

ITEM 7 POLICY REVIEW - ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE ON COUNCIL LAND POLICY

On 7 December 2020, Council adopted the Electric Vehicle Charging Stations on Public Land Policy. This Policy was developed to support emissions reduction in the transport sector by facilitating an increase in the availability of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI). The Policy sets out a range of principles to guide both Council and third-party providers for the establishment, operation, management and removal of EVCI in our Local Government Area. The Policy was revised and adopted again by Council on 8 May 2023 under the updated title, Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure on Council Land Policy to more accurately reflect its purpose.

The term review of the Policy has been undertaken and it has been revised to reflect updated supporting documents and changes in the policy settings from Council and other levels of government. It provides greater clarity and improves the process for establishing EVCI on Council land.

This report recommends that the revised Policy be adopted by Council.

RECOMMENDATION

The revised Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure on Council Land Policy be adopted.

REPORT AUTHORISATIONS

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ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Draft Revised Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure on Council Land Policy

ACRONYMS USED IN REPORT

Abbreviation	Meaning
CPO	Charge Point Operators
DCP	Development Control Plan
EV	Electric vehicles
EVCI	Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure
ICE	Internal Combustion Engine
LGA	Local Government Area

BACKGROUND

On 7 December 2020, Council adopted the Electric Vehicle Charging Stations on Public Land Policy to deliver on Action T3 from the Climate Change Mitigation Plan 2020-2022:

Develop and adopt an Electric Vehicle Charging Stations on Public Land Council Policy, addressing public access and range anxiety

The Policy was developed to support an increase in the availability of charging stations and facilitate the uptake of electric vehicles (EV).

The Policy provides guidance around EVCI provider selection, site selection, approval and design requirements and responsibilities in terms of installation, operation and maintenance. The Policy was revised and adopted again on 8 May 2023, providing guidelines for the installation of EVCI on Council land. The Policy title was updated to Electric Vehicle Infrastructure on Council Land to more accurately reflect its function. Additional consideration was included for developing partnerships with third-party providers who support delivery of this service for the community.

Since this time, on 27 November 2023 the updated Climate Change Mitigation Plan 2023-2030 was adopted with the Empowering Community Actions (EC) 10 to *support uptake of EVs and acceleration of public EV charging infrastructure implementation* and on 15 September 2025 the Wollongong Transport Strategy was adopted with the Strategic Direction 17.2 stating to *support EV Charging on-street in the short term*. This Policy enables Council to deliver action in this space to support delivery of this commitment in these supporting documents.

In accordance with Council's governance processes, the Policy is due to be reviewed.

PROPOSAL

Amendments to the Policy are proposed to reflect the current policy environment. The revised Policy is provided in Attachment 1. While the proposed changes that are tracked in the revised Policy appear to be extensive, they are primarily administrative to align with updates to other related Council and State Policies, or operational to clearly outline roles and responsibilities for partnerships enabled under the Policy. The core purpose and function of the policy to enable Council to support EVCI on Council land remains consistent to previous versions.

Key amendments to the Policy include:

- Updates to align with the recently adopted Our Wollongong Our Future 2035 Community Strategic Plan (endorsed 30 June 2025).
- Updates to reflect the National Construction Code and Wollongong's DCP Chapter E3, which require EV charging infrastructure to be provided with future developments on Council land.
- The establishment of an approved provider list, which Council will use when choosing any third-party provider to deliver public EV charging services. Also included is a commitment that this list be reviewed periodically to ensure providers continue to meet Council's requirements and industry standards.
- Expectations for approved providers and how consideration on a case-by-case basis can be given to unapproved providers if they can demonstrate they satisfy Council's expectations.
- A requirement that approved providers must enter into a legal agreement with Council and clarify which type of agreement will be entered into by the approved provider (for installation on **Council land**—whether classified as *community* or *operational*— the approved provider must enter into a **lease or licence agreement** with Council in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* or for installation within the **kerbside road reserve**, the approved provider must enter into a **legal agreement with Council under Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993**).
- Reference to application and annual charges for CPO's to be covered within the legal agreement to cover administration and enforcement of the EVCI.
- A clear statement that Council will enforce and regulate these agreed upon spaces with the approved providers as per NSW Road Rules.

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

In 2020, the original Policy underwent public exhibition, with 16 submissions received. In 2022, the Policy was reviewed and updated via internal consultation before undergoing public exhibition and endorsement. In 2025, the Policy has been reviewed and updated via internal consultation and consultation with selected CPOs. In undertaking the current policy review, internal consultation has been conducted with the following teams of Council –

- City Strategy
- Infrastructure Strategy and Planning
- Commercial Operations and Property
- Community Culture and Engagement
- Legal Services
- Regulation and Enforcement

The revised Policy has little impact on how Council interacts with the community but rather guides Council's interactions with Charge Point Operators. For this reason, a public exhibition process is not required for the revised Policy.

PLANNING AND POLICY IMPACT

This report contributes to the delivery of Our Wollongong Our Future 2035 Goals –

- Goal 1 – We are a sustainable and climate resilient city
- Goal 2 – We have well planned, connected, and liveable places
- Goal 3 – We foster a diverse economy, and we value innovation, culture, and creativity
- Goal 4 - We have a healthy, respectful, and inclusive community

It specifically delivers on the following:

Community Strategic Plan 2035	Delivery Program 2025-2029
Strategy	Service
1.5 Work together to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions, and mitigate the impacts of climate change	Environmental Services
2.2 Facilitate ecologically sustainable development that considers the current and future needs of our community and environment.	Environmental Services Property Services Regulatory Compliance Transport Services
2.3 Deliver high quality, fit for purpose and sustainable infrastructure to support a growing and resilient city	Environmental Services Property Services Regulatory Compliance Transport Services
3.6 We are leaders in sustainable industries and support a transition to a low-carbon and clean energy future.	Environmental Services Transport Services
3.10 Promote and support tourism opportunities through planning controls and infrastructure	Environmental Services Property Services Regulatory Compliance Transport Services
4.8 Provide our community with equitable services, access to education, and information to help them make informed decisions	Environmental Services
4.14 Council demonstrates responsible leadership that is customer focused, demonstrates respect and inclusion, and uses resources that are managed effectively to ensure long-term sustainability.	Environmental Services Property Services Regulatory Compliance Transport Services

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Emissions from transport currently make up ~20% of both Wollongong and Australia's emissions profile. Currently the third largest source of emissions, it is expected that transport emissions will continue to grow to become Australia's largest source of emissions as the electricity grid rapidly decarbonises.

The Policy aims to facilitate a greater uptake of EVs in the Wollongong LGA. The shift to sustainable transport alternatives such as EVs provides several environmental, social, economic and health benefits over traditional Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) vehicles. EVs generally are more affordable to operate and maintain, are more environmentally friendly due to lower emissions and reduced air pollution and provide longer-term fuel security compared to ICE vehicles.

The Policy delivers on the following priorities in the Sustainable Wollongong 2030: A Climate Healthy City Strategy:

Priority Area 3 – A low emissions city

Goal – We will achieve net zero emissions by 2030 for Council operations, and together we will achieve net zero emissions by 2050 for the city.

The Policy also supports the achievement of the following United Nations Sustainable Development Goals:



RISK MANAGEMENT

There are reputational risks related to over-investment or under-investment in EVCI. Community expectation is that Council will facilitate the transition to EV's but should not cause a significant loss of public car parking. These risks are mitigated by ensuring our approach is balanced and in line with other similar local government areas.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As part of this Policy review, application and/or annual fees are proposed for charging infrastructure located on Council land or in the road reserve to support cost recovery for administration and enforcement of the EVCI parking conditions. The proposed fees and charges will be subject to public exhibition as part of Council's Revenue Policy, Rates, Fees & Charges 2026-2027.

CONCLUSION

The draft revised Policy aims to increase the availability of charging infrastructure and facilitate the uptake of EVs by providing guidance around the installation of EVCI on Council lands. It considers all levels of EVCI, fast, ultra-fast as well as slower chargers that are an important part of the EV transition. It seeks to minimise the cost to Council and the community for the installation and maintenance of EVCI. The Policy has been reviewed, and updates are proposed to reflect the current policy environment and process improvements.

It is recommended that the revised Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure on Council Land Policy be adopted without public exhibition, noting that the proposed changes provide guidance for Council's interactions with CPO's and does not impact the general public.



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ADOPTED BY COUNCIL: [TO BE COMPLETED BY GOVERNANCE]

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Policy is to provide guidelines for the establishment, operation, management and removal of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) on Council Land in the Wollongong Local Government Area (LGA).

POLICY INTENT

The main objectives of this policy are to:

1. Provide guidelines for the establishment, operation, management, maintenance and removal of EVCI on appropriate parcels of Council Land in the Wollongong LGA.
2. Clearly outline the roles and responsibilities of third-party providers and Council in relation to the establishment, operation, management and removal of EVCI, where Council opts to engage a third-party provider.
3. Outline the selection criteria that will be considered by Council when approving location(s) for EVCI. Promote visitation to the region by encouraging the placement of EVCI at desirable tourist locations.
4. Support the uptake of EVs which will aid the community in reducing transport-related emissions in the Wollongong LGA.
5. Support residents to access publicly accessible EVCI as part of an integrated transport network.
6. Encourage regional visitation at desirable tourist destinations and address range anxiety by supporting the development of a convenient, affordable, and publicly accessible Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) network. Address range anxiety by facilitating the development of a convenient and affordable publicly accessible charging network.
- 4.7. Increase public awareness of the benefits of EVs and EVCI.

OUR WOLLONGONG OUR FUTURE 2035 COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS OBJECTIVES

This Policy supports the delivery of the following ~~Wollongong 2028~~ goals -

- ~~‘Goal 1 – We are a sustainable and climate resilient city. We value and protect our environment.’~~
- ~~‘Goal 2 – We have well planned, connected, and liveable places. We have an innovative and sustainable economy.’~~
- ~~‘Goal 3 – We foster a diverse economy, and we value innovation, culture, and creativity. We have affordable and accessible transport.’~~
- ~~‘Goal 4 - We have a healthy, respectful, and inclusive community.’~~

Specifically, it contributes to the following strategies and deliverables-

Goal	How will we get there?
1 We are a sustainable and climate resilient city. We value and protect our environment	1.5 Work together to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions, and mitigate the impacts of climate change. 1.3 Increase our resilience to natural disasters and a changing climate to protect life, property, and the environment 1.4 Work together to achieve net zero carbon emissions and reduce waste

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Goal	How will we get there?
<p>2 We have well planned, connected, and liveable places2 We have an innovative and sustainable economy</p>	<p>2.2 Facilitate ecologically sustainable development that considers the current and future needs of our community and environment.2.5 Work with partners to facilitate sustainable and green industries</p>
	<p>2.3 Deliver high quality, fit for purpose and sustainable infrastructure to support a growing and resilient city.2.7 Promote the Wollongong Local Government Area as an event, conference and visitor destination</p>
<p>3 We foster a diverse economy, and we value innovation, culture, and creativity6 We have affordable and accessible transport</p>	<p>3.6 We are leaders in sustainable industries and support a transition to a low-carbon and clean energy future.6.1 Plan for the delivery of multi-modal public transport together with sustainable transport modes such as the Gong Shuttle, walking and cycling to meet the community's needs</p>
	<p>3.10 Promote and support tourism opportunities through planning controls and infrastructure.6.3 Effective and integrated regional transport with a focus on road, bus, rail and freight movement (including the port of Port Kembla)</p>
	<p>6.5 Advocate for strong transport links within the LGA and connections to Sydney, and the Southern Highlands to provide physical and economic opportunities</p>
<p>4 We have a healthy, respectful, and inclusive community</p>	<p>4.8 Provide our community with equitable services, access to education, and information to help them make informed decisions.</p>
	<p>4.14 Council demonstrates responsible leadership that is customer focused, demonstrates respect and inclusion, and uses resources that are managed effectively to ensure long-term sustainability.</p>

Activities undertaken under this Policy will be planned for and delivered in an environmentally sustainable and responsible manner, recognising we are in a state of climate emergency. This Policy contributes to goals and outcomes in the following sustainability-related plans and strategies:

Sustainable Wollongong 2030: A Climate Healthy City Strategy – A city whose Council shows leadership; A city that works together; and A low emissions city.

Climate Change Mitigation Plan 2020-2030 – Support a transition to low-carbon transport and facilitate the uptake of EVs. Climate Change Leadership and Planning; Transport; and Working with Our Community.

This Policy also supports the achievement of the following Sustainable Development Goals –



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EVCI Provider Selection

Council aims to ensure the appropriate establishment of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) on Council land, installed and operated in a safe, well-managed, and sustainable manner as an ongoing community asset. Currently, Council does not operate EV charging services and relies on approved selected providers to deliver them. Under recent updates to the National Construction Code and Wollongong's DCP Chapter E3, Council must ensure future developments on Council land include EV charging infrastructure. Where Council chooses not to operate these services, an approved provider will manage them instead.

A procurement process has been undertaken and completed. A list of approved providers has been established to deliver EVCI on Council-owned or managed land, including road reserves. This list will be reviewed periodically to ensure providers continue to meet Council's requirements and industry standards.

Key expectations for approved providers include:

- Demonstrated experience, skills, and resources in establishing, operating, and managing EVCI.
- Ability to nominate sites from Council's pre-determined list.
- Development of site designs addressing parking, signage, safety, access, traffic management, charger type/compatibility, and power supply in line with this Policy.
- Provision of a management plan for operation, maintenance, and removal of EVCI.

Approved providers will be required to enter into a lease, licence, or agreement (or other consent pathway as identified) with Council for each site.

Where unapproved providers can demonstrate they satisfy Council's expectations, consideration for eligibility may be given on a case by case basis.

~~Council aims to ensure the appropriate establishment of EVCI on Council Land, that this infrastructure will be installed and operated in a safe, well-managed and sustainable manner and will be an ongoing asset for the community. Council will coordinate/facilitate the installation and operation of EVCI on Council Land by a suitable provider through a public procurement process, to ensure a transparent and competitive approach.~~

~~Key aspects of the EVCI procurement process include –~~

~~Demonstrating experience, skills and resources in establishing, operating and managing EVCI.~~

~~Nomination of sites from a list of pre-determined site/s provided by Council.~~

~~Developing a design layout of the overall EVCI site including details of parking, signage, safety, access, traffic management, type of charger/compatibility and required power supply in accordance with the design requirements outlined in this Policy.~~

~~Provision of a suitable management plan for operation, maintenance and removal of EVCI.~~

~~Successful providers will be required to enter into a lease/licence/agreement (unless other consent pathways are identified) with Council for the site.~~

Site Selection Criteria and Design Requirements

Site Selection Criteria

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~~Council will facilitate the provision of publicly available EVCI by pre-selecting preferred sites for hosting EV charging by undertaking analysis against the site selection criteria outlined below.~~

~~During the site selection process the~~The following criteria will be considered by Council when ~~approving~~selecting location(s) for EVCI -

- ~~Classification, zoning and ownership of land. Council owned or managed land.~~
- Current and anticipated future land use of the site.
- ~~Relationship and use of adjacent land and infrastructure~~
- Existing car parking availability ~~(preferably off-street).~~
- Minimal impact on car parking availability ~~for Internal Combustion Engine Vehicles (ICEVs).~~
- Close proximity to public transport and a range of amenities including but not limited to train stations, bus routes, bike paths, shade, water drinking facilities, toilets, seating, food outlets, tourist locations and other attractions.
- ~~Supports public charging demand e.g. housing types with reduced off-street parking, tourist locations, etc.~~
- Avoids negative impacts on traffic and active transport i.e. hazard or obstruction to cycling or pedestrian infrastructure.
- Accessibility during day and night and across the week.
- Compliance with AS/NZS 60079.10.1, Explosive gas atmospheres.
- Acceptable visual impact associated with installed infrastructure.

Approval and Design Requirements

It is the provider's responsibility to obtain any consents or approvals required for the installation of EVCI. Approval may fall within the exempt development provisions of the State of the Environment Planning Policy (~~Transport and~~ Infrastructure) 20~~21~~07 or require a Development Application (DA).

The following design requirements must be addressed when developing a design layout of the overall EVCI site -

Power

EVCI must have suitable access to an existing electrical supply. Sites with sufficient supply to support EVCI will be prioritised. Should a site require supply upgrades, it is the responsibility of the provider to organise and fund this process. Exceptions to this may be considered in discussion with Council and if Council is already looking to upgrade electrical supply at the site.

Safety

Dedicated EV parking bays shall comply with DCP Chapter E2: Crime Prevention through Environmental Design. The location of the charging stations must be easily seen by pedestrians and vehicles, with passive surveillance from nearby properties/premises and have adequate lighting. Parking signage must be in accordance with Australian Standard 1742 and provide information on the safe use of charging stations. EVCI must be managed and maintained by the provider throughout the operation of the facility to ensure continued good working order and ensure public safety.

Access

The EV parking spaces should be of adequate size for the charging of EVs. The location of charging stations must be connected to the wider transport network i.e. nearby train stations, bus stops etc., must not impede cycling or pedestrian infrastructure, and must allow for disability access compliant with the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.

The dedicated EV parking bays are to only be used by EVs while charging; appropriate signage and labelling of dedicated EV parking bays must clearly identify this. Appropriate charging time restrictions will be discussed with Council and included in the lease/licence/agreement. EVCI must be in areas with mobile

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phone reception. Providers must ensure that the community can easily access and use charging stations including access to any provider-specific apps, registration processes and/or payment methods.

Signage

There are several requirements for signage that must be addressed by providers to ensure that the community is aware of the location of EVCI and any restrictions associated with EVCI -

- Wayfinding signage to help EV drivers navigate to EVCI.
- Station signage which identifies the location of EVCI; highlights designated EV parking spots; and communicates restrictions regarding use such as time limits on parking/charging.

The location, amount, and wording of EV wayfinding signage may be subject to approval from Transport NSW.

Sustainability

The provision, establishment, operation, management, maintenance and removal of EV charging stations and supporting infrastructure must be in line with DCP Chapter A2: Ecologically Sustainable Development. To reduce the environmental impact of EVCI and contribute to emissions reductions, Council **requires** **encourages** the use of 100% renewable energy or green power to power EVCI.

Types of Charging Stations and Connections

Council will consider a range of EVCI, consistent with the NSW Government's EV Strategy and its goal of 'building a world-class electric vehicle charging network', including –

- Level 2 chargers (AC 7-22kW) for commuter parking sites and car parks with unlimited or 4-8 hour parking limits.
- Level 3 chargers (DC 50-350kW) for high amenity locations and transit corridors with 2 hour or less parking limits.

Council **prefers****requires** a minimum of two **dedicated electric vehicle charging spaces** to be installed at any one location, as chargers will be in high demand. EVCI and parking spaces should cater for all types of EV charging connections used by vehicle manufacturers and the location of their charging points on all types of vehicles.

Maintenance

EVCI providers will be responsible for maintaining the function of EVCI to a high standard to ensure adequate availability of EV charging for users.

Leasing/Licencing Requirements

Any new Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) proposed for installation on Council land—whether classified as community or operational—must enter into a lease or licence agreement with Council in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993. The nature of this agreement will be determined on a case-by-case basis and will consider factors including, but not limited to, the provider, proposed site and design, maintenance obligations, public safety and legal liability, insurance requirements, and the desired length of operation.

For any new EVCI proposed within the kerbside road reserve, providers must enter into a legal agreement with Council under Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993. This agreement will outline the terms and conditions for occupation and use of the road reserve, including installation, maintenance, and removal of infrastructure.

Site-specific conditions will be determined through discussions with Council and will be reflected in the relevant agreement—whether a lease, licence, or Section 138 approval. All leasing/licencing of sites on Council land must comply with Council's Leases and Licences of Council Owned and Managed Land, Buildings and Public Roads Policy.

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The acquittal process and terms of payment will be specified in the relevant agreement. Providers will be required to provide a security or bond to Council prior to the commencement of the agreement and installation of EVCI. Application and annual fees will also be outlined within the relevant legal document, where applicable. Any future upgrade or expansion of the EVCI will require further consideration and consent from Council.

Council reserves the right to terminate any lease, licence, or legal agreement with an EVCI provider and require the removal of infrastructure if a breach occurs. In such cases, the provider must make good the land or road reserve to Council's satisfaction.

Providers are subject to the specific conditions and obligations outlined in the leasing/licencing agreement as agreed with Council. The nature of the lease/licence agreement will be determined on a case-by-case basis and will consider factors, including but not limited to the provider, proposed site and design, maintenance obligations, public safety and legal liability, insurance requirements and desired length of operation of EVCI. Discussion with Council will determine site-specific conditions which the provider will be subject to under the lease/licence agreement arrangement. Leasing/licencing of sites on Council Land must be in accordance with Council's Leases and Licences of Council Owned and Managed Land, Buildings and Public Roads Policy.

The acquittal process and terms of payment will be determined in lease/licence/agreement arrangements. The provider will be required to provide a security or bond to Council prior to the commencement of the lease/licence agreement and installation of EVCI. Any further upgrade or expansion of the EVCI will be subject to further consideration and consent from Council.

Council reserves the right to terminate a lease/licence agreement with a provider of EVCI and require the removal of EVCI and supporting infrastructure if a breach of the lease/licence agreement occurs. In these circumstances, the provider of EVCI would be required to make good the land. Providers are subject to the specific conditions and obligations outlined in the leasing/licencing agreement as agreed with Council.

Council's Role

Council will-

- Review and approve Identify sites preferred for hosting EVCI.
- Manage the public engagement process related to site selection.
- Conduct a public procurement process to select suitable EVCI and providers.
- Provide input into the design plan for selected site(s) for EVCI on Council Land.
- Promote EVCI by making information freely available to the community such as the location of charging stations in the Wollongong LGA.
- Enforcement and regulation as per NSW Road Rules

Provider's Role

Providers will-

- Be required to enter into a lease/licence/legal agreement with Council.
- Prepare and negotiate a design plan for selected site(s) in accordance with the design requirements set out above, including all operational and environmental controls.
- Be responsible for the installation (including appropriate power supply), operation, management, maintenance and removal associated with EVCI and all supporting infrastructure.
- Be responsible for and bear the cost for any upgrades required for the existing electrical supply infrastructure to have the capacity to cater for EVCI.
- Remain responsible for any upgrades in plug and connection hardware that may be required as EV technology develops.
- Provide access by arrangement, for educational or promotional activities in partnership with Council.
- Provide Council with access to data related to the operation of EVCI.

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LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

The provider is required to comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all applicable approvals and consents. Consideration must be given to Council Policies that may apply to various aspects of the establishment, management, maintenance, operation and removal of EVCI on Council Land.

REVIEW

~~This Policy will be reviewed every three years from the date of each adoption of the policy, or more frequently as required.~~

REPORTING

Providers must fulfill any reporting requirements as outlined in the lease/licence agreement with Council.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

~~Document what roles are responsible for implementation of actions under this policy. Do not detail the steps / procedures staff will undertake, just specify the officer details and the outcomes they are responsible for.~~

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- Conduct a public procurement process to select suitable EVCI and providers.
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- Promote EVCI by making information freely available to the community such as the location of charging stations in the Wollongong LGA.
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- Remain responsible for any upgrades in plug and connection hardware that may be required as EV technology develops.
- Provide access by arrangement, for educational or promotional activities in partnership with Council.
- Provide Council with access to data related to the operation of EVCI.

RELATED STRATEGIES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Our Wollongong Our Future 2035 Community Strategic Plan
- Wollongong Transport Strategy 2025 - 2035
- Sustainable Wollongong 2030: A Climate Healthy City Strategy-
- Climate Change Mitigation Plan 20230-203022-
- Leasing and Licencing of Council Owned and Managed Land, Buildings and Public Roads Policy-
- Sustainable Procurement Policy.

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DEFINITIONS

Council – Refers to Wollongong City Council.

Provider – A company or organisation which provides/supplies EVCI.

Council land – For the purpose of this Policy, Council Land is defined as either –

- Council owned land that is classified as “operational” land or “community” land under the Local Government Act 1993; or
- Council managed Crown land where Council is appointed Crown Land Manager under the Crown Land Management Act 2016; or
- Council managed Crown land that has “devolved” to Council for management under s.48 of the Local Government Act 1993 (this type of Crown land would be subject to a lease or licence with the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure Environment – Crown Lands, and this Council Policy); or
- Road reserve where Council is the roads authority under the Roads Act 1993.

Electric Vehicle (EV) – This describes a range of different vehicles that are powered by an electric motor with a battery on its own or accompanied by a fuel-powered internal combustion engine. This includes Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEVs).

EV Charging Infrastructure (EVCI) – Infrastructure that supplies and supports the provision of electric energy to recharge EVs. This includes charging stations, signage, designated parking bays and all other supporting infrastructure.

Internal Combustion Engine Vehicle (ICEV) – A vehicle that is powered by an engine that burns petrol, oil, or other fuel with air inside the engine.

Range Anxiety – The fear that when driving an EV vehicle, it will run out of charge and the driver will be stranded due to the inability to recharge.

APPROVAL AND REVIEW	
Responsible Division	City Strategy
Date adopted by Council	[To be inserted by Governance]
Date/s of previous adoptions	8/8/2023, 7/12/2020
Date of next review	[Not more than three years from last adoption]