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## **About the Richmond Valley**

The Richmond Valley is home to a diverse community which spreads from the coastline at Evans Head to the rural heartland of Casino over an expanse of around 3050km. The sense of community is enhanced by the friendliness of the people and the acceptance of all who call the Richmond Valley home.

The Richmond Valley Council area has a large number of natural assets, including beaches, agricultural lands, significant river ways and hinterland areas. This natural beauty and the relaxed and friendly atmosphere of the community has been a major draw card for sea changers and tree changers in recent years.

The retail and residential hub, Casino, has a population of more than 10,914 with the balance of the population of 23,317 residing in the communities of Evans Head, Woodburn, Coraki, Broadwater, Rileys Hill, Rappville and New Italy.

The Richmond Valley is on the cusp of something big. Council has the platform to support significant growth in the local economy, which in turn will contribute to growth in the Northern Rivers regional economy.

As the Beef Capital, Casino has the Northern Co-operative Meat Company (NCMC), which contributes significantly to the \$374.6 million in economic activity generated by the meat industry, as well as Richmond Dairies which exports to numerous countries, followed by Council's own recently upgraded Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange which has a turnover of more than \$100 million. Along with this, the Richmond Valley has Australia's largest beef jerky producers in New World Foods.

But it's not just beef the Richmond Valley produces. It also has a significant range of agricultural and manufacturing industries including Sunshine Sugar with their mill at Broadwater, Mountain Blue Blueberries, Blue Dog Ti Tree, Mara Foods and OzRice, to name a few.

The diversity in the Richmond Valley economy is exemplified by the tourism influxes experienced in the coastal regions, around Evans Head with its boat harbour, and there are many opportunities to be developed to draw more tourists inland.

Through focused economic development and by telling our story through business and tourism activities, our economy and community are set to prosper.

Council and the community understand their roles in the challenges which lie ahead and how the Richmond Valley can position itself to develop specific strengths within the economies of the future.

## Mayor-GM Message

It has been a challenging year for our community with ongoing natural disasters unfolding across the Richmond Valley. From drought to fire to flood to the coronavirus pandemic, a big challenge lies ahead for all of us but if we continue to work together we will come out stronger than before.

Before all these challenges were thrown our way, we were well placed being financially sustainable. We have delivered our signature projects and are making solid progress on the key goals set for our community.

We have developed a strong portfolio of projects which demonstrate our capacity to deliver, and our strategic approach to addressing the challenges faced by our region.

Naturally, the bushfire disasters of October and November occupied much of our attention and resources at the end of 2019 and have continued to do so in the first half of 2020 - and will do so for some time.

But beyond the bushfire recovery effort there is much to look forward to in the coming year. Our new signature projects include the \$5 million upgrade to the Casino Memorial Pool, the Casino to Bentley section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail, progressing plans for a new Evans Head library and administration centre, a master plan for Razorback Lookout, which we will pursue funding for, as well as seeking funding to complete the final stages of the Woodburn Riverside Park and Casino Drill Hall precinct.

In line with our Community Strategic Plan, Council is continuing to promote the growth of the local economy, working with local businesses and governments to ensure existing jobs stay local and conditions are ripe for the development of new jobs and businesses.

In response to the natural disasters experienced across our local government area, as well as other economic challenges, we have prepared four significant documents to help our move forward with confidence.

The first is a *Guide to Economic Development in the Richmond Valley*, which showcases the strengths of our region and the important role Council has to play in achieving its potential.

The second complements the Guide to Economic Development but with more of a focus on the Mid Richmond. Called *Imagine - 2020 and beyond*, the document's main aim is setting a collaborative approach to securing the future of the Mid Richmond post Pacific Highway bypass.

The third is Council's *Rebuilding the Richmond Valley - Community Revitalisation Plan*, which was developed to address bushfire recovery. This document is more than just a list of tasks required to clean up after a disaster event. It identifies a range of actions and opportunities to ensure recovery measures are timely and effective.

The fourth, and most recent, is our plan to help local businesses and the community survive the coronavirus pandemic. Council's *COVID-19 Community and Economic Resilience Package* was developed to provide assistance to community and businesses, while minimising the risk to Council's financial sustainability. This package has two phases - an immediate response package and longer-term strategic response actions.

All of these documents are on our website, and we encourage residents and business owners to take the time to read though them.



Despite new COVID-19 operating procedures, the Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange (NRLX) had a record turnover in March, generating \$22.4 million in sales. Vendors and prospective buyers took advantage of the StockLive live streaming and online bidding system. The investment by the Australian and NSW governments, which have supported Council's investment in upgrading the facility, is bearing fruit with 2019-2020 expected see close to 120,000 throughput, around 20,000 more than last year.

We were proud to be named the Outstanding Employer of Choice at the 2019 Northern Rivers Regional Business Awards. The award is a testament to the work Council has done over several years to create a positive and forward-looking organisation which attracts and retains high-quality employees. Our unique, award-winning Youth Employment Strategy (YES) continues to support local young people with valuable career and training opportunities, including professional scholarships, school-based traineeships, and full-time traineeships and apprenticeships. More than 90 young people have participated in YES since 2014.

#### Other highlights include:

- Funding of \$1.41 million was provided by the Australian Government's National Bushfire Recovery Agency to essential projects for the renewal of those communities most impacted by the disaster. The funds include: a \$1 million investment into the rebuilding of Rappville village, including a new Rappville Hall and expanded community precinct; a new shared pathway between the school and post office; infrastructure repairs and upgrades at the Rappville Sportsground; and funding for a master plan to expand the village in the future. There is also \$50,000 allocated to rebuild the New Italy mountain bike trails in the Tabbimoble and Doubleduke state forests, and an additional \$100,000 to provide emergency infrastructure and upgrades for the New Italy Museum Community Hall.
- Three sport and recreation projects in the Richmond Valley receiving more than \$500,000 from the NSW Government. The RSM Cobras Soccer Club will benefit from \$205,000 to resurface the field, buy new goals and replace the coaching box and fencing, making the venue safer and more enjoyable. The 30-year-old flood lighting at the four outdoor courts of the Casino Netball grounds will also be replaced with new steel poles and less power-

hungry LED lights at a cost of \$237,000, and around \$100,000 will complete the Broadwater outdoor youth space and Memorial Park upgrade for the twin communities of Broadwater and Rileys Hill.

Handing over the keys of the new Evans Head Living Museum building to the museum's
dedicated volunteers. The refurbished 1920s school building has undergone an extensive
renovation courtesy of Council and will provide a stable home for the museum's treasures
for many years to come. The second building has been converted into a new visitor
information centre to complement the museum's offerings, encouraging visitation from
locals and visitors interested in the culture and heritage aspects of Evans Head and
surrounds.

Looking ahead, Council has a number of signature projects on the agenda which are competitively placed to attract grant funding. Included are:

- the full upgrade of the Casino Memorial Pool, a vital public amenity for the Casino community, and pursuing the master plan for the \$8m upgrade to the Casino Showgrounds; and
- the completion of the Broadwater village to Broadwater National Park shared pathway, the master plan for improvements to Razorback Lookout, and an upgraded library for Evans Head.

Yes, there have been challenges but we will rise to them. When this recent pandemic has passed, and doors are reopened, in true Richmond Valley fashion, we will come out of it stronger, more efficient, more tech savvy, and more connected than ever before.

We look forward to a positive and prosperous 2020-2021 for our Valley.

Stay positive.

**Robert Mustow** 



Vaughan Macdonald



# Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework

#### What are the integrated plans?

The NSW Government's Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) Framework is required for all local government councils. The integrated plans are the Richmond Valley Made 2030 Community Strategic Plan (CSP), the Delivery Program 2017-2021 and the one-year Operational Plan. The Delivery Program and Operational Plan are Council's response to the Community Strategic Plan, which is a summary of the community's aspirations and priorities over the next 10 years.

Each newly elected council in New South Wales must develop a four-year delivery program to outline how it will contribute to achieving the goals of the CSP. The delivery program is reviewed on a four-year cycle, in line with the local government election timetable.

The CSP, Delivery Program and Operational Plan (integrated plans) are founded on a basis of social, economic, environmental and governance factors through four priority areas: Connecting People and Places; Growing our Economy; Looking after our Environment; and Making Council Great. These priority areas provide a structure for all of the plans and highlight the key priorities, enabling Council to meet the community's vision of 'A great community with a relaxed lifestyle, beautiful environment and vibrant economy'.



### **Revised Delivery Program**

Council forms partnerships with many other government departments, agencies and private enterprise to help deliver on all aspects of the community's aspirations and priorities.

The Revised 2017-2021 Delivery Program outlines everything Council will do over the remainder of its current four-year term. The Delivery Program was developed in response to the priorities identified by the community during the review of Council's Community Strategic Plan. The Plan is the vision we developed with your help for the next 10 years. The Richmond Valley Made 2030 Community Strategic Plan is split into four priorities. Each priority is in turn split into a number of services.

The 2020-2021 Operational Plan is the detailed action plan for the year ahead. It enables Council to achieve the objectives set out in both the Delivery Program and the CSP and provides the community with more information on what it can expect to occur, and which areas of Council are responsible.

The Operational Plan is implemented with a supporting annual budget to fund the necessary works. This budget is included in the Long-Term Financial Plan.

#### What are the resourcing strategies?

The resourcing strategies are Council's long-term strategies for how the integrated plans will be resourced. The resourcing strategies consist of three plans which provide more detail on the financial, workforce and asset matters that Council is responsible for:

- Long Term Financial Plan
- Workforce Plan
- Asset Management Plan

#### How to read this document and plans

The Community Strategic Plan, Delivery Program and Operational Plan are organised under four priority areas agreed with our community:

- Connecting People and Places
- Growing our Economy
- Looking after our Environment
- Making Council Great

#### Under each priority area are:

- CSP strategic goals which are the long-term strategies to achieve the vision and outline where we want to be.
- Delivery Program strategies set out Council's objectives and program activities for the four-year period to assist in achieving the CSP's strategic goals.
- Operational Plan action sets out the actions Council will undertake to implement its Delivery Program, which area of Council is responsible for implementing each action, and what we deliver.

This document should be read in conjunction with the Richmond Valley Made 2030 Community Strategic Plan (CSP) and the resourcing strategies. The CSP and resourcing strategies are set out in companion documents. Council's fees and charges also form part of the annual budget and are set out in a separate document.

## **Council Services**

| Connecting People and Places   |                              |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| PP1 Fresh & Vibrant<br>Community   | PP2 Getting Around           | PP3 Working Together  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Festivals and events</li> <li>Sports grounds, parks &amp; facilities</li> <li>Swimming pools</li> <li>Cemeteries</li> <li>Libraries</li> <li>Community centres &amp; halls</li> <li>Emergency management</li> </ul> | Building & maintaining roads | Community engagement,<br>consultation & communication     Community programs & grants |  |  |  |  |

| Growing our Economy         |                                    |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| EC1 Driving Economic Growth | EC2 Building on our Strengths      |
| Economic development        | Quarries                           |
| Tourism                     | Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange |
| Town planning &             | Private works                      |
| development services        | Real estate development            |

| Looking after our Environment             |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| EH1 Managing our Waste and Water          | EH2 Promoting the Protection of the |
|   | Environment                         |
| Waste management                          | Environmental health                |
| <ul> <li>Stormwater management</li> </ul> | Environmental management            |
| •Water supplies and sewerage services     |                                     |

| Making Council Great   |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| CS1 Leading and Advocating for our CS2 Great Support Community |   |  |  |  |  |
| Governance & advocacy  | <ul> <li>Customer Service</li> <li>Information Technology Services</li> <li>People &amp; Culture</li> <li>Work Health &amp; Safety</li> <li>Financial Services</li> <li>Fleet Management</li> <li>Engineering Support &amp; Asset Management</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |

## **Exciting new projects on the horizon**



Recent announcements that two companies are looking at Casino to establish world-class facilities has boosted morale across the Richmond Valley.

The first involves a proposal put forward by SANA Nutraceuticals to construct a 10ha greenhouse operation for the cultivation, production and manufacture of medical cannabis and associated products in the Richmond Valley.

Touted as the "largest medical cannabis facility in the southern hemisphere", at full scale it will have the capacity to support annual production of 100,000 kilograms of high-quality cannabis, which equates to an associated annual revenue generation potential of between \$800 million and \$1.1 billion, based on current pricing metrics in the Australian cannabis marketplace. It is expected to create around 300 direct new jobs, and 100 indirect jobs.

The second features plans to build a bio hub adjacent to Council's Casino sewage treatment plant which will transform organic waste and waste water into energy, clean water and other bio-products.

Energy from waste is an emerging opportunity in NSW and Richmond Valley Council is at the forefront. Working in collaboration with North Coast councils, the NSW Government and international firm Pacific Consultants, Richmond Valley Council is investigating the feasibility of the establishment of an energy-from-waste facility which will process municipal solid waste and create clean, sustainable baseload energy.

Council has a strong commitment to economic development to attract jobs to our area for the people in our community as this is consistent with the NSW Government's North Coast Regional Plan 2036, which has goals including:

- grow agribusiness across the region;
- · provide great places to live and work; and
- promote renewable energy opportunities.

This was reinforced with the launch of Council's *Guide to Economic Development in the Richmond Valley*. This is also supported by the NSW Government's Regional Development framework which provides opportunities for funding support through the \$1.3 billion Regional Growth Fund.

Council is continuing to work actively with SANA Nutraceuticals, Utilitas and Pacific Consultants to support the progression of the developments in the Richmond Valley.

Council is also being proactive in identifying suitable sites and beginning the lengthy legislative process to expand the area's potential for residential, commercial and industrial land.

## **Signature Projects**

#### **Northern Rivers Rail Trail**

In 2013, the not-for-profit community group, Northern Rivers Rail Trail Association Inc, was formed with a vision to preserve a valuable community asset - the 130km of disused rail corridor between Casino and Murwillumbah and converting it to a modern cycle and walking trail through the region's spectacular landscapes.

In 2018, Tweed Shire Council secured the funding required to design and construct a 24km section of the trail at the northern end of the corridor. Tweed Shire Council received \$6.5 million each from the Australian and NSW governments with construction of its section of the trail set to start in 2020.

At the same time, Richmond Valley Council joined with Lismore City Council to help fund a business case for the Casino to Eltham section, a 45km stretch of trail that will wind through some of the most scenic pastoral locations in the country.



The business case costed the Casino to Eltham section at \$33.3 million with a positive cost benefit analysis indicating it would deliver a net economic benefit to the region.

Federal Member for Page Kevin Hogan has since committed an initial \$7.5 million to build the first section from Casino to Bentley, which runs for 13km. This funding also includes \$450,000 for restoration of the old Casino train station at the southern end of the trail.

The rail trail will be for the local community to use for getting to school, work and sport, shopping and recreation, and by visitors seeking either a new way to experience the region's scenery, food and culture or a more adventurous experience. The other significant benefit of a rail trail for any community is the opportunity for healthy activity and exercise.

Council's Project Management Office has begun working on the planning stages of the Casino to Bentley section, while also collaborating with neighboring councils and the Northern Rivers Rail Trail Group to realise the full potential of the project from Casino to Murwillumbah.

The Casino to Bentley stage will deliver significant economic, social and environmental outcomes for the Northern Rivers region, NSW and Australia. The rail trail will attract visitor expenditure, improve regional health outcomes and directly facilitate an active and alternative form of transport for residents and communities in the region. The project will also preserve key heritage infrastructure and create a natural wildlife corridor to protect the biodiversity of the region whilst strengthening the connection between tourism and conservation.

#### Casino Drill Hall

With stage one of the project completed in July 2019, the Drill Hall site has created a focused community space for Casino and an engaging destination for visitors to stop close to the CBD. Stage one was delivered with funding from all three tiers of Government - Federal, State and Richmond Valley Council.

The fully completed Drill Hall site will be a local-scale contemporary event and exhibition space with a focus on supporting cultural and community events for Casino and the Northern Rivers. It will also have a key role in supporting the region's tourist industry and as a repository for the military history of the Northern Rivers.

The Drill Hall development project has been staged, integrating both the Drill Hall and riverbank sites, and will continue to seek further grant opportunities to realise the full scope of the project. Stage two is unfunded, and it is estimated a further \$1.3 million will be required to complete this project.

As much as possible, the master plan has reflected the results of extensive community consultation, site analysis and the realities of Council's and the community's resources.



Additionally, it has integrated existing features with new facility requirements.

The Drill Hall site has already hosted several events and has generated significant positive feedback from the community.

#### Completed - Stage 1

- Construct amphitheatre
- Construct visitor information centre
- Upgrade of Drill Hall building
- Construct carpark
- Complete landscaping
- Construct pathways over the site
- Upgrade toilet facilities
- Install bollards on perimeter of site

#### Awaiting funding - Stage 2

- Construct 'The Walk' including trenches and a reflections pool
- Construct boardwalk and viewing platform
- Upgrade of Lennox Street including earthworks, drainage and reseal
- Install new playground
- Replace roof and other section of the Drill Hall shed
- Construct parade ground green
- Complete all landscaping surrounding the site

#### **Woodburn Riverside Park**

In partnership with the Australian and NSW governments, Council has completed the first stage of the master plan for the upgrade to the Woodburn Riverside Precinct. This project is a key deliverable for the Woodburn community with a vision for it to be a main attraction point for travellers, particularly after the diversion of the Pacific Highway. To fully complete the project, it is estimated further funding of \$1.4 million will be required.

Throughout this project, there was an opportunity to not only beautify and refresh the area, but to establish an iconic and unique facility and community space which will continue to draw road and river traffic to the area. A key feature of the upgraded park is the adventure playground that has proven popular with locals and travellers.

A new community building is another feature of the park as it houses a visitor information centre, a modern meeting and function space and an outdoor deck that takes advantage of the views of the Richmond River.

#### Completed - Stage 1

- Construct new community building including new visitor information centre, toilet facilities and function room
- Construct western lawn area
- Install picnic terraces
- Construct new beach including retaining walls
- Install new adventure playground
- Install extensive pathways and turfing throughout
- Install new timber boardwalk and boating pontoon
- Construct BBQ area and shelters

#### Awaiting Funding - Stage 2

- Construct village green and war memorial
- Full completion of boardwalk
- Complete streetscape and entry statement
- Construct ski club house and pontoon (subject to DA approval)



#### Woodburn-Coraki Road

The Woodburn-Coraki Road is under increasing strain from heavy traffic associated with the construction of the Pacific Highway. It is a key route for local and regional travellers, and it is expected the 19km length will need significant work over the next five years at an estimated cost of \$19 million. Council continues to investigate ways of funding the reconstruction of this road.

The Council-owned Peterson's Quarry and the adjoining, privately-owned, McGearys Quarry at Coraki were identified as the southern-most deposit of high-grade basalt rock to be used on the Woolgoolga-Ballina section of the Pacific Highway upgrade. Quarry Solutions took possession of the quarries in 2015 and under existing approvals it can extract 1.3million tonnes of blue metal per year for the duration of the Highway upgrade. With annual extraction limits of 1.3 million tonnes over the next three years, all transported in 33 tonne loads by truck and dog combinations to the Pacific Highway, it can be appreciated that the Woodburn-Coraki Road will experience extraordinary traffic loads far in excess of what it was originally designed for.

After the completion of the highway project the development application for McGearys Quarry will lapse, however, Quarry Solutions aims to keep working the original Peterson's Quarry, which dates back 100 years, and will be permitted to extract an annual limit of 320,000 tonnes.

Council completed \$2.4 million worth of work on the two first sections in 2017-2018 and \$2 million during 2018-2019. The sections delivered by Council were achieved under budget and well within time and the quality of the section is still evident.

Council applied for \$3.1 million under NSW Government's Fixing Country Roads Program in 2019-2020 and although unsuccessful has undertaken survey and design of the road to enable Council to be shovel ready when further funding opportunities arise.



#### **Coraki Riverfront Precinct**

Situated at the junction of the Richmond and Wilson rivers – hence the Aboriginal name for 'meeting of the waters' - Coraki lies to the west of Pacific Highway and south west of Ballina. The major access road from the Pacific Highway is from Woodburn, which is 18km from Coraki, and connects Coraki with Casino, 31km further inland.

Coraki is the tea tree capital of the region, and the go-to precinct for fishing, boating, swimming, sailing and bird watching. Its quiet charm and the genuine hospitality of the locals is a welcome bonus.

The Coraki Riverside Caravan Park and Camping Grounds, centrally located in the village right beside the river, makes for a peaceful home base when visiting the region.

Planning for this project was carried out in conjunction with community consultation to identify priority areas of need in this area and the following upgrades were delivered in stage one of the project:



- Install new pontoon and boat ramp
- Construct new pathway adjacent to the Richmond River
- Expansion and upgrade of the beach
- Installation of new outdoor furniture, barbecues and shelters
- Installation of indigenous art features
- Installation of rural fencing for nature walk to East Coraki
- Installation of fitness stations on Richmond Terrace

Following the successful works of the riverside redevelopment, Council now intends to undertake the following works in this precinct:

#### Coraki Caravan Park amenity building

A recent announcement by the Australian Government will enable the replacement of the Riverside Caravan Park amenity building. The upgrade will replace the aged existing facility to include all ability access to showers, laundry and camp kitchen. The upgrade will further enhance the attractiveness of the park as a tourist destination for visitors to the region.

#### **Richmond Terrace**

Richmond Terrace is an important route connecting the main road to Coraki township and the riverfront precinct. Council has programmed an investigative process into the rehabilitation and repair of Richmond Terrace to ensure the future connectivity of this important community asset and tourist attraction.

#### **Casino Memorial Pool redevelopment**

Extensive consultation with the community in the Richmond Valley Made 2030 Community Strategic Plan, identified the Casino Memorial Pool as a high upgrade priority. From that consultation, Council developed a master plan and successfully secured \$3.2 million in funding from the Australian Government to commence essential works including:

- Renewal of 50m pool filtration system
- Upgrade of 50m pool to eight lanes and a wet deck
- Pool entry ramp
- Plant and pump refurbishment to allow for heating of pool
- Refurbish change rooms
- Demolition of wading/learn to swim pool
- Construction of water play space
- Heating of 50m pool for winter swimming
- Kiosk fit out and walkway entrance

Council estimates a full upgrade of the pool, delivering all elements of the master plan will cost approximately \$10 million. As a result, Council will continue to seek further funding opportunities to realise the full potential of this important community asset. Other elements of the master plan include:

- Construction of indoor heated pool
- New waterslide area
- Landscaping and shade structures
- Grandstand refurbishment



Casino Master Plan Design Concept

#### **Evans Head Library and Administration Building**

The construction of the new HealthOne facility by the NSW Government has paved the way for Council to begin planning an upgrade of its neighboring administration centre and library into a modernised facility. The library will be expanded with the aim to further develop services and to provide an up-to-date catalogue and technology-ready experience for Evans Head and surrounding communities of the Mid Richmond in Broadwater, Woodburn and Coraki. The signature feature of the planned library is an outdoor courtyard.



#### **Colley Park**

Council was successful in securing funding from Stronger Country Communities Fund (Round 3) to upgrade Casino's football grounds. Works include:

- Levelling and re-turfing of main ground
- New irrigation system
- New fencing and safety netting system
- New goal posts
- Upgrade on field coaching boxes

Council will apply for further funds for the below works which will complement the Stronger Country Communities work:

- Demolition and replacement of club change rooms
- Club rooms to include referees' room, canteen and gear storage
- Adaption for male/female sports
- Expansion of users to other sports, such as touch football.



#### **FOGO (Food Organics Garden Organics) Facility**

Council had implemented the introduction of FOGO into the organics bin cycle in 2016 which allowed residents to dispose of their food waste in the garden waste bin. This waste was transported to Lismore's composting facility up until its recent closure. Council has been unable to secure an alternative site to have the FOGO composted and has since been exploring alternative solutions.

Under the State Government's, Waste Less Recycle More initiative, Council successfully received a grant to deliver its own FOGO composting plant. The facility will process food and garden organics collected from the kerbside to produce a saleable compost product.



The Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange has been identified as a potential location for the plant as the soft flooring at the newly upgraded facility is also a complementary

waste source ideal for the composting process. Investigations on plant design and best practice techniques is currently underway with an expected project delivery in 2021.

#### **Rappville Revitalisation Projects**

The National Bushfire Recovery Agency has advised the Australian Government will provide funding to support recovery projects within the Richmond Valley Council area following the bush fires which severely impacted our community in October 2019.

The fires resulted in 48% of our local government area and more than 350 homes, outbuildings and facilities being destroyed or damaged. This large-scale bushfire burnt 142,741 hectares of land within the LGA and severely impacted key industries including primary producers and the forestry and timber industry. These impacts have had an immediate ripple effect throughout the regional economy and economic stimulus is urgently required.

Funding guidelines for the National Bushfire Recovery Grant include projects and activities which have been identified as essential for the recovery and renewal of communities such as:

- Rebuilding damaged or destroyed Council assets such as key local roads, bridges and community facilities
- Employing additional local staff to take on specialist recovery or planning roles to help coordinate and plan the rebuilding effort
- Hosting new public activities and events to bring communities together and attract visitors back to affected regions; and
- Immediate maintenance and repairs to relief and evacuation centres.

Some of the infrastructure projects identified under this funding include:

Rappville Sportsground - Replace burnt infrastructure and allowance for upgraded facilities.

**Rappville Hall -** Rebuilding of hall and additional funds for a community precinct providing improved space and outdoor covered areas.

**Rappville Shared Pathway -** Pedestrian and cycle access path connecting the school and the post office.

## **Blueprint for our future**

#### Razorback Lookout, Evans Head



Council was approached by the community during the Richmond Valley Made 2030 Community Strategic Plan process to undertake master planning to allow for the appropriate future development and management of Razorback Lookout. Council adopted the Razorback Lookout Master Plan in March 2020 and will incorporate this plan into future grant funding opportunities.

#### **Casino Showgrounds**

Casino Showground Master Plan was adopted by Council in 2018. We will continue to seek funding for the elements within the master plan to improve the facilities and the benefits the showgrounds can provide. At present Council does not have any funding for capital projects on the site.

#### **Queen Elizabeth Park**

Council has worked with the user groups, sporting organisations and the community to establish a draft master plan outlining the future strategic direction of the reserve. This draft will be submitted to Council for adoption before the end of the 2019/2020 financial year so that it can be used as the basis to seek funding from suitable agencies in future.

## **Delivering for our community**

#### Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange (\$14,000,000)

The completion of the \$14 million upgrade of the Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange has marked a new era for livestock sales, creating a nationally significant saleyard complex which is modern, comfortable, efficient and safe. Efficiencies created through the upgrade have provided livestock agents an opportunity to present cattle to a very high standard and ensures better animal welfare and management and, better safety for both people and animals.

#### **Casino Drill Hall Stage 1 (\$2,580,579)**

- Construct amphitheatre
- Construct visitor information centre
- Upgrade of Drill Hall building
- Construct carpark

- Complete landscaping
- Construct pathways over the site
- Upgrade toilet facilities
- Install bollards on perimeter of site

#### Woodburn Riverside Precinct Stage 1 (\$2,225,408)

- Construct new community building including new visitor information centre, toilet facilities and function room
- Construct western lawn area
- Install picnic terraces
- Construct new beach including retaining walls
- Install new adventure playground
- Install extensive pathways and turfing throughout
- Install new timber boardwalk and boating pontoon
- Construct BBQ area and shelters

#### Coraki Riverfront Precinct Stage 1 (\$447,850)

- Install new pontoon and boat ramp
- Construct new pathway adjacent to the Richmond River
- Expansion and upgrade of beach
- Installation of new outdoor furniture, barbecues and shelters
- Installation of indigenous art features
- Installation of rural fencing for nature walk to East Coraki
- Installation of fitness stations on Richmond Terrace

#### Casino Shared Pathways (\$1,356,500)

Funding was awarded by the NSW Government under the Active Transport Program for the construction of the shared pathways including drain crossings, structures and accesses throughout the Richmond Valley. Construction has been awarded to local contractor, NRC Group Pty Ltd for two 2.5-metre-wide pathways located on Summerland Way from Ecles Street to the Casino Showground entrance and on the Bruxner Highway from Clark Street to Walker Street.

Council has since been approved for additional grant funding for a third shared pathway in Casino on Johnston Street from Walker Street to Wattle Street. Construction is expected to be completed by 30 April 2020.

#### Queen Elizabeth Park (\$480,000)

- Upgraded water connection to QE2 and QE5 including mobile irrigator
- Electrical upgrade to
   QE5 with installation of new lights
   at QE3, QE4 and QE5
- Amenities and canteen upgrade OF2
- Grandstands for use at the QE Park Precinct
- Relocation of turf cricket pitch from QE5 to QE7.

## **Facilitated Signature Projects**

Council, in consultation with community groups, has identified potential projects to Valley and will continue to facilitate be developed within the Richmond opportunities. One example of Council working with the community is the successful funding for the Casino to Bentley section of the Northern Rivers Rail Trail. Council will continue to advocate for the community to ensure these projects have the best possible opportunity to come to fruition. This includes:

#### **Jabiru Geneebeinga Wetlands**

The Jabiru Geneebeinga Wetlands were developed as a bicentenary project in 1988 and need renewal. The wetlands are a natural habitat area, providing a sanctuary for native birds and wildlife. They attract many species of birds including the Jabiru, black swans and many other water birds which can be observed in their natural habitat. The site incorporates a mini railway which conducts train rides through the wetlands to the Old Casino Station Museum, which provides an important link with Casino's past, when the town was a major railhead. The opportunity exists for this precinct to become an important regional tourism destination.

Status - Council is supporting the work of the volunteer Wetlands Group to improve the wetlands.



## **Projects requiring funding**

During extensive consultation with the community, it was identified there are several major projects which are important to the Richmond Valley community which are currently not funded. This information has been generated through a variety of community consultations, including the development of the Richmond Valley Made 2030 Community Strategic Plan:

#### Casino Showground - \$8.2 million

#### Stage one - \$4.6 million

- Indoor equestrian arena
- Grandstands
- Stables and stalls
- · Cross country and tetrathlon course
- Develop camping and RV stay
- Ability to hold regional, state and national events.

#### Stage two - \$3.6 million

- Sand training track rehabilitation
- · Grass racing track rehabilitation
- Track drainage
- · Jockey and steward's facilities and toilet block refurbishment
- Base for regional racehorse training.

#### Crawford Square - \$2.3 million

- Creation of a waterpark splash space
- Formalising off street carparking
- Re-location of the off-leash dog area
- Upgrade the playground to include all ability access
- All ability access community planting area
- Walking path links throughout the park.

#### Nammoona Industrial Precinct - \$6 million

- Extension of existing trunk sewer main to the industrial precinct
- Upgrade of Reynolds Road to provide turning treatments for access to proposed developments
- Upgrade of existing rail sliding.

#### Woodburn Riverside Park ski club facilities (east end) - \$450,000

- Observation tower, marshalling area, storage and toilets
- Additional pontoon/docking area
- Ability to hold regional, state and national water ski events.

### **Growth into the Future**

#### **Residential Opportunities**

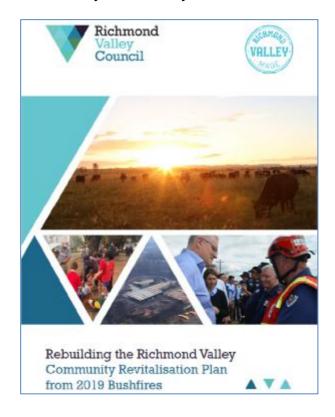
**Canning Drive, Casino:** Council has purchased 1.74 ha of land on Canning Drive Casino which, together with a portion of closed road, will be developed into 19 residential lots. This development has DA approval and will be released in stages.

**Lennox Street, Casino:** The application for residential rezoning of 3.8 ha of land on Light Street Casino has progressed through the rezoning application to the gateway stage. This will provide a much-needed boost to the availability of residential land for development in Casino.

## **Disaster Recovery and Management**

The devastating fires which burnt almost 48% of our local government area in late 2019 resulted in 62 homes and 165 outbuildings being destroyed and further damaged several other residences and outbuildings. The Rappville Hall and the Tarmac Sawmill were destroyed impacting further economically and socially on the community. The timber and beef industry were also heavily impacted and will take many years to recover.

Council has been involved in the response phase since the first day of the devastating Busbys Flat Road bushfire and remains committed to the community through the response, and is now in the recovery phase of the disaster. Council has hosted many visits from all levels of government - Federal, State, regional and other agencies detailing our community's devastation and outlining our plans for our region's recovery, which is outlined in our Rebuilding the Richmond Valley - Community Revitalisation Plan.



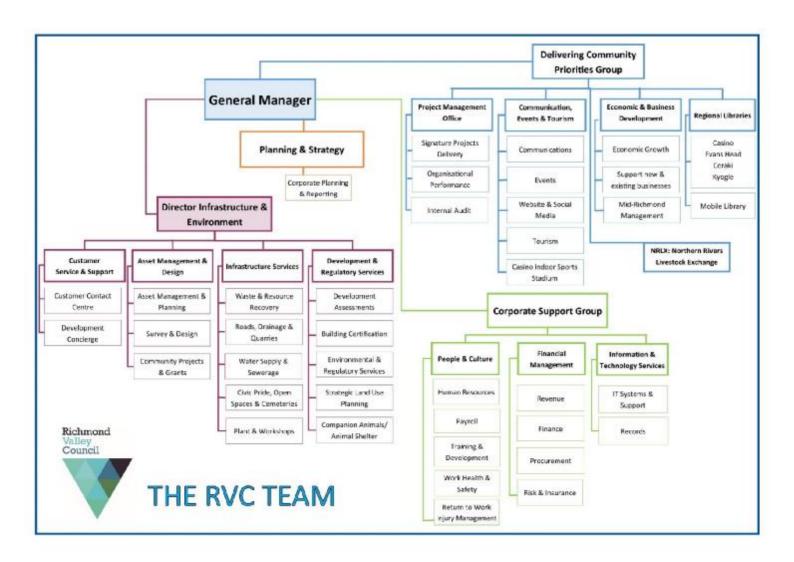
In response to the devastating fires, Prime Minister Scott Morrison announced on 9 January 2020 funding via the National Bush Fire Recovery Agency for the most severely impacted local government areas. The amounts announced are to fund projects Council has identified as being necessary for the recovery and renewal of its community.

| Project                           | Amount      | Program of Works                               |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Rappville Hall                    | \$500,000   | Rebuilding of hall and additional funds for a  |
|                                   |             | community precinct providing improved          |
|                                   |             | space and outdoor covered areas.               |
| Rappville Pedestrian/Cycle        | \$230,000   | Pedestrian/cycle access from the school to     |
| Access                            |             | the post office.                               |
| Rappville Master Plan and         | \$50,000    | Develop a master plan aimed at expanding       |
| investigations                    |             | the scale of the village                       |
| New Italy Mountain Bike Trails    | \$50,000    | Rebuild trails Located in the Tabbimoble       |
| _                                 |             | and Doubleduke State Forests.                  |
| Recovery resourcing including     | \$110,000   | Staff resources costs during recovery          |
| staff and administrative support  |             | process.                                       |
| New Italy Museum                  | \$100,000   | Provide emergency infrastructure and           |
|                                   |             | upgrading of facilities the hall.              |
| Rappville Sportsground            | \$220,000   | Replace burnt infrastructure and allow for     |
|                                   |             | upgraded facilities.                           |
| Music Event                       | \$60,000    | To aid in the wellbeing and recovery of the    |
|                                   |             | community (1st anniversary of event).          |
| Local Emergency Management        | \$10,000    | Technical improvements to the local            |
| Centre                            |             | emergency operating centre                     |
| Portable shower/toilet facilities | \$80,000    | Purchase portable shower/toilet facilities for |
|                                   | ·           | community.                                     |
| Recovery items                    | \$6,667     | Contribution to commencement of study for      |
|                                   |             | pedestrian pathway design and Rappville        |
|                                   |             | Masterplan                                     |
| Total                             | \$1,416,667 |  |

| Project                        | Amount      | Program of Works                              |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Water filling stations         | \$100,000   | Designated bulk water filling stations across |
|                                |             | the local government area to assist           |
|                                |             | residents and bulk water carriers.            |
| Community Hall upgrades        | \$100,000   | Provide a grant program for community halls   |
| program                        |             | across the Valley to enhance their facilities |
|                                |             | and improve their resilience.                 |
| Casino Showground upgrades     | \$420,000   | Day stall and sand warm up area to provide    |
|                                |             | facilities to showground users including an   |
|                                |             | RV short stay area.                           |
| Paddock to Plate Project       | \$95,000    | Agritourism experience to showcase            |
|                                |             | producers.                                    |
| Tourism Facilities Road Access | \$285,000   | Improve rural road access for tourism         |
| Improvement                    |             | venues to assist in stimulating economic      |
|                                |             | growth.                                       |
| Total                          | \$1,000,000 |   |

## **Council's Organisational Structure**

Richmond Valley Council delivers its signature projects through the leadership of the Project Management Office (PMO). The PMO oversee each phase of the project from design, tendering and contract management, through to construction and delivery of works to Council and the community.



## Connecting People and Places

**Objective:** PP1 Fresh and Vibrant Community

Strategic Goal: Create happy and healthy communities where

community members enjoy living and working together

| CSP Strategies  | Community Indicators  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Host and support plenty of local events which bring people together as a community</li> <li>Provide clean and well-maintained public recreational and sporting facilities, and outdoor spaces which are accessible and safe for everyone</li> <li>Create and promote community places and spaces which encourage the community to participate in healthy and active lifestyles</li> <li>Provide attractive, vibrant and clean town centres for residents and visitors to enjoy</li> <li>Provide safe and accessible play spaces for our children within each community</li> <li>Civic Pride</li> <li>Provide popular and accessible meeting spaces encouraging and supporting connection</li> <li>Undertake responsive emergency management</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Increase community satisfaction with Richmond Valley events and festivals</li> <li>Increase community satisfaction of the availability of recreational spaces and facilities</li> <li>Maintain community satisfaction with swimming pools</li> <li>Maintain community satisfaction with libraries, community centres and facilities</li> <li>Increase community satisfaction with the maintenance of cemeteries</li> <li>Maintain community satisfaction with emergency management services</li> </ul> |  |  |

Service: Festivals and Events

**Service Owner: Manager Communications, Events & Tourism** 

## PP1.1 Support local event organisers and enhance marketing and promotion of events

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s           | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|---------------------|--|--|
| PP1.1.1 | Draft and implement a marketing plan  | 2020/2021 | Business<br>Chamber | Increase No. of<br>Richmond<br>Valley events<br>and festivals<br>and attendance<br>at these events<br>by 10% | Richmond Valley<br>Council's events<br>team to be a one<br>stop shop for event<br>organisers                         |
| PP1.1.2 | Continue to deliver the objectives outlined in the Richmond Valley Events Strategy. | 2020/2021 | State               | Increase No. of<br>Richmond<br>Valley events<br>and festivals<br>and attendance<br>at these events<br>by 10% | Manage the regions events portfolio, attracting and retaining events to optimise the economic benefits to the valley |

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|---|--|---|
| PP1.1.3 | Conduct workshops with<br>Community event and local<br>organisers to improve their<br>marketing and promotion of<br>events                   | Annual    | Community<br>Groups                                   | Increase in<br>community<br>satisfaction with<br>Richmond<br>Valley events to<br>93%       | Increase in reach<br>of marketing and<br>improved event<br>management by<br>event organisers  |
| PP1.1.4 | Increase the promotion<br>through organisers to<br>promote Richmond Valley<br>events across the region<br>and as far and wide as<br>possible | 2019/2020 | ArtsNR,<br>Business<br>Chamber,<br>Destination<br>NSW | Increase in<br>community<br>satisfaction with<br>Richmond<br>Valley events to<br>93%       | Develop marketing manuals with material that encourages cross promotion of other events, our valley and strategies to improve reach |
| PP1.1.5 | Maintain the RVC website as a focused information resource for events  | 2019/2020 |   | Increase in<br>community<br>satisfaction with<br>Richmond<br>Valley events to<br>93%       | Website is informative, current and a reliable community information resource   |
| PP1.1.6 | Assist suitable events to gain additional support and funding where appropriate  | Annual    | State   | Increase in<br>community<br>satisfaction with<br>Richmond<br>Valley events to<br>93%       | Empower<br>community groups<br>to gain support and<br>funding in addition<br>to council support<br>programs                         |
| PP1.1.7 | Ensure that Richmond<br>Valley event practices are<br>as accessible as possible  | Annual    | LGNSW   | Community participation and satisfaction of people with disabilities during Council Events | Richmond Valley<br>events are as<br>accessible to as<br>many residents as<br>possible   |

#### **PP1.2 Brand recognition**

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s         | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|-------------------|---|--|
| PP1.2.1 | Include branding as compulsory criteria to receive council support  | 2019/2020 | Local<br>Partners | Richmond<br>Valley made<br>logo identifiable<br>at all events | All community<br>events branded<br>with Richmond<br>Valley                         |
| PP1.2.2 | Maintain a collection of current and appropriate footage and photographs from the Richmond Valley, which is available to event organisers and media | 2017/2018 |                   | Richmond<br>Valley made<br>logo identifiable<br>at all events | Collection of marketing footage and photographs continually updated and maintained |

**Sports Grounds, Parks and Facilities** Service:

**Manager Infrastructure Services Service Owner:** 

#### PP1.3 Provide clean, safe and accessible open spaces and recreational services to the community and visitors

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s          | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|--------------------|---|--|
| PP1.3.1 | Implementation of recommendations included in the master plans at Woodburn Riverside Casino Drill Hall, Casino Showgrounds subject to availability of funding   | 2019/2020 |                    | Improved community satisfaction with the availability of local parks and playgrounds at 84% | Woodburn Riverside, Casino Drill Hall and Casino Showgrounds master plans completed  |
| PP1.3.2 | Establish a framework to<br>undertake community<br>consultation with all<br>relevant stakeholders to<br>develop a draft<br>Razorback Lookout<br>Master Plan (dependant<br>on availability of funding) | 2019/2020 |                    | Increased<br>stakeholder<br>satisfaction  | Stakeholder<br>consultation on<br>Razorback<br>Lookout, Evans<br>Head masterplan<br>and master plan<br>completed             |
| PP1.3.3 | Complete service<br>standards and levels for<br>all open spaces   | 2019/2020 |                    | Service standards reviewed and adopted  | Service standards reviewed and adopted   |
| PP1.3.4 | Ensure the safest possible play spaces within Richmond Valley   | Annual    |                    | Annual playground inspection undertaken and works programmed                                | Playgrounds<br>compliant with<br>standards   |
| PP1.3.5 | Completion of capital works program   | Annual    |                    | Capital works<br>program<br>completed on time<br>and on budget                              | Sports grounds,<br>parks and facilities<br>capital works<br>program developed<br>& completed in<br>accordance with<br>budget |
| PP1.3.6 | Develop a strategy for sports field irrigation  | 2019/2020 | Sporting<br>Groups | Strategy<br>developed and<br>presented to<br>council  | Strategy developed   |
| PP1.3.7 | Develop a strategy for upgrade of town garden beds  | 2019/2020 |                    | Strategy<br>developed and<br>presented to<br>council  | Strategy developed   |

| Capital Works – Sports Grounds, Parks and Facilities      | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Casino - Parks  |           |           |           |           |
| Colley Park – Soccer Field Enhancement (SCCF)             | 127,466   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Broadwater - Parks  |           |           |           |           |
| Youth Space Rope Climb & Seesaw Rocker (SCCF)             | 107,315   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Coraki - Parks  |           |           |           |           |
| Coraki Caravan Park Amenities Renewal                     | 400,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Rappville   |           |           |           |           |
| Sportsground Renewal (Fire Recovery)                      | 170,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Rappville Public Facilities Upgrades                      | 20,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Casino Showground   |           |           |           |           |
| Upgrades (Drought Funding)                                | 420,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Main Grandstand Upgrade (RSV 08/09)                       | 0         | 30,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Evans Head Surf Club                                      |           |           |           |           |
| Upgrades  | 23,423    | 23,774    | 24,131    | 24,493    |
| All Areas   |           |           |           |           |
| Facility Upgrades Shelters                                | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Replace Non-Compliant Playground Equip (SRV               | 5,000     | 5,000     | 5,000     | 5,000     |
| 08/09) Renewals at various Facilities & Parks (SRV 14/15) | 185,000   | 185,000   | 185,000   | 185,000   |
| Sports Grounds - Light Pole Replacement (SRV              | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| 08/09)  |           |           |           |           |
| Public Toilets  |           |           |           |           |
| Refurbishments (SRV 14/15)                                | 40,000    | 40,000    | 40,000    | 40,000    |
| Total Sports Grounds, Parks & Facilities                  | 1,518,204 | 303,774   | 274,131   | 274,493   |

**Swimming Pools** Service:

**Manager Asset Planning Service Owner:** 

#### PP1.4 Provide safe and well-maintained swimming pools

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|--|---|--|
| PP1.4.1 | Develop and implement a swimming pools strategic plan   | 2019/2020 | Schools, Business Chamber, NSWSports, Northern NSW Local Health District | Maintain<br>Community<br>Satisfaction with<br>Council's<br>swimming pools<br>at 89% | Undertake business review of swimming pools operational capacity and report financial implications moving into future. |
| PP1.4.2 | Manage current pool contracts   | 2019/2020 |  | Assess contract<br>renewal<br>processes per<br>business review                      | Renewal process completed  |
| PP1.4.3 | Respond to Infrastructure reporting to ensure maintenance and operation of swimming pools.  | Annual    |  | Works carried out on time and on budget   | Develop a list of priority works and carry out per budget allowance  |
| PP1.4.4 | Develop a draft master<br>plan for future<br>development of Casino<br>Swimming Pool site<br>(dependent on availability<br>of funding) | 2019/2020 |  | Draft master<br>plan developed<br>and presented to<br>Council                       | Draft master plan<br>developed   |

| Capital Works – Swimming Pools | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Casino Swimming Pool           |           |           |           |           |
| Casino Pool Upgrade            | 1,650,000 | 3,500,000 | 0         | 0         |
|                                |           |           |           |           |
| Total Swimming Pools           | 1,650,000 | 3,500,000 | 0         | 0         |

Service: **Cemeteries** 

**Service Owner: Manager Infrastructure Services** 

#### PP1.5 Increase customer satisfaction with cemeteries in the Richmond Valley

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| PP1.5.1 | Cemetery works as per capital works plan                             | Annual    |           | Increase customer satisfaction with cemeteries to 95%                  | Cemetery capital works program delivered in accordance with budget |
| PP1.5.2 | Develop service standards for cemeteries                             | 2019/2020 |           | Cemetery service<br>standards<br>developed and<br>presented to council | Cemetery service standards developed                               |
| PP1.5.3 | Review Cemetery<br>Strategy and deliver<br>project plans accordingly | Annual    | State     | Cemetery strategy<br>developed and<br>presented to council             | Cemetery<br>Strategy<br>developed                                  |
| PP1.5.4 | Preparation for Casino<br>Cemetery expansion                         | 2020/2021 | State     | Cemetery<br>expansion plan<br>developed and<br>presented to council    | Cemetery<br>expansion plan<br>developed                            |

| Capital Works – Cemeteries  | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Casino Lawn Cemetery        |           |           |           |           |
| Concrete Strips             | 0         | 17,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Memorial Garden             | 5,000     | 0         | 5,000     | 0         |
| Columbarium Walls           | 0         | 13,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Expansion Earthworks        | 10,000    | 0         | 0         | 5,000     |
| Expansion Infrastructure    | 5,000     | 0         | 10,000    | 10,000    |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Casino West Cemetery        |           |           |           |           |
| Expansion Infrastructure    | 5,000     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Coraki Cemetery             |           |           |           |           |
| Infrastructure Improvements | 5,000     | 5,000     | 0         | 5,000     |
| Concrete Strips             | 5,000     | 5,000     | 0         | 5,000     |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Evans Head Lawn Cemetery    |           |           |           |           |
| Concrete Strips             | 5,000     | 0         | 5,000     | 5,000     |
| Columbarium Wall            | 0         | 0         | 13,000    | 0         |
| Expansion Infrastructure    | 10,000    | 0         | 7,000     | 0         |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Total Cemeteries            | 50,000    | 40,000    | 40,000    | 30,000    |

Libraries Service:

**Manager Regional Library Service Owner:** 

#### PP1.6 Provide library programs across all ages and diverse interests

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target  | Measure                                  |
|---------|---|-----------|--|---|--|
| PP1.6.1 | Development of new and/or enhance existing programs to meet community needs | Annually  | Local<br>community<br>groups,<br>Early<br>Childhood<br>Education | Maintain<br>community<br>satisfaction with<br>the libraries at<br>98% | Programs<br>developed and<br>implemented |

#### PP1.7 Library be innovative and provide equitable community access to all library resources

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                                | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|---|
| PP1.7.1 | Implement and utilise<br>Library Management<br>System (LMS) through<br>upgrades | 2019/2020 |           | Increase the use of library resources | Upgrades installed<br>& LMS has high<br>functionality |

| Capital Works – Libraries   | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Regional Library            |           |           |           |           |
| Library Car Replacement     | 0         | 0         | 35,000    | 0         |
| Library Book Purchases      | 95,000    | 97,375    | 99,809    | 102,304   |
| Furniture & Fittings        | 5,971     | 8,958     | 9,128     | 9,301     |
| Laptop Replacement Program  | 9,000     | 0         | 0         | 9,000     |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Casino Library              |           |           |           |           |
| Building Improvements       | 13,800    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Coraki Library              |           |           |           |           |
| Airconditioning replacement | 3,500     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Evans Head Library          |           |           |           |           |
| Upgrade                     | 480,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|                             |           |           |           |           |
| Total Libraries             | 607,271   | 106,333   | 143,937   | 120,605   |

## Revised Delivery Program

Service: Community Centres and Halls

**Service Owner:** Manager Asset Planning

#### PP1.8 Undertake the repair and maintenance of council buildings

| Code    | Program Activity                                      | Timeframe | Partner/s                    | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|------------------------------|--|--|
| PP1.8.1 | Maintain current levels of availability and condition | Annual    |                              | Maintain community satisfaction with community centres and facilities at 96% | Appropriate utility for community, maintain current conditions |
| PP1.8.2 | Development of master plan at Casino Civic Hall       | 2019/2020 | Local<br>community<br>groups | Casino Civic Hall<br>Master Plan<br>developed and<br>presented to council    | Civic Hall Master<br>Plan developed                            |

| Capital Works – Community Centres and Halls | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Asset Renewals to be allocated              | 4E 92E    | 46,512    | 47.210    | 47.019    |
| Asset Renewals to be allocated              | 45,825    | 46,512    | 47,210    | 47,918    |
| Rappville Common                            | 1,075,884 | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Community Hall Upgrades Program (Drought    |           |           |           |           |
| Funding)                                    | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Community Centres and Halls           | 1,221,709 | 46,512    | 47,210    | 47,918    |

**Service:** Emergency Management

**Service Owner:** Director Infrastructure and Environment

#### PP1.9 Planning, preparedness, response and recovery to emergency services

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s           | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|---------------------|---|---|
| PP1.9.1 | Coordinate Council's resources and commitment to Council and regional emergency response planning and resourcing | Annual    | NRLEMC,<br>SES, RFS | Maintain<br>community<br>satisfaction with<br>emergency<br>management at<br>95% | Coordinate Council's resources and commitment to Council and regional emergency response planning and resourcing. |

## Connecting People and Places

**Objective:** PP2 Getting Around

Strategic Goal: Provide a safe and accessible transport network

| CSP Strategies   | Community Indicators   |
|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Ensure adequate maintenance and renewal of roads, footpaths and cycle ways</li> <li>Advocate for additional road funding from all levels of government.</li> <li>Advocate for and provide a safe and integrated traffic, bicycle and pedestrian movement</li> <li>Maintain appropriate standards of car parking</li> <li>Partner with the State Government to grow agricultural and freight links along the Summerland Way corridor to South East Queensland</li> </ul> | Improve overall community satisfaction with maintaining local roads     Maintain community satisfaction with maintaining footpaths and car parking |

Service: Building and Maintaining Roads

**Service Owner:** Manager Asset Planning

#### PP2.1 Improve road management practices at Richmond Valley Council

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s                   | Target  | Measure                              |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| PP2.1.1 | Develop a Road Management Strategy which provides long-term direction and information on sustainability of road network including assessment of bridges affected by load limits. | 2019/2020 | RMS                         | Increase community<br>awareness of road<br>management<br>practices                        | Strategy<br>developed and<br>adopted |
| PP2.1.2 | Review Pedestrian<br>Access Mobility Plan<br>(PAMP) and cycleway<br>plan   | 2019/2020 | RMS,<br>Business<br>Chamber | Improved community satisfaction with the availability and maintenance of footpaths at 78% | PAMP reviewed and adopted            |

#### **PP2.2 Striving for consistent improvement**

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure                                  |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| PP2.2.1 | Create a strategic Plan<br>for the rehabilitation of<br>the Woodburn-Coraki<br>Road | 2019/2020 |           | Improve overall community satisfaction with maintaining local roads to 70% | Strategy<br>developed and<br>implemented |

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| PP2.2.2 | Introduce and Implement<br>a road network condition<br>survey  | 2019/2020 |           | Improve overall community satisfaction with maintaining local roads to 70% | Road network<br>survey developed<br>in accordance<br>with strategy                         |
| PP2.2.3 | Deliver a targeted maintenance regime developed from the road survey   | Annual    |           | Improve overall community satisfaction with maintaining local roads to 70% | Maintenance<br>program<br>developed and<br>delivered                                       |
| PP2.2.4 | Develop an education<br>and awareness program<br>including information<br>sheets explaining road<br>management practices | Annual    |           | Improve overall community satisfaction with maintaining local roads to 70% | Community<br>awareness<br>program<br>developed and<br>implemented                          |
| PP2.2.5 | Completion of capital works program  | Annual    |           | Improve overall community satisfaction with maintaining local roads to 70% | Roads capital<br>works program<br>adopted and<br>completed in<br>accordance with<br>budget |

#### PP2.3 Create a sense of civic pride in the community

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|--|--|---|
| PP2.3.1 | Plan and implement<br>public space safety and<br>cleaning programs (street<br>cleaning and street<br>lighting) | Annual    |  | Maintain community satisfaction with maintaining footpaths at 78%                        | Programs<br>developed and<br>delivered  |
| PP2.3.2 | Plan and implement<br>maintenance programs<br>(bus shelters, carparks,<br>cycle ways and<br>aerodromes)        | Annual    | NR Community Transport, Uniting Church Community Transport Team, Business Chamber, Aged & Liveability Advisory Committee | Maintain community satisfaction with car parking at 80%                                  | Programs<br>developed and<br>delivered  |
| PP2.3.3 | Advocate for expansion of public & community transport   | Annual    | Transport<br>for NSW,<br>NR<br>Community<br>Transport,<br>Uniting<br>Church<br>Community<br>Transport                    | Options for improved access to public transport services and investigated and identified | Facilitate engagement with interested stakeholders to lobby for increase transport services |

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                          | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------|--|
| PP2.3.4 | Create attractive town<br>entrances which create<br>community pride and<br>increase visitation to the<br>Richmond Valley |           |           | Improved community satisfaction | Maintenance/imp<br>rovement<br>program<br>developed and<br>delivered |

| Capital Works – Building and Maintaining Roads  | 2020/2021         | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Urban Local Roads & Bridges   |                   |           |           |           |
|   |                   |           |           |           |
| Roads to Recovery Program   |                   |           |           |           |
| Casino  |                   |           |           |           |
| Farley St - West St to Centre St  | 155,000           | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Hickey St - Hare St to Light St   | 80,000            | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Canterbury St - Gitana St to Gray St Winston St - QLD Rd to Churchill Cres (RTR \$77,215) | 75,000<br>120,935 | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Cedar Ave   | 0                 | 50,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Farley St - Hickey St to Wheat St   | 0                 | 159,172   | 0         | 0         |
| Adam St - Cope St to Hare St  | 0                 | 0         | 140,000   | 0         |
| Colches St - Richmond St to Barker St   | 0                 | 0         | 0         | 130,000   |
| Coraki  |                   |           |           |           |
| Richmond Terrace  | 0                 | 600,000   | 0         | 0         |
|   |                   |           |           |           |
| SRV 14/15   |                   |           |           |           |
| Clarence St - Hotham St to Colches St   | 65,000            | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| High St Lockett to end  | 60,000            | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Bennett St Centre St to Leilani Cl  | 65,000            | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Farley St Centre to Walker St   | 155,000           | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Jabiru Lane - Concrete  | 45,000            | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Anderson Ave - Hare St to Light St  | 0                 | 0         | 0         | 125,000   |
| Laneways  |                   |           |           |           |
| Josephs Ln Coraki   | 75,000            | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Josephs Ln Coraki   | 0                 | 75,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Oak Ln Casino   | 0                 | 0         | 50,000    | 0         |
| Country Ln Casino   | 0                 | 0         | 0         | 75,000    |
| Seal Unsealed Rds (RSV 14/15) - Unallocated   | 0                 | 0         | 25,000    | 0         |
| Tree Planting Program   |                   |           |           |           |
| Town Entries  | 40,000            | 40,000    | 40,000    | 40,000    |
|   |                   |           |           |           |

| Capital Works – Building and Maintaining Roads        | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Kerb & Gutter Replacement Program - All Areas         |           |           |           |           |
| (SRV 14/15) All Areas                                 | 145,272   | 208,100   | 156,272   | 186,500   |
|   | -,        |           |           | ,         |
| Urban Road Sign Renewals                              |           |           |           |           |
| All Areas   | 49,600    | 50,800    | 52,100    | 53,400    |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Urban Reseal Program                                  |           |           |           |           |
| All Areas   | 182,505   | 416,609   | 424,941   | 433,440   |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Urban Heavy Patching Program                          |           |           |           |           |
| Urban Heavy Patching - All Areas                      | 42,428    | 43,488    | 44,575    | 45,690    |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| RMS Active Transport Program                          |           |           |           |           |
| RMS Active Transport Program                          | 40,000    | 40,000    | 40,000    | 40,000    |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Total Urban Local Roads & Bridges Capital Expenditure | 1,395,740 | 1,683,169 | 972,888   | 1,129,030 |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Sealed Rural Local Roads & Bridges                    |           |           |           |           |
| Roads to Recovery Program                             |           |           |           |           |
| JTR Small Bridge (Four Mile Creek Bridge)             | 529,400   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Fogwells Rd - CH 6200 to 7100 (RTR \$85,600)          | 365,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Fogwells Rd - CH 7100 to 8000                         | 0         | 380,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Sextonville Rd - CH 5500 to 6000                      | 0         | 150,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Ellangowan Rd - CH 7100 to 7900 (RTR \$263,043)       | 0         | 404,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Fogwells Rd - CH 8000 to 9000                         | 0         | 0         | 400,000   | 0         |
| Wyan Rd - CH TBA (RTR \$462,215)                      | 0         | 0         | 500,000   | 0         |
| Spring Grove Rd - CH TBA                              | 0         | 0         | 0         | 528,500   |
| Wyan Rd - CH TBA (RTR \$343,715)                      | 0         | 0         | 0         | 500,000   |
| .,,   |           | J         | J         | 223,000   |
| Sealed Rural Local Roads & Bridges SRV 14/15          |           |           |           |           |
| Rappville Rd - CH TBA                                 | 316,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Manifold Rd Cutting Works                             | 250,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Swampy Creek Rd - CH 0 to 1000                        | 350,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Sandy Creek Bridge No 1                               | 400,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Spring Grove Rd - CH 6900 - 7800                      | 205,707   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Spring Grove Rd - CH 12500 to 13000                   | 300,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Tomki Tatham Rd - CH 0 to 600                         | 0         | 350,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Elliots Rd Bridge                                     | 0         | 0         | 30,000    | 231,272   |
| Coraki Ellangowan Rd West 0 to 2200                   | 0         | 0         | 650,000   | 0         |
| -   |           |           |           |           |
| Capital Grants Works                                  | 400,000   | 400,000   | 400,000   | 400,000   |

| Capital Works – Building and Maintaining Roads                     | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Heavy Patching   | 107,484   | 110,171   | 112,925   | 115,748   |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Rural Roads Drainage   | 36,886    | 37,624    | 38,376    | 39,144    |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Signage Renewal  | 11,000    | 11,000    | 11,000    | 11,000    |
| Overded Description  | 70.000    | 70.000    | 70.000    | 70.000    |
| Guardrail Replacement Program                                      | 70,000    | 70,000    | 70,000    | 70,000    |
| Rural Reseal Program   | 0         | 974,821   | 844,317   | 1,014,203 |
| Train resear Fogram  | 0         | 374,021   | 044,517   | 1,014,200 |
| Total Sealed Rural Local Roads & Bridges                           | 3,341,477 | 2,887,616 | 3,056,618 | 2,909,867 |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Sealed Rural Regional Roads & Bridges                              |           |           |           |           |
| MR145 Casino-Coraki Rd CH3.6-4.1 REPAIR                            | 332,656   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| MR153 Woodburn-Evans Head Rd CH TBA                                | 300,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| MR153 Woodburn-Evans Head Rd CH2.4-2.9<br>REPAIR                   | 0         | 339,308   | 0         | 0         |
| MR153 Woodburn-Evans Head Rd CH2.56-3.06 REPAIR                    | 0         | 0         | 346,096   | 0         |
| Contribution to REPAIR Program                                     | 0         | 0         | 0         | 180,521   |
| Signage Renewal  | 5,000     | 5,000     | 5,000     | 5,000     |
| Reseal Program   | 108,000   | 108,000   | 108,000   | 108,000   |
| Heavy Patching   | 245,000   | 255,000   | 260,000   | 275,000   |
| MR145 East Heavy Patching  | 141,834   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Sealed Rural Regional Roads & Bridges                        | 1,132,490 | 707,308   | 719,096   | 568,521   |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Unsealed Rural Local Roads & Bridges                               |           |           |           |           |
| Gravel Resheets  | 154,382   | 441,257   | 607,100   | 625,850   |
| Additional Gravel Resheets (SRV 08/09)                             | 2,500     | 107,900   | 242,900   | 242,900   |
| Swan Bay New Italy Road (Drought Funding)                          | 285,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Unsealed Rural Local Roads & Bridges                         | 441,882   | 549,157   | 850,000   | 868,750   |
| Total Offsealed Rulal Local Roads & Bridges                        | 441,002   | 349,137   | 030,000   | 000,730   |
| Footpaths  |           |           |           |           |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Casino   |           |           |           |           |
| Casino CBD Paving  | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Colches Street - Canterbury to Railway parade                      |           |           |           |           |
| ( western ) Canterbury Street - Hospital entrance to join existing | 20,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| in Gitana  | 0         | 40,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Gitana Street - North to Canterbury ( western)                     | 0         | 30,000    | 0         | 0         |
| West Street - Richmond to Barker (eastern) (S94A)                  | 0         | 40,000    | 0         | 0         |
| West Street - Richmond to River (eastern) (S94A)                   | 0         | 15,000    | 0         | 0         |

| Capital Works – Building and Maintaining Roads           | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| North Street - Gitana to Hotham (southern side)          | 0         | 65,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Broadwater   |           |           |           |           |
| Broadwater Evans Head Road - Pacific Hwy to McDonald St  | 0         | 0         | 40,000    | 0         |
| Coraki   |           |           |           |           |
| Grenfell Street - Martin to Bridge (northern )           | 25,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Adams Street - Bridge to Richmond ( southern)            | 0         | 0         | 0         | 27,000    |
| Evans Head   |           |           |           |           |
| Elm Street - Oak Lane to Cedar ( western)                | 0         | 0         | 0         | 10,000    |
| Woodburn   |           |           |           |           |
| Wagner St/Cedar St Linkage                               | 30,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Wagner Street - Cedar to Woodburn ( northern )           | 0         | 0         | 30,000    | 0         |
| Woodburn Street - Wattle to Booyong ( eastern)           | 0         | 0         | 0         | 33,000    |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Renewals to be allocated                                 |           |           |           |           |
| Casino Footpaths - Renewals to be allocated              | 20,800    | 21,200    | 21,600    | 22,000    |
| Evans Head Footpaths - Renewals to be allocated          | 23,600    | 8,800     | 9,000     | 9,100     |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Total Footpaths  | 219,400   | 220,000   | 100,600   | 101,100   |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Aerodromes   |           |           |           |           |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Casino   |           |           |           |           |
| Reseal Runway (SRV 08/09)                                | 175,800   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Total Aerodromes   | 175,800   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Building and Maintaining Roads Capital Expenditure | 6,706,789 | 6,047,250 | 5,699,202 | 5,577,268 |

## Connecting People and Places

**Objective: PP3 Working together** 

Strategic Goal: Good communication and engagement between council

and the community

#### **CSP Strategies Community Indicators** Improve the communication and engagement Improve the level of community satisfaction with the provision of Council information and between the Council and the community. • Engage with all levels of government and level of engagement and consultation with the other regional bodies on a regular basis to community ensure all have a say in our common Increase the community's opportunity to direction. participate in Council's decision-making processes Partner with all stakeholders including local businesses, the not-for-profit government sector, community groups and community members to achieve the strategic goals of our community · Collaborate with, and support, community groups in delivering services Provide advocacy and educational support to community groups and organisations to facilitate grant opportunities for community programs

Service: **Community Engagement, Consultation and Communication** 

**Service Owner: Manager Communications, Events and Tourism** 

#### PP3.1 Improve our engagement/consultation with the community

| Code    | Program Activity                                | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| PP3.1.1 | Community engagement and consultation program   | Annual    |           | Increase the level of community satisfaction with council provision of information to 85%   | Develop a rolling<br>program of listening<br>tours |
| PP3.1.2 | Conduct community surveys for relevant projects | Annual    |           | Increase the level of community satisfaction with community engagement/cons ultation to 80% | Design and conduct relevant surveys                |

# PP3.2 Encourage and support volunteerism to contribute to the Richmond Valley Community

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s                    | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|------------------------------|--|--|
| PP3.2.1 | Sponsor and support<br>national volunteer's week<br>celebration and deliver<br>training/workshops to<br>upskill volunteers | Annual    | Local<br>community<br>groups | Increased<br>volunteer<br>participation from<br>2016-17<br>benchmark | Increase participation in community volunteerism |

#### PP3.3 Ensure that Council is reaching all target groups for relevant community issues

| Code    | Program Activity                                       | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target                           | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|---|----------------------------------|--|
| PP3.3.1 | Developing contact lists for interest groups and towns | 2017/2018 | NSW Health,<br>community<br>groups, local<br>sporting<br>groups | Increased community satisfaction | To reach target groups, interested individuals and organisations |
| PP3.3.2 | Hosting and/or supporting local community events       | Annual    | Local<br>community<br>groups                                    | Increased community satisfaction | Representative program of events developed and implemented.      |

#### PP3.4 Partnering with and supporting community organisations to achieve their aims

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Measure                          | Target   |
|---------|--|-----------|--|----------------------------------|--|
| PP3.4.1 | Strengthening our relationships with Aboriginal communities  | Annual    | Aboriginal<br>Interagency,<br>Land Council.<br>Aboriginal<br>community<br>organisations                  | Increased community satisfaction | Support key<br>Aboriginal events<br>and activities   |
| PP3.4.2 | Develop and build on partnership activities with community organisations e.g. health initiatives, employment initiatives, social service initiatives, youth, education and others as identified by the community | Annual    | Local<br>community<br>groups &<br>organisations,<br>NSW Health,<br>State<br>Government,<br>local schools | Increased community satisfaction | To reach target groups, interested individuals and organisations and support their events and activities |

PP3.5 Develop partnership activities which promote and improve social services and inclusion and accessibility for people with disabilities, aged, early childhood and youth, disadvantaged and multicultural sectors.

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target                             | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|---|------------------------------------|---|
| PP3.5.1 | Develop partnership activities which promote inclusion and accessibility | 2017/2018 | NSW Health,<br>Aged &<br>Liveability<br>Advisory<br>Committee,<br>State, Aged<br>and<br>Disability<br>Interagency,<br>Aboriginal<br>Interagency | Increased community satisfaction   | Maintain and review<br>a Disability Action<br>Plan in partnership<br>with the community |
| PP3.5.2 | Facilitate Accessibility,<br>Liveability and Aged<br>Advisory Committee  | Annual    | Local<br>community<br>groups,<br>Business<br>Chamber  | Increased<br>community<br>feedback | Facilitate advisory committee meetings  |
| PP3.5.3 | Development of Disability<br>Inclusion Action Plan                       | 2019/2020 | NSW Health,<br>Aged &<br>Liveability<br>Advisory<br>Committee,<br>Aged and<br>Disability<br>Interagency   | Increased community satisfaction   | Implement a Disability Action Plan in partnership with the community                    |

#### PP3.6 Improve our communication with the community

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure                             |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|-------------------------------------|
| PP3.6.1 | Publication and delivery of Council newsletter  | Annual    |           | Increased<br>satisfaction with<br>provision of<br>information,<br>engagement, &<br>decision-making<br>process by 5% | To increase newsletter publications |
| PP3.6.2 | Production and distribution of online content including interactive website, video content, podcasts. | Annual    |           | Increased<br>satisfaction with<br>provision of<br>information,<br>engagement, &<br>decision-making<br>process by 5% | To increase online publications     |
| PP3.6.3 | Grow our online community and engage through social media   | Annual    |           | Increased<br>satisfaction with<br>provision of<br>information,<br>engagement, &<br>decision-making<br>process by 5% | Increase in online engagement       |

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s                  | Target  | Measure                                       |
|---------|--|-----------|----------------------------|---|---|
| PP3.6.4 | Implement the Richmond<br>Valley Made branding<br>campaign | 2017/2018 | Local business<br>chambers | Increased<br>satisfaction with<br>council provision<br>of information,<br>engagement, &<br>decision-making<br>process by 5% | Branding campaign<br>developed and<br>adopted |

Service: Community Programs and Grants

**Service Owner:** Manager Asset Planning

PP3.7 Educate and support community groups to obtain grant funding

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|--|--|---|
| PP3.7.1 | Schedule grant writing workshops - two levels, introductory and intermediate | Annual    | Local community groups and local community organisations | Increase number of community grant applications on 2016-17 benchmark | Increase in successful community grant applications |

## PP3.8 Maximise opportunities for community and Council to apply for grant opportunities

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|--|--|--|
| PP3.8.3 | Fund a Section 356<br>Community Financial<br>Assistance Program        | Annual    |  | Increase number<br>of Council grant<br>applications on<br>2016-17<br>benchmark | Provide<br>community grant<br>funding                            |
| PP3.8.4 | Facilitate a proactive<br>Council grant funding<br>application process | Annual    | State, Federal, local community groups, business chambers, Aboriginal community groups, Disability Interagency, Aboriginal Interagency | Increase number<br>of Council grant<br>applications on<br>2016-17<br>benchmark | Increase<br>Council's<br>success rate with<br>grant applications |

Community Indicators

# Growing our Economy

CSP Strategies

**Objective: EC1 Driving Economic Growth** 

Strategic Goal: Significantly grow the Richmond Valley's economy

| CSP Strategies  | Community indicators                         |
|---|--|
| Support the growth of a diverse regional economy  | Expansion of local economy/increase in gross |
| Create more job opportunities   | industry sector output                       |
| Provide support and advice to businesses and industry   | Increase visitors to the Richmond Valley     |
| Create a regulatory environment which encourages  | Increase visitors who stay overnight in the  |
| investment  | Richmond Valley                              |
| Work in partnership with existing and prospective   | Facilitate the development of the Nammoona   |
| businesses to create new economic opportunities   | Industrial Precinct                          |
| Partner with State Government to support the local  |  |
| agricultural sector and associated value-adding   |  |
| industries, such as the NSW Sugar Mill and Richmond   |  |
| Dairies   |  |
| Partner with the State Government to support the  |  |
| development of an intermodal freight facility at Casino   |  |
| Partner with the State Government to deliver new  |  |
| employment opportunities at Casino, Woodburn,   |  |
| Broadwater and Evans Head   |  |
| Increase tourism in the Richmond Valley showcasing  |  |
| the best attractions of our region for visitors and   |  |
| residents   |  |
| <ul> <li>Partner with the State Government to identify<br/>opportunities to expand nature-based, adventure and</li> </ul> |  |
| cultural tourism places, and enhance visitor  |  |
| experiences within Evans Head, Broadwater and   |  |
| Woodburn  |  |
| Create long-term plans for robust and accessible  |  |
| towns and communities   |  |
| Increase our levels of customer service to ensure   |  |
| development is as easy as possible in the Richmond  |  |
| Valley  |  |
| Partner with the State Government to protect important  |  |
| farmland at Woodburn, Coraki, Fairy Hill, Casino,   |  |
| Shannon Brook and Leeville, to support the  |  |
| agricultural sectors  |  |
| Partner with the State Government to enhance the  |  |
| variety of housing options available in Casino, Evans   |  |
| Head and Coraki, and support the unique character of  |  |
| local towns and villages  |  |
| Create Local Growth Management Strategies to grow   |  |
| the region's population whilst maintaining the  |  |
| principles of sustainability  |  |

**Economic Development** Service:

**Service Owner: Manager Property and Economic Projects** 

#### EC1.1 Review Council's existing businesses and investigate further business opportunities

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe                     | Partner/s | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-------------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| EC1.1.1 | Provide advice to Council business operations as required  | 2018/2019<br>and<br>2019/2020 |           | Balanced<br>long-term<br>financial plans<br>adopted to<br>fund ongoing<br>capital needs | Plan adopted within budgeting processes   |
| EC1.1.2 | New technology<br>opportunities in waste<br>fully explored for RVC<br>specific outcomes in<br>either an LGA or regional<br>context | Annual                        |           | Active<br>involvement<br>with ability to<br>develop<br>opportunities<br>where feasible  | No. of initiatives reviewed, level of participation and adoption of a preferred approach. |

#### EC1.2 Actively lobby and provide assistance for the establishment of new businesses and the expansion and/or continuing operation of existing businesses.

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|--|--|---|
| EC1.2.1 | Actively lobby, and provide assistance for the establishment of new businesses and the expansion and/or continuing operation of existing businesses  | Annual    | Business<br>chamber,<br>State, Federal   | Expansion of local economy   | Increase in gross<br>industry sector<br>output for the LGA as<br>defined by REMplan   |
| EC1.2.2 | Collaborate across Federal, State and Local Governments and all stakeholder groups to ensure relationships are built, maintained and effective so as to ensure we rapidly respond to both economic and job opportunities | Annual    | Federal,<br>State, Local<br>Government<br>(list identified<br>stakeholder<br>groups) | Network of contacts and connections within government and private industry established | Ability to gain assistance from others and influence/achieve outcomes   |
| EC1.2.3 | Continue to work closely with prospective investors to capitalise on new technologies in the renewable energy and waste to energy sectors  | Annual    | Business<br>Chambers   | Effective collaborations   | Provide assistance to prospective proponents on renewable energy and waste to energy on feasibility and realisation of projects |

#### EC1.3 Align tourism, economic development and events to deliver economic outcomes for the Region

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--|---|
| EC1.3.1 | Develop synergistic outcomes from the Richmond Valley Tourism Plan and A Guide to Economic Development in the Richmond Valley | Annual    |           | Identify areas to<br>work together that<br>will deliver dual<br>benefit. | Number of successful collaborations                               |
| EC1.3.2 | Continue to deliver the objectives outlined in the Richmond Valley Public Art Strategy  | Annual    |           | Local and national<br>artists using<br>multiple platforms<br>and mediums | Strategy<br>objectives<br>delivered in<br>accordance with<br>plan |

#### EC1.4 Provide support to prospective developers regarding Council processes and requirements

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| EC1.4.1 | Assist applicants of major developments to navigate Council processes via a case management approach to the lodgement and assessment of significant development applications | Annual    |           | The timely progression of development applications | Feedback from<br>applicants<br>Processing times<br>for major<br>developments |

Service: **Tourism** 

**Manager Communications, Events and Tourism Service Owner:** 

#### EC1.5 Increase visitors and overnight stayers in the Richmond Valley

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                                  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| EC1.5.1 | Implement the Richmond<br>Valley Tourism<br>Development Plan | Annual    |           | Increase tourism in the Richmond Valley | Increase tourism spend across the Richmond Valley |

| Capital Works – Tourism                        | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Northern Rivers Rail Trail (Casino to Bentley) | 3,150,000 | 4,000,000 | 0         | 0         |
| Total Tourism                                  | 3,150,000 | 4,000,000 | 0         | 0         |

**Town Planning and Development Services** Service:

**Manager Development and Environment Service Owner:** 

#### **EC1.6** Improved customer satisfaction with the DA process

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target                                | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| EC1.6.1 | Collaborate with the State<br>Government to introduce<br>E-Planning | 2020/2021 | Department of Planning & Environment  | Increased<br>customer<br>satisfaction | E-Planning introduced  |
| EC1.6.2 | Develop a Development<br>Information Package                        | Annual    | Department of<br>Planning and<br>Environment,<br>NOROC<br>Planners<br>Group | Increased<br>customer<br>satisfaction | Improved guidance for applicants leading to improved quality of applications |
| EC1.6.3 | Opening doors<br>development project                                | Annual    | Increased customer satisfaction   |                                       | Significant improvement in customer service satisfaction with the DA process |
| EC1.6.4 | Ensure efficient planning and building application processing       | Annual    |   | Increased<br>customer<br>satisfaction | Less than 40 day processing time   |

#### **EC1.7 Provide flexible and innovative planning controls**

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s                              | Target                              | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| EC1.7.1 | Ongoing review of Development Control Policy                     | Annual    | Department of Planning & Environment   |                                     | Review completed  |
| EC1.7.2 | Local Environmental Plan review                                  | 2020/2021 | Department of Planning & Environment   | Increasing opportunities/ diversity | Local<br>Environmental<br>Plan reviewed<br>and adopted                      |
| EC1.7.3 | Process applications for certificates under relevant legislation | Annual    |  | Increasing opportunities/ diversity | 80% of certificates issued within timeframes                                |
| EC1.7.4 | Deliver good urban design outcomes through heritage management   | Annual    | Office of<br>Environment &<br>Heritage | Increasing opportunities/ diversity | Provide<br>advocacy,<br>information and<br>incentives to<br>property owners |

| Code    | Program Activity          | Timeframe | Partner/s                            | Target                              | Measure                                 |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| EC1.7.5 | Contributions Plan Review | 2017/2018 | Department of Planning & Environment | Increasing opportunities/ diversity | Section 94 and<br>94A plans<br>reviewed |

#### EC1.8 Provide sustainable urban development opportunities

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s                            | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| EC1.8.1 | Implement the Local<br>Growth Management Plan<br>to provide for an adequate<br>supply of residential land.  | 2019/2020 | Department of Planning & Environment | Maintain an<br>adequate supply<br>of residential<br>land             | Have a minimum of 5 years' supply of residential land available for land release. |
| EC1.8.2 | Develop growth management strategies as an input into the LEP for zoning land for the required residential, rural residential, commercial and industrial land uses whilst maintaining environmental sustainability. | 2018/2019 | Department of Planning & Environment | Draft strategy<br>sent to Minister<br>of Planning for<br>endorsement | Growth Management Strategy prepared and presented to Council                      |
| EC1.8.3 | Prepare a Local Strategic<br>Planning Statement<br>(LSPS)   | 2019/2020 |                                      | LSPs prepared  | Adoption of a<br>LSPS   |

## Growing our Economy

**Objective: EC2** Building on our Strengths

**Strategic Goal:** Maximise income for the community through our

commercial activities

| CSP Strategies   | Community Indicators  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Make a significant profit for the community through the safe extraction and sale of quarry products</li> <li>Support the beef industry through the sustainable running of the Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange</li> <li>Successful completion of the upgrade project</li> <li>Delivery council business activities including commercial, industrial and residential land development</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Secure the budgeted income from our quarries</li> <li>The Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange is financially sustainable</li> </ul> |  |  |

Service: **Quarries** 

**Service Owner:** Manager Infrastructure Services

#### EC2.1 Operate a financially sustainable business

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| EC2.1.1 | Council will continue to provide flood blend gravel for internal works | Annual    |           | Quarry operations<br>are economically<br>sustainable and<br>there is an<br>adequacy of<br>supply | Manage the resource and ensure products are available for council operations |
| EC2.1.2 | Continue with leasing of Peterson's Quarry as per agreement.           | 2019/2020 |           | Quarry operations<br>are economically<br>sustainable and<br>there is an<br>adequacy of<br>supply | Maintain tenancy<br>at end of option<br>period                               |

**Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange** Service:

**Service Owner:** NRLX Redevelopment & Operations Manager

#### EC2.2 The Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange returns a profit to the community

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s                 | Target                                 | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|---------------------------|--|---|
| EC2.2.1 | Stage 1 upgrade of the NRLX (upgrade of receivables and sale areas) | 2017/2018 | Auctioneer<br>Agents Assn | Financially<br>sustainable<br>business | Achieve animal<br>welfare and WHS<br>standards and<br>environmental<br>compliance |
| EC2.2.2 | Stage 2 upgrade of the NRLX   | 2019/2020 | Auctioneer<br>Agents Assn | Financial sustainability               | Achieve financial sustainability  |
| EC2.2.3 | Prepare a business plan   | 2017/2018 |                           | Financial sustainability               | Achieve financial sustainability  |

| Capital Works – Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Plant Purchases                                    | 25,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Technology Upgrades                                | 50,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Transit Yard                                       | 90,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Bull Pens  | 0         | 150,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Loading Zone pavement reseal & drainage works      | 0         | 0         | 150,000   | 150,000   |
| Total Northern Rivers Livestock Exchange           | 165,000   | 150,000   | 150,000   | 150,000   |

Service: **Private Works** 

**Service Manager: Manager Infrastructure Services** 

#### EC2.3 Provide a service where appropriate to support niche community and business needs

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                              | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|
| EC2.3.1 | Continue to provide<br>estimates to perform<br>private works as required<br>and then perform works as<br>engaged | Annual    |           | Private Works yield<br>10% dividend | Private Works<br>provided<br>when and<br>where<br>required |

**Real Estate Development** Service:

**Service Owner: Manager Property and Economic Projects** 

#### EC2.4 Acquisition, management and disposal of Council land to realise commercial opportunities

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target   | Measure                          |
|---------|--|-----------|---|--|----------------------------------|
| EC2.4.1 | Acquisition, management and disposal of Council land to realise commercial opportunities   | Annual    |   | To generate additional income by realising a dividend from Council real estate reserve | Reserve<br>balance               |
| EC2.4.2 | Undertake review of<br>Council's existing land<br>holdings and develop a<br>strategy for the acquisition<br>and disposal of Council<br>land for economic benefit | 2018/2019 | Development of a program for acquisition and disposal of Council property |  | Program<br>adopted by<br>Council |

#### EC2.5 Develop Council business activities around commercial, industrial and residential land development

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe                     | Partner/s | Target  | Measure                              |
|---------|--|-------------------------------|-----------|---|--------------------------------------|
| EC2.5.1 | Implement strategy for the acquisition and disposal of Council land for economic benefit | Annual                        |           | Development of a program for acquisition and disposal of Council property | Program adopted<br>by Council        |
| EC2.5.2 | Develop and market residential land estate   | Annual                        |           | Release of lots to<br>meet market<br>demand                               | Number of lots available for sale    |
| EC2.5.3 | Develop and market industrial land estate  | 2020/2021<br>and<br>2021/2022 |           | Release of lots to<br>meet market<br>demand                               | Number of lots available for sale    |
| EC2.5.4 | Acquisition of development site for industrial subdivision                               | 2020/2021                     |           | Property acquired   | Progression of contract for purchase |

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                               | Measure                              |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| EC2.5.5 | Acquisition of development site for residential subdivision | 2019/2020 |           | Progression of contract for purchase | Progression of contract for purchase |

| Capital Works – Real Estate Development     | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Real Estate Development                     | 2,000,000 | 2,500,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Canning Drive Residential Land Construction | 80,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Real Estate Development               | 2,080,000 | 2,500,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |

#### EC2.6 Build and nurture relationships with Business Chambers and the business community at large

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe                   | Partner/s            | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|---|
| EC2.6.1 | Business engagement  | Annual                      |                      | Round tables and one on one meetings  | Number of engagements   |
| EC2.6.2 | Interact with local business<br>chambers and work<br>regionally with the NSW<br>Business Chamber                               | Annual                      | Business<br>chambers | Regular<br>attendance and<br>chamber meetings<br>and strategic<br>interactions where<br>necessary | Number of meetings attended and interactions                  |
| EC2.6.3 | Develop and implement an action plan for the reduction of vacant retail spaces.  | 2018/19<br>and<br>2019/2020 |                      | An action plan to reduce the number of vacant retail spaces                                       | Implementation of activities identified in the action plan    |
| EC2.6.4 | Maintain the database of businesses operating in the LGA and utilise this data to open communication directly with businesses. | Annual                      |                      | An operative and current database of business contacts  | Ability to use the database to effectively contact businesses |

## Looking After Our Environment

**EH1 Managing our Waste and Water Objective:** 

Strategic Goal: Provide sustainable, reliable and safe water, sewer, waste

and recycling services

| C | SP Strategies                                      | Community Indicators |  |  |
|---|--|----------------------|--|--|
| • | Provide environmentally sustainable waste          | •                    | Increased landfill diversion                     |  |
|   | collection, disposal and recycling services        | •                    | The waste business operating to full potential   |  |
| • | Investigate a food organics program for            | •                    | Continuous improvement of our stormwater         |  |
|   | commercial and retail business                     |                      | networks and infrastructure                      |  |
| • | Provide sustainable, safe and cost-effective water | •                    | Continue inspections and condition monitoring of |  |
|   | and sewerage services meeting the needs of the     |                      | the network                                      |  |
|   | community  | •                    | Active maintenance programs for stormwater       |  |
| • | Effectively manage stormwater and flooding         |                      | management                                       |  |

Service: **Waste Management** 

**Manager Infrastructure Services Service Owner:** 

#### EH1.1 Waste and resource recovery future options

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--|---|
| EH1.1.1 | Develop and implement a waste strategy including long-term waste and resource recovery options which are sustainable and affordable | 2017/2018 |           | Sustainable, secure and affordable waste and resource recovery solutions for the community while meeting environmental and statutory obligations plus WARR strategy objectives | Waste strategy<br>adopted and<br>action plan<br>implemented |

#### EH1.2 Operate waste and resource recovery as a business, including kerbside collection options for businesses

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|---|
| EH1.2.1 | Review costs, resources<br>and options for businesses<br>and set a new fee structure | 2017/2018 |           | Generate income to<br>ensure long-term<br>viable waste<br>collection options<br>for businesses | Options and fee<br>structure in<br>place to<br>generate<br>income |

#### **EH1.3 Waste Management domestic kerbside collections**

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| EH1.3.1 | Review collection run<br>frequencies and<br>efficiencies including<br>investigating GPS tracking<br>systems and options | 2018/2019 |           | Improve the community satisfaction with domestic waste stream collection to 90% | Efficient and reliable service to the community |

#### EH1.4 Close and cap completed waste facility cells

| Code    | Program Activity                    | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure                          |
|---------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|----------------------------------|
| EH1.4.1 | Develop and implement capping plans | Annual    |           | Best practice<br>and protecting<br>the environment | Completed compliant capped cells |

## EH1.5 Seek and utilise grant funding to support waste infrastructure needs and new projects in line with the NSW WARR Act and Strategy

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure                                |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| EH1.5.1 | Research and secure Waste Less Recycle More EPA and Environmental Trust funding | Annual    |           | Increase in grant funding applications resulting in reduced cost of waste infrastructure | Cost effective infrastructure in place |

## EH1.6 Deliver environmentally sustainable waste collection, disposal and recycling programs and services to the community recovery education

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| EH1.6.1 | Education delivered to the community through various activities                   | Annual    |           | Increased diversion rates   | Informed community actively participating in resource recovery |
| EH1.6.2 | Delivery of capital works projects  | Annual    |           | Delivery of<br>Capital Works<br>programs  | All capital works projects delivered                           |
| EH1.6.3 | Delivering a waste compliance program in accordance with legislative requirements | Annual    |           | Compliance with the Protection of the Environment Operations Act and the relevant regulations | No breaches  |

| Capital Works – Waste Management                 | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Plant Purchases                                  |           |           |           |           |
| Plant 160 - Replace Isuzu Rear Load<br>Compactor | 181,818   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Plant 169 - Replace Recycling Truck              | 0         | 0         | 68,182    | 0         |
| Plant 230 - Dean Tandem Bed Trailer              | 0         | 0         | 15,455    | 0         |
| Plant 396 - McMillan CP20                        | 0         | 31,818    | 0         | 0         |
| Plant 425 - Mower                                | 20,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Nammoona Landfill                                |           |           |           |           |
| Mobile Garbage Bins                              | 0         | 15,000    | 0         | 15,000    |
| Impound Shelter                                  | 0         | 0         | 15,000    | 0         |
| Capping Plan Cells 1-4                           | 6,000     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Upgrade CCTV                                     | 8,000     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Cell Capping                                     | 1,276,894 | 890,000   | 1,108,000 | 0         |
| Cell 6 Planning                                  | 25,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Cell 6 Approval & Construction                   | 3,000,000 | 0         | 1,100,000 | 0         |
| Fencing  | 20,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Monitoring Bores                                 | 15,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Public Place Recycling & Infrastructure          | 40,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Public Place Water Dispensers                    | 30,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| FOGO Processing Facility                         | 550,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Clearweigh Terminal Upgrades                     | 10,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| VENM for Asbestos Bores                          | 50,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Creative Design Software                         | 10,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Bora Ridge Transfer Station                      |           |           |           |           |
| Transfer Station Upgrades                        | 295,960   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Total Waste Management                           | 5,538,672 | 936,818   | 2,306,637 | 15,000    |

Service: **Stormwater Management** 

**Service Owner:** Manager Infrastructure Environment

#### EH1.7 Provide services which protect and enhance our natural and built environment

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| EH1.7.1 | Operational budgets for<br>stormwater works are set<br>in accordance with the<br>Revised Stormwater<br>Management Plan and are<br>delivered each financial<br>year | Annual    |           | The effective management of stormwater within the community | Implement<br>stormwater<br>management<br>action plan |

| Capital Works – Stormwater Management                        | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Casino   |           |           |           |           |
| Drainage Improvements  | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Increase Drainage Points Hotham St from Railway Pde to River | 0         | 30,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Increase Drainage Points in Johnston St                      | 0         | 0         | 0         | 27,000    |
| Replace concrete pipes -River St/ Walker St (75566)          | 0         | 0         | 0         | 58,000    |
| Coraki   |           |           |           |           |
| Replace concrete pipes - Church Ln (77002)                   | 0         | 10,000    | 0         | 0         |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Evans Head   |           |           |           |           |
| Illawong Ln Drainage Improvements                            | 363,435   | 143,268   | 143,268   | 88,600    |
| Myall St (76778, 76779)                                      | 85,584    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Intersection Ocean Dr & Bundjalung Rd                        | 90,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Oak St Stormwater Capacity Upgrade                           | 40,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Currajong St - CDS Unit Rehab                                | 15,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Booyong St - adjacent Stan Payne Oval                        | 40,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|  |           |           |           |           |
| Woodburn/Rappville/Rileys Hill                               |           |           |           |           |
| Woodburn - Increase Drainage Points Richmond<br>St           | 0         | 0         | 30,000    | 0         |
| Total Stormwater Management                                  | 644,019   | 193,268   | 183,268   | 183,600   |

**Water Supplies and Sewerage Services** Service:

**Manager Infrastructure Services Service Owner:** 

EH1.8 Provide compliant, continuous and cost-effective water supplies and sewerage services

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| EH1.8.1 | Continue to provide safe<br>and secure water and<br>sewerage networks through<br>the implementation of<br>Integrated water<br>management plans | Annual    |           | Water supply<br>100% compliant<br>and community<br>satisfaction | Improve annual per unit rate against state average/ achieve compliance with drinking water guidelines |
| EH1.8.2 | Work through network and camera surveys to develop a long-term strategic works program for water and sewer assets.                             | Annual    |           | Water supply<br>100% compliant<br>and community<br>satisfaction | Having a<br>strategic works<br>program in place<br>based on age<br>and condition.                     |

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| EH1.8.3 | Energy and carbon<br>emission reduction<br>program will be<br>investigated within Water &<br>Sewer and implemented if<br>proven to be beneficial. | 2017/2018 |           | Water supply<br>100% compliant<br>and community<br>satisfaction | Energy and carbon emission reduction program investigated  |
| EH1.8.4 | Review current water sewer infrastructure and develop improvement plan  | 2018/2019 |           | 30-year Capital<br>Works Program<br>adopted                     | Develop a water<br>sewer<br>infrastructure<br>improvement plan<br>as part of<br>Integrated Water<br>Management<br>Plan process |
| EH1.8.5 | Investigate an alternative water source for water supply security to Casino in emergencies  | 2018/2019 |           | Mitigated any potential disasters                               | Investigate and report on an alternative water source  |
| EH1.8.6 | Develop and implement<br>strategies to improve<br>Council's water and<br>sewerage infrastructure as<br>identified in the IWCM<br>Strategy Plan    |           |           | Improvement plan<br>completed in<br>accordance with<br>Strategy | IWCM Strategy<br>Plan developed<br>and adopted by<br>Council   |

| Capital Works – Water Supplies                                    | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mains Replacements - Casino                                       |           |           |           |           |
| Stapleton Ave - Diary St to West St                               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 360,000   |
| East St - Wharf St South to 100 uPVC                              | 47,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Canterbury St Gitana to Gray St                                   | 54,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Hickey St Hare St to Light St                                     | 35,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Colches St Nth; McDougall St south                                | 32,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Colches St Nth; McDougall St to Waratah                           | 22,500    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Colches St; Cedar St to Farley St                                 | 18,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Colches St; Lennox St to Stapleton Ave + Hare St slipway          | 65,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Cope St: Hickey St/Windsor Ave to Adam St                         | 39,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Farley St; Colches St to Jersey St                                | 32,500    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Raphael Pde Walker St to Hickey St                                | 60,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Pratt St; Hickey St to Wheat St                                   | 0         | 65,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Colches St Nth; Waratah to Sandilands St                          | 0         | 22,500    | 0         | 0         |
| Division Street; West St to Rifle range Road - Railway Under bore | 0         | 70,000    | 0         | 0         |

| Capital Works – Water Supplies                           | 2020/2021                               | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Hickey St; Lennox St to Cope St                          | 0                                       | 38,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Lees Ave; Hare St North to existing uPVC                 | 0                                       | 15,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Morwick St; North St to Apsley St                        | 0                                       | 32,500    | 0         | 0         |
| Rayner St; Centre St to West St                          | 0                                       | 55,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Sandilands St; Colches St Nth to Hotham St               | 0                                       | 56,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Stapleton Ave; Colches St to Diary St                    | 0                                       | 56,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Wharf St; East Street to drain                           | 0                                       | 22,500    | 0         | 0         |
| Dean St; Hickey St to Wheat St                           | 0                                       | 0         | 62,500    | 0         |
| Division St; West St to Centre St                        | 0                                       | 0         | 56,000    | 0         |
| Hartley St; Adam St to East St                           | 0                                       | 0         | 60,000    | 0         |
| High St; Apsley St to PVC @ 30 High St                   | 0                                       | 0         | 112,000   | 0         |
| Teak St; Short St to dead-end                            | 0                                       | 0         | 67,500    | 0         |
| Mains Replacements - Coraki                              |   |           |           |           |
| Parkes St - Rayner St to Adam St                         | 33,000                                  | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Spring St; Surry St to Union St                          | 0                                       | 42,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Queen Elizabeth Dr; Yabsley north to Lagoon Rd           | 0                                       | 0         | 78,000    | 0         |
| Queen Elizabeth Dr; Yabsley north to Lagoon Rd           | 0                                       | 0         | 0         | 78,000    |
| Bridge Str; Adam St crossing                             | 0                                       | 0         | 26,000    | 0         |
| -ge-se, -e   |   |           |           |           |
| Mains Replacements - Evans Head                          |   |           |           |           |
| Mains to be allocated                                    | 0                                       | 70,000    | 70,000    | 70,000    |
| Water Meter Replacement Program                          |   |           |           |           |
| Planned Renewals   | 10,000                                  | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Meter and Service Installations                          | 10,000                                  | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Weter Personalis Cosine                                  |   |           |           |           |
| North & South flow meter renewals                        | 136,000                                 | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Nth 1 Integrity Testing                                  | 7,790                                   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|  | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |           |           | -         |
| Water Reservoir - Coraki                                 |   |           |           |           |
| Coraki Reservoir Relining                                | 153,000                                 | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Water Reservoir - Broadwater                             |   |           |           |           |
| Access Road  | 65,000                                  | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Water Reservoir - Evans Head                             |   |           |           |           |
|  | GE 000                                  | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Evans HLT Booster PS - System Improvement<br>Lower River | 65,000                                  | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Water Treatment Plants                                   |   |           |           |           |
|  | 1                                       |           |           | 1         |

| Capital Works – Water Supplies                    | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Casino Zone meter refurbishment                   | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| RWPS Solar Installation                           | 350,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Process Approvals (e.g. Ozone dosing at WTP)      | 20,000    | 320,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Renewal - Alum Tank                               | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Renewal - Soft Starters & VSD on Clearwater pumps | 65,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Renewal - PAC Slurry Dosing                       | 97,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| RWPS Level & Stabilise Dosing Building            | 117,570   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Renewal - Filter refurbishment                    | 275,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Lunchroom extension                               | 0         | 23,000    | 0         | 0         |
| RWPS Wet Well Ladder replacement                  | 21,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Other   |           |           |           |           |
| Supply System Improv Casino                       | 0         | 0         | 0         | 75,000    |
| Supply System Improv Lower River                  | 0         | 0         | 0         | 200,000   |
| Provide Water to new release areas Lower River    | 0         | 200,000   | 0         | 200,000   |
| SCADA Renewal                                     | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Water Filling Stations                            | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Future Water Renewals                             | 200,000   | 400,000   | 400,000   | 400,000   |
| Plant & Equipment                                 |           |           |           |           |
| Plant Purchases                                   | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Total Water Supplies                              | 2,510,360 | 2,027,500 | 972,000   | 1,423,000 |

| Capital Works – Sewerage Services                           | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| All Areas - to be allocated                                 |           |           |           |           |
| Mains Repairs to be allocated                               | 30,000    | 30,000    | 30,000    | 30,000    |
| Junction Repairs to be allocated                            | 80,000    | 80,000    | 80,000    | 80,000    |
| Manhole Repairs to be allocated                             | 100,000   | 100,000   | 100,000   | 100,000   |
| Broadwater Sewer Scheme Supply e-One Unit - to be allocated | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Relining Program  | 0         | 800,000   | 0         | 800,000   |
| Future Sewer Renewals                                       | 200,000   | 640,000   | 200,000   | 200,000   |
| Sewer Mains   |           |           |           |           |
| Casino  |           |           |           |           |
| Realignment - East St                                       | 83,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Evans Head  |           |           |           |           |
| Cemetery  | 68,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |

| Capital Works – Sewerage Services   | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Duplicate Rising Main from WWPS1 to WWPS8 150 dia                             | 0         | 0         | 0         | 364,000   |
| Replace Rising Main 4 to WWPS 200 dia   | 0         | 0         | 0         | 493,000   |
| Replace Rising Main 4 to WWF 3 200 dia  | U         | U         | U         | 493,000   |
| Sewerage Pump Stations  |           |           |           |           |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Casino  |           |           |           |           |
| SCADA Renewal   | 20,000    | 20,000    | 20,000    | 0         |
| P/Stn 1 - Spare Submersible Pump  | 25,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| P/Stn 1 - Odour control   | 65,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| P/Stn 2 - Design PS 4,7,8,9,11,14,15  | 20,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| PS 4 Upgrade  | 220,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| PS15 Upgrade  | 0         | 80,000    | 0         | 0         |
| PS8 Upgrade   | 0         | 90,000    | 0         | 0         |
| PS7 Upgrade   | 0         | 0         | 175,000   | 0         |
| PS9 Upgrade   | 0         | 0         | 0         | 145,000   |
| PS14 Upgrade  | 0         | 0         | 0         | 89,900    |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Evans Head  |           |           |           |           |
| PS4 Replace Pumps/Construct Emerg Storage                                     | 0         | 0         | 486,000   | 0         |
| PS1 Replace Pump Impellors  | 0         | 0         | 0         | 59,000    |
| PS3 Replace Pumps   | 0         | 0         | 0         | 24,000    |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Broadwater  |           |           |           |           |
| Rising Main Air Valve Renewal   | 53,549    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Sewerage Treatment Plants   |           |           |           |           |
| Cooling   |           |           |           |           |
| Casino Water de Management  | 00.000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Wetlands Management   | 60,000    | 180,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Septic Receival Station - Investigate and Design                              | U         | 180,000   | 0         | 0         |
| Digestors - Refurbish Vent Shafts Humus Draw Off and Digester Mixers on SCADA | 35,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| control   | 5,000     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| New Blower with VSD Control   | 40,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Electrical Room Extension   | 0         | 50,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Sewerage System Improvements  | 0         | 0         | 0         | 100,000   |
| Grit Chamber Ventilation Improvements   | 120,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Tertiary Pond Desludging  | 340,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Augmentation Investigation & Design   | 250,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| PLC & SCADA   | 60,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Coraki  |           |           |           |           |
| Refurbish Drying Beds   | 134,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |

| Capital Works – Sewerage Services                           | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Reuse automation  | 91,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Reuse Bldg Reseal Bunded Area Chlorine Room                 | 15,953    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Automation - Switchboard and PLC                            | 160,000   | 40,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Digesters - Condition Inspection and refurbishment strategy | 10,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Digesters - Refurbishment                                   | 0         | 0         | 50,000    | 0         |
| Stage 1 Upgrade - Designs - concept/detailed                | 200,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Stage 1 Upgrade - Construction                              | 0         | 0         | 1,400,000 | 1,400,000 |
| Evans Head  |           |           |           |           |
| Security Light - LED Replacement                            | 27,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Electrical Gland LED replacements                           | 23,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Inlet Step Screen over hall & Standby motor                 | 51,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Emergency Storm submersible pump & SCADA connection         | 95,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Aerator Float arm replacements                              | 0         | 52,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Effluent PS Rotork Valve replace/refurbishment              | 14,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Stage 2 Design  | 200,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Enclose Generator & High Volume Pump                        | 12,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Stage 2 Construction  | 0         | 0         | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 |
| Reuse effluent water scheme                                 | 0         | 0         | 0         | 500,000   |
| Rileys Hill   |           |           |           |           |
| EAT refurbishment   | 0         | 36,000    | 0         | 0         |
| EAT Spare aerator & VSD                                     | 21,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| EAT DO Control  | 8,000     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Amenities floor bearers replacement                         | 6,000     | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Plant & Equipment   |           |           |           |           |
| Plant & Equipment   | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 30,000    |
| Truck – Sludge Skid Carting Truck                           | 150,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Sewerage Services                                     | 3,112,502 | 2,218,000 | 5,061,000 | 6,924,900 |

## Looking After Our Environment

EH2 Promoting and Facilitating the Protection of the **Objective:** 

**Environment** 

Strategic Goal: Protect and enhance the Richmond Valley's beautiful

environment

| CSP Strategies  | Community Indicators  |
|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Provide services and programs which protect and enhance our natural and built environment</li> <li>Develop and use regulatory instruments to protect and manage the environment</li> <li>Lead and engage the community to increase awareness and improve sustainable management of the environment</li> <li>Minimise environmental harm through Council's own environmental practices</li> <li>Advocate for and support initiatives to improve the health of the Richmond River</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Maintain community satisfaction with the natural environment</li> <li>Maintain community satisfaction with beaches and riverbanks</li> </ul> |

Service: **Environmental Health** 

**Service Owner: Manager Development and Environment** 

#### EH2.1 Provide services and programs which protect and enhance our natural and built environment

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|---|--|--|
| EH2.1.1 | Budgets allocated to<br>support services and<br>programs | Annual    | NP&WS,<br>EPA,<br>Landcare,<br>LLS, DPI,<br>community<br>groups | Maintain<br>community<br>satisfaction<br>beaches 94%,<br>riverbanks 80%,<br>natural<br>environment 89% | Services and programs developed and provided within budget |

#### **EH2.2 Upgrade to the Jabiru Geneebeinga Wetlands**

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|--|--|--|
| EH2.2.1 | Assist with the development of Jabiru Geneebeinga Wetlands Master Plan | 2020/2021 | NP&WS,<br>EPA,<br>Landcare,<br>community<br>groups | Long-term strategy implemented for the management of the Jabiru Geneebeinga Wetlands | Finalised master<br>plan adopted by<br>Council |

Service: Environmental Management

**Service Owner:** Manager Development and Environment

#### EH2.3 Develop and use regulatory instruments to protect and manage the environment

| Code    | Program Activity                   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| EH2.3.1 | Respond to environmental incidents | Annual    | EPA       | Reduction in<br>number of<br>environmental<br>incidents | 80% of incidents responded to within CRM timeframes. |

## EH2.4 Develop programs in consultation with the community and stakeholders to minimise environmental harm through Council's own environmental practices

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s         | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-------------------|--|--|
| EH2.4.1 | Flying Fox Management  | Annual    | NP&WS,<br>OLG     | Ensuring the health of the community is protected and enhanced | Implement Flying<br>Fox Management<br>Plan                   |
| EH2.4.2 | Conduct food shop inspections  | Annual    | Food<br>Authority | Ensuring the health of the community is protected and enhanced | 95% of medium<br>to high-risk shops<br>inspected             |
| EH2.4.3 | Skin penetration inspections   | Annual    | NSW Health        | Ensuring the health of the community is protected and enhanced | Inspections<br>completed every<br>two years                  |
| EH2.4.4 | Maintain water quality inspections' schedule for public swimming pools | Annual    | NSW Health        | Ensuring the health of the community is protected and enhanced | Water Quality<br>Inspections<br>Schedule<br>maintained       |
| EH2.4.5 | Prompt response to general enquires                                    | Annual    |                   | Respond to incidents reported through Council's CRM process    | 80% of incidents<br>responded to as<br>per CRM<br>timeframes |

| Code    | Program Activity                         | Timeframe | Partner/s              | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|------------------------|--|--|
| EH2.4.6 | Liquid Trade Waste<br>Program            | Annual    | NSW Office<br>of Water | Minimise impacts<br>on the STP and<br>protect the<br>environment       | 20% audit<br>inspections per<br>year                         |
| EH2.4.7 | Public health registers and response     | Annual    | NSW Health             | Register up to<br>date and provided<br>to NSW Health on<br>request     | Maintain register  |
| EH2.4.8 | Conduct OSMS audits                      | Annual    |                        | 150 on-site<br>sewerage<br>management<br>systems inspected<br>annually | No. of risk audits<br>per year                               |
| EH2.4.9 | Caravan park licensing program approvals |           |                        |  | Approvals issued in accordance with legislative requirements |

#### EH2.5 Develop a long-term strategic plan for the Animal Shelter

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s     | Target  | Measure                    |
|---------|---|-----------|---------------|---|----------------------------|
| EH2.5.1 | Draft a long-term strategic plan for the animal shelter | 2020/2021 | OLG,<br>RSPCA | Long-term<br>strategy for the<br>management and<br>upgrade of the<br>animal shelter | Plan developed and adopted |

#### **EH 2.6 Implement Council's adopted Companion Animals Management Strategy**

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s   | Target                                       | Measure                                    |
|---------|--|-----------|---|--|--|
| EH2.6.1 | Decrease in the number of dog attacks  | Annual    | OLG, Local<br>Aboriginal<br>Land<br>Councils                          | Companion<br>Animals Strategy<br>implemented | 5% reduction in the number of dog attacks. |
| EH2.6.2 | Increase in the number of de-sex animals from the previous year's statistics | Annual    | OLG, Local<br>Aboriginal<br>Land<br>Councils,<br>local vet<br>clinics | Companion<br>Animals Strategy<br>Implemented | 5% increase of desexed animals             |

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s  | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|--|---|---|
| EH2.6.3 | Decrease in the number of roaming animals                      | Annual    | OLG, Local<br>Aboriginal<br>Land<br>Councils<br>local vet<br>clinics | Companion<br>Animals Strategy<br>implemented  | 5% reduction in<br>the number of<br>roaming animals   |
| EH2.6.4 | Increase in the number of follow ups of dangerous dogs' audits | Annual    | OLG  | Companion<br>Animals Strategy<br>implemented  | Develop schedule<br>for dangerous<br>dog audit and<br>conduct<br>inspections as<br>per schedule |
| EH2.6.5 | Maximise the rehousing rates in the Richmond Valley            | Annual    | Animal<br>Welfare Org,<br>OLG  | The rehousing of animals in the pound is maximised and strong links with animal welfare groups maintained | Maintain rehousing rates  |

## **Making Council Great**

Objective: CS 1 Leading and Advocating for our Community Strategic Goal: A highly efficient and effective Council

| CSP Strategies   | Community Indicators   |
|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Undertake Council's leadership with a strong governance and management framework covering all of Council's planning, monitoring, reporting and transparent and informed decision making</li> <li>Convene open, accessible and transparent Council and committee meetings</li> <li>Richmond Valley Council will be a responsible fiscal manager</li> <li>Advocate strongly on behalf of the community with State and Federal governments and other regional bodies</li> <li>Be a highly active member in the Northern Rivers Regional Organisation of Councils</li> <li>Ensure Council's organisational compliance, practices and performance are regularly monitored and reviewed.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Improvement of community perception of ability to participate in Council's decision-making process</li> <li>Improvement of community perceptions of Council operating under ethical, open and transparent processes</li> <li>Improvement in community perception of Council operating efficiently, effectively and providing value for money</li> </ul> |

Service: Governance & Advocacy

**Service Owner:** General Manager

## CS1.1 Improve decision making by engaging stakeholders and taking community input into account

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s        | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|------------------|--|---|
| CS1.1.1 | Encourage participation in<br>Council<br>meetings/committee<br>meetings | Annual    | Community groups | Increase the community's opportunity to participate in Council's decision-making processes to 73%                    | 80% attendance at<br>Council<br>meetings/committe<br>e meetings by<br>councillors                             |
| CS1.1.2 | Develop and conduct a councillor training program                       | Annual    | OLG              | Increase the community's opportunity to participate in Council's decision-making processes to 73%                    | Number of code of conduct complaints against councillors  |
| CS1.1.3 | Implementation of the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework       |           |                  | Quarterly reports<br>to Council and the<br>community on<br>Council's<br>achievements<br>against stated<br>objectives | Clear<br>communication on<br>achievement<br>against objectives<br>in Council's<br>Community<br>Strategic Plan |

#### CS1.2 Facilitate Council's compliance with legal and governance requirements, including risk and insurance

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure                                      |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS1.2.1 | Develop a risk management program which identifies and controls Council's enterprise risks | Annual    |           | Risks identified<br>and controls<br>implemented   | Risk<br>management<br>program<br>implemented |
| CS1.2.2 | Place appropriate insurance in accordance with Council's insurance program                 | Annual    |           | Implementation of<br>Council's<br>insurance<br>program based on<br>adequate and<br>informed risk<br>profiling | Risks adequately insured                     |
| CS1.2.3 | Implementation of a corporate compliance program   | Annual    |           | Compliance with statutory performance   | Compliance obligations identified            |

#### CS1.3 Ensure transparency and accountability in council's operations

| Code    | Program Activity                  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Measure   | Target   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS1.3.1 | Internal audit committee meetings | Annual    |           | Council's decision-making is in accordance with legislative requirements and OLG best practice guidelines | To ensure that<br>Council's risks<br>are identified and<br>mitigated |

#### CS1.4 Provide high level financial and business analysis advice to monitor performance

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                         | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------|---|
| CS1.4.1 | Monitor capital works performance                                       | Annual    |           | Improve performance ratios     | To ensure capital works are delivered on time and within budget |
| CS1.4.2 | Coordination and management of major projects                           | Annual    |           | Projects on time and on budget | To ensure projects are managed efficiently and effectively      |
| CS1.4.3 | Identify trends in business performance and report to senior management | Annual    |           | Improve performance            | To ensure performance is monitored and reviewed                 |

## **Making Council Great**

**Objective: CS2 Great Support** 

Strategic Goal: Council's support services provide professional and

effective service

Service: **Customer Service** 

**Service Owner:** Manager Customer Experience

#### CS2.1 Ensure the ongoing delivery of a quality customer service-oriented organisation

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                             | Measure                  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| CS2.1.1 | Ensure that Council continues to meet the expectations of the community in delivering quality customer service | Annual    |           | Increase in community satisfaction | Community satisfaction   |
| CS2.1.2 | Continually review and monitor the quality of customer service provision across the organisation               | Annual    |           | Improved stakeholder satisfaction  | Stakeholder satisfaction |

| Capital Works – Customer Service | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Casino Office                    |           |           |           |           |
| Furniture                        | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Renewals to be allocated         | 65,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Customer Service           | 75,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |

Service: Information Technology Services

**Service Owner:** Manager Information & Technology Services

## CS2.2 Staff have the technology and information systems required to deliver the outcomes expected by the community

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s        | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|------------------|---|---|
| CS2.2.1 | Implement application upgrades, configuration changes, data entry screens, reports, and workflow within Council's core applications  | Annual    |                  | To identify and fix inefficient processes through appropriate use of technology | Number of issues resolved and enhancements implemented                              |
| CS2.2.2 | Utilise mobile technologies so staff can access council information and complete tasks while in the field  | Annual    |                  | Improve staff productivity and efficiency                                       | Number of tasks<br>which can be<br>completed by staff<br>using mobile<br>technology |
| CS2.2.3 | Working documents, spreadsheets etc are stored in an accessible document repository. Records have appropriate metadata, precis and are tagged to appropriate categories in the records management system. All email is stored in the corporate email archive | 2017/2018 | State<br>Records | Efficiencies in<br>document-based<br>processes and<br>workflows                 | Number of<br>business<br>processes<br>supported by RVC<br>documents system          |

## CS2.3 Technology in the community which promotes economic growth and community safety

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|---|
| CS2.3.1 | Manage and maintain<br>CCTV and public free wi-fi<br>systems | Annual    | Police    | Maintain Council<br>free wi-fi and<br>CCTV<br>monitoring<br>system | 95% uptime for<br>CCTV and number<br>of users utilising<br>CBD free wi-fi<br>during the past<br>quarter |

#### **CS2.4 Efficiency and value from IT investments**

| Code    | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| CS2.4.1 | Systems are maintained within one version of currently released product | Annual    |           | IT systems are<br>stable,<br>responsive and<br>secure | 90% of Council's core applications, infrastructure and software are current (i.e. within one version of the vendor's current major release level) |
| CS2.4.2 | Management of network performance                                       | Annual    |           | IT systems are stable, responsive and secure          | 99% uptime of<br>Council's core<br>network during<br>business hours.  |
| CS2.4.3 | Security and data protection  | Annual    |           | No penetration  | Stability from potential data corruption attack   |

#### **CS2.5** Efficient records processes

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target                                | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|---|
| CS2.5.1 | Efficient processing of incoming correspondence  | Annual    |           | Processing of incoming correspondence | 95% of all incoming letters and emails to Council are registered into Council's system daily and allocated to appropriate staff member for action within agreed timeframes. |
| CS2.5.2 | Records team responds to information requests within agreed service levels or statutory requirements | Annual    |           | Processing of information requests    | 95% of information requests are processed within agreed timeframes.   |

**People and Culture** Service:

**Manager People and Culture Service Owner:** 

#### CS2.6 Place-based employer of choice attracting a diverse workforce

| Code    | Program Activity                                    | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS2.6.1 | Streamline recruitment and on-boarding process      | Annual    |           | Recruitment<br>survey<br>constructed                | Recruitment process has a personal touch, engaging potentials, recruitment is well- defined in website |
| CS2.6.2 | Rebrand recruitment to coincide with EVP strategies | Annual    |           | Website<br>updated                                  | Highlight values,<br>leadership and<br>working at RVC on<br>websites                                   |
| CS2.6.3 | Implement internal initiatives that boost morale    | Annual    |           | Programs<br>implemented<br>according to<br>strategy | Peer-to-peer recognition program implemented. Bright ideas program implemented                         |

#### CS2.7 Develop and retain an engaged and performing workforce

| Code    | Program Activity                                    | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|---|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| CS2.7.1 | Implement a 12-24-month leadership and culture plan | 2018/2019 |           | Staff trained in<br>leadership with<br>an increase in<br>communication<br>survey average | Strategy for<br>frontline staff<br>devised. HBDI<br>conducted for<br>management team |
| CS2.7.2 | Implement a Health and<br>Wellbeing Program         | Annual    |           | Programs<br>implemented<br>according to<br>strategy                                      | Program implemented prior to FY19. Diverse activities for mental and physical health |
| CS2.7.3 | Manage strategy for YES                             | Annual    |           | Mentor program implemented that engages junior staff up to managers                      | Mentoring program developed for staff  |
| CS2.7.4 | Manage staff survey strategy                        | Annual    |           | Ongoing  | Increase in participants   |

#### **CS2.8 Creating a contemporary workplace**

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|--|--|
| CS2.8.1 | Review current values and behaviours   | Annual    |           | Behaviours<br>implemented and<br>form RVC<br>linguistics | New values and<br>behaviours<br>designed and<br>implemented              |
| CS2.8.2 | Manage the implementation of digital transformation for HR systems and process | Annual    |           | All staff utilising<br>ESS                               | ESS implemented. SCOUT maintained  |
| CS2.8.3 | Manage training plan   | Annual    |           | Culture strategy implemented with associated programs    | Training plan altered to suit organisational rather than individual need |
| CS2.8.4 | Manage and review policies and procedures                                      | Annual    |           | Policies<br>implemented on a<br>bi-monthly basis         | Policies rewritten in simple language                                    |
| CS2.8.5 | Educate staff on PULSE and review process yearly                               | Annual    |           | Movements run percentile averages to an increased number | Interventions implemented as a direct response to survey data            |

Work Health & Safety Service:

**Service Owner:** Manager People and Culture

#### CS2.9 Proactive management of WHS systems to minimise safety risks

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure   |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| CS2.9.1 | Continue to coordinate<br>Council's Incident<br>Reporting system | Annual    |           | Reduction in<br>safety incidents<br>resulting in<br>injury claims on<br>2016-17<br>benchmarking | All incidents<br>reported to<br>management in a<br>timely manner                                  |
| CS2.9.2 | Annual review of Safety<br>Management Plan                       | Annual    |           | Reduction in<br>safety incidents<br>resulting in<br>injury claims on<br>2016-17<br>benchmarking | To review all Safety<br>Management Plan<br>documentation and<br>obtain<br>Management sign-<br>off |
| CS2.9.3 | Rolling audit and hazard inspection program and reporting        | Annual    |           | Reduction in<br>safety incidents<br>resulting in<br>injury claims on<br>2016-17<br>benchmarking | To mitigate safety risks  |

| Code    | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|---------|--|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS2.9.4 | Develop and Implement a<br>Health Monitoring<br>Program                    | 2017/2018 |           | Number of compliance breaches (PINs)  | To identify all health-related risks which have potential to cause harm to workers |
| CS2.9.5 | Facilitate Health and Safety Committee                                     | Annual    |           | Reduction in<br>safety incidents<br>resulting in<br>injury claims on<br>2016-17<br>benchmarking | To make recommendations to management on WH&S issues                               |
| CS2.9.6 | Develop and implement a<br>WHS Safety Training<br>program                  | Annual    |           | Reduction in<br>safety incidents<br>resulting in<br>injury claims on<br>2016-17<br>benchmarking | To ensure all staff are trained and competent in their roles                       |
| CS2.9.7 | Ensure Council's WHS practices are compliant with legislative requirements | Annual    |           | No compliance breaches  | To ensure compliance with legislation requirements                                 |

#### **CS2.10** Provide an effective injury management program

| Code     | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|----------|---|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS2.10.1 | Develop and implement a<br>Return to Work Program   | Annual    |           | Maintain 2016-<br>17<br>benchmarking<br>for lost time<br>injuries/hours | Reduction in lost time   |
| CS2.10.2 | Develop relationships<br>with Stakeholders to<br>assist in managing<br>Workers Compensation<br>claims | Annual    |           | Maintain 2016-<br>17<br>benchmarking<br>for lost time<br>injuries/hours | Ensure compliance<br>and reduction in<br>lost time   |
| CS2.10.3 | Reporting of injury management results to Council   | Annual    |           | Reports<br>prepared and<br>presented to<br>Council                      | Report to Council<br>bi-annually on<br>injury management<br>performance<br>showing injury<br>rates and lost time<br>injuries |

**Financial Services** Service:

**Chief Financial Officer Service Owner:** 

#### CS2.11 Examine all revenue and expenditure reduction opportunities within legislative powers

| Code     | Program Activity   | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|----------|--|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS2.11.1 | Complete review of Council revenue   | Annual    |           | Increase income over and above rate pegging       | Increase revenue by 3% of CPI  |
| CS2.11.2 | Ensure Council's procurement practices deliver best value for money                      | Annual    |           | Increase income over and above rate pegging       | Reduction in money spent on goods and services   |
| CS2.11.3 | Examine the opportunity to share regional services with other local government agencies. | Annual    |           | Increase income<br>over and above<br>rate pegging | Develop regional relationships /partnerships increasing on the 2016/2017 benchmark   |
| CS2.11.4 | Investigate different investment options to maximise Council's return on investments     | 2017/2018 |           | Improvement of percentages from Reviews           | Analysis workshop<br>to determine<br>efficiencies and<br>decrease the %<br>outstanding within<br>the financial<br>statements |

#### CS2.12 Ensure compliance with Accounting Standards and Local Government Legislation

| Code     | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure           |
|----------|---|-----------|-----------|--|-------------------|
| CS2.12.1 | Manage Council's finances in accordance with legislative requirements | Annual    |           | Unqualified Audit Report for each year of the Delivery Program | Unqualified audit |

**Fleet Management** Service:

**Manager Infrastructure Services Service Owner:** 

#### CS2.13 To sustainably and strategically manage council's fleet program

| Code     | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target  | Measure  |
|----------|---|-----------|-----------|---|--|
| CS2.13.1 | Complete fleet procurement in accordance with the plant replacement program | Annual    |           | Providing plant,<br>vehicles and<br>equipment to<br>service the<br>internal needs of<br>Council | Replace plant and equipment as per the annual procurement plan |

| Capital Works – Fleet Management                       | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Workshops - Plant Purchases                            | 30,000    | 30,000    | 30,000    | 30,000    |
| Workshops – Evans Head Mezzanine Floor<br>Construction | 40,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Plant Purchases  | 2,359,071 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |
| Total Fleet Management                                 | 2,429,071 | 2,030,000 | 2,030,000 | 2,030,000 |

Service: Engineering Support & Asset Management

**Service Owner:** Manager Assets and Planning

CS2.14 Maintain strategic asset management focus, and provide inspection and technical information for the development of design and capital works programs

| Code     | Program Activity  | Timeframe | Partner/s | Target   | Measure                               |
|----------|---|-----------|-----------|--|---------------------------------------|
| CS2.14.1 | Development of design<br>and capital works<br>programs annually | Annual    |           | Capital works<br>program completed<br>on time and on<br>budget | Capital Works<br>Program<br>developed |

| Capital Works – Engineering<br>Support & Asset Management | 2020/2021 | 2021/2022 | 2022/2023 | 2023/2024 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Office Furniture  | 5,000     | 5,000     | 5,000     | 5,000     |
|   |           |           |           |           |
| Casino Depot  |           |           |           |           |
| Depot Renewals  | 20,000    | 20,000    | 20,000    | 20,000    |
| Pavement Rehab & Sealing                                  | 100,000   | 70,000    | 0         | 0         |
| Washdown Bay Awning                                       | 80,000    | 0         | 0         | 15,000    |
| Casino Depot – Undercover Parking<br>P&G                  | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Coraki Depot  |           |           |           |           |
| Pavement Construction                                     | 100,000   | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Evans Head Depot  |           |           |           |           |
| Depot Renewals  | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    | 10,000    |
| Building Corrosion Repairs                                | 10,000    | 0         | 0         | 0         |
| Total Engineering Support & Asset<br>Management           | 425,000   | 105,000   | 35,000    | 50,000    |