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CLARENCE  
CITY COUNCIL

annual  
report



Clarence... a brighter place



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## Vision

Clarence...a vibrant, prosperous, sustainable city.

## Mission

To respond to the changing needs of the community through a commitment to excellence in leadership, advocacy, innovative governance and service delivery.

## City Profile

The City of Clarence is located on Hobart’s eastern shore and is the second largest local government area in Tasmania by population.

The region is surrounded by 191 kilometres of coastline and supports a variety of residential options from city living to rural and coastal living.

The city has several different retail and commercial centres, from thriving commercial centres at Rosny Park and Howrah, to major industrial and commercial centres at Mornington and Cambridge. There is also a strong agricultural sector in the Coal River Valley which features the iconic Richmond heritage village.

The region is the home to key enabling infrastructure such as Bellerive Oval and the Hobart International Airport and these are supplemented by a variety of events and attractions across the local government area, together with approximately 340 kilometres of tracks and trails to be explored.

The City of Clarence offers an enviable lifestyle, has a strong commercial and business sector and is the gateway for many visitors to southern Tasmania.

## At a glance

First settled	1803
Proclaimed a municipality	1860
Proclaimed a city	1988
Population	55,085 [Census 2016]
Persons aged under 15 years	9,851 [Census 2016]
Persons aged 15 years and over	33,975 [Census 2016]
Persons aged 65 years and over	11,000 [Census 2016]
Median age (years)	43 [Australian median age 37, 2016]
Area	386 square kms [including 191 kms of coastline]
Number of private dwellings	22,986 [Census 2016]
Mean daily maximum temperature	22.6 degrees January, 12.5 degrees July
Mean daily minimum temperature	13.2 degrees January, 5.4 degrees July

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## Mayor's Message



### I am pleased to present the 2016–17 Annual report for Clarence City Council.

The 2016 Census revealed that the City of Clarence has continued to grow significantly with the population climbing to just over 55,000. Business activity has also been on the rise, driven to some extent by the boom in tourism. Managing growth, of course brings its own challenges and Council reviewed its priorities for delivering community services and

infrastructure by adopting its 2016-2026 Strategic Plan.

The strategic plan provides a framework for ensuring Council manages its resources efficiently and effectively, while responding to the community's needs and expectations.

Basic services such as maintaining roads and footpaths, waste collection, and stormwater management have continued to expand with population growth, as have new housing and business developments. Implementing the 2015 Clarence Interim Planning Scheme has continued to provide Council with challenges as statewide provisions over-ride traditional local planning provisions.

A key project for Council continues to be the re-imagining of Kangaroo Bay as a focal point for our city. In January Council granted a planning permit to Hunter Developments for a premium waterfront hotel and a linked hospitality training school. The proposal includes hotel accommodation, serviced apartments, restaurants, bars, a function centre and car parking. The hotel will be located on the old ferry terminal site while the training school will be located at 76 and 78 Cambridge Road.

As part of the redevelopment of Kangaroo Bay, it was pleasing to see the parklands open to the public in December. The parklands area includes a play space for all ages that incorporates water and net play. It also features a rain garden, pavilion with public toilets and undercover barbecue facilities, interpretation panels and a major public artwork called *Kangooroo*. It has been wonderful to see people of all ages embrace the vast improvements to this area.

Further development of Kangaroo Bay included the completion of the new sporting facility. The facility includes public toilets, and also change rooms and clubrooms that have been leased to the Clarence District Cricket Club. The extension of the promenade from the parklands to Rosny College also commenced and will see the Clarence Foreshore Trail extend and improve access.

A number of other strategic issues were considered by Council to provide direction for city planning, sport, recreation and tourism.

In December, Council adopted a master plan for Cambridge that responds to the increased growth of the area in recent years. The plan incorporates transport and access, community facilities and services, recreation and open spaces, streetscape and land use planning. The plan will guide the development of open space in the township.

A Destination Action Plan for tourism in the Richmond and Coal River Valley area has been developed in conjunction with Destination Southern Tasmania and the industry. This plan identifies priority activities to develop tourism in the region.

Sport and recreation is a valued pursuit in our city and Council actively encourages residents to be active and involved to improve their health and wellbeing. It was pleasing to see the

opening of the Howrah Community Bowls Centre. Council provided significant funding to this project that provides the only indoor bowling facility on the eastern shore to attract competitions.

Other projects included the completion of stage one of the Cambridge Oval stormwater harvesting project, a new multi-user pathway on Rosny Hill Road, and construction of the Blessington and Kangaroo Bay Rivulet tracks to provide greater access within our city.

During the year Council celebrated two key milestones.

The Clarence Jazz Festival turned 21 in February with nine days of concerts held around our beautiful city. The festival featured a mixture of international and national jazz artists alongside some great Tasmanian talent. From humble beginnings, the Clarence Jazz Festival has become a key event in our city and a proud supporter of Tasmanian musicians, particularly emerging talent.

The Clarence Family Day Care Scheme celebrated 40 years in operation with an exhibition at the Schoolhouse Gallery. Since 1977 the scheme has provided care to thousands of children and currently averages more than 400 children each week. The scheme has also experienced many changes over the years. I congratulate past and present carers who have embraced and adapted to the introduction and changes in national and state standards as we continue to provide a quality service for our community.

It was also wonderful to have Council recognised on a state and national scale.

Council was awarded the major Australia Coastal Councils award [annual achievement] for its coastal adaptation pathway to manage its coastline under a changing climate. The award recognises the work Council, individuals and organisations have done to address climate change impacts through actions such as new planning scheme controls, filling in dune low-points at vulnerable sites, photogrammetry and high-resolution aerial beach monitoring.

Along with project partners, Council received the 2016 Local Government Association of Tasmania Award for Excellence [larger councils] for the 'aWake Before Death' project. This innovative project aims to promote and encourage conversations about end-of-life planning through the sharing of stories on death, dying, grief and bereavement through film.

As Mayor I am proud that this council is able to continuing high quality services to our community while embracing new initiatives that enable residents across their lifespan to improve their wellbeing and participate fully in our community. The launch of the My Wellbeing Kit which focuses on simple ways to make sure our mental wellbeing is in-check is one such example.

I would like to thank my fellow aldermen for their dedicated service to Council and their outstanding commitment to the people who make up our vibrant city.

I would also like to thank the General Manager and his team for their professionalism in planning and delivering the services that benefit our community each and every day.







**Alderman Doug Chipman**  
MAYOR

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## Council Aldermen

The Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Aldermen represented Council on various committees, boards and authorities including:

					
Alderman	Alderman	Alderman	Alderman	Alderman	Alderman
<b>Doug Chipman</b>	<b>N (Jock) McL Campbell</b>	<b>Heather Chong</b>	<b>Doug Doust</b>	<b>Richard James</b>	<b>Kay McFarlane</b>
MAYOR	Deputy Mayor	Audit Committee	Cultural History Advisory Committee [Chairperson]	Southern Waste Strategy Authority to 22/5/17	Audit Committee [Proxy]
Clarence City Council Planning Authority	Clarence City Council Planning Authority	Petitions to Amend Hearings Committee	Clarence City Council Planning Authority	Clarence City Council Planning Authority	Tracks and Trails Committee [Alternative Chairperson]
Events Special Committee [Chairperson]	National Fitness Southern Recreation Association	Richmond Advisory Committee [Chairperson]	Clarence City Council Planning Authority	Tracks and Trails Committee [Chairperson]	Clarence Access and Facilities Advisory Committee [Alternative Chairperson]
Clarence GP Super Clinic Ltd [Director]	State-wide Water and Sewerage Corporation – Deputy Owners’ Representative	Clarence City Council Planning Authority	Howrah Recreation Centre Committee of Management	Richmond Advisory Committee [Proxy]	Clarence City Council Planning Authority
Clarence Emergency Management Committee [Chairperson]	Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority [Chairperson]	Events Special Committee	Cultural History Advisory Committee [Proxy]	Code of Conduct Panel	Community Road Safety Partnership Advisory Group [Chairperson]
Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority			Community Health and Wellbeing Plan Advisory Committee [Chairperson]		Natural Resource Management and Grants Committee [Chairperson]
Local Government Association of Tasmania [LGAT] General Management Committee					
Delegate to LGAT Annual and Special Conferences					
Australian Mayoral Aviation Council					
State-wide Water and Sewerage Corporation – Owners’ Representative					

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Alderman

**John Peers**

Lindisfarne  
Community  
Activities Centre  
Management  
Committee

Geilston Bay  
Community  
Centre  
Management  
Committee

Risdon Vale  
Community  
Centre  
Management  
Committee

Clarence City  
Council Planning  
Authority

Community  
Road Safety  
Partnership  
Advisory Group  
[Alternative  
Chairperson]

Howrah  
Recreation  
Centre  
Committee of  
Management  
[Proxy] from  
17/10/16



Alderman

**Sharyn  
von Bertouch**

Cycling South  
[Proxy]

South Arm  
Calverton Hall  
Management  
Committee Inc

Clarence  
Bicycle Steering  
Committee  
[Chairperson]

Clarence City  
Council Planning  
Authority

Positive Ageing  
Plan Advisory  
Committee  
[Chairperson]

Clarence Senior  
Citizens Centre  
Management  
Committee

Southern  
Waste Strategy  
Authority [Proxy]

Events Special  
Committee

National  
Sea Change  
Taskforce  
Committee of  
Management



Alderman

**James Walker**

Howrah  
Recreation  
Centre  
Committee of  
Management  
[Proxy]

Clarence City  
Council Planning  
Authority

Positive Ageing  
Plan Advisory  
Committee  
[Proxy]

Clarence  
Bicycle Steering  
Committee  
[Alternative  
Chairperson]

Committee of  
Management of  
Business East Inc  
[Proxy observer]

Copping Refuse  
Disposal Site  
Joint Authority  
[Deputy  
Representative]  
from 26/9/16



Alderman

**Peter Cusick**

Clarence City  
Council Planning  
Authority

Lindisfarne  
Community  
Activities Centre  
Management  
Committee

Audit Committee  
Petitions to  
Amend Hearings  
Committee  
[Proxy]

Copping Refuse  
Disposal Site  
Joint Authority  
[Deputy  
Representative]  
to 26/9/16

Code of  
Conduct Panel

C Cell P/L  
[Director] from  
5/9/16



Alderman

**Daniel Hulme**

Clarence City  
Council Planning  
Authority

Risdon Vale  
Community  
Centre  
Management  
Committee

Petitions to  
Amend Hearings  
Committee

Committee of  
Management  
of Business East  
[Observer]

Partnership  
Grants  
Assessment  
Panel



Alderman

**Debra Thurley**

Clarence City  
Council Planning  
Authority

Clarence Senior  
Citizens Centre  
Management  
Committee  
[Proxy]

Petitions to  
Amend Hearings  
Committee

Clarence Access  
and Facilities  
Advisory  
Committee  
[Chairperson]

Community  
Health and  
Wellbeing  
Plan Advisory  
Committee  
[Alternative  
Chairperson]

Bellerive  
Community  
Arts Centre  
Management  
Committee

Geilston Bay  
Community  
Centre  
Management  
Committee

Code of Conduct  
Panel



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## General Manager's Report

**We are all familiar with the often repeated phrase “the only constant is change itself”.**

While the origins of the phrase which first appeared in the fourth or fifth century BC may be cloudy, 2,500 years later it still has relevance to local government and, in particular, Clarence City Council.

The past year has seen Council again dealing with the common threads of:

- planning reform;
- ongoing issues of possible council amalgamations and resource sharing; and
- growing community demand for services and improved facilities.

Throughout 2016-17, Council has been involved in preparing to transition to the new format of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. With the cutover to the scheme expected by mid-2018, Council will have had four different planning schemes since early 2008. Other than the initial adoption of the Clarence Planning Scheme 2007 (adopted 2008), all of the subsequent changes to the planning schemes have been driven by the respective State Government's planning agendas.

The phased introduction of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme early next year has necessitated a significant body of work by Council staff to seek to ensure that as many of the attributes that make Clarence special are not lost in an homogenous statewide approach to planning. Council and Council's planners are working diligently to retain as many of our unique characteristics as possible. Matters such as development density, development styles and setbacks are all important to Clarence residents and we are seeking to retain as many of these controls in our scheme as we move to the Tasmanian Planning Scheme model.

Throughout 2016-17 Council has participated with neighbouring Councils, both to the east and west, in studies to assess whether there is benefit to the Clarence community in voluntarily amalgamating or increased resource sharing between the Councils. These studies identified a range of potential advantages and disadvantages for Clarence in each of the options studied. At the time of writing this report, Council is midway through an extended consultation period with our community in regard to these options.

What all of the studies highlighted is that there are always different or better ways to look at how we go about our business. Whatever the outcome of the consultation and Council's ultimate decision, we can be sure that as an organisation we will continue to look at improved or more efficient means of serving our community.

With a population growing as fast as anywhere in the state, we continue to see constant demand for improved or additional services and facilities. Particularly, this is evidenced around demand for sporting grounds. In recent years we have seen what used to be quite distinct cricket and football seasons now overlap significantly. This, together with the growth we are seeing in participation rates in some sports, is placing enormous pressure on Council to firstly provide sufficient grounds to meet demand but secondly, gone is the four week changeover period between summer and winter sports when major maintenance was undertaken on all our grounds.

In recent years we have delivered new recreation grounds at Kangaroo Bay, Clarence High School and the former Geilston Bay High School ground. In the next period Council will likely bring on more facilities at a new Seven Mile Beach recreation area and possibly at Bayview Secondary College in Rokeby. Council has made significant investment in seeking to maintain the number but also the quality of our sporting facilities and I would especially like to acknowledge the efforts of all our staff in maintaining the reserves to the best possible standard.

I would like to thank all Council staff for their diligence and hard work throughout the year. I think as an organisation we can be proud of the services and support we deliver to our community.

Finally, I would like to thank the Mayor and Aldermen for the leadership and direction they provide to the city in this constant ever changing environment.

Together, I am confident we make Clarence 'a brighter place'.

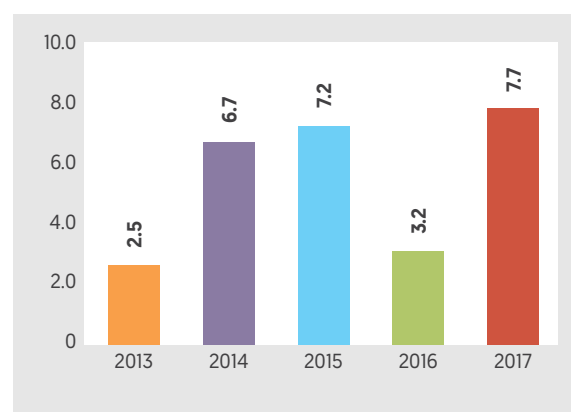
**Andrew Paul**  
GENERAL MANAGER

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## 2016–17 Highlights

- Council adopted a Strategic Plan 2016-2026.
- A new Economic Development Plan for 2016-2021 was adopted.
- Council received the annual achievement award in the Australian Coastal Councils Awards for its coastal adaptation pathway to manage its coastline under a changing climate.
- Kangaroo Bay Parklands and sport facility were officially opened.
- The Clarence Family Day Care Scheme celebrated 40 years in operation.
- The Clarence Jazz Festival celebrated 21 years with nine days of concerts held across the city.
- The Council marked the 50th anniversary of the 1967 bushfires with the exhibition: 'What Would You Take?' at Rosny Farm and the establishment of a reflective space at Percy Park in Rokeby.
- The new multi-user path on Rosny Hill Road was completed.
- A Bushfire Management Strategy for Council owned and controlled land was adopted.
- Council adopted a Community Safety Plan.
- The Kangaroo Bay Public Carpark Strategy was adopted.
- The indoor Howrah Community Bowls Centre was completed and officially opened.
- Council adopted a master plan for Cambridge.
- The 'My Wellbeing Kit', a mental health toolkit was launched to help improve people's mental wellbeing.
- *Time and Tide: Steps to Reconciliation* was held in May 2017 to mark Reconciliation Week.
- The Blessington Track and the Kangaroo Bay Rivulet Track were completed.



### Underlying surplus ratio

Underlying surplus/[deficit]/Recurrent Income  
This ratio serves as an overall measure of financial operating effectiveness.  
Auditor General Benchmark: >1.0



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## A PEOPLE CITY

GOAL: Clarence is a city which values diversity and encourages equity and inclusiveness, where people of all ages and abilities have the opportunity to improve their health and quality of life.





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## Children’s Services

Council provides a range of child care options for families that includes Rosny Child Care, Family Day Care, Before and After School Care and Holiday Care. These services are approved under the Education and Care Services National Law and meet the operational requirements of the National Regulations and Quality Standards. The services provide licenced and accredited high quality child care for families in Clarence.

### Rosny Child Care

The past year has seen an increase in the use of centre-based care. On average 60 families and 72 children were enrolled at the centre during the year.

Ongoing improvements to the centre were carried out with new heat pumps installed in the two bathrooms, the kitchen and the babies’ sleep room.

The centre provided a range of activities such as a celebration of Harmony Day and an excursion to the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens.

### Family Day Care

The Clarence Family Day Care Scheme celebrated 40 years of operation with an exhibition at the Schoolhouse Gallery at Rosny Farm.

The office restructure was completed with Family Day Care, Outside School Hours Care and Holiday Care offices now co-located at Alma Street in Bellerive. The office was renovated which included the construction of a new toy library for Family Day Care and a storage shed for Outside School Hours Care.

### Clarence Outside School Hours and Holiday Care

Annual assessments under the National Quality Framework continued.

The Howrah Outside School Hours and Holiday Care program were assessed and meet all requirements under the framework.

Educators continued to undertake training to support their understanding of responsibilities under the National Quality Framework and legislation.

A new Outside School Hours Care program opened in Risdon Vale in August 2016.

## Youth Services

Council provides a range of programs and activities for young people, from centre-based, outreach and partnership programs across the city.

### Skate programs

**Kangaroo Bay Skate Park**

During the year, skate programs were conducted in partnership with the YMCA at Kangaroo Bay Skate Park. A scooter competition and bowl jam was also held at the park in May in partnership with the YMCA, Youth Beat and Young Life.

**Know Your Odds Da Vale Scooter and BMX Jam**

Risdon Vale students from the Resilience Program at Rose Bay High School organised a scooter and BMX competition in January 2017. The competition attracted competitors not only from the area, but also from New Norfolk, Glenorchy and Kingston.

### Migrant Homework Program

The Migrant Homework Program commenced at the Warrane Mornington Neighbourhood Centre with the assistance of Warrane Primary School. The program provides opportunities for young mentors to work with participants on numeracy and literacy tasks.

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## Youth Services *continued*

### Evening recreation programs

Evening night recreation programs were held three nights a week in the city:

- Youth Centre – The program on Monday is well attended with young people playing a variety of indoor and outdoor activities.
- Risdon Vale: the format of the Tuesday night program has changed to focus on sports and this was well received by young people. The number of young people attending is consistent.
- Warrane Mornington: attendance at the Thursday evening program has been consistent.

### School holiday program

Council continued to hold school holiday programs and activities and these were well attended. A variety of activities were provided and included skating, bowling, rock climbing, the Horrible Hobart tour, along with visits to Inflatable World and the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery.

### Homework programs

The Homework Program at Rokeby Neighbourhood Centre continued while new programs commenced at Clarendon Vale Neighbourhood Centre and Risdon Vale Neighbourhood. These programs focus on literacy and numeracy activities.

### E-School (Rokeby Primary and Clarendon Vale Primary Schools)

An alternative education program was provided through Rokeby Primary School, Clarendon Vale Primary School and the e-School.

### Workshop programs

#### High school workshops

Council’s workshop programs continued in partnership with Rose Bay High School, Clarence High School and Bayview Secondary College and cater for students who are disengaged from school. The program continued to liaise with schools to provide productive pre-job learning and skill development opportunities to students.

#### Open Workshop ‘reshape, repair, recycle, re-use’

Participants of the Open Workshop program worked on individual projects during the year to reshape, repair, recycle and re-use resources from Council pick ups and tip shops. Program numbers remained consistent during the year.

### Bike workshops

#### Open Bike Workshop

Following promotion of the program via the media and the Council’s Rates News, more than 150 bikes and parts were donated to the program from the community. Program participants dedicated their time and efforts to restoring bikes for the broader community.

Five bikes were restored and donated to Mara House women’s shelter.

#### Bike helmet initiative

In partnership with Mission Australia, this new program aims to encourage the wearing of helmets in Clarence. Money to purchase helmets for the program was donated by the community and private sponsors. Free stack helmets were given to youth and community members who gave five hours of their time back to the community.

#### Friday Options Program with Clarendon Vale Primary School

This program continued with grade five and six students from the school who worked on, and then received, a restored bike and helmet.



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## Youth Services continued

### Graffiti reduction program

#### Community free spray workshops

A group of nine young people repainted the Phoenix Street underpass in Howrah with imagery that aligned with the theme of ‘positivity’.

Free spray workshops were held in Risdon Vale with participants painting shipping containers.

#### School street art programs

Street art workshops were held with students at Clarendon Vale Primary School, Richmond Primary School, Risdon Vale Primary School, Rokeby High School and Rose Bay High School. This program aims to educate students on the economic, social and legal impacts of graffiti vandalism and the positive ways that legal street art can enhance community spaces.

A street art program was completed at Rose Bay High School with eight students producing their own piece of street art that is on display at the school.

#### Montagu Bay Primary School mural

Council supported a street artist (Dexter) to mentor a young person in the design and production of a mural at Montagu Bay Primary.

#### High school program – Clarence High School

A 10-week street art program was held at Clarence High School with up to 12 students participating. Students worked with a commercial street artist to produce small artworks.

### Resilience Rose Bay High School program

Students continued to engage in the resilience programs at Rose Bay High School with the content of the program mapped to the Australia Curriculum. The program focused on students participating in a range of activities to build resilience.

### Youth Network Advisory Group (YNAG)

YNAG continued to work on a number of long running projects during the year including the ‘Our Shared Space’ partnership with the Clarence Positive Ageing Advisory Committee. The group organised events such as ‘Generation Trivia’ which was held in July 2016.

YNAG also continued to raise awareness of youth homelessness through hosting an event on Youth Homelessness Matters Day in April 2017.

YNAG also took part in the Hidden Others Short Film Competition organised by the Salvation Army. In collaboration with Rosny College, the group produced a short film which was shown as part of Homeless Prevention Week. It was judged as being in the top three in the state.

YNAG members met with schools to formalise and expand the relationship between the service and the student bodies of the high schools and Rosny College.

Several YNAG members attended the Tasmanian Youth Conference.

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## Youth Services *continued*

### Youth Assist

The aim of Youth Assist is to maintain and improve relationships with schools around Clarence and develop partnerships with services across southern Tasmania to provide the best support for youth in Clarence.

The service was involved in the following activities during the year:

- Mental Health Week at Rose Bay High School.
- Facilitation of a National Youth Week event in conjunction with students from Bayview Secondary College.
- A health and wellbeing event at Clarence High School, centred on the theme of ‘diversity’.
- A Youth Assist space at the Integrated Care Centre (ICC) for youth specific services.
- In partnership with YNAG, hosted an activity to discuss health and wellbeing topics at the University of Tasmania O-Week Market Day.
- Expansion of outreach services to Kangaroo Bay Skate Park.
- Attended the Rosny College Careers Expo with YNAG to promote Council’s Youth Services and connect with a large number of young people from across Clarence.

## Volunteer Services

A Clarence Community Volunteers Service Steering Committee was established with service users and other key stakeholders to guide service delivery.

The service continued to provide support in the community. Up to 100 clients were assisted by 43 volunteers during the year.

MyAgedCare is working satisfactorily with regular referrals being received. Ongoing feedback is provided to the relevant government representatives through the Health and Community Care (HACC) forums.

The final report from the Australian Government Australian Aged Care Quality Review Agency was received in July 2016 and it confirmed that we had met all 18 standards.

Confirmation was received that funding from the Commonwealth Home Support Programme will continue until 2020.

### Clarence Eating with Friends

Clarence Eating with Friends lunches were held every six weeks with up to 55 regular and new people attending. Volunteers and participants of the program were invited to morning tea at Government House in May 2017.

### Younger people with a disability

Research was undertaken to identify opportunities and strategies to improve the delivery of volunteer services offered to people aged 18 to 65 years living with a disability. From the research, a report was produced in April 2017 with five recommendations being considered. The project is a partnership with the Disability Access Advisory Committee.

### Pilot dog walking program

The Volunteer Service has partnered with the Hobart Dogs Home to assist the service to pilot a dog-walking program in Clarence.



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## Community Development

## Transport

### *Council’s community bus*

Council continued to operate its community bus service for groups and organisations. This service has been made possible with the assistance of volunteer drivers.

### *Community bus partnerships*

The community bus partnership with the South Arm Peninsula Residents Association [SAPRA], Warrane-Mornington and Risdon Vale Neighbourhood Centres, and the Risdon Vale Christian Family Centre and Council continued, with an increase in volunteer drivers, and residents using the bus.

## Community safety

### *One Community Together (OCT)*

One Community Together continued to build on its strategic and long-term approach to address safety in Clarence Plains.

Some of the key activities during the year included:

- Clarence Plains ‘Unwrecked’ – Work commenced on a clean-up of car wrecks from Stokell Creek and surrounding land. No trespassing signs were erected and barriers prepared.
- A Community Table forum in November 2016 was held to discuss various issues including trail bike riding and drug-related matters.
- In partnership with Mission Australia Housing, the group delivered a presentation on One Community Together at the Communities for Children conference in Launceston.
- The Smile and Wave project was established to encourage people to smile and wave and in doing so, create a welcoming environment in Clarence Plains.
- A ‘Welcome to Clarence Plains’ sign/public artwork was installed.
- Clarence Plains Spring Clean was held in October 2016. The event was attended by 105 people who removed 50 cubic metres of rubbish from public spaces and adjacent private land.

### *Crime stoppers*

The Dob in a Dealer program was launched in Clarence and promoted through social and print media.

### *Community safety plan*

Council adopted a community safety plan in December 2016 following extensive consultation with stakeholders. Council also engaged a consultant to develop a graffiti management strategy.

### *Clarence Stronger Community Partnership (CSCP)*

The partnership continued to act as a reference group for safety issues relating to the city.

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## Community Development continued

## Health and wellbeing

### Health and Wellbeing Plan

#### Community Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee (CHAWAC)

The Community Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee continued to deliver and monitor actions identified in Council’s Health and Wellbeing Plan 2013-18. Three sub-groups – the Information/ Communication Working Group, Health Promotion Working Group, and the Livability/Environment Working Group, continued to progress actions in the plan. Key activities included:

#### Live website and e-news

Management of the Live website (www.liveclarencel.com.au) and production and distribution of the e-newsletter continued.

#### Access to GPs project

This project aims to to identify barriers people experience when accessing GP services. This research will be presented to local GPs to determine possible remedial actions.

#### Clarence Christmas Brunch

The inaugural Clarence Christmas Brunch was held at Howrah Recreation Centre on Christmas Day for those who experience hardship or isolation. Donations were received from businesses and community members to deliver this event. Forty guests and 30 volunteers attended the brunch.

#### My Wellbeing Kit

The My Wellbeing Kit was launched in October 2016 as part of Mental Health Week. The 13 illustrated cards focus on ways to build resilience and improve health and wellbeing. More than 1,000 kits have been produced and distributed to services, organisations and individuals across Greater Hobart.

#### Community hubs project

This project aims to improve housing and urban planning by improving social impacts of development in the community. A consultant has been engaged to conduct community consultation workshops in four pilot suburbs Rokeby, Lindisfarne, Risdon Vale and Cremorne.

#### Design improvement project

This project aims to identify ways to improve design and address social impacts of development and sustainability.

#### Fitness in the Park

The summer and winter seasons of Fitness in the Park continued to be popular. Sessions were held at Kangaroo Bay, Bellerive Beach, Simmons Park and Clarendon Vale.

#### Living Well in Clarence

This annual partnership event was held at the Rosny LINC in November 2016 to promote health and wellbeing activities and services in the community.

#### Clarence community gardens

Work continued with the Warrane Mornington Neighbourhood Centre and local residents to establish a community garden at Heemskirk Street in Warrane. A layout plan has been designed for the garden.



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## Positive Ageing

### *Clarence Positive Ageing Advisory Committee (CPAAC)*

The Clarence Positive Ageing Advisory Committee continued to deliver and monitor actions in Council's Positive Ageing Plan 2012-16. Three working groups formed under the key themes of the plan (Keeping Involved; A Lifestyle with Choices; and Staying Connected) and continued to progress actions in the plan. Key activities included:

#### *aWake Before Death*

The project encourages conversations about end-of-life planning, death and dying. In July 2016, the project won the Local Government Award for Excellence for larger Councils. The project is a partnership of Council, Community Conversations, Fairway Rise, Salmutations Music Therapy, Palliative Care Tasmania and the Warrane Mornington Neighbourhood Centre. aWake Before Death is funded by the Australia Government's Better Access to Palliative Care in Tasmania Programme, through the Tasmanian Association for Hospice and Palliative Care 'Networking End of Life Care' project.

#### *Age Friendly City and Community progress report to World Health Organisation (WHO)*

Council provided its first progress report to the WHO Age Friendly Cities and Communities Network since becoming a network member in 2014. The progress report detailed the policies, practices and programs that have been established since the inception of Council's first plan in 2007, and since Council became a member.

#### *Age Friendly City and Community website and facebook*

CPAAC and the Alma's Activities Centre Clarence committee are working together on the establishment of an Age Friendly City website and Facebook page.

#### *Age Friendly Cities and Communities Forum*

Two CPAAC members attended this inaugural forum in September 2016 hosted by the City of Unley in South Australia. Representatives presented on what has been achieved in Clarence so far.

#### *International Federation of Ageing (IFA) Conference*

Three CPAAC members attended the IFA Conference in June 2016, and presented a workshop on 'Redefining Age Friendly'.

#### *Clarence Seniors and Citizens Centre – Alma's Activities Centre Clarence*

The Clarence Seniors and Citizens Centre management committee changed the name of the facility to Alma's Activities Centre Clarence. CPAAC and the committee completed a new strategic plan for the centre and a new program was developed called 'Thursday at Alma's'. Thursday at Alma's is held monthly and includes sessions on topics that the community has indicated an interest in. Sessions have been held on driving, advocacy, end-of-life care, scams and security.

#### *Eat for Life project*

The Eat for Life project is a partnership with the Council of the Ageing Tasmania (COTA) and Feeding the Futures. It aims to increase awareness of the specific nutrition needs of older people. As part of this project, COTA and Council trained peer educators to conduct a series of education sessions in the city.

#### *Seniors Week*

The Seniors Week event 'Walk for the body and food for the soul' was held in October 2016 with more than 80 people in attendance.

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*Food Connections Clarence program*

The Food Connections Clarence partnership with local neighbourhood centres, business and Clarence High School students continued to provide weekly packaged meals to older people in the community who experience social isolation. The program also includes initiatives such as Chat and Chew and social eating programs.

*‘Spotlight on Seniors’ newsletter*

The newsletter continued to provide information across the community with more than 3,300 hard copies distributed.

*My aged care forums*

Support was provided to the Tasmanian Health Service health promotion group to conduct two local community forums at the Integrated Care Centre in Rosny.

*Planting Ahead program*

CPAAC and the Clarence Community Volunteer Service attended the annual Lindisfarne Flower Show to promote messages about low maintenance and easy care gardening.

*Gentle exercise for older people*

Gentle exercise programs continued at Risdon Vale, Rokeby and Warrane Mornington Neighbourhood Centres.

*Live Well Live Long program - Health prevention for older people*

This partnership program between the Clarence Community Volunteer Service and the Clarence Integrated Care Centre continued to promote all aspects of health and wellness for older people.

*Our Shared Space*

CPAAC members continue to work with the Youth Network Advisory Group on this inter-generational program. They conducted a ‘Generation Jump’ day with Playback Theatre and Rose Bay High School around the theme of what connects the wisdom of ages. A ‘Generation Trivia’ event was also held.

*Community (men’s) sheds*

Membership of the Howrah Men’s Shed continued to grow. Partnerships with local schools have been developed, and the group are investigating options to support people living with dementia to access the shed.

Council has worked with the Clarendon Vale Community Shed to support a much needed extension to the existing shed as their programs and activities with schools have significantly expanded.

**Access and inclusion**

*Clarence Disability Access Advisory Committee (DAAC)*

The committee continued to deliver and monitor actions in Council’s Access and Inclusion Plan 2014-18. DAAC work closely with Council on services, activities and projects under the four key themes of the plan: Planning for, investing in, and providing infrastructure and inclusive environments; encouraging and providing accessible information; working with other to enhance personal and community support; and helping to build awareness and understanding. Key activities included:

*Major infrastructure/streetscape investments*

DAAC provided input into major infrastructure developments such as the new amenities building at Simmons Park in Lindisfarne, and the new Kangaroo Bay Pavillion which will have fully fitted ‘changing places’ facilities. The group also provided advice on the Bayfield Street Streetscape redesign in Rosny Park.

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## Community Development continued

### *Inclusion lens checklist project*

The aim of this project is to create an 'inclusion lens' and formulate a practical checklist for use when determining all new developments, redesigns, infrastructure, streetscapes and environments, to ensure that they are inclusive. The research and scoping for this project has been completed.

### *Pilot project for younger people with a disability*

Work continued with the Clarence Community Volunteer Service to improve delivery of the service to younger people with disabilities.

### *Universal access forum*

Representatives of Council's Positive Ageing and Access committee conducted two presentations at a regional forum held in Launceston in September 2016. The forum was one of the initiatives of the Disability in Local Government working group.

### *Clarence Access News*

Clarence Access News continued to be a regular source of information for people in the community.

### *'Did You Know?' promotional campaign*

A Did You Know? promotional campaign commenced to raise awareness and understanding of the issues people living with a disability experience. The campaign was launched at the Festival of Smiles event in 2016 which celebrated International Day of People with Disability.

### *Festival of Smiles - International Day of People with Disability*

Festival of Smiles was held in November 2016 in Glenorchy. The event is a partnership between TasCare Society for Children, and Council Access Committees from Clarence, Hobart and Glenorchy.

### *GROW Community Garden Clarendon Vale*

The GROW garden and community space at Clarendon Vale was officially launched following input from Council's Disability Access Advisory Committee.

## Policy review and development

### *Community Participation Policy review*

A review of Council's Community Participation Policy has commenced to improve consultation with the Clarence community.

### *Community planning and development framework*

A framework has been drafted to help strategically guide the way Council implements its plans around four key themes of people, planning, resources and delivery.

## Multicultural and Indigenous community initiatives

### *Multicultural initiatives*

Council supported the African Community Awards held in August 2016 and provided sponsorship to the Malaysian Students' Association JOM festival.

Council attended the 'Let's Get Together' anniversary celebration of A Fairer World where the Rose Bay High School diversity program was highlighted. Council also attended the Rose Bay High School Action Day to celebrate and address issues of diversity.

### *Harmony Day*

Council supported Harmony Day activities by taking students from five Clarence schools to the Harmony Day celebrations in Hobart.



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## Community Development continued

### World Games Day

World Games Day was held in May 2017 at Blundstone Arena to celebrate World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. This event included games, sport, food, music, arts and culture from around the world. More than 2,500 people attended and participated in the event.

### Older culturally and linguistically diverse residents

Council’s Positive Ageing Advisory Committee are working with the Migrant Resource Centre to establish networks with older migrant groups to access facilities in Clarence that meet their identified needs.

### Indigenous Initiatives

Council continued to support NAIDOC Week activities.

### National Reconciliation Week Event: Time and Tide – Steps to Reconciliation

A Reconciliation Week event, ‘Time and Tide: Steps to Reconciliation’ was held at Rosny Barn in May.

## Intergovernmental relationships

### Local Government Leadership Forum

A workshop was conducted at the Local Government Association Tasmania (LGAT) Leadership Forum on the draft Community Planning and Development Framework.

### Local Government Health and Wellbeing Forum

Council hosted the Premier’s Physical Activity Council’s Local Government Forum in November 2016. During this forum, the Council showcased many of its health and wellbeing activities including the Health and Wellbeing Plan, the Live Clarence program, Fitness in the Park, Kangaroo Bay and the arts program.

### Compassionate communities

Discussions were held with LGAT on the new Palliative Care Charter.

### Preventative health forum

A presentation was made at the LGAT Preventative Health Forum in May 2017 on the topic of ‘Who’s around the table – developing and implementing a health and wellbeing plan with the people that make it work.’

### Australian Local Government Women Australia (ALGWA) conference

A workshop was conducted by CPAAC members at the ALGWA conference in Launceston on Age Friendly Cities and Communities.

### Access and inclusion regional approach

A meeting was held with LGAT, Hobart and Glenorchy City Councils to progress a regional approach to resource sharing across disability access and inclusion.

## Community grants

68 quick response grant applicants received grant funding totalling \$8,710 for small activities, projects or to represent their state in a range of sporting and academic endeavours.

12 applicants received a total of \$16,518.85 in funding for the September 2016 round of community support grants. Funding for projects included new safety, camping, sports and ground maintenance equipment purchases, first aid training program, a bicycle education program and various other community projects.

Eight applicants received a total of \$11,229 in funding in the March 2017 round of community support grants. Funding was approved for activities including youth-related projects, health and wellbeing projects, artistic projects, and equipment purchases.

Two applications were approved by Council for funding of \$12,750 and \$15,000 in the October 2016 round of partnership grants for fitness and wellbeing practice for social inclusion and the Safer Streets – Stronger Communities project.

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GOAL: Clarence will be a well-planned liveable city with services and supporting infrastructure to meet current and future needs.

A WELL PLANNED LIVEABLE CITY





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## Asset Management

### Roads and footpaths – construction and renewal

Council allocated \$15.5m for reconstruction and rehabilitation road works as part of its road asset management plan.

Council received Australian Government funding through the National Black Spot Program for the following projects:

- Construction of a slip lane at the Howrah Road and Clarence Street intersection.
- Road alignment improvements at Back Tea Tree Road between Arndell Place and Bourbon Avenue.
- Upgrade of the Seven Mile Beach Road and Acton Road intersection.

Road re-construction and associated road drainage works were undertaken at Topham Street, Granville Avenue, Regal Court and Percy Street in Richmond and Seven Mile Beach Road. A gabion wall was installed on the corner of Boyes and George Streets in Dulcot to stabilise the road embankment.

The annual road re-seal program was completed on time and within budget. The following major roads were re-sealed as part of this program:

- Clarence Street in Bellerive from Cambridge Road to Scott Street.
- Rosny Hill Road in Rosny – City bound lanes from Bligh Street to Montagu Bay Slip Road. These works were undertaken at night to minimise traffic disruptions.
- Cambridge Road, Mornington from South Arm Highway to Pass Road.
- The new carpark adjacent to Rosny College.
- The Council Chambers Access Road in Rosny Park from Bligh Street to the Council carpark.

Construction of new kerb and gutter and urban footpaths were completed at a number of locations throughout the city as part of new subdivisions.

Ramps compliant with the requirements of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* were constructed in various areas of the city. Other ramps were installed where appropriate when broken kerb and gutter sections were replaced as part of road pavement reconstruction works.

#### Recreational road related areas

Redesign and line marking works associated with the Bellerive Bluff Landscape Plan were completed at the Victoria Esplanade carpark.

Construction of a pathway from Tasman Highway overpass to Rosny Hill was completed.

Works on the multi-user path at Montagu Bay and Simmons Park was completed.

### Roads maintenance

Sealed roads were maintained, including pothole repairs and patching, according to the levels of service in the roads asset management program.

Urban sealed roads were swept on average once every six weeks.

Gravel road shoulders and carparks were graded and re-sheeted according to the program.

Roads were graded up to three times per year with the exception of Begonia Street, which was graded four times and re-sheeted. This was consistent with Council’s adopted service standards.

Pavement maintenance and repairs were conducted throughout the city and included Broad Street, Avoca Street, Lindisfarne, Fuchsia Road, Spinifex Road, Poplar Road, Risdon Vale, Schouten Street, Warrane, Riawena Road, Rosny Esplanade, Rosny, Buchanan Street, Bellerive, Dover Court, Pindari Street, Carmont Court, Alinta Street, Carella Street, Howrah, Banyalla Street, Stanfield Street, Duntroon Drive, Rokeby, Surf Road, Seven Mile Beach, Cambridge Road, Gellibrand Drive, Grahams Road, Forest Hill Road, Moola Close, Palana Court and Kirra Road.



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## Asset Management continued

Pothole repairs and gravel road maintenance and repairs were undertaken throughout the city.

Gravel shoulder road maintenance and repairs were undertaken in rural areas.

### Verge mowing

Verge mowing and roadside tree maintenance was undertaken in the rural areas of Sandford, South Arm, Acton Park, Cambridge, Dulcot and Richmond.

Council was notified that the Department of State Growth (DSG) has begun a trial to increase the frequency of mowing and litter removal along key Tasmanian tourist and city gateway routes. Council will provide feedback to DSG on the trial.

### Table drain maintenance

Table drain maintenance and clearing was undertaken in rural areas.

### Footpath repair suburb schedule

Footpaths in Clarence are audited every three years. Quotation documents were prepared for an audit to commence in August/September 2017.

Footpath repairs and maintenance works as identified in the footpath audit were undertaken to the value of \$1.118m on a suburb-by-suburb basis across the city.

Minor repairs were completed on an immediate risk-based approach.

## Public transport

Work continued with Metro for the delivery of public bus services within the city.

## Road safety

Council undertook a number of road safety measures on roads and road-related areas in the city. This included:

- Construction of pedestrian refuges
- Construction of a pedestrian refuge, turning and bike lanes at Tollard Drive
- Construction of bus bays at Acton Park
- Assessment of fencing needs on steep sections of the Clarence Foreshore Trail
- Replacement of guide posts
- Re-line marking holding lines on major connectors in Acton Park, Cambridge, Clarendon Vale, Geilston Bay, Howrah, Lindisfarne, Risdon Vale, Rokeby, Seven Mile Beach, South Arm and Warrane.

Numerous road safety and traffic matters were jointly investigated with Tasmania Police and DSG. The main issues covered included speeding in residential streets and associated traffic calming measures, as well as accident investigation and road safety audits.

Council carried out an audit of road infrastructure in the Risdon area, namely in the areas of Saundersons Road, Church Point Road, Burr Street, Cleburn Street, Gregson Street and Risdon Street. The results of the audit will be included in Council’s future budget deliberations.

Council continued to implement the adopted roads and transport asset management plan.

Road pavement system analysis (HDM4) was reviewed and treatment standards were upgraded accordingly. This information provides crucial input into Council’s road asset management plan and the scheduling of works.

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## Asset Management continued

### Stormwater management

#### Drainage – Construction and renewal

Development during the past years has placed increased pressure on ageing downstream stormwater infrastructure during periods of high rainfall. As a result, sections of stormwater were upgraded. This included pipes in Somerset Street and Carella Road in Tranmere, and Radiata Drive in Lindisfarne. Other projects completed included:

- Upgrade of culvert on Bridge Street in Richmond and open drain downstream of the Richmond Maze.
- Stage 1 of Kellatie Road stormwater works.
- Roadside drainage work as part of the upgrade of Seven Mile Beach Road.
- Minor drainage works at Hance Road, Mortyn Place, Karoola Road, Percy Street, Rifle Range Road and Tollard Drive.
- Design for the next stage of stormwater drainage works associated with the development at Manatta Street (as part of the Lauderdale Structure Plan).
- Water sensitive urban design works at Minerva Park and Simmons Park.

#### Groundwater

Council continued to monitor several monitoring bores installed within the Seven Mile Beach township and surrounds.

#### Drainage – maintenance

The following works were completed during the year:

- Cleaning of stormwater mains pits in all suburbs
- Table drain maintenance at Oakbank Road, Acton Road, Pautella Close, Wiregai Court, Commercial Road, Cilwen Road, Blessington Street, Bisdee Street, Hanslows Road, Scotts Road, Prossers Road, Acton Road, Musk Road and Grahams Road.

### Drainage – Future needs

Work continued on the preparation of stormwater system management plans.

Hydraulic modelling of stormwater systems commenced in the Kangaroo Bay catchment while works continued in the Bellerive/Howrah and Clarence Plains region.

Council adopted the Stormwater Asset Management Plan.

Design was completed for the upgrade of Nelumie Street stormwater as part of the final stage of the Lindisfarne Streetscape work.

### Parks and recreation

The following projects were completed during the year:

- Construction of the indoor Howrah Community Bowls Centre
- Construction on the Disability Discrimination Act compliant change rooms and clubrooms at Kangaroo Bay Oval
- Replacement of the concrete wicket at Wentworth Park
- New practice wickets at Cambridge Oval
- New catching nets and ticket boxes installed at Lauderdale Oval
- Sub-surface works on Kangaroo Bay
- Stage 1 of the Cambridge Oval Stormwater Harvesting project
- Installation of 75kw solar photovoltaic system at Clarence Aquatic Centre to provide power to the facility.

A tender for the installation of lights at Clarence High School Oval was awarded.

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## Asset Management continued

### Seven Mile Beach recreation hub

Consultation with state sporting organisations and clubs on the Seven Mile Beach Sporting and Recreational Precinct Master Plan were held in preparation for development approval and funding opportunities.

### Park planning and upgrades

The planned renewal and upgrade of recreational infrastructure in Council’s reserves continued. Play equipment was upgraded at Shoreline Park, Tranmere Hall and the half basketball hoops at Clifton Beach.

Kangaroo Bay Parklands and the Bellerive Beach Park picnic plaza were completed. Planning and design for the Clarendon Vale pathway and lighting project was also completed.

Work commenced on the construction of the Kangaroo Bay foreshore promenade to link to Rosny College.

## City Planning

- A number of initiatives were implemented that contributed to improved planning outcomes. These included:
- Ongoing implementation of the Clarence Interim Scheme 2015, including processing of urgent regional and local amendments, generally undertaken in conjunction with the work of a technical reference group made up of planners from the southern region and the Tasmanian Planning Commission.
  - Continued to provide a heritage advisory service, offering free architectural advice to people considering refurbishments of heritage buildings or undertaking new developments within heritage precincts including Richmond and Bellerive.
  - Completed the urban design component of the Bayfield Street streetscaping project, enabling Council to proceed to a tender for the reconstruction of the street in 2017-18.
  - Completed the Bellerive Bluff precinct Neighbourhood Character and Urban Design Framework Study, to identify the area’s special qualities.
  - Completed the Lauderdale Urban Expansion Feasibility Study which looked at future growth options for the area.
  - Involved in the completion of the Clarence Interim Planning Scheme, through Tasmanian Planning Commission hearings.
  - Involved in the hearings held by the Tasmanian Planning Commission into the State Planning Provisions.
  - Commenced work on the Clarence Local Provisions Schedule, required as a component of the future Tasmanian Planning Scheme.



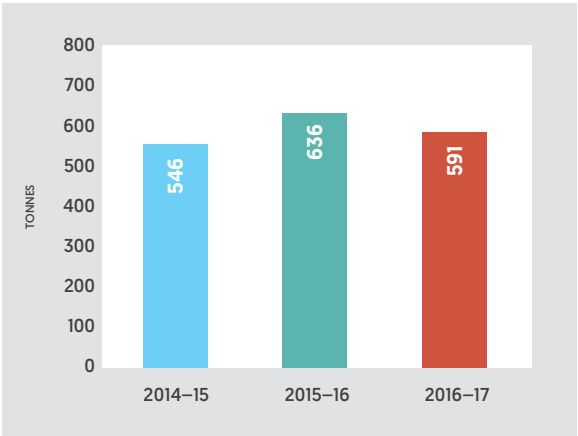
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## City Planning *continued*

Statutory planning functions, including the processing of development and subdivision applications and associated customer support continued. The following initiatives were implemented:

- A free preliminary assessment service was provided, to ensure prospective applicants can have draft plans checked against the planning scheme, including the complicated tests for residential development under the statewide residential development standards, before costly detailed plans are completed. There were 773 preliminary assessments undertaken (following a trend which saw 421,275 and 170 in each of the preceding years). This trend directly relates to the growing complexity of planning controls in Tasmania, whereby designers and owners seek additional Council support to interpret how the planning controls impact on their plans.
- There were 530 planning applications determined. Average processing times were 15 days for permitted applications and 35 days for discretionary applications.
- A number of major commercial, industrial and residential developments were approved in the city. These included the Kangaroo Bay hotel and hospitality training school, a shopping centre at Glebe Hill and residential subdivisions.
- There were 326 lots approved in subdivisions.
- There were 103 applications for ‘minor amendments’ to planning permits.
- Nine planning appeals were made to the Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunal. Of these, one was withdrawn; one where the Council decision was altered; three where Council’s decision was upheld; and four were determined by consent agreement.
- There were 63 subdivision plans for sealing processed (44 in 2015-16). There were 46 strata applications lodged for sealing (31 in 2015-16).



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GOAL: Clarence will develop its economy, improve prosperity, and expand both the level and equity of personal opportunity within its communities.



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## Economic Development

### Economic Development Plan 2016–21

The Economic Development Plan 2016-21 was completed. The plan provides a framework for the Council to undertake economic development activities to enhance the prosperity of the city.

#### Tourism, visitor and leisure-based activities

Tourism promotion was undertaken through various visitor promotion activities and regional publications, including Destination Southern Tasmania (DST) marketing campaigns, Tasmanian Wine Trail Guide, and other seasonal publications.

A Destination Action Plan for the Richmond and Coal River Valley region was completed and the Council is working with DST and the Richmond and Coal River Valley tourism group to implement the plan.

Council continued to support arts and cultural events, festivals and sporting events such as the Clarence Jazz Festival, Dark Mofo at Rosny Farm, AFL and Big Bash cricket matches at Bellerive Oval. These major events attract significant visitor numbers to the city and delivered an associated economic return.

#### Facilitation of development of strategic land holdings

##### *Kangaroo Bay development precinct*

The redevelopment of Kangaroo Bay into a waterfront destination for residents and visitors continued. The following activities were undertaken in 2016-17:

- Completion of Kangaroo Bay Parklands which included an extension of the foreshore trail, play space for all age groups and abilities, barbecue/picnic pavilion, toilets, public art and historical interpretation panels.
- Construction of the Kangaroo Bay Sporting Facility.
- Transfer of Crown land development parcels within the precinct to Council.
- Awarding of preferred developer status for the Wharf development site to Hunter Developments Pty Ltd in relation to a proposed premium standard waterfront accommodation hotel and TasTAFE linked hospitality training school.
- Approval of a development application for the proposed Wharf site development, lodged by Hunter Developments.
- Assessment of site options and strategies considered for the provision of additional public parking within the Kangaroo Bay-Bellerive area.
- Completion of the design and costing of Stage 2 of the Kangaroo Bay foreshore promenade linking to Rosny College.

##### *Rosny Hill nature recreation area project*

Hunter Developments Pty Ltd was granted permission to lodge a development application for an eco-tourism accommodation/resort proposal. Hunter Developments Pty Ltd has continued to refine its final design proposal incorporating public lookout facilities.

#### Business support services

A funding arrangement was established with Business East Inc. in regard to the delivery of business advisory services with a focus on youth enterprise development and sponsorship of the annual business excellence awards. The awards were conducted by Business East Inc. and the presentation ceremony was held in November 2016 at Rosny Barn.



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## Economic Development continued

Council continued to provide ongoing business support and assistance services to clients to develop or expand business in Clarence. General assistance included:

- Advice on Council strategies and projects that may impact upon proposals.
- Information on planning scheme processes and provisions.
- Information on local area and regional industry development strategies.
- Distribution of the Clarence business opportunities prospectus in digital and hard-copy form.
- Referrals to business assistance and advisory services if required.
- A strategic organisational review of Business East Inc was completed and the Council will consider the review’s recommendations.

### Regional development

Council attended meetings of the South East Region Development Association Inc. [SERDA] with the main activity for the year being the preparation and adoption of the regional Workforce Planning report.

### City population

In March the Australian Bureau of Statistics issued estimated resident population (ERP) data as at 30 June 2016. The ERP for Clarence was 55,085 persons, an increase of 540 persons. This represents a growth rate of a little over one per cent which is above the Tasmanian population growth rate.

## Marketing and Communication

Council continued to promote the City of Clarence, Council services, facilities and lifestyle to residents, visitors and business.

Council used the following mediums to communicate information and news to the community:

- Rates News - distributed quarterly with rates notices and featured major announcements on projects, programs, initiatives and events.
- Website – information on Council services, council meetings, employment, news and events.
- Live Clarence website – health and wellbeing information, resources and activities.
- Newsletters such as Sport and Recreation e-news, Spotlight on Seniors, Access News, Live Clarence e-news, Swift Chatter Land and Coastcare, Clarence Arts and Events e-news, Food News, and Dog News.
- Social media -
  - Facebook pages (whole of Council page, Youth Services, Family Day Care, Rosny Farm, Clarence Events, Clarence Jazz Festival, Live Clarence, Kangaroo Bay Redevelopment) and Twitter (whole of Council account, Clarence Arts and Events, Live Clarence) – News and information across Council.
- My Local Services App – Information on how to contact Council, how to report an issue, waste collection reminders, ‘near me’ information, news and events.
- Audio visual recordings of Council meetings available on the Council website.
- Advertising and media releases.

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## Marketing and Communication continued

- Key projects, events and initiatives promoted:
- Clarence Jazz Festival 21 year celebration.
  - 40 year anniversary of the Clarence Family Day Care Scheme.
  - The redevelopment of Kangaroo Bay including the opening of the Kangaroo Bay Parklands, announcement of the extension of the foreshore promenade, and the development of the Kangaroo Bay hotel and hospitality training school.
  - Events such as World Games Day, Time and Tide: Steps to Reconciliation, 1967 bushfires commemorative events, Living Well in Clarence, Dark Mofo, City of Clarence Open Art Exhibition, Volunteer Reception and Australia Day celebrations and awards.
  - Adoption of policies and plans such as the Strategic Plan 2016-2026, Economic Development Plan 2016-2021, Cambridge Master Plan, Community Safety Plan, and the development of a public open space strategy.

### Event sponsorship

Council sponsored a number of major events including the City of Clarence Eisteddfod, City of Clarence Squash Championships, Geilston Bay Tennis Club Open, Wrest Point International Golf Masters, Rosny College musical production of Hairspray. In-kind support to various other community events was also provided.

### Community engagement on strategic plans and policies

Council continued to inform and consult with the community on key policies and projects in accordance with the Community Participation Policy 2010 and statutory guidelines. Promotion of various community consultations was conducted using media releases, advertising, website and social media. Consultation on policies and projects included:

- Strategic Plan 2016-2026
- Economic Development Plan 2016-2021
- Open Space Strategy development
- Community Safety Plan
- Cambridge Master Plan
- Clarence Plains Environmental Management Plan
- Bushfire Management Strategy
- Various reserve activity plans including Bedlam Walls Bushland, Richmond Recreation Reserve, Canopus-Centauri Bushland, Clarence Plains, and Otago Lagoon and Coastal Reserve.

### Community satisfaction survey

Council conducted its biennial community satisfaction survey of 400 residents in October 2016.

The telephone survey determines the importance residents attach to a range of services together with their perceptions of performance in providing these services.

Since 2014, satisfaction with the performance of all services relating to dealing with the Council has remained steady or shown a marginal increase. Overall performance across community services was mostly higher than in 2014, while performance scores for property services in three of the nine services have risen from the 2014 survey.



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GOAL: Clarence is a city that values its natural environment and seeks to protect, manage, and enhance its natural assets for the long-term environmental, social and economic benefit of the community.



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## Natural Resource Management

### Management of reserves

Reserve activity plans were developed for Richmond Recreational Reserve and the Canopus-Centauri Reserve following community consultation.

### Landcare and Coastcare groups

Clarence Landcare and Coastcare grants totalling \$39,616 were provided to 12 groups. These groups contributed many hours of volunteer work to maintain Council’s natural areas.

### Fire management

Council adopted 15 fire management plans, a fire management strategy and best management practice guidelines.

Council, in conjunction with the Tasmania Fire Service, undertook a series of fuel reduction burns as part of its responsibilities under the various fire management plans adopted for reserves.

Prescribed burns were undertaken at Glebe Hill, Waverley Flora Park, Kunyah Reserve and Mortimer Bay reserves.

#### Fire Hazards

There were 273 complaints received for potential fire hazards on properties during the summer season, an increase of 198 for the same period last year. A total of 42 abatement notices were issued and contractors were engaged to clear six properties where the property owner failed to comply with the abatement notice.

### Climate change

Council monitored the dune and beach profiles at all vulnerable locations to capture change to the profile of beaches. This work is part of Council’s ongoing implementation of the recommendations in the Climate Change Impacts on Clarence Coastal Areas Report.

Council agreed to begin to establish a greenhouse emissions reductions plan, which encompasses emissions reductions targets relative to established emissions baselines.

### Emergency management

Council continued to be on a number of regional and local community safety committees.

### Weed eradication program

Council continued to eradicate weeds of national significance on its land during the year.

### Energy and waste management

Waste and recycling was collected on schedule and within budget. In total, the following was collected during the year:

- 9,979 tonnes of kerbside general waste collected from 24,062 services.
- 5,083 tonnes of recycling waste collected from 23,453 services.
- 5,083 tonnes of green waste collected from 20,242 services.

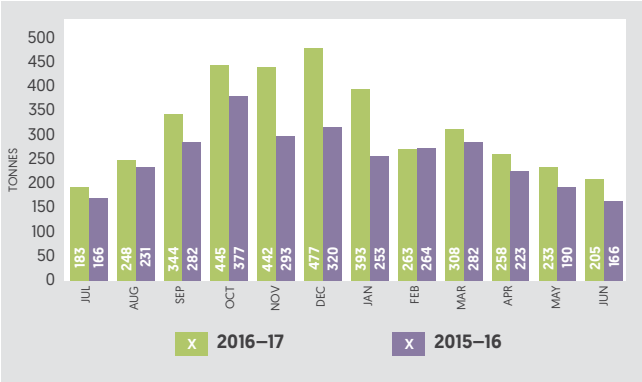
The annual collection of hard waste was undertaken in 2016. A total of 698 tonnes of waste was collected compared to 788 tonnes in 2015.

Recycling in public spaces was expanded in various locations including sportsgrounds in the city.

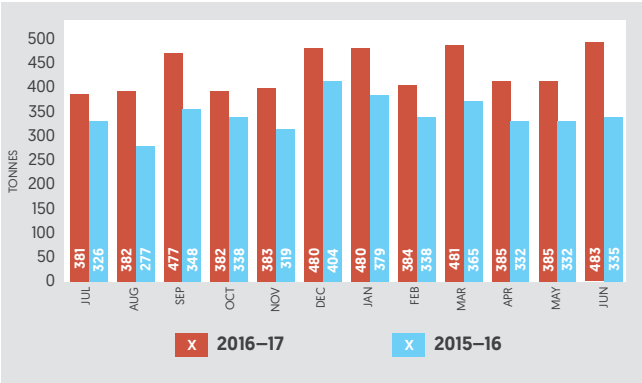
Council promoted the Garage Sale Trail and also provided support to community groups and schools for Clean-up Australia Day.

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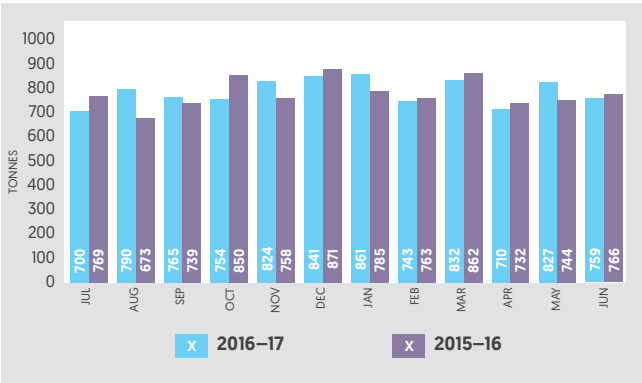
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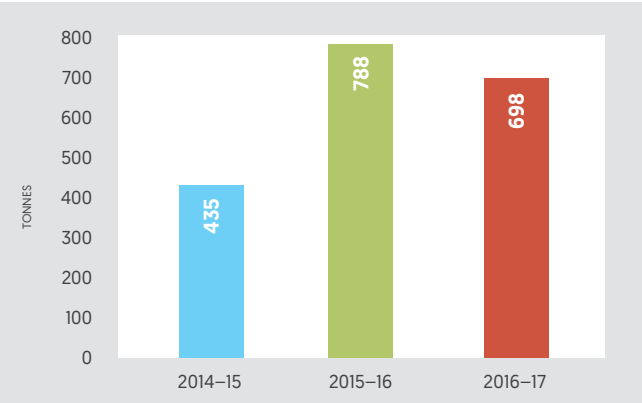
Kerbside green waste



Kerbside recycling



Kerbside garbage



Kerbside hard waste

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GOAL: Clarence is a city that fosters creativity, innovation and enterprise.



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## Community Arts

- Council continued its annual program of exhibitions, performances, events and activities to promote arts and culture in Clarence. Key activities included:
- *Festival of Voices* – 13 musical performances were held in July 2016 at Rosny Barn.
- *Clarence Open Art Prize* – This biennial exhibition was held in July-August 2016 at Rosny Barn and the Schoolhouse Gallery to promote the works of local and Tasmanian artists and encourage participation in the arts.
- An exhibition of contemporary Japanese art was held at Rosny Barn in September 2016. The exhibition featured more than 180 works brought from Japan by Orumok Enterprises and supported by the Save the Tasmanian Devil Campaign. A calligraphy masterclass by visiting Japanese artist Haru was conducted in conjunction with the exhibition.
- *Moving Creatures Studio* – The inaugural members’ exhibition from the Moving Creatures Studio, based on the eastern shore in Lindisfarne, was held in the Schoolhouse Gallery in September 2016.
- *What Would You Take?* – This exhibition commemorated the 50th anniversary of the 1967 bushfires. The exhibition featured the stories from community members about what precious objects they saved from the 1967 bushfires. The exhibition was made possible through a grant of \$12,395 from the Tasmanian Community Fund.
- *Ten Days on the Island* – Council partnered with this international arts festival by hosting *Returning Lives* which featured a Tasmanian artist, Chinese animator and Polish composer and musician at Rosny Barn.
- *Glover in Arcadia* – An exhibition to mark the 250th anniversary of the birth of colonial artist John Glover was held in April 2017 at Rosny Barn and featured emerging and established Tasmanian artists. The staging of the exhibition was made possible through a Tasmanian Regional Arts grant for \$5,000. In conjunction with the exhibition, a series of activities was held including a bus trip to sites important to Glover’s career, an artist’s floor talk, and a walk and talk by the senior curator from the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery.
- *Dark Mofo* – Council again partnered with Dark Mofo to present a major exhibition by nationally renowned Tasmanian printmaker, Milan Milojevic, at Rosny Barn.
- *Time and Tide: Steps to Reconciliation* – This event at Rosny Barn marked Reconciliation Week and featured guest speakers Jim Everett and Bill Lawson with music by Dewayne Everettsmith.
- *Kangoorooo* – The installation of a major public artwork, Kangooroo, by Tasmanian artist Matt Calvert at Kangaroo Bay Parklands was installed in April 2017.
- *World Autism Awareness Day* – In April a family day was held which included performances, stalls and an exhibition celebrating the diverse talents of people on the Autism Spectrum.

Other exhibitions held at Rosny Barn and the Schoolhouse Gallery included: *Artists with Conviction* by staff and inmates at Risdon Prison, *The Bonsai Society exhibition* and *School Poster Competition* and awards, the *Poochibald Art Prize* to coincide with Dogs Day Out, the *Eastern Shore Community Photography Exhibition*, the *Biennial Textile and Fibre Exhibition*, an exhibition by award winning wildlife artists Hazel Howie and Jennifer Pelham, *UnCommon Ground* by Lynne Fellowes, an exhibition celebrating 40 years of Clarence Family Day Care, two emerging artist’s exhibitions by Miranda Rogers and Gabbee Stolp, and the Tasmanian Miniature Society annual exhibition.

Rosny Barn also hosted a number of smaller events including a film screening by young filmmaker Erin Graham, concerts by local ensemble Musica Dolce, a magazine launch and book launch by Bellerive Historical Society, a Christmas Barn Market, and the Summer Series of concerts and films.

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## Community Arts *continued*

School holiday workshops were held through the year, including *Play in a Day*, drawing, stencil art and printmaking, and *Film Hothouse* (an intensive film-making workshop for teens and young adults). Ceramic artist Dawn Oakford held an exhibition at Rosny Cottage which had an interactive element for children.

## Events

Council plays a vital role in delivering and supporting events across the city. The following key events were held in the city.

### Clarence Jazz Festival

The Clarence Jazz Festival celebrated 21 years with an event held across nine days at 12 venues across the city with an estimated audience of 10,000 people.

The festival program included 220 musicians, 44 bands, seven interstate acts and one international artist. All outdoor events were free entry and all Jazz Lounge performances at Rosny Barn were ticketed.

Council entered into media partnership agreements for the festival with The Mercury and Southern Cross Austereo to raise the profile of the event.

The festival began with a special birthday party concert in February at Rosny Farm with two headline acts from interstate.

To mark the milestone event, a special edition vinyl record was produced, titled *Two Suites* and featured Kelly Ottaway’s *Clarence Jazz Suite* and Ian Pearce’s original suite, *Fountains of Witley Court*. Well-known artist Tom Samek was commissioned to create a painting that was used as the image for the album cover. The artwork was the centrepiece in a Clarence Jazz Festival exhibition held at the Schoolhouse Gallery which featured an historical element of how the festival has evolved during the past 21 years.

### ST.ART Festival

The annual ST.ART Festival was held at Kangaroo Bay Skate Park and Charles Hand Park. The festival incorporated a broader range of activities including a skate, scooter and BMX competition which was sponsored by the ‘Know Your Odds’ campaign.

### Seafarers’ Festival

The 17th Seafarers’ Festival was held at the Bellerive Boardwalk in October 2016 and attracted an estimated crowd of 3,000 people. Numbers were down on previous years due to inclement weather.

### Clarence Carols and Christmas Concert

The Clarence Carols and Christmas Concert was held in December 2016 at the Bellerive Boardwalk. The concert featured the Matt Ives Big Band, Margot Lampkin and her 60 piece choir, along with emcees Andrew Colrain and Colin Dean.

### Australia Day on the Bellerive Boardwalk

Australia Day on the Bellerive Boardwalk was celebrated with live music, poetry and a breakfast provided by Clarence Lions Club and private food stalls. Business mentor Adam Mostogl was the Australia Day Ambassador and 31 people were naturalised in the public citizenship ceremony. Australia Day Awards were presented to Melody Towns – Citizen of the year, Jenny Nurse – Senior Citizen of the Year, Amelia Clark – Young Citizen of the Year, Dronefest – Community Event of the Year. Approximately 1,700 people attended the event.

### Dogs Day Out

This annual event was held in October 2016 at Rosny Farm to celebrate dogs in the city with a number of activities and information stalls. The event attracted 800 people.

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## Events continued

### Kangaroo Bay Parklands opening

A scaled-down launch of Kangaroo Bay Parklands was held in April despite inclement weather. The launch highlighted the new play space, pavilion, barbecue, toilet facilities and the public artwork, *Kangooroo*.

### World Games Day

World Games Day was held in May at Blundstone Arena to mark World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. The event included 36 organisations that provided a variety of multicultural and sporting activities, games, food, dance, music and information sharing. The event attracted more than 2,500 people.

### Citizenship ceremonies

There were four citizenship ceremonies held during the year with 72 citizenship conferees.

## Event Assistance

Council provided event assistance through equipment, marketing, administrative or financial support to a range of community groups during the year. These included school fairs, regional Christmas concerts, The Barn markets, sporting events, the Risdon Vale Festival, the Richmond Highland Gathering, Heritage Farming Expo, Richmond Village Fair, and the Tasmanian Fruit Wine and Cider Festival. Council also partnered with the YMCA to hold events at the Kangaroo Bay Skate Park.



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## Decision Making and Reporting

### Annual General Meeting

Council held its Annual General Meeting on 5 December 2016. There were no submissions received on the Annual Report 2015-16.

### Quarterly reporting

Quarterly reports were presented to Council which provided information on the performance of the organisation against Council’s Annual Plan. Key performance indicators and detailed financial information for each of the program areas is included in Council’s annual plan and budget.

### Audit Panel

As part of the Audit Plan for 2016-17, the panel received reports and endorsed the outcomes of the following projects:

- A comprehensive review of Council’s enterprise strategic risk profile with a detailed examination of all of Council’s risk management systems; and
- A detailed review of the effectiveness of Council’s management of its volunteers services.

As foreshadowed in last year’s report, the panel has adopted an approach that focuses on Council’s strategic and high value risks. This approach will be reflected in all future audit programs.

### Risk audit

The following individual audits were conducted during the year:

- Kangaroo Bay Skate Park post opening review
- Targeted audits of Council-owned infrastructure including –
  - Roads and footpaths
  - Sporting and recreational facilities
  - Tree management
  - Contract management.
- A detailed building review of Council’s Howrah Community Centre (previously Howrah Recreation Centre) including the tennis complex and both the indoor and outdoor bowls facilities.
- Various small internal process reviews and development of appropriate controls for the introduction of new legislative provisions and requirements.

### Public interest disclosure

There were no public interest disclosures made during the year. Details of Council’s procedures were available on both Council’s internet and intranet sites.

### Code of Conduct complaints

There were no code of conduct complaints made during the year.



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## Decision Making and Reporting continued

### Council amalgamation feasibility studies

Council participated in two feasibility studies following a request from the State Government to all councils to explore voluntary amalgamations and shared services with adjoining councils.

The first study focused on a South-East Council which includes Clarence, Sorell, Tasman and Glamorgan-Spring Bay. Council received the final feasibility study in September 2016. This report identified five options which are:

- Shared services – no amalgamation
- Amalgamation of Clarence, Sorell, Tasman and Glamorgan Spring Bay Councils
- Amalgamation of Clarence, Sorell and Tasman councils
- Amalgamation of Sorell, Tasman and Glamorgan Spring Bay councils
- Amalgamation of Sorell and Tasman councils.

The second study focused on a Greater Hobart Council that includes Clarence, Hobart, Glenorchy and Kingborough councils. Council received this study in early 2017. This report also identified five options which are:

- Business as usual (no change)
- Amalgamation of Clarence, Kingborough, Glenorchy and Hobart councils
- Amalgamation of Clarence, Kingborough, Glenorchy and Hobart councils
- Amalgamation of Clarence, Glenorchy and Hobart councils
- Amalgamation of Glenorchy and Hobart councils.

Council agreed to undertake community consultation on these options scheduled for the 2017-18 financial year.

### Strategic Policy

The following major policies and plans were considered and adopted by Council:

- Strategic Plan 2016-2026
- Economic Development Plan 2016-2021
- Review of 10 Year Financial Management Plan
- Related Parties Disclosure Policy
- Bushfire Management Strategy for Council Owned and Controlled Land
- Cambridge Master Plan
- Community Safety Plan 2016-2021
- Pindos Park Management Plan.

### External Relations

#### Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT)

Council continued its ongoing relationship with the Local Government of Tasmania (LGAT). Key issues that were discussed at meetings held through the year included planning reform, the proposed State Government takeover of TasWater, review of the Local Government Act, voluntary amalgamation feasibility studies, changes to the building act, and the State Government’s draft cat management plan.

#### Southern Tasmanian Councils’ Authority (STCA)

Council continued its membership of the Southern Tasmanian Councils’ Authority. Issues discussed through the Authority included planning and local government reform.



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## External Relations continued

### Derwent Estuary Program

Council continued its membership of the Derwent Estuary Program along with representatives from the State Government, local government, business and community. During the past 12 months, the program moved towards a more formalised structure as a Company Limited by Guarantee.

### South East Region Development Association (SERDA)

Council attended meetings of the South East Region Development Association Inc. (SERDA) with the main activity for the year being the preparation and adoption of the regional workforce planning report.

### Projects/policies discussed with federal and state elected members

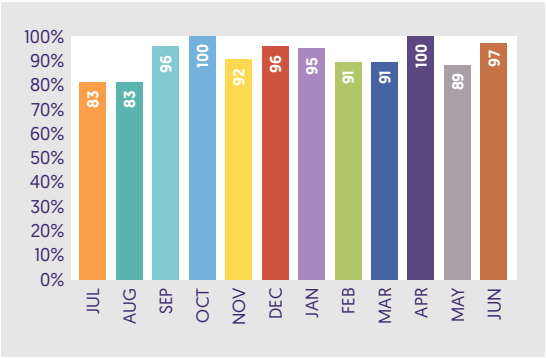
Issues that were raised with federal and state members included airport rating, the Kangaroo Bay precinct development, Rosny Hill development, local government reform (voluntary amalgamations), public transport (Project 2018), water and sewerage infrastructure, Derwent Estuary Program and Bellerive Fort.

### Submissions to State Government

A submission was made to the State Government on the draft Tasmanian Cat Management Plan.

## Aldermen’s Allowances and Entitlements

Details of the full cost of all entitlements and allowances paid to aldermen are included in the appendices section.



Attendance at Council meetings

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GOAL: Clarence City Council will efficiently and effectively manage its financial, human, and property resources to attain Council's strategic goals and meet its statutory obligations.

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## Financial Management

Council places strong reliance upon its adopted Finance Strategy and its 10 Year Financial Management Plan to guide key financial decisions and monitor high level outcomes. Other high level plans including Council’s Strategic Plan and various Asset Management Plans inform the financial strategy and plans, ensuring consistency across the policy and planning framework adopted and implemented.

Separate policies relating to associated areas of governance and business management – for example risk management, rates and charges, and investment – provide for considered and structured outcomes.

Council’s primary revenue source is from property rates, which provides a strong basis for long term financial planning, significantly insulated from the effects of externalities such as government grants and returns from investment markets.

Significant actions during 2017-18 include:

- Update and review of 10 Year Financial Management Plan
- Annual Plan and Estimates developed to meet the outcomes contemplated in Council’s key strategies and plans
- Continued policy implementation to meet future infrastructure renewal funding needs
- Delivery of sound underlying surplus, consistent with the 10 Year Financial Management Plan
- Oversight of key financial metrics and corporate risk by Council’s Audit Panel
- Unqualified audit opinion issued by the Auditor General
- Implementation of contemporary, cloud-based asset management and financial software
- Strong performance against mandatory key ratios including underlying result, net financial liabilities, asset renewal funding, and asset sustainability.

## Management and Staff Resourcing

### Conditions of employment

Council offers a comprehensive range of benefits and competitive remuneration entitlements which aim to provide a framework that is appropriate for our business, is transparent and meets our commitment to attract, develop, motivate and retain a diverse workforce.

### Recruitment and selection

Effective employee recruitment and selection is critical to the success of the Council and the provision of services to our community. Selection to positions within the Council is based on relevant employment legislation, the principles of appointment on merit, the provision of equal employment opportunity and Council policies.

### Training and development

Council continued to support employees through investing in their ongoing training and development. Council delivers programs which are focused on operational needs, work health and safety requirements, as well as professional development opportunities. The Council actively sought to provide a range of traineeship opportunities for existing and new staff, including programs targeting youth in the Clarence community.

### Workplace health and safety / rehabilitation and compensation

Council is committed to preventing injury and illness by providing and maintaining a safe working environment. Council continues to maintain accreditation under AS/NZS 4801:2001. The organisation continued to deliver a proactive employee assistance program, including rehabilitation interventions to assist in the return of injured employees to the workplace.

### Industrial relations

Council complied with all industrial relations requirements.



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## Statutory and Legal Responsibilities

### Public health

Resources allocated to public health activities in 2016-17 totalled \$693,152 comprising of \$617,625 in salaries and \$75,527 for other operational expenses.

Environmental health officers responded to 279 complaints during the year (an increase of 35 compared to last year). The majority of complaints related to noise [106], pollution [80], food [22], vermin [21], other [15], building [15], onside wastewater [12] and insects [3].

A total of three public health risk licences (e.g. tattooing/ear piercing) were issued to businesses.

### Educational programs and information to improve standards

Food handler training sessions were held throughout the year. 282 people attended face-to-face training, while 4,650 completed the training online.

Seasonal editions of Food News were distributed each quarter to all food businesses operating in Clarence. These newsletters provided information on food standards, changes to legislation and food safety

### Business compliance with the food act

Renewal of registration of food businesses and for new businesses resulted in 319 applications.

Temporary food licences were issued to 250 food businesses operating at various events.

### On-site wastewater management

There were 218 inspections of wastewater treatment systems during the year.

### Immunisation program

Council continued to provide an immunisation program at high schools in Clarence with vaccination of all grade seven students for the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough). After-hours catch-up clinics for students absent during the school outreach program continued to be well attended.

Fortnightly community clinics at the Clarence Integrated Care Centre in Rosny Park continue to be well attended.

A total of 2,635 vaccinations were administered in 2016-17.

### Environmental water sampling

Beach sampling continued on a weekly basis during the summer months from December through to March when the Derwent Estuary Program is put on hold. The monthly sampling of Howrah and Bellerive beaches continued between July and November and April to the end of June. Elevated results likely to have been caused by contaminated stormwater discharged to the beaches, were recorded after rain events but were satisfactory after resampling.

Sampling of lower and upper Kangaroo Bay Rivulet and lower and upper Clarence Plains Rivulet was conducted regularly throughout the year. Results have been consistent indicating significant sources of faecal contaminants entering the catchment area for both rivulets after heavy rainfall events. Further investigation is ongoing into the cause and possible significance of the consistently high bacterial results of the rivulet sampling program.

### Water carrier permits

There were five water carriers registered during the year.

### Place of assembly licences

There were three place of assembly licences issued during the year – two were for Carols by Candlelight and one for the schools triathlon.

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## Animal Management

City Rangers responded to 1,380 complaints from the general public in relation to dogs. The majority of complaints received were dogs at large [673], barking dogs [437], other [117], dog attacks [86], dogs on beaches [49] and unregistered [18].

A total of 436 stray and dogs at large were collected by city rangers and taken to the Dogs’ Home.

### Responsible dog ownership

A total of 11,435 dogs were registered in Clarence for the year. This is an increase of 399 for the same period last year.

A total of 815 infringement notices were issued to dog owners. The majority of those related to failing to register a dog [498], dog at large [259], dogs on beaches [40], dog attacks [9] and other [9]. This is an increase of 25 infringement notices when compared with last year.

Four editions of the publication, Dog News, were sent to all registered dog owners to provide information on legislative updates, changes to the dog management policy and articles relating to responsible dog ownership.

### Assistance to organisations that provide care for animals

Council provided annual funding to the Dogs’ Home, the RSPCA and the Hobart Cat Centre to assist with the care of animals.

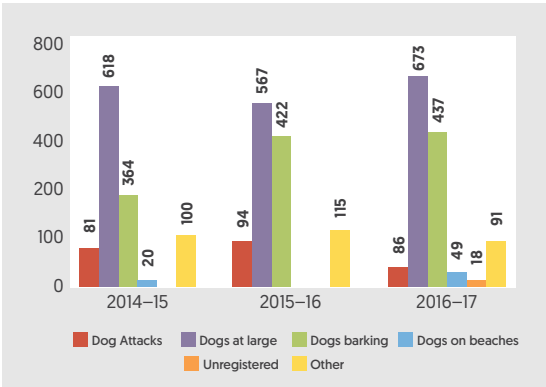
### Parking in public areas

City rangers conducted regular patrols of public carparking areas around Rosny, Bellerive, Lindisfarne, Richmond, and at major events held at Bellerive Oval. As a result, 2,198 infringements were issued with the majority being for exceeding the time limit. This is a decrease of 151 when compared with last year.

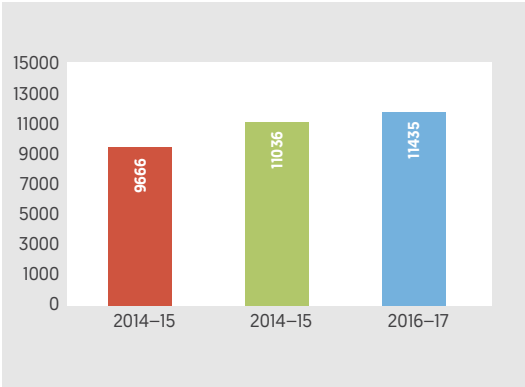
### Building and plumbing

A total of 621 applications were lodged for building permits and notifiable works for new and additional works in the year. Of these, permits were issued for 431 residential buildings, 52 commercial buildings and 139 notifiable works.

There were 675 applications lodged for plumbing permits and Certificates of Likely Compliance for new and additional works. Of these, permits were issued for 404 residential buildings, 86 commercial buildings and 161 Certificates of Likely Compliance. The remaining applications are either deferred, cancelled or still under assessment.



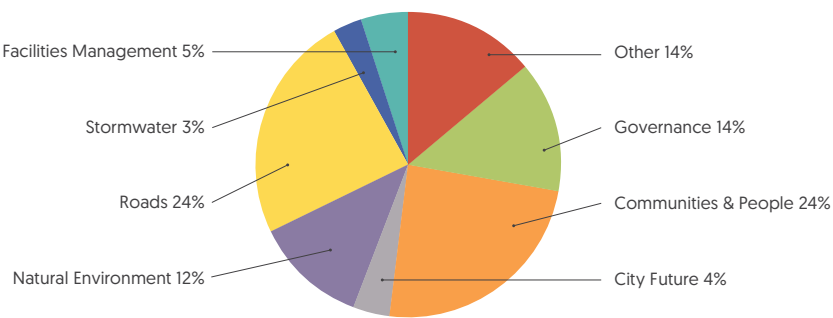
Dog complaints



Dog registrations

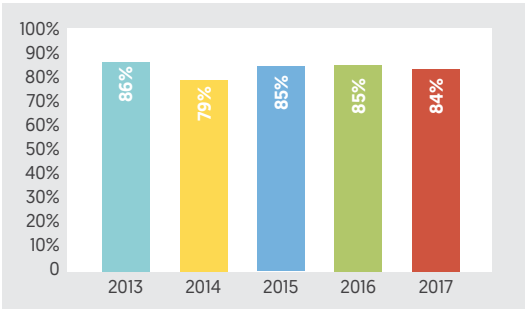
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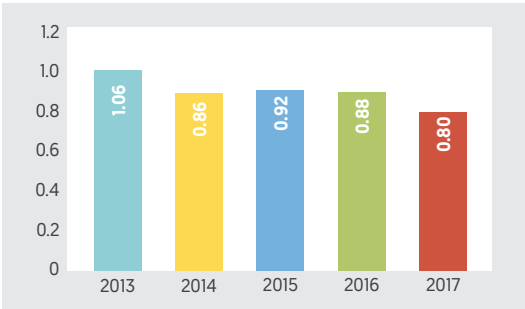
## Expenses

Source: 2016–17 Financial Statements



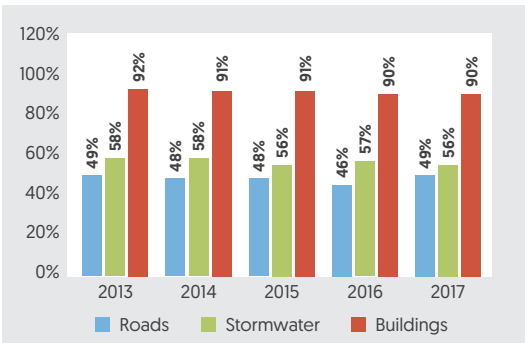
### Net financial liabilities ratio

Net financial liabilities/recurrent income. This ratio indicates the net financial obligations of Council compared to its recurrent income.  
Auditor General Benchmark: >0%  
(within range of – 50% to 0% is acceptable).



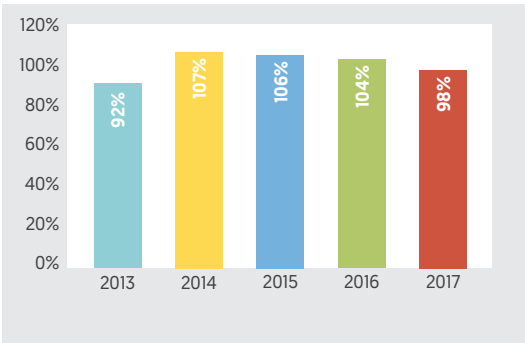
### Asset sustainability ratio

Capital outlays on replacement or renewal of existing assets/annual depreciation expense. This ratio calculates the extent to which Council is maintaining operating capacity through renewal of its existing asset base. Auditor-General Benchmark: 1.00.



### Asset consumption ratio

Depreciated replacement cost/current replacement cost. This ratio indicates the level of service potential available in Council’s existing asset base based on accounting estimates.  
Auditor-General Benchmark: >60%.



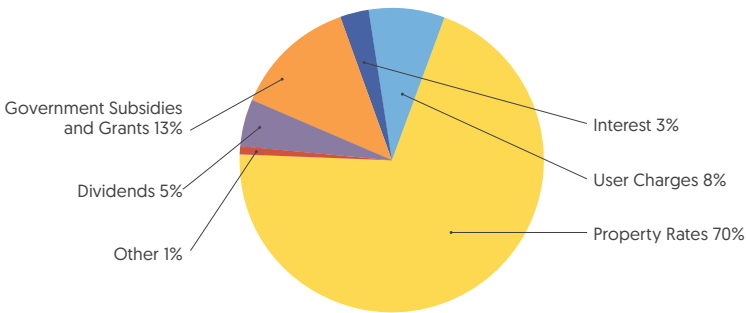
### Asset renewal funding ratio

Projected capital outlays/projected capital expenditure funding. This ratio measures Council’s capacity to fund future asset replacement requirements based on its 10 Year Financial Management Plan.  
Auditor-General Benchmark: 100%  
(within range of 90% to 100% is acceptable).



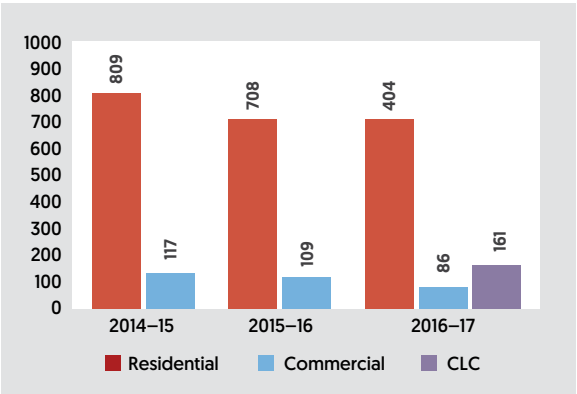
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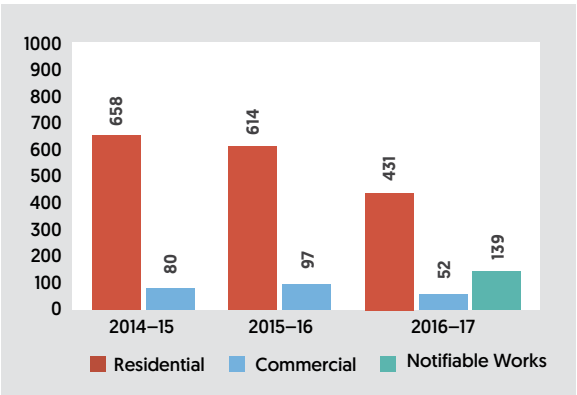


Operating revenues

Source: 2016–17 Financial Statements



Plumbing permit applications



Building permit applications



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Pursuant to Section 84(3) of the *Local Government Act 1993* I certify that the attached financial statements fairly represent the financial position of the Council as at 30 June 2017, and the results of the Council’s operations and its cash flow for the year then ended.

Andrew Paul, General Manager  
23 October 2017



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## Income Statement

	NOTES	BUDGET* 2017 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
<b>Continuing Operations</b>				
<b>Recurrent Income</b>				
Rates	3	46,043	46,251	44,629
User charges	4	5,447	5,045	5,131
Interest		1,720	1,960	2,010
Government subsidies		2,384	3,169	2,670
Grants	5	4,358	5,237	5,090
Returns from Water Corporation		3,300	3,318	3,317
Contributions of capital		291	602	1,671
Other revenues from continuing activities		215	326	491
<b>Total recurrent income</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>63,758</b>	<b>65,907</b>	<b>65,008</b>
<b>Capital Income</b>				
Contribution and recognition of assets	6	–	8,669	8,450
Share of net result of associates accounted for using the equity method	7	–	418	168
Gain/(Loss) on retirement or disposal of assets	8	–	(796)	(2,319)
<b>Total capital income</b>		<b>–</b>	<b>8,291</b>	<b>6,299</b>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>63,758</b>	<b>74,197</b>	<b>71,307</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Employee costs		16,905	16,624	16,354
Depreciation	9	12,077	12,674	12,135
Materials		2,111	2,341	2,381
Contracts		9,578	9,554	10,283
Finance costs		20	18	34
State Government charges and levies		5,221	5,270	4,956
Other expenses from continuing activities	10	11,051	10,935	10,525
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>56,963</b>	<b>57,416</b>	<b>56,669</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>6,795</b>	<b>16,781</b>	<b>14,638</b>
<b>Other Comprehensive Income</b>				
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>				
Fair value revaluation of fixed assets		–	4,754	2,224
Fair value revaluation investment in Water Corporation	11	–	1,093	2,788
		–	<b>5,847</b>	<b>5,012</b>
<b>Comprehensive Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>6,795</b>	<b>22,628</b>	<b>19,650</b>

\*Budget information is not audited.  
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## Balance Sheet

	NOTES	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	1(h),12,13	59,328	58,384
Receivables	13,14	3,779	3,958
Prepayments		210	167
Other	15	483	418
<i>Total Current Assets</i>		<b>63,800</b>	<b>62,926</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Land	16,17	74,848	71,447
Land under roads	16,18	100,848	100,270
Buildings	16,19	38,300	32,338
Roads	16,20	199,473	193,087
Waste management	16,21	704	723
Stormwater infrastructure	16,22	97,633	97,271
Plant, equipment & furniture	16,23	1,099	1,410
Parks & recreation equipment	16,24	14,957	12,700
Capital work in progress	16	4,832	4,184
Receivables	13,25	359	1,045
Ownership interest in associates	7	4,000	1,982
Investment in Water Corporation	11,13	167,697	166,605
<i>Total Non-Current Assets</i>		<b>704,750</b>	<b>683,061</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	2	<b>768,550</b>	<b>745,987</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Payables	26	5,797	5,532
Interest bearing liabilities	13,27	191	183
Provisions	28	3,714	3,782
<i>Total Current Liabilities</i>		<b>9,702</b>	<b>9,497</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
Interest bearing liabilities	13,27	–	188
Provisions	29	679	757
<i>Total Non-Current Liabilities</i>		<b>679</b>	<b>945</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>10,381</b>	<b>10,442</b>
<b>Net Assests</b>		<b>758,169</b>	<b>735,544</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Accumulated surpluses		531,553	515,519
Reserves	30	226,616	220,025
<b>Total Equity</b>		<b>758,169</b>	<b>735,544</b>

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Statement of Changes In Equity

	Accumulated Surplus		Asset Revaluation Reserve (Note 30)		Fair Value Reserve (Note 30)		Other Reserves (Note 30)		TOTAL	
	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Balance at beginning of the financial year	515,519	499,318	220,022	220,552	[33,963]	[36,751]	33,963	32,772	735,544	715,894
Surplus for the year	16,781	14,638	–	–	–	–	–	–	16,781	14,638
Other comprehensive income										
Fair value revaluation of fixed assets	–	–	4,754	2,224	–	–	–	–	4,754	2,224
Fair value revaluation Water Corporation	–	–	–	–	1,093	2,788	–	–	1,093	2,788
Transfers to reserves	[11,927]	[12,284]	–	–	–	–	11,927	12,284	–	–
Transfers from reserves	9,874	11,092	–	–	–	–	[9,874]	[11,092]	–	–
Retirement & Derecognition of Assets	1,306	2,754	[1,306]	[2,754]	–	–	–	–	–	–
Balance at end of the financial year	531,553	515,519	223,470	220,022	[32,870]	[33,963]	36,016	33,963	758,169	735,544

\*Balances may vary due to rounding.  
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## Cash Flow Statement

	NOTES	INFLOWS (OUT- FLOWS) 2017 \$'000	INFLOWS (OUT- FLOWS) 2016 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
<b>Receipts</b>			
Rates		46,133	44,951
User Charges (inclusive of GST)		5,233	5,126
Interest received		1,881	2,087
Government Subsidies		3,169	2,670
Government Grants (inclusive of GST)		3,828	1,199
Net GST refund (payment)		3,382	3,272
Other (inclusive of GST)		4,323	7,609
		<b>67,949</b>	<b>66,914</b>
<b>Payments</b>			
Wages and salaries		(16,933)	(16,334)
Interest		[18]	[80]
Other		(30,453)	(31,468)
		<b>(47,404)</b>	<b>(47,882)</b>
<i>Net cash provided (used) by operating activities</i>	31	<b>20,545</b>	<b>19,032</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for property, plant & equipment		(20,091)	(20,268)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment		–	76
Investment in Associate		(1,398)	–
<i>Net cash provided (used) by investing activities</i>		<b>(21,489)</b>	<b>(20,192)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Repayment of borrowings		(180)	(171)
Government grants – capital		1,409	3,891
Loans repaid to (advanced by) Council		659	–
<i>Net cash provided (used) by financing activities</i>		<b>1,888</b>	<b>3,720</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>944</b>	<b>2,560</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of reporting period		58,384	55,824
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of reporting period</b>	1(h),12	<b>59,328</b>	<b>58,384</b>
<i>Restrictions on Cash</i>	12		
<i>Financing Arrangements</i>	27		

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## Introduction

The Clarence City Council was established as a Local Government under the *Local Government Act 1993*. Council's main office is located at Bligh St, Rosny Park.

The functions and powers of the Council are prescribed by Section 20 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and include providing for the health, safety and welfare of the community; representing and promoting the interests of the community; providing for the peace, order and good government of the municipal area; and consulting, involving and being accountable to the community.

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that consists of the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Cash Flow Statement, and notes accompanying these financial statements. The general purpose financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), and the *Local Government Act 1993* (as amended). Council has determined that it does not have profit generation as a prime objective. Consequently, where appropriate, Council has elected to apply options and exemptions within accounting standards that are applicable to not-for-profit entities. As a result this financial report does not fully comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.

## 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### a) Basis of Accounting

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis in accordance with the Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements, Australian Accounting Standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the AASB. They are presented in Australian dollars.

Except for certain assets, including infrastructure assets, which are valued at fair value in accordance with AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment and AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement as disclosed in the relevant notes, the statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention. Stores and materials are valued at weighted average cost assuming items first purchased are first consumed.

In the application of accounting standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the AASB management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Accounting policies are selected and applied in a manner which ensures that the resulting financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions or other events is reported.

### b) The Local Government Reporting Entity

These financial statements include only Clarence City Council; Council has no subsidiaries. All Funds through which Council controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report. In the process of reporting on Council as a single unit, all transactions and balances between those Funds (for example, loans and transfers between Funds) have been eliminated.

Amounts received as tender deposits and retention amounts controlled by Council are included in the amount disclosed as “payables” within current liabilities.

Associates are accounted for using the equity method in accordance with AASB 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures. Council's share of profits or losses is recognised in its income statement. Council's share of movements in an Associate's equity that has not been recognised in the Associate's profit or loss is recognised directly in equity.

### c) Acquisitions of Assets

The cost method of accounting is used for the recognition of assets acquired. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given up at the date of acquisition plus costs incidental to the acquisition. Architects' fees and engineering design fees are included in the costs of assets acquired. Assets acquired without cost are brought to account as revenue and recognised as non-current assets at their current replacement cost.

Council generally considers asset capitalisation at a threshold of \$20,000, however this is subject to the exercise of professional judgement based on the extent to which such expenditure creates or enhances an asset. Capital expenditure not meeting these criteria is charged to the Income Statement in the year it is incurred (other than where it forms part of a group of similar items which are material in total).

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Where assets are constructed by Council, cost includes all design costs, materials used in construction, direct labour, borrowing costs incurred during construction, and an appropriate share of attributable variable and fixed overheads.

**d) Revaluations of Non-current Assets**

Revaluation of a class of assets occurs at such time as there has been a significant movement in current replacement cost of that asset class relative to the value disclosed in the financial statements. Variables influencing such movements in current replacement cost will include inflation, changes in available technology and materials, and general industry movements and trends. Each class of assets will normally be subject to a revaluation with sufficient regularity as to meet the objectives of this policy, or otherwise at intervals normally of no greater than five years. However, market indices are applied as appropriate to reflect significant market movements.

Land and buildings are recognised at the Valuer-General’s valuation and have been indexed where appropriate. The initial valuations are based on market value. The recoverable amount test has not been applied to assets whose future economic benefits are not primarily dependent on their ability to generate net cash inflows. This is in accordance with AASB136 Impairment of Assets paragraph 32.1.

Non-current assets are derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from their continued use. Any gain or loss arising from the derecognition of assets is recognised in the Income Statement.

**e) Impairment of Assets**

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised equal to the amount by which an asset’s carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset’s fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For non-cash generating assets such as roads and public buildings value in use is represented by the deprival value of the asset approximated by its written down replacement cost.

**f) Depreciation of Non-current Assets**

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner that reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets. Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis.

Major depreciation periods are:

Asset	Years	Asset	Years
<b>Roads</b>		<b>Parks Equipment</b>	<b>10-30</b>
Road Seal	30	<b>Plant &amp; Equipment</b>	<b>10</b>
Road Pavement	70	<b>Stormwater</b>	<b>75</b>
Bridges	80	<b>Waste Management</b>	<b>15</b>
Footpaths	20-60	<b>Buildings</b>	<b>100</b>

**g) Employee Benefits**

Employee benefits are calculated in accordance with AASB 119 Employee Benefits and include entitlements to wages and salaries, annual leave, long service leave, superannuation and any other post-employment benefits as applicable. On-costs relating to employee benefits, such as workers compensation insurance, are calculated and included as liabilities but are not classified as employee entitlements. Liabilities owed to employees are recognised at the remuneration rate that Council expects to pay when the obligation is settled.

*i) Wages and Salaries, Annual Leave and Sick Leave*

Liabilities for wages and salaries and annual leave expected to be settled within 12 months are measured at their nominal value using remuneration rates expected to be paid when entitlements are taken. There is no liability for sick leave as sick leave is non-vesting. Annual leave not expected to be settled within 12 months is measured using the present value method.

*ii) Long Service Leave*

A liability for long service leave is recognised, and is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using interest rates on national government guaranteed securities with terms to maturity that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Where Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, the liability is recognised as being current. To the extent that it is expected that settlement of leave will give rise to the payment of superannuation contributions, superannuation contributions are accrued as part of the provision for leave.

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iii] Retirement Benefit Obligations

Employees of the Council may be entitled to benefits on retirement, disability or death through schemes external to the Council. Council contributes to a defined benefits superannuation fund and various defined contribution funds on behalf of its employees. All funds to which Council contributes are operated independently of Council.

Since the defined benefits superannuation fund to which Council contributes is fully funded and is recognised as a multi-employer scheme no liability is required to be recognised. No asset is recognised as the surplus attributable to each contributing council cannot be accurately calculated. Further disclosure regarding this matter is made at note 33. Council has no further obligations with respect to defined contribution funds.

h) Cash Equivalent Investments

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities generally of three months or less and/or that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts.

i) Trade and other receivables

Receivables are carried at cost. A provision for impairment is recognised when there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has occurred.

j) Leases

A distinction is made between finance leases which effectively transfer from the lessor to the lessee substantially all the risks and benefits incident to ownership of leased non-current assets (finance leases), and operating leases under which the lessor effectively retains all such risks and benefits. Council has no finance leases.

Operating leases as lessee

Operating lease payments are representative of the pattern of benefits derived from the leased assets and accordingly are charged to expenses from ordinary activities in the periods in which they are incurred.

Operating leases as lessor

Council owns a range of facilities that are available for lease by not-for-profit sport, recreational and community organisations. Leases to not-for-profit organisations may not reflect optimal financial arrangements and may have low lease payments. Such arrangements are in recognition of the public benefit provided by such facilities. Land and buildings which are leased under these arrangements are recognised within property, plant and equipment in the Balance Sheet, and associated rental income is recognised in accordance with Council’s revenue recognition policy.

k) Income Recognition

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

Settlement of rates receivable is by 4 instalments throughout the year or a single instalment payable in July. Sundry receivables are payable within 30 days of issue of the account. Interest applies to overdue rates. A provision for impairment on rates has not been established as unpaid rates represent a charge against the rateable property that will be recovered when the property is next sold.

Unreceived contributions over which Council has control are recognised as receivables. Contributions of services are only recognised as income when the fair value of those services can be reliably determined and when those services would have been purchased if they had not been donated. They are measured at fair value.

Non-monetary contributions (including developer contributions) with a value in excess of the recognition thresholds are recognised as revenue and as non-current assets. Non-monetary contributions below the thresholds are recorded as revenue.

Contributions by owners are recognised as a direct adjustment to equity when the contributed assets qualify for recognition. Distributions to owners are recognised as direct adjustments to equity when the associated reduction in assets, rendering of services or increase in liabilities qualifies for recognition. In the event of a restructure of administrative arrangements any resulting contribution by or distribution to another entity is recognised in equity. The net amount is recognised when both assets and liabilities are transferred as a result of such a restructure.

User charges

User charges are recognised as income when the service has been provided or when the penalty has been applied, or when the payment is received, whichever first occurs. A provision for impairment is recognised when collection in full is no longer probable.



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**l) Payables**

Trade creditors represent liabilities for goods or services provided to Council prior to the end of the financial year which are unpaid. They are generally settled within specific trading terms or 30 days.

**m) Interest Bearing Liabilities**

The borrowing capacity of Council is limited by the *Local Government Act 1993*. Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in the income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless Council has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date.

**n) Carrying Amount of Financial Assets and Liabilities**

Except for loan borrowings the carrying amounts of financial assets and liabilities recorded in the financial statements represent their respective fair values.

**o) Land Under Roads**

Land under roads is recognised in accordance with AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment. Because such land is generally acquired for no or nominal consideration, when it is recognised its cost is its fair value. Consistent with the Report to Parliament by the Auditor-General No. 5 of 2013-2014 *Infrastructure Financial Accounting in Local Government*, Council has recognised land under roads acquired prior to 1 July 2008 in its 2015 Financial Statements; Council’s past policy was to not recognise these assets.

**p) Investments and Other Financial Assets**

These financial statements comply with AASB 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures, AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation and AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement. Financial instruments other than held-to-maturity investments and loans and receivables are measured at fair value. Fair value includes transaction costs. Changes in fair value are either taken to the income statement or an equity reserve.

Council classifies its investments as:

*i) Loans and Receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise when Council provides money, goods or services directly to a debtor with no intention of selling the receivable. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are classified as non-current assets.

Loans and receivables are included in receivables in the Balance Sheet.

*ii) Held-to-maturity Investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Council’s management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity.

*iii) Investment in Water Corporation*

Council’s investment in the Water Corporation is valued at its fair value at balance date. Fair value was determined by using Council’s equity proportion for voting purposes, based on Schedule 2 of the Water Corporation’s constitution, against the Water Corporation’s net asset value at balance date. Council has an equity proportion for voting purposes of 10.58% in the Corporation. Any unrealised gains and losses on holdings at balance date are recognised each year through the Income Statement to a Fair Value Reserve (refer note 30).

Council has classified this asset as an available-for-sale financial asset as defined in AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and has followed AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation and AASB 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures to value and present the asset in the financial report.

**q) Allocation Between Current and Non-Current**

In determining whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. An asset or liability is classified as current if it is expected to be settled within the next 12 months. In the case of liabilities where Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, such as vested long service leave, the liability is classified as current even if not expected to be settled within the next 12 months. Inventories held for trading are classified as current even if not expected to be realised in the next 12 months.

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**r) Disclosure of Changes in Accounting Policy and Estimates**

*Impact of applicable Australian Accounting Standards not yet operative*

The Council has not applied the following Australian Accounting Standards and Australian Accounting Interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective. These will be applied from their operative dates:

- i) AASB 9 and AASB 2014-7

Financial Instruments

Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 [December 2014]

Effective date 1 January 2018

Extends the standard’s application date to January 2018; introduces new requirements for the classification, measurement and de-recognition of financial assets and liabilities; introduces a chapter to deal with hedge accounting; and introduces a new impairment model for financial assets.
- ii) AASB 1058

Income of Not-for-Profit Entities

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

AASB 2016-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Australian Implementation Guidance for Not-for-Profit Entities

AASB 2015-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 15

Effective date 1 January 2019 [for not-for-profits]

AASB 15 will replace AASB 118 Revenue, AASB 111 Construction Contracts and a number of Interpretations. AASB 2016-8 provides Australian requirements and guidance for not-for-profit entities in applying AASB 9 and AASB 15, and AASB 1058 will replace AASB 1004 Contributions. Together they contain a framework for the recognition, measurement and disclosure of income including revenue from contracts with customers.
- iii) AASB 16

Leases

Effective date 1 January 2019

Introduces a single lessee accounting model and requires a lessee to recognise assets and liabilities for all leases with a term of more than 12 months, unless the underlying asset is of low value. A lessee is required to recognise a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying leased asset, and a lease liability representing its obligations to make lease payments.
- iv) AASB 2014-10

Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture

AASB 2015-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Effective Date of Amendments to AASB10 and AASB128

Effective date 1 January 2018

The amendments address an inconsistency between the requirements in AASB10, and those in AASB128 [2011] in dealing with the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The consequence of the amendments is that a full gain or loss is recognised when a transaction involves a business [whether it is housed in a subsidiary or not]. A partial gain or loss is recognised when a transaction involves assets that do not constitute a business, even if the assets are housed in a subsidiary. AASB 2015-10 has delayed the effective date of the amendments to 1 January 2018. i.e. the Trustee’s financial statements for year ended 30 June 2019.
- v) AASB 2016-2

Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosure Initiative: Amendments to AASB 107

Effective date 1 January 2017

Makes amendments to AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows to require entities preparing financial statements in accordance with Tier 1 reporting requirements to provide disclosures that enable users of financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities, including both changes arising from cash flows and non-cash changes.

Council is of the view that none of the above new standards or interpretations will materially affect any of the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The above new standards or interpretations may impact certain information otherwise disclosed.

**s) Taxation**

Council is exempt from a range of taxation including Income Tax, however is liable for Fringe Benefits Tax, Payroll Tax and the Goods and Services Tax.

*Goods and Services Tax [GST]*

Income, expenses and assets have been recognised net of GST where that GST is recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office [ATO]. Where an amount of GST is not recoverable from the ATO, it has been recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or part of an item of expense to which it relates. Receivables and payables have been stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO has been included as part of receivables.

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Cash flows are included in the Cash Flow Statement on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is classified as operating cash flows.

**t) Significant Business Activities**

Council is required to report the operating capital and competitive neutrality costs in respect of each significant business activity undertaken by the council. Council has determined that there are no such significant business activities.

**u) Finance Costs**

Finance costs are expensed as incurred using the effective interest method. Finance costs include interest on bank overdrafts, interest on borrowings and finance lease charges.

**v) Rounding**

Unless otherwise indicated amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars. Minor differences may appear in the financial statements due to the effect of rounding.

**w) Contingent Assets and Liabilities**

*AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*

Council owns the Bellerive Oval and has leased this asset to Cricket Tasmania for a minimum period of 45 years. Council is part owner of the Copping landfill site. The landfill and associated land has been leased to the Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority for 50 years. Both of these leases are dated 2001. It is Council's opinion that control over these assets including maintenance obligations has been effectively transferred to the lessees, making the probability that significant future economic benefits will flow to Council unlikely (other than rental income). Other than the relevant value of the land Council has not included these assets in its balance sheet. They are disclosed as contingent assets in note 35.

**x) Measurement of Fair Values**

A number of the Council's accounting policies and disclosures require the measurement of fair values, for both financial and non financial assets and liabilities. When measuring the fair value of an asset or liability the Council uses market observable data as far as possible.

Assets measured at fair value are being used for their highest and best use, within the context of the operations of a Local Government entity. Within this context, restrictions exist on the nature and use of many Council assets which limit the use to which those assets may otherwise be dedicated.

Fair values are categorised into different levels in a fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used in the valuation techniques as follows:

Level 1:	quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
Level 2:	inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).
Level 3:	inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

If the inputs used to measure the fair value of an asset or a liability might be categorised in different levels of the fair value hierarchy, then the fair value measurement is categorised as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement.

The Council recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred. Further information about assumptions made in measuring fair values is included in the following notes:

Note 11	Investment in Water Corporation
Note 13	Financial Instruments
Note 17	Non-Current Assets – Land
Note 18	Non-Current Assets – Land Under Roads
Note 19	Non-Current Assets – Buildings
Note 20	Non-Current Assets – Roads
Note 21	Non-Current Assets – Waste Management
Note 22	Non-Current Assets – Stormwater Infrastructure
Note 23	Non-Current Assets – Plant, Equipment & Furniture
Note 24	Non-Current Assets – Parks & Recreation Equipment



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2 Functions/Activities of the Municipality

a) Revenues, expenses and assets have been attributed to the following functions/activities. Details of those functions/activities are set out in note 2(b).

	Communi- ties and People \$'000	City Future \$'000	Natural Environment \$'000	Roads* \$'000	Storm Water \$'000	Facilities Manage- ment \$'000	Governance \$'000	Unclassi- fied/Gen Purpose \$'000	Total \$'000
Expenses	14,009	2,515	7,107	13,843	1,482	2,635	7,807	8,019	57,416
2015/16 Comparative	9,860	2,457	7,265	14,294	1,755	2,480	7,292	11,266	56,669
Revenues	5,525	1,875	4,576	158	2,154	680	10,972	34,731	60,670
Grants	1,594	–	57	1,354	1,680	553	–	–	5,237
Total Operating Revenues	7,119	1,875	4,633	1,512	3,834	1,232	10,972	34,732	65,907
2015/16 Comparative	6,857	1,752	4,539	4,019	2,706	779	10,436	33,920	65,008
Change in net assets resulting from operations	[6,890]	[641]	[2,474]	[12,332]	2,352	[1,402]	3,165	26,712	8,491
2015/16 Comparative	[3,003]	[705]	[2,726]	[10,275]	951	[1,701]	3,143	22,655	8,339
Assets	N/A	N/A	704	300,321	97,633	113,148	N/A	256,744	768,550
2015/16 Comparative	N/A	N/A	682	293,357	97,271	103,785	N/A	250,892	745,987

Rates have been attributed to functions where appropriate. Balances may vary due to rounding.  
\*Roads includes Land Under Roads.

b) The activities of the municipality are categorised into the following broad functions:

Communities and People

To create a safe and healthy community where all people can access services and participate in cultural, social and recreational activities; develop a community focal point and inform and consult with the community.

City Future

To assist the City to grow in line with community values and needs with regard to land use, economic development and tourism.

Natural Environment

To enhance and protect the City’s natural assets and prepare for the effective management of natural events or emergencies. To promote environmentally sustainable practices and appreciation of the natural environment. To collect and dispose of solid wastes generated within the City.

Roads

To provide roads, bridges, cycleways, footpaths, transport interchanges, vehicle parks, street lighting and traffic control systems to ensure the effective and safe movement of people and vehicles; the economic transport of goods and delivery of services; and the rapid deployment of emergency services, within the City.

Stormwater

To protect life, property and community amenity by the effective collection and disposal of stormwater.

Facilities Management

To facilitate the provision of social infrastructure and community facilities which, within the capacity of Council and the community to pay, meet the needs of residents, visitors, tourists and other stakeholders and which meet the regional responsibilities accepted by Council.

Governance

To represent the community through Local Government leadership in a consistent, accountable and financially responsible manner. To provide clear and accountable leadership and strategic direction for the City and engage the community in Council activities.

Unclassified/General Purpose

Transactions and assets not directly attributable to specific functions.

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## 3 Rates Income

	NOTES	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Rate revenue raised		46,251	44,629
Less: Remissions	10	[2,168]	[2,114]
		<b>44,083</b>	<b>42,515</b>

## 4 User Charges

Fees		2,965	3,201
Rentals		633	611
Special Committee Income	36	425	403
Other		1,022	916
		<b>5,045</b>	<b>5,131</b>

## 5 Grants

Grants includes:

Grants made by the State Grants Commission		3,828	1,199
Capital grants made by Government:			
Blackspot		38	332
Council Chamber Chiller		0	14
Clarence High School SRT		0	80
Roads to Recovery		1,131	1,365
Warrane Community Garden		17	0
Seven Mile Beach Master Plan		50	0
Path Rosny Hill Road to Barn		70	0
Lindisfarne Oval Lighting		80	0
Kangaroo Bay		0	2,100
Rural Bus Stop		23	0
		<b>5,237</b>	<b>5,090</b>

The Australian Commonwealth Government provides Financial Assistance Grants to Council for general purpose use and for the provision of local roads. In 2016/2017 the Commonwealth made early payment of two quarterly instalments for the following year. In accordance with AASB1004 Contributions, Council recognises these grants as revenue when it receives the funds and obtains control. This has impacted the Statement of Comprehensive Income and the surplus/(deficit) in the current year, increasing the operating surplus by \$1.3 million. This variation in payment dates represents a timing difference only; the total amount to be received by Council over the affected periods has not changed as a result of this timing difference.

## 6 Contributions and Recognition of Assets

Contributions and recognition of assets are made up of the following categories:

Contributions of assets arising from subdivision of land		8,669	8,220
Contribution of assets arising from development of Council land		–	200
Recognition of assets arising from revaluation		–	30
		<b>8,669</b>	<b>8,450</b>

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## 7 Ownership Interests in Associates

Council has an interest in the Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority (CRDSJA). It uses the equity method to account for its interest. Council controls 45% (2015/16 45%) of the Joint Authority's votes. Council's share of the Joint Authority's net assets is fixed at 48% or \$2,433,937 (2015/16 48% or \$1,981,983). Refer to the Cash Flow Statement for dividends received.

The CRDSJA is located in Australia. Its principal activity is to operate a landfill.

The following financial information is provided in relation to the CRDSJA:

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Total assets	15,278	12,305
Total liabilities	(8,641)	(8,176)
Minority interest	(1,567)	–
Revenue	(6,689)	(6,395)
Profit (loss) after income tax expense	665	350
Council's share of profit (loss) after income tax expense	*	318
Council's share of income tax expense		(159)
Council's share of prior year adjustments	*	5
Council's share of income tax equivalents**	*	128

\* Amount included in Income Statement.

\*\*Current year figure unavailable at time of signing accounts.

Council has an interest in C Cell Pty Ltd as Trustee (Trust). It uses the equity method to account for its interest. Council owns 40% (2015/16 0%) of the Trust's issued units. Council's share of the Trust's assets is also 40% or \$1,566,593 (2015/16 \$0).

The Trust is located in Australia; its principal activity is to operate a hazardous landfill cell.

The following financial information is provided in relation to the Trust:

Total assets	5,438	–
Total liabilities	1,521	–
Revenue	–	–
Profit (loss)	(84)	–
Council's share of profit (loss)	*	(33)

\* Amount included in Income Statement.

## 8 Gain/Loss on Retirement or Disposal of Non-Current Assets

Net proceeds on disposal of non current assets	–	76
Carrying amount of non-current assets retired	(796)	(2,395)
Profit (loss) on disposal	(796)	(2,319)

## 9 Depreciation

Depreciation was charged in respect of:

Buildings	403	366
Roads	8,195	8,116
Stormwater infrastructure	2,370	2,324
Waste management assets	18	18
Plant, equipment & furniture	423	392
Parks & recreation equipment	1,264	919
	12,674	12,135



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## 10 Other Expenses

	NOTES	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Other expenses includes:			
Rate remissions	3	2,168	2,114
Less: Rate remission subsidies		(1,879)	(1,832)
Net Rate remissions		289	282
Electricity		1,256	1,312
Insurance		704	671
External Audit services*		65	43
Aldermen’s allowances		459	445
Rental expense relating to operating leases	32(b)	1,637	1,621
Family Day Care fee relief		1,540	1,441
Community Services support		96	122
Corporate support		1,136	1,037
Policy and promotion		1,262	1,003
External plant hire		450	412
Special Committees expenses	36	445	442
Other		1,596	1,693
		<b>10,935</b>	<b>10,525</b>

\* Council’s external auditor is the Tasmanian Audit Office (TAO). The TAO was paid to audit Council’s financial statements, and to undertake specific purpose audits. The TAO provided no other services. During the financial year the TAO was paid \$52k (2016 \$43k) to audit Council’s financial statements.

## 11 Investment in Water Corporation

Opening Balance 1 July	166,604	163,816
Total gains/[losses] recognised as other comprehensive income	1,093	2,788
Closing Balance 30 June	<b>167,697</b>	<b>166,604</b>

Council’s share of the Water Corporation (Tasmanian Water and Sewerage Corporation Pty Ltd Trading as Taswater) is its only financial asset at fair value. Fair value was determined by applying Council’s ownership interest to the Water Corporation’s net asset value at balance date. Any unrealised gains and losses at balance date are recognised in the Income Statement as other comprehensive income and appear in the Fair Value Reserve. This asset is classified as Level 3. Council has not bought or sold any share in this business during the reporting period.

During the year Council received \$3.3 million dividend payments, including tax equivalent and loan guarantee payments, from the Water Corporation (2015/16 \$3.3 million).

Subsequent to 30 June 2017 a Bill to enable the transfer of ownership of the Water Corporation to the State Government was tabled in Parliament. At the date these financial statements were prepared Parliament had not made a determination in respect of this Bill.

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## 12 Current Assets – Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	4,328	[617]
Interest bearing deposits	55,000	59,000
	<b>59,328</b>	<b>58,384</b>
Unrestricted	20,542	21,763
Subject to external and/or internal restrictions	38,786	36,621
	<b>59,328</b>	<b>58,384</b>

The following restrictions have been imposed by regulations or other externally or internally imposed requirements:

Accrued long service leave*	2,766	2,654
Unexpended specific purpose contributions**	4,398	3,687
Council discretionary reserves***	31,622	30,280
	<b>38,786</b>	<b>36,621</b>

\* These monies have been set aside to fund long service leave payment obligations.  
\*\*These monies are required to be spent on public open space, car parking & community services.  
\*\*\* These monies are set aside at the discretion of Council and primarily represent funds for infrastructure renewal.

## 13 Financial Instruments

### a) Risk exposures

#### Credit risk:

The amount of any credit risk associated with financial assets is the carrying amount net of any provision for doubtful debts. Such a risk crystallises when one party to the transaction fails to discharge its obligations. Council's financial assets comprise receivables, cash and cash equivalents.

There is no significant concentration of credit risk with any single debtor or group of debtors. Amounts owing in relation to rates are secured by a charge over the land to which the debts relate.

Council has a policy of diversifying investments and restricts investments to entities with Standard and Poor’s long term credit ratings of BBB+ or better, or short term credit ratings of A.1 or better.

Council's credit risk is therefore low. There has been no significant change in Council's exposure to or management of this risk since the previous period.

#### Market risk:

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk, those being currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. Council's exposure to or management of these risks has not changed since the previous period.

#### Currency risk:

This is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. Council has no exposure to currency risk.

#### Interest rate risk:

This is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Council's financial instruments comprise cash and cash equivalents, receivables, payables and interest bearing liabilities. Its main exposure to this risk is through its interest bearing liabilities which are disclosed at Note 27 and in this note.

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At balance date Council had the following categories of financial assets and liabilities exposed to interest rate risk:

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Financial Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	59,328	58,384
Financial Liabilities		
Interest bearing liabilities	(191)	(371)
Net exposure	59,137	58,013

Exposure to this risk through cash and cash equivalents is minimal. Council limits its exposure to this risk in relation to its interest bearing liabilities by staging interest rate reset dates to ensure exposures are smoothed over time.

The following sensitivity analysis is based on interest rate risk exposures existing at balance date. It shows the effect of interest rate movements on the net result and equity.

Net Result		
+1%	586	566
–1%	(586)	(566)
Equity		
+1%	586	566
–1%	(586)	(566)

The movements in net result and equity are due to higher/lower interest rates relating to cash and cash equivalents. Changing interest rates do not affect interest paid in the short term as rates are generally fixed for periods of at least two years.

Other price risk:

This is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. Council does not have any material exposure to this risk.

Liquidity risk:

This is the risk that Council will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. A maturity analysis is included in part b) of this note. Council’s liquidity risk is immaterial. Its exposure to or management of this risk has not changed since the previous period.

b) Interest rate risk exposure

2017	Effective (weighted) average interest rate %	Variable & floating interest rate \$'000	Fixed Interest Rate Maturity			Non interest bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
			<1 Year \$'000	1-5 Years \$'000	>5 Years \$'000		
Financial Assets							
Cash	2.64	4,328	55,000	–	–	–	59,328
Receivables including rates*	4.71	–	2,042	125	234	1,737	4,138
Total		4,328	57,042	125	234	1,737	63,466
Financial Liabilities							
Creditors						4,307	4,307
Interest bearing liabilities	5.57	–	191	–	–	–	191
Total		–	191	–	–	4,307	4,498



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2016	Effective (weighted) average interest rate %	Variable & floating interest rate \$'000	Fixed Interest Rate Maturity			Non interest bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
			<1 Year \$'000	1-5 Years \$'000	>5 Years \$'000		
Financial Assets							
Cash	3.04	[617]	59,001	–	–	–	58,384
Receivables including rates*	3.53	–	1,924	–	–	3,079	5,003
Total		[617]	60,925	–	–	3,079	63,387
Financial Liabilities							
Creditors						3,769	3,769
Interest bearing liabilities	5.57	–	183	188	–	–	371
Total		–	183	188	–	3,769	4,140

\*Refer to note 14 for more information regarding ageing of receivables.

c) Net fair value

The aggregate net fair value of Council’s financial assets and financial liabilities is as follows:

	Actual 2017		Actual 2016	
	Carrying Amount \$'000	Aggregate Net Fair Value \$'000	Carrying Amount \$'000	Aggregate Net Fair Value \$'000
Financial Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	59,328	59,328	58,384	58,384
Investment Water Corporation	167,698	167,698	166,605	166,605
Receivables	4,138	4,138	5,003	5,003
Total	231,164	231,164	229,992	229,992
Financial Liabilities				
Payables	1,980	1,980	1,354	1,354
Interest bearing liabilities	191	195	371	387
Total	2,171	2,175	1,725	1,741

Aggregate net fair value is calculated using a discount rate equal to the average of mid rates of Commonwealth Government securities maturing on or near 30 June each year for the next 10 years.

	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique	Inputs used
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	Level 1	Carrying amounts are a reasonable approximation of fair value.	Carrying amounts.
Investment Water Corporation	Level 3	Application of Council’s ownership interest to the corporation’s net asset value at balance date.	Council’s ownership interest. The corporation’s net asset value at balance date.
Receivables	Level 3	Carrying amounts are a reasonable approximation of fair value.	Carrying amounts.
Financial liabilities			
Payables	Level 3	Carrying amounts are a reasonable approximation of fair value.	Carrying amounts.
Interest bearing liabilities	Level 3	Use of a discount rate equal to the average of mid rates of Commonwealth Government securities maturing on or near 30 June each year for the remaining life of the liabilities.	Mid rates of Commonwealth Government securities maturing on or near 30 June each year for the remaining life of the liabilities. Loan instalments payable.

d) Accounting Policies

Accounting policies in respect of financial assets and financial liabilities are disclosed in Note 1.

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**e) Terms and conditions**

There are no terms and conditions associated with financial assets or financial liabilities which may significantly affect the amount, timing or certainty of future cash flows.

**f) Fair value measurements recognised in the balance sheet**

Council’s investment in the Water Corporation is measured at fair value, and is classified as a level 3. Its classification has not changed. This investment is not subject to credit or market risks. A reconciliation of movements in the fair value of this asset is included in Note 11.

## 14 Current Assets – Receivables

	2017 \$’000	2016 \$’000
Rates receivable	2,042	1,924
Other debtors	1,737	2,034
	<b>3,779</b>	<b>3,958</b>

The ageing analysis of receivables is as follows:

Current	607	772
0-30 days	15	18
31-60 days	32	24
61-90 days (past due but not impaired)	1	7
+91 days (past due but not impaired)	3,124	3,137
	<b>3,779</b>	<b>3,958</b>

All rates debtors are included in +91 days outstanding. No provision has been made for impairment as any such provision would generally be immaterial. Unpaid rates are recoverable on the sale of the property concerned. No material bad debts were written off during either year. Certain amounts raised by way of rates equivalents (which are not a charge on the land) in respect of Hobart Airport are subject to dispute which had not been resolved at balance date. The amount raised but unpaid at 30 June 2017 was \$1,207,235 [30 June 2016 \$713,692].

## 15 Current Assets – Other

Stores and materials (at average cost)	99	98
Other	384	320
	<b>483</b>	<b>418</b>

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16 Reconciliation of Infrastructure Assets

Movements in infrastructure assets for the year were as follows:

	Opening Balance 1 July 2016	Depre- ciation Expense for Year	Additions	WIP Transferred to Expenses	Reclassifi- cations	Written Down Value of Retirements/ Derecogni- tion	**Net Revaluation Increment (Decre- ment)	Closing Balance 30 June 2017*
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Land	71,447	–	–	–	–	–	3,401	74,848
Land under roads	100,270	–	579	–	–	–	–	100,849
Buildings	32,338	[403]	5,144	–	–	[131]	1,353	38,301
Roads	193,087	[8,195]	15,229	–	–	[648]	–	199,473
Waste management	723	[18]	–	–	–	–	–	705
Stormwater infrastructure	97,271	[2,370]	2,743	–	–	[11]	–	97,633
Plant, equipment & furniture	1,410	[423]	112	–	–	–	–	1,099
Parks & recreation equipment	12,701	[1,264]	3,525	–	–	[5]	–	14,957
Capital Work in Progress (WIP)	4,184	–	1,013	[365]	–	–	–	4,832
<b>Total</b>	<b>513,431</b>	<b>[12,673]</b>	<b>28,345</b>	<b>[365]</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>[795]</b>	<b>4,754</b>	<b>532,697</b>

\* Balances may vary slightly due to rounding  
\*\* Recognised as Fair Value Revaluation of Fixed Assets in Other Comprehensive Income

Comparative movements in infrastructure assets for the prior year were as follows:

	Opening Balance 1 July 2015	Depre- ciation Expense for Year	Additions	WIP Transferred to Expenses	Reclassifi- cations	Written Down Value of Retirements/ Derecogni- tion	**Net Revaluation Increment (Decre- ment)	Closing Balance 30 June 2016*
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Land	71,142	–	305	–	–	–	–	71,447
Land under roads	99,358	–	912	–	–	–	–	100,270
Buildings	30,588	[366]	2,116	–	–	–	–	32,338
Roads	181,286	[8,114]	19,881	–	18	[2,208]	2,224	193,087
Waste management	741	[18]	–	–	–	–	–	723
Stormwater infrastructure	93,506	[2,324]	6,229	–	–	[140]	–	97,271
Plant, equipment & furniture	1,824	[392]	220	–	[235]	[7]	–	1,410
Parks & recreation equipment	10,768	[919]	2,675	–	217	[40]	–	12,701
Capital Work in Progress (WIP)	7,756	–	[2,464]	[1,108]	–	–	–	4,184
<b>Total</b>	<b>496,969</b>	<b>[12,133]</b>	<b>29,874</b>	<b>[1,108]</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>[2,395]</b>	<b>2,224</b>	<b>513,431</b>

\* Balances may vary slightly due to rounding  
\*\* Recognised as Fair Value Revaluation of Fixed Assets in Other Comprehensive Income

17 Non-Current Assets – Land

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Land at fair value closing balance	74,848	71,447
Land at cost closing balance	–	–
	<b>74,848</b>	<b>71,447</b>

Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for land has been categorised as a level 2 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 or between levels 2 and 3 for recurring fair value measurements during the year.



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## Valuation technique

The fair value of land other than that recorded at cost was determined by the Valuer-General, based on 1 July 2012 market value, to which an index factor has been applied consistent with the Valuer-General’s 2015 adjustment factors for valuations within the municipality.

## 18 Non-Current Assets – Land Under Roads

	2017 \$’000	2016 \$’000
Land under roads at fair value closing balance	100,849	100,270
Land under roads at cost closing balance	–	–
	<b>100,849</b>	<b>100,270</b>

### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for land under roads has been categorised as a level 2 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 or between levels 2 and 3 for recurring fair value measurements during the year.

### Valuation technique

The fair value of land under roads has been determined based on unit valuations provided by the Valuer-General during 2014/2015 for various land classes across the City.

## 19 Non-Current Assets – Buildings

Buildings at fair value	33,720	32,332
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(3,976)	(3,466)
	<b>29,744</b>	<b>28,866</b>

Buildings at cost	8,636	3,495
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(79)	(23)
	<b>8,557</b>	<b>3,472</b>
	<b>38,301</b>	<b>32,338</b>

### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for buildings has been categorised as a level 2 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 or between levels 2 and 3 for recurring fair value measurements during the year.

### Valuation technique

The fair value of buildings other than those recorded at cost was determined by the Valuer-General, based on 1 July 2012 market values, to which an index factor has been applied consistent with the Valuer-General’s 2017 adjustment factors for valuations within the municipality.

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## 20 Non-Current Assets – Roads

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Roads at fair value	387,939	384,659
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(210,882)	(206,319)
	<b>177,057</b>	<b>178,340</b>
Roads at cost	22,972	14,875
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(556)	(128)
	<b>22,416</b>	<b>14,747</b>
	<b>199,473</b>	<b>193,087</b>

### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for roads has been categorised as a level 3 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 for recurring fair value measurements during the year. For transfers in and out of level 3 measurements refer below.

### Valuation technique, unobservable inputs, inter-relationship between unobservable inputs and fair value

Roads includes earthworks, substructures, seals, kerbs and crossings relating to roads and footpaths. Road assets excluding those recognised at cost have been valued at current replacement cost written down to reflect the portion of the economic life that has expired. Current replacement cost has been established as at 1 July 2015 based upon information provided by Council’s engineering officers.

Significant unobservable inputs include estimated useful life and inputs required to construct roads and associated infrastructure such as labour, plant hire, gravel, hotmix, cement etc. The estimated fair value would increase (decrease) if the labour/hire rates and/or prices per unit were higher (lower).

### Reconciliation of fair value opening and closing balances

Roads at fair value opening balance	178,340	157,240
Additions and/or transfers from roads at cost	7,055	28,118
Change in fair value	–	835
Written down value of retirements/transfers/disposals	(574)	(2,208)
Amount included in Other Comprehensive Income		
Fair value revaluation of fixed assets	–	2,224
Depreciation expense	(7,764)	(7,869)
Roads at fair value closing balance	<b>177,057</b>	<b>178,340</b>

## 21 Non-Current Assets – Waste Management

Waste management assets at fair value	919	918
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(222)	(204)
	<b>697</b>	<b>714</b>
Waste management assets at cost	11	11
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(3)	(2)
	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
	<b>705</b>	<b>723</b>

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### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for waste management assets has been categorised as a combination of level 2 and level 3 fair values based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 for recurring fair value measurements during the year. For transfers in and out of level 3 measurements refer below.

### Valuation technique, unobservable inputs, inter-relationship between unobservable inputs and fair value

Waste management assets primarily comprises land associated with a landfill site which is leased to a Joint Authority of which Council is a member. Valuation of the land was determined by the Valuer-General based on October 2010 market value. Estimated fair value would increase (decrease) if market value increased (decreased). Other assets recorded at fair value, primarily comprising litter bins, are valued at current replacement cost based upon market pricing information provided by Council’s officers as at 1 July 2013. Estimated fair value of these assets would increase (decrease) if market prices increased (decreased).

Reconciliation of fair value opening and closing balances	2017 \$’000	2016 \$’000
Waste management assets at fair value opening balance	714	732
Additions and/or transfers from waste management assets at cost	–	–
Depreciation expense	[17]	[18]
Waste management assets at fair value closing balance	697	714

## 22 Non-Current Assets – Stormwater Infrastructure

Stormwater infrastructure assets at fair value	166,315	165,465
Less: Accumulated depreciation	[77,041]	[74,788]
	89,274	90,677

Stormwater infrastructure assets at cost	8,525	6,664
Less: Accumulated depreciation	[166]	[70]
	8,359	6,594
	97,633	97,271

### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for stormwater infrastructure assets has been categorised as a level 3 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 for recurring fair value measurements during the year. For transfers in and out of level 3 measurements refer below.

### Valuation technique, unobservable inputs, inter-relationship between unobservable inputs and fair value

Stormwater infrastructure assets excluding those valued at cost have been valued at current replacement cost written down to reflect the portion of the economic life that has expired. Current replacement cost has been established based on information provided by Council’s engineering officers as at June 2015.

Significant unobservable inputs include estimated useful life and inputs required to construct stormwater assets and associated infrastructure such as labour, plant hire, pipe length/dimension/material etc. The estimated fair value would increase (decrease) if the estimated useful life, labour/plant hire rates and/or prices per unit were higher (lower).

Reconciliation of fair value opening and closing balances		
Stormwater infrastructure at fair value opening balance	90,677	90,978
Additions and/or transfers from stormwater infrastructure assets at cost	896	2,084
Written down value of retirements/transfers/disposals	[25]	[118]
Amount included in Other Comprehensive Income		
Fair value revaluation of fixed assets	–	–
Depreciation expense	[2,274]	[2,267]
Stormwater infrastructure assets at fair value closing balance	89,274	90,677



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## 23 Non-Current Assets – Plant, Equipment and Furniture

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Plant, equipment & furniture assets at fair value	2,157	2,339
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(1,651)	(1,688)
	<b>506</b>	<b>651</b>
Plant, equipment & furniture assets at cost	1,295	1,214
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(702)	(453)
	<b>593</b>	<b>761</b>
	<b>1,099</b>	<b>1,412</b>

### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for plant, equipment & furniture has been categorised as a level 3 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 for recurring fair value measurements during the year. For transfers in and out of level 3 measurements refer below.

### Valuation technique, unobservable inputs, inter-relationship between unobservable inputs and fair value

Current replacement cost of items of plant, equipment and furniture (excluding those valued at cost) has been based on the cost of assets and adjusted to reflect current replacement cost as at 1 July 2013 based upon information provided by Council’s officers, and associated entities.

Significant unobservable inputs include estimated useful life and the value of indexes/judgements applied. The estimated fair value would increase (decrease) if the estimated useful life and/or indexes/judgements were higher (lower)

### Reconciliation of fair value opening and closing balances

Plant, equipment & furniture at fair value opening balance	651	815
Additions and/or transfers from plant, equipment & furniture at cost	29	7
Written down value of retirements/transfers/disposals	–	(6)
Depreciation expense	(174)	(165)
Plant, equipment & furniture at fair value closing balance	<b>506</b>	<b>651</b>

## 24 Non-Current Assets – Parks and Recreation Equipment

Parks & recreation equipment at fair value	13,779	13,819
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(8,021)	(7,422)
	<b>5,758</b>	<b>6,397</b>
Parks & recreation equipment at cost	10,322	6,798
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(1,123)	(495)
	<b>9,199</b>	<b>6,303</b>
	<b>14,957</b>	<b>12,700</b>

### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value measurement for parks & recreation equipment has been categorised as a level 3 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used (refer to Note 1x and details below).

There were no transfers between levels 1 and 2 for recurring fair value measurements during the year. For transfers in and out of level 3 measurements refer below.

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## Valuation technique, unobservable inputs, inter-relationship between unobservable inputs and fair value

Parks & recreation equipment assets excluding those items valued at cost have been valued at current replacement cost written down to reflect the portion of the economic life that has expired. Current replacement cost has been established as at 1 July 2013 based on pricing information provided by Council’s officers and by external play equipment specialists. Estimated fair value would increase (decrease) if prices increased (decreased).

	2017 \$’000	2016 \$’000
<b>Reconciliation of fair value opening and closing balances</b>		
Parks & recreation equipment at fair value opening balance	6,397	7,076
Additions and/or transfers from parks & recreation equipment at cost	1	7
Written down value of retirements/transfers/disposals	(5)	(40)
Depreciation expense	(635)	(646)
Parks & recreation equipment at fair value closing balance	<b>5,758</b>	<b>6,397</b>

## 25 Non-Current Assets – Receivables

Deferred payment – property transfer	359	1,045
	<b>359</b>	<b>1,045</b>

## 26 Current Liabilities – Payables

Trade creditors	1,980	1,354
Other creditors and accruals	3,817	4,178
	<b>5,797</b>	<b>5,532</b>

## 27 Interest Bearing Liabilities

Bank loans (current)	191	183
Bank loans (non-current)	–	188
	<b>191</b>	<b>371</b>

### Financing Arrangements

Unrestricted access was available at the reporting date to the following forms of financial accommodation:

Total Facilities		
Bank overdraft	1,000	1,000
Corporate credit cards	40	40
Loans	191	371
	<b>1,231</b>	<b>1,411</b>
Used at reporting date		
Bank overdraft	–	–
Corporate credit cards	13	6
Loans	191	371
	<b>204</b>	<b>377</b>
Unused at reporting date		
Bank overdraft	1,000	1,000
Corporate credit cards	27	34
	<b>1,027</b>	<b>1,034</b>

The bank overdraft facility may be drawn at any time and may be terminated by the bank without notice. Interest rates are variable.

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## 28 Current Liabilities – Provisions

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Employee entitlements*		
Annual leave**		
Opening balance	1,597	1,549
Additional provisions	564	621
Amounts used	(700)	(573)
Closing balance	<b>1,461</b>	<b>1,597</b>
Long service leave		
Opening balance	2,185	2,235
Additional provisions	242	134
Amounts used	(301)	(306)
Closing balance	<b>2,126</b>	<b>2,063</b>
Payroll tax attributable to long service leave	127	122
Total long service leave provision	2,253	2,185
Total Provisions	<b>3,714</b>	<b>3,782</b>
**The above includes annual leave purchased during the year	56	121

## 29 Non-Current Liabilities – Provisions

Employee entitlements*		
Long service leave		
Opening balance	757	719
Additional provisions	(117)	(6)
	<b>640</b>	<b>713</b>
Payroll tax attributable to long service leave	39	44
Closing balance	<b>679</b>	<b>757</b>

\*Assumptions include an inflation factor in line with Council's Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (greater of 2.5% or CPI), discount factors equal to average relevant Reserve Bank of Australia wholesale market indicative mid rates (3.03%) and retention rates based on Council's historic data accumulated over a 15 year period.

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30 Reserves

a) Composition	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Asset Revaluation Reserve [Represents net increments arising from the revaluation of non-current assets].	223,470	220,022
Infrastructure Renewal Reserve [Represents unused amounts collected to fund future renewal of existing infrastructure assets].	29,790	28,413
Commonwealth Funded Programs Reserve [Represents unused funds subject to grant programs operated by the Commonwealth Government. Such funds are subject to grant agreements and are applied as such].	1,248	1,234
General Reserve [Represents amounts appropriated for general future uses, typically planned projects, expected events and contingencies].	1,832	1,868
Rosny Park Child Care Reserve [Represents the cumulative operating result of the Rosny Park Child Care Centre. Meets on-going operations of the centre].	271	204
Car Parking Reserve [Represents funds contributed in lieu of providing car parking as part of commercial developments. Provides for provision of alternative car parking facilities in the areas collected].	1,105	905
Public Open Space Reserve [Represents funds contributed in lieu of providing public open space as part of subdivision developments. Provides for purchase of alternative public open space assets in the areas collected].	1,570	1,219
Headworks Reserve [Represents funds contributed by property developers to provide for future augmentation of Council infrastructure to meet additional capacity demands arising from property development].	203	124
Fair Value Reserve [Represents increments/decrements in the fair value of Council's equity share in the Water Corporation].	[32,870]	[33,963]
	226,618	220,024

b) Movements		
Asset Revaluation Reserve		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	220,022	220,552
Net increment (decrement) on revaluation of assets	4,754	2,224
Transfer to equity on derecognition of assets*	[1,306]	[2,754]
	223,470	220,022

\* This is a transfer between the Asset Revaluation Reserve and equity and has no effect on the operating result. This treatment is as prescribed by AASB 116.

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
	Infrastructure Renewal Reserve		Commonwealth Funded Programs Reserve		General Reserve		Rosny Park Child Care Reserve	
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	28,413	26,839	1,234	1,014	1,868	2,516	204	181
Amount transferred from accumulated surplus	10,999	11,233	127	220	76	424	67	23
Amount transferred to accumulated surplus	[9,622]	[9,659]	[113]	–	[112]	[1,072]	–	–
Balance at the end of the financial year	29,790	28,413	1,248	1,234	1,832	1,868	271	204

	Car Parking Reserve		Public Open Space Reserve		Headworks Reserve		Fair Value Reserve	
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	905	789	1,219	1,338	124	99	[33,963]	[36,751]
Amount transferred from accumulated surplus	200	116	378	243	79	25	–	–
Fair Value adjustment on revaluation	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,093	2,788
Amount transferred to accumulated surplus	–	–	[27]	[362]	–	–	–	–
Balance at the end of the financial year	1,105	905	1,570	1,219	203	124	[32,870]	[33,963]



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## 31 Reconciliation of Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities to Change in Net Assets resulting from Operations

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	20,545	19,032
Depreciation	(12,674)	(12,135)
Contribution of assets	8,687	8,450
Recognition of land under roads	–	–
Gain/(Loss) on retirement or disposal of assets	(796)	(2,319)
Share of net results of associates	989	167
Government grants – capital	1,409	3,891
Recognition of assets previously expensed	–	31
Derecognition of assets previously capitalised	(370)	–
Change in operating assets and liabilities		
Increase (decrease) in rates receivable	118	(322)
Increase (decrease) in other debtors and prepayments	(216)	(2,584)
Increase (decrease) in stock on hand	1	(3)
(Increase) decrease in creditors and accruals	(487)	466
(Increase) decrease in provision for employee entitlements	146	(36)
Surplus/(Deficit)	<b>17,352</b>	<b>14,638</b>

## 32 Commitments for Expenditure

### a) Capital Commitments

Capital expenditure contracted for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities:

Buildings	86	170
Infrastructure	4,368	5,350
	<b>4,454</b>	<b>5,520</b>
These expenditures are payable:		
Not later than one year	4,454	5,520
Later than one year and not later than two years	–	–
	<b>4,454</b>	<b>5,520</b>

### b) Operating Lease Commitments

At the reporting date Council had in place a variety of lease commitments relating to various properties used for public purposes, and operating leases in respect of motor vehicles, plant and equipment, and computer systems which are not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities. These leases are non-cancellable without Council incurring significant penalties and do not carry purchase options on the expiry of the leases. Commitments under these leases at the reporting date are payable as follows:

Not later than one year	1,464	1,361
Later than one year and not later than five years	3,588	2,024
Later than five years	1,225	415
	<b>6,277</b>	<b>3,800</b>

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c) **Operational Contracts**

Council has entered into long term contracts for operational expenditure in respect of:

- Street sweeping [expired May 2017]
- Waste collection [expires October 2020]
- Green organics collection and disposal [expires October 2019]
- Recycling collection [expires October 2020]
- Recycling processing [expires March 2020]
- Waste transfer facilities [expires June 2021]
- Software [expires June 2021]

Estimated remaining payments under these contracts total \$18.7 million.

## 33 Superannuation

Council makes superannuation contributions for a number of its employees to the Quadrant Defined Benefits Fund (the Fund). The Fund was a sub fund of the Quadrant Superannuation Scheme (the Scheme) up to 30 November 2015. At this date the Scheme merged (via a Successor Fund Transfer) into Tasplan Super (Tasplan) and the Fund became a sub fund of Tasplan from that date. The Fund has been classified as a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Fund’s assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by employer, the Actuary is unable to allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided under paragraph 34 of AASB 119 Employee Benefits, Council does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

For the year ended 30 June 2017 Council contributed a minimum of 9.5% of employees’ gross income to the Fund. Assets accumulate in the fund to meet member benefits as they accrue, and if assets within the fund are insufficient to satisfy benefits payable, Council is required to meet its share of the deficiency.

Rice Warner Pty Ltd undertook the last actuarial review of the Fund at 30 June 2014. The review disclosed that at that time the net market value of assets available for funding member benefits was \$66.3 million, the value of vested benefits was \$57.5 million, the surplus over vested benefits was \$8.8 million and the value of total accrued benefits was \$58.1 million. These amounts relate to all members of the fund at the date of valuation and no asset or liability is recorded in the Quadrant Superannuation Scheme’s financial statements for Council employees.

The financial assumptions used to calculate the Accrued Benefits for the Fund were:

- |                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Net Investment Return | 7.0% pa |
| Salary Inflation      | 4.0% pa |
| Price Inflation       | n/a     |

The actuarial review concluded that:

1. The value of assets of the Fund was adequate to meet the liabilities of the Fund in respect of vested benefits as at 30 June 2014.
2. The value of assets of the Fund was adequate to meet the value of the liabilities of the Fund in respect of accrued benefits as at 30 June 2014.
3. Based on the assumptions used, and assuming the Employer contributes at the levels described below, the value of the assets is expected to continue to be adequate to meet the value of the liabilities of the Fund in respect of vested benefits at all times during the period up to 30 June 2017.

The Actuary recommended that in future the Council contribute 11.0% of salaries in 2014/15 and 9.5% of salaries thereafter.

The Actuary will continue to undertake a brief review of the financial position of the Fund at the end of each financial year to confirm that the contribution rates remain appropriate. The next full triennial actuarial review of the Fund will have an effective date of 30 June 2017 and is expected to be completed late in 2017.

Council also contributes to other accumulation schemes on behalf of a number of employees, however the Council has no ongoing responsibility to make good any deficiencies that may occur in those schemes.

During the year Council made the required superannuation contributions for all eligible employees to an appropriate complying superannuation fund as required by the *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992*.

As required in terms of paragraph 148 of AASB 119 Employee Benefits, Council discloses the following details:

The 2014 actuarial review used the “aggregate” funding method. This is a standard actuarial funding method. The results from this method were tested by projecting future fund assets and liabilities for a range of future assumed investment returns. The funding method used is different from the method used at the previous actuarial review in 2011.

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Under the aggregate funding method of financing the benefits, the stability of the Councils’ contributions over time depends on how closely the Fund’s actual experience matches the expected experience. If the actual experience differs from that expected, the Councils’ contribution rate may need to be adjusted accordingly to ensure the Fund remains on course towards financing members’ benefits.

In terms of Rule 27.4 of the Tasplan Trust Deed [Trust Deed], there is a risk that employers within the Fund may incur an additional liability when an Employer ceases to participate in the Fund at a time when the assets of the Fund are less than members’ vested benefits. Each member of the Fund who is an employee of the Employer who is ceasing to Participate is required to be provided with a benefit at least equal to their vested benefit in terms of Rule 27.4 (b) (A). However there is no provision in the Trust Deed requiring an employer to make contributions other than its regular contributions up to the date of cessation of contributions. This issue can be resolved by the Trustee seeking an Actuarial Certificate in terms of Rule 26.5 identifying a deficit and the Trustee determining in terms of Rule 26.3(c) that the particular employer should make the payment required to make good any shortfall before the cessation of participation is approved.

The application of Fund assets on Tasplan being wound-up is set out in Rule 41.4. This Rule provides that expenses and taxation liabilities should have first call on the available assets. Additional assets will initially be applied for the benefit of the then remaining members and/or their Dependants in such manner as the Trustee considers equitable and appropriate in accordance with the Applicable Requirements [broadly, superannuation and taxation legislative requirements and other requirements as determined by the regulators].

The Trust Deed does not contemplate the Fund withdrawing from Tasplan. However it is likely that Rule 27.4 would be applied in this case [as detailed above].

The Fund is a defined benefit Fund.

During the reporting period the amount of contributions paid to defined benefits schemes was \$115,209 [2015/16 \$138,079], and the amount paid to accumulation schemes was \$1.89 million [2015/16 \$1.8 million].

During the next reporting period the expected amount of contributions to be paid to defined benefits schemes is \$95,000, and to accumulation schemes is \$1.95 million.

As reported on the first page of this note, assets exceeded accrued benefits as at the date of the last actuarial review, 30 June 2014. Moderate investment returns since that date make it quite probable that this is still the position. The financial position of the Fund will be fully investigated at the actuarial review as at 30 June 2017.

The analysis of the assets and vested benefits of Funds participating in the Scheme, prepared by Rice Warner Pty Ltd as at 30 June 2014, showed that the Fund had assets of \$66.3 million and members’ Vested Benefits were \$57.5 million. These amounts represented 8.4% and 7.5% respectively of the corresponding total amounts for the Scheme.

As at 30 June 2016 the fund had 151 members and the total employer contributions and member contributions for the year ending 30 June 2016 were \$1,956,576 and \$284,779 respectively.

## 34 Subsequent Events

No events subsequent to balance date [other than as disclosed in Note 11] have been identified which would materially affect these financial statements.

## 35 Contingent Assets

Council has entered into long term leases over two of its properties.

Council is the owner of the Bellerive Oval. It entered into a 45 year lease over this property on 9 October 2001.

Council is also part owner of the Copping landfill. The owners of the landfill entered into a 50 year lease over this property commencing 21 March 2001.

The length and terms of these leases means that control over the assets has effectively passed to the lessees. Consequently the assets are treated as contingent and have not been included in Council’s Balance Sheet.

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Carrying amounts and depreciation expense in respect of these assets were:

	\$'000
Bellerive Oval – written down value at derecognition (1 July 2012)	24,062
Copping Landfill – written down value at derecognition (1 July 2012)	2,691
	<b>26,753</b>

Depreciation was charged in 2011/12 on these assets as follows:

Bellerive Oval	850
Copping Landfill	70
	<b>920</b>

Various Council properties contain improvements over which Council does not hold effective control. These are generally minor in nature and include pavilions, change facilities, and improvements for sporting, social, and other community purposes.

36 Special Committees

Under Section 24 of the *Local Government Act 1993* a Council may appoint Special Committees. The Council had 6 such Committees in operation as at 30 June 2017.

The operations\* of the Special Committees are consolidated in to Council's financial statements and are summarised as follows:

	Income 2016/17 \$'000	Expenditure 2016/17 \$'000	Net Result 2016/17 \$'000	Net Assets 30/6/17 \$'000
Clarence Seniors and Citizens Centre	82	76	6	123
Lindisfarne Citizens Activities Centre	30	33	[3]	26
Risdon Vale Community Centre	6	4	2	13
Clarence City Concert Band	18	19	[1]	25
Howrah Community Centre	285	311	[26]	71
Geilston Bay Community Centre	4	2	2	3
	<b>425</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>[20]</b>	<b>261</b>

\* Due to timing of receipt of these records, some data remains unaudited.

	Income 2015/16 \$'000	Expenditure 2015/16 \$'000	Net Result 2015/16 \$'000	Net Assets 30/6/16 \$'000
Clarence Seniors and Citizens Centre	78	79	[1]	117
Lindisfarne Citizens Activities Centre	30	30	–	29
Risdon Vale Community Centre	5	9	[4]	11
Clarence City Concert Band	19	9	10	26
Howrah Community Centre	267	311	[44]	100
Geilston Bay Community Centre	4	4	–	1
	<b>403</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>[39]</b>	<b>284</b>

37 Contingent Liabilities

Bank guarantees in existence at balance date were as follows:

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Howrah Bowls Club	300	300
OHA Football Club	37	37
Rosny Park Tennis Club	45	45
Sunshine Tennis Centre	60	60
Geilston Bay Tennis Club	54	54
	<b>496</b>	<b>496</b>



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Council has agreed to provide a financial contribution of \$1m to help facilitate Bellerive Yacht Club’s breakwater project, conditional on the breakwater and associated marina extension project obtaining required permits /leases and funding. These conditions have not yet been met and the timing of meeting the conditions is unknown.

Note: As contingent liabilities, the above items have not been brought to account.

38 Financial Management Indicators

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
Net financial assets/( liabilities)	52,726	51,900	51,036	46,379	45,238
This measure shows whether Council’s total liabilities can be met by its liquid assets. An excess of total liabilities over liquid assets means that, if all liabilities fell due at once, additional revenue would be needed to fund the shortfall.					
Underlying surplus/(deficit)	4,803	1,939	4,322	3,899	1,312
This measure shows Council’s estimated operating result net of non-structural items such as specific purpose capital grants and other contributions of capital.					
Net financial liabilities ratio	84%	85%	85%	79%	86%
Net financial liabilities/Recurrent Income This ratio indicates the net financial obligations of Council compared to its recurrent income. *Benchmark: > 0% (within range of – 50% to 0% is acceptable)					
Underlying surplus ratio	7.7	3.2	7.2	6.7	2.5
Underlying surplus/(deficit)/Recurrent Income This ratio serves as an overall measure of financial operating effectiveness. *Benchmark: > 1.0					

39 Asset Management Indicators

Asset consumption ratio roads	49%	46%	48%	48%	49%
Asset consumption ratio stormwater	56%	57%	56%	58%	58%
Asset consumption ratio buildings	90%	90%	91%	91%	92%
Depreciated replacement cost/Current replacement cost This ratio indicates the level of service potential available in Council’s existing asset base based on accounting estimates. *Benchmark: >60%					
Asset renewal funding ratio	98%	104%	106%	107%	92%
Projected capital outlays/Projected capital expenditure funding This ratio measures Council’s capacity to fund future asset replacement requirements based on its 10 Year Financial Management Plan. *Benchmark: 100% (within range of 90% to 100% is acceptable)					
Asset sustainability ratio	80%	88%	92%	86%	106%
Capital outlays on replacement or renewal of existing assets/ Annual depreciation expense This ratio calculates the extent to which Council is maintaining operating capacity through renewal of its existing asset base. *Benchmark: 100%					

\* Benchmarks as per Auditor-General Report to Parliament 2013/2014.

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## 40 Related Party Transactions

### a) Responsible Persons

Names of persons holding the position of a Responsible Person at the Council at any time during the year are:

Aldermen	Ald Doug Chipman (Mayor)
	Ald Jock Campbell (Deputy Mayor)
	Ald Heather Chong
	Ald Peter Cusick
	Ald Doug Doust
	Ald Daniel Hulme
	Ald Richard James
	Ald Kay McFarlane
	Ald John Peers
	Ald Debra Thurley
	Ald Sharyn von Bertouch
	Ald James Walker
General Manager	Andrew Paul

### b) Aldermen Remuneration

	All'ces \$'000	Super- annuation <sup>1</sup> \$'000	Vehicle <sup>2</sup> \$'000	Reimbursement of expenses \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>2016/17</b>					
Ald D Chipman (Mayor)	98		8	4	110
Ald J Campbell (Deputy Mayor)	47			2	49
Ald H Chong	28			9	37
Ald P Cusick	28			1	29
Ald D Doust	28			4	32
Ald D Hulme	28			5	33
Ald R James	28			4	32
Ald K McFarlane	28			9	37
Ald J Peers	28			2	30
Ald D Thurley	28			2	30
Ald S von Bertouch	28			5	33
Ald J Walker	28			1	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>481</b>

	All'ces \$'000	Super- annuation <sup>1</sup> \$'000	Vehicle <sup>2</sup> \$'000	Reimbursement of expenses \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>2015/16</b>					
Ald D Chipman (Mayor)	96		8	3	107
Ald J Campbell (Deputy Mayor)	46			2	48
Ald H Chong	27			4	31
Ald P Cusick	27			1	28
Ald D Doust	27			4	31
Ald D Hulme	27			0	27
Ald R James	27			3	30
Ald K McFarlane	27			6	33
Ald J Peers	27			1	28
Ald D Thurley	27			0	27
Ald S von Bertouch	27			11	38
Ald J Walker	27			6	33
<b>Total</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>461</b>

The above statement of Allowances and Expenses paid to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Aldermen is provided in accordance with Section 72 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, and AASB 124 Disclosure of Related Party Transactions.

1 Superannuation means the contribution to the superannuation fund of the individual.  
2 Includes total cost of providing and maintaining vehicles provided for private use, including registration, insurance, fuel & other consumables, maintenance costs and parking. Amount shown is net of costs reimbursed.

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c) Key Management Personnel Remuneration

2016/17

	Salary¹ \$'000	Super- annuation² \$'000	Vehicles³ \$'000	Non Monetary Benefits⁴ \$'000	Total \$'000
General Manager	237	23	12	8	279
Group Manager Asset Management	176	22	12	[135]	75
Acting Group Manager Asset Management*	74	9	6	3	92
Corporate Treasurer	154	20	12	3	189
Manager Health & Community Development	152	19	12	[19]	164
Manager City Planning	139	17	12	[6]	163
Corporate Secretary	134	17	12	[38]	125
Manager Communication & Marketing**	72	9	4	[27]	58
Manager Human Resources	125	16	12	15	168
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,262</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>[197]</b>	<b>1,311</b>

\*From 4 January 2017  
\*\* To 26 October 2016

2015/16

	Salary¹ \$'000	Super- annuation² \$'000	Vehicles³ \$'000	Non Monetary Benefits⁴ \$'000	Total \$'000
General Manager	232	21	12	6	271
Group Manager Asset Management	173	22	12	15	222
Corporate Treasurer	148	20	12	10	190
Manager Customer Service	149	19	12	1	181
Manager City Planning	135	17	12	9	173
Corporate Secretary	130	17	12	7	166
Manager Communication & Marketing	124	16	12	[19]	133
Manager Human Resources	121	15	12	3	151
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1,485</b>

The above statement of total annual remuneration paid to employees of Council who hold positions designated by Council as being senior positions is provided in accordance with Section 72 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, and AASB 124 Disclosure of Related Party Transactions.

- 1 Salary includes all forms of consideration paid and payable for services rendered and compensated absences.
- 2 Superannuation means the contribution to the superannuation fund of the individual.
- 3 The value of vehicles provided reflects that amount specified in individual employment agreements.
- 4 Other non-monetary benefits represents movements in accruals for annual and long service leave.

d) Remuneration Principles

**Aldermen**

Aldermen are paid allowances and compensation for certain expenses consistent with the *Local Government Act 1993*.

**Executives**

Remuneration of key management personnel is based on an assessment of current market remuneration for similar positions. Employment terms and conditions of senior executives are contained in individual employment contracts or relevant industrial awards.

**Short term incentive payments**

Council does not make short term incentive payments.

**Termination benefits**

No termination benefits were paid to executives during the 2017 or 2016 financial years.

e) Transactions with Related Parties

The following interest(s) have been notified to the General Manager by Councillors pursuant to S84 of the *Local Government Act 1993* in respect of any body or organisation with which Council has major financial dealings:

Councillor:	Ald Debra Thurley
Nature of Interest:	Director/Secretary R M Worbey Constructions Pty Ltd
Date Interest Existed:	1 June 2016 and ongoing
Nature of Relevant Dealings:	R M Worbey Constructions Pty Ltd: Payments made by Council totalling \$440,660 for various civil tenders and infrastructure maintenance.

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## Independent Auditor’s Report



### Independent Auditor’s Report

#### To the Aldermen of Clarence City Council

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

I have audited the financial report of Clarence City Council (Council), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2017 and income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the General Manager’s statement.

In my opinion the accompanying financial report:

- (a) presents fairly, in all material respects, Council’s financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended
- (b) is in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and Australian Accounting Standards.

#### Basis for Opinion

I conducted the audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of Council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board’s APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

The *Audit Act 2008* further promotes the independence of the Auditor-General. The Auditor-General is the auditor of all Tasmanian public sector entities and can only be removed by Parliament. The Auditor-General may conduct an audit in any way considered appropriate and is not subject to direction by any person about the way in which audit powers are to be exercised. The Auditor-General has for the purposes of conducting an audit, access to all documents and property and can report to Parliament matters which in the Auditor-General’s opinion are significant.

My audit responsibility does not extend to the budget figures included in the statement of comprehensive income and the asset renewal funding ratio disclosed in note 39 to the financial report and accordingly, I express no opinion on them. Furthermore, I express no opinion on the General Manager’s determination that Council did not have any Significant Business Activities for inclusion in the financial report as required by Section 84(2)(da) of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

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I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

### Responsibilities of the General Manager for the Financial Report

The General Manager is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Local Government Act 1993* and for such internal control as determined necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the General Manager is responsible for assessing Council’s ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless Council is to be dissolved by an Act of Parliament or the Aldermen intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor’s report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Council’s internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the General Manager.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the General Manager’s use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Council’s ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor’s report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusion is based

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on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor’s report. However, future events or conditions may cause Council to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the General Manager regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.



Ric De Santi  
**Deputy Auditor-General**  
**Delegate of the Auditor-General**

**Tasmanian Audit Office**

25 October 2017  
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Appendix A

The following is a statement of allowances and expenses paid to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and aldermen provided in accordance with Section 72 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

	Allowances	Expenses	Total
Alderman Campbell, Deputy Mayor	47,301.78	2,047.10	49,348.88
Alderman Chipman, Mayor <sup>1</sup>	97,679.22	4,279.92	101,959.14
Alderman Chong	27,909.26	8,672.81	36,582.07
Alderman Cusick	27,909.26	1,186.95	29,096.21
Alderman Doust	27,909.26	3,604.20	31,513.46
Alderman Hulme	27,909.26	5,142.77	33,052.03
Alderman James	27,909.26	3,822.23	31,731.49
Alderman McFarlane	27,909.26	9,351.91	37,261.17
Alderman Peers	27,909.26	1,596.40	29,505.66
Alderman Thurley	27,909.26	1,778.50	29,687.76
Alderman von Bertouch	27,909.26	4,650.42	32,559.68
Alderman Walker	27,909.26	1,298.50	29,207.76
	424,073.60	47,431.71	471,505.31

<sup>1</sup> The Mayor also receives a fully maintained vehicle for private use.

Appendix B

The following is a statement of the attendance of aldermen at meetings of Council during the 2016-17 financial year in accordance with Section 72 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended
Alderman Campbell*	23	21
Alderman Chipman	23	22
Alderman Chong*	23	22
Alderman Cusick*	23	21
Alderman Doust	23	22
Alderman Hulme	23	21
Alderman James	23	21
Alderman McFarlane	23	21
Alderman Peers*	23	19
Alderman Thurley*	23	22
Alderman von Bertouch*	23	22
Alderman Walker	23	22

\* Leave of Absence approved:  
• Alderman Campbell – Council meetings of 25 July 2016 and 15 August 2016  
• Alderman Chong – Council meeting of 27 February 2017  
• Alderman Cusick – Council meeting of 7 November 2016  
• Alderman Peers – Council meetings of 15 August 2016, 5 September 2016 and 8 May 2017 (including Planning Authority Meeting)  
• Alderman Thurley – Council meeting of 4 July 2016  
• Alderman von Bertouch – Council meeting of 5 December 2016

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Appendix C

The following is a report in relation to contracts for supply or provision of goods or services valued at or **exceeding \$250,000** (excluding GST) that is entered into or extended between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017. This is in accordance with Regulation 29 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*.

Contract Description	Contract Start Date	Original Contract Expiry	Amended Contract Expiry	Period of any options to extend the contract	Total value of tender awarded excl. GST	Business name of successful contractor	Location of contractor business
<b>T1092-16</b> <b>Bellerive Beach Park – All Abilities Playground Landscape Works</b>	09/01/17	05/06/17			\$580,225.00	Parkway Enterprises (Tas) Pty Ltd trading as Specialised Landscaping Services	PO Box 680 Moonah, TAS, 7009
<b>C1106-16</b> <b>Reconstruction of Topham St from Chatworth St to Yolla St, Rose Bay</b>	01/08/16	21/10/16			\$319,169.70	Batchelor Construction Group Pty Ltd	115 Browns Road, Kingston, TAS, 7050
<b>T1107-16</b> <b>Kangaroo Bay Pavilion</b>	07/11/2016	3/03/2018			\$461,310.00	VOS Construction and Joinery Pty Ltd	70 Browns Road, Kingston, TAS, 7050
<b>C1117-16</b> <b>Annual Reseal Programme 2016-17</b>	07/11/2016	31/03/2018			Part A \$355,440.00 Part B \$398,833.50	Downer Australia Pty Ltd	3 Whitestone Drive, Granton, TAS, 7030
<b>T1118-16</b> <b>Kangaroo Bay Promenade Stage 2</b>	03/07/17	20/10/17			\$775,816.79	DCS Civil Tas Pty Ltd	181 East Tinderbox Road, Blackmans Bay, TAS, 7052
<b>T1119-16</b> <b>Cambridge Oval – Stormwater Harvesting &amp; Reuse Scheme – Stage 1 Works</b>	21/03/17	09/06/18			\$537,105.97	Hazell Bros Group Pty Ltd	88 Lampton Avenue, Derwent Park, TAS, 7009
<b>T1125-16</b> <b>Kerb and Gutter construction and road widening in Percy Street, Richmond</b>	6/12/16	6/02/18			\$303,311.60	Batchelor Construction Group Pty Ltd	115 Browns Road, Kingston, TAS, 7050
<b>T1126– 16</b> <b>Granville Avenue reconstruction of kerb and gutter and Footpath Works</b>	12/12/16	24/03/18			\$475,077.90	Batchelor Construction Group Pty Ltd	115 Browns Road, Kingston, TAS, 7050
<b>T1135-16</b> <b>Road Reconstruction 2016-17 Stage 1</b>	07/02/17 *Contract has been terminated by the parties	02/05/17			\$614,040.00	Statewide Earthworks Pty Ltd	52 Atkins Road, Granton, TAS, 7030
<b>T1139-16</b> <b>Seven Mile Beach Road – Acton Road Intersection upgrade</b>	19/06/17	11/08/17			\$353,531.55	Batchelor Construction Group Pty Ltd	115 Browns Road, Kingston, TAS, 7050
<b>T1141-16</b> <b>Stormwater System upgrade – Carella Street, Howrah</b>	19/04/17	02/08/18			\$317,687.35	Batchelor Construction Group Pty Ltd	115 Browns Road, Kingston, TAS, 7050
<b>Q1149-17</b> <b>Lauderdale Oval sportsground lighting</b>	25/09/17	17/11/17			\$305,650.00	Stowe Australia Pty Ltd	47A Federal Street, North Hobart, TAS, 7000
<b>C1150-17</b> <b>Cambridge Road, Mornington – Kerb and gutter construction</b>	06/03/17	05/05/18			\$474,273.00	Butterworth Curb & Channel Pty Ltd	1 Linda Avenue, Pontville, TAS, 7030



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T1151-17 Asphalt resurfacing works 2016-17	13/03/17	26/05/18			\$777,148.48	Downer EDI Works Pty Ltd	3 Whitestone Drive, Granton, TAS, 7030
C1157-17 Stormwater drainage upgrade – Stage 1 Kellatie Road, Rosny	08/05/17	30/06/18			\$200,605.60	MMS Tas Civil Pty Ltd	PO Box 470, Sorell, TAS, 7172
T1161-17 Back Tea Tree Road – Curve improvement works	17/03/17	21/07/17			\$590,899.92	Hazell Bros Group Pty Ltd	14 Farley St, Derwent Park, TAS, 7009
Core business system upgrade	19/07/16	19/07/21			\$3,297,276.00	Technology One Limited Pty Ltd	Level 11, TechnologyOne HQ, 540 Wickham Street, Fortitude Valley, QLD, 4006

The following is a report in relation to contracts for supply or provision of goods or services valued at or **exceeding \$100,000** (excluding GST) but less than \$250,000 that is entered into or extended between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017. This is in accordance with Regulation 29 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*.

Contract Description	Contract Start Date	Original Contract Expiry	Amended Contract Expiry	Period of any options to extend the contract	Total value of tender awarded excl. GST	Business name of successful contractor	Location of contractor business
C1082-15 Stormwater drainage upgrade and Road Reconst – Radiata Dr, Lindisfarne	24/10/16	30/11/17			\$81,810.00	Statewide Earthworks Pty Ltd	52 Atkins Road, Granton, TAS, 7030
C1093-16 Bellerive Beach Park centrepiece item of playground equipment	11/07/16	25/11/16			\$189,442.00	Moduplay Group Pty Ltd	17-19 Waverley Drive, Unanderra, NSW, 2526
T1105-16 Somerset Street, Howrah – Stormwater upgrade	09/03/17	18/05/17			\$223,040.40	R.M. Worbey Constructions Pty Ltd	93 South Arm Road, Rokeby, TAS, 7019
Q1128-16 Clarence High School lighting construction	06/03/17	30/06/17			\$174,288.18	Contact Group Pty Ltd	48 New Town Road, New Town, TAS, 7008
Q1144-16 Kangaroo Bay Oval – Sub soil drainage	03/04/17	07/07/18			\$224,740.00	Carteman Pty LTD t/a Total Turf Care	32 Harvest Lane, Old Beach, TAS, 7017
C1163-17 Howrah Rd/Clarence St intersection upgrade	01/05/17	23/06/18			\$159,785.82	Andrew Walter Constructions Pty Ltd	PO Box 5, Claremont, TAS, 7011
C1164-17 Engineering Consultancy – Kangaroo Bay Rivulet Stormwater system mgt plan	24/05/17	30/06/18			\$144,430.00	Cardno (NSW & ACT) Pty Ltd	Level 9, The Forum, St Leonards, NSW, 2065
Q1165-17 Consultancy services for Seven Mile Beach Sport & Active Recreation Precinct	29/05/17	20/02/18			\$154,140.00	@Leisure Planners Pty Ltd	Rear 534 Mt Alexander Road, Ascot Vale, VIC, 3032
Q1171-17 Road reconstruction 2016-17	29/05/17	04/08/17			\$209,680.69	Andrew Walter Construction Pty Ltd	PO Box 5, Claremont, TAS, 7011
C1176-17 South Arm Road – Stormwater upgrade	26/06/17	18/08/18			\$178,670.00	Statewide Earthworks Pty Ltd	52 Atkins Road, Granton, TAS, 7010

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Appendix D

Statement of Grants and Benefits provided in accordance with Section 77 of the *Local Government Act, 1993*.

Abigail Browne	120.00	Lauderdale Fire Brigade	150.00	Southern Cross Care for Fairway Rise Ukulele Group	1,398.00
Alanah Monty	150.00	Lauderdale Primary School	100.00	Southern Support School	100.00
Alanna Monks	120.00	Lauderdale Primary School Community Association	300.00	Southern Support School Community Association	12,750.00
Alexander Tween	120.00	Laura Monty	150.00	Southern Support School Community Association	1,500.00
Ashton Burk	120.00	Leah Felsch	120.00	Southern Touch Inc	1,500.00
Ava Faint	240.00	Lillian Baker	120.00	St Cuthbert's School	100.00
Bayview Secondary College	1,500.00	Lincoln Arnold	120.00	St Johns Catholic School	100.00
Bellerive Primary School	100.00	Lindisfarne AFL Masters	1,500.00	Sunshine Tennis Club Inc	1,297.00
Callum Polanowski	120.00	Lindisfarne North Primary School	100.00	Surf Life Saving Tasmania	15,858.82
Cambridge Primary School	100.00	Lindisfarne Primary School	100.00	Tahlia Fleming	120.00
Cameron Monks	120.00	Lions Club of Hobart Town	120.00	Tasmanian Boxing League	120.00
Cantiamo Ladies Choir	150.00	Little Help Project	1,500.00	The Cottage School	100.00
Choral Productions Tasmania Inc	1,500.00	Lucy Eade	120.00	Tom McCallum	120.00
Clarence High School	100.00	MacKenzie Walker	120.00	Tom Murrell	120.00
Clarendon Vale Neighbourhood Centre	300.00	Mackillop College	100.00	Tom Rasmussen	120.00
Clarendon Vale Primary School	100.00	Matilda Smith	120.00	Warrane Primary School	100.00
Contemporary Art Tasmania	931.00	Mia Andrewartha	120.00	William Norris	120.00
Cremorne Playgroup	1,650.00	Molly Rasmussen	120.00	William Robertson	120.00
Crime Stoppers Tasmania	1,500.00	Montagu Bay Primary School	100.00	Zoe Dowling	150.00
Crime Stoppers Tasmania	15,000.00	Morgan Saward	120.00		
Curtis Miley	120.00	Motor Yacht Club of Tasmania	4,545.45		
Daryl Jacobs	120.00	Oliver Preshaw	120.00	Hobart Cat Centre	5,110.59
Dylan Pace	150.00	Phoebe Teale	120.00	RSPCA Tasmania	6,280.60
Eastern Shore Rover Crew	100.00	Phoenix Children's Services	1,496.85	Business East Inc	51,850.00
Eastside Lutheran College	100.00	Rachel Allen	120.00	Cycling South	16,335.00
Eddy Rand	150.00	Richmond Fellowship of Tas	1,500.00		
Eliza Hutt	120.00	Richmond Primary School	100.00	<b>* Fees Waived (No Monetry Amount Recorded)</b>	
Emmanuel Christian School	100.00	Risdon Vale Neighbourhood Centre	1,125.00	Rural Rate Remissions	141,886.00
Flynn Read	120.00	Risdon Vale Primary School	100.00	Special Rate Remissions	11,753.38
Howrah Cub Scouts	1,200.00	Risdon Vale Primary School Association	150.00	Commercial Rate Remissions	0.00
Howrah Mens Shed	1,500.00	Rokeby High School	100.00	Conservation Covenants Remissions	3,821.25
Howrah Primary School	100.00	Rokeby Primary School	100.00		
Howrah School for Seniors	150.00	Rose Bay High School	4,000.00	<b>Public benefit discount and community service obligations to individuals and groups for leased council properties</b>	215,755.25
Izach Collins	120.00	Rose Bay High School	100.00		
Jacob Sawford	120.00	Rosny College	100.00		
Jake Pullen	120.00	Rotary Club of Hobart	120.00		
Jarrold McMullen	120.00	Samantha Williams	120.00		
Jemma Smith	120.00	Samuel Aird	120.00		
Johanna Ellis	120.00	Sarah Kerslake	150.00		
John Paul II School	100.00	Scout Australia - Tasmania Branch	1,500.00		
Joshua Allen	120.00	Sequenza Inc	150.00		
Kane Millerchip	120.00	Simon Allen	120.00		
Karen Wild-Allen	150.00	Sound Preservation of Tas	900.00		
Kayla McFadyen	120.00	South Arm Peninsula Residents Association	1,400.00		
Kelby Miley	120.00	South Arm Primary	100.00		
Klaire Carrick	120.00	Southern Cross Care	1,500.00		
Kristy Leisham	150.00				
Lachlan Borsboom	120.00				

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## Appendix E

### Operations of Clarence Aquatic Centre

Council operates the Clarence Aquatic Centre as a public swimming facility in order to promote water skills within the community and to provide year round aquatic facilities to meet the community’s recreational swimming needs. Centre management is undertaken by an independent contractor.

While the operation is not considered to be a significant business activity, Council does provide a material Community Service Obligation in respect of the Centre, this being disclosed in the interests of transparency. Revenue for the year was \$89,777 [2015-16, \$87,335] and expenditure was \$545,659 [2015-16 \$512,052]. The resulting Community Service Obligation is \$455,882 [2015-16, \$424,717].

## Appendix F

### Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority

The Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority was established under Section 30 of the *Local Government Act 1993* by the Clarence City Council, Sorell Council and Tasman Council. Kingborough Council has since joined the Authority.

#### Principal Objectives – as defined by Joint Authority

The principal objectives and goals of the Authority are:

- a) to manage and operate the site for the purposes of waste treatment, landfill disposal, resource recovery, and/or energy generation and for related purposes and in a manner which conforms to the environmental approvals and to manage the Balance Area;
- b) to manage successfully the operation of the site and Balance Area, which may be by or involve third parties by:
  - i. operating efficiently in accordance with sound commercial practice;
  - ii. maximising the net worth of the authority’s assets; and
  - iii. operating and managing both to maximise benefits to participating councils; and
- c) to perform such other functions and provide such other services and facilities either on or off the site as are necessary for achieving the principal objectives and goals, which may be by or involve third parties, including but not limited to waste transfer stations and waste transport services.

#### Key Activities

Key activities for the Authority were as follows:

- Approximately 110,000 tonnes of waste was deposited at the landfill site, which was similar to the quantity deposited in the previous year. The landfill is licensed to accept 104,000 tonnes per annum. In view of ongoing construction projects in the region, the authority requested an increase in annual permitted tonnes in early April 2015. This request was not granted. However, permission to exceed the annual limit was provided on condition that the excess is directly attributable to building activity rather than putrescible waste.

#### Budget and Performance

The Authority’s unaudited consolidated financial statements show a net profit before tax of \$997,895 [2016, \$499,575]. Revenue exceeded budget due to the receipt of low level contaminated soil. Expenditure was negatively impacted by an increase in cell write off as a result of the increased quantity of soil delivered. Additional financial information relating to this Authority is included in Note 7 of Council’s financial statements.

### Southern Waste Strategy Authority

The Southern Waste Strategy Authority is no longer in existence. These functions are now performed by the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority.

### Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority

The Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority is established as a joint authority under Part 3 Division 4 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

The authority consists of Brighton, Central Highlands, Clarence City, Derwent Valley, Glamorgan/Spring Bay, Glenorchy City, Hobart City, Huon Valley, Kingborough, Sorell, Southern Midlands and Tasman Councils.

The principal objective of the authority is to enable members to work together to facilitate and co-ordinate agreed regional development strategies and actions to achieve sustainable economic, environmental and social outcomes for the southern region.

The principal functions of the authority are:

- to monitor, identify and agree on regional development issues, strategies and priorities that are intended to progress the collective interests of the southern region;
- to develop and promote reports, plans, programs and other actions to address agreed regional development issues, strategies and priorities, and
- to facilitate communications, cooperative working relationships and joint action between members and with the State and Commonwealth governments and other identified stakeholders to address agreed regional development strategies and priorities.

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### Key Activities

Key activities for the authority were as follows:

- Development of state election regional priorities
- Updates on South Eastern Regional Development Association, planning reform, South Central sub-region and common services
- Provided oversight of Waste Strategy South which commenced operations on 1 July 2016.
- Presentation from Commander Peter Edwards on the Tasmanian Flood Recovery Taskforce
- Two facilitated workshops to discuss the future direction of the STCA
- Presentation from UTAS’ Vice Chancellor, Professor Peter Rathjen
- Presentation from CEO Destination Southern Tasmania Chief Executive Officer, Melinda Anderson
- Participation in the Southern Tasmanian Household Energy Bulk Purchase program.

### Budget and Performance

Financial statements at the time of writing this report were not available.





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