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*Confirmed Minutes  
Oberon Council Special Meeting  
Tuesday 26 June 2012  
6.30pm Council Chambers*

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**ATTACHMENTS**

- SUBMISSIONS
- POWERPOINT PRESENTATION FOR COMMUNITY SESSIONS
- ISSUES PAPER
- SUBMISSION FORM
- INTERIM IMPROVEMENT PLAN  
(INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN)

## 01 Opening of Meeting

The Deputy Mayor welcomed members and declared the meeting open at 7.21pm

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## 02 Record of Attendance

Members Cr John McMahon, Deputy Mayor & Chair  
Cr Ian Doney  
Cr Keith Sullivan  
Cr Neil Francis  
Cr Kerry Gibbons  
Cr Clive McCarthy  
Cr Bob O’Bernier (until 8;20pm)

Officers Alan Cairney, General Manager  
John Chapman, Director of Corporate Services  
Gary Wallace, Director of Development  
Aruna Wickramasinghe, Director of Engineering  
Sharon Swannell, Executive Assistant

Apologies Cr Don Fitzpatrick, Mayor

Moved: Francis  
Second: Sullivan

That apology be received and accepted for the non-attendance of the Mayor, Councillor Don Fitzpatrick.

Carried 01260612

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## 03 Declarations of Interest

Pecuniary	-	Nil
Conflicts	-	Nil
Staff	-	Nil

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The meeting rose for dinner at 7.25pm.

The meeting resumed at 7.54pm

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## 04 Reports

### 04.01.01 COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN 2012

**File No:** Governance/Integrated Planning and Reporting/Community Strategic Plan

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#### SUMMARY

Following the requirements of the Division of Local Governments guidelines and the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework (IP&R), a draft Community Strategic Plan (CSP) has been prepared along with a Delivery Program and Operational Plans, and a Resourcing Strategy.

The draft CSP and associated documents was placed on public exhibition from 24 May 2012 to 21 June 2012. Council conducted community presentations at Black Springs, Burruga, Oberon and O'Connell.

20 formal submissions were received and details are provided for Council's consideration. A copy of all submissions is included as a separate ATTACHMENT.

The structure of this Report is:

#### RECOMMENDATION

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION – PUBLIC EXHIBITION

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION – SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

Changes to the Draft Community Strategic Plan

Changes to the Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plans

Changes to the Resourcing Strategy

- a) Long Term Financial Plan
- b) Workforce Management Plan
- c) Asset Management Plan

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Moved: McCarthy

Second: Sullivan

Following Public Exhibition of Oberon Council's draft Community Strategic Plan and associated documents and in consideration of submissions and amendments to these documents as detailed in this Report and as determined by Council and subject to changes outlined by Councillors that:

1. Council adopt the Community Strategic Plan, the Delivery Program and Operational Plan, and the Resourcing Strategy which includes:
  - Long Term Financial Plan
  - Workforce Management Plan
  - Asset Management Plan and the Interim Improvement Plan
2. Council adopt the Revenue Policy for 2012/2013 as outlined in the Operational Plan 2012/2013 (includes Schedule of Fees and Charges)

3. Council adopt the following Rating Structure as detailed in the Operational Plan 2012/2013:

RATING STRUCTURE

The following **General Fund** Ordinary Rates for 2012/2013 be made:

**Farmland** – a base amount of \$192.00, producing 15% of the total amount payable for the category, and an ad valorem amount of 0.249897 cents in the dollar, on all rateable assessments categorised as farmland.

**Residential** – a base amount of \$175.00, producing 43% of the total amount payable for the category, and an ad valorem amount of 0.326980 cents in the dollar, on all rateable assessments categorised as residential.

**Business** – a base amount of \$252.00, producing 35% of the total amount payable for the category, and an ad valorem amount of 0.389000 cents in the dollar, on all rateable assessments categorised as business.

**Residential Rural** – a base amount of \$180.00, producing 28% of the total amount payable for the category, and an ad valorem amount of 0.229223 cents in the dollar on all rateable assessments categorised as residential rural.

**Non-Urban Centres of Population** – a base amount of \$246.00, producing 41% of the total amount payable for the category, and an ad valorem amount of 0.288854 cents in the dollar, on all rateable assessments categorised as non-urban centres of population.

The following **Town Improvement Fund** Special Rates for 2012/2013 be made on all rateable properties within the zoned Oberon Town area:

**Residential** – an ad valorem amount of 0.303040 cents in the dollar on all rateable land in the town improvement area categorised as residential.

**Business** – an ad valorem amount of 0.649457 cents in the dollar on all rateable land within the town improvement area categorised as business.

**Farmland** – an ad valorem amount of 0.232159 cents in the dollar on all rateable land within the town improvement area categorised as farmland.

The following **Waste Water (Sewerage) Service** Charges for 2012/2013 be made:

- a) A charge of \$388.00 for all residential properties accessible to the waste water system, consisting of an access charge of \$107.00 and a usage charge of \$281.00.
- b) An access charge for all non-residential properties accessible to the waste water system, levied in accordance with the size of the water meter for the respective property, as follows:

**Meter Size / Charge (\$)**

20 mm (¾")	/ \$105.00
25 mm (1")	/ \$164.00
30 mm (1¼")	/ \$236.00
38 mm (1½")	/ \$379.00
50 mm (2")	/ \$656.00
80 mm (3¼")	/ \$1,680.00
100 mm (4")	/ \$2,625.00
150 mm (6")	/ \$5,900.00

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- c) A usage charge of **\$1.28** per kilolitre for all non-residential properties accessible to the waste water system, based upon the estimated volume discharged into the waste water system utilising total water consumption figures, together with the SDF (Sewage Discharge Factor) determined for each property.

That the following **Water Service** charges for **2012/2013** be made:

An access charge of **\$241.00** and a consumption charge of **\$1.76** per kilolitre.

The following **Domestic Waste Management** charges for **2012/2013** be made:

Vacant Land - **\$31.00 per annum**

A 240 litre bin weekly collection service - **\$182.00 per annum**

The following **Non-Domestic Waste Management** charges for **2012/2013** be made:

A 240 litre bin weekly collection service - **\$182.00 per annum**

That the **interest rate to be charged on overdue rates and charges** for **2012/2013** be:

Set at the maximum recommended rate on overdue rates and charges at **10.0%**

*Advice has been received from the Division of Local Government that the maximum allowable charge to be made for overdue rates and charges under the Local Government Act for **2012/2013** is **10%**. The Delivery Program and Operational Plan provide that “the interest rate is set by the Minister of Local Government and will be charged at the maximum recommended rates on overdue rates and charges“*

4. The Division of Local Government is advised of the Council's adoption of the Delivery Program and Operational Plan, and the Resourcing Strategy within 28 days.
5. The newly elected Council, following the 8 September 2012 Local Government Elections review the Community Strategic Plan 2012, the Delivery Program 2012-2016 and the Operational Plan for 2013/2014-2015/2016.
6. That all persons and organisation who made submissions be advised of the Council's decision in adopting the Community Strategic Plan, the Delivery Program and Operational Plan, and the Resourcing Strategy.
7. That the General Manager make arrangements for Councillors and staff to attend meetings of each village groups and associations representative of the villages in Black Springs, Burruga, O'Connell and to hold a public meeting in Oberon, every six (6) months and at least twice in 2012/2013.
8. That copies of the adopted plans be available to the village groups and associations listed above and also on Council's website [www.oberon.nsw.gov.au](http://www.oberon.nsw.gov.au) and at the following locations:
  - Oberon Council Administration Office
  - Oberon Library
  - Oberon Visitor Centre
  - Oberon Community Centre
  - Oberon Community Technology Centre

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Note: The following amendments were requested by Council following consideration of the submissions received:

- Actions (6.3.4 and 6.3.5) be added to Future Direction 6 Natural Environment for:
  - 6.3 – An environment free of weeds and feral animals.
    - 6.3.4 Be a strong advocate for eradication of biddy bush.
    - 6.3.5 Undertake a community awareness campaign on biddy bush.
- Friends of the Oberon Library be included on the list of community organisations under Future Direction 1.6 and 5.1.
- The Schedule of Fees and Charges be amended to provide free access to the Swimming Pool for Pensioners, Disability Card Holders and their Carers.
- Other amendments in accordance with the Proposed Actions suggested for each submission.

The meeting closed at 8.39pm.

Confirmed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2012.

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General Manager

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Mayor

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General Manager

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Mayor