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Section 71 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires all Councils to produce an Annual Plan for the municipal area each financial year.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR AND GENERAL MANAGER

It is with a great sense of excitement that we welcome you to the Waratah-Wynyard Council's 2016-2017 Annual Plan, which will be the last under the current Strategic Plan. Throughout this year the Council will transition to an integrated planning framework which will see the Sustainable Murchison 2040 Community Plan and Council Strategic Plan 2016-2026 providing the vision and future direction for the Council.

The Council has adopted **Trust** as its theme for this year's Annual Plan. That is:

- Trust in our processes and in particular the Long Term Finance Plan (LTFP) and Strategic Asset Management Plan which commits the Council to an increase in the general rate of 1.87% consistent with the 2016 Council Cost Index;
- Trust in the relationship between the Councillors and Council staff which is continuing to strengthen and create a positive and innovative work environment; and
- Trust in the community that we will deliver on what we say we will.

The Annual Plan continues a trend of sensibly addressing the Council's underlying deficit in accordance with the LTFP, with an underlying deficit of \$131,622 and an overall surplus of \$1.16M budgeted to be delivered in 2016-2017. Over the next few years the Council will transition from an underlying deficit to an underlying surplus which will allow for the generation of funding for capital improvement through operations, which is the most sustainable approach over the long-term. The Council is committed to delivering these surpluses by being prudent in containing costs and by continuing to enhance our resource sharing arrangements, principally with the Circular Head Council. Indeed, the fact that the increase in operational costs for 2016-2017 has been restricted to 2.13% is testimony to the Council's commitment to contain costs. In the future, the Council will also seek additional ways to fund the community's infrastructure needs including borrowing, external funding and the sale of surplus assets.

An investment in infrastructure through Capital Works of \$6.03M is included in the Annual Plan, which includes \$3.43M for new assets and \$2.6M for reconstruction, renewal and rehabilitation projects. This represents one of the largest programs ever delivered by this Council. The size of the program is assisted by a triple payment of the Federal Government's Road-to-Recovery grant funding and includes the following major initiatives:

- \$750,000 for the development of a Wynyard Central Area Development Plan and the design and construction of a new carpark at the rear of the former Stubbs Hardware site in Wynyard;
- \$40,000 to complete upgrades to the Sisters Beach Esplanade recreational area;
- \$650,000 to complete next stage of the Somerset Village Development Plan;
- \$505,000 to commence staged implementation of the Camp Creek Rehabilitation works;
- \$675,000 for the completion of road works included in the Wynyard Waterfront and Environs Masterplan;
- \$60,000 for the completion of a Boat Harbour Development Plan to improve public amenity, traffic and parking arrangements, recreational use and development opportunity;
- \$200,000 to complete Stage 2 of the Council Administration Building Refurbishment Project;

- \$50,000 to undertake a re-branding of the Council to align the corporate and destination marketing brand for Waratah-Wynyard;
- \$824,500 for the renewal and upgrade of sections of Mt Hicks Road and Oldina Road; and
- \$544,200 for the renewal of rural roads including Baulds Road, Buggs Lane, Buggs Road, Deep Creek Road, Oonah Road and Robin Hill Road.

We look forward to communicating our successes to you as we implement these important initiatives and projects.

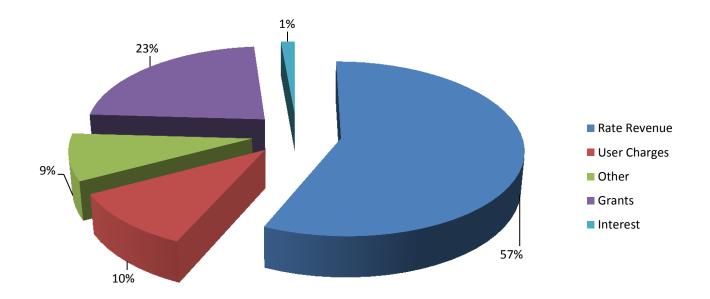


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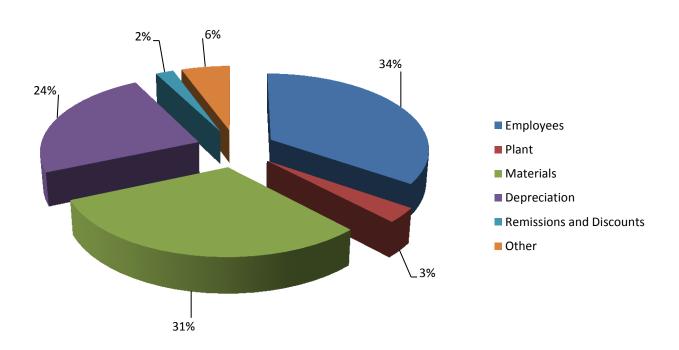
Cr Robby Walsh Mayor

Michael Stretton General Manager

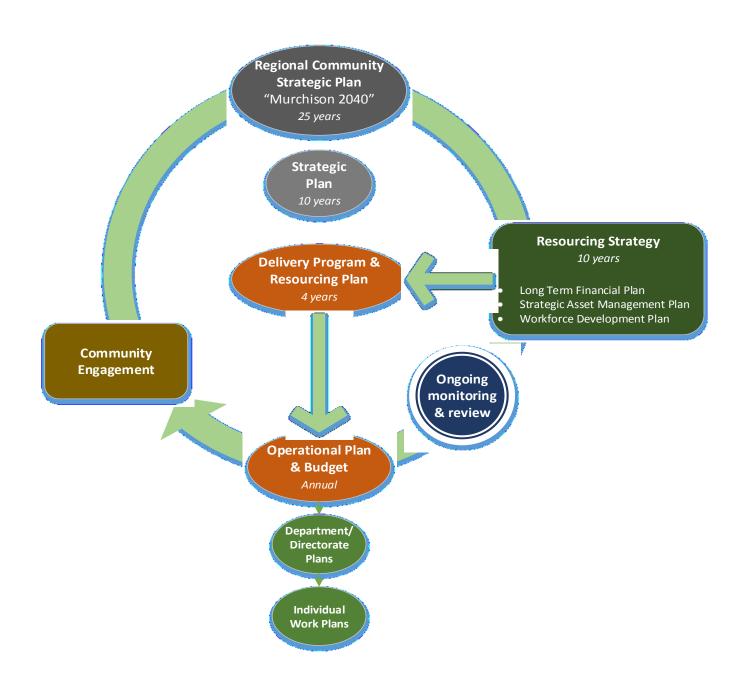
# Where does the money come from:



# ...and goes



# INTEGRATED PLANNING FRAMEWORK...OUR FUTURE DIRECTION



# **OUR COUNCILLORS**



#### Committees:

- Cradle Coast Authority
- Local Government
   Association of Tasmania
   Conference
- Resource Sharing Committee
- TasWater
- Waratah-Wynyard Emergency Management Committee
- Waratah-Wynyard Tourism Committee



#### Committees:

- Australia Day Committee
- Cradle Coast Authority
- Local Government
   Association of Tasmania
   Conference
- Resource Sharing Committee

#### **MAYOR Robby Walsh**



#### Committees:

- Australia Day Committee
- Bush Watch Western District
- State Emergency Services Local Unit Liaison Representative

### **DEPUTY MAYOR Mary Duniam**



Waratah-Wynyard Recreation Advisory Committee

#### **Councillor Maureen Bradley**



#### Committees:

- Coastal Pathway Working Group
- Masters Games (2017)
- Waratah-Wynyard Recreation Advisory Committee

### **Councillor Gary Bramich**



Committees:

- Children's Services Advisory Group
- Resource Sharing Committee

### **Councillor Darren Fairbrother**



### Committees:

- Coastal Pathway Working Group
- Resource Sharing Committee
- Waratah-Wynyard Code of Conduct Panel
- Waratah-Wynyard Tourism Committee

### **Councillor Alwyn Friedersdorff**



- Australia Day Committee
- Resource Sharing Committee
- Waratah-Wynyard Code of Conduct Panel



**Councillor Stephen Wright** 



# ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE



MICHAEL STRETTON
General Manager



TRACEY BRADLEY
Director Corporate & Community Services



- Customer Service
- Human Resource Management
- Information Technology / GIS
- Risk Management & WH&S





CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Community Development
- Events
- Tourism Development
- Wonders of Wynyard





• Children's Services

**WENDY RICHARDS**Children's Services Manager



**DANIEL SUMMERS**Director Infrastructure &
Development Services



- Building & Plumbing Permit Authority
- Emergency Services
- Environmental Health
- Land Use Planning
- Regulations

# BARRY MAGNUS Manager Development & Regulatory Services



**NFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** 

- Asset Planning
- Buildings & Compliance
- Cleaning





- Infrastructure operations
- NRM
- Projects

**BILAL AKHTAR**Manager Engineering & Projects



- Civil Works
- Light Vehicles
- Parks & Recreation
- Transport Works
- Urban Works
- Workshon

DARRELL WALSH Works Manager



**PAUL SMITH**Director Strategic & Financial Services



- Communications
- Corporate Strategy
- Economic Development
- Governance
- Information Governance
- Strategic Projects

# JOHN STRETTON Manager Economic Development



STRATEGIC AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Finance
- Strategic Financial Management

**STEPHEN IMMS**Manager Financial Services

# **OUR VISION, OUR MISSION, OUR CORE VALUES**

### **OUR VISION**

Waratah-Wynyard municipality will continue to be a thriving and prosperous municipality, with opportunities for all.



### **OUR MISSION**

Waratah-Wynyard Council will work to create an environment where its people can prosper and take advantage of the municipality's unique advantages to the benefit of the community.

### **OUR CORE VALUES**

#### **Good Governance**

We will have open, accessible and accountable governance in touch with the existing and changing needs of our community.

#### Fairness and Responsiveness

We will ensure that all people are treated with dignity, respect and fairness. Our staff is critical to the achievement of our goals and we are committed to their continuing development.

#### **Service Excellence**

We are here to serve our community and will strive to meet its needs through the provision of service excellence based on a continuous improvement approach.

#### **Continuous Improvement**

We will continually look for ways to improve our services to enhance community benefit.

#### **Communication and Engagement**

We will deliver accurate, timely and relevant information involving the open exchange of ideas and information with the community.

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

We aspire to become environmentally sustainable and maximise opportunities for all people and future generations to enjoy social and physical well-being.

### Leadership

We will effectively advocate the needs and aspirations of the community.

# **ANNUAL PLAN 2016 - 2017**

The Annual Plan and Budget contains the major actions and initiatives for the Council's 2016-2017 operations. Of all of the documents that sit within the integrated planning framework, the Annual Plan has the most significant influence on the daily activities of Council staff.

Development of this year's Annual Plan has included a strong engagement process between the community, elected members and Council management through which the operational priorities and major actions/initiatives were identified along with the annual budget estimates for each functional area.

The progress of these actions and initiatives will be reported to Council on a quarterly basis with the year end results being presented in the Council's Annual Report.



Wynyard Central Business District

# **KEY FOCUS AREA: 1 – ECONOMIC PROSPERITY**

Addition to the wealth and diversity of our economy

ACTION	BUDGET	DIRECTORATE
Outcome 1.1 - Council is "investor ready"		
Outcome 1.3 - Employment opportunities are nurtured and d	eveloped	
Pursue economic development and expansion opportunities	Existing	General Manager
that will be beneficial to the community	resources	General Manager
Complete an Economic Development Plan for Waratah-	Existing	Strategic & Financial
Wynyard	resources	Services
Outcome 1.2 - Road, rail and air transport opportunities are maximised		
Design and construct a Carpark in the Wynyard Central Area	¢750,000	Infrastructure &
at the rear of the former Stubbs Hardware site	\$750,000	Development Services

Outcome 1.4 - Tourism is recognised, and sustainably develop	ed, as a key e	conomic driver
Maintain membership of, and active involvement in, Cradle	Existing	Corporate & Community
Coast Authority tourism structure	resources	Services
Continue to develop and promote the Wonders of Wynyard	Existing	Corporate & Community
Exhibition Centre as a significant regional tourism attraction	resources	Services
Support the on-going development of the "Colours of	Existing	Corporate & Community
Wynyard" Bloomin' Tulip Festival	resources	Services
Develop a Waratah Tourism Development Plan	\$10,000	Corporate & Community Services
Complete a professional re-print and re-design of the Wonders of Wynyard Ransley Veteran Car Collection Book	\$7,000	Corporate & Community Services
Develop a performance based marketing and communication plan	\$7,000	Corporate & Community Services

	Outcome 1.5 - Primary producers make significant contributions to regional food bowl		
	Paviow the Council's NPM Stratogy	Existing	Infrastructure &
Review the Council's NRM Strategy	Resources	Development Services	



Waratah - Tourism Development Plan

# **KEY FOCUS AREA: 2 – OUR COMMUNITY**

Enhancement of the physical, social and cultural wellbeing of our community

ACTION	BUDGET	DIRECTORATE
Outcome 2.1 - The community is supported in its recreational	pursuits	
Provide a financial contribution and assist in the organisation		
of the Masters Games to be held in the Cradle Coast region in	\$10,800	General Manager
2018		

### Outcome 2.2 - Lifelong learning is valued

No action listed for 2016-2017

Outcome 2.3 - Facilities and services cater for the changing po	pulation	
Complete upgrades to Sisters Beach Esplanade Recreational area consistent with the Open Space, Sport and Recreation Plan	\$40,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Commenced staged implementation of the Open Space, Sport and Recreation Plan	\$15,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Outcome 2.4 - Our people are cared for		
Pavious and progressively implement the Youth Strategy	Existing	Corporate & Community
Review and progressively implement the Youth Strategy	resources	Services
Progressively implement the Inclusive Ageing Strategy	Existing	Corporate & Community
	resources	Services



Sisters Beach Recreation Area

# **KEY FOCUS AREA: 3 – ENVIRONMENT**

Sustainable management of our built and natural environment

ACTION	BUDGET	DIRECTORATE
Outcome 3.1 - Council built infrastructure is constructed and	maintained to	a high standard
Wynyard Wharf Masterplan	\$675,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Complete Stage 2 of the Refurbishment of the Council Administration building	\$200,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Guardrail – top of Lobes Hill, Myalla Road	\$58,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Complete renewal and upgrade of the stormwater system at 11 Goldie Street and 51 Jackson Street, Wynyard	\$45,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Upgrade footpaths with DDA compliant ramps	\$30,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Upgrade storm water outfall on Gordon Beach	\$15,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Upgrade Rural Road Bridges approach seals	\$10,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Investigating options for Inglis Street	Existing Resources	Infrastructure & Development Services
Outcome 3.2 - Towns and settlements are attractive places		
Complete staged implementation of the Somerset CBD Masterplan	\$650,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Commence Staged Implementation of Camp Creek Rehabilitation works	\$505,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Complete a Boat Harbour Development Plan to improve public realm, traffic and parking arrangements, recreational use and development opportunity	\$60,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Banner System	\$25,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Photographic Mural on Woolworths wall in Goldie Street, Wynyard	\$16,000	Corporate & Community Services
Continuation of Council's Public Art program	\$10,000	Corporate & Community Services
Tulip Festival – Replace Banners	\$5,000	Corporate & Community Services

## Outcome 3.3 - Coastal links are recognised and celebrated

No action listed for 2016/2017

Outcome 3.4 - Diverse land users co-exist in harmony		
Actively participate in the development and implementation	Existing	Infrastructure &
of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme	resources	Development Services

ACTION	BUDGET	DIRECTORATE
Outcome 3.5 - Natural resources are managed in a sustainable manner		
Pursue implementation of strategies included within the	Existing	Engineering Services
Cradle Coast Waste Management Strategy	resources	Eligilieerilig Services
Remove trees on East Wynyard foreshore to mitigate safety concerns	\$25,000	Infrastructure & Development Services
Complete catchment analysis for the creation of stormwater management plans pursuant to the Urban Drains Act 2013	\$20,000	Infrastructure & Development Services



Boat Harbour Beach Aerial by Daryl Jones

# KEY FOCUS AREA 4: - CIVIC LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

A well-managed Council that services the municipality with integrity and has a strong voice in the region

ACTION	BUDGET	DIRECTORATE
Outcome 4.1 - Improved community engagement		
Implement and refine the Corporate Communications and Social Media Strategy including marketing, engagement, consultant and other communication activities	Existing resources	Governance
Conduct a Community Satisfaction Survey	\$12,000	General Manager
Outcome 4.2 - Council has a strong regional voice		
Promote and increase public awareness of the Sustainable Murchison Community Plan	\$10,000	General Manager
Represent interests of the municipality at appropriate regional and state forums	Existing resources	General Manager
Ensure regular meetings are held with relevant State and Federal Ministers on matters of importance	Existing resources	General Manager

Outcome 4.3 - Council is managed in a financially sustainable and responsible manner		
Assist the Valuer-General's Office in completing a Municipal Revaluation	\$180,000	Strategic & Financial Services
Implement the recommendations from the review of resource sharing arrangements with Circular Head Council	Existing resources	General Manager

### Outcome 4.4 - Council staff deliver quality customer service

No action listed for 2016/2017

Outcome 4.5 - Council resources are utilised efficiently		
Implement the recommendations from the Council's Form and Function review	\$200,000	General Manager
Complete the 10 Year Strategic Plan and 4 Year Delivery Program and Resourcing Plan	Existing Resources	Strategic & Financial Services
Work with Australian Centre for Excellence in Local Government to develop a Workforce Development Plan for the Council	\$20,000	Corporate & Community Services
Undertake a re-branding of the Council to align the corporate and destination marketing brand for Waratah-Wynyard	\$50,000	Strategic & Financial Services
Conduct an Employee Satisfaction Survey	\$12,000	General Manager
Implementation of an enterprise software solution across the Council	\$100,000	Corporate & Community Services
Review development approval timeframes and identify business process changes that realise the benefits of Electronic Data Management System and potentially reduce approval timeframes	Existing resources	Infrastructure & Development Services
Pursue implementation of strategies included within the Council's adopted Waste Management Strategy	Existing resources	Infrastructure & Development Services
Wynyard Cemetery – Information Board	\$5,000	Infrastructure & Development Services

ASSET RENEWALS >\$50,000	
ACTION	BUDGET
Rural Roads - Pavement renewal & upgrade - Mt Hicks Road chainage 7157-10471, Oldina Road chainage 00-3770	\$824,500
Renewal - Rural Road - Unsealed – resheeting - Baulds Road, Buggs Lane, Buggs Road, Deep Creek Road, Oonah Road & Robin Hill Road	\$544,200
Renewal - Kerb & channel replacements- McKays Road, Goldie Street, Austin Street & Athol Street	\$254,840
Renewal - Urban Roads – resealing - Dart Street, Golf Links Road, Jackson Street, Jenner Street, Johnson Place, Reece Court, Lewis Street, McKays Road, Park Street, Pelissier Street & Ward Street	\$197,600
Renewal - Rural Road - Sealed - resealing - Back Cam Link Road, Back Cam Road & Smarts Road	\$104,240
Renewal - Urban Roads – pavement - Raglan St to Pelissier Court - 250m	\$50,000



Oldina Road pavement renewal and upgrade

# ASSET RENEWALS <\$50,000

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ACTION	BUDGET
Renewal - Man hole lids	46,000
Stormwater Pipes - renew & upgrade 11 Goldie & 51 Jackson Streets Wynyard renew and upgrade pipes causing flooding on private property	35,000
Sisters Beach Pedestrian Bridge replace bridge superstructure - over creek outlet to sea - off Kenelm Avenue	35,000
Kubota Mower 2504	31,000
Footpath replacements DDA compliance requirements	30,000
Orthophoto's	27,000
Ford Falcon Ute	26,000
PC/Laptop replacements	20,000
Small plant replacements	18,000
Mitsubishi Triton	17,500
Hilux Utility	17,000
Holden Colorado	16,700
Mazda BT50	16,700
Sepi Mulcher 1561	16,000
Sepi Mulcher 1523	15,500
Mitsubishi Triton	15,500
Senior Citizens Kitchen - kitchen renewal	15,000
Renew unsealed road junctions with Bass Highway - Gates Road, McKenzie Road, Baulds Road, Ewington Rod, etc - materials being dragged onto highway - safety issue	15,000
Ford Ranger	14,500
Toyota Camry	12,500
Slasher Berrends Warrior 15552	10,500
Inglis River Walking Track – resurfacing 50% of track requires re-surfacing	10,000
I-Pad replacements	8,000
Playground Equipment replacement of non-fixed Childcare Centre equipment - boards/planks/seats etc	6,500
8 Foot Grader Blade for Waratah	5,500
Rubbish Bin Replacements – reserves renewal of defective public bins	5,000
Rubbish Bin Replacements - Streets	5,000
Links Childcare building- renew toilet area - renew/upgrade current toilets which are built to childcare sizes and are too small for current users privacy	5,000
Defibrillator Waratah SES	2,930
Portable Marquee	2,800



Camp Creek – scheduled for rehabilitation works



Inglis River Walking Track

# INCOME STATEMENT YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017

WARATAH-WYNYARD COUNCIL	2015/2016	2016/2017
BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017	\$	\$
Income		
Rate Revenue	10,349,782	10,567,960
User Charges	1,786,127	1,977,390
Reimbursements/Contributions	368,773	564,680
Grants and Subsidies	2,964,912	2,939,321
Interest	230,400	265,230
Proceeds from Sales	347,000	226,000
Other	843,000	843,000
Total Income	16,889,994	17,383,581
Fyrance		
Expenses Employee Costs	5,677,375	6,067,447
State Levies	459,540	471,201
Remissions & Discounts	348,576	365,774
Materials & Contracts		5,936,429
	5,989,280	
Depreciation  Regressing Costs	4,279,083 0	4,164,255
Borrowing Costs  Loss on Sale of/Write Off of Assets	_	16,450
	262,666	483,767
Total Expenditure	17,016,520	17,505,322
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(126,526)	(121,741)
Donated Assets	0	0
Capital Grants	1,120,880	1,291,743
Asset Impairments	(172,834)	1,291,743
De-recognition of Assets	(172,034)	0
Fair Value Adjustment	0	0
Asset Revaluations	0	0
Recognition of Assets	0	0
Necognition of Assets	U	O
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	821,520	1,170,002

# BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017

WARATAH-WYNYARD COUNCIL	2015/2016	2016/2017
BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	7,002,546	6,884,064
Receivables	575,000	490,000
Inventories (Including Land Held for Resale)	465,000	465,000
Other	250,000	280,000
		40
Total Current Assets	8,292,546	\$8,119,064
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, Plant and Equipment	133,735,471	153,282,834
Receivables	5,500	3,000
Other	43,500,000	44,050,000
Total Nam Comment Assats	477 240 074	\$407.22F.024
Total Non-Current Assets	177,240,971	\$197,335,834
Total Assets	185,533,517	\$205,454,898
CURRENT HARMITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES Payables	1,150,000	1,280,000
Interest-Bearing Liabilities	1,130,000	110,732
Provisions	1,335,000	1,650,000
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Total Current Liabilities	2,485,000	\$3,040,732
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Interest-Bearing Liabilities	_	1,096,426
Provisions	460,000	390,000
Total Non-Current Liabilities	460,000	\$1,486,426
Total Liabilities	2,945,000	\$4,527,158
NET ASSETS	182,588,517	\$200,927,740
EQUITY		
Accumulated Surplus	120,870,240	147,256,449
Reserves	61,718,277	53,671,291
TOTAL EQUITY	182,588,517	\$200,927,740

# **ESTIMATED CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017**

WARATAH-WYNYARD COUNCIL	2015/16	2016/17
SUMMARY OF CASH FLOWS	\$	\$
Forecast Cash on Hand		
Trading Account & Investments	5,221,000	6,322,400
Public Open Space Reserve	139,000	139,000
Asset Purchase Reserve	850,000	730,000
	6,210,000	\$7,191,400
Income:		
Budgeted Operating Income	16,889,994	17,400,994
Add: Capital Grants	1,120,880	1,291,743
Add: Loan Borrowings	0	750,000
	18,010,874	\$19,442,737
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Expenditure:	47.046.520	47 522 646
Budgeted Operating Expenditure	17,016,520	17,532,616
Less: Depreciation Expense	(4,279,083)	(4,164,255)
Less: Carrying Value of NCA Sold	(262,666)	(266,000)
Add: Loan Banayments	4,738,157 5,400	6,604,870 42,841
Add: Loan Repayments	17,218,328	\$19,750,072
	17,210,320	\$19,750,072
Budgeted Cash on Hand 30 June	7,002,546	\$6,884,065
Increase/(Decrease) in Cash Held	792,546	\$(307,335)

# PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2017

WARATAH WYNYARD CO	DUNCIL	2015/2016	2016/2017
SUMMARY OF EXPENDIT	TURE 2016/17	\$	\$
FUNCTION			
0			
Governance:	Governance	1,015,735	1,166,351
	Governance	1,013,733	1,100,531
Strategic & Financial			
Services:			
	Economic Development &		
	Strategic Governance	752,936	669,812
	Financial Services	1,180,983	1,037,660
Corporate &			
Community Services:	Comments Comments Comments	225 005	224 570
	Community Support Services	325,905	334,570
	Corporate Services	568,612	714,097
	Community Activation	762,379	
	Children's Services	1,058,296	1,149,523
Infrastructure &			
Development Services:			
	Development Services	1,171,874	1,098,996
	Asset Management Services	32,137	
	Infrastructure Services	68,914	179,638
	Cemetery	141,050	· ·
	Garbage	966,383	988,647
	Public Halls	85,267	89,389
	Public Toilets	242,479	226,883
	Parks & Reserves	1,044,324	
	Sporting Facilities	983,846	891,395
	Drainage	872,364	639,584
	Footpaths	265,594	321,413
	Transport	4,721,059	4,975,497
	Waste	756,383	812,051
		17,016,520	17,532,616

2015/16 Budget has been aligned with 2016/17 structure arising from Form & Function review for comparative reasons

## **PUBLIC HEALTH GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Council has a responsibility under various legislation, such as the *Local Government Act 1993*, *Public Health Act 1997*, *Food Act 2003* and the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994*, to provide for, and support, a healthy environment and lifestyle for residents and visitors to our area. The goal is to provide our community with education and an environment in which risks to health, particularly relating to air, water, noise etc. are mitigated.

Officers endeavour to promote of a high standard for the food prepared and sold in our area, through inspection and education. These objectives are met by the on-going inspection, licensing and registration of the relevant businesses and temporary food stalls involved and education sessions with food handlers. Currently Environmental Health Officers are also providing brief sessions to school classes upon request by the school administrations. The quality of water for both recreational purposes and human consumption is also monitored and sampled for testing regularly during the warmer months and investigated whenever concerns are raised.

A school immunisation program is carried out in conjunction with State Health, as well as a sharps disposal program, to assist in the protection from the adverse effects of communicable diseases.

Council has an ongoing commitment to minimising the effect of pollution and nuisance, by preventing and controlling those incidents, wherever possible. Officers regularly carry out investigations on noise, smoke, dumping of wastes when it is reported or noted and work with the parties to educate and resolve issues in breach of the legislation. Officers are also currently developing information sheets with which will provide guidance to the general public, in avoiding and reporting, if necessary, on the most regular public concerns. These documents will be made available on the Council web site as developed.

The public health goals for 2016 - 2017 are as follows:

- Provide public education and community engagement opportunities.
- Review service delivery standards.
- To better manage health and environmental threats arising from human activities.
- Provide full suite of Public and Environmental Health documents and issues on Council's website.



Outlining the Roles and Responsibilities of an Environmental Health Officer to Hellyer College Students

