



Theme 6 – Environmental Sustainability

Our objectives and strategies

6.1 We will achieve net zero emissions

- 6.1.1 Investment in renewable energy opportunities are encouraged and supported
- 6.1.2 Council buildings and facilities are energy efficient and utilise renewable energy supplies
- 6.1.3 Alternative modes of transport are encouraged
- 6.1.4 Existing and new development is sustainable and efficiently uses resources

6.2 We recognise and plan for the impacts of climate change

- 6.2.1 The impacts of climate change are addressed with our community through identification and collaboration across all levels of government
- 6.2.2 Water supply is provided efficiently and sustainably to our community
- 6.2.3 Waste management processes adopt innovative and advanced technology to reduce our environmental footprint and impact on the environment
- 6.2.4 Our community is educated and encouraged to adopt sustainable practices in their daily activities
- 6.2.5 We work with our community and partners to become more sustainable

6.3 Land use management sustains and improves the built and natural environment

- 6.3.1 The quality of the Macquarie, Talbragar and Bell river corridors is enhanced
- 6.3.2 Urban stormwater discharge from the drainage network into receiving waters is limited
- 6.3.3 Rural land managers are encouraged to promote sustainable agricultural and land management practices
- 6.3.4 Endangered ecological communities, threatened species and environmental assets are protected

6.4 Our community is prepared for natural events and disasters

- 6.4.1 People and property are protected from fire-related incidents
- 6.4.2 Development does not place the community at risk from flood impacts
- 6.4.3 Local emergency management organisations and local State Emergency Services are capable of responding to emergencies

What do you think?

Do these Strategies adequately cover the current environmental issues in the region?

How can we respond to climate change?

How can we protect environmental catchments and habitats?

Are there any other issues you think this Theme needs to address?