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Council on strategic target with positive finish to 2018-19 Operational Plan

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The final update on Cook Shire Council's 2018-19 Operational Plan, presented at the August Council meeting, has been hailed as a positive finish to a year of significant change for Council.

The Operational Plan is published annually, and details key operational initiatives for the financial year, linking with Council's long term strategic direction as set out in the 2017-22 Corporate Plan and other strategic documents. Cook Shire Council Chief Executive Officer Linda Cardew said the 2018-19 Plan was the first to be delivered by the new executive team and reorganised corporate structure. "The successful delivery of our Operational Plan initiatives for the past financial year recognises the administration's strong focus on pursuing Council's strategic direction," Ms Cardew said. "The fact these results have been delivered whilst undergoing a change of leadership and organisational restructure is a credit to the work ethic and integrity of our entire team."

Key initiatives completed include establishment of the outward-focusing Community, Economy and Innovation directorate, developing Indigenous partnerships such as that with neighbouring councils of Hope Vale and Wujal Wujal, establishing an Audit and Risk Committee, completion of a \$250,000 upgrade to the Cooktown Pool, with support from Education Queensland, and completion of the Cooktown waterfront development, now named William Daku Park. "I would encourage anyone with an interest in the Cook Shire community and Council's role in our region to read the 2018-19 Operational Plan, which is available on our website, and includes a comprehensive list of our completed operational initiatives," Ms Cardew said.

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