

AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023-24



Acknowledgement of Country

Aurukun Shire Council (“**Council**”) acknowledges the Traditional Owners of country throughout the Aurukun Local Government Area, and recognises their continuing connection to lands, water and community. We pay our respects to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across our region, and to elders and leaders past, present and emerging.

About the Aurukun Shire Council Operational Plan 2023-24

The Aurukun Shire Council Operational Plan 2023-24 (“**Operational Plan 2023-24**”) has been developed pursuant to section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (“**the Regulation**”), and is an annual corporate document that outlines the actions and activities Council will undertake during the 2023-24 financial year, in accordance with its adopted budget for the same period. These actions and activities directly align with the values, strategies and goals identified in the Aurukun Shire Council Corporate Plan 2020-25 around the core themes of:

- Our Economic Future;
- Our Community;
- Our Environment; and
- Our Council.

Measuring Performance

Section 174 of the Regulation specifies that the Chief Executive Officer must present a written assessment of Council’s progress towards implementing its Operational Plan at meetings at regular intervals of not more than three months. Quarterly updates on the Operational Plan 2023-24 will be presented to the Ordinary Meeting of Council in October 2023 (Q1), January 2024 (Q2), April 2024 (Q3) and July 2024 (Q4).

Managing Risk

The operational planning process includes the management of Council’s strategic and operational risks, pursuant to s 175 of the Regulation. The implementation of the Operational Plan 2023-24 will be undertaken in accordance with Council’s risk management framework.

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Key Goal: **Our Economic Future**

Reference	Key Economic Goal 1 – Maximising Opportunities from Mining	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ECO1.1	Establish a good working relationship with companies undertaking mining in our region.	Enter a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Council and the mining company to create positive ongoing working relationships.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Form a Management Committee with NAKAC, Council and Rio Tinto which meets Bi-monthly Regular meetings with mining companies Negotiate financial package from mining companies to support development in Aurukun 	Mayor/Management Team Management Team Management Team	N/A – advocacy only	
ECO1.2	Maximise Council revenue from future mining opportunities.	Position the Council's current businesses such as accommodation services to take commercial advantage of future mining activity. Lobby State Government to enable Council to rate mining leases within Shire.				
ECO1.3	Establish a light industrial estate in Aurukun.	Continue to develop a light industrial precinct in Aurukun which can service future business needs to support business growth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure light industrial estate is contained in planning scheme to ensure that there is no conflict with existing residential areas Plan through development of a concept plan for light industrial estate Continue negotiations with lease of one or two allotments to SeaSwift and CHC Suggest to contractors that there are available allotments in the industrial estate 	Management Team 10-year Planning Review underway CEO/DCOR CEO/DCOR	Masterplan review has been budgeted in operational budget	
ECO1.4	Upgrade of Myall Creek Bridge and all-weather access to Weipa.	Advocate for the upgrade of Myall Creek Bridge and all-weather access to Weipa.		Council/Management Team	N/A – advocacy only	
Reference	Key Economic Goals 2 – Employment and Training	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ECO2.1	Apprenticeship schemes are operating in town.	Council operates an apprenticeship and traineeship scheme focusing on local staff to develop skills in the local workforce.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft policy and procedures to guide delivery of Council and contractor apprenticeship and traineeship programs, embedding Wik Kath Min Community Values Resource Council's program through grant applications 	DCOR / HRM DCOR/GBD DCOR / HRM DCOR, / DCS/ DTS / DCOR, HRM /DCS/DTS		First Start Grant

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through partnership with local and boarding implement the program schools Establish mentor relationships between Council representatives and apprentices/trainees to support successful completion and transition to ongoing employment Engage students in casual employment on school holidays, school-based traineeships and school leavers in full-time traineeships and apprenticeships Through tender conditions, incentivise lead contractors and their sub-contractors' engagement of local apprentices and trainees. 	DTS/DCOR, GBD		
ECO2.2	A coordinated approach is taken to training programs.	Facilitate the coordination of training programs to ensure that future training is focused on real job opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Training and Development policy and draft procedures to guide delivery of Council's program embedding Wik Kath Min Community Values. Resource Council's training program through grant applications Update training program to prioritise mandatory training required for Council positions. 	DCOR,HRM/DCOR/DTS DCOR,GBD DCOR,HRM/DCOR/DTS	Operational budget of \$125,000 allocated for staff training.	
Reference	Key Economic Goal 3 – Locally Owned Business	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ECO3.1	More local residents own and operate their own local businesses.	Identification of opportunities for establishment and training of residents to own and operate local businesses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek support from mining company to embed in procurement policy direct a minimum spend toward local, First Nations suppliers and via tender process, require the same of contractors. 	DCOM Management Team Management Team		
ECO3.2	Support programs for local residents as they start and operate their local business.	Refer community residents to appropriate small business support services (eg. IBA/ Many Rivers).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with IBA and Many Rivers to identify potential businesses opportunities including revegetation, landscaping, plant and machinery, laundry, catering etc. 	DCOM / CEO	N/A – advocacy only	
Reference	Key Economic Goal 4 – Council Business Growth	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ECO4.1	Grow revenue from accommodation services.	Maximise revenue from Council accommodation facilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive reviews of licences and leases pre-renewal to maximise revenue Wu'ungkham Lodge Tender 	DCOR	GL 300601	

ECO4.2	Aged Care and Disability Community Centre.	To provide a subsidised Care facility to support the aged and disabled in Aurukun.		DCOR	GL 400700 – 400705	Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP), Qld Community Support Scheme, Indigenous Employment Initiative, Community Transport
ECO4.3	Childcare and Family Hub Community Centre.	To provide a subsidised childcare facility for pre-prep children.		DCOM	GL 400600-400603	Community Childcare Fund (CCCF), Playgroup grant, EYS Child and Family Hub grant
ECO4.4	Indigenous Knowledge Centre.	To support the sustainability of the Aurukun peoples' culture and provision of library services.		CEO / DCOR / DCOM DCOM DCOM DCOM	GL400500 - 400530	IKC Grant & First 5 Forever Grant
ECO4.5	Arts Centre growth.	To support promotion and online capability.			GL300400-300404	Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support (IVAIS), Backing Indigenous Arts (BIA) & Indigenous Regional Arts Development Fund (IRADF)
ECO4.6	Redevelopment of the Airport Contractors' Camp.	To investigate the redevelopment of current contractors' camp at the airport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be assessed as part of masterplan review 		Masterplan review has been budgeted in operational budget	
ECO4.7	Extension of commercial offices and shops (War Street/Koolkan Street).	To investigate the extension of commercial offices and shops.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be assessed as part of masterplan review 		Masterplan review has been budgeted in operational budget	
Reference		Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	

	Key Economic Goal 5 – Diversified Economy				Internal	External
ECO5.1	Mining operations in the region.	Work with the State Government and other stakeholders for establishing and developing mining in the region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lobby to ensure that mining is established in the region in the future Identify to the government at every opportunity that Council supports mining All social impacts to be recognised and where necessary negotiations to be undertaken with ASC and mining companies. 	CEO CEO CEO	N/A – advocacy only	
ECO5.2	Aurukun is recognised as a source of world class art.	Implementation of the Aurukun Wik and Kugu Arts Centre Strategic Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote Aurukun arts as world-class art Business plan to be reviewed by management team 	Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager Management Team	GL300400-300404	Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support (IVAIS), Backing Indigenous Arts (BIA) & Indigenous Regional Arts Development Fund (IRADF)
ECO5.3	Tourism visitation.	Promote Aurukun as a unique fishing and cultural destination in consultation with the traditional owners and the tourism industry.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update Council website with photos of fishing and culture Promote Aurukun to tour companies as a place to visit to purchase art and experience unique fishing opportunities Continue the Aurukun Tourism Action Group (ATAG) comprising Council, NAKAC to meet at least bi-annually to establish viable tourism opportunities. Liaise with Cape York Tourism bodies including TTNQ, TCICA and NSNF 	DCOM DCOM DCOM / CEO DCOM / CEO		
ECO5.4	Private sector investment.	Identify and promote opportunities for private entrepreneurial investment.			N/A – advocacy only	
ECO5.6	Cultural Heritage Centre.	To advocate for funding for a Cultural Heritage Centre.			N/A – advocacy only	
ECO5.7	Upgrade telecommunications (internet speeds and reliability).	Advocate for Upgrade to Telecommunications (internet speeds and reliability).			N/A – advocacy only	

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Key Goal: **Our Community**

Reference	Key Community Goal 1 – Better Community Facilities	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
COM1.1	More housing for the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to participate in the planning of future community housing. Council continues to undertake financially sustainable housing maintenance, upgrades and renewals. Development of a Community Housing Plan. Advocating to Dept of Housing and Public Works for more targeted housing maintenance program (recognising good tenants also in program). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with state government to plan additional social housing Council to undertake social housing provision with State Government funding and determine best option for how houses shall be delivered Continue to create subdivisions to open new land for housing through the Aurukun Master Plan Lobby to ensure that the housing designs are suitable to local residents Council to undertake maintenance work on houses to develop local skills. Alternatively, develop local skills in carpentry, electrical and plumbing and encourage local people to develop their own businesses to undertake maintenance work on houses 	<p>CEO / DTS</p> <p>DTS</p> <p>Lobby at Technical Working Group meetings/ CEO / DTS</p> <p>DTS</p> <p>DTS</p>		Forward Remote Capital Program (Housing Development)
COM1.2	Better sport and recreation facilities.	Undertake planning for open spaces to compliment the Aurukun Lifestyle.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the Sport and recreation master plan for the sporting complex and widen the brief to the whole town area Continuation of Community events, such as Aurukun Day Engagement activity with community members for their views on what facilities should be provided. 	<p>DCOM</p> <p>DCOM</p> <p>DCOM</p> <p>DTS</p>	GL400301	Deadly Active Sport & Recreation Program
Reference	Key Community Goal 2 – Better Community Services	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
COM2.1	Better pathways for our young people.	Support the Aurukun Youth Strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the existing strategy Support lobbying for funding from government agencies or alternatively, request current 	Council Management Team		

			government agencies in Aurukun to undertake implementation			
COM2.2	Support our young people to get a better education and have a knowledge of Local Government to become community leaders.	Work in partnership with the school and Aurukun Youth Council to create awareness of local government and the functions of Council.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with school principal on a quarterly basis to pursue the development objective Identify potential community leaders based on their performance at schools Identify potential mentors within current traditional owners and link those mentors and potential community leaders Continue with Council's initiative whereby Director Community Services sits on School P&C Promote work employment placement and School Leavers Employment Program 	Council Council Council DCOM HRM		
COM2.3	Our culture continues to be strong in our community.	Work in partnership with the school, Wik and Kugu Arts Centre and Indigenous Knowledge Centre to teach our culture at school engaging our local Elders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support continuation of the process of the school visits by traditional owners to teach local culture as part of the school curriculum Continue to support visits by the School/IKC to the Wik & Kugu Arts Centre to learn traditional art techniques 	Council Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager / IKC Coordinator		
COM2.4	Future expansion of township.	Investigate and negotiation with Ngan Aak-Kunch Aboriginal Corporation the future expansion of the township.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be assessed as part of masterplan review 		Masterplan review has been budgeted in operational budget	
Reference	Key Community Goal 3 – A Health and Safe Community	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
COM3.1	Improve education about health within our community.	Partnering with Queensland Health and Apunipima Cape York Health to promote more education about healthy choices including nutrition and lifestyle.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with the local supermarket and other food outlets to encourage healthy choices for nutrition 	DCOM		
COM3.2	Maintain CCTV.	Seek assistance from government and benefitting stakeholders to increase and maintain CCTV in the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss this issue at regular liaison meetings with WCCCA, NAKAC and APN 	Council	GL400802	DSDSATSIP CCTV Grant
COM3.3	Environmental health.	We continue to lobby government for funding provision to undertake appropriate environmental health services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocate and lobby the State government to fund existing CPOs and encourage further funding Quarterly meeting with local police to take a coordinated approach to crime prevention including better use of surveillance monitoring Lobby State Government for contribution to CCTV operations 	Council Council Council	GL400800, 400801 & 401000	ATSI Public Health, Community Safety Plan, CSP Service Enhancement

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing Community Safety Plan 	Consultant		
COM3.4	Preparedness for disaster.	Local Disaster Management Plan be continually reviewed.			GL501003 & 501031	Get Ready QLD Grant & SES Grant
COM3.5	Review of Alcohol Management Plan.	To undertake community consultation on the effectiveness and possible improvements to Alcohol Management in Aurukun.				
COM3.6	Local drivers/boat licencing capability (including registrations).	Advocate for local drivers/boat licencing capability (including registrations).				
Reference	Key Community Goal 4 – Our Culture and Identity	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
COM4.1	Grow our arts community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage more residents to become involved in the Wik and Kugu Arts Centre to gain skills and retain our culture. Develop and maintain relationships with the Wik and Kugu Arts Centre and School and Akay Koo'oilala Women's Arts Centre. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue the controlled system of cash receipting managed by the Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager and Administration Manager Continue with a system of stock control over the art works Work with the school to identify young artists who can be invited to assist at the Wik & Kugu Arts Centre and develop their skills Create and develop merchandising sales 	<p>Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager / DCOR Finance Manager</p> <p>Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager</p> <p>Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager / DCOR</p>	GL300400-300404	Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support (IVAIS), Backing Indigenous Arts (BIA) & Indigenous Regional Arts Development Fund (IRADF)
COM4.2	Focus on our young people as our next generation of leaders.	Identify our next generation of future leaders and develop formal mentoring programs linking them with current Elders and community leaders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source funding to assist in training for potential mentors Assist in matching future leaders with potential mentors as part of a formal mentoring program Invitation for students to attend Council Meetings 	<p>Council / Wik & Kugu Arts Centre Manager DCOM</p> <p>DCOM</p>		
COM4.3	Maintain, value, share and celebrate our cultural practices and language.	Ensure that our traditional cultural practices are maintained.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Traditional Owners and Elders to make sure that our traditional cultural practices and language are maintained Encourage continued use of traditional techniques, e.g. use of ochre. 	<p>Council</p> <p>Wik & Kugu Art Centre Manager</p>		
COM4.4	Naming of community facilities, parks and streets.	Continued use of appropriate Wik language appropriate names for community facilities, parks and streets.				
COM4.5	Outstation movement (employment / business /	To consult, promote and advocate for the outstation movement.				

	tourism / housing opportunities).				
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Key Goal: **Our Environment**

Reference	Key Environment Goal 1 – Clean Water and Efficient Sewerage Services	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ENV1.1	Maintain existing water and sewerage infrastructure.	To develop and ensure that adopted Asset Management Plans are followed, particularly in relation to maintenance standards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and update asset management plans Prepare standard maintenance schedules for water & sewerage Undertake training for staff on preventive maintenance with a focus on local staff Check of inventory ensure that key spare parts are on hand (e.g. sewerage pumps) Ensure that updated asset information from upgraded assets included in SynergySoft 	DTS Works Manager	GL500732-500733	
ENV1.2	Ensure that water and sewerage infrastructure can cater for growth.	Review water and sewerage infrastructure capacity and plan for future growth and continue to lobby government for adequate funding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and update asset management plans based on recent housing growth and future housing plans Funding for new building and plant approved, tender awarded, works to commence in mid-2022 	Management Team / DTS External Consultant		
ENV1.3	Ensure that existing water supply sources are protected.	Protect the water supply source from any potential impact of future development, including mining.	<p>Planning for the new mine protects town water supply</p> <p>Landfill design to take into consideration the groundwater supply aquifer</p>	External Consultant		
Reference	Key Environment Goal 2 – Waste Management Plan	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ENV2.1	Development of Waste Management Plan for the life of the waste facility.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To assess the current capacity of the landfill and to develop a 10-Year Asset Management Plan and provide reports against the plan. Improve waste management operations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repair and expand fencing of current waste facility Undertake once a year free kerbside pickup of unwanted rubbish (car bodies etc) Tender awarded and works commenced to be covered by ICCIP 	DTS Works Manager External consultant		

ENV2.2	Improved town streetscapes.	Improve the look and feel of the town streetscapes including pathways, drainage, lighting, signage, parks and gardens.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to promote street clean-up and promote an 'adopt a park or street' for them to maintain Tidy house competition / best garden competition Adopt a street program with local families undertaking to clean up their own street Introduce footpaths (Kang Kang Road) 	DTS DCOM DCOM DTS		
ENV2.3	Improve household pride.	Encourage residents to improve and maintain their household properties.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish an annual garden competition with prizes Require Nature Strips to be cut by householder and government agencies 	DCOM DTS		
ENV2.4	Improved garbage collection services.	To improve regularity and reliability of the garbage collection service.			New Garbage Truck included in capital budget	
Reference	Key Environment Goal 3 – Managing the Impact of Future Mining on Our Environment	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ENV3.1	Ensure that proposed mining does not impact on our local environment.	Undertake planning to minimise the impact of mining on our land and waterways and its continued use for traditional purposes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raise these issues at regular mining meetings 	Council	N/A – advocacy only	
ENV3.2	Ensure that the operation of any future mine is well planned in relation to its impact on our community.	Undertake planning to minimise the impact of mine operations associated with the transport of staff, materials and equipment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formalise infrastructure agreement with Glencore for use of Council barge facility, laydown area. 	DTS /CEO		
Reference	Key Environment Goal 4 – Community Health and Animal Control	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
ENV4.1	Improve community health services to our community.	Advocate for a wider range of services to be available from the health clinic.		Council	N/A – advocacy only	
ENV4.2	Improve community health standards in our community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partner with other government agencies to undertake community education campaigns focused on improving community health. Ensure all food outlets are licenced and undertake regular inspections. 		Council/Management Team		
ENV4.3	Improve animal control in our community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve the management of the animal control local law and reduce the number of unwanted dogs. 		DCOM	401000	ATSI Public Health

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a visiting vet service to community. Education to the community about their responsibility toward animal health and the effect on the community. • Fencing condition assessments to be regularly requested of DPHW. 				
ENV4.4	Research and evaluate energy infrastructure and environmental impacts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relocation existing diesel power generation plant from residential to industrial zone. • Monitor power usage within infrastructure and buildings. • Solar opportunities to provide efficient energy use for Aurukun to be fully investigated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with another organisation to assess food premises annually • Action with food premises licensee any issues in relation to food assessment reports and improvement plans 	Council/Management Team		

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Key Goal: **Our Council**

Reference	Key Governance Goal 1 – Our Leadership Role for Our Community	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
GOV1.1	This Corporate Plan and the Aurukun Master Plan becomes the focus for all future planning in our town.	All government agencies and other organisations undertaking program work in Aurukun focus on the key goals in this Corporate Plan and the Aurukun Master Plan.		CEO		
GOV1.2	The Council takes a strong leadership role in the community	The Council, as the main service provider and representative community body, facilitates regular meetings of all stakeholders in the community to provide direction and ensure consistency in services delivery.		Council CEO Management Team Mayor / CEO		
GOV1.3	Council is setting the agenda.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Council continues to take a lead role in identifying activity and development priorities for Aurukun. Actively listening to community concerns and issues through use of “Have Your Say” Days, and other community engagement opportunities. 		Council CEO / Management Team		
GOV1.4	Consistent messages are provided about Aurukun.	Proactive messages about Aurukun are provided to external agencies on a regular basis via newsletters, minutes and meetings, website and social media, media releases, public notices, and email networks.		CEO Media Officer Media Officer Media Officer		
GOV1.5	Community broadcasting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorandum of Understanding with Queensland Remote Aboriginal Media is met and strengthened. Broadcasting (radio) is maintained for community communication and entertainment. 		Mayor CEO		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council continue to hold FM Radio Broadcasting Licence. • Promote local radio broadcasts – production done by local Aurukun residents in English and Wik. • Promote local video production for rebroadcast for commercial television and community smart screens. 				
Reference	Key Governance Goal 2 – Better Communication	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
GOV2.1	Improve internal communication within our town and with external agencies and media.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping our community informed about what is happening in our town. • Undertaking regular town meetings so residents can speak on issues affecting our community. • Providing regular newsletters to stakeholders about Aurukun. • Promoting Aurukun and its Council by accessing mainstream media to improve the image of Aurukun. 		Council CEO Executive Assistant Management Team		
Reference	Key Governance Goal 3 – Improve Customer Service	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
GOV3.1	Continue the quality of customer service provided by Council to the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of regular customer service training to all Council staff to improve the quality of service to the community. • Recruit experienced staff to meet customer service standards. • Use of innovations such as bill payments online to improve customer service. • Continued and improved use fact sheets to external customers of Council. 		CEO / Directors Finance Managers Managers / Supervisors	GL300700	
GOV3.2	Develop a more professional internal focused customer service.	Undertake focused customer service training within the whole organisation (including cultural awareness training).		Directors Administration Manager		

Reference	Key Governance Goal 4 – Our Staff	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
GOV4.1	Improve attraction and retention of quality staff.	Council continues to develop a staff retention strategy to reduce the turnover rate and reduce the operating cost for Council.		HRM DCOR CEO		
GOV4.2	Encourage more local staff in technical and supervisory roles.	Dedicate more senior staff time to mentor local staff and encourage them to undertake both technical and all supervisory roles.		HRM Management Team		
Reference	Key Governance Goal 5 – Financial Sustainability	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
GOV5.1	We aspire to be a financially sustainable Council.	Council endeavours to be accountable and responsible financially and operate with efficiency within the required legislative parameters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of the 23/24 financial year budget • Increase fees and charges in line with CPI rates 	Council CEO Finance Manager DCOR Purchasing Officer		
GOV5.2	Council improving its revenue stream.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council aspires to improve on developing revenue streams from its business operations and continues to source funding from grants for community projects. • Develop the delivery of Public Works and Contracts. • Continue to maximise revenue from leasing and licensing. • Continue to improve accuracy of long-term financial forecasting. • Look at avenues to reduce expenditure. 		Management Team		

Reference	Key Governance Goal 6 – Relationships with Government and Regional Organisations	Strategy	Operational Plan Focus	Responsibility	Funding	
					Internal	External
GOV6.1	Council is an active member of regional local government bodies.	Cooperating on regional local government issues to identify opportunities and improve our efficiency.		Mayor CEO		
GOV6.2	Council builds better relationships with state and Commonwealth governments and agencies.	Create better working relationships by meeting frequently with key government stakeholders to keep them informed about Aurukun issues.		Mayor CEO Directors		
GOV6.3	Council maintains a positive relationship with the Ministerial Champion and Government Champion.	Engage in regular meetings with the Champions and continue to raise positive improvements for the betterment of Aurukun community.		Mayor CEO		