

BUILDING A RISK AWARE CULTURE



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I acknowledge that I am speaking with you today from the lands of the Gadigal people of the Eora nation. I also acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people participating in this session. I pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging and celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal peoples and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands and waters of NSW.





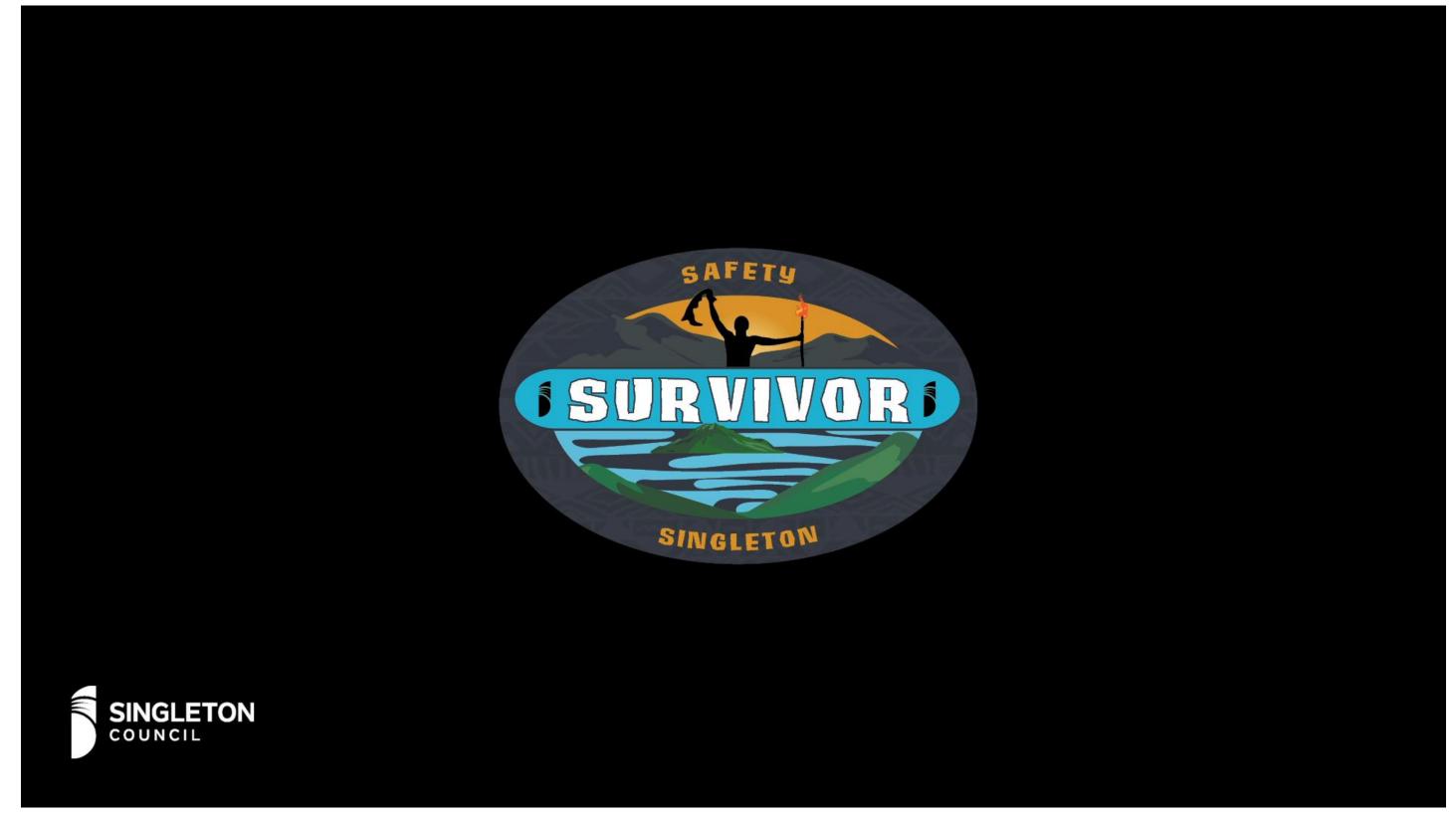
















Our risk culture

- Need to foster a positive, risk aware culture across the organisation
- Risk culture model is embedded in our Integrated Risk Management Framework
- Identifies specific behaviours that support the culture we're striving for
- Promoted and reinforced through formal and informal mechanisms

Tone at the top

- risk leadership
- responding to bad news

Governance

- risk governance
- risk transparency

Competency

- risk resources
- risk competence

- risk decisions
- rewarding appropriate risk taking



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TONE AT THE TOP

- We model and actively promote commitment to risk management.
- We display a positive and proactive attitude toward risk and safety management.
- We build good relationships and a high trust environment.
- We speak openly and honestly about what is working, what isn't and what needs to change.





Manager Infrastructure Services and Manager Corporate Services moonlighting as PPE models for a Survivor grand final.





General Manager + Manager Community Services Delivery evaluating pitches on the Shark Tank judging panel.



Build good relationships

- Put our people and their wellbeing first
- Engage through innovation and involvement
- Encourage teamwork
- Get out and about



Speak openly about what is and isn't working

- Base all initiatives and training on sound data analysis
- Share lessons learned, both positive and negative





"Tribes" were identified by their unique bandannas and worked as a team to complete the reward challenge.



Team-based entries only were accepted and teams agreed on both the risk to be addressed and the control they proposed.





OUT + ABOUT

- Put our people first
- Care for ourselves and others
- Build trust
- Work with stakeholders



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GOVERNANCE

- We clearly define accountability for the management of risks.
- We specifically address key performance metrics at all levels.
- We share risk information across Council.





Risk governance

- Define accountability for management of risks
- Report on key performance metrics
- Strive to continuously improve the management of risk



Share risk information across Council

- All initiatives and training based on data analysis
- Report on risk management performance regularly
- Share results with all staff





Colleen Gale Children's Centre "Cover Girls" with a solution to make sandpit play safer for children while eliminating the manual handling risk for staff.



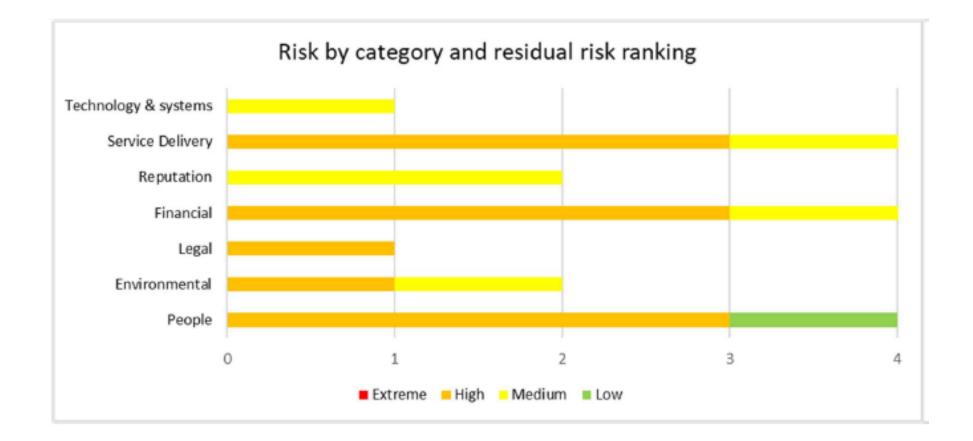
"Down the Drain" team with a solution for diverting rubbish from stormwater drains.



Risk Management Performance



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risks outside risk appetite proposed controls overdue act



Highest residual risk

 Service levels not financially sustainable

Most effectively mitigated risk

Failure of critical asset

Average inherent risk ranking

EXTREME

GOVERNANCE

- Clearly define accountability for the management of risks
- Develop key performance metrics
- Continuously improve the management of risk





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COMPETENCY

- We integrate risk management into our day-to-day work.
- We include risk and safety in every conversation and every decision.
- We provide adequate information and training to ensure that we can identify, assess and manage risks.





Risk resources

- Resource and support the management of risk
- Integrate risk management into our day-to-day work
- Include risk and safety in every conversation and every decision



Risk competence

- Provide information and training to ensure we can identify, assess and manage risks
- Empower staff to manage risks in their area of responsibility
- Induct, train, workshop, repeat





A Reward Challenge task was to follow a SWMS to construct a new Depot.



Information Services team pitched for an e-learning solution to improve corporate recordkeeping.







COMPETENCY

- Use data to determine where we need to improve
- Define the outcomes we're after
- Tailor initiatives to our people
- Make it fun!



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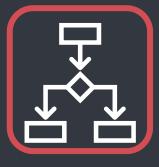




DECISION MAKING

- We seek out risk information to support informed decision making.
- We include sound risk management in Council's annual performance review process.
- We celebrate successes and reward desired behaviours.





Risk decisions

- Seek out risk information to support informed decision making
- Communicate and understand Council's willingness to take on risks



Reward appropriate risk taking

- Support those seeking to understand and manage risks
- Include risk management in annual performance review process
- Celebrate successes and reward desired behaviours





Survivor

"The whole month of activities were fun and brought all staff together. Loved it :)"

- Survivor participant





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THANKYOU

