

TATIARA DISTRICT COUNCIL

'Welcome to The Good Country'

Annual Report
2005/2006

Tatiara
the good country



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Our Mission

To make the Tatiara a better and safer place to live, work and visit

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### Our Vision

*To be a progressive and well managed council that works closely with its various communities*

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Our Values

- We value rigorous debate conducted by well informed Council Members
- We facilitate socially and environmentally responsible development
 - We will display leadership and reflect community aspirations
 - We believe in transparency and accountability
 - We value respect and loyalty



Standing L-R: Mr Richard Pym (MTS), Cr Richard Stanbury, Mr Kingsley Green (MCCS), Cr Edward Langley, Cr Edward Davis, Cr Ken McInerney, Cr Ian Ridgway & Mr Rocco Callisto (MDIS).

Seated L-R: Cr Jan McLellan, Cr Richard Vickery (Deputy Chairman), Cr John Ross (Chairman), Mr Robert Harkness (CEO), Cr Diana Penniment & Cr Janet Allen.

Chairman's Report

This report is marked by an unusual extension of Councillors terms of office. Local Government elections scheduled for May would have coincided with State Government elections and were consequently deferred until October. The period in review reflects a diligent commitment by Councillors and staff to implement elements of Council's strategic plan. This is a public document developed by Council as a guide to defining objectives and priorities. Consultation with residents in meetings held at district community centres is an important aid to making such plans.

While our role and function is prescribed by the Local Government Act, Council must decide how it provides services competitively to give the best possible value to its shareholders. Historically we have used a mix of our own staff and equipment, together with discretionary engagement of contractors, which provides flexibility for management and a useful basis for comparison of costs.

Our level of government continues to face criticism in the city media as a result of rate increases with emotional reports of hardship being faced by some ratepayers. It is important to understand that local government's major revenue source is a tax on property sometimes referred to as a wealth tax. Other sources include user charges such as car parking, fees for service for rubbish collection, building, planning, cemeteries and dog registrations. Externally, Financial Assistance Grants received from the Commonwealth Government are of most significance.

The South Australian Valuer General provides councils with an annual valuation of all rateable properties within their area. The total Tatiara district valuation is \$1.7 billion from which Council will levy by way of rates an amount of \$6 million to fund the 2006/07 budget.

Clearly, the rating policy is modest, being designed to fund a level of service ratepayers are entitled to enjoy. Not only must we be competitive in giving value to our residents but we must also strive to provide a standard of amenity within our townships that allows them to compete regionally for population growth. Council has a rate-capping policy in place and in the event that ratepayers are experiencing financial difficulty they may seek relief from Council.

Of note was the sale of the Border Chronicle by the Poulton family to the Naracoorte Herald proprietors Richard Peake and Judith Barton last October. Local newspapers provide a vital link between councils and their communities – a service provided with distinction by three generations of the Poulton family over 50 years. Council is grateful to the Poultons for that association and looks forward to developing a strong relationship with the new proprietors.

The district mourned one of its most famous sons in February when Andy Caldecott died competing in the Dakkar Rally in Mauritania. Andy was an elite sportsman able to represent his country competitively at international standards. He was a strong role model for youth who will be sadly missed.

The Tatiara Meat Company celebrated 25 years of business in May. From a humble beginning they have grown to become the nations premier lamb exporter, the districts largest employer and exemplary corporate citizens.

Together with councils throughout Australia, Council received an unexpected once-off bonus payment under the Commonwealth Government Roads to Recovery

initiative. Roads to Recovery funding has been a valuable external source of money for maintenance and upgrading of local government roads over the past six years. Council has opted to obtain the maximum value from this grant of \$365,000 by extending its works program in the current year.

The following matters are not completely within local government's ambit but qualify for comment within civic advocacy expectations.

Hospitals and regional health services struggle to obtain funding sufficient for the delivery of services taken for granted in larger population centres. There is something of a déjà vu about the bureaucratic, economic rationalist speak that tells us that regionalizing services is the best solution. Issues relating to mental health need to be much more clearly enunciated, particularly the increasing incidence of cases and what professional assistance is available. It is certainly time that the relationship between recreational drug use and the accelerating mental health problems being experienced is identified and understood.

As custodians of our local road infrastructure we have a vital interest in their standards and the safety of those who use them – while the standard of our roads and vehicles improve society still faces unnecessary road trauma. Accident statistics list speeding, alcohol and road quality as major causes. Legislators within whose jurisdiction road safety falls continue to regulate regressively which punishes responsible road users without addressing the fundamental issues of competence, attitude and discipline of all people who seek the privilege of a licence to drive.

Multiculturalism has come to the Tatiara by two paths: one which attracted skilled immigrants to employment in local industry and the other in recognition of our country's acceptance of refugees. Currently 22 nationalities are represented in our district. Those who seek to settle here face challenges in adapting to a different culture, in some instances to learn the language, to earn a living and to make friends. We would hope that new residents will derive a similar satisfaction from living here as we do. Although Council has no formal or policy role in assisting new arrivals, other than providing a welcome package containing district information, I believe we have an implicit obligation to help them assimilate.

In conclusion I acknowledge the selfless effort and commitment of fellow Councillors in dealing with a busy agenda. I wish to record my appreciation to our most competent staff who have performed admirably under the leadership of Chief Executive Officer, Robert Harkness.

John S ROSS
Council Chairman

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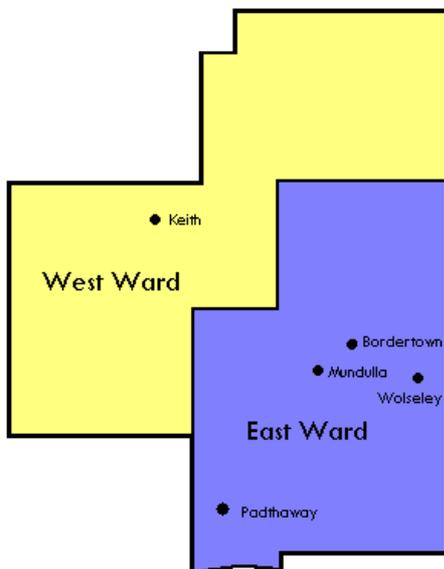
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General Information

<p>Total District Population 6820</p> <p>Bordertown (town) 2,445 Keith (town) 1,128 Mundulla (area) 189 Padthaway (area) 340 Willalooka (area) 358 Wolesey (area) 367 Other Areas 1,993</p>	<p>Council Provides and Maintains</p> <p>Roads, Footpaths, Kerbing Traffic Control & Street Closures Parking Bays & Car Parks Street Lighting Street Sweeping Street Tree Planting Public Toilets Seats/Signs Library Facilities Parks, Gardens & Reserve Areas STED Scheme</p>	<p>Council Administrators</p> <p>Parking, Signage & Litter Control Building & Planning Regulations Development Plan Dog Control & Registration Immunisation Programs Home & Community Care</p>
<p>Length of Road System:</p> <p>State Roads 327 km Council Roads & Streets 1,947 km</p>	<p>Council Conducts</p> <p>Australia Day Awards Citizenship Ceremonies</p>	<p>Council Advises on</p> <p>Infectious Diseases Fire Regulations Pool Hygiene Pest Eradication</p>
<p>Capital Valuation of rateable land:</p> <p>Bordertown \$170,799,300 Keith \$76,171,000 Mundulla \$11,380,500 Padthaway \$5,842,800 Wolesey \$3,081,300 Rural \$1,266,677,200 Total \$1,553,952,100</p>	<p>Council Assists</p> <p>Sporting & Community Organisations</p>	<p>Council Inspects and Licences</p> <p>Food Premises Sanitary Conditions of Buildings Nursing/Rest Homes</p>
<p>Council Staff as at 30th June 2006 63</p> <p><u>Administration Staff</u></p> <p>Full Time Employees 8 Part Time Employees 4</p> <p><u>Library Staff</u></p> <p>Full Time Employees 1 Part Time Employees 1 Support Wage 1 Casuals 3</p> <p><u>Local Government Award Employees</u></p> <p>Full Time Employees (Outdoor Staff) 24</p> <p><u>Local Government Award Supervisors</u></p> <p>Full Time Employees 3</p> <p><u>Technical Staff</u></p> <p>Full Time Employees 5 Casual (Pool Staff) 10</p> <p><u>Visitor Information Centre (Tourism)</u></p> <p>Full Time Employees 1 Casual Employees 2</p>	<p>Auditor</p> <p>Galpin Engler Bruin & Dempsey 233 Commercial Street (West) Mount Gambier SA 5290</p>	<p>Banking Corporation</p> <p>Westpac Banking Corporation 81 Woolshed Street Bordertown SA 5268</p>
	<p>Council Owned Facilities</p> <p>Council owns a number of buildings and structures throughout the district and is responsible for managing many parcels of crown land. Since the introduction of the Local Government Act 1999, Council staff are considering the requirements of the Act relating to its community land and have prepared management plans for this land.</p> <p>Major Facilities include the Bordertown Council Office and Chamber, Bordertown Civic Centre, Senior Citizens Clubrooms, Bordertown Swimming Pool, Bordertown Wildlife Park, Keith & Bordertown Council Works Depots, Bordertown Stockyards, Keith Institute, Old Bordertown School Building, Recreation Grounds & Buildings at Wolesey, Wirrega Council Chamber and Showgrounds at Bordertown & Mundulla</p>	



Ward Boundaries

East Ward Members:

- Cr Ed DAVIS
- Cr Ted LANGLEY
- Cr Ken McINERNEY
- Cr Jan McLELLAN
- Cr Diana PENNIMENT
- Cr Ian RIDGWAY
- Cr John ROSS

West Ward Members:

- Cr Janet ALLEN
- Cr Richard STANBURY
- Cr Richard VICKERY

Chief Executive Officer's Report

The 2005-2006 financial year was a productive and successful year for Tatiara Council. The elected members and staff worked together well, increasing our consultation with the community, and achieving many of the goals set out in Council's Strategic Management Plan. As far as the elected Council, everything remained fairly stable:

- John Ross continued as Chairman of Council with others on the Council Executive being Richard Vickery (Deputy Chairman), Ken McInerney and Diana Penniment
- Council continued to meet at 9:30am on the first Tuesday of the month for Committee meetings and at 10:00am on the second Tuesday for Council meetings. These meetings are open to the public and everyone is very welcome to sit in and listen to what is discussed.
- Council after a successful trial of having a Community Forum at the start of each Council meeting decided to make this a permanent part of the agenda. The forum allows any member of the Public to address Council, or ask questions of Council, on any issue.
- It has been usual to hold Council elections every 3 years, due March 2006, but the Act was changed so that the date was put back to November 2006 and the term extended to 4 years. Ian Ridgway who had served as a Councillor since May 2003 resigned in May 2006.

Last year Council had a number of groups meet with and address Council and its Committees. These included:

- The late John Legoe and Wendy Campana from the SA Local Government Association
- The Libraries Board of SA
- The SA Local Government Grants Commission
- State and Regional Tourism officials
- The new Limestone Coast Regional Development Board Chair Dale Baker

After a number of staff changes early in the financial year, we have had a pretty stable workforce since Christmas. Changes included:

- Kingsley Green commenced duties as Council's Manager Corporate & Community Services in late August replacing Nick Brown who relocated to Kangaroo Island. Kingsley has brought a lot of experience and expertise to council especially in the areas of Strategic Planning, Financial Reporting, Leasing and Risk Management processes.
- Council recognised that additional resources were needed in the Engineering area to ensure that we met our asset management obligations. Ian Hentschke started work in the new position of Operations Manager in early September. Ian had considerable previous experience in the construction and maintenance area in private industry as well as in Local Government.
- Colin Hunt was promoted to the position of Works Supervisor West after Grant Noble accepted a job on the Eyre Peninsula. Keith Bruan was appointed filling the vacancy caused by Colin's promotion.
- Cate Forrest is now working at the Keith Office replacing Julie Wilhelm who relocated to Adelaide.
- Tim Collins took over the gardening role at Keith after Patrick O'Connell left.
- Two long-term employees in Pat Martlew and Brian Wiese retired. Rae Bromley who joined the Bordertown Library and Adrian Packer who was

promoted to the position of General Inspector filled their positions.

- Chris Exton and Sam Devitt joined our Bordertown Depot workforce.

Council currently has a very skilled and experienced workforce all working together to provide good customer service and to achieve the goals set out in Council's strategic plan. However with today's workforce (Generation Xs and Ys) looking to change jobs more frequently than previous generations (baby boomers) further staff changes are likely to continue in coming years.

Community Consultation

Previous community surveys of 300 Tatiara residents had indicated that we needed to improve in the areas of consulting with our residents and in making them more aware of what Council is up to. We have heeded this advice and made changes over the last 12 months which include:

- Council meetings were held at Padthaway and Keith. A South East Local Government Association meeting was also held at Padthaway
- A new Keith Township Planning Advisory Committee was formed to give Council advice as to how the town centre and entrances of Keith should be upgraded
- Good attendances resulted in lots of good feedback from community consultation sessions that were held at Bordertown, Keith, Mundulla, Wolseley and Padthaway.
- For the first time residents had the chance to comment on Council's draft 06/07 budget before it was adopted
- The community was invited to give feedback on Council's revised Strategic Management Plan



All residents still have the opportunity to monitor what Council is up to and to provide feedback in a number of ways including:

- Dropping in to the Bordertown or Keith office. Key staff visit Keith on a regular basis
- Calling Council on the phone or sending a job docket via our Website (www.tatiara.sa.gov.au). The web site also has a great deal of information including Policies and the Budget.
- Read the weekly Council column in the Border Chronicle, which lists what is happening and inviting the public to comment on various matters.
- Attend a Council meeting which are open to the public and which now have a Community Forum.

- Attend Council called public meetings, workshops and Consultation Sessions when they are held.



Council's Strategic Plan

Council consulted with the community and updated its Strategic Plan to meet changing circumstances.

Some of the major issues/projects Council worked on over the last year were:

- Encouraging with developers to have new houses built to help solve the accommodation shortage.
- Blocks at Keith and Bordertown Industrial Estates continued to sell. Council has commenced Stage 2 at Keith
- Work commenced on a new Works Depot at the Keith Industrial Estate.
- Council commenced a new Planning Amendment Report to help protect local Heritage listed items
- Council reviewed its Waste Management processes with a new recycling bin planned to be introduced.
- Negotiations continued with the state government re relocating the Scouts & Guides at Bordertown so that the Retirement Village can expand.
- The Keith town centre's storm water system was upgraded.
- Developed a 5 year Financial Plan and started work on long term asset management plans.
- Working with Coorong Council to obtain grant funds for farmers in the north west of the district to carry out environmental works.

Financial Sustainability Review

During the year the Local Government Association conducted an independent inquiry into local government finances in SA and handed down a report that included 62 recommendations to strengthen SA councils.

The inquiry found that:

- Local Government is challenged by community demands, other governments and decaying community infrastructure.
- Although some councils are doing it well, on current policy settings, 40% of the State's 68 councils are not financially sustainable, with others also at risk.

Recommendations included proposals:

- To strengthen financial governance in councils,
- To ensure the community better understands the challenges facing councils,
- To improve decision-making on services and asset management, and

- To improve how other governments treat councils. The assessment for our Council placed it in the **"Sustainable with a moderate margin of comfort"** financial sustainability category (Category no. 3 out of 6 categories with 1 being high and 6 low).

Council has supported the recommendations and is working towards implementing them. This has created a lot of additional work with some of the critical actions to be completed including:

- Development of a long term 10 year Financial Plans
- Development of long term Asset Management Plans so that Council is aware of what financial allocation is needed to maintain its existing infrastructure,
- Formation of an Audit Committee

Councillors and staff have worked hard over the last 12 months to provide a high level of quality service to the residents of the Tatiara. This effort will continue in 2006/07 and beyond.

Robert HARKNESS
Chief Executive Officer



The following Committees report directly to Council:

- Administration & Finance Committee – All Councillors
- Engineering Committee – All Councillors
- Development Committee – All Councillors
- Bordertown on the Move Committee
- Bordertown Sports & Showgrounds Committee
- Tatiara Tourism Group
- Bordertown Civic Centre Management Committee
- Clayton Farm Heritage Museum Management Committee
- Tatiara Native Vegetation Advisory Committee
- Tatiara Roadside Vegetation Advisory Group
- Tatiara Road Safety Group
- Tatiara District Memorial Pool Management Committee
- Keith Township Planning Advisory Committee
- Keith Swimming Pool Management Committee

Council also has a number of subcommittees, which report to the Administration & Finance Committee, the

Engineering Committee or the Development Committee. They include:

- Council Executive
- Economic Development
- East Ward
- West Ward
- Plant & Machinery
- Tatiara Creek
- Passenger Transport
- Keith Depot Relocation
- Roadside Vegetation Policy Review
- Bordertown Skate Ramp
- Corella
- Food Act 2001 Implementation

Several staff committees also exist, those being:

- Single Bargaining Unit
- MANEX Committee
- Workplace Consultative Committee
- Occupational Health, Safety & Welfare Committee

Council & Committee Chairman



Cr John ROSS
COUNCIL CHAIRMAN



Cr Richard VICKERY
DEPUTY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN
&
Chairman Engineering Committee



Cr Ken McINERNEY
Chairman Administration & Finance Committee



Cr Diana PENNIMENT
Chairman Development Committee

Bordertown on the Move

Bordertown on the Move's main objective for the past 12 months was to review, look at future planning and to try and get the not quite finished projects finalized. Tatiara District Council's Strategic Planning Public Meeting held in September was a major part of our own planning and it was extremely pleasing to see so many there. Public support like this is great for the future direction of the town.

We have already seen progress with Memorial Park, the Skate Park, Civic Centre and Apex Park planning and recommendations. Bordertown on the Move Committee and members have been involved with all of these planning committees.

Other recommendations by the Committee have been Gateway Park Shelter, Entrance Wall Lights & Flagpoles, Footbridge Barriers, Farquhar Street Trees and North Terrace – Future Lighting and Signage. Other concerns were Town Centre Vandalism, Wheelchair and Disabled Access and high Speed Limit on the Highway Bypass.



Bordertown on the Move was awarded a KESAB Tidy Town Award for meritorious effort and Tatiara District Council also won a major award for Bordertown. The Committee has also secured a KESAB Street Plaque that can be used around the Town.

Bordertown on the Move Special Effort awards were presented to Tatiara District Council and Buds in Bloom.

North Terrace is the major entrance to our town and we still have a great design and plan to give people a sense of arrival to our Town Centre. It is unfortunate that it went over budget this year and lets hope it does not go into the 'not quite finished projects' like the median strip and welcome walls.

Over the past four years, Bordertown on the Move has had a reliable and dedicated committee and supportive Council staff. I would sincerely like to thank everyone for their time, effort and support. Many thanks also to Council, Trevor Wrenn, Martin Corbin and Viesturs Cielens for their support.

Dennis Hudd, Chairman

Bordertown Civic Centre Management Committee

The Civic Centre was used for a number of functions over 2005/06. Local groups used the little theatre and hall for their performances, including a Variety Concert, a number of cabarets and various Arts Council performances.

Kindergym and the Bordertown Table Tennis club continued to use the hall on a weekly basis during the school terms and annual events such as a Youth Week event, Talents of the Tatiara and the Gumtree Quilters Exhibition were held in the main hall.

The Civic Centre kitchen was used a number of times throughout the year with hirers appreciating the new and improved facilities.

Movies recommenced during 2005/06 with a number of them being run in conjunction with the Bordertown Blue Light Committee to provide entertainment for the youth in the Tatiara. The realization came that the projectors were quite old, with parts nearly impossible to source. The committee started investigating options to upgrade the projectors and were successful in gaining funding from Council to purchase a second hand but much newer projector system from Country Arts – Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre.

Further meetings were held to look at the Civic Centre upgrade with the addition of some new ideas to the concept design.

The past year has seen many wonderful functions and performances held in the Civic Centre and the Committee look forward to the future, working with Council to further develop the Civic Centre Complex.

Tammie Smedley, Chairman

Bordertown Sports & Showgrounds Management Committee

The Bordertown Sports & Showgrounds Management Committee coordinates the activities of the nine clubs that use the Bordertown Showgrounds, which is a Reserve under Council's care and control. The majority of issues raised by the various clubs concern maintenance of the land and buildings. Council set aside \$3,500 in the 2005/2006 budget to assist with maintenance of the grounds.

Council has entered into a five-year Licence agreement with all of the clubs using the grounds. The committee met 5 times over the last 12 months.

Kingsley Green, Chairman

Clayton Farm Heritage Museum Management Committee

The main things that happened last year were the start of the rebuilding of the silage shed, and the building of the new storage shed. It was in March when the silage pit shed holes were being dug, and around June when all the timbers were up and the rafters on. Later on in the year we went to Clarke's scrub and collected some broom brush to put under the wire netting on the shed, then the straw was put on and further wire over the top. The "Federation" wheat crop was reaped and the straw made into sheaves and stacked on drums. Later some grain was donated to the Kimba Museum for a crop.

Also in the start of the year we restored the hand tie hay baler and painted the rock crusher to take to the NHMA Rally at Naracoorte. We had a good display of operating machinery and separators that gave the spectators something to look at. Phil in his truck along with Neil

towing Clayton Farm trailer, plus Bing and his trailer transported all the machinery down and back.

In June, Brian Knauerhase and Jeff Holly started restoring the McCormick Reaper – "Daisy No. 3". This is still progressing and Peter Rowett with Ross Piggot are now also helping. In this month we had visits from the "Ulysses" motorcycle club, and the local car clubs "4-club rally".

Later in the year we bought an oxy-acetylene set for use in the workshop, and upgraded the computer to use with the database of the farm items. Brian Altus was, and still is, restoring a "Pilot" engine and drag saw.

Kevin Lehmann gave us a bottle collection and this is being cleaned, catalogued and placed on the Jubilee Shed shelves built mainly by Dickie Halleday with help from Jeff Holly.

In September we dismantled Prescott's shed in one day (We thought it would take two days) and removed it to the museum. Besides our crew and vehicles we also had the help of Peter Rowett and Trevor Thomas. Brian Prescott took much pleasure in lighting up the straw and timber residue to clear up. These timbers will go in the second shed to be rebuilt – and will replace the "Buggy Shed" near the road. This area is already pegged out and some posts drilled for steel pipe inserts.

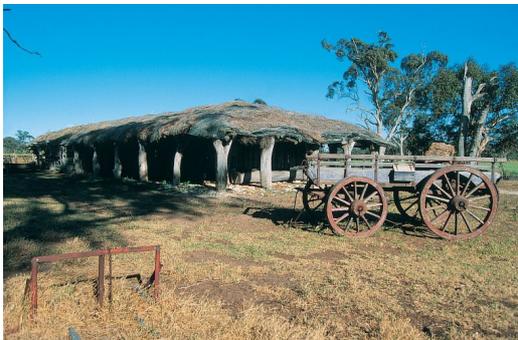
Shirley Smedley and Phyllis Salmon, (and Holly on the last day), attended a disaster recovery school at Mount Gambier.

In December things slowed down at Clayton Farm as the farmers had other things to do. Cherie Scherer resigned as caretaker. Our pea crop was reaped, and the pea straw baled, carted and stacked. Perhaps some bales for resale. Had Christmas party with the Car Club at the Old School.

Council advertising for new caretaker, and later we were found by Michael and Vicki Eckert who are moving their furniture in – and will be residents when the renovations of the living quarters have been completed.

So ended a busy year and we hope to have a similar, if quieter, year this year.

Geoff Clarke, Chairman



Tatiara District Memorial Pool Management Committee

"A fantastic place to be during the summer is the Memorial Pool at Bordertown". That opinion is mine and is a totally biased one! I love the place and so do scores

of others who have frequented the "water hole" between mid November and the end of March. Numbers have become more so with the Dolphin Swimming Club taking up residence for their first season in the post 'Tom Krueger era'.

During the season I've ventured to the pool at varying times of the day and week to "roll the arm over", and it never ceases to fascinate me the variety of people who turn up and what they do with their time here. The water aerobic girls shake their 'thing' a couple of days a week and a never-ending variety of local kids hang out there - be it toddlers or teenagers. I've also seen many an adult turn up just to unroll a towel and tuck into a book (never any intentions on getting wet), just somewhere to relax, chill-out, maybe close the eyes and just pass out!



The place can be source of hard work. It's tough all right, you're out there in your lane, lap after lap when the smell of tea frying on the pool's barbecue starts wafting over the water....it really puts you off your lap count!

Beach cricket. Not much sand but plenty of willow being waved around and plenty of "Warney wannabees" sending 'em down with a never-ending supply of batsmen hell bent on putting the ball into the next postcode! Yelling, screaming, sledging, laughing – many a sheep station have been won and lost!

New South Wales! That's where this one gentleman comes from to visit family here in the Tatiara. Most days while in town he'll drop in and punch out 90 laps or thereabouts. I struck a conversation with him one afternoon in the shallows; "Why swim so far I asked?" As it turns out he trains to compete in 10 to 20 kilometre races all over the country. Fantastic swimmer and a nice bloke too!

Bumped into a retired couple in the car park one day and noticed the New South Wales number plates on the caravan (came from Narrambeen or Narrandera?). Larger than life character with a huge voice! Said they had a swimming pool where he came from but "not as nice as ours though" he had snorted. We chatted some but before we parted company he boomed "this is a mighty fine facility you have here son!"

Cathy Rodert, the pool manageress was telling me that on some of the ideal days when Vacswim is on there can be in excess of 600 people who come through the turnstiles - icecream and water going to all points of the compass! There's been times at early morning swimming when there are 3 or 4 swimmers to a lane in every lane; peak hour in the pool! Sometimes I'll time one of my visits just on opening, do some laps when no one else is in the water - crystal clear refreshing stuff before ducking back to work. Life's good in the deep end!

Dean Wendleborn, Chairman

Tatiara Road Safety Group

The Tatiara Road Safety Group has addressed numerous behavior and infrastructure issues during the year. Heather Parker our PR Officer has prepared many short articles and monthly meeting notes for the Border Chronicle.

Meeting attendance during the year has been in the vicinity of 80% and we have had Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure Officers Vivienne Harris (Adelaide) and Jeff Overall (Naracoorte) attend most meetings.

A determined effort has been directed towards 'Learner Driver Skills' courses conducted by trained personnel and will continue to be a worthwhile training exercise when grants are forthcoming. The last two courses have been held at no cost to the participants, resulting in increased numbers of young drivers attending.

'A Road Awareness and Accident Prevention Program' (RAAP) will be presented to the senior students in the district during the latter part of the current school calendar year.

The SA Government together with SELGA and Road Safety bodies in the South East are keen to establish a Road Safety Plan and Project Officer in the Limestone Coast area.

Other Road Safety issues that have been discussed and/or actioned include:

- Roadside Signage – wrongly positioned and worded
- Speed limit audit on major roads
- Speed limit and safety audit on Dukes Highway through Bordertown
- 10 second sweep over safety messages on 5tcb during holidays
- School pedestrian crossing at Keith
- Black Joes Road/Dukes Highway intersection
- Dark Island Well Road/Emu Flat Road Intersection
- Speed limit and passing lane – Tatiara Meat Works
- Use of Police Speed Trailer
- Perpetual trophy for Bordertown Karting Club – Junior Event
- TRSG member discussion with year 12 students on invitation

I feel we have had a most productive and positive year and would like to thank all members and the secretary, Richard Pym for their interest and discussion in their areas of expertise during the year.

Stow Penniment, Chairman

Tatiara Tourism Group

The past year has been a great success for our committee with many achievements:

- Our Tatiara Tourism Guide grew to 25,000 copies and the feed back from this publication has been tremendous.
- A bus was hired and a group of eleven toured our tourism sites with 23 suggestions being forwarded to Council for action. We have resolved to do this audit every two years.

- Three portable advertising banners have been designed are in use to promote our region at any venue.
- Pie bags have been designed and are used in the Tatiara for all manner of products. The map on the front depicts towns and icons in our area.
- A bus dump has been installed in Bordertown at the Recreation Lake with one to be installed at the Keith Caravan Park in the near future. This will encourage Motorhomes and buses to stop in our district.
- Each Tatiara town has a 'bookmark' handout for travelers. The front has a group of photos from their area and the back has a map and list of services.
- Sign updates are an ongoing job throughout.
- Our new Tatiara Tourism website is up and running. This time consuming job is very exciting and the next 12 months will see us build this site with great photos and more information for internet users.

The entrance to South Australia from the Victorian border via the Dukes Highway is uninteresting and boring and does nothing to promote our great state. Five new signs are on the table with four designs settled upon. Three signs will be installed in the parking bay – one telling the

disputed border story, one indicating places to see and things to do, and one with a story on each town. All will be supported with great photos. Large highway signs will promote our state logo and will have a time zone change reminder. A large South Australia blend logo will make up the fifth sign.

Good customer service is a must for Tourism and our committee has adopted

the Ambassadorship program with workshops to be conducted in Bordertown. We will promote and encourage all businesses in the district to send along employees for training in this field.

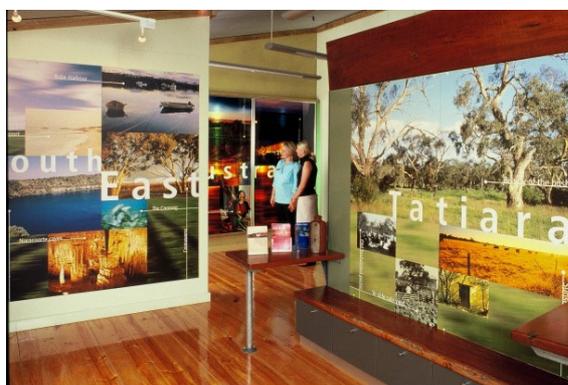
Committee membership has undergone a number of changes during the year:

- Clayton Farm Rep Cheryl Scherer resigned and was replaced by Viicki Eckert
- Heather Cozens resigned and we thank her for her great input over the years – Lyle Bartlett filled this position
- Jan Douglas moved from the district and Rose-Marie Hayes has taken her position

Our committee is a great working team with solid input from all members, however on a few occasions we have not made a quorum. It is difficult to find altruistic committee members to volunteer for groups such as ours, but the future is bright for us!

I thank the committee for traveling, input, humour, ideas, endeavour and commitment. Special thanks to our secretary, Chris Mackereth, who works tirelessly for tourism. Our meeting have increased in time from one and a half hours to two hours and therefore the workload has increased for Chris.

Numbers for the Bordertown Visitor Information Centre (VIC) for the past twelve months has increased to 15,000 – up 6.1% on last year. Self-drive tourism is down so it indicates our promotions are successful. The volunteers at the VIC also deserve credit for a job well done!



The Tatiara tourism dollar spend is \$156,841 and our budget is only around \$40,000 of Council's \$13,000,000 operating expenditure – a low percentage cost for a great outcome!

I endorse the findings and comments from the Limestone Coast Tourism Chairman Elaine Ratcliffe's report, which states a consultant was employed to conduct a tourism impact model for the region to quantify the value of tourism in our region. A key finding of this report was that an estimated 9% of jobs in the region were either directly or indirectly tourism related or generated.

We are very lucky to have Peter Abbott as Limestone Coast Tourism's Manager. Peter's energy and drive is most helpful in achieving our goals. The communication from Limestone Coast Tourism to the Tatiara Tourism Group is essential. His comment in the Border Chronicle on 15th June 2006 regarding our group "They are one of the most active and dynamic Tourism Groups in the region" was welcomed by us and is most encouraging.

In closing I must say it is a pleasure to hand down my report and that "Tourism is everybody's business!"

Roderick Flintoff, Chairman

Tatiara Native Vegetation Advisory Group

The Advisory Body comprises of seven members. All members are active on the Committee and conscientious as to their duties and responsibilities to Tatiara District Council and landholders.

Even though the Advisory Body only makes comment in relation to the aesthetic value of vegetation, other comments, which may relate to environmental issues are also considered and included in the response if deemed necessary.

We believe our group is qualified to make recommendations to the Native Vegetation Council on local issues, other than those relating to the amenity value of trees. Consideration is given to alternative options when an application is assessed, so both the landholder and the environment benefit.



The Advisory Body initiated a meeting on a local landowners property with members of the Department of Water, Land & Biodiversity Conservation and the Native Vegetation Council to highlight the problems being encountered with the management of Stringy Barks.

Issues discussed included:

- Need to have a vision for the future, and achieve a balanced outcome, which would be beneficial for both biodiversity and landholders.
- Problems with maintaining areas of regrowth, areas of revegetation and follow up inspections.

- Individual trees are being assessed rather than considering long-term strategies for the management of vegetation.
- Need to be sure that suitable species are used when re-vegetation programs are undertaken.
- Local Native Vegetation Committee should be able to assess applications once a set of guidelines is formulated.

The meeting was beneficial and funding has been sought to undertake some trials for the management of Stringy Barks. These trials will assist in developing guidelines for Stringy Bark management.

David Lowe, Chairman

Tatiara Roadside Vegetation Management Group

This group consists of 3 members of the public, Brian Clarke, Trevor Thomas and Jenny McInerney, who:

- Have knowledge of, and an interest in native vegetation.
- Are appointed by Council and endorsed by the Native Vegetation Council.
- Have authority to approve minor applications to remove roadside native vegetation
- Meet on an "as required" basis but individual members inspect roadside sites on a more regular basis.
- Provide advice to Council staff in line with Councils approved Roadside Vegetation Management Guidelines



Main role over last 12 months was assisting a Council subcommittee in conducting a review of Council's Roadside Vegetation Management Policy.

Tatiara residents and land holders are reminded that:

- Native vegetation includes grasses, bushes and shrubs as well as larger trees
- They cannot remove or damage any native vegetation on roadsides without the approval of Council.

Any removal must be in line with Councils Roadside Vegetation policy, a copy of which can be obtained by contacting the Council office.

Richard Pym, Secretary

Keith Township Planning Advisory Committee

Our group was formed out of a need to provide council with a plan and strategies for the continual improvement of our town and its surrounds. We act as a conduit from the community to various levels of government to seek funding for works and provide long term plans for works to improve our town's attractiveness to visitors whilst continuing to improve facilities for those who live here.

Last year, council called a series of community meetings to assist in providing ideas and priorities for future

direction. The meeting at Keith was extremely well attended and many suggestions were put forward, ranging from singular issues to broad improvements. From this meeting ideas were prioritised and our group proceeded to put a plan together for future development. Whilst smaller issues became relatively easy, it became apparent that for the development of long term plans and to access various funding bodies, we would need assistance.

Together with council we have appointed a group called OXYGEN to assist in this process. This group is well versed in the 'art' town planning and town branding. At a recent "shop front" display of several of our ideas the community responded above expectations, to comment on the ideas as well as put forward suggestions of their own. During this time various businesses and groups held one-on-one discussions with James Hayter seeking advice and offering suggestions. Community feedback will continue to be sought to keep them informed and to ensure the direction we are traveling in is right!

Some of the areas up for early work are town entrances, parks and gardens. The attractiveness of Heritage Street and Don Moseley Park are acknowledged, however we will continue to look at further development to get people into our town centre. Issues such as footpaths, mobility and under grounding power are high on the 'to do' list.

Our group is very excited about the future and what we can offer. Once plans are developed it will assist council, councillors and the community as to where we are and where we are going by providing information and formality to future works.

In closing I would like to thank council and the community for the opportunity to involved with a group such as this. Whilst things may appear slow in the beginning I believe it will not be long before the importance of this will be seen and the benefits to our community begin to materialize.

Richard Stanbury, Chairman



Administration Report

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- Training & Human Resource Programmes
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Senior Executive Officers

As at 30th June 2006 Council had four Senior Executive Officers under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1999. Two of these are engaged under a contract whilst the other two members are permanently employed. Their total remuneration packages consisted of the following:

Chief Executive Officer, Mr Robert Harkness – Total remuneration package includes, salary, superannuation, plus private use of vehicle (5-year contract).

Manager Corporate & Community Services, Mr Kingsley Green – Total remuneration package includes salary, superannuation, plus private use of a vehicle in lieu of overtime (4 year contract).

Manager Technical Services, Mr Richard Pym – Total remuneration package includes salary, superannuation, plus private use of a vehicle in lieu of overtime (permanent employee).

Manager Development & Inspectorial Services, Mr Rocky Callisto – Total remuneration package includes salary, superannuation, plus private use of a vehicle in lieu of overtime (permanent employee).



Mr Robert HARKNESS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Mr Kingsley GREEN
Manager Corporate & Community Services

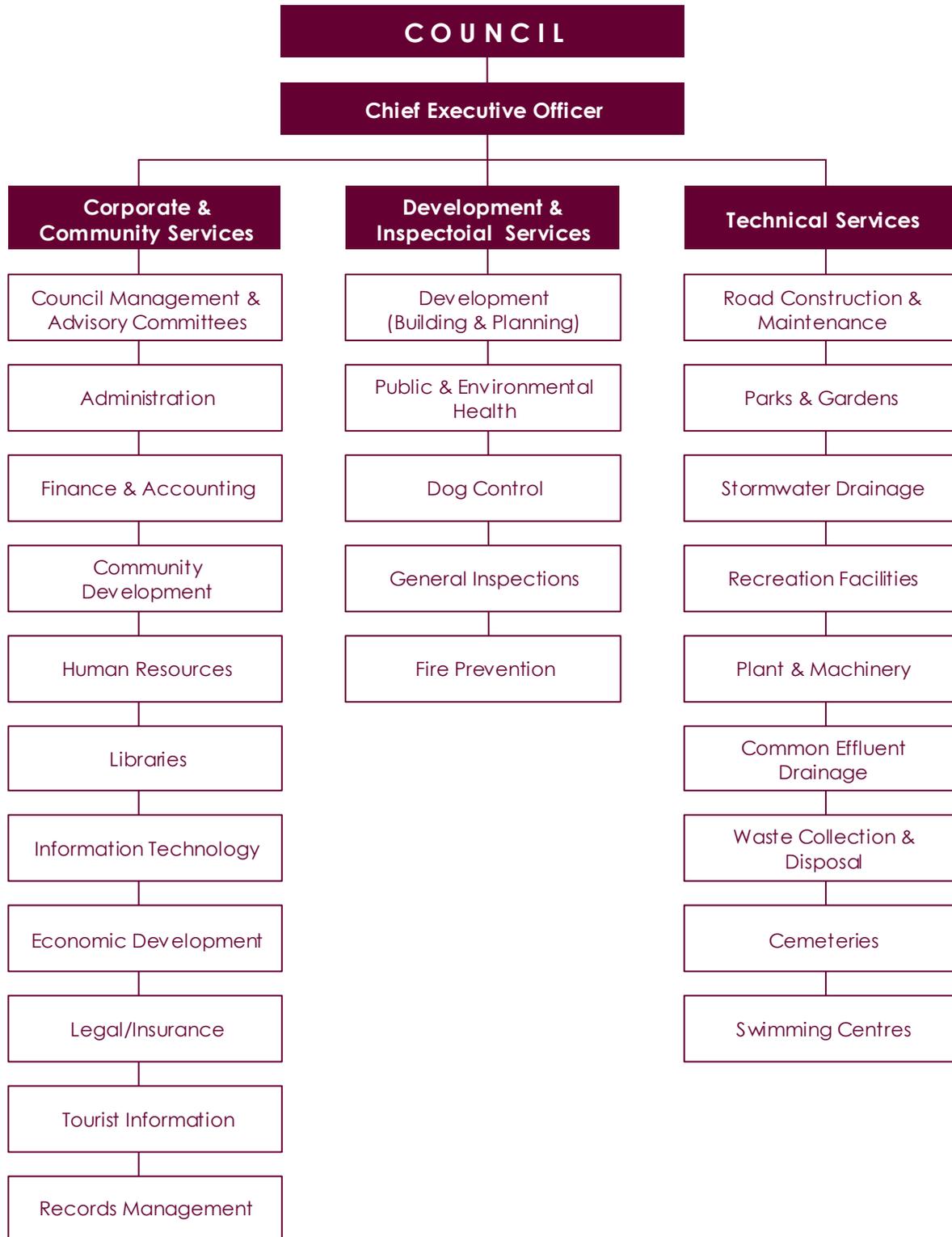


Mr Richard PYM
Manager Technical Services

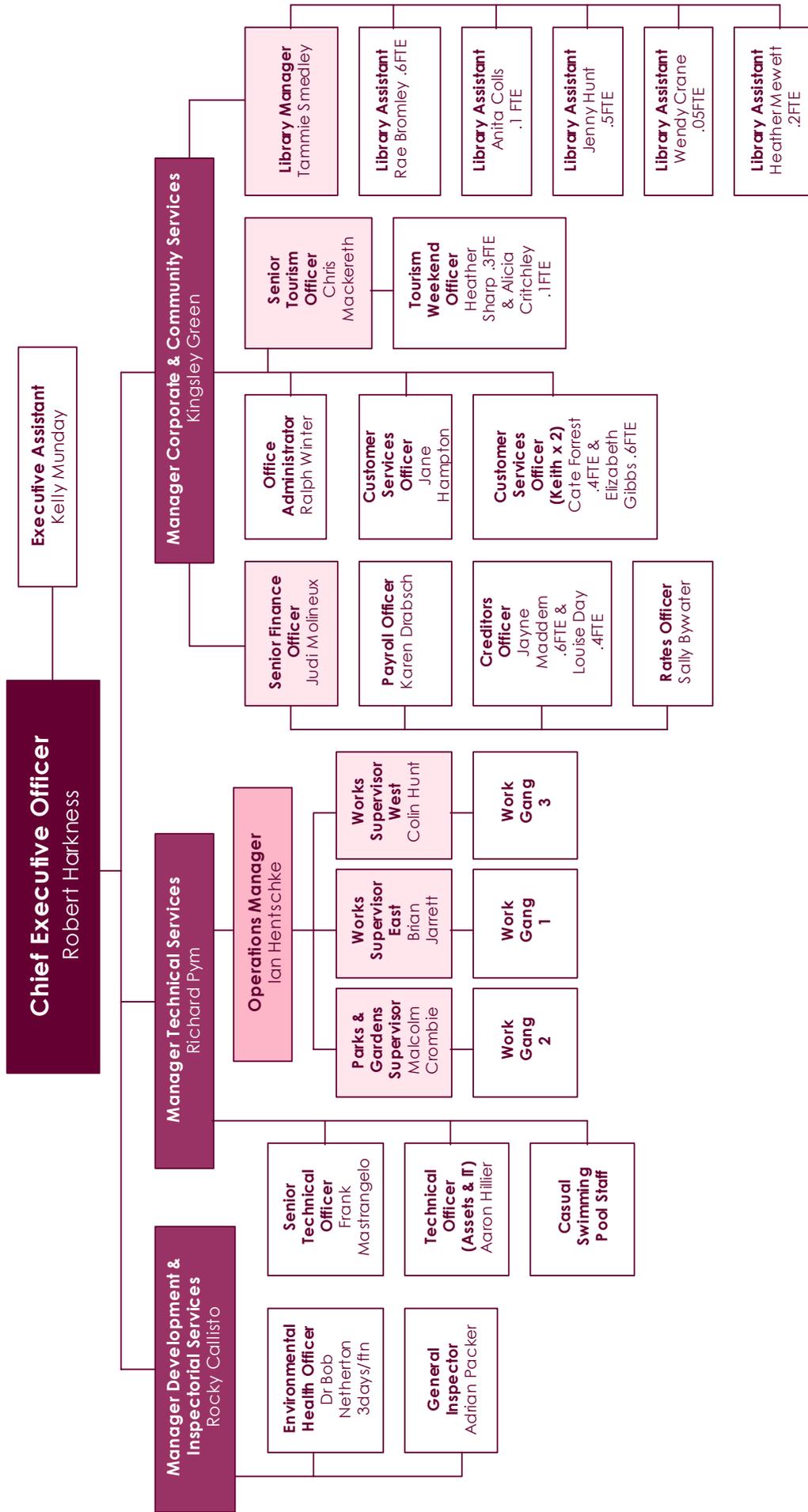


Mr Rocky CALLISTO
Manager Development & Inspectorial Services

Corporate Structure



Organisation Structure

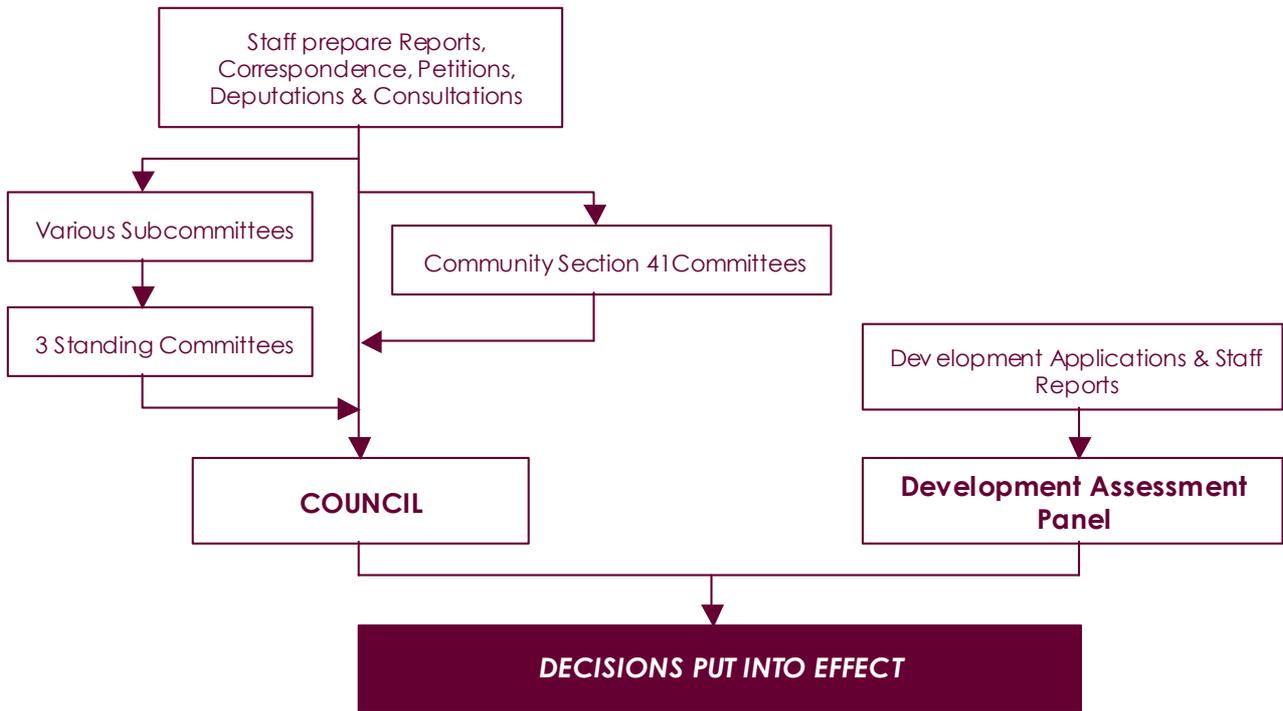


Nominated Council Representatives

Representatives as at 30th June 2006

Committee / Organisation	Nominated Council Representatives
Bordertown Memorial Hospital Board	Cr K McInerney
Local Government Association voting delegate	Chairman Cr J Ross Proxy – Deputy Chairman Cr R Vickery
Local Government Finance Authority SA voting delegate	Chairman Cr J Ross
South East Local Government Association (SELGA)	Chairman Cr J Ross
Tatiara Community Health Service Advisory Board	Cr J McLellan Proxy – Cr K McInerney
Bordertown High School Equipment Trust Fund	Cr D Penniment
Tatiara Fire Prevention Committee	Bob Densley
SELGA's Waste Management Subcommittee	Engineering Chairman Cr R Vickery & Manager Technical Services
Box Flat Dingo Control Board	Chairman Cr J Ross Proxy – Tony Hedges
SELGA's Roads & Transport Subcommittee	Engineering Chairman Cr R Vickery & Manager Technical Services
Keith Community Library	Cr R Vickery, Mrs Mary Densley & Mrs Meredyth Cunningham
Tatiara Road Safety Group	Cr J McLellan (1 Councillor)
Tatiara Tourism Committee	Cr J Allen & Cr D Penniment
SELGA Telecommunications Subcommittee	Manager Corporate & Community Services
Keith Gymnasium Committee	Cr R Vickery
South East Planning Committee	Cr D Penniment & Manager Development & Inspectorial Services
Keith Township Planning Advisory Committee	Cr J Allen & Cr R Stanbury
Bordertown Sports & Showgrounds Committee	Manager Corporate & Community Services
Public Transport Committee	Cr J McLellan Proxy – Cr J Allen
Bordertown on the Move	Cr D Penniment
Keith Swimming Pool Committee	Cr J Allen

Decision Making Structure



Member Allowances

The below allowance amounts are per annum and are paid in arrears:

Type of Allowance

- Chairman \$29,120 (payable monthly)
- Deputy Chairman \$9,100 (payable quarterly)
- Standing Committee Presiding Member \$9,100 (payable quarterly)
- Elected Member \$7,280 (payable quarterly)

Councillors are also reimbursed for expenses such as travelling and the Chairman is provided with a vehicle for Council use.

Elected Member Changes, Meeting Times & Elected Member Attendances

Changes

During the year there were the following changes:

- Councillor Ian Ridgway resigned, effective from 12th May 2006.

General Council Elections were deferred from May and will now be held in November 2006.

Meeting Attendances

Meetings are held as outlined below and the public are welcome to attend as part of the gallery. In June 2005,

Council introduced a new item to its Council meeting agenda; a 30-minute public forum session, which provides any member of the public with an opportunity to address Council on any issue or ask any questions. This initiative has been well received by the community.

- Committee Meetings – held on the first Tuesday of each month commencing at 9:30am
- Council Meetings – held on the second Tuesday of each month commencing at 10:00am.

Elected Member Attendances

Elected Members	Council		Standing Committee	
	Normal (12)	Special (4)	Normal (12)	Special (3)
JB Allen	11	4	11	3
EH Davis	12	3	12	3
EJ Langley	7	0	6	2
KJ McInerney	10	3	10	3
JE McLellan	11	2	11	3
DE Penniment	11	4	12	3
IG Ridgway	9	1	9	3
JS Ross	12	4	11	3
RL Stanbury	9	4	9	2
RJ Vickery	12	3	11	3

Elector Representation

Representation Quota

The Tatiara District Council is a corporate body consisting of 10 Elected members. The Council area has been divided internally into two areas known as East and West Wards. There is a requirement in the Local Government Act (Section 33) that the number of people represented by a Councillor in a ward, ie the ward quota, must not vary by more than 10% from other wards. Currently the Tatiara District Council has 5,554 electors broken into East Ward 3,898 and West Ward 1,656. East Ward with 7 Councillors has a Councillor/Elector ratio of 1:556 while West Ward with 3 Councillors has a Councillor/Elector ratio of 1:552.

Representation Quota for Councils of a similar size and type:

• Coorong District Council	1:457
• Naracoorte Lucindale Council	1:615
• Wattle Range Council	1:863
• Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council	1:721
• Goyder Regional Council	1:313
• Grant District Council	1:699
• Kangaroo Island Council	1:497
• Light Regional Council	1:922
• Wakefield Regional Council	1:489

Review of Council Representation

Council undertook a review of Council Representation in January 2005 in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 1999, which states that Councils must undertake an Elector Representation Review every 6 years.

Advertisements were placed in local papers, the Advertiser and Government Gazette advising the public that Council was undertaking a review and inviting written submissions on the subject. In total Council received 2 submissions.

Council's decision was to:

1. Remain with 2 wards, the same boundaries and with 10 Councillors. East Ward remains with 7 Councillors and West Ward remains with 3.
2. To change the name of the Council from "The District Council of Tatiara" to "Tatiara District Council".

Elector's Submission on Representation

With the term of Councillors being increased from 3 to 4 years, the next planned Electoral Review will take place in 2013.

Under Section 28 of the Act a group of at least 20 eligible electors may submit to a council a submission that the council consider a proposal:

1. To alter the boundaries of the council;
2. To alter the composition of the council or the representative structure of the council (including by the creation, alteration or abolition of wards);
3. To incorporate within the area of the council a part of the State that is not within the area of a council.

A submission under subsection (2) must:

1. Set out in general terms the grounds on which the submission is made and the issues that, in the opinion of the person or persons making the submission, should be considered in an assessment of the matter; and
2. Nominate five persons who are willing to represent the interests of persons who would be directly affected by any proposal based on the matters raised in the submission; and
3. Comply with guidelines published by the Panel.

The eligible electors making the submission must furnish a copy of a submission under subsection (2) to the Panel in accordance with guidelines published by the Panel.

On the receipt of a submission under subsection (2), a council must consider the issues determined by the council to be relevant to the matter and then decide whether or not it is willing to:

1. Conduct a review in relation to the matter under Division 2 of Part 1; or
2. Formulate (or participate in the formulation of) a proposal in relation to the matter under Division 4 of this Part.

The council must give the eligible electors and the Panel written notice of its decision under subsection (6) in accordance with guidelines published by the Panel (which may include a time-frame within which a decision should be made under that subsection).

A group of eligible electors who, after making a submission under subsection (2), are dissatisfied with:

1. A decision of a council under subsection (6); or
2. Any aspect of a review or proposal referred to in that subsection, may submit the submission, or a submission in substantially the same terms, to the Panel.

Confidentiality Provisions

In fulfilling the role of an effective Council that is responsive to the needs of the community and operates within the legal framework as prescribed by the Local Government Act, the Tatiara District Council is fully committed to the principle of open and accountable Government, whilst recognising that on some occasions it may be necessary in the broader community interest to restrict public access to discussion or documents.

Council and/or a Council Committee went into confidence (public was excluded from the meeting) 3 times this past year to discuss:

- On one occasion, information of a confidential nature that (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party and would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.
- On two occasions, information concerning the personal affairs of a ratepayer.

Council has a Code of Practice – Access to Council Meetings & Documents. The objectives of this code are to:

- Clearly outline to the community for what purpose and on what basis Council may apply the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999 to restrict public access to meetings or documents;

- Provide information on Council's code of practice to the community; and
- Summarise the legal position relating to public access to Council and Committee meetings and documents.

A copy of this code is displayed in the Council Office. The Council will supply a copy of the code if requested but a fee of \$2.50 will apply.

Any enquiries in relation to the process for seeking access to documents held by the Council should be directed to Council's nominated Freedom of Information Officer, Mr Robert Harkness on (08) 8752-1044.

Freedom of Information

Information Summary

This Information Summary is published by the Tatiara District Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 9 of the Freedom of Information Act 1991. Council is pleased to comply with this regulation and welcomes enquiries under the Freedom of Information Act.

Section 1 – Policy Documents

- Standing Committee Agendas
- Standing Committee Minutes
- Ordinary Council Agenda
- Ordinary Council Minutes
- Policy Manual
- Delegated Authority Manual
- Budget Statement
- Annual Financial Accounts
- Council By-Laws
- The Annual Report
- Strategic Management & Annual Business Plan

Section 2 – Information Statement - A copy of the Tatiara District Council Information Statement can be obtained free of charge via the contact arrangements below.

Section 3 – Contact Arrangements - All enquiries and applications under the Freedom of Information Act 1991 in relation to the Tatiara District Council should be made in accordance with the provisions of that Act to: Chief Executive Officer, Tatiara District Council PO Box 346, Bordertown SA 5268. Telephone enquiries to the Chief Executive Officer can be made on (08) 87521044 from 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

Certificates issued under Section 65zy - No certificates relating to Freedom of Information requests were issued under Section 65zy of the Freedom of Information Act in the twelve months to June 2006.

Mandatory Registers, Policies & Codes

Mandatory Registers

Under the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Elections) Act 1999, Council is required to list the following registers:

1. Members Register of Interest
2. Members Register of Allowances and Benefits
3. Officers Register of Remuneration
4. Officers Register of Interest
5. Community Land Register

6. By-Law Register
7. Public Roads Register

Council Policy Documents

Under the Local Government Act 1999, Council is required to list policy documents of the Council current at the end of the financial year. These policies include:

1. Policy Manual
2. Delegated Authorities Policy
3. District Council of Tatiara By-Law No's 1-5
4. Meeting Procedure Code of Practice
5. Elected Members Allowance & Support Policy
6. Control of Election Signs Policy
7. Public Consultation Policy
8. Contracts and Tenders Policy
9. Rating Policy
10. Fees and Charges Policy
11. Code of Conduct for Elected Members
12. Code of Conduct for Employees
13. Cemetery Policy
14. Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure
15. Code of Practice – Access to Council Meetings & Documents
16. Order Making Policy
17. Rate Rebate Policy
18. Benchmarking Policy
19. Roadside Vegetation Policy – Guidelines for Management
20. Risk management Policy
21. Mobile Phone Policy
22. Information Policy
23. Computer Systems Usage Policy
24. Recognising Years of Staff Service Policy
25. Provision of Grants & Loans to Community Organisations, Groups & Individuals
26. Volunteer Policy
27. Service Standards Policy

Mandatory Codes of Conduct or Practice

Under the Local Government Act 1999, and the Local Government (Elections) Act 1999, Council is required to list the following codes of conduct or practice:

1. Meeting Code of Conduct
2. Code of Conduct for Elected Members, Officers and Employees of Local Government
3. Code of Practice – Access to Council Meetings & Documents

Equal Employment Opportunity

Council's Equal Opportunity Policy clearly states the Council has a commitment to appointment on merit and a policy to provide equal opportunity for all persons regardless of sex, race, marital status, religious belief, physical ability or sexual preference.

Issues associated with Equal Employment Opportunity are covered under the umbrella of Council's Consultative Committee and Single Bargaining Unit and not by a specific Equal Employment Opportunity Committee. Experience has shown that this is a very satisfactory method of deal with all Equal Employment Opportunity issues.

Cost Effective Delivery

Council has not subjected itself to the rigors of competitive tendering to date. Council is however currently pursuing policies including full-cost attribution,

unit-based costing and benchmarking to ensure that it is providing its services in a cost-effective manner.

Council does tender out a large number of services including refuse collection and disposal, septic tank cleaning, the cleaning of public conveniences, resealing of sealed roads and streets, rubble raising, footpath construction works, some patrol grading and parks and gardens maintenance works. In other cases, Council uses contractors and their plant and machinery to supplement its own workforce in order to carry out road construction and maintenance works.

Council altered its Tendering Policy to include a clause that favours goods supplied by local suppliers. Council now will consider paying a 'premium' of up to 5% for those goods and services supplied by:

- Ratepayers of the Tatiara District Council, provided the goods or services offered are equal or better in quality to competitive bids.
- South Australian companies or individuals, where the goods or services are of a comparable quality with other suppliers and/or with imported goods and services.
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Strategic Management Planning

When Council adopted its Strategic Management Plan on 13th August 2002, 65 separate goals/targets were set out to be achieved in 2005/06. Of those 65 goals/targets:

- 29 were completed or complied with
- 14 were commenced
- 9 are ongoing
- 13 were not commenced and carried forward to 2006/07.

In summary 45% were completed with 80% either completed, commenced or ongoing.

Council commenced a review of its Strategic Management Plan in September 2005. After consultation an amended plan was adopted in June 2006. The Plan sets out the direction of Council for the next three years 2006-2009. The Plan itself is a requirement of the Local Government Act 1999 and it has been developed with the consultation of many sectors of the Tatiara Community.

The ongoing development of the Tatiara Community has always been a priority of Council which believes that the development of this plan and the associated Annual Business Plan and proposed 5-Year Financial Plan will further strengthen our commitment to be a progressive and vibrant Council.

Council has always welcomed community involvement in its many and varied projects and accordingly we welcome any written comments on the contents of this document. Comments should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer.

Training and Human Resource Programmes

With a number of staff changes and a need to multi skill staff, training costs for the 2005/06 year were \$64,439. This covered the cost of training courses, seminars, workshops

and in some cases, travel and accommodation. This was partly offset by \$7,200 received from the Commonwealth Government for Traineeships completed by members of the outside workforce.

Some of the Training that was undertaken for the year included:

- Certificate 3 in Civil Skills Training
- Fire Extinguisher Training
- Authorised Officer – Schedule 9 Fire Permits
- Voters Roll LGA
- GST & FBT Training
- Taxation of Employees Salaries
- Computer software training (IT Vision & MS Excel)
- Rates Administration & Annual Conferences
- Salary Packaging & Remuneration
- Payroll & Office Tax Procedures
- Award & Wages Administration
- Super Co-ordinator Training
- Service SA Training
- First Aid Certificate
- Westpac In-store Training
- Annual Report & Annual Statement Preparation
- Impact Leadership
- Managing & Supervising Staff

Improving the knowledge, skills and efficiency of existing and new staff is an essential part of Council's operations.

National Competition Principles

The State Government, Local Government Association and Councils have agreed on principles and procedures for applying the Federal Government's National Competition Policy. As such Councils have agreed on a model procedure for handling complaints against the Council in regard to this policy.

Complaints Mechanism & Reporting Requirements

The State Government has set up a competitive neutrality complaints mechanism and any complaints it receives regarding Local Government bodies will be referred to Local Government in the first instance. The Clause 7 Statement encourages each Local Government authority to establish a system for handling complaints and competitive neutrality. Where a complainant is dissatisfied with the Local Government response to a complaint, the matter will be further investigated by the Competition Complaints Commissioner established under the GBE (Competition Act).





Corporate & Community Services Report

FOCAL POINTS:

- Manager Corporate & Community Services Report
- Tourism
- Arts & Community Development
- Libraries

Manager Corporate & Community Services Report

Council has a strong commitment to improving both the quality of Council services and the well being of the Tatiara community. The Corporate and Community Services portfolio plays a central role in the work of the Council. Its responsibilities in support of the Budget and expenditure policy and review, and for resource management improvement across the Council are some of the keys to successfully discharging its responsibilities.

Success in the role requires a close, interactive, responsive, professional relationship between the corporate and community service components of the portfolio's administration. It requires high quality, professional advice that responds to Council's priorities and objectives and identifies the range of options available to the corporate and community services function to meet them.

Since taking over the role of Manager OF Corporate and Community Services in August 2005, I have seen Council and the community being well served by the hard work, insights, commitment and enthusiasm of Council staff, including its many volunteers. As we move forward to further develop and implement our commitments, I look forward to continuing to work closely with Elected Members, staff, volunteers and the community to implement Council's policies.

Volunteers continue to play an important community leadership role by participating in committees of management for various sporting and community groups. Clearly, there is no greater example of our community's willingness to help develop our community vision than volunteers giving their time and effort.

One of Council's key objectives is to cement a culture of continuous improvement across the Council, which was the focus of 2005/2006. An indicator of this level of continuous improvement occurring within Council is the number of improvement opportunities that have been initiated from Council's internal review process, which are demonstrated by the following key achievements:

- Ensuring that Council finances become and remain sustainable in the long-term through prudent financial management and reporting processes. In accordance with the findings and recommendations of the Local Government Financial Sustainability Review Board, considerable work was undertaken to:
 - Ensuring that Council's revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities, investments and general financing dealings are managed prudently and in a manner that promotes the current and future interests of the Tatiara community; and
 - Ensuring that Council's annual budget is continuously reviewed and monitored to achieve three main objectives of medium-term financial management.
- Residents were engaged in many consultation opportunities during the year to help Council determine and implement policy and operational decisions reflective of community aspirations. We continue to recognise that healthy, sustainable communities value genuine engagement and participation.

- In an ever changing and uncertain business environment, achieving our strategic vision has necessitated a prudent approach to risk management. In accordance with the Australian New Zealand Standard AS/NZ4360, Council is developing a comprehensive risk management program covering all significant business risks. By monitoring and reviewing Council's Risk Register, management will be able to identify, analyse, assess and prioritise risks together with mitigation strategies.
- New information and communications technologies were a major driver in 2005/06, providing opportunities to experience greater levels of management and administrative efficiencies. Developing an Information and Technology Strategic Plan 2006 to 2009, which reviews all critical business applications to ensure they meet best practice principles.
- Increased its commitment to the multiskilling of staff through the ongoing training and development of its employees, which not only benefits the individual concerned, but also leads to improvements in efficiency, productivity, flexibility and adaptability.
- Ongoing commitment to OHS&W and good work practices, which are paramount to the continued success of Council. We recognise our responsibility to provide a safe working environment for all our employees and contractors and do this through a range of initiatives, which includes the commitment, consultation and cooperation of staff.
- The Tatiara District Council seeks to be an employer of choice through the treatment of staff. In this context, we have undertaken to improve the efficiency and customer focus of our human resource practices throughout 2006/07 by:
 - Continuing to generate a high level of training and development activity, which recognises the importance of communication, workplace relationships, team cohesion and function, and supervision and leadership, in addition to technical skills.
 - Implementing simple and effective staff review mechanisms
 - Developing, implementing and promoting strategies that benefit from multiskilling

Kingsley GREEN
Manager Corporate & Community Services

Tourism

Tourism represents an increasing opportunity to grow the local economy further, and create jobs as a result of new money it attracts into the region through visitor expenditure. Within the context of achieving sustainable tourism, Council's Tourism Plan continues to focus on four key goals:

- Developing authentic destinations and products
- Being highly productive in marketing
- Achieving strategic alignment with Council's Strategic Management Plan
- Developing a strong, professional staff and volunteer base

The Visitor Information Centre in Bordertown and Visitor Information Outlet in Keith continue to play a major role

in supporting local businesses by extending the length of stay in the region through the information services they provide. Situated in the picturesque setting of Tolmer Park, the Bordertown VIC capitalises on our distinctive "local flavour", which is characterized by our friendly, welcoming nature; our history, arts and strong cultural background; and the relatively unspoilt environment in which we live shape our appeal as a destination.

In contrast to declining visitor numbers experienced throughout the tourism industry in general, the Tatiara District popularity as a visitor destination continues to increase. The latest visitor figures show that 14,843 people visited the Tatiara Visitor Information Centre in 2005/2006, which represents a 6.1% increase in visitor numbers from the previous year. Through the initiative and dedicated VIC Manager, Chris Mackereth, and the support of weekend staff and 18 committed volunteers, the VIC has been proactively marketing the region as a gateway to international, interstate, regional and local visitors, which is paying dividends to local accommodation providers and business retailers. This includes a range of new initiatives, including: a 24 hour information service through the installation of Tourism Touchscreen Technology; providing an agency ticketing service for Firefly Coach Service; and continually updating and expanding the quality and type of local and regional information provided to visitors.

Arts & Community Development

Through the commitment, initiative and proactive approach taken by our Community Development and Arts Officer, Karene Crooks, Community Development and Arts has really taken off during the past 12 months with major projects occurring and being developed mainly in the areas of youth, arts, recreation and community harmony.

In response to a number of new people coming into our community to work in local industry, a dedicated group of community representatives and service providers have been brought together to form a Multicultural Support Network who will work on projects to build community harmony in the future.

During National Youth Week in early 2006 a skate competition and live band concert were held in Bordertown. Live bands from Adelaide also performed at the Keith Area School. These two events helped raise nearly \$1,500 towards the new skate park in Bordertown's Memorial Park.

In October 2005 residents of Keith enjoyed the 'In the Bin Film Festival' held at the Showgrounds, featuring the films made by local young people during a 3-day school holiday workshop.

The Walkway Gallery, Bordertown Civic Centre and Keith Institute also continue to host a range of touring and local exhibitions and shows.



Libraries

Bordertown Public Library Report

Number of Loans		43,945
Members	Adult	2,700
	Children	957

2005/06 has been a busy year for library staff. Although statistics have decreased by nearly 4000 loans, membership has increased and the library has been a vibrant and busy hub for the Tatiara Community. In light of these statistics I have implemented a new Performance Management system to measure the number of people utilizing library services above and beyond loans alone. This will include the number of people actually visiting the library, how many computer hours are being accessed and numbers attending special programs/events.

The library has implemented changes to hours, held more Big Book Club events and continued with traditional library services such as school holiday activities, outreach delivery to elderly customers and provided three computers for public access to the internet.

Below are some of the highlights for the year.

- There were many staffing changes during 05/06 with the retirement of Pat Martlew in September after 18 years of service at the library. Rae Bromley replaced Pat and quickly embraced working in a public library and the library team. Heather Mewett went on maternity leave and also returned from maternity leave during 05/06 with remaining staff covering her absence. Johanna Hunt completed her traineeship in February and went onto further studies in Adelaide. A few adjustments were made to the library opening times as a result of a library survey.
- The Memorandum of Agreement between the Minister for the Arts and the President of the Local Government Association regarding funding for libraries for 2007-2011 was successfully negotiated and is being processed through Cabinet.
- Following the success of the Big Book Club, the Little Big Book Club was launched to promote the importance of reading to babies and young children. Both Keith and Bordertown libraries distributed Little Big Book Club packs to new babies born in the Tatiara.
- The library commenced story telling for preschoolers, which has been a huge success with parents regularly visiting the library every Friday for a story with their child/children.
- Staff weeded the adult fiction, paperbacks and adult non-fiction throughout the year to make more room for new titles and to remove titles which were no longer being borrowed. This enabled shelves to be moved around to try and create more space.
- The Bordertown library in conjunction with South East Regional Community Health Services, Women's Health Nurse, Abby Heath held a Stress Release and

Relaxation Day. Throughout the day people came in and sourced information and tried out yoga, reiki, massage, reflexology, naturopathies, counselling, meditation and acupuncture.

- The Bordertown Library hosted 2 Big Book Club events. The first was at the Old Mundulla Hotel where Max Anderson, author of 'Digger', spoke about his book and time spent at Kookynie, a small gold mining town in Western Australia. The second event was with author Colin Cotterill who spoke about his life as an author and the work he does with underprivileged children in Laos.

The library team look forward to up coming challenges and initiatives in 2006/07 with the introduction of Baby Bounce Rhyme Time, new public access computers and the redesign of the staff work and processing area.

Tammie SMEDLEY
Bordertown Public Library Manager



Keith Community Library Report

This year has been a very busy and exciting time for the Keith Library with preparation for recarpeting the library and the redesigning of our internal layout. Although the library was closed for 3 weeks in April/May to allow for the carpeting, it has been well worth the inconvenience to patrons and staff, as we now have a modern, spacious library, providing excellent services.

Staffing remained the same for the first half of the 2005/2006 financial year with changes occurring at the beginning of 2006. Mandy Parsons remained Library Manager and Community Librarian, with some teacher-librarian role. Janine Vickery assumed the role of School Library manager at the beginning of 2006, with some community library role.

At the beginning of 2006, we had a change in SSO staffing with Sandy Braddy moving to the front office and Jenn Bentley taking on the role of Community Library Assistant. Sue Carr was appointed as School Library Assistant.

Josie Lowrie and Barb Lines continue to provide valuable assistance, volunteering their time to enable our mobile library delivers to be made. I would like to thank all staff and volunteers for the time, effort and energy they put into providing a quality service for our patrons.

Highlights and Special Events

- July 2005:
 - Literary Dinner with Mandy Sayer, author of Velocity
 - Holiday program: Art for ages 10 and above with Julia Davis
- August 2005:
 - SALA Exhibition of shoes by Heidi Cozens, opened by Sue Aitken.
 - Bookweek displays
 - Literacy and Numeracy Week displays.
- September 2005:
 - Libraries Board of SA Visit by 12 Library Board members
 - National Simultaneous Reading "Wombat Stew"
- November 2005:
 - Community Studies school displays
- February 2006:
 - Broadband Internet established
 - Promotion of The Little Big Book Club
- March 2006:
 - Commonwealth Games display
- April 2006:
 - Library recarpet and reorganisation of layout
 - MS Readathon
- May 2006:
 - Scholastic Book Fair
 - Community Centre Seniors visit to library/ morning tea
- June 2006:
 - Drug Action Week display
 - Online tutoring

The Internet continues to be used everyday by many local people as well as travellers passing through. The Library offers space for people to display works of art, achievements and advertising.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank to all the Library Board members; Karen Drabsch, Sue Stopp, Janette Evans, Mary Densley, Sue Lewis, Richard Vickery and Kim Bull for their excellent support of the library staff, the library services and especially to me personally as the Librarian.

Mandy PARSONS
Library Manager/Community Librarian



Technical Services Report

FOCAL POINTS:

- Manager Technical Services Report
- Rural Roads
- Town Streets
- Staff
- Plant & Machinery
- Industrial Estates
- Swimming Pools
- Township Amenity
- Effluent Drainage
- Caravan Parks
- Cemeteries
- Airfields

Manager Technical Services Report

A significant portion of Council's annual budget allocation is related to expenditure within the Technical Services Department. The major component of this expenditure has been allocated to roadworks, including reconstruction, resheeting, patrol grading, tree trimming, line-marking and general road maintenance. With the majority of Council's rural roads being unsealed, Council has developed a program of patrol grading and resheeting to ensure that these roads are maintained to a standard that enables the agricultural and other business activities to operate efficiently. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their significant efforts during the year to achieve the goals of Council.

Council again received grants from both the State and Federal Governments during 2005/2006. The Federal Government provided \$744,800 through the Roads to Recovery Program and \$398,254 through the Grants Commission and \$7,302 through Bike SA for bike related projects from the State Government. We have also been successful in applying for Roads to Recovery Special Local Roads Funding of \$225,000 for a major project this financial year. Council also received an additional \$365,000 through the Supplementary Roads to Recovery program at the end of this financial year and Council will expend all of those funds next financial year. It is acknowledged that the continuation of Roads to Recovery funding will be of considerable benefit to Council.



Projects completed during the year included: -

Rural Roads

Council undertook some significant reconstruction works during the year. A 4.5km section of Tatiara Road from Williams Road to Wolseley was reconstructed this year with funding from Special Local Roads. Sections of Wirrega North Road, Hundred of Makin Road and Pine Hill North Road were reconstructed and sealed. The Mt Charles Road and Nappers Road intersection was realigned to improve sight distance and safety.

Council has also continued its maintenance program for its unsealed roads network. The following roads had sections resheeted during the year:

Hills Rd, Wadlawarra Rd, Custon Border Rd, Eckerts Rd, Giles Rd, Carousel Rd, Dark Island Well Rd, Munes Rd East, Weises Rd, Weir Dr, Chain Pump Rd, Jip Jip Rd, Nalang Rd, Watson's Rd, Yallamurray Rd, Dunstall's Rd, Poogi-Teatrick Rd, Ralitz's Rd, Mt Charles Rd, Red Bluff Rd, Martins Camp Rd, Davidson Rd, Hodgsons Rd and Prescott's Rd.

Council also continued its resealing program with sections of Cannawigara Road (5km), Emu Flat Road (8.5km), Padthaway-Mundulla Road (3.9km), Pigeon Flat Road (1km) and Railway Terrace North (Wolseley) resealed and line-marked.

The upgrade of the existing stormwater drainage system including new pump stations for the business area of Keith has commenced with implementation to be staged over a number of years.

Stormwater drainage pipes have also been installed along South Avenue and will be completed over another two years. Stormwater drainage pipes have also been installed in Campbell Street.

Town Streets

Council continued its program of upgrading streets in the towns by:

- Resealing of Woolshed Street with asphalt
- Streetscaping of North Terrace from Woolshed Street to Binnie Street
- Upgrading and landscaping of Police Park, Bordertown
- Kerbing and/or sealing sections of Salom Street, Williams Ave, Handyside Tce, Mary Street and Barclay Street
- A section of Farquhar Street, Bordertown was paved and paving was also installed in a section of Anzac Terrace, Keith.
- Paving work was also continued at the housing estate in Padthaway.
- A disabled access ramp was installed at the Keith Hotel

Council has continued with its Pedestrian and Bicycle Strategy and constructed and sealed a new shared-use path along the Dukes Highway at Keith.

Staff

2005/06 saw a number of changes to the complement of our workforce. We have created a new position of Operations Manager that was filled externally. This has allowed Council to better deliver the construction and maintenance programs that have been set and to improve our knowledge base in terms of costs to undertake these activities. We have had two resignations from our Works Supervisors during the year and both of these vacancies have been filled internally. This created two vacancies in our workforce and these were filled externally. We are also managing two employees who are currently on restricted duties.

To ensure that efficiency, productivity and effectiveness is maintained, staff development and appraisals are conducted on an annual basis. The appraisals provide an opportunity to analyse training needs and requirements of staff, along with an emphasis on staff development and promotion. The appraisal system is used to develop an annual training plan for staff.

Training has been undertaken in OHS&W, load shifting and our new employees are undertaking Certificate III in Civil Construction. All courses attended are nationally recognised and accredited.

Council is committed to establishing an Asset Management System for the improved management of assets into the future. Information on the current

condition of the road assets is currently being compiled. One staff member is currently undertaking studies in Geographical Information Systems (GIS) to enable Council to better manage the assets under our control.

Plant & Machinery

During the year Council has replaced two tandem trucks, a combination roller, a backhoe, two light trucks and a frail deck mower. In addition, we have also changed over several utilities, four-wheel drive vehicles and station wagons.

Council has also established a Plant and Machinery Replacement reserve fund. This decision was made to ensure that sufficient funds are available in the future to fund the Council's Plant and Machinery replacement program for the next 10 years. Council owns several expensive items of plant that will need to be replaced in this timeframe. This will reduce Council's loan borrowings into the future.

Industrial Estates

Planning is well advanced for Stage 2 of the Keith Industrial Estate with underground electricity, water and sewer services being designed for construction next year. Blocks are continuing to sell at a steady rate at both Keith and Bordertown and development of blocks previously purchased are also progressing.

Swimming Pools

The Bordertown Swimming Pool continues to still be very popular with the public over the summer months. Over 15,000 people enjoyed the very attractive and user-friendly facilities at the pool. Infrastructure upgrades included additional paving under the shade structures, purchase of a new Aquavac pool cleaner and replacement of sand filters.



Township Amenity

Council, with the assistance of community groups, continued its effort to tidy up our roadsides, parks, gardens and reserves. This work included:

- New fencing installed at Mundulla Playground
- Automatic irrigation system for Apex Park, Paththaway

- A Bike Path at Possum Park, Bordertown was constructed as well as a path from the service road to the Recreation Lake in Bordertown
- General tree planting in town areas and reserves



Effluent Drainage

Work continued to pump out septic tanks in our townships on a 5-year program. Monitoring Programs and Contingency Plans have been prepared for all our Schemes and are being implemented.

Council has also established a STEDS reserve fund. This decision was made to ensure that sufficient funds are available in the future to finance the Council's STEDS Maintenance Program. This will be achieved by the progressive increase in the charges that are paid for being connected to the system to ultimately reflect the true cost of operating the STEDS scheme. Several expensive items of infrastructure will need to be replaced in the next 10 years and the reserve will reduce Council's loan borrowings into the future to fund this work.

Caravan Parks

The Bordertown Caravan Park is leased out but Council has undertaken some works. Landscaping improvements have been undertaken and the amenity has generally been improved at the Caravan Park. Internal roadways have been kerbed and sealed this year to further improve the appeal of the caravan park.

Cemeteries

New concrete beams have been installed at Bordertown and Keith cemeteries and internal roadways have been sealed.

Airfields

Safety audits are carried out annually and any recommendations are included in the maintenance works undertaken. No major alterations were identified this financial year.

Richard P PYM
 Manager Technical Services



Development & Inspectorial Services Report

FOCAL POINTS:

- Manager Development & Inspectorial Services Report
- Building
- Building Inspection Policy
- Council Buildings
- Planning
- Development Assessment Panel
- Crown Land
- Heritage Development Plan Amendment
- Native Vegetation Advisory Body
- General Inspectorial
- Animal Control
- Parking, Bylaws & Abandoned Vehicles
- Fire Prevention
- Public & Environmental Health
- Immunisations
- Desludging Programme

Manager Development & Inspectorial Services Report

The district has continued to develop with another year of substantial investment in rural, industrial/commercial and residential development. The Industrial Estates at both Bordertown and Keith continue to develop with an additional six allotments being developed in the second stage of the Keith Estate.

Existing businesses within the Industrial Estate such as Keith Timber and South East Irrigation have expanded their existing operations. Tatiara Trucks and Trailers have also recently completed a training facility for diesel mechanics within their existing workshop. This facility was partially funded by Council.

Construction work has commenced on the new Keith Council depot and Natural Resource Management building.

Other businesses that have relocated to the Industrial Estate are Ferguson Paint and Panel, Densley Earthmovers, Piggery System and Design and Wickham Flower (Agricultural Machinery), which reflect the importance of providing suitable land for Industrial development.

Value adding industries such as Blue Lake Milling, Dalriada Meat and Tatiara Meat Company have also invested substantial funds in upgrades, installing the latest technology, which will make them leaders in the local and export markets in their respective areas.

Council through its Business Assistance Policy continues to assist and support businesses where they propose to expand or relocate to an appropriate zone. The following key areas are considered when considering the business assistance provided:

- Potential to complement marketing of the Industrial Estate.
- Significance of business investment.
- Significance as an Employer.
- Improved residential amenity.

The Residential policy also provides assistance to developers if they propose:

- To construct a minimum of four new private detached dwellings on individual allotments and the cost of the total development exceeds \$400,000; or
- To construct at least 4 flats or units and the total cost of the development exceeds \$200,000.

Workers accommodation has been an ongoing issue but with inclusion of adequate policy in the Development Plan and continuing private investment in a variety of accommodation options the shortage has been somewhat alleviated.

Aged facilities at both the Keith and Bordertown Hospitals continue to be upgraded, as do the accommodation facilities at the Tatiara and Carinya Retirement Villages.

Rocky CALLISTO
Manager Development & Inspectorial Services

Building

The value of building work within our district was approximately \$12,300,000 in the last twelve months.

Building Statistics – 1st July 2005 to 30th June 2006

New Dwellings	39
Dwelling Additions	12
Commercial	21
Outbuildings	57
Other	7

Council controls the structural, technical and safety features of building work. Building work means the erection, construction, underpinning, alteration of, addition to or demolition of any building or structure. It includes:

- New buildings
- Alterations and extensions to existing buildings
- Garages, carports, toolsheds etc greater in area than 10m² and the building height being over 2.5 metres above natural ground level
- Pergolas if roofed (polycarbonate or steel)
- Swimming Pools

Council staff also provide advice on the building provisions of the Development Act & Regulations 1993.

Building Inspection Policy

Council has a Building inspection policy that requires Council to inspect a majority of building work at least once and residential buildings at least twice.



Council Buildings

Council has the care and control of many properties within the district, many of which contain buildings and structures. A building maintenance plan has been developed for Council occupied buildings, which is reviewed annually to determine the level of maintenance required.

Council has continued to contribute funds on an annual basis to local organisations to maintain and upgrade buildings. Substantial funding was granted to Bangham and Padthaway Halls for building upgrades.

Council also resolved to proceed with working drawings and specifications for the installation of a lift to provide disability access to seating in the Bordertown Theatre and the upgrade of the Keith Institute kitchen.

Planning

The Keith Rural Living Development Plan Amendment was recently authorised. The Wylie Group Pty Ltd privately funded the DPA. It extends the Rural Living Zone located on the southern side of Keith, introduces a Rural Living zone on Emu Flat Road adjacent to the Keith Golf Course and includes additional and amended policies specifically relating to the type of development sought in both of the abovementioned areas.

Council reviews and considers the availability of land in appropriate zones on an ongoing basis to address the continued growth of the district.

Managing the regions natural resources in a sustainable manner continues to be a high priority and this is reflected with policies in relation to water, dry land salinity, biodiversity etc, in the Development Plan. There must be a balance between economic development and conservation, as this will help to maintain the regions resources for future generations.

Development Assessment Panel

The Development Assessment Panel consists of the following members; Councillors Diana Penniment (Presiding Member), John Ross, Ken McInerney, Edward (Ted) Langley, Janet Allen, Richard Vickery and Richard Stanbury. There are neither Council staff or external members on the Panel.

The Development Assessment Panel assess applications that are:

- Non Complying
- Controversial
- Subject to third party representations

The Manager Development & Inspectorial Services assesses and issues decision notifications under delegation. Council reviews the Terms of Reference and the operation of the Panel on an annual basis.

Crown Land

The Ministers Local Government Forum initiated a study to investigate the strategic assessment of public land by State and Local Government in 2004. The Tatiara Council was the Rural Council chosen to be involved in the Pilot Study.

The study was to investigate processes for disposal of surplus government land. The study, which commenced in November 2004 and undertaken by consultants Reality Solutions jointly with Masterplan, has still not been finalised.

Heritage Development Plan Amendment

Utilising the Tatiara Heritage Survey prepared by Historical Research, Council has prepared a Heritage Development Plan Amendment. The DPA provides legal context to the Heritage Survey, by placing the recommendations of the survey into the current authorised Development Plan.

Native Vegetation Advisory Body

Council has an Advisory Body which comments on Native Vegetation clearance applications that are referred to Council. This group has been in operation for over six years.

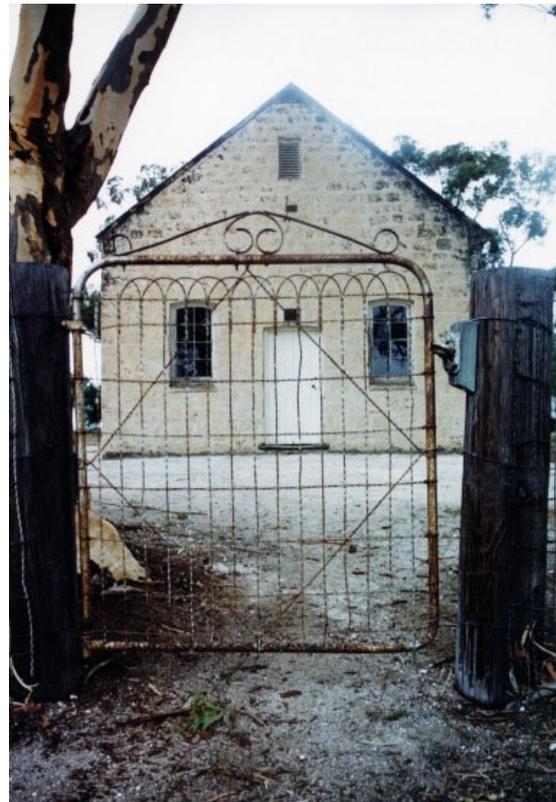
The primary role of the group is to comment on the amenity value of vegetation under application. It may also comment on other aspects where relevant to the principles of clearance set out in the Native Vegetation Act and where the body believes it has appropriate qualifications or experience to provide such comments.

The management of Stringy Bark Trees has been an ongoing issue of concern for landowners particularly in the Upper South East around Bordertown for several years. With the age of the trees branches hang down and spread along the ground, mainly impeding access for rabbit control and inhibiting pasture management and stock mustering.

A joint site inspection with members of the Native Vegetation Council was carried out on a rural property to determine the extent of the problem and investigate possible solutions and trial sites for monitoring. No further work has been undertaken in relation to this project at this stage, as approval is required from the Native Vegetation Council.

The Advisory Body members are:

- David Lowe (Chairman)
- Charles Crozier (Secretary)
- John Samuel-White
- Ed Davis
- Peter Will
- Jamie Steer
- Bryan Paech



General Inspectorial

Animal Control

The primary focus of the General Inspector has been animal control, which mainly consists of problems associated with dogs, cats and stock wandering at large. Council has recently completed an Animal Management Plan, which has been endorsed by the Dog and Cat Management Board. Income collected by Council from dog registrations must be spent on animal management, so new initiatives can be expected.

Parking, By-laws & Abandoned Vehicles

The General Inspector also monitors parking, Council By-Laws and abandoned vehicles.

Fire Prevention

Fire Prevention is also a duty of the General Inspector and he attends meetings of the District and Regional Bushfire Prevention Committees. There is also a requirement to review the Bushfire Prevention Plan annually and liaise with the Committee to develop a Works Programme and then complete this programme within budget.

Prior to the Fire Danger Season there is publicity in the newspaper and radio, advising residents to clean up and to reduce the risk of fire. Fire Danger signage is erected around district prior to the Fire Danger Season and property inspections are also undertaken with appropriate action taken where required.

Public & Environmental Health

Council shares an Environmental Health Officer with the Naracoorte Lucindale Council. The EHO administers Council's responsibilities pursuant to the Food Act 2001 & Regulations, Public & Environmental Health Act 1987 & Regulations and Housing Improvement Act 1940.

All food premises within the Council area are audited to ensure compliance with Food Safety Standards and inspection frequency is based on a risk assessment process. The EHO also monitors the water quality of swimming pools and spas available for public access.

Pamphlets and educational material in relation to public health is regularly updated and made available to the public.

Immunisations

Council contracts immunisations services to the Bordertown Hospital.

Desludging Programme of Septic Tanks connected to Communal Waste Control Systems

The pumping out of septic tanks in the townships of Bordertown, Keith, Mundulla and Wolseley has recently been completed. The contract is over five years and includes the pumping out of 1,943 septic tanks. A new five-year contract has recently been negotiated which will also include the desludging of pump stations annually.



Financial Report

FOCAL POINTS:

- 2005/06 Rating Policy
- Income Statement
- Balance Sheet
- Statement of Changes in Equity
- Cash Flow Statement
- Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report
- Independent Audit Report

Senior Finance Officer's Report

The 2005/2006 Financial Year saw a significant increase of 24% in property valuations across the Tatiara, for rating purposes compared with a 10.3% for the upcoming 2006/2007 year. In setting the rating schedules for the 2006/2007 year, the council allowed for an increase in the general rate revenue of 4.9% from the previous year, being a 6.44% increase.

Annual Budget

Meetings were held from March to June 2006, to consider the Annual Budget and then Council adopted the 2006/2007 budget at its July 11th Council meeting. The Tatiara Council reviews its annual budget quarterly, being September, December, March and June.

Tatiara's Total Operating Expenditure will initially total \$13mill with Projects & Capital Expenditure totalling \$7.6mill in the forthcoming year. The Council's Total Operating Income will also initially be \$13 mill, with Total Rates Income required of \$6mill.

Budgeted rate revenue represents 68.7 per cent of the total revenue for 2006/2007, compared to 67.8 per cent in 2005/2006., 67 per cent in 2004/2005 and 67.5 per cent in 2003/2004.

Council is also implementing a strategy that collectively addresses the long-term issue of waste management throughout the District by introducing the new two-bin kerbside collection service in early 2007. The new service charge of \$90 per year has a two fold incentive to both the Community and Council's operation; significantly reducing the amount of waste going into landfill, and being an easier service for resident's to use.

30th June 2006 Financial Statements

The End of Year Financial Statements for 2005/2006 have been prepared (enclosed in the back of this report), and were audited in October 2006.

Generally speaking if major projects were not completed by the end of the financial year, the unspent funds are carried forward to the next budget year.

Minimum Rate

The Council has maintained a minimum rate on township properties, however it increased this to all rateable properties from \$220.00 in 2005/2006 to \$260.00 in the proposed 2006/2007 budget.

East Ward and West Ward Separate Rate

Four years have passed for collecting the Separate Rate for the purpose of funding the redevelopment of aged care facilities at the Bordertown Memorial Hospital Inc. and at the Keith & District Hospital Inc. This separate rate will be collected for its final year, this year ending in 2006/2007. The East Ward separate rate being \$20.33 on each rateable property and the West Ward separate rate being \$26.23 on each rateable assessment.

Community Wastewater Management Scheme (CWMS)

Surplus funds from the Service Charges for the Community Wastewater Management Scheme (previously known as STEDS-Septic Tank Effluent Drainage Scheme) are placed in to a Reserve Fund and this is then used to repair/upgrade our Council's Wastewater systems. There has been an increase in the CWMS fees for the 2006/2007 year, in line with financial sustainability advice. All residential properties in Bordertown, Keith, Mundulla & Wolseley are charged \$210 and vacant land in the same towns \$150 per assessment, per year.

Rate Rebate Policy/Rate Capping

During the 2006/2007 budget discussions, Council has again supported a Rate Rebate Policy. This policy was introduced in 2004/2005 due to the large increase in the capital values of properties. By issuing this rate capping policy of 20%, no rate payer should pay any more than a 20% increase on the previous year's rates. This is only applicable to the general rate revenue.

There are exceptions to the rate capping policy, being if there are any capital improvements of over \$10,000 on the assessment or if the property has been purchased since 1st June 2004.

Rate Payment Methods

Payments can be made by cash, cheque, credit card, BPay and direct debit, at both council offices at Bordertown and Keith. Payments by instalments are encouraged, please do not hesitate to call myself at the Bordertown Office to arrange a credit agreement.

Judi MOLINEUX
Senior Finance Officer



2005/06 Rating Policy

Introduction

1. This document sets out the policy of the District Council of Tatiara for setting and collecting rates from its community. The policy covers:
 - (a) Method used to value land
 - (b) Adoption of valuations
 - (c) Business impact statement
 - (d) Council's revenue raising powers
 - (e) Differential general rates
 - (f) Minimum rate
 - (g) Service charges
 - (h) Water catchment levy (the Council's collection role)
 - (i) Pensioner concessions
 - (j) Unemployed persons concessions
 - (k) Payment of rates
 - (l) Late payment of rates
 - (m) Sale of land for non-payment of rates
 - (n) Remission and postponement of rates
 - (o) Rebate of rates
 - (p) Disclaimer

Strategic Focus

1. In setting its rates for the 2005/2006 financial year the Council has considered the following:
 - (a) the specific issues faced by our community, which are:
 - (i) the need to continue to maintain and upgrade the districts infrastructure which includes roads, buildings, drainage and parks.
 - (ii) funding of the Bordertown Memorial Hospital Inc. and the Keith & District Hospital Inc. for aged care facilities
 - (b) the budget for the 2005/2006 financial year;
 - (c) the increase in costs and charges, such as insurance, to be paid by Council.
 - (d) the impact of rates on the community, including:
 - (i) householders, businesses and primary producers;
 - (ii) the broad principle that the rate in the dollar should be the same for all properties except where there is clearly a different level of services available to ratepayers or some other circumstance which warrants variation from the broad principle (refer section on General Rates);
 - (iii) the impact on the community of a substantial change in rates payable due to a rapid and uneven change in valuations.
 - (e) For the 2005/2006 financial year the Council has decided to limit the increase of total General rate revenue to 6.5%.
2. The Council regularly conducts public consultation on a broad range of issues relating to the future directions of the area. These meetings are always advertised in local papers. Ratepayers and interested parties are encouraged to attend. The Council also encourages feedback at anytime and such comments should be sent to:

Mr Rob Harkness
 Chief Executive Officer
 District Council of Tatiara
 PO Box 346
 Bordertown SA 5268

Method Used to Value Land

1. The Council may adopt one of three valuation methodologies to value the properties in its area. They are:
 - (a) *Capital Value* – the value of the land and all of the improvements on the land.
 - (b) *Site Value* – the value of the land and any improvements which permanently affect the amenity of use of the land, such as drainage works, but excluding the value of buildings and other improvements.
 - (c) *Annual Value* – a valuation of the rental potential of the property.
2. The Council has decided to continue to use capital value as the basis for valuing land within the council area. The Council considers that this method of valuing land provides the fairest method of distributing the rate burden across all ratepayers on the following basis:
 - (a) the equity principle of taxation requires that ratepayers of similar wealth pay similar taxes and ratepayers of greater wealth pay more tax than ratepayers of lesser wealth;
 - (b) property value is a relatively good indicator of wealth and capital value, which closely approximates the market value of a property, provides the best indicator of overall property value;
 - (c) the distribution of property values throughout the Council area is such that few residential ratepayers will pay significantly more than the average rate per property.

Adoption of Valuations

1. Section 171 of the Local Government Act 1999 requires a Council to prepare and adopt each year, in conjunction with setting the rates, a rates policy. The policy must be available at the principal office of the Council and a summary version must be distributed with the rates notice.
2. This policy is available for inspection at either the Bordertown or Keith Council offices. It is also available on Council's web site www.tatiara.sa.gov.au.
3. The Council has adopted the valuations made by the Valuer-General as provided to the Council on 24th June 2005. If you are dissatisfied with the valuation made by the Valuer-General then you may object to the Valuer-General in writing, within 60 days of receiving this notice of the valuation, explaining the basis for the objection - provided you have not:
 - (a) previously received a notice of this valuation under the Local Government Act, in which case the objection period is 60 days from the receipt of the first notice; or
 - (b) previously had an objection to the valuation considered by the Valuer-General.

4. The address of the Office of the Valuer-General is:

Office of the Valuer-General
GPO Box 1354
ADELAIDE SA 5001

and the telephone number is **1300 653 345**.

The Council has no role in this process. It is important to note that the lodgement of an objection does not change the due date for payment of rates.

General Rates

- All land within a council area, except for land specifically exempt (e.g. crown land, council occupied land and other land prescribed in the Local Government Act – refer Section 168 of the Act), is rateable. The Local Government Act provides for a Council to raise revenue for the broad purposes of the Council through a general rate, which applies to all rateable properties.
- At its meeting of 12th July 2005 the Council decided to raise general rate revenue of \$5,721,983 in a total revenue budget of \$12,181,434.

Business Impact Statement

- The Council has considered the impact of rates on all businesses in the Council area, including primary production. In considering the impact, Council assessed the following matters:
 - The equity of the distribution of the rate burden – apart from the decision to provide a differential rate for primary production properties, as outlined under the heading "Differential General Rates", the Council considers that all ratepayers receive broadly comparable services and are generally similarly impacted upon by prevailing economic conditions.

Minimum Rate

- Council has imposed a minimum rate of \$220.00 on township properties. The minimum rate is levied against the whole of an allotment (including land under a separate lease or licence) and only one minimum rate is levied against two or more pieces of adjoining land (whether intercepted by a road or not) if they are owned by the same owner and occupied by the same occupier. The reasons for imposing a minimum rate are:
 - the Council considers it appropriate that all rateable properties make a contribution to the cost of administering the Council's activities;
 - the Council considers it appropriate that all rateable properties make a contribution to the cost of creating and maintaining the physical infrastructure that supports each property.

Differential General Rates

- The Council has decided to impose differential general rates on the following properties:
 - 0.552** cents in the \$ within the townships of Bordertown, Keith, Mundulla, Padthaway and Wolseley;

- 0.360** cents in the \$ on all other land. This reduced rate relates to:
 - The land tends to be remote from many of the services provided by Council;
 - Primary production properties do not receive a waste management service;
 - Primary production properties do not have footpaths or street lighting;
 - Many primary production properties are served by gravel, rather than sealed roads.

- The Council has assessed the service differential at approximately 34% and the rate in the dollar for rural properties will be set at 0.36 cents. There are 2,040 properties in the Council area that are outside of township boundaries and these properties will provide \$4,347,251 of total rate revenue. There are 2,783 other rateable properties, which will provide the balance of \$1,370,852 of rate revenue.
- Land locality has been used as the factor to levy differential rates. i.e. either inside the township boundaries or outside the township boundaries. If a ratepayer believes that a particular property has been wrongly classified by the Council as to its locality, then they may object (to the Council) within 21 days of being notified. A ratepayer may discuss the matter with the Rates Officer, by phoning 8752 1044 in the first instance. Objections to the Council's decision may be lodged with Mr Rob Harkness, Chief Executive Officer, District Council of Tatiara, PO Box 346, Bordertown, 5268. It is important to note that the lodgement of an objection does not change the due date for payment of rates.

East Ward and West Ward Separate Rate

- The Council has decided to again impose a separate rate for the 2005-2006 financial year for the purpose of funding the redevelopment of aged care facilities at the Bordertown Memorial Hospital Inc. and aged care facilities at the Keith & District Hospital Inc. This is the fourth year of a five year commitment to fund the Hospitals. The separate rates will be based on:
 - A separate rate of **\$20.33** on rateable properties in East Ward
 - A separate rate of **\$26.23** on rateable properties in West Ward
- The East Ward and West Ward separate rates will be payable in four equal instalments in conjunction with the General rate
- Pensioner concessions will apply

Service Charge

- The Council provides a septic tank effluent disposal system to all residential and commercial properties in Bordertown, Keith, Mundulla and Wolseley. The full cost of operating and maintaining this service for this financial year is budgeted to be \$128,467. Following an investigation and a report from the Local Government Association into STED schemes across the State, Council has recognised that it needs to put away increased funds into a reserve to fund future maintenance and future replacement of ageing infrastructure. This year \$254,353 has been budgeted to put into such a reserve.

- The Council will recover this cost through the imposition of a service charge for each Assessment serviced by the schemes. Where the service is provided to non-rateable land, a service charge is levied against the land. Details on what constitutes a service charge for each Assessment, and other information about the scheme, are available from the Manager Technical Services on 8752 1044.

Water Catchment Levy

- The Council is in the South East Water Catchment area and is required under the Water Resources Act to fund the operations of the South East Catchment Water Management Board. It does so by imposing a separate levy against the required properties in the catchment area in this council area. A map of the catchment area showing those properties within the boundary is on display at:

District Council of Tatiara
43 Woolshed Street
Bordertown, 5268

- The Council is operating as a revenue collector for the South East Catchment Water Management Board in this regard. It does not retain this revenue or determine how the revenue is spent.

Rate Concessions

- The State Government, in providing equity across SA in this area, funds a range of concessions on Council rates. The concessions are administered by various State Agencies who determine eligibility and pay the concession directly to Council on behalf of the ratepayer. Concessions are available only on the principal place of residence.
- Ratepayers who believe they are entitled to a concession should not withhold payment of rates pending assessment of an application by the State Government as penalties apply to overdue rates. A refund will be paid to an eligible person if Council is advised that a concession applies and the rates have already been paid.

State Seniors Card Ratepayer (self funded retiree)

- This is a new concession available from 1st July 2001 and is administered by RevenueSA. If you are a self-funded retiree and currently hold a State Seniors Card you may be eligible for a concession toward Council rates. In the case of couples, both must qualify, or if only one holds a State Senior's Card, the other must not be in paid employment for more than 20 hours per week. If you have not received a concession on your rates notice or would like further information please contact the RevenueSA Call Centre on 1300 366 150.

Pensioner Concession

- An eligible pensioner must hold a Pension Card, State Concession Card or a Repatriation Health Card marked TPI Gold, EDA Gold or War Widow and may be entitled to a concession on Council rates (and water and effluent charges where applicable). Application forms, which include information on the concessions, are available from Council, SA Water

Corporation and its District Offices or the Department of Human Services. This concession is administered by SA Water on behalf of the Department of Human Services and further information can be obtained by telephoning SA Water.

Other Concessions

- The Department of Family and Youth Services administers Council rate concessions available to range of eligible persons receiving State and Commonwealth allowances. This includes, but is not limited to, ratepayers who are in receipt of: Austudy, Newstart, Parenting Payment, Partner Allowance, Sickness Allowance, Special Benefit, Widow Allowance, Youth Allowance, Abstudy, CDEP or a New Enterprise Initiative Scheme. It may also apply to ratepayers in receipt of a pension as a war widow under legislation of the United Kingdom or New Zealand and the holders of a State Concession Card issued by Family and Youth Services. All enquiries should be direct to your nearest branch office of Family and Youth Services (refer to the White Pages for location and telephone details).

Payment of Rates

- The Council has decided that the payment of all rates will be by four equal instalments, due on the 1st September 2005, 1st December 2005, 1st March 2006 and 1st June 2006.
- Rates may be paid:
 - In person, at the Council offices at:
43 Woolshed Street, Bordertown 5268
34 Hender Street, Keith 5267
 - or

Padthaway General Store
15 Memorial Drive
Padthaway
 - During the hours of 8.30am to 5.00pm at Bordertown and during the hours of 9.00am to 4.30pm at Keith, Monday to Friday. EFTPOS facilities are available for payments at Bordertown and at Keith.
 - Using the internet and B Pay. Contact your financial institution for details.
- Any ratepayer who may, or is likely to, experience difficulty with meeting the standard payment arrangements is invited to contact the Senior Finance Officer, on (08) 8752 1044 to discuss alternative payment arrangements. Such inquiries are treated confidentially by the Council.
- The Council has adopted a policy that where the payment of rates will cause a ratepayer demonstrable hardship, the Council is prepared to make extended payment provisions or defer the payment of rates.

Late Payment of Rates

- The Local Government Act provides that Councils impose an initial penalty of 2% on any payment for

rates, whether by instalment or otherwise, that is received late. A payment that continues to be late is then charged a prescribed interest rate on the expiration of each month that it continues to be late.

2. The Council allows a further three working days after the due date for payment as a grace period.
3. The Council is prepared to remit penalties in accordance with Council's Policy "Rates – Fines Write Off":
 - (a) Council will write off fines levied on rates in the following circumstances only;
 - (i) Where the applicant can demonstrate that the rate notice was forwarded to the wrong address;
 - (ii) Where the applicant can demonstrate that special legal action prevented the rates from being paid by the due date;
 - (iii) Where Council is of the opinion that such write off is appropriate.
 - (b) The power to consider, and determine, requests from ratepayers, to have fines levied on rates written off, subject to any policies or guidelines adopted by Council, is delegated to the; Chief Executive Officer; and/or Manager Corporate Services.
 - (c) Guidelines for Application of Policy
 - (i) Commencing on 30 June each year, and monthly thereafter, a list of all outstanding rates accounts for the preceding financial year, with a total debt of less than \$10.00 is to be prepared and reviewed.
 - (ii) Where the outstanding amount comprises only of fines, the Manager is to write the amount off, and clear the debt.
 - (iii) Where the outstanding amount comprises anything other than fines, although it can include fines, the debt is to remain on the books, and normal recovery procedures are to apply.
 - (iv) The fines write off in guideline 2 above, applies only to single property owners. Where there are multiple properties in the same ownership, all fines are to remain on the books if the total of all accounts exceeds \$10.00. If the aggregate is less than \$10.00, then all fines can be written off.
4. The Council issues a final notice for payment of rates when rates are overdue ie. unpaid by the due date. Should rates remain unpaid more than 30 days after the issue of the final notice then the Council refers the debt to a debt collection agency for collection. The debt collection agency charges collection fees to the ratepayer.
5. When the Council receives a payment in respect of overdue rates the Council applies the money received as follows:
 - (a) first – to satisfy any costs awarded in connection with court proceedings;
 - (b) second – to satisfy any interest costs;
 - (c) third – in payment of any fines imposed;
 - (d) fourth – in payment of rates, in chronological order (starting with the oldest account first).

Remission and Postponement of Rates

1. Section 182 of the Local Government Act permits the Council, on the application of the ratepayer, to partially or wholly remit rates or to postpone rates, on the basis of hardship. Where a ratepayer is suffering hardship in paying rates he/she is invited to contact the Rates Officer, on 8752 1044 to discuss the matter. Council treats such inquiries confidentially.

Rebate of Rates

1. See Rate Rebate Policy (Section 32). Council has again included a Rate Cap on properties to minimise the effect of fluctuating valuations. This year the cap has been set at 20%.

Sale of Land for Non-Payment of Rates

1. The Local Government Act provides that a Council may sell any property where the rates have been in arrears for three years or more. The Council is required to notify the owner of the land of its intention to sell the land, provide the owner with details of the outstanding amounts, and advise the owner of its intention to sell the land if payment of the outstanding amount is not received within one month.
2. Except in extraordinary circumstances, the Council enforces the sale of land for arrears of rates and a copy of the Council's policy is available from the Senior Finance Officer on 8752 1044 or by writing to the District Council of Tatiara, PO Box 346, Bordertown, 5268.

Disclaimer

1. A rate cannot be challenged on the basis of non-compliance with this policy and must be paid in accordance with the required payment provisions.
3. Where a ratepayer believes that the Council has failed to properly apply this policy it should raise the matter with the Council. In the first instance contact the Senior Finance Officer on 8752 1044 to discuss the matter. If, after this initial contact, a ratepayer is still dissatisfied they should write to the Chief Executive Officer, District Council of Tatiara, PO Box 346, Bordertown, 5268.



Income Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

	NOTE	2005/06	2004/05
		\$	\$
<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>	2.		
Rates			
- General	4.	5,784,067	5,375,585
- Other	4.	497,235	419,935
Statutory Charges		86,665	89,071
User Charges		124,991	106,426
Operating Grants and Subsidies	5.	1,730,427	1,762,132
Investment Income	6.	188,386	170,739
Reimbursements		166,121	108,407
Gain on Disposal of Non-Current Assets	7.	174,895	36,743
Commercial Activity Revenue		33,896	20,692
Other		575,232	561,878
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		9,361,915	8,651,607
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	2.		
Employee Costs	8.	2,147,421	1,973,420
Contractual Services	9.	2,110,984	1,643,075
Materials		116,912	601,010
Finance Charges		177,509	199,832
Depreciation	10.	3,624,946	3,621,246
Loss on Revaluations		0	0
Loss on Disposal of Non-Current Assets	7.	0	10,097
Other	11.	1,658,305	1,707,320
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		9,836,077	9,756,000
<u>OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) Before Capital Revenues</u>		(474,162)	(1,104,393)
<u>CAPITAL REVENUES:</u>			
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Monetary Contributions	12.	1,108,345	656,625
Physical Resources Received Free of Charge		0	0
<u>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS</u>		634,183	(447,768)

Balance Sheet

AS AT 30 JUNE 2006

	NOTE	2005/06	2004/05
		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	24.	471,312	223,189
Receivables	13.	321,254	247,823
Inventory	14.	402,276	300,279
Investments	15.	2,702,865	2,803,747
Assets classified as held for sale	16.	0	0
Other	17.	40,984	41,947
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		3,938,691	3,616,985
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Bank Overdraft	24.	0	0
Creditors	18.	318,727	300,307
Provisions	19.	393,179	355,389
Loans	20.	487,083	578,157
Other	21.	0	0
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,198,989	1,233,854
Net Current Assets/(Current Liabilities)		2,739,702	2,383,131
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables	13.	340,361	305,243
Inventory	14.	0	0
Investments	15.	0	0
Land	22.	6,269,439	6,176,352
Buildings	22.	12,517,101	12,794,169
Infrastructure	22.	31,759,618	32,033,032
Equipment	22.	2,216,517	1,836,909
Furniture and Fittings	22.	285,752	333,364
Investment Property	23.	0	0
Other	22.	62,223	71,608
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		53,451,011	53,550,677
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors	18.	0	0
Provisions	19.	240,918	227,438
Loans	20.	1,734,304	2,127,907
Other	21.	31,075	28,231
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,006,297	2,383,576
NET ASSETS		54,184,416	53,550,233
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		(6,791,035)	(7,967,467)
Reserves		60,975,451	61,517,699
TOTAL EQUITY		54,184,416	53,550,233

Statement of Changes in Equity
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		
Balance at beginning of period	(7,967,467)	(7,191,203)
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	634,183	(447,768)
Transfers to Reserves	(813,202)	(1,312,329)
Transfers from Reserves	1,355,452	983,833
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	(6,791,035)	(7,967,467)
ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE - Land and Land for Resale		
Balance at beginning of period	59,331,130	59,331,130
Revaluation increment	0	0
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	59,331,130	59,331,130
BORDERTOWN RECREATIONAL LAKE RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	5,180	4,928
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	277	252
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(5,457)	0
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	(0)	5,180
BOWLING CLUB LOAN PAYMENT RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	36,092	41,308
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	50,467	1,584
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(48,442)	(6,800)
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	38,117	36,092
INDUSTRIAL ESTATES RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	91,393	86,946
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	4,893	4,447
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	96,286	91,393
SPORTS/SHOWGROUNDS RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	263	250
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	14	13
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(278)	0
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	(0)	263
LONG SERVICE LEAVE RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	167,423	126,405
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	28,488	41,018
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	195,911	167,423
PLANT REPLACEMENT RESERVE		
Balance at beginning of period	170,052	150,000
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	9,105	32,194
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	(12,141)
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	179,157	170,052
CLAYTON FARM INSURANCE		
Balance at beginning of period	110,109	129,750
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	60,384	8,829
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(53,737)	(28,471)
BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD	116,756	110,109

Statement of Changes in Equity.....(cont'd)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
<u>BORDERTOWN CIVIC CENTRE M/MENT COMM RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	12,278	11,681
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	659	597
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(12,937)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	0	12,278
<u>BORDERTOWN LIBRARY CAPITAL RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	6,301	5,995
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	339	306
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(6,639)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	0	6,301
<u>BORDERTOWN CIVIC CENTRE ACCESS RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	31,515	29,981
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	1,687	1,534
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	33,202	31,515
<u>CARRY OVER FUNDS RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	950,898	818,612
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	0	950,286
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(950,898)	(818,000)
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	(0)	950,898
<u>CED MAINTENANCE RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	575,623	309,317
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	563,089	266,306
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(253,943)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	884,769	575,623
<u>AGED HOMES RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	7,658	122,177
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	15,463	3,902
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(23,121)	(118,421)
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	0	7,658
<u>SPORTS & REC LOAN PAYMENT RESERVE</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	21,784	20,724
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	1,166	1,060
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	22,950	21,784
<u>SURPLUS GENERAL RATE INCOME 05/06</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	0	0
Transfer to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	77,172	0
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	77,172	0
<u>TOTAL EQUITY</u>	54,184,416	53,550,233

Cash Flow Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

	NOTE	2005/06	2004/05
		Inflows(outflows)	Inflows(outflows)
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>			
RECEIPTS		9,768,840	8,723,334
PAYMENTS		(6,881,141)	(6,245,182)
<u>NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>	25.	2,887,699	2,478,152
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>			
RECEIPTS			
Loans received		120,000	0
Loan principal repaid by Community Groups		71,140	28,060
PAYMENTS			
Principal repayments		(604,678)	(628,782)
Loans issued to Community Groups		(120,000)	(31,718)
<u>NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>		(533,537)	(632,440)
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES</u>			
RECEIPTS			
Capital Grants, Subsidies & Contributions		1,108,345	656,625
Sale of Assets Classified as Held for Sale		0	0
Sale of Land		0	176,800
Sale of Buildings		0	610
Sale of Infrastructure Assets		0	0
Sale of Investment Property		0	0
Sale of Plant & Equipment		426,529	526,889
Sale of Furniture and Fittings		0	0
Sale of Other Community Assets		0	0
Investments		0	0
PAYMENTS			
Purchase of Land		(93,087)	0
Purchase of Buildings		(445,783)	(414,078)
Construction of Infrastructure		(2,205,577)	(1,430,487)
Purchase of Investment Property		0	0
Purchase of Plant & Equipment		(964,843)	(903,009)
Purchase of Furniture and Fittings		(17,905)	(42,695)
Purchase of Other Community Assets		(14,600)	(13,899)
Investments		0	0
<u>NET CASH USED IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES</u>		(2,206,921)	(1,443,244)
<u>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD</u>		147,240	402,468
<u>CASH AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD</u>		3,026,936	2,624,468
<u>CASH AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD</u>	24.	3,174,176	3,026,936

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

NOTE

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The following is a summary of material accounting policies adopted by council in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

a) Inventories

Inventories held for distribution for no or nominal consideration are measured at the lower of cost and replacement cost. All other inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The costs of quarry stocks includes direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead costs relating to quarrying.

b) Land held for Resale

Land purchased for development and/or resale is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes the cost of acquisition, development and interest incurred in financing of that land during its development. Interest and other holding charges incurred after development is complete are recognised immediately as expenses. Revenue arising from the sale of the property is recognised in the Operating Statement as at the time of signing a binding contract of sale.

c) Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at fair value, less where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment loss.

Property, Plant and Equipment are initially measured on the fair value basis, being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction. In most cases, this equates to the cost of acquisition.

All non-current assets, other than receivables and investments are revalued every five years in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB116 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation are credited to a revaluation reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same class of assets are charged against the revaluation reserve in equity.

All relevant assets were last revalued as at 30 June 2004. Valuations were conducted by Maloney Field Services, Property Consultants and Valuers. The valuer arrived at fair value of land and buildings based on recent market transactions for similar land and buildings in the area taking into account zoning and restricted use. For valuations of plant and equipment, market value is used as a proxy for fair value.

Depreciation of Non-current Assets

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets. Land is not a depreciable asset.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight line basis, using rates which are reviewed each reporting period. Depreciation rates are as follows:

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

NOTE

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES.....(cont'd)

c) Property, Plant and Equipment.....(cont'd)

Class of Fixed Asset		Depreciation Rate
Infrastructure	- Sealed Roads	6%
	- Unsealed Roads	6%
	- Footways	2.5%
	- Stormwater Drainage	2%-10%
	- Sewerage	2%-10%
Major Plant & Equipment		7%-30%
Minor Plant & Equipment		15%
Office Furniture & Equipment	- Computerised	20%
	- Other	6%-20%
Buildings		3%-7.5%
Other Community Assets	- CFS Plant & Equipment	10%-30%
	- Playgrounds and Reserve furniture	6%-20%
	- Memorials	3%-7.5%
	- Library Books	14%

d) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Council's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee entitlements expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows unless not materially different from the nominal amounts.

Leave oncosts are calculated as a percentage allocation for workcover and superannuation on the total of Employee Entitlements. The superannuation expense for the reporting period is the amount of the statutory contribution Council makes to the superannuation plan which provides benefits to its employees.

e) Financial Instruments

Financial Instruments have been recognised as assets and liabilities in the body of the Statement of Financial Position. They are measured at cost unless the cost expected to be incurred where a financial asset is exchanged, or a financial liability is settled, is material. In this case it would be measured at net fair value.

Financial Assets - Loans and Receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Financial Liabilities – Loans

Non-derivative financial liabilities are recognised at amortised cost, comprising original debt less principal repayments and amortisation.

f) Rates, Grants, Donations and Other Contributions

Rates, grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenues when the Council obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control over assets acquired from rates is obtained at the commencement of the rating period or, where earlier, upon receipt of the rates. Control over granted assets is normally obtained upon their receipt or upon prior notification that a grant has been secured.

Where contributions recognised as revenues during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the nature of and the amounts pertaining to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in Note 5.

g) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, net of bank overdrafts.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES.....(cont'd)

h) Leases

Leases of fixed assets where the lessor transfers to the lessee substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised, recording an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments. Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period. Lease payments for operating leases where the lessor effectively retains substantially all the risk and benefits of ownership, are charged to expense over the lease term. Income from operating leases are recorded as Revenue when due.

i) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the council reviews the carrying value of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

j) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the cost of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

The net GST receivable/payable to the Australian Taxation Office has been recognised as a receivable/payable in the Statement of Financial Position.

Operating activities in the Statement of Cash Flows are reported on a gross basis. The GST component of the cash flows arising from investing or financing activities, which are recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office have been included in cash flows from operating activities.

2. FUNCTIONS/ACTIVITIES

a) The activities relating to Council's components reported on in Note 2 (b) are as follows:

Administration

General and office operations not attributable to another specific activity, rates, and elected members expenses.

Public Order and Safety

Supervision of various by-laws, fire prevention, CFS and animal control.

Health

Food control, operation of community health programs and health centre.

Social Security and Welfare

Operation of Senior Citizens centre, aged hostel, other voluntary services.

Housing and Community Amenities

Rubbish collection services, operation of tip, effluent drainage, public toilets, street cleaning and lighting, town planning, stormwater drainage, land development, maintenance of cemeteries and aged housing complex.

Protection of the Environment NEC

Foreshore protection, flood prevention.

Sport and Recreation

Maintenance of halls, library operations, national estates, parks and gardens, recreation and sporting venues, museum.

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2. **FUNCTIONS/ACTIVITIES.....(cont'd)**a) Agricultural Service

Pest plant services.

Mining, Manufacturing and Construction

Building Act requirements, quarry operations.

Transport and Communications

Construction and maintenance of roads, bridges, footpaths, parking & signs.

Economic Affairs NEC

Land development activities, caravan park operations, off-street parking tourism, boat haven operations.

Other Purposes NEC

Public Debt transactions, plant and machinery operations, depot expenses, vandalism costs, and private works.

- b) Revenues, expenses and assets have been attributed to the functions/activities of council described in Note 2(a) as follows:

	2005/06				Assets
	Expenses \$000	Revenues			
		Grants \$000	Other \$000	Total \$000	
Administration	674	1,249	6,355	7,604	43,949
Public Order and Safety	165	5	23	28	123
Health	48	3	8	11	92
Social Security and Welfare	214	1	7	8	198
Housing and Community Amenities	1,169	0	472	472	2,571
Protection of the Environment NEC	1	0	0	0	0
Sport and Recreation	1,191	38	158	196	993
Agricultural Services	97	0	46	46	284
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	2	0	45	45	253
Transport and Communications	3,630	411	831	1,242	3,527
Economic Affairs NEC	381	16	44	60	838
Other Purposes NEC	2,264	7	751	758	4,562
Total	9,836	1,730	8,740	10,470	57,390

Net Surplus/(Deficit) Resulting from Operations

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	2004/05				Assets
	Expenses \$000	Revenues			
		Grants \$000	Other \$000	Total \$000	
Administration	490	1,347	5,781	7,128	43,779
Public Order and Safety	156	3	17	20	123
Health	120	0	15	15	92
Social Security and Welfare	283	10	22	32	197
Housing and Community Amenities	995	0	417	417	2,561
Protection of the Environment NEC	1	0	0	0	0
Sport and Recreation	1,180	37	124	161	989
Agricultural Services	42	0	46	46	283
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	258	0	41	41	252
Transport and Communications	3,576	340	232	572	3,513
Economic Affairs NEC	365	9	127	136	835
Other Purposes NEC	2,290	10	730	740	4,545
Total	9,756	1,756	7,552	9,308	57,168

Net Surplus/(Deficit) Resulting from Operations

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3. CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**3.1 Explanation of transition to Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS)**

The Council has adopted the AIFRS for the first time for the year ended 30 June 2006.

Impact of adopting AIFRS:

AASB 1 para. 39 (a)(b)(c)	At 30/6/06			At 30/6/05		
	Previous GAAP*	Adjustments	AIFRS	Previous GAAP*	Adjustments	AIFRS
Current assets	3,938,691		3,938,691	3,616,985		3,616,985
Non-current assets	53,451,011		53,451,011	53,550,677		53,550,677
Current liabilities	1,198,989		1,198,989	1,233,854		1,233,854
Non-current liabilities	2,006,297		2,006,297	2,383,576		2,383,576
Equity						
Accumulated Surplus	(6,791,035)		(6,791,035)	(7,967,467)		(7,967,467)
Asset Revaluation Reserve	59,331,130		59,331,130	59,331,130		59,331,130
Other Reserves	1,644,321		164,4321	2,186,569		2,186,569
Total Equity	54,184,415	0	54,184,416	53,550,233	0	53,550,233
Net Surplus/(Deficit) from Operations	634,183		634,183	(447,768)		(447,768)
Total Cash Flows	147,240		147,240	402,468		402,468

*GAAP = Generally Accepted Accounting Principals

The adoption of AIFRS has not resulted in any material adjustments to the Income Statement or Cash Flow Statement.

Balance Sheet adjustments have occurred as follows:

Other impacts of adopting AIFRS

- ⌘ The treatment of accounting policy changes is different under AIFRS. These now apply retrospectively except for specific exemptions in accordance with another standard. The resulting adjustments arising from events and transactions before the date of transition to AIFRS have been recognised directly in retained earnings at the date of transition to AIFRS.
- ⌘ The estimates applied by the Council under AIFRS are consistent with the estimates applied under previous Australian GAAP, after adjustments to reflect any differences in accounting policies.
- ⌘ The Council will apply AASB 1 para. 36A which provides exemption from the requirements to restate comparative information about financial instruments (ie application of AASB 132 and 139).

4. RATES

	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Rates - General	5,784,067	5,375,585
Rates – Sewerage	403,067	327,889
Rates – Kerbing	5,045	2,269
Rates – Aged Care Levy	89,123	89,777
	6,281,302	5,795,520

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5. OPERATING GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Grants were received in respect of the following:		
<u>Administration</u>		
Commission	1,249,317	1,352,924
<u>Public Order & Safety</u>	5,445	2,745
<u>Health</u>	2,880	0
<u>Social Security & Welfare</u>	1,075	0
<u>Sport & Recreation</u>		
Library Grants	24,847	37,217
National Estate Heritage Grant	5,000	0
Employment Grants (Training)	4,050	0
Demo CD Recording Grant	2,500	0
Tatiara Awards Hanging Workshop Grant	630	0
In the Bin Film Festival	1,154	0
<u>Transport & Communication</u>		
Employment Grants (Training)	0	10,625
Black Spot Funding	0	0
Road Maintenance	398,254	339,937
Median Strip Grant	12,474	0
Roads to Recovery	0	8,684
<u>Economic Affairs NEC</u>	15,600	0
<u>Other Purposes NEC</u>	7,200	10,000
TOTAL GRANT REVENUE	1,730,427	1,762,132
6. INVESTMENT INCOME	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Investment Income includes interest received from:		
LGFA	158,372	146,325
Other Public Sector Entities	0	0
Loans to Community Groups	19,634	24,414
Other	10,380	0
	188,386	170,739
7. GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Loss on Disposal of Non-current Assets		
<u>Buildings</u>		
Proceeds from sale of assets	0	610
Less: carrying amount of assets	0	(10,707)
Loss on sale of assets	0	(10,097)
TOTAL LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS	0	(10,097)

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NOTE

7. GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS.....(cont'd)

Gain on Disposal of Non-current Assets	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
<u>Land held for resale (not classified as "held for sale")</u>		
Proceeds from sale of assets	0	176,800
Less: carrying amount of assets	0	(151,670)
Gain on sale of assets	0	25,130
<u>Plant & Equipment</u>		
Proceeds from sale of assets	426,529	526,889
Less: carrying amount of assets	(251,634)	(515,276)
Gain on sale of assets	174,895	11,613
<u>TOTAL GAIN ON DISPOSAL OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS</u>	174,895	36,743

8. EMPLOYEE COSTS

	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Superannuation	171,118	175,928
Increase/(Decrease) in liability – Long Service Leave	(12,730)	2,540
Increase/(Decrease) in liability - Annual Leave	(15,050)	(16,779)
Increase/(Decrease) in liability – Leave on-costs Provision	(6,510)	(1,126)
Increase/(Decrease) in liability – Accrued Wages & Salaries	(16,980)	4,644
Wages & Salaries Paid	2,027,573	1,808,213
	2,147,421	1,973,420
<u>Wages and Salaries included in assets capitalised</u>		
Buildings	4,754	0
Infrastructure	227,621	205,712
Other Community Assets	195	0
	232,570	205,712
<u>TOTAL WAGES AND SALARIES</u>	2,379,991	2,179,132

9. CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Contractual services for the reporting period included:		
Auditor's remuneration		
Audit fees	12,000	11,172
Other services	14,465	20,364
	264,65	31,535

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10. DEPRECIATION EXPENSES	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
<u>Depreciation recorded for the reporting period:</u>		
Buildings	722,851	706,078
Infrastructure Assets	2,478,991	2,472,934
Investment Property	0	0
Plant and Equipment	333,601	306,360
Furniture and Fittings	65,517	72,653
Other Community Assets	23,986	63,221
	3,624,946	3,621,246
<u>LESS</u>		
Depreciation allocated to Capitalised Assets	0	0
Depreciation expense for the reporting period:	3,624,946	3,621,246
11. OTHER EXPENSES	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
<u>Other expenses for the reporting period included:</u>		
Advertising	22,373	60,604
Communications (phone, post etc)	56,169	38,878
Contributions & Donations	469,176	527,234
Councillors' emoluments	100,100	127,004
Insurance	200,167	233,753
Levies paid to Government		
Dog & Cat Management Board	2,141	2,061
CITB	8,749	6,716
Subscriptions	18,768	18,931
Travel & Accommodation	413	0
Other expenses	780,249	692,470
	1,658,305	1,707,320
12. CAPITAL GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
<u>Grants were received in respect of the following:</u>		
<u>Housing and Community Amenities</u>	0	18,000
<u>Sport and Recreation</u>	0	7,500
<u>Transport and Communications</u>		
Special Road Project Construction (Capital Grant)	131,243	192,500
Roads to Recovery	744,800	271,458
Bike Project	7,302	3,421
Special Projects	225,000	68,021
<u>Economic Affairs NEC</u>	0	95,725
TOTAL GRANT REVNUe	1,108,345	656,625

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13. RECEIVABLES	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Current		
Debtors – Rates	150,994	126,844
Debtors – Other	59,431	59,988
Other Receivables	118,931	69,092
LESS: Provision for Doubtful Debts	(8,101)	(8,101)
	321,254	247,823
Non-Current		
Loans to Community Organisations	340,361	305,243
	340,361	305,243
14. INVENTORY	2005/06	2005/04
	\$	\$
Current		
Quarry Stocks	384,582	283,294
Fuel and Lubricants	17,694	16,985
	402,276	300,279
Non-current		
General	0	0
	0	0
15. INVESTMENTS	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Current		
Other Investments	2,702,865	2,803,747
	2,702,865	2,803,747
Non-Current		
Other Investments	0	0
	0	0
Restrictions		
Unrestricted	2,702,865	2,803,747
Subject to external restrictions	0	0
	2,702,865	2,803,747
16. ASSETS CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Land	0	0
Buildings	0	0
Infrastructure	0	0
Equipment	0	0
Furniture and Fittings	0	0
	0	0

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17. <u>OTHER CURRENT ASSETS</u>	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Other	40,984	41,947
	40,984	41,947
18. <u>CREDITORS</u>	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
Current		
Interest Payable	28,595	35,622
Trade Creditors	261,173	232,502
Unclaimed Monies	10,777	10,230
Other	18,182	21,953
	318,727	300,307
Non-Current		
Accrued Expenses	0	0
Amounts Received in Advance	0	0
	0	0
19. <u>PROVISIONS</u>	2005/06	2005/04
	\$	\$
These provisions have been calculated using estimation techniques in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 119 "Employee Benefits".		
Current		
Long Service Leave	35,811	34,020
Annual Eave	239,194	224,144
Accrued Wages	83,550	66,570
Leave Oncost Provision	34,624	30,655
	393,179	355,389
Non-Current		
Long Service Leave	218,759	207,820
Leave Oncost Provision	22,159	19,618
	240,918	227,438
<u>TOTAL EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENT LIABILITY</u>	634,097	582,828

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20. <u>LOAN FACILITIES</u>	2005/06	2004/05
Current	\$	\$
LGFA	487,083	578,157
Other	0	0
	487,083	578,157
 Non-Current		
LGFA	1,734,304	2,127,907
Other	0	0
	1,734,304	2,127,907
 Total facilities in use at reporting date	2,221,387	2,706,064
 Unused Loan Facilities at reporting date	1,979,257	25,000
 Self Servicing loans borrowed on behalf of other organisations	383,403	344,907
 21. <u>OTHER LIABILITIES</u>	2005/06	2005/04
Current	\$	\$
Aged Hostel	0	0
	0	0
 Non-Current		
Aged Hostel	0	0
Other	31,075	28,231
	31,075	28,231
 22. <u>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</u>	2005/06	2005/04
a) Amounts recorded in the Statement of Financial Position	\$	\$
<u>Land</u>		
Land held for Resale		
at Fair Value	0	0
at Valuation	0	947,074
Council Land		
at Fair Value	93,087	0
at Valuation	6,176,352	5,229,278
	6,269,439	6,176,352
<u>Buildings</u>		
at Fair Value	858,771	413,284
at Valuation	13,086,400	13,086,400
less Accumulated Depreciation	(1,428,070)	(705,515)
	12,517,101	12,794,169

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22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT.....(cont'd)	2005/06	2004/05
Infrastructure Assets	\$	\$
<u>Roads</u>		
at Fair Value	49,849,684	48,227,604
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(23,693,907)</u>	<u>(21,442,203)</u>
	<u>26,155,777</u>	<u>26,785,401</u>
<u>Bridges</u>		
at Fair Value	194,571	194,572
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(20,025)</u>	<u>(17,593)</u>
	<u>174,546</u>	<u>176,979</u>
<u>Footways</u>		
at Fair Value	1,262,939	1,168,200
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(201,478)</u>	<u>(169,925)</u>
	<u>1,061,461</u>	<u>998,275</u>
<u>Sewerage – Effluent Drainage</u>		
at Fair Value	4,543,386	4,540,397
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(3,105,256)</u>	<u>(3,019,911)</u>
	<u>1,438,130</u>	<u>1,520,183</u>
<u>Stormwater Drainage</u>		
at Fair Value	2,123,739	1,742,694
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(601,346)</u>	<u>(567,816)</u>
	<u>1,522,393</u>	<u>1,174,878</u>
<u>Other Structures</u>		
at Fair Value	1,922,294	1,817,577
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(514,983)</u>	<u>(440,561)</u>
	<u>1,407,311</u>	<u>1,377,016</u>
Total Infrastructure Assets	<u>31,759,618</u>	<u>32,033,032</u>
<u>Plant & Equipment</u>		
at Fair Value	4,279,251	3,967,479
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(2,062,734)</u>	<u>(2,130,570)</u>
	<u>2,216,517</u>	<u>1,836,909</u>
<u>Furniture and Fittings</u>		
at Fair Value	924,418	906,513
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(638,666)</u>	<u>(573,149)</u>
	<u>285,752</u>	<u>333,364</u>
<u>Bridges</u>		
at Fair Value	473,132	458,532
at Valuation	0	0
less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(410,909)</u>	<u>(386,924)</u>
	<u>62,223</u>	<u>71,608</u>
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	<u>53,110,649</u>	<u>53,245,434</u>

b) Impairment

There was no indications of impairment of property, plant and equipment or infrastructure assets at 30 June 2006

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22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT.....(cont'd)
c) Movements in Carrying Amounts

	Land & Land for Resale	Buildings	Infrastructure	Plant & Equipment	Furniture & Fittings	Other	Total
Balance at beginning of year	6,176,352	12,794,169	32,033,032	1,836,909	333,364	71,608	53,245,434
Additions	93,087	445,783	2,205,577	964,843	17,905	14,600	3,741,795
Disposals	0	0	0	(251,634)	0	0	(251,634)
Depreciation		(722,851)	(2,478,991)	(333,601)	(65,517)	(23,986)	(3,624,946)
Revaluations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Movements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carrying amount at end of year	6,269,439	12,517,101	31,759,618	2,216,517	285,752	62,223	53,110,649

23. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

a) Amounts recorded in the Statement of Financial Position

Investment Property

at Fair Value

at Valuation

less Accumulated Depreciation

2005/06

\$

2004/05

\$

0

0

0

0

0

0

0

0

b) Impairment

There was no indications of impairment of Investment Property assets at 30 June 2006.

	Investment Property	Total
Balance at beginning of year	0	0
Additions	0	0
Disposals	0	0
Depreciation	0	0
Revaluations	0	0
Other Movements	0	0
Carrying amount at end of year	0	0

24. RECONCILIATION OF CASH

2005/06

\$

2004/05

\$

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows Council considers cash to include cash on hand and in short term investment accounts. Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

Cash on hand	870	870
Cash at Bank	470,442	222,319
Short-term Investment Accounts	2,702,865	2,803,747
Less: Bank Overdraft	0	0
	3,174,176	3,026,936

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25. <u>RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS:</u>	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS	634,183	(447,768)
Depreciation	3,624,946	3,621,246
Increase/(Decrease) in Employee Entitlements	51,269	(10,721)
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	18,420	(56,077)
Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities	2,844	613
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	(59,690)	23,770
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventory	(101,997)	43,223
(Increase)/Decrease in Other Current Assets	963	(12,862)
Gain on Disposal of Assets	(174,895)	(36,743)
Loss on Disposal of Assets	0	10,097
Loss on Revaluation	0	0
Capital Revenues and Contributions	(1,108,345)	(656,625)
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2,887,699	2,478,152
26. <u>OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS</u>	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
At the reporting date, Council had the following obligations under non-cancellable operating lease (these obligations are not recognised as liabilities)		
Payable:		
Not later than one year	0	0
Later than one year but not later than five years	0	0
Later than five years	0	0
	0	0
The amount of GST included in these commitments is:	0	0
27. <u>CAPITAL COMMITMENTS</u>	2005/06	2004/05
	\$	\$
At the reporting date, Council had the following capital expenditure commitments:		
Payable:		
Not later than one year	0	112,778
Later than one year but not later than two years	0	0
Later than two years but not later than five years	0	0
Later than five years	0	0
	0	112,778
The amount of GST included in these commitments is:	0	0
28. <u>BORROWING COSTS</u>		
Interest expense is a borrowing cost and an amount of \$177,509 has been expensed during the year. Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset. All other borrowing costs are expensed.		
No interest costs have been capitalised as there where no qualifying assets.		
29. <u>CONTINGENT LIABILITIES</u>		
None		
30. <u>EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE</u>		
None		

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NOTE

31. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**a) Credit Risk Exposures**

The credit risk on financial assets recognised on the Statement of Financial Position of Council is generally the carrying amount net of any provision for loss.

At balance date financial assets exposed to credit risk are:

	2005/06 \$	2004/05 \$
Loans to Community Organisations	383,403	334,543
Other Receivables	278,213	218,524
	661,616	553,067

b) Interest Rate Risk Exposure

The Council's exposure to interest rate risk and the effective weighted average interest rate for each class of financial asset and financial liability is set out below.

Exposures arise predominantly from assets and liabilities bearing variable interest rates as the Council intends to hold fixed rate assets and liabilities to maturity.

	2005/06					Total
	Floating Interest Rate	Fixed Interest Maturing in:			Non Interest Bearing	
		1 year or less	Over 1 to 5 years	More than 5 years		
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets						
Cash	470,442	0	0	0	870	471,312
Investments	2,702,865	0	0	0	0	2,702,865
Loans Receivable	(0)	43,041	179,741	160,621	0	383,403
Other Receivables	0	0	0	0	278,213	278,213
Total Financial Assets	3,173,306	43,041	179,741	160,621	279,083	3,835,792
Weighted Ave Interest Rate	5.50%	6.20%	6.35%	6.51%		
Financial Liabilities						
Bank Overdraft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Creditors	0	0	0	0	318,727	318,727
Loans Payable	(0)	487,083	1,425,345	308,959	0	2,221,387
Other Liabilities	31,075	0	0	0	0	31,075
Total Financial Liabilities	31,075	487,083	1,425,345	308,959	318,727	2,571,188
Weighted Ave Interest Rate	6.35%	6.35%	6.51%	6.40%		
Net Financial Assets (Liabilities)	3,142,231	(444,042)	(1,245,604)	(148,338)	(39,644)	1,264,604

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

NOTE

31. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS.....(cont'd)

b) Interest Rate Risk Exposure.....(cont'd)

	2004/05					
	Floating Interest Rate	Fixed Interest Maturing in:			Non Interest Bearing	Total
		1 year or less	Over 1 to 5 years	More than 5 years		
Financial Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash	222,319	0	0	0	870	223,189
Investments	2,803,747	0	0	0	0	2,803,747
Loans Receivable		29,298	125,079	180,165	0	334,542
Other Receivables	0	0	0	0	218,524	218,524
Total Financial Assets	3,026,066	29,298	125,079	180,165	219,394	3,580,002
Weighted Ave Interest Rate	5.25%	6.20%	6.60%	6.70%		
Financial Liabilities						
Bank Overdraft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Creditors	0	0	0	0	300,307	300,307
Loans Payable	329,549	248,608	930,828	1,197,079	0	2,706,063
Other Liabilities	28,231	0	0	0	0	28,231
Total Financial Liabilities	357,780	248,608	930,828	1,197,079	300,307	3,034,602
Weighted Ave Interest Rate	6.30%	6.60%	6.78%	6.27%		
Net Financial Assets (Liabilities)	2,668,286	(219,310)	(805,748)	(1,016,914)	(80,913)	545,400

c) Reconciliation of Net Financial Assets to Net Assets

	2005/06 \$	2004/05 \$
Net Financial Assets (Liabilities) at 30 June:	1,264,604	545,400
Non Financial Assets & Liabilities -		
Inventory	402,276	300,279
Other Current Assets	40,984	41,947
Property, Plant and Equipment	53,110,649	53,245,434
Employee Entitlements	(634,097)	(582,828)
Net Assets per Statement of Financial Position	54,184,416	53,550,233

d) Net Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

The net fair value of cash and cash equivalents and non-interest bearing monetary financial assets approximates their carrying value.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

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32. COMPARISON BUDGET TO ACTUAL REVENUES AND EXPENSES

Explanations are provided where there are material variance between budget and actual costs for the following revenue and expense items:

<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>	<u>Budget</u> \$'000	<u>Actual</u> \$'000	<u>Variance</u> \$'000 Fav/(unfav)	<u>Note</u>
Administration	7,232	7,604	372	(a)
Public Order and Safety	15	28	13	
Health	13	11	(2)	
Social Security and Welfare	1	8	7	
Housing and Community Amenities	554	472	(82)	(b)
Protection of the Environment NEC	0	0	0	
Sport and Recreation	124	196	72	(c)
Agricultural Services	3	46	43	
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	40	45	5	
Transport and Communications	795	1,242	447	(d)
Economic Affairs NEC	117	60	(57)	(e)
Other Purposes NEC	716	758	42	
	9,610	10,470	860	
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>Budget</u> \$'000	<u>Actual</u> \$'000	<u>Variance</u> \$'000 Fav/(unfav)	
Administration	373	674	(301)	(f)
Public Order and Safety	160	165	(5)	
Health	62	48	14	
Social Security and Welfare	225	214	11	
Housing and Community Amenities	1,162	1,169	(7)	
Protection of the Environment NEC	0	1	(1)	
Sport and Recreation	1,194	1,191	3	
Agricultural Services	38	97	(59)	(g)
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	448	2	446	(h)
Transport and Communications	1,394	3,630	(2,236)	(i)
Economic Affairs NEC	480	381	99	(j)
Other Purposes NEC	1,470	2,264	(794)	(k)
	7,006	9,836	(2,830)	
Net Surplus/(Deficit) from Operations	2,604	634	(1,970)	

Notes

- (a) Gain on Disposal of Assets of approximately 170k was unbudgeted
(b) Budgeted for Sal of Land Binnie Street which did not go ahead
(c) Unbudgeted DOTARS Grant
(d) Unbudgeted Roads to Recovery monies
(e) \$50,000 budgeted for Bennett Street subdivision but no actual
(f) Budgeted figure includes proceeds from sale of assets which is reflected in capital rather than operating. Depreciation was also unbudgeted
(g) Budgeted figure includes proceeds from sale of assets and loan proceeds, these are reflected in capital rather than operating
(h) Budgeted for Quarry Operations which has been transferred to Balance Sheet
(i) Depreciation of \$2,285,234 unbudgeted
(j) \$50,000 budgeted for Bennett Street subdivision but no actual
(k) Budgeted figure includes proceeds from sale of assets and loan proceeds, these are reflected in capital rather than operating. Depreciation was also unbudgeted

Independent Audit Report FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2006

Scope

We have audited the financial report of the District Council of Tatiara for the year ended 30 June 2006 as set out on pages 41 to 62 of this report.

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report and the information contained therein. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial statements in order to express an opinion on it.

The audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The procedures included an examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates.

These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the Local Government Act 1999, so as to present a view of council which is consistent with our understanding of its financial position, and performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of the District Council of Tatiara is properly drawn up:

- (a) So as to give a true and fair view of:
 - (i) The Council's state of affairs as at 30 June 2006 and its operating result and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) The other matters required by Division IV of the Local Government Act 1999 to be dealt with in the accounts;
- (b) In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999; and
- (c) In accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

GALPIN, ENGLER, BRUINS & DEMPSEY
Accountants, Auditors and Business Consultants



LJ GALPIN
Partner

Dated the 20th Day of October 2006
233 Commercial Street West, Mount Gambier SA 5290



South East Local Government Association (SELGA) Report

FOCAL POINTS:

- Presidents Report
- Chief Executive's Report
- Recreation & Sport Field Officer's Highlights for 2005/06
- Annual Business Plan for 2006/07
- Financial Statements

President's Report 2006

The past twelve months has been a busy period in Local Government and that is reflected in the activities of the South East Local Government Association. Waste Management, Natural Resource Management and Transport issues seem to have dominated the agenda, but there have been numerous other issues which SELGA has addressed and all sub committees have been active in advancing their respective issues and/or projects.

Having made final recommendations and developing an action plan SELGA's Waste Management Committee has steadily advanced the Regional Waste Management Plan to the point where councils can now begin implementation of initial stages of the plan. No council will be immune from the effects of EPA requirements so it is important that we look together where possible to achieve the best outcomes we can for our communities.

The establishment of the South East Freight Logistics Task Force was a win for the SELGA in combining Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure's skill and resources with local knowledge to analyse all of the available information regarding current and future projected freight requirements in and though our region. The work of the task force - which comprised Mayor Don Pegler (SELGA), Cr Frank Boylan (SELGA), Mark Elford (DTEI), Rob Jenkins (DTEI), Andy Milazzo (DTEI), and Grant King (LCRDB) - is largely complete with the document and recommendations set for public release at the August 2006 SELGA General Meeting. This document will be vital in setting the direction for investment in transport infrastructure in our region.

Local government responded to a year of high road fatalities in the South East by moving to support the existing community Road Safety Committees. Discussions as to the type of support are ongoing between SELGA, the local Road Safety Groups and the Office for Road Safety with the potential of partnering with the State Government to employ a Road Safety Officer within the region to work with the existing groups and co-ordinate road safety initiatives.

The continuation of the Regional Sport and Recreation Officer and associated activities has been supported by all of SELGA's member councils. This is the first time that all councils have contributed to this partnership with the South Australian Government and signals confidence in the value of this initiative.

Other projects advanced during the year past which the SELGA has managed, supported or facilitated include Recruit and Retain a Doc with the Limestone Coast Division of General Practice, Regional Broadband Aggregation, the Pilot Regional Environmental Health Service Delivery Model, and ongoing funding of Limestone Coast Tourism and the Limestone Coast Regional Development Board.

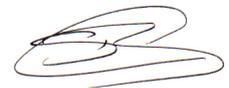
These, and other collaborative and resource sharing initiatives undertaken through the South East Local Government Association over the past twelve months, have in general benefited the region and its communities.

On a sad note we saw the passing of Past President of SELGA and the Local Government Association of South Australia, Cr. John Legoe. John will be remembered by all who knew him as a passionate and enthusiastic local

government leader but more over a well liked bloke who always had a joke or a good yarn to tell. Fittingly the LGA has established an annual award in honor of John's memory.

The past year has provided a number of challenges for the South East Local Government Association and members can be well satisfied with efforts and achievements in this period. Thanks must go to sub committee Presiding Members Mayor Don Pegler (Roads and Transport), Cr. Simon Cox (Telecommunications) and Cr. Liz Tavers (Waste Management) and I acknowledge the professionalism and commitment of SELGA Executive Officer Ron Ellis.

SELGA's strength lies with continued good will and strong, effective working relationships between staff and elected members of the region's councils. The SELGA has continued to provide an effective mechanism for lobbying, advocacy and service delivery on a regional basis for member councils. With this support and sound financial position the Association can look forward to a productive time ahead.



Mayor Steve PERRYMAN
President
South East Local Government Association

Executive Officer's Report

Financial

The Audited Financial Statements show that the South East Local Government Association continues to be in a sound financial position.

SELGA achieved an increased operating surplus of \$18,622 for the twelve months to 30th June 2006, up on the \$2,639 a year ago. The surplus is mostly attributable to an increase in interest earned (\$20,451).

The surplus has been achieved after absorbing some unfunded costs (\$4,274) in the Recruit and Retain a Doc project, and paying significantly more for fuel and car rental.

Prudent financial management is continuing, resulting in a further reduction in levies on Councils for the coming year. The total levies estimated for 2006-2007 is \$474,072, down from \$483,838 a year earlier.

This position has been influenced by the cessation of payments to the Local Government Financing Authority for loan repayments (saving \$21,147), the funding of a new project on road safety (added \$10,000), and some small general cost increases.

For comparison, the levies raised from Councils in the previous three years 2002-2003 to 2004-2005 were \$484 554, \$509 568, \$488 741, respectively.

Management of Greater Green Triangle Region Association Inc

The SELGA Executive Officer has continued to manage the financial and legal affairs of the GGTRA during 2005-2006.

The GGTRA has been in dispute with the Federal Department of Communication, Information Technology and the Arts (DCITA) over a claim of debt by the Department, dated 21 March 2003, for an amount deemed to be either unspent, or spent in a manner outside the terms of Grant Deeds established under the Networking the Nation Program.

The amount claimed by the Department was \$123,422.67. GGTRA argued that most of this amount was attributable to project management costs incurred by, and paid to, the GGTRA for managing the Networking the Nation Projects.

On 11 May 2006, the GGTRA was notified that DCITA had decided to 'write off' the outstanding amount under Section 47 of the Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997.

This accounting action is a significant development for the GGTRA, but it is qualified. The Department reserves its right to recover the debt should it become aware of new information or should the GGTRA's financial circumstances change.

The GGTRA Board has met to consider the future for the organisation. The SELGA Executive Officer is preparing a discussion paper on the future of the organisation for consideration by Local Governments in both the SE of South Australia and SW Victoria.

South East Freight Transport Plan

SELGA's involvement in the development of the regional Freight Transport Plan has been a stand-out achievement during 2005-2006.

The Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure agreed to the formation of the SE Freight Logistics Taskforce following a meeting with SELGA in August 2005. The Taskforce members included Mayor D Pegler (DC Grant), Cr F Boylan (DC Robe) and Mr G King (LCRDB). Executive support was provided by the SELGA Executive Officer.

The Taskforce met on six occasions and submitted a final report to Minister Conlon in June 2006. The Minister has endorsed the plan.

The challenge ahead for SELGA is to forge partnerships with DTEI and the Commonwealth DoTARS so that the plan is implemented in accordance with the documented timetable.

SELGA Sub-Committees and Working Groups

SELGA maintains nine sub-Committees, namely:

- (i) Building Fire Safety Committee
- (ii) Coastal Management Committee
- (iii) Planning Committee
- (iv) Recreation and Sports Steering Committee
- (v) Roads and Transport Working Group
- (vi) Tourism Committee

- (vii) Telecommunications Committee
- (viii) Waste Management Committee
- (ix) Youth Week Committee

SELGA has completed an active year through sub-committees. Some notable achievements have been:

- SELGA Councils received \$793,000 in Special Local Roads Funding in 2005-2006, down from the \$1.13 million in 2004-2005.
- Assisted Councils submissions totalling \$1.3 million on regional priority roads projects for funding under the Special Local Roads Grants.
- Under the leadership of Tom O'Connor and assisted by Deb Agnew, completed a successful Recreation and Sports program covering the whole southeast region. The fact that all seven Constituent Councils will be supporting this program in 2006-2007 is an indication of a solid endorsement of this initiative. Tom's report on highlights for the year is attached.
- Waste Management Committee has completed a Waste Management Action Plan for the region following a successful facilitated workshop conducted in February 2006.
- Conducted a successful public campaign to aggregate demand for broadband across the SE region. More than 800 registrations are being held on the SELGA Broadband Project database.
- Under the leadership of Craig Muchamore, assisted the conduct of several successful Youth Week events at the City of Mount Gambier, Port MacDonnell, Millicent and Robe. Craig's report was received at the June 2006 meeting of SELGA.
- Negotiated renewal of contracts and implementation of services on behalf of Members, including:
 - (i) Consultancy to evaluate Councils' applications for Special Local Roads Grants
 - (ii) Employment of Regional Youth Week Coordinator
 - (iii) Collaborated with the South East Region Community Health Service to assist training of health staff within the SE Suicide Prevention and Intervention Strategy.
 - (iv) Negotiated \$20,000 contract with Broadband Development Fund (DFEEST) to assist SELGA seek Expressions of Interest in supply of regional broadband service (currently running)
 - (v) Assisted Coastal Management Committee to negotiate new contract with Envirofund Australia on South East Coast (Limestone Coast) Protection and Education Project worth \$34,800.

Other Achievements

- SELGA staff have provided executive support (agendas, minutes, etc.) to meetings of the SELGA Board, Building Fire Safety Committee, Roads and Transport Working Group, Recreation and Sports Steering Committee, South East Coastal Management Group,

Telecommunications Committee, Waste Management Committee and Youth Week Steering Committee.

- The President, Members, Executive Officer and the Recreation and Sports Coordinator presented SELGA's views on a wide variety of policy issues to State Agencies and Local Government meetings, including, roads and transport, waste reform, tourism marketing, natural resources management, recreation and sports development, telecommunications services, and aboriginal and community health.
- Engaged local Road Safety Groups and the State Government in an attempt to boost the road safety campaign and secure commitment from the State for the appointment of a Road Safety Officer in the region.
- SELGA has presented and published the paper: "Regional Waste Management Plans", LGA State Conference, Adelaide, October 2005
- Written submissions to the Commonwealth and State Governments and to the LGA on key policy issues, including:
 - (i) SELGA Councils submissions for funding under the Regional Strategic Component of Auslink
 - (ii) Zero Waste SA Board on regional waste reforms and the need for funding for Regional Waste Programs
 - (iii) Letters to Federal and State Ministers and Agencies expressing SELGA's views

Acknowledgements

The effectiveness of SELGA as an instrument of Local Government is founded on the strong working relationships between Councils and SELGA staff. I warmly acknowledge the continued support of Members to SELGA, particularly the President, Mayor Steve Perryman, and the Chairpersons of committees that were active during the year, Mayor Don Pegler (Roads and Transport), Cr Liz Travers (Waste Management), Cr Simon Cox (Telecommunications), Cr Tom Megaw (Building Fire Safety), Mr Leith McEvoy (SE Coastal Management) and Council Chief Executive Officers (Recreation and Sport).

I also warmly acknowledge the achievements and skilled commitment of the SELGA staff, Mr Tom O'Connor, Ms Deb Agnew, Mr Jacob Nicholson and Mr Craig Muchamore, and the wonderful support provided by staff of the Limestone Coast Regional Development Board.

Ron ELLIS
Executive Officer
South East Local Government Association

Recreation & Sport Field Officer's Highlights for 2005/06

Sport Networks

- Mount Gambier Sports Network
- Naracoorte Sports Centre
- Kingston Sports Network

- Bordertown Sports Network
- Millicent Sport Network
- Proposed Penola Sports Network

Training & Development

- Seeking & Servicing Sponsors
- Recruiting & retaining Volunteers
- Inclusive Disability Showcase
- Assisted Food Safety awareness – food handling training
- Physical Activity for Young People

Resources

- Risk Management Manual
- ASC Club Development Network
- Keeping Sport fun and safe
- Play by the rules
- Beating the Heat
- Child Protection

Programs & Committee Support

- Good Sports Program
- Active After School Care Community Sport Program
- Naracoorte Fun Run
- Limestone Coast Volunteer Network
- Active Schools Network
- South East Multicultural Network Assistance
- Youth Week
- Council for aging – Promotion of exercise accreditation
- South East Rowing Club
- Walking trails in Naracoorte and Wattle Range Councils
- Proposed Umpires Academy
- TAFE Fitness Short Courses

Initiatives

- Scottish Commonwealth Games Team Visit
- Wheelchair Sports Spinal Injury Awareness
- Volunteers Day Recognition
- Sport Libraries
- Sport SE Web Site

Office for Recreation & Sport Support

- Regional Association Relationships with State Sporting Associations – Disaffiliation Policy
- Review of State Recreation & Sport Field Officers Position
- State Strategic Plan
- Port Lincoln State Field Officers meeting

Grants

Community Recreation & Sport Facilities, Active Club Program, Move It, State Wide Enhancement Program (StEP), Volunteer Equipment Grants, Women in Sport Grants, Country Athlete Scheme and Community Water Grants:

- Basketball Mount Gambier Incorporated
- Beachport Bowls Club Inc
- Beachport Pony Club Inc
- Kingston Sporting Clays
- Kybybolite Netball Club
- Lucindale Bowling Club
- Millicent 8 Ball Association
- Mount Gambier Baseball Association - Masters

- Mount Gambier Bocce Club
- Mount Gambier Bowls Club Inc
- Mt Burr Football Club
- Naracoorte Dancing Club
- Naracoorte Hockey Club
- Penola Netball Club
- Port MacDonnell Football Club
- Port MacDonnell Netball Club
- Robe Football Club
- Robe Skate Board Group – 3B Club
- Veteran and Vintage Car Club
- West Gambier Football Club

Future and Current Programs I'm working on

- SportFest – Sport Conference for Schools
- Healthy Eating Football Clubs
- Millicent Sports Network
- Sports Trainer Training
- Penola Sports Network

Tom O'CONNOR
Recreation & Sport Field Officer
South East Local Government Association



Annual Program/Business Plan For The Year Ending 30th June 2007

Introduction

The principle roles and responsibilities of the South East Local Government Association, as stated in the Association's Strategic Management Plan 2002-2005, are:

1. Represent and act in the best interests of Member Councils through presenting a progressive, strong and united voice to key organisations, groups, governments and Cabinet Ministers etc. on matters Member Councils perceived to be of regional significance.
2. Explore opportunities to engage in activities that provide administrative and other efficiencies for Member Councils.
3. To serve and respond to the needs and aspirations of the Member Councils.
4. To maintain relationships and on-going liaison with LGA, ALGA and other linked regional associations.
5. To develop and maintain the financial and economic well being of the region, and for such purposes undertaken any venture which in the opinion of SELGA is

necessary, desirable or convenient for its Member Councils.

6. Maintain and keep under review a core business plan for the activities of SELGA.

Business Plan for 2006-2007

SELGA will engage the following suite of activities during 2005-2006:

1. **Support sub-committees and working parties** established by the Board, including:
 - SELGA - Building Fire Safety Committee
 - SELGA - Planning Committee
 - SELGA - Roads and Transport Working Group
 - SELGA - South East Coastal Management Group
 - SELGA - South East Recreation and Sports Steering Committee
 - SELGA - Telecommunications Working Group
 - SELGA - Tourism Committee
 - SELGA - Waste Management Committee
 - SELGA - Youth Week 2006 Steering Committee
2. Be represented on, or nominate persons to act on, key **Local Government and regional Boards and Committees**, including, but not limited to:
 - State Executive of the LGA
 - SAROC
 - Limestone Coast Regional Development Board
 - Limestone Coast Tourism
 - Limestone Coast Area Consultative Committee
 - South East Resource Information Centre
 - South East Natural Resource Management Board
 - South East Water Conservation and Drainage Board
 - SE Country Arts Trust – Riddoch Art Gallery Board
 - SE Regional Bushfire Prevention Committee
 - SE Regional Disaster Committee
 - SE Relief Trust
 - SE Country Arts Trust
 - Group Training Employment
 - SE Education and Training Association
3. By 30 June 2007, **negotiate new contracts** and ventures authorised by the Board, including:
 - Agreement with the SA Tourism Commission on the funding agreement for **Limestone Coast Tourism, to be implemented in 2007-2008**
 - Agreement with the Minister for Local Government on a resource agreement for the **Limestone Coast Regional Development Board, to be implemented in 2007-2008**
 - A funding agreement with the Office for Youth for **Youth Week 2007**
 - An agreement with the **Minister for Road Safety** on the **SE Road Safety Project, a state-wide pilot to be implemented in the current year.**
 - A funding agreement with the Minister for Science and Information Economy for the establishment of a region-wide broadband service in the southeast.
4. **Administer existing contracts** and ventures established by the Board, including:

- Limestone Coast Regional Development Board Resource Agreement
 - Limestone Coast Tourism Resource Agreement
 - Limestone Coast Division of General Practice "Recruit and Retain a Doc"
 - South East Resource Information Centre Resource Agreement
 - South East Heritage Advisory Service
 - South East Coast (Limestone Coast) Access Management
 - South East Coast (Limestone Coast) Protection and Education
 - SE Regional Recreation and Sports Program
 - South East Broadband Project
 - South East Waste Management Action Plan
5. In line with the **SELGA Strategic Management Plan 2002-2005**, undertake negotiations and investigations required by the Board and its working groups on new strategic issues.

There remains a strong need to focus on and consolidate gains in two key areas of activity for SELGA and Councils, namely:

- (i) **regional roads and transport**, leading the SE push for **Federal and State funding** to implement the SE Regional Freight Transport Plan, and fostering cooperation with Shires in the SW of Victoria and consolidating the relationships with the State DTEI
- (ii) **regional waste management reform** by assisting Councils with planning waste transfer stations and rationalisation of regional landfill systems.

It is also intended to continue to focus SELGA activities, in collaboration with Councils and other stakeholders, on the following:

- Review the classification of the **Regional Local Roads Network** and prepare applications for **Special Local Roads Grants for 2007-2008**
 - By June 2007, bring to fruition the SE Broadband Project with the roll-out of a region-wide broadband service
 - By October 2006, provide a recommendation report to the Board on **a regional road safety agreement with the Minister for Road Safety**.
 - Negotiate with **Zero Waste SA** for funding and implementation of the **Regional Implementation Program**, including the involvement of private sector stakeholders, having regard to SELGA Councils individual **waste management priorities**.
6. Without diminishing the effectiveness of the SELGA Board or any of its sub-Committees, it is proposed to undertake the following significant activities in 2006-2007:
- In conjunction with the October meeting, **undertake a Board Review of SELGA's Strategic Directions**. The review should lay the foundation for SELGA's activities and plans for the three-year period from July 2007 to June 2009
 - Assist Councils in bolstering **Seniors' Week** activities through agreement with the Country Health SA/SE Regional Community Health Service

- Attend and address the Local Government Managers Association (SA Division) Leadership Course in September 2006
- If appropriate, implement a collaborative projects with Councils related to the formation of a regional **Audit Committee(s)** and **regional Development Assessment Panel(s)**.

7. **Act as an advocate** and voice the interests of the Board and Member Councils at regional and statewide forums. Provide comments to the LGA, State and Commonwealth Governments on major policy issues of concern to the Board and Member Councils.
8. **Strengthen and unify communications** with Local Government officers in the region, the LGA, Government Agencies and the community generally, so as to enhance the credibility and reputation of SELGA as an arm of Local Government.

Ron ELLIS
Executive Officer
South East Local Government Association



Independent Audit Report

Scope

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report comprising the Profit & Loss Statement, Balance Sheet and notes of South East Local Government Association Inc. for the year ended 30th June 2006. The Committee is responsible for the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the requirements of the entities constitution and meet the needs of the Committee. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial report has been prepared for the distribution to the Committee for the purpose of fulfilling the Committee's requirements. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the Committee, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial report and the evaluation of significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described in note one and the accrual basis of accounting. These policies do not require the application of all Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements. The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the accounting policies described above the financial position of South East Local Government Association Inc. as at 30th June 2006 and the results of its operations for the year then ended. We have obtained all the information and explanations we required from the association.

GALPIN, ENGLER, BRUINS & DEMPSEY
Accountants, Auditors and Business Consultants



LJ GALPIN
Partner

Dated the 19th Day of July 2006
233 Commercial Street West, Mount Gambier SA 5290

Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

AS AT JUNE 2006	\$	\$	\$
Assets			
General Cheque Account		84,090.41	
Express Saver Account		312,247.38	
Trade Debtors		14,080.00	
TOTAL ASSETS			410,417.79
Liabilities			
GST Liabilities			
GST Collected	1,280.00		
GST Control Account	3,484.29		
Total GST Liabilities		4,764.29	
Payroll Liabilities			
PAYG Payable	3,404.00		
WorkCover Payable	-31.95		
Accrued Annual Leave	2,515.43		
Total Payroll Liabilities		5,887.48	
Unspent Grant Funds		328,622.30	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			339,279.07
Net Assets			71,138.72
Equity			
Retained Earnings		52,515.74	
Current Earnings		18,622.98	
TOTAL EQUITY			71,138.72

Profit & Loss Statement**JULY 2005 THROUGH JUNE 2006**

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INCOMESUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS

City of Mount Gambier	26,385.00
District Council of Grant	13,812.00
Kingston District Council	6,661.00
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	15,581.00
District Council of Robe	5,953.00
District Council of Tatiara	13,156.00
Wattle Range Council	22,534.00

<u>Total SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS</u>	<u>104,082.00</u>
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CONTRIBUTIONS

LCRDB	72,000.00
Limestone Coast Tourism	185,000.00
SAROC	2,000.00
IT & T Loan Repayments	21,147.00
SE Resource Info Centre	29,995.00
Youth Week	26,110.83

<u>Total CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	<u>336,252.83</u>
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PROJECTS

Waste management-Reg. Strat.	240.91
Roads & Transport	6,400.00
Regional Rec & Sports	78,995.26
Zero Waste – Green Waste	124.55
Broadband Project	6,525.43
SE Regional Health Partnership	45,890.00
Heritage Services	51,800.00
SE Coast (LC) Access M/ment	7,502.15
Coast & Marine Support	58,154.51
LCD Gen Practice GP Program	15,726.00
Broadband Project Stage 2	101.82

<u>Total PROJECTS</u>	<u>271,460.63</u>
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OTHER INCOME

Interest	20,451.47
Miscellaneous	274.20

<u>Total OTHER INCOME</u>	<u>27,725.67</u>
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Total INCOME**732,521.13****EXPENSES**EXEC OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSESExecutive Officer Salary Costs

Salary	56,887.92
Superannuation	5,298.72
Workcover	647.98
Fringe Benefits Tax	931.25
<u>Total Executive Officer Salary Costs</u>	<u>63,765.87</u>

Vehicle & Travel Costs

Vehicle Lease	8,649.43
Fuel Costs	4,658.97
Travel & Accommodation	601.27
<u>Total Vehicle & Travel Costs</u>	<u>13,909.67</u>

Office Expenses

Printing & Stationery	446.18
Postage	45.45
Audit Fees	640.00
Bank Fees	506.04
Insurance	864.99
Seminars/Workshops	1,974.09
Sponsorship	500.00
Miscellaneous	939.36
Meeting Expenses	3,173.92
Executive Expenses	2,612.69

Profit & Loss Statement.....(Cont'd)**JULY 2005 THROUGH JUNE 2006**

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EXPENSES.....(cont'd)Office Expenses.....(cont'd)

President Allowances	9,000.00
Telephone	3,119.00
Computing & IT	744.64
<u>Total Office Expenses</u>	<u>24,566.36</u>

<u>Total EXECUTIVE OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES</u>	<u>102,241.90</u>
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CONTRIBUTIONS

LCRDB (LCRDB, SELGA, LCT)	71,666.66
Limestone Coast Tourism	185,000.00
SE Resource Info Centre	30,000.00
IT & T Loan Repayment	21,148.43
Youth Week 2006	25,695.60
<u>Total CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	<u>333,510.69</u>

PROJECTS

Waste Management-Reg. Strat.	240.91
Heritage Services	51,800.00
Roads & Transport	6,400.00
Zero Waste – Green Waste	124.55
Resource Recovery & Landfills	104.55
Broadband Project	8,831.81
SE Regional Health Partnership	45,890.00
SE Coast (LC) Access M/ment	7,502.15
Coast & Marine Support	58,154.51
LCD Gen Practice GP Program	20,000.00
Broadband Project Stage 2	101.82
<u>Total PROJECTS</u>	<u>199,150.30</u>

REGIONAL REC & SPORT CO-ORD

Salary	48,103.74
Salary Costs	3,444.23
Telephone	1,615.46
Postage/Printing//Stationery	944.03
Vehicle Expenses	12,651.48
Admin Fee	1000.00
Office Rental	1000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,371.31
Programs	
Club Development	1,771.90
Country Seminar	30.00
Community Sport & Rec Network	517.00
Volunteer M/ment & Association M/ment	4,944.56
Special Initiatives SE	1,601.55
<u>Total Programs</u>	<u>8,865.01</u>

<u>Total REGIONAL REC & SOPRT CO-ORD</u>	<u>78,995.26</u>
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Total EXPENSES**713,898.15****Operating Profit****18,622.98****Other Expenses****0****Net Profit/(Loss)****18,622.98**

Balance Sheet - (Last Year Analysis)**AS AT JUNE 2006**

	This Year \$	Last Year \$
Assets		
General Cheque Account	84,090.41	262,909.92
Express Saver Account	312,247.38	0.00
Trade Debtors	14,080.00	45,356.31
TOTAL ASSETS	410,417.79	308,266.23
Liabilities		
GST Liabilities		
GST Collected	1,280.00	4,00.00
GST Control Account	3,484.29	-2.52
Total GST Liabilities	4,764.29	3,997.48
Payroll Liabilities		
PAYG Payable	3,404.00	0.00
WorkCover Payable	-31.95	359.26
Accrued Annual Leave	2,515.43	5,129.01
Total Payroll Liabilities	5,887.48	5,488.27
Unspent Grant Funds	328,627.30	246,264.74
TOTAL LIABILITIES	339,279.07	255,750.49
Net Assets	71,138.72	52,515.74
Equity		
Retained Earnings	52,515.74	49,876.43
Current Earnings	18,622.98	2,639.31
TOTAL EQUITY	71,138.72	52,515.74

Profit & Loss Statement - (Last Year Analysis)**AS AT JUNE 2006**

	This Year \$	Last Year \$
INCOME		
<u>SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS</u>		
City of Mount Gambier	26,385.00	24,920.00
District Council of Grant	13,812.00	13,049.00
Kingston District Council	6,661.00	6,295.00
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	15,581.00	15,353.00
District Council of Robe	5,953.00	5,627.00
District Council of Tatiara	13,152.00	12,420.00
Wattle Range Council	22,534.00	22,097.00
Total SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS	104,082.00	99,761.00
<u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u>		
LCRDB	72,000.00	72,000.00
Limestone Coast Tourism	185,000.00	172,500.00
SAROC	2,000.00	2,000.00
IT & T Loan Repayments	21,147.00	42,280.00
SE Resource Info Centre	29,995.00	29,995.00
Youth Week	26,110.83	16,105.00
Total CONTRIBUTIONS	336,252.83	334,880.00
<u>PROJECTS</u>		
Waste management-Reg. Strat.	240.91	56,174.44
Roads & Transport	6,400.00	12,770.42
Regional Rec & Sports	78,995.26	115,563.24
DPIP Grant	0.00	45,000.00
LGR&DS Regional Capacity Build	0.00	48,624.46
Plastic Bags Reduction Program	0.00	50,000.00
Coastal Regional Planning	0.00	20,000.00
Zero Waste – Green Waste	124.55	30,230.00
Resource Recovery & Landfills	0.00	25,000.00
Broadband Project	6,525.43	12,000.00
SE Regional Health Partnership	45,890.00	40,000.00
Heritage Services	51,800.00	56,500.00
Mosquito Project	0.00	11,351.20
SE Coast (LC) Access M/ment	7,502.15	39,727.27
Coast & Marine Support	58,154.41	0.00

Profit & Loss Statement – (Last Year Analysis).....(Cont'd)

JULY 2005 THROUGH JUNE 2006

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INCOME.....(cont'd)		
<u>PROJECTS.....(cont'd)</u>		
LCD Gen Practice GP Program	14,726.00	0.00
Broadband Project Stage 2	101.82	0.00
Total PROJECTS	271,460.63	562,941.06
<u>OTHER INCOME</u>		
Interest	20,451.47	16,835.90
Miscellaneous	274.20	357.80
Total OTHER INCOME	20,725.67	17,193.70
Total INCOME	732,521.13	1,014,775.73
EXPENSES		
<u>EXEC OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES</u>		
<u>Executive Officer Salary Costs</u>		
Salary	56,887.92	58,586.22
Superannuation	5,298.72	5,225.70
Workcover	647.98	768.30
Fringe Benefits Tax	931.25	1,085.59
Executive Officer Annual Leave	0.00	1,069.57
Total Executive Officer Salary Costs	67,765.87	66,735.38
<u>Vehicle & Travel Costs</u>		
Vehicle Lease	8,649.43	8,176.29
Fuel Costs	4,658.97	3,849.08
Travel & Accommodation	601.27	1,061.31
Total Vehicle & Travel Costs	13,909.67	13,086.68
<u>Office Expenses</u>		
Printing & Stationery	446.18	870.60
Postage	45.45	45.45
Audit Fees	640.00	540.00
Bank Fees	506.04	142.14
Insurance	864.99	835.99
Seminars/Workshops	1,974.09	562.91
Sponsorship	500.00	1,159.09
Miscellaneous	939.36	0.84
Meeting Expenses	3,173.92	3,809.36
Executive Expenses	2,612.69	1,183.46
President Allowances	9000.00	7,500.00
Telephone	3,119.00	2,492.04
Computing & IT	711.64	1,999.04
Total Office Expenses	24,566.36	21,140.92
Total EXECUTIVE OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES	102,241.90	100,962.98
<u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u>		
LCRDB (LCRDB, SELGA, LCT)	71,666.66	71,666.00
Limestone Coast Tourism	185,000.00	185,000.00
SE Resource Info Centre	30,000.00	30,000.00
IT & T Loan Repayment	21,148.43	42,296.86
Youth Week 2006	25,695.60	19,269.55
Total CONTRIBUTIONS	333,510.69	348,232.41
<u>PROJECTS</u>		
LGR&DS – Regional Capacity Build	0.00	48,624.46
Waste Management-Reg. Strat.	240.91	56,174.44
Heritage Services	51,800.00	56,500.00
Roads & Transport	6,400.00	12,770.42
Zero Waste – Green Waste	124.55	30,230.00
Plastic Bag Reduction	0.00	50,000.00
DPIP Grant	0.00	45,000.00
Resource Recovery & Landfills	104.55	25,000.00
Broadband Project	8,831.81	12,000.00
Mosquito Project	0.00	11,351.20
SE Regional Health Partnership	45,890.00	40,000.00

Profit & Loss Statement – (Last Year Analysis).....(Cont'd)**JULY 2005 THROUGH JUNE 2006**

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EXPENSES.....(cont'd)		
<u>PROJECTS.....(cont'd)</u>		
SE Coast (LC) Access M/ment	7,502.15	39,727.27
Coastal Regional Planning	0.00	20,000.00
Coast & Marine Support	58,154.51	0.00
LCD Gen Practice GP Program	20,000.00	0.00
Broadband Project Stage 2	101.82	0.00
Total PROJECTS	199,150.30	447,377.79
<u>REGIONAL REC & SPORT CO-ORD</u>		
Salary	48,103.74	47,207.94
Salary Costs	3,444.23	4,565.36
Telephone	1,615.46	1,225.49
Postage/Printing//Stationery	944.03	1,746.12
Vehicle Expenses	12,651.48	10,147.50
Admin Fee	1,000.00	1,138.75
Office Rental	1,000.00	1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,371.31	24,246.93
Programs		
Club Development	1,771.90	2,401.51
Country Seminar	30.00	253.04
Community Sport & Rec Network	517.00	6,985.56
Volunteer M/ment & Association M/ment	4,944.54	923.18
Special Initiatives SE	1,601.55	3,725.13
Youth Initiatives SE	0.00	3,750.92
Be Active Workplaces	0.00	800.00
Sports Libraries	0.00	5,448.81
Total Programs	8,865.01	24,288.15
Total REGIONAL REC & SOPRT CO-ORD	78,995.26	115,563.24
Total EXPENSES	713,898.15	1,012,136.42
Operating Profit	18,622.98	2,639.31
Other Expenses	0	0
Net Profit/(Loss)	18,622.98	2,639.31

Notes to the Financial Statements**For the year ended 30 June 2006****NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial report is a special purpose financial prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (SA). The Committee has determined that the organisation is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (SA). There is no requirement to apply accounting standards, UIG Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board in the preparation of the financial report.

The statements are prepared on an accruals basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

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