

Tatiara District Council

Annual Report
2004/2005

'The Good Country'

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Vision Statement

“We will be a progressive and well managed Council that works closely with its various communities”

Mission Statement

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

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: Cr Richard Stanbury, Cr Ian Ridgway, Cr Edward Davis, Cr Edward Langley, Nick Brown (MCS), Cr Ken McInerney, Richard Pym (MTS) and Cr Janet Allen
Seated L-R: Cr Jan McLellan, Robert Harkness (CEO), Cr John Ross (Chairman), Cr Richard Vickery (Deputy Chairman) and Cr Diana Penniment

Events and Highlights for the Year



Bordertown Civic Centre – Kitchen Upgrade



Author Visit – Jackie French

Students Simone Johnson and Brett Mackay discuss their favourite books with author, Jackie French and Bordertown Librarian Tammie Smedley



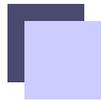
Australia Day at Wolseley

Council Chairman John Ross pictured with award recipients; Brian Clarke & Jan McLellan



State Cabinet Meeting at Bordertown

Lea Stevens, Mike Rann (Premier), Jane Lomax-Smith, Karlene Maywald, Paul Holloway, Patrick Conlon, Rory McEwen, Steph Key, Michael Atkinson, Carmel Zollo, John Hill & Jay Weatherill



Chairman's Review

This year while we have continued to fulfill our governance role we have done so at a time when we have willingly been prepared to submit ourselves to the scrutiny of an independent panel who have reviewed the financial sustainability of individual councils across the state.

In last year's report I alluded to the difficulty of engaging with our communities in a way that obtains real signals for elected members about the quality and relevance of the role we play in meeting the civic and service delivery expectations of electors. I firmly believe that the respective roles of our three levels of government are blurred and there is a need for much more emphasis within the education system about civics and citizenship. Through our legislative requirement to consult with electors we attempt to define our role and function, often amidst perceptions that we are able to resolve issues, clearly the province of other jurisdictions.

The report of the panel investigating the financial sustainability of councils was mainly good news for us: finding among other things, that we have the capacity to meet our statutory obligations. The requirement, recently imposed by the state government that we make provision to fully fund depreciation of assets lends a new urgency to development of our asset maintenance plan. Such planning, particularly for infrastructure is fundamental for all jurisdictions. If local government is able to fund its depreciation of assets I believe it will be the first level of government to do so. A great deal of fiscal discipline will be needed to achieve that goal.

A direct benefit of the sustainability report was its identification of the range of services councils provide. This is vital information for the round of discussions initiated by the Commonwealth with the states and local government following the Hawker Report into cost-shifting. The culmination of these discussions will achieve a clearer understanding of which functions each jurisdiction provide. It is only from such data that a formula can be agreed as to who is responsible for what, to reduce the massive duplication that currently exists, and to reach agreement on an equitable funding solution.

Dividends from Council's commitment to district promotion and investment in industrial estates continue to flow. Each of the industrial estates at Bordertown and Keith are now in their second stage of development. Initially they were responsible of relocation of existing industries, many of which operated in residential areas, but in recent times they have attracted new industries that complement the district economy and provide additional employment. Council's business assistance policy

provides cash assistance and other incentives to encourage industry and economic development. Increased emphasis on infrastructure, particularly roads reflects our concern that our most visible and used asset by electors should meet desired standards. Of equal concern is the amenity of our townships and the need to provide attractive townships that people want to live in.

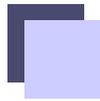
For some years Bordertown On the Move, a section 41 committee of Council has shown enormous energy in addressing issues relating to design of streetscapes, beautification of township entrances and planning for public art works and buildings. Many of their initiatives have attracted government grants. It is encouraging that the Mundulla community have a Mundulla On the Move committee and most recently the Keith community have formed a Keith Township Planning committee. All of these bodies reflect pride in their communities and provide council with valuable local knowledge as we attempt to provide generic solutions to their visions for a more desirable future relating to the built environment.

Council has communicated with communities at Padthaway, Wolseley, Willalooka, Bangham and Western Flat as part of our consultation process and to ensure that our services are provided equitably.

In May we were able to host a visit by the Cabinet of the State Government. The Community Cabinet meeting and Business Breakfast sessions were well attended giving our residents access to the State's decision makers. I think the members of cabinet also appreciated the interaction and believe it was a valuable exercise.

In conclusion, it is to some extent, stating the obvious to say that as residents of the Tatiara district we enjoy many privileges. I don't believe it necessary to enumerate fully the virtues of climate, fertile soils, economic diversity and full employment we enjoy. What I do think is important is that we accept the challenge to build on our good fortune by making long term plans to adequately fund our infrastructure, to invest in upgrading public buildings and most importantly, our social capital. Councillors must be champions of our district and the people who elect us and whom we elect to serve. I can assure you that your councillors wish to take up these challenges. We are assisted by professional and competent staff whose efforts I acknowledge with appreciation. As we continue to make judgements about the best way forward we value your comments and suggestions.

John S. Ross
Tatiara District Council Chairman



Elected Members



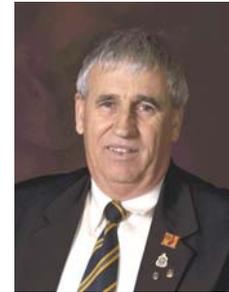
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DEPUTY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN
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Chairman of Administration &
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Cr Diana E. Penniment
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Senior Management



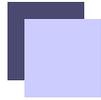
Mr Robert J. Harkness
Chief Executive Officer



Mr Nick M. Brown
Manager Corporate Services



Mr Richard P. Pym
Manager Technical Services



Chief Executive Officer's Review

2004/05 was a relatively stable year with Council business running fairly smoothly. One of the highlights of the year was a visit by the Premier of South Australia Mike Rann and his Cabinet. A Community Cabinet meeting was held at Bordertown in early May at which members of the public asked questions and mixed freely with State Ministers and Heads of Departments.

We had several changes staff wise including:

- Lisa Hancocks left and Elizabeth Gibbs is now working at the Keith Office
- Peter Smith left and Brian Jarrett took over his role as Works Supervisor East
- Peter Wegener left and Judi Molineux took over the Senior Finance Officer role
- Pat Polak left and Patrick O'Connell is now doing the gardening role at Keith
- John O'Connor, Peter Jozeps and John Swain left with Daryl Nicholls and Rob Reschke now working out of the Bordertown depot
- Sue Williams left her role as Weekend Manger at the Visitor Information Centre being replaced by Heather Sharp.
- Karene Crooks is now doing the Arts & Community Development Officer role after Jayne Stacey left.

Changes will continue in 2005/06 with several resignations and retirements coming up.

Council wise things were fairly stable:

- Councillor John Ross continues as Chairman of Council with others on the Council Executive being Richard Vickery (Deputy Chairman), Ken McInerney and Diana Penniment
- Council continues to meet at 9-30 am on the first Tuesday of the month for Committee meetings and at 10-00 am on the second Tuesday for Council meetings. These meetings are open to the public and anyone can sit in and listen to what is discussed.
- Council has introduced a Community Forum where any member of the Public can address Council, or ask questions of Council, on any issue at the start of each Council meeting.

Community Survey - Council again participated in a Local Government wide Community Survey. 300 Tatiara residents answered a number of questions on various Council functions as to how important that function was and what they

thought of Council's performance. The results indicated that Council compared fairly well to other Councils across the state but we needed to improve in the areas of:

- Making people aware of our Strategic Plans and involving them in providing input.
- Consulting with the community.

Council has tried to improve in this area and there are now a number of ways you can monitor what Council is up to and provide feedback including:

- Dropping in to the Bordertown or Keith office. Senior staff visit Keith on a regular basis.
- Calling us 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. A meeting was held at Keith in November 04 and a meeting to be held at Padthaway in August 05.
- 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 in late 2004.

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

- Private Developers continued to fund new houses, which is helping to solve the accommodation shortage. 34 house applications were granted in 2004/05.
- Blocks at Keith and Bordertown Industrial Estates continued to sell. Council agreed to commence Stage 2 at Keith.
- Council agreed to relocate the Keith Works Depot to the Keith Industrial Estate. Plans have been drawn up with tenders to be called shortly.
- Council's Planning Amendment Report was approved.
- A Waste Management Plan for the South East was developed. 1,500 green bags were handed out within the Tatiara to reduce the numbers of plastic bags going to land fill. Council is looking at how it can better handle waste and how it can improve its recycling service

- Continuing negotiations regarding relocating the Scouts & Guides at Bordertown so that the Retirement Village can expand.
- A Community Bus Service started in the Tatiara
- The Tatiara was well represented on the new South East NRM Board via Councillor Richard Vickery and Robert Mock.
- Improved Broadband services became available in Keith and Bordertown

Some of the critical actions still to be completed are:

- Development of a more detailed 5 Year Financial Plan
- Completion of an Asset Management Plan so that Council is aware of what financial allocation is needed to maintain its existing infrastructure, which includes roads, streets, buildings, pipes, etc.

Representation Review - Every 6 years Councils must review how its residents are represented and this happened in 2004/05. Council after consulting with the public considered a number of different options but decided to:

- Stay with 2 wards with the same boundaries
- Stay with 10 Councillors with 7 elected from East Ward and 3 from West Ward
- Change the name of the Council from "The District Council of Tatiara" to "Tatiara District Council".

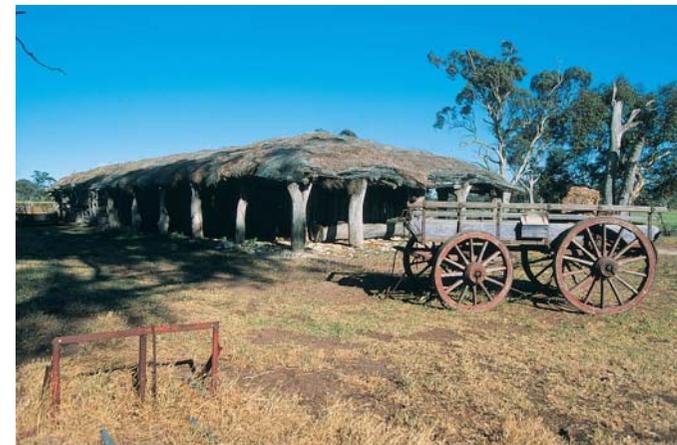
This change takes place from the next Council election, which has been put back 6 months until November 2006.

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 2005/06 and beyond.

Robert J Harkness
Chief Executive Officer



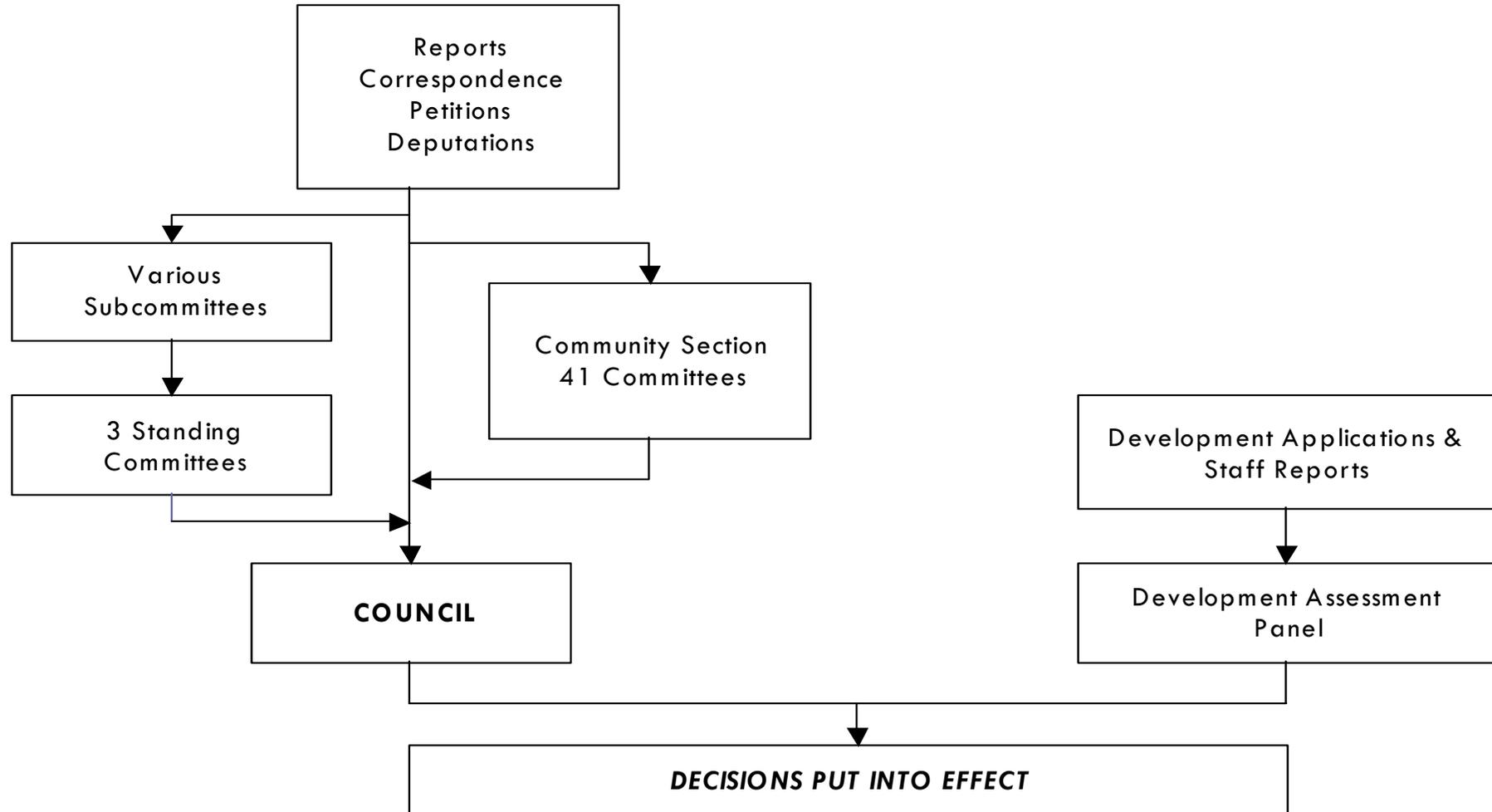
Tatiara District Memorial Pool

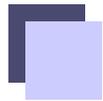


Clayton Farm Heritage Museum

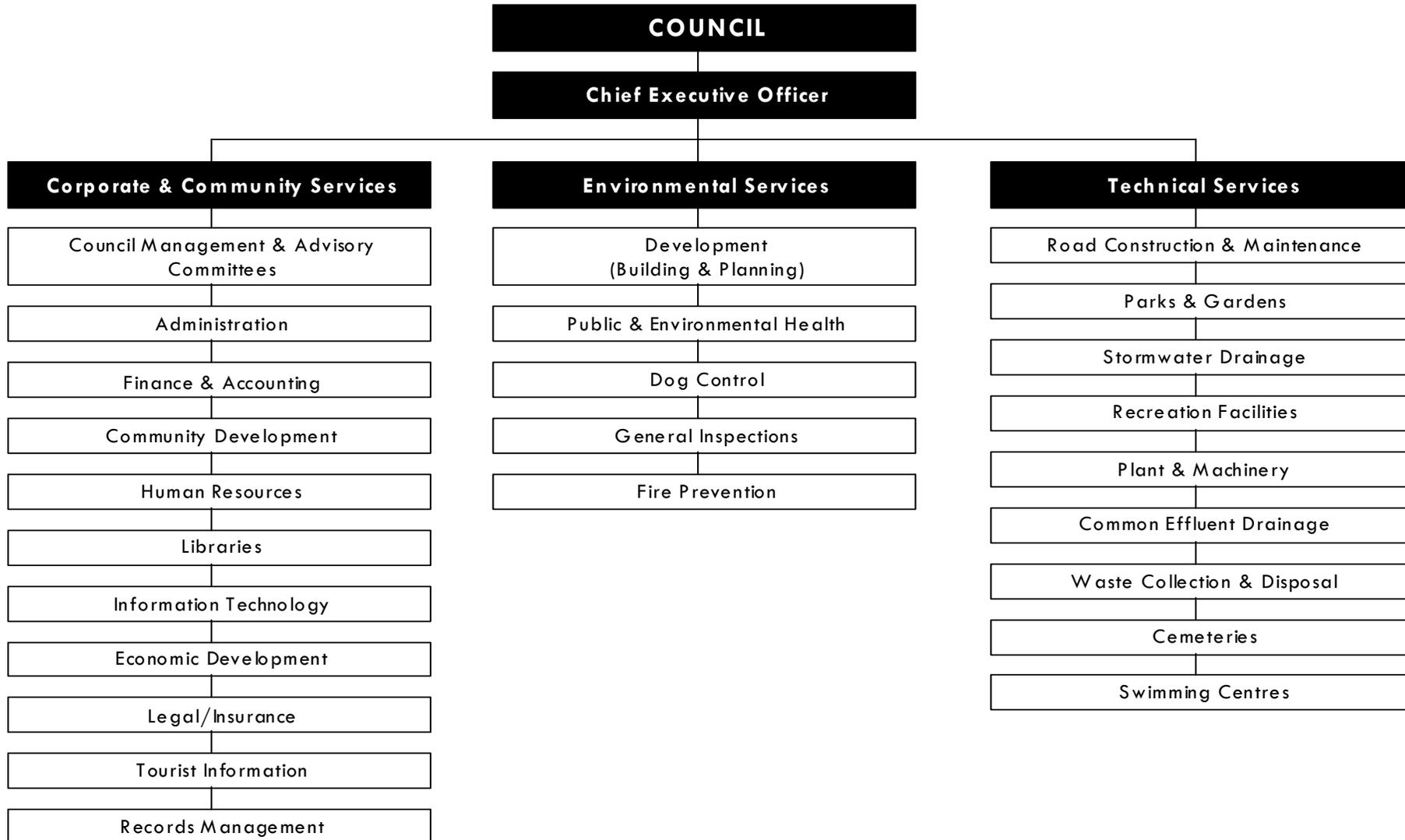


Decision Making Structure of Council



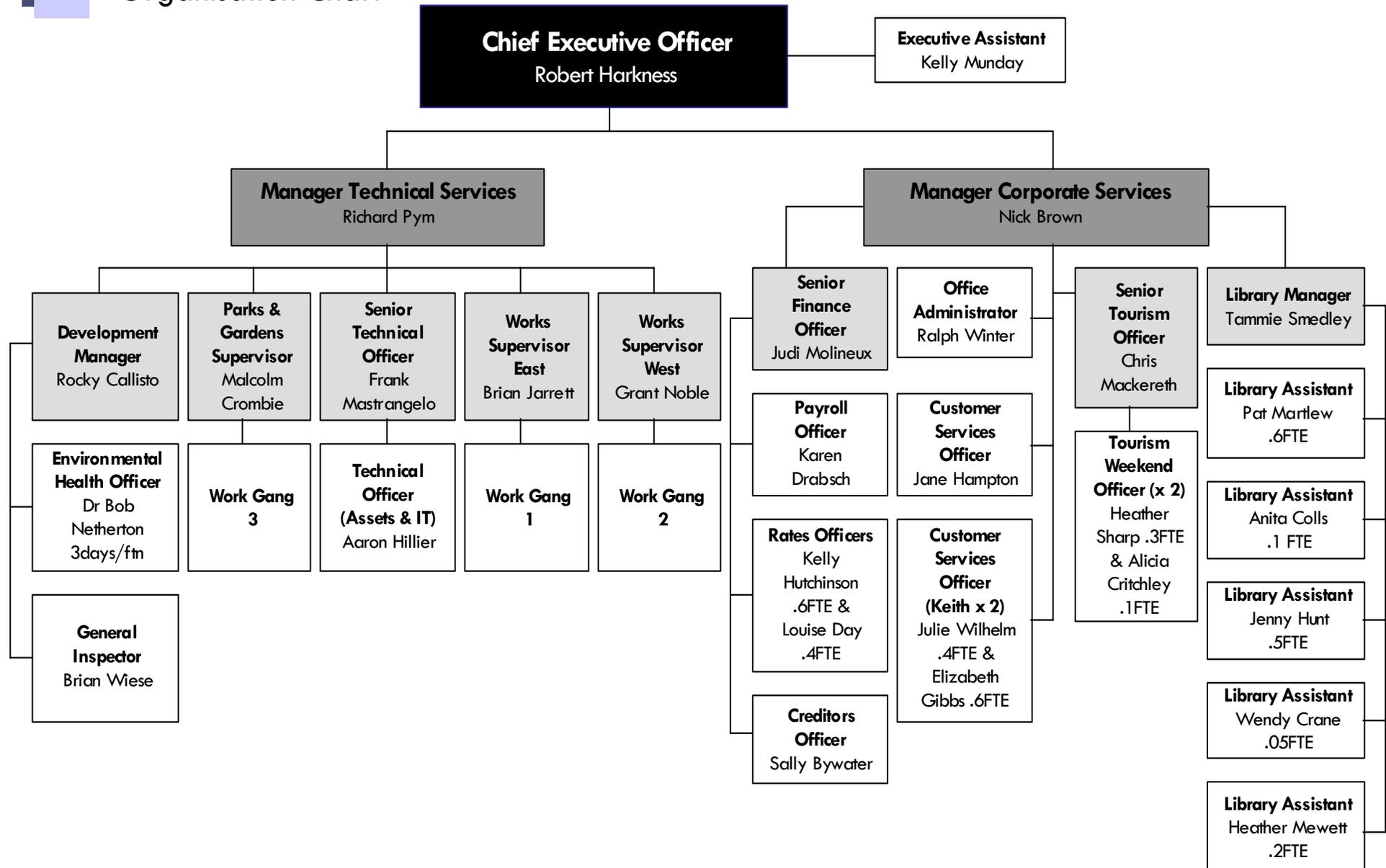


Corporate Structure





Organisation Chart





Council Committees

The following Committees report directly to Council:

1. Administration & Finance Committee – All Councillors
2. Engineering Committee – All Councillors
3. Development Committee – All Councillors
4. Bordertown on the Move Committee
5. Bordertown Sports & Showgrounds Committee
6. Tatiara Tourism Group
7. Bordertown Civic Centre Management Committee
8. Clayton Farm Heritage Museum Management Committee
9. Tatiara Native Vegetation Advisory Committee
10. Tatiara Roadside Vegetation Advisory Group
11. Tatiara Road Safety Group
12. Tatiara District Memorial Pool Management Committee
13. Keith Township Planning Advisory Committee

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

They include:

1. Council Executive
2. Economic Development
3. East Ward
4. West Ward
5. Plant & Machinery
6. Tatiara Creek
7. Passenger Transport
8. Keith Depot Relocation
9. Roadside Vegetation Policy Review
10. Bordertown Skate Ramp
11. Corella
12. Food Act 2001 Implementation

Several Staff Committees such as the Single Bargaining Unit, MANEX Committee, Workplace Consultative Committee and Occupational, Health Safety & Welfare Committee also exist.



Chairman & Councillor Allowances

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

<u>Type of Allowance</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chairman's Allowance	\$ 29,120 payable monthly
Deputy Chairman's Allowance	\$ 9,100 payable quarterly
Standing Committee Presiding Members	\$ 9,100 payable quarterly
Elected Member Allowance	\$ 7,280 payable quarterly

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



Senior Executive Officers

As at 30th June 2005 Council had three Senior Executive Officers under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1999. One of these was engaged under a contract whilst the other two members were permanently employed. Their total remuneration packages consisted of the following:

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

Manager Corporate Services, Mr Nick Brown – Total remuneration package includes salary, superannuation, plus the restricted private use of vehicle in lieu of overtime (permanent employee).

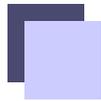
Manager Technical Services, Mr Richard Pym – Total remuneration package includes salary, superannuation plus the restricted private use of vehicle in lieu of overtime (permanent employee).



Nominated Council Representatives

As at June 2005

Committee / Organisation	Council Representatives
Bordertown Memorial Hospital	Cr K McInerney
Bordertown on the Move Committee	Cr D Penniment
Lacepede Tatiara Robe Animal & Plant Control Board	Cr I Ridgway & Cr R Vickery (Proxies – Cr J McLellan & Cr R Stanbury), Landowner Reps. Phillip Salmon & John Maney
Lacepede Tatiara District Local Action Plan	Cr R Vickery
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 (Proxy – Deputy Chairman Cr R Vickery)
Tatiara Community Health Service Advisory Board	Cr J McLellan (Proxy – Cr J Allen)
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
Lacepede Tatiara Soil Conservation Board	Arnold Thorpe, Peter Ridgway & Raelene Eats
Keith Community Library	Cr R Vickery, Mrs Kim Bull & Mrs Meredyth Cunningham
Tatiara Road Safety Group	Cr J McLellan
Tatiara Tourism Committee	Cr D Penniment & Cr J Allen
SELGA Telecommunications Subcommittee	Manager Corporate Services
South East Planning Committee	Cr D Penniment & Development Manager
Tatiara Transport Advisory Committee	Cr J McLellan (Proxy – Cr J Allen)
Keith Township Planning Advisory Committee	Cr R Stanbury & Cr J Allen



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	5,236	electors	1:436
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	6,719	electors	1:610
Wattle Range Council	10,277	electors	1:856
Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council:	7,532	electors	1: 753
Goyder Regional Council	4,058	electors	1:312
Grant District Council:	6,928	electors	1:693
Kangaroo Island Council:	4,590	electors	1:459
Light Regional Council:	6,621	electors	1:602
Wakefield Regional Council:	5,856	electors	1:488



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. In carrying out this review, Council had to determine if its community would benefit by:

- Altering the number of Councillors.
- Altering the boundaries or number of wards; either by an increase or by abolishing wards altogether.
- Altering the name of the council; or
- Altering the names of the wards.

Advertisements were placed in the Border Chronicle, Naracoorte Herald, Advertiser and Government Gazette advising the public that Council was carrying out a review and inviting interested persons to make written submissions to the Council on the subject of the review. Council received 2 submissions from:

1. Keith Walladge:
 - Representation should be spread across the Council area and not concentrated in the population centers.
 - Council amalgamations in other areas have disadvantaged the smaller communities, as the Administration is located in the larger centres.
 - Having no wards also disadvantages smaller communities as they do not have the voting power and lose representation.
 - Tatiara is currently poorly represented on an area and interest basis
 - Would like Council to consider a third ward to possibly include the Hundreds of Petherick, Willalooka, Wirrega, Parsons, Glen Roy, Beeamma and Geegeela.
 - It was an advantage to have more than one Councillor in a ward as they could discuss issues with each other.
2. Mundulla on the Move:
 - If wards stay the same Councillors need to be aware of needs of the smaller towns, which do not have their own Councillors to represent them.
 - A more even spread of funds is desirable rather than spending the bulk of the funds on Bordertown and Keith. Spend monies more in proportion of rates paid.

Council's decision was:

1. To remain as is with 2 wards, with the same boundaries, and with 10 Councillors. East Ward remains with 7 Councillors and West Ward remains with 3 Councillors. This configuration gives a very, very small variation for each ward from the overall representation of 1 Councillor per 552 electors.
2. To change the name of the Council and of the district from "The District Council of Tatiara" to "Tatiara District Council"

Elector's Submissions on Representation

With the term of Councillors being increased from 3 years to 4 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.

Meeting Attendances

Meetings are held as follows and the public are welcome to attend as part of the gallery. As from June 2005 members of the public have the opportunity to address Council on any issue or ask questions of Council at the start of the Council meeting.

- 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 Members	Normal Council	Special Council	Standing Committee	Special Committee
Meetings Held	12	2	12	7
Cr Janet B Allen	12	2	12	7
Cr Edward H Davis	12	1	12	7
Cr Edward J Langley	11	1	9	4
Cr Kenneth J McInerney	11	1	12	7
Cr Janice E McLellan	11	2	11	6
Cr Diana E Penniment	11	2	12	6
Cr Ian G Ridgway	12	2	11	7
Cr John S Ross	10	2	11	7
Cr Richard L Stanbury	12	2	10	6
Cr Richard J Vickery	12	2	12	7

Elected Member Changes

During the year there were no changes in elected members. General Council elections will be held in November 2006.



Manager Corporate Services' Review

As at the 30th June 2005, Council employs 51 permanent and casual staff, some of which are full time and others part time. Council's administration staff has seen several changes over the last 12 months with Peter Wegener resigning and being replaced by Judi Molineux as Council's Senior Finance Officer, Lisa Hancocks resigned from our Keith Office and has been replaced by Elizabeth Gibbs, Sue Williams resigned from the VIC and has been replaced by Heather Sharp and Sally Bywater and Debbie Hutchinson have continued to cover the maternity leave periods of other staff including Jayne Maddern, Lou Day and Kelly Hutchinson.

The community services portfolio of Council has continued to develop and grow. Some of the highlights of the year are included below:

Youth Activities - Council was again involved in National Youth Week running two films at Bordertown with a bus bringing youth from Keith to the event. A new Youth Action Committee was formed and has met several times. A trip to Millicent to attend the Battle of the Bands was their first function. Council continued to support the Youth Drop in Centre in Bordertown, which is being successfully run by a group of volunteers. The Boys In Leadership group from the Keith Area School continued their success by gaining a substantial grant to get a cinema up and going in the Keith institute. The boys provide an excellent role model for other Tatiara youth and they are to be commended on their efforts to date.

Broadband Internet Services - Broadband has finally come to the Tatiara with ADSL connected to Bordertown in April. A private Internet Service provider is also supplying Broadband to Bordertown and Keith. Keith should also be connected to ADSL in the near future. SELGA is currently highlighting the opportunity for smaller communities and rural properties to also have access to Broadband by registering an interest.

Community Land Management Plans - A requirement of the Local Government Act was for Management Plans for Council's land to be developed and in place by the end of 2004. After a lot of public consultation this was achieved although many of the plans are very basic and generic.

Arts & Community Development Officer - Council and Country Arts SA agreed to share funding of an Arts & Community Development Officer and Jayne Stacey was

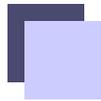
appointed to the role. Unfortunately Jayne resigned and Council found an excellent replacement in Karene Crooks. Karene commenced in early 2005 and is working very well with all areas of the community but especially with our youth.

Visitor Information Centre - Council has an accredited Visitor Information Centre at Tolmer Park Bordertown and a Visitor Information outlet at the Mobil Service Station at Keith. Tolmer Park and the VIC have increased in popularity with visitor numbers up as travellers become aware of the benefits of calling in to this beautiful place to have a break. 13,984 people visited the centre in the last twelve months up slightly on 03-04. VIC Manager Chris Mackereth, assisted by weekend staff and 18 very valuable volunteers are doing a great job promoting the Tatiara as well as other parts of the state.

Community Bus Service - Council after consulting with the public worked with the Passenger Transport Board to get a Community Bus Service for the Tatiara up and running in early 2005. Peter Stone is the Contractor and he provides a transport service to the 5 towns as well as doing work for the Education Department and Community Health.

Social Plan - Council together with Naracoorte Lucindale and Wattle Range Councils developed a new Social Plan in early to mid 2005. The plan, which has 8 main goals, was developed after considerable community consultation and with the assistance of a Federal Government grant. We now need to work towards implementing these goals.

Nick Brown
Manager Corporate Services



Manager Technical Services' Review

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 2004/2005. The Federal Government provided \$271,450 through the Roads to Recovery Program, \$400,960 through the Grants Commission and the State Government provided \$3,420 through Bike SA for bike related projects. We were also successful in applying for Roads to Recovery Special Local Roads Funding receiving \$192,500 for 2 major projects, Tatiara Road and Stirling Road. It is acknowledged that the continuation of Commonwealth Government Roads to Recovery funding for another five years will be of considerable benefit to Council.

Rural Roads - Council realigned the railway crossing on Tatiara Road to make the road intersect at 90 degrees with the railway. This involved reconstructing approximately 1.4kms of Tatiara Road. Council also constructed the extension of Stirling Road from the Industrial Estate through to the Riddoch Highway. This has created a bypass for heavy vehicles at Keith between the Dukes Highway and Riddoch Highway. A section of the Hundred of Makin Road has also been reconstructed, which involved the vertical realignment of a dangerous crest, to improve sight distance and safety.

Council continued its maintenance program for its unsealed roads network. Red Bluff, Wagenechts, Cadell, Hills, Wurlyana, Bells, Champness, Swedes Flat, Camerons, Extons, Gills, West McCallum, Forrest, Custon Border and Emu Flat Roads had sections resheeted during the year.

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.

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

- Kerbing and/or sealing sections of Salom, Lawrence and Scott Streets, and Venn Avenue (Baker Street – Ramsay Tce)
- A section of Anzac Terrace at Keith was paved and paving was also installed in Rowney Road at Mundulla and the housing estate in Padthaway.
- Construction work in Woolshed Street continued.
- Automatic Irrigation system installed in Apex Park, Padthaway, Tolmer Park, Bordertown and Recreation Lake
- Council has continued with its Pedestrian and Bicycle Strategy and constructed and sealed a new shared-use path along the Dukes Highway at Keith.
- A design for the upgrade of the existing stormwater drainage system for the business area of Keith has been prepared by consultants, with implementation to be staged over a number of years.

Staff - 2004/05 saw a number of changes to the complement of our workforce. We have had two resignations during the year and one of these vacancies has been filled externally and the other filled internally. The internal promotion has also been filled externally. We are also managing two long-term 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. Training has been undertaken in OHS&W, load shifting and our new employees are undertaking Certificate III in Civil Construction. 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. Council also participated in the 'Step by Step' program to assist. 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 replaced a Grader and an 8 tonne truck, and purchased a ride-on mower. In addition, Council changed over several utilities, four-wheel drive vehicles and station wagons. Council has also established a Plant and Machinery Replacement reserve fund to ensure that sufficient funds are available in the future to fund Council's Plant and Machinery replacement program thus reducing Council's loan borrowings.

Industrial Estates - Stage 2 of the Industrial Estate at Bordertown was completed with underground electricity, water and sewer services being installed. Kerbing and sealing of roadways in Stage 2 were also completed. Planning is underway for the next stage of the Keith Industrial Estate.

Swimming Pool - The Bordertown Swimming Pool continued to be very popular with the public over the summer months with over 15,000 people enjoying the very attractive and user-friendly facilities. Infrastructure upgrades included paving under the shade structures, major alterations to the canteen to improve it's functionality, purchase of stainless steel handrails, purchase of an electrical rewinding mechanism for the solar blanket and purchase of a new NaCl pump. Repainting of the entire pool structure was also undertaken.

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
- Memorial Park Tennis Club Grant for new Lights
- A Bike Path at Mundulla 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 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..

Caravan Park - Landscaping improvements have been undertaken and infrastructure and amenity have generally been improved at the Caravan Park. Additional fencing was installed to prevent direct access to the Dukes Highway from the Caravan Park.

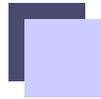
Cemeteries - New concrete beams have been installed at the Bordertown and Keith cemeteries.

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



Work on the Hundred of Makin Road



Development Manager's Review

The District continues to develop with substantial investment in rural, industrial/commercial and residential development. This provides many employment opportunities for both permanent residents and seasonal workers.

The Industrial Estates at both Bordertown and Keith continue to be developed with the first stage of the Keith Estate, which included 16 allotments all being sold. Keith Timber has completed their new truss and wall framing plant and has relocated this portion of the business to this new site. Council also resolved to relocate the Keith Works Depot to the Estate.

Other businesses that have commenced construction and have or will relocate to the Bordertown Estate in the near future include Tatiara Harvesters, Ferguson Paint and Panel, Densley Earthmovers and Piggery System and Design. Fifteen of twenty-five allotments available in the Estate are either developed or in the process of being developed which reflects the importance of providing suitable land for Industrial Development.

Council through its Business Assistance Policy continues to assist and support new and expanding businesses. The following key areas are considered when calculating the amount of business assistance to be 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.

Assistance is also provided by the reimbursement of Development Fees and/or the deferment of rate payment.

The Bordertown, Keith and Padthaway Caravan Parks continue to expand with the construction of new facilities. These facilities provide short-term accommodation for seasonal workers in addition to tourist accommodation.

Aged facilities at both the Keith and Bordertown Hospitals have been upgraded to assist the elderly citizens of our district.

Planning - The Development Plan was authorised in November 2004 after the process had taken two years to complete. The Plan facilitates development within appropriate zones to reduce the potential for land use conflicts. In certain circumstances it has facilitated the expansion of existing developments by rezoning land.

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

Making provision for "multiple dwellings" within the Development Plan, to accommodate seasonal workers has in some way alleviated the shortage of accommodation available.

Tatiara Council was a Pilot Council in the "Better Development Plans" project. The aim of the trial, which was initiated by the State Government, is to reform existing Development Plans through the use of policy modules to provide clearly written and presented planning policy.

Crown Land - The disposal of Crown Land continues to be an issue, which led the Ministers Local Government Forum to initiate a study to investigate the strategic assessment of public land. Tatiara Council was the Rural Council chosen to be involved in the Pilot Study, which investigated processes for disposal of surplus government land.

Native Title also continues to be a barrier and at times cause unnecessary delays when "development" is proposed on Crown Land where Native Title has not been extinguished.

Local Heritage Survey - Dr Peter Bell a Heritage Consultant completed the local Heritage survey for the district, which has initiated a Heritage Plan Amendment Report. The PAR will incorporate places identified into the Development Plan.

Building - The value of building work within our district was approximately \$10,715,910 in the last twelve months.

Building Statistics – 1st July 2004 to 30th June 2005

New Dwellings	42
Dwelling Additions	15
Commercial	20
Outbuildings	39
Other	16

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

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.

Development Assessment Panel - The Development Assessment Panel has been increased by one since May and it consists of Councillors D Penniment (Presiding Member), J Ross, K McInerney, E Langley, J Allen, R. Vickery and R Stanbury. There is neither Council staff nor external members on the Panel.

The role of the Development Assessment Panel is to assess applications that are Non Complying, Controversial or subject to third party representations.

The Development Manager assesses and issues decision notifications under delegation. Within the past twelve months there has been one appeal to the Environment, Resources and Development Court against a Planning decision of the Panel but a compromise was reached at the Compulsory Conference.

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 5 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.

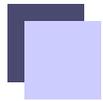
The Advisory Body members are David Lowe (Chairman), Charles Crozier (Secretary), John Samuel-White, Ed Davis, Peter Will, Jamie Steer and Bryan Paech.

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 all the buildings, which is reviewed annually to determine the level of maintenance required.

A new female toilet facility is currently under construction in Tolmer Park Bordertown. A Feasibility study investigating disability access options into the Civic Centre and Council Chamber was undertaken.

Council also maintains an Asbestos Register for all Council owned buildings. As part of the asbestos register all buildings have been inspected to identify any asbestos products. The buildings that contain asbestos are inspected annually and the location, extent and type of asbestos are noted in the Register.

Rocco Callisto
Development Manager



Senior Finance Officer's Review

The 2004/05 Financial Year saw a significant increase of 24% in property valuations across the Tatiara for rating purposes. In setting the rating schedules for the 2005/06 year, the council allowed for an increase in the general rate revenue of 6.44% from the previous year, being a 6.2% increase.

Annual Budget - Meetings were held during May and June 2005, to consider the Annual Budget and then Council adopted the 2005/06 budget at its July 12th Council meeting. The Tatiara Council reviews its annual budget quarterly, being September, December, March and the end of year. Tatiara's Total Budget expenditure will initially total \$12.3 million in the forthcoming year.

30th June 2005 Financial Statements - The End of Year Financial Statements for 2004/05 have been prepared and were audited in October 2005. 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 the minimum rate of \$190 on township properties, however it increased this to \$220 in the proposed 2005/06 budget. A minimum rate does not apply to rural properties.

East Ward and West Ward Separate Rate - Three 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 a further two years ending in 2006/07. 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.

Septic Tank Effluent Disposal System - Surplus funds from the Service Charges for the STEDS are placed in to a Reserve Fund and this is then used to repair/upgrade our Council's STED systems. There has been an increase in the STEDS fees for the 2005/06 year, in line with financial sustainability advice.

Rate Rebate Policy/Rate Capping - During the 2005/06 budget discussions, Council has again supported a Rate Rebate Policy. This policy was introduced in 2004/05 due to the large increase in the capital values of properties. By issuing this rate capping policy of 20%, no ratepayer 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

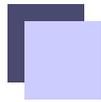
capital improvements of over \$10,000 on the assessment or if the property has recently been purchased.

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



Cannawigara Hall



Bordertown Public Library Review

The Bordertown Public Library has been a busy place during 2004/05 with a total of 47,686 loans, and 2,524 Adult and 870 Children Borrowers. Below are some of the highlights of the year:

Award winning author Jackie French conducted workshops with both school students and the community during her visit to the Tatiara between October 18th and 19th. Jackie spoke at the Mundulla School, Bordertown Primary School, Keith Area School and did two workshops with the community. 120 people attended an evening session hosted by the Bordertown Public Library to listen to Jackie speak about everything from "Chooks to Books".

The library hosted its first Big Book Club event. Author Di Morrissey's title "The Reef" was the Big Book Club selection for November and Di toured South Australia as part of the Big Book Club's regional functions. Di spoke about her life as an author and researching her many titles. Over 80 people attended the evening with Di.

As a result of the Big Book Club's success the Library put out a call for people interested in forming their own Book Club. Seven people attended the first meeting. The Bordertown Book Club meets on the last Thursday of each month at 6.30pm in the library to discuss the book for that particular month.

The library ran the Reading Rulz Summer Reading Program for the first time. The aim of the Summer Reading Program was to encourage children to read during the summer break. A Reading Rulz party was held in the Library and children listened to stories, were presented with certificates of participation and a Bordertown Public Library bag. This was the first year the library has run a summer reading program and we hope to make it bigger and better each year.

On February 28th Johanna Hunt commenced her IT traineeship. Johanna works in the library three days per week and studies two days (Certificate II in Information Technology). Johanna's role includes website updates, assisting customers to use the internet, general library duties and later this year providing tailored training to small groups of people (ie: quilting websites for the local quilting group). Johanna will also be working at the Keith Community Library, assisting customers with the internet on a regular roster system.

On March 12th the Library in conjunction with Tatiara Community Health celebrated International Women's Day in the library. The day included blood pressure checks, health advice provided by local nurses and women's health information. Library staff demonstrated how to use the Health and Wellness Database and airbrush tattooist 'Linda' came from Adelaide and provided fantastic face painting and airbrush tattooing.

Preschoolers story telling commenced on May 13th with twelve children attending. Preschooler's storytelling is held every Friday during the school term. This is a great way for children to learn the joys of reading and using their local library.

The library continued to hold school holiday programs, which were well attended. Holiday programs included, box decorating, wombat and echidna decorating, stamping fun, Christmas activities and clay modelling.

Outreach services continue to be provided to residents who are unable to make it into the library. The library currently has 6 volunteers who deliver books, videos and hear-a-books to approximately 21 housebound customers.

2004/05 has been an interesting year with authors visiting and the opportunity to initiate programs such as the Book Club and Preschool storytelling. We look forward to the upcoming year with more author visits and a change of layout in the library.

Tammie Smedley
Bordertown Public Library Manager



Keith Community Library Review

There were a number of staff changes in the library during 2004/05 with Library Manager Annette Stewart resigning at the end of 2004. Mandy Parsons and Janine Vickery are now sharing the roles of Library Manager and Teacher Librarian for 2005. During term 3, Mandy Parsons took 5 weeks leave and was relieved by Lynette Staude from Bordertown. Michael O'Toole transferred to Lucindale Area School at the end of term 2 and Debbie Upjohn has taken over his role as Community Library Assistant. Jenn Bentley remains as the School Library Assistant and Sandy Braddy as Community Library Assistant. Josie Lowrie volunteers her time to take books to the Carinya residents and Barb Lines assists where she can in the library.

Below are some of the Highlights and Special Events that happened during the year:

- Holiday program on 'Puppet Making' was run by Sue Stopp and Karen Drabsch and was a great success with 26 children attending.
- Keith Community Library celebrated its 20th birthday. Celebrations were opened by Ron Wigney (ex Principal) and the Birthday cake was cut by Elise Dodman.
- SALA Exhibition of works by Mel Manser opened by Carolyn Bullen.
- Book Week displays
- Literacy and Numeracy Week displays.
- Holiday program on Kites – 'Up and Away' run by Karen Drabsch
- Jackie French visited Years 5-12 students
- "Common Threads" Display, a range of beautifully hand crafted quilts by Jayne Stacey.
- Thankyou @ Your Library
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Book Sales
- Drug Action Week display
- Student's Community Studies display
- Fashion Week display.

Promotion of the Library is occurring once a month through radio interviews with 5TCB FM. Through these interviews, the public is becoming more aware of the services and facilities available to them. A book review is completed every third month.

The internet is well used by many local people as well as tourists passing through town.

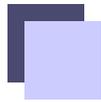
Story Time continues to be frequented by many 'Little People' on Monday mornings and is enjoyed by all who attend. The Kindy students have visited the Library and we look forward to them visiting again this term. They enjoy creating displays for all to see.

The Library offers space for people to display works of art, achievements and advertising. Some of the displays held have been listed above. A community area has been created at the front door where public notices, brochures, pamphlets and community announcements are placed, so that they are more visible.

Many books have been 'weeded' from the shelves and either relocated to other libraries or sold. These books were mainly out of date, multiple copies or we had many books by the same author. This has enabled us to rearrange the library to make it more 'user' friendly and give the library a cleaner more open look. We have had many positive comments regarding these changes.

Our focus for 2005/06 is to upgrade 3 computers, revamp the work area/circulation desk, lay new carpet and increase community seating.

Janine Vickery
Keith Community Library Manager



Section 41 Community Committee Annual Activity Reports

Bordertown Civic Centre Management Committee

The Civic Centre was used for a number of functions over 2004/05. Local groups used the little theatre and hall for their performances, and visiting productions also entertained the Tatiara community, including Peter Horan, The National Boys Choir 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 Blue Light Disco's, Talents of the Tatiara and the Footy Club Cabaret were held in the main hall.

Highlights for 2004/05 included the Apex 1000th Dinner, Gideons Conference, Vintage Car Club Dinner, Jackie French Presentation and the Community Cabinet.

The Civic Centre kitchen was redeveloped over March/April. This redevelopment increased the kitchen floor space to over double its original capacity and included the installation of a commercial dishwasher, two ovens, bench and storage space all within a design, which meets the Food Standards Code of Practice. The Civic Centre Committee purchased glasses, tablecloths and general kitchen utensils to provide hirers with the basics needed to hold a function in the complex.

New curtains in the little theatre vastly improved the stage and positive feedback has been received after their installation. Movies were not held during the year as the committee was waiting on equipment to arrive from America, which would enable the projectors to show in the new film format, however the Committee is keen to recommence films during 2005/06.

The Committee has met on a number of occasions along with representatives from Bordertown on the Move to discuss the redevelopment of the Civic Centre to incorporate access for the disabled and frail into the theatre and council chamber. This plan also looks at issues such as wheelchair access in the library and incorporating one entrance for the entire complex.

The past year has seen many improvements throughout the Civic Centre and the Committee looks forward to the future, working with Council to further develop the Civic Centre Complex.

Tammie Smedley, Chairman

Bordertown on the Move

The North Terrace upgrade has now commenced and it was extremely pleasing to receive matching funding for the Police Park and Woolshed Street entrance project from Planning SA, Places for People. The planning for continuous upgrade of North Terrace including the undergrounding of powerlines will be an ongoing process. Trevor Wren also received funds from Arts SA as part of this project.

Tourism infrastructure grants have helped fund a walking trail from the underpass to the Payne's area of the Service Road and the Tolmer park toilets.

The entrance walls are up, with the correct lettering, and hopefully the flagpoles, water and lights will be completed this year.

Our Committee handles many recommendations, resolutions and queries. Some have been acted upon and some are on-going.

- Woolshed Street bollards replaced by tree guards
- Banners hung all the time and rotated regularly.
- Tolmer Lake/Creek cleaned and emptied.
- More action on corella damage to trees
- Consultation on Apex Park play equipment
- Working with Civic Centre Management on the proposed Civic Centre upgrade.
- Skate Park representative from our Committee – D Hunt
- Planning of Woolshed Street planter box replacements
- Median strip on Western Entrance – still waiting
- Park & Recreation water allocation recommendation to Council.
- Continue with our Western Entrance Plan – proposed truck stop.

Bordertown on the Move received recognition from KESAB Tidy Towns for a Meritorious Effort in the annual Tidy Town program. Unfortunately the Committee decided that it was unable to continue with this project. We would like to thank Council for putting in this year's entry and hopefully with planning and support from the community we may see a Tidy Towns Committee evolve.

Bordertown on the Move and Council put on a Strategic Business Review breakfast in November 2004 with Ray Goldie and Viesturs Cielens. The breakfast was well attended and it is now up to the town business operators to work out their future direction.

Special Effort Awards were presented to Jolpac Rural Supplies, Wise Farm Equipment, Thomas Court Residents, Jeff & Marg Hinge and Don & June Hill.

Again, I would like to thank the Committee for the effort put in over the past 12 months with special thanks to Diana Penniment and Vida Maney for taking over when Chris and myself were unable to attend. Many thanks to Council, Council staff, Viesturs Cielens, Martin Corbin, Ray Goldie & Trevor Wren for their support.

Dennis Hudd, 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 \$4,000 in the 2004/2005 budget to assist with maintenance of the grounds. This had to be increased to \$8,500 due to an unsafe Electrical switchboard having to be replaced.

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 5 months. Members were disappointed to hear that the Show Society is going into recess for 12 months and that there will not be a Bordertown Show in 2005.

Nick Brown, Chairman

Clayton Farm Heritage Museum Management Committee

After the devastating fire in 2004, which destroyed 3 straw sheds and fencing, our members have resolved to rebuild the straw sheds and re-fence with money available from the insurance payout. Council engaged engineer, John Bowley who has designed plans for the new straw sheds and Philip Salmon made a machine to bore holes up the centre of the shed posts to insert pipe for cementing into the ground.

Members of the public have been very generous in donating old straw sheds and machinery, some of which has been picked up by our members. The loading ramp which was burnt has been rebuilt in a different position and the Stationary Baler which was salvaged from one of the sheds, has been restored, sandblasted and painted due to the generosity of a donation from the Apex Club of Bordertown.

The damaged stables have been repaired and the Grain Roller Mill has been restored by Jeff Holly. A big thank you to all Members involved in planting, spraying, reaping and binding the crop of Federation wheat, and the carting and stacking of sheaves for the roofing of the straw sheds. Alan Finlayson has also donated and delivered 80 bales of straw, which is to be used on the straw sheds when they are rebuilt. Clayton Farm has also received grant funds from the History Trust to purchase a Mosaic Plus computer programme to keep records of articles in the Museum.

Clayton Farm Caretakers Trish & Shayne Sims resigned and we welcome new Caretaker, Cherie Scherer. I would like to thank the Committee for the support and commitment they have shown over the past 12 months.

Geoff Clarke, Chairman

Tatiara District Memorial Pool Management Committee

The season commenced on Sunday the 14th of November 2004 and finished March the 20th 2005. The canteen was treated to a makeover by removing the turnstile exit gate, bricking in the cavity and incorporating this area with the rest of the kitchen. New cupboards and accessories were incorporated to fall in line with current food handling standards and to improve convenience and efficiency for the staff.

Odd shaped sections of lawn area near the canteen were replaced with pavers and more shade was provided both at the canteen face and the canteen end of the pool a combination of permanent and mobile shade cloth structures.

With the pool shell receiving the necessary paint and prep, grounds manicured, staff primed and water added, all that was needed was the weather gods to bring on the heat. But mother nature didn't read the script as the average temperature for the season was well down. The public's desire to use the facility was surprising given the mild conditions with numbers through the gate only marginally down. Canteen sales suffered more so with the public rolling up but not staying around affecting food consumption figures.

It came to the Committee's attention that the pool staff were having to move 200 litre drums of toxic and/or corrosive chemical by hand. I understand that once the new season commences that these containers will be handled once by forklift removing the risk of workplace injury.

Two of the districts icons, Tom and Marg Krueger retired from swimming coaching and training. They provided a wonderful service both to the community and the sport and their input will be sorely missed. The Dolphin swimming club has lost a coach and a venue as a result. It came as no surprise that the Dolphin club has expressed its desire to relocate to the Bordertown Memorial Pool. Coincidentally the Highway Christian Centre has closed its indoor heated pool for public use. Vacswim numbers keep increasing, the Primary School numbers are increasing and likelihood of a half decent hot spell is on the cards. One would suspect the coming summer will be a busy one at the 50 metre establishment.

Questions have been put to the Pool Committee regarding lengthening of the season from sections of the public used to swimming a minimum 9 months of the year. Circumstances within the Region have changed and the committee is looking at whether the facility should be evolving with this change, to what extent and possible ramifications. A clearer picture will be evident I believe once the 2005/06 season has passed with the "new" crop of swimmers training and competing in an outdoor facility. Small issues will be raised and dealt with, wish lists drawn up and put under the microscope.

I'm adamant that by this time next year those that patronise the pool, voicing their desires via the committee will have a direction to make the Bordertown Memorial Pool "the premier sporting facility" in the Tatiara.

Dean Wendelborn, Chairman

Tatiara Road Safety Group

Our group has had an active and productive year with many issues being addressed. Early in the year we applied for a Community Road Safety grant for \$2,000 for a defensive driving course for 20 participants. This was to be \$250 each, made up of \$100 from this grant and \$100 from Tatiara Service Clubs, with the student to make up the difference of \$50. This equates to \$2,000 from Service Clubs and \$1,000 from participants, totaling \$5,000 in all.

This application for funding was successful and we thank the State Government for making these funds available so that we can undertake worthwhile projects such as this. The defensive driving course was held during the school holidays in October this year.

Much discussion has taken place over the past few years concerning the condition of the Dukes Highway between Bordertown and the border. Our group has lobbied for many years that an upgrade was required. When it was announced that \$15million had been set aside for the upgrade, our group felt vindicated that our hard work and persistence had finally paid off. Work has commenced and the finished road will now be a lot safer and comfortable to drive on.

There have been no "Driver Reviver" sites operating in the Tatiara this year due to the lack of suitable sites. The site at Keith is no longer there as a weighbridge and so there are no sites with electricity and toilets available.

Road safety issues involving the use of gophers has come under much discussion with the help of the media Local training classes were held to make the drivers of these vehicles more aware of their responsibilities. Many other local issues have been discussed and most have been resolved, either by the Police, Transport SA or the Tatiara District Council.

I feel we have had a worthwhile and successful year with our input making a difference. I would like to thank Heather Parker for the professional way she has reported our meetings in the media and also Stow Penniment for his work as Chairman and for the participation and input from all members of the group.

Richard Pym, Secretary

Tatiara Tourism Group

Another year has passed and once again I wonder where it has gone. Patrick Secker Federal Member for Barker launched our new brochure in August with the white kangaroo featured on the front. We have received some terrific feedback for this brochure evident by the numbers that have been distributed. The 20,000 brochures ordered haven't lasted 12 months and we have had to re-order. This has also been beneficial to our new businesses and new operators in the area, giving them the opportunity to advertise.

Limestone Coast Tourism has seen some big changes with a whole new team in the office proving to be very successful. Peter Abbott, Fiona Leistner and Susan Yeeles have done a wonderful job with brochure and minutes out on time, new promotions, (i.e. Free fuel promotion), and a continual flow of correspondence never before seen by members. Members should be well informed and be pleased with value for their membership. It is disappointing to see that we don't have anyone on the new Limestone Coast Board from this area to represent us so it is crucial that we keep up the communication with the Limestone Coast office.

It was exciting to see that RAA do listen to the consumers as the new RAA map for the area has been renamed Upper Limestone Coast at our suggestion and more importantly our newly renovated "Wiese Horse Dip" on the front cover.

Our breakfast in October with SATC'S Mark Gill as guest speaker and showing the Commissions very expensive 'Fish' Video on customer relations was reasonably successful, unfortunately still not attracting the people that may have benefited the most.

Our attendance numbers and constitution review seems to be an ongoing battle with people so busy these days I don't know if it will ever be resolved. The trial of day meetings has been a reasonable success, so it will be interesting to see how that goes.

Our new project of the upgraded website is still on the drawing board waiting on quotes from designers. I am excited about the new website as figures show that a great number of visitors surf the web and book before they travel.

Jo Edwards, 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 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.

During last year members have taken part in only two clearance inspections, which is a reduction on previous years. There still seems to be some concern at the inflexible attitude of the Native Vegetation Council. Recently Council has attempted to facilitate an on-site meeting with the Native Vegetation Council, Biodiversity Officers and landholders in attempt to discuss solutions in managing Stringy Barks on rural properties. The proposed meeting still has not taken place.

Applications continue to be predominately for the establishment of centre pivot irrigation systems to replace flood irrigation. In all responses to the Native Vegetation Council, the Advisory Body stresses water usage is more efficient by using a centre pivot irrigator rather than by flood irrigation.

There does not seem to be any of the recommendations from the Productivity Commission report, which addressed the impact of the Native Vegetation, and Biodiversity Regulations on landholders that have been adopted.

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 sub-committee in conducting a review of Council's Roadside Vegetation Management Policy. This has not progressed all that far as we are still waiting on advice from the Native Vegetation Secretariat.

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



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' Allowances & 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 and 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 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



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



General Information & Council Services

<p>Total District Population – from the census 2001</p> <p>Bordertown 2,445 (township) Keith 1,128 (township) Mundulla 189 (area) Padthaway 340 (area) Willalooka 358 (area) Wolseley 367 (area) Other Areas 1,993</p>	<p>6820 (total)</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 Controls Building & Planning Regulations Development Plan Dog Control & Registration Immunisation Programs Home & Community Care</p>
<p>Length of Road System:</p> <p>National Highway 72.4 km State Roads 248 km Council Roads & Streets 1,944 km</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 \$150,388,700 Keith \$68,029,000 Mundulla \$9,877,000 Padthaway \$4,546,800 Wolseley \$3,134,100 Rural \$1,000,758,600</p>		<p>Council Conducts</p> <p>Australia Day Awards & Citizenship Ceremonies</p>	<p>Council Inspects and Licences</p> <p>Sanitary Conditions of Buildings Nursing/Rest Homes Food Premises</p>
<p>Council Staff as at 30th June 2005</p> <p>Administration Staff</p> <p>Full Time Employees 9 Part Time Employees 3</p> <p>Library Staff</p> <p>Full Time Employees 1 Part Time Employees 1 Support Wage 1 Casuals 3</p> <p>Local Government Award Employees</p> <p>Full Time Employees (Outdoor Staff) 23</p> <p>Local Government Award Supervisors</p> <p>Full Time Employees 2</p> <p>Technical Staff</p> <p>Full Time Employees 5</p> <p>Visitor Information Centre (Tourism)</p> <p>Full Time Employees 1 Casual Employees 2</p>	<p>51</p>	<p>Council Assists</p> <p>Sporting Groups & Community Organisations</p>	<p>Banking Corporation</p> <p>Westpac Banking Corporation 81 Woolshed Street Bordertown SA 5268</p>
		<p>Auditor</p> <p>Galpin Engler Bruin & Dempsey 233 Commercial Street (West) Mount Gambier SA 5290</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 is considering the requirements of the Act relating to its community land and has 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 Wolseley, Wirrega Council Chamber and Showgrounds at Bordertown & Mundulla</p>	



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 EEO are covered under the umbrella of Council's Consultative Committee and Single Bargaining Unit and not by a specific EEO Committee. Experience has shown that this is a very satisfactory method of dealing with all EEO 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 toilets, 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 favors 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 Plan on 13th August 2002, 91 actions were listed as need to be achieved in 2004/05. Of those 91 actions:

- 63 were completed or complied with
- 14 are in progress but not completed
- 14 were carried forward into 2005/06

Council will adopt the Revision No 3 of its Strategic Management Plan early in the next financial year. It sets out the direction of Council for the next three years 2005-2008. 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 increased to \$69,198 in 04/05. This covered the cost of training courses, seminars and workshops as well as staff wages whilst attending courses and in some cases, travel and accommodation. This was partly offset by \$10,625 received from the Commonwealth Government for Traineeships completed by members of the outside workforce. Improving the knowledge, skills and efficiency of existing and new staff is an essential part of Council's operations.



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. Tatiara 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 and 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: Manager of Corporate Services, Tatiara District Council PO Box 346, Bordertown SA 5268. Telephone enquiries to the Manager of Corporate Services can be made on (08) 87521044 from 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

Certificates issued under Section 65zy

No certificates relating to FOI requests were issued under Section 65zy of the Freedom of Information Act in the twelve months to June 2005.



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) four times this past year to discuss:

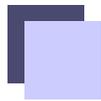
- On one occasion, information of a confidential nature that (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party and would, on balance, be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

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.

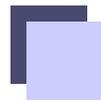
A copy of this code is displayed in the Council Office. The Council will supply a copy of the code if requested but a fee of \$2.50 will apply.

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) 87521044.



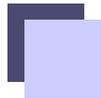
National Competition Principles

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 and 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).



Rating Policy

Introduction

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

1. 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.
2. 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

1. 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:
 - a. 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

1. 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:
 - a. the Council considers it appropriate that all rateable properties make a contribution to the cost of administering the Council's activities;
 - b. 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

1. The Council has decided to impose differential general rates on the following properties:
 - a. **0.552** cents in the \$ within the townships of Bordertown, Keith, Mundulla, Padthaway and Wolseley;
 - b. **0.360** cents in the \$ on all other land. This reduced rate relates to:
 - (i) The land tends to be remote from many of the services provided by Council;
 - (ii) Primary production properties do not receive a waste management service;
 - (iii) Primary production properties do not have footpaths or street lighting;
 - (iv) Many primary production properties are served by gravel, rather than sealed roads.
2. 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.
3. 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

1. 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. A separate rate of **\$20.33** on rateable properties in East Ward
 - b. A separate rate of **\$26.23** on rateable properties in West Ward
2. The East Ward and West Ward separate rates will be payable in four equal instalments in conjunction with the General rate
3. Pensioner concessions will apply

Service Charge

1. 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.
2. 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

1. 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

2. 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

1. 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.
2. 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 Revenue SA. 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 Revenue SA 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

1. 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.
2. Rates may be paid:
 - a. In person, at the Council offices at:
43 Woolshed Street, Bordertown SA 5268; or
34 Hender Street, Keith SA 5267

Padthaway General Store
15 Memorial Drive, Padthaway SA 5271

- b. During the hours of 8:00am 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.
 - c. Using the internet and BPay. Contact your financial Institution for details.
3. 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.
 4. 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

1. 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.
 - (ii) 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.
 - (iii) 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

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

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.
2. 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.



Vines at Padthaway



Tatiara District Council Financial Statements

Operating Statement

For The Year Ended 30 June 2005

	<u>2004/05</u>	<u>2003/04</u>
<u>OPERATING REVENUES</u>		
Rates		
- General	5,375,585	5,065,560
- Other	419,935	369,550
Statutory Charges	89,071	66,594
User Charges	106,426	107,620
Operating Grants and Subsidies	1,762,132	1,737,987
Investment Income	170,739	97,521
Reimbursements	108,407	153,607
Gain on Disposal of Non-Current Assets	36,743	87,757
Commercial Activity Revenue	20,692	16,960
Other	561,878	445,909
<u>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE</u>	<u>8,651,607</u>	<u>8,149,064</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES

Employee Costs	1,973,420	2,180,041
Contractual Services	1,643,075	2,024,805
Materials	601,010	465,403
Finance Charges	199,832	243,944
Depreciation	3,621,246	3,303,870
Loss on Revaluations	0	0
Loss on Disposal of Non-Current Assets	10,097	185,625
Other	1,707,320	386,744
<u>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</u>	<u>9,756,000</u>	<u>8,790,432</u>

Operating Surplus/(Deficit) Before Capital Revenues

(1,104,393) (641,368)

CAPITAL REVENUES:

	<u>2004/05</u>	<u>2003/04</u>
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Monetary Contributions	656,625	558,036
Physical Resources Received Free of Charge	0	0
<u>Net Surplus/(Deficit) Resulting From Operations</u>	<u>(447,768)</u>	<u>(83,332)</u>

Statement of Financial Position

As At 30 June 2005

	2004/05	2003/04
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Cash	223,189	227,235
Receivables	247,823	239,661
Inventory	300,279	343,502
Investments	2,803,747	2,397,233
Other	41,947	29,085
<u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</u>	3,616,985	3,236,716
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Bank Overdraft	0	0
Creditors	300,307	356,384
Provisions	355,389	371,151
Loans	578,157	628,782
Other	0	0
<u>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>	1,233,854	1,356,317
<u>Net Current Assets/(Current Liabilities)</u>	2,383,131	1,880,399
<u>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Receivables	305,243	333,517
Inventory	0	0
Investments	0	0
Land	6,176,352	6,328,023
Buildings	12,794,169	13,096,876
Infrastructure	32,033,032	33,075,479
Equipment	1,836,909	1,755,536
Furniture and Fittings	333,364	363,322
Other	71,608	120,930
<u>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</u>	53,550,677	55,073,683

NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

	2004/05	2003/04
Creditors	0	0
Provisions	227,438	222,398
Loans	2,127,907	2,706,064
Other	28,231	27,618
<u>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>	2,383,576	2,956,080
<u>NET ASSETS</u>	53,550,233	53,998,002
<u>EQUITY</u>		
Accumulated Surplus	(7,967,467)	(7,191,203)
Reserves	61,517,699	61,189,204
<u>TOTAL EQUITY</u>	53,550,233	53,998,002

Statement of Changes in Equity

For The Year Ended 30 June 2005

	2004/05	2003/04
<u>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	(7,191,203)	(6,485,188)
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(447,768)	(83,332)
Transfers to Reserves	(1,312,329)	(1,341,767)
Transfers from Reserves	983,833	719,085
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>(7,967,467)</u>	<u>(7,191,203)</u>
<u>Asset Revaluation Reserve – Land & Land for Resale</u>		
Balance at beginning of period	59,331,130	53,804,891
Revaluation increment	0	5,526,239
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>59,331,130</u>	<u>59,331,130</u>
<u>Bordertown Recreational Lake Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	4,928	4,703
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	252	225
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>5,180</u>	<u>4,928</u>
<u>Bowling Club Loan Payment Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	41,308	0
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	1,584	41,308
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(6,800)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>36,092</u>	<u>41,308</u>
<u>Industrial Estates Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	86,946	82,981
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	4,447	3,965
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>91,393</u>	<u>86,946</u>

Sports/Showgrounds Reserve

	2004/05	2003/04
Balance at Beginning of period	250	239
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	13	11
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>250</u>

Long Service Leave Reserve

	2004/05	2003/04
Balance at Beginning of period	126,405	87,236
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	41,018	39,169
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>167,423</u>	<u>126,405</u>

Plant Replacement Reserve

	2004/05	2003/04
Balance at Beginning of period	150,000	0
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	32,194	150,000
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(12,141)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>170,052</u>	<u>150,000</u>

Clayton Farm Insurance

	2004/05	2003/04
Balance at Beginning of period	129,750	0
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	8,829	129,750
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(28,471)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>110,109</u>	<u>129,750</u>

Bordertown Civic Centre M/mnt Comm Reserve

	2004/05	2003/04
Balance at Beginning of period	11,681	11,149
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	597	532
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>12,278</u>	<u>11,681</u>

Statement of Changes in Equity Continued...

	<u>2004/05</u>	<u>2003/04</u>
<u>Bordertown Library Capital Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	5,995	5,722
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	306	273
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>6,301</u>	<u>5,995</u>
<u>Bordertown Civic Centre Access Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	29,981	28,613
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	1,534	1,368
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>31,515</u>	<u>29,981</u>
<u>Carry Over Funds Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	818,612	719,085
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	950,286	818,612
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(818,000)	(719,085)
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>950,898</u>	<u>818,612</u>
<u>CED Maintenance Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	309,317	215,664
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	266,306	93,653
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>575,623</u>	<u>309,317</u>
<u>Aged Homes Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	122,177	60,000
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	3,902	62,177
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	(118,421)	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>7,658</u>	<u>122,177</u>

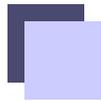
	<u>2004/05</u>	<u>2003/04</u>
<u>Sports & Rec Loan Payment Reserve</u>		
Balance at Beginning of period	20,724	20,000
Transfers to Reserve from Accumulated Surplus	1,060	725
Transfers from Reserve to Accumulated Surplus	0	0
<u>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</u>	<u>21,784</u>	<u>20,724</u>
<u>TOTAL EQUITY</u>		
	<u>53,550,233</u>	<u>53,998,002</u>

Statement of Cash Flows

For The Year Ended 30 June 2005

	<u>2004/05</u>	<u>2003/04</u>
	Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>		
RECEIPTS	8,723,334	8,270,695
PAYMENTS	(6,245,182)	(5,537,183)
<u>NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>2,478,152</u>	<u>2,733,512</u>
<u>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>		
RECEIPTS		
Loans Received	0	0
Loan Principal repaid by Community Groups	28,060	44,108
PAYMENTS		
Principal Repayments	(628,782)	(589,138)
Loans issued to Community Groups	(31,718)	(30,000)
<u>NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>(632,440)</u>	<u>(575,030)</u>
<u>CASH FLOW FROM INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES</u>		
RECEIPTS		
Capital Grants, Subsidies & Contributions	656,625	558,036
Sale of Land	176,800	157,459
Sale of Buildings	610	19,216
Sale of Infrastructure Assets	0	0
Sale of Plant & Equipment	526,889	369,818
Sale of Furniture and Fittings	0	0
Sale of Other Community Assets	0	0
Investments	0	0

	<u>2004/05</u>	<u>2003/04</u>
	Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)
PAYMENTS		
Purchase of Land	0	(196,959)
Purchase of Buildings	(141,078)	(169,516)
Construction of Infrastructure	(1,430,487)	(1,053,835)
Purchase of Plant & Equipment	(903,009)	(514,480)
Purchase of Furniture & Fittings	(42,695)	(63,696)
Purchase of Other Community Assets	(13,899)	(18,615)
Investments	0	0
<u>NET CASH USED IN INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES</u>	<u>(1,443,244)</u>	<u>(912,572)</u>
<u>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD</u>	<u>402,468</u>	<u>1,245,910</u>
<u>CASH AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD</u>	<u>2,624,468</u>	<u>1,378,558</u>
<u>CASH AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD</u>	<u>3,026,936</u>	<u>2,624,468</u>



South East Local Government Association

Tatiara Council together with Mount Gambier City, Grant Council, Naracoorte Lucindale Council, Wattle Range Council, Robe Council and Kingston Council form the South East Local Government Association. As this is a subsidiary of Council SELGAs annual report must be included in our Annual Report.

Presidents Report for 2004/05

The past year has provided a number of challenges for the South East Local Government Association and this organisation can be well satisfied with its efforts and achievements in this period. The South East Local Government Association has continued to provide an effective mechanism for policy formulation, lobbying and advocacy, and service delivery on a regional basis for member councils of the Association.

Collaboration

One of the great benefits of regional local government associations is the ability to undertake activities and provide services more efficiently and effectively compared to options available to a single council. Some very good examples that the South East Regional Local Government Association has facilitated in the past year include:

- The high profile plastic shopping bag reduction campaign was an outstanding success. This small but important goal forms part of a much larger waste management issue and has served as an excellent exercise in raising awareness across the Limestone Coast that waste management is a regional issue.
- Regional Recreation and Sport Support Program has operated successfully and in a sign of the benefit this program delivers to communities two councils will join the South East Local Government Association funding partnership in 2005/06.
- South East Broad Band Project.

These and other collaboration 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.

A footnote to this is that recently the South East Local Government Association supported the Independent Inquiry into the Financial Sustainability of Local

Government through participation as the subject of a case study on collaboration/resource sharing. It was pleasing to read the case study summary, which acknowledged numerous examples of best practice occurring within this organisation.

Regionalism

Support of regional bodies for the greater good has continued.

A thorough review of the funding formula for Limestone Coast Tourism has been under-taken. This exercise was necessary to ensure that the levy placed on individual councils is as fair as can be achieved. Equity in this funding formula is perceived as difficult to establish mainly because it is beyond the ability of any group to calculate accurately the benefit of a tourist who visits our region to a particular council area. What is known is that tourism forms an important part of the economy and the additional inputs provide an enhanced formula for use by this association for calculating member contributions.

The establishment of Key Performance Indicators for Limestone Coast Tourism has been a valuable assessment tool for the use of the South East Local Government Association Board in Limestone Coast Tourism's regular reports to the South East Local Government Association Board. The audit of accommodation type and capacity on a council by council basis for use as one of the additional inputs into the Limestone Coast Tourism funding formula has provided additional benefit to Limestone Coast Tourism as a useful database for that organisation's own purposes.

The South East Local Government Association continues financial contribution to the Limestone Coast Economic Development Board and the two organisations continue to work with Shires and other organisations in south west Victoria on issues of mutual interest and the Greater Green Triangle Regional Association remains in existence.

NRM

The Executive Officer and I represented local government on the South East Regional Natural Resource Management Steering Committee. The work of this group finished in early 2005 following the completion of the SENRM Board Options Paper.

Transport

A considerable amount of time and effort has been spent as a result of the Federal Government's decision to exclude the Green Triangle Region from the Auslink Road Network. Given the predicted increase in road freight and being home to large scale industries including softwood timber, viticulture, grain, dairy, and seafood our region deserves to be recognised in the Auslink network and the exclusion of the region is more than a major disappointment- it is an insult to a very productive and important part of regional Australia.

Earnest attempts by the South East Local Government Association (including joint submissions and deputations with the Limestone Coast Economic Development Board) to State and Federal elected representatives and departments have to date failed to achieve satisfactory outcomes. The need for investment on the region's road infrastructure is crucial to ensure that it can cope with the increase in road freight due to the impending harvest of the blue gum plantations, to assist the diverse industry in this region to remain competitive and provide safe roads for all users.

Waste

Studies undertaken on a Regional Waste Management Strategy, Rationalisation of Regional Landfills and Regional Resource Recovery put the South East Local Government Association in a position where we can begin to consider and discuss what actions to take initially as we move to a more collaborative approach to waste management. This is sure to be an issue that the South East Local Government Association Board and member councils will spend significant amounts of energy on in the coming year.

South Australian Local Government Association State Executive Committee

Exposure to this level of participation has increased my awareness and appreciation of the diversity, which exists in local government across South Australia and the challenges that the sector faces. Providing representation on the State Executive Committee has been rewarding and educational.

Finally I would like to acknowledge the tireless work of the Executive Officer Ron Ellis. Ron has provided excellent support to the South East Local Government Association Board and to me as President. I also thank delegates, sub delegates, Chief Executive Officers and Committee Presiding Members for your contribution in the past year and also those individuals who serve as representatives of the South East Local Government Association on outside bodies.

In the past year the South East Local Government Association has work effectively

for and through the efforts of member councils. I look forward to further collaboration as we seek to achieve the best possible outcomes for our regional community.

Mayor Steve Perryman - President, SELGA

Executive Officer's Report for 2004/05

Financial

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

SELGA achieved a small operating surplus of \$2,639.31 for the twelve months to 30th June 2005. The surplus has been achieved after absorbing costs of \$12,500 for Limestone Coast Tourism resource agreement, outlaying \$2000 to upgrade one workstation, incurring an operating loss of \$3,164 on Youth Week 2005 activities, and paying significantly more for fuel and car rental.

The effort to provide prudent financial management is continuing, resulting in a further reduction in levies on Councils for the coming year. The total levies estimated for 2005-2006 is \$483,838, down \$4,903 on a year earlier.

This position has been influenced by a reduction in payments to the Local Government Financing Authority for loan repayments in 2005-2006, the funding of a new project on attracting staff to General Practices through a collaborative project with the Limestone Coast Division of General Practice, and the effects of general cost increases.

For comparison, the levies raised from Councils in the previous three years 2002-2003 to 2005-2006 have been \$484 554, \$509 568, \$488 741, respectively.

Management of Greater Green Triangle Region Association Inc

The financial and legal affairs of the GGTRA continued to be addressed during 2004-2005, albeit at a much reduce level.

The GGTRA is cooperating with the Federal Department of Communication, Information Technology and the Arts to finalise the audit of Networking the Nation Projects.

SELGA Subcommittees and Working Groups

SELGA maintains nine active sub-Committees, namely:

- (i) Building Fire Safety Committee
- (ii) Planning Committee

- (iii) Roads and Transport Working Group
- (iv) Recreation and Sports Steering Committee
- (v) South East Coastal Management Committee
- (vi) Tourism Committee
- (vii) Telecommunications Committee
- (viii) Waste Management Committee
- (ix) Youth Week Committee

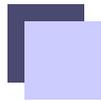
SELGA has completed an active year through its various sub-committees. Some notable achievements have been:

- Completed an Organic Waste Strategy for the region (report yet to be presented to the Board by Waste Management Committee)
- Reviewed and reported on the Economics of Landfill Rationalisation and Resource Recovery Options for the South East (report before the Board)
- Under the leadership of Tom O'Connor, completed a successful Recreation and Sports program covering the whole southeast region.
- Provided advice and support to regional recreation and sporting bodies on preparation of submissions for various capital grants.
- Reviewed priority Local Roads in the South East 2020 Transport Strategy
- On behalf of Councils, submitted regional priority roads projects for funding under the Special Local Roads Grants
- Assisted DC Tatiara and Wattle Range Council complete their proof of concept phase of the Better Development Plans program
- 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) Successful launch and handover of the Community Settlement Services Scheme to Lifeline
 - (iii) Employment of Regional Youth Week Coordinator
 - (iv) Continued the Regional Plastic Shopping Bag campaign.
 - (v) Collaborated with the South East Region Community Health Service to assist in rollout of the SE Suicide Prevention and Intervention Strategy.
 - (vi) Negotiated \$24,000 contract with Broadband Development Fund (DFEEST) for regional demand aggregation campaign (currently running)
 - (vii) Negotiated management reform of the Coast and Marine Officer and associated activities. SELGA will be the employing agency commencing 1 July 2005.

- (viii) Assisted Coastal Management Committee to negotiate new contract with Envirofund Australia on South East Coast (Limestone Coast) Access Project worth (\$39,727.27).
- (ix) Renewed contract for provision of Heritage Advisory Services (contract signed in May 2005 that holds costs to Councils steady until June 2007)
- (xi) Submitted proposal to LGA for SELGA and Member Councils to pilot the creation of a regional Environmental Health Service model

- Provided executive support (agendas, minutes, etc.) to meetings of the SELGA Board, Building Fire Safety Committee, Planning Committee, Roads and Transport Working Group, Recreation and Sports Steering Committee, South East Coastal Management Committee, Telecommunications Committee, Waste Management Committee.
- The President, Members, Executive Officer and the Recreation and Sports Coordinator have attended state and regional meetings and conferences to present SELGA's views on a wide variety of issues, including roads and transport, waste management, tourism marketing, natural resource management, financial sustainability of Local Government, recreation and sports development and development planning.
- SELGA has presented or published the following papers:
 - "Waste Management - Regional Landfills", LGA Regional Roads and Works Conference, Renmark, September 2004/
 - "Regionalisation as a Means of Achieving Financial Sustainability", LGMA Managers Handbook (2005), p12.
- Written submissions to the Commonwealth and State Governments and to the LGA on key policy issues, including:
 - (i) SELGA/LCRDB/Green Triangle Transport Network submission to Auslink
 - (ii) Federal Parliamentary inquiry into Integration of Regional Road and Rail Networks and their Connectivity to Ports
 - (iii) Paper to LGA on Collaboration/Resource Sharing Case Study Issue No 13 (a) for inquiry into Financial Sustainability of Local Government
 - (iv) Numerous letters to Ministers and Agencies expressing SELGA's views

Ron Ellis - Executive Officer, SELGA



South East Local Government Association

Annual Program/Business Plan for 2005/06

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.

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

Business Plan for 2005-2006

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 - South East Coastal Management Group
 - SELGA - South East Recreation and Sports Steering Committee
 - SELGA - Waste Management Committee
 - SELGA - Telecommunications Working Group
 - SELGA - Youth Week 2006 Steering Committee
 - SELGA - Tourism Committee
 - SELGA - Roads and Transport Working Group

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
 - South East Area Consultative Committee
 - South East Resource Information Centre
 - South East Natural Resource Management Board
 - South East Water Conservation and Drainage Board
 - Lower South East Soil Conservation 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 2006, **negotiate new contracts** and ventures authorised by the Board, including:
 - Agreement with the SE Natural Resources Management Board for **Coast and Marine Management Support for South East**
 - Agreement with the Minister for Recreation Sport and Racing for **SE Recreation and Sport Program** (2005-06 to 2006-07)
 - **Youth Week 2006** agreement with the Office for Youth
4. **Administer existing contracts** and ventures established by the Board, including:
 - Limestone Coast Regional Development Board Resource Agreement
 - Limestone Coast Tourism Resource Agreement
 - South East Resource Information Centre Resource Agreement
 - South East Heritage Advisory Service
 - Development Plan Improvement Program

- DPIP Coastal Policy Review and Coastal Module Application
- South East Coast (Limestone Coast) Access Management
- SE Regional Recreation and Sports Program
- South East Broadband Project

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 is a compelling need to focus on and consolidate gains in two key areas of activity for SELGA and Councils. These two areas are: **regional roads and transport** and **waste management**. It is proposed to focus SELGA activities, in collaboration with Councils and other stakeholders, on the following:

- Lead the SE push for **Federal and State funding** for main regional transport corridors.
- Review the main freight transport goals in the **South East 2020 Transport Strategy** with the aim of re-defining and re-focusing on high priority transport issues, with special emphasis on improving the network for heavy vehicles and reducing impacts of heavy vehicles on towns.
- Review the classification of the **Regional Local Roads Network** and prepare applications for **Special Local Roads Grants for 2005-2006**
- Finalise the Plastic **Shopping Bag Reduction Strategy**
- By October 2005, provide an overview and recommendation report to the Board on the **waste management priorities for the region** having regard to the Regional Waste Management Strategy, Organic Waste Strategy and Resource Recovery and Landfill Rationalization Options for the South East.
- Negotiate with **Zero Waste SA/EPA** for funding and implementation of the **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 2005-2006:

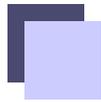
- **Review the SELGA Strategic Management Plan.** The review should lay the foundation for SELGA's activities and plans for the three-year period from July 2005 to June 2008

- Continue to collaborate with key stakeholders in a push for improved **Regional Telecommunications Services**, with emphasis on broadband.
- Implement a collaborative project with the Limestone Coast Division of General Practice aimed at **attracting General Practitioners to the region**.

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, SELGA



South East Local Government Association

Independent Audit Report

To the Committee of South East Local Government Association Inc.

Scope

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report comprising of the Profit & Loss statement and Balance Sheet of South East Local Government Association Inc. for the year ended 30th June 2005.

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 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 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 the South East Local Government Association Inc. as at 30th June 2005 and the results of its operations for the year then ended. We have obtained all the information and explanations we required from the association.

L.J Galpin

Partner

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

Dated this 22nd day of July 2005

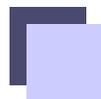


South East Local Government Association

Financial Statements

Balance Sheet – Last Year Analysis June 2005

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>		<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
ASSETS			<u>NET ASSETS</u>	\$ 52,515.74	\$ 49,876.43
General Cheque Account	\$ 262,909.92	\$ 306,029.52			
Trade Debtors	\$ 45,356.31	\$ 66,074.80	<u>EQUITY</u>		
Total ASSETS	\$ 308,266.23	\$ 372,104.32	Retained Earnings	\$ 49,876.43	\$ 31,614.70
			Current Earnings	\$ 2,639.31	\$ 18,261.73
LIABILITIES			<u>Total EQUITY</u>	\$ 52,515.74	\$ 49,876.43
Trade Creditors	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,800.48			
GST Liabilities					
GST Collected	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,807.84			
GST Control Account	\$ -2.52	\$ 2,837.00			
GST Paid	\$ 0.00	\$ -868.45			
Total GST Liabilities	\$ 3,997.48	\$ 7,776.39			
Payroll Liabilities					
PAYG Payable	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,662.00			
WorkCover Payable	\$ 359.26	\$ 125.38			
Accrued Annual Leave	\$ 5,129.01	\$ 2,548.92			
Total Payroll Liabilities	\$ 5,488.27	\$ 11,336.30			
Unspent Grant Funds	\$ 246,264.74	\$ 293,314.72			
Total LIABILITIES	\$ 255,750.49	\$ 322,227.89			



South East Local Government Association

Profit & Loss – Last Year Analysis July 2004 through June 2005

	<u>This Year</u>	<u>Last Year</u>			
INCOME			Regional Rec & Sports	\$ 115,563.24	\$ 65,776.07
SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS			DPIP Grant	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 0.00
City of Mount Gambier	\$ 24,920.00	\$ 24,532.00	LGR&DS Regional Capacity Build	\$ 48,624.46	\$ 10,345.45
District Council of Grant	\$ 13,049.00	\$ 13,050.00	CSSS Project	\$ 0.00	\$ 27,889.95
Kingston District Council	\$ 6,295.00	\$ 6,525.00	Plastic Bags Reduction Program	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 0.00
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	\$ 15,353.00	\$ 14,405.00	Coastal Regional Planning	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00
District Council of Robe	\$ 5,627.00	\$ 5,518.00	Zero Waste - Green Waste	\$ 30,230.00	\$ 0.00
District Council of Tatiara	\$ 12,420.00	\$ 11,801.00	Resource Recovery & Landfills	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 0.00
Wattle Range Council	\$ 22,097.00	\$ 20,979.00	Broadband Project	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 0.00
Total SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS	<u>\$ 99,761.00</u>	<u>\$ 96,810.00</u>	SE Regional Health Partnership	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 0.00
CONTRIBUTIONS			Heritage Services	\$ 56,500.00	\$ 50,000.00
LCRDB	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 72,000.00	Mosquito Project	\$ 11,351.20	\$ 0.00
GGTRA	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,300.00	SE Coast (LC) Access M/Ment	\$ 39,727.27	\$ 0.00
Limestone Coast Tourism	\$ 172,500.00	\$ 185,000.00	Total PROJECTS	<u>\$ 562,941.03</u>	<u>\$ 170,578.23</u>
SAROC	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	OTHER INCOME		
IT & T Loan Repayments	\$ 42,280.00	\$ 42,280.00	Interest	\$ 16,835.90	\$ 12,477.23
SE Resource Info Centre	\$ 29,995.00	\$ 29,995.00	Miscellaneous	\$ 357.80	\$ 947.41
Youth Week 2005	\$ 16,105.00	\$ 19,554.14	Sponsorship	\$ 0.00	\$ 250.00
Total CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>\$ 334,880.00</u>	<u>\$ 357,129.14</u>	Total OTHER INCOME	<u>\$ 17,193.70</u>	<u>\$ 13,674.64</u>
PROJECTS			PROJECTS – Mosquito		
Waste Management-Reg. Strat.	\$ 56,174.44	\$ 9,850.35	Funding	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,383.52
Roads & Transport	\$ 12,770.42	\$ 6,716.41	Total PROJECTS - Mosquito	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,383.52</u>
			TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$1,014,775.73</u>	<u>\$ 639,575.53</u>

EXPENSES

EXECUTIVE OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES

Executive Officer Salary Costs		
Salary	\$ 58,586.22	\$ 57,363.04
Superannuation	\$ 5,225.70	\$ 5,101.26
Workcover	\$ 768.30	\$ 624.68
Fringe Benefits Tax	\$ 1,085.59	\$ 751.47
Executive Officer Annual Leave	\$ 1,069.57	\$ 701.19
Total Executive Officer Salary Costs	<u>\$ 66,735.38</u>	<u>\$ 64,541.64</u>
 Vehicle & Travel Costs		
Vehicle Lease	\$ 8,176.29	\$ 8,530.18
Fuel Costs	\$ 3,849.08	\$ 2,741.47
Travel & Accommodation	\$ 1,061.31	\$ 362.58
Total Vehicle & Travel Costs	<u>\$ 13,086.68</u>	<u>\$ 11,634.23</u>
 Office Expenses		
Printing & Stationery	\$ 870.60	\$ 1,978.12
Postage	\$ 45.45	\$ 45.45
Audit Fees	\$ 540.00	\$ 485.00
Bank Fees	\$ 142.14	\$ 130.94
Insurance	\$ 835.99	\$ 791.99
Seminars/Workshops	\$ 562.91	\$ 251.82
Sponsorship	\$ 1,159.09	\$ 3,000.00
Legal Costs	\$ 0.00	\$ 50.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 0.84	\$ 1,196.21
Meeting Expenses	\$ 3,809.36	\$ 3,496.63
Executive Expenses	\$ 1,183.46	\$ 1,652.91
President Allowances	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1,000.00
Telephone	\$ 2,492.04	\$ 1,640.48

IT	\$ 1,999.04	\$ 1,475.46
Total Office Expenses	<u>\$ 21,140.92</u>	<u>\$ 17,195.01</u>
<u>Total EXECUTIVE OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES</u>	<u>\$ 100,962.98</u>	<u>\$ 93,370.88</u>

CONTRIBUTIONS

LCRDB (LCRDB, SELGA, LCT)	\$ 71,666.00	\$ 71,666.00
Limestone Coast Tourism	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 185,000.00
SE Resource Info Centre	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
IT & T Loan Repayment	\$ 42,296.86	\$ 42,296.86
Youth Week 2005	\$ 19,269.55	\$ 21,003.59
<u>Total CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	<u>\$ 348,232.41</u>	<u>\$ 349,966.45</u>

PROJECTS

LGR&DS - Regional Capacity Build	\$ 48,624.46	\$ 10,345.45
Waste Management-Reg. Strat.	\$ 56,174.44	\$ 9,850.35
Heritage Services	\$ 56,500.00	\$ 54,166.99
Roads & Transport	\$ 12,770.42	\$ 6,716.41
CSSS Project	\$ 0.00	\$ 27,889.95
Zero Waste - Green Waste	\$ 30,230.00	\$ 0.00
Plastic Bag Reduction	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 0.00
DPIP Grant	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 0.00
Resource Recovery & Landfills	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 0.00
Broadband Project	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 0.00
Mosquito Project	\$ 11,351.20	\$ 0.00
SE Regional Health Partnership	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 0.00
SE Coast (LC) Access M/Ment	\$ 39,727.27	\$ 0.00
Coastal Regional Planning	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 0.00
<u>Total PROJECTS</u>	<u>\$ 447,377.79</u>	<u>\$ 108,969.15</u>

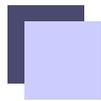
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PROJECTS – Mosquitoes		
Salary Costs	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,030.44
Mosquito Project Equipment Costs	\$ 0.00	\$ 353.08
<u>Total PROJECTS - Mosquitoes</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,383.52</u>

REGIONAL REC & SPORT CO-ORD

Salary	\$ 47,207.94	\$ 38,623.74
Salary Costs	\$ 4,565.36	\$ 3,876.37
Telephone	\$ 1,225.49	\$ 1,072.87
Postage/Printing/Stationery	\$ 1,746.12	\$ 2,256.50
Vehicle Expenses	\$ 10,147.50	\$ 8,312.76
Recruitment/Relocation Exps.	\$ 0.00	\$ 737.27
Admin Fee	\$ 1,138.75	\$ 1,000.00
Office Rental	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 24,243.93	\$ 1,194.77
RR&S Co-ord Accrued A/Leave	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,847.73
Programs		
Club Development	\$ 2,401.51	\$ 1,728.27
Sport VET	\$ 0.00	\$ 120.00
Voc. Education & Training	\$ 0.00	\$ 120.00
Country Seminar	\$ 253.04	\$ 120.00
Community Sport & Rec Network	\$ 6,985.56	\$ 120.00
Volunteer M/Ment & Association. MM	\$ 923.18	\$ 2,679.50
Growing for Gold SE	\$ 0.00	\$ 120.00
Special Initiatives SE	\$ 3,725.13	\$ 520.00
Youth Initiatives SE	\$ 3,750.92	\$ 773.36
International Year of Official	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,400.66
Be Active Workplaces	\$ 800.00	\$ 0.00
Sports Libraries	\$ 5,448.81	\$ 0.00
<u>Total Programs</u>	<u>\$ 24,288.15</u>	<u>\$ 7,701.79</u>

<u>Total REGIONAL REC & SPORT CO-ORD</u>	<u>\$ 115,563.24</u>	<u>\$ 67,623.80</u>
Total EXPENSES	<u>\$1,012,136.42</u>	<u>\$ 621,313.80</u>
Operating Profit	<u>\$ 2,639.31</u>	<u>\$ 18,261.73</u>
Other Expenses	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Net Profit/(Loss)	<u>\$ 2,639.31</u>	<u>\$ 18,261.73</u>



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Balance Sheet - June 2005

ASSETS

General Cheque Account		\$ 262,909.92	
Trade Debtors		\$ 45,356.31	
<u>Total ASSETS</u>			<u>\$ 308,266.23</u>

LIABILITIES

GST Liabilities			
GST Collected	\$ 4,000.00		
GST Control Account	\$ 2.52		
Total GST Liabilities		\$ 3,997.48	
Payroll Liabilities			
WorkCover Payable	\$ 359.26		
Accrued Annual Leave	\$ 5,129.01		
Total Payroll Liabilities		\$ 5,488.27	
Unspent Grant Funds		\$ 246,264.74	
<u>Total LIABILITIES</u>			<u>\$ 255,750.49</u>

<u>NET ASSETS</u>			<u>\$ 52,515.74</u>
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EQUITY

Retained Earnings		\$ 49,876.43	
Current Earnings		\$ 2,639.31	
<u>Total EQUITY</u>			<u>\$ 52,515.74</u>



South East Local Government Association

Profit & Loss Statement July 2004 through June 2005

INCOME

SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS

City of Mount Gambier	\$ 24,920.00	
District Council of Grant	\$ 13,049.00	
Kingston District Council	\$ 6,295.00	
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	\$ 15,353.00	
District Council of Robe	\$ 5,627.00	
District Council of Tatiara	\$ 12,420.00	
Wattle Range Council	\$ 22,097.00	
Total SUBSCRIPTIONS-MEMBER COUNCILS		<u>\$ 99,761.00</u>

CONTRIBUTIONS

LCRDB	\$ 72,000.00	
GGTRA	\$ 0.00	
Limestone Coast Tourism	\$172,500.00	
SAROC	\$ 2,000.00	
IT & T Loan Repayments	\$ 42,280.00	
SE Resource Info Centre	\$ 29,995.00	
Youth Week 2005	\$ 16,105.00	
Total CONTRIBUTIONS		<u>\$334,880.00</u>

PROJECTS

Waste Management-Reg. Strat.	\$ 56,174.44
Roads & Transport	\$ 12,770.42
Regional Rec & Sports	\$115,563.24
DPIP Grant	\$ 45,000.00
LGR&DS Regional Capacity Build	\$ 48,624.46

CSSS Project	\$	0.00	
Plastic Bags Reduction Program	\$	50,000.00	
Coastal Regional Planning	\$	20,000.00	
Zero Waste - Green Waste	\$	30,230.00	
Resource Recovery & Landfills	\$	25,000.00	
Broadband Project	\$	12,000.00	
SE Regional Health Partnership	\$	40,000.00	
Heritage Services	\$	56,500.00	
Mosquito Project	\$	11,351.20	
SE Coast (LC) Access M/Mgmt	\$	39,727.27	
Total PROJECTS			<u>\$562,941.03</u>
OTHER INCOME			
Interest	\$	16,835.90	
Miscellaneous	\$	357.80	
Sponsorship	\$	0.00	
Total OTHER INCOME			<u>\$ 17,193.70</u>
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>			<u>\$1,014,775.73</u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>EXECUTIVE OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES</u>			
Executive Officer Salary Costs			
Salary	\$	58,586.22	
Superannuation	\$	5,225.70	
Workcover	\$	768.30	
Fringe Benefits Tax	\$	1,085.59	
Executive Officer Annual Leave	\$	1,069.57	
Total Executive Officer Salary Costs			<u>\$ 66,735.38</u>

Vehicle & Travel Costs		
Vehicle Lease	\$	8,176.29
Fuel Costs	\$	3,849.08
Travel & Accommodation	\$	1,061.31
Total Vehicle & Travel Costs		<u>\$ 13,086.68</u>

Office Expenses		
Printing & Stationery	\$	870.60
Postage	\$	45.45
Audit Fees	\$	540.00
Bank Fees	\$	142.14
Insurance	\$	835.99
Seminars/Workshops	\$	562.91
Sponsorship	\$	1,159.09
Legal Costs	\$	0.00
Miscellaneous	\$	0.84
Meeting Expenses	\$	3,809.36
Executive Expenses	\$	1,183.46
President Allowances	\$	7,500.00
Telephone	\$	2,492.04
IT	\$	1,999.04
Total Office Expenses		<u>\$ 21,140.92</u>
<u>Total EXECUTIVE OFFICER/OFFICE EXPENSES</u>		<u><u>\$100,962.98</u></u>

CONTRIBUTIONS

LCRDB (LCRDB, SELGA, LCT)	\$	71,666.00
Limestone Coast Tourism	\$	185,000.00
SE Resource Info Centre	\$	30,000.00
IT & T Loan Repayment	\$	42,296.86
Youth Week 2005	\$	19,269.55
<u>Total CONTRIBUTIONS</u>		<u>\$348,232.41</u>

PROJECTS

LGR&DS - Regional Capacity Build	\$ 48,624.46
Waste Management-Reg. Strat.	\$ 56,174.44
Heritage Services	\$ 56,500.00
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Programs	
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Sport VET	\$ 0.00
Voc. Education & Training	\$ 0.00

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Country Seminar	\$ 253.04	
Community Sport & Rec Network	\$ 6,985.56	
Volunteer M/Ment & Association. MM	\$ 923.18	
Growing for Gold SE	\$ 0.00	
Special Initiatives SE	\$ 3,725.13	
Youth Initiatives SE	\$ 3,750.92	
International Year of Official	\$ 0.00	
Be Active Workplaces	\$ 800.00	
Sports Libraries	\$ 5,448.81	
Total Programs	\$ 24,288.15	
<u>Total REGIONAL REC & SPORT CO-ORD</u>		<u>\$115,563.24</u>
Total EXPENSES		<u>\$1,012,136.42</u>
Operating Profit		<u>\$ 2,639.31</u>
Other Expenses		<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Net Profit/(Loss)		<u><u>\$ 2,639.31</u></u>



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