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### **COUNCIL ENGAGES CONSULTANT TO COMPLETE CARBON INVENTORY AND CARBON REDUCTION PLAN**

Goomalling Shire Council has engaged Carbon Neutral to assist in the completion of a carbon inventory for the 2015/16 financial year and a Carbon Reduction Plan to reduce our carbon emissions with the ultimate goal of *carbon neutrality*.

The process involves assessing our outputs such as energy, water, waste, fleet fuel usage, capital expenditure and consumables that are directly consumed by Council as well as indirect emissions of staff.

“Council endeavours to function with “best practices” continually reviewing its operations, the carbon inventory assessment will not only assist Council to reduce in short term expenses but also ensure long term sustainability” said Clem Kerp, CEO.

## carbon-neutral

*adjective*

making or resulting in no net release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, especially as a result of carbon offsetting.

Staff will be working with Carbon Neutral to collect data and implement new practices to increase efficiency.

It provides an opportunity for Council to work with landholders to revegetate degraded land and we would welcome any enquiries regarding partnerships to achieve carbon neutrality.

For further information please contact Andrea or Tahnee on 08 9629 1101.

**Clem Kerp**

Chief Executive Officer

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