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#### OPERATIONAL PLAN 2014-2015 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY TO MARCH 2015

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the progress of the implementation of the Operational Plan 2014-2015

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report and the attachment details the progress for the third quarter of this financial year in implementing Council's Operational Plan 2014 – 2015. To deliver the initiatives detailed in the Operational Plan 2014 – 2015, a comprehensive internal program has been developed which is regularly reviewed by the Management Team to ensure work priorities are being met.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 was adopted 27 June 2014 in conjunction with the Annual Budget 2014 – 2015. Under section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a written assessment of the progress of implementing the Operational Plan is to be presented to Council on at least a quarterly basis.

#### **PROPOSAL:**

The attachment to this report provides Council with the progress on implementing the Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 for the third quarter of this financial year.

#### **CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN, POLICY REFERENCE:**

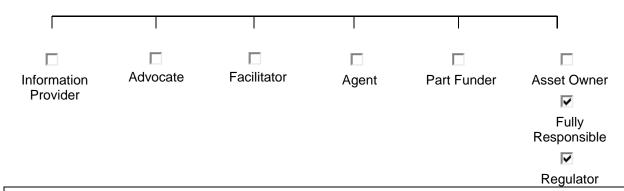
This report has been prepared in accordance with 5.2.1 of the Corporate Plan –

"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:** Funding the full cost of a program or activity.

Regulator: Meeting the responsibilities associated with regulating activities through

legislation or local law.

#### **FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

The activities detailed within the Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 are factored into Council's annual budget.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS:**

Progress on the Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 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.

#### **INTERNAL/EXTERNAL CONSULTATION:**

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

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A - Third Quarterly Progress Report on Operational Plan 2014 - 2015

Attachment B – Operational Plan 2014 – 2015 Internal Works Program



# **ATTACHMENT A**

# Operational Plan July 2014 – June 2015

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# **Executive Summary**

The new Douglas Shire Council has completed six successful months of operation following de-amalgamation from Cairns Regional Council on 1 January 2014. During that period Council adopted its first Corporate Plan (2014-2019) which set the strategic direction of Council for the next five years. This 2014-2015 Operational Plan now provides the statement of actions to be undertaken and services to be provided to achieve Council's strategic corporate goals.

The preparation of an Operational Plan is required by Section 174 of the Local Government Regulations 2012. In line with this requirement Council's 2014-2015 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. An assessment of the progress of the implementation of the Plan will be presented in a formal report to Council on a quarterly basis.

As the first Operational Plan covering a full 12 month period, this Plan provides the mechanism for the delivery of a broad range of community benefits and services – each of which is costed against the 2014-2015 Council Budget. The 2014-2015 initiatives and programs will introduce new opportunities to the diverse Douglas communities, particularly our disadvantaged community members by building capacity and supporting community development programs. The Plan details initiatives to support economic growth, to protect the environment, and to undertake essential maintenance of public infrastructure. The listed actions support the continuing development of major sports events and tourism. The Plan also details the administrative actions required of staff to maintain and further develop good governance, risk management, safe work practices, corporate communications, and sustainable financial management.

In line with the strategic goals of the Corporate Plan, this 2014-2015 Operational Plan offers a steady and sustainable framework to achieve continual and responsible improvements in the quality of Council services delivered and operational efficiencies. Its completion before June 2015 will see the consolidation of many aspects of this new Council's business, and will provide a sound platform for the future growth of the new Douglas.

# **Draft Operational Plan**

# Key for Operational Plan Abbreviations

CEO Chief Executive Officer

EO Executive Office

GMO General Manager Operations MWW Manager Water and Waste

MDE Manager Development and Environment

MI Manager Infrastructure

GMCS General Services Corporate Services

MFIT Manager Finance and Information Technology

MG Manager Governance
TLL Team Leader Library

SBSO Senior Business Support Officer

#### **Chief Executive Officer Unit**

#### **Ongoing Activities**

The Chief Executive Officer 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 success 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.

The Executive Officer will be responsible for the following:

- Leading and supervising the CEO Unit ensuring initiatives are completed in a timely and efficient manner.
- Developing strategic 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 I	<u>nitiatives</u>								
Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On Target to be completed
CEO1	Develop and implement "Accessible Douglas" directory.	1.3	Web development	Accessible Douglas Directory available.	30/04/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Final draft is being reviewed with an anticipated completion date to be week commencing 13 April 2015.	⊠Yes □No
CEO2	Research and identify external grants and distribute to relevant areas of council for submission opportunities.	5.1		CEO Unit to apply for a minimum of three grants.	30/06/15	EO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Successfully secured the;  Get Out Get Active Graffiti Stop Get Ready	⊠Yes □No
CEO3	In collaboration with Human Resources, identify opportunities though work experience and job placement to increase skills of vulnerable members of our communities to improve employment prospects.	1.2		Six placements throughout Council.	30/06/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	The work experience program has commenced for the 2015 year with NEATO currently having a number of job seekers participate in the program. Council is also working in collaboration with organisations at Mossman Gorge to develop a job expo.	
CEO4	Support and advocate for Indigenous employment, social and economic development opportunities.	2.4 4.2		Facilitate two workshop / information sessions focusing on Council employment and procurement process.	30/06/15	EO	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Officers from the CEO unit and HR facilitated a workshop for Indigenous job seekers and also assisted in providing information to prospective Indigenous business owners regarding the Preferred Supplier process.	□No
CEO5	Collaborate with internal and external stakeholders to develop and implement initiatives to increase awareness and responsible behaviour relating to environmental practices.	3.1		Deliver six initiatives.	30/06/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Officers are working in collaboration internally and externally to develop a comprehensive program of activities that increase awareness and promote changed behaviour.	

Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On Target to be completed
CEO6	Develop and implement a Disaster Resilience and Education campaign	4.3	Web development	Program rollout commenced in October 2014.	31/05/15	EO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	A number of initiatives were rolled out prior to the beginning of the wet season. An education program will be further developed and included in the 2015/2016 projects.	
CEO7	Develop and promote business resource information and tools.	2.2		Information and tools available on Council's web site.	30/04/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Tools and information have been uploaded onto the website. This information is updated on a regular basis.	
CEO8	Develop and implement a Corporate Style Guide to ensure consistency of all Council documentation.	5.3		Style Guide in use throughout Council.	31/03/15 30/04/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	A final draft completed in March to be implemented in mid April.	□Yes ⊠No
CEO9	Develop a Corporate Service Charter to ensure a consistent level of service is provided by Council.	5.3		Service Charter in use through out Council.	31/03/15	EO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	The final document is to be uploaded to Council's website.	⊠Yes □No
CEO10	Develop and distribute information packs to assist new property owners in the Shire.	1.1 3.1 2.2		Hard and electronic information packs available on Council web site and the administration building.	<del>28/02/15</del> 30/04/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	The content has been finalised and the document is undergoing final format changes. Ready for distribution in April.	□Yes ⊠No
CEO11	Build the capacity of our communities to target and secure funding opportunities.	1.1		Host two workshops about researching grants and writing grants applications.	30/06/15	EO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	There is a Grants link on Council's website which is regularly updated. Officers have facilitated two grant information session/ writing workshops and two RADF information sessions and facilitated a Sport and Recreation grants workshop. Officers have also assisted organisations with writing funding applications to secure funding.	t □No
CEO12	Identify initiatives and stakeholders, and commence the development of heritage trail signage.	2.4.2		Consultation with identified stakeholders, project plan developed and implementation commenced.	30/06/15	EO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	The project is progressing with Mayora and deputy Mayor involvement along with key stakeholders including WTMA and Jabalbina.	r
CEO13	Staff to proactively participate in the liquor accord to promote community safety.	4.2.2		Staff attendance at majority of meetings held.	30/06/15	EO	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Officer attends majority of meetings.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time
CEO08	Following confirmation of final draft – style guide will be implemented in April
CEO10	Following final formatting, information packs to be distributed in April

# **Operations Management**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The General Manager Operations will be responsible for the following:

- Leading and managing the operations Department in accordance with organisational strategies and plans
  Delivering departmental income and expenditure within approved budget forecasts
  Complying with all relevant legislation, policies and procedures

- Facilitating disaster management planning and the development of Council's disaster response capabilities, including staff training
- Maintaining, measuring and enhancing, where possible, the delivery of services to our communities

Ref	Action	Corporate	Additional resource	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion	Responsible	Drogrees	Comments	On target
Rei	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Date	Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed.
OM1	Implementation of Stage 1 (signage, landscaping and improved toilet facilities) of the Daintree Gateway Master Plan	2.1.3	LGGSP funding; consultants, contractors	Completion of on ground works associated with Stage 1	30/06/15	GMO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Toilet facilities operational, landscaping 95% complete. Roadside signage audit completed and entrance, ferry and interpretive signage under construction for installation	⊠Yes □No
OM2	Completion of Level 2 Flood Studies for Daintree Village, Mossman and Cooya Beach	4.3	DNRM and Consultants	Level 2flood mapping completed	30/03/15	GMO	□ Not Commenced     □ Completed	The Daintree Village study was extended down to take in the area around Barratt's Creek and these studies have been completed and uploaded to Floodcheck website.  Discussions have occurred with DNRM contractors in relation to remodelling of the Mossman River (Level 2 study previously completed but level of data was lacking), however the Project Manager has now advised that there are no more funds available for studies this year. Modelling independently would be outside Council's budget.	□Yes ⊠No
OM3	Review SES Service Agreement and resourcing	4.3	QFES	Signing of a current service level agreement that provides necessary services to the Douglas communities	<del>23/12/14</del> <del>31/03/15</del> 30/06/15	GMO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Documentation has been received and reviewed. Meeting held with SES representative (QFES) and advice received that due to organisational changes only interim agreement desired. Document sent to QFES for review.	⊠Yes □No
OM4	Review of waste collection contract relating to commercial collections in Port Douglas and Mossman	5.3	Technical officer Solid Waste Position	Report prepared outlining options for commercial waste collection and the cost benefits	30/05/15	GMO	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Review of services and contract conducted. Presentation to Councillors at workshop held in March.	⊠Yes □No

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OM5	Review chemical-free drinking water options and implementation requirements	5.2.1	Consultants, external agencies and water regulator	Report prepared outlining options for chemical free drinking water and associated costings	30/04/15	GMO	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Consultant completed majority of the investigations and consultation with key stakeholders (Regulator, Qld Health). Report being finalised. Presentation to Council at Workshop on 5 May 2015.	□No
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OM3	Due to personnel changes within QFES and restructuring of SES/QFES/EMQ the documentation has slipped and formal agreement not finalised at this stage. Document reviewed by Council GMO forwarded to QFES for completion.
OM2	DNRM have advised that there is no funding currently available for any further flood studies.

#### **Water and Waste**

## **Ongoing Activities**

The Water and Waste Section will be responsible for the following:

- Managing the Water and Waste income and expenditure within approved budget and in accordance with Council strategies and plans.
- Meeting compliance with statutory requirements and licence conditions.
- Supplying drinking water and recycled water that meets customer quality requirements and agreed service standards.
- Managing Council contracts and where required, negotiate new contracts relating to water, waste and waste water, including kerbside waste and recycling collection, landfill and waste transfer station operations.
- Maintaining Council's Water and Waste 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.

<u>Major</u>	<u>Initiatives</u>								
Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed.
WW1	Investigation and rehabilitation of sewer network in Mossman & Port Douglas	2.1.2	Relining Contractors	Reduction of groundwater and soil material infiltration into the sewer network and prevention of sewer failures	30/06/15	MWW	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Most relining and upgrade activities completed on the identified sewer infrastructure. Continues with relining program on critical sections identified.	⊠Yes □No
WW2	Develop and implement strategies to optimise disinfection of potable and treated wastewater effluent.	2.1.2	Consultant and supplier of dosing equipment	Supply safe and high quality drinking water and discharge compliant wastewater effluent.	30/06/15	MWW	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Steering Committee made final decision on Craiglie Res and Mossman WWTP installations and placed orders after quotation process. Preparation of sites to install demountable gas chlorination buildings is currently under way. Quotes received to provide the appropriate training before installation. Investigations continue regarding building requirements at Mossman Water Treatment Plant.	⊠Yes □No
WW3	Refurbish, commission and integrate Mossman Reservoir back on line	2.1.2	Several Contractors	Improve water supply security.	30/06/15	MWW	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Structural pipe work modifications and the cleaning of the reservoir completed. Welcon has completed PLC/SCADA work. A Hypochlorite dosing system is currently installed to ensure that Reservoir can be brought online. Installation will also suit future gas chlorination system.	⊠Yes □No
WW4	Develop and implement long term strategies to increase the treated water storage capacity in Port Douglas.	2.1.2	Solicitor/ Mediator/ Consultant	Improve long term water supply security.	30/06/15	MWW	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Approved by Council and contract signed by CEO. Development Application being completed for land use and survey being undertaken. Alternative future funding sources being investigated.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time

# **Development and Environment**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Development and Environment 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.

<u>Major</u>	<u>Initiatives</u>								
Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
DE1	New Draft Planning Scheme is referred for first State interest check	3.1.1		Draft prepared and sent to State for review	30/06/15	MDE	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Targeted consultation about to commence.	⊠Yes □No
DE2	State sponsored illegal dumping and littering surveillance program implemented	3.1.5	Specialised equipment provided by State, potential repair and maintenance requirements	Report provided to State in accordance with grant requirements	31/12/14	MDE	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Project grant acquitted.	⊠Yes □No
DE3	Implement a responsible dog owner education and enforcement program with respect to dog registrations	1.1.4	N/A	Dog registrations increase by 5% on 2013/14 numbers.	30/06/15	MDE	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Activities by Local Laws and Permit and Licensing officers are continuing. It is unclear whether the 5% target will be reached as the initial registration data which came from CRC was inaccurate.	⊠Yes □No
DE4	Conduct an internal review of Council's Local Laws and develop a plan to undertake the necessary amendment of the Local Laws to reflect their relevance to Douglas Shire.	4.2.2	Additional external resources will be required for conducting a formal review of Local Laws.	An internal report produced in which staff will identify errors, irrelevant sections and gaps in the current local laws.	30/06/15	MDE	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Internal work has commenced, however, resources have been diverted to undertake additional initiatives eg illegal camping actions.	□Yes ⊠No
DE5	Develop long and short term leachate management and treatment strategies for Killaloe Landfill.	3.1.7	Creation and filling of Technical Officer Waste position, Contractors and Consultant	Minimise the impact of leachate on the environment.	30/06/15	MDE	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Leachate Management Plan completed and submitted to Regulator (EHP). Next phase will be implementation.	⊠Yes □No
DE6	Closure of Phase A and B. Staged capping of Killaloe Landfill as per Transitional Environmental Program and Site Development Plan. Due June 2015	3.1.7	Creation and filling of Technical Officer Waste position, Contractors and Consultant	Capping complete (Phase A & B)	30/06/15	MDE	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Commencing later in year. Contractors have been sourced to provide the appropriate capping material. Phase A will proceed as noted subject to weather. Amendment to the requirement for staged capping of Phase B is being sought.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time

## Infrastructure

# **Ongoing Activities**

The Infrastructure 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.

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Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
l1	Plan to enhance and preserve the natural environment	3.1.5	Public consultation	Coconut Management Policy	30/06/15	MI	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Coconut audits completed and the draft policy will be completed early April. All coconut trees have been mapped (approx. 11,600 trees). Draft policy to be presented to Council through a workshop then community consultation is proposed.	⊠Yes □No
12	Plan to maintain the built environment	5.1.1	Asset valuation	Five (5) year plan for road reseals and rehabilitation	30/06/15	MI	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Pavement and road surfacing condition report has been completed. Reseal and Rehabilitation program to be developed using this data. Additionally, Council has purchased traffic data recorders to quantify road usage patterns.	⊠Yes □No
l3	Implementation of landscape management plan	3.1	Public consultation	Landscaping of DTMR intersection / roundabout of Captain Cook Highway and Port Douglas Road	30/06/15	MI	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Roundabout landscaping completed early April in accordance with design plans.	⊠Yes □No
14	Implementation of DNRM River Improvement Trust to address damage to rivers and the flooding of land	3.1	Local Government application to the Minister DNRM or use existing Cairns RIT	Implement River Improvement Trust	30/06/15	MI	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	A report has been prepared in draft form and relevant information obtained. A workshop with Council is proposed to discuss the options prior to a report being presented.	⊠Yes □No
15	Plan for Douglas as the "bicycle capital of Australia"	2.3.5	Public consultation; Review previous studies	Five (5) year plan for bicycle infrastructure	30/06/15	MI	□ Not Commenced     □ Completed	Meetings held with Main Roads on routes for their Principle Cycling Network Planning within the Shire and draft mapping reviewed. The existing "plan" within the Cairns Regional Council Cycling and Walking Strategy is being reviewed and information extracted as required. Council staff are also representing Council on the FNQROC Regional mountain bike strategy and have assisted in the establishment of the Douglas Integrated Riders and Trailbuilders Club (Mountainbike Club). A draft 5 year plan will be finalised and a workshop held with Council prior to community consultation.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time

# **Corporate Services Management**

# **Ongoing Activities**

The General Manager Corporate Services will be responsible for the following:

- Leading and managing the Corporate Services Department in accordance with organisational strategies and plans
  Delivering departmental income and expenditure within approved budget forecasts.
- Complying with all relevant legislation, policies and procedures.
- Coordinating services required for Audit Committee to achieve its outcomes.
- Facilitating an effective Internal Audit function.
- Developing, implementing and monitoring a robust Enterprise Risk Management system.

Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
CSM1	Investigate and develop strategy to effectively manage the Local Government Award modernisation.	5.1.1	LGAQ	Council updated on strategy to be employed to transition the organisation to the new Award.	30/06/15	GMCS	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Current EBA does not expire until September 2015. Staff currently developing strategy which will be workshopped prior to end of financial year. Staff enrolled in Industrial Relations workshop in May which will provide further information around the Award modernisation.	⊠Yes □No
CSM2	Further develop an Enterprise Risk Management culture within Council.	5.1.2	Thompson –	Review of Enterprise Risk Management Register endorsed by Audit Committee	30/04/15	GMCS	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Accountable Officers have completed Risk Treatment Plans and Corporate risk Register updated. Audit Committee meeting scheduled for 16 April to review register.	⊠Yes □No
CSM3	Investigate opportunities to improve business process through advanced technology and the digital medium.	5.3.3 5.3.5	Further budget resources may be required to complete initiative.	processes identified, options	31/03/15	GMCS	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	EServices Project has been completed and the product eServices launched and is currently being utilised by customers as another option to pay accounts to Council.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time

# 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	<u>Initiatives</u>								
Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
FIT1	Finalise asset fair value process including revaluation/indexation of appropriate asset classes and review of useful lives.	5.2.1	External financi expertise	Asset register meets the Queensland Audit Office requirements.	31/10/14	MFIT	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Asset register has been endorsed by the Queensland Audit Office as part of the audit process.	⊠Yes □No
FIT2	Develop and implement appropriate mechanisms to address issues raised in Queensland Audit Office Management letters.	5.2.1		Progressively address matters raised through the audit process.	30/06/15	MFIT	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	An audit matrix of issues raised by the Queensland Audit Office has been developed. Progress and status of these issues have been monitored by senior Management. Audit Matrix reported to Audit Committee on 30 March 2015.	⊠Yes □No
FIT3	Continued refinement of Council's budgeting and reporting processes.	5.2.1		Reporting and budget process endorsed by Management Team.	30/06/15	MFIT	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Monthly financial report to Council has been enhanced to assist with the interpretation of the year to date results. Progress on Capital Works reported to Council on a quarterly basis. The 2015/16 budget timetable has been endorsed by Management Team and relevant schedule advised to all Councillors.	□No
FIT4	Complete implementation of the Authority software modules to meet operational requirements	5.3.3	Civica	Modules operational, refresher training undertaken and timely provision of routine maintenance/upgrades.	30/06/15	MFIT	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Appropriate plans have been implemented by the IT Section and progress is reported to the Management Team on a monthly basis.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time

#### 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	<u>Initiatives</u>								
Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
G1	Finalise review of general policies transferred to Council through de-amalgamation.	5.2.2		All actions adopted by Council to complete the general policy register.	30/06/15	MG	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Review of all policies by area of responsibility is underway. It is anticipated all policies will be reviewed and workshopped with Council by end of May 2015.	⊠Yes □No
G2	Develop a land asset strategy to inform acquisition and disposal of Council freehold land and promote best use of Council controlled land.	5.1.1 5.1.4		Policy direction adopted by Council and land asset register established.	31/03/15 31/05/15	MG	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Land asset register data has been quality assured against Council's Asset Register, rating database and DNR&M. Policy has been commenced to be workshopped with Council late April.	⊠Yes □No
G3	Progress the development and implementation of a streamlined Human Resource function.	5.3.2 5.3.5	LGAQ – Total Solutions	Key Human resource processes reviewed and where appropriate new procedures endorsed by Management Team.	30/06/15	MG	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Project plan has been implemented and work commenced.	⊠Yes □No
G4	Review current procurement practices to ensure legislative compliance and organisational efficiency	5.1.3 5.3.5		Procurement Policy reviewed and adopted by Council. Internal controls reviewed and enhanced where appropriate. Training delivered to all staff.	<del>28/02/15</del> 30/06/15	MG	<ul><li>☑Commenced</li><li>☐Not Commenced</li><li>☐Completed</li></ul>	Procurement Policy adopted by Council on 16 December 2014. Review of procurement practices by Internal Auditors has been completed and final report is still outstanding.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time
G4	Completion date of this initiative needs to be extended to allow implementation of recommendations from Internal Audit on Procurement Processes, if required.
G2	Completion date of this imitative delayed due to time for information to come from state departments.

# 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 obligations outlined in the Service Level Agreement between Library Board of Queensland and Douglas Shire Council.
  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	<u>Initiatives</u>								
Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
L1	Implement free Wi-Fi access for Mossman and Port Douglas Libraries	1.3.4 2.1.4	IT service provider	Community feedback  Number of people utilising service	01/04/15	TLL & TLIT	<ul><li>⊠Commenced</li><li>□Not Commenced</li><li>□Completed</li></ul>	Order has been placed with supplier and work in progress.	□Yes ⊠No
L2	Review library materials, subscriptions, and programs to be delivered, including website content	1.3.4 4.1.1	subscriptions available that meet community needs  Client feedback re relevance of programs & services available.  Library Services website content has been upgraded.		31/01/15	TLL	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Subscriptions reviewed.  "Lego n Knex for junior builders" has started.  "Storytime" and "Baby Rhyme time" being reviewed in line with "Best Start Family Literacy Initiative". "Dad's Read" introduced as part of "Best Start" initiative.  Computer programs have been introduced & will be developed further with WiFi implementation.  Website upgrade complete.	⊠Yes □No
L3	Establish partnerships with community organisations and government agencies to facilitate programs/activities and to increase services provided to residents and visitors.	112		Partnerships established and service level increased.	30/04/15	TLL	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Ongoing, have developed partnerships with Birch Carroll & Coyle & Events Cinemas, Mossman Gorge Centre, Qld Museums, Hear-a bus, ABC Open	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time
L1	Request for Telstra to commission the ADSL service has been lodged and waiting for this action to be completed to progress WIFI installation.

# Organisational Business Support

# **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

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Ref	Action	Corporate Plan Linkage	Additional resource requirements	Key Performance Indicator/Target	Completion Date	Responsible Officer	Progress	Comments	On target to be completed
OBS1	Develop a skills matrix and implement a training regime to multi-skill all officers within the unit.	5.3.2 5.3.5		Skills matrix established and training plan endorsed by GMCS.	31/12/14	SBSO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Skills matrix has been developed and GMCS has signed off on training plan.	⊠Yes □No
OBS2	Review and update Council's Contract Register	5.1.3		Contract Register refined to meet industry best practice	31/03/15	SBSO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Contracts register established in accordance with recommendations provided by internal auditors. Register will be updated with each new contact updated by Council.	⊠Yes □No
OBS3	Establish a Trust Register within the Authority Software Suite.	5.3.3	Civica consultation	Trust Register updated with current trust records and fully integrated with Receipting Software.	30/06/15	SBSO	□Commenced □Not Commenced ⊠Completed	Trust Register has been established in Authority and has been interfaced with General Ledger & trust accounts held at CBA.	⊠Yes □No

Ref	Reason initiative will not be completed on time

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Reference	Control Contro	Jul	Aug	Sept O	et No	v Dec	Jan	Feb Ma	r Ap	or Mar	y Jun	Key Performance Indicator
CE01	Develop and Implement "Accessible Douglas" directory.		ш	4	+	$\perp$	Ш		1			Accessible Douglas Directory available.
CEO2	Research and identify external grants and distribute to relevant areas of council for submission opportunities.  In collaboration with Human Resources, identify opportunities though work experience and job placement to increase skills of vulnerable members of our communities to			$\perp$		+			1	+	+	CEO Unit to apply for a minimum of three grants.
CEO3	in construction with number necessary apportunities triough work experience and job paterness to accesse stats of varieties themselves to our communities to improve employment prospects.		Н	4	_		Ш	_	+	+	$\perp$	Six placements throughout Council.
CEO4	Support and advocate for indigenous employment, social and economic development opportunities.		Ш	4	4	$\perp$	Ш		1	4	Ш	facilitate two workshop / information sessions focusing on Council employment and procurement process.
CEO5	Collaborate with internal and external stakeholders to develop and implement initiatives to increase awareness and responsible behaviour relating to environmenta practices.		Ш		$\perp$	$\perp$			L	1		Deliver six initiatives.
CEO6	Develop and Implement a Disaster Resilience and Education campaign	L			_				1	4		Program rollout commenced in October 2014.
CE07	Develop and promote business resource information and tools.		Ш	4	_		Ш		1		1	Information and tools available on Council's web site.
CEO8	Develop and Implement a Corporate Style Guide to ensure consistency of all Council documentation			4	_				₽		$\perp$	Style Guide in use throughout Council.
CEO9	Develop a Corporate Service Charter to ensure a consistent level of service is provided by Council.		Ш	4	4	$\perp$	Ш		L		$\perp$	Service Charter In use through out Council.
CEO10	Develop and distribute information packs to assist new property owners in the Shire.			4	_				1			Hard and electronic information packs available on Council web site and the administration building.
CE011	Build the capacity of our communities to target and secure funding opportunities.	L							L	4	$\perp$	Host two workshops about researching grants and writing grants applications.
CE012	identify initiatives and stakeholders, and commence the development of heritage trail signage.	L							L			Consultation with identified stakeholders, project plan developed and implementation commenced.
CE013	Staff to proactively participate in the liquor accord to promote community safety.											Staff attendance at majority of meetings held.
OM1	Implementation of Stage 1 (signage, landscaping and improved tollet facilities) of the Daintree Gateway Master Plan											Corepletion of on ground works associated with Stage 1
OM2	Completion of Level 2 Flood Studies for Daintree Village, Mossman and Cooya Beach											Level 2 flood mapping completed
омз	Review SES Service Agreement and resourcing											Signing of a current service level agreement that provides necessary services to the Douglas communities
OM4	Review of waste collection contract relating to commercial collections in Port Douglas and Mossman											Report prepared outlining options for commercial waste collection and the cost benefits
OM5	Review chemical-free drinking water options and implementation requirements											Report prepared outling options for chemical free drinking water and associated costings
WW1	investigation and rehabilitation of sewer network in Mossman & Port Dougles											Reduction of groundwater and soil material infiltration into the sewer network and prevention of sewer failures.
WW2	Develop and implement strategies to optimise disinfection of potable and treated westewater effluent.											Supply safe and high quality drinking water and discharge compilant wastewater effluent.
WW3	Refurbish, commission and integrate Mossman Reservoir back on line											Improve water supply security.
WW4	Develop and implement long term strategies to increase the treated water storage capacity in Port Douglas.	Π										Improve long term water supply security
DE1	New Draft Planning Scheme is referred for first State interest check											Draft prepared and sent to State for review
DE2	State sponsored illegal dumping and littering surveillance program implemented											Report provided to State in accordance with grant requirements
DE3	implement a responsible dog owner education and enforcement program with respect to dog registrations											Dog registrations increase by 5% on 2013/14 numbers.
DE4	Conduct an internal review of Coundl's Local Laws and develop a plan to undertake the necessary amendment of the Local Laws to reflect their relevance to Douglas Shire.											An internal report produced in which staff will identify errors, irrelevant sections and gaps in the current local laws.
DE5	Develop long and short term leachate management and treatment strategies for Killaloe Landfill.	Т	П	T								Minimise the impact of leachate on the environment.
DE6	Closure of Phase A and B. Staged capping of Killaloe Landfill as per Transitional Environmental Program and Site Development Plan. Due June 2015				Ų							Capping complete (Phase A & B)
11	Plan to enhance and preserve the natural environment											Coconut Management Policy
12	Plan to maintain the built environment											Five (5) year plan for road reseals and rehabilitation
13	implementation of landscape management plan											Landscaping of DTMR intersection / roundabout of Captain Cook Highway and Port Douglas Road
14	implementation of DNRM River improvement Trust to address damage to rivers and the flooding of land	Г										Implement River improvement Trust
15	Plan for Douglas as the "bicycle capital of Australia"	Γ										Five (S) year plan for bicycle infrastructure
CSM1	investigate and develop strategy to effectively manage the Local Government Award modernisation.									1		Council updated on strategy to be employed to transition the organisation to the new Award.
CSM2	Further develop an Enterprise Risk Management culture within Council.						П		Т		П	Review of Enterprise Risk Management Register endorsed by Audit Committee
CSM3	investigate opportunities to improve business process through advanced technology and the digital medium.	Г									Т	Project team established, key processes identified, options investigated and recommendations to Management Team for implementation
FIT1	Finalise asset fair value process including revaluation/Indexation of appropriate asset classes and review of useful lives.						П			$\top$	$\top$	Asset register meets the Queensland Audit Office requirements.
FIT2	Develop and implement appropriate mechanisms to address issues raised in Queensland Audit Office Management letters.	Г	П	$\neg$								Progressively address matters raised through the audit process.
FIT3	Continued refinement of Council's budgeting and reporting processes.	Т	П	$\top$								Reporting and budget process endorsed by Management Tears.
FIT4	Complete implementation of the Authority softwere modules to meet operational requirements											Modules operational, refresher training undertaken and timely provision of routine maintenance/upgrades.
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G3	Progress the development and implementation of a streamlined Human Resource function.											Key Human resource processes reviewed and where appropriate new procedures endorsed by Management Team.
G4	Review current procurement practices to ensure legislative compliance and organisational efficiency											Procurement Policy reviewed and adopted by Council. Internal controls reviewed and enhanced where appropriate. Training delivered to all staff.
LS	Implement free WI-FI access for Mossman and Port Douglas Libraries											Community feedback, Number of people utilising service
L2	Review library materials, subscriptions, and programs to be delivered, including website content			1							$\top$	Number of programs delivered & subscriptions available that meet community needs
u	Establish partnerships with community organisations and government agencies to facilitate programs/activities and to increase services provided to residents and visitors.										$\top$	Client feedback re relevance of programs & services available.  Partnerships established and service level increased.
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OBS3	Establish a Trust Register within the Authority Software Suite.		H	+								Trust Register updated with current trust records and fully integrated with Receipting Software.
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