



SOUTHERN DOWNS REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Dear Councillors

Your attendance is hereby requested at the Special Meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Southern Downs Regional Council, 64 Fitzroy Street, Warwick on **Monday, 7 November 2016** at **1.00PM**.

Notice is hereby given of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

David Keenan

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3 November 2016

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 Southern Downs REGIONAL COUNCIL	Report To: Special Council Meeting	
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Recommendation

THAT Council adopt the Annual Report for Southern Downs Regional Council for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

Report

Section 182 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* stipulates that local governments must prepare and adopt an Annual Report within 1 month after the day the Auditor-General gives the audit report about the Local Government's financial statements for the financial year to the Local Government. The various requirements for the report contents are included within the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

In accordance with section 183 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the report contains:

- (a) The general purpose financial statement for the financial year, audited by the auditor-general; and
- (b) The current-year financial sustainability statement for the financial year, audited by the auditor-general; and
- (c) The long-term financial sustainability statement for the financial year; and
- (d) The auditor-general's audit reports about the general purpose financial statement and the current-year financial sustainability statement.

The report also contains the Community Financial Report (section 184 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*) and all other legislative requirements. Graphic design has been completed in-house by Council staff to result in a comprehensive and professional report.

Due to the size of the report a copy will be available on S:\Councillor\Annual Report 1516

Budget Implications

The design, photographic work and production of the Annual Report has been undertaken internally. The costs for the preparation and audit of the financial statements are allocated under another budget and are included in the Report.

Policy Consideration

Corporate Plan 2014-2019 (revised edition) 'The Southern Downs Sense of Community' and section 1.9 'Continue to develop and extend Council's public consultation processes'.

Community Engagement

Nil

Legislation/Local Law

Section 182 (1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* stipulates that local governments must prepare and adopt an Annual Report.

Sections 182 to 190 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and sections 41, 45 and 201 of the *Local Government Act 2009* outline the required contents of the Annual Report.

Options

1. Adopt the SDRC Annual Report for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.
2. Do not adopt the SDRC Annual Report and write to the Minister requesting approval for an extension of time as required by the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, section 182 (2). Council must adopt the annual report within 1 month after the day the Auditor-General provides the auditor-general's audit report about the Local Government's financial statements.

Attachments

1. Draft Annual Report 2015/2016 under separate cover [View](#)