# 5.09. OPERATIONAL PLAN 2015 - 2016 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY TO MARCH 2016

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### RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the progress of the implementation of the Operational Plan 2015 – 2016.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report and the attachment details the progress for the third quarter of this financial year in implementing Council's Operational Plan 2015 - 2016. To deliver the initiatives detailed in the Operational Plan 2015 - 2016, a comprehensive internal program has been developed which is regularly reviewed the Management Team to ensure work priorities are being met.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Operational Plan 2015 - 2016 was adopted 24 June 2015 in conjunction with the Annual Budget 2015 -2016. Under section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a written assessment of the progress of implementing the Operational Plan is to be present to Council on at least a quarterly basis.

### **PROPOSAL**

The attachment to this report provides Council with the progress on implementing the Operational Plan 2015 - 2016 for the third quarter of this financial year.

### FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The activities detailed within the Operational Plan 2015 - 2016 are factored into Council's annual budget.

### **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Progress on the Operational Plan 2015 - 2016 is a regular item for the Management Team meetings to ensure appropriate and relevant resources are deployed to complete the initiatives by the due dates as listed.

### CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN, POLICY REFERENCE

This report has been prepared in accordance with the following:

### **Corporate Plan 2014-2019 Initiatives:**

### Theme 5 - Governance

5.2.1 - Provide Councillors and community with accurate, unbiased and factual reporting to enable accountable and transparent decision-making.

### **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:

Fully-Responsible Delivering a program or activity for another organisation (usually

another level of government).

Meeting the responsibilities associated with regulating activities

**Regulator** through legislation or local law.

### INTERNAL/EXTERNAL CONSULTATION

All managers have been consulted and provide the progress on the major initiatives being undertaken by their Section.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 - Third Quarter Progress Report on Operational Plan 2015 -2016.



# ATTACHMENT A Operational Plan July 2015 – June 2016

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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Douglas Shire Council's third Operational Plan consolidates and builds on the diverse range of initiatives delivered by Council in its first 18 months, setting out a comprehensive schedule of programs and services to support all sectors of the community and drive business growth across the Shire. It continues to implement the strategic direction of Council as expressed in its adopted 2014-2019 Corporate Plan, with all operational initiatives costed against the 2015-2016 Annual Budget.

The preparation of an Operational Plan is required by Section 174 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*. In line with this requirement Council's 2015-2016 Operational Plan details both recurring activities and the major initiatives to be undertaken over the next 12 months by all departments and teams across Council. The Plan details resource requirements, performance indicators, timeframes and responsible officers to manage and deliver the works. As in 2014-2015, an assessment of the progress of the implementation of the Plan will continue to be presented in a formal report to Council each quarter.

As in the last financial year, this Plan provides the mechanism for the delivery of a broad range of community benefits and services. A number of major initiatives, including the progression of the Mossman District Nursing Home, the delivery of \$15m of disaster recovery works, collaboration in the management of significant Indigenous sites, the upgrade of the Mossman Town Centre and the establishment of business and community forums, will be directly managed by the executive team. The Plan also schedules the development of important strategic initiatives to strengthen the economy, drive tourism, support the arts and protect the environment. A number of new regulatory programs, pest management and water and waste water programs are included. Community and recreational infrastructure is to be audited with a particular emphasis on accessibility for all in our community. Continual improvement in service delivery and the implementation of digital and electronic initiatives both in our Libraries and to achieve greater efficiencies in Council's corporate business functions, is ongoing. The Plan also details the administrative actions required of staff to maintain and further develop good governance, corporate communications and business continuity.

For the new Douglas, this second full financial year will see the consolidation of the 2014 start up initiatives, the continuing development of programs across Council's broad portfolio of community and business responsibilities, and the delivery of new projects that drive and strengthen community and financial sustainability.

Completion of this Operational Plan before June 2016 will see the consolidation of many aspects of this new Council's business, and will continue to provide a sound platform for the future growth of the new Douglas.

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# **MANAGEMENT TEAM**

### **Ongoing Activities**

The Management team will be responsible for the following:

- Good Governance Facilitating the decision making and leadership of council through provision of advice and information.
- Strategic Planning Planning for a successful future for Douglas.
- Community Sustainability Identifying and acting on opportunities to strengthen the economic, environmental and social base for Douglas.
- Financial Sustainability Planning for and supporting the development of a financially sustainable Council.
- Organisational Performance and Culture Managing the resources of Council effectively and efficiently to ensure sustainable performance, a high level of service delivery and a positive culture.
- Engagement and Advocacy Creating and supporting productive and strategic relationships with the communities of Douglas, local and regional stakeholders and other governments

# **Major Management Team Operational Plans/Strategies**

RE	F Pla	orp. lan ink	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
M	<sup>-</sup> 1 1.3	3.1	Progress the establishment of the Mossman District Nursing Home site	01/09/15 to 30/06/16	Prepare and obtain Stage One Masterplan approval and Reconfiguration Of Lot approval. Negotiate acceptable land tenure arrangements with nursing home provider.	Town Planning Consultant Professional Legal Advice	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Development application lodged 24/12/16. Successful Building Our Regions grant funding application \$544,150 for enabling infrastructure. Infrastructure Agreement and Development Lease currently being negotiated. Internal Project Control Group (PCG) established, meeting weekly, to progress of the development	⊠Yes □No
M		2.1 2.4	Establish and facilitate the Daintree Joint Management Group	01/10/15 to 31/05/16	Key stakeholders identified and Terms Of Reference established. Two meetings conducted.	Refer Council Resolution 5 May 2015 for key stakeholders	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Two DJMG meetings held, 20 August 2015 and 25 February 2016. Future of the DJMG to be determined by Council post Election.	⊠Yes □No
M	3 1.2	2.4	Review the existing Management Plans for the Blue Hole and Cow Bay Reserves	01/10/15 to 31/05/16	Management Plan reviews completed to the satisfaction of Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation and Council.	Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation Professional Legal Advice, if required	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Bama working group established to undertake Management Plan reviews. Blue Hole Plan currently with Jabalbina for discussion and input from Traditional Owners. Review of Cow Bay Management Plan not commenced.	□Yes ⊠No
M	4 5.2	2.2	Develop and implement an evaluation and reporting tool for service standards	01/08/15 to 31/05/16	Implement measures to evaluate service standards and present reporting six monthly to Council.		<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Staff have commenced formulating an Organisational Report Card which will be implemented after 1 July 2016.	⊠Yes □No
M	5 5.1	1.1	Executive management of the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) for the Shire	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	NDRRA Project Control Group continue to meet on a weekly basis and progress of the NDRRA works reported to Council on a six (6) weekly cycle.	Appointed contractors and sub-contractors	☐Commenced ☐Not Commenced ☑Completed	NDRRA PCG meetings ceased as all works completed.	⊠Yes □No
M	6 2.3	3.4	Potential Stage Two of the Mossman Town Centre upgrade	01/09/15 to 30/04/16	Council's direction implemented		<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>⊠Completed</li></ul>		⊠Yes □No
M	7 4.3 4.3		Identification and information recording, including pictorial, of places of refuge for inclusion in the Local Disaster Management Plan	01/09/15 to 30/04/16	Identification of places of refuge based on a condition and risk assessment throughout the Shire and inclusion of this list in the LDMP	Consultants including building inspector and structural engineer, District Disaster Management Group, QFES.	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>⊠Completed</li></ul>		⊠Yes □No

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М	2.2. 2.2. 2.3. 4.1. 4.2.	engage the Douglas Business Sector to identify key Economic development opportunities and	01/07/15 to 31/12/15	"Douglas Business Forum" undertaken and relevant matters documented to inform Douglas Economic Development Strategy.	Douglas Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Port Douglas Daintree and Primary Industry Sector.	Commenced  □Not Commenced  ⊠Completed	The Business Forum was successfully held on 12 November 2015 with over 100 delegates attending. Feedback from attendees and speakers is that the forum was a great initiative.	⊠Yes □No

# **CEO UNIT**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Executive Officer will be responsible for the following:

- Leading and supervising the CEO Unit ensuring initiatives are complete in a timely and efficient manner
- Developing strategy planning and policy frameworks and overseeing the development of strategies and policies
- Active participation by staff in the development of opportunities for all sectors of the community.

# **Major CEO Unit Operational Plans/Strategies**

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
CEO1	2.2.1 5.2.2	Develop and implement an Economic Development Strategy.	01/09/15 to 30/06/16	Research and Identify suitable framework for Council's Economic Development Strategy and engage a quality consultant to assist with the development. Completed Economic Development Strategy adopted by Council.	Consultancy Services	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	A consultant, Possible People, has been engaged for the delivery of this project.	⊠Yes □No
CEO2	2.3.3	Investigate best practice Recreational Vehicle (RV) Strategy models that may be applicable for Douglas Shire.	01/10/15 to 31/05/16	Identify three (3) best practice RV Strategy models for consideration by Council and for community engagement.		<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	The best practice models will be presented to a Councillor workshop on 13 May26 April.	⊠Yes □No
CEO3	1.1.4 1.3.3 1.3.4 3.1.2	Develop and implement an Arts Policy and Strategy.	01/10/15 to 31/05/16	Identify and engage a suitably quality consultant to assist with development of a policy and strategy. Adopt by Council upon completion.	Consultancy Services	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	The successful consultant has withdrawn their submission due to personal reasons. The Art Strategy brief has been circulated again and will close on 3 May.	□Yes ⊠No
CEO4	4.2.1	Investigate the strategic planning framework for the development of a Douglas Community Plan	01/01/16 to 30/06/16	Commence investigation and advise Councillor's of proposed framework for developing Community Plan.	Consultancy Services	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Best practice research has commenced with identification of suitable frameworks identified.	⊠Yes □No
CEO5	2.1.4	Investigate options for an "App" which will enhance our customer's digital interaction Council.	01/09/15 to 30/04/16	Identify an "App" that provides alternatives medium for customer interaction with Council and a report presented to Council to consider options and if applicable, budget allocation for the 2016/17 financial year.		<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	This was presented to a Councillor workshop on 26 Apriland will be reported upon at the June 2016 meeting.	⊠Yes □No
CEO6	3.1.4 3.1.5 4.1.1 4.2.2	Develop and implement an Illegal Dumping Strategy	01/07/15 to 29/02/16	Present a report to Council for adoption of an Illegal Dumping Strategy which incorporates a cross-Council response to the delivery of public education, compliance and waste management.		□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Completed and implementation commenced.	⊠Yes □No

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# **DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT (SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES)**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Development and Environment (Sustainable Communities) Section will be responsible for the following:

• Ensuring land use assessment and environmental planning functions are carried out in accordance with statutory requirements including processing of Development Applications and Operational Works Applications within legislated timeframes.

- Ensuring compliance with relevant State legislation, Council Local Laws and the Shire Planning Scheme.
- Administering Local Law, Environmental Health and other delegated licensing, permitting and registration functions.
- Undertaking strategic land use planning functions in accordance with statutory requirements.

### Major Development and Environment Operational Plans/Strategies

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
DE1	3.1.5 3.1.6	Tender and enter into a new contract for the management and operation of Killaloe landfill and transfer station including a 'recycle' shop.	01/07/15 to 30/11/15	New operator engaged		<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☑ Completed</li></ul>	Official opening of Recycle Shop to occur in May 2016.	□Yes ⊠No
DE2	3.1.6	Procure and install a leachate management system at Killaloe landfill. This will likely also involve a tender.	01/08/15 to 29/02/16	Leachate management system installed to the satisfaction of EHP	Substantial capital investment	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Investigations into the appropriate Leachate Management System, including landfill capping are ongoing to ensure the system is appropriate for the site and economically sustainable for Council. A review of water balance was undertaken in the quarter by Waste Solutions. A potential local source of clay has been identified and capping works will commence in June. A decision to install a mini treatment plant to treat leachate and wastewater on the site has been made. Scope for tendering for supply and commissioning of the plant is now underway.	□Yes ⊠No
DE3	3.1.6	Install surveillance cameras at Killaloe landfill and transfer station.	01/11/15 to 30/06/16	Cameras installed and operational	Capital investment	□ Commenced □ Not Commenced □ Completed		⊠Yes □No
DE4	3.1.6	Revise waste management strategy.	01/08/15 to 30/06/16	Strategy drafted and adopted		□ Commenced □ Not Commenced ⊠ Completed	The Draft Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan has been adopted by Council in accordance with the Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011.	⊠Yes □No
DE5	3.1.6	Investigate and procure a system for the better tracking and recording of waste generated in the Douglas Shire.	01/10/15 to 30/06/16	Waste streams able to be tracked appropriately	Capital investment	☐ Commenced ☐ Not Commenced ☐ Completed	New system installed at Killaloe, Cow Bay and Newell. Training of staff to be undertaken.	⊠Yes □No
DE6	4.2.2 5.2.1	Engage a new sustainability officer.	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	Officer employed	Budget allocation for wages	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Interviews completed and the desired candidate for the position has accepted and is due to commence on 6 June 2017.	⊠Yes □No
DE7	5.1.1	Develop and adopt a Corporate Sustainability Strategy.	01/09/15 to 30/06/16	Strategy drafted and adopted by Council		<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Liaison has occurred with the new Sustainability Officer however an actual strategy will not be achievable in this financial year as the Sustainability Officer will not commence until 6/6/16.	□Yes ⊠No

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DE8	3.1.1	Planning scheme approved by the State and adopted by Council.	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	Planning Scheme is adopted.	Continuing assistance from external planning consultant, GIS consultant. Financial resources allocated in budget.	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Timing issue with the caretaker period for the local government elections impacted on delivery of the final scheme, as did the delay in the approval from the State. A plan for consultation on the proposed scheme is being developed and will be workshopped with Council. This process will take a number of months and the action can only be completed in the 2016/17 year	□Yes ⊠No
DE9	4.2.2	Implement illegal camping strategy.	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	New local laws officer hired. Proactive monitoring and management undertaken as per strategy workshopped with Councillors.	Wage cost for new officer. Budget allocation for police cost. Budget allocation for signage/bollards	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	The new local laws officer commenced in July. The illegal camping strategy is continuing with increased patrols, police assistance, installation of new signage and bollards. Now an ongoing part of Sustainable Communities operations.	⊠Yes □No
DE10	4.1.2 5.2.2	Local laws - next stage of local laws review undertaken with informal public engagement and draft amended local laws prepared.	01/08/15 to 30/06/16	Draft amended local laws prepared after opportunity for public comment	External consultant assistance will be required	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Informal public consultation and compilation of survey results and evaluation complete. Final check of desirable changes against existing legislation and local laws form other Council's being finalised.	⊠Yes □No
DE11	5.1.1	Condition audit of Council moorings in Port Douglas Harbour undertaken and repair and maintenance program adopted including budget and time frames re salvaging the two vessels sunken on the moorings.	01/09/15 to 30/06/16	Audit report received and repair and maintenance program adopted	Specialist external consultant assistance will be required.	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Inspection, maintenance and service of pile moorings, and the installation ofl of nine (9) regulatory signs complete. One (1) identified vessel to be salvaged in the final quarter.	⊠Yes □No
DE12	5.3.3	Review of all receipt codes and GL paths for regulatory services activities.	01/08/15 to 30/06/16	Regulatory service activities being receipted to the correct location		<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Progressively being undertaken over the financial year. A preliminary plan has been developed and identified tasks tasks being actioned.	⊠Yes □No
DE6 2014/ 2015	3.1.7	Closure of Phase A and B. Staged capping of Killaloe Landfill as per Transitional Environmental Program and Site Development Plan. Due June 2015	01/07/15 To 31/12/15	Capping complete (Phase A & B)	Creation and filling of Technical Officer Waste position, Contractors and Consultant	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Capping to occur in June 2016 after successfully identifying and testing a suitable local clay source.	□Yes ⊠No

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# **WATER AND WASTEWATER**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Water and Wastewater Branch will be responsible for the following:

- Managing the Water and Wastewater income and expenditure within approved budget and in accordance with Council strategies and plans.
- Meeting wastewater compliance with statutory requirements and licence conditions.
- Supplying drinking water and recycled water that meets customer quality requirements and agreed service standards in accordance with approved Drinking Water Quality Management Plan (DWQMP).
- Managing and developing Trade Waste and Plumping Applications in the Shire.
- Managing Council contracts and where required, negotiate new contracts relating to water and wastewater.
- Maintaining Council's Water and Wastewater assets to ensure maximum lifespan and output capacity in the lifecycle of those assets.
- Monitoring of systems, procedures and workplace environment to ensure equipment, plant and machinery is safe to operate and work processes comply with workplace health and safety legislation and standards.

### **Major Water and Wastewater Operational Plans/Strategies**

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
WW1	2.1.2	Rehabilitation of sewer network in Mossman & Port Douglas	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	Reduction of groundwater and soil material infiltration into the sewer network and prevention of sewer failures and to improve compliance in terms of discharge volumes.	Relining Contractors	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Procurement process is completed. Council approved proposed contractor on 28 January 2016 and consequently the Contractor signed the contract soon after. Preparation work commenced and contractor ordered materials	⊠Yes □No
WW2	2.1.2	Wastewater and Water Treatment Plants Server SCADA Citec upgrade and Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) SCADA Citec upgrade	01/08/15 to 30/06/16	Existing version of SCADA Citec is no longer supported. Is causing reliability issues with impacts on Compliance with EHP Licence and DWQMP.	SCADA Contractor and several other electrical contractors	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	All the SCADA upgrade processes are completed. Some of the upgraded programs require customisation and some of these modification steps and general fault finding are still ongoing. Minimal disruption occurred during the upgrading process.	⊠Yes □No
WW3	2.1.2	Drinking Water Storage: Investigate and repair vermin proofing at all water storage/ reservoirs in the Water Supply Schemes.	01/08/15 to 30/06/16	Compliance with the Drinking Water Quality Management Plan and improve safety and quality of water supplied to community.	Consultant and several contractors	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Investigations are now completed. Awaiting the report from the contractor on how to vermin proof and seal water storages and reservoirs. Contractors were contacted to quote on certain components of this operational plan. Indications are that most work will continue in the last quarter of the financial year and the first quarter in the next financial year.	⊠Yes □No
WW4	2.1.2	Review and amend Drinking Water Quality Management Plan (DWQMP)	01/11/15 to 30/06/16	Improve operating procedures and control measures and amend DWQMP to ensure compliance and improve safety and quality of water supplied to community.	Consultant and DEWS accredited Auditor	<ul><li>□ Commenced</li><li>□ Not Commenced</li><li>☑ Completed</li></ul>	The amended DWQMP was approved by DEWS without any changes on 1 March 2016.	⊠Yes □No

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# **INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Infrastructure Service Section will be responsible for the following:

• Contributing the development and implementation of planning to enhance and preserve the natural and built environment.

- Coordinating the development and implementation of the landscape management plan.
- Planning and construction of a network of bicycle trails, traffic separation and management arrangements.
- Asset assessment and valuation to prioritise road reseals and rehabilitation.

# **Major Infrastructure Services Operational Plans/Strategies**

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
IS1	5.1.1 5.2.1 2.1.1	Level 2 visual condition rating of Douglas Shire Council Bridge network      a. Last comprehensive Level 3 inspection done on Douglas Shire Bridges May 2007     b. Contract level 2 structural inspection on bridges with strategies and actions.     c. Improve and update bridge asset management register     d. Implement a 5 and 10 year bridge maintenance and replacement strategy.	01/10/15 to 29/02/16	Bridge inspection report for each bridge in the shire;     Update Asset Register with the latest condition assessments;     Develop a maintenance strategy based on severity rankings;     Develop a Capital Works upgrade program tied to the asset and service management plans.	\$150,000 in 15/16 Operational Budget to engage an external contractor to undertake condition assessments and write the reports. Council officers will work with the contractor.	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Final report and structural assessments completed and delivered to Council in April 2016. Asset Register is being updated and a 5 & 10 year maintenance strategy has been developed. An asset revaluation will now be undertaken to satisfy QAO requirements.	⊠Yes □No
IS2	5.1.2	2. Community Access Audit - Public Environment (Last review December 2007) a. Review audit from 2007 and update and review recommendations for assessable areas (bus stops, kerb ramps, car parking within the urban areas in Mossman and Port Douglas streetscapes) b. Ensure compliant with Disability Discrimination Act & Australian Standards (design for access and mobility).	01/10/15 to 31/03/16	Develop a condition assessment report for each infrastructure class;     Identify and report any non compliance defects for operations to repair;     Update asset registers with condition assessments;     Develop a Capital Works upgrade program tied to the asset and services management plans.	Utilise internal resources to undertake site inspections, reporting and updating asset registers. Use 'Asset Edge' software and tablets in the field.	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	All inspections have been completed. A report has been compiled which details the defects and program for repair.	⊠Yes □No
IS3	1.3.4 3.1.3	Review Draft Pest Management Plan - Endorsement by Council.	01/10/15 to 31/12/15	1. Adopt a Pest Management Plan;	Review and drafting can be completed using internal resources.	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	New legislation is due to be enacted in June 2016 and all Local Governments are required to have a Biosecurity Plan rather than a Pest Management Plan. Training of Authorised Officers has been completed and biosecurity Plan is to be drafted by June 2016. Adoption of the plan will need to occur early in the 2016/17 year.	□Yes ⊠No
IS4	1.3.4	Audit of all park infrastructure Development of 'Asset Edge' open spaces database to enable management of inspections and maintenance activities for open spaces assets.	01/08/15 to 31/12/15	Documented condition assessment of all park infrastructure;     Update Asset Registers;     Program defects and general maintenance;     Develop a program for Capital Works improvements tied to the asset and service management plans.	Review and updating of ASMP can be completed using internal resources.	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	A portable 'tablet' type system has been developed to capture assets. The capture process has begun and will be completed by the end of June 2016. Defect programming will occur once all data is captured.	□Yes ⊠No
IS5	5.1.2 2.2.4	Improved management of external contractors. This will be done by addressing three areas to provide cost savings to Council, and improved safety.	01/08/15 to 31/03/16	Pre Qualified Supplier Arrangement;     Contractor management process improvement and register;     Risk assessments of all projects prior to	Review and updates can be completed using existing internal resources.	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Draft contractor induction handbook has been developed. Project specific contractor induction documentation has been developed and is in use. Pre qualified supplier arrangement is in place.	⊠Yes □No

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				commencing on-site; 4. Develop an annual contractor WH&S induction.			Project documentation and risk assessment reporting is being developed with help from the WH&S unit.	
IS6	2.1.1	Review and update the current ASMP for Buildings. This will be done by implementing an inspection program on all Douglas Building Assets and developing a 10 year plan for improvements and maintenance.	01/08/15 to 31/03/16	Carry out inspections of all Council buildings;     Develop ASMP for buildings;     Develop a Capital Works program for building renewals	Review and updates can be completed using existing internal resources.	□ Commenced     □ Not Commenced     □ Completed	Project commencement rescheduled to May. Inspections will be carried out using software preloaded onto tablets.	⊠Yes □No
IS7	3.2.4	Investigate and implement, where practical, procedures and techniques to reduce herbicide spraying, including the use of glyphosate, on roadsides, public areas and in routine garden maintenance.	01/10/15 to 30/04/16	Trial completed and findings reported back to Council	Review and updates can be completed using existing internal resources.	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Contractor engaged to commence pilot steam weed program in February 2016 for a 6 month period.  The trial will concentrate on playground areas with an initial treatment every 2 weeks. Findings for the six (6) month trial will not be able to be reported back to Council until after July.	□Yes ⊠No
l1 2014/ 2015	3.1.5	Plan to enhance and preserve the natural environment	01/07/15 To 31/12/15	Coconut Management Policy	Public consultation	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Coconut Management Plan and Coconut Action Plan adopted by Council resolution at the 29 September 2015 Ordinary Meeting.	⊠Yes □No
14 2014/ 2015	3.1	Implementation of DNRM River Improvement Trust to address damage to rivers and the flooding of land	01/07/15 To 31/12/15	Implement River Improvement Trust	Local Government application to the Minister DNRM or use existing Cairns RIT		A report was presented to the Council meeting of 16 June 2015. The resolution requested further discussions with Cairns Regional Council after the election in March 2016 and this is proposed to take place in the next 2 months. A final report on the matter is expected to Council in June 2016.	⊠Yes □No
I5 2014/ 2015	2.3.5	Plan for Douglas as the "bicycle capital of Australia"	01/07/15 To 31/12/15	Five (5) year plan for bicycle infrastructure	Public consultation; Review previous studies	□ Commenced     □ Not Commenced     □ Completed	A five (5) year cycle infrastructure plan was produced and workshopped with Council. Council staff have been liaising with officers from Transport and Main Roads in the finalisation of the Far North Queensland Principal Cycle Network Plan (FNQPCNP). Community engagement on the plan will now occur	□Yes ⊠No

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# FINANCE AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### **Ongoing Activities**

The Finance and Information Technology Section will be responsible for the following:

- Delivering Sectional income and expenditure within approved budget forecasts.
- Complying with all relevant legislation, policies and procedures.
- Coordinating the Rates & Water Billing function and managing Debtor balances within acceptable limits.
- Processing Accounts Payable within the allocated timeframes and trading terms.
- Ensuring Payroll is processed in a timely manner and is compliant with all relevant legislation, policies and procedures.
- Supporting Information Technology function with set up of new systems, completion of migration, and ongoing support for Council.
- Periodic reporting in line with Council guidelines and statutory requirements

# **Major Finance and Information Technology Operational Plans/Strategies**

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
FIT1	5.3.3	Continue documentation of internal controls and financial processes.	01/10/15 to 30/04/16	Internal Control Procedures documented and endorsed by Management Team.		<ul><li>□ Commenced</li><li>□ Not Commenced</li><li>☑ Completed</li></ul>	The three critical areas of Payroll, Rates and Accounts Payable have been finalised.	⊠Yes □No
FIT2	5.3.2 5.3.3 5.3.4	Training and multi-skilling of staff to cover staff absences and to maintain service levels within the Finance Branch.	01/11/15 to 31/05/16	Key duties identified, skills matrix established and training plan endorsed by General Manager Corporate Services.	External training providers, if required	☐ Commenced ☐ Not Commenced ☐ Completed	Appropriate staff have been trained to a level where they can provide relief in priority financial positions.	⊠Yes □No
FIT3	5.3.3	Transfer existing Grant Register into an automated register within the Authority Software Suite.	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	Successful installation of software to efficiently record, monitor and acquit all grants applied for and received.	Civica consultants	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Preliminary investigations undertaken regarding register content and functionality available within the Authority Software Suite.	⊠Yes □No
FIT4	5.3.5	Refresh & upgrade organisational critical Information Technology Assets.	01/07/15 to 31/12/15	Hardware purchased and installed within budget constraints. Progress reported to Management Team on a monthly basis.	Funds allocated in Capital Works Budget Information Technology Consultants, if required	☐Commenced ☐Not Commenced ☑Completed	Audio visual facilities upgraded at depot and nursery. Wireless network upgrades complete. Port Douglas hub equipment supplied and commissioned. Network hardware, Telephone system and Managed Services Environment (Citrix) upgrades completed.	⊠Yes □No
FIT5	5.1.1	Undertake a review of general rating categories to determine if current rating regime supports organisational objectives.	01/10/15 to 30/06/16	Outcome of review workshopped with Council and recommended general rating regime adopted for the 2016/17 Annual Budget.	Local Government Association of Queensland	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Review is well advanced. The 2016 valuations that take effect from 1 July 2016 have been received and are being analysed. Report expected to be issued to Councillors in May 2016 with outcomes to be considered with annual budget preparations.	⊠Yes □No
FIT4 2014/ 2015	5.3.3	Complete implementation of the Authority software modules to meet operational requirements	01/07/15 to 29/02/16	Modules operational, refresher training undertaken and timely provision of routine maintenance/upgrades.	Civica	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	All modules completed except for online development applications. Delay due to vendor scheduling. Implementation will be finalised prior to end of June 2016.	⊠Yes □No

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# **GOVERNANCE**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Governance Section will be responsible for the following:

- Developing and maintaining an effective risk management system and culture within the Governance Section to mitigate risks to Council.
- Ensuring Governance systems, functions and reporting frameworks are developed and implemented to meet organisational requirements.
- Managing the Governance Section within budget and annual operating plan as adopted by Council.
- Delivering a quality frontline service ensuring a high quality customer service function that meets the needs of Council and the community.
- Providing a quality complaints management process for Council which ensures not only legislative compliance but improved service quality to the community.
- Delivering an effective and efficient insurance function ensuring adequate coverage of Council's assets and provision of a quality insurance claims function.
- Providing a property services function which optimises utilisation of Council facilities and ensures a strategic approach to property management.
- Managing Council's records management system ensuring processes and systems are in place to capture all Council records and achieve legislative compliance

### **Major Governance Operational Plans/Strategies**

F	REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
	G1	5.3.2 5.3.4 5.3.5	Negotiate and implement a new Certified Agreement for Council consistent with the Industrial Relations Act 1999, the relevant awards and the Council strategic objectives	01/07/15 to 30/11/15	New Enterprise Bargaining Agreement accepted by majority of Council staff.	Local Government Association of Queensland	□ Not Commenced     □ Completed	The amended Award has been referred back to the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission (QIRC) to be re-determined with the QIRC to now decide on the timing of, and process for redetermining the proposed content of the Award with the embargo to certifying any enterprise agreements to continue until the matter has been re-determined.	□Yes ⊠No
	G2		Develop a Procurement Governance Framework which details the organisational procurement guidelines to enhance existing procedures in meeting legislative compliance.	01/07/15 to 31/12/15	Procurement Governance Framework endorsed by Management Team and submitted to Audit Committee for review. Additional resources and templates established.	Internal Audit will be engaged at some later stage to test the robustness of the Procurement Governance Framework.	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Senior Procurement Officer appointed. Considerable work completed on templates and contract documentation. Procurement General policy adopted by Council 16 December 2015. In addition, the Senior Procurement Officer has established a Procurement Contracts Purchasing portal in InfoXpert. All RFQ =>15k and Tender>\$200k (or High risk RFQ) are registered within this portal on the Tender-RFQ Register. Once registered all procurements follow a basic process activity (from start to finish) of the following  O Probity  O Probity  RFQ/Tender documents) Submissions  O (Downloaded from LG E-tender or Vendor Panel after close date and time)  Sevaluation  Use of standard evaluation excel workbook)  Awarded  Standard Council Resolution Report or Financial Delegate Award Report)  Contract Details - signed by delegate is	⊠Yes □No

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REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
							filed here) 5 Management (optional) • (Contract Management Plan as required) 6 Communications (optional) • (Miscellaneous as required)	
G3	4.1.1 5.2.1	Update all Cairns Regional Council Minutes (March 2008 to December 2013) and previous Douglas Shire Council Minutes on to Council Website	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	All minutes available in electronic format and updated on Council's website		□ Commenced □ Not Commenced □ Completed	All minutes of the former Douglas dating back to 24 January 2006 and a link to the Cairns Regional Council minutes archive for the amalgamated period are now available on the Website.	⊠Yes □No
G4	5.3.3 5.3.4 5.3.5	Implement a Corporate Wellness Initiative to enhance and promote well being in the workplace.	01/07/15 to 31/12/15	Recommended options endorsed by the Management Team and participation opportunities provided to all staff		□ Commenced □ Not Commenced ☑ Completed	The Douglas Workplace Quit Smoking Program has been operational for over 1 month with participant numbers continuing to grow. Arrangements are currently being made to offer the Flu Vaccine to interested employees. The monthly Workplace Health & Safety Newsletter "The Safety Zone" is continuing to be well received by staff and contains updates on safety and training as well as health and wellbeing. Fitness Passport, the corporate heath and fitness program continues to grow in membership giving employees and their families access to a wide range of local health and fitness providers.	⊠Yes □No
G5	5.1.1 5.2.1	Undertake property inspections of all Council leased premises to confirm lease compliance and instigate any rectification actions required.	01/07/15 to 31/12/15	Inspections completed, information collated and rectification actions implemented, if any, reported to Council.		☐ Commenced ☐ Not Commenced ☐ Completed	Inspections of all Council leased facilities have been completed. Inspection program now established to be undertaken in September/October each year.	⊠Yes □No
G6	1.1.5 1.3.4 2.1.1 5.1.1	Implement Land Management Plans for Coronation Park, Mossman and the Port Douglas Sports Complex	01/11/15 to 31/05/16	Plans completed, approved by Department of Natural Resources & Mines and reported to Council for endorsement.		<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Land Management Plan for Coronation Park Mossman has been approved by Department Natural Resources & Mines (DNRM). Land Management Plan for Port Douglas Sports Complex has been lodged with DNRM. Both Land Management Plans will be presented to Council for adoption prior to end of June 2016.	⊠Yes □No
G7	5.2.1 5.2.2	Review of existing Standing Orders For Council Meetings General Policy	01/01/16 to 30/06/16	Revised policy adopted by Council.		<ul><li>⊠ Commenced</li><li>□ Not Commenced</li><li>□ Completed</li></ul>	Review is completed and the proposed amended Standing Orders will be presented to Council for consideration At the 7 June Ordinary Council Meeting.	⊠Yes □No
G8	5.2.1 5.2.2	Councillor Induction/On boarding training	01/04/16 to 30/06/16	All new and existing Councillors to have completed Induction	Local Government Association of Queensland Department of Local Government	□ Commenced □ Not Commenced ⊠ Completed	The internal induction program was completed in April 2016. The Department of Infrastructure Local Government and Planning (DILGP) have also completed their induction. The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) Elected Member Update to be held 10 and 11 May 2016.	⊠Yes □No
G9	5.2.2 5.3.3 5.3.5	Commence implementation of Local Government Association of Queensland Legislative Compliance Tool, specifically as it relates to the Local Government Act 2009 & Local Government Regulation 2012.	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	Local Government Act 2009 & Local Government Regulation 2012 sections of Legislative Compliance Tool established and endorsed by Management Team.	Local Government Association of Queensland	<ul><li>☑ Commenced</li><li>☐ Not Commenced</li><li>☐ Completed</li></ul>	Training through LGAQ is being implemented to provide guidance to new staff on utilising this tool. This training will also incorporate "hands on" assistance for staff to progress.	⊠Yes □No

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# **LIBRARY**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Library Section will be responsible for the following:

- Coordinating, planning and delivering library services to residents and visitors of Douglas.
- Complying with Queensland Public Libraries standards and guidelines.
- Working within framework outlined in "The next horizon vision 2017 for Queensland public libraries" as outlined by the State Library of Queensland.
- To provide a welcoming creative Library space that delivers programs and activities to support and enhance reader development, lifelong learning and participation for all

# **Major Library Operational Plans/Strategies**

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
	1.2.4	Plan and begin implementation of "Best Start Family Literacy" initiative in line with State	01/07/15	Number of outreach visits; programs	State Library of Queensland funding	□Commenced	"Best Start" has changed its name to "First 5 Forever".	⊠Yes
L1	1.3.4	Library of Queensland Service Level Agreement.	to 30/06/16	delivered and number of attendees reported via CEO Report to Council	received - Casual staff	<ul><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>☑Completed</li></ul>	Launch completed, planning in process & outreach started.	□No
	104	Investigate opportunities to install "swipe card" (self-access) and security at Port Douglas Kiosk	01/08/15 to 30/04/16	Report to Council on feasibility of installing swipe card access for Port Douglas Kiosk.		⊠Commenced		⊠Yes
L2	1.3.4 5.3.3					□Not Commenced		□No
						□Completed		
			01/09/15			⊠Commenced	State Library is investigating self-check outs. State Library to provide \$1500 towards set-up of self-	⊠Yes
L3	1.3.4 5.3.3	Investigate opportunities for "self-check out" facilities of library resources.	to 30/04/16	Recommended course of action endorsed by management Team	State Library of Queensland	□Not Commenced	check out machine in Mossman.	□No
			30/04/10			□Completed		
			01/12/15	Library Newsletter concept endorsed by		□Commenced		⊠Yes
L4	4.1.1	Introduce a quarterly Library Newsletter	to 31/03/16	management Team	State Library of Queensland	□Not Commenced		□No
			31/03/10			⊠Completed		

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# **ORGANISATIONAL BUSINESS SUPPORT UNIT**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The organisational Business Support Unit will be responsible for the following:

- Undertaking major administrative tasks across the organisation
- Establishing and maintaining corporate registers (e.g. Name and Address Register)
- Providing relief support to select areas of organisation to cover annual leave absences
- Providing advice on business system improvements across the organisation

# **Major Organisational Business Support Unit Operational Plans/Strategies**

REF	Corp. Plan Link	Action	Indicative Timeframe	Key Performance Indicator	Additional Resource Requirements	Status	Comments	Will the action be completed by 30 June 2016?
OBSU1	5.3.3	Stage 1 - Review Council's Cemetery Register and update Cemetery Maps. Stage 2 - Investigate options available to display Cemetery Records on Council's website.	01/07/15 to 30/06/16	Stage 1 - Cemetery Maps updated consistent with Council's Cemetery Register. Stage 2 - Recommended option presented to Management Team.	Consultancy Services	⊠Commenced	Consultant is investigating options available to display cemetery records on Council's website.	□Yes
						□ Not Commenced	Due to other Council priorities which are of a higher	⊠No
						□Completed	importance, this initiative will be carried over to the 2016/17 Operational Plan.	
OBSU2	5.2.2	Evaluate current Name and Address Register procedures to align with industry best practice.	01/08/15 to 30/04/16	Name and Address Register guidelines updated and training delivered to relevant staff.	Civica consultant, if required	□Commenced	Cleansing of Name and Address records have been	⊠Yes
						□Not Commenced	completed. Staff training of applicable staff has been completed.	□No
						⊠Completed		
OBSU3	5.2.2	Review and update Accounts Receivable procedures including debt recovery.	01/09/15 to 30/04/16	Accounts Receivable procedures updated and endorsed by General Manager Corporate Services.		□Commenced	General Manager Corporate Services has endorsed Accounts Receivable Procedures.	⊠Yes
						□ Not Commenced	Accounts Receivable Procedures.	□No
						⊠Completed		
OBSU4	5.2.2	Complete converting building applications received by New Douglas into Council's Electronic data and Records Management System.	01/12/15 to 31/03/16	Backlog of building applications profiled into Council's Electronic Data and Records Management System.		□Commenced	Building applications have all been profiled and	⊠Yes
						□Not Commenced	processed into Council's electronic records management system. Property files updated	□No
						⊠Completed	accordingly.	