16 REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS

16.1 Endorse for public exhibition: Asset Management Plan - Footpaths and Cycleways

CSP Objective: Outcome 4.1 Public funds and assets are managed strategically, transparently and efficiently.

CSP Strategy: 4.1.2 Effectively manage assets and commercial investments, ensuring their relevance, lifecycle needs, and value are optimised in accordance with legislative requirements.

Delivery Program: 4.1.2.8 Review and update Asset Management Plan for Kiama Council, including policy, plans and procedures.

Summary

The draft Kiama Municipal Council – Asset Management Plan – Footpaths and Cycleways (30 June 2025) has been developed based on asset revaluation, financial reporting, and strategic planning. The assessment approach aligns with Australian Accounting Standards (AASB) and International Standards Organisation – Asset Management Standards (ISO 55000). The Asset Management Plan (AMP) communicates the requirements for the sustainable delivery of services through management of assets, compliance with regulatory requirements, and required funding to provide the appropriate levels of service over the planned period of 10 years.

Financial implication

The AMP facilitates the delivery of the objectives and strategies expressed in Council's Community Strategic Plan. The AMP is one of the key strategies including a 10-year financial forecast.

Risk implication

The purpose of the AMP is to communicate the requirements for the sustainable delivery of services through management of assets, compliance with regulatory requirements, and required funding to provide the appropriate levels of service over the planning period of 10 years. The AMP details information about infrastructure assets with actions required to provide an agreed level of service in the most cost-effective manner while outlining associated risks.

Policy

The AMP Policy dictates that we require an AMP. The DRAFT – Asset Management Plan – Footpaths and Cycleways (30 June 2025) is based on guidelines provided by the Office of Local Government 'Integrated Planning and Reporting'.

Varied performance Improvement Order dated 23 May 2024.

Strategic Finance and Governance Improvement Plan.

Consultation (internal)

Council's Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee receives regular reporting of Council's activity towards meeting the Local Government Act 1993, Section 438A Performance Improvement Order by updating its Asset Management Plans.

Executive Leadership Team.

Communication/Community engagement

The Draft Kiama Municipal Council – Asset Management Plan – Footpaths and Cycleways (30 June 2025) will be placed on exhibition for a period of 28 days. As this plan is based on a model plan, feedback will only be considered if it strengthens the plan strategy.

Attachments
Nil

Enclosures

1 DRAFT Kiama Municipal Council - Asset Management Plan - Footpaths and Cycleways (30 June 2025)

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Endorse the draft Asset Management Plan – Footpaths and Cycleways be placed on public exhibition for 28 days calling for submissions.
2. Following conclusion of the exhibition period in relation to the Asset Management Plan – Footpaths and Cycleways:
   (a) Receive a further report for consideration, if any relevant submissions are received or if any substantial changes are proposed for any other reason, detailing the public exhibition outcomes and proposed changes with recommendations regarding adoption of the above documents, or
   (b) Adopt the Asset Management Plan – Footpaths and Cycleways if there are no relevant submissions received and there are no substantial changes proposed for any other reasons.

Background

It is incumbent on Council to understand the internal and external risks that may impact the delivery of its services and the financial implications of maintaining a sustainable level of service to the community. Council needs to meet strategic objectives and have plans in place to identify, mitigate, manage, and monitor risks associated with the delivery of service through their assets.

Council has developed Asset Management Plans consistent with ISO 55000 to identity actions required to provide an agreed level of service whilst meeting legislative and regulatory requirements and mitigating risks. The proposed AMP is based on guidelines provided by the Office of Local Government *Integrated Planning and Reporting.*