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Council discussing proposed works and services for 2010/2011

Shoalhaven City Council will hold the second public meeting to discuss the draft Operation Plan and Delivery Program for the next financial year on Monday 17 May in the Nowra Administration Centre.

As part of the Operational Plan Council has proposed its rates and fees for 2010/2011 and other major components of its budget including the General Budget which shows a net operating surplus for 2010/2011 of \$6.04 million. The draft Delivery Program also outlines Council's proposed fees and charges for the 2010/2011 financial year.

Shoalhaven City Mayor Councillor Paul Green encourages all citizens to attend one of the public meetings and view the draft plans and program to ensure they have a good understanding of the programs and activities Council is planning for the next year.

"It is essential that all people understand what new and improved facilities we are planning to provide during the year and what services we are planning to provide and the associated costs," Cllr Green said. "For instance, in the forward budgets for 2011 to 2013, Council is allocating \$5.1 million for southern Shoalhaven library.

"Council is budgeting to spend \$435,000 for a skate park in the Bay and Basin area. Council has also budgeted \$1 million for the Ulladulla board walk. Council has also proposed allocation of \$1.5 million for local road repairs, \$566,000 for local kerb and guttering, and \$1.4 million for drainage works throughout the city for 2010/2011."

The draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan will be on exhibition until 2 June 2010. Two public meetings will be held to help explain the plans and program of works. These will be held on:

- Monday 17 May 2010 at 7pm at the Nowra Administrative Centre, Reception Room, Bridge Road, Nowra
- Wednesday 19 May 2010 at 7pm at the St Georges Basin Community Centre, Meriton Street, St Georges Basin

The final draft Community Strategic Plan will be on display until 2 June 2010. The draft documents will be available at Council's libraries (Nowra, Ulladulla, Sanctuary Point and the Bookmobile) and at Council's offices (Bridge Road Nowra and Deering Street Ulladulla) during opening times.

Submissions on the final draft Community Strategic Plan and the draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan can be made through Council's internet site or via email at council@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au quoting reference number 39808E. Submissions can also be made until 2 June 2010 to the General Manager, Shoalhaven City Council, PO Box 42, Nowra, 2541.

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