



CENTRAL DARLING SHIRE COUNCIL

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Operational Plan, Delivery Program, Budget & Long-Term Plan adopted

At this week's Ordinary Council meeting Central Darling Shire Council adopted the draft Operational Plan, Delivery Program, Budget 2023-24 and Long-Term Financial Plan.

With the assistance of grant funding the 23-24 capital works program will include:

- Continue initial sealing of roads, Smiths Hill, Turley and Pooncarie Roads \$9-million.
- Bitumen resurfacing of roads \$450,000.
- Gravel resheet \$500,000.
- Local Roads renewal and upgrades \$5-million.
- Water valve replacement Ivanhoe \$150,000.
- AC main replacement Wilcannia \$150,000.
- Tilpa Reservoir and water treatment design \$50,000.
- Swimming pool maintenance \$120,000.

As part of the budget Council also resolved to make and levy rates and charges. Rates will be increased by the rate peg increase of 3.7 per cent. Rate payers will be advised about updated costs of various rates and charges.

Council's draft 2023/24 Operational Plan and 2023/24 – 2032/33 Long-Term Financial Plan provide a framework to meet the activities and level of services outlined in the Community Strategic Plan. As part of Council's requirements to comply with the guidelines the plans were considered and endorsed by Council prior to being placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

The 2023/24 Operational Plan, Revenue Policy and Schedule of Fees and Charges along with the 2023/24 – 2032/33 Long-Term Financial Plan were considered by Council.

A Long-Term Financial Plan (LTFFP) is one of the three resourcing strategies required by government and must be for a minimum of 10 years. The plan was prepared to provide the community with the appropriate information about how Council's finances will operate over the next 10 years.

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