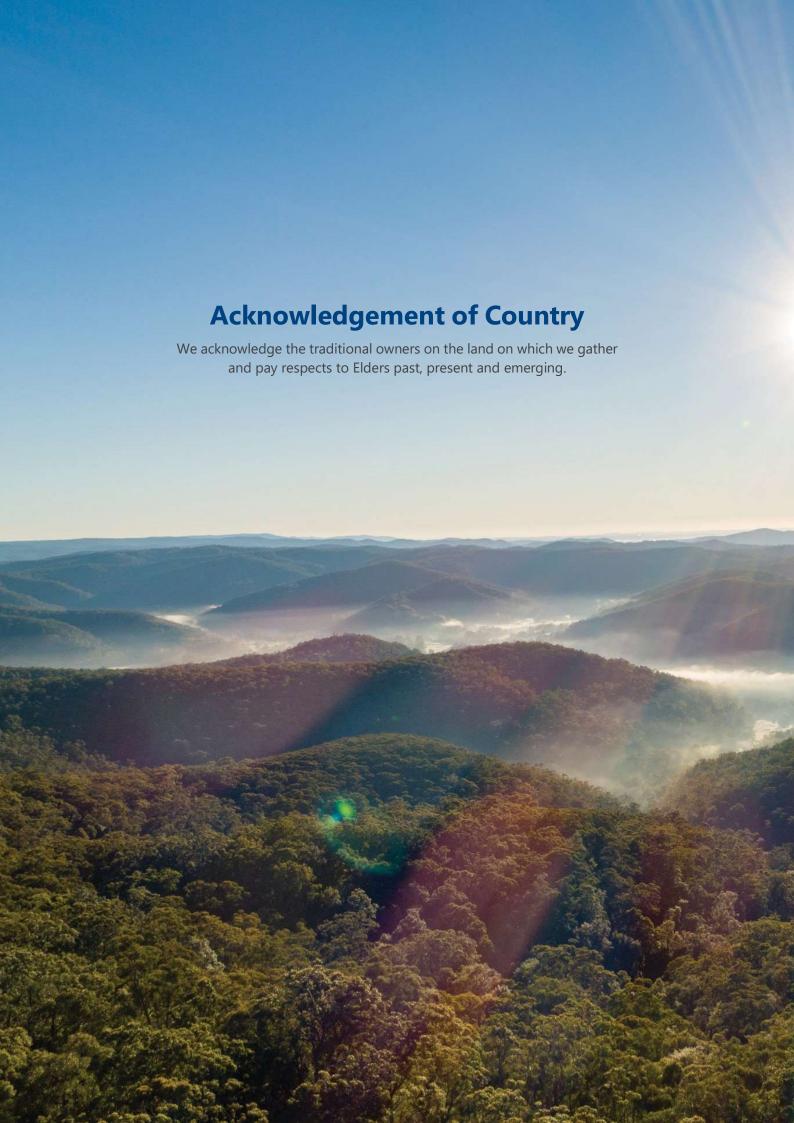


Central Coast Council - Water and Sewer

July – December 2022

Delivering trusted water and sewer services for our community

Central Coast Council





Director's Message

Last October, I was very pleased to publish Central Coast Council Water and Sewer's (CCC Water) Delivery Plan 2022-26 that outlined how the actions included in our IPART submission will be delivered over the four-year determination period.

As part of our ongoing commitment to building credibility with our community, we also promised to regularly 'check in' with our customers, to let them know what progress has been made.

This Delivery Plan Progress Report is the first in what will be a series of bi-annual updates that tracks our 'progress against plan' and gives our customers the reassurance that we are delivering what we promised.

Our key focus areas cover:

- stronger accountability to our community
- ongoing engagement with our customers and community to better understand values and priorities and
- improvements to our asset and project management framework.

We are grateful for the opportunity to continue to serve our customers and community and contribute to the growth, quality of life and environmental beauty of the Central Coast.

Jamie Loader



Our Vision

To be a trusted service provider for the Central Coast community and place our customers at the centre of everything we do.

Our Purpose

To provide water and sewer services that preserve our environment and maintain the liveability and health of the Central Coast community.



To improve CCC Water's accountability to our community, we will be open and transparent and share information that is relevant. We will engage our community and understand what they value and embed those values into our service delivery.

In addition, we will provide information that is timely, focused, and simple to understand. We will build a platform that makes it easy for our community to engage us, find important information quickly, as well as providing knowledge and education for the community to share our journey.

Commence the roll-out of our Accountability Strategy by:

- Publishing a Water and Sewer Performance Report that shows our performance against key metrics
- Publishing our Delivery Plan

Ask our customers what future reporting they want, in what format and how frequently they want it provided Publish a 'customer-defined' Water and Sewer Performance Report for 2023 Create a webpage that is dedicated to water and sewer services and functions

- Update and expand information on our website including outages, emergency works, events, environmental outcomes, educational materials, sampling results and expenditure performance
- Annual review of performance reporting continue to provide information that is important to you
- Publish a 'customer-defined' Performance Report for 2024

Annual review of performance reporting - continue to provide information that is important to you

- Publish a 'customer-defined' Performance Report for 2025
- Evaluate our delivery on the Accountability Strategy to measure our success



CCC Water will put our customers at the centre of everything we do. We will actively engage, inform, and educate our community and establish our commitment through a customer charter. We will focus on customer experience and understand a customer's journey in resolving issues and complaints.

We will also engage with key stakeholders and build partnerships that assist with our regulatory and environmental obligations.

FAR 1

- Ask our customers what type of information is important to them including levels of service and response times, what they value in relation to the services we provide, both short and long term
- Gauge what our community understands about shared rights and responsibilities
- Strengthen relationships with our regulators, local representatives, indigenous communities and other stakeholders

EAR 2

- Delivery of a Customer Charter that show our commitments to our community
- Refine our Complaints Management framework to make it easier to engage with us
- Re-engage with our community to test if what you value has changed
- Provide information on our improvement plans and how we're delivering on our commitments
- Establish a customer reference group

EAR 3

- ☐ Engage with our customer reference group to test if community's values have changed
- Use the community values to guide the expenditure on our assets for the next IPART pricing proposal
- Conduct a customer satisfaction survey

EAR 4

- Engage with our customer reference group to re-test our community's values
- ☐ Conduct a customer satisfaction survey



CCC Water will implement the recommendations made by IPART in the 'Improving Performance' Information Paper. In addition, implement asset management and project management strategies that ensure that the assets provide maximum value and meet our customers' needs, now and into the future.

Ongoing completion of assets condition, risk and criticality assessments

Review progress against Asset Management Improvement Plan

Continuous improvement of inspection and preventative maintenance schedules

Progress against Plan

ACCOUNTABILITY PHASE 1

Performance measures for 2017-2022

Finish date	Status	Comments
30/09/2022	Completed	Initial Performance Report was published on Central Coast Council website.
		Future Performance Reports will be developed following
		consultation with our
		community.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PHASE 1

What will be delivered	Finish date	Status	Comments
Community Engagement			
Develop engagement program including: Identify the audience and ensure diversity in demographics Develop engagement methods Implement and report on engagement activities and outcomes	05/12/2022	Completed	Consultant has been engaged to assist with program. Recruitment of community members is currently underway. Engagement methods we will use include phone surveys, targeted forums and in-depth consultation with 'hard to reach' groups. Forums are scheduled for March and May.
Engagement to include workshops/reference groups to inform	30/05/2023	On track	Content for forums and surveys has been defined.
Values and outcomes in relation to: • Clean drinking water			The outcomes from these will inform:
 Good flow of water at tap 			1. What our customers
Water security			value
Value for money			Development of a Customer Charter
 A positive customer experience 			3. What our customers want us to report on, the
Environmental management			frequency and format of
 Protecting our waterways 			performance reporting.
Responsive			
Reliable services			
• Other			
 Customer Charter in relation to: Understanding shared rights and responsibilities 	30/05/2023	On track	
 Agreement on performance standards and response times 			
 Complaints data (response times, resolution times, number per 1000 properties, percentage resolved) 			
Explore key themes in proposed Charter			
Gauge community feedback in relation to service levels			

Survey of additional performance measures Geographical information Event information and reasons for issue Reasons for change in water quality (colour/quality/taste/odour) Stormwater – blocked, location and priority plan Stormwater blockage per 1000 properties Stormwater locations or works done (ward/postcode) Priority improvement plan (focus areas for water, drainage including timeframes and future proofing) Financial indicators – rate comparison, employee breakdown Consumption by comparison (households) Better signage for overflows Rate of net debt to equity Inflation with rate increases Water pressure complaints/failures per 1000 properties Properties with more than a specified number of unplanned interruption (HWC license) Greenhouse gas emissions	30/05/2023	On track	Options for additional performance measures will be included in the community forums, including discussion on IPART suggestions. Content and presentations have been defined.
Central Coast Council Water and Sewer Masterplan Water planning resource planning - what's important to water and sewer network performance Un-serviced properties to be serviced (targeted group) Testing if water resource planning outcomes are still relevant to Water and Sewer treatment and network planning	30/05/2023	On track	Masterplan engagement is included in the community forums. Content, presentations and discussion points have been defined.

Finish date

Status

Comments

What will be delivered

CUSTOMER CHARTER

Finish date

Status

Comments

What will be delivered

Preparing the Water and Sewer Customer Charter			
 Insert Central Coast Council's metrics into Water and Sewer charter based on engagement process 	30/07/2023	Planning	Included in community forums.
Prepare draft of customer charter			Input from our customers
Circulate customer charter for review			will form the basis of a
Obtain feedback and update charter accordingly			Water and Sewer Customer
 Gauge community feedback in relation to water and sewer in relation to: 			Charter.
 Understanding shared rights and responsibilities 			
Water quality			
 Removal of sewerage from property 			
Meter replacements			
Environmental obligations			
Customer service standards			
Service level standards/performance measures			
Price list			
Financial hardship			
 Customers with special needs 			
Publish a Customer Charter for water and sewer			

ASSET MANAGEMENT

What will be delivered	Finish date	Status	Comments
Asset Management Improvement • Finalise asset management plans/strategies for each asset class	30/06/2025	On track	Asset management has commenced and is underway.
 Asset management maturity assessment and improvement plan 			
 Report progress against asset management improvement plans 			
Asset Management Assessment Improvements Continually assess and identify poor condition assets and systems (Incl. 10 and 30 year works plans) Undertake site wide condition audit of Somersby Water Treatment Plant Undertake site wide condition audit of Mardi Water	30/03/2027	Planning	Planning underway for Somersby. Pipeline contract been awarded. Planning for tunnels underway.
 Treatment Plant Establish new and implement period contract for pressure pipeline condition assessment 			
Complete planned condition assessment of major tunnels and outfalls			
Asset Lifecycle	30/07/2027	Planning	Ongoing
 Establish and maintain consistent standards and specifications to deliver and manage asset lifecycle 			
Sewer pump stations			
Water pump stations			
Linear assetsSewage treatment plants			
Water treatment plants			
Electrical and instrumentation			
Monitoring business case implementation	30/06/2026	On track	Ongoing
Bushfire management			
Catchment management			
Sewage treatment plant improvements			
Benthic studies at the outfalls			
• Dam safety			
Effective data management for water quality results			
Building water resilience			
 Building effective preventative management strategies and work plans for our assets 			
 Increasing the frequency of inspections on water and sewer mains 			
Increasing the frequency of our mains flushing program			
Improved Project Initiation	30/06/2023	Completed	A Capital Approval and Review Committee has been established that will conduct monthly reviews of water and sewer projects (current and future).



