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You have successfully submitted the following information. This copy is for your records.

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Written Submission: The first CSP was well consulted across the shire with approx 60 facilitated meetings and estimated 10%+ of population engaged yet the most relevant and useful outcome was the Little book of Big Ideas rather than the motherhood statement document.

The CSP 2022-2037 is a "pretty glossy" document of motherhood statements with no substance in it. It is a meaningless document in this form. Yet all well crafted grant applications should be referring to relevant objective goal in this document.

The CSP needs to have an attachment that lists projects, upgrades, actions, desired outcomes etc for the next 4 years linking to WSC delivery plan, Workforce Plan, asset Mgt plan (any other plan in WSC) and community consulted desires (Peter Kenyon Workshops). This type of attachment would enhance the CSP relevance. An update to the Little book of big ideas so to speak.

The attachment could be used as more evidence for grant and also as evidence of success at end of term council what has been achieved. Attachment can include action but also "if only grant funded" so public understand not in budgets. Attachment would not limit council to what is to be done as new ideas, changes to ideas and needs, new opportunities will emerge over the 4 years but serves as a jump off point.

ALL plans done by WSC should include an attachment/action list/ outcomes using the Smarter Goals as a guide so plans have relevance. All plans should have a report back to council (eg already do for budget) at a minimum yearly showing action and outcomes. There are too many glossy motherhood statement plans with no practical outcomes or actions listed.

The Smarter Goals approach principals below:

Specific (simple, sensible, significant).

Measurable (meaningful, motivating).

Achievable (agreed, attainable).

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Relevant (reasonable, realistic and resourced, results-based).

Time bound (time-based, time limited, time/cost limited, timely, time-sensitive).actual outcomes,

Evaluate

Reviewed.

The CSP only has 1 of the above of note- reviewed every 4 years but minimal changes have occurred since inception (glossy change in pictures and some wording) due to being glossy motherhood statement document. CSP is suppose to be an important document but has no 'meat' to it therefore an attachment is required to CSP to make plan relevant to council and its operations, for council to have accountability to the community. WSC has many plans and they should be linked to items/actions/project in the attachment.

Also please note using search on council website does not locate EDT strategic plan and others readily. I suggest an area on site with ALL council plans including date of plan so plans are readily accessible to those online.

regards

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Written Submission:

- Conduct evaluation of the Strategic Plan. Have a start date and an end date to the plan and have an evaluation point, where you review the success of the plan and draft the next plan. Council can go above and beyond State Government min requirements here - if that is the reasoning behind this.

- Accountability – review what’s been achieved and on what timeline, what hasn’t in the given timeline and why. Open conversations about why things fail are a way for us to be better and get it right in the future.

- Ease of access on the website – Full listing of documents/plans (listed all year round) clearly stating when they are on display, open for submission and when submissions close.

- The value of a Community Development Coordinator is retained in our Community Strategic Plan in addition to the aspiration for a Local Government grants officer.

- Use action orientated words (specific) in the plan, not generic words. Use SMART goals.

Specific

Measurable

Attainable

Relevant

Time-Based

- Having a generic plan that lacks local content and relevance is unable to be successfully implemented. Same as the Disability Inclusion Action plan, unless it is local, with SMART goals –

the plan won't be achievable. Plans need to be concise – not full of motherhood statements.

- The Warrumbungle Communities NEED to have the detail in the Community Strategic Plan clearly listing (or referencing) each community's strategies and actions as identified in their Community Action Plans.
- Wind Farm and REZ Community Enhancement Funds, need to be automatically directed to these projects rather than communities having to apply to these funds.
- Instead of developing a plan "because State Gov says so" , we can develop a plan that has a wholehearted intent to benefit our communities, we can develop a plan simply because we CARE about our entire Warrumbungle community.