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A WORD FROM THE MAYOR

I am delighted to present the 2003/04 Annual Report of Waratah-Wynyard Council and to record that the municipal area has continued to benefit from the development boom the whole state has been experiencing over the past two years. Building and subdivisional development has reached unprecedented levels which augurs well for future growth and viability for the district.

During the year Council underwent its first general review by the Local Government Board since the introduction of the Local Government Act 1993 and it is confident the Review report will reflect positively on its current performance.

Perhaps the most important initiative of the year was the development of a new Strategic Plan. This project involved extensive community workshops, which were facilitated by a planning consultant, well attended by the public and resulted in wide input to future program direction. Council released the final plan for community comment and amendment where necessary before its formal adoption in May.

Council has continued to take advantage of the opportunity through the Commonwealth Roads to Recovery Program to re-sheet many of its rural roads that would otherwise not have received attention for many years. This year \$373,801 was expended on this program and Council is delighted the Commonwealth has announced its continuation in future albeit on slightly different terms.

The municipal area achieved two important environmental milestones during the year with the commissioning of the Boat Harbour Beach sewerage scheme in July 2003 and the commencement of site work on the Sisters Beach scheme. Again, these achievements were made possible because very generous Commonwealth Government grant assistance brought them within the ratepayers' reasonable financial reach. At Boat Harbour there was also generous State Government assistance.

In closing I take the opportunity to thank my fellow Councillors for their considerable contribution to local affairs and particularly for the cooperative and supportive manner in which they have undertaken the development of municipal policy. I particularly wish to recognise the efforts of Cr Dorothy Calvert who resigned from Council in April 2004 after having completed three years service and to welcome Cr Colleen Dibley, who joined Council as a result of the recount following Cr Calvert's departure.

I thank General Manager Paul West, his management team and indeed the whole Council workforce for the professional and diligent manner in which the entire organisation operates. I am very proud of the Council's overall achievements and performance.

Roger G. Chalk

ROGER G CHALK, AM
MAYOR

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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

During the past 12 months the Council has been actively involved in progressing a number of initiatives that will deliver long term benefits to the community. Some projects worthy of note include:

- Boat Harbour Sewerage Scheme completed and signs removed from the beach.
- Sisters Beach Sewerage Scheme development commenced. Works are progressing well despite some initial 'teething' problems, which saw a delay in the commencement of the project. Council staff are undertaking a large portion of the works and it is expected that this will provide significant benefits to the Sisters Beach community now and in the future.
- Strategic Plan – a new plan was developed and adopted by Council in May 2005. To determine our future strategic direction Council undertook an extensive community consultation process that saw in excess of 250 people have direct input into the plan's development. Following the adoption of the strategic plan staff have commenced identification of targets/action plans that will enunciate how we intend to work towards meeting the objectives of the plan.
- 'Wonders of Wynyard' Exhibition Centre – Council formally entered into a twenty year agreement with Francis and Elaine Ransley for the display of their veteran car collection in the Exhibition Centre which is to be built on vacant land adjacent to the Petrol Plus outlet. It is expected that works will commence on the construction of the centre in the near future.
- Skilled Junior Sports Development Program – a partnership arrangement between Council, Skilled Engineering and Sport and Recreation Tasmania saw the commencement of the Skilled Junior Sports Development Pilot Program in February 2004. This pilot project will measure the involvement in sports by children in grades 5 and 6 in the Wynyard area and offer opportunities to further improve participation rates including working with sporting clubs and associations as well as the kids themselves.
- Waratah Rural Transaction Centre – the centre was officially opened in December 2003. The centre located in the refurbished Council offices provides improved access to the internet, banking and other general community services and was achieved through the provision of Commonwealth grant funds.
- Local Government Board Review – the Council was the subject of a formal review by the Local Government Board during the later part of the year. General reviews of councils are required each 8 years under the provisions of the Local Government Act. This was the first review ever undertaken of Waratah-Wynyard Council and although the formal Board report will not be made publicly available for some time yet, I believe that when it is it will demonstrate that Council is operating very successfully.
- Walking Track Development – construction of the walking track on the northern side of the Inglis River continued during the year and in the near future will be completed following the installation of a pedestrian bridge across the river at Flowerdale.
- Grey Water Dump Points – during the year Council constructed two (2) grey water dumping points. The Wynyard facility is located at the Waste Transfer Station in Goldie Street and is available to the traveling public free of charge during normal operating hours seven (7) days per week. The Waratah facility is located in Annie Street and is available 24 hours a day.

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- Wynyard Depot – towards the end of the year contracts were issued for the demolition and reconstruction of offices and staff amenities at the Wynyard Works Depot. It is expected that the new building will be completed in the near future.

A broad outline of Council's achievements during the year in many other areas is provided later in the Annual Report.

The Financial Statement for the year ended 30 June 2003 is appended to this report. It is extremely pleasing to note that the Council has recorded an Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations (Operating Profit) of \$2,840,114. This figure compares with the budgeted amount of \$1,423,553 - a positive variation of \$1,416,561. Specific variations that allowed this achievement were as follows:

Income	Budget Comparison	
	Additional \$	Less Than \$
Rates	117,889	
User Charges	459,618	
Interest	103,550	
Reimbursements	801,523	
Government Grants	55,290	
Gross Proceeds from NCA Sold	525,888	
Other	16,922	
Expenses	Less Than \$	Additional \$
Employee Costs	221,791	
Materials and Contracts		574,103
Depreciation		38,868
Carrying Amount of NCA Sold		288,700
State Levies	1,510	
Borrowing Costs	23,702	
Remissions and Discounts		19,595
Other	10,144	
Sub-Total	2,337,827	921,266
Positive Variation		1,416,561
Total	\$ 2,337,827	\$ 2,337,827

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The following table 'Finance at a Glance' provides comparisons of this year's results with the previous years:

	2003/04	2002/03	Increase/ Decrease	% Change
Operational Income	15,928,217	14,460,600	1,467,617	10.15%
Operational Expenditure	13,088,103	12,288,396	799,707	6.51%
Total Changes in Equity (Profit)	2,840,114	2,172,204	667,910	30.75%
Rate Revenue	8,037,575	7,739,489	298,086	3.85%
Government Grants	3,918,327	3,874,346	43,981	1.14%
User Charges	1,818,831	1,437,918	380,913	26.49%
Interest Income	309,263	259,231	50,032	19.30%
Employee Costs	3,056,908	3,166,029	(109,121)	-3.45%
Borrowing Costs	224,126	258,538	(34,412)	-13.31%
Remissions and Discounts	638,752	639,688	(936)	-0.15%
Cash on Hand (incl. Investments)	5,034,083	3,511,592	1,522,491	43.36%
Receivables (current)	715,104	491,028	224,076	45.63%
Payables	1,003,777	1,150,440	(146,663)	-12.75%
Outstanding Loans	4,405,888	4,114,971	290,917	7.07%
Provisions	893,788	984,524	(90,736)	-9.22%

Financial Indicator Comparisons		2003/04	2002/03	2001/02	2000/01
Current Ratio	<u>Current Assets</u>	2.41:1	1.57:1	1.70:1	1.87:1
	<u>Current Liabilities</u>				
Quick Asset Ratio	<u>Cash + Liquid Debtors</u>	2.31:1	1.48:1	1.58:1	1.72:1
	<u>Current Liabilities</u>				
Rate Coverage Ratio	<u>Rate Revenue</u>	50.46%	53.53%	60.12%	64.38%
	<u>Operating Revenue</u>				
Outstanding Rate Debtors	<u>Rate Debtors</u>	0.94%	1.39%	1.19%	
	<u>Rate Revenues</u>				
Expenditure per Capita	<u>Operating Expenditure</u>	\$942.47	\$884.88	\$889.81	\$890.07
	<u>Population (13,887)</u>				
Grant Coverage Ratio	<u>Grant Revenue</u>	24.60%	28.59%	23.21%	20.86%
	<u>Operating Revenue</u>				

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the Councillors for their support and encouragement during the year and look forward to working with them in the forthcoming year for the benefit of the Waratah-Wynyard community.

Finally, all staff employed by Council are to be congratulated for the effort they exhibit every day in ensuring that the services delivered to the community are done so in a timely and professional manner.



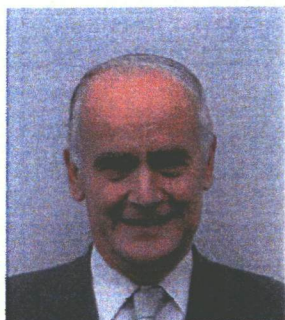
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GENERAL MANAGER

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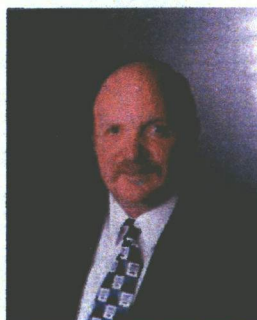
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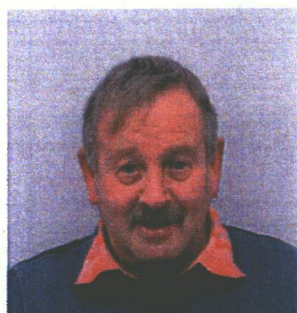
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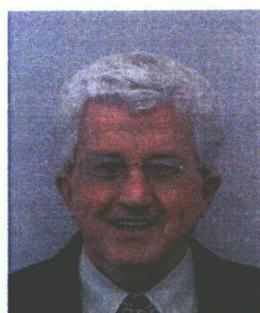
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Mayor



Kevin Hyland
Deputy Mayor



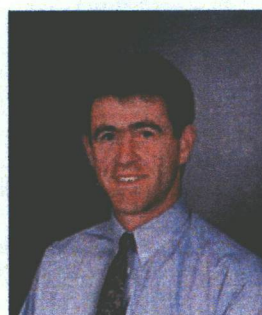
Gary Bramich
Councillor



Malcolm Fenton
Councillor



Colleen Dibley
Councillor (elected April 2004)



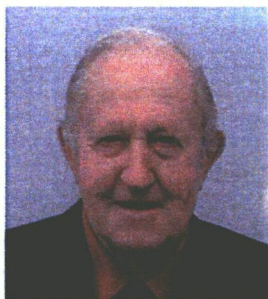
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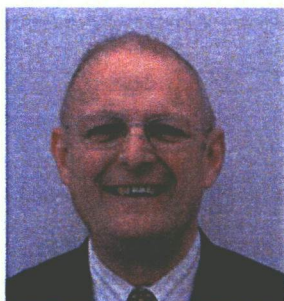
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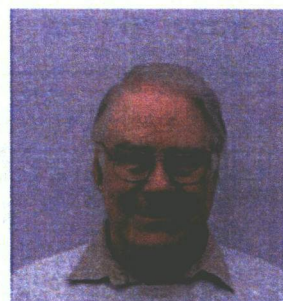
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Councillor



Alwyn Friedersdorff
Councillor



David Moore
Councillor



A (Francis) Ransley OAM
Councillor



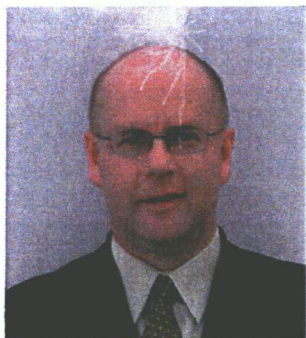
Dorothy Calvert
Councillor (resigned April 2004)

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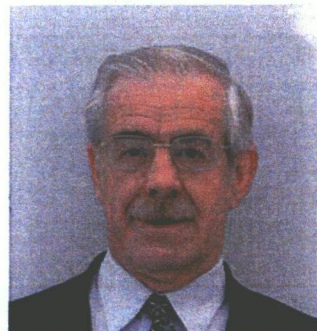
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SENIOR STAFF



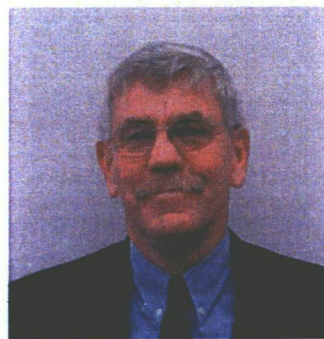
Paul West
General Manager



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Director Corporate Services



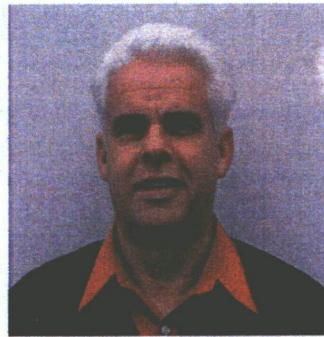
Gary Neil
Director Engineering Services



Paddy Kennedy
Director Development Services



Lisa Dixon
Accountant



Darrell Walsh
Works Manager

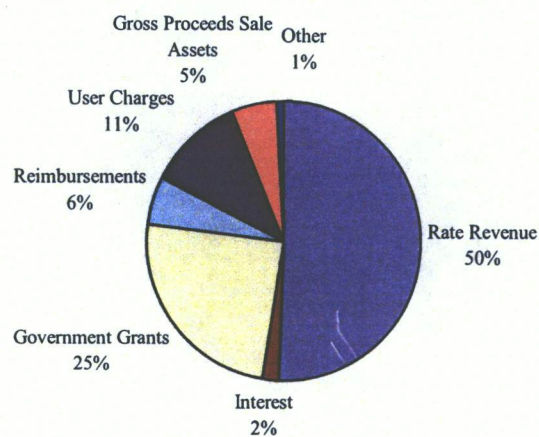
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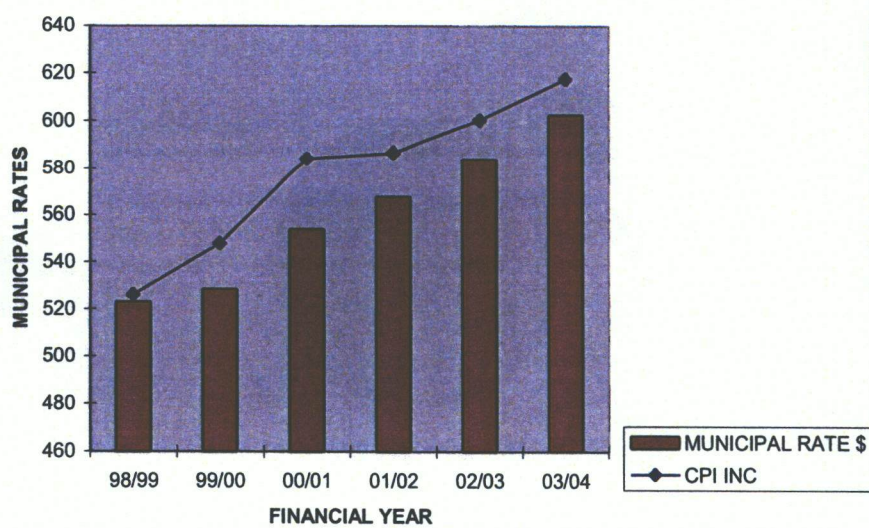
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PERFORMANCE TRENDS

REVENUE FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES 2003/2004



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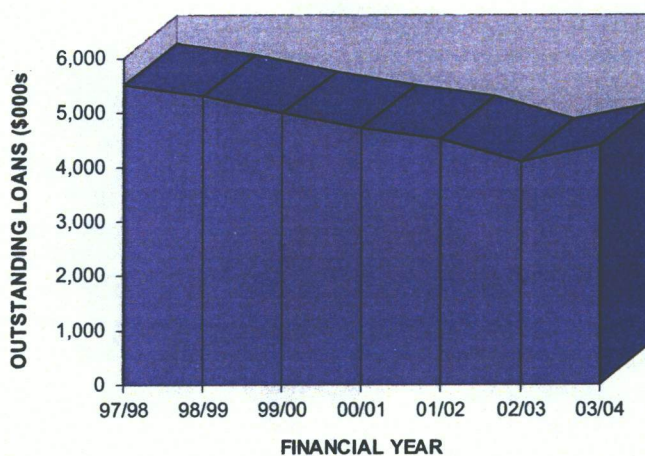


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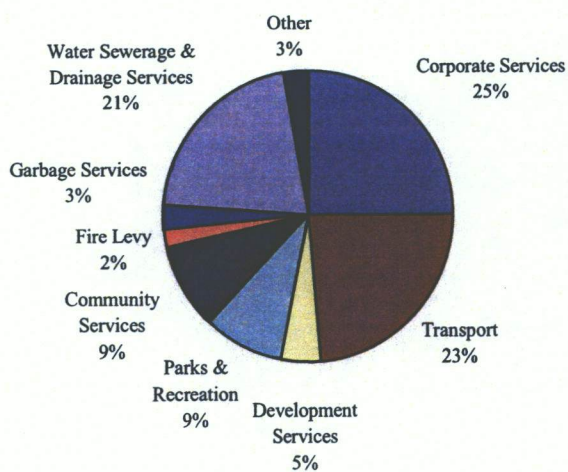
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OUTSTANDING DEBT






EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES 2003/2004



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GOVERNANCE *Council*

OBJECTIVES

1. Provide leadership and good local governance to the Waratah-Wynyard community.
2. Operate within the legislative framework established for local government in Tasmania.
3. Conduct regular meetings of the Council.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- Conduct 12 ordinary Council meetings for the year and one annual general meeting. 
- Conduct Special Meetings of Council when necessary. Hold regular Group Discussions to assist Councillors in developing policies and procedures. 
- Identify professional development opportunities including attendance at conferences and seminars that assist Councillors in fulfilling their roles. 
- Review the Strategic Plan for the development and management of the municipal area. 
- Review usage of Council Reserves and Buildings in the context of the report of Council's Reserves Working Party. 

OVERVIEW

The 2002/2003 Annual Report was presented to the Council's Annual General Meeting held on 6 October 2003.

During the year 12 Ordinary and 5 Special Council Meetings were held at which 568 business items were considered.

At the local 2004 Australia Day ceremony, the Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Mr Roxley Snare in recognition of his many years of participation in sporting and service clubs and his community service and the Young Citizen Award went to Jeremy Badcock who was nominated for his music, sport and academic achievements. The Wynyard Sub-Branch of the Returned Services League of Australia received a Certificate of Appreciation to recognize their ongoing commitment to the organisation of annual Anzac Day ceremonies.

Council undertook a community consultative process in developing a new Strategic Plan and was delighted with the participative response of local citizens through the numerous workshop sessions conducted. The new Plan was adopted by Council on 17 May 2004.



Strategic Plan community workshop.

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CORPORATE SERVICES

Administration

OBJECTIVE

To provide administrative services that are responsive and efficient in assisting the Council to undertake its functions and which create a cooperative link between the Council and the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ To produce Council and Committee meeting notices, agendas, minutes and correspondence in a timely manner and compliant with relevant legislation.
- ♦ To provide consistent and complete organisation of meetings.
- ♦ To maintain currency of Council's website.
- ♦ To develop and implement appropriate risk management strategies.



OVERVIEW

The administrative activities associated with Council meetings for the year flowed smoothly and were completed without incident. Council's website was maintained during the year. Council has embarked on the implementation of a new web-site that will be based around a consistent statewide framework with user friendly content management. Council expects to have the new website operational early in the 2004/05 financial year.

In relation to risk management, Council has adopted a formal Risk Management Policy that details all workforce responsibilities in this area, appointed a Risk Management Officer to coordinate related activity and has included accountability for risk management in the position descriptions of senior managers. A risk management working party has been formed that meets regularly and determines strategic implementation of measures in relation to Organisational Risk Management, and management of Contracts, Playgrounds, Recreational Activities, Trees in Public Areas, Roads and Footpaths, Professional Liability and Property.

Financial Services

OBJECTIVE

To provide responsible and accountable control of Council's financial resources and to create a cooperative link between the Council and the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY








- ♦ Prepare 2004/05 Budget Estimates, Capital Works Program, Operational Plan and set rates by 30 June 2004.
- ♦ Prepare for Council consideration an ongoing Financial Strategy incorporating policies relating to debt, future borrowing and rating.



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- ♦ Ensure financial reporting is clear, meaningful, timely and meets the needs of elected members, management and operational staff of Council. 
- ♦ Implementation of an Executive Information System (Power EIS) to assist financial reporting. 
- ♦ Review the process of property certificate compilation to maintain and improve turnaround. 
- ♦ Develop and implement a 'Purchasing Procedure Policy'. 
- ♦ Development and implementation of a new Chart of Accounts. 
- ♦ Introduce further efficiencies within Council through the use of electronic technologies. 
- ♦ Implementation of debt collection policies and procedures. 

OVERVIEW







Most targets were achieved during the year or progress towards them is ongoing. The implementation of Power EIS was deferred until the next financial year.

Children and Youth Services

OBJECTIVE

To efficiently and effectively deliver a range of children and youth programs that meet community aspirations and needs and to encourage the creation of additional programs to meet newly identified needs.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Operate efficient and effective Child Care Centres in Wynyard and Waratah. 
- ♦ Effectively conduct a Childrens Playgroup at Wynyard Community Centre. 
- ♦ Effectively conduct After School Hours and Vacation Care programmes in Wynyard and Somerset as required. 
- ♦ Conduct a "Learn to Swim" campaign at the East Wynyard Pool during the Christmas/New Year school vacation period. 
- ♦ Conduct a Youth Resource Centre in Wynyard by external contract. 
- ♦ Relocate Waratah Day Care Centre to Waratah Primary School. 

OVERVIEW

The integrated Children's Services operated from the Wynyard Child Care Centre has operated well during the review period. After considerable delay, the Waratah Child Care Centre commenced operating from its new base at the Primary School on 20 April 2004 and the new service is being well received. The Wynyard Playgroup was revised to operate as an annex of the Child Care Centre and this has led to increased service capacity. Patronage of the Outside School Hours Care Program at Somerset has fluctuated with changes in parental employment but appears to be stabilizing in recent months.

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The annual Learn to Swim program was conducted in the January/February period and received good continued support. During the year the youth support program was, at the recommendation of service provider Fusion, restructured from a purely resource centre approach to one of street contact backed up by a smaller resource centre at the Fusion office. Activity reflects seasonal conditions but overall it appears that relationships and connections are being built to the benefit of youth in our community.



Facelift of the Wynyard Child Care Centre in association with Wynyard High School Art students.



Pre-schoolers enjoy storytime at the new Little Goldie Street Annex.



Waratah Child Care Centre completed during 2004 Large indoor play space for children to enjoy – particularly during the winter months at Waratah.



Fusion North West Youth and Community Resource Centre in Inglis Street Wynyard.

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Other Community Services

OBJECTIVE

To deliver efficiently and effectively a range of programs that meet community aspirations and needs and to encourage creation of additional programs to meet newly identified needs.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Effectively and efficiently maintain the existing public housing service in Waratah.
- ♦ To support and maintain the building occupied by the Wynyard Senior Citizens Club.



OVERVIEW

Council has continued to support senior citizens activities by maintaining the Wynyard clubrooms in Jackson Street and is seeking to review its involvement in public housing in Waratah, having sought discussions with Housing Services Tasmania in relation to the future of the Smith Street units.

Tourism

OBJECTIVE

To investigate, develop and implement strategies for public promotion of the Waratah-Wynyard district to maximise economic benefit through tourism.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ To progress the concept of a Wynyard Visitor Exhibition Centre.
- ♦ Relocate, protect and promote the Kenworthy Stamper Mill as a visitor attraction in Waratah.
- ♦ Provide serviced wastewater dumping points for campers/travelers in Wynyard and Waratah.
- ♦ Investigate options for establishment of Table Cape Lighthouse as a visitor attraction.
- ♦ To provide continued financial and administrative support to the Wynyard Visitor Information Centre.



OVERVIEW

Council has continued to support the Wynyard Visitor Information Centre financially and by supplying coordination expertise for the volunteer base. Visitor levels have reached an all-time high, indicative of the tourism boom being generally experienced throughout the state.

Wastewater dumping points for campers/travellers were constructed in Wynyard and Waratah.

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Council determined Van Diemen Quality Bulbs to be its preferred operator of conducted public tours of Table Cape lighthouse subject to completion of leasing formalities with the Tasmanian Government and is continuing negotiations with the Parks and Wildlife Service towards that objective.

Arrangements for the dismantling and storage of the Kenworthy Stamper Mill pending its relocation into Waratah have reached an advanced stage.

Considerable progress has been made towards the establishment of an Exhibition Centre on a central site in Wynyard, including completion of design concepts and grant funding applications. Formal agreement was reached to secure the Ransley Vintage Motor Vehicle Collection for a twenty year term to provide a major display focus for the Centre.

Public Halls

OBJECTIVE

To provide places of assembly for public and private use to meet the reasonable needs of the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Re-roof the Wynyard Railway Institute Hall.
- ♦ Upgrade Guide Hall facilities at Wynyard to meet current Place of Assembly standards.



OVERVIEW

Renovation of the former Railway institute Hall is proceeding under a Steering Committee that includes representatives of potential user organisations. Roof replacement occurred in the later part of the financial year. The upgrade of the Guide Hall has not proceeded because changes associated with delivery of Council's youth support program removed the need to serve a new resource centre.

Emergency Services

OBJECTIVE

To maintain an efficient emergency management capability covering the whole municipal area.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Provide administrative and financial support for volunteer emergency service units at Wynyard and Waratah.



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OVERVIEW

Council has continued to support its local volunteer emergency service units. During the year the Waratah unit ceased to function for a period through loss of personnel but a concerted effort by Council, regional SES personnel and concerned members of the Waratah community resulted in the group being reformed and new members being trained to provide service continuity. The experience highlighted the importance of having a functional unit to service the southern section of the municipal area.



The Municipal Emergency Management Plan was revised, approved by the Minister in March 2004 and has now been distributed to relevant personnel and organisations. A recovery plan for the municipal area is currently being written and is due for completion by the end of 2004. It is pleasing to record that the Wynyard Unit Manager Frank Lawes received the rare distinction of a commendation from the Director Emergency Services during the year for his dedicated service to emergency management in Waratah-Wynyard.

Community Development

OBJECTIVE

To promote community awareness of and participation in local social, recreational and cultural activities and services.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Provide a financial and in-kind assistance grants scheme for local community groups. 
- ♦ Maintain contact with local artistic and cultural organizations and provide advice where requested. 



OVERVIEW

During the year the following grants and benefits were approved by Council under its Community Assistance Grants Program.

Group/Organisation	Minute No.	Committed \$	Paid (GST Excl) \$
Boat Harbour Beach Surf Lifesaving Club	725.6	450	409
Somerset Soccer Club Inc	725.6	1,500	1500
Wynyard BMX Park	725.6	1,500	1,710
Wynyard Cricket Club Inc	725.6	1,000	1,000
Wynyard Somerset Tennis Club Inc	725.6	800	800
Wynyard Soccer Club Inc	725.6	50	50
Yolla Football Club	725.6	1,000	1,000
Guides Australia	725.6	300	300
Hellyer College	725.6	300	300
Scouts Australia – Boat Harbour Group	725.6	550	549
Somerset Guides Support Group	725.6	275	275
Waratah Primary School	725.6	100	100
Lions Club of Wynyard Inc	725.6	500	500

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Somerset Pageant Committee	725.6	500	500
Wynyard Garden Club	725.6	500	500
Wynyard Municipal Band Inc	725.6	2,500	2,500
Cam-Somerset Neighbourhood Watch	822.1.2	500	500
Central Wynyard Neighbourhood Watch	822.1.2	500	500
Waratah Neighbourhood Watch & Safety Committee	725.6	500	397
Somerset Safety House Committee	725.6	300	300
CWA Tasmania – Somerset Branch	725.6	220	220
Elliott District Association	725.6	2,000	2,000
Australian Breastfeeding Association	725.6	176	176
Preolenna Hall Committee	725.6	120	120
Sisters Beach Fire Brigade	725.6	1,200	1,200
Wynyard Carers Support Group	725.6 & 824.1	255	205
Women of the World	725.6 & 824.1	50	41
Wynyard Visitor Information Centre	725.6	2,000	1,650
North West Athletics Club	801.3	630	630
Wynyard Landcare	824.1	165	95
Riding for the Disabled NW	826.3	66	66
Wynyard Leo Club	889.1	390	205
Wynyard Pony Club	889.1	1,125	509
Junior Sports Development Program	926.2	2,000	2000
Preolenna Mothers Group	38.1	50	50
Rotary Club of Devonport South East	64.6	500	500
Anna Hill	137.11	400	400
Total		\$24,972	\$23,757

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved




DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Animal Control

OBJECTIVE

To promote responsible dog ownership in a manner that fully recognizes and respects the rights of dog owners and others in the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

♦ Implementation of Dog Management Policy.	
♦ Implement legislative control when required.	
♦ To provide education for dog owners responsibilities as required.	

OVERVIEW

During the year 3,158 dogs were registered. There were 95 dogs impounded of which 14 were reclaimed, 18 were euthanised with the remainder being readopted. Twenty eight licences to keep several dogs were issued. Three infringement notices were issued for offences under the Act.

In accordance with the Dog Management Policy the beach areas of Sisters Beach, Boat Harbour, East Wynyard and Somerset were closed to dog entry between 10:00 am and 6:00 pm during late December to mid March with the areas being patrolled to ensure compliance.

Building Control and Compliance / Council Building Maintenance

OBJECTIVE

To determine building applications and conduct inspections of construction progress to achieve housing and commercial and industrial building in the municipal area that is safe and compliant with legislative requirements.

To maintain Council's built assets to an appropriate standard that complies with all legislative requirements.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Process building applications as expeditiously as possible.
- ♦ Apply building legislation.
- ♦ Undertake building surveys as required.



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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

OVERVIEW

Except where approvals from other Statutory Agencies were required, all building permits applied for over this period and accompanied by full documentation were issued within an average of 6 days of lodgement of the application.

272 permits were issued for buildings with a total value of \$15,577,782 including 61 dwellings valued at \$8,938,536.






These figures represent an increase of nearly 50% in permits issued over the previous year. This is a reflection of a robust building and investment market during this period. The value of building work is on a par with the previous year with the main activity experienced in residential development whereas in the previous year commercial development was the dominant factor.

Environmental Health Services

OBJECTIVES

To provide for the community an environment free of health threatening risks particularly relating to air, water and food and to encourage and support healthy lifestyles.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Determine acceptable and achievable levels of environmental and public health by ongoing monitoring, inspection, education and, where necessary, by applying corrective measures by mutual consent or application of legislation. 
- ♦ Ensure safe standards of food offered for sale are maintained. 
- ♦ Ensure water supplies are safe for human consumption and recreation. 
- ♦ Encourage vaccination of children and adults against diseases. 
- ♦ Provide the community with a safe and healthy environment in which to reside, work and enjoy recreation. 

OVERVIEW

103 Food Premises were registered during the year and 23 Temporary Food Licences were also issued during the year.

During inspection of audits of food premises advice was given on appropriate handling practices and relevant changes to legislation with 168 recommendations being worked through with the operators. Two food handling seminars were carried out with licensed food operators and 9 school based seminars were held for staff and students.

43 Places of Assembly were registered with 8 Public Health Risk Premises, (eg ear piercing), being registered under the Act. 6 Regulated Systems, (eg cooling towers), were registered with 5 Private Water Suppliers being maintained on Council registers. 18 notifiable disease investigation were carried out and appropriate advice given to affected persons.

Sampling of recreational waters for bacterial levels was carried out over the summer period on a weekly basis. Sample points are located at the main bathing beaches of Sisters Beach, Boat Harbour Beach, Wynyard and Somerset. Results indicate compliance with the guidelines for recreational waters in all locations except Sisters Beach where elevated bacterial levels at the mouth of Sisters Creek necessitate the continued signposting of this location to advise the public of the pollution levels. It is envisaged that the current sewerage works underway in this settlement will reduce the bacterial levels experienced at this location.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

Monthly immunisation sessions were held at Wynyard with bi-monthly sessions being held at Waratah. A total of 1579 vaccinations were administered, which represents a significant increase over the previous year. Data from the National Childhood Immunisation Register continues to indicate high levels of children in the municipality as having completed their primary vaccinations

Potable waters from Cradle Coast Water and Councils systems at Yolla and Waratah were sampled throughout the year in accordance with the Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality. The level of compliance with the Guidelines is viewed as satisfactory with only one boil water notice being issued in respect of a minor plant malfunction at Waratah.




There was an instance in January 2004 of unknown substance being deposited in the raw water dam for the Yolla water supply which was safely filtered out but damaged the filters in the process. The incident caused discolouration of the supply but presented no health threat.

Town Planning

OBJECTIVE

To identify and plan for the community's needs and the sustainable use of its resources by providing a framework which will permit development within the municipal area in accordance with the principles of the State's Resource Management and Planning System.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Process planning applications and requests for information in an efficient and timely manner. 
- ♦ Maintain a review of actual development approval timeframes to identify process change that potentially could reduce future approval timeframes. 
- ♦ Maintain progress towards integration and streamlining of approval processes. 

OVERVIEW

346 development applications were submitted to Council with 320 being approved under delegation and 12 being approved by Council. 4 applications were refused by Council and a total of 8 applications were withdrawn by the applicants. There were 2 applications pending a decision.

40 Subdivision applications were submitted with 25 being approved under delegation and 12 being approved by Council. 1 application was refused by Council with 2 applications being withdrawn by the applicants and 1 application pending a decision.

A total of 5 planning appeals were lodged against Council determinations with 4 being withdrawn by the applicants and 1 appeal pending a determination through the appeal process.

The level of applications shows a marked increase of approximately 43% over the previous year which is a reflection of the robust economic activity within the municipality.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved



*Council subdivision in Beaufort Street
Somerset.*




Environmental Services

OBJECTIVE

To ensure that private and Council controlled land within the municipal area does not present a fire or weed threat to adjoining land.

To ensure the objectives of the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994* are carried out to prevent or mitigate pollution within the municipal area.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ To initiate timely action where necessary to achieve removal of potential fire hazards on private land. 
- ♦ To support the Waratah-Wynyard Weed Management Strategy. 
- ♦ To investigate and take action on issues relating to pollution. 

OVERVIEW

77 fire abatement notices were served with the majority of property owners effecting a clean -up of the overgrowth. Council carried out an abatement of overgrowth on 16 properties and recovered costs from the landholders. This is a small reduction of this work over the previous year reflecting the trend of developing some of the vacant residential land in the current property boom.

The weed management strategy continues to be actively pursued with significant success in the control of ragwort, pampas grass and crack willow. The strategy is scheduled for review in the 2004/2005 year.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

ENGINEERING SERVICES *Engineering Support Services*

OBJECTIVE

To provide engineering services that facilitate efficient and cost effective completion of Council's asset management and capital works programmes.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Upgrade Wynyard Depot office block/staff amenities.
- ♦ Install Waratah Repeater for two-way radio system.
- ♦ Redevelop a five-year forward Capital Works Program.
- ♦ Formalise Council's public request response system.
- ♦ Develop an operational policy including service level targets for Council's infrastructure assets.



OVERVIEW

The communication system for staff at Waratah has been improved through the use of CDMA mobile phones in the place of a two way radio system.

Service level documents have been developed for an number of engineering services in consultation with staff involved in delivering the services.

The Conquest Asset Management System is being utilized as Council's tool to operate the customer response systems. The system is in operation and tracking of customer requests has improved.

Solid Waste Management

OBJECTIVE

To minimise and dispose of solid waste in a manner which is environmentally responsible and cost effective.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ To ensure the effective collection and disposal of litter from streets and public reserves.



OVERVIEW

The operation of the transfer station was tendered in late 2003 and Vincent Industries were awarded the contract.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved




An increased focus on resource recovery has developed and an increasing quantity of material is being diverted from the landfill waste stream.

Household Waste

OBJECTIVE

To minimise and dispose of household waste in a manner which is environmentally responsible and cost effective.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Ensure the efficient collection and disposal of household garbage. 
- ♦ Investigate options to maximise effective collection and disposal of garbage consistent with waste minimisation strategies. 
- ♦ To investigate the feasibility of recycling services consistent with waste minimisation strategies 

OVERVIEW

The kerbside recycling contract was re-tendered in this period and awarded to Vincent Industries. Avenues to increase the range of materials collected at the kerbside are being actively pursued under the contract arrangement.

Cemetery Operations

OBJECTIVE

To cost effectively maintain cemeteries under Council's control to a standard acceptable to the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain cemeteries to an acceptable standard for the public. 

OVERVIEW

There were 46 internments conducted in local cemeteries during the year, a considerable reduction on past years.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

Public Conveniences

OBJECTIVE

To provide public convenience facilities which meet community expectation in standards of presentation and hygiene.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintenance of public toilet facilities throughout the municipal area.
- ♦ Construct new public toilet facility in Somerset central business district.



OVERVIEW

The contract for cleaning of public toilets was awarded to Kelly's Waste Management during the year.

A site was selected for the public toilet in Somerset and land secured for the project. The project will progress in the next financial year.

Roads

OBJECTIVE

To maintain Council's roads and bridges cost effectively in a safe and presentable condition for users.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintenance of Council's road network in a safe and presentable condition.
- ♦ Reconstruction and sealing of Lowreys Road and Reservoir Drive.
- ♦ Reconstruction and sealing of Boat Harbour Beach roads and drainage installation.
- ♦ Reconstruction, sealing, kerb and channel and drainage of Wragg Street – Murchison Hwy/Athol Street.
- ♦ Surfacing without sealing of Boat Harbour Siding Road, Bramichs Road, Colgraves Road, Devils Elbow, Doctors Lane, Lapoinya Road, Murdering Gully Road, Myalla Road and Oldina Road.
- ♦ Resealing of roads and streets as required.
- ♦ Footpath construction – Moore Street, Park Street and Arthur Street.
- ♦ Reconstruct kerb Crossings for wheelchair and pram access as required.
- ♦ Widen the entrance to Pecks Road.
- ♦ Replace bridges over Rattler River on Chromys Road, Flowerdale River on Gates Road and un-named stream on Woodhouses Road.



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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

OVERVIEW

The construction and maintenance program was satisfactorily completed. Portion of the funds allocated for works in Arthur Street were redirected to other footpath projects. The balance of the Arthur Street project will be completed in the next financial year.

Parks and Reserves

OBJECTIVE

To maintain the existing network of public parks and reserves efficiently and cost-effectively to a standard which meets community expectations and which complements or contributes positively to the natural landscape of the municipal area.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain reserves in a safe and presentable condition in conformity with Council policy.
- ♦ Upgrade Wynyard Wharf support structure.
- ♦ Construct safety fencing at Table Cape Lookout Walkway.
- ♦ Construction of walking track extension at River Road.
- ♦ Boat Harbour Beach playground equipment.
- ♦ Progress development of former BP site – Goldie Street for passive recreation purposes.



OVERVIEW

Most programmed maintenance and improvement work was completed during the year.

The upgrading of the Wharf structure was identified as a project and preliminary investigation work carried out to determine the extent of improvement works required.



Boardwalk construction on Inglis River Walkway near Bridge Street.

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STATUS LEGEND




-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

Sporting Facilities

OBJECTIVES

To maintain recreational facilities which are appropriate to the needs of the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain sporting facilities in a safe and presentable condition in conformity with Council policy. 
- ♦ Paint exterior walls of Wynyard Sports Centre. 
- ♦ Install skylights in the Somerset Indoor Recreation Centre. 

OVERVIEW

The installation of the skylights at the Somerset Recreation Centre will be carried over to the next financial year.



Refurbished Wynyard Sports Centre.

Treated Water

OBJECTIVE

To provide reliable potable water supplies to the towns of Wynyard, Somerset and Yolla in accordance with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain reticulation system within budgetary allocation and minimise interruption to supply.
- ♦ Monitor and measure public water supplies against legislative standards.
- ♦ Replace water main in Lyons Street – Pelissier / Cardigan Streets.
- ♦ Install flow meter on Yolla supply.
- ♦ Progress service agreement with Cradle Coast Water.



OVERVIEW

The customer service agreement reached with Cradle Coast Water provides clarification as to the roles of the bulk water provider and manager of the reticulated networks, as well as specify the quality of bulk water to be supplied.

The quality of the reticulated water delivered to residents complied with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

Chlorinated Water Supply

OBJECTIVE

To provide a potable water supply to properties connected to the reticulation scheme at Waratah in accordance with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Monitor and measure public water supplies against legislative standards.
- ♦ Install flow meter on Waratah supply.



OVERVIEW

The quality of the reticulated water delivered to residents complied with the drinking water guidelines, with the exception of two failed tests. The issues with the supply were as a result of a plant malfunction and were rectified upon identification.

Wynyard Sewerage

OBJECTIVE

To cost effectively operate and maintain an efficient sewerage scheme in Wynyard in accordance with licensing requirements and the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain reticulation and treatment system within budgetary allocation.
- ♦ Measurement of discharge waters for compliance with legislative standards.
- ♦ Re-line main pump station.
- ♦ Sewer replacement in Park Street – Church/Austin
- ♦ Sewer replacement Inglis Street – Church/Austin.
- ♦ Install additional telemetry alarm extension in one pump station.
- ♦ Install level control equipment and flow meter at Bonlac Factory.
- ♦ Investigate upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant to meet emission guidelines for sewage treatment plants.
- ♦ Identify and reduce stormwater infiltration of the sewerage system.



OVERVIEW

The relining of the main pump station was deferred to provide funds for the replacement of the rising main to the waste water treatment plant.

Telemetry improvements were carried out on the pump station at Bonlac.

The management of storm water infiltration is progressing and reduction in storm water to the systems has occurred.

The review of the upgrade requirements for the Wynyard Waste Water Treatment Plant so as to meet new emission limit guidelines is to be conducted in the next financial year.

Somerset Sewerage

OBJECTIVES

To cost effectively operate and maintain an efficient sewerage scheme in Somerset in accordance with licensing requirements and the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain reticulation and treatment system within budgetary allocation.
- ♦ Measurement of discharge waters for compliance with legislative standards.
- ♦ Re-line main pump station.
- ♦ Install additional telemetry alarm extension in one pump station.
- ♦ Investigate upgrade of the wastewater treatment plant to meet emission guidelines for sewage treatment plants.
- ♦ Identify and reduce stormwater infiltration of the sewerage system.



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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

OVERVIEW

The management of storm water infiltration is progressing and reduction in storm water to the systems has occurred.

The relining project was not commenced and the Waste Water Treatment Plant review has been deferred until the Wynyard plant assessment has been completed.

Waratah Sewerage

OBJECTIVES

To cost effectively operate and maintain an efficient sewerage scheme in Waratah in accordance with the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain reticulation and treatment system within budgetary allocation.
- ♦ Measurement of discharge waters for compliance with legislative standards.



OVERVIEW

The scheme operated without incident during the year.

Boat Harbour Sewerage

OBJECTIVE

To cost effectively operate and maintain an efficient sewerage scheme in Boat Harbour Beach in accordance with licensing requirements and the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain reticulation and treatment system within budgetary allocation.
- ♦ Measurement of discharge waters for compliance with legislative standards.
- ♦ Complete the connection of all dwellings in the coastal village to the scheme.



OVERVIEW

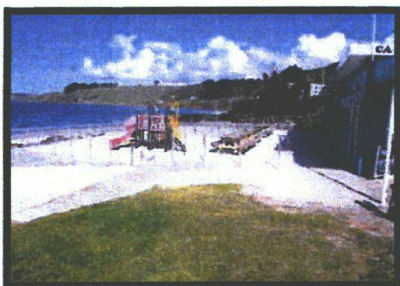
This project was completed and the majority of properties have connected.

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STATUS LEGEND

- ✓ Achieved
- ⚙ In Progress
- 🔄 Ongoing
- ✗ Not Achieved

The wastewater treatment plant is operating and the contractors are managing the facility as part of the maintenance period for the project.



Boat Harbour Beach playground redevelopment.

Sisters Beach Sewerage

OBJECTIVE

To commence development of a sewerage scheme at Sisters Beach.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ To gain approval of the Development Proposal & Environmental Management Plan for the project. ✓
- ♦ To ensure commitment of expenditure required to maintain access to Commonwealth Grant Funding for this project. ✓

OVERVIEW

Council gained approval for the construction of a waste water treatment plant and sewerage reticulation for Sisters beach.

Preliminary construction works have commenced and will continue to the middle of next year.



Waratah-Wynyard Council works and services staff laying pipework for the Sisters Beach Sewerage Scheme.

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STATUS LEGEND

-  Achieved
-  In Progress
-  Ongoing
-  Not Achieved

Wynyard Drainage

OBJECTIVE

To adequately discharge Council's responsibilities in relation to stormwater drainage within the Wynyard Drainage District.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Decommission old Wynyard Tip drainage main.
- ♦ Maintain the reticulation system within budget.
- ♦ To investigate improved stormwater management.



OVERVIEW

All planned construction work was completed satisfactorily.

Somerset Drainage

OBJECTIVE

To adequately discharge Council's responsibilities in relation to stormwater drainage within the Somerset Drainage District.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

- ♦ Maintain the reticulation system within budget.
- ♦ To investigate improved stormwater management.



OVERVIEW

The program objective was not during the review period.

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Waratah-Wynyard Council Summarised Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2004

Any person desiring a complete copy of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June, 2004 should contact 6443 8311 or call at the Council Offices.

ACCOUNTING STATEMENT:

The accompanying financial information is an abridged version of the Council's formal accounts, a copy of which is available for inspection at the Council Offices.

The Summarised Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with the Statements of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standards, including the accrual basis of accounting and in particular, Australian Accounting Standard AAS27 – *Financial Reporting by Local Government* which contains accounting standards to be applied by all local governments in Australia.

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Functions/Activities of the Council For the year Ended 30 June, 2004

The activities relating to the Local Government's components reported at 2(a) are as follows:-

Transport

Construction and maintenance of roads, footpaths, bridges and traffic signs. It also covers gravel pits and municipal car parks.

Development Services

Administration of various by-laws, animal control, health and building regulation and town planning and development services.

Parks & Recreation Facilities

Operation and maintenance of halls, recreation centres and various reserves.

Community Services

Operation of various children and youth services, operation of refuse disposal sites, state emergency services, public conveniences and cemeteries.

Garbage Services

Operation of rubbish collection services.

Water Services

Construction and maintenance of Council's Water Works.

Sewerage Services

Construction and maintenance of Council's Sewerage Works

Drainage Services

Construction and maintenance of Council's Drainage Works.

Corporate Services

Operation and maintenance of Council Chambers, administration offices and depots. Items previously classified as Business Undertakings - operation of self-funded activities including the Waratah Post Office, rental of Council owned property at commercial rates and subdivision and sale of Council land - have been reclassified as Corporate Service activities.

Fire Levy

Collected on behalf of the State Government for statewide fire services.

Other - Not Attributable

This grouping recognises revenue and expenditure items which do not fall into any of the above functions/activities.

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Statement of Financial Performance (by Transaction Class) For the year Ended 30 June, 2004

	NOTES	ACTUAL 2004 \$	BUDGET 2004 \$	ACTUAL 2003 \$
EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES				
Employee Costs	3	3,056,908	3,278,699	3,166,029
Materials and Contracts		5,477,972	4,903,869	4,697,276
Depreciation	4	2,526,616	2,487,748	2,529,545
Carrying Amount of Non-Current Assets Sold	5	587,744	299,044	425,205
State Levies		434,217	435,727	413,632
Borrowing Costs	6	224,126	247,828	258,538
Remissions and Discounts		638,752	619,157	639,688
Other	7	141,768	151,912	158,483
Total Expenses From Ordinary Activities		13,088,103	12,423,984	12,288,396
REVENUE FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES				
Rates		8,037,575	7,919,686	7,739,489
User Charges		1,818,831	1,359,213	1,437,918
Interest		309,263	205,713	259,231
Reimbursements of expenses incurred		886,605	85,082	641,580
Government Grants	8	3,918,327	3,863,037	3,874,346
Gross Proceeds from Non-Current Assets Sold	5	843,569	317,681	430,215
Other	9	114,047	97,125	77,821
Total Revenue From Ordinary Activities		15,928,217	13,847,537	14,460,600
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES				
		2,840,114	1,423,553	2,172,204
Increase in Asset Revaluation Reserve Arising on Revaluation of Non-Current Assets		791,431	0	0
TOTAL CHANGES IN EQUITY		3,631,545	1,423,553	2,172,204

The above statement of financial performance should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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Statement of Financial Performance (by Functional Activity) For the year Ended 30 June, 2004

	ACTUAL 2003 \$	BUDGET 2004 \$	ACTUAL 2003 \$
EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Corporate Services	3,252,971	2,559,867	2,361,373
Transport	3,061,674	2,872,255	3,067,992
Development Services	607,071	627,079	545,397
Parks and Recreation Facilities	1,162,854	1,070,070	1,261,584
Community Services	1,224,221	1,180,277	1,216,361
Fire	221,463	225,727	218,532
Garbage	392,476	429,250	422,317
Water Services	1,669,206	1,786,761	1,684,937
Sewerage Services	898,750	1,055,779	900,288
Drainage Services	238,897	256,384	240,000
Other-Not Attributable	358,520	360,535	369,615
Total Expenses From Ordinary Activities	13,088,103	12,423,984	12,288,396
REVENUE FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Corporate Services	2,545,605	1,133,738	975,509
Transport	1,270,581	1,278,632	1,166,554
Development Services	186,038	98,008	130,585
Parks and Recreation Facilities	162,280	59,483	256,982
Community Services	839,029	647,077	723,415
Fire	239,667	237,107	232,732
Garbage	450,361	436,754	409,768
Water Services	1,998,442	1,873,588	1,891,979
Sewerage Services	2,268,892	2,209,565	2,895,375
Drainage Services	336,268	330,123	339,889
Other-Not Attributable	5,631,054	5,543,462	5,437,812
Total Revenue From Ordinary Activities	15,928,217	13,847,537	14,460,600
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	2,840,114	1,423,553	2,172,204
Increase in Asset Revaluation Reserve Arising on Revaluation of Non-Current Assets	791,431	0	0
TOTAL CHANGES IN EQUITY	3,631,545	1,423,553	2,172,204

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Statement of Financial Position For the year Ended 30 June, 2004

	NOTES	ACTUAL 2004 \$	ACTUAL 2003 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	10	304,215	711,592
Receivables	11	715,104	491,028
Other Financial Assets	12	4,729,868	2,800,000
Inventories	13	137,790	181,749
Other	14	86,631	48,606
Total Current Assets	2(b)	5,973,608	4,232,975
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and Equipment	15	73,811,307	72,721,982
Receivables	16	134,009	70,335
Other	17	5,355,282	4,563,851
Total Non Current Assets	2(b)	79,300,598	77,356,168
Total Assets		85,274,206	81,589,143
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	18	1,003,777	1,150,440
Interest-Bearing Liabilities	19	732,956	706,989
Provisions	20	741,463	848,405
Total Current Liabilities		2,478,196	2,705,834
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Interest-Bearing Liabilities	21	3,672,932	3,407,982
Provisions	22	152,325	136,119
Other	23	0	0
Total Non Current Liabilities		3,825,257	3,544,101
Total Liabilities		6,303,453	6,249,935
NET ASSETS		78,970,753	75,339,208
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		68,796,904	65,956,790
Reserves	24	10,173,849	9,382,418
TOTAL EQUITY		78,970,753	75,339,208
Contingency	26		
Commitments for Expenditure	27		

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the year Ended 30 June, 2004

	ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		RESERVES		TOTAL	
	2004 \$	2003 \$	2004 \$	2003 \$	2004 \$	2003 \$
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	65,956,790	63,784,586	9,382,418	9,382,418	75,339,208	73,167,004
Changes in net assets resulting from operations	2,840,114	2,172,204	0	0	2,840,114	2,172,204
Asset Revaluation Increment	0	0	791,431	0	791,431	0
Transfer to reserves	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers from reserves	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balance at the end of the financial year	68,796,904	65,956,790	10,173,849	9,382,418	78,970,753	75,339,208

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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Statement of Cash Flows For the year Ended 30 June, 2004

	NOTES	ACTUAL 2004 \$	ACTUAL 2003 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Payments			
Employee Costs		3,086,567	3,211,197
Materials and Contracts		5,725,106	4,601,357
State Levies		434,217	413,632
Interest		225,578	261,939
Remissions and Discounts		638,751	639,688
Other Expenses		141,845	159,423
GST Paid to Suppliers		891,403	829,672
		11,143,467	10,116,908
Receipts			
Rates		8,070,205	7,762,325
User Charges		1,504,448	1,251,463
Interest		320,047	256,667
Reimbursement of expenses incurred		886,605	641,580
Government Grants		3,918,327	4,134,237
Other Income		114,047	77,821
GST Collected from Customers		257,615	203,282
GST Recovered from ATO		633,788	641,876
		15,705,082	14,969,251
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	25	4,561,615	4,852,343
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for			
Property, Plant and Equipment		4,173,610	4,576,670
Investment		1,929,868	0
		6,103,478	4,576,670
Proceeds from			
Sale of Assets		843,569	430,215
Investment		0	200,000
		843,569	630,215
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		(5,259,909)	(3,946,455)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for			
Interest Bearing Liabilities		709,083	715,539
Proceeds from			
Interest Bearing Liabilities		1,000,000	300,000
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		290,917	(415,539)
		(407,377)	490,349
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		711,592	221,243
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	10	304,215	711,592
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STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

In my opinion:

- (a) the financial report set out on pages 1 to 7 presents fairly the financial position of the Waratah-Wynyard Council as at 30 June, 2004; and
- (b) the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with Statement of Accounting Concepts and applicable Accounting Standards, and
- (c) the financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993.

Any person desiring a complete copy of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2004 should contact 6443 8311 or call at the Council Offices.



Paul West
General Manager

Date: 20 August 2004

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the Members of the Council

WARATAH-WYNYARD COUNCIL

Financial Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2004

I have audited the summarised financial report of the Waratah-Wynyard Council for the year ended 30 June 2004, comprising a Statement of Financial Performance (by Transaction Class), Statement of Financial Performance (by Functional Activity), Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and a description of the Council's functions/activities in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

In my opinion the information reported in the summarised financial report is consistent with the annual statutory financial report from which it is derived and upon which I expressed an unqualified audit opinion in my report dated 10 September 2004 to the Councillors. For a better understanding of the scope of the audit, this report should be read in conjunction with the audit report on the annual statutory financial report.

TASMANIAN AUDIT OFFICE

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D W R Baulch
Deputy Auditor-General
Delegate of the AUDITOR-GENERAL

10 September 2004
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