



INTEGRATED PLANNING POLICY

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1. OBJECTIVE

The Shire recognises that for sustainability, good governance and the provision of effective services and facilities for the community, an integrated approach is needed to all planning and resourcing activities. The objective of this policy is to provide guidance and mandate activities to ensure compliance with the Integrated Planning Regulations of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

2. PRINCIPLES

The Councillors and employees will follow the Local Government Department's Integrated Planning Framework that provides the process to:

- Ensure community input is explicitly and reliably generated.
- Provide capacity for location specific planning where appropriate.
- Inform long-term objectives of the Shire with these inputs.
- Identify the resourcing requirements to deliver against the long-term objectives.
- Clearly articulate long-term financial interchange implications and strategies.

3. APPLICATION

As part of the Shire of Wandering's planning cycle, the principles and practices of the integrated planning framework will be demonstrated in all consultation, research, development and implementation phases of the strategic planning process.

Outcomes from the process are a Wandering Community Strategic Plan 2013 - 2023 (CSP) representing the long term community aspirations, a Corporate Business Plan 2014 - 2018 (CBP) outlining the strategic and operational objectives to be achieved in the four year period. The CBP will demonstrate activities and projects are fully resourced and have appropriate timelines and performance measures.

This will be underpinned by a series of informing strategies and plans which will include:

- a 10 year long-term financial plan;
- a workforce plan that is reviewed every four years in conjunction with the corporate business plan;
- an asset management plan for the life cycle of all assets including maintenance and replacement programs; and
- any relevant issue specific strategies and plans for major projects or key developments.

The Council will ensure that there are adequate resources provided in both the integrated planning development and delivery phases to ensure timelines and legislative requirements are met and that the community expectations are addressed in a sustainable manner.

The integrated planning process and outcomes will be incorporated into the performance indicators of the CEO for the overall integrated planning process and for Managers for the components relative to their areas of control.

Councillors and employees will be trained as appropriate and guideline documents and processes will be recorded appropriately and made available to all new and existing staff to ensure continuity and quality management of the integrated planning process.



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4. REFERENCES TO RELATED DOCUMENTS

- *Local Government Act 1995*
- Wandering Community Strategic Plan: 2013 - 2023
- Corporate Business Plan: 2014 – 2018
- Integrated Planning and Reporting – Department of Local Government and Communities Framework and Guidelines: October 2010

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