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Cockburn meets more than 97% of Sustainability KPIs

If you've swum at Cockburn ARC, enjoyed Bibra Lake Regional Playground or received a new garden waste bin, you've benefitted from the City of Cockburn's concerted effort to make our community more sustainable.

Evidence of Cockburn's dedication to sustainability for future generations is overwhelming in the City's 2016-17 State of Sustainability Report.

The City's seventh annual report shows that more than 97 per cent of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) were either completed or significantly progressed during the 2016-17 financial year.

The report details results from the key areas of **Governance**, **Economy**, **Environment** and **Society** with only two of the 77 KPIs not progressed, due to changes in internal funding or human resources.

CEO Stephen Cain said the report was a remarkable demonstration of aspirations that had become realities and how new targets always needed to be set, progressed and then met.

"From a Governance perspective, having all the initiatives in progress and with more than 87 per cent completed, demonstrates the City's high level of organisational commitment to being more sustainable," Mr Cain said.

In the area of **Governance**, while 87 per cent of KPIs were achieved, the remaining 13 per cent were significantly progressed.

Highlights:

- Updated tender requirements to enable higher rates of social procurement to support not-for-profits and organisations providing disability support
- Increased cycling opportunities in the City through the completion of the Bike and Walk Cockburn Plan 2016-2021
- Adopted the Lakes Revitalisation Strategy



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- Implemented a paperless system for planning applications.

In the area of **Economy**, 100 per cent of KPIs were achieved.

Highlights:

- Secured partnerships with Curtin University at Cockburn Integrated Health and Cockburn ARC
- Opened Bibra Lake Regional Playground
- Completed a concept plan for Cockburn Wetland Precinct
- Co-funded Melville Cockburn Chamber of Commerce and Business Foundations to support local small business.

In the area of **Environment**, 41 per cent of 17 KPIs were achieved with 47 per cent significantly progressed.

Highlights:

- Delivered 4,500 Garden Waste Bins in Hamilton Hill and Leeming
- Maintained a Zero Emissions fleet
- Installed geothermal heating at Cockburn ARC, ready for operation in 2017-18
- Installed a 900kW solar system - one of WA's largest rooftop PV systems – at Cockburn ARC
- Delivered more than 50 environmental and sustainability events including Get Wild about Wetlands and the Salty Fest
- Revegetated 2ha of degraded land with 32,380 plants.

In the area of **Society**, 90 per cent of the 21 KPIs were achieved with the remainder significantly progressed.

Highlights:

- Opening Cockburn ARC
- Installed CCTV at Cockburn Central, the new Operations and Animal Management Facility and Port Coogee Marina



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- Delivered 16 diverse community events including eight for youth, three for NAIDOC, Celebrate Ability, Teddy Bears Picnic, Harmony Day and Reconciliation Week
- Allocated \$400,000 for new footpaths to encourage walking and cycling.

The City of Cockburn has also endorsed its Sustainability Strategy 2017–2022 and Sustainability Policy.

To access the full report, go to www.cockburn.wa.gov.au and search under Sustainability Reporting.

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