

**Attachment 1**  
**Submissions Summary and Reponses**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Individual Comments</b> (grouped into categories)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended Response</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended Changes to Plan</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's great to see that the council is serious about climate change and willing to introduce new targets</li>   <li>• Fully support this initiative. Very keen for carbon and greenhouse emissions to be reduced even further before the due targeted dates.</li>   <li>• Climate change action &amp; environmental protection is the number one issue for me. We need to decarbonise ASAP.</li> <li>• They are achievable targets!</li>   <li>• By using solar power, encouraging and improving public transport, encouraging new builds to be sustainable these target could be met. I don't believe that new builds, especially apartments are being built to be environmentally sustainable, and more could be done, especially in the Chatswood area.</li>   <li>• Because climate change is hitting Australia hard, Council should do everything in its power to minimise its impact. Climate Change is disastrous for our environment and our economy.</li> </ul>	<p>Taken as comments only - no response required</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">No changes recommended</p>

- I do not believe that we are emitting an excessive amount of Greenhouse Gases but rather are a good Council, environmentally aware and focused on keeping healthy and living in a healthy environment.
- Willoughby and our previous council Ku ring gai are both solid and focused on good outcomes for animals and people living in this environment.
- Both Councils are probably the best in the whole Sydney area.
- Climate change is a huge risk to communities. I would like my community to be prepared and actively take part in reducing it's role in it.
- Good to have targets.
- I support these goals, the community just needs practical and varied education on how to achieve. We need options for energy that include green/sustainable, and need to understand how we can switch
- Local Government needs to lead the way when Federal Government will not.
- This plan is realistic & means that we as council & citizens of Willoughby are doing our bit towards achieving zero emissions. If we can do it quicker, all the better.
- It is far more likely that defined local areas such as a single municipality of Willoughby's size can achieve goals such as these, rather than setting aspirational national levels which diminish the likelihood of easily identifiable accountability.

- Everyone needs to do all we can to reduce emissions...but the government need to be the ones who start and generate change in attitude and activity.
- Reducing carbon emissions should be a high priority.
- 'Strongly agree' on the basis that the goals are highly desirable, but need a realistic time to implement. The timing does seem achievable.
- Climate change is one of the two most important issues of our time along with plastic pollution
- Support and information to reduce greenhouse gases has to come from all of the community with positive initiatives
- These targets all seem very achievable.
- These are excellent and specific aims
- Local Government needs to lead the way when Federal Government will not.
- This policy is well thought out
- Local Government needs to lead the way when Federal Government will not.
- Residents need to understand Water is going to become an increasingly valued resource sooner rather than later and that sustainable energy and reduction of waste is the only option to ensure the survival of the planet. I fully endorse reducing energy, water and resource waste.

- With the increase in apartment building in the city, it will be exciting to have solar panels promoted and resources provided to Strata.
- "Develop additional online Live Well in Willoughby resources to reach all stakeholders who are interested in solar PV, including landlords, renters and strata in residential and business sectors, in addition to owner-occupiers."
- So far it looks great.
- Well done and achieve those targets with vigour.
- No more sports fields and more active play areas. More cafes in parks. Maze, tree climbing, rope courses, chess and other games in parks.
- More water bubblers everywhere.
- This is a great start. I do believe it should be the minimum target. If there is ways to over-achieve, it would always be a great outcome for the wider community and environment.
- Very pleased council is leading the way congratulations
- Good job on developing a green city plan. I think you need to do it faster than how you currently plan to do it though. Also you need to plan for electric vehicle infrastructure and should encourage the use of EVs in council fleets.
- proud to see willoughby setting goals. let's set stretch goals too and see if we can exceed our own expectations
- It's good (and motivating) to have targets to aim for.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Erestore levy has been in for years</li> <li>• What has it achieved</li> <li>• Seems you want more money</li> <li>• Where has the funds gone in the last three years</li> </ul>	<p>The 'e.restore' levy from Willoughby ratepayers fund the local environmental works and sustainability projects outlined in this Plan. For 2017/18, this amounted to \$5,379,500.</p> <p>Details of progress against objectives and e.restore funding spent can be found in the Sustainability Action Plan Report Card - released annually.</p>	<p>No changes recommended. Link SAP Report Card 2017/18 in Have Your Say with the feedback report.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How much will this cost</li> <li>• I agree provided the short term adverse impacts from such a goal can be adequately managed. Ie any increase in rates to make this happen needs to take into consideration that not all people can afford it.</li> <li>• It is good to have a focus on sustainability but there are concerns over the cost and implementation of 'green' measures. It is often at considerable cost to individuals and the vagaries of wind and solar to provide all our needs are a worry.</li> <li>• i am in favour of nuclear power and see no problems with its implementation here in Australia. We already have medical nuclear anyway.</li> <li>• Quality of bushland varies, will this include increase of funds for bush maintenance?</li> </ul>	<p>The 'e.restore' levy from Willoughby ratepayers fund the local environmental works and sustainability projects outlined in this Plan. For 2017/18, this amounted to \$5,379,500.</p> <p>Details of progress against objectives and e.restore funding spent can be found in the Sustainability Action Plan Report Card - released annually.</p> <p>Council also applies for grants where applicable and works with other local councils to share costs on projects i.e. The Better Business Partnership.</p> <p>Where possible, we also shares resources, knowledge and learnings with staff across councils, for example, Sydney Coastal Council Group, waste education and sustainability education groups, North Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils and Resilient Sydney, all of which add to cost rationalisation and savings.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One of the most important issues is building applications: the current high-rise developments in the CBD appear to have a very poor regards for aspect. The need to use air-conditioning MUST be a primary consideration when approving designs.</li> <li>• Education and compliance to the highest building environmental standards is critical achieving climate change action targets.</li> <li>• Basix apparently will not be good enough longer term. Better standards are needed. Our community seems also rather conservative in dealing with unique house designs.</li> <li>• As above, more needs to be done to ensure that new builds have improved sustainability targets.</li> <li>• Unfortunately I believe BASIX is not a useful standard. Last time I used it 12 months ago it was outdated and narrow in its focus. Council should put pressure on to get it made more relevant and useful.</li> <li>• As a sustainability engineer I would encourage all new council buildings to be Green Star rated and have solar PV. I do not see much value in exceeding BASIX requirements. There is currently no focus on checking that the BASIX or sustainable design consideration requirements have been met by buildings once built. There should be a requirement for the project team to have this certified by a sustainability engineer.</li> <li>• Basix does not work well for renovations and especially heritage places. Need to work on adjustments.</li> </ul>	<p>BASIX is a NSW Government environmental planning instrument. Council’s environmental planning instruments, including the Local Environment Plan and the Development Control Plan which cannot mandate higher energy and water efficiency and thermal comfort requirements than the state's BASIX adopted targets. However, developers can choose to design and construct buildings that go beyond the mandatory requirements of BASIX. The BASIX tool recognises better design through the BASIX score.</p> <p>We are currently reviewing both its Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan to ensure that the sustainability principles set out by the Greater Sydney Commission's North District Plan are fully incorporated.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
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- Exceed target should be the norm with new building guidelines for solar panels and solar access being ensured over height of surrounding developments, especially if you currently have panels
- New plantings must be large trees for shade with species compatible with local wild life needs and to create corridors for animal movement through the suburb.
- We need to make sure that good planning processes are in place. I fail to see how a building like the units just completed in Roberts Rd Artarmon could pass planning laws.
- Council needs to do MUCH more in this area, it is WAY too acquiescent in allowing the destruction of bushland and the disturbance of greenspace by so-called 'infrastructure and often only benefits greedy developers. New developments need to be PROPERLY landscaped and maintained. Council needs to invest in some 'gardeners' rather than 'yard maintenance 'workers who have no regard for bushland or parks and only enjoy the 'slash/burn/poison' approach.
- No open space or parkland should have more buildings erected on it. We are desperately short of open areas now and with the increase in population we will need ever more open areas. I am totally opposed to club houses and scout halls, etc, being placed on our green spaces - they should purchase current buildings for such things.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What happen to the air monitoring station of Council? There is no air monitoring station anywhere within the north shore, as the area becomes more congested.¶</li> <li>• As each existing dwelling of 3 bedrooms is demolished, in the area they are being replaced with dwellings of six times the floor space ratio, with the removal of existing trees, no space for much green space and use of unnecessary resources. An environmental levy should be imposed to offset the removal of green space and overuse of carbon producing resources.</li> </ul>	<p>Council owns and operates an air monitoring station in the Artarmon industrial area. The station monitors local ambient air quality collecting data in real time on Particulate Matter of less than 10 microns in diameter and Particulate Matter of less than 2.5 microns in diameter.</p> <p>Council is undertaking Street Tree Inventory, which will detail and map individual trees and their condition throughout the LGA. On completion we will develop evidence based targets for street trees and/or canopy cover, in order to protect future generations from the urban heat island effect.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buildings should be more climate friendly but it should not be used as an excuse in removing current green spaces</li> </ul>	<p>Willoughby Council is currently reviewing both its Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan to ensure that the sustainability principles set out by the Greater Sydney Commission's North District Plan are fully incorporated.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I live in a strata complex, will council find ways to ensure strata blocks will be able to adhere to these targets?</li> </ul>	<p>Willoughby Council is currently reviewing both its Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan to ensure that the sustainability principles set out by the Greater Sydney Commission's North District Plan are fully incorporated.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buildings designed for our climate rather than just concrete and glass towers which require electric light and air conditioning all day would look to the future. Similarly, residential buildings need to be designed to be climate conscious - shaded southern windows, etc. More medium height trees in our streets and overhead power lines buried underground would improve the greening of our city - doing away with the vandalising of our lovely trees by the electricity authorities every few years.</li> </ul>	<p>BASIX is a NSW Government environmental planning instrument. Council's environmental planning instruments, including the Local Environment Plan and the Development Control Plan which cannot mandate higher energy and water efficiency and thermal comfort requirements than the state's BASIX adopted targets. However, we are currently reviewing both its Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan to ensure that the sustainability principles set out by the Greater Sydney Commission's North District Plan are fully incorporated.</p> <p>Council is undertaking Street Tree Inventory, which will detail and map individual trees and their condition throughout the LGA. On completion we will develop evidence based targets for street trees and/or canopy cover, in order to protect future generations from the urban heat island effect.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is BASIX? You have assumed that we know what this is and the majority of us will not know. It should be described here or a link put in so it can be accessed.</li> <li>• I am not sure what BASIX means.</li> </ul>	<p>Expand on meaning of BASIX</p>	<p>Insert footnote: Since 2004, all new residential dwellings in NSW must be designed in line with the building sustainability index BASIX. This mandates sustainability standards relating to energy efficiency, design for thermal comfort and mains potable water consumption in residential developments</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advertisements like "cut you homes energy usage by installing solar" mean nothing when lots of households live in units and subsidies only apply to houses and not body corporates.</li> </ul>	<p>Council will seek to develop programs which work with industry leaders in solar technologies and provision, to assist those in apartments to access solar.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You should also be teaching people how to prepare for the effects of climate change like sea level rise, water scarcity, heat waves, flooding and extreme weather events. Building codes should be adjusted to account for sea level rise and more extreme weather events.</li> </ul>	<p>We work with a number of agencies and organisations to educate our community on our to stay safe in extreme weather events in particular NSW Health- Beat the Heat and NSW SES, NSW Rural Fire Service for flood and bushfires. Workshops, information material are available to promote more sustainable lifestyle, including building for Sydney climate (heat/storms), water and energy efficiency. We also promote Red Cross Australia's Get Prepared App.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concerned - "sustainable building design considerations" - this does not sound strong enough. There should be mandated sustainable building standards and there needs to be properly independent building inspectors; this is an area in which we have badly fallen behind through privatising and failing to monitor building inspectors.</li> <li>We need to reduce an encourager smaller dwellings size. Build more terraces, townhouses where residents are able to have gardens, small trees</li> <li>Trees in urban areas should not exceed the height of roof lines thus improving the safety of the area</li> </ul>	<p>BASIX is a NSW Government environmental planning instrument. The City's environmental planning instruments, including the Local Environment Plan and the Development Control Plan which cannot mandate higher energy and water efficiency and thermal comfort requirements than the state's BASIX adopted targets. However, Willoughby Council is currently reviewing both its Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan to ensure that the sustainability principles set out by the Greater Sydney Commission's North District Plan are fully incorporated.</p> <p>Council is undertaking Street Tree Inventory, which will detail and map individual trees and their condition throughout the LGA. On completion we will develop evidence based targets for street trees and/or canopy cover, in order to protect future generations from the urban heat island effect.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly, the more buildings there are incorporating sustainability considerations, the easier it will be to achieve emission reductions. Educating residents will provide the motivation to support these developments.</li> </ul>	<p>BASIX is a NSW Government environmental planning instrument. The City's environmental planning instruments, including the Local Environment Plan and the Development Control Plan which cannot mandate higher energy and water efficiency and thermal comfort requirements than the state's BASIX adopted targets. However, Willoughby Council is currently reviewing both its Local Environmental Plan and Development Control Plan to ensure that the sustainability principles set out by the Greater Sydney Commission's North District Plan are fully incorporated.</p> <p>Council is actively involved in Sustainable House Day and we run regular workshops on sustainable home design.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noxious weeds are a danger to the quality of our native bushland</li> <li>It should be a condition of any development consent that any noxious weeds on the premises be removed</li> </ul>	<p>Council will continue active weed management programs in reserve action plans.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education should include getting people to turn off their engines when stationary/parked but 'occupied', rather than continuing to pollute the environment.</li> </ul>	<p>Council will ensure consideration for 'no-idling' zones are included in a Street Parking Strategy</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The greater effort made to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the more pleasant Willoughby will become as a desirable place to live. Reducing the amount of through traffic would help immensely.</li> <li>• Cars are huge emitters. This is a hopeless situation.</li> <li>• People need to walk and use public transport.</li> <li>• Car use and car ownership must be discouraged</li> </ul>	<p>Council has a limited sphere of influence on through traffic, so has focused on promotion of active transport, which is predominantly cycling, through increased allocation of e.restore levy towards cycle path expansion. Council's Traffic Team and Environment Units will work with and advocate to partners in government agencies such as Roads and Maritime Services to ensure that public/active transport is effectively planned and promoted in order to reduce reliance on cars and other vehicles.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Tunnels project I believe will seriously hinder the council's ability to achieve these goals. We do not need the Tunnels nor any first carbon emissions from traffic.</li><li>• No deterioration of bushland? We are looking at the loss of a significant area of bushland with the Northern Beaches tunnel project taking land.</li><li>• Concerns re proposed tunnel to Nth beaches and emissions.</li><li>• This needs to be in place before the Northern Beaches Tunnel project gets underway with the plan to use a large area of bushland.</li><li>• This needs to be in place before the Northern Beaches Tunnel project gets underway with the plan to use a large area of bushland.</li><li>• WEPA recommends that the Plan include strategies to mitigate the potential impact of the Beaches Link tunnel proposal on key sustainability outcomes included in this Plan.</li></ul>	<p>Council has delivered its response to the planned northern beaches tunnels via a Council motion in November 2018.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publishing health report card will not work, as most public does not care, they don't understand or not interested. Deterioration of water/air quality is to be advertised in the newspaper or on TV, letting the public know how it is important for them to do something as it affects their health (people are generally selfish, they will do something if thing only affects them).</li> <li>• There is an increased noise pollution in Artarmon especially in Reserve Road area late at night. Suggest building raised bumps on road surface, and laws/regulations forbidding people using their car to create noise pollution after certain hours at night.</li> </ul>	<p>Council will continue to plan for residential traffic measures via its Traffic Team, to whom these comments have been deferred.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incidences exceeding the NAQS will typically be the result of burn-offs, extra traffic on a special event day, or similar. It may be more helpful to improve cycle lanes in the area. The bushland is a very special part of Willoughby. I use it frequently for runs and see many people using it. It just amazing that there are pockets of bush so close to a major city. These need to be preserved at all costs.</li> </ul>	<p>Council will increase allocation of e.restore funding to improve and expand bike paths from 2019 to 2022.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noise pollution in Reserve Road area in Artarmon, why do people have to gear up their car engine to make such a loud noise to drive. It is next to the Artarmon school playground and residential area, safe driving is important and peaceful environment is preferred. Suggest road bumps to be built in that part of the road leading to the highway. This may help to reduce the problem.</li> </ul>	<p>Council will continue to plan for residential traffic measures via its Traffic Team, to whom these comments have been deferred.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Cycle path initiative should be bigger and have better paths where we now have dangerous dotted line share paths with roads. E bikes are rapidly growing and if really great bike paths existed people would use them more with these.</li> <li>Need to promote cycling and walking and public transport. Make it safer and an attractive option with good design and promotion.</li> </ul>	<p>Council has included a target to increase cycle (bike) paths in the Green City Plan, which will be delivered via increased allocation of e.restore funding from 2019 - 2022.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WEPA recommends that the use of the word 'active' in the first dot point under Our Progress in this section be replaced with 'road'.</li> </ul>	<p>Limited resources of the e.restore environment levy mean we will focus on active transport. Road transport is the responsibility of RMS and WCC Traffic Team. This information will be passed onto the Traffic Team</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a need in this section to indicate how the impacts of traffic congestion on the local environment can be lessened. We are assuming that working with neighbouring LGAs and government agencies to 'deliver region-wide active transport programs' relates to improving the connection of cycleways. Closing the missing links in existing cycleways would be an excellent way to get more people out of cars.</li> </ul>	<p>Council is increasing Environment Levy funding allocation to bike paths from 2019 to 2022 to improve connection</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The support for electric vehicles will provide some improvements to air quality but it should be noted that more than half the particulate matter in transport emissions comes from the friction of wheels on roads – a contribution which will continue with electric cars.</li></ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WEPA recommends that under ‘Where do we want to be’ by 2028 that the Plan include an indicator for increased uptake in public transport and a strategy to ensure that Council partners with all relevant agencies in the Transport for NSW cluster, particularly those delivering public transport options.</li><li>• WEPA recommends that ‘How will we get there?’ include a strategy to reduce car traffic by planning for and collaborating with the relevant authorities to encourage greater access to and take up of public transport.</li></ul>	Council will investigate with Traffic Team however the plan is focused on what WCC can influence or has direct control over.	No changes recommended

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It would be great to check whether you can provide green bins that accept all compostable materials, and provide education links / ads on how to recycle correctly.</li> <li>• Another good idea would be to check you could partner up with companies like Enova to help renters getting 'solar panels' in social farms. This would make your targets easily achievable.</li> <li>• You should also enforce environmental considerations to all new DAs - whether it is renovations or new buildings. There is so much lost opportunities there. Getting the design right upfront is better than having a strata trying to retrofit it.</li> </ul>	<p>Organic waste such as food should be placed in the red lidded bin, it is then processed into a compost product and diverted from landfill. Future waste processing technologies and contracts will be considered on the merits of best available technology, cost and adherence to state targets set by the NSW Environment Protection Authority.</p> <p>In terms of solar farms, Council has a 166kw Solar Farm on the roof of its Westfield car park and a number of other facilities which have current solar panels, many of which are due to be expanded or combined with battery storage for greater use. Willoughby is also currently in a Power Purchase Agreement with SSROC, the first of its kind for local government, to purchase a set percentage of solar power from solar farms each year. This can be increased or decreased as required.</p> <p>All new buildings are subject to BASIX requirements and Council will continue to develop sustainability principles into its Development Consent processes and guidelines.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• how will you stop people smoking in Willoughby, especially in the back street behind Myer. We can say something to them, but people have the right to do what they want. Unless the Council can enlist small business owners to enforce sustainability action, i.e. not to employ smokers</li></ul>	<p>In June 2010 as part of Council's Smoke Free policy we established several no-smoking areas around the CBD to increase the health and comfort of the entire community. Enforceable under the Local Government Act 1993 further details can be found on our website.</p> <p>Council also implements large and small scale litter prevention projects with the aim of reducing and preventing litter - including cigarette butts - damaging our environment. Rangers proactively enforce the no smoking laws by a combination of education and enforcement.</p> <p>However, we cannot stop people smoking in areas that are not smoke free areas. It would be contrary to industrial laws to encourage businesses not to employ smokers.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council should lead the way on using recycled/refurbished materials and furniture to encourage community to look creatively at their own belongings. I'd hate to see people "inspired" by council renovations that include all brand new items that are "green" and think that junking old for new "green" materials is okay. we need to consume less new, and throw away less stuff so that people are more thoughtful about buying quality over quantity in the first place.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on repairing, upcycling and re-using materials and furniture.</p> <p>In addition, we support and promote the local Repair Café and Men's Shed to encourage the community to look at repair as a first option. Complimenting this is a recent social media campaign promoting local groups and businesses that provide alternative reuse options to avoid landfill.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I have recycled, reduced and reused for years currently you have to seek out some of these opportunities Many people are time poor or disinterested and we need to make it positively attractive for them to participate</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on repairing, upcycling and re-using materials and furniture.</p> <p>In addition, we support and promote the local Repair Café and Men's Shed to encourage the community to look at repair as a first option. Complimenting this is a recent social media campaign promoting local groups and businesses that provide alternative reuse options to avoid landfill.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One area of concern is ignorance about the overuse of plastic, especially where people come from other cultures so very important to communicate with people from all backgrounds. Promoting our water quality would be good to encourage fewer people buying water in bottles.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on reducing plastic use.</p> <p>In addition, through the Better Business Partnership and its 'Bye Bye Plastic, Hello BYO' campaign, we work with small businesses to promote the uptake of reusable items to their customers. In 2018, Council passed a motion to ban single use plastic at all council run events and workshops.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return and earn means more mess have to keep bottles and cans previously recycled in yellow bin until worthwhile to go the recycle point Yellow bin now empty</li> </ul>	<p>The Return and Earn scheme was developed by the NSW EPA as a litter avoidance program. There is no obligation to recycle household waste through the program. The size of recycling bins will not be altered in the near future, but Council may consider fortnightly collection.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The targets for waste reduction do not go far enough. The ABC program “War on Waste” demonstrates that each of us can easily reduce waste by 20 to 30%. More important, establish facility to include food waste as a recyclable and the amount of landfill will be massively reduced.</li> </ul>	<p>Council actively supports the Love Food Hate Waste campaign that tackles the issue of food waste. We also provide discounted composting/wormfarming systems to reduce the amount of organic waste to landfill.</p> <p>Organic waste such as food should ideally be home composted but, if this is not possible, it should be placed in the red lidded bin as it is then processed into a compost product and diverted from landfill.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Waste generation needs to be reduced by a far greater amount than the identified targets</li> <li>It should start at the source of the problem Eg supermarkets and other retail outlets' packaging</li> <li>What is a waste drop of centre?</li> </ul>	<p>Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>actively encourages waste reduction in the community through a range of programs.</li> <li>is a partner with the Love Food Hate Waste Program to provide free education to residents about reducing food waste, and lobby industry to reduce packaging.</li> <li>runs programs to teach people how re- home unwanted goods rather than sending them to landfill and have partnerships with the Bower Reuse and Repair Centre and the Lane Cove Repair Café.</li> <li>Provides subsidies for compost bins.</li> <li>Runs the Community Recycling Centre located in Artarmon for household problems wastes such as paint, oil, gas cylinders etc.</li> <li>Provides a free mattress collection service.</li> <li>runs a recycling bin contamination campaign to improve the quality of or recycling and educate the community.</li> </ul>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recycling of deposit containers is progressing woefully as there is a lack of refund places nearby. Each shop area should have an auto refund machine to make this work.</li> </ul>	<p>The Return and Earn scheme was developed by the NSW EPA and the beverage industry as a litter avoidance program. Council is supportive of container deposit schemes and encourages businesses to participate through the Better Business Partnership program, but ultimately do not decide the locations of drop off points.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One must bear in mind that a waste drop off centre only services those with the ability to lift and transport heavy waste - we will still need council collections.</li> </ul>	<p>Council provides residents with <b>three</b> free scheduled clean-up collections per financial year and one free pre-booked collection.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Once waste has a value as a resource it won't end in landfill. Council needs to actively promote recycling schemes where the waste is reused. Incentives for industries to set up in the LGA to turn plastics or other things into reusable products would be great.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on repairing, upcycling and re-using materials and furniture.</p> <p>In addition, we support and promote the local Repair Café and Men's Shed to encourage the community to look at repair as a first option. Complimenting this is a recent social media campaign promoting local groups and businesses that provide alternative reuse options to avoid landfill.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maybe arrange some "garage" sales in different spots around Willoughby. Many people live in apartments nowadays and cannot have garage sales in their own garage.</li> </ul>	<p>Council participated in the Garage Sale Trail for 2 years but found that there was limited community interest. The North Shore has a thriving online sale and give away community, and Council periodically runs Disposing of Household Goods Online workshops to give residents tips to successfully rehome their goods.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If you could allow the Willoughby residents to access a recycling centre free of charge for a few times a year, it might reduce the illegal dumps. You could also provide a bonus / mails points system for the large buildings not respecting the bins split</li> </ul>	<p>The community has access to the Community Recycling Centre free of charge year-round. Council does not run any other recycling or waste facilities. Other recycling or waste facilities in our area are privately owned.</p> <p>Residents are offered 4 clean-up collections per year, although these items cannot be recycled.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support to deal with waste is helpful</li> </ul>	<p>Council provides residents with three free scheduled clean-up collections per financial year and one free pre-booked collection.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A waste drop OFF centre? Excellent!</li> </ul>	<p>The Community Recycling Centre is located in Artarmon for household problems wastes such as paint, oil, gas cylinders etc.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher fines for waste dumping, possibly magnets listing centres for specific recycling options. I love receiving the flyers but a. Sometimes they aren't put in the letterboxes right and become waste themselves, also I'm not sure how many people read them as there are a lot of recyclable waste placed in general rubbish bins in my apartment block. Possibly install a list of those options in the community noticeboards?</li> </ul>	<p>Fines issued for waste dumping are determined under either the Protection of Environmental Operations Act 1997 or Local Government Act 1993. The fines are defined in legislation, Council cannot issue higher fines.</p> <p>Council has contacted the majority of Strata Managers operating in the LGA to offer them educational materials.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plastic recycling options to be investigated with council committing to buying back plastic goods such as street furniture</li> </ul>	<p>Council has some street furniture and bollards made from recycled plastics, however these are not the preferred options. Placement of these is limited as they have proven to be a different size to our standard slabs, these items have low vandalism resistance, they do not age well and have frequently been stolen. Council produces the majority of our bushland furniture from local trees that had to be removed for safety reasons or problematic location. These are then recycled into furniture and play components for children.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enforce fines on illegal dumping &amp; littering.</li> </ul>	<p>Currently there are fines in excess of \$2,000 for illegal waste dumping. Council is actively monitoring a number of locations of interest through a series of surveillance trailers and patrols. Rangers will continue to patrol hot spot sites and others.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your questions contain spelling mistakes and logic issues that reduce their effectiveness.</li> <li>• “A 5% reduction in illegal dumps removed by Council per annum ”</li> <li>• Are you intending to reduce the number that are dumped, or only looking to reduce the number collected?</li> </ul>	<p>The outcome of this target will lead to reduce illegal dumping.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Small edit : "waste drop OFF". Need to have food waste collections to reach these targets.</li> </ul>	<p>Organic waste such as food should be placed in the red lidded bin, it is then processed into a compost product and diverted from landfill.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1% per capita waste reduction;is not enough. You only need to go for a walk when it’s clean up time to see the discarding of so much perfectly good ‘stuff’ that will go straight to landfill. Instead of collecting waste, would love to see more focus and help for people to rehome items they no longer want.</li> </ul>	<p>Council actively encourages waste avoidance and reduction through programs such as its composting and worm farming program.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Waste disposal is very "unfriendly" and expensive at the moment. It should be easier to dispose of recyclable products (including soft plastics) and green waste.</li> </ul>	<p>Council provides a wide range of recycling options to residents, these include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The weekly collection of yellow-lid recycling bins and green lid vegetation bins.</li> <li>the Community Recycling Centre that accepts household problem waste such as e-waste, paint, oils etc.</li> <li>promoting soft plastic recycling at supermarkets and is the preferred option for the major soft plastics recycling processor, Redcycle.</li> <li>Free mattress collection and recycling services</li> </ul>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include Support for food security/sustainability distributed within the LGA by creating food farms when land say on disused bowling greens becomes available. Ensure asset procurement and management is aligned with sustainable principles.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on food security and sustainability. We support seven community gardens within the LGA and run a monthly 'food swap' to avoid food waste from excess crops.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Would be great if we are able to put food scraps into green recycling or composting bins provided by council. More trees please and community gardens.</li> </ul>	<p>Organic waste such as food should be placed in the red lidded bin, it is then processed into a compost product and diverted from landfill.</p>	<p>Council to consider developing a Street Tree Canopy target.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I would like to see a big reduction in single use plastics by businesses and residents. Quality water fountains could be installed across Willoughby. There are many good pet-friendly designs with facility to refill drinking bottles.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on reducing plastic use, particularly single-use plastic.</p> <p>In addition, through the Better Business Partnership and its 'Bye Bye Plastic, Hello BYO' campaign, we have been working with small businesses to promote the uptake of reusable items to their customers. In 2018, Council passed a motion to ban single use plastic at all council run events and workshops.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The section, "How are we going to get there". It states that the council will: Advocate to state and federal government to assist local government and the recycling industry to develop local markets for recycled materials and the development of a circular economy. Investigate opportunities to find alternative local markets for recycled materials.</li> <li>• This has already been advocated for by the public. This has been an ongoing issue for over a year and a half since China banned waste from Australia. We need to have a proper waste management system to properly recycle. Due to the lack of waste management, garbage collectors combine recyclable materials with general garbage. Citizens have lost hope in the waste management system and we are not effectively recovering valuable resources. Yes i agree we need a circular economy for waste and food waste. We need money going into R&amp;D and technology to build machines to sustainably turn waste into recycled materials that other organisations can use. Additionally, food waste is a major problem (which was not addressed in the policy). Food waste from hospitality industries and local supermarkets. I think we need to lower the standards for "cosmetic food" and sell ugly food in local supermarkets (Coles and Woolies). I think there should be strong advocacy to promote composting at home and in a corporate setting</li> </ul>	<p>Willoughby City Council are assisting with trials and research of new materials such as asphalt and construction materials which contain recycled materials such as plastic bags, printer toner and glass. These trials will assist in closing the loop for materials and will drive market changes locally.</p> <p>The State and Federal Governments are still formulating a framework for the changes needed to shift to a circular economy.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I moved into the area some four years ago. I received no information from the council, welcoming my family to the area. Was given no information of the area or what Council provides,,,,,very disappointing. For two years we did not receive your leaflet that is circulated throughout your area, when I finally received a copy I was very disappointed. Paying a Environmental levy there was no education in the leaflet on environmental issues or on noxious weeds.How can Council take legal action on residents on environmental issues when you don't inform them that they will be find \$750 if they wash they car in the street, or how to protect your cat and the environment etc.</li> <li>• Littering and dumping of rubbish is bad not only in you area but all over the state. Your Council needs to influence the Government to run a education program to stop littering. This Council has one of the best waste collections programs. The State Government has fail by the charging at the transfer station. As the cost is transferred to Council and other State Agencies due to illegal dumping. It is crazy when garbage/waste is transported to Queensland as it is cheaper, damage to roads and cost of lives on the road.</li> </ul>	<p>Council has also previously developed implemented a number of large and small scale litter prevention projects with the aim of reducing and preventing litter, such as cigarette butts, from entering stormwater outflows. These included the Hey Tosser campaign developed by the EPA with a strong focus on cigarette butt littering by the Ranger team. Council's Rangers currently issue the highest number of littering fines for a Council in the state, most of these for people littering cigarette butts. Council will continue to develop litter education and infrastructure projects to prevent cigarette butt litter and other types of litter from entering waterways and damaging our environment.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action is also required regarding some specific targets which, if achieved, will dramatically improve liveability and appearance of our region:</li> <li>• Abandoned trolleys are at epidemic proportions</li> <li>• Large (A4 size) bill posters with FULL BACK PERMANENT ADHESIVE on ALL metal poles are now endemic to our area (and the City). Illegal posters previously were easily removed as they were wrapped in Sellotape on telegraph poles only have been overtaken by irremovable posters on all public surfaces. I believe many residents are not aware these are illegal.</li> </ul>	<p>Abandoned shopping trolleys are being actioned by a combination of enforcement and education.</p> <p>There was a spike in abandoned shopping trolleys after the Christmas 2018 period that has been substantially reduced by more than half more work is needed and the process is ongoing. Rangers are tasked with the control and removal of advertising signs from public places.</p> <p>The incidence of posters advertising events that were erected for on display on poles in Willoughby was a type of behaviour that virtually ceased several years ago.</p> <p>The posters that are routinely attached to light and power poles in the Chatswood CBD are more challenging in terms of investigation and enforcement. These posters often relate to websites. This affords limited opportunity for investigation and enforcement action. They are also problematic to remove due to the adhesive attachment to the surface of the pole.</p> <p>The Compliance Unit suggests the WCC Street Cleansing Team may have better processes that can remove this type of sign.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduction in plastic use should be a priority, but I am not sure what Council can do to achieve this</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on reducing plastic use. In addition, through the Better Business Partnership and its 'Bye Bye Plastic, Hello BYO' campaign, we have been working with small businesses to promote the uptake of reusable items to their customers. In 2018, Council passed a motion to ban single use plastic at all council run events and workshops.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A much needed area for improvement. Look after people at grass roots level. Encourage all residents to help keep our region beautiful and liveable. If they take ownership of the beauty of this place, they may care for it better. Example: There is a shopping trolley problem in the streets. Also smelly things businesses put in the storm water drains, e.g. restaurants at the corner of Victoria and Archer. That area stinks.</li> </ul>	<p>Abandoned shopping trolleys are being actioned by a combination of enforcement and education. There was a spike in abandoned shopping trolleys after the Christmas 2018 period that has been substantially reduced by more than half more work is needed and the process is ongoing. Rangers are tasked with the control and removal of advertising signs from public places.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WEPA recommends that Council also include a strategy relating to how it intends to achieve 'litter free parks and streets' as indicated in the earlier diagram in the Plan.</li> </ul>	<p>Council has also previously developed implemented a number of large and small scale litter prevention projects with the aim of reducing and preventing litter, such as cigarette butts, from entering stormwater outflows. These included the Hey Tosser campaign developed by the EPA with a strong focus on cigarette butt littering by the Ranger team. Council's Rangers currently issue the highest number of littering fines for a Council in the state, most of these for people littering cigarette butts. Council will continue to develop litter education and infrastructure projects to prevent cigarette butt litter and other types of litter from entering waterways and damaging our environment.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Important for community to be educated on how their households see the importance of and can create sustainable lifestyles and practices.</li> <li>• If Willoughby is going to become more sustainable, it must educate all residents. With more extreme temperatures WCC should be making sure all design projects should engage the environment in a way that dramatically reduces or eliminates the need for fossil fuel.</li> <li>• Education in sustainability hopefully improves residents' commitment to it.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on sustainable lifestyles.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English will not be the areas first language for much longer</li> <li>We need to take account of this and of the diverse cultural norms of residents in presenting educational information</li> </ul>	<p>The area that we find the most pressing need for community languages is in our waste services and our waste service brochure is produced in the two main community languages (Simplified Chinese and Korean) plus we use very clear images to help people from a CALD background. We work closely with the MOSAIC Multicultural Centre to offer educational workshops for their members and we have a close relationship with the New Migrant English Service at St Leonards TAFE and run regular workshops for their class participants.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How will the council promote sustainability education to those that are not generally involved in community events?</li> <li>It is great if 80% of participants can believe they can improve sustainability but will they change their lifestyle and act on this? If so, isn't this what you should be measuring? How will you measure individual's carbon footprint?</li> </ul>	<p>Council carried out market research of the Willoughby community in 2014 to evaluate the educational program and to identify barriers and motivators to sustainability actions</p> <p>The “Live Well in Willoughby” sustainability education campaign was developed based on the research findings with the aim of engaging the wider community and those generally not involved in sustainability events. This program focuses on the 5 main interest areas within our community as identified by the research (Home &amp; Lifestyle, Energy Efficiency, Active Transport, Nature and Food &amp; Garden) and offers educational activities linked to these main topic areas. For people that are not generally involved in community events, we envisaged that these expanded focus areas would help increase the participation rate.</p> <p>For those that prefer to on-line activities, we have a substantial on-line presence and are involved in many campaigns such as the Compost Revolution (provides tutorials, advice and discounted composting systems), Plastic-Free July (annual on-line campaign to encourage people to reduce their single-use plastic), National Recycling Week, 1 Million Women Behaviour-Change App etc.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council has a long track record of environmental management. The delivery to Non English speaking community members must be increased.</li> </ul>	<p>The area that we find the most pressing need for community languages is in our waste services and our waste service brochure is produced in the two main community languages (Simplified Chinese and Korean) plus we use very clear images to help people from a CALD background. We work closely with the MOSAIC Multicultural Centre to offer educational workshops for their members and we have a close relationship with the New Migrant English Service at St Leonards TAFE and run regular workshops for their class participants.</p>	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Important for community/individuals to understand their inter dependency upon the ecosystem and therefore to the strong importance of enhancing, protecting and respecting waterways, bushland, nature, wildlife and ecological systems.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops that focus on the natural environment. We will continue to develop and deliver education programs and workshops delivered through the Bushland team, which assist our community to protect our waterways, bushland, nature and other ecological systems.</p>	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This will require huge educational program.</li> </ul>	<p>The 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign incorporates a series of workshops on a variety of themes. We will continue to develop and deliver education programs and workshops which assist our community to develop sustainable lifestyles and practises.</p>	No changes recommended

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I strongly support any initiatives to improve our impact on the environment. Education programs in schools and with new immigrants are vital. I also think that all new housing should be built with the environment in mind, by builders provided incentives to build sustainably.</li> </ul>	<p>Council regularly works closely with the schools and pre-schools in our area to provide environmental education programs. The bushland team run interpretive bush walks for primary schools, environmental days for high schools and information days at Council. The annual "Our Local Wildlife" Storybook Competition is hugely popular. We offer schools funding assistance with educational programs such as school visits by the Ocean Action Pod (focusses on the detrimental impact of plastic on marine life), waste reduction, solar advice etc.</p> <p>Council is actively involved in Sustainable House Day and we run regular workshops on sustainable home design.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More thought, action, guidelines into reduced heat. Light coloured roof/surfaces. Green spaces, green roofs. More street planting where mature trees are starting to decay.</li> <li>Thought about water retention and slowing collecting runoff.</li> <li>More information on recycling. Especially as policy change. Also as more corporate are introducing take back scheme. I saw Sheridan is starting a trial.</li> </ul> <p>Education is key.</p> <p>Thanks for your work</p>	<p>Council is actively involved in Sustainable House Day and we run regular workshops on sustainable home design, solar, rainwater tanks, recycling etc through the 'Live Well in Willoughby' environmental education campaign.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Policy is all good and well but the community need to understand the science behind these plans and decisions. I beg you not to forget adequate budget for change management and education in your plans.</li> </ul>	<p>Education is a key priority of e.restore funding and Council will continue to develop and adapt Live Well in Willoughby education and engagement workshops and programs in order to support delivery of the objectives of the Green City Plan.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Education in schools at all age groups is essential. Families must embrace this as a unit and as individuals</li> </ul>	<p>Council regularly works closely with the schools and pre-schools in our area to provide environmental education programs. The bushland team run interpretive bush walks for primary schools, environmental days for high schools and information days at Council. The annual “Our Local Wildlife” Storybook Competition is hugely popular. We offer schools funding assistance with educational programs such as school visits by the Ocean Action Pod (focusses on the detrimental impact of plastic on marine life), waste reduction, solar advice etc.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WEPA recommends that Council consider providing funding and support to the Streamwatch Citizen Science programs given the impact of the increasing population on local waterways.</li> </ul>	<p>Council carries out creek water assessments and engages with schools to integrate this into curricula. Following loss of EPA funding for Streamwatch, Council will co-operate with Greater Sydney Landcare initiatives to support future Streamwatch programs</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Would support moves to greatly increase urban tree cover throughout the PGA. More street plantings, stronger protection for trees on private property, incentives for residents to maintain and increase trees on their land.</li> </ul>	<p>Council is undertaking Street Tree Inventory, which will detail and map individual trees and their condition throughout the LGA. On completion we will develop evidence based targets for street trees and/or canopy cover, in order to protect future generations from the urban heat island effect.</p>	<p>Add new target of: Increase urban tree canopy cover</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These are standards I would already expect you to be following. Are you suggesting that one is prioritized over another?</li> </ul>	<p>The standards detailed are of equal importance and will all be adhered to.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to create corridors through the landscape to protect out islands of biodiversity , if not over time biodiversity will decline .</li> </ul>	<p>Council is currently reviewing its vegetation management policy which will work with the work alongside Council’s Urban Bushland Plan of Management to ensure that our biodiversity is protected.</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council needs to preserve and enhance all remaining bushland and native vegetation. No floodlights should be installed if they will affect wildlife. No new synthetic turf should be installed as is bad for the environment and has deleterious effect on native animals and humans alike. Synthetic turf creates a heat island effect and on hot days, raises the temperature by 40%. At the end of its life it goes to landfill which is unacceptable and incompatible with Council's sustainable aspirations as stated in Our Future Willoughby 2028.</li> </ul>	<p>Floodlights installed at Council and non-council sites are assessed for light spillage to ensure efficiency and minimal impact on residents and wildlife. Turf used is also assessed under a range of criteria under development guidelines. Council works and will continue to work to enhance and protect bushland through its Bushland Plan of Management and individual Reserve Action Plans.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hopefully this means the protection of important landmarks in and around flat rock gully.</li> </ul>	<p>Council will continue to implement the Flat Rock Gully Reserve Action Plan and heritage items will be protected.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There should be a mandate for pollinating gardens on new developments, and more required green space (even if it's rooftops or planter boxes on balconies). Public education on the importance of bees and being safe around bees should be put in/near gardens and parks so that people understand the WHY behind changes and don't just perceive it as optional beautification. There should be NO pesticides that are harmful to bees as council policy, and a clear policy and procedure for swarming bees so that the public/workers know not to fear, and how to act if there are swarming bees.</li> </ul>	<p>Workshops and community information on bees will continue in the 'Live Well in Willoughby' program. Pesticide use does not occur in bushland reserves. Herbicide use is minimal, with flame weeding used to as an alternative to spraying.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a current urban problem with council handling of weeds that invade bushland and injure animals - specifically the burrs from 'farmer's friends' weeds. Council workers merely whipper snip these weeds so they grow again. They should poison them or dig them out to eradicate them from the area. More workers are needed to target weed areas, especially along waterways where water quality should be IMPROVING.</li> </ul>	<p>Weed control is carried out in reserves by both in house and contract teams, emphasising those most damaging to bushland, such as invasive vines, that suppress tree canopy. Regular weed mapping has shown a reduction in weeds, but this is a long term project with strong resident co-operation. Council's compliance team issues infringements for serious breaches.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aerial mapping to identify infringements of this policy</li> </ul>	<p>Weed mapping and aerial photographic assessment is part of council's weed assessment strategy.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All new sporting areas near bushland should not have night lighting that will disturb wild life.</li> <li>• Currently, there is a threat to the wild life and ecosystem due to the proposal of the installation of floodlights at OH Reid Reserve. The proposal will also affect the quality of life of the local residents through the increase in noise level, traffic and parking issues. The local community needs to be consulted urgently regarding this proposal.</li> </ul>	<p>Floodlights installed at Council and non-council sites are assessed for light spillage to ensure efficiency and minimal impact on residents and wildlife.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not want sporting floodlights near bushland areas. It will negatively impact nocturnal fauna.</li> </ul> <p>I have concerns too about synthetic grass not being near waterways, raising ground temperature and ending up in landfill when worn out.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No more synthetic playing fields - terrible for budget and for climate change management - listen to report on ABC 702 Wednesday 20 Feb (this week) around 8.45 am.</li> <li>• Better storm-water education - still seeing people sweeping leaves, rubbish into storm water inlets. More rain gardens - not constructed with sand! Need properly engineered media that contains composts for plants to survive in rain gardens.</li> </ul>	<p>Floodlights installed at Council and non-council sites are assessed for light spillage to ensure efficiency and minimal impact on residents and wildlife. Turf used is also assessed under a range of criteria under development guidelines. Council works and will continue to work to enhance and protect bushland through its Bushland Plan of Management and individual Reserve Action Plans.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban impacts are increasing daily. No new areas of natural bushland can easily be created, rather the existing areas need ongoing maintenance. State and federal governments have weakened environmental protection laws, but local govt has a key role to play to assist in on ground protection</li> </ul>	<p>Council's e.restore program has provided essential funding for managing some of those impacts.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued strong support of bush care groups.</li> <li>• No floodlights at OH Reid Reserve which would severely impact the local bushland and wildlife. Protect our limited bushland.</li> </ul>	<p>Council actively supports and promotes Bush care groups and additionally holds workshops and other events to support and encourage them.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to consider much better park management and sporting field building and renovation. Properly engineered media in sporting fields - with the correct turf choices - will help save and store water as well as increase plying time.</li> </ul>	<p>Floodlights installed at Council and non-council sites are assessed for light spillage to ensure efficiency and minimal impact on residents and wildlife. Turf used is also assessed under a range of criteria under development guidelines. Council works and will continue to work to enhance and protect bushland through its Bushland Plan of Management and individual Reserve Action Plans.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A key role of Council is to encourage actions by residents and visitors to reduce negative impacts on the environment. Loss of trees in suburban areas due to development pressure is unable to be balanced by planting on reserves. Stronger community education programs in relation to DA processes are needed.</li> </ul>	<p>Council's updated Vegetation policy will include street tree management and augmentation</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WEPA recommends that the importance of trees, vegetation, bushland and natural open spaces to mitigating and adapting to the impacts of climate change be explicitly noted in this section of the plan.</li> </ul>	<p>Council is undertaking Street Tree Inventory, which will detail and map individual trees and their condition throughout the LGA. On completion we will develop evidence based targets for street trees and/or canopy cover, in order to protect future generations from the urban heat island effect.</p>	<p>Add new target of: Increase urban tree canopy cover</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WEPA commends the Plan for its commitment to protect, conserve and preserve the natural environment and for recognising its special value as habitat for local wildlife. As noted above, we do not believe that sports fields and open parks should be dealt with under the section 'Managing our Bushland'.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, however this was just acknowledging that open space was linked with bushland.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WEPA recommends that the Plan include a commitment to work with North Sydney Council to undertake a flora and fauna survey of the Flat Rock Gully catchment to provide a base from which to respond to the EIS for the proposed Beaches Link tunnel which will impact on this remediated and regenerated bushland area.</li> </ul>	<p>Council's existing Reserve Action Plan for Flat Rock Gully lists the current species relevant for revegetation plans. Council will ensure restoration work, if required, will incorporate appropriate diversity and source of species.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WEPA recommends that Council provide: further education to pet owners on protecting wildlife and their responsibilities; more effective enforcement of regulations for the exclusion of domestic cats from local bushland and the leashing of dogs in local bushland;</li> <li>• Review and potentially exclude dogs from bushland reserves where dog owners are repeatedly flouting regulations to keep dogs on the leash.</li> </ul>	<p>Increased signage in reserves and patrols by Council's compliance staff have been scheduled.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WEPA recommends that the Plan note the importance of leaving wild, dark and quiet areas in the LGA for the benefit of biodiversity.</li> </ul>	<p>Council supports this principle and seeks to minimise the impact of light spill into bushland reserves by recommending use of shielded luminaires at sporting facilities.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WEPA recommends that the Plan incorporate a section on maintaining and protecting the urban tree canopy.</li> </ul>	<p>Council' carries out ongoing street tree maintenance and planting to replace damaged or dead trees and to fill gaps in planting. Annual 'Tree Day' give-away provide free trees to the community.</p>	<p>As noted above, add item on protecting and extending tree canopy.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I think that the council could achieve zero net emission by a far earlier date than 2050. Why does it have to take 30 years for this to happen? There are whole countries that are already emission free, I'm sure a small region in Australia can achieve this goal in a few years (10 years max).</li> <li>• I do not think the targets are aggressive enough beyond 2028.</li> <li>• unless you and the public are committed or realise the importance to achieve the target, it will be hard to see you can realise what you say.</li> <li>• Strong institutional responses are required to mitigate human-induced climate change risks.</li> <li>• I am assuming council has made these calculations and that they correlate with one another Zero emissions by 2050? Surely we can aim to do better than that?</li> <li>• I concur with the intent of target area 1, ie reduce carbon and greenhouse gases. My concern with landing on a number is that it forces Willoughby Council and community to adopt measures which are likely to represent false or specious reporting. To illustrate this point. Lets posit that Willoughby adopts electric garbage pick-up trucks. On the surface an achievement and likely to reduce the local emissions, but what is the net impact on greenhouse gases of the manufacture of electric vehicles compared to diesel driven vehicles,</li> <li>• You should be making more aggressive emissions reductions, aiming for zero emissions by 2030.</li> </ul>	<p>Council worked with a consultancy over a one-year period to develop reasonable yet ambitious targets based on best available data, technology, policy drivers, legislation and Council's sphere of influence.</p> <p>The targets developed are the result of analysis which included review of other Local Government strategies, which demonstrated that the targets proposed are leading and ambitious, but wholly reachable with the right set of technical installations, policy drivers and community engagement. Please get in touch with Council if you would like to review the full working document.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
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- higher targets and more strongly encouraging the community to meet these is essential Green house gas target should be brought
- My only comment is that the target should be higher and forward to 2023.¶
- The goals should be much more ambitious.
- As above - time is of the essence- don't be afraid to aim for more drastic targets.
- More positive themed goals than achievement of minimum standards on reporting, pithily put, get on the front foot.
- We should have more ambitious renewable energy targets and battery storage technology installed.
- These targets are not aggressive enough and don't solve the problem of consuming less. Council should do more to promote a reduction in waste i.e. policy of no single use plastic at all council events, banning of plastic bags etc.
- More education/activities need to be focussed on reducing consumption and waste. I know this is not a popular view, politicians need to start being brave about decisions and backing it up with simple explanations of WHY something is being done. Education is key - for adults! Kids get it, boomers don't!
- We need goals that are much more ambitious

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community needs to be educated and engaged, give more tangible actions they can take to be more environmentally friendly. I recommend you look at 1 million Women website, they have great resources You can find resources on Ellen MacArthur Foundation about green and smart cities, circular economy, urban farming.</li> <li>I want Willoughby to be a leader in these areas and would support more ambitious targets, particularly in regard to Waste reduction and renewable energy use.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It's great to see that the council is serious about climate change and willing to introduce new targets</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fully support this initiative. Very keen for carbon and greenhouse emissions to be reduced even further before the due targeted dates.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change action &amp; environmental protection is the number one issue for me. We need to decarbonise ASAP.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>They are achievable targets!</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By using solar power, encouraging and improving public transport, encouraging new builds to be sustainable these target could be met. I don't believe that new builds, especially apartments are being built to be environmentally sustainable, and more could be done, especially in the Chatswood area.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Because climate change is hitting Australia hard, Council should do everything in its power to minimise its impact. Climate Change is disastrous for our environment and our economy.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I do not believe that we are emitting an excessive amount of Greenhouse Gases but rather are a good Council, environmentally aware and focused on keeping healthy and living in a healthy environment.</li> <li>• Willoughby and our previous council Ku ring gai are both solid and focused on good outcomes for animals and people living in this environment.</li> <li>• Both Councils are probably the best in the whole Sydney area.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Climate change is a huge risk to communities. I would like my community to be prepared and actively take part in reducing it's role in it.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good to have targets.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I support these goals, the community just needs practical and varied education on how to achieve. We need options for energy that include green/sustainable, and need to understand how we can switch</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Government needs to lead the way when Federal Government will not.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This plan is realistic &amp; means that we as council &amp; citizens of Willoughby are doing our bit towards achieving zero emissions. If we can do it quicker, all the better.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is far more likely that defined local areas such as a single municipality of Willoughby's size can achieve goals such as these, rather than setting aspirational national levels which diminish the likelihood of easily identifiable accountability.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Everyone needs to do all we can to reduce emissions....but the government need to be the ones who start and generate change in attitude and activity.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reducing carbon emissions should be a high priority.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>'Strongly agree' on the basis that the goals are highly desirable, but need a realistic time to implement. The timing does seem achievable.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change is one of the two most important issues of our time - along with plastic pollution</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support and information to reduce greenhouse gases has to come from all of the community with positive initiatives</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These targets all seem very achievable.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These are excellent and specific aims</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Government needs to lead the way when Federal Government will not.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This policy is well thought out</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Government needs to lead the way when Federal Government will not.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Residents need to understand Water is going to become an increasingly valued resource sooner rather than later and that sustainable energy and reduction of waste is the only option to ensure the survival of the planet. I fully endorse reducing energy, water and resource waste.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With the increase in apartment building in the city, it will be exciting to have solar panels promoted and resources provided to Strata.</li> <li>"Develop additional online Live Well in Willoughby resources to reach all stakeholders who are interested in solar PV, including landlords, renters and strata in residential and business sectors, in addition to owner-occupiers."</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>So far it looks great.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Well done and achieve those targets with vigour.</li> <li>• No more sports fields and more active play areas. More cafes in parks. Maze, tree climbing, rope courses, chess and other games in parks.</li> <li>• More water bubblers everywhere.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is a great start. I do believe it should be the minimum target. If there is ways to over-achieve, it would always be a great outcome for the wider community and environment.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very pleased council is leading the way congratulations</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good job on developing a green city plan. I think you need to do it faster than how you currently plan to do it though. Also you need to plan for electric vehicle infrastructure and should encourage the use of EVs in council fleets.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• proud to see willoughby setting goals. let's set stretch goals too and see if we can exceed our own expectations</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's good (and motivating) to have targets to aim for.</li> </ul>	No response required	No changes recommended

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I'm delighted to see the very positive results of solar-powering the Dougherty apartments from the Victor St carpark . Why not demand ALL new private development of high rise construction use renewable energy from solar on their own sites.</li> <li>• PLEASE BUY THE BUILDING adjacent to the Chatswood Public School to give these children more water absorbent, green spaces for their playgrounds.</li> <li>• Encourage greater use of Currey Park for residents in Chatswood Town Centre high rise. Note the high use of the Civic Place centre Court Yard.</li> <li>• Ensure that AT LEAST one third of all CBD development buildings is open green space, like the west Chatswood Office developments prior to 1994. You have to stop concreting the Chatswood and St Leonards CBD's. We have a huge proble with radiant heat.</li> </ul>	<p>Council can encourage sustainable design through its sustainable design principles and BASIX. Council runs a number of workshops and provides information material on sustainable design and lifestyle.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If solar energy can achieve this purpose, council should encourage people to adopt solar energy for residential use. Corporate bodies of old high rise buildings in Artarmon area should be encouraged to attend education on switching to solar power, and get them involved in making this happen. The council should get people responsible for the project, and not just giving education and not getting any feedback on any of their suggested plans, and how to overcome problems. I mean council have to be active to push things to work.</li> <li>• I am yet to see any of your multi storey buildings fitted with solar panels or water tanks but the smaller developments are screwed to provide water tanks solar etc.</li> <li>• Council has open parking areas and sheds that could be fitted with solar panels which would also provide shelter for the cars that use them.</li> <li>• Solar access should be considered by Council when dealing with all DAs on both the subject property and surrounding properties.</li> <li>• With so many units now in Willoughby City, it would be good to have incentives available for solar power.</li> </ul>	<p>Council works with Our Energy Future, through the South Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils to promote residential solar installation and will continue to work to assist the community to install solar PV panels.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are there any plans for regional energy renewable energy generation?</li> </ul>	<p>In 2017 as part of the Northern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils we investigated the opportunity for a regional renewable solar power generator sited in the Hornsby shire. It was determined that renewable energy could be better purchased by individual councils as part of a power purchase agreement. Partly as a result of his outcome, starting 2019/20 as part of our electricity supply contract procurement we will source approximately 23% of Council demand from renewables. This agreement will last until 2030 and includes a review mechanism every three years to vary the proportion we buy.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you for giving me the opportunity of speaking to you last Monday night about the need to increase the green open space for children’s recreation and leisure activity by 70% to match the 70% increase in population forecast in your report.</li> <li>• I would like to add a statement from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Article 31 states that       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Parties recognize the right of the child to rest and leisure, to engage in play and recreational activities appropriate to the age of the child and to participate freely in cultural life and the arts.</li> <li>2. Parties shall respect and promote the right of the child to participate fully in cultural and artistic life and shall encourage the provision of appropriate and equal opportunities for cultural, artistic, recreational and leisure activity.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• WEPA recommends that Council include a strategy in this section of working with NSROC, the Local Government Association of NSW and other relevant Government authorities to develop partnerships with local private schools to allow some sharing of their sportsgrounds when not in school use.</li> </ul> <p>WEPA also recommends that when recreational uses such as golf courses and bowling greens are no longer viable the land should be considered for reallocation to new open space purposes.</p> <p>WEPA recommends that Council undertake a review of the performance, health and long-term environmental impacts of the use of artificial surfaces on these fields.</p>	<p>Taken on notice and handed over to the Community, Culture and leisure team as not strictly covered by Our Green City Plan.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I think it is great that mattresses can now be recycled and that Planet Ark has a recycling space in the City. ¶ Could rainwater tanks be installed near toilet blocks for use with flushing the toilets?</li> </ul>	<p>Yes. Provided the correct conditions exist to harvest roof water for use at toilet blocks, Council engages in this water efficiency solution. Council has number of rainwater tanks servicing bathrooms, Northbridge Baths, Warners Park Centre, Castlecrag Library and even use harvested water to fill the pool at Willoughby Leisure Centre.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I noted in a recent D.A. Where the applicant applied to remove an out building of a existing w.c. and laundry they were required to provide a water tank, this was at great cost when their aim was to provide more space for garden.in a small semi-detached building but more importantly they were not required to provide a silt pit for the paved area, which was far more important to prevent the silting up of the waterways and Middle Harbour</li> </ul>	<p>Silt pits and rain water tanks are both very important additions to your home that have benefits to our sustainable future. Slimline water tanks can reduce the footprint in a constrained area and provide alternative water supply to your garden. Council's DCP has been updated to include targets for water sensitive design, which adopts natural systems to collect and treat water runoff from developments.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gardeners (private and commercial) who blow their leaves off their properties only neighbours or roads don't help the stormwater system.</li> </ul>	<p>Taken on notice with Rangers informed to take action if necessary.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A) Water quality: there are a number of problems 1. The sewerage system is over taxed due to the increase in population. The pipes installed around 1910 or 1920 are old and defective and located within or beside creeks and thus leak or surcharge into the waterways 2. Continual illegal washing of Carson the streets or in underground car parks 3. Complete lack of silt are storms from paved areas and roadways 4. Littering 5. Contractors and residents blowing or sweeping litter or vegetation into street gutters or drains. 6. Follow the procedures as set out in the Groundwater manual for Local Government produced by Sydney Coastal Council Group. 7. The banks of waterways are not being protected and are being eroded by increased stormwater from paved areas and large buildings with additional sediments taken to the harbour.</li> </ul> <p>The Council will need to address these matters by</p>	<p>Willoughby City Council has been working hard to increase the protection of our waterways. These include; working with Sydney Water to address sewerage overflows, Council compliance officers focusing their efforts on identifying illegal pollution events, which include sewerage and storm water surveillance and testing to identify pollution hotspots for illegal activity. Council are also in the process of a 4-year Gross Pollutant Trap renewal, which will include new and improved Gross Pollutant Traps, creek works and silt traps, with these efforts focused on improving our LGA waterways and middle harbour. In conjunction with these efforts, we have begun a new project focused on targeted pollution reduction at the source which includes litter, industrial waste, food preparation waste and we will take on your suggestion and review how we can reduce and mitigate resident vegetation waste.¶¶Council worked with a consultancy over a one-year period to develop reasonable yet ambitious targets based on best available data, technology, policy drivers, legislation and Council's sphere of influence. The targets developed are the result of analysis which included review of other</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>

policing and education. Which currently is not being done.

B. Noxious and environmental weeds: there is no mention in target 3 of the control of noxious and environmental weeds on both public and private properties The State Government and your Council has allowed for years that these weed allow to remain and spread. Moth vine, pampas grass, lantana, blackberry, sticky weed and Rhus trees have been growing on main roads, railway land, has the Council demanded a management plan from the Government....NO! I have seen pampas grass growing on the nature strips and the practice of leaving lantana to protect small birds instead of planting natives to achieve the same aim without the spread of lantana seeds.

Does Council have a noxious weeds officer? No....Why not? Has there been a survey of the existence of noxious or environmental weeds....No ....Why not?

C. Air monitoring: How can you monitor air quality when there is no longer a air monitoring station. What happen to the A.M. Station, the first to be installed by a Local Council in NSW and located in the park between the railway and Council's office?

D. Noise monitoring:  
This Council needs to provide a background noise level map of the area. That is, BG noise readings taken throughout the area, at regular intervals and during various hours of the day and night as a base monitoring survey, then a check of these locations every 5 years to establish any background creep that residents are experiencing. This is the only way to ensure and improve the health of the area.

Local Government strategies, which demonstrated that the targets proposed are leading and ambitious, but wholly reachable with the right set of technical installations, policy drivers and community engagement. Please get in touch with Council if you would like to review the full working document.

<p>E. I note the there is nothing mention on EMR. I would have thought that Willoughby with No less then three tv towers, high voltage underground power lines, electoral substations and hundreds of communication towers that your Council would have carried out a EMR survey throughout your area to ensure the safety of your population.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water is a natural resource and with current trends of taking more out, compared to putting water in dams, it should be preserved and used more effectively</li> </ul>	<p>Council worked with a consultancy over a one-year period to develop reasonable yet ambitious targets based on best available data, technology, policy drivers, legislation and Council's sphere of influence. The targets developed are the result of analysis which included review of other Local Government strategies, which demonstrated that the targets proposed are leading and ambitious, but wholly reachable with the right set of technical installations, policy drivers and community engagement. Please get in touch with Council if you would like to review the full working document.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Water usage doesn't distinguish between recycled and stormwater vs normal reticulated supply. An overall reduction in water use, coupled with increasing % of reclaimed water would have a greater overall impact.</li> </ul> <p>I also think your renewable energy objectives and per capita waste reduction targets seem low. Its hard to get inspired by a 1% reduction in waste generation over the next 3 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ease of access to a waste drop centre is key for recycling difficult items such as e-waste and chemicals.</li> </ul>	<p>Council worked with a consultancy over a one-year period to develop reasonable yet ambitious targets based on best available data, technology, policy drivers, legislation and Council's sphere of influence. The targets developed are the result of analysis which included review of other Local Government strategies, which demonstrated that the targets proposed are leading and ambitious, but wholly reachable with the right set of technical installations, policy drivers and community engagement. Please get in touch with Council if you would like to review the full working document.</p>	<p>No changes recommended</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>And if you have a pool? I do not think that it is reasonable to mandate a reduction in water by residents, use when it is the weather that determines how much water is needed to keep the plants alive.</li> </ul> <p>Also mandating water usage per household does not take</p>	<p>Council's water reduction targets do not account for individual circumstances.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>

<p>into account whether you have guests or the grandchildren are over etc etc</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I do not know how much water council operations use per year but sustainable water storage is my solution. For playing fields, catching water off changing facilities and covered viewing stands would be preferable. Surely you should be fining 100% of illegal dumping in Willoughby, and in serious cases a jail term as punishment.</li> <li>• Demanding take away food sources use 100% cardboard packaging.</li> <li>• Confiscating shopping trolleys left in the streets from shops that encourage their use and do not make daily arrangement retrieve EVERY trolley within 24 hours.</li> </ul>	<p>Council agrees with your solution. Harvested water is an important part of our water strategy, along with making our water usage more efficient. Where practically achievable, Council have completed many water harvesting solutions and have more planned for the future to be used for irrigation, toilet blocks, topping up swimming pools and have another planned for 2019/20.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Go for 25% of illegal dumping.</li> <li>• Greater use of recycled water usage in Council ovals and parks.</li> </ul>	<p>Council is restricted by State targets for waste reduction. Council already uses recycled water and will work on a number of projects to increase this over the next 5 years.</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WEPA recommends that this section of the Plan include strategies for a strong response to the Beaches Link tunnel plan to dredge Middle Harbour and pollute local waterways.</li> </ul>	<p>Council has developed a position on the tunnel however no Environmental Impact Statement has been prepared by RMS therefore WCC has not yet got the information to investigate and respond</p>	<p>No changes recommended.</p>