# South Burnett Regional Council



# 2014 - 18 CORPORATE PLAN

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### **PROFILE**

The South Burnett Regional Council was formed in March 2008 as a result of state-wide local government amalgamations. Located in South-East Queensland the new region covers an area of 8 399 km<sup>2</sup> and is only a short drive away from Brisbane, Toowoomba and the Sunshine Coast.

Combining quality living and working environments, the region's relaxed country lifestyle, strong community values and outstanding cultural and natural attractions continue to encourage economic growth within the region. Our strong and diverse economy offers many exciting opportunities for investors and new industry alike.

Kingaroy is the regional centre of the South Burnett with services including a commercial aerodrome, shopping facilities, government services and many of the industries generally expected in much larger centres.

All townships within the region support a vigorous sporting, cultural and social lifestyle with facilities including a range of heritage museums, art galleries, craft outlets, shopping malls, indoor and outdoor sporting and fitness opportunities, local theatre groups, annual festivals and music venues. There is also a wide variety of wineries, cafes and restaurants spread throughout the region that serve a range of gourmet dishes prepared with delicious local produce.

We are one of Queensland's largest wine regions and home to some of the state's biggest vineyards. Our region boasts an extensive selection of award winning tourism facilities including the popular Lake Boondooma and Yallakool Park on the foreshores of Bjelke-Petersen Dam. To the south of the region is the Bunya Mountains National Park providing visitors with spectacular views and an opportunity to explore and experience this unique rainforest.

The South Burnett is experiencing growth, proving to be a region of choice for lifestyle, employment and investment opportunities.

 $km^2$ 

Size:					8 399
Population	as	at	30	June	32

Region Quick Facts:

Population as at 30 June 32,941 2014:
Estimated Population by 37 187

2026: Council Divisions: 6

Council Representation: 7 Councillors



### **ABOUT THE CORPORATE PLAN**

#### Legislative Requirements

It is a mandatory requirement of section 104(5Ai) of the Local Government Regulations 2012 for a Council to prepare and adopt a Corporate Plan. The Corporate Plan shall be for a period of five(5) years and will remain in force for the specified period of the plan or until the earlier adoption of a new plan.

The local government must ensure each corporate plan is prepared and adopted in enough time, before the start of the first financial year covered by the plan, to allow preparation and adoption of a budget for the financial year consistent with the plan.

By Council resolution, the corporate plan may be revised or amended at any time provided the changes comply with the Local Government Finance Standards.

#### Community Consultation

A draft Corporate Plan was prepared and open for public inspection from 15 June to 3 July 2015. This gave the community an opportunity to review the draft plan and provide comments back to Council for their consideration.

At the conclusion of the consultation period the comments from the community feedback forms were collated and considered by Council.

The Corporate Plan was adopted at the Ordinary General Council meeting held on 5 August 2015.

#### Planning Framework

The Plan sets the strategic direction of the Local Government and states the performance indicators for measuring the local government's progress in achieving it's vision for the future of the local government area.

The Corporate Plan is supported by Council's Annual Operational Plan which details the activities and projects planned to achieve our goals. The annual budget provides the funding and resources to meet the objectives of the operational plan.

An assessment of Council's performance in implementing its Corporate and Operational Plans will be monitored with quarterly Operational Plan Reviews and reported in Council's Annual Report. Both the Annual Report and quarterly reviews will be publicly accessible and available on Council's website at www.southburnett.qld.gov.au.





ANZAC Day Service Kingaroy 2015

> Joan Adams - Winner of the 2015 Australia Day Citizen of the Year Award



# INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITIES BUILDING A STRONG AND VIBRANT REGION





#### **CCOUNTABILITY**

We accept responsibility for our actions and decisions in managing the regions resources.

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#### **OMMUNITY**

Building partnerships and delivering quality customer service.



#### **ARMONY**

Our people working cooperatively to achieve common goals in a supportive and safe environment.

#### **NNOVATION**

Encouraging an innovative and resourceful workplace.



#### THICAL CONDUCT

We behave fairly with open, honest and accountable behaviour and consistent decision-making.



#### ISION

This is the driving force behind our actions and responsibilities.



#### **XCELLENCE**

Striving to deliver excellent environmental, social and economic outcomes.



#### 1. ENHANCING OUR COMMUNITIES

Building vibrant, healthy, supportive and inclusive communities

#### 2. GROWTH & OPPORTUNITY

A strong and sustainable regional economy supported by diverse sectors and innovative planning mechanisms

#### 3. OUR ENVIRONMENT

A sustainable environment, proactively and responsibly managed in partnership with the community for future generations

#### 4. ORGANISATIONAL EXCELLENCE

An organisation that is characterised by effective leadership, responsible management and quality service delivery

#### 5. INFRASTRUCTURE

The provision of quality services and infrastructure for our growing community that is planned, provided and managed on sound asset management principles

# **ENHANCING OUR COMMUNITIES**

Building vibrant, healthy, supportive and inclusive communities

EC1	An informed and engaged community
EC1.1	Develop a range of initiatives to engage and inform the community
EC2	A community with the capacity to continue to develop the area of arts, culture and heritage
EC2.1	Encourage and support community organisations to enhance their sustainability
EC3	An active, safe and healthy community
EC3.1	Facilitate the development of a range of sporting and recreation facilities
EC3.2	Advocate and support community initiatives that promote healthy lifestyles
EC3.3	Consider and promote community safety based on Community needs
EC3.4	Manage identified public health and environmental issues in accordance with relevant legalisation
EC3.5	Increase the proportion of residents meeting national guidelines for physical activity and healthy eating
EC4	Work towards a community being prepared and resilient to natural and man- made disasters
EC4.1	Ensure the Local Disaster Management Plan enables the community to be prepared for, prevent, respond to and recover from disasters





2015 South Burnett Business Excellence Awards - Business of the Year - Winner & Finalists

# **GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY**

A strong and sustainable regional economy supported by diverse Sectors and innovative planning mechanisms

GO1.1	A strong and sustainable regional economy  Continue to implement the Economic Development Strategy
GO2.1	Balanced development that preserves and enhances our region  Implement policies and plans that support appropriate planning and development for business, industry and community needs
<i>GO3</i> GO3.1	The South Burnett is a recognised tourism destination  Continue to promote the South Burnett as a premier tourist destination



# **OUR ENVIRONMENT**

A sustainable environment, proactively and responsibly managed in partnership with the community for future generations

ENV1	Our region's environment assets are promoted, protected and enhanced
ENV1.1	Consider natural resource management priorities in Council decision making
ENV1.2	Protect and enhance the diverse array of natural assets that exist in the region in accordance with relevant legislation
ENV1.3	Enhance water quality of our region's waterways
ENV2	Environmentally responsible and efficient waste management
ENV2.1	Implement the Regional Waste Management Strategy



2015 Opening of the Hivesville Transfer Station

# ORGANISATIONAL EXCELLENCE

An organisation that is characterised by effective leadership, responsible management and quality service delivery

Effective financial management
Develop and implement long term financial plans
Optimise Council's revenue, based on realistic and equitable policies and practices
Effective business management
Develop and implement information and technology solutions that meet corporate and customer needs
Ensure document management systems and practices cover the full range of Council's activities and are compliant with statutory requirements
A skilled and sustainable workforce
Develop a Strategic Human Resource Management Plan
Continue to promote a 'safety first' environment
Enhance an organisational culture which reflects our shared vision and values
Ethical, accountable and transparent decision-making
Develop a governance framework that delivers sound organisational management
Effective advocacy and strategic partnerships
Develop and maintain close and productive working relationships with relevant stakeholders
Advocate Council's strategic and operational position on key issues to government sectors
Quality customer service
Develop customer service standards



# **INFRASTRUCTURE**

The provision of quality services and infrastructure for our growing community that is planned, provided and managed on sound asset management principles

# GOALS & STRATEGIES

INF1 Infrastructure that meets our communities needs

INF1.1 Provide & maintain appropriate infrastructure to meet community needs

INF1.2 Further develop Asset Management Plans



Pouring Headstocks - Stuart River Bridge, Kumbia Road

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