



**Brighton  
Council**

# **Annual Plan 2014/15**

Brighton Council's Annual Plan for the 2014/2015 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 2014/15 Council will endeavour to meet the goals and objectives of the strategic plan in an inclusive manner with its citizens.

### **Councillors @ 30 June 2014**

Tony Foster – Mayor

Geoff Taylor – Deputy Mayor

Barbara Curran

Wayne Garlick

Peter Geard

Leigh Gray

Moya Jeffries

Philip Owen

Sonya Williams

### **Summary of the Estimates for the 2014/15 financial year**

Estimated Revenue of the Council	\$12,130,508
Estimated Expenditure of the Council	\$9,215,403
Estimated Borrowings by the Council	none
Estimated Capital Works of the Council	\$2,904,645

# Key Focus Areas and Summary of Strategies and Initiatives for 2014 / 2015

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

### 2014-2015 initiatives:

- Continue implementing key strategic directions, including; the Brighton Structure Plan, Bridgewater Local Area Plan, Brighton Local Area Plan and the Brighton Open Space Strategy
- Continue development strategies for BIHC (Brighton Industrial and Housing Corporation) land
- Prepare master plan for surplus Boral land then pursue rezoning and implementation
- Undertake urban design project with Monash/UTas architecture departments
- Implement Draft Interim Planning Scheme once declared by Minister
- Pursue maximum community benefit from Council owned land, including sales and purchases when strategically appropriate
- Begin implementing master plan for former army camp parade ground and hospital, including construction of the Brighton Remembrance Park

## 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.**

### 2014-2015 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
- 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
- Develop and submit to the Tasmanian Planning Commission a new particular purpose zone for the Brighton School Farm
- Develop a strategic plan for an expanded shared services model with other councils
- Establish a formal agreement with the State Government for Council to maintain the roadside of the East Derwent Highway and major highway roundabouts with both parties contributing funds for the work

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

#### **2014-2015 initiatives:**

- Support the Brighton Alive 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
- Assist the Brighton Bowls and Community Club to renovate and expand its facilities and services.

### **4. Establish the Brighton identity**

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

#### **2014-2015 initiatives:**

- Promote the Brighton "brand"
- Complete streetscape projects in Brighton Road (the old Midland Highway)
- Complete Brighton Remembrance Park and continue to implement the former army camp master plan
- Continue the public relations campaign in the Brighton Community News, LGAT Magazine and the Tasmanian Business Reporter
- 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**

#### **2014-2015 initiatives:**

- Reconstruct Briggs Road between Cove Hill Road and Plymouth Road
- Work with Metro to improve bus routes and schedules
- Lobby the Department of State Growth to extend the Metro bus service to Pontville
- Undertake major streetscape works in the Brighton township and construct a new roundabout at the intersection of Brighton Road and Andrew Street
- Begin major reconstruction works on Council's two largest bridges; on Cove Hill Road and Elderslie Road

## **6. Promoting industrial, business and employment growth**

### **2014-2015 initiatives:**

- Prepare master plan for surplus Boral land and the pursue rezoning and implementation
- Support the new medical centre and dental clinic in Brighton
- Undertake an extensive industrial marketing campaign for the Brighton Industrial Estate and general commercial area
- 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**

### **2014-2015 initiatives:**

- Continue to work closely with the Commonwealth and State Governments, the Jordan River 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
- Work with the Learning Federation Principal to improve educational opportunities and outcomes at the Brighton School Farm

## **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.