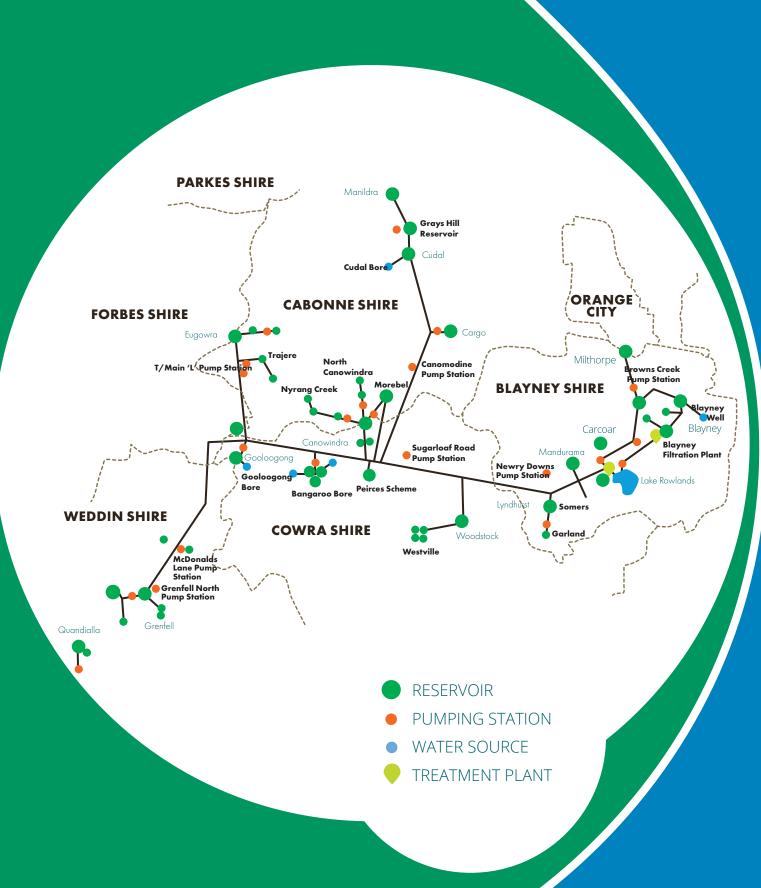


SYSTEM LAYOUT



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

"Increasingly dangerous weather patterns and devastating storms are abruptly putting an end to the long-running debate over whether or not climate change is real. Not only is it real, it's here, and its effects are giving rise to a frighteningly new global phenomenon: the man-made natural disaster"

- Barack Obama



New Councillors

This year has seen a number of fresh faces sitting around the board table of Central Tablelands Water. In fact 2/3 of our councillors are new to CTW. Andrew Rawson and Marlene Nash (both from Cabonne), Allan Ewin from Blayney and Michelle Cook from Weddin were elected by their councils to the board earlier this year, to join returning councillors Paul Best and me. I was privileged to be reelected chair for a further two years and delighted to welcome Andrew Rawson as my new deputy chair.

I would like to thank outgoing councillors Kevin Walker, Anthony Durkin, John Newstead and Craig Bembrick for their years of dedication and oversight of the strategic direction of CTW.

Climate Change

In my last report I observed how during the last 4 year term of council we witnessed both extremes of climate: it started with a devastating drought with very severe water restrictions for our customers, followed by what has turned out to be only the start of a big wet.

The wet spell has continued and intensified. We recently saw the incredible devastation caused by unprecedented flash flooding in several towns in our region, notably Eugowra, one of the villages serviced by our supply network. As Gavin has commented in his review, the volume of water that has over-spilled our dam wall has been sufficient to fill the dam more than 20 times over.

It is clear that we are witnessing the predicted effects of a changing climate. Wet spells are producing more rain in rain events that are becoming more intense. Dry periods are longer and deeper. It has taken our political leaders a long time to appreciate this. Unfortunately it is taking a lot longer to develop policies and allocate resources to find and implement solutions to its devastating impacts.

Time is running out

This brings me to how this is affecting us at CTW. We are a supplier of drinking water to 14 towns and villages in the Central West. Whilst flooding is devastating, it is the effects of drought that hit at the core of our fundamental responsibilities as a water utility.

We have several initiatives to shore up our ability to continue to provide water for critical human needs even in the driest of conditions. The strategy is a mixture of increasing our own storage and developing an interconnecting water grid with our neighbouring water supply authorities. This requires intergovernmental cooperation at all levels, in particular with the State. We do not have the financial resources

to fund the necessary capital expenditure, and we must comply with the policies, procedures and regulations set by the relevant State government agencies.

It seems to me that there is a fair chance that the next dry spell will be more extreme and longer than the last. We have been advocating furiously for the water security projects that Gavin outlines in his review to be signed off and commenced in the short term. Unfortunately, when it is raining the urgency seems to go out the window; other priorities take over.

The cornerstone development, the Belubula Water Security Project, which involves various alternatives for increased storage, has been on the drawing board for several years. It was initially in the hands of WaterNSW, then taken over by Water Infrastructure NSW, with whom we signed a MOU over 12 months ago. After additional funding from the State and Federal governments for a final business case, the expectation was that this would be delivered by the end of this calendar year. It now seems it will be delayed further due to the need to first finalise the Lachlan Regional Water Strategy.

While we are very grateful for State and Federal government support for the project, we are conscious that time may be running out to get a project approved and developed in time for it to help alleviate the effects of the next drought.

A Big Shout Out To the CTW Team

In closing I want to acknowledge the extraordinary effort put in by the whole team at CTW in responding to the flooding emergency at Eugowra. Our pump station was washed away and our reservoir supply line was ruptured. The supply of town water was endangered. Gavin and our staff, on the ground and in the office, responded immediately and restored the supply in very difficult conditions.

It has been an honour to serve as chairman for the past year. Particular thanks go to my deputy chairman, Cr Andrew Rawson and all fellow councillors, management and staff for their dedication and ongoing commitment to ensuring that our consumers continue to receive a reliable, good quality water supply.

Cr. David Somervaille CHAIRPERSON

Said Somermaca.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

I am pleased to present the Annual Report of Central Tablelands Water (CTW) for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Although the impacts and restrictions of COVID-19 were less severe than last year, 2021/22 has proven to be yet another challenging year for CTW, with the continuous inclement weather impacting significantly on the delivery of infrastructure projects and our main revenue stream of supplying quality drinking water.

With the significant rainfall events across the state and particularly in our region, it is estimated that in excess of 100 gigalitres of water has flowed over the Lake Rowlands Dam wall since it commenced spilling in July 2020 following the breaking of the worst drought in our history. This is an enormous amount of water considering the existing capacity of Lake Rowlands is only 4.5 gigalitres! As a key stakeholder of the Belubula Water Security Project, we will continue to strongly advocate for the enlargement of Lake Rowlands to shore-up the water security needs of our supply area and the region.

CTW's staff continued to go 'above and beyond' during 21/22delivering an essential service to our valued consumers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in rain, snow or limited shine! Their ability and willingness to meet the daily demands of supplying quality drinking water, is built on a strong culture of trust in each other to serve our communities.

Water sales due to increased rainfall were lower than expected again this year, resulting in an operating deficit of \$0.463m before grants and contributions for capital purposes after providing for \$2.34m in depreciation expenses. The net operating result including grants and contributions resulted in a surplus of \$1.095m.

As reported previously, CTW is continuing to investigate and implement operational efficiencies across the organisation. This year more efficient pumps were installed in various pump stations across the supply network, whilst preliminary works under a staged approach have commenced for the installation of solar panels and battery storage at the Canomodine Pump Station, Carcoar Water Filtration Plant and Lake Rowlands Pump Station.

CTW's major capital works program during 2021/2022 included the following:

- Cowra to CTW Emergency Connection Project, including a new pump station at Woodstock and 12ML clear water tank at the Carcoar Water Filtration Plant – due to COVID restrictions and inclement weather delays, both projects are expected to be completed in 22/23 and 23/24 respectively.
- Reticulation mains renewals project in Millthorpe and Canowindra. Once again, weather conditions have hampered the delivery of these projects with both expected to be finalised

From a staffing perspective, I would like to acknowledge the following CTW staff members for achieving significant service milestones during 2021/2022:

- Cameron Townsend Water Network Manager 25 years
- Andrew Pull Water Network Operator 20 years

The above milestones are both outstanding achievements and have been accomplished through dedication and commitment to the organisation and our valued consumers. CTW also welcomed new staff members, Louise Long (Customer Services Officer), Max Wensley (Water Network Operator) and Bill Simmonds (Water Network Operator) this year. They have all brought a wealth of knowledge, experience and enthusiasm for the benefit of CTW.

As the local government elections were held in December 2021, I would like to acknowledge the contributions to CTW made by outgoing Board members, Cr Kevin Walker, Cr Anthony Durkin, Cr John Newstead and Cr Craig Bembrick, and wish them all well for the future. I would also like to welcome our new Board members, Cr Andrew Rawson, Cr Marlene Nash, Cr Allan Ewin and Cr Michelle Cook for the next term of Council.

Once again, I would like to thank our committed staff for their continued support and look forward to working with them and the new council in 2022/23.

Gavin Rhodes General Manager

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COUNCIL PROFILE

Central Tablelands Water County Council is a constituency of three local government areas, namely, Blayney Shire, Cabonne Shire and Weddin Shire. The Council comprises two delegates each elected by their constituent council for a four-year term. Due to COVID-19 the next local government elections are scheduled to be held in September 2024.

BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL





Cr David Somervaille

Cr Allan Ewin

CABONNE SHIRE COUNCIL





Cr Andrew Rawson
DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

Cr Marlene Nash

WEDDIN SHIRE COUNCIL





Cr Paul Best

Cr Michelle Cook

GENERAL INFORMATION

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Meetings of Council are held on the second Wednesday of alternate months, commencing in February each year. The meetings alternate between the towns of Grenfell, Blayney and Canowindra.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE 2021-2022

COUNCIL

D. SOMERVAILLE A. EWIN M. NASH A. RAWSON

P. BEST M. COOK

CHAIRPERSON

D. SOMERVAILLE

GENERAL MANAGER

G. RHODES

DIRECTOR OPERATIONS & TECHNICAL SERVICES

N. WELLHAM

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES

P. MCFARLANE

COUNCIL'S VISION

An independent regional water authority providing a quality water supply - reliably and sustainably.

COUNCIL'S VALUES

We value our:

- Customers
- Independence, sustainability, efficiency and innovation.
- Skilled and capable workforce in delivering an essential service.
- Role as a regional collaborative partner and leader.



ACTIVITIES TO PROTECT ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS

REGULATION 217

Council is not involved in the management of any environmentally sensitive areas. Council's water storage at Lake Rowlands will continue to be operated according to best industry practice to ensure the long-term integrity of the storages, especially as regards to controlling nutrient levels and blue-green algae populations.

Council's water filtration plants at Carcoar and Blayney are operated according to industry best practice to ensure that all sludge is contained on-site and disposed of in an environmentally responsible manner. Supernatant water is recycled back through the filtration plants.

All construction sites will be maintained and restored in accordance with best practice guidelines for environmental control.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULATION 217 (1) (A3)

Council was not involved in any legal proceedings during FY21/22.

COUNCILLORS' FEES, FACILITIES AND EXPENSES

REGULATION 217 (1) (A1)

The total cost during the year of the payment of the expenses of, and the provision of facilities to Councillors in relation to their civic functions were as follows:

Provision of Office Equipment	\$nil
Telephone expenses	\$nil
Chairperson's Fees	\$13,583
Councillors' Fees	\$57,204
Conference/Seminar Expenses	\$6,282
Travel Outside State	\$nil
Overseas Travel	\$nil
Spouse Expenses	\$nil
Child Care Expenses	\$nil
Travel within State	\$5,307
Other expenses	\$2,348

Council's policy for the provision of facilities and the payment of councillors' expenses is as follows:

- Council pay councillors an annual fee based on the maximum fee as determined by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal;
- 2. In addition to the annual fee, Council reimburse actual expenses incurred to any councillor who:
- Attends a meeting of any committee of Council,
- attends an inspection within the area in compliance with a resolution of the Council,
- undertakes business of the Council outside of the area in compliance with a resolution of Council.

- Council recompense councillors for travelling expenses at the rates
 per kilometre allowed at the time by the Australian Taxation Office,
 for all travelling associated with attendance at Council meetings or
 other business as specified above.
- Council allow councillors any reasonable use of facilities to assist in their carrying out of business on behalf of the Council, such use being entirely at the discretion of the General Manager.
- 5. Council will provide the Chairman with the following facilities:
- An office in the Council's Administrative Building;
- access to telephone, facsimile, computer tablet and photocopy facilities for Council business purposes;
- secretarial services for Council business as required;
- identification badge bearing Council's crest;
- payment of conference/seminar/ workshop registration fees for attendance authorised by Council; and,
- arrangement and payment of travel in respect of Council commitments.
- 6. Council will provide the Councillors with the following facilities:
- Access to telephone, facsimile computer tablet and photocopy facilities for Council business purposes;
- secretarial services for Council business as required;
- identification badge bearing Council's crest;
- payment of conference/seminar/workshop registration fees for attendance authorised by Council; and,
- arrangement and payment of travel in respect of Council commitments.
- Meals and refreshments will be provided to the Chairman and Councillors in conjunction with Council/Committee meetings and other functions/meetings as appropriate.
- 8. Expenses incurred whilst on approved travel outside the Council area will attract reimbursement according to the following guidelines:
- (a) Meals where meals are not provided, the total amount for meals should not exceed \$120 per day.
- (b) Accommodation where travel involves an overnight stay away from home the acceptable maximum expenditure on accommodation is:
 - metropolitan areas \$350.00 per night
 - country areas \$220.00 per night provided that all accommodation is approved prior to travelling, where practicable.

SENIOR STAFF

REGULATION 217 (1) (B & C)

The total salary package for the General Manager in 2021/2022, including salary, employer superannuation, non-cash benefits and amounts payable for fringe benefits tax, totalled \$188,894.

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS CONTINUED

CONTRACTS AWARDED DURING YEAR

REGULATION 217 (1) (A2)

Under Regulation clause 217 of the Local Government Act, Council is required to report details of each contract awarded for amounts greater than \$150,000 for the 2021/22 year. These details are provided below.

Leeds Engineering and Construction \$2,734,600 – Construct 12 MI Reservoir at Carcoar Water Treatment Plant

Tony Leahey Motor Group \$234,100 - Replacement Fleet Vehicles

Energy Australia \$282,596 - Electricity Supply

BUSH FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION

SECTION 428

Bush fire hazard reduction activities are undertaken by constituent Councils and are not an activity or responsibility of Central Tablelands Water.

PROGRAMS PROMOTING SERVICES AND ACCESS TO SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DIVERSE CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC BACKGROUNDS

SECTION 428

This activity is the responsibility of the constituent Councils and, being a single purpose water authority, does not involve Central Tablelands Water.

PRIVATE WORKS UNDER SECTION 67(3)

REGULATION 217 (1) (A4)

Council did not carry out any work on private land during 2021/2022 that was fully or partly subsidised by Council.

CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER SECTION 356

REGULATION 217 (1) (A5)

The amounts contributed or otherwise granted under Section 356 during 2021/2022 totalled \$13,884.

Legal Expenses: Nil

HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITIES

SECTION 428

Council has a commitment to ensuring that its entire staff is appropriately skilled and trained to carry out their responsibilities. Various in-house and external training programs will continue to be undertaken to ensure that the required skills are available.

The following training was undertaken by CTW staff during

TRAINING COURSE	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
Psychological Safety	4
Audit Risk and Improvement Committee	1
InfoCouncil	1
Procurement and Contracting	3
Code of Conduct	18
Certificate in Asset Management	1
Leading Through Adversity	1
Manual Handling	16
First Aid	1

2021/2022:

Council has a Consultative Committee that is inclusive and representative of the organisation. The Consultative Committee is a forum for consultation between Council and all staff that encourages a free and open exchange of views.

Management will continue to monitor Council's workplace environment and the implementation of Council's training and equal employment opportunity programs.

Management will:

- conduct annual performance reviews based on predetermined objectives and performance standards for all staff
- provide training on the basis of identified needs and priorities
- continue to ensure that there is no compromise in regards to workplace safety and that all recommendations resulting from risk management assessments are carried out.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

REGULATION 217 (1) (A9)

Council has adopted an Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan, a copy of which has been distributed to all Council employees.

Council's philosophy for its Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan is to create equality of opportunity, for all employees and potential employees, by ensuring that all recruitment, advancement and promotions are made on a merit basis.

DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN (DIAP)

CTW is not defined as a public authority under the Local Government Act 1993.

Therefore a plan is not required to comply with section 12 of the Disability Inclusion Act 2014 (DIA Act).

Regardless of this, CTW continues to ensure compliance and accessibility to ensure that people have appropriate access and opportunity to CTW services, support and inclusion.

EXTERNAL BODIES WHICH HAVE EXERCISED COUNCIL-DELEGATED FUNCTIONS

REGULATION 217 (1) (A6)

The Council has not delegated any functions to external bodies.

COMPANIES IN WHICH COUNCIL HELD A CONTROLLING INTEREST

REGULATION 217 (1) (A7)

Council does not have any interest whatsoever in any company.

LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

CLAUSE 217 (1) (D)

Persons working at 25 May, 2022 - Relevant Reporting date set by OLG

- 20 Full Time Staff
- 2 Part Time Staff
- 1 Labour Hire Staff
- 23 Total

PARTNERSHIPS, CO-OPERATIVES AND OTHER JOINT VENTURES TO WHICH COUNCIL WAS A PARTY

SECTION (428) (2) (Q).

Council is not party to any partnerships, co-operatives or joint ventures.

ASSET REPLACEMENT AND UPGRADE PROGRAM

The following is a brief summary of the major capital works planned for Central Tablelands Water over the next 10 years.

PROJECT	YEAR
Trunk Main "U" from Conomadine Pump Station to the top of the Hill -7kms	2023/24 to 2024/25
Trunk Main "C" to "U" to old river pump house – 33kms	2026/27 to 2028/29
Trunk Main "U" – "C" to Cudal – 28kms	2029/30 to 2031/32
Lake Rowlands Augmentation – 2.2mtrs wall raising	2024/25 to 2025/26
Additional Bore at Gooloogong	2026/27 to 2027/28
Renewal Energy Projects	2022/23
Blayney Water Treatment Plant	2030/31 to 2031/32
Reticulation Main Renewals	2022/23 to 2031/32

SALES OF ASSETS

Council did not dispose of any of its existing major assets during the period covered by this Plan.

Motor vehicles and other plant items will be replaced according to Council's present replacement policy, which is outlined below. Minor assets will be disposed of as, and if, it is considered necessary.

PLANT REPLACEMENT POLICY

Council has adopted as its policy that all vehicle changeovers be made:

 At best market prices using either auction or tender and be funded from the plant reserve.

GIPA APPLICATIONS (GOVERNMENT INFORMATION (PUBLIC ACCESS) REGULATION 2018

CLAUSE 8 SCHEDULE 2

Council received 1 application referred from another Agency and granted 1 application under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

COUNCIL REPORT

A review of Council's information that is not currently accessible by the public on Council's website was undertaken by the Principal Officer during 2021/2022. No additional information was made available as a result of this review

PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE (PID) ACT 1994 AND REGULATION

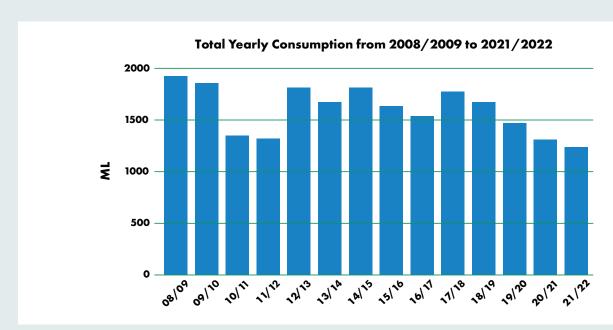
ACT SEC 31

Council did not receive any public interest disclosures under the Public Interest Disclosure Act 1994 for the financial year ended 30 June 2022. Council has an Internal Reporting Policy in place. A copy of this policy is available on Council's website at www.ctw.nsw.gov.au

WATER CONSUMPTION

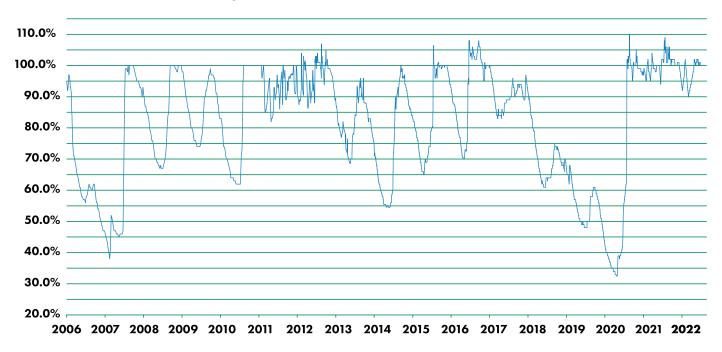
08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	C	ONSUMER TYPE
<i>7</i> 46	<i>7</i> 68	605	601	792	<i>7</i> 51	869	777	<i>7</i> 25	814	<i>7</i> 63	675	620	600	ML	Single Residential
22	22	20	20	22	23	23	21	24	25	21	19	18	19	ML	Multi Residential
267	287	196	209	266	282	301	285	268	325	332	288	228	217	ML	Rural
220	231	180	189	224	203	193	204	187	217	211	187	157	154	ML	Commercial
468	315	167	136	158	189	208	212	188	236	204	194	186	168	ML	Industrial
26	28	17	15	21	32	31	27	43	44	38	29	24	19	ML	Public Parks
34	41	42	36	42	45	46	43	44	58	44	35	36	32	ML	Institutions
143	156	117	110	285	144	141	63	62	55	54	38	39	33	ML	Bulk Sales (Cowra)
1,926	1,848	1,344	1,316	1,810	1,669	1,812	1,632	1,541	1,774	1,667	1,465	1,308	1,242	ML	Sub Total
105	112	130	153	161	146	121	244	197	287	395	227	235	484	ML	Est. Leakage
127	50	27	28	42	50	50	40	68	<i>7</i> 5	55	80	95	220	ML	Flushing of mains
16	0	7	7	3	8	2	7	8	8	8	12	12	5	ML	Unaccounted
2,174	2,010	1,508	1,504	2,016	1,873	1,985	1,923	1,814	2,144	2,125	1,784	1,650	1,951	ML	Total Consumption
11.41%	8.06%	10.88%	12.50%	10.22%	10.89%	8.72%	15.13%	15.05%	17.26%	21.55%	17.88%	20.73%	36.34%		er losses as % of total er output
0.00%	-4.05%	-30.22%	-31.67%	-6.02%	- 13.34%	-5.92%	- 15.26%	- 19.99%	<i>-7</i> .89%	-13.45%	-23.94%	-32.09%	-35.51%	cons	crease/decrease umption on 8/2009
7.42%	-4.05%	-27.27%	-2.08%	37.54%	-7.79%	8.57%	-9.93%	-5.58%	15.12%	-6.03%	- 12.12%	-10.72%	-5.05%	cons	crease/decrease umption on ious year

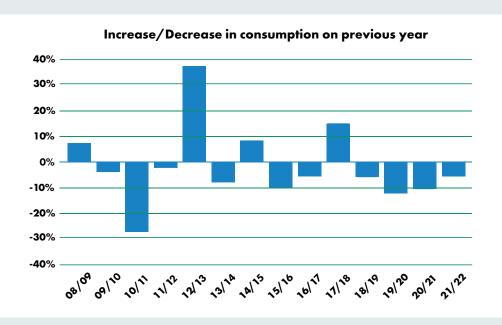
WATER USAGE OVER TIME



LAKE ROWLANDS STORAGE LEVELS 2006 - 2022

Storage Level (%) - Lake Rowlands - 2006 to 2022





WATER ANALYSIS 2021 - 2022

Program:	Drinking Water Monitoring Program 01-07-2021 - 30-06-2022	Barcode: Analysis Type:	All All
	01-07-2021 - 30-06-2022	Analysis Type:	\geq
Water Utility:	All	Characteristics:	All
Supply System:	All	Sample Types:	All
Sample Count:	262		

Analysis Type	Characteristic	Guideline Units Value	Units	Mean	Median	Standard Deviation	Min	Max	Sample Count	Exception Count	95th Percentile	5th Percentile	% meeting guideline values
Chemistry													
	Aluminium	0.2000 mg/L	ng/l	0.0610	0.0300	0.0935	0.005	0.37	15		0.37	0.005 93.33	93.33
	Antimony	0.0030 mg/L	ng/l	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	0.00005	0.0001	15		0.0001	0.00005	100.00
	Arsenic	0.0100 mg/L	ng/l	0.0009	0.0010	0.0002	0.0005	0.001	15	0	0.001	0.0005	100.00
	Barium	2.0000 mg/L	ng/l	0.0246	0.0240	0.0073	0.0172	0.0487	15		0.0487	0.0172 100.00	100.00
	Boron	4.0000 mg/L	ng/l	0.0117	0.0060	0.0251	0.0004	0.102	15		0.102	0.0004 100.00	100.00
	Cadmium	0.0020 mg/L	ng/l	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	0.00005	0.0001	15		0.0001	0.00005 100.00	100.00
	Calcium	10000.0000 mg/L	ng/L	17.4867	16.3000	5.9120	13.4	37.9	15		37.9		13.4 100.00
	Chloride	250.0000 mg/L	ng/l	33.8000	24.0000	42.1379	20	186	15) 186		20 100.00
	Chromium	0.0500	mg/L	0.0005	0.0005	0.0001	0.0005	0.001	15		0.001	0.0005 100.00	100.00
	Copper	2.0000 mg/L	ng/l	0.0168	0.0080	0.0182	0.003	0.059	15		0.059		0.003 100.00

:	Chemistry																								Analysis Type	Microbiology							
	Fluoride	Fluoride (WU result)	Fluoride Ratio	lodine	Iron	Lead	Magnesium	Manganese	Mercury	Molybdenum	Nickel	Nitrate	Nitrite	рH	Selenium	Silver	Sodium	Sulfate	Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	Total Hardness as CaCO3	True Colour	Turbidity	Uranium	Zinc	Characteristic		E. coli	Free Chlorine	РH	Temperature	Total Chlorine	Total Coliforms	Turbidity
Value	1.5000 mg/L	1.5000	0.8 - 1.2	0.5000 mg/L	0.3000 mg/L	0.0100 mg/L	10000.0000 mg/L	0.5000 mg/L	0.0010	0.0500	0.0200	50.0000	3.0000	6.5 - 8.5	0.0100 mg/L	0.1000 mg/L	180.0000 mg/L	500.0000 mg/L	10000.0000 mg/L	10000.0000 mg/L	15.0000	5.0000	0.0170	3.0000 mg/L	Guideline Value		0.0000	0.2 - 5	6.5 - 8.5	30.0000	5.0000 mg/L	0.0000	5.0000 NTU
	ng∕L	mg/L		mg∕L	ng/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg∕L	mg∕L	mg/L	mg/L		mg/L	mg/L	ng/L	mg∕L	mg/L	mg/L	Hazen Units (HU)	OIN	mg/L	mg/L	Units		0.0000 mpn/100 mL	mg/L		0	mg/L	0.0000 mpn/100mL	ZZ
	0.8947	0.9246	1.0492	0.0533	0.0153	0.0004	10.4080	0.0037	0.0004	0.0003	0.0010	0.9667	0.0500	7.5467	0.0035	0.0001	21.0000	5.3333	135.6000	86.5333	3.0000	0.6367	0.0003	0.0307	Mean		0.0000	0.9801	7.3535	13.2498	1.3624		0.2840
	0.9800	1.0000	1.0200	0.0400	0.0100	0.0004	9.7100	0.0010	0.0004	0.0002	0.0006	1.0000	0.0500	7.5000	0.0035	0.0001	12.0000	2.0000	102.0000	79.9000	2.0000	0.2000	0.0001	0.0200	Median		0.0000	0.9900	7.3600	13.0000	1.3900	0.0000	0.2800
Deviation	0.2525	0.2392	0.1388	0.0760	0.0116	0.0003	5.6831	0.0076	0.0000	0.0001	0.0017	0.3519	0.0000	0.1846	0.0000	0.0000	36.5474	13.4996	123.3119	37.6654	2.3604	0.6421	0.0008	0.0279	Standard Deviation		0.0000	0.3629	0.0989	3.2731	0.3701	0.0000	0.0735
	0.05	0.14	0.85	0.01	0.005	0.0001	4.81	0.00015	0.0004	0.0001	0.0002	0.5	0.05	7.3	0.0035	0.0001	9	1	79	62.6	_	0.05	0.00005	0.01	Min		0	0.22	7.16	8.8	0.58		0.14
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STATEMENT OF REVENUE POLICY

Council is conscious of the needs of its consumers which require a reliable and high quality water supply. Council is also aware of ensuring that its pricing policies must permit the renewal and upgrading of its water network infrastructure so that high service levels can be maintained.

The following principles are applied in the Revenue Policy:

- 1. Full cost recovery inclusive of both direct and indirect costs.
- 2. Achieving an operating surplus before capital amounts each year.
- 3. Ability to fund the Capital Program to maintain service levels by renewing ageing infrastructure.
- 4. Statutory charges are applied in accord with legislative requirements.
- 5. Capacity to service borrowing requirements.
- 6. Price changes are communicated to consumers on a timely basis.

Council has followed the Best Practice Pricing of Local Water Utility services as outlined in the Department of Industry - Water Best Practice Management of Water Supply and Sewerage Guidelines. In summary, the following pricing regime exists for Central Tablelands Water:

- A two part pricing policy of an availability (access) charge, determined on the diameter of the meter, and a straight line consumption charge.
- 2. There are no non-residential cross subsidies.
- Water accounts are rendered quarterly so that consumers have a timely record of consumption and costs.
- Development Service Charges are set in accord with methodology set down in accord with the guidelines.

Council has reviewed its Revenue Policy for 2022/23 with the main features being:

- An increase in the consumption charge of 5.4% from \$3.50 to \$3.69 per kilolitre (kl) in accordance with its need to provide funding of the large capital works program.
- 2. Availability charges will increase by 3.2% and applied in accordance with the Flow Capacity Factors outlined below. (meter size of service connection, determines the load that a service can put on the network)
- Bulk Supply Water charges to other Councils have risen by approximately 5.4% to \$2.21 per kl.
- Development contributions have been set in accordance the 2021 Development Servicing Plan (DSP).
- 5. Legal Expenses incurred for debt recovery purposes now

- includes all associated costs including early stage and late stage intervention in accordance with Council's Water Charges Debt Recovery Policy.
- Section 603 Certificate fees will be \$90.00 in line with the Office of Local Government determination.
- Special Reading Fees will also be set at \$90.00 to align with the Sec 603 Certificate fee.
- 8. The fee at Council's automatic filling stations will be set at \$8.00 per kl.
- 9. The fee at Council's standpipes will be set at \$9.50 per kl.
- 10. Service connection fees and private works have been increased by 11% to reflect the cost of providing these services. The cost of providing these services has risen sharply due to rises in materials and plant costs.
- 11. The processing fee for customer requested account refunds will be set at \$45.00. This only applies if more than one request is made in each financial year. This fee is made to recover the actual cost of processing multiple requests in a single financial year.
- 12. In accordance with the directive of the Office of Local Government interest applied on overdue accounts will be at the rate of 6.0% per annum.
- A new fee for undertaking pressure and flow testing requested by consumers. This fee has been set at \$250.00.

Availability charges will increase from \$248.00 to \$256.00 pa (\$62.00 to \$64.00 per quarter) for a 20mm service connection. This is an increase of approximately 3.2%. It should be noted that Council will review availability charges annually in accordance with the Best Practice Water Pricing guidelines. The Availability Charge is levied to enable customers to access the large water supply infrastructure network held by Council.

It is notable that unlike some local water utilities Council does not levy an availability charge for unconnected vacant properties as permitted by Section 552 of the Local Government Act. Section 552 permits an availability charge to be levied where an unconnected vacant property is located within 225 metres of a Council trunk main and the property is capable of being supplied water.

The overall impact the water access and user charges have on a consumer that uses the average residential consumption of 180kl per annum is an increase of around 82 cents per week or 4.81%. Based on a consumption of 300kl per annum the increase overall in water charges in 22/23 is \$1.25 per week or 5.01%.

FEES AND CHARGES 2022/2023

AVAILABILITY (ACCESS) CHARGES

The availability charge is calculated by multiplying the charge for a standard 20mm connection by the flow capacity factor (FCF) listed in the Flow Capacity Table below.

		FLOW CA	PACITY TABL	.E			
DIAMETER OF WATER SERVICE	20mm	25mm	32mm	40mm	50mm	80mm	100mm
FLOW CAPACITY FACTOR	1.00	1.5625	2.56	4.00	6.25	16.00	25.00

The FCF is a factor based upon relative meter size and measures the load that can be placed on the system by that service size (i.e. large services place greater loads on the system). That is, larger services can place a much larger load on Council's supply network than a smaller service.

DEVELOPER CHARGES

The 2021 Development Servicing Plan details how the calculated developer charge per Equivalent Tenement (ET) is levied on all new developments, or additions/changes to existing developments, supplied from the Lake Rowlands Supply area.

THE SECTION 64 DEVELOPER CHARGE FOR 2022/2023 IS SET AT \$6,404 PER ET

An ET is calculated in accordance with the Section 64 Determination of Equivalent Tenement (ET) Guidelines, published by the NSW Water Directorate. It is important to note that blocks exceeding 2,000m2 in size are considered in the guidelines to exceed 1 ET.

The Developer Charges for the Lake Rowlands supply area have been increased by 3.1% being the CPI for Sydney for the past year (movement Dec 20 to Dec 21 - ABS 6401). The fee will be set at \$6,404 per equivalent tenement. The capital contribution charge (for infill developments) in the Lake Rowlands supply area has also been set at \$6,404 per equivalent tenement.

The capital contribution charge for all vacant unbuilt upon land within the Quandialla supply area is proposed to be \$3,202 per ET. Funds raised by this charge will be set aside for renewal and augmentation (if required) of the Quandialla Scheme network infrastructure.



FEES AND CHARGES 2022/2023 CONTINUED

ТҮРЕ	DESCRIPTION	GST	PRICINIG PRINCIPLE	AMOUNT \$
WATER CHARGES	Residential/Rural	Ν	User Charge	\$3.69
(PER KILOLITRE)	Non-Residential	Ν	User Charge	\$3.69
	Industrial	Ν	User Charge	\$3.69
	Non Potable Water	Ν	User Charge	\$2.95
	Automatic Filling Stations	Ν	User Charge	\$8.00
	Standpipe Sales	Ν	User Charge	\$9.50
BULK WATER CHARGES	Cowra Shire	Ν	User Charge	\$2.21
	Other Councils	Ν	User Charge	\$2.21
AVAILABILITY CHARGES	20mm	Ν	User Charge	\$256.00
(per annum)	25mm	Ν	User Charge	\$400.00
	32mm	Ν	User Charge	\$656.00
	40mm	Ν	User Charge	\$1,024.00
	50mm	Ν	User Charge	\$1,600.00
	80mm	Ν	User Charge	\$4,096.00
	100mm	Ν	User Charge	\$6,400.00
	Fire Service (Restricted to fire use only)	Ν	User Charge	\$256.00
	Unconnected Built Upon Properties	Ν	User Charge	\$128.00
METER TEST FEES	20mm and 25mm (other sizes on application)	Ν	At Cost	\$100.00
reconnection fees	Non-payment (less than 3 months)	Ν	User Charge	\$195.00
	Non-payment (after three months)	Ν	User Charge	\$370.00
	Other Reconnection	Ν	User Charge	\$370.00
OTHER FEES	Attend to Disconnect	Ν	User Charge	\$105.00
	Special Reading Fee	Ν	User Charge	\$90.00
DEVELOPER CHARGES – LAKE ROWLANDS*	Per equivalent tenement (ET). Block sizes exceeding 2000m2 will incur an additional charge in excess of 1 ET. Seek quote on application.	Ν	At Cost	\$6,404.00
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION CHARGES – LAKE ROWLANDS*	Per Equivalent tenement. Block sizes exceeding 2000m2 are greater than 1 ET. Seek quote on application.	Ν	At Cost	\$6,404.00
DEVELOPER CHARGE – QUANDIALLA*	Quandialla Scheme Supply Area – per ET. Block sizes exceeding 2000m2 are greater than 1 ET.	Ν	At Cost	\$3,202.00

ТҮРЕ	DESCRIPTION	GST	PRICINIG PRINCIPLE	AMOUNT \$
service connection	4 metres (footpath)	N	User Charge	\$1,508.00
(20MM ONLY)	10 metres (dirt/gravel)	N	User Charge	\$1,653.00
	10 metres (bitumen)	Ν	User Charge	\$2,547.00
	20 metres (dirt/gravel)	Ν	User Charge	\$2,220.00
	20 metres (bitumen)	Ν	User Charge	\$3,604.00
	20 metres (bitumen & concrete footpath)	N	User Charge	\$4,069.00
	Rural connection	Ν	User Charge	\$2,371.00
mains extensions	Price on Application	Ν	User Charge	POA
CONNECTIONS 25MM, 32MM & ABOVE	Price on Application	Ν	User Charge	POA
PRIVATE WORKS - OTHER	Labour rate per hour (during working hours) (Overtime rates apply outside working hours)	Y	User Charge	\$75.00
	Utility hire rate per kilometre	Υ	User Charge	\$1.20
	Excavator hire rate per hour	Υ	User Charge	\$162.00
	Pressure/Flow Testing	Ν	User Charge	\$250.00
	Contract Plant Hire	Υ	User Charge	At cost
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	Section 603 Certificate (per property)	Ν	Statutory	\$90.00
	Dishonoured cheque	Ν	At Cost	\$45.00
	Dishonoured Direct Debit	Ν	At Cost	\$45.00
	Photocopying B & W (A4) per copy	Υ	At Cost	\$0.60
	Photocopying Colour (A4) per copy	Υ	At Cost	\$1.20
	Photocopying B & W (A3) per copy	Υ	At Cost	\$1.00
	Photocopying Colour (A3) per copy	Υ	At Cost	\$2.00
	Copy of Accounts - Per account over 1 account. (single account only no charge)	Y	At Cost	\$3.00
	Search Fees - per hour	Υ	User Charge	\$75.00
	Processing Fee - Account refund request - per refund if more than 1 annually.	Υ	At Cost	\$45.00
	Interest - overdue accounts	Ν	Statutory	6.0%
	Debt Collection Costs on overdue accounts including early and late stage intervention and service fees	Y and N	At Cost	Actual Cost
GOVERNMENT INFORMATION PUBLIC	Formal Application	Ν	Statutory	\$30.00
ACCESS (GIPA ACT)	Processing Charge (Per hour)	Ν	Statutory	\$30.00
	Internal Review Processing Fee	N	Statutory	\$40.00

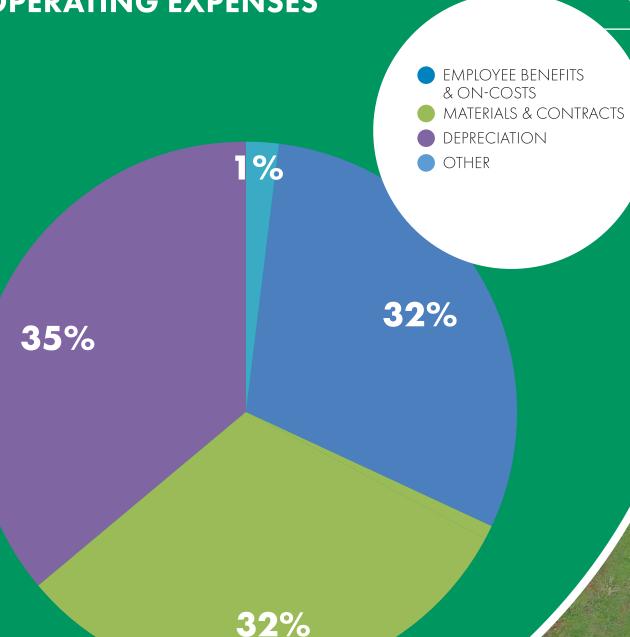
 $^{^{\}star}$ Development Servicing Plan (DSP) currently subject to review. Charges are subject to change upon adoption of new DSP.

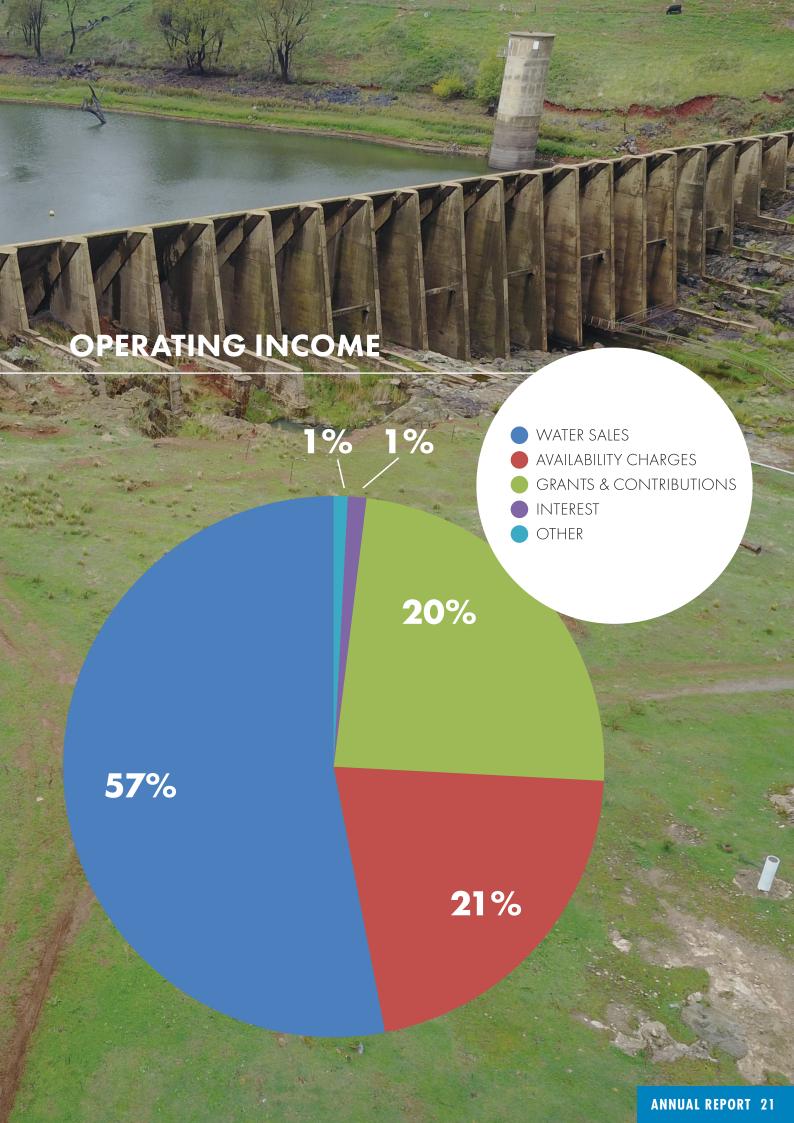
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Central Tablelands County Council's audited financial reports for the year 2021/2022 are reported separately in the Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2022.

A copy of Council's audited Financial Statements for 2021/2022 is provided as **Appendix A** at the end of this document, page 35.







DELIVERY PLAN REPORT

	STRATEGY PRIORITY 1 – P	ROVIDING A HIGH QUALITY	AND RELIABLE DRINKING W	ATER SUPPLY			
DP REF	KEY RESULT AREA	ACTIVITY	MEASURE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/S	ONGOING	COMPLETED	COMMENT
1.1.1		Deliver capital works program based on asset management data.	Capital works program is delivered	DOTS & AO	V		The Capital Works program is progressing. All current capital works not completed in FY21/22 will be revoted to be completed in FY22/23.
1.1.2	1.1 SERVICE PROVISION THROUGH FIT FOR PURPOSE INFRASTRUCTURE	Develop and deliver maintenance program	Maintenance Program is delivered	DOTS & WNM	√		CTW develops a maintenance program based on operational needs and asset condition on an annual basis.
1.1.3		Develop and implement a backflow prevention program.	Program is in place	DOTS & WNM	√		In progress.
1.1.4		Undertake regular water meter replacement program	Program is in place	DOTS & WNM	√		Meter replacement program when the meter is above 7,500 kL is ongoing.
1.2.1		Implement a Water Quality Management Plan.	Water quality guidelines are met or exceeded	DOTS	√		Drinking Water Management System is reviewed and updated on an annual basis.
1.2.2		Inform and involve our customers and regulators about projects, programs and other activities	Positive involvement and feedback	GM & DOTS	V		Notification regarding projects and programs are provided via CTW's website, facebook page, public notices in local newspapers, newsletters and householder pamphlets.
1.2.3		Undertake strategic reviews of water treatment facilities.	Reviews completed	DOTS & WQM	V		CTW has an extensive water monitoring program at Lake Rowlands and WTP's which determine any adjustments to WTP operation. CTW regularly consults with NSW Dept of Health and participates in reviews to ensure treatment processes meet Drinking Water Guidelines.
1.2.4	1.2 COMPLIANCE AND REGULATION	Develop and implement an Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan using established community expectations and asset management information	Plan implemented	DOTS & WQM	√		IWCM completed in 2014. CTW are currently working in collaboration with Cabonne Council and Orange City Council in the development of a sub-regional town water strategy in consultation with DPE Water. This strategy will also greatly assist with CTW's strategic planning requirements in accordance with DPE Water's new regulatory and assurance framework for local water utilities.
1.2.5		Undertake regular water sampling programs	Program ongoing	DOTS & WQM	V		Council has an extensive water quality sampling program in place which enables Council to meet regulatory water quality compliance requirements.
1.2.6		Develop and maintain register of legislation and regulation requirements	Register completed	DOTS, WNM & WQM	√		In progress.
1.3.1	1.3 BEST PRACTICE ASSET MANAGEMENT	Assets are managed strategically, using whole of life methodology to improve delivery of services and financial management	TAMP and systems, hierarchy and processes are in place	AO	√		Revised Asset Management Plan adopted in June 2022.

DELIVERY PLAN REPORT CONTINUED

OP REF	KEY RESULT AREA	ACTIVITY	MEASURE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/S	ONGOING	COMPLETED	COMMENT
	1.4 MITIGATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF SERVICE DELIVERY	Review and implement water demand management plan.	Plan has been implemented	DOTS & AO	√		Industry water expert engaged to assist CTW to review and update current Demand Management Plan. The draft Demand Management Plan was endorsed by Council at th June 2021 Council meeting to be placed on public display for a period of 28 days. The draft plan was adopted by Council its October 2021 meeting.
1.4.2		Review and implement drought management plan.	Plan has been implemented	DOTS & AO	√		Industry water expert engaged to assist CTW to review and update current Drought Management Plan. The draft Drought Management Plan was endorsed by Council at th June 2021 Council meeting to be placed on public display for a period of 28 days. The draft plan was adopted by Council its October 2021 meeting.
		Develop and implement an energy cost reduction strategy.	Program is in place and sovings quantified	DOTS, WNM, WQM & AO	√		Renewable Energy Action Plan developed following an energ audit of CTW's assets. SMT ar currently working through the action plan with energy industr experts with a focus on solar and storage assessment, and pumped hydro feasibility.
1.4.4		Renewable energy sources are utilised where viable	Alternative sources are being used	DOTS, WNM, WQM & AO	√		Solar panels were installed at CTW Administration Office in 2018. Proceeding with Stage 1 renewable energy projects at CWTP and Canomodine Pump Station in FY22/23.
1.4.5		Automate and improve the reliability of processes at, and data available from, water treatment facilities.	Evidence of continuous improvement	DOTS, WNM, WQM & AO	√		Ongoing consultation with NSW Health and associated industry experts to ensure drinking water guidelines are met or exceeded.
	1.5 EFFICIENT WATER USE	Provide customers with information and system to monitor water usage.	Water usage can be monitored	GM	√		Water saving and monitoring measures are provided via CTW's website, newsletters, television advertising and Smar Water Mark.



DELIVERY PLAN REPORT CONTINUED

STRATEGY PRIORITY 2 – AN EFFICIENT, SUSTAINABLE AND CUSTOMER FOCUSSED ORGANISATION							
DP REF	KEY RESULT AREA	ACTIVITY	MEASURE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/S	ONGOING	COMPLETED	COMMENT
2.1.1		Develop and implement a customer engagement strategy	Strategy has been implemented.	DFCS		√	A Community Engagement Strategy was adopted by Council in December 2020
2.1.2		Undertake customer survey	Survey is completed and feedback being used to improve performance	DFCS		√	Customer satisfaction survey completed by independent research company in March 2019.
2.1.3	2.1 CUSTOMER SERVICE	Review and action customer survey feedback.	Customers are provided timely services and response.	SMT		√	SMT have reviewed the results of the survey and developed an action plan to address identified areas for improvement.
2.1.4		Establish service levels and monitor and report on performance.	Service level reviews completed	DOTS & DFCS	$\sqrt{}$		In progress.
2.1.5		Public education information about water management and sustainable water practice is developed and published	Information is available	DOTS	Ţ		Council's membership and involvement with the CWUA includes participation in joint demand management advertising and promotion. This includes the Smart Approved WaterMark membership.
2.1.6		Communicate and engage with constituent councils regularly.	Good relationships and communication with other councils.	GM	√		Constituent councils are regularly invited to attend CTW Strategic and Planning workshops. (e.g. Strategic Futures, DSP, IP&R). Continuous networking with Central NSW Councils during JO meetings. The GM also attends Water County Council GM's meetings on a quarterly basis.
2.1 <i>.7</i>		Provide timely advice to developer or customer requests for service connection	Customer service standards are met.	DOTS	√		Timely responses are provided to developer and customer connection requests.
2.2.1		Develop a long-term financial management plan.	LTFP developed annually.	DFCS	√		LTFP adopted June 2022
2.2.2		Review schedule of fees and charges as part of the annual operational plan.	Updated annually.	DFCS	√		2022/23 Fees & Charges adopted June 2022
2.2.3		Wark with constituent councils to review and implement an agreed Development Servicing Plan (DSP) which may include a deferred payment scheme	Plan is developed and implemented	SMT	V		CTW's 2021 Development Servicing Plan was adopted by Council in June 2021.
2.2.4		Generate income through diversification exploring fee for service opportunities within the region	New income is identified	SMT	√		Ongoing.
2.2.5	2.2 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	Apply project management methodology and structure to key projects to meet budget and timelines	Projects completed on time and in budget	DOTS & DFCS	√		Microsoft Project is currently being used to plan, monitor and progress projects. Regular SMT and Managers meetings are held to discuss the progress of current projects (i.e. timelines and budget) and to plan for the delivery of future projects. Project update reports are presented at Council meetings.
2.2.6		Secure grant funding where available to support delivery and development of services and infrastructure	Grant funding applications successful	SMT	√		CTW continues to apply for grant funding when available. CTW were successful in securing funding to purchase and install 5 water filling stations in Manildra, Eugowra, Canowindra, Grenfell and Quandialla. An additional 2 water filling stations are to be installed in Cudal and Cargo via Cabonne Council and the Federal Governments' Drought Communities Funding Program. NSW government announced \$1 m on 29/11/19 for a feasibility study into raising the lake Rowlands Dam wall. \$6m of joint funding from State and Federal Government has been secured by Water Infrastructure NSW to progress the Belubula Water Security Project (Lake Rowlands Augmentation and Carcoar Dam Pipeline). Emergency Drought grant funding was also secured for a new 12ML reservoir at the Carcoar Water Filtration Plant, a new pump station at Woodstock, bore refurbishment investigation, and access to dead water storage works at Lake Rowlands.

DP REF	KEY RESULT AREA	ACTIVITY	MEASURE	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/S	ONGOING	COMPLETED	COMMENT
2.3.1	2.3 IMPROVING PERFORMANCE AND MANAGING RISK	Monitoring of organisational and operational performance is regular, accessible and understandable	KPI and performance data is monitored and reported	DFCS	√		Ongoing.
2.3.2		Manage the risk management framework including a risk register	Framework is in place	DOTS & DFCS	√		Continually monitored and updated. Risk register reported to every ARIC meeting.
		Develop and implement a business wide and information technology continuity plan	BCP is in place	SMT		√	BCP finalised and implemented in May 2021.
2.3.4		Implement internal audit processes for governance and compliance management.	Internal audit committee meets regularly	DFCS	√		Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee in place and meets 3 times per year. Audit Plan finalised.
2.3.5	2.3 IMPROVING PERFORMANCE AND MANAGING RISK	Implement Work Health and Safety Program	Program is in place	SMT	V		A review of CTW's WHS policies and procedures was undertaken in late 2018 and in 2019. Recommendations from the review have been addressed via an Action Plan for 2018 & 2019.
2.3.6		Complete a strategic futures review of the operating model of CTW to maximise independence and relevance	Review and plan has been completed	SMT		√	CTW Futures Strategic Workshops were held in September 2018 and May 2021 with constituent councils and DPIE Water executive staff invited to attend and participate Strategies from the workshop are regularly reviewed at SMT meetings with strategies being progressed. The strategies from the latest workshop will be considered during the development of the IP&R suite of documents due for adoption by 30 June 2022.
	2.4 A CAPABLE AND MOTIVATED WORKFORCE	Develop and implement a workforce management strategy and plan including a review of salary and organisation structure	Review has been completed and plan developed	SMT		√	A salary system and organisation structure review was undertaken during 18/19. The new salary system was implemented from 1 January 2019. Recruitment of positions from identified resource skills gap was undertaken in March/April 2019. Project completed June 2019.
2.4.2		Provide staff with professional development opportunities that meet future needs.	Training needs are identified annually, and a training budget is available	SMT	√		Training plan and professinal development opportunities to be discussed and agreed during staff performance appraisals.
		Develop capability and innovate with mobile technologies in the field	Mobile technologies are in use	DOTS	√		In progress.
	2.5 EFFICIENT BUSINESS OPERATIONS	Corporate systems are integrated and efficient	Evidence of continuous improvement	DFCS	V		In progress, E.g. EFTSure additional security for creditors system. Migration to the Cloud environment occurred in August 2022.
		Continually update and improve the Geographic Information System.	GIS system is current and used	AO	√		In progress.
		Implement a fleet management system.	Review is completed and system in place	DOTS & DFCS	√		Currently being investigated.
		Develop systems and processes to monitor and report on emerging technology and methods related to water cycle management.	New technologies are implemented	DOTS	√		In progress.

DELIVERY PLAN REPORT CONTINUED

	STRATEGY PRIORITY 3 – REGIONAL LEADERSHIP AND COLLABORATION							
DP REF	KEY RESULT AREA	ACTIVITY	MEASURE	responsible Officer/s	ONGOING	COMPLETED	COMMENT	
3.1.1	3.1 regional Collaboration and partnerships	Work closely with Central West JO (through Water Alliance) for regional water security and access	Active participant of JO	GM & DOTS	√		The Chairman and General Manager attend Central NSW JO (CNSWJO) Board Meetings. The GM attends CNSWJO GMAC Meetings. DFCS attends CNSWJO HR Meetings. The GM or DOTS attend CNSWJO WUA Meetings. CTW Staff participate in joint CNSWJO Projects and training when applicable to CTW.	
3.1.2		Participate in opportunities for resource, expertise and knowledge sharing with Central West JO.	Opportunities identified and considered	SMT	$\sqrt{}$			
3.1.3		Partner with and support constituent councils to attract growth and new business to the region.	"Growth in constituent councils is supported"	SMT	√		CTW continues to work with constituent councils to encourage growth in the region.	
3.2.1		Explore opportunities to influence water industry policy and direction through participation in industry groups and bodies	Recognised as a sector leader	SMT	√		CTW continues to have a strong working relationship with DPIE Water and WaterNSW. GM represents CTW on the WaterNSW Lachlan Customer Advisory Group. GM & DOTS regularly attend DPIE Water regulatory framework workshops for the Town Water Risk Reduction Program and the development of the Regional Water Strategies.	
3.2.2		Identify value add services to grow the capability of the Council	Role and service provision is expanded	SMT	√		Ongoing. CTW Strategic Workshops.	
3.2.3	3.2 Industry and regional leader in the water sector	Develop a future water strategy	Strategy is developed	SMT	V		Ongoing. CTW Strategic Workshops held in 2018 and 2021 with constitutent council representatives (i.e. mayors, general managers and directors) and DPIE Water executive staff. CTW IP&R Strategic workshop March 2022.	
3.2.4		Investigate additional raw water sources within the region.	Ongoing investigation	DOTS	$\sqrt{}$		Ongoing. CTW Strategic Workshops.	
3.2.5		Increase capacity of Lake Rowlands (dependent on grant funding)	Lake Rowlands is enlarged	SMT	√		CTW continues to advocate for the enlargement of Lake Rowlands. CTW is a key stakeholder in the Lake Rowlands to Carcoar Pipeline Project final business case with WaterNSW. \$1 m announced on 29/11/19 by NSW State government to undertake a feasibility study for the augmentation of Lake Rowlands. The Lake Rowlands Augmentation has now been combined with the Lake Rowlands to Carcoar Dam Pipeline project and is now known as the Beliabula Water Security Project (BWSP). The BWSP is being delivered by Water Infrastructure NSW in close collaboration with CTW and WaterNSW as key stakeholders. The BWSP is jointly funded by the State and Federal governments.	

MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS

BULK EARTHWORKS COMPLETED IN READINESS FOR THE NEW 12 MEGALITRE CLEAR WATER TANK AT THE CARCOAR WATER TREATMENT PLANT.





MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS CONTINUED

NEW WOODSTOCK PUMP STATION TO ENABLE THE BI-DIRECTIONAL TRANSFER OF DRINKING WATER BETWEEN COWRA AND CTW.





WORKS 2021/22



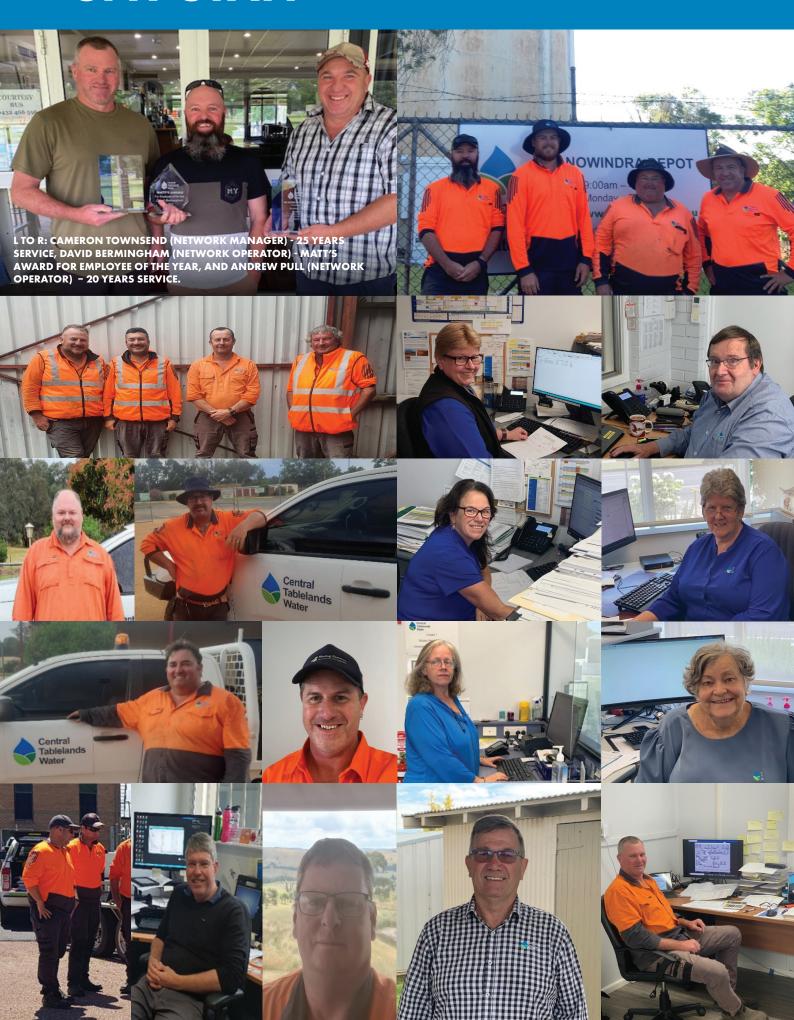
WORKS 2021/22 CONT.



CARCOAR TOWN RESERVOIR BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER RESTORATION WORKS.



CTW STAFF



ANDREW PULL 20 YEARS OF COMMITTED SERVICE

Andrew "Pully" Pull a Water Network Operator at Canowindra achieved a significant service milestone this year of 20 years.

CTW's general manager, Gavin Rhodes caught up with Pully to find out more information regarding his time at CTW and his interests outside of work. The questions and responses are listed below.

GM: What interested you to apply for a position at CTW?

Pully: At the time I'd only just had my first child, I was looking for a local job that was more family friendly. It has worked out really well.

GM: What have been your roles whilst at CTW?

Pully: Being from a remote depot we can do a bit of everything, maintenaince, construction of reticulation and trunk mains, planning of future and major works, traffic control, signage, asset management, reports for the executive that then go to the councillors. There's a good variety of jobs, I could be in front of a computer for part of the day and knee high in mud the next. I'd prefer the computer!

GM: What has been the most significant change or changes you have seen over the last 20 years at CTW?

Pully: The technology changes, the ability to run the system remotely over telemetry (a radio signal), but also not just iPads and computers for administration, but equipment such as plumbing gear to assist doing jobs under water pressure, and also the availability of machinery in each town that wasn't always there, including a variety of machinery.

Not so much at CTW, but to help CTW, technology with for example Telstra locations. In the old days you'd get a broken water main then have to ring Telstra to advise the street, you'd actually talk to someone, then wait two weeks for the maps to arrive in the mail. Now when you have a burst water main you do it all on your iPad and get an email of the plans in about 2 minutes. Makes digging safer.

GM: I recall in 2012 when we had a significant rain event that washed away 5 of our trunkmain crossings. What was your role in restoring supply to our consmers, and how did you manage such a significant challenge?

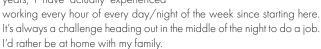
Pully: That was a tough week and finished with a 22 hour day 2 hours sleep and another 6 hours just making sure the water was flowing. We were pretty methodical and relaxed early in the week going from crossing to crossing and repairing it, but when we got into the steep country it was just a harder gig, all the time watching the reservoir levels at Cargo, Cudal and Manildra hoping we would get the water back on before they ran out. I think we made it by an hour, hence the last long final day!

GM: As you are aware, as an organisation responsible for providing an essential service of drinking water, what are the most significant compliance changes (e.g. WHS, risk management, first aid, working conditions, etc) you have seen over the past 20 years?

Pully: I actually think CTW were in front with a lot of compliance for a long time so we haven't had to change much. WHS has changed where it was once a directive from the top but now its about a full team communicating so everyone has some input. We as a group roll with any changes pretty quickly and pretty well.

GM: What has been the biggest challenge of your career to date?

Pully: When you explain to friends about being after hours on-call they think a nice cushy bit of overtime from a 4pm finish till 6pm. Nope! Over 20 years, I have actually experienced



GM: What has been the biggest achievement in your career to date, what are you most proud of?

Pully: Making a difference, the 2012 floods, the recent floods getting Manildra back in water half the town in 18 hours the rest in 36 hours.

And making the Xmas parties more fun when I dress up!

GM: What gives you the most satisfaction in your role?

Pully: When I complete a job, like water main renewals, seeing the old pipe that breaks causing the consumer and our staff angst, when the new pipe goes in we all live happily ever after (hopefully). But genuinely completing a major task.

GM: Are you ready for the next 20 years?

Pully: Well hopefully not 20 years. I am 47 (the reason I look so young is I put sunscreen on everyday LOL), lets make it 13 years!

GM: What are your interests outside of work? How do you relax?

Pully: I love hanging with my kids, when they were young they thought I was funny, now I embarrass them. So that's what I do.

GM: I understand that you are involved in a lot of community and sporting organisations in the Canowindra area and the Central West region, as well as being a first time councillor with Cabonne Council. How do you manage those extra commitments and still maintain a family, work and lifestyle balance?

Pully: I do it because I genuinely love where I live, so if everyone does a bit it becomes a better place. Some of the roles my family assist and it's a bit of fun. Being a Councillor is great, plenty of late night reading, but I enjoy helping the community with problem solving, etc.

GM: I understand that you are a loyal Canterbury Bulldogs supporter, are they any hope of climbing the ladder next season under their new coach?

Pully: Please God let it be. My moods change on the results of the Bulldags every weekend, surely.

GM: Well thank you Andrew for your time today, and on behalf of CTW I would like to congratulate you once again on such a significant achievement of 20 years of committed service to CTW.

Pully: Thank you it has been terrific, I think we have a good team here, makes coming to work easy.



CAMERON TOWNSEND 25 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

Cameron Townsend CTW's Network Manager achieved an impressive service milestone this year of 25 years.

CTW's general manager, Gavin Rhodes sat down with Cameron at CTW's Adminstration Building in Blayney to find out more information regarding his time at CTW and what his hobbies or interests are outside of work. The questions and responses are listed below.

GM: What have been your roles whilst at CTW?

Cameron: Started as a network operator, then operator in charge, then network manager role.

GM: Did you commence at CTW straight out of school?

Cameron: No, I left a job at a local bakery in Blayney before commencing at CTW in 1997.

GM: What has been the most significant change or changes you have seen over the last 25 years at CTW?

Cameron: Technological changes and also compliance with regards to WHS and workplace risk assessments.

GM: What about any climatic changes over the past 25 years, have you noticed any patterns with regards to droughts and floods, etc?

Cameron: When you have a flood it causes extensive damage as just experienced in Eugowra and Manildra. Prior to that in 2012 we had major flooding which washed away 5 trunk mains.

GM: With regards to those 5 trunkmain crossings being washed away, did that have a major impact on your role as a water network manager and your operators?

Cameron: Yes, it had a massive impact on all local government areas serviced by CTW as it restricted the supply from the Carcoar Water Treatment Plant and other water sources had to be used, such as Gooloogong Bores. All water network operators were involved in the temporary and permanent repairs which were completed over the following months.

GM: What about changes with compliance?

Cameron: As mentioned earlier, I have observed compliance changes with WHS and risk management, as well as first aid, and working conditions (HR).

GM: What has been the biggest challenge of your career to date?

Cameron: Wash outs with trunk mains, Trunk Main K (i.e. staff resourcing for the project and the technical side with pipe cut-ins and underbores).

GM: What has been the biggest achievement in your career to date, what are you most proud of?

Cameron: 25 years in the one organisation and providing an essential service for our consumers.

I am proud of the maintenance crews in all areas of the CTW supply network. They will always go out of their way to get the job done, day or night, in rain, hail or shine.

GM: There's a lot more to it than just turning on the tap and drinking water appears.

Cameron: From Lake Rowlands to the consumers tap, it involves everyone in the organisation (i.e. management, filtration plants, maintenance, meter reading and all office staff).



GM: Besides going on holidays, what gives you the most enjoyment in your role?

Cameron: Job satisfaction, there is nothing more satisfying than receiving positive feedback from consumers once a job has been completed. Completing a different task and realising it has made a difference to CTW's operations in an more efficient and effective manner.

GM: Are you ready for the next 25 years?

Cameron: I hope so, but not keen on being here for the next full 25 years as I've got retirement to enjoy!

GM: What are your hobbies outside of work? How do you relax?

Cameron: A bit of camping and fishing, water skiing, cooking camp ovens, home-brewing and spending time with family.

GM: I've heard that you were a bit of a rugby star as well?

Cameron: I wouldn't go that far. I played for Blayney Rams and Bathurst Secret Squirrels! I played in 1 grandfinal for the Blayney Rams but unfortunately lost. I think the year after I retired they won the Grand Final, we will leave it at that.

GM: I understand that you are a passionate Eastern Suburbs supporter, are they any hope of winning the premiership next season?

Cameron: Yes, easily! I hope to get to a few games.

GM: Well thank you Cameron for your time today, and on behalf of CTW I would like to congratulate you once again on such a significant achievement of 25 years of dedicated service to CTW.

Cameron: No problem Gav, it's been challenging, but rewarding. The fact that we have a workforce at CTW that will always go beyond what is required is what makes my job easy. Thanks everybody.

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Central Tablelands Water issues quarterly water accounts. Accounts are issued in August, November, February and May.

To assist consumers, Central Tablelands Water has the following range of payment options:

IN PERSON

Present the account intact and make your payment by cash, cheque or EFTPOS at any Post Office.

Payments can also be made at Council's Blayney office and the office of Weddin Shire Council in Grenfell.

BPAY

If your bank offers BPAY, you can use BPAY to pay your water account by phone, internet or directly from your bank account. Please refer to your water account for your BPAY Biller Code and Reference Number.

CREDIT OR CHARGE CARD

Payments can be made over the phone using your credit or charge card by calling 13 18 16 when your water account is due, or online at www.postbillpay.com.au. Please refer to your water account for your Post BillPay Code and Reference Number.

Credit Card facilities are also available when paying in person at Council's Blayney office.

DIRECT DEBIT

Direct Debit is now available as a payment option. Please contact Council's Blayney office for a Direct Debit Request Form.

MAIL

Detach your payment slip and return it together with your cheque to: CENTRAL TABLELANDS WATER PO BOX 61 BLAYNEY NSW 2799

CENTRELINK

Use Centrepay to arrange regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. Call Centrelink to request Centrepay deductions.

Centrepay Reference: 555 052 389K

PENSIONERS

Pensioners are entitled to a rebate of up to \$87.50 each year on their water account. (This will appear as a deduction of \$21.88 on each account.) To be eligible you must be the owner and reside on the property.

To apply for a rebate, you must complete an application form, available from Council's administration office, or online from Council's website, www.ctw.nsw.gov.au, and provide a copy of your pensioner concession card.

CENTREPAY

Central Tablelands Water offers CENTREPAY, which enables Centrelink customers to budget and plan their finances more effectively. A Centrepay application form is available from Council's administration office, or online from Council's website, www.ctw.nsw.gov.au.

TENANTS AND LANDLORDS

The person, or persons, who are listed as the owner of the property will receive all water accounts and are responsible for their payment.

A number of landlords have lease agreements that stipulate that the tenant is responsible for the usage or consumption charge.

The billing of tenants is the owner's or agent's responsibility. Central Tablelands Water will not be involved in any arrangement to collect money from tenants.

FACEBOOK

Central Tablelands Water now has a Facebook page, which can be found at www.facebook.com/CentralTablelandsWater



APPENDIX A CENTRAL TABLELANDS WATER

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2022

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2022



GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2022



General Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

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Overview

Central Tablelands Water is constituted under the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and has its principal place of business at:

30 Church Street Blayney NSW 2799

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

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

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

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

General Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

Understanding Council's Financial Statements

Introduction

Each year NSW local governments are required to present audited financial statements to their council and community.

What you will find in the Statements

The financial statements set out the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of Council for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

The format of the financial statements is standard across all NSW Councils and complies with both the accounting and reporting requirements of Australian Accounting Standards and requirements as set down by the Office of Local Government.

About the Councillor/Management Statement

The financial statements must be certified by senior staff as 'presenting fairly' the Council's financial results for the year and are required to be adopted by Council – ensuring both responsibility for and ownership of the financial statements.

About the Primary Financial Statements

The financial statements incorporate five "primary" financial statements:

1. The Income Statement

Summarises Council's financial performance for the year, listing all income and expenses. This statement also displays Council's original adopted budget to provide a comparison between what was projected and what actually occurred.

2. The Statement of Comprehensive Income

Primarily records changes in the fair value of Council's Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment.

3. The Statement of Financial Position

A 30 June snapshot of Council's financial position indicating its assets, liabilities and "net wealth".

4. The Statement of Changes in Equity

The overall change for the year (in dollars) of Council's "net wealth".

5. The Statement of Cash Flows

Indicates where Council's cash came from and where it was spent. This statement also displays Council's original adopted budget to provide a comparison between what was projected and what actually occurred.

About the Notes to the Financial Statements

The Notes to the Financial Statements provide greater detail and additional information on the five primary financial statements.

About the Auditor's Reports

Council's financial statements are required to be audited by the NSW Audit Office.

In NSW the auditor provides 2 audit reports:

- 1. an opinion on whether the financial statements present fairly the Council's financial performance and position, and
- 2. their observations on the conduct of the audit, including commentary on the Council's financial performance and financial position.

Who uses the Financial Statements?

The financial statements are publicly available documents and must be presented at a Council meeting between seven days and five weeks after the date of the audit report.

The public can make submissions to Council up to seven days subsequent to the public presentation of the financial statements.

Council is required to forward an audited set of financial statements to the Office of Local Government.

General Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

Statement by Councillors and Management

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signed in accordance with a resolution of Council made on 12 October 2022.

Cllr David Somervaille

Chairperson

12 October 2022

Cllr Andrew Rawson

Deputy Chairperson

12 October 2022

Gavin Rhodes

General Manager

12 October 2022

Peter McFarlane

Responsible Accounting Officer

Pota Mi Folia

12 October 2022

Income Statement

for the year ended 30 June 2022

Original unaudited budget			Actual	Actua
2022	\$ '000	Notes	2022	202 ²
2022		140103	2022	202
	Income from continuing operations			
1,638	Annual charges	B2-1	1,658	1,60
5,776	User charges and fees	B2-2	4,456	3,96
48	Other revenues	B2-3	74	5
100	Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes	B2-4	16	4
2,493	Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	B2-4	1,558	1,75
52	Interest and investment income	B2-5	67	5
22	Other income	B2-6	23	2:
52	Net gain from the disposal of assets	B4-1		
10,181	Total income from continuing operations		7,852	7,50
	Expenses from continuing operations			
2,461	Employee benefits and on-costs	B3-1	2,133	2,22
2,567	Materials and services	B3-2	2,192	2,23
14	Borrowing costs	B3-3	11	4
2,538	Depreciation, amortisation and impairment of non-financial assets	B3-4	2,340	2,62
15	Other expenses	B3-5	14	1
_	Net loss from the disposal of assets	B4-1	67	18
7,595	Total expenses from continuing operations	-	6,757	7,33
2,586	Operating result from continuing operations	-	1,095	17
	Net operating result for the year attributable to Co		1,095	174

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

Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2022

\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
Net operating result for the year – from Income Statement		1,095	174
Other comprehensive income:			
Amounts which will not be reclassified subsequently to the operating result			
Gain (loss) on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	C1-7	13,634	631
Total items which will not be reclassified subsequently to the operating	_		
result		13,634	631
Total other comprehensive income for the year	_	13,634	631
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to Council		14,729	805

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

Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2022

\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	C1-1	933	1,292
Investments	C1-2	7,600	6,100
Receivables	C1-4	915	743
Inventories	C1-5	239	200
Contract assets and contract cost assets	C1-6	31	160
Other		17	9
Total current assets		9,735	8,504
Non-current assets			
Receivables	C1-4	1	4
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE)	C1-7	95,832	82,851
Intangible assets	C1-8	49	72
Total non-current assets		95,882	82,927
Total assets		105,617	91,431
LIABILITIES Current liabilities			
Payables	C3-1	478	512
Income received in advance	C3-1	36	26
Contract liabilities	C3-2	_	75
Borrowings	C3-3	_	413
Employee benefit provisions	C3-4	917	936
Total current liabilities		1,431	1,962
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefit provisions	C3-4	11	23
Total non-current liabilities		11	23
Total liabilities		1,442	1,985
Net assets		104,175	89,446
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus	C4-1	47,999	46,904
IPPE revaluation reserve	C4-1	56,176	42,542
Council equity interest		104,175	89,446
Total equity		104,175	89,446
i J			55,110

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

Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2022

			2022			2021	
			IPPE			IPPE	
		Accumulated	revaluation	Total	Accumulated	revaluation	Total
<u>\$</u> '000	Notes	surplus	reserve	equity	surplus	reserve	equity
Opening balance at 1 July		46,904	42,542	89,446	46,730	41,911	88,641
Net operating result for the year		1,095	-	1,095	174	_	174
Other comprehensive income							
Gain (loss) on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	C1-7	_	13,634	13,634	_	631	631
Other comprehensive income		-	13,634	13,634	_	631	631
Total comprehensive income		1,095	13,634	14,729	174	631	805
Closing balance at 30 June		47,999	56,176	104,175	46,904	42,542	89,446

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

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2022

Original unaudited budget			Actual	Actual
2022	\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
	Cash flows from operating activities			
	Receipts:			
1,638	Rates and annual charges		1,674	1,652
5,777	User charges and fees		4,483	4,172
52	Interest received		51	71
2,594	Grants and contributions		1,275	1,612
_	Bonds, deposits and retentions received		2	10
70	Other		518	477
	Payments:			
(2,461)	Payments to employees		(2,157)	(2,130)
(2,568)	Payments for materials and services		(2,222)	(2,729)
(14)	Borrowing costs		(11)	(49)
(14)	Other	F1-1	(465)	9
5,074	Net cash flows from operating activities	F1-1	3,148	3,095
	Cash flows from investing activities			
	Receipts:			
_	Sale of investments		6,100	5,200
259	Proceeds from sale of IPPE		257	97
5	Deferred debtors receipts		1	35
	Payments:			
(5,310)	Payments for IPPE		(1,852)	(2,105)
_	Purchase of intangible assets		-	(13)
_	Purchase of investments		(7,600)	(6,100)
(5,046)	Net cash flows from investing activities		(3,094)	(2,886)
	Cash flows from financing activities			
	Payments:			
(413)	Repayment of borrowings		(413)	(532)
(413)	Net cash flows from financing activities		(413)	(532)
(385)	Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(359)	(323)
1,400	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,292	1,615
	Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	C1-1		
1,015	Oash and Cash equivalents at end of year		933	1,292
7,000	plus: Investments on hand at end of year	C1-2	7,600	6,100
	Total cash, cash equivalents and investments	0.1-2		
8,015	rotal cash, cash equivalents and investments		8,533	7,392

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

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A About Council and these financial statements

A1-1 Basis of preparation

These financial statements were authorised for issue by Council on 21 October 2022. Council has the power to amend and reissue these financial statements in cases where critical information is received from public submissions or where the OLG directs Council to amend the financial statements.

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

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Australian Accounting Interpretations, the *Local Government Act 1993* (Act) and *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* (Regulation), and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

Council is a not for-profit entity.

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

Historical cost convention

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

Significant accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

Council makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future.

The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year include:

- i. estimated fair values of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment refer Note C1-7
- ii. employee benefit provisions refer Note C3-4.

Covid 19 Impacts

Whilst Covid 19 has continued to cause some disruption to council's business practices and minor inconvenience it has not resulted in significant additional cost.

Water charges collections have not been significantly impacted and other receivables have not been impacted.

Overall the financial impact has not been significant and is not anticipated to be in future years.

Council is of the view that physical non-current assets will not experience substantial declines in value due to covid. Fair value for the majority of Council's non-current assets is determined by replacement cost where there is no anticipated material change in value due to covid.

For assets where fair value is determined by market value Council has no evidence of material changes to these values.

Significant judgements in applying the Council's accounting policies

- i. Impairment of receivables refer Note C1-4.
- ii. Determination of whether performance obligations are sufficiently specific and whether the contract is within the scope of AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and / or AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities* refer to Notes B2-2 B2-4.

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A1-1 Basis of preparation (continued)

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

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

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

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

New accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations (ie. pronouncements) have been published by the Australian Accounting Standards Board that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2022 reporting period.

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

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

New accounting standards adopted during the year

During the year Council adopted all accounting standards and interpretations (as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board) which were mandatorily effective from the first time at 30 June 2022.

None of these standards have had any impact on Council's reported financial position.

B Financial Performance

B1 Functions or activities

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

	Income, expense	es and assets ha	ve been directly a	attributed to the f	following functions	or activities. I	Details of those func	tions or activit	ies are provided in	Note B1-2.
	Income)	Expense	es	Operating re	esult	Grants and con	tributions	Carrying amour	nt of assets
\$ '000	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Functions or activities										
Governance	_	_	193	186	(193)	(186)	_	_	_	_
Water supplies	7,852	7,504	6,564	7,144	1,288	360	1,574	1,796	105,617	91,431
Total functions and activities	7,852	7,504	6,757	7,330	1,095	174	1,574	1,796	105,617	91,431

B1-2 Components of functions or activities

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

Governance

Includes costs relating to Council's role as a component of democratic government, including elections, members' fees and expenses, subscriptions to local authority associations, meetings of Council and policymaking committees, public disclosure (e.g.GIPA), and legislative compliance.

Water supplies

Comprising the water supply systems servicing towns and villages within the Blayney, Cabonne, Weddin, Bland and Cowra Local Government Areas.

B2 Sources of income

B2-1 Annual charges

\$ '000	2022	2021
Annual charges		
(pursuant to s.496, s.496A, s.496B, s.501 & s.611)		
Residential	1,131	1,101
Commercial	268	256
Rural	192	188
Industrial	38	33
Other	71	67
Less: pensioner rebates (mandatory)	(93)	(96)
Annual charges levied	1,607	1,549
Pensioner subsidies received:		
- Water	51	53
Total annual charges	1,658	1,602
TOTAL ANNUAL CHARGES	1,658	1,602
Timing of revenue recognition for rates and annual charges		
Rates and annual charges recognised at a point in time (2)	1,658	1,602
Total rates and annual charges	1,658	1,602

Accounting policy for annual charges

Annual charges are recognised as revenue when the Council obtains control over the assets comprising these receipts.

Pensioner rebates relate to reductions in certain annual charges for eligible pensioners' place of residence in the local government council area. These rebates are funded 55% by the NSW Government and 45% by Council.

Pensioner subsidies are received from the NSW Government to provide a contribution 55% towards the pensioner rebates.

Control over assets acquired from annual charges is obtained when a quarterly water account is issued as it is an enforceable debt linked to the serviced property.

B2-2 User charges and fees

Per s.502 - specific 'actual use' charges Residential	\$ '000	Timing	2022	2021
Residential 2 2,116 1,849 Commercial 2 541 458 Rural 2 757 690 Industrial 2 584 609 Bulk supplies to Council 2 70 77 Other 2 158 122 Total specific user charges	Specific user charges			
Commercial Rural Rural 2 541 458 Rural 2 757 690 Industrial 2 584 609 Bulk supplies to Council 2 70 77 Other 2 158 122 Total specific user charges Other user charges and fees (i) Fees and charges – statutory and regulatory functions (per s.608) Private works – section 67 Section 603 certificates 2 189 112 Section 603 certificates 2 33 35 Total fees and charges – other (incl. general user charges (per s.608)) Water connection fees 2 7 1 Special meter readings and reconnection fees 2 8 15 Total fees and charges – other 8 16 Total other user charges and fees User charges and fees User charges and fees recognition for user charges and fees User charges and fees recognised at a point in time (2) 4,456 3,968	(per s.502 - specific 'actual use' charges)			
Rural 2 757 690 Industrial 2 584 609 Bulk supplies to Council 2 700 77 Other 2 158 122 Total specific user charges 3,805 Other user charges and fees (i) Fees and charges – statutory and regulatory functions (per s.608) Private works – section 67 2 189 112 Section 603 certificates 2 33 35 Total fees and charges – statutory/regulatory 2 222 147 (ii) Fees and charges – other (incl. general user charges (per s.608)) Water connection fees 2 8 15 Total fees and charges – other 3 16 Total other user charges and fees 2 8 16 Total other user charges and fees 4,456 3,968 Timing of revenue recognition for user charges and fees User charges and fees recognised at a point in time (2) 4,456 3,968	Residential	2	2,116	1,849
Section 603 certificates 2 584 609	Commercial	2	541	458
Bulk supplies to Council 2 70 77 Other 2 158 122 Total specific user charges	Rural	2	757	690
Other 2 158 122 Total specific user charges 4,226 3,805 Other user charges and fees (i) Fees and charges – statutory and regulatory functions (per s.608) 2 189 112 Private works – section 67 2 189 112 Section 603 certificates 2 33 35 Total fees and charges – statutory/regulatory 222 147 (ii) Fees and charges – other (incl. general user charges (per s.608)) 2 - 1 Water connection fees 2 8 15 Total fees and charges – other 8 16 Total fees and charges – other 8 16 Total other user charges and fees 230 163 Total user charges and fees 4,456 3,968 Timing of revenue recognition for user charges and fees 4,456 3,968	Industrial	2	584	609
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User charges and fees recognised at a point in time (2) 4,456 3,968	Timing of revenue recognition for user charges and fees			
Total user charges and fees 4,456 3,968	User charges and fees recognised at a point in time (2)		4,456	3,968
	Total user charges and fees		4,456	3,968

Accounting policy

User charges and fees are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided. Water user charges are recognised after the water has passed the point of supply (usually the water meter) and the actual usage has been determined by a meter reading.

B2-3 Other revenues

\$ '000	Timing	2022	2021
Legal fees recovery – rates and charges (extra charges)	2	11	1
Legal fees recovery – other	2	2	6
Diesel rebate	2	1	1
Employee contributions to motor vehicles	2	31	29
Insurance incentives and rebates	2	6	8
Workers compensation claim reimbursement	2	20	9
Other	2	3	3
Total other revenue		74	57
Timing of revenue recognition for other revenue			
Other revenue recognised at a point in time (2)		74	57
Total other revenue		74	57

Accounting policy for other revenue

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

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

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

B2-4 Grants and contributions

\$ '000		Timing	Operating 2022	Operating 2021	Capital 2022	Capital 2021
Special purpose grants and non-develor contributions (tied)	oper					
Water supplies		1	15	40	649	1,358
Other councils – joint works/services		2	_	_	15	68
Other specific grants		2	1	_	_	_
Developer charges – mains extensions Non-cash contributions		2	-	-	133	26
Dedications		2			136	
Total other contributions – non-cash					136	_
Total grants and non-developer			40	40		4.450
contributions			16	40	933	1,452
Comprising:						
 State funding 			15	40	649	1,358
Other funding			1		284	94
			16	40	933	1,452
Developer contributions						
Developer contributions \$ '000	Notes	Timing	Operating 2022	Operating 2021	Capital 2022	Capital 2021
\$ '000 Developer contributions: (\$7.4 & \$7.11 - EP&A Act, \$64 of the LGA):	Notes F4	Timing			-	-
\$ '000 Developer contributions: (s7.4 & s7.11 - EP&A Act, s64 of the LGA): Cash contributions		-			2022	2021
\$ '000 Developer contributions: (s7.4 & s7.11 - EP&A Act, s64 of the LGA): Cash contributions S 64 – water supply contributions		Timing 2			-	-
\$ '000 Developer contributions: (s7.4 & s7.11 - EP&A Act, s64 of the		-			2022	2021
\$ '000 Developer contributions: (\$7.4 & \$7.11 - EP&A Act, \$64 of the LGA): Cash contributions \$ 64 - water supply contributions Total developer contributions - cash Total developer contributions		-			625 625	304 304
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\$ '000 Developer contributions: (s7.4 & s7.11 - EP&A Act, s64 of the LGA): Cash contributions S 64 - water supply contributions Total developer contributions Total developer contributions Total contributions Total grants and contributions Timing of revenue recognition for grants arcontributions	F4 nd 2 (1)	-			625 625 625 625 1,558	304 304 304 304 1,756

B2-4 Grants and contributions (continued)

Unspent grants and contributions

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

	Operating	Operating	Capital	Capital
\$ '000	2022	2021	2022	2021
Unspent grants and contributions				
Unspent funds at 1 July	_	_	75	73
Add: Funds received and not recognised as revenue in the current year	_	_	_	8
Less: Funds received in prior year but revenue recognised and funds spent in current				(0)
year	-	_	(15)	(6)
Less: Funds received in prior year and refunded in current year			(60)	_
Unspent funds at 30 June	_	_	_	75

Accounting policy

Grants and contributions - enforceable agreement with sufficiently specific performance obligations

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

The performance obligations vary according to the agreement but include milestones within AASB 15 grants. Payment terms vary depending on the terms of the grant, cash is received upfront for some grants and on the achievement of certain payment milestones for others.

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

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

Capital grants

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

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

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

Developer contributions

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

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

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

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B2-4 Grants and contributions (continued)

Other grants and contributions

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

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

B2-5 Interest and investment income

\$ '000	2022	2021
Interest on financial assets measured at amortised cost		
- Overdue user and annual charges	18	11
 Cash and investments 	49	48
Total interest and investment income (losses)	67	59
Interest and investment income is attributable to:		
Restricted investments/funds – external:		
Water fund operations	67	59
Total interest and investment income	67	59

Accounting policy

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

B2-6 Other income

\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
Rental income			
Land		23	22
Total rental income	C2-2	23	22
Total other income		23	22

B3 Costs of providing services

B3-1 Employee benefits and on-costs

\$ '000	2022	2021
Salaries and wages	1,730	1,695
Employee leave entitlements (ELE)	182	292
Superannuation – defined contribution plans	174	160
Superannuation – defined benefit plans	17	26
Workers' compensation insurance	43	33
Fringe benefit tax (FBT)	30	29
Payroll tax	41	52
Employee assistance program	1	2
Total employee costs	2,218	2,289
Less: capitalised costs	(85)	(67)
Total employee costs expensed	2,133	2,222
Number of 'full-time equivalent' employees (FTE) at year end	23	22

Accounting policy

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

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

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

Council participates in a defined benefit plan under the Local Government Superannuation Scheme, however, sufficient information to account for the plan as a defined benefit is not available and therefore Council accounts for its obligations to defined benefit plans on the same basis as its obligations to defined contribution plans, i.e. as an expense when it becomes payable – refer to Note D3-1 for more information.

B3-2 Materials and services

\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
Raw materials and consumables		721	703
Contractor and consultancy costs		513	591
Audit Fees	E2-1	37	46
Councillor and Chairperson's fees and associated expenses	E1-2	84	84
Advertising		13	17
Bank charges		33	31
Electricity and heating		339	306
Insurance		145	132
Postage		27	24
Printing and stationery		20	19
Subscriptions and publications		51	49
Telephone and communications		65	62
Travel expenses		2	5
Demand management (water wise programme) expenses		4	3
Groundwater and unregulated access fees		22	59
Training costs (other than salaries and wages)		31	33
Other expenses		64	56
Legal expenses:			
 Legal expenses: debt recovery 		13	_
- Legal expenses: other		5	13
Expenses from leases of low value assets		3	3
Total materials and services		2,192	2,236
Total materials and services		2,192	2,236

Accounting policy

Expenses are recorded on an accruals basis as the Council receives the goods or services.

B3-3 Borrowing costs

\$ '000	2022	2021
(i) Interest bearing liability costs		
Interest on loans	11	49
Total interest bearing liability costs	11	49
Total interest bearing liability costs expensed	11	49
Total borrowing costs expensed	11	49

Accounting policy
Borrowing costs incurred for the construction of any qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Other borrowing costs are expensed as incurred.

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

\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
Depreciation and amortisation			
Plant and equipment		171	172
Office equipment		21	23
Furniture and fittings		1	1
Infrastructure:	C1-7		
- Buildings - non-specialised		62	73
 Water supply network 		2,062	2,335
Intangible assets	C1-8	23	18
Total gross depreciation and amortisation costs		2,340	2,622
Total depreciation and amortisation costs		2,340	2,622
Total depreciation, amortisation and impairment for			
non-financial assets		2,340	2,622

Accounting policy

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation and amortisation are calculated using the straight line method to allocate their cost, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives.

Impairment of non-financial assets

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

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

Other non-financial assets that do not meet the criteria above are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

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

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

B3-5 Other expenses

\$ '000	2022	2021
Other		
Donations, contributions and assistance to other organisations (Section 356)	14	14
Total other expenses	14	14

Accounting policy

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

Impairment expenses are recognised when identified.

B4 Gains or losses

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

\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021
Gain (or loss) on disposal of plant and equipment	C1-7		
Proceeds from disposal – plant and equipment		257	97
Less: carrying amount of plant and equipment assets sold/written off		(146)	(66)
Gain (or loss) on disposal		111	31
Gain (or loss) on disposal of infrastructure	C1-7		
Proceeds from disposal – infrastructure		-	_
Less: carrying amount of infrastructure assets sold/written off		(178)	(218)
Gain (or loss) on disposal		(178)	(218)
Gain (or loss) on disposal of investments	C1-2		
Proceeds from disposal/redemptions/maturities – investments		6,100	5,200
Less: carrying amount of investments sold/redeemed/matured		(6,100)	(5,200)
Gain (or loss) on disposal	_		
Net gain (or loss) from disposal of assets		(67)	(187)

Accounting policy

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. The gain or loss on sale of an asset is determined when control of the asset has irrevocably passed to the buyer and the asset is de-recognised.

B5 Performance against budget

B5-1 Material budget variations

Net losses from disposal of assets

Council's original budget was adopted by the Council on 16/06/2021 and is not required to be audited. The original projections on which the budget was based have been affected by a number of factors. These include state and federal government decisions, including new grant programs, changing economic activity, environmental factors, and by decisions made by Council.

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

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

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

\$ '000	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	202: Variar		
Revenues		7101001	7 41141		
User charges and fees Water sales were again down from original budget due to	5,776 or the prolonged w	4,456 et year.	(1,320)	(23)%	U
Other revenues Debt recovery actions recommenced after a pause during compensation claim.	48 g Covid and reimb	74 oursements were	26 e received for a w	54% vorkers	F
Operating grants and contributions Income from operating grants did not eventuate as the pr	100 roposed investiga	16 tions were comp	(84) leted for less tha	(84)% n budget.	U
Capital grants and contributions Income from capital grants and contributions was down of as originally programed.	2,493 on original budget	1,558 due to capital pr	(935) ojects not procee	(38)% eding as quic	U kly
Interest and investment revenue Interest income was up due to an increase in some long	52 term deposit rates	67 s.	15	29%	F
Net gains from disposal of assets Profit on disposal of vehicles was budgeted however the	52 loss on disposal of	_ of redundant infr	(52) astructure assets	(100)% s offset any g	U ain.
Expenses					
Employee benefits and on-costs Employee costs were less than original budget due to ch employee leave entitlements.	2,461 anges in the long	2,133 term discounting	328 g rates used for tl	13% he calculatinզ	F g of
Materials and services Consultancy cost were down due to the IWCM Plan not p	2,567 proceeding.	2,192	375	15%	F
Borrowing costs Borrowing costs were slightly less than original budget as	14 s the loan was pai	11 id out.	3	21%	F

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Loss on disposal of redundant infrastrucure assets contributed to the net losses on disposal.

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B5-1 Material budget variations (continued)

	2022	2022	2022
\$ '000	Budget	Actual	Variance

Statement of cash flows

Cash flows from operating activities

5,074

3,148

(1,926)

38)%

Cash flow from operating activities was down due to a reduction in water sales. A number of grant invoices were also not paid prior to year end.

Cash flows from investing activities

(5,046)

(3,094)

1,952

(39)%

Capital expenditure was less than budget due to projects not proceeding as per original program.

C Financial position

C1 Assets we manage

C1-1 Cash and cash equivalents

\$ '000	2022	2021
Cash assets		
Cash on hand and at bank	433	1,292
Cash equivalent assets		
- Deposits at call	500	
Total cash and cash equivalents	933	1,292
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents		
Total cash and cash equivalents per Statement of Financial Position	933	1,292
Balance as per the Statement of Cash Flows	933	1,292

Accounting policy

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

C1-2 Financial investments

	2022	2022	2021	2021
\$ '000	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
Debt securities at amortised cost				
Long term deposits	7,600	_	6,100	_
Total	7,600		6,100	
Total financial investments	7,600		6,100	
Total cash assets, cash equivalents and				
investments	8,533	_	7,392	_

Accounting policy

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Council becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Classification

On initial recognition, Council classifies its financial assets into the following categories - those measured at amortised cost.

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition. All Council's existing investments are measured at amortised cost.

Amortised cost

Council's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables, term deposits and cash and cash equivalents in the Statement of Financial Position. Term deposits with an initial term of more than 3 months are classified as investments rather than cash and cash equivalents.

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C1-2 Financial investments (continued)

Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment.

Interest income, impairment and gains or loss on de-recognition are recognised in profit or loss.

C1-3 Restricted and allocated cash, cash equivalents and investments

\$ '000		2022	2021
(a)	Externally restricted cash, cash equivalents and investments		
Total	cash, cash equivalents and investments	8,533	7,392
	Externally restricted cash, cash equivalents and investments	(12)	(75)
	cash equivalents and investments not subject to external ctions	8,521	7,317
Exter	nal restrictions nal restrictions – included in liabilities al restrictions included in cash, cash equivalents and investments above compris	e:	
Specifi	c purpose unexpended grants	_	66
Other	contributions	12	9
Total	external restrictions	12	75

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

C1-3 Restricted and allocated cash, cash equivalents and investments (continued)

\$ '000	2022	2021
(b) Internal allocations		
Cash, cash equivalents and investments not subject to external		
restrictions	8,521	7,317
Less: Internally restricted cash, cash equivalents and investments	(8,021)	(6,817)
Unrestricted and unallocated cash, cash equivalents and investments	500	500
Internal allocations		
At 30 June, Council has internally allocated funds to the following:		
Plant and vehicle replacement	671	491
Infrastructure replacement	6,200	5,300
Employees leave entitlement	558	478
Development reserve	482	488
Consultancy	110	60
Total internal allocations	8,021	6,817
Cash, cash equivalents and investments not subject to external restrictions may be intern policy of the elected Council.	ally allocated by reso	olution or
\$ '000	2022	2021
(c) Unrestricted and unallocated		
Unrestricted and unallocated cash, cash equivalents and investments	500	500

C1-4 Receivables

	2022	2022	2021	2021
\$ '000	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
User charges and fees	462	_	457	_
Contributions to works	_	_	74	_
Accrued revenues				
 Interest on investments 	29	_	13	_
 Other income accruals 	_	_	1	_
Amounts due from other councils	24	_	22	_
Deferred debtors	7	1	5	4
Government grants and subsidies	376	_	159	_
Net GST receivable	17	_	2	_
Other debtors	8		18	_
Total	923	1	751	4
Less: provision for impairment				
User charges and fees	(8)	_	(8)	_
Total provision for impairment –				
receivables	(8)		(8)	_
Total net receivables	915	1	743	4
\$ '000			2022	2021
Movement in provision for impairment o	f receivables			
Balance at the beginning of the year			8	8
Balance at the end of the year			8	8

Accounting policy

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

Impairment

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

When estimating ECL, Council considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on Council's historical experience and informed credit assessment, and including forward-looking information.

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

When considering the ECL for water debtors, Council takes into account that unpaid rates represent a charge against the rateable property that will be recovered when the property is next sold.

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

Council writes off a receivable when there is information indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, e.g. when the debtor has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings, or when the receivables are over 2 years past due, whichever occurs first.

None of the receivables that have been written off are subject to enforcement activity.

Where Council renegotiates the terms of receivables due from certain customers, the new expected cash flows are discounted at the original effective interest rate and any resulting difference to the carrying value is recognised in profit or loss.

Covid 19

Council's water and user charges collections have not been significantly impacted by the Covid 19 pandemic and are comparable to prior years, therefore no adjustment has been made to the impairment provision.

C1-5 Inventories

\$ '000	2022 Current	2022 Non-current	2021 Current	2021 Non-current
(i) Inventories at cost				
Stores and materials	239	_	200	_
Total inventories at cost	239		200	
Total inventories	239		200	

(i) Other disclosures

Raw materials and stores, work in progress and finished goods

Raw materials and stores, work in progress and finished goods are stated at cost. Costs are assigned to individual items of inventory on the basis of weighted average costs. Costs of purchased inventory are determined after deducting rebates and discounts. Freight costs incurred in getting stores into their current location is expensed.

C1-6 Contract assets and Contract cost assets

	2022	2022	2021	2021
\$ '000	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
Contract assets	31	_	160	_
Total contract assets and contract cost assets	31		160	_
Contract assets				
Grants Operating	_	_	85	_
Grants Capital	31	<u> </u>	75	_
Total contract assets	31	_	160	_

Significant changes in contract assets

Council has grant approvals for several new projects however no income has yet been received.

Accounting policy

Contract assets

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

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

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

C1-7 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

By aggregated asset class		At 1 July 2021 Asset movements during the reporting period						At 30 June 2022				
\$ '000	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated depreciation and impairment	Net carrying amount	Additions renewals 1	Additions new assets	Carrying value of disposals	Depreciation expense	WIP transfers	Revaluation increments to equity (ARR)	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated depreciation and impairment	Net carrying amount
Capital work in progress	1,895	_	1,895	298	664	_	_	(201)	_	2,656	_	2,656
Plant and equipment	1,349	(821)	528	_	461	(146)	(171)	_	_	1,521	(849)	672
Office equipment	156	(116)	40	_	8	_	(21)	_	_	164	(137)	27
Furniture and fittings	39	(35)	4	_	_	_	(1)	_	_	39	(36)	3
Land:												
 Operational land 	2,366	_	2,366	_	_	_	_	_	_	2,366	_	2,366
Infrastructure:												
– Buildings	2,853	(1,145)	1,708	8	_	_	(62)	_	_	2,853	(1,199)	1,654
 Water supply network 	146,583	(70,273)	76,310	330	219	(178)	(2,062)	201	13,634	161,436	(72,982)	88,454
Total infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	155,241	(72,390)	82,851	636	1,352	(324)	(2,317)	_	13,634	171,035	(75,203)	95,832

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

By aggregated asset class		At 1 July 2020			Asset movements during the reporting period						At 30 June 2021		
\$ '000	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated depreciation and impairment	Net carrying amount	Additions renewals ¹	Additions new assets	Carrying value of disposals	Depreciation expense	WIP transfers	Other movements (transfer to Intangible assets)	Revaluation increments to equity (ARR)	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated depreciation and impairment	Net carrying amount
Capital work in progress	6,774	_	6,774	30	1,347	_	_	(6,242)	(14)	_	1,895	_	1,895
Plant and equipment	1,370	(712)	658	_	108	(66)	(172)	_	-	_	1,349	(821)	528
Office equipment	134	(94)	40	_	23	_	(23)	-	-	_	156	(116)	40
Furniture and fittings Land:	39	(34)	5	-	_	-	(1)	-	-	-	39	(35)	4
Operational landInfrastructure:	2,306	_	2,306	-	49	-	-	11	-	_	2,366	-	2,366
 Buildings – non-specialised 	2,853	(1,072)	1,781	_	_	_	(73)	_	_	_	2,853	(1,145)	1,708
 Water supply network 	148,025	(76,572)	71,453	440	108	(218)	(2,335)	6,231	_	631	146,583	(70,273)	76,310
Total infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	161,501	(78,484)	83,017	470	1,635	(284)	(2,604)	_	(14)	631	155,241	(72,390)	82,851

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

C1-7 Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (continued)

Accounting policy

Initial recognition of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE)

IPPE is measured initially at cost. Cost includes the fair value of the consideration given to acquire the asset (net of discounts and rebates) and any directly attributable cost of bringing the asset to working condition for its intended use (inclusive of import duties and taxes.

When infrastructure, property, plant and equipment is acquired by Council at significantly below fair value, the assets are initially recognised at their fair value at acquisition date.

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

Useful lives of IPPE

Land is not depreciated. Depreciation on other assets is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Plant and equipment	Years
Office equipment	5 to 10
Office furniture	10 to 20
Computer equipment	3
Vehicles	5 to 8
Other plant and equipment	5 to 15

Water assets

Dams and reservoirs	20 to 200
Bores	30 to 50
Reticulation pipes: PVC	80 to 100
Reticulation pipes: other	50 to 100
Pumps stations	15 to 100
Telemetry	15
Treatment Plants	15 to 80
Trunk mains	50 to 100

Buildings

Buildings: masonry	50 to 100
Buildings: other	20 to 40

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Revaluation model

Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment are held at fair value. Comprehensive valuations are performed at least every 5 years, however the carrying amount of assets is assessed by Council at each reporting date to confirm that it is not materially different from current fair value.

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

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

C1-8 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are as follows:

\$ '000	2022	2021
Software		
Opening values at 1 July		
Gross book value	117	90
Accumulated amortisation	(45)	(27)
Net book value – opening balance	72	63
Movements for the year		
Purchases	-	27
Amortisation charges	(23)	(18)
Closing values at 30 June		
Gross book value	117	117
Accumulated amortisation	(68)	(45)
Total software – net book value	49	72
Total intangible assets – net book value	49	72

Accounting policy

IT development and software

Costs incurred in developing products or systems and costs incurred in acquiring software and licenses that will contribute to future period financial benefits through revenue generation and/or cost reduction are capitalised to software and systems. Costs relating to minor software puchases or modifications to existing software are expensed as incurred and are not capitalised,

Costs capitalised include external direct costs of materials and service, direct payroll, and payroll related costs of employees' time spent on the devlopment of the project. Amortisation is calculated on a straight line basis over periods generally ranging from three to five years. IT development costs include only those costs directly attributable to the development phase and are only recognised following completion of technical feasibility, and where Council has an intention and ability to use the asset.

C2 Leasing activities

C2-1 Council as a lessee

Council has a lease for a photocopier. Information relating to the leases in place and associated balances and transactions is provided below.

Terms and conditions of leases

Office and IT equipment

The lease for office equipment is for a low value asset. The lease is for 5 years with no renewal option, the payments are fixed, however some of the leases include variable payments based on usage.

(a) Income Statement

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

\$ '000		2022	2021
Expen	ses relating to low-value leases	3	3
		3	3
(b)	Statement of Cash Flows		
Total cash outflow for leases		3	3
		3	3

Accounting policy

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

Exceptions to lease accounting

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

C2-2 Council as a lessor

Operating leases

Council leases out a number of properties for grazing purposes and communication towers. These leases been classified as operating leases for financial reporting purposes and the assets are included as IPP&E in the Statement of Financial Position.

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

\$ '000	2022	2021
(ii) Assets held as property, plant and equipment		
Council provides operating leases on Council land for the purpose of grazing. The table below relates to operating leases on assets disclosed in C1-7. Council also has right of access agreements with the NBN and NSW Telco Authority to allow for the installation and maintenance of communications equipment on council infrastructure such as reserviors. The agreements give no other rights over the assets and therefore the value of these assets has not been included in the IPP&E table below.		
Lease income (excluding variable lease payments not dependent on an index or rate)	23	22
Total income relating to operating leases for Council assets	23	22
Amount of IPPE leased out by Council under operating leases		
Land	453	453
Total amount of IPPE leased out by Council under operating leases	453	453
(iii) Maturity analysis of undiscounted lease payments to be received after reporting date for all operating leases:		
Maturity analysis of future lease income receivable showing the undiscounted lease payments to be received after reporting date for operating leases:		
< 1 year	25	13
1–2 years	25	13
2–3 years	25	13
3–4 years	25	13
4–5 years	13	13
> 5 years	79	122
Total undiscounted lease payments to be received	192	187

Accounting policy

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

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

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

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

C3 Liabilities of Council

C3-1 Payables

	2022	2022	2021	2021
\$ '000	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
Payables				
Goods and services Accrued expenses:	194	-	185	_
– Salaries and wages	74	_	63	_
 Other expenditure accruals 	51	_	123	_
Security bonds, deposits and retentions	12	_	10	_
Prepaid user charges	147	_	131	_
Total payables	478	_	512	_
Income received in advance				
Payments received in advance	36	_	26	_
Total income received in advance	36		26	_
Total payables	514	_	538	_

Accounting policy

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

The financial liabilities of the Council comprise trade payables, bank and other loans.

Payables

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

C3-2 Contract Liabilities

		2022	2022	2021	2021
\$ '000	Notes	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
Grants and contributions received in advance:					
Unexpended capital grants (to construct Council controlled assets)	(i)	_	_	66	_
Unexpended capital contributions (to construct Council controlled assets)	(i)	_	_	9	_
Total grants received in advance		_	_	75	_
Total contract liabilities		_	_	75	_

Notes

2021

- (i) Council has received funding to investigate options for the upgrading and expansion of Lake Rowlands.. The funds received are under an enforceable contract which require Council to complete a comprehensive study with the view to expanding the lake which will be under Council's control on completion. The study is now completed with \$6,000 taken to revenue and the balance of funds, \$60,000 have been refunded.
- (2) Council received \$9,000 towards the construction of water filling stations in the various towns and these works are now completed with the funds transferred to revenue.

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

\$ '000	2022	2021
Grants and contributions received in advance:		
Capital grants (to construct Council controlled assets)	15 	6
Total revenue recognised that was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the period	15	6

Accounting policy

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

C3-3 Borrowings

	2022	2022	2021	2021
\$ '000	Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
Loans – secured 1			413	
Total borrowings		_	413	

⁽¹⁾ Loans are secured over the water charges income of Council.

(a) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

	2021			Non-cash i	novements		2022
\$ '000	Opening Balance	Cash flows	Acquisition	Fair value changes	Acquisition due to change in accounting policy		Closing balance
Loans – secured	413	(413)	_	_	_	_	_
Total liabilities from financing activities	413	(413)	_	_	_	_	_
	2020			Non-cash i	movements		2021
					Acquisition due to change in		2021
\$ '000	2020 Opening Balance	Cash flows	Acquisition	Non-cash of the second	Acquisition due		2021 Closing balance
\$ '000 Loans – secured Total liabilities from financing	Opening	Cash flows	Acquisition	Fair value	Acquisition due to change in accounting	Other non-cash	

(b) Financing arrangements

\$ '000	2022	2021
Total facilities		
Credit cards/purchase cards	45	45
Total financing arrangements	45	45
Undrawn facilities		
 Credit cards/purchase cards 	45	45
Total undrawn financing arrangements	45	45

Accounting policy

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

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

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

C3-4 Employee benefit provisions

\$ '000	2022 Current	2022 Non-current	2021 Current	2021 Non-current
Annual leave	313	_	324	_
Long service leave	604	11	612	23
Total employee benefit provisions	917	11	936	23

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

\$ '000	2022	2021
The following provisions, even though classified as current, are not expected to be settled in the next 12 months.		
Provisions – employees benefits	692	726
	692	726

Accounting policy

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

Short-term obligations

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

Other long-term employee benefit obligations

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

On-costs

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

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

C4 Reserves

C4-1 Nature and purpose of reserves

IPPE Revaluation reserve

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

D Risks and accounting uncertainties

D1-1 Risks relating to financial instruments held

Council's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks including (1) price risk, (2) credit risk, (3) liquidity risk and (4) interest rate risk.

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

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

Financial risk management is carried out by Council's corporate department under policies approved by the Council.

The fair value of Council's financial assets and financial liabilities approximates their carrying amount.

(a) Market risk – interest rate and price risk

\$ ' 000	2022	2021
The impact on result for the year and equity of a reasonably possible movement in the price		
of investments held and interest rates is shown below. The reasonably possible movements		

reporting date.

Impact of a 1% movement in interest rates

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(b) Credit risk

Council's major receivables comprise (i) annual charges and (ii) user charges and fees.

were determined based on historical movements and economic conditions in place at the

Council manages the credit risk associated with these receivables by monitoring outstanding debt and employing debt recovery procedures. Council also encourages consumers to pay their water charges by the due date to avoid late payment charges.

The credit risk for liquid funds and other short-term financial assets is considered negligible, since the counterparties are approved deposit institutions regulated by the Australian Pridential Regaulatory Authority.

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

Council makes suitable provision for doubtful receivables as required.

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

D1-1 Risks relating to financial instruments held (continued)

Credit risk profile

Receivables - rates and annual charges

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

	Not yet o			
\$ '000	overdue	< 5 years	≥ 5 years	Total
2022				
Gross carrying amount	373	89	_	462
0004				
2021				
Gross carrying amount	386	71	_	457

Receivables - non-rates and annual charges and contract assets

Council applies the simplified approach for non-rates and annual charges debtors and contract assets to provide for expected credit losses, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision at inception. To measure the expected credit losses, non-rates and annual charges debtors and contract assets have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

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

	Not yet		Overdue	debts		
\$ '000	overdue	0 - 30 days	31 - 60 days	61 - 90 days	> 91 days	Total
2022						
Gross carrying amount	491	_	1	1	_	493
Expected loss rate (%)	1.60%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.59%
ECL provision	8	-	_	_	-	8
2021						
Gross carrying amount	149	_	_	24	125	298
Expected loss rate (%)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	6.40%	2.68%
ECL provision	_	_	_	_	8	8

D1-1 Risks relating to financial instruments held (continued)

(c) Liquidity risk

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

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

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

Borrowings are also subject to interest rate risk – the risk that movements in interest rates could adversely affect funding costs and debt servicing requirements. Council manages this risk through diversification of borrowing types, maturities and interest rate structures.

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

The amounts disclosed in the table are the undiscounted contracted cash flows and therefore the balances in the table may not equal the balances in the statement of financial position due to the effect of discounting.

\$ '000	Weighted average interest rate	Subject to no maturity	≤ 1 Year	payable in: 1 - 5 Years	> 5 Years	Total cash outflows	Actual carrying values
2022							
Payables	0.00%	12	466	_	_	478	478
Total financial liabilities		12	466		_	478	478
2021							
Payables	0.00%	10	502	_	_	512	512
Borrowings	6.60%	_	427	_	_	427	413
Total financial liabilities		10	929	_	_	939	925

D2-1 Fair value measurement

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

- Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment

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

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

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

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

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

			Fair valu	e measurement	hierarchy		
		Level 2 Significant observable inputs		Level 3 Significant unobservable inputs		Total	
\$ '000	Notes	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
Recurring fair value mea	surements						
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	C1-7						
Plant & Equipment		_	_	672	528	672	528
Office Equipment		_	_	27	40	27	40
Furniture & Fittings		_	_	3	4	3	4
Operational Land		_	_	2,366	2,366	2,366	2,366
Buildings		314	312	1,340	1,396	1,654	1,708
Water Supply Network		_	_	88,454	76,310	88,454	76,310
Capital Works in Progress		_	_	2,656	1,895	2,656	1,895
Total infrastructure, property, plant and				·		·	
equipment		314	312	95,518	82,539	95,832	82,851

D2-1 Fair value measurement (continued)

Valuation techniques

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

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

Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment (IPPE)

Plant & Equipment, Office Equipment and Furniture & Fittings

Loader, vehicles, trucks, computers, desks, chairs, cupboards, etc. - (Level 3)

Valuation Technique - Cost approach

These assets are valued at cost but are disclosed at fair value in Note C1-7. The carrying amount of these assets are assumed to approximate fair value due to the nature of the items and their short useful lives.

Operational Land - (Level 3)

Valuation Technique - Market approach

This asset class comprises all of Council's land classified as Operational Land under the NSW Local Government Act 1993. The key unobservable input to the valuation is the price per square metre. The last valuation was undertaken at 30 June 2018 and was performed by Australis Asset Advisory Group by Elise Wallace Certified Practicising Valuer AAPI #66461.

Buildings - (Level 2 and 3)

Council Office, Council Depots and Council Filtration Plant Buildings

Council's Buildings were last valued on 30 June 2018 by Australis Asset Advisory Group by Elise Wallace Certified Practising Valuer AAPI#66461. Fair value was determined using the Cost approach (using depreciated current replacement cost). This method determines the cost to market participant to acquire or construct a similar building of comparable service potential adjusted for depreciation or obsolescence.

The market approach was applied to two buildings where sufficent sales evidence existed to permit recent sales history to permit a market value to be determined.

Water Supply Network

Trunk Mains, Reticulation Mains, Filtration Plants, Reservoirs, Pump Stations, Bores, Dams, Telemetry - (Level 3)

The Water Supply Network was revalued on 30 June 2022 by Australis Asset Advisory Group who have extensive experience and qualifications in the valuation of assets of this type. The valuation was completed in accord with fair valuation principles. These principles lead to valuations being made on the basis of depreciated replacement costs using standard unit rates. The valuation considered the nature and condition of the assets based upon physical inspection and asset data such as asset life.

D2-1 Fair value measurement (continued)

Fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)

Significant unobservable valuation inputs used (for level 3 asset classes) and their relationship to fair value.

The following table summarises the quantitative information relating to the significant unobservable inputs used in deriving the various level 3 asset class fair values.

	Fair value (30/6/22)	Male discount in the safe	Harland Halanda
\$ '000	2022	Valuation technique/s	Unobservable inputs
Infrastructure, property	, plant and e	equipment	
Plant & Equipment	672	Refer Note D2-1 above	Increase/decrease in cost of unit or useful life
Office Equipment	27	Refer Note D2-1 above	Increase/decrease in cost of unit or useful life
Furniture & Fittings	3	Refer Note D2-1 above	Increase/decrease in cost of unit or useful life
Operational Land	2,366	Refer Note D2-1 above	Increase/decrease in land value, land area
Buildings	1,340	Refer Note D2-1 above	Market value
Water Supply Network	88,454	Refer Note D2-1 above	Increase/decrease in cost of unit or useful life, asset condition
Capital Works in Progress	2,656	Refer Note D2-1 above	Increase/decrease in cost of unit

A reconciliation of the movements in recurring fair value measurements allocated to Level 3 of the hierarchy is provided below:

	IPP&E		
\$ '000	2022	2021	
Opening balance	82,539	82,689	
Total gains or losses for the period			
Recognised in other comprehensive income – revaluation surplus	13,634	631	
Other movements			
Transfers from/(to) another asset class	_	(14)	
Purchases (GBV)	1,980	2,105	
Disposals (WDV)	(324)	(284)	
Depreciation and impairment	(2,311)	(2,588)	
Closing balance	95,518	82.539	

Information relating to the transfers into and out of the level 3 fair valuation hierarchy includes:

There have been no transfers between level 2 and level 3 hierarchy.

Highest and best use

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

D3-1 Contingencies

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

LIABILITIES NOT RECOGNISED

(i) Defined benefit superannuation contribution plans

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

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

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

Description of the funding arrangements.

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

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

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

^{*} For 180 Point Members, Employers are required to contribute 7.5% of salaries or the year ended 30 June 2022 (increasing to 8.0% in line with the increase in Superannuation Guarantee) to these members' accumulation accounts, which are paid in addition to members' defined benefits.

The past service contribution for each Pooled Employer is a share of the total past service contributions of \$40.0 million for 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2021, apportioned according to each employer's share of the accrued liabilities as at 30 June 2019 and \$20.0 million per annum from 1 January to 31 December 2024, apportioned according to each employer's share of the accrued liabilities as at 30 June 2021. These past service contributions are used to maintain the adequacy of the funding position for the accrued liabilities.

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

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

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

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

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

D3-1 Contingencies (continued)

The amount of Council employer contributions to the defined benefit section of the Local Government Superannuation Scheme and recognised as an expense for the year ending 30 June 2022 was \$ 12,145.06. The last valuation of the Scheme was performed by Fund Actuary, Richard Boyfield, FIAA, as at 30 June 2021.

The amount of additional contributions included in the total employer contribution advised above is \$7,515.48. Council's expected contribution to the plan for the next annual reporting period is \$9,404.76

The estimated employer reserves financial position for the Pooled Employers at 30 June 2022 is:

Employer reserves only *	\$millions	Asset Coverage
Assets	2,376.6	
Past Service Liabilities	2,380.7	99.8%
Vested Benefits	2,391.7	99.4%

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

Based on on Past Service Liabilities Methodology the share of any surplus or deficit can be attributed to Central Tablelands Water is .04%.

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

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

Investment return	5.5% per annum
Salary inflation *	3.5% per annum
Increase in CPI	2.5% per annum

^{*} Plus promotional increases

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

Please note that the estimated employer reserves financial position above is a prelimnary calculation, and once all the relevant information has been received by the Funds Actuary, the final end of year review, which will be a triennial actuarial investigation will be completed by December 2022.

(ii) Statewide Limited

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

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

The future realisation and finalisation of claims incurred but not reported to 30/6/21 this year may result in future liabilities or benefits as a result of past events that Council will be required to fund or share in respectively.

(iii) StateCover Limited

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

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

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

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

D3-1 Contingencies (continued)

2. Other liabilities

(i) Third party claims

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

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

E People and relationships

E1 Related party disclosures

E1-1 Key management personnel (KMP)

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

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

\$ '000	2022	2021
Compensation:		
Short-term benefits	515	519
Post-employment benefits	81	50
Other long-term benefits	15	14
Total	611	583

Other transactions with KMP and their related parties

Council has determined that transactions at arm's length between KMP and Council as part of Council delivering a public service objective (e.g. water supply services to KMP) will not be disclosed. There were no non arm's length related party transactions between KMP and Council during the year ended 30 June, 2022.

E1-2 Councillor and Chair fees and associated expenses

Total audit fees

\$ '000	2022	2021
The aggregate amount of Councillor and Chair fees and associated expenses included in materials and services expenses in the Income Statement are:		
Member expenses – chairperson's fee	14	17
Member expenses – member fees	57	61
Member expenses (incl. chairperson) – other (excluding fees above)	13	6
Total	84	84
E2 Other relationships		
E2-1 Audit fees		
\$ '000	2022	2021
During the year, the following fees were incurred for services provided by the auditor of Council, related practices and non-related audit firms		
Auditors of the Council - NSW Auditor-General:		
(i) Audit and other assurance services Audit and review of financial statements	33	32
Remuneration for audit and other assurance services	33	32
Total Auditor-General remuneration	33	32
Non NSW Auditor-General audit firms		
(i) Audit and other assurance services		
Other audit and assurance services – Internal Audit	4	14
Remuneration for audit and other assurance services	4	14
Total remuneration of non NSW Auditor-General audit firms	4	14

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F Other matters

F1-1 Statement of Cash Flows information

Reconciliation of net o	perating result to	cash provided from	operating activities

\$ '000	2022	2021
Net operating result from Income Statement	1,095	174
Add / (less) non-cash items:	·	
Depreciation and amortisation	2,340	2,622
(Gain) / loss on disposal of assets	67	187
Non-cash capital grants and contributions	(136)	_
Movements in operating assets and liabilities and other cash items:	, ,	
(Increase) / decrease of receivables	(170)	67
(Increase) / decrease of inventories	(39)	(24)
(Increase) / decrease of other current assets	(8)	(7)
(Increase) / decrease of contract asset	129	(67)
Increase / (decrease) in payables	9	(60)
Increase / (decrease) in other accrued expenses payable	(61)	36
Increase / (decrease) in other liabilities	28	75
Increase / (decrease) in contract liabilities	(75)	2
Increase / (decrease) in employee benefit provision	(31)	90
Net cash flows from operating activities	3,148	3,095

F2-1 Commitments

Capital commitments (exclusive of GST)

\$ '000	2022	2021
Capital expenditure committed for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities:		

Property, plant and equipment

Water Infrastructure	3,485	2,620
Total commitments	3,485	2,620
These expenditures are payable as follows:		
Within the next year	3,485	2,620
Total payable	3,485	2,620
Sources for funding of capital commitments:		
Future grants and contributions	2,675	2,159
Internally restricted reserves	810	461
Total sources of funding	3,485	2,620

Details of capital commitments

Council has capital commitments for the project management and construction of a new 12 megalitre reservoir at Carcoar water filtration plant.

Events occurring after the reporting date

Council is unaware of any material or significant 'non-adjusting events' that should be disclosed.

F4 Statement of developer contributions as at 30 June 2022

F4-1 Summary of developer contributions

	Opening	Contribution received during the		Interest and			Held as restricted	Cumulative balance of internal
\$ '000	balance at 1 July 2021	Cash	Non-cash	investment income earned	Amounts expended	Internal borrowings	asset at 30 June 2022	borrowings (to)/from
S64 contributions		625	_	_	(625)	_		_
Total contributions	_	625	_	_	(625)	_	_	_

Under Section 64 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council has obligations to provide water infrastructure in accordance with its Development Servicing Plan.

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

F5 Statement of performance measures

F5-1 Statement of performance measures - consolidated results

	Amounts	Indicator	Prior p	periods	Benchmark
\$ '000	2022	2022	2021	2020	
Operating performance ratio Total continuing operating revenue (1) excluding capital grants and contributions less operating expenses Total continuing operating revenue (1) excluding capital grants and contributions	(396) 6,294	-6.29%	-24.27%	4.37%	> 0.00%
2. Own source operating revenue ratio Total continuing operating revenue (1) excluding all grants and contributions Total continuing operating revenue (1)	6,278 7,852	79.95%	76.07%	88.27%	> 60.00%
3. Unrestricted current ratio Current assets less all external restrictions (2) Current liabilities less specific purpose liabilities (3, 4)	9,723	13.37x	7.26x	6.65x	> 1.5x
4. Debt service cover ratio Operating result (1) before capital excluding interest and depreciation/impairment/amortisation Principal repayments (Statement of Cash Flows) plus borrowing costs (Income Statement)	1,955 424	4.61x	2.20x	4.45x	> 2x
5. Cash expense cover ratio Current year's cash and cash equivalents plus all term deposits Monthly payments from cash flow of operating and financing activities	8,533 439	19.44 mths	16.3 mths	14.9 mths	> 3 mths

WATER AVAILABILITY & USER CHARGES RATIO

Council has operated under a "user pays" system since January 1994 and has not raised rates since that time. Since Council does not have any rates within it's income base, the ratios shown below have more relevance:

6. Annual water charges coverage ratio

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Annual water charges	5,884	93.49%	94.07%	94.45%
Total continuing operating revenue ⁽¹⁾ excluding capital grants and contributions	6,294	93.49 /6	94.07 /6	94.43 /6
7. Annual water charges, interest and extra charges outstanding percentage				
Annual water and extra charges outstanding	462	7.28%	7.57%	9.22%
Annual water and extra charges collectible	6,344	7.20/0	7.57 /0	3.22/0

Notes

⁽¹⁾ Excludes fair value increments on investment properties, reversal of revaluation decrements, reversal of impairment losses on receivables, net gain on sale of assets and net share of interests in joint ventures and associates using the equity method and includes pensioner rate subsidies

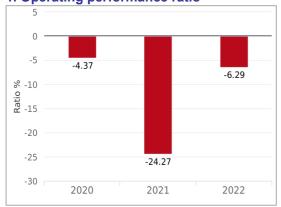
⁽²⁾ Excludes impairment/revaluation decrements of IPPE, fair value decrements on investment properties, net loss on disposal of assets and net loss on share of interests in joint ventures and associates using the equity method

End of the audited financial statements

G Additional Council disclosures (unaudited)

G1-1 Statement of performance measures – consolidated results (graphs)

1. Operating performance ratio



Purpose of operating performance ratio

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

Commentary on 2021/22 result

2021/22 ratio (6.29)%

The operating performance ratio has improved significantly but again been impacted by the reduction in water usage charges due to the wet year being experienced. This is not unusual as water sales will fluctuate with seasonal conditions.

Benchmark: - > 0.00%

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

2. Own source operating revenue ratio



Purpose of own source operating revenue ratio

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

Commentary on 2021/22 result

2021/22 ratio 79.95%

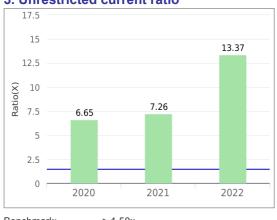
Own source operating revenue ratio is up slightly in 2022 due to improved water usage charges compared to 2021. Both 2021 and 2022 the ration is much lower than 2020 due to lower water usage charges arising from seasonal conditions. Noting that the 2021 and 2022 ratios are still well in excess of the 60% benchmark in the Code of Accounting Practice and Reporting.

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

3. Unrestricted current ratio



Purpose of unrestricted current ratio

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

Commentary on 2021/22 result

2021/22 ratio 13.37x

This ratio indicates that Council has a strong liquidity position and is able to pay its debts as and when they fall due. The ratio in 2022 was higher than previous years due the deferral of some capital expenditure to the 2022/23 resulting in lower capital expenditure and the reduction in financing costs due a loan maturing in March , 2022.

Benchmark: — > 1.50x

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

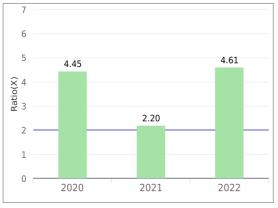
Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

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G1-1 Statement of performance measures – consolidated results (graphs) (continued)

4. Debt service cover ratio



Purpose of debt service cover ratio

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

Commentary on 2021/22 result

2021/22 ratio 4.61x

Council is in a strong position to service its existing and any future debt. This ratio has increased significantly in 21/22 due to an improved operating result compared to 20/21. The principal reason being the increase in water sales and lower depreciation expense.

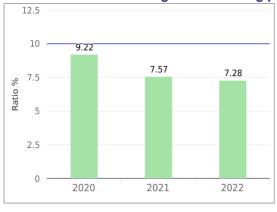
Benchmark: - > 2.00x

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

5. Rates and annual charges outstanding percentage



Purpose of rates and annual charges outstanding percentage

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

Commentary on 2021/22 result

2021/22 ratio 7.28%

Annual and user charges outstanding are well within the benchmark.

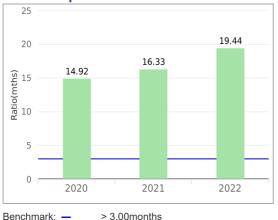
Benchmark: - < 10.00%

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

6. Cash expense cover ratio



Purpose of cash expense cover ratio

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

Commentary on 2021/22 result

2021/22 ratio 19.44 months

This ratio indicates that Council's liquidity position is strong and can sustain its operations if short term revenue flows are disrupted.

Source of benchmark: Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

Ratio achieves benchmark

Ratio is outside benchmark

G1-2 Financial review

Key financial figures of Council over the past 5 years

\$ '000	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
<u> </u>	2022	2021	2020	2010	2010
Inflows:					
Rates and annual charges revenue	1,658	1,602	1,573	1,523	1,490
User charges revenue	4,456	3,968	5,015	4,929	4,861
Interest and investment revenue (losses)	67	59	120	195	182
Grants income – operating and capital	949	1,492	630	11,565	_
Total income from continuing operations	7,852	7,504	7,720	18,861	7,028
Sale proceeds from IPPE	257	97	321	154	243
Outflows:					
Employee benefits and on-cost expenses	2,133	2,222	1,991	2,026	1,933
Borrowing costs	11	49	83	114	144
Materials and contracts expenses	2,192	2,236	2,232	1,046	971
Total expenses from continuing operations	6,757	7,330	7,129	6,894	5,958
Total cash purchases of IPPE	1,852	2,105	2,351	3,576	3,391
Total loan repayments (incl. finance leases)	413	532	497	466	437
Operating surplus/(deficit) (excl. capital income)	(463)	(1,582)	(265)	82	824
Financial position figures					
Current assets	9,735	8,504	7,916	7,245	7,580
Current liabilities	1,431	1,962	1,944	2,053	1,452
Net current assets	8,304	6,542	5,972	5,192	6,128
Available working capital (Unrestricted net current					
assets)	908	1,844	1,858	1,785	950
Cash and investments – unrestricted	500	500	499	500	501
Cash and investments – internal restrictions	8,021	6,817	6,243	5,628	6,316
Cash and investments – total	8,533	7,392	6,815	6,129	6,817
Total borrowings outstanding (loans, advances and					
finance leases)	-	413	945	1,442	1,908
Total value of IPPE (excl. land and earthworks)	168,669	152,875	159,195	156,076	138,636
Total accumulated depreciation	75,203	72,390	78,484	75,360	71,398
Indicative remaining useful life (as a % of GBV)	55%	53%	51%	52%	48%
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Source: published audited financial statements of Council (current year and prior year)

G1-3 Council information and contact details

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Cllr Andrew Rawson

Councillors

Cllr Allan Ewin Cllr Marlene Nash Cllr Paul Best Cllr Michelle Cook



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the general purpose financial statements Central Tablelands County Council

To the Councillors of Central Tablelands County Council

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Central Tablelands County Council (the Council), which comprise the Statement by Councillors and Management, the Income Statement and Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2022, the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2022, the Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended and notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In my opinion:

- the Council's accounting records have been kept in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993, Chapter 13, Part 3, Division 2 (the Division)
- the financial statements:
 - have been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of this Division
 - are consistent with the Council's accounting records
 - present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Council as at 30 June 2022, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards
- all information relevant to the conduct of the audit has been obtained
- no material deficiencies in the accounting records or financial statements have come to light during the audit.

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

Basis for Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Other Information

The Council's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2022 includes other information in addition to the financial statements and my Independent Auditor's Report thereon. The Councillors are responsible for the other information. At the date of this Independent Auditor's Report, the other information I have received comprise the special purpose financial statements and Special Schedules (the Schedules).

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

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

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

I have nothing to report in this regard.

The Councillors' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, the Councillors are responsible for assessing the Council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting.

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My objectives are to:

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

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

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

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

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

Karen Taylor

Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

21 October 2022 SYDNEY

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Councillor David Somervaille Chairperson Central Tablelands County Council PO Box 61 BLAYNEY NSW 2799

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21 October 2022

Dear Chairperson

Report on the Conduct of the Audit for the year ended 30 June 2022 Central Tablelands County Council

I have audited the general purpose financial statements (GPFS) of the Central Tablelands County Council (the Council) for the year ended 30 June 2022 as required by section 415 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act).

I expressed an unmodified opinion on the Council's GPFS.

This Report on the Conduct of the Audit (the Report) for the Council for the year ended 30 June 2022 is issued in accordance with section 417 of the Act. This Report should be read in conjunction with my audit opinion on the GPFS issued under section 417(2) of the Act.

INCOME STATEMENT

Operating result

	2022	2021	Variance
	\$m	\$m	%
Annual charges revenue	1.66	1.60	3.7
User charges revenue	4.46	3.97	12.3
Grants and contributions revenue	1.57	1.79	12.3
Operating result from continuing operations	1.09	0.17	541.2
Net operating result before capital grants and contributions	(0.46)	(1.58)	70.9

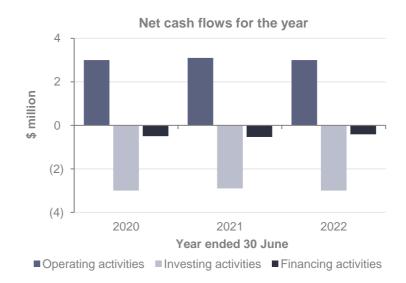
The Council's operating result from continuing operations (\$1.09 million including depreciation and amortisation expense of \$2.34 million) was \$0.92 million higher than the 2020–21 result.

The net operating result before capital grants and contributions (\$0.46 million deficit) was \$1.12 million better than the 2020–21 result (\$1.58 million deficit).

Revenue from water user charges and fees was higher than in 2020–21, despite the continued prevailing wet weather conditions within the region. New connections to the water network contributed to this increase.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

There has been minimal change in the overall cashflows of Council for the last three years.



FINANCIAL POSITION

Cash and investments

Cash and investments	2022	2021	Commentary
	\$m	\$m	
Total cash, cash equivalents and investments	8.53	7.39	Externally restricted balances funds held in respect of specific purpose liabilities.
Restricted and allocated cash and investments:			Balances are internally allocated due to Council policy or decisions for forward plans including
External restrictions	0.01	0.07	work programs
 Internal allocations 	8.02	6.82	

Debt

At 30 June 2022, Council had:

- no external borrowings (2021: \$0.41 million), with its loans being paid out in full during the 2021–22 financial year.
- access to a \$45,000 (30 June 2021: \$45,000) credit card facility, which was unused at year-end.

PERFORMANCE

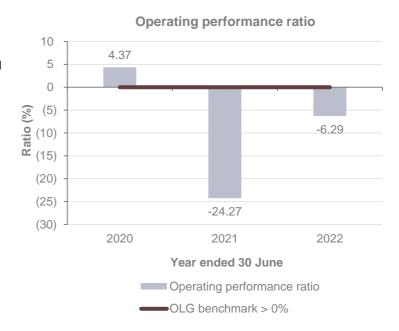
Performance measures

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

Operating performance ratio

Council is below the benchmark for the current year but has improved. Due to Council's relatively small size from an operational perspective, small dollar movements can result in large percentage movements.

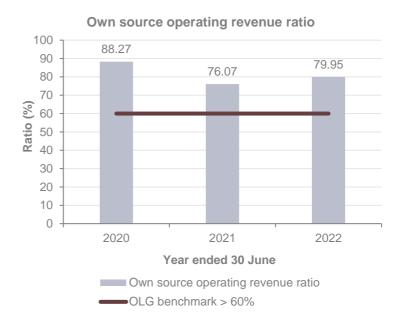
The 'operating performance ratio' measures how well council contained operating expenditure within operating revenue (excluding capital grants and contributions, fair value adjustments, and reversal of revaluation decrements). The benchmark set by OLG is greater than zero per cent.



Own source operating revenue ratio

Council has continued to exceed the benchmark for the last three financial years.

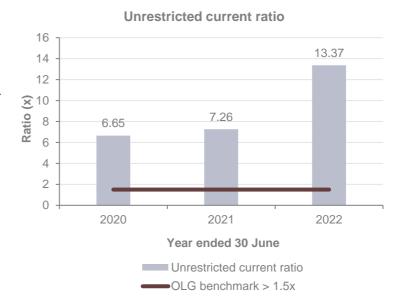
The 'own source operating revenue ratio' measures council's fiscal flexibility and the degree to which it relies on external funding sources such as operating grants and contributions. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than 60 per cent.



Unrestricted current ratio

Council continues to meet the OLG benchmark.

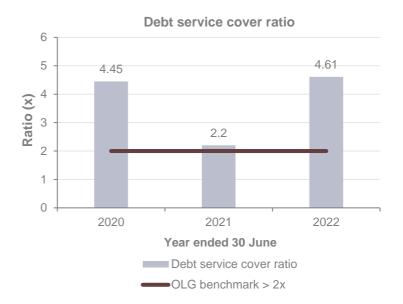
The 'unrestricted current ratio' is specific to local government and represents council's ability to meet its short-term obligations as they fall due. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than 1.5 times.



Debt service cover ratio

Council continued to exceed the benchmark.

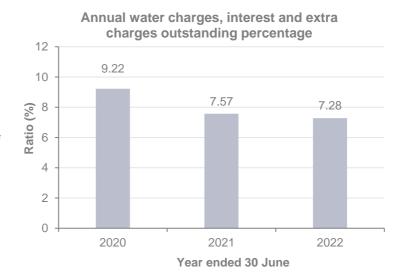
The 'debt service cover ratio' measures the operating cash to service debt including interest, principal and lease payments. The benchmark set by OLG is greater than two times.



Annual water charges, interest and extra charges outstanding percentage

Council's annual water charges, interest and extra charges outstanding ratio has improved over the past three years.

The 'annual water charges, interest and extra charges outstanding percentage' assesses the impact of uncollected charges on council's liquidity and the adequacy of debt recovery efforts. There is no benchmark set by OLG.

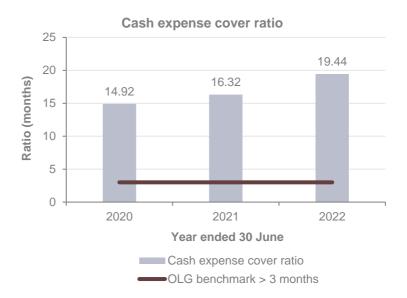


Annual water charges, interest and extra charges outstanding percentage

Cash expense cover ratio

Council's strong liquidity is reflected by this measure. Council has comfortably exceeded the benchmark and has done so for several years.

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



Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment renewals

Council has renewed \$0.64 million of infrastructure assets in the 2021–22 financial year compared to \$0.47 million in the 2020–21 financial year. A further \$1.35 million was spent on new assets during the 2021–22 financial year (\$1.63 million).

OTHER MATTERS

Legislative compliance

My audit procedures did not identify any instances of non-compliance with legislative requirements or a material deficiency in the Council's accounting records or financial statements. The Council's:

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

Karen Taylor

Director, Financial Audit

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Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

Central Tablelands Water

SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2022



Central Tablelands Water

Special Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

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Background

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

Central Tablelands Water

Special Purpose Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

Statement by Councillors and Management

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

The attached Special Purpose Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- the NSW Government Policy Statement 'Application of National Competition Policy to Local Government',
- the Division of Local Government Guidelines 'Pricing and Costing for Council Businesses A Guide to Competitive Neutrality'.
- the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting,
- the NSW Office of Water Best-Practice Management of Water and Sewerage Guidelines.

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

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

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

Signed in accordance with a resolution of Council made on 12 October 2022.

Cllr David Somervaille

Chairperson

12 October 2022

Cllr Andrew Rawson

Deputy Chairperson

12 October 2022

Gavin Rhodes

General Manager

12 October 2022

Peter McFarlane

Responsible Accounting Officer

Peter M'Fall

12 October 2022

Income Statement of water supply business activity

for the year ended 30 June 2022

\$ '000	2022	2021
Income from continuing operations		
Access charges	1,658	1,602
User charges	4,456	3,968
Interest and investment income	67	59
Grants and contributions provided for operating purposes	16	40
Other income	74	57
Rental income	23	22
Total income from continuing operations	6,294	5,748
Expenses from continuing operations		
Employee benefits and on-costs	2,133	2,222
Borrowing costs	11	49
Materials and services	2,192	2,236
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	2,340	2,622
Net loss from the disposal of assets	67	187
Other expenses	14	14
Total expenses from continuing operations	6,757	7,330
Surplus (deficit) from continuing operations before capital amounts	(463)	(1,582)
Grants and contributions provided for capital purposes	1,558	1,756
Surplus (deficit) from continuing operations after capital amounts	1,095	174
Surplus (deficit) from all operations before tax	1,095	174
Surplus (deficit) after tax	1,095	174
Plus accumulated surplus Plus adjustments for amounts unpaid:	46,904	46,730
Closing accumulated surplus	47,999	46,904
Return on capital %	(0.5)%	(1.9)%
Subsidy from Council	3,959	2,767
Calculation of dividend payable:		
Surplus (deficit) after tax	1,095	174
Less: capital grants and contributions (excluding developer contributions)	(1,558)	(1,756)
Surplus for dividend calculation purposes	_	_
Potential dividend calculated from surplus	_	_

Statement of Financial Position of water supply business activity

as at 30 June 2022

\$ '000	2022	2021
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	933	1,292
Investments	7,600	6,100
Receivables	915	743
Inventories	239	200
Contract assets and contract cost assets	31	160
Other	17	9
Total current assets	9,735	8,504
Non-current assets		
Receivables	1	4
Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	95,832	82,851
Intangible assets	49	72
Total non-current assets	95,882	82,927
Total assets	105,617	91,431
LIABILITIES Current liabilities		
Payables	478	512
Income received in advance	36	26
Contract liabilities	_	75
Borrowings	_	413
Employee benefit provisions	917	936
Total current liabilities	1,431	1,962
Non-current liabilities		
Employee benefit provisions	11	23_
Total non-current liabilities	11	23
Total liabilities	1,442	1,985
Net assets	104,175	89,446
EQUITY		
Accumulated surplus	47 000	46 004
Revaluation reserves	47,999 56,176	46,904 42,542
Total equity	104,175	89,446

Note - Significant Accounting Policies

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

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

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

The disclosures in these special purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act* 1993 (Act), the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005* (Regulation) and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

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

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

National Competition Policy

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

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

Declared business activities

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

Category 1

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

Central Tablelands Water Supplies

Comprising the whole of the operations and net assets of the water supply systems servicing towns and villages within the Local Government Areas of Blayney, Cabonne, Cowra, Bland and Weddin.

Category 2

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

Council has no Category 2 Business Activities.

Taxation equivalent charges

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

Notional rate applied (%)

Corporate income tax rate - 25% (20/21 26%)

<u>Land tax</u> – the first \$822,000 of combined land values attracts **0**%. For the combined land values in excess of \$822,000 up to \$5,026,000 the rate is **\$100 + 1.6**%. For the remaining combined land value that exceeds \$5,026,000 a premium marginal rate of **2.0**% applies.

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Note - Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Payroll tax – 4.85% on the value of taxable salaries and wages in excess of \$1,200,000.

In accordance with the Department of Planning, Industry & Environment – Water guidelines, a payment for the amount calculated as the annual tax equivalent charges (excluding income tax) must be paid from water supply and sewerage business activities.

The payment of taxation equivalent charges, referred to in the Best Practice Management of Water Supply and Sewer Guidelines as a 'dividend for taxation equivalent', may be applied for any purpose allowed under the Act.

Achievement of substantial compliance to the DPIE – Water guidelines is not a prerequisite for the payment of the tax equivalent charges; however the payment must not exceed \$3 per assessment.

Income tax

An income tax equivalent has been applied on the profits of the business activities. Whilst income tax is not a specific cost for the purpose of pricing a good or service, it needs to be taken into account in terms of assessing the rate of return required on capital invested. Accordingly, the return on capital invested is set at a pre-tax level – gain/(loss) from ordinary activities before capital amounts, as would be applied by a private sector competitor. That is, it should include a provision equivalent to the relevant corporate income tax rate, currently 25% (20/21 26%).

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

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

Local government rates and charges

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

Loan and debt guarantee fees

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

(i) Subsidies

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

(ii) Return on investments (rate of return)

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

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

The rate of return is calculated as follows:

Operating result before capital income + interest expense

Written down value of I,PP&E as at 30 June

As a minimum, business activities should generate a return equal to the Commonwealth 10 year bond rate which is 3.66% at 30/6/22.

(iii) Dividends

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

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Note - Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Local government water supply businesses are permitted to pay an annual dividend from its water supply business surplus.

Each dividend must be calculated and approved in accordance with the Department of Industry – Water guidelines and must not exceed:

- · 50% of this surplus in any one year, or
- the number of water supply or sewerage assessments at 30 June 2019 multiplied by \$30 (less the payment for tax equivalent charges, not exceeding \$3 per assessment).

In accordance with the Department of Industry – Water guidelines a Dividend Payment form, Statement of Compliance, Unqualified Independent Financial Audit Report and Compliance Audit Report are required to be submitted to the Department of Industry – Water.

Central Tablelands Water does not pay dividends as funding is required for the large capital works program as outlined in its 30 Year Strategic Business Plan,



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the special purpose financial statements Central Tablelands County Council

To the Councillors of Central Tablelands County Council

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying special purpose financial statements (the financial statements) of Central Tablelands County Council's (the Council) Declared Business Activity, water supply, which comprise the Statement by Councillors and Management, the Income Statement of the Declared Business Activity for the year ended 30 June 2022, the Statement of Financial Position of the Declared Business Activity as at 30 June 2022 and the Significant accounting policies note.

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Council's Declared Business Activity as at 30 June 2022, and its financial performance for the year then ended, in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards described in the Significant accounting policies note and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting 2021–22 (LG Code).

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

Basis for Opinion

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

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

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

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

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

Other Information

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

I have nothing to report in this regard.

The Councillors' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Kaser Lafter

Karen Taylor Delegate of the Auditor-General for New South Wales

21 October 2022 SYDNEY

SPECIAL SCHEDULES for the year ended 30 June 2022



Special Schedules

for the year ended 30 June 2022

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Report on infrastructure assets as at 30 June 2022

Asset Class	Asset Category	Estimated cost to bring assets	Estimated cost to bring to the agreed level of service set by Council	2021/22 Required maintenance ^a	2021/22 Actual maintenance	Net carrying amount	Gross replacement cost (GRC)	Assets			a percen ent cost	
		\$ '000	\$ '000	\$ '000	\$ '000	\$ '000	, ,	1	2	3	4	5
Buildings	Buildings	226	150	164	160	1,654	2,853	58.0%	31.0%	0.0%	10.0%	1.0%
	Sub-total	226	150	164	160	1,654	2,853	58.0%	31.0%	0.0%	10.0%	1.0%
Water supply	Filtration Plants	5,501	763	599	565	8,632	15,094	10.0%	42.0%	38.0%	10.0%	0.0%
network	Reticulation Mains	4,324	964	463	444	20,758	32,944	53.0%	29.0%	12.0%	6.0%	0.0%
	Trunk Mains	8,480	_	224	87	33,642	63,035	42.0%	40.0%	18.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Bores	244	45	70	66	287	570	5.0%	38.0%	41.0%	12.0%	4.0%
	Reservoirs	11,263	2,433	121	60	8,606	18,846	5.0%	15.0%	54.0%	26.0%	0.0%
	Dams	12,302	7,266	146	183	9,320	20,377	18.0%	2.0%	9.0%	70.0%	1.0%
	Pump Stations	1,903	428	318	187	6,544	9,707	38.0%	36.0%	17.0%	7.0%	2.0%
	Telemetry	152	8	92	67	410	590	57.0%	8.0%	32.0%	3.0%	0.0%
	Other	_	_	2	2	255	273	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Sub-total	44,169	11,907	2,035	1,661	88,454	161,436	33.7%	29.8%	21.8%	14.5%	0.3%
	Total – all assets	44,395	12,057	2,199	1,821	90,108	164,289	34.1%	29.8%	21.4%	14.4%	0.3%

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

Infrastructure asset condition assessment 'key'

Excellent/very good No work required (normal maintenance) Only minor maintenance work required Good 3

Maintenance work required Satisfactory

Renewal required **Poor**

Very poor Urgent renewal/upgrading required

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Infrastructure asset performance indicators (consolidated) *

	Amounts	Indicator	Indicators		Benchmark
\$ '000	2022	2022	2021	2020	
Buildings and infrastructure renewals ratio					
Asset renewals 1	636	29.94%	10 F20/	40.220/	>= 100 000/
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	2,124	29.94%	19.52%	42.33%	>= 100.00%
Infrastructure backlog ratio Estimated cost to bring assets to a satisfactory standard Net carrying amount of infrastructure assets	44,395	47.86%	34.55%	28.56%	< 2.00%
Asset maintenance ratio Actual asset maintenance Required asset maintenance	1,821 2,199	82.81%	107.65%	99.39%	> 100.00%
Cost to bring assets to agreed service level Estimated cost to bring assets to an agreed service level set by Council Gross replacement cost	12,057 164,289	7.34%	2.03%	1.46%	

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

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

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