

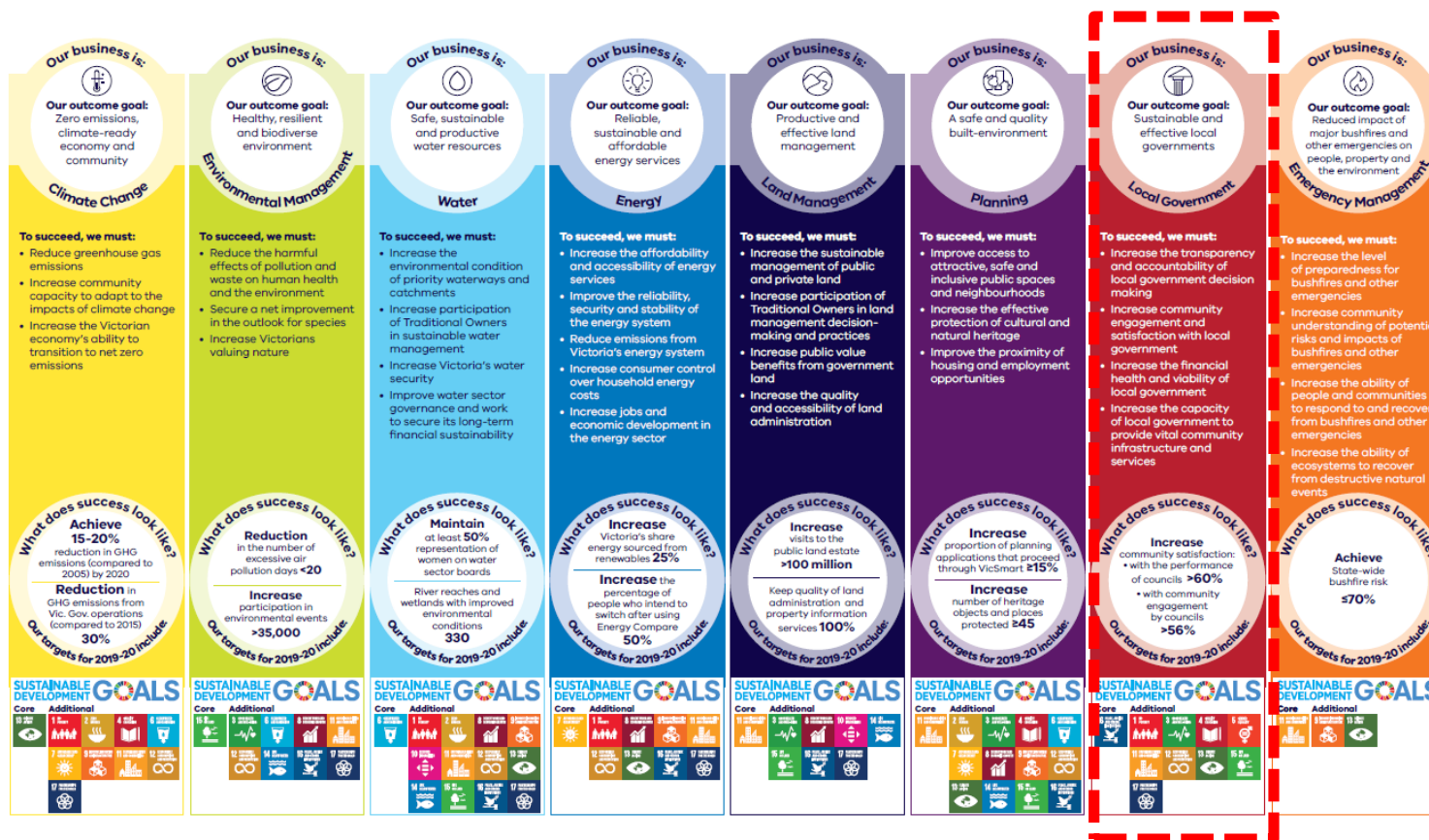
2020 Vision

Looking forward clearly



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<https://www2.delwp.vic.gov.au/corporate-plan>



**Sustainable and effective
local governments**

FAST operates with three streams:

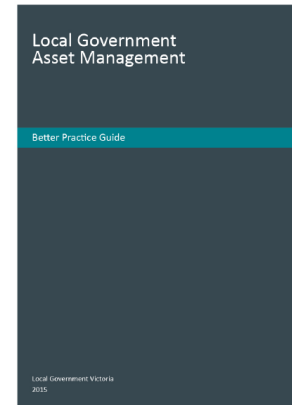
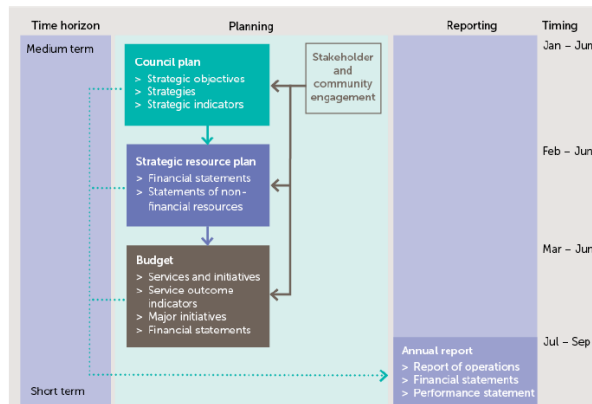
STREAM ONE – expert financial support using a panel of consultants

STREAM TWO – grants (up to \$75k per project) to fund groups of rural and regional councils to explore opportunities for shared services and collaborative procurement that are more financially sustainable or help improve service delivery

STREAM THREE – research and development



Expert accounting and financial support using a panel of consultants



Grants program (up to \$75k per project) to help explore opportunities for shared services and collaborative procurement amongst groups of rural and regional councils:

- Shared IT platforms (cloud-based)
- Enterprise Resource Planning
- Workforce planning framework
- Joint procurement
- Accounts payable models
- Visitor services
- Regional asset management
- Environmental sustainable design



Research and Development



- Commitment
- Complexity
- Capability and capacity
- Interest



- Wrap up projects and evaluate
- Share insights with the sector, including development of case studies and a final report
- Independent program evaluation
- Combine with findings from other research for a budget bid for a new iteration of FAST, or other initiative(s)
- Support implementation of the new *Local Government Act*, including guidance material



<https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/grants/rural-and-regional-councils-sustainability-reform>

Thanks for listening. Enjoy the conference.

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For more info: <https://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/council-innovation-and-performance/fast-program>