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NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR DAN HAYES - DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS AGAINST STRATEGIC PLANS

Councillor Dan Hayes has submitted the following Notice of Motion –

“I formally move that Council receives a report in 2025 outlining the best approach to a public facing document that is reported to council that achieves the following –

- a Lists the development targets stated in our relevant strategic plans and other documents.
- b Shows the progress made against those targets including applications, approvals, and refusals of development applications.
- c Updates the report when new targets are approved, or changes made to existing documents.”

Background provided by Councillor Dan Hayes:

Wollongong City Council sets ambitious development targets for meeting the needs of the community, now and into the future.

A number of these targets are listed in a range of documents, and they are not collated in one place. This makes it difficult to track the success of the development related goals. These development goals may include such items as:

- Childcare centres
- Aged care facilities
- Residential homes
- Tourism accommodation
- Health services

The current approach requires waiting for those individual plans to be either reported on or updated, which often quarantines related targets from each other. For example, an increase in housing would require more childcare centres.

Creating a new report that collates these ambitious development targets would be of significant benefit as it would enable Councillors and the community to easily see the progress, success and challenges of these targets.