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#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

#### Context

Land and Facilities covers the diverse range of services that council provides, Land can be vacant land that is used as a drainage easement, Land under council halls and buildings, Operational land that houses works depots, sewage works or quarries, Parks and community land used for sporting and cultural uses, Cemeteries and Industrial land that may be leased or sold to a developer that will improve the employment opportunities in the shire.

Buildings may be; - administration buildings, works depots, community halls, toilet blocks, sporting change rooms, fire stations and state emergency services sheds, low cost housing, medical centres and meeting rooms.

Other assets may be sporting grounds, fitness equipment, play equipment, fences protecting and delineating various council services such as pools, football grounds, pumping stations and steep areas beside creek banks.

This vast range of assets must be accounted for, inspected, maintained and replaced at the end of their useful lives or removed/disposed of when no longer required.

Many of Council's services would not be possible without the assets covered in this Asset Management Plan.

All these buildings, land and equipment must be kept in a safe and useful condition

# The Land and Facilities Service

The Land and Facilities network comprises of;-

- Council owned land
- Administration and works buildings
- Public halls
- Swimming pools
- Cemeteries
- Sports and Showground facilities
- Toilet blocks
- Fire Stations & SES Facilities
- Waste disposal
- Council owned residences
- Quarries
- Communication towers
- Parks and Playgrounds

These infrastructure assets have a replacement value of \$94,993,000

### What does it Cost?

The projected cost to provide the services covered by this Asset Management Plan includes operations, maintenance, renewal and upgrade of existing assets over the 10 year planning period is \$9,449,000 or \$945,000 per year.

Council's estimated available funding for this period is \$8,070,000 or \$807,000 per year which is 85% of the cost to provide the service. This is a funding shortfall of \$138,000 per year. Projected and budgeted expenditure are shown in the graph below.

Table 6.1

# Greater Hume SC >> Table 6.1 Sustainability of Service Delivery for (Land and Facilities V2S1)

Executive Summary - What does it cost?	
Cost over 10 years	\$9,449
Cost per year	\$945
Available funding over 10 years	\$8,070
Funding per year	\$807
Funding shortfall	-\$138
Percentage of cost	85%
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Life Cycle Cost (long term)'(\$000)	
Life Cycle Cost [depreciation + ops. and maint. exp year 1]	\$1,687
Life Cycle Exp. [capital renewal exp. + ops + mtce exp. yr 1]	\$1,468
Life Cycle Gap [life cycle expenditure - life cycle cost [-ve = gap]	-\$219
Life Cycle Sustainability Indicator [life cycle expenditure / LCC]	87%
Medium Term (10 yrs) Sustainability	
10 yr Ops, Maint & Renewal Projected Expenditure	\$945
10 yr Ops, Maint & Renewal Planned (Budget) Exp	\$807
10 yr Funding Shortfall [10 yr proj. exp planned (Budget) exp.]	-\$138
10 yr Sustainability Indicator [10 yr planned exp. / proj. exp.]	85%
Short Term (5 yrs) Sustainability	
5 yr Ops, Maint & Renewal Projected Expenditure	\$960
5 yr Ops, Maint & Renewal Planned (Budget) Exp	\$1,127
5 yr Funding Shortfall [5 yr proj. exp planned (budget) exp.]	\$167
5 yr Sustainability Indicator [5 yr planned exp. / proj. exp.]	117%

Councils' present funding levels are sufficient in the short term but insufficient to continue to provide existing services at current levels in the long term.

# What we will do

Council plans to provide Land and Facilities services for the following:

 Operation, maintenance, renewal and upgrade of Land and Facilities to meet service levels set by council in annual budgets.

- Council will need to document a program to extend the lives of the critical infrastructure by dealing with the components of the buildings etc to ensure that timely maintenance and replacement is carried out.
- Some of the works identified will be to construct concrete paths around the halls to protect the
  footings, develop and maintain the stormwater drainage systems and to replace roofs and
  other components to defer the end of life replacement.
- A budget will need to be found within the 10 year planning period to avoid the large outlays that will be needed to replace the assets in the advent of asset failure.
- We have budgeted to perform all necessary works to stabilise footings and buildings as per the Structural investigations done on selected halls.

#### What we cannot do

Council does not have enough funding to provide all services at the desired service levels or provide new services. Works and services that cannot be provided under present funding levels are:

- We cannot replace all the Halls and Buildings as they reach the end of their lives.
- We cannot upgrade all the halls, pools and other structures to be compliant for the disabled.
- We cannot renew and modernise the pools to make amenities compliant with HES regulations and enhance their appeal.
- We cannot upgrade existing landfills to satisfy the current best practice waste handling standards.

# Managing the Risks

There are risks associated with providing the service and not being able to complete all identified activities and projects. We have identified major risks as:

- Pool pump failure at peak times
- Structural failure of a pool making it unusable
- Air-conditioning failure in office buildings
- Disabled access to some Shire Facilities
- Old wiring in some shire Facilities
- Waste Facilities requiring updated Leachate drainage systems
- Risks associated with burning green waste at the waste facilities.

We will endeavour to manage these risks within available funding by:

- A rigorous inspection and maintenance programs
- Prioritising work to address the more critical issues first

# **The Next Steps**

The actions resulting from this asset management plan are:

- Monitoring the usage of the assets to ensure value to the shire
- Develop a prioritised maintenance program from the inspection programs.

# Questions you may have

# What is this plan about?

This asset management plan covers the infrastructure assets that serve the Greater Hume community's land and facilities needs. These assets include community halls, administration buildings, works depots, sports grounds and buildings, swimming pools, toilet blocks, parks and waste disposal facilities throughout the Council area that enable people to meet, work, socialise, exercise, maintain their properties and travel.

# What is an Asset Management Plan?

Asset management planning is a comprehensive process to ensure delivery of services from infrastructure is provided in a financially sustainable manner.

Asset Management Plans detail information about infrastructure assets including actions required to provide an agreed level of service in the most cost effective manner. The Plan defines the services to be provided, how the services are provided and what funds are required to provide the services.

# Why is there a funding shortfall?

Most of the Council's assets were constructed from government grants often provided and accepted without consideration of ongoing operations, maintenance and replacement needs.

Many of these assets are approaching the later years of their life and require replacement, services from the assets are decreasing and maintenance costs are increasing.

Councils' present funding levels are insufficient to continue to provide existing services at current levels in the medium term however the maintenance of the assets has been neglected with the result of not meeting life expectancies.

# What options do we have?

Resolving the funding shortfall involves several steps:

- 1. Improving asset knowledge so that data accurately records the asset inventory, how assets are performing and when assets are not able to provide the required service levels,
- 2. Improving our efficiency in operating, maintaining, replacing existing and constructing new assets to optimise life cycle costs,
- 3. Identifying and managing risks associated with providing services from infrastructure,
- 4. Making trade-offs between service levels and costs to ensure that the community receives the best return from infrastructure,
- 5. Identifying assets surplus to needs for disposal to make saving in future operations and maintenance costs
- 6. Consulting with the community to ensure that services meet community needs and are affordable,
- 7. Developing partnership with other bodies, where available to provide services;
- 8. Seeking additional funding from governments and other bodies to better reflect a 'whole of government' funding approach to infrastructure services.

# What happens if we don't manage the shortfall?

It is likely that council will have to reduce service levels in some areas, unless new sources of revenue are found. For Land and Facilities, the service level reduction may include sharing responsibility with community groups or rationalising (disposal) of some assets.

#### What can we do?

Council can develop options and priorities for future Land and Facilities services with costs of providing the services, consult with the community to plan future services to match the community services needs with ability to pay for services and maximise benefit to the community for costs to the community.

# What can you do?

Council will be pleased to consider your thoughts on the issues raised in this asset management plan and suggestions on how Council may change or reduce its services mix to ensure that the appropriate level of service can be provided to the community within available funding.

# 2. INTRODUCTION

# 2.1 Background

This asset management plan is to demonstrate responsive management of assets (and services provided from assets), compliance with regulatory requirements, and to communicate funding needed to provide the required levels of service.

The asset management plan is to be read with Council's Asset Management Policy, Asset Management Strategy and the following associated planning documents:

- Greater Hume Asset Management Policy
- Greater Hume Asset Management Strategy
- Greater Hume Management Plan
- 2013-2017 Delivery Plan

This infrastructure assets covered by this asset management plan are shown in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1: Assets covered by this Plan

Asset category	Dimension	Replacement Value
Land	267 lots of Land	\$11,419,891
Admin and Works Buildings	38 Buildings	\$17,645,308
Halls	15 Halls	\$14,650,001
Recreation (including Pools)	121 Assets	\$30,054,930
Toilet Blocks	38 Toilet blocks and 2 Caravan Dump points	\$5,781,501
Fire Stations & SES Facilities	16 stations & 8 SES Buildings	\$2,329,708
Waste disposal buildings	4 Landfill and 4 Transfer Stations	\$725,043
Council owned residences	40 Residences	\$9,495,567
Miscellaneous communication towers, Fact and sundries	ory, Hotel, war memorials, artworks	\$2,891,359
TOTAL		\$94,993,308

# 2.2 Goals and Objectives of Asset Management

The Council exists to provide services to its community. Infrastructure assets are required to provide these services. Council has acquired infrastructure assets by 'purchase', by contract, construction by council staff and by donation of assets constructed by developers and others to meet increased levels of service.

Council's goal in managing infrastructure assets is to meet the required level of service in the most cost effective manner for present and future consumers. The key elements of infrastructure asset management are:

- Taking a whole of life cycle approach,
- Developing cost-effective management strategies for the long term,
- Providing a defined level of service and monitoring performance,
- Understanding and meeting the demands of growth through demand management and infrastructure investment,
- Managing risks associated with asset failures,
- Sustainable use of physical resources,
- Continuous improvement in asset management practices.<sup>1</sup>

The goal of this asset management plan is to:

- Document the services/service levels to be provided and the costs of providing the service,
- Communicate the consequences for service levels and risk, where desired funding is not available, and
- Provide information to assist decision makers in trading off service levels, costs and risks to provide services in a financially sustainable manner.

# Land

Council has ownership of land for a variety of uses ranging from road reserves, community buildings, drainage reserves, sporting grounds, community use land, emergency services and fire stations.

# **Admin and Works Buildings**

Includes administration offices in Culcairn, Holbrook, Henty, Jindera, Walla Walla, an office in Albury (leased) and works depots in Culcairn, Holbrook and Jindera,

Halls are provided for community meetings and social events

# **Swimming Pools**

The Shire has 5 pools located in Holbrook, Culcairn, Walla Walla, Jindera and Henty

#### Cemeteries

Cemeteries land is owned by the State of New South Wales however Council has the responsibility to operate and maintain the cemeteries

#### **Sports Facilities**

Includes:- ovals, club rooms, change rooms, playing surfaces, goal posts, nets, fences, etc;-

# **Showground Facilities**

Include; pavilions, yards, kiosks, etc;-

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#### **Toilet Blocks**

Council is responsible for maintaining 38 toilet blocks and 2 caravan dump points

#### Fire Stations

Council has 16 fire stations that are maintained by volunteer members supervised by the NSW Rural fire service

**SES** Facilities are in Culcairn and Holbrook and are also maintained by volunteer members backed by Council

**Landfills** are located at Culcairn, Henty, Brocklesby and Holbrook with **transfer stations** located at Burrumbuttock, Gerogery, Jindera and Mullengandra.

This asset management plan is prepared under the direction of Council's vision, mission, goals and objectives.

# Council's vision is:

Living in an idyllic rural landscape that sets us apart, we draw on our passion and location to maintain a model community for people of all ages whilst building an economy that abounds with opportunities.

A number of key aspects are being sought in the vision statement; namely:

*Draw on our passion* – we cannot afford to expect someone else to always work on our behalf to achieve all that we seek; we must draw on the passion we have for our community and each other and be involved.

Maintain a model community for people of all ages – if we work together, we can maintain a community that looks after our people as well as our farmland and natural beauty. We can be a community that others aspire to be like.

An economy that abounds with opportunities –we must be proactive in taking advantage of our location, particularly near Albury / Wodonga and to a lesser extent Wagga Wagga, to grow an economy that is diverse and offers our community the chance to build a career here.

# Council's mission is:

To provide quality leadership through service and management that meets the needs of all communities, enhances their wellbeing and develops opportunities through community involvement.

Relevant goals and objectives from Greater Hume's Delivery Plan addressed in this asset management plan are shown in Table 2.2.

#### Table 2.2: Organisation Goals addressed in this Plan

GOAL 5 - Maintained and improved services, facilities and infrastructure throughout the shire

Strategy 5.1 - To agree as a community on the strategic upkeep of our services and facilities.

5.1.1 - Determine the resources needed for maintaining and improving services and facilities through time. Develop Asset Management Plans for land and community facilities.

Strategy 5.2 – To provide and maintain safe and serviceable public facilities and infrastructure.

5.2.1 – Ensure that all land and buildings that are owned and controlled by Council are maintained in an appropriate manner and utilised for the designated and appropriate community purpose.

Strategy 5.10 – To maintain our community Halls. – Complete an audit of all community halls. – Undertake structural assessments of community halls

Strategy 5.11 – To maintain and improve our sports and recreational facilities.

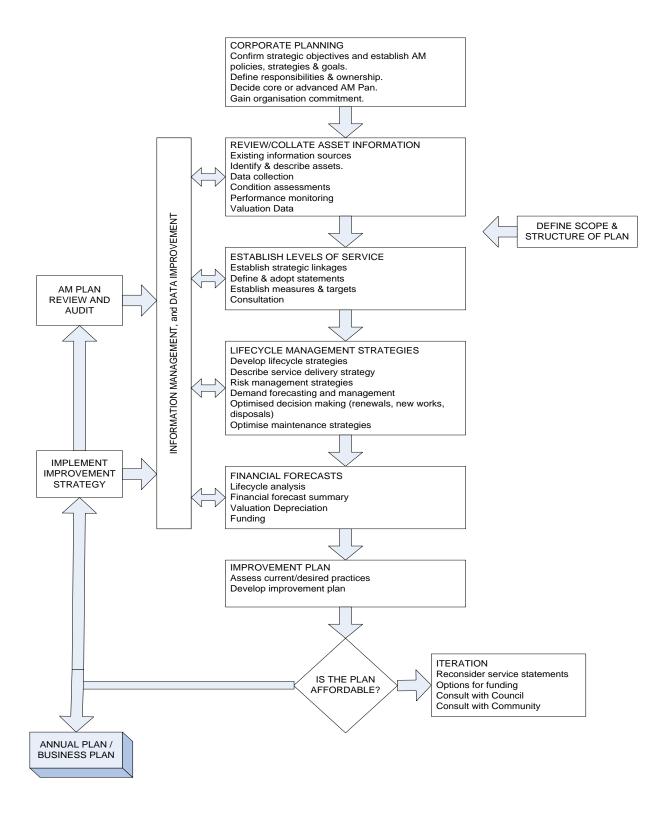
#### 2.3 Plan Framework

Key elements of the plan are

- Levels of service specifies the services and levels of service to be provided by council.
- Future demand how this will impact on future service delivery and how this is to be met.
- Life cycle management how the organisation will manage its existing and future assets to provide the required services
- Financial summary what funds are required to provide the required services.
- Asset management practices
- Monitoring how the plan will be monitored to ensure it is meeting the organisation's objectives.
- Asset management improvement plan

# A road map for preparing an Asset Management Plan

Source: IIMM Fig 1.5.1, p 1.11



# 2.4 Core and Advanced Asset Management

This asset management plan is prepared as a first cut 'core' asset management plan in accordance with the International Infrastructure Management Manual<sup>2</sup>. It is prepared to meet minimum legislative and organisational requirements for sustainable service delivery and long term financial planning and reporting. Core asset management is a 'top down' approach where analysis is applied at the 'system' or 'network' level.

# 2.5 Community Consultation

This 'core' asset management plan is prepared to facilitate community consultation initially through feedback on public display of draft asset management plans prior to adoption by Council. Future revisions of the asset management plan will incorporate community consultation on service levels and costs of providing the service. This will assist Council and the community in matching the level of service needed by the community, service risks and consequences with the community's ability to pay for the service.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> IPWEA, 2006.

#### 3. LEVELS OF SERVICE

## 3.1 Customer Research and Expectations

Council has not carried out any research on customer expectations. This will be investigated for future updates of the asset management plan.

# 3.2 Legislative Requirements

Council has to meet many legislative requirements including Australian and State legislation and State regulations. Relevant legislation is shown in Table 3.2.

**Table 3.2: Legislative Requirements** 

Legislation	Requirement
Local Government Act	Sets out role, purpose, responsibilities and powers of local governments including the preparation of a long term financial plan supported by asset management plans for sustainable service delivery.
National Asset Management Framework Legislation 2010	Focuses on long term financial sustainability and provides a mandate to have long term strategy, financial statements and annual reporting mechanisms. AM plans are likely to be audited.
DLG Integrated Planning NSW	Key requirement is to integrated community plans with operational and delivery plans.
Work Health and Safety Act	Aims to secure the health, safety and welfare of people at work.
Heritage Act 1997	Act to conserve the environmental heritage of the state.
Building codes, Acts and standards	Defines the regulations and standards required when constructing or repairing buildings or structures.
Disability Discrimination Act	Sets out the responsibilities of council and staff in dealing with access and use of public infrastructure.

# 3.3 Current Levels of Service

Council has defined service levels in two terms.

**Community Levels of Service** relate to the service outcomes that the community wants in terms of safety, quality, quantity, reliability, responsiveness, cost effectiveness and legislative compliance.

Community levels of service measures used in the asset management plan are:

Quality How good is the service?
Function Does it meet users' needs?
Safety Is the service safe?

**Technical Levels of Service** - Supporting the community service levels are operational or technical measures of performance. These technical measures relate to the allocation of resources to service activities that the council undertakes to best achieve the desired community outcomes.

Technical service measures are linked to annual budgets covering:

- Operations the regular activities to provide services such as opening hours, cleansing frequency, mowing frequency, etc.
- Maintenance the activities necessary to retain an assets as near as practicable to its original condition (eg re-painting, replacing of floor coverings, building and structure repairs),

- Renewal the activities that return the service capability of an asset up to that which it had originally (eg
  frequency and cost of office fit-out, heating or cooling unit replacement and building component
  replacement),
- Upgrade the activities to provide a higher level of service (eg increasing the size of a kitchen on a hall to include catered functions, sealing a carpark,) or a new service that did not exist previously (eg a new library).

# 3.4 Desired Levels of Service

At present, indications of desired levels of service are obtained from various sources including residents' feedback to Councillors and staff, service requests and correspondence. Council has yet to quantify desired levels of service. This will be done in future revisions of this asset management plan.

#### 4. FUTURE DEMAND

## 4.1 Demand Forecast

Factors affecting demand include population change, changes in demographics, seasonal factors, vehicle ownership, consumer preferences and expectations, economic factors, agricultural practices, environmental awareness, etc.

Demand factor trends and impacts on service delivery are summarised in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1: Demand Factors, Projections and Impact on Services

Demand factor	Present position	Projection	Impact on services
Population	Greater Hume Shire population 10,423 people. (source: ABS 30 March 2012)	Greater Hume's population is expected to grow over the next 10 years as a result of Councils initiatives to attract to the rural lifestyle.	Minor impact as development continues.
Demographics	Increase in aging population 65+ represents 16.5% of the population and has increased 3.3% since 1981 Whereas the overall population is static to 0.43% increase	The number of residents over 65 will continue to increase. This is consistent with the national trend toward an aging population and longer life expectancy.	Minor impact

# 4.2 Changes in Technology

Technology changes are forecast to have little effect on the delivery of services covered by this plan.

# 4.3 Demand Management Plan

Demand for new services will be managed through a combination of managing existing assets, upgrading of existing assets and maintenance to extend the lives of existing assets. Demand management practices include non-asset solutions, insuring against risks and managing failures.

Non-asset solutions focus on providing the required service without the need for the council to own the assets. Examples of non-asset solutions include providing services from existing infrastructure such as aquatic centres and libraries that may be in another council area or public toilets provided in commercial premises.

Opportunities identified for demand management will be developed in future revisions of this asset management plan.

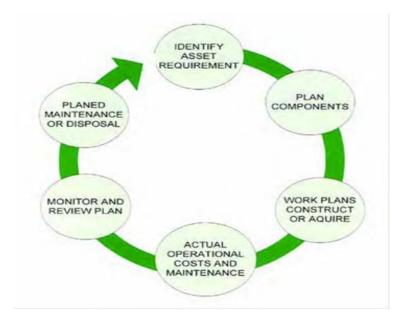
# 4.4 New Assets for Growth

The new assets required to meet growth will be acquired free of cost from land developments and constructed/acquired by Council. Presently there are no plans for any new assets.

Acquiring new assets will commit council to fund ongoing operations and maintenance costs for the period that the service provided from the assets is required. These future costs must be identified and considered in developing forecasts of future operations and maintenance costs.

# 5. LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The lifecycle management plan details how Council plans to manage and operate the assets at the agreed levels of service (defined in Section 3) while optimising life cycle costs.



Graphical representation of the asset lifecycle

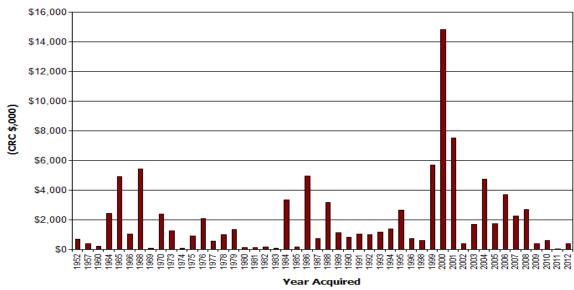
# 5.1 Background Data

# 5.1.1 Physical parameters

The age profile of the assets include in this AM Plan is shown in Figure 2.

Figure 2: Asset Age Profile





All land has been given the purchase date of 2000 please disregard the spike at the year 2000

# 5.1.2 Asset capacity and performance

Council's services are generally provided to meet design standards where these are available.

Locations where deficiencies in service performance are known are detailed in Table 5.1.2.

Table 5.1.2: Known Service Performance Deficiencies

Location	Service Deficiency	
Halls	Refurbishment, footings and drainage	
Pools	Refurbishment, toilet and showers, signage and fencing	

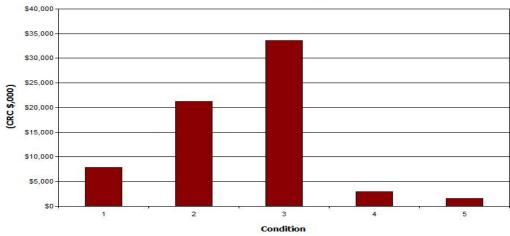
The above service deficiencies were identified from internal inspections and external consultants

#### 5.1.3 Asset condition

The condition profile of assets included within this AM Plan is shown in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Asset Condition Profile





Condition is measured using a 1-5 rating system<sup>3</sup> as detailed in Table 5.1.3.

Table 5.1.3: IIMM Description of Condition

Condition Rating	Description	
1	Excellent condition: Only planned maintenance required.	
2	Very good: Minor maintenance required plus planned maintenance.	
3	Good: Significant maintenance required.	
4	Fair: Significant renewal/upgrade required.	
5	Poor: Unserviceable.	

## 5.1.4 Asset valuations

The value of assets recorded in the asset register as at 30-06-2012 covered by this asset management plan is shown below. Assets were last revalued at 30-06-2012.

Current Replacement Cost \$94,993,308

Depreciable Amount \$83,573,418

Depreciated Replacement Cost \$59,143,368

Annual Depreciation Expense \$908,237

Council's sustainability reporting reports the rate of annual asset consumption and compares this to asset renewal and asset upgrade and expansion.

Asset Consumption 1.10% (Depreciation/Depreciable Amount)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> IIMM 2006, Appendix B, p B:1-3 ('cyclic' modified to 'planned', 'average' changed to 'fair'')

Asset renewal 0.80% (Capital renewal exp/Depreciable amount)

Annual Upgrade/New 0% (Capital upgrade exp/Depreciable amount)

Annual Upgrade/New 0% (Including contributed assets)

Council is currently renewing assets at 0.8% of the rate they are being consumed and increasing its asset stock by 0% each year. (This figure will vary each year dependant on the value of the asset being replaced with funding being applied as needed)

To provide services in a financially sustainable manner, Council will need to ensure that it is renewing assets at the rate they are being consumed over the medium-long term and funding the life cycle costs for all new assets and services in its long term financial plan.

#### 5.1.5 Asset hierarchy

An asset hierarchy provides a framework for structuring data in an information system to assist in collection of data, reporting information and making decisions. The hierarchy includes the asset class and component used for asset planning and financial reporting and service level hierarchy used for service planning and delivery.

Council's service hierarchy is shown is Table 5.1.5.

Table 5.1.5: Asset Service Hierarchy

Service Hierarchy	Service Level Objective
Land	Manage as appropriate
Admin and Works Buildings	Maintain to the standard required by the use intended
Halls	Maintain to the standard required by the use intended
Swimming Pools	Maintain to the standard required by the use intended
Cemeteries	Maintain in a safe and aesthetically pleasant condition
Sports and Showground Facilities	Maintain to the standard required by the use intended
Toilet Blocks	Clean serviceable amenities accessible to the residents and traveling public
Fire Stations & SES Facilities	Assist the SES and the RFS to maintain as needed
Waste disposal	Ensure sites are maintained to extend the life of the service as long as possible
Council owned residences	Ensure property is maintained as a serviceable residence
Quarries	Ensure an accessible supply of road building material

# 5.2 Risk Management Plan

An assessment of risks associated with service delivery from infrastructure assets has identified critical risks that will result in loss or reduction in service from infrastructure assets or a 'financial shock' to the organisation. The risk assessment process identifies credible risks, the likelihood of the risk event occurring, the consequences should the event occur, develops a risk rating, evaluates the risk and develops a risk treatment plan for non-acceptable risks.

Critical risks, being those assessed as 'Very High' - requiring immediate corrective action and 'High' – requiring prioritised corrective action identified in the Infrastructure Risk Management Plan

#### 5.3 Routine Maintenance Plan

Routine maintenance is the regular on-going work that is necessary to keep assets operating, including instances where portions of the asset fail and need immediate repair to make the asset operational again.

#### 5.3.1 Maintenance plan

Maintenance includes reactive, planned and specific maintenance work activities.

Reactive maintenance is unplanned repair work carried out in response to service requests and management/supervisory directions.

Planned maintenance is repair work that is identified and managed through a maintenance management system (MMS). MMS activities include inspection, assessing the condition against failure/breakdown experience, prioritising, scheduling, actioning the work and reporting what was done to develop a maintenance history and improve maintenance and service delivery performance.

Specific maintenance is replacement of higher value components/sub-components of assets that is undertaken on a regular cycle including repainting, building roof replacement, etc. This work generally falls below the capital/maintenance threshold but may require a specific budget allocation.

Actual past maintenance expenditure is shown in Table 5.3.1.

Table 5.3.1: Maintenance Expenditure Trends

Year	Maintenance Expenditure
2009 - 2010	\$1,075,528.17
2010 - 2011	\$1,191,742.79
2011 - 2012	\$952,183.83

Current maintenance expenditure levels are considered to be inadequate to meet required service levels. Future revision of this asset management plan will include linking required maintenance expenditures with required service levels.

Assessment and prioritisation of reactive maintenance is undertaken by operational staff using experience and judgement.

# 5.3.2 Standards and specifications

Maintenance work is carried out in accordance with the following Standards and Specifications.

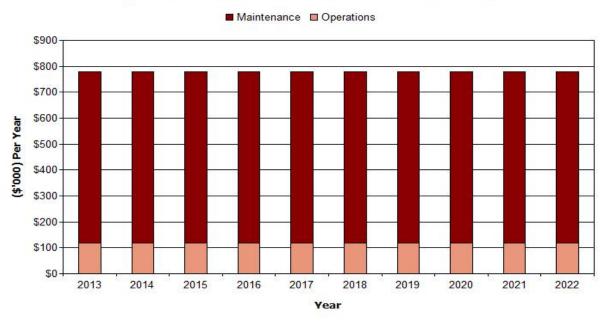
- Greater Hume Shire Council's specifications, standard operating procedures and safe work method statements
- Work Health and Safety Codes of Practice 2012
- NSW Department of Local Government Disability Action Plan 2008-2012
- The Building Code of Australia
- Relevant Australian Standards
- Designers and Manufacturers specifications

# 5.3.3 Summary of future operations and maintenance expenditures

Future operations and maintenance expenditure is forecast to trend in line with the value of the asset stock as shown in Figure 4. Note that all costs are shown in 2012 dollar values.

Figure 4: Projected Operations and Maintenance Expenditure

# Greater Hume SC - Projected Operations and Maintenance Expenditure (Land and Facilities V2S1)



Deferred maintenance, ie works that are identified for maintenance and unable to be funded are to be included in the risk assessment process in the infrastructure risk management plan.

Maintenance is funded from the operating budget and grants where available. This is further discussed in Section 6.2.

# 5.4 Renewal/Replacement Plan

Renewal expenditure is major work which does not increase the asset's design capacity but restores, rehabilitates, replaces or renews an existing asset to its original service potential. Work over and above restoring an asset to original service potential is upgrade/expansion or new works expenditure.

# 5.4.1 Renewal plan

Assets requiring renewal are identified from one of three methods provided in the 'Expenditure Template".

- Method 1 uses Asset Register data to project the renewal costs for renewal years using acquisition year and useful life, or
- Method 2 uses capital renewal expenditure projections from external condition modelling systems (such as Pavement Management Systems), or
- Method 3 uses a combination of average *network renewals* plus *defect repairs* in the *Renewal Plan* and *Defect Repair Plan* worksheets on the *'Expenditure template'*.

Method 1 was used for this asset management plan.

The ranking criteria used to determine priority of identified renewal proposals is detailed in Table 5.4.1.

Table 5.4.1: Renewal Priority Ranking Criteria

Criteria	Weighting
Value to the community (based on current usage)	30%
Working toward future direction	30%
Lowering risks to the council (financial and safety)	30%
Improving current standards	10%
Total	100%

Renewal will be undertaken using 'low-cost' renewal methods where practical. The aim of 'low-cost' renewals is to restore the service potential or future economic benefits of the asset by renewing the assets at a cost less than replacement cost.

Examples of low cost renewal include Painting and patching a roof to extend the life rather than replacing it.

#### 5.4.2 Renewal standards

Renewal work is carried out in accordance with the following Standards and Specifications.

- Work Health and Safety Codes of Practice 2012
- NSW Department of Local Government Disability Action Plan 2008-2012
- The Building Code of Australia
- Relevant Australian Standards
- Designers and Manufacturers specifications
- Greater Hume Shire Council's specifications, standard operating procedures and safe work method statements

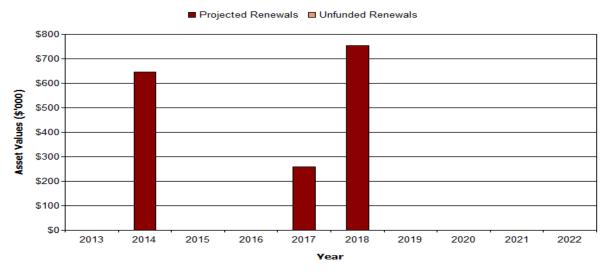
# 5.4.3 Summary of projected renewal expenditure

Projected future renewal expenditures are forecast to increase over time as the asset stock ages. The costs are summarised in Figure 5. Note that all costs are shown in 2012 dollar values.

The projected capital renewal program is shown in Appendix B.

Figure 5: Projected Capital Renewal Expenditure

# Greater Hume SC - Projected Capital Renewal Expenditure (Land and Facilities V2S1)



Deferred renewal, ie those assets identified for renewal and not scheduled for renewal in capital works programs are to be included in the risk assessment process in the risk management plan.

Renewals are to be funded from capital works programs and grants where available. This is further discussed in Section 6.2.

# 5.5 Creation/Acquisition/Upgrade Plan

New works are those works that create a new asset that did not previously exist, or works which upgrade or improve an existing asset beyond its existing capacity. They may result from growth, social or environmental needs. Assets may also be acquired at no cost to the Council from land development. These assets from growth are considered in Section 4.4.

#### 5.5.1 Selection criteria

New assets and upgrade/expansion of existing assets are identified from various sources such as councillor or community requests, proposals identified by strategic plans or partnerships with other organisations. Candidate proposals are inspected to verify need and to develop a preliminary estimate. Verified proposals are ranked by priority and available funds and scheduled in future works programmes. The priority ranking criteria is detailed in Table 5.5.1.

Table 5.5.1: Upgrade/New Assets Priority Ranking Criteria

Criteria	Weighting
Value to the community (based on current usage)	30%
Working toward future direction	30%
Lowering risks to the council (financial and safety)	30%
Improving current standards	10%
Total	100%

#### 5.5.2 Standards and specifications

Standards and specifications for new assets and for upgrade/expansion of existing assets are the same as those for renewal shown in Section 5.4.2.

# 5.5.3 Summary of projected upgrade/new assets expenditure

Projected upgrade/new asset expenditures are to be developed as budgets and need are determined.

New assets and services are to be funded from capital works program and grants where available. This is further discussed in Section 6.2.

# 5.6 Disposal Plan

Disposal includes any activity associated with disposal of a decommissioned asset including sale, demolition or relocation. Assets identified for possible decommissioning and disposal are shown in Table 5.6, together with estimated annual savings from not having to fund operations and maintenance of the assets. These assets will be further reinvestigated to determine the required levels of service and see what options are available for alternate service delivery, if any.

Where cashflow projections from asset disposals are not available, these will be developed in future revisions of this asset management plan.

#### 6. FINANCIAL SUMMARY

This section contains the financial requirements resulting from all the information presented in the previous sections of this asset management plan. The financial projections will be improved as further information becomes available on desired levels of service and current and projected future asset performance.

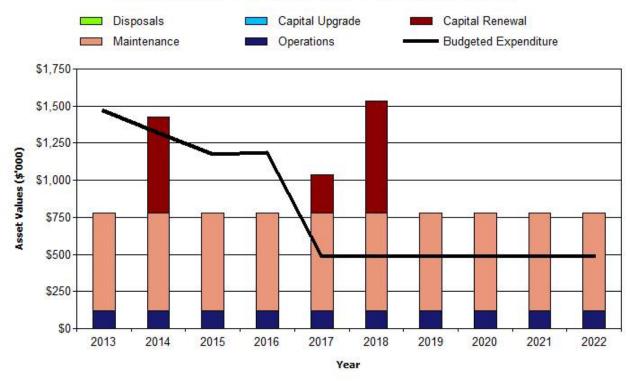
# 6.1 Financial Statements and Projections

The financial projections are shown in Figure 7 for projected operating (operations and maintenance) and capital expenditure (renewal and upgrade/expansion/new assets), net disposal expenditure and estimated budget funding.

Note that all costs are shown in 2012 dollar values.

Figure 7: Projected Operating and Capital Expenditure and Budget

# Greater Hume SC - Projected Operating and Capital Expenditure (Land and Facilities V2S1)



#### 6.1.1 Financial sustainability in service delivery

There are three key indicators for financial sustainability that have been considered in the analysis of the services provided by this asset category, these being long term life cycle costs/expenditures and medium term projected/budgeted expenditures over 5 and 10 years of the planning period.

#### Long term - Life Cycle Cost

Life cycle costs (or whole of life costs) are the average costs that are required to sustain the service levels over the longest asset life. Life cycle costs include operations and maintenance expenditure and asset consumption (depreciation expense). The life cycle cost for the services covered in this asset management plan is \$1,687,000 per year (operations and maintenance expenditure plus depreciation expense in year 1).

Life cycle costs can be compared to life cycle expenditure to give an indicator of sustainability in service provision. Life cycle expenditure includes operations, maintenance and capital renewal expenditure in year 1. Life cycle expenditure will vary depending on the timing of asset renewals. The life cycle expenditure at the start of the plan is \$1,468,000 (operations and maintenance expenditure plus budgeted capital renewal expenditure in year 1).

A shortfall between life cycle cost and life cycle expenditure is the life cycle gap.

The life cycle gap for services covered by this asset management plan is -\$219,000 per year (-ve = gap, +ve = surplus).

Life cycle expenditure is 87% of life cycle costs giving a life cycle sustainability index of 0.87

The life cycle costs and life cycle expenditure comparison highlights any difference between present outlays and the average cost of providing the service over the long term. If the life cycle expenditure is less than that life cycle cost, it is most likely that outlays will need to be increased or cuts in services made in the future.

Knowing the extent and timing of any required increase in outlays and the service consequences if funding is not available will assist organisations in providing services to their communities in a financially sustainable manner. This is the purpose of the asset management plans and long term financial plan.

# Medium term – 10 year financial planning period

This asset management plan identifies the projected operations, maintenance and capital renewal expenditures required to provide an agreed level of service to the community over a 10 year period. This provides input into 10 year financial and funding plans aimed at providing the required services in a sustainable manner.

These projected expenditures may be compared to budgeted expenditures in the 10 year period to identify any funding shortfall. In a core asset management plan, a gap is generally due to increasing asset renewals for ageing assets.

The projected operations, maintenance and capital renewal expenditure required over the 10 year planning period is \$945,000 per year.

Estimated (budget) operations, maintenance and capital renewal funding is \$807,000 per year giving a 10 year funding shortfall of -\$138,000 per year and a 10 year sustainability indicator of 0.85. This indicates that Council has 85% of the projected expenditures needed to provide the services documented in the asset management plan.

# Medium Term – 5 year financial planning period

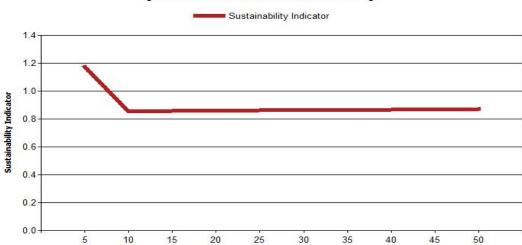
The projected operations, maintenance and capital renewal expenditure required over the first 5 years of the planning period is \$960,000 per year.

Estimated (budget) operations, maintenance and capital renewal funding is \$1,127,000 per year giving a 5 year funding surplus of \$167,000. This is 117% of projected expenditures giving a 5 year sustainability indicator of 1.17.

#### **Financial Sustainability Indicators**

Figure 7A shows the financial sustainability indicators over the 10 year planning period and for the long term life cycle.

Figure 7A: Financial Sustainability Indicators



# Greater Hume SC - Financial Sustainability Indicators (Land and Facilities V2S1)

Providing services from infrastructure in a sustainable manner requires the matching and managing of service levels, risks, projected expenditures and funding to achieve a financial sustainability indicator of 1.0 for the first years of the asset management plan and ideally over the 10 year life of the AM Plan.

Planning Period (Life Cycle shown as 50) yrs

Figure 8 shows the projected asset renewals in the 10 year planning period from Appendix B. The projected asset renewals are compared to budgeted renewal expenditure in the capital works program and capital renewal expenditure in year 1 of the planning period in Figure 8.

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Figure 8: Projected and Budgeted Renewal Expenditure

Greater Hume SC - Projected & Budget Renewal

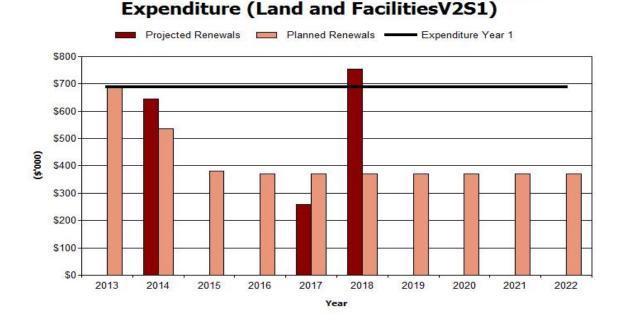


Table 6.1.1 shows the shortfall between projected and budgeted renewals

Table 6.1.1: Projected and Budgeted Renewals and Expenditure Shortfall

Greate	r Hume SC >> Ass	set Management P	lan Table 6.1.1 (Land and Fa	cilitiesV2S1)		
Year End	Projected	Planned	Renewal Funding	Cumulative		
Jun-30	Renewal	Renewal	Difference	Difference		
	(\$'000)	Budget	(- ve = Gap)	Difference		
		(\$'000)	(\$'000)	(- ve = Gap		
				(\$'000)		
2013	\$0.00	\$689.00	\$689.00	\$689.00		
2014	\$645.00	\$537.00	-\$108.00	\$581.00		
2015	\$0.00	\$380.00	\$380.00	\$961.00		
2016	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$370.00	\$1,331.00		
2017	\$260.00	\$370.00	\$110.00	\$1,441.00		
2018	\$754.00	\$370.00	-\$384.00	\$1,057.00		
2019	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$370.00	\$1,427.00		
2020	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$370.00	\$1,797.00		
2021	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$370.00	\$2,167.00		
2022	\$0.00	\$370.00	\$370.00	\$2,537.00		

Note: A negative shortfall indicates a funding gap, a positive shortfall indicates a surplus for that year.

Providing services in a sustainable manner will require matching of projected asset renewals to meet agreed service levels with planned capital works programs and available revenue.

A gap between projected asset renewals, planned asset renewals and funding indicates that further work is required to manage required service levels and funding to eliminate any funding gap.

We will manage the 'gap' by developing this asset management plan to provide guidance on future service levels and resources required to provide these services, and review future services, service levels and costs with the community.

#### 6.1.2 Expenditure projections for long term financial plan

Table 6.1.2 shows the projected expenditures for the 10 year long term financial plan.

Expenditure projections are in current (non-inflated) values. Disposals are shown as net expenditures (revenues are negative).

Table 6.1.2: Expenditure Projections for Long Term Financial Plan (\$000)

Greater Hume SC >> Planned Expenditures for Long Term Financial Plan (Land and Facilities V2S1)

Year End Jun-30	Total Operations Expenditure (\$'000)	Total Maintenance (\$'000)	Projected Capital Renewal (\$'000)	Planned Capital Upgrade/New (\$'000)	Net Disposals (\$'000)
2013	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2014	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$645.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2015	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2016	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2017	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2018	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$754.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2019	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2020	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2021	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2022	\$119.00	\$660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Note: All projected expenditures are in 2012 values

#### 6.2 **Funding Strategy**

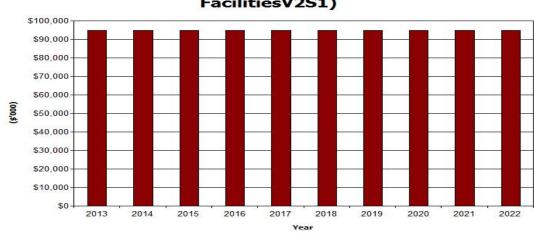
Projected expenditure identified in Section 6.1 is to be funded from future operating and capital budgets. The funding strategy is detailed in the organisation's 10 year long term financial plan.

#### 6.3 **Valuation Forecasts**

Asset values are forecast to increase as additional assets are added to the asset stock from construction and acquisition by Council and from assets constructed by land developers and others and donated to Council. Figure 9 shows the projected replacement cost asset values over the planning period in 2012 dollar values.

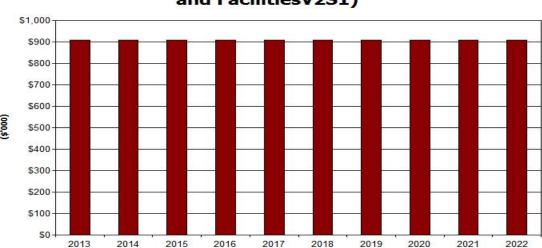
Greater Hume SC - Projected Asset Values (Land and Facilities V2S1) \$100,000 \$90,000

Figure 9: Projected Asset Values



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Depreciation expense values are forecast in line with asset values as shown in Figure 10.



Greater Hume SC - Projected Depreciation Expense (Land and Facilities V2S1)

Figure 10: Projected Depreciation Expense

The depreciated replacement cost (current replacement cost less accumulated depreciation) will vary over the forecast period depending on the rates of addition of new assets, disposal of old assets and consumption and renewal of existing assets. Forecast of the assets' depreciated replacement cost is shown in Figure 11. The effect of contributed and new assets on the depreciated replacement cost is shown in the darker colour.

Year

Figure 11: Projected Depreciated Replacement Cost

# **Greater Hume SC - Projected Depreciated Replacement** Cost (Land and Facilities V2S1)



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#### 6.4 Key Assumptions made in Financial Forecasts

This section details the key assumptions made in presenting the information contained in this asset management plan and in preparing forecasts of required operating and capital expenditure and asset values, depreciation expense and carrying amount estimates. It is presented to enable readers to gain an understanding of the levels of confidence in the data behind the financial forecasts.

Key assumptions made in this asset management plan are:

- The current levels of service will remain constant for the life of this plan
- The treatment and maintenance costs are based on councils current schedule of rates
- The useful life as stated

# 7. ASSET MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

# 7.1 Accounting/Financial Systems

# 7.1.1 Accounting and financial systems

Greater Hume Shire Council uses Civica PCS (Practical) as its primary accounting & financial system.

# 7.1.2 Accountabilities for financial systems

The Chief Financial Officer is accountable for the financial system

# 7.1.3 Accounting standards and regulations

AAS27, Financial reporting by Local Governments, Australian Accounting Standards, June 1996.

AASB1031, Materiality, Australian Accounting Standards Board, July 2004.

AASB116, Property, Plant and Equipment, Australian Accounting Standards Board, July 2004

# 7.1.4 Capital/maintenance threshold

Council does not have a Capital/maintenance threshold Policy

# 7.1.5 Required changes to accounting financial systems arising from this AM Plan

None documented as yet

# 7.2 Asset Management Systems

# 7.2.1 Asset management system

Greater Hume Shire Council uses BizeAsset as its asset management system.

# 7.2.2 Asset registers

The asset register is located within the BizeAsset asset management system.

# 7.2.3 Linkage from asset management to financial system

All links between the asset management system and the financial system are manual. These are not linked systems.

# 7.2.4 Accountabilities for asset management system and data

The Manager Assets is accountable for maintaining, developing and updating the asset management system

# 7.2.5 Required changes to asset management system arising from this AM Plan

The continued updating and refining of the asset management system is required to improve the accuracy and reliability of the data, breaking the assets into components with different life expectancy and maintenance schedules and verifying the costs with actual costs when projects are completed.

# 7.3 Information Flow Requirements and Processes

The key information flows *into* this asset management plan are:

- Council strategic and operational plans,
- · Service requests from the community,
- Network assets information.
- The unit rates for categories of work/materials,
- Current levels of service, expenditures, service deficiencies and service risks,
- Projections of various factors affecting future demand for services and new assets acquired by Council,
- Future capital works programs,
- Financial asset values.

The key information flows *from* this asset management plan are:

- The projected Works Program and trends,
- The resulting budget and long term financial plan expenditure projections,
- Financial sustainability indicators.

These will impact the Long Term Financial Plan, Strategic Longer-Term Plan, annual budget and departmental business plans and budgets.

# 7.4 Standards and Guidelines

Standards, guidelines and policy documents referenced in this asset management plan are:

- AAS27, Financial reporting by Local Governments, Australian Accounting Standards, June 1996.
- o AASB1031, Materiality, Australian Accounting Standards Board, July 2004.
- AASB116, Property, Plant and Equipment, Australian Accounting Standards Board, July 2004
- o 2012-2016 Delivery Program Greater Hume Shire Council
- o International Infrastructure Management Manual, Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia, 2006
- o Local Government Asset Accounting Manual, Department of Local Government

#### 8. PLAN IMPROVEMENT AND MONITORING

#### 8.1 Performance Measures

The effectiveness of the asset management plan can be measured in the following ways:

- The degree to which the required cashflows identified in this asset management plan are incorporated into the organisation's long term financial plan and Community/Strategic Planning processes and documents,
- The degree to which 1-5 year detailed works programs, budgets, business plans and organisational structures take into account the 'global' works program trends provided by the asset management plan;

# 8.2 Improvement Plan

The asset management improvement plan generated from this asset management plan is shown in Table 8.2.

Table 8.2: Improvement Plan

Task No	Task	Responsibility	Resources Required	Timeline
1	Installing concrete paths around halls to stabilise footings and ensuring stormwater is drained away from the building footings.	Manager Waste and Facilities.	Additional funding	As funding allows.
2	Engage Consultant to look at pools and associated infrastructure to provide report on current status and a development improvement plan.	Manager Waste and Facilities	Additional funding	As funding allows
3	Install pipework at Culcairn pool to balance water levels of pools for better water management to filtration system.	Manager Waste and Facilities	Additional funding	As funding allows
4	Introduce new waste strategy for landfills and expand Culcairn landfill to better handle received waste and comply to NSW EPA legislation for landfill management.	Manager Waste and Facilities	Additional funding	As funding allows
5	Upgrade public toilets to an acceptable standard	Director of Engineering	Additional funding	As funding allows

# 8.3 Monitoring and Review Procedures

This asset management plan will be reviewed during annual budget preparation and amended to recognise any material changes in service levels and/or resources available to provide those services as a result of the budget decision process.

The Plan has a life of 4 years and is due for revision and updating within 2 years of each Council election.

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# **APPENDICES**

Appendix A Maintenance Response Levels of Service

To be developed.

Appendix B Projected 10 year Capital Renewal Works Program

Appendix C Planned Upgrade/Exp/New 10 year Capital Works Program

To be developed

Appendix D Abbreviations

Appendix E Glossary

Appendix A	Maintenance Response Levels of Service
To be develop	ped.

Appendix B Projected 10 year Capital Renewal Works Program

# Greater Hume SC >> Renewal Program (Land and Facilities V2S1)

Asset	Sub	Asset			Rem	Planned	Renewal	Useful
ID	Category	Name	From	То	Life	Renewal	Cost	Life
10		Ivairie			(Years)	Year	(\$)	(Years)
	Recreation	Tennis Courts (6)			1	2014	\$645,000.00	30
						Subtotal	\$645,000.00	
	Recreation	Tennis Courts			4	2017	\$260,000.00	30
						Subtotal	\$260,000.00	
	Recreation	Tennis Courts (2)			5	2018	\$130,000.00	30
	Recreation	Tennis Courts (8)			5	2018	\$624,000.00	30
						Subtotal	\$754,000.00	
					Prog	ram Total	\$1,659,00	0.00

Appendix C Planned Upgrade/Exp/New 10 year Capital Works Program
To be developed

# **Appendix D Abbreviations**

**AAAC** Average annual asset consumption

**AMP** Asset management plan

**ARI** Average recurrence interval

**BOD** Biochemical (biological) oxygen demand

**CRC** Current replacement cost

**CWMS** Community wastewater management systems

**DA** Depreciable amount

**EF** Earthworks/formation

**IRMP** Infrastructure risk management plan

LCC Life Cycle cost

LCE Life cycle expenditure

MMS Maintenance management system

**PCI** Pavement condition index

**RV** Residual value

**SS** Suspended solids

**vph** Vehicles per hour

# **Appendix E Glossary**

#### Annual service cost (ASC)

revenue.

- Reporting actual cost
   The annual (accrual) cost of providing a service including operations, maintenance, depreciation, finance/opportunity and disposal costs less
- 2) For investment analysis and budgeting An estimate of the cost that would be tendered, per annum, if tenders were called for the supply of a service to a performance specification for a fixed term. The Annual Service Cost includes operations, maintenance, depreciation, finance/ opportunity and disposal costs, less revenue.

#### Asset

A resource controlled by an entity as a result of past events and from which future economic benefits are expected to flow to the entity. Infrastructure assets are a sub-class of property, plant and equipment which are non-current assets with a life greater than 12 months and enable services to be provided.

#### **Asset class**

A group of assets having a similar nature or function in the operations of an entity, and which, for purposes of disclosure, is shown as a single item without supplementary disclosure.

# **Asset condition assessment**

The process of continuous or periodic inspection, assessment, measurement and interpretation of the resultant data to indicate the condition of a specific asset so as to determine the need for some preventative or remedial action.

#### Asset management (AM)

The combination of management, financial, economic, engineering and other practices applied to physical assets with the objective of providing the required level of service in the most cost effective manner.

# Average annual asset consumption (AAAC)\*

The amount of an organisation's asset base consumed during a reporting period (generally a year). This may be calculated by dividing the depreciable amount by the useful life (or total future economic benefits/service potential) and totalled for each and every asset OR by dividing the carrying amount (depreciated replacement cost) by the remaining useful life (or remaining future economic benefits/service potential) and totalled for each and every asset in an asset category or class.

#### **Borrowings**

A borrowing or loan is a contractual obligation of the borrowing entity to deliver cash or another financial asset to the lending entity over a specified period of time or at a specified point in time, to cover both the initial capital provided and the cost of the interest incurred for providing this capital. A borrowing or loan provides the means for the borrowing entity to finance outlays (typically physical assets) when it has insufficient funds of its own to do so, and for the lending entity to make a financial return, normally in the form of interest revenue, on the funding provided.

# Capital expenditure

Relatively large (material) expenditure, which has benefits, expected to last for more than 12 months. Capital expenditure includes renewal, expansion and upgrade. Where capital projects involve a combination of renewal, expansion and/or upgrade expenditures, the total project cost needs to be allocated accordingly.

#### Capital expenditure - expansion

Expenditure that extends the capacity of an existing asset to provide benefits, at the same standard as is currently enjoyed by existing beneficiaries, to a new group of users. It is discretionary expenditure, which increases future operations and maintenance costs, because it increases the organisation's asset base, but may be associated with additional revenue from the new user group, eg. extending a drainage or road network, the provision of an oval or park in a new suburb for new residents.

#### Capital expenditure - new

Expenditure which creates a new asset providing a new service/output that did not exist beforehand. As it increases service potential it may impact revenue and will increase future operations and maintenance expenditure.

#### Capital expenditure - renewal

Expenditure on an existing asset or on replacing an existing asset, which returns the service capability of the asset up to that which it had originally. It is periodically required expenditure, relatively large (material) in value compared with the value of the components or sub-components of the asset being renewed. As it reinstates existing service potential, it generally has no impact on revenue, but may reduce future operations and maintenance expenditure if completed at the optimum time, eg. resurfacing or resheeting a material part of a road network, replacing a material section of a drainage network with pipes of the same capacity, resurfacing an oval.

#### Capital expenditure - upgrade

Expenditure, which enhances an existing asset to provide a higher level of service or expenditure that will increase the life of the asset beyond that which it had originally. Upgrade expenditure is discretionary and often does not result in additional revenue unless direct user charges apply. It will increase operations and maintenance expenditure in the future because of the increase in the organisation's asset base, eg. widening the sealed area of an existing road, replacing drainage pipes with pipes of a greater capacity, enlarging a grandstand at a sporting facility.

#### **Capital funding**

Funding to pay for capital expenditure.

#### **Capital grants**

Monies received generally tied to the specific projects for which they are granted, which are often upgrade and/or expansion or new investment proposals.

#### Capital investment expenditure

See capital expenditure definition

#### Capitalisation threshold

The value of expenditure on non-current assets above which the expenditure is recognised as capital expenditure and below which the expenditure is charged as an expense in the year of acquisition.

#### **Carrying amount**

The amount at which an asset is recognised after deducting any accumulated depreciation / amortisation and accumulated impairment losses thereon.

#### **Class of assets**

See asset class definition

#### Component

Specific parts of an asset having independent physical or functional identity and having specific attributes such as different life expectancy, maintenance regimes, risk or criticality.

#### Cost of an asset

The amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the consideration given to acquire an asset at the time of its acquisition or construction, including any costs necessary to place the asset into service. This includes one-off design and project management costs.

#### Current replacement cost (CRC)

The cost the entity would incur to acquire the asset on the reporting date. The cost is measured by reference to the lowest cost at which the gross future economic benefits could be obtained in the normal course of business or the minimum it would cost, to replace the existing asset with a technologically modern equivalent new asset (not a second hand one) with the same economic benefits (gross service potential) allowing for any differences in the quantity and quality of output and in operating costs.

#### Depreciable amount

The cost of an asset, or other amount substituted for its cost, less its residual value.

#### Depreciated replacement cost (DRC)

The current replacement cost (CRC) of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset.

#### Depreciation / amortisation

The systematic allocation of the depreciable amount (service potential) of an asset over its useful life.

#### **Economic life**

See useful life definition.

# **Expenditure**

The spending of money on goods and services. Expenditure includes recurrent and capital.

## Fair value

The amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties, in an arm's length transaction.

#### **Funding gap**

A funding gap exists whenever an entity has insufficient capacity to fund asset renewal and other expenditure necessary to be able to appropriately maintain the range and level of services its existing asset stock was originally designed and intended to deliver. The service capability of the existing asset stock should be determined assuming no additional operating revenue, productivity improvements, or net financial liabilities above levels currently planned or projected. A current funding gap means service levels have already or are currently falling. A projected funding gap if not addressed will result in a future diminution of existing service levels.

#### Heritage asset

An asset with historic, artistic, scientific, technological, geographical or environmental qualities that is held and maintained principally for its contribution to knowledge and culture and this purpose is central to the objectives of the entity holding it.

# **Impairment Loss**

The amount by which the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount.

#### Infrastructure assets

Physical assets that contribute to meeting the needs of organisations or the need for access to major economic and social facilities and services, eg. roads, drainage, footpaths and cycleway. These are typically large, interconnected networks or portfolios of composite assets. The components of these assets may be separately maintained, renewed or replaced individually so that the required level and standard of service from the network of assets is continuously sustained. Generally the components and hence the assets have long lives. They are fixed in place and are often have no separate market value.

# **Investment property**

Property held to earn rentals or for capital appreciation or both, rather than for:

- (a) use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes; or
- (b) sale in the ordinary course of business.

#### **Key performance indicator**

A qualitative or quantitative measure of a service or activity used to compare actual performance against a standard or other target. Performance indicators commonly relate to statutory limits, safety, responsiveness, cost, comfort, asset performance, reliability, efficiency, environmental protection and customer satisfaction.

#### Level of service

The defined service quality for a particular service/activity against which service performance may be measured. Service levels usually relate to quality, quantity, reliability, responsiveness, environmental impact, acceptability and cost.

#### **Life Cycle Cost**

- Total LCC The total cost of an asset throughout its life including planning, design, construction, acquisition, operation, maintenance, rehabilitation and disposal costs.
- 2. Average LCC The life cycle cost (LCC) is average cost to provide the service over the longest asset life cycle. It comprises annual operations, maintenance and asset consumption expense, represented by depreciation expense. The Life Cycle Cost does not indicate the funds required to provide the service in a particular year.

#### Life Cycle Expenditure

The Life Cycle Expenditure (LCE) is the actual or planned annual operations, maintenance and capital renewal expenditure incurred in providing the service in a particular year. Life Cycle Expenditure may be compared to average Life Cycle Cost to give an initial indicator of life cycle sustainability.

# Loans / borrowings

See borrowings.

#### Maintenance

All actions necessary for retaining an asset as near as practicable to its original condition, including regular ongoing day-to-day work necessary to keep assets operating, eg road patching but excluding rehabilitation or renewal. It is operating expenditure required to ensure that the asset reaches its expected useful life.

#### · Planned maintenance

Repair work that is identified and managed through a maintenance management system (MMS). MMS activities include inspection, assessing the condition against failure/breakdown criteria/experience, prioritising scheduling, actioning the work and reporting what was done to develop a maintenance history and improve maintenance and service delivery performance.

# • Reactive maintenance

Unplanned repair work that is carried out in response to service requests and management/supervisory directions.

#### Significant maintenance

Maintenance work to repair components or replace sub-components that needs to be identified as a specific maintenance item in the maintenance budget.

#### Unplanned maintenance

Corrective work required in the short-term to restore an asset to working condition so it can continue to deliver the required service or to maintain its level of security and integrity.

#### Maintenance and renewal gap

Difference between estimated budgets and projected required expenditures for maintenance and renewal of assets to achieve/maintain specified service levels, totalled over a defined time (e.g. 5, 10 and 15 years).

#### Maintenance and renewal sustainability index

Ratio of estimated budget to projected expenditure for maintenance and renewal of assets over a defined time (eg 5, 10 and 15 years).

#### Maintenance expenditure

Recurrent expenditure, which is periodically or regularly required as part of the anticipated schedule of works required to ensure that the asset achieves its useful life and provides the required level of service. It is expenditure, which was anticipated in determining the asset's useful life.

# Materiality

The notion of materiality guides the margin of error acceptable, the degree of precision required and the extent of the disclosure required when preparing general purpose financial reports. Information is material if its omission, misstatement or non-disclosure has the potential, individually or collectively, to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report or affect the discharge of accountability by the management or governing body of the entity.

#### Modern equivalent asset

Assets that replicate what is in existence with the most cost-effective asset performing the same level of service. It is the most cost efficient, currently available asset which will provide the same stream of services as the existing asset is capable of producing. It allows for technology changes and, improvements and efficiencies in production and installation techniques

# Net present value (NPV)

The value to the organisation of the cash flows associated with an asset, liability, activity or event calculated using a discount rate to reflect the time value of money. It is the net amount of discounted total cash inflows after deducting the value of the discounted total cash outflows arising from eg the continued use and subsequent disposal of the asset after deducting the value of the discounted total cash outflows.

#### Non-revenue generating investments

Investments for the provision of goods and services to sustain or improve services to the community that are not expected to generate any savings or revenue to the Council, eg. parks and playgrounds, footpaths, roads and bridges, libraries, etc.

#### **Operations expenditure**

Recurrent expenditure, which is continuously required to provide a service. In common use the term typically includes, eg power, fuel, staff, plant equipment, oncosts and overheads but excludes maintenance and depreciation. Maintenance and depreciation is on the other hand included in operating expenses.

# **Operating expense**

The gross outflow of economic benefits, being cash and non cash items, during the period arising in the course of ordinary activities of an entity when those outflows result in decreases in equity, other than decreases relating to distributions to equity participants.

#### Pavement management system

A systematic process for measuring and predicting the condition of road pavements and wearing surfaces over time and recommending corrective actions.

#### **PMS Score**

A measure of condition of a road segment determined from a Pavement Management System.

#### Rate of annual asset consumption

A measure of average annual consumption of assets (AAAC) expressed as a percentage of the depreciable amount (AAAC/DA). Depreciation may be used for AAAC.

# Rate of annual asset renewal

A measure of the rate at which assets are being renewed per annum expressed as a percentage of depreciable amount (capital renewal expenditure/DA).

# Rate of annual asset upgrade

A measure of the rate at which assets are being upgraded and expanded per annum expressed as a percentage of depreciable amount (capital upgrade/expansion expenditure/DA).

#### **Recoverable amount**

The higher of an asset's fair value, less costs to sell and its value in use.

# Recurrent expenditure

Relatively small (immaterial) expenditure or that which has benefits expected to last less than 12 months. Recurrent expenditure includes operations and maintenance expenditure.

#### **Recurrent funding**

Funding to pay for recurrent expenditure.

#### Rehabilitation

See capital renewal expenditure definition above.

# Remaining useful life

The time remaining until an asset ceases to provide the required service level or economic usefulness. Age plus remaining useful life is useful life.

#### Renewal

See capital renewal expenditure definition above.

#### **Residual value**

The estimated amount that an entity would currently obtain from disposal of the asset, after deducting the estimated costs of disposal, if the asset were already of the age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life.

# **Revenue generating investments**

Investments for the provision of goods and services to sustain or improve services to the community that are expected to generate some savings or revenue to offset operating costs, eg public halls and theatres, childcare centres, sporting and recreation facilities, tourist information centres, etc.

#### Risk management

The application of a formal process to the range of possible values relating to key factors associated with a risk in order to determine the resultant ranges of outcomes and their probability of occurrence.

#### **Section or segment**

A self-contained part or piece of an infrastructure asset.

#### Service potential

The total future service capacity of an asset. It is normally determined by reference to the operating capacity and economic life of an asset. A measure of service potential is used in the not-for-profit sector/public sector to value assets, particularly those not producing a cash flow.

#### Service potential remaining

A measure of the future economic benefits remaining in assets. It may be expressed in dollar values (Fair Value) or as a percentage of total anticipated future economic benefits. It is also a measure of the percentage of the asset's potential to provide services that are still available for use in providing services (Depreciated Replacement Cost/Depreciable Amount).

#### **Strategic Longer-Term Plan**

A plan covering the term of office of councillors (4 years minimum) reflecting the needs of the community for the foreseeable future. It brings together the detailed requirements in the council's longer-term plans such as the asset management plan and the long-term financial plan. The plan is prepared in consultation with the community and details where the council is at that point in time, where it wants to go, how it is going to get there, mechanisms for monitoring the achievement of the outcomes and how the plan will be resourced.

# **Specific Maintenance**

Replacement of higher value components/sub-components of assets that is undertaken on a regular cycle including repainting, building roof replacement, cycle, replacement of air conditioning equipment, etc. This work generally falls below the capital/maintenance threshold and needs to be identified in a specific maintenance budget allocation.

#### Sub-component

Smaller individual parts that make up a component part.

#### **Useful life**

Either:

- (a) the period over which an asset is expected to be available for use by an entity, or
- (b) the number of production or similar units expected to be obtained from the asset by the entity.

It is estimated or expected time between placing the asset into service and removing it from service, or the estimated period of time over which the future economic benefits embodied in a depreciable asset, are expected to be consumed by the council.

#### Value in Use

The present value of future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash generating unit. It is deemed to be depreciated replacement cost (DRC) for those assets whose future economic benefits are not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows, where the entity would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits.

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