





# Managing your Critical Programs and Projects

Council organisations face increasing challenges in developing and delivering Long Term and Annual Plans. Community needs are diversifying and becoming more complex. In parallel Councils are being asked for greater transparency and to ensure they're delivering increased value and outcomes for their stakeholders.

Strong project and program management discipline has never been more important to ensure a Council's projects and initiatives are delivered on time and on budget. Ratepayers, elected representatives and key stakeholders want to be confident they're receiving good value from their local Council organisations.

Sentient Portfolio Program Management is designed to manage large complex portfolios and programs of work through to more simple business initiatives, that include a diverse range of capital and non-capital investments.

## Increasing the visibility of work

Sentient makes recording information and tracking projects easy for its users, whether they are professional project managers or employees asked to lead a project for the first time.

Guide your teams through the planning and delivery stages with simplified reporting for both management and democratic audiences.

Our system enables you to apply consistent metrics and reporting across the entire organization and integrates into your established enterprise systems facilitating easy collaboration.

### Simple collaboration with Stakeholders

Sentient is a secure cloud-based solution, making it easy for your team and their contract partners to update information in real time.

Project information is available any time on any device, meaning you no longer have to wait for monthly status reports or on-site contractor updates.

Sentient PPM comprises a suite of features designed to manage all of the key activities across your portfolios and programs of work. Our range of features starts with assessing and prioritizing the most important initiatives, and carries through to tracking their successful delivery.



# **How does Sentient PPM help?**

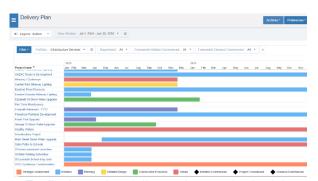
Stakeholders across Council use Sentient PPM to understand how a project is tracking. Greater awareness and tracking improve communication and the ability to deliver.

#### **Capability**

Sentient is a leading private cloud enterprise-wide Portfolio Program Management (PPM) service provider in Australasia.

## What makes Sentient PPM different from other solutions?

- Accessible anytime, anywhere with internet connection providing flexibility and making collaboration possible regardless of location
- Integrates easily into enterprise systems,
- No infrastructure needed, significantly reducing dependency on internal IT
- User-friendly, simple intuitive processes
- Modules are implemented as you need them.



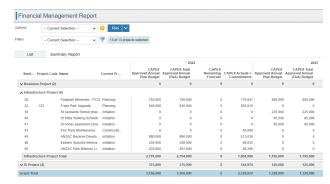
Easily determine delivery plans and schedules

#### **How can Sentient PPM help your Council?**

- Provides visibility and control across projects and annual plan activities
- Simplifies reporting, reducing effort to prepare reports for different stakeholder groups
- Reduces financial risk by enabling timely and effective decision making
- Provides oversight of what Council resources are focused on
- Reduces legal risk by helping with regulatory obligations and audit trails
- Provides a consistent approach for how projects are delivered.
- Enables key project information to be stored centrally, ensuring a safe chain of custody as the project moves between policy, planning and delivery units.

#### Intuitive and graphical reporting

One of Sentient PPM's key strengths is presenting vital information in the most useful format for ease of comprehension. Intuitive reporting allows stakeholders across the whole organization to quickly assimilate the facts and take action.



Multi-year financial reports identify planned investment



Dashboards enable quick insights into health & trends



Slice and dice data sets to understand progress by groups and location.



Heat maps allow for instant identification of high-risk projects and relative impact.