

Annual Report 2007



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A WORD FROM THE MAYOR

I am once again pleased to contribute an introduction to the Waratah-Wynyard Council's Annual Report.

Firstly, I would like to pay tribute to Bill French, former Wynyard Warden and Councillor, who passed away in January 2007 aged 77. Bill retired in 2005 from the Council after having served the community for 38 ½ years. Bill was first elected to the then Wynyard Council in April 1967; he was Warden (Mayor) from 1977 until 1984 and also served a total of nine years as Deputy Warden. He was a great family man and a great community leader – he will be missed by his former fellow Councillors and Council staff alike.

The 2007 Annual Report reflects on an interesting and progressive year, which has seen Council work through a number of issues. Continued growth and achievement across many of Council's services has defined the past year and I strongly believe this good work will continue.

Council's tourism initiatives have gone from strength-to-strength this year. Building on the success of the Wonders of Wynyard Exhibition Centre, visitor numbers continue to rise as new exhibits and veteran vehicles are rotated through this outstanding facility, with over 31,500 visitors for the year – an outstanding result for the area.

Another success for the area's tourism sector, and for the Waratah community in particular, has been the relocation of Kenworthy's Stamper Mill. The Stamper Mill was originally constructed and operated by Dudley Kenworthy, a retired miner from Waratah's rich mining days. Situated on Mt. Bischoff, the single head stamper was housed in an old rusted tin shed, crushing down ore and separating out the tin which Dudley once sold. The Waratah-Wynyard Council purchased the Mill in 2001 with a view to relocating and displaying it as a working historical attraction. At the beginning of 2006, a dedicated band of volunteers, along with myself, set about relocating the Stamper Mill to the centre of Waratah. This was completed in February 2007 with an official opening and great success has followed, with increased visitor numbers and many satisfied reports.

The Wynyard CBD upgrade has been progressing well and is now beginning to take its final shape. The good news of a \$135,000 State Government grant will allow for further developments in the CBD area, with plans to develop the old BP site and Gutteridge Gardens into exciting, creative and dynamic public spaces and linking them through public art. It is hoped these new developments will interpret and represent the unique qualities of the area and its community, whilst providing pleasant and usable public spaces.

In regard to more traditional Council services, I am pleased to announce we were able to seal four kilometres of Takone Road thanks to additional funding from the Australian Government's 'Roads to Recovery' program. Council originally intended to seal two kilometres of the road, but due to the additional funding of \$363,000, was able to extend the sealing by another two kilometres.

These successes, beyond the scope of Council's traditional service-provider role, encourage future initiatives and help ensure continued growth in the Waratah-Wynyard area.

I would like to close this introduction by publicly thanking my fellow Councillors for their commitment to the community, the cooperation they have given me and for their enthusiastic participation in municipal affairs. Similarly I thank our General Manager, Paul West, his senior staff, and indeed Council's entire workforce for the professionalism and diligence they have demonstrated in their duties.

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Kevin W Hyland MAYOR

COUNCILLORS



Kevin Hyland Mayor



Gary Bramich Councillor



Mary Duniam Councillor



Alwyn Friedersdorff Councillor



Darren Fairbrother Deputy Mayor



Roger Chalk AM Councillor



Malcolm Fenton Councillor



David Moore Councillor

COUNCILLORS (continued)



A (Francis) Ransley OAM Councillor



Robby Walsh Councillor

Section 72 (1) (cc) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 requires Council to include in its Annual Report a statement of the attendance of each Councillor at meetings of Council and Council committees during the preceding financial year.

There were 12 Ordinary, 1 Special and 1 Annual General Meeting of Council conducted during the year and there were no meetings of Council committees.

The following table identifies Councillors' attendance at these meetings as required under Section 72 of the *Local Government Act* 1993:

					ME	TING	S OF	COUN	ICIL						1	1
Date	Status	Dur	ation	Busi	ness l	tems					In Atte	ndand	e			
		Hours	Minutes	Start No.		Total	Mayor Hyland	Cr. Bramich	Cr. Chalk	Cr. Duniam	Cr. Fairbrother	Cr. Fenton	Cr. Friedersdorff	Cr. Moore	Cr. Ransley	Cr. Walsh
17-Jul-06	Ordinary	1	56	203	228	25	1			1	1	1	1	1	1	1
31-Jul-06	Special		26	229	233	4	~			1	1	1	1	~	1	~
21-Aug-06	Ordinary	1	24	234	272	38	1			~	1	1	~	~	1	
18-Sep-06	Ordinary	3	24	273	311	38	1	~	~	1	1	~	1	1	1	1
12-Oct-06	AGM		19	1	8	7	1	~		~	1	1	~	~	1	~
16-Oct-06	Ordinary	1	37	312	340	28	1	~	~	~	1	~	~	~	1	1
20-Nov-06	Ordinary	2	57	341	379	38	1	~	1	~	1	~	~	~	~	~
18-Dec-06	Ordinary	2	45	380	400	20	1	1	1	1	~	~	1	~	~	1
15-Jan-07	Ordinary	1	20	1	26	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1
19-Feb-07	Ordinary	2	8	27	49	22	1	1	~	~	1	1	~	1	1	~
19-Mar-07	Ordinary	1	35	50	75	25	1	1	1	~	1	~	1	~		1
16-Apr-07	Ordinary	2	28	76	103	27	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		~
21-May-07	Ordinary	2	47	104	132	28	1	1	~			~	1	1	1	1
18-Jun-07	Ordinary	2	26	133	153	20	1	1	~	~	~	~	~	~	1	1
Totals		27	32	N.A.	N.A.	345	14	10	10	13	13	14	14	14	11	13

Section 72 (1) (cb) of the *Act* requires that a statement of the total allowances and expenses paid to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors be included within the Annual Report.

During the 2006/2007 financial year Council paid allowances and expenses to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors totalling \$122,909.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENT

I am pleased to provide comment as part of in the 2006/2007 Annual Report and to record that Council has continued to pursue a number of projects and initiatives during the year. This Report provides a clear account of our achievements when compared with the work plan adopted by Council in the 2006/2007 Annual Plan.

In 2004 Council adopted a new strategic plan following extensive community consultation. The Council's strategic vision "Waratah-Wynyard – Shaping our direction – through People, Produce and Progress" has been instrumental in driving our progress during the year in review.

Full details of both the Strategic Plan and the Annual Plan can be accessed on Council's website at <u>http://www.warwyn.tas.gov.au</u>.

Council continues to actively identify, protect and enhance our local advantages and promote our future opportunities.

The Strategic Plan has six (6) distinct and separate program areas; with the following objectives:

Tourism - Waratah-Wynyard area will capitalise on the increased tourism activity in the State. Council will focus on working with the Tourism sector to build the 'visitor experiences' available within the Waratah-Wynyard area through promotion, marketing and encouragement.

Economic Development - Council will be proactive in encouraging economic development initiatives that focus on providing employment, training opportunities and growth within the community, with a particular emphasis on youth career options.

Lifestyle - Council recognises the importance of a 'balanced lifestyle' for our residents and will take every opportunity to ensure that it is maintained and enhanced.

Natural Resources - Council will work together with the community to capitalise on the potential of our abundant natural resources, whilst at the same time protecting the environment in which we live.

Residential Development - Council will work to ensure that our area continues to grow by achieving quality residential development that meets with market demand and has community support.

Council Services - Council will provide services that consistently deliver community requirements.

A broad outline of Council's operations during the year in all program areas is given within this Annual Report.

The abridged version of the 2007 Financial Statement is appended to the report. A full copy of the unabridged version of the 2007 Financial Statement is available on Council's website at <u>http://www.warwyn.tas.gov.au</u> or by contacting the Council Office on 6443 8311.

It is pleasing to note that the Council has recorded a surplus for the period of \$1,996,887. This figure compares with the budgeted amount of \$997,161 - a positive variation of \$999,726. Specific variations that contributed to this achievement were as follows:

	Budget Co	omparison
Income	Additional	Less Than
	\$	\$
Rates	129,497	
User Charges	295,861	
Interest	204,174	
Reimbursements	85,278	
Government Grants	92,918	
Other	54,460	
Expenses	Less Than \$	Additional \$
Employee Costs	29,282	
Materials and Contracts		8,224
Depreciation	499,842	
Net loss/(gain on disposal of NCA	이 한 날 수 있는 것이 같아. 이 것이 있는 것이 있	505,434
State Levies		11,850
Borrowing Costs	2	
Remissions and Discounts	A. 12 A. 12	12,057
Other		1,075
Donated Assets	147,052	
Sub-Total	1,538,366	538,640
Positive Variation		999,726
Total	\$ 1,538,366	\$ 1,538,366

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

	2006/07 \$	2005/06 \$	Increase/ (Decrease)
Operational Income	15,348,339	15,501,881	(153,542)
Operational Expenditure	13,998,504	13,588,860	409,644
Net Increase from Ordinary Activities (Profit)	1,349,835	1,913,021	(563,186)
Rate Revenue	9,173,396	8,909,662	263,734
Government Grants	3,012,102	3,320,783	(308,681)
User Charges	2,306,398	2,146,996	159,402
Interest Income	500,825	476,617	24,208
Employee Costs	3,947,137	3,615,617	331,520
Borrowing Costs	189,290	230,336	(41,046)
Remissions and Discounts	762,039	785,735	(23,696)
Cash on Hand (incl. Investments)	4,850,458	5,524,457	(673,999)
Receivables (current)	571,292	532,215	39,077
Payables	1,464,108	1,214,314	249,794
Outstanding Loans	2,767,968	3,448,032	(680,064)
Provisions	1,073,557	1,008,965	64,592

Financial Indicator Con	nparisons	2006/07	2005/06	2004/05
Current Ratio	Current Assets	2.01:1	2.37:1	2.66:1
	Current Liabilities			
Quick Asset Ratio	Cash + Liquid Debtors	1.85:1	2.21:1	2.55:1
	Current Liabilities			
Rate Coverage Ratio	Rate Revenue	59.76%	57.47%	51.63%
-	Operating Revenue			
Outstanding Rate Debtors	Rate Debtors	0.97%	0.86%	0.75%
0	Rate Revenues			
Expenditure per Capita	Operating Expenditure	\$1,043.73	\$1,013.19	\$978.23
	Population (13,412)	.,		
Grant Coverage Ratio	Grant Revenue	19.62%	21.42%	26.13%
3	Operating Revenue			

In closing I would like to congratulate all Council staff for their efforts and thank them for their support during the year.

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Paul West GENERAL MANAGER

SENIOR STAFF

The management structure developed to meet the strategic and statutory requirements of the Waratah-Wynyard Council includes the following program areas:

- Governance
- Corporate Services
- Community Services
- Development Services
- Engineering Services

Departmental management responsibilities are allocated as follows:

Name	Position					
Paul West	General Manager					
John Stretton Lisa Dixon	Co-Directors Corporate Services (Job Share arrangement since April 2007)					
Tracey Bradley	Director Community Services (since July 2007)					
Gary Neil	Director Engineering Services					
Paddy Kennedy	Director Development Services					

In accordance with Sections 72 (1) (cd), 72 (4) and 72 (5) of the *Local Government Act 1993* Council is to include within its Annual Report a statement relating to the total annual remuneration paid to Council employees who hold positions designated by it as being senior positions. Total annual remuneration includes the salary paid, contributions to superannuation, value of the use of any motor vehicle and any other allowances or benefits paid. The amounts below are based on full time equivalent positions and do not reflect any part-time arrangements in place.

Annual Remuneration	No. of Employees
140,000 - 160,000	1
120,000 - 140,000	
100,000 - 120,000	2
80,000 - 100,000	2
60,000 - 80,000	1

GOVERNANCE

Council

OBJECTIVES

To provide leadership and good local governance to the Waratah-Wynyard community, operating within the legislative framework established for local government in Tasmania.

PROJECT/ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achi	eved
Conduct 12 ordinar meeting.	y Council meetings for	the year and one a	nnual general	
	eetings of Council whe t Councillors in develop			
	nent – provide profession h conferences/seminars		ortunities both	00
Monitor the Strategi	c Plan and associated A	action Plans.		
Adopt, implement ar	nd monitor policies.			

OVERVIEW

On 12 October 2006 Council held its Annual General Meeting in the Council Chamber as part of an evening of civic celebration. As a result the Annual Report for 2005/06 was presented to an attendance of 163 people.

This event provided an opportunity for Council to highlight its achievements over the year, to showcase local musical talent through a flautist presentation given by two young sisters, and to initiate a Council program which recognises service excellence in the municipal area.

With the support of sponsors B & E Ltd, the Hub Newspaper and the Wynyard Chamber of Commerce, Council presented awards for Youth Community Achievement, Volunteer Service and Customer Service Excellence, which were determined by a committee of sponsor representatives from nominations lodged by the community.

Council conducted 12 Ordinary and 1 Special Meetings for the year, at which a total of 345 business items were considered.

In addition to the formal meetings, a series of group discussions were held throughout the year to assist Councillors in developing polices and procedures. In all, 17 such discussions were held and the topics covered were publicly reported at each subsequent ordinary Council meeting.

To facilitate communication with the community and public awareness of its activities during the year Council initiated the "Keeping in Touch" newsletter, which is distributed monthly in the week following the ordinary Council meeting. Members of the community were invited to subscribe to the newsletter. At present over 300 copies are distributed each month - approximately 100 by email and over 200 by mail.

At the local Australia Day 2007 ceremony, the Citizen of the Year Award was presented to Marion Taylor in recognition of her ongoing voluntary contribution to primary schools activities, organisation and promotion of junior athletic events and support of local artistic and cultural organisations. The Young Citizen of the Year Award went to James Kennedy for his academic, cultural, sporting and community achievements. There were no nominations for the Community Event of the Year. This year Council's Australia Day Celebrations were held in Gutteridge Gardens with a traditional "Aussie Breakfast" provided by the Bloomin' Tulips! Committee and the Wynyard Lions Club.



Australian Day 'Aussie Breakfast'

Council signed its first Partnership Agreement with the State Government in April 2004. The life of the Agreement is three (3) years and provides strategies for enhancing economic development opportunities, collaborating with Tourism Tasmania and Cradle Coast Authority to develop a comprehensive tourism development plan, consultation on land use planning matters, a number of transport issues, the rationalisation of crown land within the municipal area and a number of matters relating to the health and well being of the community. Some progress was made on a limited number of strategies included within the Partnership Agreement during the year. The Local Government Office within the Department of Premier and Cabinet coordinates a comprehensive report on the achievements made under Partnership Agreements.

A full copy of the Partnership Agreement can be accessed on Council's website at <u>http://www.warwyn.tas.gov.au</u> or by visiting the Council offices.

One significant issue to arise during the year was the State Government's decision to investigate reform of the Tasmanian water and sewerage sector. It is clear that outside of local government there are concerns about the industry's perceived inability, in some areas of the State, to address future capital infrastructure investment needs in this sector and that change is required to avoid the State losing valuable economic development opportunities

A Ministerial Task Force was formed to examine the long-term sustainability of the State's water resources, to improve service quality and infrastructure planning for water and sewerage and to ensure that access to these services is not a constraint on economic development. Council has made a submission to the Government's discussion paper on this issue and is also participating in LGAT's dialogue with the State on the issue.

Executive Management

OBJECTIVES

To manage and direct the human and financial resources of the Council to achieve optimum use of public monies and the most effective use of business assets and human resources and to provide professional advice and support to Council in its strategic and policy-making roles.

PROJECT/ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved
· ·	ons of Council in a profeents and Council polices		cordance with
Oversee the implem	nentation of Council's ad	lopted Strategic Action	Plans.
Pursue economic beneficial to the cor	development and exp nmunity.	pansion opportunities	that will be
Support the cont resources.	inuing professional de	evelopment of Coun	cil's staffing
Seek to maximise State Government.	economic outcomes in t	the Partnership Agreer	ment with the
Develop a program Wynyard municipal	m to showcase servic area.	e excellence within t	he Waratah-
Develop Council's r	esidential subdivision of	land at Sisters Beach.	0

OVERVIEW

During the year an extensive review of Council's staff structure was conducted with the objective of ensuring Council's continued ability to provide quality services to the community.

Some of the changes included the formal separation of the Community and Corporate Services functions resulting in the appointment of a Director Community Services with the position of Corporate Services Director becoming a shared position to achieve work/lifestyle balance for the incumbents. A Compliance Unit within the Engineering Services Department was also created as part of the review.

The appointment of a project officer within the Executive Management area has, amongst other benefits, created an opportunity to proactively explore grant funding opportunities, resulting in additional specific purpose revenue for Council.

During the year most of the development work associated with the residential subdivision of Council land at Sisters Beach was completed, which will enable 31 lots to be offered for sale.



New subdivision at Sisters Beach

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

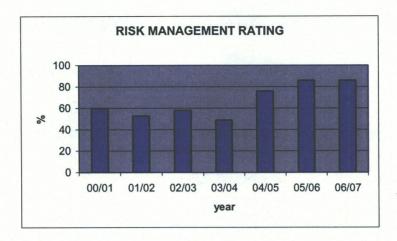
Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved
		ng notices, agendas, mpliant with relevant leg	
Provide consistent a	and complete organisati	on of meetings.	٢
Maintain currency o	f Council's website.		0
	nnual Report and coord e annual Civic Celebra	linate the Annual Gener tion in October 2006.	ral Meeting of
Coordinate the prep	aration of the 2007/08	Annual Plan.	٢
Develop, implement	and maintain appropria	ate risk management st	rategies.
Coordinate the ong viability of their deliver		partments of the role,	function and
Upgrade fire service	e main to the Municipal	Office.	9
Install blinds on high	nlight windows in the Co	ouncil Chamber.	9
Replace existing sk	ylight material in atrium	•	

OVERVIEW

Administratively, Council's meeting schedule for the year was completed efficiently and effectively with only one Special Meeting being required.

The Council's website was regularly maintained by Council staff, providing current information at all times and facilitating public access to Council services, documentation and decision making. From the site's reporting statistics, it is clear that this resource now plays a very significant role in disseminating information about Council affairs and activities and giving access to information and documentation required by those conducting business with Council. The home page attracted 27,700 "hits" during the year, with the monthly average number increasing from 1,500 in July 2006 to 3,300 at June 2007.

Council's risk management working group and Risk Management Officer have continued to meet to identify and coordinate revised procedures for Council's operations. Council has retained the high external audit score it achieved in the previous year, which reflects positively on the work carried out. Council's state-wide risk management ranking as identified by its liability insurers Civic Mutual Plus was 6th out of the 29 councils involved in the scheme. This ranking for the previous period was 2nd. Whilst Council has maintained its external score it is obvious others have clearly lifted their performance, which from an overall local government industry perspective, is good to see.



During the year Council migrated its records management operations to new software, "Knowledge One", which provides an enhanced functionality and platform for future electronic document management.

During the year, as a staff development exercise, a team was entered into the Local Government Managers Australia (LGMA) Management Challenge. The team from Waratah-Wynyard won the State final and went onto represent Tasmania at the Australasian final.



LGMA Challenge Team L-R: Jonathan Linden, Alison Duniam, Ian Brunt, Helen Emeny, Jean Petterwood and Gary Neil

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

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved
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Coordinate the preparation of the 2007/08 Budget Estimates, Capital Works Program, Annual Plan and set rates by 30 June 2007.

Prepare 2005/06 Financial Statement for incorporation in the Annual Report by 15 August 2006.

Prepare for Council consideration an ongoing Financial Strategy incorporating policies relating to debt, future borrowing and rating following the finalisation of a complete suite of Asset Management Plans.

Ensure financial reporting is clear, meaningful and timely and meets the needs of elected members, management and operational staff of Council.

Implement the new Civica Financial and Rating system to replace the current Fujitsu system.

Replace office furniture as necessary.

Maintain debt collection policies and procedures.

Regularly review role, function, viability and community expectation of relevant program service delivery.

OVERVIEW

The provision of financial services for Council has been successfully achieved during the year with most targets being met. The 2007/08 budget was adopted by Council at its meeting on 18 June 2007.

The Civica computer system, provided to Council through a Service Level Agreement with Burnie City Council, went live during the year and the conversion and subsequent adjustment process has required considerable effort and patience from staff, which is very much appreciated.

End of year financial reporting was completed on time and the abridged version of the report is included within this document.

The year has also seen the Tasmanian Government introduce adjustment factors for government property valuation assessments for rating and taxation purposes. These factors will be varied every two years, hopefully smoothing out the often sharp variations previously experienced under the 7-year revaluation cycle, which created considerable concern for property owners.



Sally Pearce working on new software conversion

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

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved				
Operate efficient an	d effective Child Care C	Centres in Wynyard and	d Waratah.				
Effectively conduct an Annex at Wynyard Community Centre to support Wynyard Child Care Centre.							
Effectively conduct After School Hours and Vacation Care programs in Wynyard, Somerset and Boat Harbour as required.							
Conduct a "Learn to Swim" campaign during the January school vacation period.							
Learn to Swim Pool	- Install security alarm	system.	×				
Provide outdoor she	elter improvements at W	Vynyard Child Care Ce	ntre.				
Support the conduct and maintenance of the Waratah-Wynyard Youth Team for the purposes of engaging young people in community consultation and community activities.							
Participate in the Cradle Coast "Community Door" project designed to create improved community capacity by involving young people as members of local community committees and boards.							
Conduct Junior Sports Development Try Skill Program in May 2007.							
Provide support for Youth Week activities.							
Provide assistance to the Puddleduck Play Centre to repaint the building and reclad the storage shed.							
Regularly review ro program service de	le, function, viability an livery.	d community expectat	ion of relevant 🤅				

OVERVIEW

Council's children's services were effectively delivered throughout the year in which, unlike recent years, there were no significant capital expenditure projects. The project for improvement of shade shelters at the Wynyard Child Care Centre, which is now known as "The Link Early Learning Centre", was deferred to the 2007/08 financial year due to insufficient budgetary allocation. Bookings, across the services, were generally on a par with the previous year.

In June 2007, the Try Skills (sports encouragement) program was conducted with a total of 127 students participating in the eight different sporting activities offered. The gender participation rate was 60% males and 40% females and a total of 28 sporting club members volunteered their coaching services for the program.

Council has maintained and supported its youth team throughout the year on which representatives from all local schools regularly participate in local government related activities. The group was instrumental in organising this year's local Youth Week activities and participated in a familiarisation tour of Council operations and facilities throughout the municipal area.



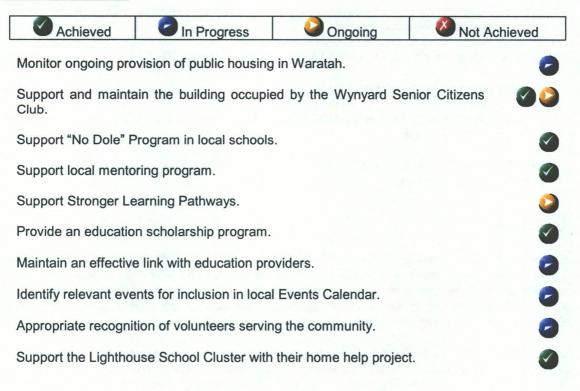
Wynyard Child Care Centre children with Const. Ian Edwards discuss Safety House program

Other Community Services

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



OVERVIEW

Council has continued to support senior citizen activities by maintaining the Wynyard clubrooms in Jackson Street.

It will continue to review its involvement in public housing in Waratah but, for the present, is attending to the maintenance requirements of the five units in Vardy Close and the dwelling in William Street.

Council continued to administer the Lighthouse Cluster of Schools project to provide a home and garden maintenance service to local residents on a needs basis and provided a similar service in respect of grant funding for the Cluster's "Men's Shed" project. The Tasmanian Community Fund contributed \$26,000 toward the capital cost of establishing this project and Council provided a \$5,000 contribution towards the cost of disabled toilets in the building.

The third recipient of Council's annual \$2,500 bursary, awarded as part of its initiative to encourage young people to remain in education, was Anna Hill of Wynyard who is studying at the University of Tasmania for a Bachelor Degree in Surveying and Spatial Information Science.

The "Wynyard Walks" program was conducted during the year with two community walks being held; one in November 2006 and the other in April 2007. Despite persistent rain throughout the November event, approximately 300 people participated in and enjoyed the program. A similar number turned out for the second event in April.



Wynyard Walk participants



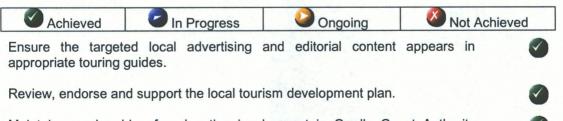
Scholarship Winner - Anna Hill

Tourism

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Maintain membership of and active involvement in Cradle Coast Authority tourism structure.

Participate in "All You Need" television promotion and produce an area promotional DVD.

Showcase local arts and crafts at the Wynyard Exhibition Centre.

Support the operations of the Wynyard Visitor Centre and the Wonders of Wynyard Exhibition Centre.

Identify suitable acquisitions for the Exhibition Centre.

Finalise the relocation of the Kenworthy Stamper Mill as a visitor attraction in Waratah.

Establish linkage of Waratah history and heritage with the West Coast Mining Trail project.

Progress the establishment of Table Cape Lighthouse tours as a visitor attraction.

Improve route signage on road network.

Provide thematic town entrance signage in Wynyard, Somerset, Yolla, Waratah, Boat Harbour Beach and Sisters Beach.

Support the expansion of the Bloomin' Tulips Festival.

Promote an Events Calendar through web site, advertisements and signboards.

Foster new developments in rural tourism, nature-based activities, scenic flights, water (river) activities, coastal advantages, power boating, yachting and fishing.

Encourage development of eco-based tourism pursuits including those that utilise and support marine resources and national parks.

OVERVIEW

During the year the Wonders of Wynyard Exhibition Centre, incorporating the Wynyard Visitor Centre, continued its growth, providing an expanded booking service for visitors. The veteran car display was enhanced for some months by Mr George Hetrel's generosity in lending his superbly restored 1936 Mercedes Benz 540K Cabriolet C roadster - arguably one of Australia's most valuable motorcars as a feature exhibit.



George Hetrel & Mayor Kevin Hyland with the Mercedes Benz



WOW volunteers ready to assist

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The number of visitors to the Centre during the year was 31,530, of which 5,087 took the opportunity to view the vehicle display. Revenue for the period totalled \$83,340, comprising \$45,350 from merchandise sales, \$26,032 from exhibition hall entry fees and \$11,958 from bookings commission.

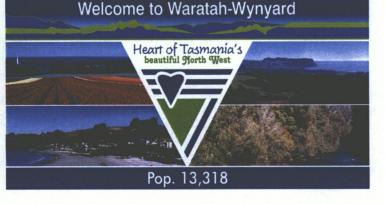
Despite further contact and discussion with officers of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority, the proposal to allow access to the Table Cape Lighthouse for guided inspection tours appears to have advanced little in the past year because of alternative resource and priority determinations by the Authority, which operates the navigational aspects of the light station. There is support at State Government level for the principle, and heritage approvals have been obtained for the building work necessary to allow safe public access, but the protocols between Federal and State authorities continue to take longer than expected to negotiate.

There was significant work done on the Kenworthy's Stamper Mill project and the new building was completed early in the year, clearing the way for volunteers to reassemble the equipment and provide relevant interpretative material. The development was officially re-opened at its new site in February 2007 and has been well received by visitors to Waratah.

New thematic town entrance signage was provided for Wynyard, Somerset and Waratah and new "Welcome to Waratah-Wynyard" signage was installed at the highway entrances to the municipal area.



Kenworthy's Stamper Mill



New entrance sign









Work continued, although limited by other higher priority obligations of Council's tourism staff, on development of a new tourism website for the area. The website will expand the themes that are promoted in the recently installed signage.

Council continued its support of the Bloomin' Tulips! Festival, which saw the activity this year focused on the Friday evening and Saturday instead of Sunday, which was the case in earlier festivals. The format change and overall event was successful and the concept will be continued in 2007.

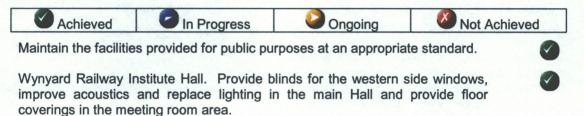
Inter and intra state TV audiences have been reached through the featuring of local attractions on the travel show 'All You Need'. A five minute promotional DVD of the area has also been produced.

Public Halls

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Wynyard Community Centre - painting of exterior and interior of Play Centre.

Wynyard Community Centre - replace carpets and vinyl in Play Centre.

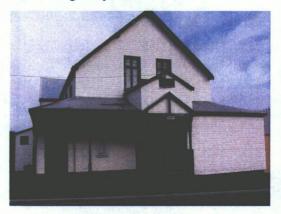
OVERVIEW

Council has continued to maintain its public halls to facilitate their use for community purposes, undertaking exterior and interior painting and replacing floor coverings at the Wynyard Community Centre.

New blinds and lighting were provided at the Wynyard Railway Institute Hall along with new floor covering in the meeting room.

A single management committee responsible for both the Wynyard Community and the Railway Institute Hall replaced two former separate committees during the year.

During the year the Athenaeum Hall in Waratah was listed on the Tasmanian Heritage Register, which led to Council reviewing its plan to demolish the building in the event it was unable to find a viable future use for it. Council's efforts are now focused on securing funding to permit the building's restoration. The Waratah community has been consulted and their support sought in establishing a future use for the building.



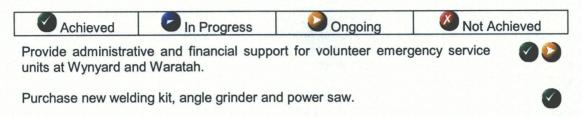
Athenaeum Hall

Emergency Services

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



OVERVIEW

Council has continued to support the State Emergency Units at Wynyard and Waratah during the year.

The introduction of the *Emergency Management Act 2006* has changed the management structure of the municipal SES units, increasing the administrative workload of the volunteer unit managers. The annual reporting responsibility for individual units now rests with the Unit Managers, who as volunteers may not necessarily have access to the resources needed to fulfil their obligation. A positive aspect of the new *Act* is the legislative protection now afforded to Unit Managers in respect of their normal employment positions and conditions of service in the event of their participation in an emergency event.

Current membership numbers are fourteen (14) at Wynyard and seven (7) at Waratah. Wynyard has had three (3) members revert to inactive status but was fortunate enough to gain three (3) new members as replacement. Waratah recruited three (3) new members who are currently completing their probation period.

The difficulty of recruiting new volunteers continues as a consequence of higher competency based training demands placed on individuals. Liability issues have led to the need for all those involved in emergency service assistance to be properly qualified and trained in their roles.

Community Development

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved
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Provide a financial and in-kind assistance grants scheme for local community groups.

Maintain contact with local artistic and cultural organisations and provide advice where requested.

To seek appropriate funding including external grants to support programs to meet community needs.

To provide management support for the Children's Services programs.

Regularly review role, function, viability and community expectation of relevant program service delivery.

OVERVIEW

Council financial support of \$34,109 was divided between a total of fifty (50) community groups and individuals from across the municipal area through the Community Assistance Small Grants Program. Funds were remitted on evidence of expenditure/quotes being provided to Council. Six (6) individuals selected to represent Australia at world championships were provided with \$500 each during the year.

Support has been provided to the Wynyard Arts Centre, which provides a forum and venue for 25 local artists in the Artspace building at 45 Jackson Street.

In partnership with B&E Ltd, the Wynyard Chamber of Commerce and Council the inaugural Customer Service Excellence and Dob-in-a-Volunteer Awards were presented in conjunction with the 2006 Civic Celebration and Council Annual General Meeting.



2006 Civic Celebration



2006 Award winners

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

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved
Implement Council's E	og Management Polic	cy.	
Promote dog registrati	ons in accordance wit	h the Dog Control Act 2	2000.
Implement legislative	control when required.		S ()
Prompt investigation of	f dog nuisance compl	aints.	Ø 🥝
Prompt response to reports of animals at large.			S ()
Promote responsible of	log ownership within the	he community.	S ()

OVERVIEW

During the year 1,712 dogs were registered. There were 104 dogs impounded of which 48 were reclaimed, 31 were euthanised with the remainder being adopted by new owners. 41 kennel licences to keep several dogs were issued. 4 infringement notices were issued for offences under the *Act* and legal action taken in 5 cases 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 from 1 December until 28 February with the areas being randomly patrolled to ensure compliance.

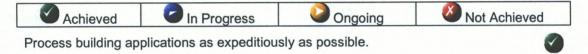
Dog education sessions continue to be held at the local Primary Schools to highlight responsible ownership and management of dogs and random patrols of town streets are carried out to encourage responsible dog ownership within on-lead areas.

Building Control

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Apply building legislation.

Regularly review role, function, viability and community expectation of relevant program service delivery.

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 4.3 days of lodgement of the application.

223 permits were issued for buildings with a total value of \$20,203,313 including 54 dwellings valued at \$10,625,600. A grouped-house development, valued at \$650,000, was approved at West Wynyard and a new silica processing factory, valued at \$2,500,000, was approved in the same area.

These figures represent a similar building market over this period to last year.

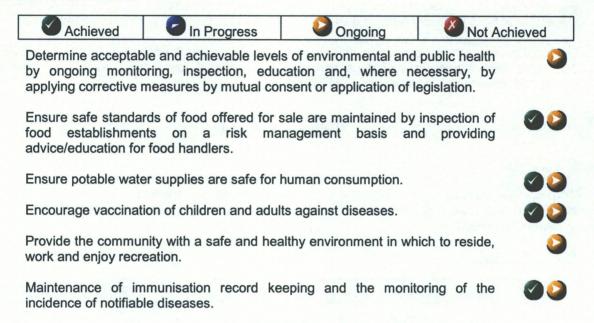
During the year, Council determined to cease providing building survey services due to the growing utilisation of private certification across the full range of building projects. This has resulted in the Council now only performing a Permit Authority role under the *Building Act 2000*.

Environmental Health Services

OBJECTIVE

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



OVERVIEW

The Local Government Act 1993 requires Council to state the resources allocated during the year to public health. Council had 2 qualified Environmental Health Officers and a Cadet (who qualified in December 2006) on its staff during the year. Approximately one (1) full time equivalent position is allocated to the delivery of public health services by Council.

102 Food Premises were registered during the year and 50 Temporary Food Licences were also issued.

During inspection and audits of food premises advice was given on appropriate handling practices and relevant changes to legislation, with a number of recommendations being worked through with the operators. 35 Places of Assembly and 5 Public Health Risk Premises, (eg ear piercing), were registered under the *Act.* 2 Regulated Systems, (eg cooling towers), were registered and 11 Private Water Suppliers were maintained on Council registers. 1 notifiable disease investigation was carried out and appropriate advice given to the affected person.

As the result of a salmonella poisoning incident, a food premises is Somerset voluntarily closed for a short period pending an investigation by the Department of Public Health, which established the cause as contaminated product from an external supplier. The practices and premises of the affected business were confirmed to meet all applicable and required standards.

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 bacterial levels at the mouth of Sisters Creek still require signposting to advise the public of the pollution levels. This location has a reducing trend and it is anticipated signage will be removed next summer season.

A school vaccination program was implemented in 2007 to deliver the new Gardasil vaccine to female students. Also offered were vaccinations against Hepatitis B, chickenpox and tetanus - 289 students took advantage of this three-stage program.

Monthly community immunisation sessions were held at Wynyard with bi-monthly sessions being held at Waratah - 133 vaccinations were administered to 92. Data from the National Childhood Immunisation Register continues to indicate that high levels of children in the municipal area have completed their primary vaccinations.

Potable waters from Cradle Coast Water and Council's system at Waratah were sampled throughout the year in accordance with the Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality.



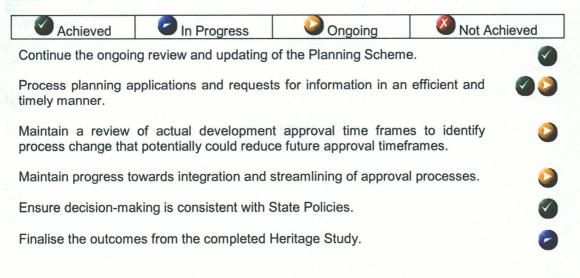
Alison Duniam collecting recreational water samples

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



OVERVIEW

238 development applications were submitted to Council with 202 being approved under delegation and 11 being approved by Council. No applications were refused and the applicants withdrew a total of 8 applications. At 30 June 2007 there were 17 applications pending a decision.

15 subdivision applications were submitted with 8 being approved under delegation and 2 being approved by Council. A further 5 applications were pending.

A total of 3 planning appeals were lodged against Council determinations, 1 of which was unsuccessful, 1 was resolved through mediation and the other was adjourned. That particular matter was later approved through a new development application.

Council lodged a total of 3 Section 64 proceedings under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, of which 2 were resolved through mediation and consent agreements and the other remained pending.

The level of applications continues to show strong economic activity within the municipal area. Development application numbers do not include a significant number of applications which fall within the exemption provisions of the Waratah Wynyard Planning Scheme 2000. The Scheme exempts works of a minor nature from the burden of requiring a planning permit.

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

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Ach	nieved
To initiate timely action hazards on private lar	on where necessary to	o achieve removal of	potential fire	٢
To continue monitorin within local river catch	ng and facilitating the ments.	removal program of	crack willow	
Investigate and take a	ction on issues relating	to pollution.		0
Utilise Cradle Coast N	latural Resource Mana	gement Strategy.		0
Continually monitor in	ventory to protect natur	al resources.		0
Ensure decision-maki	ng is consistent with St	ate Policies.		0
Ensure the weed man	agement strategy main	tains currency.		0

OVERVIEW

45 fire abatement notices were served with the affected property owners removing the overgrowth. Council carried out an abatement of overgrowth on 36 properties and recovered costs from the landholders. This continues a trend of a reduction in fire abatement action over recent years which may be reflective of increased building activity on land in the area.

The weed management strategy continues to be actively pursued with significant success in the control of ragwort, pampas grass and crack willow. 6 Requirement Notices were issued to property owners under the Weed Management Act 1999 for infestations of ragwort. Legal action for non-compliance with a Notice was processed against one landholder. An active program for treatment of crack willow regrowth was carried out with good success along waterways in the catchment. This programme is ongoing and will again be organised to pursue eradication of this weed.

A program to remove sea spurge plants along the East Wynyard foreshore was also undertaken during the year with the assistance of local volunteers and students from Wynyard High School.



Volunteers removing sea spurge

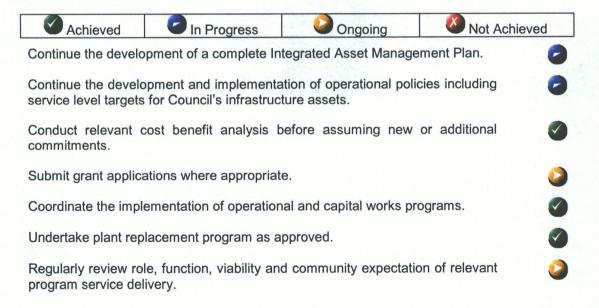
ENGINEERING SERVICES

Engineering Support Services

OBJECTIVE

To provide engineering services that facilitate efficient and cost effective completion of Council's asset management and capital works programmes and to maintain Council's built assets at an appropriate standard that complies with legislative requirements.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Continue to pursue the remediation of existing fuel bowser installation and provision of a new facility at Wynyard Works Depot.

Construct new poly pipe shed within Store Compound at Wynyard works Depot.

Replace entrance gates and security fence, improve wash down area and relocate standpipe at Wynyard Works Depot.

OVERVIEW

The Engineering section coordinated a wide variety of projects during the year including road works, relining of sewer mains, construction of a boat ramp, installation of fender piles at the Wynyard Wharf, water and sewer main replacements and a significant drainage program at Sisters Beach. This year's capital works program was by far the most intensive for many years.

Water and sewage management have been focal points for the year. Forward planning commenced to assess performance standards and upgrade requirements at the Wynyard, Somerset and Waratah Waste Water Treatment Plants.

The Goldie Street upgrade program continued with the project over half way complete by year's end.

Risk management and asset management systems continue to be implemented across the Council as a means of improving work methods and maximising Council's investment in its infrastructure assets.



Wynyard Boat Ramp opening Peter Hopkins-MAST. Mark Baker MP and Mavor Kevin Hvland

Solid Waste Management

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	🚺 Not Achie	eved
Ensure the effective reserves.	collection and dispos	al of litter from street	s and public	<
	ninistration covering the the operation of the Wy			6
Waste minimization	and cost efficiencies ac	hieved.		6
Pursue implementat Management Strateg	ion of strategies includ gy.	ed within Council's ad	lopted Waste	6

OVERVIEW

The Wynyard and Waratah Transfer Stations operated effectively over the past year.

2,900 tonnes of refuse was transferred to the Port Latta landfill from the waste transfer stations.

Effective waste reduction strategies are in place at the Wynyard Transfer Station resulting in a significant quantity of steel, non-ferrous metals, recyclable and reusable items being diverted from landfill.

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.

Ensure the efficient collection of recyclable materials by Vincent Industries.

Review waste management practices in line with the Waste Management Strategy.

Pursue implementation of strategies included within Council's adopted Waste Management Strategy.

OVERVIEW

Vincent Industries continue to provide the domestic recycling collection service in the Council area. Participation rates averaged 40% during the year. Over 300 tonnes of recyclables were diverted from the waste stream during the year.

The refuse collection contract expired on 30 June 2007 and a new contractor commenced from 1 July 2007.

Household refuse collected at the kerbside resulted in 3,300 tonnes of waste being disposed of at the Port Latta landfill.

Cemetery Operations

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieve	
	to an acceptable stand			

Contract management compliance with standards that meet community expectations.

Accurate maintenance of cemetery registers.

OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance of Council cemeteries occurred over the past year.

There were 64 interments conducted in cemeteries under Council control during the year.

The construction of concrete plinths in the Wynyard lawn cemetery was undertaken during the year and completed in July 2006. This work prepares for the future needs of the community.

Public Conveniences

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Maintain public toilet facilities throughout the municipal area.

Efficient contract administration with regard to cleaning of public conveniences.

Construct a new replacement public toilet facility at Boat Harbour Beach.

OVERVIEW

All public conveniences have been maintained and serviced regularly.

Discussions with the Boat Harbour Beach community occurred in relation to a proposed new public toilet facility to be located on the foreshore at Boat Harbour Beach. A concept design was completed and further consultation with the community will occur prior to the project progressing.

Roads

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved	
Maintain Council's	road network in a safe a	and presentable conditi	on.)
Install improved rou	ute signage.		٢	
Display Rural Addre	essing ranges on road	signs.	×	
Continue works on	the Goldie Street Impro	ovement Program.	6)
Reseal roads and s	streets as determined.		0)
	ne Road (Murchison H funded through the A n).			•
Reconstruct and se	eal the unsealed sectior	n of McKays Road.)
Reconstruct and se	eal Tink Taylor Avenue.		C	
Provide kerb and o Golf Course).	channelling at Old Bas	s Highway (Dart Stree	t – Seabrook	
Provide improved Club precinct.	access and parking ar	rangements at the Wy	ynyard Yacht	
	eeting program for uns overnment's "Roads to		nds provided	
Construct a footpa Street).	ath in Jenner Street, V	Vynyard (Austin Street	– Saunders	
Construct a footp Loongana Place).	oath in Simpson Stre	et, Somerset (Elizabe	eth Street – 🧹	
Complete footpath	missing link at Wynyar	d Community Centre.)
Complete approved	d "Blackspot" projects.		C)
Reconstruct and se	eal entrance to Wynyard	d Golf Club.		
Replace bus shelte	er in Dodgin Street, Wyr	nyard.	C	
Replace bridges or	n Meunna Road and Ea	st Yolla Road.	Q	

OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance of the rural and urban road networks was conducted over the year. With the exception of the continuing upgrade of Goldie Street in Wynyard all road projects were completed.

Bridges on Meunna Road and East Yolla Road were replaced - continuing Council's program of replacing timber bridges with long life structures.

Periodic activities including grading, roadside slashing and roadside spraying occurred over the year.

The continuing program of sealing high use gravel parking areas resulted in the sealing of the Yolla Recreation Ground and Wynyard Yacht Club/Boat Ramp parking areas.



Night work in Goldie Street



New bridge at East Yolla Road

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

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achieved
Maintain reserves Council policy.	in a safe and preser	ntable condition in co	nformity with
Former BP site, Go purposes.	oldie Street - progress	development for passi	ive recreation
Provide improved lig	hting in the Wynyard Y	acht Club area.	9
Replace fender piles	s at the Wynyard Wharf		
Commence Stage Somerset Rotary Cl	1 of the Cam River W ub.	/alkway project in coo	operation with
Replace retaining w	all at Fentons Way, Boa	at Harbour Beach	Ø
Provide new playgro	ound equipment at Siste	ers Beach	9

OVERVIEW

During the year Council's parks and reserves were regularly inspected to ensure suitability for passive and active recreation. Periodic and routine maintenance works were conducted as required.

Playgrounds are regularly inspected with new play equipment being installed to replace damaged or deteriorated equipment.

The construction of the first stage of the Cam River walkway in Somerset has been well received. Council, Department of Sport and Recreation and the Somerset Rotary Club jointly funded this project.

Council will progress the next stage of the walkway during the 2007/08 financial year.



Planting out of tulip bulbs by staff

New Somerset Walkway

Sporting Facilities

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



OVERVIEW

During the year the sporting facilities and grounds were regularly inspected to ensure suitability for sporting activities. Periodic and routine maintenance works were conducted as required.

Council has worked in conjunction with a number of sporting groups to improve various facilities including the amenities at the Wynyard Squash Club.

Treated Water

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY

Achieved	In Progress	Ongoing	Not Achie	eved
Maintain reticulatio interruption to supply	n system within bu /.	dgetary allocation a	nd minimise	C
Monitor and measure	e public water supplies	against legislative star	ndards.	•
	of the dam, treatment ply to Cradle Coast Wa		ssociated with	e
-	d back-flow preventio and Somerset Soccer G		n Pool, Yolla	•
Main replacement at	Old Bass Highway, Wy	vnyard.		~
Main extension at Pl				

OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance and inspection of the reticulation network occurred over the year.

Cradle Coast Water provides bulk water to the Wynyard, Somerset and Yolla communities. The quality of water delivered to residents has complied with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

A limited area boil water notice was placed on the reticulation in a section of Wynyard for a period of three days as a result of high bacteria levels being discovered in routine water analysis. The results were found to be anomalous and the boil water notice was removed following additional testing confirming the water complied with requirements.

All properties receiving treated water are fitted with meters and are required to pay for all water consumed on a "user –pays" basis.

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.

OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance and inspection of the reticulation network and treatment system occurred over the year.

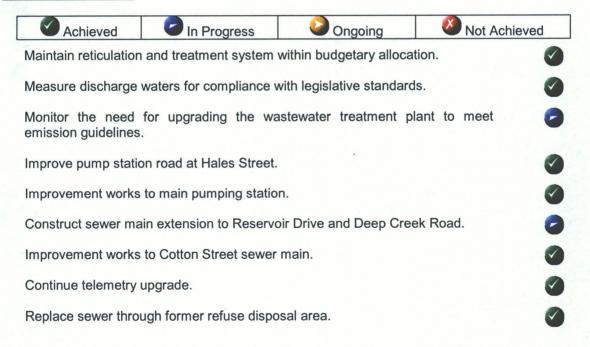
The quality of water delivered to residents complied with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

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.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance of the reticulation network, pumping stations and treatment plant occurred during the year.

Sewer main relining works occurred in Wynyard, in the sewer main behind the Wynyard High School and in the trunk main to the Nurses Retreat pump station.

Investigation of sludge management options for the Waste Water Treatment Plant commenced and the outcomes for the project are being assessed. As an interim measure the height level of the sludge lagoon wall was increased by approximately 1 metre.

A sewer main in Cotton Street was replaced.

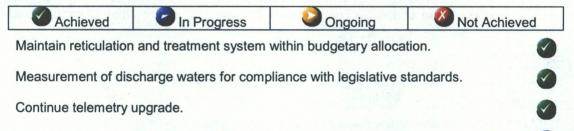
Effluent discharged from the Waste Water Treatment Plant was regularly monitored in accordance with Environment Division guidelines.

Somerset Sewerage

OBJECTIVE

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



Completion of strategy for Council to comply with emission guidelines.

OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance of the reticulation network, pumping stations and treatment plant occurred during the year.

The telemetry control network was expanded by the installation of a telemetry system on a pump station in Somerset. This work improves the ability of staff to effectively manage the sewerage system.

Effluent discharged from the Waste Water Treatment Plant was regularly monitored in accordance with Environment Division guidelines.

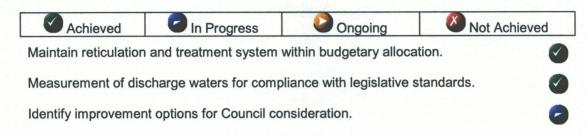
During November 2006 a quantity of partially treated sewage was discharged to sea from a treatment lagoon that was experiencing operational difficulty. The incident was reported to and investigated by the Environment Division, which determined not to take action against the Council itself but instituted proceedings against the Council employee responsible for the discharge.

Waratah Sewerage

OBJECTIVE

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



OVERVIEW

Effluent discharged for the Waste Water Treatment Plant was regularly monitored in accordance with Environment Division guidelines.

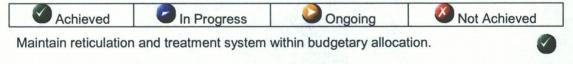
Regular maintenance of the reticulation network, pumping stations and treatment plant occurred during the year.

Boat Harbour Sewerage

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Measure discharge waters for compliance with legislative standards.

OVERVIEW

Effluent discharged from the Waste Water Treatment Plant was regularly monitored in accordance with Environment Division guidelines.

Regular maintenance of the reticulation network, pumping stations and treatment plant occurred during the year.

Sisters Beach Sewerage & Drainage

OBJECTIVE

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

To develop a stormwater drainage system at Sisters Beach that meets the present and future needs of the community.

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Maintain reticulation and treatment system within budgetary allocation.

Measure discharge waters for compliance with legislative standards.

Undertake works on drainage improvements.

OVERVIEW

Regular maintenance of the reticulation network, pumping stations and treatment plant occurred during the year.

The majority of occupied properties are now connected to the sewerage scheme at Sisters Beach.

Effluent discharged from the Waste Water Treatment Plant was regularly monitored in accordance with Environment Division guidelines.

The undergrounding of open channels and stabilisation of the natural waterways has been a major task for the hydraulic services staff during the year.



Drainage works - Sisters Beach

Wynyard Drainage

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



Satisfactory completion of maintenance works within programmed time frames and budgetary allocation.

OVERVIEW

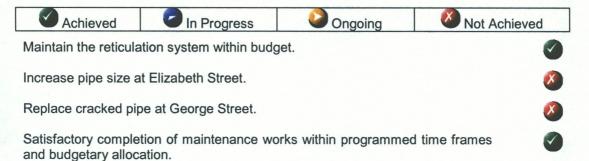
Routine maintenance of the drainage infrastructure occurred during the year.

Somerset Drainage

OBJECTIVE

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

PROJECT / ACTIVITY



OVERVIEW

Routine maintenance of the drainage infrastructure occurred during the year

The proposed drainage works in Elizabeth Street and George Street were deferred due to other work commitments and will now be undertaken during the later part of 2007.

Contract Works

OBJECTIVE

To ensure that any contract works undertaken by Council are conducted efficiently, cost effectively and in the best interest of the overall community.

OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW

When requested, Council does undertake certain categories of construction or maintenance work on a commercial basis, utilising Council plant and equipment.

OTHER STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Legislative and Policy Framework

The Local Government Act 1993 provides that specific items are to be recorded with the Council's Annual Report.

77. Grants and benefits

(2) The details of any grant made or benefit provided are to be included in the annual report of the council.

Organisation	Reason	Paid
Boat Harbour Beach Surf Life Saving Club	Community Assistance Grant	1,000
Wynyard Mini Football League Inc	Community Assistance Grant	500
Wynyard Yacht Club Inc	Community Assistance Grant	1,100
Yolla Football Club	Community Assistance Grant	2,000
Wynyard Cricket Club	Community Assistance Grant	1,000
Inglis Pony Club	Community Assistance Grant	500
Wynyard Softball Club	Community Assistance Grant	500
Hellyer College	Community Assistance Grant	500
Guides Australia – Wynyard Unit	Community Assistance Grant	250
Somerset Guides Support Group	Community Assistance Grant	500
Waratah Primary School	Community Assistance Grant	100
Wynyard Leo Club	Community Assistance Grant	200
Elliott District Association	Community Assistance Grant	3,000
Myalla Community Centre Inc	Community Assistance Grant	500
Preolenna Mothers Group	Community Assistance Grant	600
Elma Fagan Community Centre	Community Assistance Grant	500
Somerset Puddleduck Playcentre Inc	Community Assistance Grant	339
Yolla Memorial Hall	Community Assistance Grant	1,500
Australian Breastfeeding Association	Community Assistance Grant	176
GROW in Tasmania	Community Assistance Grant	720
Women of the World	Community Assistance Grant	60
Wynyard Carers Support Group	Community Assistance Grant	300
Wynyard Camera Club	Community Assistance Grant	330
Coastal Physio Sizzling Seniors	Community Assistance Grant	500
Cam-Somerset Neighbourhood Watch	Community Assistance Grant	200
Central Wynyard Neighbourhood Watch	Community Assistance Grant	100
Somerset Safety House Committee	Community Assistance Grant	300
Somerset Pageant Committee	Community Assistance Grant	500
Lions Club of Wynyard	Community Assistance Grant	500
Wynyard Garden Club Inc	Community Assistance Grant	700
Wynyard Municipal Band Inc	Community Assistance Grant	3,000
Wynyard Working Sheepdog Club	Community Assistance Grant	500
Lighthouse Film Society	Community Assistance Grant	2,000
Wynyard Community Arts Centre	Community Assistance Grant	949
Coast FM Inc	Community Assistance Grant	1,000
Vincent Industries Inc	Community Assistance Grant	1,000
Khan Wilson 'Toon Time' Cartoon Workshops	Community Assistance Grant	262
Lighthouse Cluster of Schools	Community Assistance Grant	2,000
Wynyard Ladies Probus	Community Assistance Grant	100
Jan Guest – Australian Representative	Community Assistance Grant	500
Michelle Walker – Wynyard Community Arts	Community Assistance Grant	400
Scott Saward – Australian Representative	Community Assistance Grant	500

Organisation	Reason	Paid
Lee McGaffin – Australian Representative	Community Assistance Grant	500
Waratah Volunteer Fire Brigade/Waratah SES	Community Assistance Grant	50
Rotary Club of Wynyard	Community Assistance Grant	500
Lighthouse Cluster of Schools DA reimbursement	Community Assistance Grant	220
Western Division Indoor Bias Bowls Inc.	Community Assistance Grant	153
Christina Massey – Australian Representative	Community Assistance Grant	500
Dayna Pine – Australian Representative	Community Assistance Grant	500
Kurt Dunham – World Eight Ball Championships	Community Assistance Grant	500
Vestas-Australia Wind Technologies	Rate Holiday	12,401
Gales Auto Services Pty Ltd	Rate Remission – 35 Goldie St.	1,480
RELohrey	Rate Remission	331
JB Cross	Conservation Covenant Rate Rem.	50
GH & GH Sharman	Conservation Covenant Rate Rem.	80
RD & ME Bradley	Conservation Covenant Rate Rem.	340
G & H Duhring	Conservation Covenant Rate Rem.	150
A & C Nichols	Conservation Covenant Rate Rem.	130
Reg Pease Builders Pty Ltd	Rate Holiday – Inglisdale Mews	13,382
TOTAL		\$62,454

Land Donated by Council under Section 177

Council did not during the year donate any land under the provisions of Section 177 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Water and Wastewater Charging

The view of the Government Pricing Oversight Commission on two-part tariff water and wastewater charging is that metered customers should pay a volumetric rate (part 1) equal to the long run marginal cost "LRMC" of the supply i.e. the cost of supplying an additional unit of output (e.g. litre of water) when capacity is variable (i.e. capacity can be increased to meet increased demand).

The fixed charge component (part 2) of a two-part tariff is to be independent of volume consumed and, to be efficient, is to be allocated across consumers so that each consumer's share of the fixed charge is less than his/her total benefit from water provision and does not influence his/her decision as to volume consumed.

It should be set to make up the shortfall between the revenue from marginal cost price charges and the revenue needed to cover total (average) costs.

Council bases the fixed charge component on connection size, which is not directly related to actual volume concerned but is directly related to a customer's potential demand for the water network, for example, capability to supply demand for fire fighting in an emergency situation.

Council's pricing for water and wastewater services is subject to reporting and review to assess the extent to which it is complying with obligations for cost recovery under the National Competition Policy water industry reform.

The guidelines for cost recovery are set out in the *Urban Water and Wastewater Pricing Guidelines* based on the ARMCANZ Guidelines developed as part of the Council of Australian Governments water reform process.

These Guidelines, which can be viewed on Council's website, establish Upper and Lower Limits for cost recovery.

The Lower Limit is the minimum level for business viability at which all operating costs are met, including a provision for asset refurbishment or replacement, but without allowing a return on capital other than interest costs incurred and dividends paid.

The Upper Limit is the maximum allowable revenue that avoids monopoly rents (i.e. excessive profits). This allows for an appropriate return on assets (currently assessed as 7 per cent real pretax), above which any excess returns are considered to be monopoly rents.

The appropriate cost recovery under the Guidelines is achieved when revenue for the service lies between the Lower and Upper Limits.

The relevant reports for the 2006/07 financial year follow:

RATE OF RETURN REPORT - WATER

	\$'000		
Asset valuation as at start of financial year	7,894		
Asset valuation as at end of financial year	7,627		
Average asset valuation for year	7,760		
Cost items	Lower	Upper Limit	Budget
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Operation and maintenance	277	277	350
Purchases of bulk water	1,147	1,147	1,138
Administration & overheads	275	275	271
Externalities	0	0	0
Taxes & tax equivalents (other than income tax)	2	2	0
Cost of asset consumption - Lower Limit	155		
Cost of asset consumption - Upper Limit		173	
Interest on Debt	2		2
Dividends Paid	0		0
Cost of capital		543	No. of Contract
TOTAL COST	1,858	2,417	1,761
	Actual	Budget	
Revenue items	\$'000	\$'000	
Fixed rates & charges	1,426	1,412	

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Fixed rates & charges	1,426	1,412
Volume-based charges	570	519
Other fees and charges	26	13
Other revenue	0	0
CSO payments	25	37
Own use transfers	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	2,047	1,981

Real rate of return on non-current assets

2.23% (Calculated automatically)

Real rate of return = Earnings Before Interest and Income Tax Assets valued using DRC or DORC

> = Revenue - (O&M. Bulk Water, A&O. Externalities, Other Taxes, Cost of Asset Consumption-Upper) Assets valued using DRC or DORC

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RATE OF RETURN REPORT - WASTEWATER

Asset valuation as at start of financial year Asset valuation as at end of financial year Average asset valuation for year \$'000 11,443 11,223 11,223

Cost items	Lower	Upper Limit	Budget
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Operation and maintenance	792	792	828
Purchases of bulk water	0	0	0
Administration & overheads	135	135	155
Externalities	0	0	0
Taxes & tax equivalents (other than income tax)	8	8	0
Cost of asset consumption - Lower Limit	227		
Cost of asset consumption - Upper Limit		398	
Interest on Debt	84	1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 - 1997 -	84
Dividends Paid	0	the second stranger	0
Cost of capital		793	
TOTAL COST	1,246	2,126	1,067

	Actual	Budget	
Revenue items	\$'000	\$'000	
Fixed rates & charges	1,503	1,473	
Volume-based charges	0	0	
Other fees and charges	147	130	
Other revenue	190	200	
CSO payments	0	0	
Own use transfers	0	0	
TOTAL REVENUE	1,840	1,804	

Real rate of return on non-current assets

4.47% (Calculated automatically)

Real rate of return = Earnings Before Interest and Income Tax Assets valued using DRC or DORC

> = <u>Revenue - (O&M, Bulk Water, A&O, Externalities, Other Taxes, Cost of Asset Consumption-Upper</u>) Assets valued using DRC or DORC

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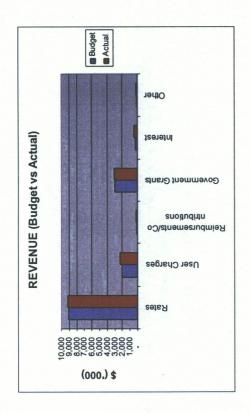
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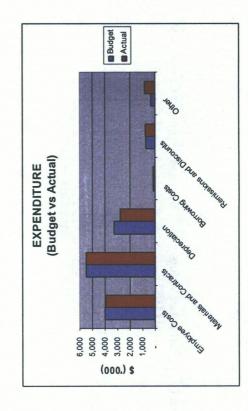
The Local Government (General Regulations) 2005 requires that Council reports in its Annual Report any contract for the supply or provision of goods and services valued at or above \$100,000 (excluding GST) during the financial year. The following table lists contracts entered into by Council during the period 1 July 2006 and 30 June 2007 in excess of \$100,000:

Description of Contract	Period of Contract	Contract Value (ex GST)	Business name of Contractor	Business address of Contractor
Bitumen Spray & Slurry Surfacing	21/08/2006 – 30/06/2007	\$305,187	Works Infrastructure	PO Box 246, Pakenham, 3810
Slurry Surfacing	21/08/2006 - 30/06/2007	\$244,885	Works Infrastructure	PO Box 246, Pakenham, 3810
Asphalt Surfacing & Two Coat Sealing	21/08/2006 - 30/06/2007	\$225,553	Roadways Pty Ltd	PO Box 283, Burnie, 7320
Bridge Replacement - Meunna Road	20/09/2006 - 31/03/2007	\$210,562	Tas Span Pty Ltd	PO Box 225, Latrobe, 7307
Bridge Replacement – East Yolla Road	20/09/2007 - 31/03/2007	\$106,568	Van Ek Contracting Pty Ltd	PO Box 812, Ulverstone, 7315
Kerbside Refuse Collection Service	01/07/2007 - 30/06/2012	\$741,065 *	Aussie Waste Management Pty Ltd	128 Mornington Road, Mornington, 7018
Reservoir Drive Sewerage Extension	16/04/2007 – 31/10/2007	\$173,271	Tunevitsch Construction Services Pty Ltd	30 Abels Hill Rd, St Leonards, 7250

* Subject to CPI reviews at six monthly intervals

Performance Trends





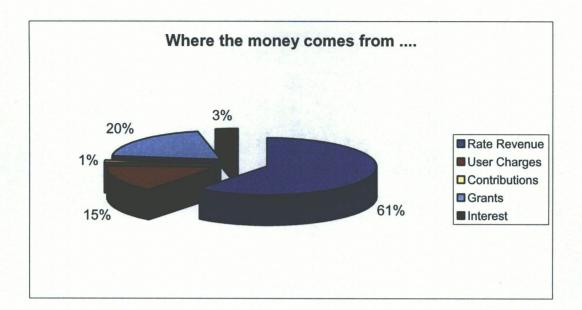
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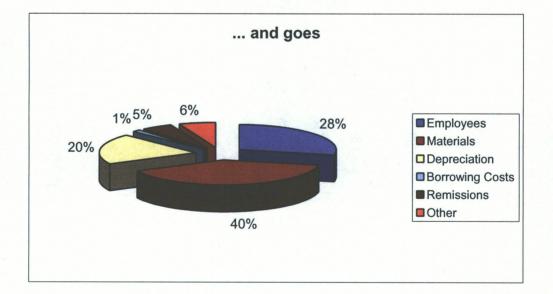
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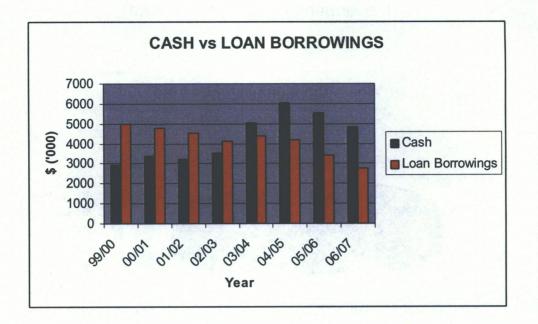
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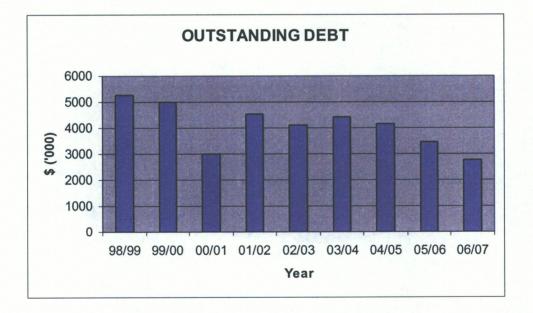
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Performance Trends (continued)









Summarised Financial Report

Waratah-Wynyard Council Summarised Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2007

Any person desiring a complete copy of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2007 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 Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, 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.

Functions/Activities of the Council For the year Ended 30 June 2007

The activities relating to the Local Government's components reported 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.

Waste Management Services Operation of Wynyard Waste Transfer Station and 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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Income Statement (by Transaction Class) For the year Ended 30 June 2007

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	ACTUAL 2007 \$	BUDGET 2007 \$	ACTUAL 2006 \$
REVENUE		· · ·	
Rates User Charges Interest Reimbursements/Contributions Government Grants Other Share of profit(losses)of Associates accounted for by the equity method	9,173,396 2,306,398 500,825 189,033 3,012,102 24,757 141,828	9,043,899 2,010,537 296,651 103,755 2,919,184 37,125 75,000	8,909,662 2,146,996 476,617 452,300 3,320,783 33,297 162,226
Total Revenue	15,348,339	14,486,151	15,501,881
EXPENSES			
Employee Costs Materials and Contracts Depreciation Net loss/(gain) on disposal of Non Current Assets State Levies Borrowing Costs Remissions and Discounts Other Total Expenses	3,947,137 5,489,748 2,766,648 332,684 336,261 189,290 762,039 174,697 13,998,504	3,976,419 5,481,524 3,266,490 (172,750) 324,411 189,292 749,982 173,622 13,988,990	3,615,617 5,752,881 2,623,502 134,293 286,969 230,336 785,735 159,527 13,588,860
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1,349,835	497,161	1,913,021
Donated Assets SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD	647,052 1,996,887	500,000 997,161	1,693,674 3,606,695

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Income Statement (by Functional Activity) For the year Ended 30 June 2007

	ACTUAL 2007 \$	BUDGET 2007 \$	ACTUAL 2006 \$
EXPENSES	•	•	•
Corporate Services	1,802,763	1,684,022	1,926,436
Transport	3,496,332	3,416,622	3,389,801
Development Services	739,108	713,655	652,025
Parks and Recreation Facilities	1,102,280	1,215,237	960,426
Community Services	1,500,787	1,367,203	1,606,615
Fire Levy	277,846	278,401	243,987
Waste Management	906,038	952,908	820,961
Water Services	2,094,819	2,160,414	1,637,880
Sewerage Services	1,408,820	1,487,429	1,654,316
Drainage Services	211,425	262,823	247,285
Other-Not Attributable	458,286	450,276	449,128
Total Expenses	13,998,504	13,988,990	13,588,860
REVENUE			
Corporate Services	848,029	464,885	641,098
Transport	1,389,362	1,430,684	1,814,124
Development Services	260,017	211,688	320,829
Parks and Recreation Facilities	76,879	72,683	224,189
Community Services	1,077,276	934,346	1,238,398
Fire	294,039	290,311	274,311
Garbage	631,120	591,115	610,119
Water Services	2,189,102	2,056,213	2,047,104
Sewerage Services	1,839,809	1,803,931	1,823,042
Drainage Services	335,004	329,345	333,880
Other-Not Attributable	6,407,702	6,300,950	6,174,787
Total Revenue	15,348,339	14,486,151	15,501,881
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM ORDINARY			
ACTIVITIES	1,349,835	497,161	1,913,021
Donated Assets	647,052	500,000	1,693,674
SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD	1,996,887	997,161	3,606,695

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Balance Sheet As At 30 June 2007

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CURRENT ASSETS	ACTUAL 2007 \$	ACTUAL 2006 \$
Cash and Cash Equivalents Receivables	4,850,458 571,292	5,524,457 532,215
Inventories Other	265,991 214,272	302,655 146,062
Total Current Assets	5,902,013	6,505,389
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, Plant and Equipment	83,327,040	81,237,447
Intangible Assets	100,000	0
Receivables	50,533	64,142
Investment in Associates	9,521,264	6,138,915
Total Non Current Assets	92,998,837	87,440,504
Total Assets	98,900,850	93,945,893
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Payables	1,464,108	1,214,314
Financial Liabilities	628,127	680,064
Provisions	844,013	843,062
Total Current Liabilities	2,936,248	2,737,440
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Financial Liabilities	2,139,841	2,767,968
Provisions	229,544	165,903
Total Non Current Liabilities	2,369,385	2,933,871
Total Liabilities	5,305,633	5,671,311
NET ASSETS	93,595,217	88,274,582
EQUITY		
Accumulated Surplus	83,233,650	81,236,763
Reserves	10,361,567	7,037,819
TOTAL EQUITY	93,595,217	88,274,582

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the year Ended 30 June 2007

	ACCUMULAT	ED SURPLUS	RESE	RVES	TO	TAL .
	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$	2007 \$	2006 \$
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	81,236,763	77,935,519	7,037,819	6,724,000	88,274,582	84,659,519
Surplus for the Period	1,996,887	3,606,695	0	0	1,996,887	3,606,695
Prior Year Correction	0	(305,451)	0	381,422	0	75,971
Asset Revaluation Increment - Council	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asset Revaluation Increment - Associate	0	0	3,323,748	(67,603)	3,323,748	(67,603)
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	83,233,650	81,236,763	10,361,567	7,037,819	93,595,217	88,274,582

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Cash Flow Statement For the year Ended 30 June 2007

	ACTUAL 2007 \$	ACTUAL 2006 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	*	\$
Payments		
Employee Costs	3,893,125	3,626,376
Materials and Contracts	5,916,048	6,442,484
State Levies	336,261	286,970
Interest	190,913	232,176
Remissions and Discounts	762,039	785,735
Other Expenses	176,417	161.027
Receipts	11,274,803	11,534,768
Rates	9,161,668	8,896,194
User Charges	2,350,353	2.246.992
Interest	502,838	474.423
Reimbursement of expenses incurred	201,033	477.300
Government Grants	3,012,102	3,320,783
Other Income	115,985	142,078
Refunds from the Australian Taxation Office for GST	578,762	676.908
	15,922,741	16,234,678
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	4,647,938	4,699,910
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Payments for		
Property, Plant and Equipment	5,060,742	4,819,170
Proceeds from	5,060,742	4,819,170
Sale of Assets	418,869	313,916
	418,869	313,916
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	(4,641,873)	(4,505,254)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Pavments for		
Interest Bearing Liabilities	680,064	724,899
Proceeds from		
Financial Liabilities	0	0
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities	(680,064)	(724,899)
	(673,999)	(530,243)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	5,524,457	6,054,700
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	4,850,458	5,524,457

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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 2007; and
- (b) the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, 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 2007 should contact 6443 8311 or call at the Council Offices.

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Paul West General Manager

Date: 16 August 2007

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

To the Councillors of Waratah-Wynyard Council

Financial Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2007

I have audited the summarised financial report of Waratah-Wynyard Council for the year ended 30 June 2007, comprising an income statement (by Transaction Class), income statement (by Functional Activity), balance sheet, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement and a description of 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 financial report from which it is derived and upon which I expressed an unqualified audit opinion in my report dated 5 September 2007 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 financial report.

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