



<b>POLICY NUMBER</b>	-	<b>2.2</b>
<b>POLICY SUBJECT</b>	-	<b>Plant and Fleet Replacement</b>

### **1. PURPOSE**

To provide clear guidelines relating to the replacement period for Council's plant and vehicle fleet.

### **2. Objective**

To ensure that the Shire maintains a plant and vehicle fleet that is efficient and safe, with replacement occurring at time intervals delivering the lowest whole of life cost.

### **3. POLICY STATEMENT**

1. The Council shall be presented, each year, with an updated draft of the 10 Year Plant Replacement Program for Council's consideration and adoption.
2. The first year of the Plant Replacement Program shall constitute the draft program for consideration in that year's draft budget document.
3. The annual consideration of plant and vehicle replacement shall ensure that the Shire's fleet of plant and vehicles are applicable to meet the Shire's budgeted construction and maintenance programs for all assets. This shall also involve consideration of new technology, process and materials as well as the ongoing balance of the Shire's ownership versus external hire.
4. Shire officers shall make all efforts to rationalise and minimise the funding requirements for plant and vehicle replacement while still aiming to provide the best quality, most effective fleets at the lowest whole of life cost.
5. Plant and vehicle fleet purchases are to be structured around a replacement program intended to maintain consistent annual expenditure, avoiding excessive or insufficient levels in the Plant Replacement Reserve.
6. Shire officers shall maximise utilisation of fleet and vehicles through relocation, reallocation and consider disposal of underutilised plant and vehicles.

7. As a general guide the Plant Replacement Program provides for the following changeover:

Plant Type	Replacement - Years
Tractor	10 years
Grader	8 years
Roller	8 years
Loader – Heavy	8 years
Backhoe/Loader	8 years
Skid Steer	7 years
Excavator	7 years
Water Truck	7 years
Mower / Gator	5 - 6 years
Trucks – Heavy	5 - 7 years
Trucks – Light	5 - 7 years
Passenger Vehicles - Utes	60,000 km or 2 years
Plant attachment – various	As needed
Plant Trailer	As needed

#### 4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

##### Executive Managers:

- To ensure compliance with this policy.

#### 5. MONITOR AND REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed every 2 years.

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