

BRIGHTON COUNCIL



Annual Plan 2020-2021

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going places

Introduction

Brighton Council's Annual Plan for the 2020/2021 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 2020/21 Council will endeavour to meet the goals and objectives of the strategic plan in an inclusive manner with its citizens.

Councillors as at 30 June 2020

- Cr Tony Foster – Mayor
- Cr Barbara Curran – Deputy Mayor
- Cr Wayne Garlick
- Cr Peter Geard
- Cr Leigh Gray
- Cr Moya Jeffries
- Cr Tennille Murtagh
- Cr Philip Owen
- Cr Jessica Whelan

Summary of the Estimates for the 2020/21 Financial Year

Estimated Revenue of the Council	\$15,637,423
Estimated Expenditure of the Council	\$15,070,304
Estimated Borrowings by the Council	\$0
Estimated Capital Works of the Council	\$12,683,600

Key Focus Areas and Summary of Strategies and Initiatives for 2020/2021

1. Strengthen Our Communities

11 Understand/Improve Health and Wellbeing

- Support the large local presence in Bridgewater's Hobart Gymnastics through the Microwise building ownership.
- Prepare a Master Plan for Cris Fitzpatrick Park.
- Support the Brighton Care Collective and the PCYC.
- Lobby for greater investment in local health services.

12 Create Housing/Employment/Play/Education (Livability)

- Construct off lead areas for dogs in Brighton and Bridgewater.
- Prepare a Master Plan for South Brighton incorporating the new Brighton High School.
- Investigate rezoning for infill development around Sorell Street and Samuel Street Bridgewater.
- Lobby for external funding for community infrastructure, especially in proximity to affordable housing developments.
- Employ and support a regional workforce development officer and lobby for greater investment in local skills & training.

13. Provide Public Facilities/Amenities

- Review waste management system and transfer station operations.
- Provide new female changerooms and toilet facilities at Weily Park and Pontville.
- Complete Stage 2 of Bridgewater parkland development.
- Construct a new Regional Sports Facility at Pontville Park including clubrooms, function centre and changerooms to service Thompson and Ferguson Ovals.
- Continue working with Cricket Tasmania and other stakeholders to develop Pontville Park into a first-class regional sporting venue.
- Construct a new shed at Pontville Park for the Show Society and dog user groups.
- Construct a new off-lead dog park at Seymour Street, Brighton.
- Upgrade the Pontville memorial toilets.

14. Support Connected Communities

- Construct new disabled access kerb ramps.
- Complete walkway and shelters for Gagebrook, Herdsmans Cove and Bridgewater.
- Continue improving disability access and an aged friendly community.
- Support Brighton Alive administration.

15. Build a resilient community and environmentally sustainable future

- Work with Centacare Evolve to facilitate the implementation of the Holmes Dyer master plan for Bridgewater, Herdsmans Cove and Gagebrook.
- Continue implementing the Greening Brighton Strategy.
- Continue boxthorn eradication.
- Continue reducing council's ecological footprint.
- Pursue partnerships.
- Employ a Project Officer to further implement the Climate Change and Resilience Strategy.
- Continue new street tree plantings throughout the Municipality.

2. Create 2-3 Hubs for our Connector Satellite City

21 A focus on Agriculture/Horticulture/Aquaculture (Food)

- Insert a Specific Area Plan over the Brighton West agricultural area.

22 Education/Capability Build

- Facilitate and support MONA's community development work at Bond Place, Eddington St Nursery and elsewhere in the municipality.
- Facilitate the redevelopment of the School Farm and the development of the new Brighton High School.

23. Support further development of a "business & logistics hub"

- Prepare a Branding and Placemaking Strategy for the Brighton Industrial Estate.
- Investigate viability of a renewable energy hub and green hydrogen facility.

3. Drive Infrastructure Development

31 Support 30% Growth Target

- Update asset management plan.
- Pursue grant funding for strategic capital projects.
- Optimise use of council land.
- Pursue incremental changes to the Urban Growth Boundary as recommended by the Brighton Structure Plan 2018.

32 Implement Strategic Asset Management Plan (Existing and New)

- Reconstruct sections of Green Point Road, Baskerville Road, Jetty Road and Augustus Street.
- Seal an unsealed section of Millvale Road.
- Install new stormwater pipe work in Andrew Street to allow for future developments and growth.

33. Enabling Infrastructure

- Replace Willowbrook bridge.
- Construct two stormwater upgrades to reduce flooding issues in Bridgewater.

4. Ensure a Stable Organisation

41 Ensure Financial & Risk Sustainability

- Keep the general rate increase to Hobart CPI as a long-term average.
- Closely monitor the economic impacts of COVID-19.

42 Be Well-Governed

- Continue succession planning for all positions.
- Continue professional service provisions to enhance experience and best practice.
- Monitor corporate governance of Microwise Australia Pty Ltd.

43. A Shaping Agenda Facilitated Through Strong Engagements

- Promote educational and workforce development with government and regional councils.
- Pursue partnerships with other organisations.

44. Long-term Thinking & Evidence-based

- Implement council's key strategies.
- Prepare master plans for key project areas and grant opportunities for the next 5-10 years.
- Undertake 2050 Vision process.

5. 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.
- Comply with COVID-19 guidelines and Public Health advice.

6. 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.