

ORDINARY COUNCIL

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1 Leadership and Governance

What we are trying to achieve

A community that works together in decision making that is defined as ethically, socially and environmentally responsible.

What the result will be

We will have:

- A community that has the opportunity to be involved in decision making
- Open, easy, meaningful, regular and diverse communication between the community and decision makers
- Partnerships and collaborative projects, that meet the community's expectations, needs and challenges
- Knowledgeable, skilled and connected community leaders
- Strong corporate management that is transparent

How we will get there

- 1.1 Inform and engage with the community about what Council does using varied communication channels
- 1.2 Maintain strong partnerships between all stakeholders - local, state and federal — so that they are affective advocates for the community
- 1.3 Demonstrate leadership
- 1.4 Use innovative, efficient and sustainable practices
- 1.5 Ensure strong corporate and financial management that is transparent and accountable

TAX INVOICE

Port Macquarie Hastings Council
PO Box 84
PORT MACQUARIE NSW 2444
ABN: 11236901601

Invoice Date
11 Dec 2024

Invoice Number
INV-0089

ABN
31 395 962 622

Mid North Coast Joint
Organisation
C/- P O Box 84
PORT MACQUARIE NSW
2444
AUSTRALIA

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
2024/2025 Port Macquarie Hastings Council Mid - North Coast Joint Organisation Contribution - Approved by the Board at the 6 December 2024 meeting.	1.00	25,000.00	GST Free	25,000.00
			Subtotal	25,000.00
			TOTAL AUD	25,000.00

Due Date: 30 Jan 2025

Bank account details for EFT payments:
Bank: Westpac, Port Macquarie NSW
BSB: 032-586
Account Number: 554380
Account Name: Mid North Coast Joint Organisation


PAYMENT ADVICE

To: Mid North Coast Joint Organisation
C/- P O Box 84
PORT MACQUARIE NSW 2444
AUSTRALIA

Customer Port Macquarie Hastings Council
Invoice Number INV-0089
Amount Due **25,000.00**
Due Date 30 Jan 2025

Amount Enclosed

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Dr Clare Allen
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Port Macquarie Hastings Council
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Dear Clare

Member contributions 2024/2025

At its meeting held 6 December, the MNCJO Board adopted the revised 2025 Revenue Policy. The adopted Policy's contributions from member councils were \$25,000.

The MNCJO requests payment of the attached invoice for the Port Macquarie Hastings Council 2025 member contribution.

Yours sincerely

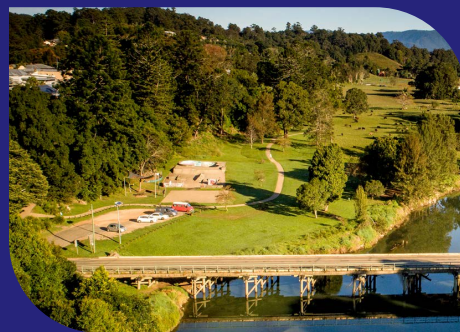
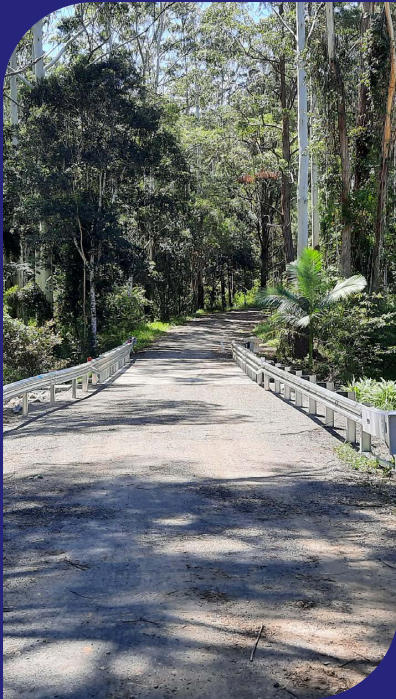
Elizabeth Fairweather
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11 December 2024

Attachment: MNCJO Invoice 0089_PMHC





Mid North Coast Joint Organisation End of Term Report 2021 -2024



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A message from the Chair

It is with pleasure that I present the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation's (MNCJO) End of Term Report (EOTR) 2021-2024.

The MNCJO was established in 2018 and comprises three member Councils - Bellingen, Kempsey and Port Macquarie-Hastings and as such, is one of the smaller Joint Organisations in NSW. This does not stop us from achieving results that far outweigh our size.

It seems the collaboration for Joint Organisations across New South Wales has gained momentum through teaming up on state-wide projects and sharing knowledge and resources.

The continued collaboration of the Joint Organisations is key to innovation, creating efficiencies and finding solutions to the challenges faced by local councils. We have and will continue to be strongly focused on achieving this and ensuring the Mid North Coast region benefits.

Following our guiding principles, the MNCJO continues to focus on a whole-of-region approach to decision making and strategic planning. The projects delivered by the MNCJO all provide regional benefits for all of the Mid North Coast Councils, both members and non-members.

I would like to acknowledge the support of the Mayors, General Managers/CEO and our Executive Officer of our Joint Organisation, as well as those in the community who are working with us to deliver the programs that we know will be of significant benefit and of lasting impact to all the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation communities.

Mayor Peta Pinson

Chair

Mid North Coast Joint Organisation





A message from the Executive Officer

In October 2023, I was engaged as a dedicated Executive Officer for the MNCJO. In the immediate past the Executive Officer role was undertaken by one of the member councils General Managers in addition to their substantive position. Although only part time, this change, has made a significant difference to the JOs operations.

Prior to the Executive Officer role, I worked for the JO as Project Manager and was successful in sourcing nearly \$1.2million in grant funding for projects, including: Disaster Risk Reduction Fund, Joint Organisation Net Zero Acceleration Fund and the Business Case Strategy Development Fund.

The State Network of Joint Organisations continues to strengthen. The much larger JOs provide significant opportunity for the MNCJO to benefit from their expertise. In particular, the opportunity to participate in projects that have a state-wide perspective. NSW State Departments are realising the benefits of utilising this collective and increasing their engagement with JOs for collaborative projects.

I'm aware and appreciative of the work that has been achieved before my term at the JO and believe this provided great grounding for the infant organisation. Therefore, it is worth noting the MNCJO and member councils worked together and with TfNSW on the resolution of difficult issues associated with the Deed for projects funded under the Fixing Country Bridges Program. This amounted to the member councils collectively receiving \$50million through this program.

The JO is well positioned to respond to overtures from the State Government to participate in projects that have a regional focus. However, I take seriously my role of providing value for member councils and their communities. I am focusing on building council networks which allow like-minded professionals the opportunity to collaborate and thus find resource savings and knowledge sharing gains for the JOs member councils that align with their strategic priorities.

Elizabeth Fairweather

Executive Officer
Mid North Coast Joint Organisation



2 Your Community Life

What we are trying to achieve

A healthy, inclusive and vibrant community.

What the result will be

We will have:

- Community hubs that provide access to services and social connections
- A safe, caring and connected community
- A healthy and active community that is supported by recreational infrastructure
- A strong community that is able to identify and address social issues
- Community participation in events, programs, festivals and activities

How we will get there

- 2.1 Create a community that feels safe
- 2.2 Advocate for social inclusion and fairness
- 2.3 Provide quality programs, community facilities and public spaces, for example, community halls, parks and vibrant town centres
- 2.4 Empower the community through encouraging active involvement in projects, volunteering and events
- 2.5 Promote a creative and culturally rich community

4 Your Natural and Built Environment

What we are trying to achieve

A connected, sustainable, accessible community and environment that is protected now and into the future.

What the result will be

We will have:

- Effective management and maintenance of essential water, waste and sewer infrastructure
- A community that is prepared for natural events and climate change
- Sustainable and environmentally sensitive development outcomes that consider the impact on the natural environment
- Accessible transport network for our communities
- Infrastructure provision and maintenance that meets community expectations and needs
- Well planned communities that are linked to encourage and manage growth
- Accessible and protected waterways, foreshores, beaches and bushlands
- An environment that is protected and conserved for future generations
- Renewable energy options that are understood and accessible by the community

How we will get there

- 4.1 Provide (appropriate) infrastructure and services including water cycle management, waste management, and sewer management
- 4.2 Aim to minimise the impact of natural events and climate change, for example, floods, bushfires and coastal erosion
- 4.3 Facilitate development that is compatible with the natural and built environment
- 4.4 Plan for integrated transport systems that help people get around and link our communities
- 4.5 Plan for integrated and connected communities across the Port Macquarie-Hastings area
- 4.6 Restore and protect natural areas
- 4.7 Provide leadership in the development of renewable energy opportunities
- 4.8 Increase awareness of issues affecting our environment, including the preservation of flora and fauna

