

WS 3 – PLANT AND VEHICLE REPLACEMENT

Objective

- To develop and maintain a modern, efficient and safe plant and vehicle fleet for the Shire of Christmas Island.
- Provide a vehicle and plant fleet to deliver Shire of Christmas Island services to the community at the desired level of service in the most cost effective manner.
- To routinely update and review the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Program to ensure it is appropriate to meet the present and future needs for the delivery of Shire of Christmas Island services to the community.

Policy

1. This policy applies to all Shire of Christmas Island plant and vehicles.
2. A five year plant replacement program shall be prepared each year as part of the annual budget process.
3. The plant and vehicle replacement program shall adopt an approach to develop and maintain plant and equipment to ensure that:
 - Plant and vehicle replacements are driven by defined service levels and performance standards;
 - Financial resources are properly allocated and managed to optimise investment in plant and equipment; and
 - A whole of life approach is taken when determining plant and vehicle renewal strategies.
4. The Council of the Shire of Christmas Island shall:
 - act as community custodians for plant and vehicle assets;
 - approve Council's annual five year Plant and Vehicle Replacement Program;
 - ensure appropriate resources for plant and vehicle replacement activities are made available; and
 - approve the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Policy.
5. The Chief Executive Officer shall:
 - present the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Policy to Council.
 - ensure that accurate and reliable information is presented to Council for decision-making.

6. The Manager Works and Services shall:

- develop a five year Plant and Vehicle Replacement Program;
- ensure plant and vehicle condition assessments are carried out and provide input to the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Program;
- develop the five year Plant and Vehicle Replacement Program in consultation with other Departments, operational staff and servicing and maintenance staff;
- present information to Council and the Chief Executive Officer on the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Program;
- co-ordinate the implementation of Plant and Vehicle Replacement across Council departments;
- communicate Plant and Vehicle Replacement Policy across Council;
- develop and review Councils Plant and Vehicle Replacement Policy; and
- develop strategies for improving plant and vehicle utilisation and efficiency.

7. Other Managers shall:

- Determine the plant and vehicle replacement requirements of their departments by consultation with operational staff and the Manager Works and Services.
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