

7.10. COMMUNITY RESALE EVENTS

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Endorse the addition of a Community Re-Sale Event Stallholder Fee of \$30.00 to the Fees and Charges for Council operated community re-sale events as part of the implementation of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan 2025 - 2030;**
- 2. Delegates authority under S257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to the Chief Executive Officer to administer all matters associated with the above.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Resource Management have identified the need for community-driven initiatives that promote reuse and extend the life of everyday items. Community re-sale events like 'Community Garage Sales' and themed second-hand markets such as 'Thrifty Threads' for fashion are an engaging and fun way to do this.

The community will be invited to host a 'stall' at these community resale events. Stallholders will be required to pay a \$30 (plus processing fee) stallholder fee.

BACKGROUND

Community re-sale events meet the following strategic priorities from the Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan 2025 - 2030:

- 1.4 - Encourage sustainable events by fostering a culture of bring your own (BYO) or reusables and providing recycling bins where they are unavailable commercially.
- 2.7 - Advocacy and support of individuals and groups working to divert waste from landfill.
- 2.8 - Support the implementation of circular economy initiatives.

Community re-sale events also meet the following action from the Waste Education and Behaviour Change Plan 2025 - 2026:

- 3 - Garage Sale Trail Program; Plan and implement 'garage sale' activities across the Shire to reduce waste to landfill, prevent illegal dumping and engage residents in a circular economy.

PROPOSAL

A Community Re-sale Event Stallholder Fee of \$30 (plus processing fee) will be added to the fees and charges to ensure stall holder commitment to minimise no-shows and recover a portion of insurance and labour costs.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Additional funding for the community resale events has been allocated in the Resource Management Waste Education budget; the Resource Recovery officer will be seeking event sponsorship from community partners where applicable to support the long term roll out of the program.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

The overall risk associated with delivering Council supported community re-sale events is considered low. The introduction of a \$30 stallholder fee reduces the likelihood of stallholder no-shows, ensuring stronger commitment and minimising financial or logistical disruption on the day.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Economic:	Community re-sale events provide affordable shopping options for residents while supporting local economic activity. The small stallholder fee contributes to cost recovery for Council and encourages commitment from participants.
Environmental:	The initiative directly contributes to waste diversion from landfill by encouraging the reuse, repair, and repurposing of clothing, textiles, and household items. By embedding circular economy practices at a community level, the events reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with manufacturing and transport of new goods and align with Council's Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan 2025–2030 targets.
Social:	The events create inclusive, family-friendly opportunities for the community to come together in a positive and engaging way. They strengthen community connections, encourage intergenerational participation, and normalise reuse behaviours.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN, POLICY REFERENCE

This report has been prepared in accordance with the following:

Corporate Plan 2025-2030 Initiatives:

Theme 1 - Liveability

To deliver community activities to promote safe, healthy, inclusive and socially engaged communities with an environmental conscious.

1.7 - Investigate and promote environmental, green, eco-friendly and nature focused initiatives.

Theme 3 - Service Delivery

We deliver Council services effectively and efficiently to meet community expectations, focusing on the wellbeing of both the community and our employees.

3.9 - Preserve, protect and improve our unique environment.

Operational Plan 2025-2026 Actions:

1.7.3 - Encourage the diversion of organic waste from landfill. Continue to investigate solutions and long-term opportunities for diversion.

3.9.2 - Develop and implement a waste education and behavioural change plan targeting waste reduction, recycling and organic diversion from landfill.

COUNCIL'S ROLE

Council can play a number of different roles in certain circumstances and it is important to be clear about which role is appropriate for a specific purpose or circumstance. The implementation of actions will be a collective effort and Council's involvement will vary from information only through to full responsibility for delivery.

The following areas outline where Council has a clear responsibility to act:

Facilitator	Council often brings stakeholders together on important issues, projects or for service delivery. In this role, Council can act as a mediator, connector, collaborator or initiator.
Funder	Council often partly funds services, events or community organisations through grants, donations, subsidies and in-kind support. Council will apply robust governance to ensure that such funding is fair and appropriate.
Information Provider	Council provides the community with important information on services, events, policies, rules, strategies, and any other relevant data that helps the community to stay informed. In performing this role, Council seeks to be open and transparent.

CONSULTATION

Internal:	Internal consultation was undertaken with the Environment and Planning Department, Community and Economic Development, ICT and Finance.
External:	External consultation has occurred with Garage Sale Trail and various other Queensland Councils who have run similar events.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

A proactive community engagement approach will underpin the success of Council supported community re-sale events. Promotion will be delivered through Council's established communication channels, including social media, website, and newsletters, to ensure broad awareness and participation.

ATTACHMENTS

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