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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICY

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Economic Development Principles

Council will aid economic development by identifying opportunities and playing a lead role in facilitating economic development for the community and the region.

Council will work towards:

- Ensuring the Local Environment Plan is supportive of new ventures to attract industry
- Developing the built and natural infrastructure and services to retain and attract new residents and businesses.
- Advocate on behalf of local enterprises and business the benefits of our community lifestyle to attract skilled workers
- Supporting the diversification of the economy through the Local Environment
 Plan and Community Strategic Plan

How does Council facilitate Economic Development?

Council's Economic Development function provides a range of support for economic initiatives throughout the Region. Council is working closely with the community, business and investors to improve business opportunities, services for the community and stimulate economic growth.

Economic growth is important in mitigating the impacts of drought on the economy, creating a stable livelihood and improves lifestyle opportunities. Economic Development supports social reform by reducing unemployment and improving the socio-economic demographics of the shire.

Council promotes and attracts investment to the Shire by building and maintaining partnerships with government, business and industry consistent with the objectives of the Economic Development and Tourism Plan 2011.

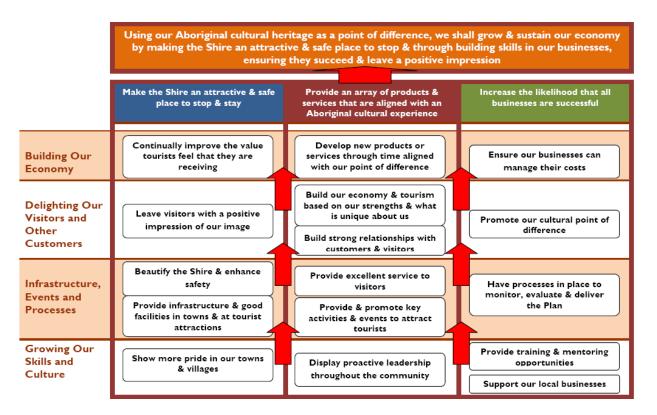
In addition Council will provide stakeholders and enquirers, with key local and regional information necessary for assessing projects and development and consider the needs of each prospect on merit, resources available and expected outcomes.



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Future Direction

The Economic Development Strategy identifies the major areas for attention and effort until 2021. It incorporates the following:



In rolling out the Economic Development Strategy and facilitating projects and development, the Economic Development Officer will continue to:

- Implement the Brewarrina Shire Economic Development and Tourism Plan
- Work with business and peak industry bodies to foster and promote economic development within the Brewarrina Shire
- Promote the benefits of Brewarrina to attract new and sustainable businesses
- Encourage collaboration with relevant departments of the Federal and State governments regarding economic development issues