



Castlereagh Macquarie County Council

Asset Management Plan

2026/27 to 2035/36

Prepared in accordance with the provisions contained in the Local Government Act 1993

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Overview

Castlereagh Macquarie County Council assets presently consist of the operational vehicles and plant used by staff on a day to day basis. Apart from owning the freehold of depots at Coonamble, Lightning Ridge and Coonabarabran and depot buildings constructed on reserves/leasehold land at the outlying centres of Warren, Walgett and Gilgandra, Council has no other fixed assets in regards to buildings or other infrastructure.

Vehicles

Council currently maintains a fleet of six (6) vehicles. The Council's strategy in the past has been to replace these vehicles regularly in order to minimise maintenance costs and maximise trade in values. This practice was re-introduced from 1 July, 2013. The annual plant replacement program is funded from the operational budget via the changeover cost being in line with annual depreciation value of the vehicles and the Plant Replacement Reserve should fund unexpected changeovers exceeding budget estimates.

Spray Equipment

Council has six (6) vehicle mounted Quick Spray units. Council's policy in the past had been to replace these units every five (5) years on a rotational basis which allowed Council to maximise the resale value of these units. Council found that since this replacement program had been in place, that there had been a strong demand for these units.

Council's other major plant assets are one (1) John Deere Gator.

Depreciation

Depreciation of Castlereagh Macquarie County Council's plant and equipment is calculated using the straight line method in order to allocate an assets cost (net of residual values) over its estimated useful life

Estimated useful lives for Castlereagh Macquarie County Council plant and equipment include:

-Office Equipment	5 to 10 years
-Office Furniture	10 to 20 years
- Computer Equipment	3 to 5 years
-Vehicles and equipment	5 to 8 years
-Other Plant and Equipment	5 to 15 years

Asset Management Policy

The Castlereagh Macquarie County Council Asset Management Policy is attached as Appendix A.

Asset Replacement Plan

Projected Asset Replacement Program 2026/2027 to 2035/36 (Net Values)

1. Purchases

Purchases	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2029-29	2029-30	2030-31	2031-32	2032-33	2033-34	2034-35	2035-36
Spay Units			19,000					19,000			38,000
Vehicles	112,000	115,000		115,000	118,000	120,000	123,000	25,000	127,000	129,000	132,000
Computers	15,000	15,000					18,000	18,000			
Total Purchases (\$'000)	127,000	130,000	19,000	115,000	118,000	120,000	141,000	62,000	127,000	129,000	170,000

2. Sales

Sales	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2029-29	2029-30	2030-31	2031-32	2032-33	2033-34	2034-35	2035-36
Motor Vehicles	61,000	62,000		64,000	65,000	66,000	67,000	8,000	69,000	70,000	71,000
Spray rigs			10,000					10,000			
Total Sales	61,000	62,000	10,000	64,000	65,000	66,000	67,000	18,000	69,000	70,000	71,000



ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY

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Asset Management Policy

OVERVIEW

The Castlereagh Macquarie County Council's assets presently consist of the operational vehicles and plant used by staff on a day to day basis. Other than buildings at Depots at outlying centres Council has no other fixed assets or other infrastructure.

POLICY OBJECTIVES

This policy provides the overall framework to guide the sustainable management of Council's asset portfolio.

POLICY STATEMENT

To ensure effective asset management, Council will endeavour to:

- Utilise assets to their fullest potential to maximise usage and economic performance.
- Ensure that asset renewal, disposal, upgrade or new asset provision is carried out in accordance with the adopted resourcing strategy that includes demonstrated need, life cycle costing, alternative modes of delivery and sustainability.
- Ensure asset management practices conform to legislative requirements and reflect best practice in the industry.
- Ensure that all asset purchase, maintenance, rehabilitation and replacement shall be guided by Council's Asset Management Plans and annual budgetary process.
- Assets meet specifications and quality standards; and
- Assets meet requirements for public safety, WH&S and maintainability.

POLICY REFERENCE (E.G. LEGISLATION, RELATED DOCUMENTS)

Local Government Act 1993

Local Government (General) Regulation 2021

CMCC Business Activity Strategic Plan 2025/26 to 2034/35

Responsible Officer

General Manager