Council

POLICY REVIEW - TOURISM

Tourism Policy with amendments

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POLICY NO: CE/ED/1

FORMER POLICY NO

TOURISM POLICY

DIVISION

BUSINESS UNIT

RESPONSIBILITY AREA

CEO

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Economic Development

OBJECTIVE

The Council will in relation to tourism in the Shire of Plantagenet:

- a) Recognise tourism as a social and economic force and as a major or potential major employer within the diverse economy of the Shire of Plantagenet and the Great Southern.
- b) Foster and create community awareness of the benefits of tourism within the Plantagenet district.
- c) AssistGuide and influence the development of tourism in the Plantagenet district and on a regional level.
 - d) Provide the infrastructure sufficient to encourage development.
 - e) Ensure that facilities within the Plantagenet area are adequate to cater for visitors.

POLICY

To achieve these objectives the Council will:

- 1. Recognise the importance of <u>working with</u> our Regional Affiliations with the South Coast Alliance (Inc), Southern Link Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils and Hidden Treasures as a means to further develop tourism as an economic <u>driverforce</u>.
- 2. Assist to foster and create a community awareness of the role and value of tourism within the Great Southern.
- 3. Retain membership of Australia's South West to at least Affiliate level.
- 4. Recognise the value of working with other peak tourism organisations both government and industry bases.
- 35. Assist with the provision of facilities to encourage destination and day trip visitors including infrastructure provision, land use planning, traffic management, environmental protection, recreation and leisure planning.
- 64. Encourage (financially or by other means) tourist organisations or events which have the potential to develop tourism in the Plantagenet region. and create a non-exclusive benefit.

- | 7<u>5</u>. Provide an adequate budget allocation for tourism expenditure (District and Area Promotion).
- 86. In the formulation and review of its planning instruments, take into consideration policies on tourism and other leisure related issues, and requirements of tourism development.
- 97. Ensure the welfare of the whole community when supporting tourism development and the provision of facilities.
 - 10. Ensure that where sensitive environmental, historic or cultural areas exist on Council managed land, these areas will be adequately protected in relation to development or usage.

11. Support:

- a) the establishment of sustainable and viable National Parks.
- b) enhancement of specific natural features.
- c) conservation areas of outstanding beauty; and
- d) recognition of items of heritage significance.
- 12. Complement and/or enhance individual company effort in product development through local government services, planning and regulation, co-funding and representational means.

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