Resilience Benchmarking Matrix (Land-use planning)

Resilience building component	Resilience level			
	Baseline	Progressing: Good practice	Delivering: Better practice	Experienced: Best practice
Community risks (shocks and stresses) are identified and assessed Note: Applicable steps from the Resilience Risk Assessment, Steps 1 to 5.	Council has defined, identified and analysed community risks (including shocks and stresses) affecting the local government area (LGA) and assessed the consequences of these risks (impacts).	Council has examined and considered the relevant hazards and identified community risks, to update the corporate risk register.	Council has assessed the LGA's resilience using a risk assessment tool to: • identify and examine risks relative to: - health and wellbeing of communities - economy and society - infrastructure and the environment - leadership and strategy • identify pathways to build community resilience.	 Council has assessed resilience comprehensively, outlining: the severity and likelihood of each identified risk the priority of risks to inform resource and funding allocation. projects that build community resilience are planned or in progress.
Plans and processes in place to understand and manage risks Note: Applicable steps from the Resilience Risk Assessment, Steps 6 and 7.	 Council has developed a policy to manage risk and embed resilience that considers: context of place (global, regional and local scales) governance arrangements inclusive decision-making (with community/ stakeholders) how to effect changes to better manage risks and embed resilience in the LGA how the policy links to council's broader strategic documents. 	Council has engaged with the local community and relevant external stakeholders to develop a resilience policy (and associated actions) that reflects and considers community risks (shocks and stresses).	Council incorporates identified community risks in their local planning instruments, including the local strategic planning statements (LSPS), local environmental plans (LEP) and development control plans (DCP), with planning controls that seek to avoid, manage or minimise existing and future risk.	 Community risks and resilience are integrated across council strategy and operations (planning, development, business, emergency and land-use planning processes). Collaborative working processes form the foundation of council activities, ensuring integration and knowledge sharing across council activities. Council has developed performance criteria to review and monitor how community risks (trends, shocks and stresses) and resilience are recognised in council's plans and processes. Council has developed a resilience priority/s that are embedded in strategic policy documents and plans (such as LSPS).
Action and investment to avoid, manage and mitigate risks Note: Applicable step from the Resilience Risk Assessment, Steps 8 and 9.	Council has identified pathways to incorporate risk management, mitigation, and resilience-building into the structure of the council's business, for example: • managing and maintaining council's assets/infrastructure • tender processes • community/stakeholder consultation practices. Council could also include specific plans such as: • climate change mitigation plans • climate change adaptation plans • sustainability policies and practices • biodiversity conservation strategies • certified coastal management programs.	Council can demonstrate active progress in delivering the resilience objective and strategies set out in the regional plan – if applicable.	Council has developed a resilience plan that outlines: • what resilience is • why it's important • geographical indicators (place) • identified risks (trends, shocks and stresses) • a vision, goals and steps to deliver resilience outcomes in the LGA. The resilience plan will have been developed in consultation with the community to understand their risks (shocks and stresses), vulnerabilities and capabilities. The plan has been developed using the Department of Planning and Environment Resilience Risk Assessment as a key resource.	Council has made a significant investment to implement and deliver its resilience plan. Goals of the resilience plan are underway or have been completed. Projects that build community resilience as identified in the Resilience Risk Assessment (Phase 8) are planned or in progress. Goals of the resilience plan are in the process of being achieved or have been completed.