WARATAH-WYNYARD COUNCIL

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

1. SCOPE

1.1 This Policy applies to all Councillors, employees, volunteers and representatives of the Waratah-Wynyard Council.

2. PURPOSE

2.1 To provide a commitment to organisation-wide risk management principles, systems and processes that ensures consistent, efficient and effective assessment of risk in all planning, decision making and operational processes. Risk Management is the responsibility of all stakeholders and our aim is to ensure that Risk is integrated into all our management systems and core operations so that it becomes an integral part of our culture.

3. POLICY STATEMENT

3.1 Waratah-Wynyard Council has developed and reviews an effective risk management framework and process to mitigate potential negative outcomes and to better realise sustainable opportunities present in the organisation’s operations. Waratah-Wynyard Council applies the risk management process as part of strategic planning to facilitate more effective problem solving, decision making and service delivery.

3.2 Waratah-Wynyard Council:

(a) Recognises risk management as an integral part of good management practice and decision making;
(b) Creates and maintains a risk management environment that enables Council to deliver high quality services and meet performance objectives in line with our principle of seeking continuous improvement;
(c) Ensures resources and operational capabilities are identified and deployed responsibly and effectively. Resources include the staffing for the risk management team and related work areas, computer based systems, documentation, tools and access to external risk management specialists; and
(d) Demonstrates the application of the risk management process of identifying, analysing, evaluating and treating risks, as detailed in the Risk Management Standard, AS/NZS ISO 31000:2009 in the Risk Management Framework.

Legislative Requirements

AS/NZ ISO 31000:2009 Risk Management
Work Health and Safety Act 2012
Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012

Related Procedures/Guidelines
Risk Management Framework
Strategic Risk Register
Operational Risk Register