

# Use of Plant / Equipment Policy

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Council holds a significant capital investment in a range of plant and equipment for the sole purpose of supporting its operations. It is important that this machinery is available for Council's purposes and is maintained in good condition to enable Council's maintenance obligations to be met. Council's plant and equipment is not available for hire to Council's employees.

## Purpose

To ensure that Council maintains an inventory of plant and equipment that is relevant to its operations and only of sufficient inventory size to meet Council's needs. The inventory is not to be increased because of an obligation to hire plant and equipment to Council employees or other organisations.

## Scope

This policy is applicable to all Council plant and equipment.

## Policy Provisions

### Related Documents

A register of relevant plant and equipment shall be maintained on Council's fleet management system.

## Responsibilities

The identification of plant and equipment assets and the maintenance of the register of these assets and the position to whom it is allocated shall be the responsibility of the Manager Procurement Services. The day-to-day control of plant or equipment shall be the responsibility of the staff member that the plant or equipment is allocated to.

## Policy Content

### General Provisions

#### Hire of Plant and Equipment to Council Employees

The hire of plant and equipment to employees is not permitted. Hire action of this nature introduces additional administration as well as an unacceptable risk to Council of machine damage or loss and the possibility of the machine not being available for Council's work requirements.

Hire of this nature is readily available from competing hire organisations in Wagga Wagga.

#### Hire of Plant and Equipment to External Organisations

On occasions where specialised plant or equipment is hired to an external organisation, such as an adjoining Council, the hire shall only occur where it does not influence or delay Council's works program. The appropriate charge for the machine and operator is to be recovered for the hire.

### Definitions

Term	Definition
<b>Plant</b>	Is a machine that does not carry passengers, is powered by an internal combustion engine and or registered by the NSW Roads and Maritime Authority for use on a public road. It is not a motor vehicle.
<b>Equipment</b>	Equipment in this context is a machine or tool that is possibly electrically powered and is not registered for use on a public road.

### Revision History

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