ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2023



GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2023



General Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

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Overview

Tenterfield Shire Council is constituted under the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and has its principal place of business at:

247 Rouse Street Tenterfield NSW 2372

Council's guiding principles are detailed in Chapter 3 of the LGA and includes:

- · principles applying to the exercise of functions generally by council,
- · principles to be applied when making decisions,
- · principles of community participation,
- · principles of sound financial management, and
- principles for strategic planning relating to the development of an integrated planning and reporting framework.

A description of the nature of Council's operations and its principal activities are provided in Note B1-2.

Through the use of the internet, we have ensured that our reporting is timely, complete and available at minimum cost. All press releases, financial statements and other information are publicly available on our website: www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au.

General Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

Understanding Council's Financial Statements

Each year NSW Local Governments are required to present audited financial statements to their council and community.

General Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

Statement by Councillors and Management made pursuant to Section 413 (2c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW)

The attached general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Local Government Act 1993 and the regulations made thereunder,
- the Australian Accounting Standards and other pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board
- the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, these statements:

- present fairly the Council's operating result and financial position for the year
- accord with Council's accounting and other records.

We are not aware of any matter that would render these statements false or misleading in any way.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of Council made on 20 December 2023.

Bronwyn Petrie

Mayor

20 December 2023

John Macnish

Deputy Mayor

20 December 2023

Glenn Wilcox

Interim General Manager

20 December 2023

Roy Jones

Responsible Accounting Officer

20 December 2023

Income Statement

for the year ended 30 June 2023

| Original unaudited budget | | | Actual | Restated Actua |
|---------------------------------|---|-------|---------|-------------------|
| 2023 | | | 2023 | 2022 |
| \$ '000 | | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| | Income from continuing operations | | | |
| 11,605 | Rates and annual charges | B2-1 | 11,871 | 11,26 |
| 2,691 | User charges and fees | B2-2 | 2,935 | 2,46 |
| 540 | Other revenues | B2-3 | 805 | 1,71 |
| 8,658 | Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes | B2-4 | 19,727 | 16,71 |
| 361 | Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes | B2-4 | 33,671 | 15,50 |
| 120 | Interest and investment income | B2-5 | 1,066 | 12: |
| _ | Other income | B2-6 | 258 | 16 |
| 23,975 | Total income from continuing operations | | 70,333 | 47,93 |
| | Expenses from continuing operations | | | |
| 9.456 | Employee benefits and on-costs | B3-1 | 8.349 | 8.83 |
| 4.287 | Materials and services | B3-2 | 11,764 | 10.21 |
| 803 | Borrowing costs | B3-3 | 963 | 56 |
| 8,311 | Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets | B3-4 | 8,727 | 7,84 |
| 1,747 | Other expenses | B3-5 | 790 | 81 |
| 276 | Net loss from the disposal of assets | B4-1 | 2,534 | 2,99 |
| 24,880 | Total expenses from continuing operations | | 33,127 | 31,26 |
| (905) | Operating result from continuing operations | | 37,206 | 16,66 |
| (905) | Net operating result for the year attributable to Co | uncil | 37,206 | 16,66 |

⁽¹⁾ Restated - refer to Note G4-1

The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2023

| | Notes | 2023 \$ '000 | Restated 2022 ¹ \$ '000 |
|---|-----------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Net operating result for the year – from Income Statement | | 37,206 | 16,667 |
| Other comprehensive income: Amounts which will not be reclassified subsequently to the operating result Gain (loss) on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | C1-6 | 41,282 | 49,418 |
| Impairment (loss) reversal / (revaluation decrement) relating to infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | C1-6,G4-1 | 1,299 | (17,297) |
| Total items which will not be reclassified subsequently to the operating result | | 42,581 | 32,121 |
| Total other comprehensive income for the year | | 42,581 | 32,121 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to Council | | 79,787 | 48,788 |

⁽¹⁾ Restated - refer to Note G4-1

The above Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2023

| | Notes | 2023 \$ '000 | Restated 2022 ¹ \$ '000 | Restated 1 July 2021 ¹ \$ '000 |
|--|--------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|---|
| | Notes | φ 000 | φ 000 | Ψ 000 |
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Current assets | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | C1-1 | 34,891 | 37,107 | 13,383 |
| Receivables Inventories | C1-3 C1-4 | 3,604 221 | 3,021 326 | 5,026 |
| Contract assets and contract cost assets | C1-4 | 14,249 | 5,547 | 355 7,417 |
| Total current assets | 0.0 | 52,965 | 46,001 | 26,181 |
| Total cultoff assets | | 52,965 | 40,001 | 20,101 |
| Non-current assets | | | | |
| Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE) | C1-6 | 581,546 | 513,184 | 469,004 |
| Right of use assets | C2-1 | 264 | 126 | 246 |
| Total non-current assets | | 581,810 | 513,310 | 469,250 |
| Total assets | | 634,775 | 559,311 | 495,431 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Current liabilities | C3-1 | E 077 | 4.450 | 0.400 |
| Payables Contract liabilities | C3-1 | 5,877 | 4,458 11,721 | 2,433 |
| Lease liabilities | C2-1 | 4,716 54 | 36 | 3,412 63 |
| Borrowings | C3-3 | 950 | 870 | 804 |
| Employee benefit provisions | C3-4 | 1,240 | 1,539 | 1,912 |
| Provisions | C3-5 | 1,678 | 1,412 | 863 |
| Total current liabilities | | 14,515 | 20,036 | 9,487 |
| Non-comment liebilities | | | | |
| Non-current liabilities Lease liabilities | C2-1 | 402 | 440 | 150 |
| Borrowings | C3-3 | 193 20,128 | 113 17,979 | 153 12,905 |
| Provisions | C3-5 | 1,137 | 2,168 | 2,659 |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 21,458 | 20,260 | 15,717 |
| | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | |
| Total liabilities | | 35,973 | 40,296 | 25,204 |
| Net assets | | 598,802 | 519,015 | 470,227 |
| EQUITY | | | | |
| Accumulated surplus | | 224,461 | 187,255 | 170,588 |
| IPPE revaluation reserve | C4-1 | 374,341 | 331,760 | 299,639 |
| Council equity interest | | 598,802 | 519,015 | 470,227 |
| Total equity | | 598,802 | 519,015 | 470,227 |
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⁽¹⁾ Restated - refer to Note G4-1

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2023

| | | | 2023 | | | 2022 1 | |
|---|-------|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---|----------------|
| | | Accumulated surplus | IPPE revaluation reserve 1 | Total equity | Accumulated surplus 1 | IPPE revaluation reserve ¹ | Total equity 1 |
| | | | | | Restated | Restated | Restated |
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Opening balance at 1 July | | 188,973 | 349,057 | 538,030 | 171,377 | 299,639 | 471,016 |
| Correction of prior period errors | G4-1 | (1,718) | (17,297) | (19,015) | (789) | _ | (789) |
| Restated opening balance | | 187,255 | 331,760 | 519,015 | 170,588 | 299,639 | 470,227 |
| Net operating result for the year | | 37,206 | _ | 37,206 | 17,596 | _ | 17,596 |
| Correction of prior period errors | G4-1 | | _ | _ | (929) | _ | (929) |
| Restated net operating result for the period | | 37,206 | _ | 37,206 | 16,667 | _ | 16,667 |
| Other comprehensive income | | | | | | | |
| Correction of prior period errors | G4-1 | _ | _ | _ | _ | (17,297) | (17,297) |
| Gain (loss) on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | C1-6 | _ | 41,282 | 41,282 | _ | 49,418 | 49,418 |
| Impairment (loss) reversal relating to IPP&E | C1-6 | | 1,299 | 1,299 | | _ | _ |
| Restated other comprehensive income | | _ | 42,581 | 42,581 | _ | 32,121 | 32,121 |
| Total comprehensive income | | 37,206 | 42,581 | 79,787 | 16,667 | 32,121 | 48,788 |
| Closing balance at 30 June | | 224,461 | 374,341 | 598,802 | 187,255 | 331,760 | 519,015 |

(1) Restated - see Note G4-1

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2023

| budget 2023 \$ '000 | | Notes | Actual 2023 \$ '000 | Restated Actual 2022 ¹ \$ '000 |
|---------------------------|--|-------|---------------------------|--|
| | Cash flows from operating activities | | | |
| | Receipts: | | | |
| 11,563 | Rates and annual charges | | 11,876 | 11,316 |
| 2,640 | User charges and fees | | 3,110 | 3,007 |
| 125 | Interest received | | 1,034 | 103 |
| 8,819 | Grants and contributions | | 38,706 | 44,144 |
| 41 | Bonds, deposits and retentions received | | 112 | 53 |
| 1,295 | Other Payments: | | 5,044 | 431 |
| (9,455) | Payments: Payments to employees | | (8,673) | (9,166) |
| (4,673) | Payments for materials and services | | (15,290) | (8,940) |
| (778) | Borrowing costs | | (713) | (471) |
| (1,865) | Other | | (970) | (146) |
| 7,712 | Net cash flows from operating activities | G1-1 | 34,236 | 40,331 |
| | Cash flows from investing activities | | | |
| | Receipts: | | | |
| _ | Sale of real estate assets | | 45 | 49 |
| 2,514 | Proceeds from sale of IPPE | | 206 | _ |
| | Payments: | | | |
| (10,463) | Payments for IPPE | | (38,876) | (21,729) |
| (150) | Purchase of intangible assets | | | |
| (8,099) | Net cash flows from investing activities | | (38,625) | (21,680) |
| | Cash flows from financing activities | | | |
| | Receipts: | | | |
| 3,100 | Proceeds from borrowings | | 3,100 | 5,904 |
| | Payments: | | | |
| (1,076) | Repayment of borrowings | | (871) | (764) |
| | Principal component of lease payments | | (56) | (67) |
| 2,024 | Net cash flows from financing activities | | 2,173 | 5,073 |
| 1,637 | Net change in cash and cash equivalents | | (2,216) | 23,724 |
| 15,061 | Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | | 37,107 | 13,383 |
| , | Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | C1-1 | | - , |

⁽¹⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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A About Council and these financial statements

A1-1 Basis of preparation

These financial statements were authorised for issue by Council on 20 December 2023. Council has the power to amend and reissue these financial statements in cases where critical information is received from public submissions or where the OLG directs Council to amend the financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Australian Accounting Interpretations, the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* and Regulations, and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

Council is a not for-profit entity.

The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars and are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars.

Unless otherwise indicated, all amounts disclosed in the financial statements are actual amounts. Specific budgetary amounts have been included for comparative analysis (to actuals) in the following reports and notes:

- · Income statement
- · Statement of cash flows
- Note B5-1 Material budget variations

and are clearly marked.

COVID-19

The outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), declared by the World Health Organisation as a "Global Pandemic" on 11 March 2020, has impacted global financial markets. Travel restrictions have been implemented by many countries.

Council did not identify any potential material adjustments required to be done as a result of the pandemic. Even though the pandemic had a widespread effect on slowing down economies around the world, as at 30 June 2023 it is hard to predict any significant future implications on Council's business. Council's business operations remain on the same pattern. Council is not aware of any post balance sheet date events which would result in separate disclosures or adjustments to the 30 June 2023 financial results. Hence, 30 June 2023 financial statements were prepared on a going concern basis.

Domestic and international situation

Widespread volatility caused by international and domestic events in 2022 (war in Ukraine, natural disasters in NSW and nationwide, etc.) has significantly impacted supply chains, labour costs and inflation. With continuing changes in material costs, labour shortages and supply issues there has been a significant increases in amount of discussion and data regarding changes in construction costs. Commodity prices including key construction materials have seen significant increases over the last 3 years. As a result of assessment done, council had performed indexation of its infrastructure assets to ensure their carrying amount is not materially different to fair value as at 30 June 2022.

Rise of the cost of living continued in 2023 financial year. This casued another indexation of infrastructure assets values as at the end of June 2023 (see Note C1-6). Management keeps monitoring ongoing developments on the international and Australian markets and the impact they may have on the financial results and position of the council.

Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain infrastructure, property, plant and equipment and investment property.

Significant accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Council's accounting policies.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the Council and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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A1-1 Basis of preparation (continued)

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

Council makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. Estimates and assumptions that have a potential significant effect are outlined in the following financial statement notes:

- (i) estimated fair values of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment refer Note C1-6
- (ii) estimated tip remediation provisions refer Note C3-5
- (iii) employee benefit provisions refer Note C3-4.

Significant judgements in applying the Council's accounting policies

- i. Impairment of receivables refer Note C1-3.
- ii. Determination of whether performance obligations are sufficiently specific and whether the contract is within the scope of AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and / or AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities refer to Notes B2-2 B2-4.
- iii. Determination of the lease term, discount rate (when not implicit in the lease) and whether an arrangement contains a lease refer to Note C2-1.

Monies and other assets received by Council

The Consolidated Fund

In accordance with the provisions of Section 409(1) of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)*, all money and property received by Council is held in the Council's Consolidated Fund unless it is required to be held in the Council's Trust Fund.

Cash and other assets of the following entities have been included as part of the Consolidated Fund:

- General purpose operations
- Tenterfield Water service
- Tenterfield Sewerage service
- Stormwater Management Fund
- Waste Management Fund

Due to their immaterial value and nature, the following committees, entities and operations have been excluded from consolidation:

- Sir Henry Parkes Memorial Management Committee (Joint Committee);
- Tenterfield Saleyards Advisory Committee;
- Aboriginal Advisory Committee;
- Heritage Advisory Committee;
- ANZAC Centenary Steering Committee; and
- Disability, Inclusion and Access Advisory Committee.

The Trust Fund

In accordance with the provisions of Section 411 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* (as amended), a separate and distinct Trust Fund is maintained to account for all money and property received by the council in trust which must be applied only for the purposes of, or in accordance with, the trusts relating to those monies. Trust monies and property subject to Council's control have been included in these reports.

A separate statement of monies held in the Trust Fund is available for inspection at the council office by any person free of charge

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other receivables or payables in the Statement of Financial Position.

A1-1 Basis of preparation (continued)

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities that are recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

Volunteer services

Council does not recognise services provided by volunteers in its income statement due to the immaterialisty and unjustifiable cost of trying to reliably capture and assign a value to the many services volunteers in our community provide.

New accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

New accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations (ie. pronouncements) have been published by the Australian Accounting Standards Board that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2023 reporting period.

Council has elected not to apply any of these pronouncements in these financial statements before their operative dates.

As at the date of authorisation of these financial statements Council does not consider that any of these new (and still to be applied) standards and interpretations are likely to have a material impact on the Council's future financial statements, financial position, financial performance or cash flows.

New accounting standards adopted during the year

During the year Council adopted all accounting standards and interpretations (as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board) which were mandatorily effective from the first time at 30 June 2023.

None of the newly adopted standards had a material impact on Council's reported financial position, financial performance and/or associated financial statement disclosures.

B Financial Performance

B1 Functions or activities

B1-1 Functions or activities – income, expenses and assets

Income, expenses and assets have been directly attributed to the following functions or activities. Details of those functions or activities are provided in Note B1-2.

| | Income Expenses Operating result Grants and contributions | | , | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|---------|---|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------------|
| | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 ¹ Restated | 2023 | 2022 ¹ Restated | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 ¹ Restated |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Functions or activities | | | | | | | | | | |
| Civic Office ² | (3) | 34 | 297 | 408 | (300) | (374) | (3) | 24 | 464 | 262 |
| Organisation and Leadership | _ | _ | 838 | 925 | (838) | (925) | _ | _ | 9 | 9 |
| Community Development | 20 | 253 | 345 | 75 | (325) | 178 | 20 | 253 | 818 | 354 |
| Economic Growth and Tourism | 2,322 | 393 | 745 | 1,046 | 1,577 | (653) | 2,307 | 386 | 3,674 | 3,122 |
| Theatre and Museum Complex | 110 | 99 | 364 | 287 | (254) | (188) | 4 | 11 | 348 | 348 |
| Finance and Technology | 11,045 | 9,510 | 481 | 1,018 | 10,564 | 8,492 | 5,278 | 4,581 | 18,532 | 22,228 |
| Corporate and Governance | 3 | 1 | 717 | 728 | (714) | (727) | _ | _ | 438 | 346 |
| Workforce Development | 299 | 473 | 1,186 | 1,161 | (887) | (688) | 47 | 139 | _ | _ |
| Library Services | 291 | 86 | 466 | 484 | (175) | (398) | 283 | 82 | 62 | 156 |
| Emergency Services | 448 | 145 | 650 | 722 | (202) | (577) | 448 | 145 | 1,106 | 633 |
| Asset Management and Resourcing | 1 | 2 | 613 | 654 | (612) | (652) | _ | _ | 3,402 | 2,277 |
| Commercial Works | 135 | 118 | 119 | 89 | 16 | 29 | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Environmental Management | 237 | 168 | 346 | 286 | (109) | (118) | 232 | 165 | 39 | 21 |
| Planning and Regulation | 701 | 701 | 428 | 615 | 273 | 86 | 388 | 299 | 556 | 317 |
| Plant, Fleet and Equipment | 50 | 60 | (319) | (201) | 369 | 261 | _ | _ | 6,906 | 7,665 |
| Buildings and Amenities | 372 | 265 | 1,036 | 1,187 | (664) | (922) | 155 | 120 | 19,031 | 12,586 |
| Livestock Saleyards ³ | (17) | 120 | 159 | 144 | (176) | (24) | (162) | _ | 1,838 | 1,520 |
| Parks, Gardens and Open Space | 322 | 195 | 1,024 | 1,081 | (702) | (886) | 194 | 71 | 14,212 | 11,684 |
| Swimming Complex | _ | _ | 213 | 193 | (213) | (193) | _ | _ | 1,230 | 854 |
| Stormwater and Drainage | 92 | 74 | 155 | 170 | (63) | (96) | 3 | 2 | 5,148 | 4,745 |
| Transport Network | 36,167 | 24,104 | 14,958 | 13,960 | 21,209 | 10,144 | 36,099 | 24,059 | 458,388 | 407,192 |
| Sewerage Services | 3,052 | 2,735 | 2,371 | 1,910 | 681 | 825 | 13 | 25 | 29,857 | 27,164 |
| Waste Management | 3,648 | 4,168 | 3,047 | 2,039 | 601 | 2,129 | 152 | 111 | 14,834 | 13,027 |
| Water Supply | 11,038 | 4,232 | 2,888 | 2,288 | 8,150 | 1,944 | 7,940 | 1,743 | 53,883 | 42,801 |
| Total functions and activities | 70,333 | 47,936 | 33,127 | 31,269 | 37,206 | 16,667 | 53,398 | 32,216 | 634,775 | 559,311 |

⁽¹⁾ Restated - refer to note G4-1

⁽²⁾ Civic Office was in receipt of \$8.8K in Grants however had to refund prior year 2022 COVID Safe Grant for \$11.9K resulting in a net deficit of \$3K.

⁽³⁾ Livestock Saleyards – The Saleyards was in receipt of \$146K from Operational Income generated from fees and charges. However, a \$162K refund of unspent grant relating to Truck Wash was paid to the funding body. This has resulted a net deficit of \$17K.

B1-2 Components of functions or activities

Details relating to the Council's functions or activities as reported in B1-1 are as follows:

Civic Office

Corporate affairs and relations; the governance framework; overall corporate performance and reporting; community advocacy; mayoral, councillor and committee support; and media and external communications.

Organisation and Leadership

Collaboration with other organisations and governments; continual improvement; overall strategic direction of the administrative arm; community engagement; administrative support; service integration and corporate advertising.

Community Development

Community engagement, development of partnerships, indigenous affairs, inclusiveness, accessible services, supporting diversity and cultural events.

Economic Growth and Tourism

Community prosperity, tourism, connectivity, partnering, promotion and livability. The Office of the Chief Executive directly oversees these outcomes.

Theatre and Museum Complex

Sir Henry Parkes School of Art; cultural diversity, events and art activities; youth engagement; volunteering; and festivals.

Finance and Technology

Information technology; financial sustainability and advise; investments; financial capacity; procurement compliance; regulatoryand statutory compliance; business systems; property strategy, overall management and register, land mapping service (GIS).

Corporate and Governance

Statutory reporting, business processes and integration; procurement compliance; audit; community involvement; customer service; governance; information technology and information management; insurance, risk and business continuity; registers and records management, legal services and election support.

Workforce Development

Workplace health and wellbeing, planning and culture; workers compensation; workforce performance; training; recruitment, selection and retention; and internal communications.

Library Services

Home services; vision impaired; review and updating collections; exchanges; internet and Wi Fi access; accessible technology; exhibitions; online training and resources; research and reference services; and the management of corporate art and memorabilia.

Emergency Services

Integrating land use policies to support emergency management; disaster management; review of emergency management plans; inter-agency communication and collaboration; and rural addressing.

Asset Management and Resourcing

Review, investigation, survey, design, development and project management; asset investigation, planning, policy formulation and management (both as a bureau service to whole organisation and for transport infrastructure).

Commercial Works

Private works management, benchmarking, offsetting costs through creating synergies.

Environmental Management

Education; noxious plants; feral pests (advocacy); illegal dumping and pollution; and roads & footpath regulatory enforcement.

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B1-2 Components of functions or activities (continued)

Planning and Regulation

Development planning, controls, assessment and certification; regulation of premises; built environment; urban design; land use data, mapping and reporting; building and assessment advice; heritage; domestic animals; public health and pollution.

Plant, Fleet and Equipment

Effective provision and management of plant, fleet, equipment, store and depots; and tendering and procurement.

Buildings and Amenities

Energy management and conservation, asset planning and maintenance scheduling; building and amenities utilisation, income generation and administration.

Livestock Saleyards

Planning, development, maintenance, operations and administration of the Saleyards.

Parks, Gardens and Open Space

Consultation, planning, development; increasing patronage; amenity; maintenance and operations; public art; cycleways; public trees; sportsgrounds (active and passive); cleanliness and administration.

Swimming Complex

Service provision; regulatory compliance; planning; supervision of patrons; and management.

Stormwater and Drainage

Ongoing management and improvement of all stormwater infrastructure, gross pollutant traps, natural urban waterways and erosion control apparatus.

Transport Network

Sustainable management and improvement of all infrastructure used to facilitate transportation: vehicular, aviation, pedestrian and cyclists; car parking; quarries; delineation, line marking, signage and lighting; regulatory compliance; emergency response and on-call; traffic committee administration; and risk mitigation.

Sewerage Services

Ongoing catchment, transportation, and treatment; monitoring, reporting, environmental compliance and emergency management; trade waste and commercial; fees and charges; public education and administration.

Waste Management

Ongoing and sustainably managing waste: reduction; recycling; landfill remediation and development; and public education.

Water Supply

Ongoing water catchment, storage, treatment, distribution, monitoring, regulating, reporting, compliance, charging and administration.

B2 Sources of income

B2-1 Rates and annual charges

| | \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|---------|-----------------|
| Ordinary rates | | |
| Residential | 2,145 | 2,122 |
| Farmland | 2,361 | 2,368 |
| Mining | 10 | 10 |
| Business | 335 | 322 |
| Less: pensioner rebates (mandatory) | (122) | (130) |
| Rates levied to ratepayers | 4,729 | 4,692 |
| Pensioner rate subsidies received | 66 | 73 |
| Total ordinary rates | 4,795 | 4,765 |
| Annual charges (pursuant to s496, 496A, 496B, 501 & 611) | | |
| Domestic waste management services | 1,184 | 1,080 |
| Stormwater management services | 72 | 71 |
| Water supply services | 1,552 | 1,364 |
| Sewerage services | 2,685 | 2,545 |
| Waste management services (non-domestic) | 207 | 190 |
| Waste management facility charge | 1,474 | 1,342 |
| Less: pensioner rebates (mandatory) | (216) | (217) |
| Annual charges levied | 6,958 | 6,375 |
| Pensioner annual charges subsidies received: | | |
| - Water | 29 | 30 |
| - Sewerage | 26 | 27 |
| Domestic waste management | 63 | 63 |
| Total annual charges | 7,076 | 6,495 |
| Total rates and annual charges | 11,871 | 11,260 |
| Timing of revenue recognition for rates and annual charges | | |
| Rates and annual charges recognised at a point in time (2) | 11,871 | 11,260 |
| Total rates and annual charges | 11,871 | 11,260 |

Council has used 2022 year valuations provided by the NSW Valuer General in calculating its rates.

Accounting policy

Rates and annual charges are recognised as revenue at the beginning of the rating period to which they relate. Prepaid rates are recognised as a financial liability until the beginning of the rating period.

Pensioner rebates relate to reductions in rates and certain annual charges for eligible pensioners' place of residence in the local government council area that are not subsidised by the NSW Government.

Pensioner rate subsidies are received from the NSW Government to provide a contribution towards the pensioner rebates and are recognised within the underlying revenue item based on their substance.

B2-2 User charges and fees

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|------------|--------------|---------|
| | Timing | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Specific user charges (per s502 - specific 'actual use' cha | rges) | | |
| Water supply services | 1 | 1,494 | 1,116 |
| Sewerage services | 1 | 174 | 126 |
| Waste management services (non-domestic) | 1 | 328 | 272 |
| Trade waste | 1 | 24 | 18 |
| Total specific user charges | | 2,020 | 1,532 |
| Other user charges and fees | | | |
| (i) Fees and charges – statutory and regulatory functions (per se | 608) | | |
| Inspection services | 2 | 17 | 19 |
| Planning and building regulation | 2 | 280 | 363 |
| Private works – section 67 | 2 | 135 | 118 |
| Section 603 certificates | 2 | 23 | 37 |
| Companion animals | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Local government and health act fees | 2 | 9 | 10 |
| Total fees and charges – statutory/regulatory | | 468 | 550 |
| (ii) Fees and charges – other (incl. general user charges (per s60 | (8) | | |
| Aerodrome | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Cemeteries | 2 | 112 | 121 |
| Saleyards | 2 | 146 | 120 |
| Tourism | 2 | 15 | 7 |
| Cinema | 2 | 50 | 44 |
| Library | 2 | 8 | 4 |
| Museum and theatre | 2 | 42 | 31 |
| Service installation | 2 | 49 | 25 |
| Other | 2 | 24 | 31 |
| Total fees and charges – other | | 447 | 384 |
| Total other user charges and fees | _ | 915 | 934 |
| Total user charges and fees | | 2,935 | 2,466 |
| Timing of revenue recognition for user charges and fees | | | |
| User charges and fees recognised over time (1) | | 2,020 | 1,532 |
| User charges and fees recognised over time (1) | | 2,020 915 | 934 |
| Total user charges and fees | | 2,935 | |
| Total additional of an analysis and room | | ۷,۶۵۵ | 2,466 |

Accounting policy

Revenue arising from user charges and fees is recognised when or as the performance obligation is completed and the customer receives the benefit of the goods / services being provided.

The performance obligation relates to the specific services which are provided to the customers and generally the payment terms are within 30 days of the provision of the service, the customer is required to pay on arrival or a deposit in advance. There is no material obligation for Council in relation to refunds or returns.

Where an upfront fee is charged the fee is recognised on a straight-line basis over the expected life of the membership.

Licences granted by Council are all either short-term or low value and all revenue from licences is recognised at the time that the licence is granted rather than over the term of the licence.

B2-3 Other revenues

| | | | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|-------|--------|---------|---------|
| | Notes | Timing | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Diesel rebate | | 2 | 49 | 60 |
| Recycling income (non-domestic) | | 2 | 63 | 89 |
| Insurance rebates | | 2 | _ | 27 |
| Sale of surplus material | | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Training reimbursement | | 2 | 225 | 300 |
| Effect of re-measurement of remediation provision | C3-5 | 2 | _ | 172 |
| Effect from de-recognition of remediation provision | C3-5 | 2 | 65 | 947 |
| Other | | 2 | 402 | 116 |
| Total other revenue | | | 805 | 1,712 |
| Timing of revenue recognition for other revenue | | | | |
| Other revenue recognised over time (1) | | | _ | _ |
| Other revenue recognised at a point in time (2) | | | 805 | 1,712 |
| Total other revenue | | | 805 | 1,712 |

Accounting policy for other revenue

Where the revenue is earned the provision of specified goods / services under an enforceable contract, revenue is recognised when or as the the obligations are satisfied.

Statutory fees and fines are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, the payment is received or when the penalty has been applied, whichever occurs first.

Other revenue is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

B2-4 Grants and contributions

| | Timing | Operating 2023 \$ '000 | Operating 2022 \$ '000 | Capital 2023 \$ '000 | Capital 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|--------|------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Timing | \$ 000 | \$ 000 | \$ 000 | \$ 000 |
| General purpose grants and non-developer contributions (untied) | | | | | |
| General purpose (untied) | | | | | |
| Current year allocation | | | | | |
| Financial assistance – general component | 2 | 1,117 | 1,807 | _ | _ |
| Financial assistance – local roads component | 2 | 522 | 920 | _ | _ |
| Payment in advance - future year allocation | | | | | |
| Financial assistance – general component | 2 | 4,161 | 2,774 | _ | _ |
| Financial assistance – local roads component | 2 | 2,076 | 1,419 | | _ |
| Amount recognised as income during current | | | | | |
| year | | 7,876 | 6,920 | | _ |
| Special purpose grants and non-developer contributions (tied) | | | | | |
| Cash contributions | | | | | |
| Water supplies | 1 | 43 | 53 | 7,730 | 1,516 |
| Bushfire and emergency services | 2 | 311 | 145 | _ | _ |
| Community centres | 1 | _ | _ | 31 | 6 |
| Economic development | 2 | 124 | 135 | _ | _ |
| Environmental programs | 2 | 20 | _ | _ | _ |
| Heritage and cultural | 1,2 | 240 | 104 | 82 | 184 |
| Library | 2 | 64 | 62 | 219 | 19 |
| LIRS subsidy | 2 | 11 | 15 | _ | _ |
| Noxious weeds | 1, 2 | 207 | 165 | _ | _ |
| Recreation and culture | 2 | 8 | 40 | 2,344 | 193 |
| Community development | 2 | 20 | 343 | _ | _ |
| Street lighting | 2 | 34 | 33 | _ | _ |
| Town planning | 1,2 | _ | 80 | _ | 1 |
| Saleyards | 2 | _ | _ | (162) | _ |
| Waste management | 2 | _ | _ | 122 | 88 |
| Disaster recovery | 2 | 4,143 | 5,593 | 66 | _ |
| Transport (roads to recovery) | 2 | 1,044 | 1,044 | _ | _ |
| Transport (other roads and bridges funding) | 1, 2 | 3,782 | 204 | 22,795 | 13,238 |
| Other councils – joint works/services | 1 | 125 | 126 | _ | _ |
| Transport for NSW contributions (regional roads, block | | | | | |
| grant) | 2 | 1,625 | 1,594 | _ | _ |
| FBT contributions | 2 | 47 | 51 | _ | _ |
| Waste management services | 2 | 3 | 4 | <u> </u> | |
| Total special purpose grants and | | | | | |
| non-developer contributions – cash | | 11,851 | 9,791 | 33,227 | 15,245 |
| Total special purpose grants and | | | 0.704 | | 45.045 |
| non-developer contributions (tied) | | 11,851 | 9,791 | 33,227 | 15,245 |
| Total grants and non-developer | | | | | |
| contributions | | 19,727 | 16,711 | 22 227 | 15 245 |
| CONTRIBUTIONS | | 13,121 | 10,711 | 33,227 | 15,245 |
| Comprising: | | | | | |
| | | 17,677 | 9,704 | 4,789 | 10,607 |
| Commonwealth funding | | | | | |
| Commonwealth fundingState funding | | | | | |
| Commonwealth fundingState fundingOther funding | | 2,024 26 | 6,813 194 | 28,465 (27) | 4,638 |

B2-4 Grants and contributions (continued)

Developer contributions

| | Notes | Timing | Operating 2023 \$ '000 | Operating 2022 \$ '000 | Capital 2023 \$ '000 | Capital 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|-------|--------|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Developer contributions: (s7.4 & s7.11 - EP&A Act, s64 of the LGA): | G4 | | | | | |
| Cash contributions | | | | | | |
| S 7.11 – contributions towards amenities/services | | 2 | _ | _ | 374 | 212 |
| S 64 – water supply contributions | | 2 | _ | _ | 57 | 23 |
| S 64 – sewerage service contributions | | 2 | | | 13 | 25 |
| Total developer contributions – cash | | | | _ | 444 | 260 |
| Total developer contributions | | | | | 444 | 260 |
| Total contributions | | | | | 444 | 260 |
| Total grants and contributions | | | 19,727 | 16,711 | 33,671 | 15,505 |
| Timing of revenue recognition for grants and contributions | ı | | | | | |
| Grants and contributions recognised over time (Grants and contributions recognised at a point in | • | | 168 | 179 | 7,761 | 1,470 |
| (2) | | | 19,559 | 16,532 | 25,910 | 14,035 |
| Total grants and contributions | | | 19,727 | 16,711 | 33,671 | 15,505 |

B2-4 Grants and contributions (continued)

Unspent grants and contributions

Certain grants and contributions are obtained by Council on the condition they be spent in a specified manner or in a future period but which are not yet spent in accordance with those conditions are as follows:

| | Notes | Operating 2023 \$ '000 | Operating 2022 \$ '000 | Capital 2023 \$ '000 | Capital 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|-------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Grants | | | | | |
| Unspent grants at 1 July | | 2,546 | 1,207 | 11,946 | 3,577 |
| Add: Funds recognised as revenue in the reporting year but not yet spent in accordance with the conditions | | 4,567 | 2,528 | 569 | 445 |
| Add: grants received for the provision of goods and services in a future period | | _ | _ | 4,479 | 11,490 |
| Less: Funds recognised as revenue in previous years that have been spent during the reporting year | | (2,528) | (1,189) | (693) | (154) |
| Less: Funds received in prior year but revenue recognised and | | (2,320) | (1,109) | , , | ` , |
| funds spent in current year | - | | | (11,490) | (3,412) |
| Unspent grants at 30 June | _ | 4,585 | 2,546 | 4,811 | 11,946 |
| Contributions | G4 | | | | |
| Unspent contributions at 1 July | | _ | _ | 470 | 222 |
| Add: contributions recognised as revenue in the reporting year but not yet spent in accordance with the conditions | | _ | _ | 400 | 248 |
| Less: contributions recognised as revenue in previous years that have been spent during the reporting year | | _ | | _ | _ |
| Unspent contributions at 30 | _ | | | | |
| June | | | | 870 | 470 |

Accounting policy

Grants and contributions - enforceable agreement with sufficiently specific performance obligations

Grant and contribution revenue from an agreement which is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations is recognised as or when control of each performance obligations is transferred.

The performance obligations may vary according to the agreement. Payment terms vary depending on the terms of the grant, cash is received upfront for some grants and on the achievement of certain payment milestones for others.

Performance obligations may be satisfied either at a point in time or over time and this is reflected in the revenue recognition pattern. Point in time recognition occurs when the beneficiary obtains control of the goods / services at a single time (e.g. completion of the project when a report / outcome is provided), whereas over time recognition is where the control of the services is ongoing throughout the project (e.g. provision of community health services through the year).

Where control is transferred over time, generally the input methods being either costs or time incurred are deemed to be the most appropriate methods to reflect the transfer of benefit.

Capital grants

Capital grants received by Council under an enforceable contract for the acquisition or construction of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment to identified specifications which will be under Council's control on completion are recognised as revenue as and when the obligation to construct or purchase is completed.

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B2-4 Grants and contributions (continued)

For construction projects, this is generally as the construction progresses in accordance with costs incurred since this is deemed to be the most appropriate measure of the completeness of the construction project.

For acquisitions of assets, the revenue is recognised when the asset is acquired and controlled by the Council.

Developer contributions

Council has obligations to provide facilities from contribution revenues levied on developers under the provisions of sections 7.4, 7.11 and 7.12 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act).

While Council generally incorporates these amounts as part of a Development Consents Order, such developer contributions are only recognised as income upon receipt by Council, due to the possibility that individual development consents may not be acted upon by the applicant and, accordingly, would not be payable to Council.

Developer contributions may only be expended for the purposes for which the contributions were required, but Council may apply contributions according to the priorities established in work schedules for the contribution plan.

Other grants and contributions

Assets, including cash, received from other grants and contributions are recognised at fair value when the asset is received. Council considers whether there are any related liability or equity items associated with the asset which are recognised in accordance with the relevant accounting standard.

Once the assets and liabilities have been recognised then income is recognised for any remaining asset value at the time that the asset is received.

B2-5 Interest and investment income

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Interest on financial assets measured at amortised cost | | |
| - Overdue rates and annual charges (incl. special purpose rates) | 70 | 70 |
| Cash and investments | 996 | 52 |
| Total interest and investment income (losses) | 1,066 | 122 |

Accounting policy

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest rate at the date that interest is earned.

B2-6 Other income

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------|-------|---------|---------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Rental income | | | |
| Other lease income | | | |
| Council owned property | | 164 | 160 |
| Total other lease income | | 164 | 160 |
| Total rental income | C2-2 | 164 | 160 |
| IMF Settlement Income | | 94 | _ |
| Total other | | 94 | _ |
| Total other income | | 258 | 160 |

B3 Costs of providing services

B3-1 Employee benefits and on-costs

| | 2023 | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Salaries and wages | 6,969 | 7,525 |
| Employee leave entitlements (ELE) | 1,384 | 1,345 |
| Superannuation | 823 | 880 |
| Workers' compensation insurance | 222 | 186 |
| Fringe benefit tax (FBT) | 37 | 39 |
| Other | 47 | 42 |
| Total employee costs | 9,482 | 10,017 |
| Less: capitalised costs | (1,133) | (1,181) |
| Total employee costs expensed | 8,349 | 8,836 |

Accounting policy

Employee benefit expenses are recorded when the service has been provided by the employee.

Retirement benefit obligations

All employees of the Council are entitled to benefits on retirement, disability or death. Council contributes to various defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans on behalf of its employees.

Superannuation plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense as they become payable. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

Council participates in a defined benefit plan under the Local Government Superannuation Scheme, however, sufficient information to account for the plan as a defined benefit is not available and therefore Council accounts for its obligations to defined benefit plans on the same basis as its obligations to defined contribution plans, i.e. as an expense when it becomes payable – refer to Note E3-1 for more information.

B3-2 Materials and services

| | | 2023 | 2022 ¹ Restated |
|--|-------|---------|-------------------------------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Raw materials and consumables | | 3,110 | 3,372 |
| Contractor and consultancy costs | | 6,810 | 4,818 |
| Audit Fees | F2-1 | 61 | 60 |
| Councillor and Mayoral fees and associated expenses | F1-2 | 175 | 184 |
| Advertising | | 44 | 36 |
| Cleaning | | 42 | 42 |
| Election expenses | | _ | 84 |
| Electricity and heating | | 238 | 279 |
| Insurance | | 592 | 523 |
| Postage | | 39 | 31 |
| Printing and stationery | | 17 | 31 |
| Street lighting | | 98 | 127 |
| Subscriptions and publications | | 89 | 137 |
| Telephone and communications | | 192 | 258 |
| Travel expenses | | 13 | 10 |
| Training costs (other than salaries and wages) | | 95 | 75 |
| Other expenses | | 106 | 107 |
| Legal expenses: planning and development | | 1 | _ |
| Legal expenses: other | | 36 | 34 |
| Other | | 6 | 4 |
| Total materials and services | | 11,764 | 10,212 |
| Total materials and services | | 11,764 | 10,212 |

Accounting policyExpenses are recorded on an accruals basis as the council receives the goods or services.

⁽¹⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

B3-3 Borrowing costs

| | | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|-------|---------|---------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| (i) Interest bearing liability costs | | | |
| Interest on leases | | 7 | 9 |
| Interest on loans | | 840 | 522 |
| Total interest bearing liability costs | | 847 | 531 |
| Total interest bearing liability costs expensed | | 847 | 531 |
| (ii) Other borrowing costs | | | |
| - Remediation liabilities | C3-5 | 116 | 31 |
| Total other borrowing costs | | 116 | 31 |
| Total borrowing costs expensed | | 963 | 562 |

Accounting policyBorrowing costs are expensed as incurred.

B3-4 Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets

| | | 2023 | 2022 ¹ Restated |
|---|-------|----------|-------------------------------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | | | |
| Plant and equipment | | 776 | 779 |
| Office equipment | | 55 | 55 |
| Furniture and fittings | | 3 | 4 |
| Land improvements (depreciable) | | 39 | 36 |
| Infrastructure: | C1-6 | | |
| – Buildings | | 1,016 | 846 |
| - Other structures | | 182 | 182 |
| - Roads | | 3,189 | 3,306 |
| - Bridges | | 1,046 | 926 |
| - Footpaths | | 47 | 42 |
| - Stormwater drainage | | 108 | 100 |
| - Water supply network | | 866 | 718 |
| Sewerage network | | 547 | 493 |
| Swimming pools | | 27 | 25 |
| Other open space/recreational assets | | 169 | 146 |
| Right of use assets | C2-1 | 16 | 120 |
| Other assets: | | | |
| Library books | | 32 | 33 |
| Reinstatement, rehabilitation and restoration assets: | | | |
| - Tip assets | C1-6 | 812 | 161 |
| – Quarry assets | C1-6 | 16 | 16 |
| Total gross depreciation and amortisation costs | | 8,946 | 7,988 |
| Less: capitalised costs | | (219) | (140) |
| Total depreciation and amortisation costs | | 8,727 | 7,848 |
| Insuraisment / resolvation de answert of IDDE | | | |
| Impairment / revaluation decrement of IPPE Infrastructure: | C1-6 | | |
| | C 1-0 | (4.000) | 45.004 |
| RoadsBulk earthworks | | (1,299) | 15,904 |
| | | (4.000) | 1,393 |
| Total gross IPPE impairment / revaluation decrement costs | | (1,299) | 17,297 |
| Amounts taken through revaluation reserve | C1-6 | 1,299 | (17,297) |
| Total IPPE impairment / revaluation decrement costs charged | | | |
| to Income Statement | | | |
| Total depreciation, amortisation and impairment for | | | |
| non-financial assets | | 8,727 | 7,848 |
| | | <u> </u> | 7,040 |

Accounting policy

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation and amortisation are calculated using the straight line method to allocate their cost, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives. Useful lives are included in Note C1-6 for IPPE assets and Note C1-7 for intangible assets.

Depreciation is capitalised where in-house assets have contributed to new assets.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Council assets held at fair value that are not held primarily for their ability to generate net cash flow, and that are deemed to be specialised, are not tested for impairment since these assets are assessed on an annual basis to ensure that the carrying amount is not materially different from fair value and therefore an impairment loss would be captured during this assessment.

Intangible assets not yet available for use, are tested annually for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that they might be impaired.

Other non-financial assets that do not meet the criteria above are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by

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B3-4 Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets (continued)

which the 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 the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units).

Impairment losses for revalued assets are firstly offset against the amount in the revaluation surplus for the class of asset, with only the excess to be recognised in the Income Statement.

(1) Restated - see Note G4-1

B3-5 Other expenses

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Ψ σσσ | Ψ 000 |
| Other | | |
| Grants funded donations, contributions and assistance to other organisations (incl. | | |
| Section 356) | 250 | 377 |
| Council funded donations, contributions and assistance to other organisations (incl. | | |
| Section 356) | 42 | 66 |
| Emergency services levy (includes FRNSW, SES, and RFS levies) | 498 | 374 |
| Total other | 790 | 817 |
| Total other expenses | 790 | 817 |

Accounting policy
Other expenses are recorded on an accruals basis when Council has an obligation for the expenses.

Impairment expenses are recognised when identified.

B4 Gains or losses

B4-1 Gain or loss from the disposal, replacement and de-recognition of assets

| | | 2023 | 2022 1 |
|--|-------|---------|---------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal of property (excl. investment property) |) | | |
| Proceeds from disposal – property | | 1,116 | _ |
| Less: carrying amount of property assets sold/written off | | (962) | |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal | _ | 154 | |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal of plant and equipment | C1-6 | | |
| Non-cash income from trade-in – plant and equipment | | 2,170 | 1,705 |
| Less: carrying amount of plant and equipment assets sold/written off | _ | (2,242) | (1,880) |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal | _ | (72) | (175) |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal of infrastructure | C1-6 | | |
| Less: carrying amount of infrastructure assets sold/written off | _ | (2,629) | (2,830) |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal | _ | (2,629) | (2,830) |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal of real estate assets held for sale | C1-4 | | |
| Proceeds from disposal – real estate assets | | 45 | 49 |
| Less: carrying amount of real estate assets sold/written off | | (32) | (38) |
| Gain (or loss) on disposal | _ | 13 | 11 |
| Net gain (or loss) from disposal of assets | _ | (2,534) | (2,994) |

Accounting policy

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in the Income Statement.

Non-infrastructure assets

The gain or loss on sale of an asset is determined when control of the asset has irrevocably passed to the buyer and the asset is de-recognised.

Infrastructure assets

It is not common for infrastructure assets to be sold. De-recognition of carrying value of infrastructure assets usually occurs in cases of replacement or when they are no longer serviceable. Physical replacement of infrastructure assets result in loss from disposal of replaced assets through profit and loss account. Renewal works which represent reversal of consumed service potential add up to the carrying value of the asset.

(1) Restated - see Note G4-1

B5 Performance against budget

B5-1 Material budget variations

Council's original budget was adopted by the Council on 25 May 2022 and is not required to be audited. The original projections on which the budget was based have been affected by a number of factors. These include state and federal government decisions, including new grant programs, changing economic activity, environmental factors, and by decisions made by Council.

While these General Purpose Financial Statements include the original budget adopted by Council, the Act requires Council to review its financial budget on a quarterly basis, so it is able to manage the variation between actuals and budget that invariably occur during the year.

Material variations of more than 10% between original budget and actual results or where the variance is considered material by nature are explained below.

Variation Key: F = Favourable budget variation, **U** = Unfavourable budget variation.

| | 2023 | 2023 | 202 | 3 | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| \$ '000 | Budget | Actual | Variar | nce | |
| Revenues | | | | | |
| Rates and annual charges | 11,605 | 11,871 | 266 | 2% | F |
| User charges and fees | 2,691 | 2,935 | 244 | 9% | F |
| Other revenues Higher than expected other revenue was mostly due to or | 540 ne-off fire insurea | 805 ance recovery se | 265 ettlements. | 49% | F |
| Operating grants and contributions Above expected amount of operating grants was mostly d grants. | 8,658 ue to 100% adv | 19,727 ance receipt of 2 | 11,069 2024 FAG and floo | 128% od emergend | F |
| Capital grants and contributions Significant portion of the capital grant income in 2023 com in 2023 funds for which were receiped in 2022 financial ye | • | 0 | | , | |
| Interest and investment revenue Significant increase in interest rates in current year. | 120 | 1,066 | 946 | 788% | F |
| Other income In 2023 council received unexpected IMF settlement incor | – me in amount \$9 | 258 95 thousand. | 258 | ∞ | F |

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B5-1 Material budget variations (continued)

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 Variance | | |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---|
| \$ '000 | Budget | Actual | | | |
| Expenses | | | | | |
| Employee benefits and on-costs Council made a decision to put a mortarium on recruitment structure on which the budget is formed had not changed horganisation undertakes its Full Time Equivalent staff requirements. | nence giving a l | budgeted cost hi | gher than the act | ual spent. As | |
| Materials and services Higher than expected operational costs due to flood related | 4,287 d emergency w | 11,764 rorks. | (7,477) | (174)% | U |
| Borrowing costs Higher than expected borrowing costs were due to increas | 803 ed interest rate | 963 es. | (160) | (20)% | U |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets | 8,311 | 8,727 | (416) | (5)% | U |
| Other expenses | 1,747 | 790 | 957 | 55% | F |
| Net losses from disposal of assets 276 2,534 (2,258) (818)% U This is a paper-based effect of write-off of undepreciated amount of disposed or impaired assets. It is hard to budget. | | | | | |
| Statement of cash flows | | | | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities Higher than expected FAG and other emergency flood rela | 7,712 ated grants in co | 34,236 urrent year. | 26,524 | 344% | F |
| Cash flows from investing activities In line with the increased capital grants income trend. | (8,099) | (38,625) | (30,526) | 377% | U |
| Cash flows from financing activities | 2,024 | 2,173 | 149 | 7% | F |

Financial position

Assets we manage

C1-1 Cash and cash equivalents

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Cash assets | | |
| Cash on hand and at bank | 28,509 | 30,725 |
| Cash equivalent assets | • | • |
| - Deposits at call | 6,000 | 6,000 |
| Trust account | 382 | 382 |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | 34,891 | 37,107 |
| Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents | | |
| Total cash and cash equivalents per Statement of Financial Position | 34,891 | 37,107 |
| Balance as per the Statement of Cash Flows | 34,891 | 37,107 |

Accounting policy
For Statement of Cash Flow presentation purposes, cash and cash equivalents include: cash on hand; deposits held at call with financial institutions; other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value; and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the Statement of Financial Position.

C1-2 Restricted and allocated cash, cash equivalents and investments

| | | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|--------------------|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| (a) | Externally restricted cash, | | |
| () | cash equivalents and | | |
| | investments | | |
| Total o | cash, cash equivalents and investments | 34,891 | 37,107 |
| Less: E | externally restricted cash, cash equivalents and investments | (28,078) | (31,626) |
| Cash, | cash equivalents and investments not subject to external | | |
| restric | ctions | 6,813 | 5,481 |
| Extern | nal restrictions | | |
| | nal restrictions – included in liabilities | | |
| Externa | al restrictions included in cash, cash equivalents and investments above comp | orise: | |
| Specific | c purpose unexpended grants – general fund | 4,587 | 11,132 |
| Specific | c purpose unexpended grants – water fund | 124 | 588 |
| Extern | nal restrictions – included in liabilities | 4,711 | 11,720 |
| Extern | nal restrictions – other | | |
| Externa compris | al restrictions included in cash, cash equivalents and investments above se: | | |
| Specific | c purpose unexpended grants (recognised as revenue) – general fund | | |
| (includi | ng waste and stormwater) | 4,530 | 2,654 |
| • | c purpose unexpended grants (recognised as revenue) – water fund | 44 | 28 |
| - | per contributions – general (including waste and stormwater) | 722 | 388 |
| | per contributions – water fund | 94 | 38 |
| | per contributions – sewer fund | 54 | 41 |
| RFS res | | 111 | 92 |
| Water f | | 1,211 | 2,180 |
| Sewer 1 | | 6,764 | 5,704 |
| | tic waste management | 8,464 | 7,373 |
| Trust fu | vater management | 991 382 | 1,026 382 |
| | nal restrictions – other | 23,367 | 19,906 |
| | external restrictions | 28,078 | 31,626 |
| · Otal e | Action restrictions | 20,070 | 31,020 |

Cash, cash equivalents and investments subject to external restrictions are those which are only available for specific use by Council due to a restriction placed by legislation or third-party contractual agreement.

1,313

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C1-2 Restricted and allocated cash, cash equivalents and investments (continued)

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|------------------------|------------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| (b) Internal allocations | | |
| Cash, cash equivalents and investments not subject to external | | |
| restrictions | 6,813 | 5,481 |
| Less: Internally restricted cash, cash equivalents and investments | (5,500) | (5,000) |
| Unrestricted and unallocated cash, cash equivalents and investments | 1,313 | 481 |
| nternal allocations | | |
| At 30 June, Council has internally allocated funds to the following: | | |
| Special projects | 5,500 | 5,000 |
| Total internal allocations | 5,500 | 5,000 |
| Cash, cash equivalents and investments not subject to external restrictions may be internated onlicy of the elected Council. | ally allocated by reso | olution or |
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |

Unrestricted cash note

(c)

From 1 July 2021 to March 2022 the Council reported negative unrestricted cash position. This resulted in a breach of section 409(3) of the LG Act and a potential breach of section 410(3) of the LG Act as described above. This position turned around in March 2022 following Council's receipt of the outstanding funds for work done under disaster recovery grants. The Council's restricted cash position has continued to improve in 2021-22. As at 30 June 2022 the amount of unrestricted cash (before internal allocations) was a positive \$5.5 million.

Council has put in place internal controls to monitor unrestricted cash balances on a quarterly basis. In addition, the Council has established a loan facility with NAB for operational need purposes which is available for use any time since 30 June 2022.

Council reported positive unrestricted cash position during 2023 financial year.

Unrestricted and unallocated cash, cash equivalents and investments

Unrestricted and unallocated

C1-3 Receivables

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|--|----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Rates and annual charges | 391 | _ | 396 | _ |
| nterest and extra charges | 88 | _ | 79 | - |
| Jser charges and fees | 707 | _ | 486 | - |
| Private works | 83 | _ | 81 | - |
| Accrued revenues | | | | |
| - Interest on investments | 26 | - | 3 | _ |
| Government agency receivables | 272 | - | 1,287 | - |
| Net GST receivable | 1,037 | - | 708 | - |
| Other debtors | 1,055 | <u> </u> | 36 | |
| Total | 3,659 | | 3,076 | _ |
| Less: provision for impairment | | | | |
| Other debtors | (55) | | (55) | |
| Total provision for impairment – | | | | |
| receivables | (55) | | (55) | _ |
| Total net receivables | 3,604 | | 3,021 | |
| Externally restricted receivables Water supply Rates and availability charges Other | 81 668 | <u>-</u> | 69 625 | - - |
| Sewerage services | | | | |
| - Rates and availability charges | 132 | - | 118 | - |
| - Other | 82 | - | 60 | - |
| Domestic waste management | 249 | - | 209 | - |
| Stormwater management | 8 | | 4 | |
| Total external restrictions | 1,220 | | 1,085 | _ |
| Unrestricted receivables | 2,384 | | 1,936 | _ |
| Total net receivables | 3,604 | | 3,021 | _ |
| | | | | |
| | | | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
| Movement in provision for impairment | of receivables | | | |
| | | 1 A O.D. 400\ | | |
| Balance at the beginning of the year (calculate Balance at the end of the year | | AASB 139) | 55 55 | 55 55 |

C1-3 Receivables (continued)

Accounting policy

Receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. Receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days.

Impairment

Impairment of financial assets measured at amortised cost is recognised on an expected credit loss (ECL) basis.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition, and when estimating ECL, the Council considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on Council's historical experience and informed credit assessment, and including forward-looking information.

When considering the ECL for rates debtors, Council takes into account that unpaid rates represent a charge against the rateable property that will be recovered when the property is next sold. For non-rates debtors, Council uses the presumption that an asset which is more than 60 days past due has seen a significant increase in credit risk.

The Council uses the presentation that a financial asset is in default when:

- the other party is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Council in full, without recourse by the Council to actions such as realising security (if any is held) or
- the financial assets (for non-rates debtors) are more than 90 days past due.

Credit losses are measured as the present value of the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract, and the cash flows expected to be received. This is applied using a probability weighted approach.

Council uses the simplified approach for trade receivables where the expected lifetime credit losses are recognised on day 1.

There has been no change in the estimation techniques or significant assumptions made during the current reporting period.

The Council writes off a trade receivable when there is information indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, e.g. when the debtor has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings.

Rates and annual charges outstanding are secured against the property.

C1-4 Inventories

| | 2023 Current \$ '000 | 2023 Non-current \$ '000 | 2022 Current \$ '000 | 2022 Non-current \$ '000 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| (i) Inventories at cost | | | | |
| Real estate for resale | _ | _ | 32 | _ |
| Stores and materials | 221 | _ | 294 | _ |
| Total inventories at cost | 221 | _ | 326 | |
| Total inventories | 221 | | 326 | |

(i) Other disclosures

| | | 2023 Current | 2023 Non-current | 2022 Current | 2022 Non-current |
|---|-------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| (a) Details for real estate development | | | | | |
| Residential | | _ | _ | 32 | _ |
| Total real estate for resale | _ | _ | | 32 | |
| (Valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value) Represented by: | | | | | |
| Acquisition costs | | _ | _ | 32 | _ |
| Total costs | | _ | | 32 | |
| Total real estate for resale | _ | _ | | 32 | |
| Movements: | | | | | |
| Real estate assets at beginning of the year | | 32 | _ | 70 | _ |
| WDV of sales (expense) | B4-1 | (32) | | (38) | |
| Total real estate for resale | | _ | _ | 32 | _ |

Accounting policy

Raw materials and stores, work in progress and finished goods

Raw materials and stores, work in progress and finished goods are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned to individual items of inventory on the basis of weighted average costs. Costs of purchased inventory are determined after deducting rebates and discounts. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Land held for resale

Land held for resale is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is assigned by specific identification and includes the cost of acquisition, and development and borrowing costs during development. When development is completed, borrowing costs and other holding charges are expensed as incurred.

Borrowing costs included in the cost of land held for resale are those costs that would have been avoided if the expenditure on the acquisition and development of the land had not been made. Borrowing costs incurred while active development is interrupted for extended periods are recognised as expenses.

C1-5 Contract assets

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|--|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Contract assets | 14,249 | _ | 5,547 | _ |
| Total contract assets | 14,249 | _ | 5,547 | _ |
| Contract assets | | | | |
| Contract Asset (AASB 15) Grant Contract Asset (AASB 1058 - asset | 170 | - | 126 | _ |
| exemption) | 9,297 | _ | 4,264 | _ |
| Accrued Income (AASB 1058) | 4,782 | _ | 1,157 | _ |
| Total contract assets | 14,249 | _ | 5,547 | _ |

Significant changes in contract assets

Contract Assets relating to work for external parties (AASB 15)

No significant changes - consistent with prior year.

Grant Contract Assets - work related to infrastructure grants (AASB 1058 - Asset Exemption)

Increase is due to works performed on various grant funded projects which will be recovered in 2024 financial year. Major unpaid works as at 30 June 2023 relate to the following projects:

- 1) Mt Lindesay Upgrade \$1.7M
- 2) Fixing Local Roads \$1.5M
- 3) Building Better Region Funds Infrastructure Projects \$1.3M
- 4) BLERF 0737 Improve Mt Lindesay Road \$2M

Accrued Income - not specific or not enforceable grants (AASB 1058)

Significant increase is mostly related to post flood events works funded by AGRN 1012. Council is expecting to get reimbursed for those works in 2024 financial year.

Accounting policy

Contract assets

Contract assets represent Councils right to payment in exchange for goods or services the Council has transferred to a customer when that right is conditional on something other than the passage of time.

Contract assets arise when the amounts billed to customers are based on the achievement of various milestones established in the contract and therefore the amounts recognised as revenue in a given period do not necessarily coincide with the amounts billed to or certified by the customer. Once an invoice or payment claim is raised or the relevant milestone is reached, Council recognises a receivable.

Impairment of contract assets is assessed using the simplified expected credit loss model where lifetime credit losses are recognised on initial recognition.

C1-6 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

| | | At 1 July 2022 2 | | | | | Asset movements du | ring the reporting period | | | | | At 30 June 2023 | |
|---|------------------------------------|--|--|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|---------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|
| | Gross carrying amount ² | Accumulated depreciation and impairment ² | Net carrying amount ² | Additions renewals 1 | Additions new assets | Carrying value of disposals | Depreciation expense | Impairment reversal (recognised in equity) | WIP transfers | Adjustments and transfers | Revaluation increments to equity (ARR) | Gross carrying amount | Accumulated depreciation and impairment | Net carrying amount |
| By aggregated asset class | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000' | \$ '000 | \$ '000' | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Capital work in progress | 22,978 | _ | 22,978 | 6,818 | 21,175 | _ | _ | _ | (4,892) | _ | _ | 46,079 | _ | 46,079 |
| Plant and equipment | 16,709 | (7,732) | 8,977 | 2,164 | 68 | (2,242) | (776) | - | - | - | _ | 16,299 | (8,102) | 8,197 |
| Office equipment | 770 | (444) | 326 | - | _ | - | (55) | - | - | - | _ | 770 | (499) | 271 |
| Furniture and fittings | 155 | (142) | 13 | - | _ | - | (3) | - | - | - | _ | 155 | (145) | 10 |
| Land: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crown land - managed by council | 1,647 | _ | 1,647 | - | _ | - | - | - | - | - | 118 | 1,765 | - | 1,765 |
| Crown land - devolved to council | 2,772 | _ | 2,772 | - | _ | - | - | - | - | - | 198 | 2,970 | - | 2,970 |
| - Operational land | 4,649 | _ | 4,649 | - | _ | (962) | - | - | - | - | 3,534 | 7,220 | - | 7,220 |
| - Community land | 1,673 | _ | 1,673 | - | _ | - | - | - | - | - | 120 | 1,793 | - | 1,793 |
| - Land under roads (post 30/6/08) | 13 | _ | 13 | - | _ | - | - | - | - | - | _ | 13 | - | 13 |
| Land improvements – depreciable | 1,917 | (711) | 1,206 | - | 16 | _ | (39) | _ | 23 | _ | 60 | 2,054 | (788) | 1,266 |
| Infrastructure: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| – Buildings | 39,295 | (21,442) | 17,853 | - | 92 | - | (1,016) | _ | 1,438 | - | 9,999 | 38,779 | (10,414) | 28,365 |
| - Other structures | 5,416 | (2,155) | 3,261 | - | - | - | (182) | - | 42 | _ | 156 | 5,734 | (2,458) | 3,276 |
| - Roads | 298,409 | (76,886) | 221,523 | 3,333 | 1,610 | (2,052) | (3,189) | 1,299 | 1,592 | - | 12,916 | 319,906 | (82,874) | 237,032 |
| - Bridges | 98,066 | (41,718) | 56,348 | 909 | _ | (476) | (1,046) | - | 459 | - | 3,270 | 104,064 | (44,599) | 59,465 |
| - Footpaths | 3,726 | (1,057) | 2,669 | - | 503 | - | (47) | - | - | - | 155 | 4,449 | (1,169) | 3,280 |
| Bulk earthworks (non-depreciable) | 103,704 | (1,393) | 102,311 | 859 | 1,629 | - | - | - | 693 | - | 6,133 | 113,018 | (1,393) | 111,625 |
| – Stormwater drainage | 8,993 | (5,039) | 3,954 | - | _ | - | (108) | - | - | - | 296 | 9,685 | (5,543) | 4,142 |
| – Water supply network | 66,057 | (30,328) | 35,729 | 301 | _ | (38) | (866) | - | 258 | - | 2,686 | 71,245 | (33,183) | 38,062 |
| - Sewerage network | 31,622 | (11,524) | 20,098 | - | 157 | (61) | (547) | - | 352 | - | 1,507 | 34,403 | (12,896) | 21,507 |
| Swimming pools | 1,535 | (1,169) | 366 | - | _ | - | (27) | - | - | - | 17 | 1,614 | (1,257) | 357 |
| Other open space/recreational assets | 3,397 | (931) | 2,466 | - | 1,727 | (2) | (169) | - | 35 | - | 117 | 5,324 | (1,149) | 4,175 |
| Other assets: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| – Library books | 167 | (94) | 73 | - | - | - | (32) | - | _ | _ | - | 167 | (126) | 41 |
| Reinstatement, rehabilitation and restoration assets (refer Note C3-5): | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| – Tip assets | 3,440 | (1,273) | 2,167 | - | - | - | (812) | - | - | (780) | - | 2,661 | (2,085) | 576 |
| – Quarry assets | 152 | (40) | 112 | | - | - | (16) | | - | (38) | _ | 114 | (55) | 59 |
| Total infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | 717,262 | (204,078) | 513,184 | 14,384 | 26,977 | (5,833) | (8,930) | 1,299 | _ | (818) | 41,282 | 790,281 | (208,735) | 581,546 |

⁽¹⁾ Renewals are defined as the replacement of existing assets (as opposed to the acquisition of new assets).

⁽²⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

C1-6 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (continued)

| | | At 1 July 2021 2. | | | | | | Asset movem | ents during the rep | porting period | | | | | | At 30 June 2022 2 | |
|---|------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------------------|--|--|
| | Gross carrying amount ² | Accumulated depreciation and impairment ² | Net carrying amount ² | Additions renewals ¹ | Additions new assets | Carrying value of disposals ² | Depreciation expense | Impairment loss / revaluation decrements (recognised in equity) ² | WIP transfers | Adjustments and transfers | Reclssifications | Transfers to remediation provision | Revaluation decrements to equity (ARR) | Revaluation increments to equity (ARR) | Gross carrying amount ² | Accumulated depreciation and impairment ² | Net carrying amount ² |
| By aggregated asset class | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Capital work in progress | 16,056 | _ | 16,056 | 3,046 | 11,873 | _ | _ | _ | (7,992) | _ | _ | (5) | _ | _ | 22,978 | _ | 22,978 |
| Plant and equipment | 16,383 | (6,953) | 9,430 | 2,170 | 34 | (1,880) | (779) | _ | 2 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 16,709 | (7,732) | 8,977 |
| Office equipment | 724 | (389) | 335 | _ | 46 | _ | (55) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 770 | (444) | 326 |
| Furniture and fittings | 155 | (138) | 17 | _ | _ | _ | (4) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 155 | (142) | 13 |
| Land: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Operational land | 3,995 | _ | 3,995 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 654 | 4,649 | _ | 4,649 |
| - Community land | 1,525 | _ | 1,525 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 148 | 1,673 | _ | 1,673 |
| - Crown land - managed by council | 1,278 | _ | 1,278 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 223 | _ | _ | 146 | 1,647 | _ | 1,647 |
| - Crown land - devolved to council | 2,750 | _ | 2,750 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | (223) | _ | _ | 245 | 2,772 | _ | 2,772 |
| - Land under roads (post 30/6/08) | 10 | _ | 10 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 3 | 13 | _ | 13 |
| Land improvements – depreciable | 1,758 | (616) | 1,142 | _ | _ | _ | (36) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 100 | 1,917 | (711) | 1,206 |
| Infrastructure: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Buildings | 32,950 | (17,671) | 15,279 | 168 | 541 | (50) | (846) | _ | 397 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 2,364 | 39,295 | (21,442) | 17,853 |
| - Other structures | 4,960 | (1,794) | 3,166 | _ | 7 | _ | (182) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 269 | 5,416 | (2,155) | 3,261 |
| - Roads | 268,882 | (52,429) | 216,453 | 2,156 | 1,021 | (1,134) | (3,306) | (15,904) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 22,238 | 298,409 | (76,886) | 221,523 |
| - Bridges | 89,403 | (41,344) | 48,059 | 1,931 | _ | (1,634) | (926) | _ | 4,001 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 4,917 | 98,066 | (41,718) | 56,348 |
| - Footpaths | 3,374 | (915) | 2,459 | _ | _ | _ | (42) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 252 | 3,726 | (1,057) | 2,669 |
| Bulk earthworks (non-depreciable) | 93,763 | _ | 93,763 | 159 | _ | _ | _ | (1,393) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 9,782 | 103,704 | (1,393) | 102,311 |
| Stormwater drainage | 8,395 | (4,659) | 3,736 | 63 | 13 | (1) | (100) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 242 | 8,993 | (5,039) | 3,954 |
| - Water supply network | 58,672 | (34,813) | 23,859 | _ | 2 | _ | (718) | _ | 3,592 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 8,994 | 66,057 | (30,328) | 35,729 |
| Sewerage network | 34,217 | (12,537) | 21,680 | _ | 66 | _ | (493) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | (1,156) | _ | 31,622 | (11,524) | 20,098 |
| Swimming pools | 1,408 | (1,047) | 361 | _ | _ | _ | (25) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 30 | 1,535 | (1,169) | 366 |
| Other open space/recreational assets | 2,956 | (708) | 2,248 | 11 | 174 | (10) | (146) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 190 | 3,397 | (931) | 2,466 |
| Other assets: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Library books | 167 | (60) | 107 | _ | _ | _ | (33) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 167 | (94) | 73 |
| Reinstatement, rehabilitation and restoration assets (refer Note C3-5): | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| - Tip assets | 3,124 | (1,910) | 1,214 | _ | _ | _ | (161) | _ | _ | 1,114 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 3,440 | (1,273) | 2,167 |
| - Quarry assets | 105 | (23) | 82 | _ | _ | _ | (16) | _ | _ | 47 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 152 | (40) | 112 |
| Total infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | 647,010 | (178,006) | 469,004 | 9,704 | 13,777 | (4,709) | (7,868) | (17,297) | _ | 1,161 | - | (5) | (1,156) | 50,574 | 717,262 | (204,078) | 513,184 |

⁽¹⁾ Renewals are defined as the replacement of existing assets (as opposed to the acquisition of new assets).

⁽²⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

C1-6 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (continued)

Accounting policy

Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment are held at fair value. Independent comprehensive valuations are performed at least every five years, however the carrying amount of assets is assessed by Council at each reporting date to confirm that it is not materially different from current fair value.

Water and sewerage network assets are indexed at each reporting period in accordance with the Rates Reference Manual issued by Department of Industry (DoI) – Water.

Increases in the carrying amounts arising on revaluation are credited to the revaluation reserve. To the extent that the increase reverses a decrease previously recognising profit or loss relating to that asset class, the increase is first recognised as profit or loss. Decreases that reverse previous increases of assets in the same class are first charged against revaluation reserves directly in equity to the extent of the remaining reserve attributable to the class; all other decreases are charged to the Income Statement.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to Council and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the Income Statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

When infrastructure, property, plant and equipment are acquired by Council for nil or consideration significantly less than fair value, the assets are initially recognised at their fair value at acquisition date.

Land is not depreciated unless it was acquired to be controlled by the council for a specified period of time. Depreciation on other assets is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives as follows:

| Plant and equipment | Years | Water and sewer assets | Years |
|--|----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Office equipment | 10 | Water - Mains | 80 to 90 |
| Office furniture | 10 to 20 | Water - Pumping Stations | 30 to 80 |
| Computer equipment | 4 | Water Dam | 100 |
| Plants - Light vehicles | 1 | Water - Reservoirs | 40 to 80 |
| Plants - Heavy plant/road making equipment | 10 | Water - Treatment Works | 30 to 80 |
| Other plant and equipment | 10 | Sewerage - Ancilliary | 30 to 50 |
| | | Sewerage - Pumping Stations | 30 |
| Transportation assets | | Sewerage - Treatment Works | 30 to 70 |
| Sealed roads: surface | 30 | Sewerage - Mains | 70 to 210 |
| Sealed roads: pavement base | 50 | | |
| Sealed roads: pavement sub-base | Infinite | Stormwater assets | |
| Unsealed roads surface: | | Drains | 80 |
| - depreciable component | 25 | | |
| - non-depreciable component | Infinite | Buildings | |
| Bulk earthworks | Infinite | Buildings | 15 to 75 |
| Bridge: concrete | 100 | | |
| Bridge: timber | 80 | Other infrastructure assets | |
| Kerb, gutter and footpaths | 80 | Swimming pools | 50 |
| | | Other open space/ recreational assets | 10 to 100 |

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date. As at 30 June 2023 only vehicle assets had residual values.

Depreciation starts in the year following the year of acquisition of an asset.

Land under roads

Land under roads is land under roadways and road reserves including land under footpaths, nature strips and median strips.

Council has elected not to recognise land under roads acquired before 1 July 2008. Land under roads acquired after 1 July 2008 is recognised in accordance with the IPPE accounting policy.

Crown reserves

Crown reserves under Council's care and control are recognised as assets of the Council. While ownership of the reserves remains with the Crown, Council retains operational control of the reserves and is responsible for their maintenance and use in accordance with the specific purposes to which the reserves are dedicated.

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C1-6 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (continued)

Improvements on Crown reserves are also recorded as assets, while maintenance costs incurred by Council and revenues relating to the reserves are recognised within Council's Income Statement.

Rural Fire Service assets

Under Section 119 of the *Rural Fire Services Act 1997 (NSW)*, "all firefighting equipment purchased or constructed wholly or from money to the credit of the Fund is to be vested in the council of the area for or on behalf of which the firefighting equipment has been purchased or constructed".

Council did not recognise Rural Fire Services Assets, including buildings, plant and equipment, due to lack of evidence of control over the economic benefits which are expected to flow from these assets.

C2 Leasing activities

C2-1 Council as a lessee

Information relating to the leases in place and associated balances and transactions is provided below.

Buildings

Council leases land for operational purposes. The land leases contains an annual pricing mechanism based on CPI movements at each anniversary of the lease inception.

Office and IT equipment

Leases for office and IT equipment are generally for low value assets, except for significant items such as photocopiers. The leases are for 5 years with no renewal option, the payments are fixed, however some of the leases include variable payments based on usage.

(a) Right of use assets

| | Office and IT | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------|---------|
| | equipment | Land | Total |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| 2023 | | | |
| Opening balance at 1 July | 9 | 117 | 126 |
| Additions to right-of-use assets | 154 | _ | 154 |
| Depreciation charge | (9) | (7) | (16) |
| Balance at 30 June | 154 | 110 | 264 |
| 2022 | | | |
| Opening balance at 1 July | 114 | 132 | 246 |
| Depreciation charge | (105) | (15) | (120) |
| Balance at 30 June | 9 | 117 | 126 |

(b) Lease liabilities

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|-------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Lease liabilities | 54 | 193 | 36 | 113 |
| Total lease liabilities | 54 | 193 | 36 | 113 |

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C2-1 Council as a lessee (continued)

(c) (i) The maturity analysis

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities based on contractual undiscounted cash flows is shown in the table below:

| | < 1 year \$ '000 | 1 – 5 years \$ '000 | > 5 years \$ '000 | Total \$ '000 | Total per Statement of Financial Position \$ '000 |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------|---|
| 2023 Cash flows | 62 | 134 | 88 | 284 | 247 |
| 2022 Cash flows | 40 | 53 | 96 | 189 | 149 |

(d) Income Statement

The amounts recognised in the Income Statement relating to leases where Council is a lessee are shown below:

| 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 7 | 9 |
| 16 | 120 |
| 23 | 129 |
| | \$ '000 7 16 |

(e) Statement of Cash Flows

| Total cash outflow for leases | 62 | 78 |
|-------------------------------|----|----|
| | 62 | 78 |

(f) Leases at significantly below market value – concessionary / peppercorn leases

Council has a lease at significantly below market for land and building which is used for School of Arts.

The lease is for 80 years and requires payments of a maximum amount of \$1 per year. The use of the right-to-use asset is restricted by the lessor to specified community services which Council must provide, these services are detailed in the lease. Council does not believe that this lease is material from a statement of financial position or performance perspective.

Accounting policy

At inception of a contract, Council assesses whether a lease exists – i.e. does the contract convey the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration?

Council has elected not to separate non-lease components from lease components for any class of asset and has accounted for payments as a single component.

At the lease commencement, Council recognises a right-of-use asset and associated lease liability for the lease term. The lease term includes extension periods where Council believes it is reasonably certain that the option will be exercised.

The right-of-use asset is measured using the cost model where cost on initial recognition comprises: the lease liability, initial direct costs, prepaid lease payments, estimated cost of removal and restoration, less any lease incentives. The right-of-use is depreciated over the lease term on a straight-line basis and assessed for impairment in accordance with the impairment of asset accounting policy.

The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the remaining lease payments at the commencement of the lease. The discount rate is the rate implicit in the lease, however where this cannot be readily determined then the Council's incremental borrowing rate for a similar term with similar security is used.

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C2-1 Council as a lessee (continued)

Subsequent to initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The lease liability is re-measured when there is a lease modification, or change in estimate of the lease term or index upon which the lease payments are based (e.g. CPI).

Where the lease liability is re-measured, the right-of-use asset is adjusted to reflect the re-measurement.

Exceptions to lease accounting

Council has applied the exceptions to lease accounting for both short-term leases (i.e. leases with a term of less than or equal to 12 months) and leases of low-value assets (below \$10,000). Council recognises the payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Leases at significantly below market value / concessionary leases

Council has elected to measure the right of use asset arising from the concessionary leases at cost which is based on the associated lease liability at initial recognition.

Operating leases

Council leases out a number of properties to community groups; these leases have been classified as operating leases for financial reporting purposes and the assets are included in the Statement of Financial Position as:

- property, plant and equipment – where the rental is incidental, or the asset is held to meet Councils service delivery objective (refer note C1-6).

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| (i) Assets held as property, plant and equipment | Ψ 333 | Ψ 000 |
| Lease income (excluding variable lease payments not dependent on an index or rate) | 164 | 160 |
| Total income relating to operating leases for Council assets | 164 | 160 |
| (iii) Maturity analysis of undiscounted lease payments to be received after reporting date for all operating leases: | | |
| Maturity analysis of future lease income receivable showing the undiscounted lease payments to be received after reporting date for operating leases: | | |
| < 1 year | 164 | 160 |
| 1–2 years | 164 | 160 |
| 2–3 years | 164 | 160 |
| 3–4 years | 164 | 160 |
| 4–5 years | 164 | 160 |
| > 5 years | 164 | 160 |

Accounting policy

Total undiscounted lease payments to be received

When Council is a lessor, the lease is classified as either an operating or finance lease at inception date, based on whether substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the asset have been transferred to the lessee. If the risks and rewards have been transferred then the lease is classified as a finance lease, otherwise it is an operating lease.

When Council has a sub-lease over an asset and is the intermediate lessor then the head lease and sub-lease are accounted for separately. The classification of the sub-lease is based on the right-of-use asset which arises from the head lease rather than the useful life of the underlying asset.

If the lease contains lease and non-lease components, the non-lease components are accounted for in accordance with AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

The lease income is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term for an operating lease and as finance income using amortised cost basis for finance leases.

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C3 Liabilities of Council

C3-1 Payables

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|---|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Goods and services | 4,305 | _ | 3,044 | _ |
| Goods and services – accruals | 308 | _ | 211 | _ |
| Accrued expenses: | | | | |
| - Borrowings | 274 | _ | 140 | _ |
| Salaries and wages | 187 | _ | 190 | _ |
| Advances | 7 | _ | 7 | _ |
| Security bonds, deposits and retentions | 296 | _ | 184 | _ |
| Other | 118 | _ | 300 | _ |
| Trust account | 382 | _ | 382 | _ |
| Total payables | 5,877 | _ | 4,458 | _ |

Payables relating to restricted assets

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|---|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Externally restricted assets | | | | |
| Water | 506 | _ | 290 | _ |
| Sewer | 299 | _ | 61 | _ |
| Payables relating to externally restricted assets | 805 | _ | 351 | _ |
| Total payables relating to restricted assets | 805 | _ | 351 | _ |
| Total payables relating to unrestricted assets | 5,072 | | 4,107 | _ |
| Total payables | 5,877 | _ | 4,458 | _ |

Accounting policy

Council measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Payables

Payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to Council prior to the end of financial year that are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

C3-2 Contract Liabilities

| | Notes | 2023 Current \$ '000 | 2023 Non-current \$ '000 | 2022 Current \$ '000 | 2022 Non-current \$ '000 |
|---|------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Grants and contributions received in Unexpended capital grants (to construct Council controlled assets) | n advance: | 4,716 | - | 11,721 | - |
| Total grants received in advance | | 4,716 | | 11,721 | |
| Total contract liabilities | | 4,716 | | 11,721 | _ |

Notes

(ii) The contract liability relates to grants received prior to the revenue recognition criteria in AASB 15 being satisfied since the performance obligations are ongoing.

Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the period

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Grants and contributions received in advance: Capital grants (to construct Council controlled assets) | 11,490 | 3,412 |
| Total revenue recognised that was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the period | 11,490 | 3,412 |

Significant changes in contract liabilities

Decrease in contract liability is due to performing works under the funding deeds in 2023 financial year for the unspent grant money in 2023 FY

Accounting policy

Contract liabilities are recorded when consideration is received from a customer / fund provider prior to Council transferring a good or service to the customer, Council presents the funds which exceed revenue recognised as a contract liability.

⁽i) Council has received funding to construct assets to be controlled by the council under Stronger Country Communities Funding and Drought Stimulus Package grant agreements. The funds received are under enforceable contracts which require Council to construct an identified asset which will be under Council's control on completion. The revenue is recognised as Council constructs the asset and the contract liability reflects the funding received which cannot yet be recognised as revenue. The revenue is expected to be recognised in the next 12 months.

C3-3 Borrowings

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|-------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Loans – secured 1 | 950 | 20,128 | 870 | 17,979 |
| Total borrowings | 950 | 20,128 | 870 | 17,979 |

⁽¹⁾ Loans are secured over the general rating income of Council. Disclosures on liability interest rate risk exposures, fair value disclosures and security can be found in Note E1-1.

Borrowings relating to restricted assets

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|---|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Externally restricted assets | | | | |
| Water | 215 | 5,585 | 171 | 5,799 |
| Sewer | 108 | 1,461 | 101 | 1,569 |
| Borrowings relating to externally restricted assets | 323 | 7,046 | 272 | 7,368 |
| Total borrowings relating to restricted assets | 323 | 7,046 | 272 | 7,368 |
| Total borrowings relating to unrestricted assets | 627 | 13,082 | 598 | 10,611 |
| Total borrowings | 950 | 20,128 | 870 | 17,979 |

C3-3 Borrowings (continued)

(a) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

| | 2022 | | Non-cash movements | | | | 2023 |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Opening Balance \$ '000 | Cash flows \$ '000 | Acquisition \$ '000 | Fair value changes \$ '000 | Acquisition due to change in accounting policy \$ '000 | Other non-cash movement \$ '000 | Closing balance \$ '000 |
| Loans – secured Lease liability (Note C2-1b) | 18,849 149 | (871) 56 | 3,100 42 | _ | | | 21,078 247 |
| Total liabilities from financing activities | 18,998 | (815) | 3,142 | _ | _ | | 21,325 |

| | 2021 | Non-cash movements | | | | 2022 | |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Opening Balance \$ '000 | Cash flows \$ '000 | Acquisition \$ '000 | Fair value changes \$ '000 | Acquisition due to change in accounting policy \$ '000 | Other non-cash movement \$ '000 | Closing balance \$ '000 |
| Loans – secured Lease liability (Note C2-1b) | 13,709 216 | 5,140 (67) | - - | | | - | 18,849 149 |
| Total liabilities from financing activities | 13,925 | 5,073 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 18,998 |

(b) Financing arrangements

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Total facilities | | |
| Credit cards/purchase cards | 50 | 50 |
| Master lease facilities | 5,000 | _ |
| Total financing arrangements | 5,050 | 50 |
| Undrawn facilities | | |
| - Credit cards/purchase cards | 10 | 32 |
| - Lease facilities | 5,000 | _ |
| Total undrawn financing arrangements | 5,010 | 32 |

Accounting policy

Council measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down.

Borrowings are removed from the Statement of Financial Position when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability that has been extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in other income or borrowing costs.

C3-4 Employee benefit provisions

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-current | Current | Non-current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| A | | | | |
| Annual leave | 623 | _ | 683 | _ |
| Long service leave | 617 | | 856 | |
| Total employee benefit provisions | 1,240 | _ | 1,539 | _ |

Current employee benefit provisions not anticipated to be settled within the next twelve months

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| The following provisions, even though classified as current, are not expected to be settled in the next 12 months. | | |
| Provisions – employees benefits | 837 | 1,108 |
| | 837 | 1,108 |

Accounting policy

Employee benefit provisions are presented as current liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position if Council does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur and therefore all annual leave and vested long service leave (or that which vests within 12 months) is presented as current.

Short-term obligations

Liabilities for wages and salaries (including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and accumulating sick leave expected to be wholly settled within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service) are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liability for annual leave and accumulating sick leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. All other short-term employee benefit obligations are presented as payables.

Other long-term employee benefit obligations

The liability for long-service leave and annual leave that is not expected to be wholly settled within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures, and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

On-costs

The employee benefit provisions include the aggregate on-cost liabilities that will arise when payment of current employee benefits is made in future periods.

These amounts include superannuation, payroll tax and workers compensation expenses which will be payable upon the future payment of certain leave liabilities which employees are entitled to at the reporting period.

C3-5 Provisions

| | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 | 2022 |
|--|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| | Current | Non-Current | Current | Non-Current |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Other provisions | | | | |
| Workers compensation | 34 | _ | 32 | _ |
| Sub-total – other provisions | 34 | _ | 32 | _ |
| Asset remediation/restoration: | | | | |
| Asset remediation/restoration (future works) | 1,644 | 1,137 | 1,380 | 2,168 |
| Sub-total – asset remediation/restoration | 1,644 | 1,137 | 1,380 | 2,168 |
| Total provisions | 1,678 | 1,137 | 1,412 | 2,168 |

Description of and movements in provisions

| | C | Other provisions | | |
|---|---|---------------------------|------------------|--|
| | Workers compen- sation \$ '000 | Asset remediation \$ '000 | Total \$ '000 | |
| 2023 | | | | |
| At beginning of year | 32 | 3,548 | 3,580 | |
| Unwinding of discount | - | 116 | 116 | |
| Effect of de-recognition of provision through profit and loss (Note B2-3) | - | (65) | (65) | |
| Remeasurement effect through asset (Note C1-6) | - | (818) | (818) | |
| Other | 2 | _ | 2 | |
| Total other provisions at end of year | 34 | 2,781 | 2,815 | |
| 2022 | | | | |
| At beginning of year | 42 | 3,480 | 3,522 | |
| Unwinding of discount | _ | 31 | 31 | |
| Remeasurement effect through profit and loss (Note B2-3) | _ | (172) | (172) | |
| Effect of de-recognition of provision through profit and loss (Note B2-3) | _ | (947) | (947) | |
| Remeasurement effect through asset (Note C1-6) | _ | 1,161 | 1,161 | |
| Amounts used (payments) (Note C1-6) | _ | (5) | (5) | |
| Other | (10) | _ | (10) | |
| Total other provisions at end of year | 32 | 3,548 | 3,580 | |

Nature and purpose of provisions

Asset remediation

Council has a legal/public obligation to make, restore, rehabilitate and reinstate the council tip and quarry.

Accounting policy

Provisions are recognised when Council has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount has been reliably estimated.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the reporting date. The discount rate used to determine the present value reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a borrowing cost.

Asset remediation – tips and quarries

Close-down and restoration costs include the dismantling and demolition of infrastructure, and the removal of residual materials and remediation of disturbed areas. Estimated close-down and restoration costs are provided for in the accounting period when the obligation arising from the related disturbance occurs, whether this occurs during the development or during the operation phase, based on the net present value of estimated future costs. Provisions for close-down and restoration costs do not include any additional obligations which are expected to arise from future disturbance. The cost estimates are calculated annually

C3-5 Provisions (continued)

during the life of the operation to reflect known developments, e.g. updated cost estimates and revisions to the estimated lives of operations, and are subject to formal review at regular intervals.

The ultimate cost of environmental remediation is uncertain and cost estimates can vary in response to many factors, including changes to the relevant legal requirements, the emergence of new restoration techniques, or experience at other locations. The expected timing of expenditure can also change, for example in response to changes in quarry reserves or production rates. As a result, there could be significant adjustments to the provision for close down and restoration and environmental clean-up, which would affect future financial results.

Other movements in the provisions for close-down and restoration costs, including those resulting from new disturbance, updated cost estimates, changes to the estimated lives of operations, and revisions to discount rates, are capitalised within infrastructure, property, plant and equipment. These costs are then depreciated over the lives of the assets to which they relate.

C4 Reserves

C4-1 Nature and purpose of reserves

IPPE Revaluation reserve
The infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE) revaluation reserve is used to record increments and decrements in the revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment.

D Council structure

D1 Results by fund

General fund refers to all Council activities other than water and sewer. All amounts disclosed in this note are gross i.e. inclusive of internal charges and recoveries made between the funds. Assets and liabilities shown in the water and sewer columns are restricted for use for these activities.

D1-1 Income Statement by fund

| | General 2023 | Water 2023 | Sewer 2023 |
|---|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Income from continuing operations | | | |
| Rates and annual charges | 7,735 | 1,498 | 2,638 |
| User charges and fees | 1,177 | 1,532 | 226 |
| Interest and investment income | 923 | 35 | 108 |
| Other revenues | 758 | 6 | 41 |
| Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes | 19,518 | 183 | 26 |
| Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes | 25,871 | 7,787 | 13 |
| Other income | 258 | _ | _ |
| Total income from continuing operations | 56,240 | 11,041 | 3,052 |
| Expenses from continuing operations | | | |
| Employee benefits and on-costs | 7,561 | 464 | 324 |
| Materials and services | 9,257 | 1,234 | 1,273 |
| Borrowing costs | 580 | 255 | 128 |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets | 7,246 | 896 | 585 |
| Other expenses | 790 | _ | _ |
| Net losses from the disposal of assets | 2,435 | 38 | 61 |
| Total expenses from continuing operations | 27,869 | 2,887 | 2,371 |
| Operating result from continuing operations | 28,371 | 8,154 | 681 |
| Net operating result for the year | 28,371 | 8,154 | 681 |
| Net operating result attributable to each council fund | 28,371 | 8,154 | 681 |
| Net operating result for the year before grants and contributions provided for capital purposes | 2,500 | 367 | 668 |

D1-2 Statement of Financial Position by fund

| | General 2023 \$ '000 | Water 2023 \$ '000 | Sewer 2023 \$ '000 |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 26,600 | 1,473 | 6,818 |
| Receivables | 2,641 | 749 | 214 |
| Inventories | 221 | 745 | |
| Contract assets and contract cost assets | 12,013 | 2,236 | _ |
| Total current assets | 41,475 | 4,458 | 7,032 |
| Non-current assets | | | |
| Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | 507,512 | 50,857 | 23,177 |
| Right of use assets | 264 | | _ |
| Total non-current assets | 507,776 | 50,857 | 23,177 |
| Total assets | 549,251 | 55,315 | 30,209 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Payables | 5,077 | 501 | 299 |
| Income received in advance | (5) | 5 | _ |
| Contract liabilities | 4,592 | 124 | _ |
| Lease liabilities | 54 | _ | _ |
| Borrowings | 627 | 215 | 108 |
| Employee benefit provision | 1,240 | _ | _ |
| Provisions | 1,678 | | _ |
| Total current liabilities | 13,263 | 845 | 407 |
| Non-current liabilities | | | |
| Lease liabilities | 193 | _ | _ |
| Borrowings | 13,082 | 5,585 | 1,461 |
| Provisions | 1,137 | | |
| Total non-current liabilities | 14,412 | 5,585 | 1,461 |
| Total liabilities | 27,675 | 6,430 | 1,868 |
| Net assets | 521,576 | 48,885 | 28,341 |
| EQUITY | | | |
| Accumulated surplus | 185,739 | 24,113 | 14,609 |
| Revaluation reserves | 335,837 | 24,772 | 13,732 |
| Council equity interest | 521,576 | 48,885 | 28,341 |
| Total equity | 521,576 | 48,885 | 28,341 |
| | | <u> </u> | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |

D2 Interests in other entities

D2-1 Subsidiaries, joint arrangements and associates not recognised

New England Joint Organisation (NEJO)

The NEJO was established on 11 May 2018 and is a separately constituted entity pursuant to Part 7 (Sections 4000 to 400ZH) of the *Local Government Act (NSW)* 1993, as amended, and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2008.

The principle purpose of the NEJO is to establish strategic regional priorities and to provide regional leadership to the geographical area for which it serves, and to identify and take up opportunities for intergovernmental cooperation on matters relating to the joint organisation area.

NEJO comprises of seven voting member councils: Armidale Regional Council, Glen Innes Severn Council, Inverell Shire Council, Moree Plains Shire Council, Narrabri Shire Council, Tenterfield Shire Council and Uralla Shire Council.

The Board of NEJO consists of:

- The Mayors of each Member Council, who are entitled to one (1) vote at Meetings;
- A non-voting representative of the NSW Government, who is the Regional Director of the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

The Chairperson is to be elected by the voting representatives of the Board from one (1) of the Mayoral representatives. Chairperson does not have a casting vote.

A decision of the Board is supported by a majority at which a quorum is present is a decision of NEJO.

Tenterfield Shire Council, as a member of the NEJO, has a one seventh voting right in respect to the decisions of the Board. Considering the fact that decision making is based on majority votes, council does not have control, joint control or significant influence over relevant activities of the organisation.

In accordance with the Charter each member of the NEJO contributes annual fees towards the operation of the joint organisation. In 2022/2023 the contribution made by Tenterfield Shire Council was zero due to the fact that the joint organisation decided to cease operations in the 2024 and moving forward (2022: \$13,444.55). For the period ended 30 June 2023 NEJO's net operating loss was \$25 thousand (2022: gain \$68 thousand).

North West Weight of Loads Committee (NWWLC)

Council joined the North West Weight of Loads Committee (NWWLC) in March 2021. The NWWLC is a joint venture between the Council of the Shire of Moree Plains, the Council of the Shire of Narrabri, the Western Plains Regional Council, the Council of the Shire of Glen Innes Severn, the Council of the Shire of Gunnedah, the Council of the Shire of Inverell and the Council of the Shire of Warrumbungle.

Council's interest in the group capital is 12.5% whith no control or significant influence over the group's activity. The principal activity of the NWWLC is the checking and enforcement of load weights carried by heavy vehicles on roads within the above named Council boundaries.

Tenterfield Shire Council's member contribution to the NWWLC in 2023 financial year was zero (2022: \$1,087.27).

For the period ended 30 June 2023 NWWLC's net operating income attributable to Tenterfield Shire Council was \$4,377.58 (2022: \$8,967.53).

E Risks and accounting uncertainties

E1-1 Risks relating to financial instruments held

Council's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of Council.

Council's objective is to maximise its return on cash and investments while maintaining an adequate level of liquidity and preserving capital. The finance team manage the cash and investments portfolio with the assistance of independent advisers. Council has an investment policy which complies with s 625 of the Act and the Ministerial Investment Order. The policy is regularly reviewed by Council and a monthly investment report is provided to Council setting out the make-up and performance of the portfolio as required by local government regulations.

NSW Council does not engage in transactions expressed in foreign currencies and is therefore not subject to foreign currency risk.

Financial risk management is carried out by the finance team under policies approved by the Councillors.

The fair value of receivables, loans, investments and inancial liabilities approximates the carrying amount.

The risks associated with the financial instruments held are:

- · interest rate risk the risk that movements in interest rates could affect returns
- liquidity risk the risk that Council will not be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due
- credit risk the risk that a contracting entity will not complete its obligations under a financial instrument resulting in a financial loss to Council.

Council manages these risks by diversifying its portfolio and only purchasing investments with high credit ratings or capital guarantees. Council also seeks advice from its independent advisers before placing any cash and investments.

(a) Market risk – interest rate and price risk

| 2022 | 2023 | |
|---------|---------|--|
| \$ '000 | \$ '000 | |

The impact on result for the year and equity of a reasonably possible movement in the price of investments held and interest rates is shown below. The reasonably possible movements were determined based on historical movements and economic conditions in place at the reporting date.

Impact of a 1% movement in interest rates

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(b) Credit risk

Council's receivables for the purposes of credit risk exposure comprise two categories:

- 1) Category 1: rates and annual charges (including interests on outstanding rates); statutory entitlements (GST receivable); government grants and subsidies; accrued grants income; and interest on investments.
- 2) Category 2: user charges and fees; private works; other debtors.

Council manages the credit risk associated with these receivables by monitoring outstanding debt and employing stringent debt recovery procedures. Council also encourages ratepayers to pay their rates by the due date through incentives.

The credit risk for liquid funds and other short-term financial assets is considered negligible, since the counterparties are reputable banks with high quality external credit ratings.

There are no significant concentrations of credit risk, whether through exposure to individual customers, specific industry sectors and/or regions.

Council makes suitable provision for doubtful receivables as required and carries out credit checks on most non-rate debtors.

There are no material receivables that have been subjected to a re-negotiation of repayment terms.

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E1-1 Risks relating to financial instruments held (continued)

Credit risk profile

Receivables - Category 1

Rates and annual charges (including interest on overdue rates debtors)

Credit risk on rates and annual charges is minimised by the ability of Council to recover these debts as a secured charge over the land; that is, the land can be sold to recover the debt. Council is also able to charge interest on overdue rates and annual charges at higher than market rates, which further encourages payment.

Government grants, subsidies, GST receivable

Credit risk on this type of debtors is negligible due to allocation of the funds to the council for the whole period of fund agreements, absence of evidence of default of the Australian Government in the past, currently and in the future and timely payments made by the government.

Interest on investments

The credit risk for liquid funds and other short-term financial assets is considered negligible, since the counterparties are reputable banks with high quality external credit ratings.

Contract Assets

This class of assets comprises of accrued income under various government grants. Credit risk on this type of accruals is negligible due to allocation of the funds to the council for the whole period of fund agreements, absence of evidence of default of the Australian Government in the past, currently and in the future and timely payments made by the government.

| | Not yet | overdue rates and an | | |
|--|---------|----------------------|-----------|---------|
| | overdue | < 5 years | ≥ 5 years | Total |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| 2023 | | | | |
| Gross carrying amount - Receivables (AASB 9) | 391 | _ | _ | 391 |
| Contract Assets (AASB 15 and AASB 1058) | 14,249 | - | - | 14,249 |
| 2022 | | | | |
| Gross carrying amount - Receivables (AASB 9) | 396 | _ | _ | 396 |
| Contract Assets (AASB 15 and AASB 1058) | 5,547 | _ | _ | 5,547 |

Receivables - Category 2

Fees and charges, Private works and other debtors

Council applies the simplified approach for Category 2 debtors to provide for expected credit losses prescribed by AASB 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision. To measure the expected credit losses, Category 2 debtors have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

The loss allowance provision as at 30 June 2021 is determined as follows. The expected credit losses incorporate forward-looking information.

| | Not yet | | Overdue | debts | | |
|------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|---------|
| | overdue | 0 - 30 days | 31 - 60 days | 61 - 90 days | > 91 days | Total |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| 2023 | | | | | | |
| Gross carrying amount | 3,005 | 8 | 5 | 250 | _ | 3,268 |
| Expected loss rate (%) | 0.00% | 10.00% | 15.00% | 21.38% | 0.00% | 1.68% |
| ECL provision | | 1 | 1 | 53 | <u> </u> | 55 |
| 2022 | | | | | | |
| Gross carrying amount | 2,003 | 46 | 5 | 589 | _ | 2,643 |
| Expected loss rate (%) | 0.29% | 10.00% | 15.00% | 7.30% | 0.00% | 2.05% |
| ECL provision | 6 | 5 | 1 | 43 | _ | 55 |

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E1-1 Risks relating to financial instruments held (continued)

(c) Liquidity risk

Payables, lease liability and borrowings are both subject to liquidity risk – the risk that insufficient funds may be on hand to meet payment obligations as and when they fall due.

Council manages this risk by monitoring its cash flow requirements and liquidity levels and maintaining an adequate cash buffer.

Payment terms can (in extenuating circumstances) also be extended and overdraft facilities utilised as required.

Borrowings are also subject to interest rate risk – the risk that movements in interest rates could adversely affect funding costs and debt servicing requirements. Council manages this risk through diversification of borrowing types, maturities and interest rate structures. The finance team regularly reviews interest rate movements to determine if it would be advantageous to refinance or renegotiate part or all of the loan portfolio.

The timing of cash flows presented in the table below to settle financial liabilities reflects the earliest contractual settlement dates. The timing of expected outflows is not expected to be materially different from contracted cashflows.

The amounts disclosed in the table are the undiscounted contracted cash flows for non-lease liabilities (for lease liability maturity analysis refer to Note C2-1) and therefore the balances in the table may not equal the balances in the statement of financial position due to the effect of discounting.

| | Weighted average | Subject | | payable in: | | | Actual |
|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------|----------------|-----------|---------------------|----------|
| | interest | to no maturity | ≤ 1 Year | 1 - 5 Years | > 5 Years | Total cash outflows | carrying |
| | % | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | | | \$ '000 |
| 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Payables | 0.00% | 296 | 5,581 | _ | _ | 5,877 | 5,877 |
| Loans | 4.63% | _ | 1,695 | 8,754 | 19,957 | 30,406 | 21,078 |
| Total financial liabilities | | 296 | 7,276 | 8,754 | 19,957 | 36,283 | 26,955 |
| 2022 | | | | | | | |
| Payables | 0.00% | 184 | 4,274 | _ | _ | 4,458 | 4,458 |
| Loans | 4.61% | _ | 1,575 | 7,603 | 16,244 | 25,422 | 18,849 |
| Total financial liabilities | | 184 | 5,849 | 7,603 | 16,244 | 29,880 | 23,307 |

E2-1 Fair value measurement

The Council measures the following asset and liability classes at fair value on a recurring basis:

- Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

The fair value of assets must be estimated in accordance with various accounting standards for either recognition and measurement requirements or for disclosure purposes.

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement requires all assets and liabilities measured at fair value to be assigned to a 'level' in the fair value hierarchy as follows:

Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3: Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

| | Fair value measurement hierarchy | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|-------|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | | of latest | Level 2 Signature | | | Significant bservable | To | otal |
| \$ '000 | Notes | 2023 | 2022 | observab 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | inputs 2022 1 | 2023 | 2022 1 |
| · | | | | | | | | | |
| Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | C1-6 | | | | | | | | |
| Plant and equipment | | 30/06/18 | 30/06/18 | _ | _ | 8,197 | 8,977 | 8,197 | 8,977 |
| Office equipment | | 30/06/16 | 30/06/16 | _ | _ | 271 | 326 | 271 | 326 |
| Furniture and fittings | | 30/06/16 | 30/06/16 | _ | _ | 10 | 13 | 10 | 13 |
| Crown land | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | _ | _ | 4,735 | 4,419 | 4,735 | 4,419 |
| Land – operational | | 30/06/23 | 30/06/18 | 7,220 | 4,649 | _ | _ | 7,220 | 4,649 |
| Land – community | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | _ | _ | 1,793 | 1,673 | 1,793 | 1,673 |
| Land under roads | | 30/06/14 | 30/06/14 | _ | _ | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| Land improvements – | | | | | | | | | |
| depreciated | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | - | _ | 1,266 | 1,206 | 1,266 | 1,206 |
| Buildings | | 30/06/23 | 30/06/18 | _ | _ | 28,365 | 17,853 | 28,365 | 17,853 |
| Other structures | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | _ | _ | 3,276 | 3,261 | 3,276 | 3,261 |
| Roads | | 30/06/19 | 30/06/19 | _ | _ | 237,032 | 221,523 | 237,032 | 221,523 |
| Bulk earthworks | | 30/06/19 | 30/06/19 | _ | _ | 111,625 | 102,311 | 111,625 | 102,311 |
| Footpaths | | 30/06/19 | 30/06/19 | _ | _ | 3,280 | 2,669 | 3,280 | 2,669 |
| Bridges | | 30/06/19 | 30/06/19 | _ | _ | 59,465 | 56,348 | 59,465 | 56,348 |
| Stormwater assets | | 30/06/19 | 30/06/19 | _ | _ | 4,142 | 3,954 | 4,142 | 3,954 |
| Water supply assets | | 30/06/22 | 30/06/22 | _ | _ | 38,062 | 35,729 | 38,062 | 35,729 |
| Sewerage network | | 30/06/22 | 30/06/22 | _ | _ | 21,507 | 20,098 | 21,507 | 20,098 |
| Swimming pools | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | _ | _ | 357 | 366 | 357 | 366 |
| Open space and recreation | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | _ | _ | 4,175 | 2,466 | 4,175 | 2,466 |
| Library books | | 30/06/21 | 30/06/21 | _ | _ | 41 | 73 | 41 | 73 |
| Tip assets | | 30/06/22 | 30/06/22 | _ | _ | 576 | 2,167 | 576 | 2,167 |
| Quarry assets | | 30/06/22 | 30/06/22 | _ | _ | 59 | 112 | 59 | 112 |
| Total infrastructure, | | | | | | | | | |
| property, plant and | | | | | | | | | |
| equipment | | | | 7,220 | 4,649 | 528,247 | 485,557 | 535,467 | 490,206 |

⁽¹⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

Valuation techniques

Where Council is unable to derive fair valuations using quoted market prices of identical assets (ie. level 1 inputs) Council instead utilises a spread of both observable inputs (level 2 inputs) and unobservable inputs (level 3 inputs).

The fair valuation techniques Council has employed while utilising level 2 and level 3 inputs are as follows:

E2-1 Fair value measurement (continued)

Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE)

Crown Land

All valuations of Crown Land are based upon the land valuations issued by the Valuer - General. Crown Land was valued as at 30 June 2021 using the 1 July 2019 VG valuation data. There has been no change to the valuation process during the reporting period.

Community Land

All valuations of Community Land are based upon the land valuations issued by the Valuer - General. Community Land was valued at as 30 June 2021. There has been no change to the valuation process during the reporting period.

Operational Land

The valuation of Operational Land has been based upon relevant sales in the area. In certain locations there was a lack of appropriate comparable sales evidence and in these instances the closest comparable sales and factors relating the land parcels geographic, land use and zoning where also taken into consideration. The last valuation was undertaken at 30 June 2023 by APV Valuers & Asset Management. There has been no change to the valuation process during the reporting period.

Other Structures, Swimming Pools and Open Space & Recreation Assets

The valuation process involved current replacement cost approach. Unobservable inputs such as replacement cost, asset condition and useful life required extensive professional judgement. The unobservable inputs place this class of asset at Level 3. The last valuation was undertaken on 30 June 2021 by APV Valuers and Asset Management Pty Ltd. There has been no change to the valuation process during the reporting period.

Plant & Equipment, Office Equipment, Furniture & Fittings and Library Books

Plant & Equipment, Furniture & Fittings, Library Books and Office Equipment are valued at cost but disclosed at fair value in the Notes of the financial statements. It is assumed that the carrying amount of these asset classes is approximate fair value. Assets include graders, motor vehicles, mowers, chainsaws, computers, tables, chairs, lighting, library books and resources. The key unobservable input is the condition of the assets. There has been no change to the valuation process during the reporting period.

Buildings

Buildings assets are valued externally. Council engaged APV Valuers & Asset Management to perform a comprehensive valuation of buildings assets as at 30 June 2023.

Most of the Council's buildings are specialised by nature and were valued utilising the cost approach. The approach estimated the replacement cost of each building and componentising of significant parts of specific buildings with different useful lives and taking into account a range of factors. Where the unit rates could be supported by market evidence, Level 2 inputs were utilised. Other inputs (such as estimates useful life, asset condition and componentisation) required extensive professional judgement and impacted significantly on the final determination of fair value. As such, these assets have been valued utilising Level 3 inputs.

There were no changes in valuation technique from prior year.

Water supply and Sewerage network assets

Due to specialised nature of the assets all water and sewer network assets were valued using cost approach with the Level 3 input dominating the valuation. As a result, this class of assets is always valued externally with sufficient regularity to ensure carrying amount of the assets is not materially different to fair value. Council engaged independent professional valuer, Australis Asset Advisory Group, to perform a comprehensive revaluation of its water and sewerage supply network assets as at 30 June 2022.

Valuer applied significant judgement in determining following inputs into the valuation process: unit rates, condition assessment and obsolescence, useful life. The valuation technique has not changed from previous year.

Transportation assets

Transportation assets is a valuation class of asset for the purposes of AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement which combines following classes of assets from Note C1-6: roads, bridges, footpaths, bulk earthworks, stormwater drainage.

This valuation relies on key unobservable inputs such as unit rates, condition ratings, useful life. The key unobservable inputs and no active market place these assets categories at Level 3. The last valuation of replacement cost was undertaken on 30

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E2-1 Fair value measurement (continued)

June 2019 by AssetVal Pty Ltd. Further adjustments were then applied based on the condition of the assets using internal inspection data.

Remediation Assets for Tips and Quarries

Restoration, cell capping, leachate collection and site closures have been recognised as significant costs for the remediation assets. In particular, the closing of a landfill site will include preparation, final cell capping, site re-vegetation and leachate management. The key unobservable inputs are discount rate, estimated costs, legislative requirements, and timing of remediation and indexation of labour costs. Council engaged an external independent valuation firm (Australis) to update critical estimates related to rehabilitation of a tip and used interal expertise to update critical estimates for remediation of quarries on 30 June 2022.

Fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)

There were no movements between levels of hierarchy during the year. The operational land level of hierarchy was adjusted to Level 2 retrospectively. For schedule of changes in values please refer to Note C1-6.

Highest and best use

All of Council's non-financial assets are considered as being utilised for their highest and best use.

E3-1 Contingencies

The following assets and liabilities do not qualify for recognition in the Statement of Financial Position, but their knowledge and disclosure is considered relevant to the users of Council's financial report.

LIABILITIES NOT RECOGNISED

1. Guarantees

(i) Defined benefit superannuation contribution plans

Council is party to an Industry Defined Benefit Plan under the Local Government Superannuation Scheme, named The Local Government Superannuation Scheme – Pool B (the Scheme) which is a defined benefit plan that has been deemed to be a 'multi-employer fund' for purposes of AASB119 Employee Benefits for the following reasons:

- Assets are not segregated within the sub-group according to the employees of each sponsoring employer.
- The contribution rates have been the same for all sponsoring employers. That is, contribution rates have not varied for each sponsoring employer according to the experience relating to the employees of that sponsoring employer.
- Benefits for employees of all sponsoring employers are determined according to the same formulae and without regard to the sponsoring employer.
- The same actuarial assumptions are currently used in respect of the employees of each sponsoring employer.

Given the factors above, each sponsoring employer is exposed to the actuarial risks associated with current and former employees of other sponsoring employers, and hence shares in the associated gains and losses (to the extent that they are not borne by members).

Description of the funding arrangements.

Pooled Employers are required to pay future service employer contributions and past service employer contributions to the Fund.

The future service employer contributions were determined using the new entrant rate method under which a contribution rate sufficient to fund the total benefits over the working life-time of a typical new entrant is calculated. The current future service employer contribution rates are::

| Division B | 1.9 times member contributions for non-180 Point Members; Nil for 180 Point Members* |
|------------|---|
| Division C | 2.5% salaries |
| Division D | 1.64 times member contributions |

^{*} For 180 Point Members, Employers are required to contribute 8% of salaries for the year ending 30 June 2023 (increasing to 8.5% in line with the increase in the Superannuation Guarantee) to these members' accumulation accounts, which are paid in addition to members' defined benefits.

The past service contribution for each Pooled Employer is a share of the total past service contributions of \$20.0 million per annum for 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2024, apportioned according to each employer's share of the accrued liabilities as at 30 June 2022. These past service contributions are used to maintain the adequacy of the funding position for the accrued liabilities.

The adequacy of contributions is assessed at each triennial actuarial investigation and monitored annually between triennials.

Description of the extent to which Council can be liable to the plan for other Council's obligations under the terms and conditions of the multi-employer plan

As stated above, each sponsoring employer (Council) is exposed to the actuarial risks associated with current and former employees of other sponsoring employers and hence shares in the associated gains and losses.

However, there is no relief under the Fund's trust deed for employers to walk away from their defined benefit obligations. Under limited circumstances, an employer may withdraw from the plan when there are no active members, on full payment of outstanding additional contributions. There is no provision for allocation of any surplus which may be present at the date of withdrawal of the Council.

There are no specific provisions under the Fund's trust deed dealing with deficits or surplus on wind-up.

There is no provision for allocation of any surplus which may be present at the date of withdrawal of an employer.

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E3-1 Contingencies (continued)

The amount of Council employer contributions to the defined benefit section of the Local Government Superannuation Scheme and recognised as an expense for the year ending 30 June 2023 was \$49,238.34. The last valuation of the Scheme was performed by fund actuary, Richard Boyfield, FIAA as at 30 June 2022.

The amount of additional contributions included in the total employer contribution advised above is \$38,548.68. Council's expected contribution to the plan for the next annual reporting period is \$48,122.04.

The estimated employer reserves financial position for the Pooled Employers at 30 June 2023 is:

| Employer reserves only * | \$millions | Asset Coverage |
|--------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Assets | 2,290.9 | |
| Past Service Liabilities | 2,236.1 | 102.4% |
| Vested Benefits | 2,253.6 | 101.7% |

^{*} excluding member accounts and reserves in both assets and liabilities.

The share of any funding surplus or deficit that can be attributed to Council is 0.19%

Council's share of that deficiency cannot be accurately calculated as the Scheme is a mutual arrangement where assets and liabilities are pooled together for all member councils. For this reason, no liability for the deficiency has been recognised in Council's accounts. Council has a possible obligation that may arise should the Scheme require immediate payment to correct the deficiency.

The key economic long term assumptions used to calculate the present value of accrued benefits are:

| Investment return | 6.0% per annum |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Salary inflation * | 3.5% per annum |
| Increase in CPI | 6% for FY 22/23 per annum |
| | 2.5% per annum thereafter |

^{*} Plus promotional increases

The contribution requirements may vary from the current rates if the overall sub-group experience is not in line with the actuarial assumptions in determining the funding program; however, any adjustment to the funding program would be the same for all sponsoring employers in the Pooled Employers group.

Please note that the estimated employer reserves financial position above is a prelimnary calculation, and once all the relevant information has been received by the Funds Actuary, the final end of year review, which will be a triennial actuarial investigation will be completed by December 2023

(ii) Statewide Limited

Council is a member of Statewide Mutual, a mutual pool scheme providing liability insurance to local government.

Membership includes the potential to share in either the net assets or liabilities of the fund depending on its past performance. Council's share of the net assets or liabilities reflects Council's contributions to the pool and the result of insurance claims within each of the fund years.

The future realisation and finalisation of claims incurred but not reported to 30 June this year may result in future liabilities or benefits as a result of past events that Council will be required to fund or share in respectively.

(iii) StateCover Limited

Council is a member of StateCover Mutual Limited and holds a partly paid share in the entity.

StateCover is a company providing workers compensation insurance cover to the NSW local government industry and specifically Council.

Council has a contingent liability to contribute further equity in the event of the erosion of the company's capital base as a result of the company's past performance and/or claims experience or as a result of any increased prudential requirements from APRA.

These future equity contributions would be required to maintain the company's minimum level of net assets in accordance with its licence requirements.

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E3-1 Contingencies (continued)

(iv) Other guarantees

Council has provided no other guarantees other than those listed above.

E3-1 Contingencies (continued)

2. Other liabilities

(i) Third party claims

The Council is involved from time to time in various claims incidental to the ordinary course of business including claims for damages relating to its services.

Council believes that it is appropriately covered for all claims through its insurance coverage and does not expect any material liabilities to eventuate.

(ii) Potential land acquisitions due to planning restrictions imposed by Council

Council has classified a number of privately owned land parcels as local open space or bushland.

As a result, where notified in writing by the various owners, Council will be required to purchase these land parcels.

At reporting date, reliable estimates as to the value of any potential liability (and subsequent land asset) from such potential acquisitions has not been possible.

ASSETS NOT RECOGNISED

(i) Land under roads

As permitted under AASB 1051, Council has elected not to bring to account land under roads that it owned or controlled up to and including 30/6/08.

(ii) Infringement notices/fines

Fines and penalty income, the result of Council issuing infringement notices is followed up and collected by the Infringement Processing Bureau.

Council's revenue recognition policy for such income is to account for it as revenue on receipt.

Accordingly, at year end, there is a potential asset due to Council representing issued but unpaid infringement notices.

Due to the limited information available on the status, value and duration of outstanding notices, Council is unable to determine the value of outstanding income.

F People and relationships

F1 Related party disclosures

F1-1 Key management personnel (KMP)

Key management personnel (KMP) of the council are those persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the council, directly or indirectly.

The aggregate amount of KMP compensation included in the Income Statement is:

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Compensation: | | Ψ 000 |
| Short-term benefits | 977 | 963 |
| Post-employment benefits | 81 | 70 |
| Total | 1,058 | 1,033 |

F1-2 Councillor and Mayoral fees and associated expenses

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| The aggregate amount of Councillor and Mayoral fees and associated expenses included in materials and services expenses in the Income Statement are: | | |
| Mayoral fee | 25 | 27 |
| Councillors' fees | 113 | 118 |
| Other Councillors' expenses (including Mayor) | 37 | 39 |
| Total | 175 | 184 |

F2 Other relationships

F2-1 Audit fees

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| During the year, the following fees were incurred for services provided by the auditor of Council, related practices and non-related audit firms | | |
| Auditors of the Council - NSW Auditor-General: | | |
| (i) Audit and other assurance services | | |
| Audit and review of financial statements | 61_ | 60 |
| Remuneration for audit and other assurance services | 61 | 60 |
| Total Auditor-General remuneration | 61 | 60 |
| Total audit fees | 61 | 60 |

G Other matters

G1-1 Statement of Cash Flows information

Reconciliation of net operating result to cash provided from operating activities

| | 2023 | 2022 1 |
|---|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| | , | , |
| Net operating result from Income Statement | 37,206 | 16,667 |
| Add / (less) non-cash items: | | |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 8,727 | 7,848 |
| (Gain) / loss on disposal of assets | 2,534 | 2,994 |
| Net effect from de-recognition of remediaton provision | (65) | (1,119) |
| Unwinding of discount rates on reinstatement provisions | 116 | 31 |
| Movements in operating assets and liabilities and other cash items: | | |
| (Increase) / decrease of receivables | 327 | 2,005 |
| (Increase) / decrease of inventories | 73 | (9) |
| Decrease/(increase) in accrued grants income | _ | _ |
| (Increase) / decrease of contract asset | (8,702) | 1,870 |
| Increase / (decrease) in payables | 1,261 | 1,681 |
| Increase / (decrease) in accrued interest payable | 134 | 60 |
| Increase / (decrease) in other accrued expenses payable | (3) | 43 |
| Increase / (decrease) in other liabilities | (70) | 297 |
| Increase / (decrease) in contract liabilities | (7,005) | 8,309 |
| Increase / (decrease) in employee benefit provision | (299) | (373) |
| Increase / (decrease) in other provisions | 2 | 27 |
| Net cash flows from operating activities | 34,236 | 40,331 |

⁽¹⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

G2-1 Commitments

| Capital commitments (exclusive of GST) | | |
|--|---------|---------|
| | 2023 | 2022 |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Capital expenditure committed for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities: | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | |
| Water Supply | 279 | 8,340 |
| Plant and equipment | _ | 216 |
| Intangibles | _ | 51 |
| Sewer Network | _ | 117 |
| Waste Management | 222 | 100 |
| Roads | 2,350 | 8,141 |
| Parks | 16 | 147 |

| Roads | 2,350 | 8,141 |
|---|-------|--------|
| Parks | 16 | 147 |
| Buildings | 49 | 139 |
| Other | 820 | 5 |
| Total commitments | 3,736 | 17,256 |
| These expenditures are payable as follows: | | |
| Within the next year | 3,736 | 17,256 |
| Total payable | 3,736 | 17,256 |
| Sources for funding of capital commitments: | | |
| Unrestricted general funds | 201 | 384 |
| Future grants and contributions | 2,112 | 14,089 |
| Externally restricted reserves | 254 | 275 |
| Internally restricted reserves | 1,169 | 2,508 |
| Total sources of funding | 3,736 | 17,256 |

G3-1 Events occurring after the reporting date

Council is unaware of any material or significant 'non-adjusting events' that should be disclosed. No other matters have arisen subsequent to balance date that would require these financial statements to be amended

G4 Changes from prior year statements

G4-1 Correction of errors

Intangible assets

Council uses various software to manage operations on a day-to-day basis. The software is used by council under Software as a Service agreements. Historically, expenditure associated with software upgrades, configurations, customisation and implementation of new modules have been recognised as intangible assets. However, this expenditure does not meet asset recognition criteria under AASB 138 *Intangible Assets* on the ground of lack of control over the software.

The error identified above has been corrected by restating the balances at the beginning of the earliest period presented (1 July 2021) and taking the adjustment through to accumulated surplus at that date.

Comparatives have been changed to reflect the correction of the error. The impact on each line item is shown in the tables below.

Bridges write-off

As a result of severe weather and flooding events in February 2022, two bridges have been destroyed. Management managed to assess the damage in 2023 financial year only. Because the actual event occurred in 2022 financial year, the carrying amount (\$946 thousand) of the bridges should have been written off in 2022 financial year.

The error identified above has been corrected by restating the balances at 30 June 2022 and taking the adjustment through to accumulated surplus at that date.

Comparatives have been changed to reflect the correction of the error. The impact on each line item is shown in the tables below.

Impairment of roads and bulk earthworks

As a result of severe weather and flooding events in February 2022, council's road network was significantly damaged. Council managed to assess the damage in 2023 financial year only. Because the actual event occurred in 2022 financial year, the effect of damage in amount of \$17,297 thousand should have been recognised as impairment in 2022 financial year. Total impairment is split between roads class of assets (\$15,904 thousand) and bulk earthworks (\$1,393 thousand).

The error identified above has been corrected by restating the balances at 30 June 2022 and taking the adjustment through to revaluation reserve at that date.

Comparatives have been changed to reflect the correction of the error. The impact on each line item is shown in the tables below.

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G4-1 Correction of errors (continued)

Changes to the opening Statement of Financial Position at 1 July 2021

| | Original Balance 1 July, 2021 \$ '000 | Impact Increase/ (decrease) \$ '000 | Restated Balance 1 July, 2021 \$ '000 |
|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| Intangible assets | 789 | (789) | _ |
| Total non-current assets | 470,039 | (789) | 469,250 |
| Total assets | 496,220 | (789) | 495,431 |
| Net assets | 471,016 | (789) | 470,227 |
| Accumulated Surplus | 171,377 | (789) | 170,588 |
| Total equity | 471,016 | (789) | 470,227 |

Adjustments to the comparative figures for the year ended 30 June 2022

| | Original Balance 30 June, 2022 \$ '000 | Impact Increase/ (decrease) \$ '000 | Restated Balance 30 June, 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|---|--|---|
| Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | 531,427 | (18,243) | 513,184 |
| Intangible assets | 772 | (772) | |
| Total non-current assets | 532,325 | (19,015) | 513,310 |
| Total assets | 578,326 | (19,015) | 559,311 |
| Net assets | 538,030 | (19,015) | 519,015 |
| Accumulated Surplus | 188,973 | (1,718) | 187,255 |
| Revaluation Reserves | 349,057 | (17,297) | 331,760 |
| Total equity | 538,030 | (19,015) | 519,015 |

G4-1 Correction of errors (continued)

Income Statement

| | Original Balance 30 June, 2022 \$ '000 | Impact Increase/ (decrease) \$ '000 | Restated Balance 30 June, 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|---|--|---|
| Materials and services | 10,132 | 80 | 10,212 |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets | 7,945 | (97) | 7,848 |
| Net loss from the disposal of assets | 2,048 | 946 | 2,994 |
| Net operating result for the year | 17,596 | (929) | 16,667 |

Statement of Comprehensive Income

| | Original Balance 30 June, 2022 \$ '000 | Impact Increase/ (decrease) \$ '000 | Restated Balance 30 June, 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|---|--|---|
| Net operating result for the year | 17,596 | (929) | 16,667 |
| Impairment (loss) reversal / (revaluation decrement) relating to infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | _ | (17,297) | (17,297) |
| Total other comprehensive income | 49,418 | (17,297) | 32,121 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to Council | 67,014 | (18,226) | 48,788 |

G5 Statement of developer contributions as at 30 June 2023

G5-1 Summary of developer contributions

| | Opening | Contributio | ons received during the year | | Interest and | Expenditure during | | Held as | Cumulative balance of internal |
|---|---------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | balance at 1 July 2022 | Cash | Non-cash Land | Non-cash Other | investment income earned | year and transfers to unrestricted | Internal borrowings | restricted asset at 30 June 2023 | borrowings (to)/from |
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Drainage | 4 | 3 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 7 | _ |
| Roads | 301 | 209 | _ | _ | 16 | (69) | _ | 457 | _ |
| New multi-residential development | 4 | 101 | _ | _ | 2 | _ | _ | 107 | _ |
| Open space | 4 | 3 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 7 | _ |
| Community facilities | 10 | 8 | _ | _ | 1 | _ | _ | 19 | _ |
| Emergency services | 20 | 15 | _ | _ | 1 | _ | _ | 36 | _ |
| Waste management | 37 | 27 | _ | _ | 2 | _ | _ | 66 | _ |
| Other | 11 | 8 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 19 | _ |
| S7.11 contributions – under a plan | 391 | 374 | _ | _ | 22 | (69) | _ | 718 | - |
| Total S7.11 and S7.12 revenue under plans | 391 | 374 | _ | _ | 22 | (69) | _ | 718 | _ |
| S64 contributions | 79 | 69 | _ | - | 4 | _ | | 152 | _ |
| Total contributions | 470 | 443 | _ | _ | 26 | (69) | _ | 870 | _ |

Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, Council has significant obligations to provide Section 7.11 (contributions towards provision or improvement of amenities or services) infrastructure in new release areas.

It is possible that the funds contributed may be less than the cost of this infrastructure, requiring Council to borrow or use general revenue to fund the difference.

G5-2 Developer contributions by plan

| | Opening balance at 1 July 2022 \$ '000 | Contribution Cash | ons received during the yo Non-cash Land \$'000 | ear Non-cash Other \$ '000 | Interest and investment income earned \$ '000 | Expenditure during year and transfers to unrestricted \$ '000 | Internal borrowings \$ '000 | Held as restricted asset at 30 June 2023 \$ '000 | Cumulative balance of internal borrowings (to)/from \$ '000 |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| CONTRIBUTION PLAN NUMBER 2 | 2013 | | | | | | | | |
| Drainage | 4 | 3 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 7 | _ |
| Roads | 301 | 209 | _ | _ | 16 | (69) | _ | 457 | _ |
| New multi-residential development | 4 | 101 | _ | _ | 2 | _ | _ | 107 | _ |
| Open space | 4 | 3 | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | 7 | _ |
| Community facilities | 10 | 8 | _ | _ | 1 | _ | _ | 19 | _ |
| Emergency services | 20 | 15 | _ | _ | 1 | _ | _ | 36 | _ |
| Waste management | 37 | 27 | _ | _ | 2 | _ | _ | 66 | _ |
| Other | 11_ | 8 | | _ | _ | | | 19 | |
| Total | 391 | 374 | _ | _ | 22 | (69) | _ | 718 | _ |

G6 Statement of performance measures

G6-1 Statement of performance measures – consolidated results

| \$ '000 | | Amounts | Indicator | Indic | ators | Benchmark |
|--|---|---------|-----------|------------|---------|-----------|
| 1. Operating performance ratio Total continuing operating revenue excluding capital grants and contributions less operating expenses 1.2 1. Operating performance ratio Total continuing operating revenue excluding capital grants and contributions 1 2. Own source operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 2. Own source operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 Total continuing operating revenue excluding all grants and contributions 1 16,935 24.08% 32.79% 31.97% > 60.00% 2.25x > 1.50x 4. Debt service cover ratio Operating result before capital excluding interest and depreciation/impairment/amortisation 1 Total continuing operating excluding interest and depreciation/impairment/amortisation 1 15,759 1,890 1,890 1,890 1,890 2.20x 6.98x > 2.00x 2.00x 2.00x 2.00x 3.86% 4.01% 4.41% < 10.00% 6. Cash expense cover ratio Current year's cash and cash equivalents plus all | | | | Restated | | |
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⁽¹⁾ Excludes fair value increments on investment properties, reversal of revaluation decrements, reversal of impairment losses on receivables, net gain on sale of assets and net share of interests in joint ventures and associates using the equity method and includes pensioner rate subsidies

⁽²⁾ Excludes impairment/revaluation decrements of IPPE, fair value decrements on investment properties, net loss on disposal of assets and net loss on share of interests in joint ventures and associates using the equity method

⁽³⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

G6-2 Statement of performance measures by fund

| | General Indicators ³ | | Water Indicators | | Sewer Indicators | | Benchmark | |
|--|---------------------------------|--------|------------------|--------|------------------|--------|-----------|--|
| \$ '000 | 2023 | 2022 4 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | | |
| 1. Operating performance ratio | | | | | | | | |
| Total continuing operating revenue excluding capital grants and contributions less operating expenses 1,2 | 16.58% | 10.92% | 11.28% | 15.00% | 21.98% | 29.53% | > 0.00% | |
| Total continuing operating revenue excluding capital grants and contributions ¹ | _ | | | | | | | |
| 2. Own source operating revenue ratio | | | | | | | | |
| Total continuing operating revenue excluding capital grants and contributions ¹ Total continuing operating revenue ¹ | 19.29% | 25.82% | 27.81% | 58.10% | 98.72% | 98.10% | > 60.00% | |
| 3. Unrestricted current ratio | | | | | | | | |
| Current assets less all external restrictions | - 2.73x | 1.95x | 5.28x | 3.79x | 17.28x | 36.56x | > 1.50x | |
| Current liabilities less specific purpose liabilities | 2.100 | 1.55% | J.20X | 3.73% | 17.20 | 30.30 | > 1.50X | |
| 4. Debt service cover ratio | | | | | | | | |
| Operating result before capital excluding interest and depreciation/impairment/amortisation ¹ | | | | | | | | |
| Principal repayments (Statement of Cash Flows) plus borrowing costs (Income | 10.40x | 12.16x | 3.57x | 3.64x | 6.06x | 6.42x | > 2.00x | |
| Statement) | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Rates and annual charges outstanding percentage | | | | | | | | |
| Rates and annual charges outstanding | - 5.79% | 5.91% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | < 10.00% | |
| Rates and annual charges collectable | 0.7070 | 0.0170 | 0.0070 | 0.0070 | 0.0070 | 0.0070 | 10.0070 | |
| 6. Cash expense cover ratio | | | | | | | | |
| Current year's cash and cash equivalents plus all term deposits | 14.00 | 20.59 | 8.88 | 21.97 | 45.81 | 49.92 | > 3.00 | |
| Monthly payments from cash flow of operating and financing activities | months | months | months | months | months | months | months | |

⁽⁴⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

^{(1) - (2)} Refer to Notes at Note G5-1 above.

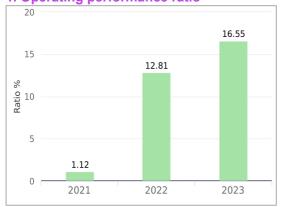
⁽³⁾ General fund refers to all of Council's activities except for its water and sewer activities which are listed separately.

End of the audited financial statements

H Additional Council disclosures (unaudited)

H1-1 Statement of performance measures – consolidated results (graphs)

1. Operating performance ratio



Purpose of operating performance ratio

This ratio measures Council's achievement of containing operating expenditure within operating revenue.

Commentary on 2022/23 result

2022/23 ratio 16.55%

The ratio of 9.13% is higher than the benchmark of >0.00%, however lower than last FY 2021-22 of 12.81%. This is mainly due to increase in operational expenditure associated with grant related disaster recovery works and an increase in depreciation expenses due to indexation of infrastructure assets.

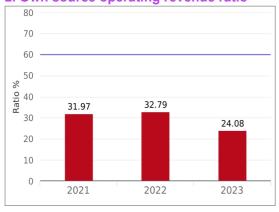
Benchmark: - > 0.00%

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

2. Own source operating revenue ratio



Purpose of own source operating revenue ratio

This ratio measures fiscal flexibility. It is the degree of reliance on external funding sources such as operating grants and contributions.

Commentary on 2022/23 result

2022/23 ratio 24.08%

Council ratio of 25.07% is below the benchmark ratio (>60.00%) in the FY 2022-23. Council was partially successful in its IPART application for a Special Rate Variation and was approved 43% rates increase (including rate peg) for FY 2023-24. The impact of this determination should reflect a better ratio result in FY 2023-24. Council is also considering sale of underperforming assets to increase its operating ratio for next financial year.

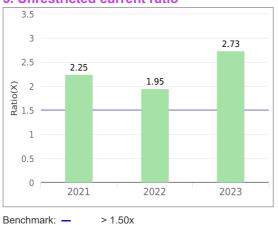
Benchmark: - > 60.00%

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

3. Unrestricted current ratio



Purpose of unrestricted current ratio

To assess the adequacy of working capital and its ability to satisfy obligations in the short term for the unrestricted activities of Council.

Commentary on 2022/23 result

2022/23 ratio 2.73x

Council ratio of 2.73x is above the benchmark of (1.50x) and slightly higher than previous year ratio of 1.95x. Council continues to address its unrestricted funds and maintain good governance over its working capital to ensure the ratio is above the benchmark.

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Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

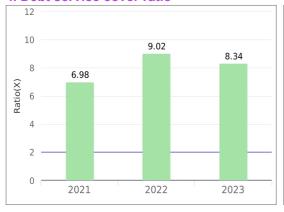
Ratio is outside benchmark

Ratio achieves benchmark

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H1-1 Statement of performance measures – consolidated results (graphs) (continued)

4. Debt service cover ratio



Purpose of debt service cover ratio

This ratio measures the availability of operating cash to service debt including interest, principal and lease payments

Commentary on 2022/23 result

2022/23 ratio 8.34x

Council continues to maintain its ratio above the benchmark of (>2.00x). Council aims to improve its funding source (through Special Rate Variation and selling of assets) to reduce future borrowings and monitor its borrowing and loan repayment capacity by focusing on long term – intergenerational asset creation.

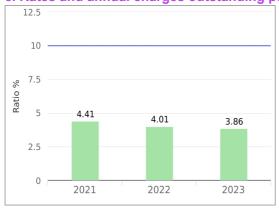
Benchmark: — > 2.00x

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

5. Rates and annual charges outstanding percentage



Purpose of rates and annual charges outstanding percentage

To assess the impact of uncollected rates and annual charges on Council's liquidity and the adequacy of recovery efforts.

Commentary on 2022/23 result

2022/23 ratio 3.86%

Council ratio of 3.86% is well within the benchmark of (<10%). Council ratio has further improved from 4.01% in last financial year.

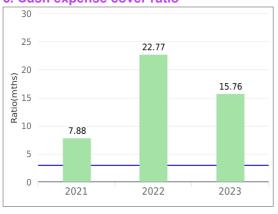
Benchmark: - < 10.00%

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

6. Cash expense cover ratio



Purpose of cash expense cover ratio

This liquidity ratio indicates the number of months a Council can continue paying for its immediate expenses without additional cash inflow.

Commentary on 2022/23 result

2022/23 ratio 15.76 months

Council ratio of 19.05 months is well above the benchmark of (>3 months). This is predominately due to council being in receipt of grants and contribution for both operational and capital purposes. Council also received 100% of Financial Assistance Grant for FY 2023-24 in FY 2022-23 which has resulted in a strong cash expense ratio.

Benchmark: - > 3.00months

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the general purpose financial statements Tenterfield Shire Council

To the Councillors of Tenterfield Shire Council

Qualified Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Tenterfield Shire Council (the Council), which comprise the Statement by Councillors and Management, the Income Statement and Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2023, the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2023, the Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended and notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In my opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the 'Basis for Qualified Opinion' section of my report:

- the Council's accounting records have been kept in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993, Chapter 13, Part 3, Division 2 (the Division)
- the financial statements:
 - have been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of this Division
 - are consistent with the Council's accounting records
 - present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Council as at 30 June 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards
- · all information relevant to the conduct of the audit has been obtained
- no material deficiencies in the accounting records or financial statements have come to light during the audit.

My qualified opinion should be read in conjunction with the rest of this report.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Non recognition of rural fire-fighting equipment and buildings

As disclosed in Note C1-6 'Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment' to the financial statements, the Council has not recognised rural fire-fighting equipment and buildings located on land that is controlled and recognised by the Council as assets in the Statement of Financial Position at 30 June 2023. In my opinion, these assets are controlled by the Council and should be recognised as assets in accordance with AASB 116 'Property, Plant and Equipment'.

Australian Accounting Standards refer to control of an asset as being the ability to direct the use of, and obtain substantially all the remaining benefits from, the asset. Control includes the ability to prevent other entities from directing the use of, and obtaining the benefits from, an asset.

Rural fire-fighting equipment is controlled by the Council as:

- these assets are vested in the Council under section 119(2) of the *Rural Fires Act* 1997 (Rural Fires Act), giving the Council legal ownership
- the Council has the ability, outside of emergency events as defined in section 44 of the Rural Fires Act, to prevent the NSW Rural Fire Service from directing the use of the rural fire-fighting equipment by either not entering into a service agreement, or cancelling the existing service agreement that was signed on 10 October 2012
- the Council has specific responsibilities for fire mitigation and safety works and bush fire hazard reduction under Part 4 of the Rural Fires Act. The Council obtains economic benefits from the rural fire-fighting equipment as these assets are used to fulfil Council's responsibilities
- in the event of the loss of an asset, the insurance proceeds must be paid into the New South Wales Rural Fire Fighting Fund (section 119(4) of the Rural Fires Act) and be used to reacquire or build a similar asset, which is again vested in the Council as an asset provided free of charge.

Rural fire-fighting buildings are controlled by the Council where the buildings are located on land that is controlled and recognised by the Council. This gives the Council the ability to allow or prevent other entities from directing the use of, and obtaining the benefits from these assets.

While Council has undertaken procedures to confirm the fair value of these assets, including assets vested in it during the year, it has not recognised these assets in the financial statements. When these assets are vested, no financial consideration is required from the Council and as such these are assets provided to Council free-of-charge.

The effect of the non-recognition is:

- rural fire-fighting equipment assets and buildings located on land that is controlled and recognised by the Council are understated by \$5.2 million in the Statement of Financial Position and related notes as at 30 June 2023
- 'Accumulated surplus' is understated by \$5.2 million in the Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Financial Position
- 'Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes' income, representing the fair value of rural fire-fighting equipment assets that have been vested as assets received free of charge, and 'Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets' expense in the Income Statement is understated by \$130,000 and \$345,000, respectively for the year ended 30 June 2023. 'Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets' expense is recognised over the useful lives of these assets, which is offset by 'Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes' income recognised at the point the rural fire-fighting equipment assets are vested as an asset received free of charge
- the 'Operating performance' and 'Own source operating revenue' ratios in Note G6-1 'Statement of performance measures consolidated results' is 15.61% instead of 16.55% and 24.03% instead of 24.08%, respectively
- the 'Operating performance' and 'Own source operating revenue' ratios in Note G6-2 'Statement of performance measures by fund' (General fund) is 15.44% instead of 16.58% and 19.25% instead of 19.29%, respectively.

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under the standards are described in the 'Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements' section of my report.

I am independent of the Council in accordance with the requirements of the:

- Australian Auditing Standards
- Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 'Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)' (APES 110).

Parliament promotes independence by ensuring the Auditor-General and the Audit Office of New South Wales are not compromised in their roles by:

- providing that only Parliament, and not the executive government, can remove an Auditor-General
- mandating the Auditor-General as auditor of councils
- precluding the Auditor-General from providing non-audit services.

I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with APES 110.

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

Other Information

The Council's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 includes other information in addition to the financial statements and my Independent Auditor's Report thereon. The Councillors are responsible for the other information. At the date of this Independent Auditor's Report, the other information I have received comprise the special purpose financial statements and Special Schedules (the Schedules).

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information. Accordingly, I do not express any form of assurance conclusion on the other information. However, as required by the *Local Government Act 1993*, I have separately expressed an opinion on the special purpose financial statements and Special Schedule - Permissible income for general rates.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude there is a material misstatement of the other information, I must report that fact.

I have nothing to report in this regard.

The Councillors' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, the Councillors are responsible for assessing the 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to:

- obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- issue an Independent Auditor's Report including my opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not guarantee an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect material misstatements. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. Misstatements are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions users take based on the financial statements.

A description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. The description forms part of my auditor's report.

The scope of my audit does not include, nor provide assurance:

- that the Council carried out its activities effectively, efficiently and economically
- on the Original Budget information included in the Income Statement, Statement of Cash Flows, and Note B5-1 'Material budget variations'
- on the Special Schedules. A separate opinion has been provided on Special Schedule - Permissible income for general rates
- about the security and controls over the electronic publication of the audited financial statements on any website where they may be presented
- about any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the financial statements.

Jan-Michael Perez

MP

Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

21 December 2023 SYDNEY



Councillor Brownyn Petrie Mayor Tenterfield Shire Council PO Box 214 TENTERFIELD NSW 2372

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21 December 2023

Dear Mayor

Report on the Conduct of the Audit for the year ended 30 June 2023 Tenterfield Shire Council

I have audited the general purpose financial statements (GPFS) of the Tenterfield Shire Council (the Council) for the year ended 30 June 2023 as required by section 415 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 (the Act).

I expressed a modified opinion on the Council's GPFS.

This Report on the Conduct of the Audit (the Report) for the Council for the year ended 30 June 2023 is issued in accordance with section 417 of the Act. This Report should be read in conjunction with my audit opinion on the GPFS issued under section 417(2) of the Act.

SIGNIFICANT AUDIT ISSUES AND OBSERVATIONS

I identified the following significant audit issue and observations during my audit of the Council's financial statements. These issues and observations were addressed as part of my audit.

Non-recognition of rural fire-fighting equipment and buildings

The Council has not recognised rural fire-fighting equipment and buildings located on land that is controlled and recognised by the Council as assets within 'Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment' in the Statement of Financial Position at 30 June 2023. In my opinion, these assets are controlled by the Council and should be recognised as assets in accordance with AASB 116 'Property, Plant and Equipment'.

Australian Accounting Standards refer to control of an asset as being the ability to direct the use of, and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits from, the asset. Control includes the ability to prevent other entities from directing the use of, and obtaining the benefits from, an asset.

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 prevent the NSW Rural Fire Service from directing the use of the rural fire-fighting equipment by

- either not entering into a service agreement, or cancelling the existing service agreement that was signed onv10 October 2012
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Rural fire-fighting buildings are controlled by the Council where the buildings are located on land that is controlled and recognised by the Council. This gives the Council the ability to allow or prevent other entities from directing the use of, and obtaining the benefits from these assets.

While Council has undertaken procedures to confirm the fair value of this equipment and buildings located on land that is controlled and recognised by the Council, including equipment vested in it during the year, it has not recognised these assets in the financial statements. When these assets are vested, no financial consideration is required from the Council and as such the assets are provided to the Council free of charge.

This has resulted in the audit opinion on the Council's 30 June 2023 GPFS to be modified.

Refer to the Independent Auditor's Report on the GPFS.

INCOME STATEMENT

Operating result

| | 2023 | 2022* | Variance |
|--|------|-------|----------|
| | \$m | \$m | % |
| Rates and annual charges revenue | 11.9 | 11.3 | 5.4 |
| Grants and contributions revenue | 53.4 | 32.2 | 65.7 |
| Operating result from continuing operations* | 37.2 | 16.7 | 123.2 |
| Net operating result before capital grants and contributions | 3.5 | 1.2 | 204.2 |

^{*} The 2022 comparatives have been restated to correct a prior period error. Note G4-1 of the financial statements provides details of the prior period error.

Rates and annual charges revenue (\$11.9 million) increased by \$611,000 (5.4 per cent) in 2022–23, this was mainly due to rate peg increase of 0.7 per cent resulting in an uplift of \$30,000 for specific user charges, \$188,000 increase in water supply services, \$140,000 increase in sewerage services and \$253,000 increase for waste management services.

Grants and contributions revenue (\$53.4 million) increased by \$21.2 million (65.7 per cent) in 2022–23 predominately due to:

\$9.6 million increase in transport capital grants recognised

- \$3.6 million increase in transport operational grants recognised mainly relating to the Regional and local roads repair program funding projects
- \$6.2 million increase in capital grants recognised
- \$2.1 million increase in recreation and culture capital grants recognised
- \$956,000 increase in financial assistance grants due to receiving 100 per cent of the financial assistance grants for 2023-24 in advance (75 per cent in 2021-22).

Offset by:

\$1.4 million decrease in disaster recovery funding grants recognised during the year.

The Council's operating result from continuing operations (\$37.2 million including depreciation, amortisation and impairment expense of \$8.7 million) was \$20.5 million higher than the 2021–22 result. This was primarily due to the increase in grants and contributions explained above.

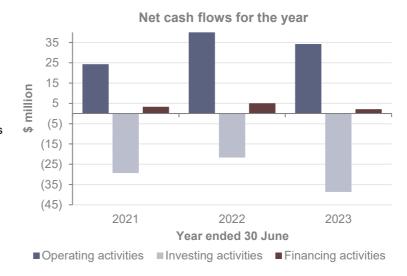
The net operating result before capital grants and contributions (\$3.5 million) was \$2.3 million higher than the 2021–22 result. This is mainly due to increase in operational grants and contributions and increase in rates and annual charges as discussed above, offset by an increase in expenses from continuing operations during the year.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Cash from operating activities decreased by \$6.1 million primarily due to decrease in grants and contribution cash receipts offset by increase in other cash contributions and increase in payment for materials and services during the year.

Cash outflows from investing activities increased by \$16.9 million due to an increase in capital expenditure on IPPE during the year.

Cash inflows from financing activities decreased by \$2.9 million primarily due to 3.1 million of new borrowings in the current financial compared to \$5.9 million in prior year and an increase of \$107,000 in repayments of borrowings.



FINANCIAL POSITION

Cash and investments

| Cash and investments | 2023 | 2022 | Commentary |
|---|------|------|---|
| | \$m | \$m | |
| Total cash, cash equivalents | | | Externally restricted cash and investments are |
| and investments | 34.9 | 37.1 | restricted in their use by externally imposed |
| Restricted and allocated cash, cash equivalents and | | | requirements. These include unspent developer contributions, specific purpose grants and domestic waste charges. |
| investments: | | | Internally allocated cash and investments have been |
| External restrictions | 28.1 | 31.6 | restricted in their use by resolution or policy of the |
| Internal allocations | 5.5 | 5.0 | Council to reflect forward plans and identified work programs. Their purposes are disclosed in Note C1-2 of the financial statements. |
| | | | |

Debt

At 30 June 2023, Council had:

- \$21.1 million in secured loans (\$18.8 million in 2021-22)
- \$5.0 million in borrowing facility with no funds withdrawn as at 30 June 2023
- \$50,000 in credit card facility with \$40,000 used.

PERFORMANCE

Performance measures

The following section provides an overview of the Council's performance against the performance measures and performance benchmarks set by the Office of Local Government (OLG) within the Department of Planning and Environment.

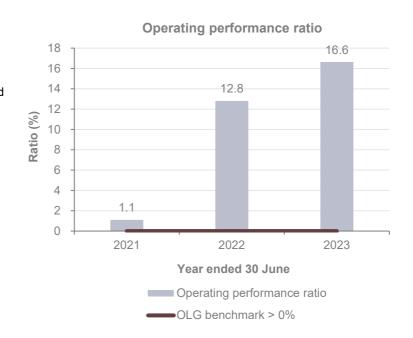
Operating performance ratio

The Council exceeded the OLG benchmark for the current reporting period.

The 'operating performance ratio' measures how well council contained operating expenditure within operating revenue (excluding capital grants and contributions, fair value adjustments, and reversal of revaluation decrements). The benchmark set by OLG is greater than zero per cent.

The Council exceeded the OLG benchmark for the current reporting period.

The 2022 ratios were restated to correct a prior period error.

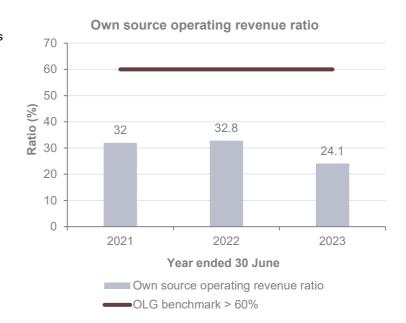


Own source operating revenue ratio

The Council did not meet the benchmark for the current or previous reporting period.

The 'own source operating revenue ratio' measures council's fiscal flexibility and the degree to which it relies on external funding sources such as operating grants and contributions. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than 60 per cent.

The Council did not meet the benchmark for this reporting year primarily due to increased grants and contributions recognised against the own source revenue during the year.

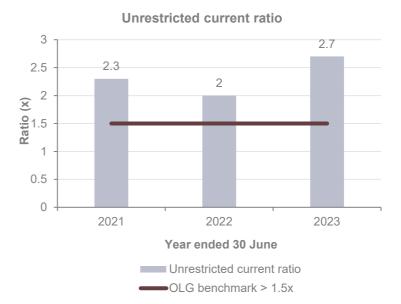


Unrestricted current ratio

The Council exceeded the benchmark for the current reporting period.

The 'unrestricted current ratio' is specific to local government and represents council's ability to meet its short-term obligations as they fall due. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than 1.5 times.

The Council exceeded the OLG benchmark for this reporting year.



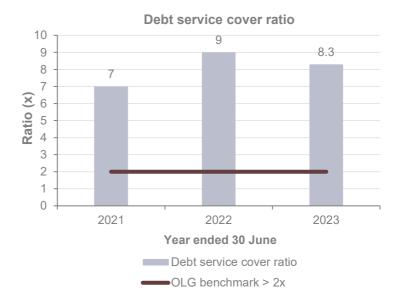
Debt service cover ratio

The Council exceeded the benchmark for the current reporting period.

The 'debt service cover ratio' measures the operating cash to service debt including interest, principal and lease payments. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than two times.

The Council exceeded the OLG benchmark for the financial reporting year.

The 2022 ratios were restated to correct a prior period error.

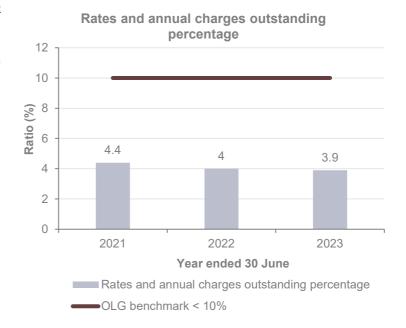


Rates and annual charges outstanding percentage

The Council exceeded the benchmark for the current reporting period.

The 'rates and annual charges outstanding percentage' assesses the impact of uncollected rates and annual charges on council's liquidity and the adequacy of debt recovery efforts. The benchmark set by OLG is less than 10 per cent for regional and rural councils.

The Council continues to meet the OLG benchmark. The ratio is consistent with the prior year.



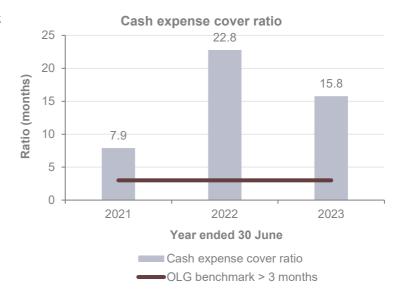
Cash expense cover ratio

The Council exceeded the benchmark for the current reporting period.

This liquidity ratio indicates the number of months the council can continue paying for its immediate expenses without additional cash inflow. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than three months.

The Council exceeded the OLG benchmark for the financial reporting year.

The 2022 ratios were restated to correct a prior period error.



Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment renewals

Council renewed \$14.4 million of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment during the 2022-23 financial year (2021-22 \$9.7 million).

OTHER MATTERS

Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE) impairment assessment

Council's impairment assessment did not identify the impairment to Council's IPPE assets impacted from the February 2022 flood event. This resulted in a material prior period error of \$17.3 million.

The matter has been included in this year's Management Letter as a high-risk issue.

Legislative compliance

My audit procedures identified a material deficiency in the Council's financial statements that will be reported in the Management Letter. Rural fire-fighting equipment and buildings were not recognised in the financial statements.

Except for the matters outlined above, the Council's:

- accounting records were maintained in a manner and form to allow the GPFS to be prepared and effectively audited
- staff provided all accounting records and information relevant to the audit.

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Jan-Michael Perez Director, Financial Audit

Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2023



Special Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

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Background

- i. These Special Purpose Financial Statements have been prepared for the use by both Council and the Office of Local Government in fulfilling their requirements under National Competition Policy.
- ii. The principle of competitive neutrality is based on the concept of a 'level playing field' between persons/entities competing in a market place, particularly between private and public sector competitors.
 - Essentially, the principle is that government businesses, whether Commonwealth, state or local, should operate without net competitive advantages over other businesses as a result of their public ownership.
- iii. For Council, the principle of competitive neutrality and public reporting applies only to declared business activities.
 - These include (a) those activities classified by the Australian Bureau of Statistics as business activities being water supply, sewerage services, abattoirs, gas production and reticulation, and (b) those activities with a turnover of more than \$2 million that Council has formally declared as a business activity (defined as Category 1 activities).
- iv. In preparing these financial statements for Council's self-classified Category 1 businesses and ABS-defined activities, councils must (a) adopt a corporatisation model and (b) apply full cost attribution including tax-equivalent regime payments and debt guarantee fees (where the business benefits from Council's borrowing position by comparison with commercial rates).

Special Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

Statement by Councillors and Management made pursuant to the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

The attached special purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- · NSW Government Policy Statement, Application of National Competition Policy to Local Government
- Division of Local Government Guidelines, Pricing and Costing for Council Businesses: A Guide to Competitive Neutrality
- The Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting
- Sections 3 and 4 of the NSW Department of Planning and Environment, Water's Regulatory and assurance framework for local water utilities.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, these statements:

- present fairly the operating result and financial position for each of Council's declared business activities for the year,
- · accord with Council's accounting and other records; and
- present overhead reallocation charges to the water and sewerage businesses as fair and reasonable.

We are not aware of any matter that would render these statements false or misleading in any way.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of Council made on 20 December 2023.

Bronwyn Petrie

Mayor

20 December 2023

Glenn Wilcox

Interim General Manager

20 December 2023

John Machish Deputy Mayor

20 December 2023

Roy Jones

Responsible Accounting Officer

20 December 2023

Income Statement of water supply business activity

for the year ended 30 June 2023

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|--|---------|---------|
| | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Income from continuing operations | | |
| Access charges | 1,498 | 1,310 |
| User charges | 1,494 | 1,116 |
| Fees | 38 | 23 |
| Interest and investment income | 35 | 2 |
| Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes | 183 | 234 |
| Other income | 6 | 8 |
| Total income from continuing operations | 3,254 | 2,693 |
| Expenses from continuing operations | | |
| Employee benefits and on-costs | 464 | 514 |
| Borrowing costs | 255 | 161 |
| Materials and services | 1,234 | 874 |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment | 896 | 740 |
| Loss on de-recognition of assets | 38 | _ |
| Total expenses from continuing operations | 2,887 | 2,289 |
| Surplus (deficit) from continuing operations before capital amounts | 367 | 404 |
| Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes | 7,787 | 1,539 |
| Surplus (deficit) from continuing operations after capital amounts | 8,154 | 1,943 |
| Surplus (deficit) from all operations before tax | 8,154 | 1,943 |
| Less: corporate taxation equivalent (25%) [based on result before capital] | (92) | (101) |
| Surplus (deficit) after tax | 8,062 | 1,842 |
| Plus accumulated surplus Plus adjustments for amounts unpaid: | 15,959 | 14,013 |
| Corporate taxation equivalent | 92 | 104 |
| Closing accumulated surplus | 24,113 | 15,959 |
| Return on capital % | 1.2% | 1.4% |
| Subsidy from Council | 1,422 | 883 |
| Coloulation of dividend namely. | | |
| Calculation of dividend payable: Surplus (deficit) after tax | 8,062 | 1,842 |
| Less: capital grants and contributions (excluding developer contributions) | (7,787) | (1,539) |
| Surplus for dividend calculation purposes | 275 | 303 |
| Potential dividend calculated from surplus | 138 | 152 |

Income Statement of sewerage business activity

for the year ended 30 June 2023

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|--|--|-----------------|
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| Income from continuing operations | | |
| Access charges | 2,638 | 2,496 |
| User charges | 174 | 126 |
| Liquid trade waste charges Fees | 24 | 18 |
| Interest and investment income | 28 | 23 |
| Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes | 108 | 9 |
| Other income | 26 | 27 |
| Total income from continuing operations | 3,039 | 2,709 |
| | | 2,100 |
| Expenses from continuing operations | | |
| Employee benefits and on-costs | 324 | 337 |
| Borrowing costs | 128 | 135 |
| Materials and services | 1,273 | 909 |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment | 585 | 528 |
| Net loss from the disposal of assets | 61 | |
| Total expenses from continuing operations | 2,371 | 1,909 |
| Surplus (deficit) from continuing operations before capital amounts | 668 | 800 |
| Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes | 13 | 25 |
| Surplus (deficit) from continuing operations after capital amounts | 681 | 825 |
| Surplus (deficit) from all operations before tax | 681 | 825 |
| Less: corporate taxation equivalent (25%) [based on result before capital] | (167) | (200) |
| Surplus (deficit) after tax | 514 | 625 |
| Plus accumulated surplus Plus adjustments for amounts unpaid: | 13,928 | 13,101 |
| Corporate taxation equivalent | 167 | 202 |
| Closing accumulated surplus | 14,609 | 13,928 |
| Return on capital % | 3.4% | 4.3% |
| Subsidy from Council | 136 | _ |
| Calculation of dividend payable: | | |
| Surplus (deficit) after tax | 514 | 625 |
| Less: capital grants and contributions (excluding developer contributions) | (13) | (25) |
| Surplus for dividend calculation purposes | 501 | 600 |
| Potential dividend calculated from surplus | 251 | 300 |

Statement of Financial Position of water supply business activity

as at 30 June 2023

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| | \$ | Ψ 000 |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Contract assets and contract cost assets | 2,236 | 444 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 1,473 | 2,834 |
| Receivables | 749 | 694 |
| Total current assets | 4,458 | 3,972 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | 50,857_ | 39,572 |
| Total non-current assets | 50,857 | 39,572 |
| Total assets | 55,315 | 43,544 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Contract liabilities | 124 | 588 |
| Payables | 501 | 285 |
| Income received in advance | 5 | 5 |
| Borrowings | 215 | 171 |
| Total current liabilities | 845 | 1,049 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Borrowings | 5,585 | 5,799 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 5,585 | 5,799 |
| Total liabilities | 6,430 | 6,848 |
| Net assets | 48,885 | 36,696 |
| | | |
| EQUITY | | |
| Accumulated surplus | 24,113 | 15,959 |
| Revaluation reserves | 24,772 | 20,737 |
| Total equity | 48,885 | 36,696 |

Statement of Financial Position of sewerage business activity

as at 30 June 2023

| | 2023 \$ '000 | 2022 \$ '000 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 6,818 | 5,745 |
| Receivables | 214 | 178 |
| Total current assets | 7,032 | 5,923 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment | 23,177 | 21,544 |
| Total non-current assets | 23,177 | 21,544 |
| Total assets | 30,209 | 27,467 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Payables | 299 | 61 |
| Borrowings | 108 | 101 |
| Total current liabilities | 407 | 162 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Borrowings | 1,461 | 1,569 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 1,461 | 1,569 |
| Total liabilities | 1,868 | 1,731 |
| Net assets | 28,341 | 25,736 |
| EQUITY | | |
| Accumulated surplus | 14,609 | 13,928 |
| Revaluation reserves | 13,732 | 11,808 |
| Total equity | 28,341 | 25,736 |
| | | 20,100 |

Note - Significant Accounting Policies

A statement summarising the supplemental accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the special purpose financial statements (SPFS) for National Competition Policy (NCP) reporting purposes follows.

These financial statements are SPFS prepared for use by Council and the Office of Local Government. For the purposes of these statements, the Council is a non-reporting not-for-profit entity.

The figures presented in these special purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement criteria of relevant Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and Australian Accounting Interpretations.

The disclosures in these special purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1993 (Act), the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021* (Regulation) and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

The statements are prepared on an accruals basis. They are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, fair value of non-current assets. Certain taxes and other costs, appropriately described, have been imputed for the purposes of the National Competition Policy.

The Statement of Financial Position includes notional assets/liabilities receivable from/payable to Council's general fund. These balances reflect a notional intra-entity funding arrangement with the declared business activities.

National Competition Policy

Council has adopted the principle of 'competitive neutrality' in its business activities as part of the National Competition Policy which is being applied throughout Australia at all levels of government. The framework for its application is set out in the June 1996 NSW Government Policy statement titled 'Application of National Competition Policy to Local Government'. *The Pricing and Costing for Council Businesses – A Guide to Competitive Neutrality* issued by the Office of Local Government in July 1997 has also been adopted.

The pricing and costing guidelines outline the process for identifying and allocating costs to activities and provide a standard for disclosure requirements. These disclosures are reflected in Council's pricing and/or financial reporting systems and include taxation equivalents, Council subsidies, and returns on investments (rate of return and dividends paid).

Declared business activities

In accordance with Pricing and Costing for Council Businesses – A Guide to Competitive Neutrality, Council has declared that the following are to be considered as business activities:

Category 1

(where gross operating turnover is over \$2 million)

a. Tenterfield Shire Water Supplies

Water supply system servicing the towns of Tenterfield, Urbenville and Jennings.

b. Tenterfield Shire Sewerage Services

Sewerage reticulation and treatment system servicing the towns of Tenterfield and Jennings.

Category 2

(where gross operating turnover is less than \$2 million)

Nil

Taxation equivalent charges

Council is liable to pay various taxes and financial duties. Where this is the case, they are disclosed as a cost of operations just like all other costs. However, where Council does not pay some taxes, which are generally paid by private sector businesses, such as income tax, these equivalent tax payments have been applied to all Council-nominated business activities and are reflected in special purpose finanncial statements. For the purposes of disclosing comparative information relevant to the private sector equivalent, the following taxation equivalents have been applied to all Council-nominated business activities (this does not include Council's non-business activities):

Notional rate applied (%)

Corporate income tax rate - 25% (21/22 25%)

Note – Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

<u>Land tax</u> – the first \$969,000 of combined land values attracts **0**%. For the combined land values in excess of \$969,000 up to \$5,925,000 the rate is **\$100 + 1.6**%. For the remaining combined land value that exceeds \$5,925,000 a premium marginal rate of **2.0**% applies.

Payroll tax – 5.45% on the value of taxable salaries and wages in excess of \$1,200,000.

In accordance with section 4 of Department of Planning Noand Environment (DPE) – Water's regulatory and assurance framework, a payment for the amount calculated as the annual tax equivalent charges (excluding income tax) must be paid from water supply and sewerage business activities.

The payment of taxation equivalent charges, referred to in the regulatory and assurance framework as a 'dividend for taxation equivalent', may be applied for any purpose allowed under the Act.

Achievement of substantial compliance to sections 3 and 4 of DPE – Water's regulatory and assurance framework is not a prerequisite for the payment of the tax equivalent charges; however the payment must not exceed \$3 per assessment.

Income tax

An income tax equivalent has been applied on the profits of the business activities. Whilst income tax is not a specific cost for the purpose of pricing a good or service, it needs to be taken into account in terms of assessing the rate of return required on capital invested. Accordingly, the return on capital invested is set at a pre-tax level – gain/(loss) from ordinary activities before capital amounts, as would be applied by a private sector competitor. That is, it should include a provision equivalent to the relevant corporate income tax rate, currently 25% (21/22 25%).

Income tax is only applied where a gain from ordinary activities before capital amounts has been achieved. Since the taxation equivalent is notional – that is, it is payable to the 'Council' as the owner of business operations – it represents an internal payment and has no effect on the operations of the Council.

Accordingly, there is no need for disclosure of internal charges in the SPFS. The rate applied of 25% is the equivalent company tax rate prevalent at reporting date. No adjustments have been made for variations that have occurred during the year.

Local government rates and charges

A calculation of the equivalent rates and charges for all Category 1 businesses has been applied to all assets owned, or exclusively used by the business activity.

Loan and debt guarantee fees

The debt guarantee fee is designed to ensure that Council business activities face 'true' commercial borrowing costs in line with private sector competitors. In order to calculate a debt guarantee fee, Council has determined what the differential borrowing rate would have been between the commercial rate and Council's borrowing rate for its business activities.

(i) Subsidies

Government policy requires that subsidies provided to customers, and the funding of those subsidies, must be explicitly disclosed. Subsidies occur where Council provides services on a less than cost recovery basis. This option is exercised on a range of services in order for Council to meet its community service obligations. The overall effect of subsidies is contained within the Income Statements of business activities.

(ii) Return on investments (rate of return)

The NCP policy statement requires that councils with Category 1 businesses 'would be expected to generate a return on capital funds employed that is comparable to rates of return for private businesses operating in a similar field'.

Funds are subsequently available for meeting commitments or financing future investment strategies. The rate of return is disclosed for each of Council's business activities on the Income Statement.

(iii) Dividends

Council is not required to pay dividends to either itself as owner of a range of businesses, or to any external entities.

A local government water supply and sewerage business is permitted to pay annual dividends from their water supply or sewerage business surpluses. Each dividend must be calculated and approved in accordance with the DPIE – Water guidelines and must not exceed 50% of the relevant surplus in any one year, or the number of water supply or sewerage assessments at 30 June 2023 multiplied by \$30 (less the payment for tax equivalent charges, not exceeding \$3 per assessment).

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Note - Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

In accordance with the Best Practice Management of Water Supply and Sewer Guidelines, a Dividend Payment form, Statement of Compliance, Unqualified Independent Financial Audit Report and Compliance Audit Report are submitted to DPIE – Water.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the special purpose financial statements

Tenterfield Shire Council

To the Councillors of Tenterfield Shire Council

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying special purpose financial statements (the financial statements) of Tenterfield Shire Council's (the Council) Declared Business Activities, which comprise the Statement by Councillors and Management, the Income Statement of each Declared Business Activity for the year ended 30 June 2023, the Statement of Financial Position of each Declared Business Activity as at 30 June 2023 and Significant accounting policies note.

The Declared Business Activities of the Council are:

- Water supply
- Sewerage.

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Council's declared Business Activities as at 30 June 2023, and their financial performance for the year then ended, in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards described in the Significant accounting policies note and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting 2022–23 (LG Code).

My opinion should be read in conjunction with the rest of this report.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under the standards are described in the 'Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements' section of my report.

I am independent of the Council in accordance with the requirements of the:

- Australian Auditing Standards
- Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 'Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)' (APES 110).

Parliament promotes independence by ensuring the Auditor-General and the Audit Office of New South Wales are not compromised in their roles by:

- providing that only Parliament, and not the executive government, can remove an Auditor-General
- mandating the Auditor-General as the auditor of councils
- precluding the Auditor-General from providing non-audit services.

I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with APES 110.

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

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

Without modifying my opinion, I draw attention to the Significant accounting policies note to the financial statements which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Council's financial reporting responsibilities under the LG Code. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

Other Information

The Council's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 includes other information in addition to the financial statements and my Independent Auditor's Report thereon. The Councillors are responsible for the other information. At the date of this Independent Auditor's Report, the other information I have received comprise the general purpose financial statements and Special Schedules (the Schedules).

My opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information. Accordingly, I do not express any form of assurance conclusion on the other information. However, as required by the *Local Government Act 1993*, I have separately expressed an opinion on the general purpose financial statements and Special Schedule 'Permissible income for general rates'.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude there is a material misstatement of the other information, I must report that fact.

I have nothing to report in this regard.

The Councillors' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements

The Councillors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and for determining that the accounting policies, described in the Significant accounting policies note to the financial statements, are appropriate to meet the requirements in the LG Code. The Councillors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the Councillors determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Councillors are responsible for assessing the 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

My objectives are to:

- obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- issue an Independent Auditor's Report including my opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not guarantee an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect material misstatements. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. Misstatements are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions users take based on the financial statements.

A description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. The description forms part of my auditor's report.

The scope of my audit does not include, nor provide assurance:

- that the Council carried out its activities effectively, efficiently and economically
- about the security and controls over the electronic publication of the audited financial statements on any website where they may be presented
- about any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the financial statements.

JMP

Jan-Michael Perez
Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

21 December 2023 SYDNEY

SPECIAL SCHEDULES for the year ended 30 June 2023



Special Schedules

for the year ended 30 June 2023

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Permissible income for general rates

| | | Calculation 2022/23 | Calculation 2023/24 |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Notes | \$ '000 | \$ '000 |
| Notional general income calculation ¹ | | | |
| Last year notional general income yield | а | 4,825 | 4,852 |
| Plus or minus adjustments ² | b | (4) | _ |
| Notional general income | c = a + b | 4,821 | 4,852 |
| Permissible income calculation | | | |
| Or rate peg percentage | е | 0.70% | 43.00% |
| Or plus rate peg amount | $i = e \times (c + g)$ | 34 | 2,086 |
| Sub-total Sub-total | k = (c + g + h + i + j) | 4,855 | 6,938 |
| Plus (or minus) last year's carry forward total | 1 | (15) | (12) |
| Sub-total | n = (I + m) | (15) | (12) |
| Total permissible income | o = k + n | 4,840 | 6,926 |
| Less notional general income yield | р | 4,852 | 6,933 |
| Catch-up or (excess) result | q = o - p | (12) | (7) |
| Carry forward to next year ⁶ | t = q + r + s | (12) | (7) |

Notes

⁽¹⁾ The notional general income will not reconcile with rate income in the financial statements in the corresponding year. The statements are reported on an accrual accounting basis which include amounts that relate to prior years' rates income.

⁽²⁾ Adjustments account for changes in the number of assessments and any increase or decrease in land value occurring during the year. The adjustments are called 'supplementary valuations' as defined in the *Valuation of Land Act 1916 (NSW)*.

⁽⁶⁾ Carry-forward amounts which are in excess (an amount that exceeds the permissible income) require Ministerial approval by order published in the NSW Government Gazette in accordance with section 512 of the Act. The OLG will extract these amounts from Council's Permissible income for general rates Statement in the financial data return (FDR) to administer this process.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Special Schedule – Permissible income for general rates

Tenterfield Shire Council

To the Councillors of Tenterfield Shire Council

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying Special Schedule – Permissible income for general rates (the Schedule) of Tenterfield Shire Council (the Council) for the year ending 30 June 2024.

In my opinion, the Schedule is prepared, in all material respects in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting 2022–23 (LG Code) and is in accordance with the books and records of the Council.

My opinion should be read in conjunction with the rest of this report.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under the standards are described in the 'Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule' section of my report.

I am independent of the Council in accordance with the requirements of the:

- Australian Auditing Standards
- Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 'Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)' (APES 110).

Parliament promotes independence by ensuring the Auditor-General and the Audit Office of New South Wales are not compromised in their roles by:

- providing that only Parliament, and not the executive government, can remove an Auditor-General
- mandating the Auditor-General as auditor of councils
- precluding the Auditor-General from providing non-audit services.

I have fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with APES 110.

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

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

Without modifying my opinion, I draw attention to the special purpose framework used to prepare the Schedule. The Schedule has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Council's reporting obligations under the LG Code. As a result, the Schedule may not be suitable for another purpose.

Other Information

The Council's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 includes other information in addition to the Schedule and my Independent Auditor's Report thereon. The Councillors are responsible for the other information. At the date of this Independent Auditor's Report, the other information I have received comprise the general purpose financial statements, special purpose financial statements and Special Schedule 'Report on infrastructure assets as at 30 June 2023'.

My opinion on the Schedule does not cover the other information. Accordingly, I do not express any form of assurance conclusion on the other information. However, as required by the *Local Government Act 1993*, I have separately expressed an opinion on the general purpose financial statements and the special purpose financial statements.

In connection with my audit of the Schedule, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the Schedule or my knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude there is a material misstatement of the other information, I must report that fact.

I have nothing to report in this regard.

The Councillors' Responsibilities for the Schedule

The Councillors are responsible for the preparation of the Schedule in accordance with the LG Code. The Councillors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the Councillors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Schedule, the Councillors are responsible for assessing the 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule

My objectives are to:

- obtain reasonable assurance whether the Schedule as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error
- issue an Independent Auditor's Report including my opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but does not guarantee an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect material misstatements. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. Misstatements are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions users take based on the Schedule.

A description of my responsibilities for the audit of the Schedule is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: www.auasb.gov.au/auditors responsibilities/ar8.pdf. The description forms part of my auditor's report.

The scope of my audit does not include, nor provide assurance:

- that the Council carried out its activities effectively, efficiently and economically
- about the security and controls over the electronic publication of the audited Schedule on any website where it may be presented
- about any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the Schedule.

JMP

Jan-Michael Perez
Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

21 December 2023 SYDNEY

Report on infrastructure assets as at 30 June 2023

| Asset Class | Asset Category | Estimated cost to bring assets | agreed level of service set by | e f 2022/23 | l Actual | Net carrying amount | Gross replacement cost (GRC) \$ '000 | Assets in condition as a percentage of gross replacement cost | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----------|---------------------|---|---|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| | | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | \$ '000 | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Buildings | Other | _ | 138 | 78 | 78 | 28,365 | 38,779 | 10.0% | 44.0% | 42.0% | 4.0% | 0.0% |
| | Sub-total | | 138 | 78 | 78 | 28,365 | 38,779 | 10.0% | 44.0% | 42.0% | 4.0% | 0.0% |
| Other structure | sOther structures | 376 | 190 | 111 | 111 | 3,276 | 5,734 | 6.0% | 21.0% | 46.0% | 24.0% | 3.0% |
| | Sub-total | 376 | 190 | 111 | 111 | 3,276 | 5,734 | 6.0% | 21.0% | 46.0% | 24.0% | 3.0% |
| Roads | Roads ^b | 7.141 | 7.779 | 2.669 | 2.669 | 251.812 | 319.187 | 66.0% | 14.0% | 12.0% | 6.0% | 2.0% |
| | Bridges | 6.847 | 10,592 | 7 | 7 | 59.465 | 104.064 | 16.0% | 29.0% | 31.0% | 14.0% | 10.0% |
| | Footpaths | 17 | _ | | _ | 3,280 | 4,449 | 58.0% | 37.0% | 4.0% | 1.0% | 0.0% |
| | Bulk earthworks | _ | _ | _ | _ | 113,018 | 113,018 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 100.0% |
| | Other | _ | _ | _ | _ | (16,173) | _ | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| | Sub-total | 14,005 | 18,371 | 2,676 | 2,676 | 411,402 | 540,718 | 42.5% | 14.1% | 13.1% | 6.2% | 24.1% |
| Water supply | Other | 7,321 | 14,292 | 539 | 539 | 38,062 | 71,245 | 13.0% | 58.0% | 4.0% | 5.0% | 20.0% |
| network | Sub-total | 7,321 | 14,292 | | 539 | 38,062 | 71,245 | 13.0% | 58.0% | 4.0% | 5.0% | 20.0% |
| Sewerage | Other | 536 | 301 | 510 | 510 | 21,507 | 34,403 | 22.0% | 40.0% | 31.0% | 7.0% | 0.0% |
| network | Sub-total | 536 | 301 | 510 | 510 | 21,507 | 34,403 | 22.0% | 40.0% | 31.0% | 7.0% | 0.0% |
| Stormwater | Other | 915 | _ | 47 | 47 | 4,142 | 9,685 | 24.0% | 33.0% | 14.0% | 29.0% | 0.0% |
| drainage | Sub-total | 915 | _ | 47 | 47 | 4,142 | 9,685 | 24.0% | 33.0% | 14.0% | 29.0% | 0.0% |
| Open space / | Swimming pools | 467 | 1,284 | 20 | 20 | 357 | 1,614 | 5.0% | 3.0% | 12.0% | 80.0% | 0.0% |
| recreational | Open Space & Recreation | 163 | 78 | | 268 | 4,175 | 5,324 | 51.0% | 28.0% | 10.0% | 10.0% | 1.0% |
| assets | Sub-total | 630 | 1,362 | | 288 | 4,532 | 6,938 | 40.3% | 22.2% | 10.5% | 26.3% | 0.7% |
| | Total – all assets | 23,783 | 34,654 | 4,249 | 4,249 | 511,286 | 707,502 | 36.2% | 21.9% | 14.9% | 6.7% | 20.3% |

⁽a) Required maintenance is the amount identified in Council's asset management plans.

1 Excellent/very good2 Good

No work required (normal maintenance)
Only minor maintenance work required

4 Poor

5 Very poor

Renewal required
Urgent renewal/upgrading required

⁽b) Roads maintenance significantly increased in 2022 financial year compared to 2021 financial year due to disaster funded recovery expenses.

Infrastructure asset condition assessment 'key'

Report on infrastructure assets as at 30 June 2023 (continued)

3 Satisfactory

Maintenance work required

Report on infrastructure assets as at 30 June 2023

Infrastructure asset performance indicators (consolidated) *

| | Amounts | Indicator | Indic | Benchmark | |
|---|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| \$ '000 | 2023 | 2023 | 2022 3 | 2021 | |
| Buildings and infrastructure renewals ratio ¹ | | | | | |
| Asset renewals 1 | 12,222 | 207.22% | 42.77% | 151.93% | > 100.00% |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment | 5,898 | 201.22 /0 | 42.1170 | 131.93% | > 100.00% |
| Infrastructure backlog ratio | | | | | |
| Estimated cost to bring assets to a satisfactory standard | 23,783 | 4.27% | 5.35% | 6.24% | < 2.00% |
| Net carrying amount of infrastructure assets | 557,365 | | | | |
| Asset maintenance ratio | | | | | |
| Actual asset maintenance | 4,249 | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.03% | > 100.00% |
| Required asset maintenance | 4,249 | 100.00 % | 100.00% | 100.03% | > 100.00% |
| Cost to bring assets to agreed service level | | | | | |
| Estimated cost to bring assets to | | | | | |
| an agreed service level set by Council | 34,654 | 4.90% | 3.03% | 4.01% | |
| Gross replacement cost | 707,502 | | | | |

^(*) All asset performance indicators are calculated using classes identified in the previous table.

⁽¹⁾ Includes renewal works in Work In Progress (WIP).

⁽¹⁾ Asset renewals represent the replacement and/or refurbishment of existing assets to an equivalent capacity/performance as opposed to the acquisition of new assets (or the refurbishment of old assets) that increases capacity/performance.

⁽³⁾ Restated - see Note G4-1

Report on infrastructure assets as at 30 June 2023

Infrastructure asset performance indicators (by fund)

| | General fund | | Water fund | | Sewer fund | | Benchmark |
|--|--------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|---------|-----------|
| \$ '000 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | 2023 | 2022 | |
| Buildings and infrastructure renewals ratio ¹ Asset renewals ¹ Depreciation, amortisation and impairment | 253.85% | 42.08% | 73.79% | 40.67% | 36.20% | 75.86% | > 100.00% |
| Infrastructure backlog ratio Estimated cost to bring assets to a satisfactory standard Net carrying amount of infrastructure assets | 3.20% | 4.56% | 19.23% | 16.66% | 2.49% | 2.13% | < 2.00% |
| Asset maintenance ratio Actual asset maintenance Required asset maintenance | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | > 100.00% |
| Cost to bring assets to agreed service level Estimated cost to bring assets to an agreed service level set by Council Gross replacement cost | 3.33% | 1.14% | 20.06% | 20.67% | 0.87% | 0.03% | |

⁽¹⁾ Includes renewal works in Work In Progress (WIP).

⁽¹⁾ Asset renewals represent the replacement and/or refurbishment of existing assets to an equivalent capacity/performance as opposed to the acquisition of new assets (or the refurbishment of old assets) that increases capacity/performance.