

Policy Section:	1. Corporate Governance
Policy Name:	Resource Sharing
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Related Policies and Codes:	N/A
Related Procedures:	N/A

1. INTRODUCTION

Council will utilise resource sharing whenever possible as a mechanism to provide benefits to the community through improved standards of service delivery whilst maintaining local identity.

2. PRINCIPLES

2.1 Council considers that the guiding principles for resource sharing with other Councils are:

- 2.1.1 The most efficient and cost effective standard of services should be provided to the community.
- 2.1.2 Co-operation by relevant Staff across Councils is supported and encouraged.
- 2.1.3 Openness and respect for resource sharing partners should be paramount in developing pilot projects.
- 2.1.4 Partial or full control is important in the delivery of services to not expose Council to undue risk.
- 2.1.5 Council's ability to respond to emergencies in the delivery of its services must not be put at risk.
- 2.1.6 All statutory obligations are to be met.
- 2.1.7 Initiatives must be consistent with Council's Strategic Management Plan.
- 2.2.1 Creating efficiencies whilst maintaining identity.
- 2.2.2 Development of organisational structures that are competitive and maintain industry standards.
- 2.2.3 Equity in service delivery.
- 2.2.4 Rationalisation of assets can create savings.
- 2.2.5 More diverse career opportunities for Staff.

- 2.2.6 More specialised services through economies of scale.
- 2.2.7 Broaden the income base for Council.

3. REVIEW AND EVALUATION

The effectiveness of this Policy will be reviewed on a biennial basis.

The Chief Executive Officer will report to Council on the outcome of the evaluation and if relevant make recommendations for amendments, alteration or substitution of a new Policy. The Policy will not be altered or substituted so as to affect a process already commenced.

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information about this Policy can be obtained by:-

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5. AVAILABILITY OF POLICY

The Policy is available for inspection during ordinary business hours at the Council principal office, Town of Gawler Administration Centre 43 High Street, Gawler East or is available on the Council website at www.gawler.sa.gov.au.

A copy of this Policy will be provided to interested parties upon request, for a fee as contained in the Register of Fees and Charges.