and projects

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### What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
1.1.01 - Suj	oport communities to prepare for, respond to and recover from natur	al disasters, extreme	weather and other emergencies	
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1.1.01.05	Annual audit of Council's responsibilities within the Shoalhaven District Bushfire Plan	Works & Services	Audit completed, certified bushfire mitigation works assessed and asset custodians notified of rectification works by June 2025	100%
1.1.02 - Su	pport communities to become safer and more resilient through posit	ive and effective plai	nning, partnerships and programs	
1.1.02.01	Work with the NSW Government to progress the Crown Lands Plans of Management for City Lifestyles	Recreation Projects - Planning & Delivery	All City Lifestyles Crown Lands Plans of Management submitted to the Ministers Office	100%

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
1.1.02.02	Work with community to improve sense of identity and belonging through the support of relationship building, inclusion and community pride	Community Connections	Number of initiatives supporting community programs and actions	Count
	community pride	Community Connections	Number of community relationships established and maintained (networks, organisations and individuals)	Count
			Number of initiatives which support and foster connections in the community	Count
1.1.03 - Dev	velop plans and strategies which help to create an inclusive commu	nity and improve equ	itable access to opportunities	
1.1.03.01	Collaborate across City Lifestyles departments to provide a range of programs to activate Destination Parks and showgrounds	Swim Sport Fitness	Number of programs implemented at Destination parks across the Shoalhaven	4
1.1.03.02	Conduct accessibility audits of public and community buildings	Building Services	Number of accessibility audits of public and community buildings undertaken	2
1.1.03.03	Work with community to foster an inclusive Shoalhaven where everyone has equitable access to opportunities and continue to deliver priorities from the Disability Inclusion Action Plan	Community Connections	Number of initiatives which raise awareness of community access and inclusion needs, and demonstrate best practice in inclusion and accessibility	Coun
		Community Connections	Number of initiatives which advocate for and empower community to support equitable access to opportunities	Count
1.1.03.04	Provide social planning advice to improve understanding of social needs and inform decision-making	Community Connections	Advice provided on social planning, including through co-ordination of social planning projects	Count
		Community Connections	Reconciliation Action Plan endorsed by Reconciliation Australia, adopted by Council and launched by June 2025	100%

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
1.1.04 - Ad	vocate for improvements to public transport services and provide su	upport for community	y-led initiatives that improve transport options	
1.1.04.01	Provide feedback and input into cross government strategy development and implementation that aligns with key regional priorities related to public transport and improved transport connectivity	Strategic Planning	Number of advocacy efforts made with government agencies which actively contribute to transport strategy development (submissions and meetings)	3
1.1.05 - De	velop plans which will enable a variety of affordable and appropriate	ely serviced housing	options	
1.1.05.01	Update the Affordable Housing Strategy and commence the preparation of a City-wide Housing Strategy	Strategic Planning	Publication of the Affordable Housing Strategy and City-wide Housing Strategy by June 2025	100%
1.1.06 - Us	e Council's regulatory powers and government legislation to enhanc	e community safety	and deliver community safety programs and projects	5
1.1.06.01	Implement an inspection regime required to ensure the satisfactory operation of on-site sewage management systems for the maintenance of public and environmental health	Environmental Services	Number of on-site sewage management systems inspections completed	≥ 1200
		Environmental Services	Number of failed on-site sewage requiring regulatory action	Count
1.1.06.02	Undertake environmental health regulatory inspections to ensure compliance with legislative standards	Environmental Services	Number of planned environmental health inspections completed	≥ 206
		Environmental Services	Number of failed environmental health inspections requiring regulatory action	Count
1.1.06.03	Undertake swimming pool inspections in accordance with the adopted program	Building & Compliance	Percentage of planned swimming pool inspections completed	95%
1.1.06.04	Ranger Services undertake proactive patrols in order to meet the needs of the community and Council	Building & Compliance	Number of proactive ranger patrols	≥ 3000
1.1.06.05	Undertake retail food premises regulatory inspections to ensure compliance with legislative standards	Environmental Services	Percentage of food businesses achieving 'good', 'very good' or 'excellent' food safety star rating	95%
		Environmental Services	Number of failed food hygiene inspections requiring regulatory action	Count

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## **Priority 1.2** Preserve, support and develop cultural and creative vitality across our communities

### Why is this priority important?

Culture binds a community to past, present and future collective experiences of the physical surroundings and interactions with others. Creative pursuits play a major role in creating those experiences and events enable communities to interact and have fun.

### How will we know we are making a difference?

- When the number and / or variety of cultural activities/events is increasing
- Community satisfaction with Shoalhaven arts and culture is improving
- When attendances at Council cultural venues is increasing
- When engagement with the Aboriginal community on Council's projects and programs is increasing

What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

**Delivery Program Objective** 

1.2.01 - Develop partnerships and services to support active participation in a vibrant and inclusive arts community

1.2.02 - Provide and maintain cultural facilities to meet community needs

1.2.03 - Recognise, protect and celebrate our local history, cultural heritage and diversity

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### What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
1.2.01 - De	evelop partnerships and services to support active participation in a v	ibrant and inclusive	arts community	
1.2.01.01	Increase visitation to the Shoalhaven Regional Gallery	Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Number of visitors to Shoalhaven Regional Gallery	≥ 40,000
		Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Number of exhibitions which improve community access to works from the Shoalhaven City Arts Collection	≥ 3
		Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Number of people paying to attend Shoalhaven Regional Gallery public programs	≥ 1,000
		Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Percentage of visitors 'likely or very likely' to recommend Shoalhaven Regional Gallery	70%
1.2.01.02	Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre will curate and deliver inclusive annual seasons of performing arts, events and public programs reflective of our diverse community	Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Grow ticketed attendance at Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre	≥ 57,000
	reliective of our diverse community	Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre's Season shows make a positive contribution to cultural life in the Shoalhaven	86%
1.2.01.03	Shoalhaven Regional Gallery will diversify and increase income generated by profitable programming initiatives	Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Shoalhaven Regional Gallery to submit a minimum of two grant applications per year to support programming.	≥2
		Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Number of local visual artists contracted to deliver exhibition related programs	≥ 5
1.2.02 - Pr	ovide and maintain cultural facilities to meet community needs			
1.2.02.01	Progress development of a new Library at Sanctuary Point in line with adopted position of Council	Library Services	Complete operational plan and budget for new Sanctuary Point Library	100%
1.2.02.02	Staged implementation of Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre's Strategic Business and Marketing Plan	Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Percentage increase of food and beverage sales at Encore Cafe and Dining	5%
		Arts, Culture & Entertainment	Increase the number of Season Memberships to build audience engagement and revenue	≥ 570

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
1.2.03 -	Recognise, protect and celebrate our local history, cultural heritage and	d diversity		
1.2.03.0	Work with community to improve the recognition, protection and celebration of the diverse community, history and cultural heritage of the Shoalhaven	Community Connections	Number of activities that recognise, protect or celebrate the diverse make up and cultural heritage of the Shoalhaven	Count

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## **Priority 1.3** Support community wellbeing through fostering active and healthy communities

### Why is this priority important?

Health is a key component to life expectancy and quality of life for our community. A community that is built to allow for activity to occur daily as part of everyday life, increases health outcomes. A more liveable city attracts populations, tourists, businesses and improves economic outcomes.

### How will we know we are making a difference?

- When the number of volunteers is increasing
- Community satisfaction with parks, playgrounds, sporting venues, aquatic centres, and public halls is improving
- When the personal wellbeing index is improving
- Community satisfaction of facilities and services for people living with a disability is improving

### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

**Delivery Program Objective** 

- 1.3.01 Support communities to access opportunities for lifelong learning and help others
- 1.3.02 Provide and maintain recreation and leisure facilities to meet community needs
- 1.3.03 Provide opportunities for our community to be healthy and active
- 1.3.04 Work with the community to build safe, resilient and connected neighbourhoods

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### What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
1.3.01 - Suj	oport communities to access opportunities for lifelong learning and	help others		
1.3.01.01	Shoalhaven Libraries will create opportunities for diverse	Library Services	Number of Library events delivered	≥ 500
	communities to be welcomed and celebrated in appropriate ways through a range of events	Library Services	Number Library visits	≥ 420,000
		Library Services	Number of Virtual Visits at Council's Libraries	≥ 800,000
		Library Services	Number of actions implemented from the Shoalhaven Libraries Strategic Plan 2024 - 2027	≥ 12
		Library Services	Percentage increase in library memberships	≥ 5%
1.3.02 - Pro	ovide and maintain recreation and leisure facilities to meet commur	nity needs		
1.3.02.01	Deliver improved playing surfaces at Precincts and Destination Parks in the Shoalhaven	Swim Sport Fitness	Undertake annual Sportsfield Improvement Program	100%
1.3.02.02	Continue to progress delivery of a new Community Infrastructure Strategic Plan by December 2025, in accordance with agreed methodology	Recreation Projects - Planning & Delivery	Updated draft Community Infrastructure Strategic Plan finalised for distribution to key stakeholders for feedback by June 2025	100%
1.3.02.03	Support Parkcare Group Volunteers to improve local parks and reserves	Works & Services	Maintain Annual Parkcare volunteer hours	≥ 3,500
1.3.02.04	Implement the Shoalhaven Swim Sport Fitness Business Plan	Swim Sport Fitness	Identified strategies from Shoalhaven Swim Sport Fitness Business Plan implemented	100%
1.3.02.05	Progress the delivery of agreed City Lifestyles open space and recreation projects	Recreation Projects - Planning & Delivery	Open space and recreation projects delivered to agreed timelines	
1.3.03 - Pro	ovide opportunities for our community to be healthy and active			
1.3.03.01	Provide a range of programs and services to cater for community demand for aquatics, health and fitness programs	Swim Sport Fitness	Maintain the number of attendances at Council's aquatic and leisure centres	≥ 800,000
1.3.04 - Wo	ork with the community to build safe, resilient and connected neight	ourhoods		
1.3.04.01	Support local networks and encourage knowledge sharing to improve equitable access to information and opportunities	Community Connections	Information and opportunities shared with com- munity and ongoing support and guidance for the Community Consultative Body network	Count

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## Sustainable, liveable environments

### Council supporting strategies and plans that will guide us

- Asset Management Plans
- Bushcare Action Plans
- Coastal Zone Management Plan
- Coastal Management Programs
- Estuary Management Plans
- Flood Studies and Risk Management Plans
- Heritage Conservation Plans
- Local Environmental Plan & Development Control Plans
- Local Strategic Planning Statement
- Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan
- Public Domain and Open Space Plans
- Public Reserves Plans
- Shoalhaven Growth Management Strategy
- Structure plans and settlement strategies
- Sustainable Energy Strategy
- Shoalhaven Adaptation Plan

### What's important to the community

- Road improvement, including maintenance, renewal and resealing programs
- Improved paths and cycleways for better connectivity
- Mitigate and adapt to climate change
- Transition to sustainable/renewable energy
- Protection and restoration of our unique natural environments
- Bypasses for Nowra and Milton/Ulladulla
- Maintain our infrastructure
- Appropriate, sustainable development
- Better use of the Shoalhaven river and foreshore
- Continue to revitalise Shoalhaven's CBDs
- Retain amenity of the area, keep the village feel
- Restrict over-development in the coastal villages
- Development that is in keeping with our unique natural environment

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## **Priority 2.1** Manage our infrastructure for long term sustainability to meet community need

### Why is this priority important?

Delivering essential public infrastructure and assets is important to the liveability of our communities. Improving connectivity between our settlements allows for safe and efficient travel within and beyond our region.

### How will we know we are making a difference?

- · Community satisfaction with roads is increasing
- When the total length of pathways is increasing
- · Community satisfaction with provision of cycleways is increasing
- When our backlog of repair and renewal of community assets is falling

### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

Delivery Program Objective
2.1.01 - Solve road and drainage problem areas and partner with the State Government to improve road conditions across the region
2.1.02 - Provide flood and stormwater management to prevent or minimise the impacts of flooding
2.1.03 - Plan, design and deliver cycleways, pathways, walking trails and other pedestrian movement infrastructure to maximise access, inclusion and mobility for the whole community
2.1.04 - Ensure sufficient projects are planned and 'shovel ready' to maintain a workflow across the financial year and meet capital expenditure targets
2.1.05 - Infrastructure assets, with a focus on transport and stormwater assets, are accurately captured and condition assessed to facilitate strategic asset renewal planning
2.1.06 - Plan for sustainable and resilient water and wastewater infrastructure and resources for the Shoalhaven
2.1.07 - Operate and maintain infrastructure to meet agreed levels of service while complying with regulatory requirements

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### What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target				
2.1.01 - Solve road and drainage problem areas and partner with the State Government to improve road conditions across the region								
2.1.01.01	Complete the Local Road Repair Program as listed in the 2024-25 adopted capital works program	Works & Services	Percentage of planned road rehabilitation projects completed	80%				
		Works & Services	Percentage of reportable road defects addressed within corporate timeframes in the procedure	60%				
2.1.02 - Provide flood and stormwater management to prevent or minimise the impacts of flooding								
2.1.02.01	Undertake Flood Studies and develop Floodplain Risk Management Studies and Plans	Environmental Services	St Georges Basin Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan adopted by Council by December 2025	75%				
		Environmental Services	Lower Shoalhaven River Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan adopted by Council by December 2025	75%				
		Environmental Services	Updated Broughton Creek Flood Study adopted by Council by June 2025	100%				
		Environmental Services	Clyde River and the Willinga Lake Flood Studies and Floodplain Risk Management Studies and Plans adopted by Council by June 2025	100%				
		Environmental Services	Complete the Intermittently Closing and Opening Lakes and Lagoons (ICOLL) Catchments Flash Flood Warning System Scoping Study, and Flood Evacuation Capability Assessment investigations by June 2025	100%				
2.1.02.02	Complete the Stormwater Drainage Program as listed in the 2024-25 adopted capital works program	Works & Services	Percentage of planned stormwater drainage projects completed	85%				
2.1.02.03	Review the flood mitigation asset database and ensure it is up to date	Works & Services	Length of flood mitigation assets inspected (KM)	≥ 30				
		Works & Services	Percentage of reported critical / urgent flood mitigation assets repaired as funded for maintenance	85%				

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target			
2.1.02.04	Manage Council's Flood Alert Network	Environmental Services	Percentage of network operational	100%			
2.1.03 - Plan, design and deliver cycleways, pathways, walking trails and other pedestrian movement infrastructure to maximise access, inclusion and mobility for the whole community							
2.1.03.01	Complete the Pathways Program as listed in the 2024-25 adopted capital works program	Works & Services	Percentage of planned pathways projects completed	85%			
2.1.04 - Ensure sufficient projects are planned and 'shovel ready' to maintain a workflow across the financial year and meet capital expenditure targets							
2.1.04.01	Stage works greater than \$250,000 with a Design/Approval stage and Construction/Commissioning Stage in separate financial years	Works & Services	Percentage of works greater than \$250,000 staged in separate financial years (excluding newly identified Council priority projects)	85%			
2.1.05 - Infrastructure assets, with a focus on transport and stormwater assets, are accurately captured and condition assessed to facilitate strategic asset renewal planning							
2.1.05.01	Analyse roads condition inspection data to inform asset renewal planning	Technical Services	Road condition data processed and published for use for Asset Custodians	100%			
2.1.05.02	Support the organisation to review and update Asset Management Plans	Technical Services	Establish a heirarchy / priority list for the update of Asset Management Plans	≥ ]			
2.1.05.03	Establish the Maritime Commercial Services Unit, identify key assets and determine future actions and performance measures	Commercial Services	Prepare Maritime Asset Management Plans for adoption by Council by June 2025	100%			

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
2.1.06 – Pla	n for sustainable and resilient water and wastewater infrastructure	and resources for the	Shoalhaven	
2.1.06.01	Investigate asset resilience and security of water supply opportunities	Water Asset Planning & Development	Develop Northern to Southern Water Supply Project to Construction Phase	100%
2.1.06.02	Identify and mitigate risk to critical water supply and wastewater assets	Water Asset Planning & Development	Develop asset risk assessment and mitigation contingencies for critical water and wastewater assets	≥ 20
		Water Asset Planning & Development	Review and assess redundancy in water supply schemes	100%
2.1.06.03	Plan for Sewer and Water infrastructure to support West Culburra and Mundamia Urban Release Areas	Water Asset Planning & Development	Deliver Sewer and Water infrastructure concept design to support West Culburra Urban Release Areas	100%
		Water Asset Planning & Development	Deliver Sewer and Water infrastructure concept design to support Mundamia Urban Release Areas	100%
2.1.06.04	Implement new regulatory and assurance framework for local water utilities	Water Asset Planning & Development	Achieve regulatory compliance for local water utilities	100%
2.1.07 - Ope	erate and maintain infrastructure to meet agreed levels of service w	hile complying with r	egulatory requirements	
2.1.07.01	Implement the funded Building Fire Compliance Action Plan	Building Services	Number of Building Fire Audits Reviewed	≥ 2
		Building Services	Maintain existing Fire Safety measures for Council buildings as funded	100%
2.1.07.02	Ensure serviceability of public amenity buildings to budget and or community expectations	Building Services	Complete public amenity refurbishment or renewals as funded	100%
2.1.07.03	Implement initiatives to reduce the number of dry weather sewage overflow events	Water Operations & Maintenance	Number of monitoring sensors installed and monitored using "Internet of Things" technology	≥ 100

# ■ Priority 2.2 Manage growth and develop

# Manage growth and development with respect for environmental & community values

# Why is this priority important?

As the Shoalhaven grows it is important that any development that occurs is sustainable for the future. We need to all work together to plan for a future that will meet the needs of generations to come.

# How will we know we are making a difference?

When community satisfaction with the strategic planning process is improving

## What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

**Delivery Program Objective** 

- 2.2.01 Develop land use plans which reflect current and future community needs and ongoing population change
- 2.2.02 Facilitate the provision of environmentally sound and climate resilient development that meets the changing needs and expectations of the community
- 2.2.03 Manage development to ensure compliance with approvals and environmental protection
- 2.2.04 Advocate and influence on behalf of our community on the strategic land use vision for the Shoalhaven

# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
2.2.01 - De	velop land use plans which reflect current and future community ne	eds and ongoing pop	ulation change	
2.2.01.01	Finalise the local planning documents to guide the development of the Moss Vale Road North Urban Release Area	Strategic Planning	Publication Moss Vale Road North URA local planning documents	100%
2.2.01.02	Develop planning controls and character statements to manage the contribution new development makes to neighbourhood or local character, including contemporary development and heritage controls for Berry	Strategic Planning	Amendment of City-wide Local Environmental Plan to include new aims, objectives and heritage conservation areas; publication of development controls for Berry; and publication of character statements	100%
2.2.01.03	Preparation of a new local infrastructure contributions scheme and governance framework	Strategic Planning	Annual report on progress of preparing the new contributions scheme and governance framework	100%
2.2.02 – Fa	cilitate the provision of environmentally sound and climate resilient	development that m	eets the changing needs and expectations of the con	nmunity
2.2.02.01	Assess and determine development applications within legislative timeframes and community expectations	Development Services	Percentage of Development Applications processed within 40 days (DAs & S4.55s)	65%
2.2.02.02	Resolve Subdivision and Subdivision Works Certificates to meet applicant and community expectations	Development Services	Percentage of Subdivision Certificates resolved within 14 days	75%
		Development Services	Percentage of Subdivision Works Certificates completed in 28 days	65%
2.2.03 - M	anage development to ensure compliance with approvals and enviro	onmental protection		
2.2.03.01	Provide development compliance services to the community	Building & Compliance	Number of development non-compliance actions completed	Count
2.2.04 - Ac	dvocate and influence on behalf of our community on the strategic la	nd use vision for the	Shoalhaven	
2.2.04.01	Provide strategic feedback to Government and others on policies and strategies impacting on strategic land use in Shoalhaven	Strategic Planning	Number of submissions regarding strategic land use made to Federal and State Government	Count

# **Priority 2.3** Protect the natural environment and enhance sustainability

## Why is this priority important?

Shoalhaven is blessed with a beautiful natural environment, distinct and unique ecosystems, 165km of coastline, forests, woodlands and mountains. The environment attracts visitors to our City and is one of the key attractors for residents. The environment aids our economy, provides opportunities for the community to enjoy a wide range of recreational activities and helps to improve the wellbeing of the community.

#### How will we know we are making a difference?

- · When urban canopy cover on public land is increasing
- Community satisfaction with management of natural environment is improving
- Community satisfaction with environmental protection and enforcement is improving
- When there is increasing participation in environmental programs
- · When our waterway environments are improving
- When Council's and the community's greenhouse gas emissions are decreasing towards net-zero
- When diversion of waste from landfill is increasing

#### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

Delivery Program Objective

2.3.01 - Prepare for and respond to a changing climate by reducing Council's carbon footprint and implement strategies to address climate impacts and ensure a sustainable future

2.3.02 - Develop strategies to reduce energy and resource use and improve sustainability across Council operations

2.3.03 - Protect the natural environment by developing strategies to enhance and maintain biodiversity, urban green cover and ensure coastal protection

2.3.04 - Support our community to adopt sustainable living practices and deliver programs to increase understanding of our natural environment

2.3.05 - Increase diversion of waste from landfill into reuse opportunities which support the circular economy

# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target		
	2.3.01 - Prepare for and respond to a changing climate by reducing Council's carbon footprint and implement strategies to address climate impacts and ensu sustainable future					
2.3.01.01	Deliver the Shoalhaven Adaptation Plan	Environmental Services	Number of actions delivered from the approved Shoalhaven Adaptation Plan	≥ 20		
2.3.01.02	Continue implementation of Council's Sustainable Energy Strategy 2020-25 to reduce carbon emissions and increase the uptake of renewable energy to achieve Sustainability and Climate Policy	Environmental Services	Number of Sustainable Energy Strategy initiatives implemented	Count		
	targets	Environmental Services	Estimated emissions reduced through Revolving Energy Fund projects (tonnes CO2e-)	Count		
		Environmental Services	Emissions saved through Sustainable Energy Strategy projects (tonnes CO2e-)	≥ 1,000 tonnes CO2e-		
2.3.02 - De	evelop strategies to reduce energy and resource use and improve sus	stainability across Co	ouncil operations			
2.3.02.01	Deliver the Sustainability and Climate Action Plan	Environmental Services	Number of resourced actions implemented from the approved Sustainability and Climate Action Plan	≥ 30		
2.3.03 - Pr	otect the natural environment by developing strategies to enhance o	and maintain biodive	ersity, urban green cover and ensure coastal protection	on		
2.3.03.01	Undertake works within natural area reserves to improve biodiversity	Environmental Services	Number of natural area reserves with works completed towards maintaining or improving biodiversity	Count		
2.3.03.02	Support organisational environmental due diligence	Environmental Services	Number of development application referrals for which required assessment of potential biodiversity impacts have been completed	Count		
2.3.03.03	Implement water quality monitoring program of Shoalhaven's estuaries, lakes, rivers and beaches to ensure the cleanliness of waterways for public and environmental health	Environmental Services	Percentage of planned water quality monitoring program completed	100%		
		Environmental Services	Percentage of irregular water quality results whereby follow-up has occurred	100%		

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
2.3.03.04 Develop Coastal Management the NSW Coastal Management	Develop Coastal Management Programs as per the requirements of the NSW Coastal Management Act 2016 and the Coastal Manual	Environmental Services	Commence implementation of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay Coastal Management Program	90%
		Environmental Services	Lower Shoalhaven River Coastal Management Program presented to Council for adoption by June 2025	100%
		Environmental Services	Lake Conjola Coastal Management Program presented to Council for adoption by June 2025	100%
		Environmental Services	Sussex Inlet, St Georges Basin, Swan Lake and Berrara Creek Coastal Management Program presented to Council for adoption by June 2025	100%
		Environmental Services	Secure external funding to implement the South Mollymook Coastal Protection Works	100%
2.3.03.05	Prepare new, or review existing Bushcare Group Action Plans in consultation with community	Environmental Services	Number of Bushcare Group Action Plans reviewed	≥ 8
2.3.03.06	Undertake all actions required under Council's responsibility as Local Control Authority for weeds under the Biosecurity Act 2015 (NSW)	Environmental Services	Number of priority weed inspections	≥ 1,560
	E	Environmental Services	Percentage of failed priority weed inspections whereby corrective actions have been implemented	100%
		Environmental Services	Number of prioritised natural areas undergoing vertebrate pest control eradication activities such as red fox baiting	≥ 5
2.3.03.07	Progress finalisation of Council's Urban Greening Strategy	Environmental Services	Urban Greening Strategy finalised by June 2025	100%

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
2.3.04 - St	upport our community to adopt sustainable living practices and de	liver programs to inc	rease understanding of our natural environment	
2.3.04.01	Deliver the Sustainable Living Program for community members	Environmental Services	Number of funded workshops or events delivered under the Sustainable Living Program	≥ 10
		Environmental Services	Number of environmental awareness programs disseminated to the community	≥ 4
2.3.05 - In	crease diversion of waste from landfill into reuse opportunities whi	ch support the circul	ar economy	
2.3.05.01	Maximise recycling opportunities at Council's waste facilities	Waste Services	Increase the number of material types recycled year on year	≥ 2
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# Thriving local economies that meet community needs

# Council supporting strategies and plans that will guide us

- Economic Development Strategy
- Nowra CBD Revitalisation Strategy
- Property Strategy
- Tourism Destination Management Plan
- Local Strategic Planning Statement

## What's important to the community

- Employment, more jobs are needed
- Help create growth through business investment and new businesses
- Invest in tourism but manage the impact on our infrastructure
- Education and training options especially for Shoalhaven's youth
- Build vibrant public spaces and places
- · Greater shopping variety in the local area
- Continue to improve Nowra CBD
- · Development and release of new employment lands

# ■ Priority 3.1 Strengthen and diversify the economy

#### Why is this priority important?

An important economic opportunity is to continue to attract employers to set up in the Shoalhaven. By growing new and emerging industries we can provide diverse employment options for our residents. Realising these opportunities will improve our city's prosperity and provide jobs close to home.

# How will we know we are making a difference?

- When the Shoalhaven economy is growing
- When number of new employing businesses is increasing
- When the diversity of the top employing industries is maintained

#### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

**Delivery Program Objective** 

3.1.01 - Work with business, government and other partners to build a diverse local economy which provides employment opportunities for all

3.1.02 - Advocate and promote the Shoalhaven to attract increased investment and new businesses

3.1.03 - Promote and service the Shoalhaven as a diverse year-round tourist destination

# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
3.1.01 - Wo	ork with business, government and other partners to build a diverse lo	ocal economy which	provides employment opportunities for all	
3.1.01.01	Actively participate in events and networking opportunities with industry groups and businesses that support growth of the Shoalhaven economy	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of external meetings, events and networking opportunities attended or facilitated to support businesses and industry groups	≥ 300
3.1.01.02	Develop and implement a combined Tourism and Economic Development strategy	Tourism and Economic Development	Deliver a combined Tourism and Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan by June 2025	100%
3.1.01.03	Support business networks and industry groups to allow businesses and employees to establish, develop and thrive in the Shoalhaven	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of networks, groups or individuals supported by the Economic Development Team	Count
3.1.01.04	Progress work to unlock the economic growth and employment generating opportunities of zoned but undeveloped land in the South Nowra Industrial Area	Strategic Planning	Amount of employment land delivered	Count
3.1.01.05	Actively engage with industry groups: Defence, Manufacturing, Farming, Construction, Administration, Tourism	Tourism and Economic Development	Facilitate and participate in industry networking groups by attending, presenting and advocating for needs	≥ 8
		Tourism and Economic Development	Develop "Business Champions" content series to celebrate business success stories in the region	≥ ]
3.1.01.06	Develop and create InvestShoalhaven.com website as a hub for resources, news and connection for Shoalhaven businesses	Tourism and Economic Development	Publish regular news items on investShoalhaven.com and send monthly targeted emails to businesses	≥ 12
		Tourism and Economic Development	Grow engagement and page views of investShoalhaven.com	≥ 10

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
3.1.02 - Ad	vocate and promote the Shoalhaven to attract increased investmen	t and new businesses	S	
3.1.02.01	Provide advice and support to Council on external funding opportunities that are aligned to strategic objectives	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of Council applications to external grant funding programs	≥ 100
		Tourism and Economic Development	Number of successful grant applications bringing additional investment into projects/programs within the Shoalhaven	≥ 60
		Tourism and Economic Development	Number of grant programs promoted externally to Industry via groups such as chambers of commerce and local community groups	≥ 60
3.1.02.02	Advocate for key initiatives and strategic projects that will assist in attracting investment and boosting the Shoalhaven economy	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of active contributions to regional, state or federal governments (meetings, phone conversations or written advice)	≥ 150
3.1.02.03	Maintain Council's Key Projects Advocacy Document as a living prospectus to drive government investment	Tourism and Economic Development	Update content of Key Projects Guide, print and dis- tribute to align with Local Government and Federal Election campaigns	2
3.1.02.04	Advocate on behalf of businesses and community for connectivity upgrades and expansion of mobile and internet networks	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of actions addressed in Council's Connectivity Plans	≥ 4
3.1.03 - Pro	omote and service the Shoalhaven as a diverse year-round tourist de	estination		
3.1.03.01	Promote the Shoalhaven as a diverse region with a focus on off-season visitation	Tourism and Economic Development	Grow unique users to Shoalhaven.com website to in turn drive leads to business listings	≥ 5
3.1.03.02	Advocate for and support events coming to Shoalhaven in the off-season to increase visitation, provide employment and boost the visitor economy	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of meetings, discussions and networking with event holders / businesses to encourage and support off-season events in Shoalhaven	25
3.1.03.03	mobile tourism services, industry support and merchandise sales	Tourism and Economic Development	Maintain a high quality of service and achieve Google business reviews above 4 stars for the Shoalhaven Visitor Centre	4*
		Tourism and Economic Development	Increase total merchandise sales across all Shoalhaven Visitor Service sales channels	≥ \$60,000
3.1.03.04	Deliver support to aboriginal tourism operators in developing tourism businesses	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of additional Australian Tourism Data Warehouse listings for Aboriginal Tourism Operators	≥ 12

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# **Priority 3.2** Deliver safe, vibrant and attractive public spaces

#### Why is this priority important?

Busy and vibrant towns and villages encourages businesses to invest, job opportunities to be created, new activities and interests for residents and visitors to be enjoyed. It is important that we enhance our community spaces with public art, place-making and place activation - places people come together and celebrate.

# How will we know we are making a difference?

- When people's perception of the Shoalhaven as a liveable city is increasing
- When the community's satisfaction with Shoalhaven's CBDs is improving
- When the community feels the Shoalhaven is a vibrant place to live and work

#### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

**Delivery Program Objective** 

3.2.01 - Undertake strategic infrastructure planning and support transformational City projects

3.2.02 - Strengthen our commercial centres and support strong and active CBDs

3.2.03 - Provide opportunities for our community to participate, celebrate and commemorate in the civic and cultural life of the City

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# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
3.2.01 - Un	dertake strategic infrastructure planning and support transformatio	nal City projects		
3.2.01.01	Investigate opportunities for strategic development of key projects in our City	Tourism and Economic Development	Actively promote investment opportunities such as hotels and other commercial ventures to potential markets, with a focus on CBD projects such as Nowra and the Shoalhaven Riverfront	≥ 200
3.2.01.02	Support collaboration through Illawarra Shoalhaven Joint Organisation (ISJO) to advance Council and regional strategic objectives	Corporate Performance and Reporting	Number of partnership initiatives for mutual benefit of ISJO stakeholders	≥ 4
3.2.02 – Str	rengthen our commercial centres and support strong and active CBD	IS		
3.2.02.01	Progress masterplanning for the Nowra Riverfront Precinct and planning reviews to assit the revitalisation of the Nowra City Centre	Strategic Planning	Quarterly/Annual Progress reports issued to Council	100%
3.2.03 – Pro	ovide opportunities for our community to participate, celebrate and o	commemorate in the	civic and cultural life of the City	
3.2.03.01	Facilitate and support the delivery of community and tourism events striving to achieve engaged, activated and liveable communities	Tourism and Economic Development	Number of approved events on Council owned or managed land	≥ 120

# Effective, responsible and authentic *leadership*

# Council supporting strategies and plans that will guide us

- Community Engagement Strategy
- Community Participation Plan
- Resourcing Strategy
  - Long Term Financial Plan
  - Asset Management Policy, Strategy and Plans
  - Workforce Planning
  - Information Communications Technology Strategy

# What's important to the community

- Effective leadership by a cohesive Council
- Ensure funding equity across the Shoalhaven
- · Ability to participate in decision making
- Ability to have "their say" in Councils projects, policies and plans
- Responsible administration of Council services
- Better ways to recycle and reuse waste

# ■ Priority 4.1 Deliver reliable, high quality services

#### Why is this priority important?

Council supports the community in many ways such as the provision of sportfields, swimming pools, libraries, waste services, roads, water services, development assessment, ranger services and much more. Our community expects that these services will meet their daily needs provided by Council and other government agencies into the future.

# How will we know we are making a difference?

- · When the community's satisfaction with basic council services is improving
- When community expectations about customer service are being met
- When Development Applications assessment times are below the required times

#### What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

#### **Delivery Program Objective**

- 4.1.01 Provide an excellent customer experience through responsive and inclusive communication channels and processes
- 4.1.02 Provide an accessible quality Family Day Care service
- 4.1.03 Provide quality Bereavement Services at Council's General Cemeteries and at Shoalhaven Memorial Gardens and Lawn Cemetery Worrigee
- 4.1.04 Provide care for abandoned and neglected animals
- 4.1.05 Deliver an efficient waste and recycling collection service to the community
- 4.1.06 Provide reliable and safe water supply and wastewater services

# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
4.1.01 - Pro	vide an excellent customer experience through responsive and inclu	isive communication	channels and processes	
4.1.01.01	Provide an excellent customer experience by meeting Council's customer service standards for Contact Centre Operations	Customer Experience	Calls to Contact Centre answered within 30 seconds	≤ 30 seconds
		Customer Experience	Average wait time at the Customer Service Counter	≤ 5 minutes
		Customer Experience	Percentage of customer enquiries resolved at first point of contact	80%
		Customer Experience	Percentage of customer contacts that abandoned before being answered by the Contact Centre	≤ 7%
		Customer Experience	Percentage of customer requests conducted online	25%
4.1.01.02	Run 'Voice of the Customer' programme by responding to feedback and identifying process improvements to close the feedback loop	Customer Experience	Measure quality of customer service provided through customer satisfaction (CSAT)	85%
4.1.01.03	Provide graphics and cartography support to the organisation and issue 10.7 planning certificates and dwelling entitlement certificates	Strategic Planning	Number of 10.7 planning certificates and dwelling entitlement certificates issued	Count
4.1.02 - Pro	ovide an accessible quality Family Day Care service			
4.1.02.01	Coordinate the delivery of a high quality Family Day Care service	Community Connections	Maintain and increase the number of Family Day Care Educators	≥ 32
		Community Connections	Percentage of scheduled Family Day Care inspections undertaken	100%
		Community Connections	Number of engagement activities, programs and initiatives delivered with and for Aboriginal communities to create change to service or facilities at Shoalhaven Family Day Care	Count
4.1.03 - Pro	ovide quality Bereavement Services at Council's General Cemeteries	and at Shoalhaven N	lemorial Gardens and Lawn Cemetery Worrigee	
4.1.03.01	Review and update the Bereavement Services Business Plan to reflect updated licencing requirements and legislation	Commercial Services	Bereavement Services Business Plan considered by Council before 31 December 2024	100%
4.1.04 - Pro	ovide care for abandoned and neglected animals			
4.1.04.01	Ensure minimal returns of adopted animals to the Shoalhaven Animal Shelter	Building & Compliance	Percentage of adopted animal return rate	≤ 10%

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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
4.1.05 - De	liver an efficient waste and recycling collection service to the comm	unity		
4.1.05.01	Provide excellent customer service for waste and recycling collection services	Waste Services	Number of justified waste and recycling collection service complaints from customers	≤ 365
		Waste Services	Number of waste and recycling collection service compliments from customers	≥ 20
4.1.06 - Pr	ovide reliable and safe water supply and wastewater services			
4.1.06.01	Provide potable water supply in accordance with Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.	Water Operations & Maintenance	Number of E-Coli incidents encountered through testing program	0
4.1.06.02	Ensure effective and efficient recording of water consumption through continuation of water meter replacement program	Water Business Services	Deliver the annual water meter replacement program	100%
4.1.06.03	Increase the community awareness of the Shoalhaven Water financial support program and provide additional support and training to all key agencies that administer the Payment Assistance Scheme on behalf of Shoalhaven Water	Water Business Services	Deliver targeted communications and engagement activities to increase awareness of the Payment Assistance Scheme across the community	100%

# **Priority 4.2** Provide transparent leadership through effective government and administration

# Why is this priority important?

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All levels of government must provide strong leadership and advocacy for and on behalf of their communities. The community expects government to provide the direction for the future, to act with integrity, manage budgets appropriately, be ethical and responsible within requirements of legislation. Government is expected to employ sound decision-making processes and continue to seek ways to support the community's needs.

What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

#### How will we know we are making a difference?

- When Council provides equity of access to employment opportunities to improve the workforce diversity
- When Council's financial benchmarks are improving
- Community satisfaction with Council's leadership is improving

Denvery rogram objective
4.2.01 - Strengthen Council's governance, audit and planning frameworks to ensure high levels of decision making, integrity and accountability
4.2.02 - Promote Enterprise Risk Management to protect Council services, assets, business functions and reputation
4.2.03 - Support the needs of the community through a skilled, motivated, productive and safe Council workforce
4.2.04 - Enable Council's workforce and community through the delivery of secure, efficient and innovative information systems and technology
4.2.05 - Promote informed decision making through clear and timely communication of the financial implications of decisions with a focus on long-term financial sustainability
4.2.06 - Develop and implement a service review program to support Council's continuous business improvement
4.2.07 - Reduce the age of Council's plant/vehicle fleet to ensure efficient, safe and compliant operations across council
4.2.08 - Identify opportunities for investment in property and proactively manage Council's property portfolio
4.2.09 - Adopt and implement the Holiday Haven Business Plan to ensure sustainability of the business to contribute towards Council's Crown Land operations and provide value-add to the community
4.2.10 - Support the organisation to achieve their goals by managing budgeting and procurement process efficiently and effectively within acceptable levels of risk

# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
4.2.01 - St	rengthen Council's governance, audit and planning frameworks to e	nsure high levels of d	ecision making, integrity and accountability	
4.2.01.01	Manage the organisational corporate planning and reporting needs and continue to provide improvements in business planning and reporting	Corporate Performance & Reporting	Produce the Annual Report by November 2024	100%
		Corporate Performance & Reporting	Adopt the new suite of Integrated Planning & Reporting documents including the Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program Operational Plan 2025-29 by June 2025	100%
4.2.01.02	Coordinate Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee functions and responsibilities and deliver the planned internal audits	Internal Audit	Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meetings delivered as per the Charter requirements	≥ 5
		Internal Audit	ARIC annual report on its key activities and functions presented to Council	1
		Internal Audit	Conduct audits as per approved internal audit plan	100%
4.2.01.03	Process application requests for access to public information	Business Assurance & Risk	Percentage of formal GIPA requests met within statutory requirements	100%
4.2.01.04	Review and update Council's Business Continuity Planning documents	Business Assurance & Risk	Staff provided training on revised Business Continuity Plans	100%
4.2.01.05	Complete review and update of the key strategic business documents and plans of Shoalhaven Water as required under the Regulatory and Assurance framework for local water utilities	Water Business Services	Completion of long term financial model for both Water and Sewer funds	100%
		Water Business Services	Gain Council approval of Shoalhaven Water Strategic Business Plan	100%
4.2.02 - Pr	omote Enterprise Risk Management to protect Council services, asse	ets, business function	s and reputation	
4.2.02.01	Ensure currency of Council's Risk Management Framework	Business Assurance & Risk	Operational Risk Register, Risk Appetite Statement and Strategic Risk Register reviewed annually by Executive Management Team and Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee and operational risk register reviewed by relevant management teams annually	1
		Business Assurance & Risk	High level risks reviewed regularly by relevant Managers, Directors and the Audit, Risk & Improvement Committee	2
4.2.02.02	Manage Workers Compensation Self -Insurers Licence	Business Assurance & Risk	Achieve SIRA Auditing requirements for Workers Compensation Insurers Licensees	96%

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target
4.2.03 - Su	pport the needs of the community through a skilled, motivated, proc	luctive and safe Cou	ncil workforce	
4.2.03.01	Annual review and update of Council's Workforce Plan to ensure strategies are updated and implemented	People & Culture	Number of Equal Employment Opportunity Plan initiatives implemented	Count
		People & Culture	Percentage of staff with updated Performance Development Plan	90%
4.2.03.02	Implement initiatives identified in the Work Health Safety & Injury Management Strategic Business Plan	People & Culture	Number of Strategic WHS Plan initiatives implemented	≥ 8
		People & Culture	Reduction in Lost time Injury Frequency Rate compared to previous 3 year period	5%
4.2.03.03	Provide effective, proactive and strategic support to the organisation for Human Resources	People & Culture	Number of workplace change initiatives implemented	Count
4.2.03.04	Continue to improve operating efficiencies in Payroll Unit	People & Culture	Complete transition to new electronic time and attendance system	100%
4.2.04 - En	able Council's workforce and community through the delivery of sec	ure, efficient and inr	novative information systems and technology	
4.2.04.01	Implement an effective business partnership structure in supporting corporate information systems	Information Services	Number of Corporate Information Systems business partnership meetings facilitated	≥ 10
4.2.04.02	Provide spatial services including Council's cadastre and land information maintenance, online GIS, mapping systems integration, road and place naming and property addressing	Information Services	Percentage of Addressing and Road Naming applications processed within 7 days	100%
	road and place harming and property addressing	Information Services	Percentage of registered plans processed within 2 days of Land Registry Services notification	100%
4.2.04.03	Maintain and improve Council's corporate business systems to ensure legislative compliance, effective operation and security	Information Services	Progress two of the following OneCouncil Regulatory processes by June 2025: Certificates, Enforcements, BAGs/Section 68 or Health/Licencing applications	≥2
		Information Services	Council software licences renewed within budget in a timely manner and compliance maintained	100%
		Information Services	Ensure core information systems are regularly upgraded to ensure currency and effective operation (i.e OneCouncil and Content Manager)	≥ 2
4.2.04.04	Provide effective, secure and efficient record keeping frameworks and services to meet strategic, legislative and operational requirements of the organisation	Information Services	Carry out a records management maturity self assessment and submit it to State Records NSW.	2]
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Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target			
4.2.04.05	Provide efficient and secure Information Technology Support Services and Systems	Information Services	Percentage of service desk requests completed within service level agreements	80%			
		Information Services	Critical systems Up Time	99.90%			
		Information Services	Maintain satisfaction score for completed service desk requests	95%			
	omote informed decision making through clear and timely commun ustainability	ication of the financi	al implications of decisions with a focus on long-term	n			
4.2.05.01	Council's principles of Financial Sustainability are considered in financial decision making	Finance	Improvement in Operating Performance Ratio (OLG Measure)	> 0%			
4.2.05.02	Meet legislative and statutory requirements for financial reporting	Finance	Annual audited statement adopted without qualified comments by October 2024	100%			
4.2.05.03	Coordinate delivery of the Financial Sustainability Project to address the recommendations outlined in the 2023 financial review across key pillars of Asset and Project Management, Financial Management and Service Planning.	City Performance	Quarterly Productivity and Efficiency report on Financial Sustainability project outcomes provided to Council	100%			
4.2.06 - De	evelop and implement a service review program to support Council's	continuous busines:	s improvement				
4.2.06.01	Deliver Council's Business Improvement and Service Review Program	Corporate Performance & Reporting	Endorsed Business Improvement and Service Review Program implemented by June 2025	100%			
4.2.06.02	Continue the identification and delivery of Business Improvements initiatives to support the efficient operation for Shoalhaven Water	Water Business Services	Delivery of the program of business improvement activities planned for 2024-25	100%			
4.2.07 - Re	duce the age of Council's plant/vehicle fleet to ensure efficient, safe	and compliant opera	ations across council				
4.2.07.01	Analyse fleet replacement schedule, ensure appropriate budget planning and order completion	Commercial Services	Order plant and vehicles in accordance with the approved Replacement Program	95%			
4.2.08 - Ide	4.2.08 - Identify opportunities for investment in property and proactively manage Council's property portfolio						
4.2.08.01	Actively monitor and maximise tenancy rates to ensure Council's property are let	Building Services	Vacancy rate (across all categories) of Council tenanted buildings	≤ 5%			

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target		
4.2.09 - Adopt and implement the Holiday Haven Business Plan to ensure sustainability of the business to contribute towards Council's Crown Land operations and provide value-add to the community						
4.2.09.01	Review and update the Holiday Haven Business Plan to reflect the current operating environment	Commercial Services	Deliver capital works program per adopted 2024-25 Holiday Haven capital plan	100%		
		Commercial Services	Deliver Holiday Haven occupancy growth	100%		
4.2.09.02	Finalise Holiday Parks Plans of Management ready for Crown Lands approval	Commercial Services	Crown Lands plans of management finalised by June 2025	100%		
4.2.10 - Su risk	pport the organisation to achieve their goals by managing budgetin	g and procurement p	rocess efficiently and effectively within acceptable le	evels of		
4.2.10.01	Establish an Enterprise Project Management Office to oversee and support project governance through management of the corporate Project Management Framework and assess project readiness for inclusion in capital budgets	Technical Services	Project Initiatives assessed in accordance with capital budget cycle	≤ 40%		
4.2.10.02	Provide accurate information to Council and the community on Council's financial activities	Finance	Quarterly Budget Review Report submitted to Council	100%		
4.2.10.03	Develop a fair and equitable rating system that also improves Council's financial sustainability	Finance	Percentage of Overdue Rates and Annual Charges (OLG Measure)	≤ 10%		
4.2.10.04	Ensure best practice procurement and contract management that is focused on value for money outcomes, compliance and sustainability	Finance	Purchase Orders raised after invoice	≤ 5%		

# ■ Priority 4.3

# Inform and engage with the community about the decisions that affect their lives

# Why is this priority important?

All levels of government must engage with and inform community about the decisions that are being made. It is an essential component of most Council projects and enables our community to provide us with their needs and wants, so that Council can better meet community expectations. Clear communication to the community is essential, especially in times of emergency response.

# How will we know we are making a difference?

- When community satisfaction with Council's engagement is improving
- When community awareness and participation in engagement initiatives is improving

# What will Council focus on between 2022-2026?

**Delivery Program Objective** 

- 4.3.01 Provide opportunities for the community to have genuine engagement on Council planning and decision making
- 4.3.02 Provide clear, consistent, relevant and accessible information to the community
- 4.3.03 Enhance Council's reputation within the community and throughout the region

# What will Council do in 2024/25?

Ref.	Delivery Program Objective / Operational Plan Action	Department	Reporting Measure	Target			
4.3.01 - Provide opportunities for the community to have genuine engagement on Council planning and decision making							
4.3.01.01	Facilitate staff education and awareness of the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) Framework	Communications & Engagement	Update the Community Engagement Strategy 2022-26 to include the Community Engagement Framework ready for adoption by Council by December 2024	100%			
4.3.01.02	Explain to our local community the impacts of strategic planning and ensure appropriate consultation is undertaken and information is available	Strategic Planning	Number of formal strategic planning exhibitions or consultations	Count			
	available	Strategic Planning	Number of submissions received on strategic planning consultations	Count			
4.3.01.03	Support staff to develop community engagement programs that provide authentic consultation activities	Communications & Engagement	Community engagement programs developed for all consultation activities that include evaluation and reporting back to the community	100%			
4.3.01.04	Support the conduct of the 2024 Local Government elections	Business Assurance & Risk	Effective support of the local government election and onboarding of New Council	100%			
4.3.02 - Pr	ovide clear, consistent, relevant and accessible information to the co	ommunity					
4.3.02.01	Produce written and visual content that is informative and readily available to its target audience	Communications & Engagement	Strategic communication and marketing plans developed for all campaigns	100%			
4.3.02.02	Optimise communication channels to directly reach target audiences	Communications & Engagement	Maintain Council websites and regularly review content to enhance user experience and accessibility	100%			
4.3.03 - En	hance Council's reputation within the community and throughout th	ne region					
4.3.03.01	Provide accurate and timely information to promote activities, programs and policies of Council	Communications & Engagement	Number of media releases issued	≥ 120			
		Communications & Engagement	Number of social media posts	≥ 960			
4.3.03.02	Proactively respond to misinformation and provide factual information on all media platforms	Communications & Engagement	Responses to information requests from journalists	100%			
4.3.03.03	Create engaging and interesting media opportunities and events that appeal to the community and is promoted more broadly	Communications & Engagement	Media events are held for completion of major projects	100%			



# Budget

2024-2025 Draft - Post Exhibition

# **Statement of** *revenue policy*

Shoalhaven City Council's Revenue Policy is developed in response to its legislative reporting requirements under the Local Government Act 1993. The Policy provides the community with an indication of the type and breakdown of revenue sources available to Council to support its Operational Plan. Council's Revenue Policy comprises the following elements:

1. Estimated income and expenditure

- 2. Ordinary rates and special rates
- 3. Annual charges and special charges (refer Part 1 and Part 2 Fees & Charges)
- 4. Pricing methodology
- 5. Proposed borrowings

Permissible increases in rates revenue are determined by the Independent Pricing & Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) through two distinct processes; the industry standard rate peg and/or a council Special Variation. Following recent review of the rate peg methodology, IPART now considers changes to base costs for council groups, Emergency Services Levy (ESL) contributions, and population growth, in determining the annual rate peg for each council. IPART has determined a rate peg of 4.5% for Shoalhaven for 2024/25.

Council proposes to increase rates by the IPART approved rate peg of 4.5% for 2024/25. The major assumptions included in the 2024/25 estimates are:

Population Growth	0.9%
Number of Assessable Properties	0.9% increase
Rate Increases	4.5% increase
Financial Assistance Grant	4.5% increase
Other Recurrent Government Grants	4.5% increase
Interest on Investments	4.68% (estimate of weighted average return)
Employee Costs	3.5% increase plus bonus of \$1,000 per employee as per the award
On-Costs	29%
Materials and Contracts	5%
Electricity Costs	6%
Borrowings Repayment Schedule	10 years
Interest Expense For New Loans	5.5%
Other Expenses	5%

# **Rating Structure** - *ordinary rates and special rates*

The Local Government Act 1993, makes provision for rates to comprise:

- An ad valorem amount (which may be subject to a minimum rate amount) or
- A base amount to which an ad valorem amount is added.

The base charge amount is a fixed amount which is applied to all properties (except for those properties categorised as Business ordinary). While the ad valorem charge is a distribution of the residual rating income, calculated using the property's land valuation. The land valuation calculated for each property is determined by the NSW Valuer General and is reviewed every three years. In November 2022 the NSW Valuer General supplied land owners and Council with new land valuations, which Council will use to levy rates for three rating years; 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26. The base charge amount is a standard amount which is applied to all properties (except for those properties categorised as Business ordinary).

# **Ordinary rates**

Council has resolved to maintain the previous year 2023/24 rating structure, comprising both base and ad valorem amounts. This is a common rating structure that is used to provide the fairest and most equitable distribution of the rate levy across the LGA.

The rating structure has a flat base amount of \$760, with the exception of the Residential – Non-Urban category which has a base of \$50, the Farmland category which has a base of \$1,012, the Farmland – Dairy category which has a base amount of \$1,144 and Business – Ordinary category which does not have a base amount and is subject to an ad valorem rate in the dollar levied on the value of the property supplied by the NSW Valuer General. Business – Ordinary rates are levied on parcels of land held by the Crown and categorised as Business Ordinary (i.e., Crown leases such as permissive occupancies, jetties, slipways, moorings, pastoral leases, etc.).

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The following rates will apply in 2024/25 in respect of each category of ordinary rate levied by Council:

- Residential: Will be levied a base amount of \$760 and an ad valorem rate of 0.09923 cents in the \$ for Residential Rates and a base amount of \$50 and an ad valorem of 0.09923 cents in the \$ for Residential Non Urban Rates.
- Farmland:
  - The rates for Farmland will be levied a base amount of \$1,012 and an ad valorem rate of 0.07520 cents in the \$.
  - The rates for Farmland Dairy will be levied a base amount of \$1,144 and an ad valorem rate of 0.03970 cents in the \$.
- Business: All sub-categories will utilise the same base amount of \$760, excluding Business Ordinary, where no base amount is applied given the type of properties within this category. However, different ad valorems have been applied, depending upon the level of service provided in each area. An ad valorem rate for:
  - Business Nowra Business rates (CBD) is 0.51600 cents in the \$.
  - Business Ordinary 0.19932 cents in the \$.
  - Business Commercial / Industrial 0.17380 cents in the \$.
  - Business Major Retail Centre Nowra 0.72930 cents in the \$.
  - Business Major Retail Centre Vincentia 0.35130 cents in the \$.

# Council's 2024/25 ordinary Rating Structure

Sub- Category	No. of Rateable Properties	Land Value (\$)	Average Land Value (\$)	Ad Valorem (c in \$)	Base Rate Amount (\$)	Base Rate %age	Ad Valorem Yield (\$)	Base RateYield (\$)	Total Rate Yield (\$)
Residential									
Ordinary Residential Rates	56,427	\$43,315,562,986	\$767,633.02	0.09923	\$760.00	49.94%	\$42,982,364	\$42,884,520	\$85,866,884
Residential Non Urban Rates	937	\$77,278,850	\$82,474.76	0.09923	\$50.00	37.92%	\$76,684	\$46,850	\$123,534
Farmland									
Ordinary Farmland Rates	627	\$1,714,065,000	\$2,733,755.98	0.07520	\$1,012.00	32.99%	\$1,288,977	\$634,524	\$1,923,501
Farmland Rates - Dairy Farmers	142	\$409,815,000	\$2,886,021.13	0.03970	\$1,144.00	49.96%	\$162,697	\$162,448	\$325,145
Business									
Ordinary Business Rates	147	\$3,225,070	\$21,939.25	0.19932			\$6,428		\$6,428
Business Nowra Rates	378	\$276,769,980	\$732,195.71	0.51600	\$760.00	16.75%	\$1,428,133	\$287,280	\$1,715,413
Business Commercial / Industrial Rates	1,881	\$1,802,814,108	\$958,433.87	0.17380	\$760.00	31.33%	\$3,133,291	\$1,429,560	\$4,562,851
Business - Major Retail Centre - Nowra	1	\$10,700,000	\$10,700,000.00	0.72930	\$760.00	0.96%	\$78,035	\$760	\$78,795
Business - Major Retail Centre - Vincentia	1	\$11,500,000	\$11,500,000.00	0.35130	\$760.00	1.85%	\$40,400	\$760	\$41,160
Total	60,541	\$47,621,730,994					\$49,196,009	\$45,446,702	\$94,643,711

# **Special Rate Variation**

The allocation of the Special Rates Variation income (as approved by IPART in May 2018) varies to the IPART determination for 2024/25 for the following reasons.

- 1. The total is higher due to the rates growth not included in the original SRV application
- 2. Funds have been diverted from capital to fund necessary road maintenance and operational costs

	IPART determination for 2024/25	2024/25 Special Variation Levied
Borrowing cost - Verons Estate infrastructure	56,522	56,522
Allow Council to cover the cost of existing service levels	567,079	4,680,077
Fund new/enhanced service levels (i.e. sustainability program	)	
Additional Maintenance - Roads	695,816	2,804,774
Additional Maintenance - Buildings	231,939	238,259
Additional Maintenance - Parks and Reserves	231,939	238,259
Additional Operations	2,319,387	2,382,577
Capital Expenses		
Roads and Transport Renewals	6,969,215	3,816,300
Sports Grounds Upgrades	579,848	0
Buildings Renewals	3,121,200	882,807
Bridges	0	503,435
Loan Repayments		
Principal Repayments - Verons Estate infrastructure	92,459	92,459
Total:	\$14,865,404	\$15,695,469



# Special rates

#### Sussex Inlet CBD Promotion

Council levies a special rate for the promotion of Sussex Inlet, pursuant to Section 495 of the Local Government Act 1993. The structure of this special rate is an ad valorem rate only, levied on the land value of each rateable property, as supplied by the NSW Valuer General. The Sussex Inlet special rate applies to all properties within the Sussex Inlet area categorised as Business for rating purposes.

# **Resolving Small Lot Rural Subdivisions (Paper Subdivisions)**

Council also levies a number of special rates, pursuant to Section 495 of the Local Government Act 1993, on all small lot rural subdivisions (Residential Non Urban rating category), which in Council's opinion benefit from rezoning investigations, road design and construction works.

# In respect of each special rate levied by Council, the following are the special rates for 2024/25:

Sub-Category	No. of Rateable Properties	Land Value (\$)	Average Land Value (\$)	Ad Valorem (c in \$)	Base Rate Amount (\$)	Base Rate %age	Ad Valorem Yield (\$)	Base Rate Yield (\$)	Total Rate Yield (\$)
Residential									
Verons Road Upgrade Special Rate - Dwelling Potential (commenced 1 July 2017)	22	\$15,386,000	\$699,363.64	0.38260	\$2,674.00	49.98%	\$58,867	\$58,828	\$117,695
Verons Road Upgrade Special Rate - No Dwelling Potential (commenced 1 July 2017)	10	\$4,215,000	\$421,500.00	0.07093	\$297.00	49.83%	\$2,990	\$2,970	\$5,960
Nebraska Road Construction Special Rate	24	\$4,300,400	\$179,183.33	0.06743	\$119.00	49.62%	\$2,900	\$2,856	\$5,756
Jerberra Rd Infrastructure	102	\$57,225,000	\$561,029.41	0.20371	\$1,142.00	49.98%	\$116,573	\$116,484	\$233,057
Jerberra Electricity Infrastructure	102	\$57,225,000	\$561,029.41	0.06870	\$385.00	49.97%	\$39,314	\$39,270	\$78,584
Jerberra Road - E2	16	\$1,128,500	\$70,531.25	0.36653	\$257.00	49.85%	\$4,136	\$4,112	\$8,248
Business									
Sussex Area Special Rates	97	\$85,244,270	\$878,806.91	0.02175			\$18,541		\$18,541
Total	373	\$224,724,170					\$243,321	\$224,520	\$467,841

# Variations to rate revenue

The budget estimates of rate revenue for 2024/25 comply with the relevant provisions of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, NSW Local Government Act 1993, IPART Instruments and the Office of Local Government Council Rating and Revenue Raising Manual. Variations will occur throughout the budget year between the estimated rate revenue and the actual income received. Reasons for these variations include:

- Properties being withheld from rating, pending revised valuation particulars from the NSW Valuer General (VG). This occurs when properties are subdivided and new valuation particulars are provided for the newly created lots. This usually results in an increase in the valuation base for the following year.
- Adjustments to rates following altered valuations supplied by the VG, on the basis of successful objection or VG reascertainment of land value.
- Part year (pro-rata) adjustments to rating of newly created lots throughout the year.
- Properties being rated for previous years upon receipt of new valuation particulars. Council's ability to rate is contingent upon the VG's supply of respective land valuations. This may result in some properties not being rated for a particular year until subsequent rating periods. This artificially inflates the rating revenue received for the year in which the rates are actually levied.
- Previously non-rateable properties becoming rateable during the year.

# **Annual charges**

In addition to rates, Council also charges various charges via the annual Rate Notice.

#### **Domestic Waste Management**

Council levies annual Domestic Waste Management Charges as per Sections 496 and 501 of the Local Government Act 1993. These charges appear as a separate charge on rates notices for applicable properties. Refer to Fees & Charges Part 1 for further details of 2024/25 proposed charges.

## **Onsite Sewer Management**

Council levies annual charges for Onsite Sewer Management as per Section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993. These charges appear as a separate charge on rates notices for applicable properties. Refer to Fees & Charges Part 2 for further details of 2024/25 proposed charges.

## **Effluent Removal**

Council levies annual charges for Effluent Removal as per Section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993. These charges appear as a separate charge on rates notices for applicable properties. Refer to Fees & Charges Part 2 for further details of 2024/25 proposed charges.

#### Water and Sewer

Shoalhaven Water levies special charges associated with the supply of Water & Sewer as per Sections 501 and 502 of the Local Government Act 1993. These charges appear separately on quarterly Water Accounts for applicable properties. Refer to Fees & Charges Part 1 for further details of 2024/25 proposed charges.

# Stormwater Management Charge

Council levies a Stormwater Management Service charge as per Section 496A of the Local Government Act 1993, to establish a sustainable funding source for providing improved stormwater management across the Shoalhaven. These charges appear as a separate charge on rates notices for applicable properties, charged at \$25 per eligible property, and \$12.50 for strata properties. These charges have remained unchanged for many years.

The Stormwater Management Services Charge will be spent on the following projects			Funding	g Sources
Proposed Drainage Projects	Proposed Budget	General Fund	Other	Storm Water Levy
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Basin - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	113			113
Northern - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	113			113
Central - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	113			113
Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMP Implementation	480	120		360
Southern - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	113			113
Shoalhaven Heads - Pipe Lining Inv and Strategy	260		260	
	1,192	120	260	812

# **Pensioner rebates**

Eligible pensioners who hold a Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) and own and occupy a rateable property may be granted a pensioner concession on their Rates and Water accounts. The Local Government Act 1993, provides for a pensioner rebate of up to 50 per cent of the annual aggregated ordinary rates and domestic waste management service charges, to a maximum of \$250, with an additional \$87.50 allowed for Water and Sewer charges, bringing the total mandatory pensioner rebate to a maximum of \$425.00 across both Rates and Water/Sewer accounts.

Under the State's existing mandatory Pensioner Concession Scheme, the State Government reimburses the Council 55 per cent (up to \$233.75 per property) of the pensioner concession, while the Council funds the remaining 45 per cent (up to \$191.25 per property).

Shoalhaven City Council has approximately 10,577 properties receiving a pensioner concession, equating to approximately 19% per cent of rateable Residential properties.

Council continues to fund an additional annual rebate maximum of \$30 across Rates (\$10), Water (\$10) and Sewer (\$10) in 2024/25. This voluntary rebate is entirely funded by Council with no contribution from other levels of government.

# Interest on Overdue Rates & Charges and Sundry Debtors

Interest, in accordance with Section 566(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, is charged on overdue Rates and Charges. The Minister for Local Government determines the maximum amount of interest on an annual basis. The interest basis is simple interest, charged at a percentage per annum, calculated on a daily basis. Council has the ability to waive or reduce interest for the ratepayers who make application for assistance under Council's hardship provisions and/ or in extenuating circumstances.

As per Council Policy POL22/88 Revenue - Overdue Interest Rate, Council proposes to adopt the maximum of 10.5% per annum, as determined by the Minister for 2024/25.

Sundry debts greater than 90 days may incur interest charges at the same rate which is applicable to overdue rates and charges.

# **Pricing Methodology**

Under the principle of "user pays", fees are introduced to offset the cost-of-service provision or, in the case of commercial activities, to realise a reasonable rate of return on assets employed by Council to support the provision of services and to alleviate the burden that would otherwise be unfairly placed upon ratepayers.

Council has given due consideration to the following factors in determining the appropriate price for each fee:

- Cost of providing the service
- Whether the goods or services are supplied on a commercial basis
- Importance of the service to the community
- · Capacity of the user to pay
- Impact of the activity on public amenity
- Competitive market prices
- Prices dictated by legislation

In accordance with Section 608 of the Local Government Act 1993, Shoalhaven City Council determines fees and charges based on the following pricing methodologies:

- Full cost recovery Recovery of all direct and overhead costs associated with providing a service. This includes employee benefits, other direct expenses and overheads.
- Subsidised / Partial cost recovery Council recovers less than full cost for reasons of community obligation, legislated limits on charging, etc.
- Rate of return Council recovers the full cost of providing the service/activity plus a profit margin.
- Market Price of the service determined by investigating alternative prices of surrounding service providers.
- Statutory Price of the service is determined by legislation and may or may not recover full cost.

# **Proposed Borrowings**

Council's borrowings are governed by the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021. These borrowings will be secured by the usual method of a mortgage over Council's income. Competitive quotations are obtained from major banks and financial institutions with the aim of securing a low interest rate.

The proposed loan program for 2024/25 is:

Purpose of the Loan	2024/25	Funding Source
Waste and Recycling Program	\$3,750,800	
Materials Recovery Facility	\$1,831,600	Waste Fund
Waste Education Centre	\$1,919,200	Waste Fund
Total	\$3,750,800	

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2024/25

# Income Statement - Consolidated

# Income from Continuing Operations *Revenue:*

Rates and Annual Charges	193,478
User Charges and Fees	107,117
Interest and Investment Revenue	8,477
Other Revenues	5,231
Grants and Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	22,361
Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	31,823
Other Income:	
Net Gains from the disposal of assets	6,099
Total Income from Continuing Operations	374,586

Expenses from Continuing Operations	
Employee Benefits and On-Costs	127,716
Borrowing Costs	7,674
Materials and Contracts	110,837
Depreciation and Amortisation	97,220
Other Expenses	20,347
Net Losses from the disposal of assets	0
Fair value decrement on investment property	0
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	363,794
Net Operating Result	10,792
Net Operating Result before grants and contributions	
provided for capital purposes	(21,031)

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	Estima Result as 30 Ju 2024
Statement of Financial Position - Consolidated	
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	67,3
Investments	70,9
Receivables	56,1
Inventories	2,2
Other	1,0
Non-current Assets Classified as 'Held for Sale'	
Total Current Assets	197,7
Non-Current Assets	
Investments	
Receivables	7,9
Inventories	2,8
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	4,892,8
Investment Property	3,4
Intangible Assets	5
Right of use assets	2
Other	2,7
Total Non-Current Assets	4,910,5
TOTAL ASSETS	5,108,2
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LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Current Liabilities Payables	
Current Liabilities Payables Income received in advance	43,6
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EQUITY	
Retained Earnings	1,931,056
Revaluation Reserves	2,882,900
TOTAL EQUITY	4,813,956

	Estimated Result For the Year Ending 30 June 2024/25
Statement of Cash Flows - Consolidated	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts:	
Rates and Annual Charges	193,478
User Charges and Fees	107,117
Interest and Investment Revenue	8,477
Grants and Contributions	54,184
Other Revenues	5,231
Internal Revenue	0
Payments:	0
Employee Benefits and On-Costs	(127,716)
Borrowing Costs	(7,674)
Materials and Contracts	(110,837)
Waste Levy	(15,000)
Other Expenses	(5,347)
Internal Expenses	Ú Ú
Net Cash Provided from Operating Activities	101,913

# **Cash Flows from Investing Activities**

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Receipts:	
Sale of Investment Securities	45,000
Sale of Investment Property	0
Sale of Real Estate	17,000
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	2,185
Sale of Interest in Joint Venture & Associates	0
Other	0
Payments:	
Purchase of Investment Securities	(5,000)
Purchase of Investment Property	0
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(124,614)
Purchase of Real Estate Assets	(2,285)
Purchase of Interest in Joint Ventures & Associates	0
Deferred Debtors & Advances Made	0
Net Cash Provided from Investing Activities	(67,714)

# Cash Flows from Financing Activities *Receipts:*

Receipts:	
Proceeds from Borrowings & Advances	3,751
Other Financing Activity Receipts	0
Payments:	
Repayment of borrowings & Advances	(30,534)
Repayment of Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Other Financing Activity Payments	0
Net Cash Provided from Financing Activities	(26,783)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	7,416
Plus: Cash & Equivalents - beginning of year	59,898
Cash & Equivalents - end of year	67,314
#### Estimated Result For the Year Ending 30 June 2024/25

### Income Statement - General Fund

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#### **Income from Continuing Operations**

Revenue:	
Rates and Annual Charges	129,666
User Charges and Fees	71,552
Interest and Investment Revenue	5,904
Other Revenues	4,957
Internal Revenue	69,549
Grants and Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	22,361
Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	28,158
Other Income:	
Net Gains from the disposal of assets	6,099

Total Income from Continuing Operations338,246

#### **Expenses from Continuing Operations**

Employee Benefits and On-Costs	103,771
Borrowing Costs	4,767
Materials and Contracts	87,419
Depreciation and Amortisation	64,553
Other Expenses	20,249
Internal Expenses	57,407
Net Losses from the disposal of assets	0
Fair value decrement on investment property	0

Total Expenses from Continuing Operations 338,166
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Net Operating Result	80

Net Operating Result before grants and contributions (28,078) provided for capital purposes

	Estimated
	Result as at
	30 June
	2024/25
Statement of Financial Position - General Fund	
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	49,267
Investments	38,829
Receivables	45,695
Inventories	985
Other	1,017
Non-current Assets Classified as 'Held for Sale'	0
Total Current Assets	135,793

Investments	0
Receivables	3,689
Inventories	2,829
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	3,509,549
Investment Property	3,497
Intangible Assets	372
Right of use assets	225
Other	2,717
Total Non-Current Assets	3,522,878
TOTAL ASSETS	3,658,671

#### LIABILITIES

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Current Liabilities	
Payables	38,402
Income received in advance	0
Contract liabilities	29,050
Lease liabilities	186
Borrowings	16,128
Employee benefit provision	34,929
Provisions	974
Total Current Liabilities	119,669

#### **Non-Current Liabilities**

Payables	0
Lease liabilities	55
Borrowings	84,093
Employee benefit provision	1,217
Provisions	11,599
Total Non-Current Liabilities	96,964
TOTAL LIABILITIES	216,633
NET ASSETS	3,442,038

#### EQUITY

TOTAL EQUITY	3,442,038
Revaluation Reserves	2,209,380
Retained Earnings	1,232,658

	Estimated Result For the Year
	Ending 30 June
	2024/25
Statement of Cash Flows - General Fund	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts:	
Rates and Annual Charges	129,666
User Charges and Fees	71,552
Interest and Investment Revenue	5,904
Grants and Contributions	50,519
Other Revenues	4,957
Internal Revenues	69,549
Payments:	
Employee Benefits and On-Costs	(103,771)
Borrowing Costs	(4,767)
Materials and Contracts	(87,419)
Waste Levy	(15,000)
Other Expenses	(5,249)
Internal Expenses	(57,407)
Net Cash Provided from Operating Activities	58,534
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Receipts:	
Sale of Investment Securities	40,000
Sale of Investment Property	0
Sale of Real Estate	17,000
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	1,965
Sale of Interest in Joint Venture & Associates	0
Other	
Payments:	
Purchase of Investment Securities	(5,000)
Purchase of Investment Property	0
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(88,022)
Purchase of Real Estate Assets	(2,285)
Purchase of Interest in Joint Ventures & Associates	0
Deferred Debtors & Advances Made	0
Net Cash Provided from Investing Activities	(36,342)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities	
Receipts:	
Proceeds from Borrowings & Advances	3,751
Other Financing Activity Receipts	0
Payments:	
Repayment of borrowings & Advances	(25,917)
Repayment of Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Other Financing Activity Payments	0
Net Cash Provided from Financing Activities	(22,166)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	26
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Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents Plus: Cash & Equivalents - beginning of year

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Cash & Equivalents - end of year	49,267
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49,241

	Estimated Balance as at 30 June 2025 2024/25
General Fund Restricted	\$'000
Estimated Reserve Balances	
Externally Restricted	
Developer Contributions	20,187
Grants	4,192
Loans	18,576
Self Insurance	6,694
Special Rates Variation	1
Stormwater Levy	368
Waste Disposal	2,647
	52,665
Internally Restricted	
Arts Collection	45
Cemeteries	127
Coastal Management & Infrastructure	309
Committed Capital Works	0
Communication Towers	12
Critical Asset Compliance	C
Dog Off Leash Area Reserve	86
Economic Development Projects	105
Employee Leave Entitlement	5,880
Financial Assistance Grant	14,882
General Insurance	691
Industrial Land Development	2,768
Investment Writedowns	C
Jetty Licensing	19
Land Decontamination	C
Plant Replacement	C
Developer Contributions Matching Funds	C
Developer Contributions Recoupment	1,415
Sporting Facilities	301
Strategic Projects	198
Property	422
Revolving Energy	234
River Foreshore Development	916
Deposits, retentions and bonds	4,761
	33,171

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Estimated
<b>Result For</b>
the Year
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2024/25

# Income Statement - Water Fund

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## Income from Continuing Operations

Revenue:	
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Rates and Annual Charges	8,669
User Charges and Fees	30,726
Interest and Investment Revenue	1,851
Other Revenues	255
Internal Revenue	3,375
Grants and Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	0
Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	1,640
Other Income:	
Net Gains from the disposal of assets	

Total Income from Continuing Operations	46,516
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12,239
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15,144
59
6,896
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Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	44,398
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Net Operating Result2,118

Net Operating Result before grants and contributions	478
provided for capital purposes	470

	Estimated Result as at 30
	June
	2024/25
Statement of Financial Position - Water Fund	
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	14,741
Investments	24,621
Receivables	5,733
Inventories	1,300
Other	0
Non-current Assets Classified as 'Held for Sale'	0
Total Current Assets	46,395

#### **Non-Current Assets**

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Investments	0
Receivables	3,042
Inventories	0
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	551,744
Investment Property	0
Intangible Assets	120
Right of use assets	0
Total Non-Current Assets	554,906
TOTAL ASSETS	601,301

#### LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities	
Payables	3,614
Income received in advance	0
Contract liabilities	1,228
Lease liabilities	0
Borrowings	0
Employee benefit provision	0
Provisions	0
Total Current Liabilities	4,842

#### **Non-Current Liabilities**

Payables	0
Lease liabilities	0
Borrowings	0
Employee benefit provision	0
Provisions	0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	4,842

NET ASSETS	596,459

#### EQUITY

Retained Earnings	227,392
Revaluation Reserves	369,066
TOTAL EQUITY	596,459

	Estimated Result For the Year Ending 30 June
	2024/25
Statement of Cash Flows - Water Fund	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts:	
Rates and Annual Charges	8,669
User Charges and Fees	30,726
Interest and Investment Revenue	1,851
Grants and Contributions	1,640
Other Revenues	255
Internal Revenues	3,375
Payments:	
Employee Benefits and On-Costs	(12,239)
Borrowing Costs	0
Materials and Contracts	(10,060)
Other Expenses	(59)
Internal Expenses	(6,896)
Net Cash Provided from Operating Activities	17,262

#### **Cash Flows from Investing Activities**

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Receipts:	
Sale of Investment Securities	5,000
Sale of Investment Property	0
Sale of Real Estate	0
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	120
Sale of Interest in Joint Venture & Associates	0
Other	428
Payments:	
Purchase of Investment Securities	0
Purchase of Investment Property	0
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(14,635)
Purchase of Real Estate Assets	0
Purchase of Interest in Joint Ventures & Associates	0
Deferred Debtors & Advances Made	0
Net Cash Provided from Investing Activities	(9,087)

**Cash Flows from Financing Activities** 

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Receipts:	
Proceeds from Borrowings & Advances	0
Other Financing Activity Receipts	0
Payments:	
Repayment of borrowings & Advances	0
Repayment of Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Other Financing Activity Payments	(167)
Net Cash Provided from Financing Activities	(167)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	8,008
Plus: Cash & Equivalents - beginning of year	6,733
Cash & Equivalents - end of year	14,741

	Estimated Result For the
	Year Ending 30 June 2024/25
Income Statement - Sewer Fund	2024/20
Income from Continuing Operations	
Revenue:	
Rates and Annual Charges	55,143
User Charges and Fees	4,839
Interest and Investment Revenue	722
Other Revenues	19
Internal Revenue	2,118
Grants and Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	0
Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	2,025
	64,866
Other Income:	
Net Gains from the disposal of assets	0
Total Income from Continuing Operations	64,866
Expenses from Continuing Operations	10.000
Employee Benefits and On-Costs	12,222
Borrowing Costs	2,907
Materials and Contracts	14,439
Depreciation and Amortisation	17,523
Other Expenses	39
Internal Expenses	7,226
Net Losses from the disposal of assets	0
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	54,356
Net Operating Result	10,510
Net Operating Result before grants and contributions	8,485

	Estimated Result as at 30 June 2024/25
Statement of Financial Position - Sewer Fund	
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,306
Investments	7,477
Receivables	4,763
Inventories	0
Other	0
Non-current Assets Classified as 'Held for Sale'	0
Total Current Assets	15,546
Non-Current Assets	
Investments	0
Receivables	1,225
Inventories	0
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	831,531
Investment Property	0
Intangible Assets	9
Right of use assets	0
Total Non-Current Assets	832,765
TOTAL ASSETS	848,311
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Payables	1,642
Income received in advance	0
Contract liabilities	2,048
Lease liabilities	0
Borrowings	5,267
Employee benefit provision	0
Provisions	0
Total Current Liabilities	8,957
Non-Current Liabilities	
Payables	0
Lease liabilities	0
Borrowings	63,894
Employee benefit provision	0
Provisions	0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	63,894
TOTAL LIABILITIES	72,851

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NET ASSETS	775,460

EQUITY	
Retained Earnings	471,006
Revaluation Reserves	304,454
TOTAL EQUITY	775,460

Statement of Cash Flows - Sewer Fund	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts:	
Rates and Annual Charges	55,143
User Charges and Fees	4,839
Interest and Investment Revenue	722
Grants and Contributions	2,025
Other Revenues	19
Internal Revenues	2,118
Payments:	
Employee Benefits and On-Costs	(12,222)
Borrowing Costs	(2,907)
Materials and Contracts	(14,439)
Other Expenses	(39)
Internal Expenses	(7,226)
Net Cash Provided from Operating Activities	28,033

#### **Cash Flows from Investing Activities**

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Receipts:	
Sale of Investment Securities	0
Sale of Investment Property	0
Sale of Real Estate	0
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	100
Sale of Interest in Joint Venture & Associates	0
Other	0
Payments:	
Purchase of Investment Securities	0
Purchase of Investment Property	0
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(21,957)
Purchase of Real Estate Assets	0
Purchase of Interest in Joint Ventures & Associates	0
Deferred Debtors & Advances Made	0
Net Cash Provided from Investing Activities	(21,857)

#### **Cash Flows from Financing Activities**

Receipts:	
Proceeds from Borrowings & Advances	0
Other Financing Activity Receipts	0
Payments:	
Repayment of borrowings & Advances	(5,045)
Repayment of Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Other Financing Activity Payments	(1,749)
Net Cash Provided from Financing Activities	(6,794)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	(618)
Plus: Cash & Equivalents - beginning of year	3,924

Cash & Equivalents - end of year	3,306

#### **Key Performance Indicators Statement**

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Water Sewer	2.94
	15.73
Infrastructure Asset Performance Indicators	3.15
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Consolidat	ted 55.9%
General	48.0%
Infrastructure Renewals Ratio Greater than 100% Water	76.7%
Sewer	64.1%



# **Capital Works**

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#### **Capital Listing**

Project contingent on grant funding

Capital Listing	Capital Works Program	2024-25 \$'000
1	Bridges	8,561
2	Bridges	
3	Bolong Rd - Abernathys Crk / Manildra - Culvert	
4	FCB-2A - Boondabah Bridge-Brooman, The River Rd	
5	FCB-2B - Boxsells Bridge, Meroo Meadow	
6	FCB-2B - Murrays Bridge, Conjola	
7	FCB-2B - Smarts Bridge, Croobyar Rd, Croobyar	
8	Gerringong Ck Rd - Bridge Redeck Rural Upgrade/New	
9	Springs Rd Bridge - Swan Lake - Cudmirrah	
11	Buildings and Property	10,265
12	Community, Residential and Commercial Buildings	
13	16 Berry Street - Betta Electrical Building - Demolition	
14	Berry School of Arts - Roof, Chimney & Floor Repairs	
15	Berry Showground Resilience BLERF-0111	
16	BLD - Civic Buildings Reactive Cap	
17	BLD - Commercial Buildings Reactive Cap	
18	BLD - Community Buildings Reactive Cap	
19	BLD - Operational Buildings Reactive Cap	
20	BLD Berry School of Arts Fire Compliance	
21	BLD Bomaderry 4 McIntyre Way Fit Out	
22	BLD Bomaderry Depot Emergency Alarm System	
23	BLD Bomaderry Depot New Amenities	
24	BLD Height Safety System Remediation	

Capital Listing	Capital Works Program	2024-25 \$'000
25	BLD Huskisson JBMM Fire Detect Upgrade	
26	BLD Nowra 3 Schofields Lane Nowra - Roof Repairs	
27	BLD Nowra Lamonds Lane Roof	
28	BLD Nowra Library - Awning Roof Replace	
29	BLD Nowra School of Arts Floor Repairs	
30	BLD Nowra School of Arts Roof	
31	BLD Nowra Shoalhaven Gallery Lift	
32	BLD Nowra Stewart Place Terminal Roof	
33	BLD Public Amenities Lighting Improvemnt	
34	BLD St Georges Basin CC Elect Upgrades	
35	BLD Ulladula Civic Centre Lift Replace	
36	BLD Ulladulla 100 St Vincent Street	
37	BLD Ulladulla Civic Centre Roof Repair	
38	Depot safety improvement works	
39	Emergency Services Building Renewal Works	
40	EOI 100 St Vincent St Ulladulla-Stage 2 Fire Compliance Work	
41	Huskisson Theatre - Upgrade Pathway to Comply - Access Req	
42	Install of UV Filtration Sys - Cambewarra/Beaumont RFS66542E	
43	K'Valley Showground Resilience BLERF-0111	
44	Milton Showground Resilience BLERF-0111	
45	Nowra Admin Building - Fire Compliance, BCA NCC	
46	Nowra Showground Resilience BLERF-0111	
47	Preschools-Fire Detect, Control Indicator Equip & Elect Upgr	
48	Public Amenities - Toilet Roll Upgrades (anti-vandal)	
49	Public Amenity - Convert 2 Existing Publ	
50	Sanctuary Point Preschool Kerry St - Roof Repairs	
51	Shoalhaven Turf Club - Replacment of Hospitality Floor-Grant	

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Capital Listing	Capital Works Program	2024-25 \$'000
52	SSF Central - Recreation Buildings Programmed Works - Var	
53	SSF North - Recreation Buildings Programmed Works - Various	
54	SSF South – Precinct Building Programmed Works – Various	
55	Ulladulla Civic Centre Improvements	
56	Woollamia Depot - Administration Office Building Upgrade	
57	Corporate Buildings	
58	BLD Nowra Admin Electical Work	
59	BLD Nowra Admin Lift Replacement	
60	BLD Purchase of 3 Operational Vehicles	
61	BLD Ulladulla Admin Electrical Upgrades	
62	Nowra Admin Building - Renew Western Foyer Glasswork Seals	
63	Property Management	
64	Moss Vale Rd Open Space Acquisitions Funding	
65	Commercial Undertakings	5,849
66	Cemeteries	
67	BER - SMGLC - Carpark Retaining wall	
68	BER - SMGLC - Chapel paving replacement	
69	BER - SMGLC - Fencing for non-used areas	
70	BER - SMGLC - Shoring Equipment	
71	SA - Lawn Beams Construction and Landscaping	
72	SMGLC - Cremator Charger	
73	SMGLC - Lawn Beams S7 and Monument Construct and Land	
74	SMGLC - Lighting Upgrade	
75	Entertainment Centre	
76	SEC General Capital	
77	SEC Upgrade & Cladding	
78	Mechanical Services	

Capital Listing	Capital Works Program	2024-25 \$'000
79	Comerong Ferry Flood Pier Construction	
80	Fleet Office & Facility	
81	Fleet Plant Purchases	
82	Mechanical Workshop Capital	
83	Swim and Fitness	
84	Bay and Basin Leisure Centre Capital Program	
85	Bomaderry Aquatic Centre Capital Program	
86	Nowra Aquatic Park Capital Program	
87	Shoalhaven Indoor Sports Centre Capital Program	
88	Shoalhaven Swim Sport Fitness Building Fire Compliance	
89	SSF - Village Pools Reactive	
90	Sussex Inlet Leisure Centre Capital Program	
91	Ulladulla Leisure Centre	
92	Tourist Parks	
93	HH - Bendalong - Current Infrastructure	
94	HH - Burrill Lake - Current Infrastructure	
95	HH - Corporate - Capital Infrastructure	
96	HH - Culburra - Current Infrastructure	
97	HH - Currarong - Current Infrastructure	
98	HH - Huskisson Beach - Current Infrastructure	
99	HH - Kangaroo Valley - Current Infrastructure	
100	HH - Lake Conjola - Current Infrastructure	
101	HH - Lake Tabourie - Current Infrastructure	
102	HH - Shoalhaven Heads - Current Infrastructure	
103	HH - Swan Lake - Current Infrastructure	
104	HH - Ulladulla - Current Infrastructure	

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106	Community and Culture	1,423
107	Library	
108	Books & Audio Visual	
109	Library Furniture & Equip	
110	Shoalhaven Regional Gallery	
111	Regional Gallery Capital	
112	Tourism and Events	
113	Project Management / Design (Sus Tour Infr Grant)	
114	Economic Development	2,285
115	Economic Development	
116	AATP Fire Reticulation	
117	AATP Fire Water Storage	
118	AATP Stage 5 - Subdivision	
119	Flinders Industrial - Stage 11 - Land Development and Sales	
120	Environmental Management	993
121	Coastal and Estuary Management	
122	CAPITAL Two Figs - Bushfire Affected Coastal Waterways Grant	
123	Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMP Implementation	
126	Floodplain Management	
127	Flood Alert Network Upgrade	
129	Lwr Shoalhaven River Floodplain Risk Mgmt Study Plan Review	
130	St Georges Basin Floodplain Risk Mgmt Study Plan Review	
133	Fire Protection and Emergency Services	1,590
134	Fire Protection and Emergency Services	
135	BLD Lake Conjola RFS Upgrade Existing Station	
136	BLD Manyana Bendalong new RFS station	

Capital Listing	Capital Works Program	2024-25 \$'000
137	Internal Corporate Services	4,134
138	Fleet and Plant	
139	Fleet Vehicle Purchases	
140	Information Technology	
141	ICT - Councillor ICT Devices	
142	Open Space, Sport and Recreation	2,527
143	Parks, Reserves, Sport and Recreation Areas	
144	Active Recreation Minor Improvement	
145	Boongaree - Stage 2 to 7	
146	Conjola Park Hoylake Grove Reserve - Memo of Agreement - imp	
147	Elliott Reserve, Currarong - Playground replacement SCCF5	
148	Frogs Holla Reserve Drainage SCCF5	
149	Insurance - Property - Fire - Francis Ryan Amenities	
150	Play Equipment / Softfall (Replacement)	
151	Playground Replacement	
152	Sanctuary Point Library - Design & Invest	
153	Southern SCARP - Artie Smith	
154	Roads and Transport	23,406
155	Rural Roads	
156	1034-BM00465-Jervis Bay Rd Renewal	
157	Callala Bch Rd - LRRP CH0.54 - CH1.82 Rd&Culv - LRCI-4B	
158	Guardrail Upgrade Program Unalloc Renewal	
159	Lake Conjola Ent Rd - CH6.0-CH6.14 (R2R)	
160	Local Road Upgrades Program - \$40M Federal Grant	
161	Meroo Rd - LRRP CH0.3 CH1.5 Cons Urban Renewal (R2R)	
163	Resheet - LRRP Various across the Region	
164	Road Stabilisation (co contribution Natural Disasters)	

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165	Roads to Recovery Program (R2R)	
166	Terara Rd - Various Constr Renewal - LRCI-4A	
167	The Wool Rd/Mernie - CHRs - Blackspot Program	
168	Urban Roads	
169	Nowra Bridges SUP Tie Ins, North and South: Design Funding	
170	Basin - Reseal - RURAL	
171	Basin (RERRF)	
172	Boree St, Ulladulla - Asset Renewal	
173	Central - Reseal - RURAL	
174	Central (RERRF)	
175	Coomea St - Pavement Rehab CH0.660 to 0.860 - LRCI-4B	
176	Cul-de-sac Land Acquisition - Kingsley Ave Ulladulla	
177	Dolphin Point Rd-Ped Footpath Cnstrct-South Coast Footpaths	
178	George Evans Rd - Traffic Fac Yalwal Int Urban Upgrade/New	
179	G'well Pt Rd BSP 1.25km E of JindyAndy	
181	Matron Porter Dr - SUP - South Coast Footpaths	
182	Murramarang Rd SUP-Kioloa-Shlly Bch - South Coast Footpaths	
183	Murramarang Rd SUP-ShllyBch-Trnsfr Stn-South Coast Footpaths	
184	Myola Active Transport - South Coast Footpaths	
185	North - Reseal - RURAL	
186	Nowra Bridges SUP Underpass South Side: Design Funding	
187	Old Southern Rd - Various Local Invest Urban Renewal-LRCI-4A	
188	Old Southern Road - SUP - South Coast Footpaths	
189	Owen St, Huskisson - Construct Pedestrian Crossings	
190	Placemaking for Vincentia Village BBRF	
191	Rayleigh Dr - K&G No 29 Urban Renewal	
192	Sheaffe St-Ped & Drng Lakerstn>End SUP-South Coast Footpaths	

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193	South - Reseal - RURAL	
194	Traffic Facilities - Street Lighting Program	
195	Various Locations - Bus Shelter Renewals	
196	Stormwater	1,896
197	Stormwater	
198	Basin - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	
199	Central - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	
200	Moss Vale Road South URA Drainage	
201	Northern - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	
203	Southern - Pipe Inspection / Renewal / Refurbishment	
204	Strategic Roads and Bridges	9,998
205	Strategic Roads and Bridges	
206	ENSA - Detailed Design and Early Works	
207	Far North Collector Road D & C	
210	Moss Vale Road URA Road Construction	
211	Mundamia Urban Release Area - Roads LCLI	
212	Sydney/Bowen St - Rds Strtgy CP03ROAD2115 Con Urban Upgrade	
213	Waste and Recycling Program	15,019
214	Landfill and Transfer Station Operations	
215	Bins and Equipment	
216	Landfill Extension - West Nowra	
217	Materials Recovery Facility - Capital	
218	Shoalhaven MICROfactorie	
219	Waste Depot Infrastructure	
220	Waste Education Centre	
221	Waste Landfill Cell Construction - West Nowra	
222	Waste Plant and Vehicle Purchases	

Capital Listing	Capital Works Program	2024-25 \$'000
223	West Nowra Landfill Closure Rehabilitation	
224	West Nowra Leachate Treatment Project	
225	Water and Sewer Services	36,592
226	Sewer Services	
227	Culburra WWTP Upgrades	
228	Sewer NW AE	
229	Sewer NW Growth	
230	Sewer Office furniture & equipment	
231	Sewer Renewals	
232	Sewer Vehicle Purchases	
233	Sewer Plant Purchases	
234	West Nowra URA	
235	Water Services	
236	Water Communication Towers - Capital Works	
237	Water New services instal & relocate	
238	Water NW AE	
239	Water NW Growth	
240	Water Office furniture & equipment	
241	Water Plant Purchases	
242	Water Renewals	
243	Water Vehicle Purchases	
244	Waterways Infrastructure	2,362
245	Waterways Infrastructure	
247	Jervis Street Jetty Replacement	
248	Lake Conjola Ent Rd boat ramp carpark stge 2-Boating Now R4	
250	Lakehaven Dr - Waterways Lion Park BLR Urban Renewal	
251	Myola – Catherine St -Renewal– Boat Launching Ramp & Pontoon	

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252	Short St - Waterways Paddlecraft Access Urban Upgrade/New	
253	St George Basin – Fishing Access Improvements	
254	Waterways - Fishing Facilities Upgrade 22-23 Upgrade/New	
255	West St - Waterways Slipway Urban Renewal	
256	Woollamia Industrial - Stage 5 - APZ Trail	
	Grand Total	126,899

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