

# Annual Report City of Port Lincoln

2007-2008











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# Mayors Message

The last year has seen Council actively demonstrated by several highly visible projects:

Flinders Highway is a credit to our construction team. They have delivered a wonderful western entrance to the City. The opening of the new Port Lincoln Hotel, with the associated Council projects of the surrounding roads and boardwalk currently being built by Kim Clarke Construction will deliver superb coastal amenities. The Shaen Street drainage project, which captures the Happy Valley stormwater run off, is progressing well.

Less visible but an ever increasing cost to your Council, are waste and recycling activities. At the Hassell Road site, Cell Four has been constructed at over \$950k. Based on the community survey conducted last year Council is moving to a separate recycling bin system, at a ratepayer levy of \$35, and it is our hope this will achieve community desired environmental outcomes. But we need to remember waste handling issues consume an ever increasing proportion of Council's annual revenue.



Council's new area wide Development Plan has finally been approved. We believe it gives far better certainty to proposed development within the City. Similarly, Council's Building Heights DPA should deliver a better planned, more modern CBD, particularly near our seafront lawns.

The issue of mining exports has been of concern to Council over many months. Unfortunately Centrex Metals suffered significant criticism as a consequence of its desire to ship ore out of Port Lincoln. It is not Centrex Metal's fault that NO deep water export site exists on Eyre Peninsula. The State Government EP Deep Sea

report delivered to Parliament in 1968 makes clear that Port Lincoln should never have been developed as a deep water harbour. Our region needs a 21<sup>st</sup> Century deep sea terminal somewhere between Tumby Bay and Arno Bay. Opportunities do exist. In the mean time, we must encourage mining companies to explore and develop opportunities as Centrex has done, but not at the expense of compromising our fishing industries by exporting from Port Lincoln.

Council's staff continue to be our major asset. Without our staff the City would grind to a halt. The clerical and library staff face ever increasing accounting and auditing processes as a consequence of State Government legislation and audit surveillance. This is an expensive and time consuming process that delivers no real, tangible benefits but the accounting costs are large. The visible impact of these requirements can be seen in staff requirement changes. The outside, construction and maintenance teams' results are evident for all to see... Roads, parks, gardens, footpaths speak for the quality performance of the outside staff.

Gary Heinrich, our Plant and Infrastructure Maintenance Officer resigned to pursue a career in the offshore oil industry, a sad loss to the City. Probably, he is a harbinger of future staff movements given the opportunities for highly qualified and practical people within the national mining and oil industry, even given current international financial uncertainties.

Finally, Council moved its day to day banking arrangements to the Port Lincoln Community Bendigo Bank. There is no doubt financial benefits will flow in time to our community as demonstrated by the Cummins Bank example. Council has also moved some of its financial reserves across to Bendigo Bank.

Councillors and our staff always endeavour to deliver community expectations to the best of our ability. We hope you are generally satisfied with our results.

# PETER DAVIS MAYOR

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# **Chief Executive Officers Message**

The 2007/08 financial year has been a year of consolidation for the City of Port Lincoln, completing programs established under the strategic plan 'Towards 2005 and beyond' and commencing new projects under the ten year strategic plan 2007-2017.

Strategies have been established to ensure core infrastructure such as roads, footpaths, drainage and waste systems can be maintained and upgraded while seeking to improve the City aesthetics. Key focal points such as the foreshore, city entrances and parklands are programmed for development and improvement over the next few years.

Council has resolved to continue to absorb new subdivision developments into the existing rate revenue base and not increase the total rate revenue by more than 4% over the life of the ten-year 'Strategic Plan'. This has the effect of 'spreading' the burden of rates across a larger number of properties each year.

The decision by Council to instigate a self imposed 'cap' on rate increases requires staff to be vigilant on costs, continue to explore efficiency improvements in operations and direct effort to core activities.

The City has experienced extensive change across the residential, commercial and industrial sectors and development applications and approvals, although slowing in number, continue to keep our development staff busy.

Council is mindful of the necessity to continually update its Development Plan and as such has commissioned studies and commenced planning review relative to City Building Heights and Design, Rural Living Areas and Residential Growth and incorporating State Planning Policy and guidelines into the City Plan.

As a South Australian Council with one of the smallest ratios of staff to population, our staff are to be congratulated on their ability to produce impressive and professional results, as reflected in this annual report.

I am pleased to commend this annual report for 2007/08.

Geoff Dodd
Chief Executive Officer



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## Members of Council

Membership of Council following the election as of 20th November 2006

Mayor Peter Woodley Davis

Councillors Cr Jillian Parker (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Michael Bascombe

Cr Danny Bartlett
Cr Malcolm Catt
Cr Tanya Chludil
Cr Gordon Hartley
Cr Jim Papazoglov
Cr Allan Reynolds
Cr Neville Starke

Cr Mary Ware



Back Row:

Cr Danny Bartlett, Cr Tanya Chludil, Cr Gordon Hartley, Cr Malcolm Catt, Cr Michael Bascombe, Cr Neville Starke

Front Row:

Cr Jim Papazoglov, Deputy Mayor Jillian Parker, Mayor Peter Davis, Cr Mary Ware, Cr Allan Reynolds

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# **Meeting Attendance**

## **Ordinary Council**

Ordinary Council Meetings were held on the first and third Mondays of each month. In 2007/2008 there were 23 Ordinary Council and 2 Special Council meetings held. Attendance was as follows:

| Mayor Peter Davis           | 24 |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Deputy Mayor Jill Parker    | 23 |
| Councillor Danny Bartlett   | 23 |
| Councillor Michael Bascombe | 23 |
| Councillor Malcolm Catt     | 20 |
| Councillor Tanya Chludil    | 19 |
| Councillor Gordon Hartley   | 23 |
| Councillor Jim Papazoglov   | 22 |
| Councillor Allan Reynolds   | 23 |
| Councillor Neville Starke   | 23 |
| Councillor Mary Ware        | 22 |
|                             |    |

## **Council Development Assessment Panel**

The Council Development Assessment Panel (CDAP) met on the second Monday of each month. For the 2007/08 financial year there was a total of 9 CDAP meetings

| Mr Bill Watkins     | 9 |
|---------------------|---|
| Mr David Collins    | 9 |
| Mr Bruce Green      | 8 |
| Mr Peter Blacker    | 6 |
| Cr Jill Parker      | 3 |
| Cr Jim Papazoglov   | 8 |
| Cr Danny Bartlett   | 3 |
| Cr Mary Ware        | 6 |
| Cr Michael Bascombe | 5 |

Councillors Bartlett and Parker did not renominate for the CDAP in November 2007 and Councillors Bascombe and Ware were appointed

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# Corporate & Community Services

Katrina Allen, Director Corporate & Community Services

The Corporate and Community Services area of Council is responsible for the efficient and quality delivery of corporate services and governance functions, including:

- Rate revenue generation and collection
- Customer Service
- Financial Management, including daily transactions, budget setting and reviews and preparation of financial reports
- Website and IT
- Records Management & Freedom of Information
- Compliance to legislation across Council
- Cemetery records maintenance
- Maintenance and review of Councils asset register, including development of Asset Management Plans
- Administrative support for Council Committees
- Payroll and Human Resource functions
- Library Services
- Project Management
- Strategic Planning

The Corporate Services area continued supporting the development and implementation of the "corporate image" across Council areas and standardization of documentation.

I commend the administration staff for their commitment to continue providing excellent customer service and support internally, in the face of a busy year, with a number of staff taking maternity leave and temporary staff filling in.

The Library staff continue to provide a valued service to our community and have embraced changes to their customer service practices. Plans are being made to move forward and to increase awareness in our community of the great services the Library can provide.

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# **Corporate & Community Services**

## **Community Funding Program**

The City of Port Lincoln is committed to the development of a vibrant and diverse community by providing financial assistance (either cash or in-kind) through the operation of a Community Funding Program. The administration of the program was reviewed during 2007-2008 and has now been divided into the following four areas:

- Community Events
- Community Development
- Youth Development
- Volunteers

The Community Funding Program is advertised twice in each financial year, namely September and March and applications are only received and assessed during the advertised period. Further information on criteria and application forms required for each of the four areas is available as per Council's policy 7.63.6 Community Funding Assistance, on Council's website <a href="https://www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au">www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au</a>.

Over \$30,000 was distributed in 2007-2008

| MAJOR RECEIPIENTS FOR 2007-2008 COMMUNITY FUNDING |                                    |         |  |
|---|------------------------------------|---------|--|
| PL Lions Club                                     | Convention                         | \$1,000 |  |
| PL Gymnastics Club                                | Trampoline matting                 | \$1,500 |  |
| Early Intervention & Support Program              | Installation of boundary fencing   | \$1,500 |  |
| PL Playgroup                                      | Purchase of toys & craft materials | \$1,150 |  |
| Dragons Abreast                                   | Admin & Skills Training            | \$1,200 |  |
| PL City Band                                      | Computer & Software                | \$1,500 |  |
| Matthew Flinders Home                             | Portable Display System            | \$650   |  |
| Riding for the Disabled                           | Power to Shed                      | \$1,000 |  |
| Friends of Parnkalla Trail                        | Printing of brochure               | \$1,500 |  |

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# Corporate & Community Services

## **Human Resources**

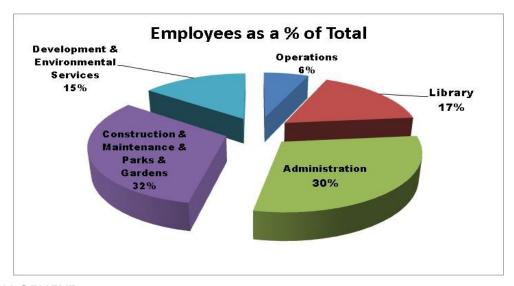
Catherine Wehr, Senior Corporate Services Officer

#### **EMPLOYEES**

As at 30 June 2008, the breakdown of Council employees was as follows:

47 employees, including part time and casual staff, the fulltime equivalent being 42.4

Operations 3 employees
Library 8 employees
Administration 14 employees
Construction & Maintenance & Parks & Gardens
Development & Environmental Services 7 employees



## **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare, Human Resources Policies and Council's Employee Performance Appraisal program under went a major review with Council and employees continuing to maintain a strong focus on Risk Management.

## **TRAINING**

Training identified for each employee as part of Council's Performance Appraisal program continued steadily with an increased focus on Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare.

## **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

Council began a complete review of its Volunteer program as part of Council's commitment to continuous improvement, and to meet legislative requirements.

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# **Corporate & Community Services**

## **Projects & Grants**

Janet Grocke, Manager Special Projects

The Manager Special Project's role within Council covers grant funding, public relations, special events, as sponsored by Council, and special projects.

## **Special Events**

- The Women's International Field Hockey Tests between the Hockeyroos and the Japanese National Team went smoothly over the 4 days they were here with very positive feedback for both Port Lincoln and the Ravendale Sporting complex.
- Assisted Tourism Eyre Peninsula (TEP) to host the Regional Tourism Conference
- Assisted TAFE with advertising and publicity for their very successful Adult Learners Week
- The Port Lincoln Reconciliation activities were completed with the planting of a 'Reconciliation Tree' on the foreshore and interment of a time capsule to be opened in 2032.
- Assisted with Elliot's Big Ride for the Childhood Cancer Association and the Game Fishing Club of SA's Port Lincoln Blue Water Tournament which was held in Port Lincoln for the first time.

## Funding

- Council received funding for the Town Jetty upgrade and for fishing platforms at the Axel Stenross Boat Ramp – a total of some \$80,000.
- The \$460,000 grant from the Federally funded Regional Partnerships, which was put on hold over the elections, was not successful due to this funding program being disbanded by the new Federal Government.
- A 10 year plan was presented to the Power Lines Environmental Committee (PLEC)
  when the PLEC board visited Port Lincoln. This plan outlines over \$2.5M required in
  funding to underground power lines throughout the CBD



- The Bushfire Mitigation funding granted \$20,000 to the City of Port Lincoln for 2007/2008 with \$40,000 been applied for this coming year
- Funding for the 2010 SA Regional Centre of Culture went to Murray Bridge. Investigated the option of \$500,000 from the Rural Town Development Fund but this has now been linked, by Cabinet, to the 2010 Regional Centre of Culture.



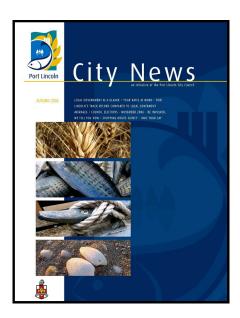
# **Corporate & Community Services**

## Projects & Grants (cont.)

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## **Special Projects**

- Successfully applied to the Minister for an extension of the Port Lincoln Dry Zone for another 3 years.
- Prepared and administered a disability survey for the Council's Disability and Access
  Advisory Committee from which a Disability Strategic Plan was prepared and
  adopted by Council.
- Completed and published the City News



- Attended a Reconciliation Round table at Ceduna and nominated as regional representative for the State Roundtable in Adelaide which I attended.
- Attended the License Accord meetings hosted by SAPOL which looks at crime prevention initiatives in relation to licensed premises and assists with the continuation of the City's Dry Zone.
- Began preparation of the promotion and education program for the start of the
  extended recycling program. This Includes point of sale material, school workshops
  through Wipe out Waste (WOW), regular column in the paper 'Let's Talk Rubbish,
  supportive radio and TV advertising and shopping centre promotions etc prior to
  the rollout of the new bin system.

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# **Corporate & Community Services**

## **Be Active Project—** *Mark Fisher*

The City of Port Lincoln on behalf of the EPLGA is hosting the three-year *Be active* Project for the Office for Recreation and Sport and four District Councils (the first year of the project). The project aims to achieve the outcomes of the *Be active* initiative which involves seven government departments increasing physical activity outcomes for South Australians. Four departments, Sport & Recreation, Education, Health and Local Government have been the focus in Port Lincoln.

## **Sport & Recreation**

- Executive Officer for the Port Lincoln Community Sport & Recreation Advisory Committee (monthly meetings plus maintenance of database and mail outs to various sports).
- A member of the management committee which organised the Hockeyroos vs Japan Hockey test series and visit to Port Lincoln.
- Assisted the Port Adelaide Football Club (Power) with their pre-season camp in Port Lincoln.
- Continued future directions discussions with Port Lincoln Soccer.
- Organised a Physical Activity and Club Seminar at Ravendale.
- Presented to the Port Lincoln Football League's Junior Committee on Child Safe Environments.

## **Education**

- Maintained involvement in the Eyre Peninsula Sports Academy which expanded its course from Australian Football to include Netball, Basketball, Cricket and Hockey.
- Assisted the Navigator College to establish partnerships with the sports based at Ravendale.
- Assisted the Port Lincoln High School with their entry into the Power Cup.

#### Health

- Assisted with the Losers are Winners project aimed at assisting people with a BMI greater than 30 to modify their lifestyle.
- Regular meetings with the Regional Healthy Weight Project Coordinator based at the Port Lincoln Hospital.

#### **Local Government**

- Membership of the Council's Disability Access Advisory Committee.
- Assistance with the Port Lincoln Tennis Association's relocation project.
- Establishment of the Port Lincoln Sport- Future Directions Funding Program for 08-09



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# Corporate & Community Services

## **Library Services**

Michael Barker, Library Manager

The 2007 / 2008 year has been very busy. All the major recorded statistics have increased from 2006/07 year, which is very encouraging. The library has been working closely with TAFE creating a good working partnership and environment. The year has seen consolidation of many changes over the last 18 months, and now with a passion and vision to move forward in better and greater ways.



#### Introduction of wireless internet network.

The introduction of the wireless internet network in 2007 by the Public Libraries SA, has proven very popular especially with tourists. Whilst Public libraries SA have been able to provide statistical data regarding the connections and their downloads, they have not as yet been able to provide the number of connections made through the Port Lincoln site. The decline in the library computer room sessions in the last year would be more than made up for in the wireless internet usage.

## **Collection Development**

The catalogue refining, re-spine labelling and covering of the collection is a time consuming but very worth while project. All the staff have made super efforts in keeping this project rolling. The library has now completed the adult non fiction and this year has seen us move onto a new section of the collection. This project is long term and is making the library's collection easier to search through the catalogue, easier to find items on the shelf and visually more appealing.

## **House Bound Delivery Service**

Library staff and volunteers are currently delivering to 28 house bound library patrons. This essential service has been very much appreciated as the love and passion for reading has not diminished in these patrons. The volunteers commit a great deal of time and energy to keep this service operating with only their sense of pride and fulfilment as reward.

## **Children's Services**

Story time continues to be popular with approximately 380 children attending. The Port Lincoln special school has also been coming to story tome sessions. This has encouraged them to once again write their own stories and make them into books. The library displayed these books and they received very encouraging comments.

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# Corporate & Community Services

## Library Services (cont.)



Authors, Christine and David Harris spoke to school children during a visit Port Lincoln Library in June. It was a treat to witness Christine & David's interaction with a lively group of year 6 and 7's from St Joseph's school.

Book-week was fully booked out this year, which included the entire Port Lincoln Junior Primary school, and staff efforts made it a sensational week.

The Library continued to provide School holiday activities where possible, and their popularity was confirmed by the strong attendances. This and Story time are valued in the Port Lincoln community and promote positive interactions into the world of books from an early age.

## Work experience Students.

The Library has had 4 work experience students from the Port Lincoln schools ranging from three days to five days. It was excellent to be able to provide insight into the workings of the library. All students remarked that they had no idea so much went on in a library and the experience had given them a new appreciation of the library and the roll of the library in the community.

## **Public Libraries Executive Committee**

The Library Manager was a member of the Public Libraries Executive Committee. The Executive Committee has an important role to play in representing the strategic interests of the South Australian Public Libraries and Library network; ensuring the long term vitality, and viability for growth, both in the country and the metropolitan areas.

## **Statistical Database Working Group**

Public Libraries Service has been looking at a new electronic statistical gathering database. The new database will enable all South Australian libraries to enter yearly government required statistical information easily and have uniform and usable definitions for the required statistic. It will also provide a very accessible and user friendly information extraction database assisting in benchmarking across the state and Australia.

#### **Comparison Statistics for the last three years**

| Service                 | 05 - 06 | 06 - 07 | 07 - 08 |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Issues                  | 167,088 | 170,003 | 182,021 |
| Circulation Desk Visits | 40,777  | 46,277  | 52,298  |
| Computer Sessions       | 8,578   | 14,256  | 12,984  |
| Reservations            | 6,092   | 5,254   | 5,584   |
| Door Counter            | 48,919  | 96,675  | 101,658 |
| Net Opac Reservations   | 0       | 378     | 608     |

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## **Operations**

## Geoff R Dodd, Director of Operations

The 2007/2008 financial year saw the commencement of some major capital projects by Council and the continuation of Councils commitment to ongoing road and footpath programs around the city.

Street scaping and traffic management works in Tasman Terrace and Light Street was completed in conjunction with the new hotel development. In addition design and tenders for the viewing platform were prepared in readiness for construction in the 2008/2009 financial year.

State and Federal funding was acquired for the construction of a major stormwater drain in Shaen Street. This drain collects stormwater from a large catchment area in the Happy Valley/Garret Road area and is designed to accommodate a 1 in 100 year flood. The \$1.0m project commenced this financial year and will be complete during 2008/2009.



Council commenced a program of improvements to the city entrances with the construction of a entry statement on the Lincoln Highway in conjunction with Rotary. A weed eradication programme was also commenced with the removal of Aleppo pines in two sections on the northern foreshore. Also the widening and reconstruction of a section of the Flinders Highway was undertaken as an improvement of one of Councils western approaches to the City.

Council's footpath construction program was geared up this year with new concrete paths constructed adjacent Dublin Street, Duncan Avenue, Kent Place, Normandy Place, Oxford Terrace and Tally-Hoe Avenue. In addition a number of existing sealed paths were hot-mixed. Future years will see this program continue at this rate as part of Councils commitment to improve on provision of footpaths around the entire Council area.

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# **Operations**

Works at Ravendale continued with the construction of club rooms to accommodate baseball and installation of car park lighting in two car park areas.





Waste Management continues to be a high cost for Council with construction of a new waste cell undertaken this year at a cost of \$950,000..



Council continues to increase the amount of car parking available around the CBD with the construction of 22 additional parks in Napoleon Street and 16 new parks adjacent St Josephs's School in the Park Terrace 'triangle'.

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# **Development & Environmental Services**

## Planning & Development

Bob Milic, Manager Development & Environmental Services
Tony Manuel, Assistant Building Surveyor

Last years annual report showed a steady decline in terms of applications received and value of proposed developments from 2005/06 however the 2007/08 year has defied that trend with an increase in applications received and a significant increase in the value of residential work. The value of work in the Commercial / Industrial sector has continued to decline in a reasonably uniform manner. The table below provides a summary of the figures for the past three years for both Residential and Commercial developments.

| YEAR                        | 2005/06  | 2006/07 | 2007/08 |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| Number of Applications      | 390      | 379     | 416     |
| Residential Value           | \$23.02m | \$18.4m | \$36.2m |
| Commercial/Industrial Value | \$19.48m | \$13.1m | \$9.9m  |
| TOTAL                       | \$42.5m  | \$31.5m | \$46.1m |

The past twelve months has seen the City finalise the Port Lincoln (General) Plan Amendment with the Ministers Approval undertaken in October 2007. The City also finalised the Marine Commercial Zone Development Plan Amendment in June 2008.

Connor Holmes Pty Ltd has undertaken a Building Heights and Design study for the City Centre Zone. This study was completed in mid-2008 and was the basis for a Draft Amendment Plan (DPA) which will undergo public consultation to get a better understanding of the issues. Through the study an amendment to the Development Plan has come into interim operation, thanks to authorisation by the Minister.

A Living Areas Master Plan for the Fringe and Rural Living Area Zone has been undertaken by Jensen Planning and Design. The Living Areas Master Plan is designed to give a clearer indication of future development, land uses, desired future character statements and density policies, amongst others, for those zones. Council has now undertaken the Better Development Plan DPA aimed at providing greater certainty, consistency and ease of use for the community and industry.

Continual Professional Development remains an important part of both Planning and Building qualifications and, although opportunities for training are few and far between (location and timeframe are often the major restrictions), staff endeavour to attend as much as possible to ensure they are being kept up-to-date with current technical information.

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# **Development & Environmental Services**

Council's Development and Planning Department strives to provide a professional and efficient service to property owners especially in terms of processing planning and development applications. The Department welcomes any questions or comments on current processes to ensure best possible practice.

## **Animal Management & General Inspection**

Calvin Hoye & Wayne Pope, General Inspectors

Council continues to provide a prompt and efficient service in regards to Animal Management as per the requirements of the Dog & Cat Management Act. During the 07/08 financial year 2552 dogs were registered, generating an income of close to \$57k.

Unregistered dogs and follow up the renewal of lapsed registrations continue to be a challenge. Council receives complaints in relation to dogs wandering at large, and barking dogs. Dog attacks continue to be of concern with several involving attacks on people. Council is continuing to respond efficiently to public complaints regarding animal management.





There has also been an increased focus on parking in the city with the appointment of a second General Inspector. Particular focus has been directed at illegal parking in disabled zones, around educational facilities and on footpaths.

Council continues to monitor vehicles left on Council land through out the city.

With the upcoming Fire Danger Season of 08/09 fast approaching we are looking at all vacant properties in town that exceed the maximum requirements of combustible vegetative fuel loads, with particular attention to the outer areas that adjoin natural bushland.

The future plans of the General Inspectors roles include:

- following up unregistered dogs, and accurate records for the animals owners
- Development and public consultation of an Animal Management Plan
- Monitor and undertake a review of parking in the CBD and retail areas
- Fire Prevention work



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# **Development & Environmental Services**

#### **Environmental Health**

Aaron Price, Environmental Health Officer

The 2007/08 financial year was a period of significant change for the Priority 1 food organisations (ie. Aged Care, Childcare, and Acute Services). The sector, which serves food to the vulnerable population of the community was required to develop and implement mandatory food safety programs. Council assisted in organising a Food Safety Training course to train staff and prepare them for the transition. Competent participants achieved the unit Follow Workplace Hygiene Procedures in from the Certificate II Hospitality (Operations) training package.

The Council's Environmental Health Officer also completed a Diploma in Lead Auditing (Food Safety) through SAI Global and the Department of Health. This training was related to the food safety programs, enabling Council to provide more accurate advice than what would have otherwise been the case.

All food business classifications were reviewed early in the year and adjustments made to the inspection schedule. There were 75 regular inspections conducted and 34 of these required further inspections. Ten separate inspections were conducted as part of investigations following the receipt of complaints.

The greatest number of non compliances identified during inspections involved delicatessens, takeaway premises and hotels/pubs. These issues primarily concerned food storage, food processing, fittings, fixtures and equipment. Seventy of the issues have been resolved through negotiation, 9 by other means (eg. business closure, change of operation format etc.), and 28 were ongoing at the end of the financial year.

Other premises/facilities inspected under the Public and Environmental Health Act included public pools, substandard properties, motel/hotel rooms, public amenities, hairdressing and beauty salons.



There were 3 cases of insanitary conditions and 6 cases of offensive activities.

Known details of waste control systems in Port Lincoln is steadily being entered into the Synergy Software. This will enable the information to be easily accessed when processing development applications or responding to owner enquiries. Eight applications for waste control systems were lodged, pertaining to the installation of new units and the replacement of failing systems.

In 2007/08 Council continued its role in managing the school based immunisation program. Eligible students were offered vaccine courses for Hepatitis B, HPV, Chicken pox, Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis. Council staff were offered the Influenza vaccine. There were 1452 students and 23 staff vaccinated.

The EHO investigated 18 confirmed cases of notifiable diseases for residents of Port Lincoln. Infected persons or their caregivers were provided with information about the infection and appropriate control measures.

The next financial year will see the commencement of the Legionella guidelines and regulations. Council's will be responsible for maintaining a register and conducting annual inspections of cooling towers and warm water systems. One of many challenges facing Council in working to protect the health of its community.

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## **Members Allowances**

The Elected Members and the Mayor of the City of Port Lincoln are paid an allowance determined by Council resolution under the Local Government Act, 1999 Section 76.

The allowances paid to Elected Members and the Mayor to perform their functions and duties are reviewed annually and are paid quarterly in advance.

The Chairperson and Independent Members of the Council Development Assessment Panel (CDAP) are remunerated per sitting, as is the independent member of the Corporate Governance Committee. Their involvement and interest in the future developments and strategic and financial goals of the City of Port Lincoln is appreciated.

Membership to various Council Committees and members of boards are re-elected each November

Various Elected Members attended seminars and workshops throughout the year, to enhance their awareness of local government in our community and at a statewide level.

|                                | July to Nov 2007  | Nov 2007<br>to June 2008 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Ordinary Council               |                   |                          |
| Mayor                          | \$22,000          | \$27,000                 |
| Deputy Mayor                   | \$8,800           | \$10,000                 |
| Elected Members                | \$6,600           | \$7,000                  |
| CDAP                           |                   |                          |
| Chairperson                    | \$200 per sitting | \$200 per sitting        |
| Independent Members            | \$120 per sitting | \$120 per sitting        |
| Corporate Governance Committee |                   |                          |
| Independent Member             | \$200 per sitting | \$200 per sitting        |

## **Executive Officers**

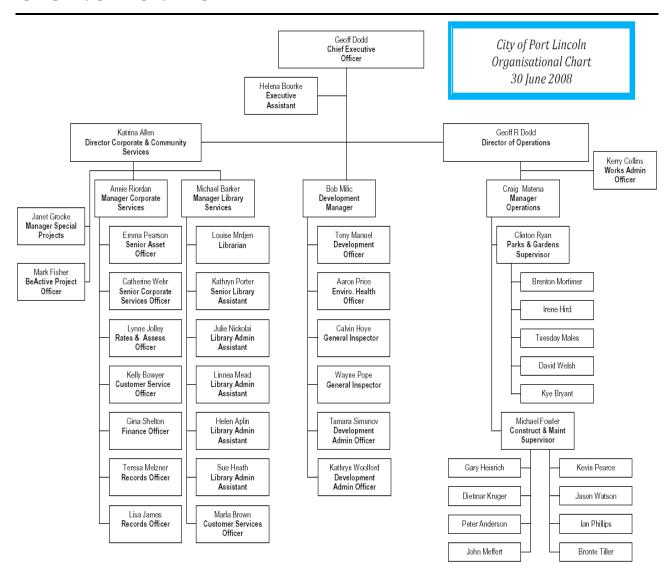
#### **City of Port Lincoln Senior Executive Officers**

Chief Executive Officer Geoff P Dodd, Assoc Dip Acct, JP Director of Corporate & Community Services Katrina Allen, Cert HR & Fin Serv

Director of Operations Geoff R Dodd, Beng

The Chief Executive Officer, was appointed in June 2005 on a five year performance based employment contract. The Director of Corporate & Community Services role was reinstated in July 2007 following a restructure, and has completed the first year of a five year contract, after a number of years with Council as Manager Corporate Services. The Director of Operations is into the second year of a renewed five year contract. The employment packages of these officers include salary, legislated superannuation benefits, and the private use on Eyre Peninsula, of a designated Council Vehicle.

## ORGANISATIONAL CHART



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## Local Government Act 1999 Legislative Requirements

#### **REGISTERS**

Chapter 5, Part 4, Section 68
Register of Interest – Members
Register of Interest – Officers

Chapter 5, Part 4, Section 79
Register of Members Allowances
and Benefits

Chapter 7, Part 2, Section 105 Officers Register of Remuneration

Chapter 7, Part 4, Section 116 Officers Register of Interests

Chapter 11, Part 1, Section 207 Community Land Plan 1 and Plan 2

Chapter 11, Part 1, Section 231
Public Roads

Chapter 12, Part 1, Section 252

By Laws

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Code of Conduct or Practice documents are available to the public, either at the Council Office or website

## www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au

Chapter 5, Part 4, Section 63
Policy 9.63.3 Code of Conduct – Council
Members

Chapter 6, Part 5, Section 92 Policy 18.63.1 Code of Practice

Chapter 7, Part 4, Section 110 Policy 18.63.2Code of Conduct – Staff

#### **POLICIES**



Policies required to be listed in this Annual Report.

Chapter 4, Part 5, Section 50
Policy 2.63.1 Community Engagement

Chapter 4, Part 4, Section 49
Policy 7.63.1 Contracts and Tenders

Chapter 10, Part 1, Section 171 Policy 7.63.2 Rating

Chapter 8, Part 3, Section 125 Policy 7.63.5 Internal Control

Chapter 12, Part 2, Section 259 Policy 5.63.1 Order Making

A list of all current policies adopted by the City of Port Lincoln is attached as Appendix B. All policies are available on Councils website

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## Local Government Act 1999 Legislative Requirements

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Under **Local Government Act 1999** Part 2, Section 9 and the Freedom of information Act 1991, publication of information concerning agencies, Council is required to publish annually its Information Statement pertaining to arrangements and functions Council has in place for the public to access information and documents to enable them to participate in Council's decision making processes and policy formation.

Policy 13.63.1 Privacy is available on councils website

Requests for information will be considered in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act provisions.

Under this legislation, an application fee and a search fee must be forwarded with the completed request form unless the applicant is granted an exemption.



Should the applicant require copies of any documents inspected pursuant to a Freedom of Information request, the charge set out in the Act will apply.

Freedom of Information Request Forms should be addressed to:

City of Port Lincoln PO Box 1787 PORT LINCOLN 5606

Forms are available at the Council Offices.

Applications will be responded to as soon as possible within the statutory number of days of Council receiving the properly completed Freedom of Information Request Form, together with the application and search fees.

No applications for information under the Freedom of Information Act were received by the City of Port Lincoln during the reporting financial year.

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## Local Government Act 1999 Legislative Requirements

## **USE OF SECTIONS 90(2) AND 91(7)**

Council will hold all meetings in public except in special circumstances where the public may be excluded from attendance at so much of a meeting as is necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence any information or matter listed in Section 90 of the *Local Government Act* 1999.

The number and type of meetings held by the elected members and the meetings where the public was excluded from part or all of that meeting was 8 meetings from a total of 25 Ordinary Meetings.

Eight Minutes of Council were ordered to be held as confidential under Section 91(7) of the **Local Government Act 1999**.



#### AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL RECORDS

A member of the public may gain access to Council documents to make amendments concerning their personal affairs by making a request under the Local Government Act. A member of the public may then request a correction to any information about themselves that is incomplete, incorrect, misleading or out of date.

To gain access to these Council records, a member of the public must enquire in the first instance to the Chief Executive Officer. It may be necessary to complete a Freedom of Information Request Form as indicated above outlining the records that he/she wishes to inspect.

## REPRESENTATIONAL QUOTA

It was gazetted on the 13th June 2002 that the City of Port Lincoln, in accordance with the requirements of Section 12(4) of the Local Government Act 1999 has reviewed its composition and elector representation arrangements. The next review will be in 2010 as per the Act.

Pursuant to Section 12(13)(a) of the said Act, the Electoral Commissioner has certified that the review undertaken by Council satisfies the requirements of Section 12 and may therefore now be put into effect as from the day of the first general election held after the expiration of five months from the publication of this notice.

The representation arrangements are as follows:-

- One Mayor
- 10 Councillors

(at large representation)

No wards apply to the Council area.

Average Representational
Quota for Councils
of a similar size

|                | No of Electors | Total<br>Members | Represent.<br>Quota |
|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|
| PORT LINCOLN   | 10864          | 11               | 987                 |
| LIGHT REGIONAL | 10364          | 11               | 942                 |
| PORT PIRIE     | 13307          | 11               | 1209                |
| COPPER COAST   | 12410          | 11               | 1128                |
| MURRAY BRIDGE  | 14591          | 10               | 1459                |
| WATTLE RANGE   | 10455          | 12               | 871                 |

## Local Government Act 1999 Legislative Requirements

#### **DECISION MAKING STRUCTURE OF COUNCIL**

Under the system of Local Government established by the *Local Government Act* 1999, Council is established to provide for the government and management of its area at the local level and in particular:-

# Act as a representative, informed and responsible decision-maker in the interests of its community

To enact the various roles and functions required of it, Council has adopted strategic objectives, some of which are detailed as follows:

- Provide open, responsive and accountable government
- To be responsive to the needs, interests and aspirations of individuals and groups within its community
- seek to facilitate sustainable development and the protection of the environment and to ensure a proper balance within its community between economic, social, environmental and cultural consideration
- To manage its operations and affairs in a manner that emphasises the importance of service to the community
- To seek to provide services, facilities and programs that are adequate and appropriate and seek to ensure equitable access to its services, facilities and programs are available to all members of the community

## STRUCTURE & FUNCTIONS OF COUNCIL

The Council consisting of ten Councillors and the Mayor, is the decision making body on all policy matters. Ordinary meetings of the Council were held on the first and third Monday of every month at 7.30 p.m. (except public holidays when meetings were held on the following Tuesday). All meetings were open to the public. A community question time was held at the beginning of each meeting when members of the public had the opportunity to ask a question to Members or Officers of the Council.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

Council Development Assessment Panel meets every second Monday at 7.30pm in the Council Chambers.

The Development Assessment Panel has authority of decision-making. All meetings are open to the public. Agendas of Council and the Council Development Assessment Panel are placed on public display no less than three days prior to those meetings. Minutes are placed on display within five days of the meeting being held. Minutes and Agendas are also posted on Councils website

www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au

## Local Government Act 1999 Legislative Requirements

#### **BOARDS & ADVISORY COMMITTEES & PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAMS**

Council established a number of Boards and Advisory bodies, which comprise Elected Members, Staff, Government Officers and members of the public, to act in a range of statutory, delegated and advisory roles. The current organisations are:

- Ordinary Council
- Chief Executive Officer Review Committee
- Council Development Assessment Panel
- Disability Access Advisory Committee
- Marina Maintenance Advisory Committee
- Greater City of Port Lincoln Bushfire Prevention Plan Committee
- Southern Eyre Waste Committee
- Corporate Governance Committee (Audit)

The minutes of these meetings are included in the Agenda for the meetings of Council. All reports, which form the basis of recommendations to Council, are also available to the public.

## **DELEGATIONS**

The Chief Executive Officer and other officers have the delegated authority from Council to make decisions on a number of specified administrative and policy matters. These delegations are listed in the appropriate register and are reviewed annually, or as required by Council.

In keeping with the legislative requirement:

- To determine policies to be applied by the Council in exercising its discretionary powers;
- To determine the type, range and scope of projects to be undertaken by the Council; and
- To develop comprehensive management plans, budgets, financial controls and performance objectives and indicators for the operations of the Council, that Council makes decisions, which direct and/or determine its activities and functions.
   Such decisions include the approval of works and services to be undertaken, and the resources, which are to be made available to undertake such.

Decisions are also made to determine whether or not approvals are to be granted for applications from residents for various forms of development.

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## Local Government Act 1999 Legislative Requirements

## NATIONAL COMPETITION POLICY

Under the requirements LGA Schedule 4 1(j) and the National Competition Policy and the requirement to report on its application to Council Business, it is reported that for the financial year there were no significant business activities created, undertaken or ceased. There were no complaints received by Council in its application of competitive neutrality in its business dealings.

## **BY-LAWS**

The City of Port Lincoln Council has passed five by-laws which were gazetted on the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2003. The certified copies are held in a register (15.13.1.1) as per the **Local Government Act 1999** Chapter 12, Part 1, Section 252.

By-Law No. 1 Permits and

**Penalties** 

By-Law No. 2 Moveable Signs

By-Law No. 3 Roads

By-Law No. 4 Local Government

Land

By-Law No. 5 Dogs

Copies of Councils By-laws are available by request on the website



www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au

## **BUSINESS PREMISES**

The City of Port Lincoln has three business premises:

| COUNCIL OFFICE  | LIBRARY  | DEPOT                           |
|---|--|---------------------------------|
| Level 1 Civic Centre<br>60 Tasman Tce<br>PORT LINCOLN | 2 London Street<br>(TAFE Building)<br>PORT LINCOLN | 1 Bel-air Drive<br>PORT LINCOLN |
| 8621 2300   | 8688 3622  | 8621 2340                       |

# **Human Resource Management**

#### **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

The City of Port Lincoln is wholly committed to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunity and puts these into practice in all instances of new staff appointments, promotions and training opportunities.

In all policies and practices of the Council, there shall be no discrimination relating to sex, marital status, parenthood, race, colour, national origin, physical or mental impairment, religious or political affiliation.

Selection of individuals for employment, promotion or advancement training and staff development will be on the basis of personal merit in fair and open competition according to the skills, qualifications, knowledge and efficiency relevant to the position involved.

Council will utilise and develop the full potential of the Council's human resources and promote employee morale and motivation by establishing staff confidence in personnel practices and employment opportunities.

This Equal Employment Opportunity practice reflects the Council's desire to enjoy a workplace free of discrimination where each person has can progress to the extent of their ability, as opportunities arise.

## **TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES**

Council endorses the following aims and principles when applying its training policies and practices. Council's Training and development policy 12.63.10, aims at developing highly skilled, knowledgeable and committed employees and elected members which will result in benefits to the Council, it's community and the individuals themselves. It is Council's intent in the attainment of this goal to;

- establish a working environment in which employees are encouraged to undertake training
- · training is actively promoted
- opportunities for recognition, development and advancement are provided
- · skills and knowledge are provided to entry level employees.

Training is an investment in the skill development of employees and elected members, which should be directed at achieving the corporate objectives of the Council.

Training should be relevant to the services provided by the Council, meaningful to the participants and directed at improving performance on the job.

All employees and elected members should have access to appropriate training and development opportunities required to perform present and future jobs more competently and to ensure career development opportunities.

Council should be flexible in determining training programs and policies and will consult with employees and elected members on their individual training requirements. Evaluation of training programs and activities will ensure the best use of resources and consistency standards.

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# **Human Resource Management**

Training must recognise and comply with legislative requirements, in particular, the Training Guarantee, Occupational Health, Safety, Welfare and Equal Employment Opportunity legislation.

Employee and elected members current and future training and development needs will be identified through an organisational and skills/training needs analysis and the development of individual training and development programs derived through a process of employee/manager consultation as part of Council's appraisal scheme.

Training and development should form a key part of a strategic human resources plan which responds to present and future organisational needs.

Whereas, the responsibility for training and development rests with managers and individual employees, the Senior Corporate Services Officer will fill a strategic role and will be the link for implementing, monitoring and evaluating training and development.

Council will allocate a proportion of its salaries and wages budget to training and development. Activities that are structured, evaluated, meet organisational, departmental or individual requirements and contribute to productivity will be funded from this allocation.

## COMMUNITY LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS

As per the Local Government Act 1999, Chapter 11 and Schedule 4 2(e), Council recognises the requirement and need for management plans of its Community and Operational land. Management plans for Community land have been implemented. These plans are to be reviewed during 2008-09.

## Community Land Management Plan 1

Recreation, Sports Grounds and Community Facilities

Includes sporting grounds, clubrooms, halls, caravan park, museum

Community Land Management Plan 2

Parks, Gardens & Reserves
Including playgrounds



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## **Council Services**

The Council makes decisions on policy issues relating to services that are provided for the Port Lincoln Community and visits to the area. These services currently include:

Accommodation for the Aged

Accommodation for the Disabled

Advertising Signs Licensing

Beach Cleaning
Boat Ramps

Bus Stops, Shelters and Seats

By-law Administration

Caravan Park

Cemeteries

Citizenship Ceremonies

Civic Hall/Arts Centre

Civic Receptions

Community Asset Management

Community Development Program

Community Governance Community House Support

Cycle Tracks

**Development Applications** 

Development Assessment

**Development Control** 

Dog and Cat Management

Drainage Works and Flood Control

**Economic Development** 

**Election of Council Members** 

**Environmental Health** 

Fire Protection

Foreshore Protection

Foreshore Swimming enclosure

Garbage Collection

Health and Food Inspection

Immunisation Program

Kerbside Collection of Recyclables

Litter Bins

Local History Collection

Lower Eyre Peninsula Walking Trail

Monuments and Plaques

Off Street Parking

On Street Parking

Ovals and Sports Fields

Parking Control

Parks and Gardens

Parnkalla Walking Trail

Playgrounds and Equipment

Policy Planning

**Public Conveniences** 

Public Library (jointly with TAFE)

Public Relations and Communications

**Public Seating** 

Recreational Facilities Construction

Roads and Footpaths Septic Tank Inspection

Settlers Cottage Museum

Sister City Relationship

Statutory Planning

Strategic Planning

Street Lighting

Street Signage

Street Sweeping

Street Tree Planting

The Aged/Disabled Tourism Development

To wist Information

**Tourist Information** 

Traffic Control Devices

Traffic Management

Tree Management

Vertebrate Pest Control

War Memorials

Waste Disposal

Waste Minimisation Program

Waste Recycling Program

Weed Control

Youth Advisory Committee

Youth Program Support



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# **Community Engagement**

Members of the public have a number of opportunities to put forward their views on particular issues before Council. These are:

- (1) <u>Deputations</u>
  - With the permission of the Committee Chairman or the Mayor, a member of the public can address a Committee or the Council personally or on behalf of a group of residents.
- (2) <u>Presentations to Council</u>
  with prior notification and arrangement with the Mayor, a member of the public can address the Council on any issue relevant to Council.
- (3) <u>Petitions</u>
  Written petitions can be addressed to the Council on any issue within the Council's iurisdiction.
- (4) Written Requests
  - A member of the public can write to the Council on any Council policy, activity or service.
- (5) <u>Elected Members</u>

  Members of the public can contact their Elected Members of Council to discuss any issue relevant to Council.
- (6) <u>Community Question Time</u>

  Members of the public can ask a question directly to the Council at the beginning of each monthly Council Meeting.

The City of Port Lincoln consults with local residents on particular issues that affect their neighbourhood, as per Policy 2.63.1. Below are some examples:

- Residents and electors are eligible to attend meetings at which Council may be making decisions on leasing arrangements of Council reserves by local community groups
- Revocation of Community Land Classifications, road opening and closing proposals
- Residents are notified of some Development Applications requiring the approval of Council.
  The Development Act exempts a number of applications from public notification. When an
  application is publicly notified, residents have the opportunity both to write to Council
  expressing their view of the application and to subsequently personally address the Council
  before a decision is made.
- Strategic Planning
- Policy amendments to the Development Plan and development proposals of Council wide significance





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## **Council Publications**

#### **ACCESS TO PUBLICATIONS**

The following documents are available for public viewing on the website or at the Council Office, Level One, Civic Centre, free of charge. Members of the public may purchase copies of these documents at a minimal cost.

- Council Agenda
- Council Minutes
- Standing Committee Agendas & Minutes
- Assessment Book
- Development Assessment Plan
- Council Management Manual

Other publications such as Annual Reports, Financial Statements, Budget documentation, Development Plans etc are also available on Councils website.

For those persons whom don't have internet access, the Port Lincoln Library, in the TAFE Building at 2 London Street, has free public internet access.



#### **COUNCIL MANAGEMENT MANUAL**

The Council Management Manual includes:

- Annual Business Plan
- Annual Report & General Purpose Financial Statements
- By-Laws
- Council & Committee Information Booklet
- Delegations
- Policy Manual Index
- Rates Policy
- Register of Elected Members Allowances & Benefits
- Register of Employees Salaries, Wages & Benefits
- Register of Public Streets and Roads
- Schedule of Fees and Charges
- Strategic Plan

The manual is kept at the front Counter of councils administrative office, Level 1, Civic Centre, 60 Tasman Tce, and may be viewed on request.

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# Strategic Planning

The Port Lincoln Strategic Plan outlines the general direction in which the City Council will focus its activities for the next 10 year period (2007 - 2017) and gives the City Council a framework for managing competing community needs in an equitable and responsible way.

The City of Port Lincoln sought wide community input and involvement in the development of the Plan that included quantitative information gathered through a distributed public survey and from several focus group sessions:

- · Elected Member and Senior Staff
- External Stakeholder groups
   ie business, government (eg Health Services) Regional Development Board,
   Chamber of Commerce, Tourism and Education etc
- · Council Staff two or three mixed groups from across all Council departments
- · Two Community Sessions.

These sessions led to the development of a final priority setting for strategies and objectives across all local government and supporting areas. Janet Binder, a consultant, was engaged to facilitate the interpretation of the information contained within the Community Surveys and gathered through the focus groups. This information was used to develop the Strategic Plan with Council staff costing the strategies outlined in the plan.

The City of Port Lincoln has identified seven key areas and developed goals, key objectives and strategies to achieve the vision statement.

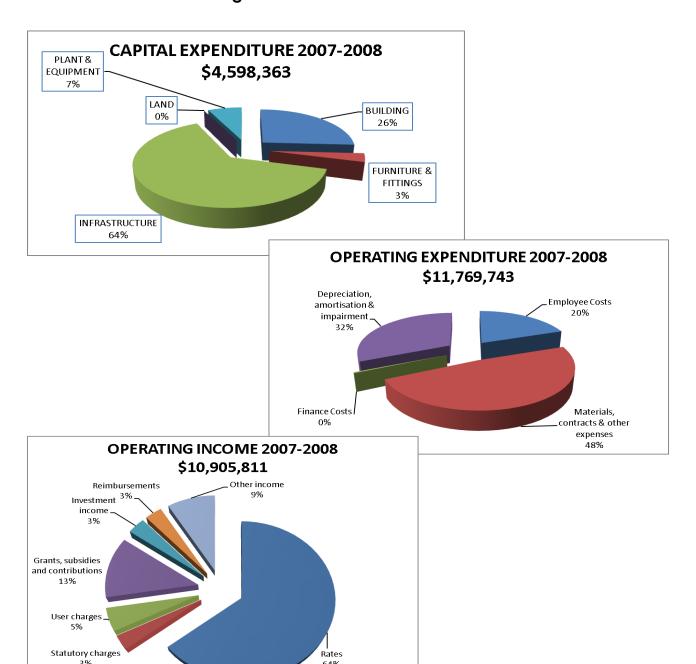


A copy of the Strategic Plan 2007-2017 can be viewed on the website www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au or is available for purchase from Councils Civic Centre and Library

# Financial Management

A full audited copy of the General Purposes Financial Reports, pursuant to the Local Government Act, 1999, Section 131, is included as Appendix A.

## Financial Information at a glance.



# Financial Management

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE 2007-2008 BUDGET**

- · To adopt a balanced Budget
- · To implement a significant Capital Works program
- · To maintain restraint on recurrent expenditure.
- To fund all expenditure from operational revenue without loan borrowings.
- To implement the first year of the Strategic Plan 2007-2017.
- To meet Council's Policy of fully funding Staff leave liabilities.
- To maintain a cap on total Rate revenue increases of 4% on previous year.

Council believe the objectives of the 2007-2008 budget and the Strategic Plan 2007-2017 year 1, were achieved in principle.

#### LONG SERVICE LEAVE RESERVE

The Long Service Leave fund balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008 is deemed sufficient to meet future leave liabilities inclusive of accrued annual leave for all current staff.

## **ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN & BUDGET 2008-2009**

A number of significant factors have influenced the preparation of the City of Port Lincoln Annual Business Plan 2008-2009. These include:

- Cost increases The increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Adelaide was 2.7% for the year ended 31 December 2007 however councils typically face higher cost increases due to the higher capital intensive nature of the goods and services purchased. The Local Government Price Index which measures the increase in costs to Local Government was 3.5% for the year ended 30 September 2007.
- Requirements to maintain and improve infrastructure assets to acceptable standards including roads, footpaths, lighting, storm water drainage, street scaping, and the cities open space areas.
- Service and infrastructure needs for a growing population
- New fees/charges imposed by other levels of government ie EPA

In response to these factors, and to minimise the burden on rate-payers, the Annual Business Plan has been prepared within the following guidelines:

• The Annual Business Plan, in line with Councils Strategic Plan 2007-2017, will result in the total revenue raised through general rates increasing by no more than 4 % above the 2007-2008 rate revenue

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• Total operating expenses to be held where possible, within levels of the previous financial years and adjusted by the estimated Local Government Price Index.

The City of Port Lincoln's priorities for 2008-2009 include:

- continuation of the proposed programs for road constructions and reseals, footpaths, and playgrounds within the city
- further development and construction at the Ravendale Sporting Facility
- continued rollout of the water re-use scheme
- CBD Upgrades

The major projects and capital works planned for the 2008-2009 financial year and the Annual Business Plan have been prepared to deliver the Council objectives for the year as identified in the Strategic Plan 2007-2017.

## **FUNDING THE BUSINESS PLAN**

Consistent with the City of Port Lincoln's Strategic Plan 2007-2017 an operating surplus, after depreciation add backs, and Capital Expenditure and Revenue is being targeted in 2008-2009. The operating surplus measures the difference between operating revenue and expenses for the period.

As per Section 123(7)(a)(b) and (8) of the Local Government Act 1999, the City of Port Lincoln Annual Budget was adopted 23 June 2008

|   |                   | \$.         | .000   |
|---|-------------------|-------------|--------|
| Est Cash at beginning of Reporting Period |                   | \$3,        | 425    |
| <u>Estimated Revenue</u>                  |                   |             |        |
| General Rate Income                       | \$ 7,030          |             |        |
| Grants new or upgraded Assets             | \$ 1,004          |             |        |
| Other Income                              | <u>\$ 4,967</u>   |             |        |
| Total Estimated Income 2008-09            |                   | \$13        | 3,001  |
| <u>Estimated Expenditure</u>              |                   |             |        |
| Operational Expenditure                   | \$10,661          |             |        |
| Capital Expenditure                       | \$ 4,516          |             |        |
| Less Depreciation add back                | ( <u>\$2,774)</u> |             |        |
| Total Estimated Expenditure 2008-09       |                   | <u>(\$1</u> | 2,403) |
| Cash at end of Reporting Period           |                   | \$ 4        | ,023   |
| Estimated INCREASE                        |                   |             |        |
| in cash as at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2009  |                   | \$          | 598    |

For further information refer to Council Publication "Annual Business Plan for the Year ended 30th June 2009 can be viewed on councils website

www.portlincoln.sa.gov.au

or purchased from the front counter. A Summary Annual Business Plan is also available and was included with the first Rates Notice for 2008-2009.

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#### FINANCIAL CONTROLS

Council Staff are required to employ methods of analysing costs and revenues associated with all operations of Council. The Financial system utilised by Council Staff, Synergysoft and UVCodes, documents adopted budgets and actual operational costs as they occur and are presented to Council in a monthly and quarterly reporting format. All project costs are available to relevant staff as required.

As required under the Local Government Act 1999 and Accounting Regulations, comparison reports between actual and budget performance of all Council operations are presented to Council for the quarters ending September, December and March of each financial year. Adjustments to the budget projections are presented to Council and made quarterly to give an accurate estimation of the financial status of Council as at the forthcoming June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Council contracts the services of a qualified Auditing Company, Dean Newbery & Partners, to oversee the procedures employed by Council Staff and the financial presentation of data to Council and the Public. Public perception and opinion are sought on major projects undertaken by Council.

The Corporate Governance Committee review most financial information, prior to it being presented to Council. They consider the strategic plan and community expectations in the decision making process of allocating Council finances.

#### **SUMMARY**

The budget and annual business plan process undertaken by Council, endeavour to present accurate financial reports and forecasts of the financial status of Council throughout the year.

Council welcomes enquiries from all interested parties on any items pertaining to the Budget process and Budget contents and documentation. Enquiries can be directed to Elected Members or to Council's Senior Staff.

#### LOAN BORROWINGS

As at 30th June 2008 the City of Port Lincoln has a liability of \$622k with the LGFA. This is a fully

funded Community Loan to the Ravendale Community Sports Centre Inc., repayable over a 15 year period. Refer to note 6 of the notes to the financial statements for further information regarding repayment of the loan by the Revendale Community Sports Centre Inc.



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### Competitive Tendering & Cost Effective Services

#### **PURCHASING POLICIES**

Council continues to strive to give value for money in service delivery to the ratepayers of the City of Port Lincoln through the adoption and utilization of Purchasing and Procurement Policies.

In compliance with Section 49 of the **Local Government Act 1999**, Council has adopted policies encompassing the following.

- · The contracting out of services
- Competitive tendering and the use of other measures to ensure that services are delivered cost-effectively
- The use of local goods and services
- The disposal of land or other assets surplus to maintaining efficient operations.

Examples of competitive tendering undertaken have been the tendering and contracting out of the following services.

- · Recycling kerbside collection
- · Audit services
- Road construction, surfacing and resurfacing
- · Footpath and foreshore maintenance
- · Public Toilet maintenance
- Electrical
- · Plumbing
- · Building Maintenance
- · Tree trimming and removal
- Environmental monitoring of waste disposal system
- Paving
- Street Sweeping
- Material Carting



Further to the purchase of goods and services at the most cost effective price, Council also utilises local suppliers when price competitive as outlined in the City of Port Lincoln policy number 7.63.1 Contracts, Tendering and Purchasing.

#### **BUY LOCAL POLICY**

Purchases are to be made from the supplier offering the lowest price for an acceptable quality, having regard to all purchasing policies adopted by Council.

Where price and quality offered by two or more suppliers are equal, preference is to be given to any supplier within the region.

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# **APPENDIX A**

General Purpose Financial Reports For the Year Ended 30th June 2008 Annual Report 2007-2008

# **APPENDIX B**

# List of Council Policies For the Year Ended 30th June 2008

# **POLICY INDEX 20080630**





| ategory                 | Policy Description                       | No      | Reviewed by:            |
|-------------------------|--|---------|-------------------------|
| nimal Management        | Galah Culling                            | 1.63.1  | Operations              |
|                         | Community Engagement (Formally Public    |         |                         |
| ommunity Relations      | Consultation)                            | 2.63.1  | Director Corp & Comm    |
|                         | Awards Register                          | 2.63.2  | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Banners                                  | 2.63.3  | Operations              |
|                         | Flags                                    | 2.63.4  | Executive Assistant     |
| relopment Control       | Inspections                              | 3.63.1  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Charitable Organisations Fees            | 3.63.2  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Development Application Fees             | 3.63.3  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Sheds & Caravans                         | 3.63.4  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Make Lincoln Green Project               | 3.63.5  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Liquor Licences                          | 3.63.6  | Manager Corp Services   |
| vironmental<br>nagement | Order Making                             | 5.63.1  | Management Team         |
| gomont                  | Burning                                  | 5.63.2  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Burning for Bushfire Prevention          | 5.63.3  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Garbage Bin Collection                   | 5.63.4  | Operations              |
|                         | Garbage Disposal Concession              | 5.63.5  | Operations              |
|                         | Onsite Sewage Management                 | 5.63.6  | Planning & Inspectorial |
|                         | Waste Minimisation                       | 5.63.7  | Operations              |
|                         | Rainwater Tank Rebate                    | 5.63.8  | <del>-</del>   '        |
|                         | Namwaler Fallk Nebale                    | 5.05.0  | Operations              |
| ancial Management       | Contracts, Tenders & Purchasing          | 7.63.1  | Manager Corp Services   |
|                         | Rates                                    | 7.63.2  | Manager Corp Services   |
|                         | Telephone Accounts                       | 7.63.3  | Manager Corp Services   |
|                         | Internal Control                         | 7.63.5  | Manager Corp Services   |
|                         | Community Funding Assistance             | 7.36.6  | Director Corp & Comm    |
|                         | National Competition Policy              | 7.63.7  | Manager Corp Services   |
|                         | Rates Concession Scheme                  | 7.63.8  | CEO                     |
| et Management           | Private Vehicle Use                      | 8.63.1  | Director Corp & Comm    |
|                         | Vehicle Plant Replacment                 | 8.63.2  | Director Operations     |
| vernance                | Single Casual Vacancy                    | 9.63.1  | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Council Decisions Review                 | 9.63.2  | Director Corp & Comm    |
|                         | Code of Conduct - Elected Members        | 9.63.3  | Director Corp & Comm    |
|                         | Petitions                                | 9.63.4  | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Deputations                              | 9.63.10 | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Policy Amendments                        | 9.63.11 | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Training & Development - Elected Members | 9.63.12 | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Award for Graduating Student             | 9.63.13 | Executive Assistant     |
|                         | Council Meeting Documents                | 9.63.14 | Executive Assistant     |

# **POLICY INDEX 20080630**





| Category               | Policy Description                      | No       | Reviewed by:             |
|------------------------|---|----------|--------------------------|
| Human Resource         |   |          |                          |
| Management             | Design & Purchasing Guidelines          | 12.16.3  | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Contracting                             | 12.16.4  | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Asbestos                                | 12.16.5  | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Roadworks Signage Audit Procedure       | 12.16.6  | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Accident Investigation & Reporting      | 12.16.7  | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Electrical Safety Cables & Equipment    | 12.16.10 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Workstation Ergonomics                  | 12.16.14 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | OHS Consultation                        | 12.16.16 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Consultative Committee                  | 12.16.17 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Drugs & Alcohol                         | 12.16.18 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Fire Wardens                            | 12.16.20 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | First Aid                               | 12.16.21 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Hazardous & Dangerous Substances        | 12.16.23 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Jewellery                               | 12.16.29 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | Manual Handling                         | 12.16.30 | OHS Committee            |
|                        | No Smoking                              | 12.16.32 | OHS Committee            |
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| Manager Special Projects                     |
| Library Manager                              |
| Library Manager                              |
| Library Manager                              |
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# APPENDIX C

# Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association Annual Report For the 2007-2008

### EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# **ANNUAL REPORT**



# 2007/2008



#### Forward by President, Mayor Iim Pollock

As always, the 2007/08 year has been a fairly full one for Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association.

Throughout the year, we have grappled with a new Charter that is now close to being finalised and is out of our hands. As part of this process, members have endorsed a more tightly aligned role in keeping with our core business as local government providers. This has involved a review of our Executive Officer position, the reduction in hours for the next year and the narrowing of the focus for the role. In addition, we have a draft strategic plan that should be adopted early in 2008/09 and will reflect our targeted focus.

On the lobbying front, our biggest challenge has been the draft legislation associated with the state's strategic plan targets in relation to Marine Parks. Lead by Mayor Allan Suter, District Council of Ceduna, we were able to clearly voice our objections to the draft legislation and expect to have further interest as the new legislation is implemented.

Many Member Council continue to be involved with the emerging mining interests on Eyre Peninsula and this has involved a look at the infrastructure requirements, especially in relation to wharf facilities and associated freight corridors. In addition, water supplies are a challenge and all Members await the EP Long Term water Plan, as well as looking at solutions locally.

Our major event, the Annual Conference, was hosted this year by District Council of Kimba and was another most successful event. Their efforts, in conjunction with many organisations in their community, were certainly appreciated by all who attended and they are to be congratulated for the excellent event. During the conference, major sponsors, Norman Waterhouse, informed us that they were making available 20 tickets to the Disney High School Musical on Ice performance at the Entertainment Centre. We offered those tickets to schools on Eyre Peninsula with Karcultably and Wudinna Area Schools using them. The students were greatly appreciative of the opportunity they were given; some even reporting it was their first time seeing iceskating and for many, the first time seeing a major show. Norman Waterhouse was very generous in making the tickets available to us.

Later in the year, we were advised of the resignation of two of our long-serving CEOs in John Rumbelow (Streaky Bay) and Peter Aird (Lower Eyre Peninsula.) All Members would join me in thanking John for his commitment to local government in general and our organisation in particular, and wish him well for his well-earned retirement. No doubt much fishing will be involved. Peter has taken on the role of Airport Manager at Lower Eyre Peninsula and we certainly hope for continued involvement with him. His efforts over the years have also been considerable and we thank him sincerely for his contribution as CEO, to both his Council and to EPLGA.

To Senior Vice President, Julie Low, a big thank you for your efforts in many areas over the year, and also to Jr Vice President Eddie Elleway. It's always good to know

that there is a good team round you in any organisation. In that light, thanks must also go to Sonya Young for her very capable administrative role, especially in relation to meeting minutes and organisation. Finally, too, to Diana Laube for her work as Executive Officer in this, her first year.

In concluding, I must also give a big thank you to all members for your co-operation and commitment throughout the year. We look forward to the year ahead knowing it will have its own challenges, but also knowing that, by working together, we can achieve much for Eyre Peninsula.



Mayor Jim Pollock, Corporation of the City of Whyalla

#### **REPORT AGAINST BUSINESS PLAN 2007/08**

#### PRELIMINARY:

Last Year's Business Plan was drafted after only 2 weeks in the position so attempted to set the strategic agenda based on "unfinished business" predominantly resulting from the 2005 Review done by Collins Anderson. The Plan aimed at the following:

- 1 EPLGA Reform (both structural and charter)
- 2 High priority strategic projects of significance to Eyre Peninsula Councils.

#### EPLGA REFORMS.

KPIs [Key performance Indicators] for 2007/08:

| Number | Key Performance<br>Indicator  | Outcome   |
|--------|---|---|
| KPI 1  | The interim SSU becomes an operational aspect of the EPLGA and its reporting protocols are evident in the Agenda papers | Abandoned.<br>Endorsed by<br>December 2007<br>meeting |

| KPI 2 | Benefits achievable through shared | This is to remain as an item on |
|-------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|       | services provision are quantified  | our Strategic<br>Plan           |
|       | 1                                  |                                 |
| KPI 3 | Service Agreements                 | No further action               |
|       | are prepared and                   |                                 |
|       | scheduled                          |                                 |
| KPI 4 | The Charter is                     | Charter                         |
|       | amended and                        | amended and                     |
|       | Gazetted                           | currently                       |
|       |                                    | awaiting the                    |
|       |                                    | gazettal.                       |

#### PERFORMANCE REPORT.

Of the four (4) KPIs identified above, only one is on track to be achieved - the amendment of the Charter. At time of writing, we are awaiting the final processes and the documentation currently sits with the Office of State/Local Government Relations.

To enable a more solid legal framework, the advice from Wallmans was that our Charter should start from scratch. Initially, the difficulty for Wallmans was our request that we needed a document that would enable EPLGA to run a Business Unit in order to allow the delivery of some shared services directly from EPLGA. This was outlined, and endorsed by members, as part of the Structural Review presented by Collins Anderson Management in 2005.

However, under the direction from the September 2007 meeting, the CEOs met to identify a preferred draft of the Charter to present to members, with Wallmans lawyer, Mark Sallis, also present. At that meeting, it was clear that amongst CEOs, there was a preference to:

- Abandon all consideration of running a Shared Services business unit through EPLGA. There was a belief that, to do so, would duplicate governance requirements already in place in Councils.
- Return EPLGA to its core function of local government, tightly aligned to promoting issues of concern for Members.

Following that meeting, the draft Charter was amended by Wallmans in line with the CEOs direction, and this version was only amended in a minor way before all Councils were able to sign off the new direction.

However, there was a request from CEOs that the issues of discussion about opportunities under shared services delivery could best take place at EPLGA and an interest in ensuring this remains on our Strategic Plans as an item.

#### PRIORITY PROJECTS.

The Business Plan suggested that a number of key projects under the following broad categories would possible involve EPLGA action:

- · Regional Infrastructure development.
- Regional Planning
- EPLGA Corporate/PR

#### KPI Targets for 2007/08:

| KPI<br>5         | Quality road data is included with our regional strategy and priorities identified              | Road review carried out by Tonkin Engineering with revised priority listing endorsed by Members (Feb 2008.) Furthermore, members suggested the next review 2010 with a meeting to discuss methodology for that review to take place in 2009.                            |
|------------------|---|---|
| <i>KPI</i> 6     | There is a reduction in the volume of solid waste going to landfill on Eyre Peninsula           | Councils continuing dialogue on Waste issues and recycling, through quarterly meeting coordinated through EPLGA. Jointly seeking cooperative opportunities and continued exchange of ideas between Councils.Reduction in waste volume happening due to Council efforts. |
| KPI<br>7         | A Regional Recreation & Sport Infrastructure Strategy is written and adopted by member Councils | Position paper written<br>and endorsed by<br>Members, May 2008.   |
| <i>KPI</i><br>8  | A regional succession strategy is written and implemented                                       | Still on the agenda. Wendy Campana has requested meeting with Rob Wallace and CEOs during Septemebr 2008 meeting.   |
| KPI<br>9         | The Bushfire Co-<br>ordination and<br>Collaboration<br>project findings are<br>disseminated     | Back with Councils for use in their planning.   |
| KPI<br>10        | The new Strategic<br>Plan is adopted.   | On the table and due to be picked up at July 4th meeting, 2008. Delay has been as a result of changed focus from December 2007 meeting plus review of Executive Officer position endorsed May 2008.   |
| KPI<br>11<br>KPI | The website has been upgraded The newsletter is   | Finalised January<br>2008<br>Instigated June 2007   |
| 12               | printed and<br>circulated each<br>month   |   |

#### PERFORMANCE REPORT.

The identified KPIs from this section of the Business Plan have been met to a satisfactory degree with the delays identified in the table above.

In addition to that, there were a few key issues that arose for EPLGA action including:

- New Marine Parks legislation. EPLGA lobbying, along with other sectors of industry, was key to achieving certain amendments to the initial draft of the Bill tabled by Minister Gail Gago. Our chief concerns were in relation to the community consultation processes and the level of Economic Impact Statements that the state government was prepared to demand as part of the process. This will require ongoing monitoring and the most recent SAROC meetings have heard concerns voiced, based especially on the poor economic impact studies prepared in relation to the state government's shared services reform. The response from treasury is that it isn't possible to prepare regional impact studies.
- Roads. A number of issues were discussed including dealing with freight ESA counts during drought periods, passing lanes on the Lincoln Highway, changes associated with freight routes and heavy vehicles, risk at railway crossings.
   Following the most recent drought year, road conditions have obviously continued to be a priority issue for all District Councils.
- EPNRM and RDB issues. The issue of the levy amount and levy collection for EPNRM ahs now been taken up as a state-wide issue and is largely being moved forward by LGA. In addition, EPNRM is undergoing a review of its entire structure and the May meeting of EPLGA heard from Chairperson Mr Brian Foster, that it is likely that future budgets will be less ambitious than the inaugural one. EPLGA should continue to seek ways to better engage with EPNRM which has had a huge workload over its first few years of operation. For those Members who co-fund the Eyre Regional development Board, many issues associated with the funding agreements have been discussed at EPLGA level although little can be resolved as each Council adds its own signature to the agreement. The 2008/09 vear is likely to be the year that those Members look to the state government to increase their funding of the Boards. Currently, many RDBs around the state are calling on funding from their local Councils well in excess of the initial 1:3 formula that was agreed to.

#### **OVERALL STATEMENT.**

The 2007/08 year was one that began with a new Executive Officer and that saw members re-consider

what they want from the organization. For 2008/09, the mandate is for an organisation that limits itself to local government issues and in promoting joint concerns of Members. It sees the return to an Executive Officer working 3 days per week although some flexibility is available should major issues arise.

#### Diana Laube

**Executive Officer** 

#### **ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE, 1981-2020.**

The following schedule is currently being followed for the hosting of the annual conference of the EPLGA:

| 1981 | DC Tumby Bay               | 2001 | DC Cleve                   |
|------|----------------------------|------|----------------------------|
| 1982 | Whyalla CC                 | 2002 | DC Streaky Bay             |
| 1983 | DC Ceduna                  | 2003 | DC Elliston                |
| 1984 | DC Lower Eyre<br>Peninsula | 2004 | DC Tumby Bay               |
| 1985 | DC Kimba                   | 2005 | Whyalla CC                 |
| 1986 | Port Lincoln CC            | 2006 | DC Ceduna                  |
| 1987 | DC Le Hunte                | 2007 | DC Lower Eyre<br>Peninsula |
| 1988 | DC Franklin<br>Harbour     | 2008 | DC Kimba                   |
| 1989 | DC Cleve                   | 2009 | DC Wudinna                 |
| 1990 | DC Streaky Bay             | 2010 | DC Franklin<br>Harbour     |
| 1991 | Port Augusta<br>CC         | 2011 | DC Cleve                   |
| 1992 | DC Elliston                | 2012 | DC Streaky Bay             |
| 1993 | DC Tumby Bay               | 2013 | DC Elliston                |
| 1994 | Whyalla CC                 | 2014 | DC Tumby Bay               |
| 1995 | DC Ceduna                  | 2015 | Whyalla CC                 |
| 1996 | DC Lower Eyre<br>Peninsula | 2016 | DC Ceduna                  |
| 1997 | Dc Kimba                   | 2017 | DC Lower Eyre<br>Peninsula |
| 1998 | Port Lincoln CC            | 2018 | Port Lincoln CC            |
| 1999 | DC Le Hunte                | 2019 | DC Kimba                   |
| 2000 | DC Franklin<br>Harbour     | 2020 | DC Wudinna                 |

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

We have audited the accompanying Financial Report of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2008 and the income statement and statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the Chief Executive Officer's declaration as set out on pages 1-5.

### THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL REPORT

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Association, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

In conducting our audit we have complied with the independence requirements of the Local Government Act 1999, the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 and the Australian professional accounting bodies.

#### **AUDIT OPINION**

In our opinion the financial report of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association is properly drawn up:

a) To give a true and fair view of:

- the Association's state of affairs as at 30 June 2008 and changes in equity resulting from operations and cashflows for the year ended on that date.
- ii) the other matters required by the Local Government Act 1999 to be dealt with in the financial statements.
- b) According to the Local Government Act 1999, together with the Local Government Act 1999 (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act; and
- c) According to Australian Accounting Standards and mandatory professional reporting requirements.

Signed at Adelaide this

day of October

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JOHN D EWEN

JOHN D'EWEN & ASSOCIATES CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

#### AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

Auditor's Independence Declaration Under Section 16A of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 to The Members of Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association for the year ended 30 June 2008, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110 – Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16A (4) Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999.

Signed at Adelaide

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JOHN DEWEN

JOHN D EWEN & ASSOCIATES CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

# EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

### INCOME STATEMENT For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008

|                         | Note | 2008<br>\$    | 2007<br>\$    |
|-------------------------|------|---------------|---------------|
| INCOME                  |      |               |               |
| Interest Received       |      | 12,703        | 9,994         |
| Membership Fees         | 3    | 121,000       | 118,460       |
| Reimbursable Expenses   |      | 1,080         | 1,178         |
| Project Management Fees |      | 4,305         | 3,000         |
|                         |      | 139,088       | 132,632       |
| EXPENSES                |      |               |               |
| Administration          |      | 8,189         | 13,229        |
| Audit Fees              |      | 850           | 800           |
| Bank Charges            |      | 47            | 75            |
| Computer Expenses       |      | 454           | 298           |
| Employee Expenses       |      | 63,924        | 58,190        |
| Legal Fees              |      | 6,113         | 200           |
| Insurance               |      | 918           | 894           |
| Marketing Promotion     |      | -             | 45            |
| Meeting Expenses        |      | 3,497         | 1,059         |
| Motor Vehicle Expenses  |      | 11,085        | 11,021        |
| President's Expenses    |      | 750           | 750           |
| Project Expenses        |      | 6,000         | -             |
| Secretarial Service     |      | 15,485        | 15,485        |
| Telephone               |      | 328           |               |
| Travel Expenses         |      | 3,309         | 3,037         |
|                         |      | 120,949       | 105,083       |
|                         |      |               | <del></del>   |
| SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)       |      | <u>18,139</u> | <u>27,549</u> |

### EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# BALANCE SHEET As at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008

|  | Note     | 2008<br>\$                | 2007<br>\$             |
|--|----------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| ASSETS   |          |                           |                        |
| Cash and cash equivalents Receivables – GST Prepaid Expenses               |          | 142,322<br>3,736<br>2,455 | 133,318<br>4,346       |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS   |          | 148,513                   | 137,664                |
|  |          | <del></del>               |                        |
| LIABILITIES  |          |                           |                        |
| Trade and other payables<br>Unspent Grants                                 | 4<br>2   | 9,227<br><u>67,265</u>    | 4,827<br><u>78,956</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES  |          | 76,492                    | 83,783                 |
| NET ASSETS   |          | 72,021                    | 53,882                 |
| ACCUMULATED FUNDS  |          |                           |                        |
| Balance brought forward<br>Change in Financial Position Resulting from Ope | erations | 53,882<br>18,139          | 26,333<br>27,549       |
| ACCUMULATED FUNDS AT<br>THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR                      |          | 72,021                    | 53,882                 |



# NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 30 June 2008

#### 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Local Government Act 1999.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and the following Australian Accounting Standards.

AASB 1031 Materiality
AASB 110 Events after the Balance Sheet Date
AASB 119 Employee Benefits
AASB 107 Cash and Cash Equivalents.

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

#### (a) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs. Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured using a shorthand method which produces a result not materially different from the liability measured using the present value of expected future cash outflows method.

#### (b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

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# NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended $30^{\rm th}$ June 2008

#### 2. PROJECTS

| Bro  | 1/7/2007<br>ught Forward | Income  | Expenditure   | Unspent  |
|--|--------------------------|---------|---|--|
| Regional Capacity Building   | 40,806                   | 31,487  | 30,740  | 41,553   |
| Bushfire Collaboration   | 18,198                   | 19,636  | 37,834  | -  |
| EP Coastal Development Strategy  | 25,952                   | -       | 240   | 25,712   |
| Active Communities   | -                        | 50,000  | 50,000  | -  |
| Marketing/PR Manual  | (6,000)                  | 6,000   | -   | -  |
|  | 78,956                   | 107,123 | 118,814   | 67,265   |
| 3. MEMBERSHIP FEES   |                          |         | 2008<br>\$  | 2007<br>\$   |
| District Council of Ceduna District Council of Cleve District Council of Elliston District Council of Franklin Ha District Council of Kimba District Council of Le Hunte District Council of Lower Eyre District Council of Streaky Bay District Council of Tumby Bay City of Whyalla City of Port Lincoln | Peninsula                |         | 11,752<br>8,802<br>7,457<br>7,712<br>7,429<br>7,777<br>13,212<br>9,027<br>9,937<br>21,955<br>15,940 | 13,273<br>10,201<br>9,044<br>9,513<br>9,196<br>9,438<br>14,441<br>10,479<br>11,326<br>21,549 |
| 4. TRADE & OTHER PAYABI  | ES                       |         |   |  |
| Accrued Expenses — employee<br>Trade Creditors<br>Payroll Liabilities  | entitlements             |         | 4,079<br>2,706<br>2,442<br>   | 1,934<br>42<br>2,851<br>————————————————————————————————————                                 |

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#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT

I, DIANA LAUBE the person for the time being occupying the position of CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER of EYRE PENINSULA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION do hereby state that the Financial Statements of the Association for the 30 June 2008 financial year are to the best of my knowledge presented fairly and in accordance with accounting procedures which have been maintained in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act.

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Dated 30th Sept. 08

#### STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEMBERS

In the opinion of the Board of Management of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association the accompanying Financial Report attached hereto, are drawn up so as to present fairly the results of the Association for the year ended 30 June 2008, and the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2008, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed 3ry day of OCTOBER 2008

in accordance/with a resolution of the Board of Management

Member

Member

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