

POLICY

Sustainability

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Related documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainability Action Plan (CM ref – INT-15394/18)
Responsible officer	Manager Waste & Sustainability
Department/Section	Environmental and Community Services
Category	Corporate
Community Strategic Plan goal	Goal 4 - Plan for a sustainable future
	CS15 - Plan, facilitate and provide for a changing population for current and future generations.



Policy Statement

Council is committed to the principles of sustainability.

Objective

The Council aims to carry out its activities in such a manner as to meet the needs of the current generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

Scope

This policy applies to all Council business decisions, particularly decisions relating to tenders, Council reports, procurement and risk assessments.

Definitions

All terms used in this policy have the standard dictionary definition.

Policy Details

Upper Hunter Shire Council commits to engaging in and supporting sustainable practices for the Council and the Shire.

Social Sustainability

Council will contribute to building a resilient, adaptable, respectful and equitable community.

Economic Sustainability

Council will generate long-term economic growth through encouraging sustainable development within the Shire and carrying out its own operations in a sustainable manner.

Environmental Sustainability

Council will consider the environmental impacts of its activities and will improve its environmental footprint, as well as supporting the community to do the same.

Responsibilities

Councillors

Councillors will consider sustainability implications whilst discharging their responsibilities.



Environmental & Community Services Committee

The Environmental & Community Services Committee will assist with the ongoing development and monitoring of the Sustainability Action Plan.

All Directors

All Directors will support the development and implementation of sustainable practices.

All Staff

All staff will carry out their functions in accordance with applicable procedures and instructions.

References and Related Legislation

- NSW Local Government Act 1993 No. 30LGA 1993 Chapter 3 Principles of Local Government, Sections 8 (A,B&C)

Version History

Version No.	Date	CM Ref	Reason for Review
1	29/03/2021	CD-43/21	New Policy
2	29/04/2024	CD-61/23	Timed review