

## BACKGROUND

Council is the custodian of numerous facilities across the Wollongong Local Government Area, which it is required to maintain and manage on behalf of the community. Council considers that the most effective use of community facilities is through maximising the use of these facilities by the local community.

## OBJECTIVE

The main objective of this policy is to maximise the use of community facilities and reduce the net cost to Council associated with their maintenance and operation.

## POLICY STATEMENT

- 1 Where appropriate, Council will transfer the day-to-day management of community halls, community centres, senior citizens centres and neighbourhood centres to community based organisations for the purposes of conducting their activities. The occupant community organisation is to make the premises available for use/hire by the general public when not being used by the organisation.
- 2 Council will dispose of community premises that are no longer required for general community use.
- 3 Council will undertake the day-to-day management of community halls, community centres, senior citizens centres and neighbourhood centres that are not allocated to community based organisations.

## STATEMENT OF PROCEDURES

There are no procedures for this policy.

### SUMMARY SHEET

Responsible Division	Library and Community Services
Date adopted by Council	17 July 2017
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Responsible Manager	Branch Libraries and Community Facilities Manager
Authorised by	Manager Library and Community Services