



**Brighton
Council**

Annual Plan 2012/13

Brighton Council's Annual Plan for the 2012/2013 financial year has been prepared and adopted by Council in accordance with Section 71 of the *Local Government Act 1993* in that it:

- is consistent with Council's strategic plan
- includes a statement of the manner in which Council is to meet the goals and objectives of the strategic plan
- includes a summary of the budget estimates adopted by Council
- includes a summary of the major strategies to be used in relation to the Council's public health goals and objectives

In 2012/13 Council will endeavour to meet the goals and objectives of the strategic plan in an inclusive manner with its citizens.

Councillors @ 30 June 2012

Tony Foster – Mayor

Geoff Taylor – Deputy Mayor

Barbara Curran

Wayne Garlick

Peter Geard

Leigh Gray

Moya Jeffries

Phillip Owen

Sonya Williams

Summary of the Estimates for the 2012/13 financial year

Estimated Revenue of the Council	\$11,872,418
Estimated Expenditure of the Council	\$10,705,179
Estimated Borrowings by the Council	none
Estimated Capital Works of the Council	\$3,138,760

Key Focus Areas and Summary of Strategies and Initiatives for 2012 / 2013

1. Manage and influence population growth with appropriate land use planning

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Adopt and implement the Brighton Local Area Plan
- Complete the draft of the new Brighton Planning Scheme
- Undertake extensive public consultation on the Draft Planning Scheme, amend accordingly and formally submit to the Tasmanian Planning Commission for approval.
- Continue implementing key strategic directions, including; the Brighton Structure Plan, Bridgewater Local Area Plan, Brighton Local Area Plan and the Brighton Open Space Strategy
- Prepare master plans and development strategies for BIHC (Brighton Industrial and Housing Corporation) land

2. Fostering cooperation between relevant public and private organisations

- **Forming alliances to take projects and strategies forward**
- **Housing innovation and development**
- **Coordination of Council, State Government, Federal Government and NGO service providers.**

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Further plan and develop the provision of Brighton Council professional services in Tasmania, the mainland and overseas
- Expand existing services to Flinders, Tasman and Glamorgan-Spring Bay Councils to include asset management planning
- Will establish relationships with asset management, financial and cloud based application companies
- Establish a housing development corporation to provide affordable housing on vacant council and state government land
- Explore/develop a strategy(s) to ensure appropriate government assistance and ongoing input of resources
- Explore/develop strategy(s) to ensure appropriate assistance and ongoing input of resources from corporate and non-profit organizations
- Work with St Vincent DePaul and Able Australia to provide services to schools and the community at council's Green Point Nursery

3. Communication and interaction between residents, community groups and businesses

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Support the Brighton Alive website upgrade and administration
- Work with NGOs such as the Heart Foundation and St Vincent de Paul to promote healthy living and lifestyles
- Continue working with Cricket Tasmania to develop Pontville Park into a first class venue for local, regional and state-wide events
- Maintain council's policy of not charging youth for using council grounds and facilities
- Continue providing Brighton Community News and Uncle Chris publications to residents
- Develop an overall open space strategy and local area recreation plans

4. Establish the Brighton identity

- **Promoting Brighton as a great place to be**
- **Social and community collaboration on community events**

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Develop a Brighton "brand"
- Complete streetscape projects in Brighton on the Midland Highway which will become "Main Road, Brighton" when the bypass is opened
- Continue the public relations campaign in the Brighton Community News, LGAT Magazine and the Tasmanian Business Reporter
- Complete the Bridgewater Urban Renewal Project
- Actively promote Council's fair rating system and sound financial performance

5. Provide needed infrastructure

- **Facilitate provision of better transport services**
- **Maintain and improve our physical infrastructure**

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Safety improvements and reconstruction works on Back Tea Tree Road
- Reconstruction works on Racecourse Road
- Replace Thompson Oval irrigation system
- New kerb and footpath on Elderslie Road
- Continue the Greening Brighton/Landscaping Project
- Upgrade council's asset management systems
- Improvements to walking tracks in flood prone areas of Pontville
- New foreshore walkway at Stanfield Drive, Old Beach
- Commence construction of change rooms at Old Beach Oval

6. Promoting industrial, business and employment growth

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Support the doctor's surgery in Brighton and develop a new medical centre utilising funds from a Commonwealth Infrastructure Grant
- Undertake an extensive industrial marketing campaign for the Brighton Industrial Estate and general commercial area once the Transport Hub and Brighton Bypass are opened
- Support continued Green Point and Cove Hill redevelopment
- Implement land use rezoning and urban planning for commercial and industrial growth and competition
- Engage with business and commercial organisations

7. Education and training opportunities

2012-2013 initiatives:

- Continue to work closely with the Commonwealth and State Governments, the Bridgewater and Southern Midlands Learning Federation and the LINC project in developing further education facilities at Bridgewater
- Support the provision of expanded education facilities in the Brighton township area
- Work with NGOs and local schools to provide learning opportunities at council's nursery at Bridgewater

Public Health

Council will:

- Conduct monthly immunisation clinics, annual school immunisations and promote the need for immunisation.
- Ensure proper provision of on-site effluent disposal in compliance with relevant standards.
- Undertake routine inspection of places of public assembly, food premises, public health risk activities and water carters to ensure compliance with relevant legislation.
- Promptly investigate environmental health complaints.
- Maintain an effective analysis program for food, recreational waters and general complaints.

Risk Management

Council will:

- Continue to keep risk exposure to a minimum by helping reduce injuries and potential loss. Management practices will involve identifying risks, analysing and treating by taking appropriate action.
- Continue to be proactive in inspections and reviews of roads, footpaths, written agreements with clubs/user groups, building & financial services, town planning and recreation functions.
- Educate community groups on importance and activities involved with risk management.