



KEMPSEY
Shire Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

12th December 2006

NOM2	CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN AND 2007 - 2008 BUDGET
FILE: 339 CLR JHB	{Folio No. *}

I hereby give notice that I intend to move the following motion at the Ordinary meeting of Kempsey Shire Council to be held on Tuesday, 12th December 2006.

"That an Extraordinary meeting of Council be arranged for January 2007 to consider the impacts of the Position Paper and Options Paper released by the Minister for Local Government, the Hon. Kerry Hickey MP bearing in mind the preparation of the 2007/2008 budget."

NOTE:

Council has conducted a series of community consultation workshops to review the Corporate Strategic Plan and the 10 Year Financial Plan with submissions invited by 19 January 2007.

The Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Kerry Hickey, MP has forwarded a Position Paper – A New Direction For Local Government and an Options Paper on Integrated Planning and Reporting for NSW Local Councils.

The latter document states – "The purpose of the Plan is to identify the community's main priorities and expectations", whilst the former states – "Neither the community in general nor other tiers of government are satisfied that local councils are as efficient and effective as they could be in providing their services."

It is noted that both papers are being reviewed by Manex with feedback required by 31 January 2007.

It is essential for Council to provide direction to management in: -

- Determining priorities of services expected by the community
- Ensuring an Ecologically sustainable Development Strategy is implemented.
- Supporting the provision of funding for Strategic Planning.

After consideration of efficiencies identified over the first six months of the 2006/2007 financial year, the availability of grant funding, increased revenue, the benefits of resource sharing and sale of assets, the matter of a general rate increase may be required.

This decision must be resolved to allow community consultation prior to the submission to the Minister.

MOTION IMPLICATIONS:

- *Environmental*

Impact on issues relating the future development within the Shire.

- *Social*

Consideration of communities' expectations of Council in the provision of services.

- *Economic (Financial)*

Impact on preparation of Draft 2007 / 2008 Budget and cost of Extraordinary Council meeting \$2,000.

- *Policy or Statutory*

Nil

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COUNCILLOR J H BOWELL