



ANNUAL REPORT

For the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

Goondiwindi
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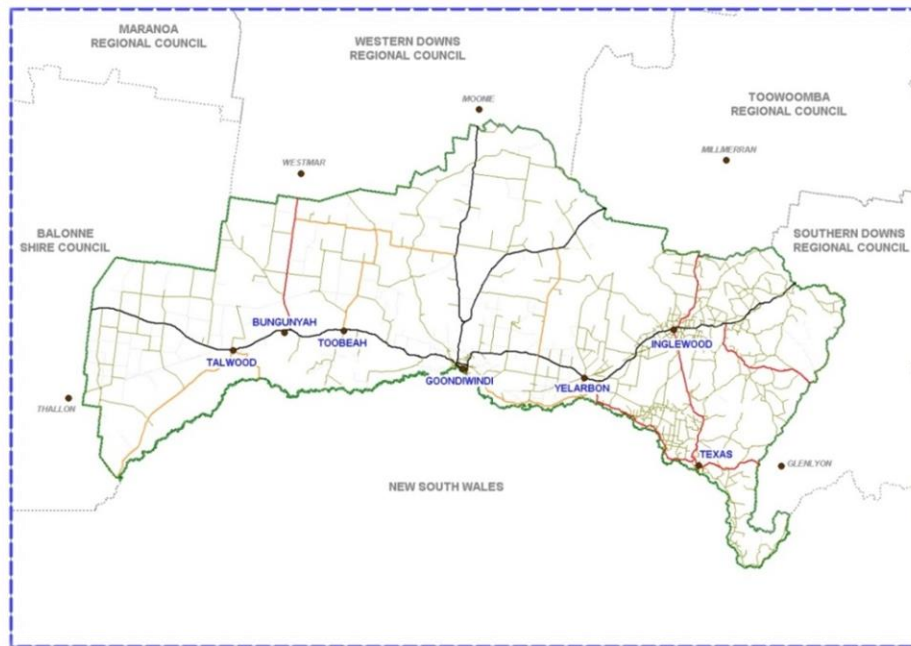
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Regional Profile

Goondiwindi Regional Council services a growing population of approximately 10,837 and covers an area of approximately 19,294 square kilometres. The southern boundary of the region, defined predominantly by the Macintyre, Dumaresq and Barwon Rivers, provides a major gateway from New South Wales to Queensland with the region a popular stopover destination for travellers.

The Goondiwindi Region is a very attractive place to live and work and offers many opportunities for residents. There are also many attractions for visitors to the region.



Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South-West Queensland
Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Area: 19,294 sq.km • Total urban area: (approximately) 44.9 sq.km • Total rural area: (approximately) 19,249.1 sq.km
Towns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goondiwindi, Inglewood, Texas, Yelarbon, Toobeah, Bungunya and Talwood
Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Population: 10,728 • Average annual growth rate: (2008-2018) 0.1%
Population by Age	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21.8% aged 0-14 Years • 60.9% aged 15-64 Years • 17.3% aged 65+ Years
Industries	<p>Top five industry subdivisions of employment:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agriculture, forestry and fishing (45.3%) 2. Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services (10.4%) 3. Construction (8.9%) 4. Transport, Postal and Warehousing (4.8%) 5. Retail Trade (3.9%) 6. Professional, Scientific & Technical Services (3.6%)
<i>(Information sourced from the Queensland Government Statistician's Office)</i>	

Executive Message

It is with great pleasure that we present the 2018-19 Annual Report for the Goondiwindi Regional Council. During the year, Council unveiled a new Corporate Plan outlining its vision for the Goondiwindi Region over the next five years. The Plan outlines a vision to strengthen the regions thriving country lifestyle and prosperous economy.

Achievements

Council continues to be customer focused to ensure the community is well served into the future. We are proud to say that Goondiwindi Regional Council provides strong benchmarks for other Councils in Queensland. Both Federal and State Governments are complimentary on the performance of Goondiwindi Regional Council.

We continue to focus strategically on a number of key functions particularly those relating to essential infrastructure namely water and sewerage, waste management and the road network. Council's new Planning Scheme is paying dividends supporting continued economic development for the region particularly as town planning and building applications continue to be at high levels.

There continues to be substantial and innovative agricultural investment throughout the region and we thank the Queensland Department of State Development for the continued support to help bring these opportunities to fruition.

Future Developments

As the region grows, there will be an increased demand on services and workforce requirements. Preliminary workforce planning is underway in an effort to meet these challenges.

Employees and Councillors have been very diligent and we thank them for their continued commitment throughout the year. Both parties work cohesively and such co-operation is exemplified by the quality of decisions and achievements, and Council's ability to maintain existing service delivery levels.

We would like to thank all of our employees, Councillors and the community for the ongoing support and look forward to 2019/20 with great enthusiasm to make a positive difference to the communities that we serve.



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Graeme Scheu
Mayor



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Carl Manton
Chief Executive Officer

Our Staff & Volunteers

Our people are our greatest asset. Council is one of the region's largest employers and we believe that our team's passion, professionalism and willingness to go above and beyond sets us apart from other councils and organisations. We demonstrate every day that Council is an outstanding organisation and committed to the long-term future of the region.

Council's values and behaviours also shape our culture, performance, and how the organisation grows. As we constantly strive to be an outstanding organisation, our people are committed to being high performing, supported by good governance, robust decision making and regional leadership.

Our Residents

The residents of Goondiwindi region are passionate, talented and hard working. They are why we are known as Regional Australia at its best. It is through strong community partnerships that Council understands and sets the strategic directions for the region, as it seeks to deliver on what is most important to the people who call the Goondiwindi region home.

Our Vision

The vision encapsulates the potential for the Goondiwindi Region to transition to a prosperous 21st Century regional economy by capitalising on its traditional industry strengths and promoting new forms of high-value economic activity consistent with the community's aspirations to represent 'Regional Australia at its best'.

OUR VISION To strengthen our thriving regional lifestyle and prosperous economy.

The vision is supported by Goondiwindi Regional Council's mission statement. Our mission sets out the purpose of the organisation and demonstrates how we will achieve the vision:

OUR MISSION To provide leadership in making locally-responsive and informed decisions, delivering quality services and facilities to the communities of the Goondiwindi region.

Our Goals

Our vision, mission and values inform the strategies presented in this Annual Report and the key goals that Council aspires to realise across four themes:



A THRIVING COMMUNITY

A welcoming, engaged and resilient community supported by quality Community infrastructure and services



A STRONG ECONOMY

A region known for its prosperous rural economy and innovation



A SUSTAINABLE REGION

A sustainable, well managed and healthy region for today and future needs



A HIGH-PERFORMING ORGANISATION

An engaging and transparent Council providing community leadership and quality service delivery

Our Five Core Values

Our values govern Council's actions and how we serve the communities of our region. Our five core values are:

TEAMWORK	INTEGRITY	ACCOUNTABILITY	COMMUNICATION	LEADERSHIP
We value our stakeholders and look for opportunities to work cohesively, by collaborating and connecting internally and externally.	We strive to be valued and trusted by our community. As a Council we are respectful, open, balanced, fair, transparent, and honest in our dealings with the community.	We will be accountable for our decisions, and achieve value for our communities through sound planning, innovation, informed decision-making and efficient work practices.	We embrace diversity and communicate openly and honestly.	We lead by example, collaborating with the communities of our region, to achieve our vision.

Elected Representatives

Goondiwindi Regional Council comprises of a Mayor and six Councillors elected by the community to represent the interests of everyone in the region. Council meets at the Goondiwindi Customer Service Office on the fourth Wednesday of each month commencing at 9:30am, unless otherwise altered by resolution. Meetings are open to the public, unless it is otherwise resolved by Council that a meeting be closed under the *Local Government Act 2009*.



Back Row: (L to R) Cr Rick McDougall, Cr Lachlan Brennan, Cr David Turner, Cr Rob Mackenzie
Front Row: (L to R) Cr Rick Kearney, Mayor Graeme Scheu, Cr Joan White

The designated portfolio holders for the particular areas are identified as follows:

- **Transport and Roads** – Cr Rick Kearney
- **Water and Sewerage** – Cr Rick McDougall
- **Waste and Regulatory Services** – Councillor Rob Mackenzie
- **Culture, Health, Ageing and Economic Development** – Councillor David Turner
- **Sport, Recreation & Parks and Gardens, Youth & Education, Technology** – Councillor Lachlan Brennan
- **Rural Services and Community Facilities (other than sport and recreation)** – Councillor Joan White

Councillor Remuneration and Meetings

Under Section 186(a)-(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council is required to report on details relating to the total remuneration paid to each Councillor during the year. This includes the total superannuation contributions paid during the year for each Councillor, and the expenses incurred by Councillors, and the facilities provided to each Councillor during the year under Council's reimbursement and expenses policy.

Councillors	Meeting Attendance (days)	Remuneration	Travel	Phone / Other	Total Remuneration Inc. Travel	Superannuation	Insurance & Sundry
GS Scheu	14	\$103,917.96		\$1,225.52	\$105,143.48	\$12,470.16	\$6,805.83
WP Kearney	12	\$59,952.00	-	\$1,225.52	\$61,177.52	\$7,194.24	\$6,805.83
RJ Mackenzie	13	\$51,957.96	-	\$1,225.52	\$53,183.48	\$6,234.96	\$6,805.83
RJ McDougall	13	\$51,957.96	\$4,629.61	\$1,225.52	\$57,813.09	\$6,234.96	\$6,805.83
EJ White	14	\$51,957.96	\$7,112.38	\$1,225.52	\$60,295.86	\$6,234.96	\$6,805.83
LG Brennan	14	\$51,957.96	-	\$1,225.52	\$53,183.48	\$6,234.96	\$6,805.83
DW Turner	14	\$51,957.96		\$961.92	\$52,919.88	\$6,234.96	\$6,805.83
Totals	94	\$423,659.76	\$11,741.99	\$8,315.04	\$443,716.79	\$50,839.20	47,640.78

Councillor Remuneration and Expenses Policy

Section 186(b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to include in its annual report the expenses incurred by, and the facilities provided to, each Councillor during the financial year pursuant to Council's Expenses Reimbursement Policy. A copy of Council's Remuneration and Expenses Policy is attached as Annexure A. The Policy was amended at Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 28 February 2018. Details of the resolution are as follows:

RESOLUTION OM-028/18

Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie

Seconded: Cr EJ White

That Council resolves to adopt the amended Councillor Remuneration and Expenses Policy, identified as GRC 003, as tabled.

Carried.

Councillors Conduct

Total number of orders and recommendations made under the following sections of the Local Government Act 2009	
<i>Total number of orders and recommendations made under section 180(2) or (4) of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>Total number of orders made under section 181 of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>The name of the each Councillor for whom an order or recommendation was made under section 180 of the Local Government Act 2009 or an order made under section 181 of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	N/A
<i>A description of the misconduct or inappropriate conduct engaged in by each of the Councillors</i>	N/A
<i>A summary of the order or recommendation made for each Councillor</i>	N/A
<i>The number of complaints about the conduct or performance of Councillors assessed as frivolous or vexatious under section 176C(2) of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints referred to the department's Chief Executive under section 176C(3)(a)(i) of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints referred to the Mayor under section 176C(3)(a)(ii) or (b)(i) of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints referred to the department's Chief Executive under section 176C(4)(a) of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints assessed by the Chief Executive Officer as being corrupt under the Crime and Corruption Act</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints heard by a regional conduct review panel</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints heard by the tribunal</i>	Nil
<i>The number of complaints dealt with by the Chief Executive Officer under section 176C(6) of the Local Government Act 2009</i>	Nil
<i>section 150I(2) of the Act</i>	Nil
<i>section 150AH(1) of the Act</i>	Nil
<i>decisions, order and recommendations made under section 150AR(1) of the Act</i>	Nil
<i>complaints referred to the assessor under section 150P(2)(a) of the Act by local government entities for the local government</i>	Nil
<i>matters, mentioned in section 150P(3) of the Act, notified to the Crime and Corruption Commission</i>	Nil
<i>notices given under section 150R(2) of the Act;</i>	Nil
<i>notices given under section 150S(2)(a) of the Act</i>	Nil
<i>decisions made under section 150W(a), (b) and (d) of the Act;</i>	One
<i>referral notices accompanied by a recommendation mentioned in section 150AC(3)(a) of the Act</i>	Nil
<i>occasions information was given under section 150AF(4)(a) of the Act</i>	Nil
<i>occasions the local government asked another entity to investigate, under chapter 5A, part 3, division 5 of the Act for the local government, the suspected inappropriate conduct of a councillor</i>	Nil
<i>applications heard by the conduct tribunal about the alleged misconduct of a councillor</i>	Nil

Department Reports

Department of Community & Corporate Services

Highlights 2018-2019

- Refurbishment of Texas Pool completed.
- Completion of Goondiwindi Animal Management Facility.
- Facilitated the Innovation Hub Feasibility Study.
- Planned for and commenced implementation of State Waste Levy.

Department of Engineering Services

Highlights 2018-19

- Extension to the footpath and cycle way networks in Goondiwindi, Yelarbon, Texas and Inglewood.
- Completion of the annual gravel resheet program and bitumen reseal program on various roads throughout the regional area.
- Continuation of water main upgrade and augmentation works within Council's water supply areas.
- Commissioning of a new water plant to improve the water pressure and quality of the non-potable town water supply in Bungunya.
- Construction of the Talwood Hall carpark.
- Upgrade of non-compliant playground equipment, replacement of old shade shelters and installation of a new electric BBQ in town parks.
- Installation of new playground equipment in Talwood.
- Beautification works in Main Street and recreation grounds in Talwood.
- Various renewal and upgrade works at Yelarbon water treatment plant.
- Renewal of the irrigation system at McGregor Oval.
- 3.3km bitumen seal extension on Goodar Road.
- Establishment of George Fleming and Father Michael O'Brien Carparks at the Goondiwindi Cemetery.
- Continuation of kerb and gutter improvements in Goondiwindi, Inglewood and Texas.
- Town Common Road pavement rehabilitation and drainage improvements.
- Floodway rehabilitations and improvements on Kioma Road, Coorangy Road, Narromine Road, North Gradna Road, Bybera Road, Luna Road and Borella Magee Road.
- Floodway replacement and minor realignment on Talwood Mungindi Road.
- Safety improvements initiatives undertaken on Kondar Road and Minnel Road.
- Continuation of the installation of telemetry systems for all water and sewerage treatment plants and pump stations.
- Completion of annual plant replacement program.
- Commencement of planning works on Yelarbon Keetah Road to allow for road train access.
- Cleaning out of water and sewerage ponds at various locations.

Statutory Information

Business Activities and Complaints & Investigations

As required under Sections 41 and 45 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, listed in the following schedule is business activities conducted during the year. None of these activities were deemed "significant" according to the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. All activities were subject to the "competitive neutrality principal" whereby the Council did not use its position as a public entity to obtain an advantage over the private sector. There were no complaints about, or investigations into, any Council nominated business activities, nor any investigation notices for competitive neutrality complaints received.

List of Business Activities	Significant Business Activity (Sect 43)	Competitive Neutrality Principle Applied (Sect 43)	Code of Competitive Conduct Applied (Sect 47)
Aquatic Centres	No	No	No
Aerodromes	No	No	No
Animal Control	No	No	No
Cemeteries	No	No	No
Cinema	No	No	No
Cultural Centres	No	No	No
Disaster Management	No	No	No
Emergency Services	No	No	No
Health	No	No	No
Museums	No	No	No
Parks and Gardens	No	No	No
Planning and Development	No	No	No
Plant Operations	No	No	No
Public Halls	No	No	No
Regulated Parking	No	No	No
Roads	No	No	No
Rural Services	No	No	No
Sport and Recreation	No	No	No
Visitor Information Centre	No	No	No
Waste Management	No	No	No
Water Supply and Sewerage	No	No	No

Goondiwindi Regional Council did not have any responses in the 2018/19 financial year on the QCA's recommendations on any competitive neutrality complaints under Section 52(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Pursuant to section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council will not apply the Code of Competitive Conduct to its prescribed business activities, water supply, sewerage and waste management for the 2018/19 financial year for the following reasons.

These activities are comprised of separate operations in several centres across the Council area. The nature of the operations and the limited populations in these centres makes it impossible to achieve economies of scale that would allow for full cost recovery without placing an undue

financial burden on the users. These activities are not in competition with other providers and the cost of provision of the service makes competition in the future very unlikely.

Therefore, there is no benefit to Council or the community through the application of the code of competitive conduct to these activities.

Remuneration Packages

Section 201 of the *Local Government Act 2009* requires Council to report on the total remuneration packages payable to senior contract employees. These details are as follows:

Number of senior contracted employees	Total remuneration range*
3	\$200,000 - \$300,000

The total remuneration packages available in 2018-19 to senior management = \$710,436

Administrative Action Complaints

Council is committed to dealing fairly with administrative action complaints and has an Administrative Actions Complaints Process to deal with any such complaints. The following table summarises the Administrative Action Complaints requiring reporting pursuant to Section 187 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* for this financial year.

The number of administrative action complaints made to Council	5
The number of administrative action complaints resolved by Council under the complaints management process	5
The number of administrative action complaints not resolved by the local government under the complaints management process	0
The number of administrative action complaints not resolved that were made in a previous financial year	0

Overseas Travel

In accordance with reporting requirements under Section 188 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, no Councillors or employees undertook overseas travel during the financial year at Council's expense.

Long Term Financial Sustainability

Council measures revenue and expenditure trends over time as a guide to future requirements and to make decisions about the efficient allocation of resources to ensure the most effective provision of services. Council ensures that its financial management strategy is prudent and that its long-term financial forecast shows a sound financial position whilst also being able to meet the community's current and future needs.

Council aims to operate within a set of conservative guideposts to ensure we are financially sustainable in the short, medium and long term. As part of our financial strategy, we have adopted three sustainability indicators that have been set by the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs, to help monitor the long-term sustainability of all councils across Queensland. Throughout the financial year, these indicators are calculated and reported on

monthly at Council meetings, as part of a full suite of financial reports. Should there be any deviation outside these parameters, the executive management and Council will be fully informed and may take corrective action as required.

Performance Indicators

1. Operating Surplus Ratio

Net Result (excluding capital items)	0 - 10%	4.81%	-0.89%	0.28%	0.35%	0.88%	0.81%	0.58%	0.27%	0.32%	0.20%	0.43%
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)												

An indicator of which the extent to which revenues raised cover operational expenses only or are available for capital funding purposes or other purposes.

2. Asset Sustainability Ratio

Capital Expenditure on the Replacement of Assets (renewals)	> 90%	103.08%	131.13%	88.86%	101.59%	94.39%	96.97%	102.04%	92.95%	95.39%	94.26%	93.10%
Depreciation Expense												

An approximation of the extent to which the infrastructure assets managed are being replaced as these reach the end of their useful lives.

3. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

Total Liabilities less Current Assets	< 60%	-78.12%	-80.51%	-82.65%	-82.43%	-83.19%	-84.79%	-81.05%	-81.86%	-82.39%	-83.84%	-85.84%
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)												

An indicator of the extent to which the net financial liabilities can be serviced by its operating revenue.

The table above summarises how we performed against set targets for the three key financial performance indicators established in our financial strategy. In summary, Council achieved all of the financial targets and met all financial commitments in the financial year. This was achieved while maintaining community services and making ongoing investment in community infrastructure.

Separate and Special Rates and Charges

Section 190(1)(d) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to report details of action taken in relation to, and expenditure on, a service, facility or activity:

- Supplied by another local government under an agreement for conducting a joint government activity; and
- For which the local government made and levied a special rate or charge for the financial year.

Council made and levied special charges to be known as Rural Fire Levy A Special Charge and Rural Fire Levy B Special Charge. Rural Fire Levy A Special Charge of \$22.50 per annum applied to rateable land contained within the Rural Fire Brigade Area of Bracker Creek and Omanama to fund the operations of the respective Rural Fire Brigade. Rural Fire Levy B Special Charge of \$27.50 per annum applied to rateable land contained within the Rural Fire Brigade Area of Glenarbon-Beebo to fund the operations of the Rural Fire Brigade.

These levies generated total revenue of **\$6,180.00** for the 2018/19 financial year. Payments totalling **\$5,530.00** were distributed to brigades during the 2018/19 financial year.

Contracts and Tendering

Section 190(1)(e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to list the number of invitations to change tenders under Section 228(7). There were no actions taken during the 2018/19 year relating to changes to tenders.

Registers & Public Documents

Council is required under Section 190(1)(f) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to report a list of registers kept by it and open to public inspection. In some cases, charges may apply for copies or extracts if these are allowable.

- Register of Interests (Councillors)
- Road Register
- Policy Register
- Regulatory Fees and Charges
- Publication Scheme (Right to Information)
- Council Minutes and Agendas
- Local Laws and Subordinate Local Law Register
- Code of Conduct
- Financial Statements
- Budget (Adopted annually)
- Customer Service Standards
- Revenue Statement (Adopted annually)
- Disclosure Log
- Register of Delegations (by Council and by CEO)

Council also makes available other information that can be downloaded electronically from Council's website. This information includes:

- Operational Plan (adopted annually)
- Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme
- Corporate Plan 2019 - 2024
- Annual Report (adopted annually)

Concessions for Rates & Charges

Section 190(1)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to include a summary of all concessions for rates and charges granted by the local government. Council's Revenue Policy (attached as Annexure B), adopted 23 May 2018, sets out the principles employed by Goondiwindi Regional Council in 2018/19 for:

- The making and levying of rates and charges;
- The granting of rebates and concessions;
- The recovery of rates and charges; and
- Concessions for rates and charges.

Goondiwindi Regional Council exempts religious, charitable and other organisations from general rating in accordance with the *Local Government Act* and regulations.

Concessions to Classes of Land Owners

Council gives consideration to granting a class concession in the event the State Government declares all or part of the local government area a natural disaster area.

Discount for Prompt Payment – General Rates

To encourage the prompt payment of rates a discount is allowed on levied rates if paid within 30 clear days after the issue date of the rate notice, provided all overdue rates and charges are also paid. The discount amount is the lesser of the amount prescribed by regulation or 15%.

Rebates

A pensioner subsidy for Council's rates and charges is available through the State Government's Pensioner Rate Subsidy Scheme. The current eligibility of each applicant to receive a benefit from either the Centrelink or the Department of Veterans' Affairs has to be verified, within the last twelve (12) months, with or by the relevant Commonwealth Department. The subsidy available is for 20% of rates to a maximum of \$200 per annum.

Other Remissions and Deferrals

Other remission requests, or rate deferral requests, are assessed on a case by case basis upon application in writing to Council.

Internal Audit

Section 207 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to report on the internal audit for the financial year. Section 105 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 207 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* cover the need to establish and maintain an Internal Audit function. Council's Internal Audit Policy covers the Internal Audit function and associated activities. Specific audit activities for 2018-2019 have focused on compliance with Council's procurement process concerning requests for quotations, Council's Risk Register and the Disposal of Loose Tools and Assets.

Shareholder Delegates

In accordance with reporting requirements under the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council did not operate any corporate entities during the 2018/19 period.

Grants to Community Organisations

Council supports the local community by granting financial assistance to various community organisations and is required by Section 189 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to report such contributions. These contributions assisted in the ongoing improvement of services and facilities for the community. During 2018/19, Goondiwindi Regional Council provided financial assistance to local community organisations as follows:

Description	Amount
Community Contributions	\$369,906.68
Cultural Activities Contributions	\$72,264.53
Total Contributions	\$442,171.21

Details of the grants provided to community groups are available on Council's website. Please note that Councillors do not have their own discretionary funds.

Implementation of Long-Term Plans

Council has continued to report periodically on the implementation of its Corporate Plan and Operational Plan. Council's Corporate Plan and the annual Operational Plan ensures that Council's strategies are actioned at an operational level.

Community Financial Report For the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019

The community financial report is designed to give the end user a better understanding of the financial performance and financial position of Council. It also seeks to explain in plain English, key financial information in a way that readers without a non-financial background can easily understand.

This report focuses on:

- the Statement of Comprehensive Income
- the Statement of Financial Position
- the Statement of Changes in Equity
- the Statement of Cash Flows
- Financial Ratios

The Statement of Comprehensive Income

The Statement of Comprehensive Income is often referred to as the profit and loss statement and shows how Council has performed throughout the period. This statement conveys what Council has earned (revenue) and what Council has spent (expenses) throughout the year. The net result of these two figures represents the money that is available for Council to renew, upgrade or build new community assets or to allocate to a reserve to allow for future expenditure for the community.

In summary, Council's result for the reporting period was:

<i>What we have earned (Revenue)</i>	
Recurrent Revenue	39,384
Capital Revenue	6,318
Total Revenue	45,702
<i>What we have spent (Expenses)</i>	
Recurrent Expenses	37,490
Capital Expenses	5,507
Total Expenses	42,997
Net Result	2,705
The Net Result does not necessarily represent surplus cash funds available for general use as certain income items are restricted to specific use, for example, capital grants are generally allocated to maintain or expand the Council's infrastructure. The recast operating results is as follows:	
Net Result as reported 30 June 2019	2,705
Less Capital Revenue allocated for Infrastructure Assets	6,318
Plus Capital Expenses allocated for Infrastructure Assets	5,507
Restated Operating Result – 30 June 2019	1,894

Council delivered an operating surplus well above the original budgeted result. Goondiwindi Regional Council is in a sound financial position to deliver its budgeted projects and services for the 2019 financial year and beyond.

What We Have Earned

There are two main categories of revenue for the financial year: recurrent revenue and capital revenue.

Councils' recurrent revenue is money raised that is used to fund the operations of Council. Council raises recurrent revenue from income sources such as rates, levies and charges, grants, subsidies, contributions and donations, sales revenue (i.e. contract works), interest and other fees and charges.

Councils' capital revenue is sourced for the purpose of constructing Council's assets now and into the future. Council's capital revenue consists of grants, subsidies, contributions and donations, as well as gains/losses on the disposal of assets.

Total recurrent income increased by \$2.6M from the previous year, primarily due to the following:

1. Funding of \$646k that was received for Combat Pest, Regional Skills and Clean Growth Choices for 2019 but, will be spent in 2020;
2. Additional Sales Revenue from Main Roads - \$2M

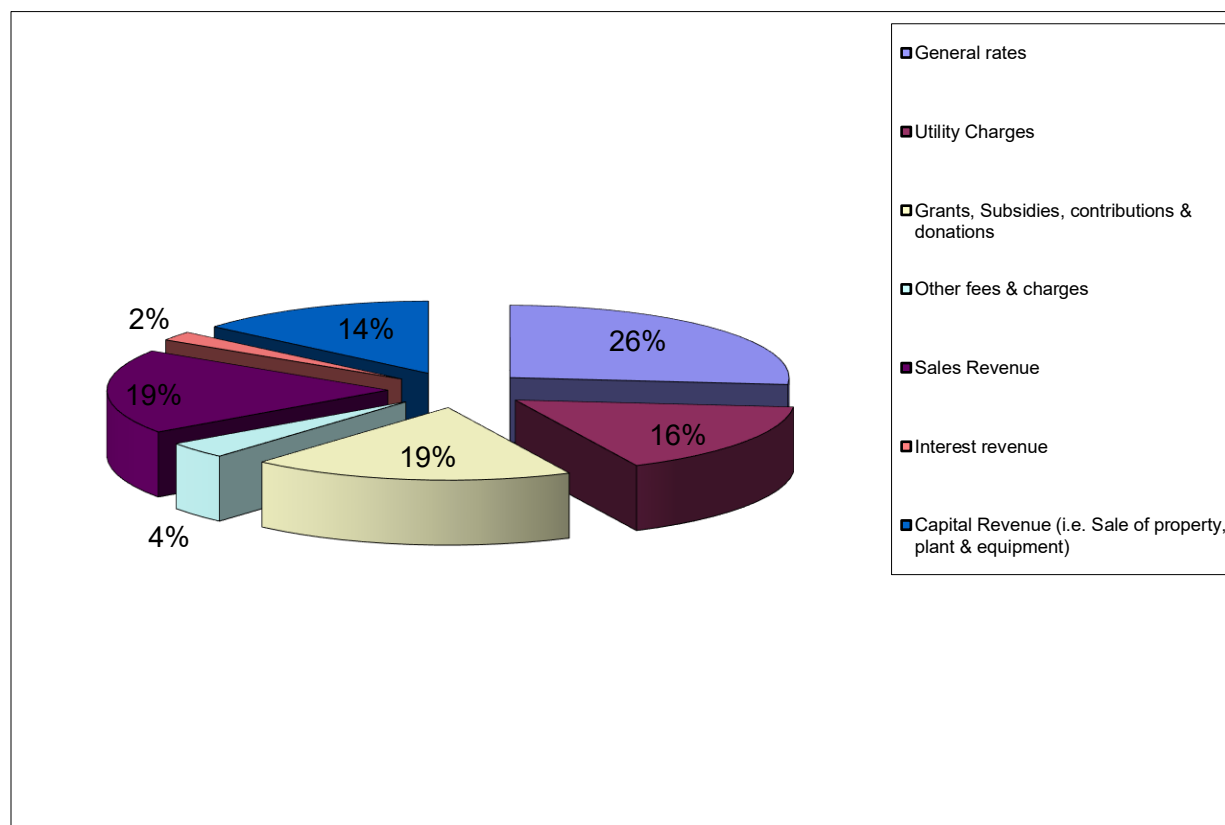
The accounting standards mandate that this type of income must be receipted as received despite the year it is spent in.

The main source of Council income for 2018/2019 was for Rates, levies and charges that equated to 50% of the total recurrent income. Sales revenue was the next highest source of income.

Items to note in relation to this year's results are as follows:

- Increase in line with CPI for rates, levies and charges.
- Increases in Grant income.
- Increases in Sales income.

REVENUE		\$'000	
Recurrent Income	2019	2018	
General Rates	12,126	11,889	
Utility Charges	7,492	7,223	
Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	8,494	7,235	
Other Fees & Charges	1,679	1,522	
Sales Revenue	8,649	8,033	
Interest Revenue	944	928	
Total Recurrent Revenue	39,384	36,830	
Capital Revenue	6,318	6,285	
TOTAL REVENUE	45,702	43,115	



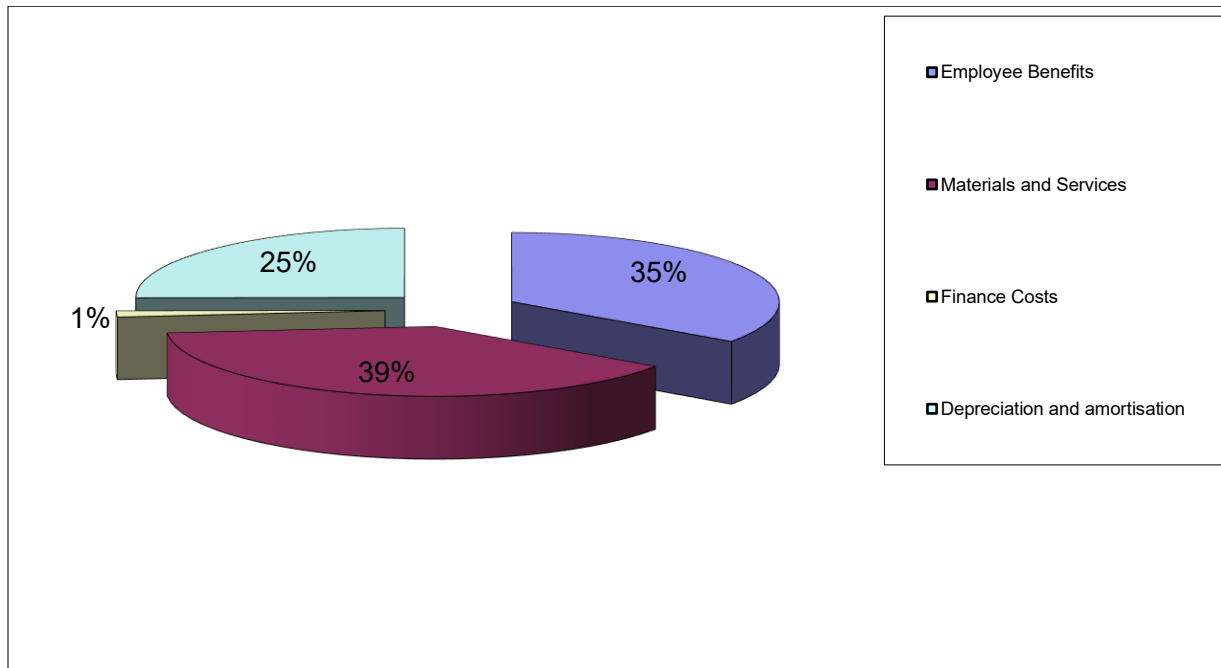
What We Have Spent

Council's recurrent expenses include employee benefits, materials and services, finance costs and depreciation and amortisation. These line items represent the cost to Council of providing services, operating facilities and maintaining assets.

EXPENSES	\$'000	
Operating Expenses	2019	2018
Employee Benefits	13,015	12,897
Materials and Services	14,542	14,125
Finance Costs	531	229
Depreciation and Amortisation	9,402	9,214
Total Recurrent Expenditure	37,490	36,465
Capital Expenses	5,507	1,343
TOTAL EXPENSES	42,997	37,808

Total recurrent expenditure increased \$1.0M from the previous year. The main expenditure was Materials and Services (39%) followed by Employee Benefits (35%).

The reason for the increases in materials and services was due to the increase in Sales Revenue.



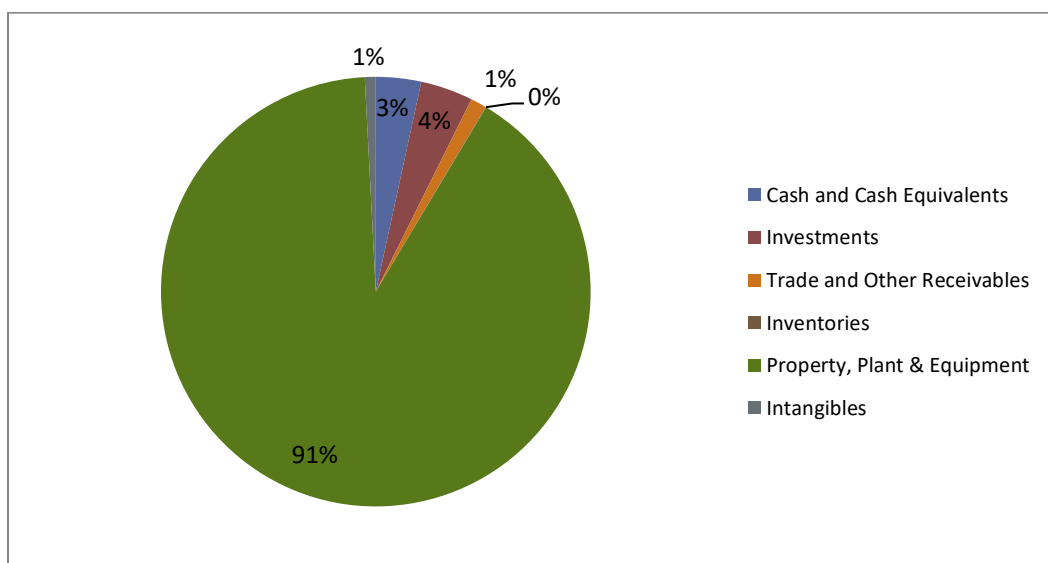
The Statement of Financial Position

This statement is often referred to as the balance sheet and summarises the financial position of the Council at the end of the financial year. The statement measures what Council owns (assets) and what Council owes (liabilities) at the end of the financial year with the difference between these two components being the net community wealth (equity) of Council.

Assets	2019	2018
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	16,385	13,520
Investments	19,000	22,000
Receivables	5,808	4,092
Inventories	173	158
Total Current Assets	41,366	39,770
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant & Equipment	436,489	432,695
Intangibles	3,963	3,963
Total Non-Current Assets	440,452	436,658
TOTAL ASSETS	481,818	476,428

Assets

Council's current assets increased by \$1.6M. This increase was mainly due to the timing of completing the Capital Expenditure Programs.



The written down value of Council's property, plant and equipment assets was \$436.5M at 30 June 2019. The majority of Council's non-current assets are in the form of property, plant and equipment. These assets make up 91% of the assets on Council's Statement of Financial Position. Infrastructure assets such as roads, bridges and footpaths, drainage, water and sewerage comprise the bulk of this line item.

Incorporated as part of this figure (\$5.2M) relates to works in progress not completed by year-end.

Liabilities

Council's liabilities comprise amounts owing for employee entitlements such as recreation leave, provisions for future costs such as long service leave and landfill restoration, payables (suppliers) and borrowings.

The Statement of Changes in Equity

Community equity represented by Council's net worth. This is calculated by what we own, minus what we owe:

Total Assets **\$481.8M** – Total Liabilities **\$10.6M** = Community Equity **\$471.2M**.

Community equity increased by \$5.2M for the following reasons;

1. An increase in the Asset Revaluation Reserve of \$2.7M was due to an assessment of Council's Property, Plant and Equipment Drainage Assets as conducted by an independent valuer.
2. An increase in the overall surplus of \$2.7M.

Council's retained surplus represents amounts, which have been invested into assets to provide services. The asset revaluation surplus comprises amounts representing the asset retained capital and other change in the value of Council's assets over time.

The Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows identifies the cash received and cash spent throughout the year. The statement shows Council's ability to cover its expenditures and where those funds are derived. Council's cash balance increased by \$2.9M. Council spent \$11.6M from its operating activities, (\$6.9M) from its investing activities (\$1.8M) from financing activities (i.e. borrowings extinguished). Capital grants, subsidies and contributions amounted to \$5.2M with an investment of \$15.8M in property, plant and equipment. Council's cash is wisely invested so the interest earned contributes to the funding of operational expenses.

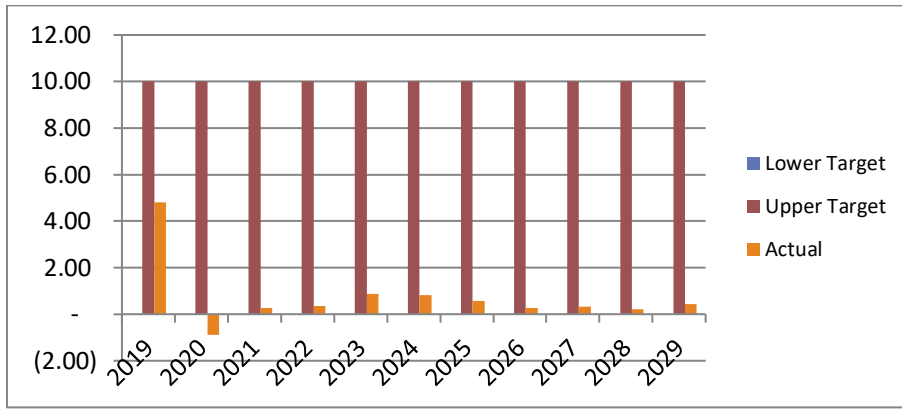
Financial Ratios

Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires the inclusion of the relevant measures of financial sustainability. These ratios are also included in Council's Long Term Financial Plan with reviews conducted on a regular basis. The targets have been set by the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs.

Operating Surplus Ratio

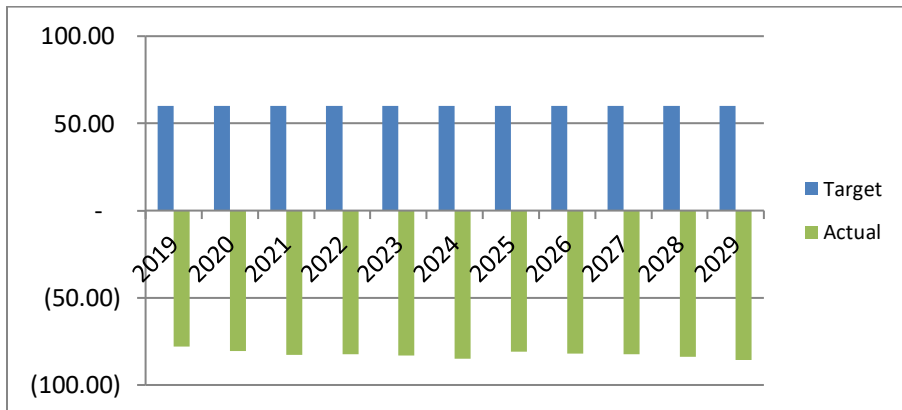
The operating surplus ratio measures the extent to which revenue raised (i.e. excluding capital grants and contributions) covers operational expenses. As at 30 June 2019, Council's Operating Surplus Ratio was a positive 4.81%.

Under the present assumptions used in the long-term plan, Council will return breakeven results for the next ten-year Long-Term financial range to 2029. Council will also continue with service level reviews to ensure that operational expenses are going to be sustainable in the longer term.



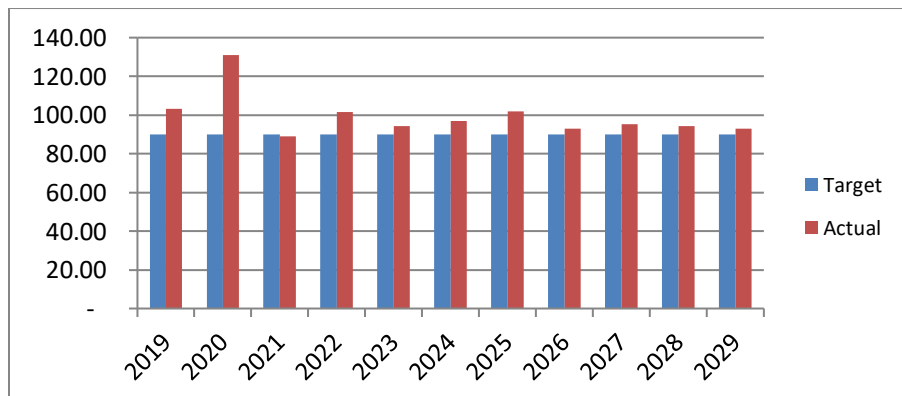
Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

This ratio measures the extent to which Council can fund its liabilities through its operating revenues. A ratio of less than 60% indicates that the Council can comfortably fund its liabilities. At 30 June 2019, Council's Net Financial Liabilities Ratio was – 78.12%.



Asset Sustainability Ratio

This ratio measures the amount of capital expenditure on renewal of existing assets compared to the depreciation expense. Ratios of less than the target amount of 90% shows that Council may not be keeping its existing assets up to date. Generally, spending renewal works will be within the sustainability target for the life of the plan. At 30 June 2019, Council's Asset Sustainability Ratio was 103.08%.



Council's Financial Management Strategy

During 2018/2019, Council continued reviewing their financial operations by challenging current staffing levels, plant needs, depreciation estimates, overtime, insurance risk appetites and other measures to identify opportunities for efficiencies or cost reductions.

Summary

The 2018/2019 financial year ended with an operating surplus amounting to \$1.9M. Future years beyond 2018/2019 will mostly remain within the prescribed targets as published by Queensland Treasury Corporation. Council also has sufficient money to cover its present and future obligations into the foreseeable future. Goondiwindi Regional Council will continue a commitment of sound financial management through long-term financial planning to ensure the success and stability of the region.



COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES POLICY

Adopted Date: 14 April 2008
Policy Number: GRC 0003
Policy Type: Statutory
Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer
Department: Executive Office

Version	Decision Number or CEO Approval	Decision Date	Status / History
1	GRC 0003	14 April 2008	Model adopted by Council
2	GRC 0003	Amended 18 August 2010	
3	GRC 0003	22 May 2013	Review June 2017
4		Amended 23 July 2014	Review June 2017
5	OM-112/17	28 June 2017	Review June 2020
6.	OM-028/18	28 February 2018	Review June 2020

1. BACKGROUND

Councillor remuneration is determined on an annual basis by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal (“the Tribunal”). The Tribunal determines local government categories based on criteria including population, size of the local government area and services provided. Goondiwindi Regional Council has been classified as a Category 1 local government. Details of the remuneration and expenses payable to Councillors are detailed in this policy.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

The policy complies with the Statement of Principles, set out in the guidelines:

- Reasonable expenses reimbursement to councillors
- Public accountability and transparency
- Public perceptions and community expectations
- No private benefit to be derived
- Equity and participation

1. PAYMENT OF EXPENSES

Expenses will be paid to a councillor through administrative processes approved by a councils' Chief Executive Officer subject to:

- the limits outlined in this policy and
- Council endorsement by resolution.

2. EXPENSE CATEGORIES

2.1. Professional development

A local government will reimburse expenses incurred for:

- mandatory professional development and
- discretionary professional development deemed essential for the councillor's role.

2.2. Travel as required to represent council

A local government may reimburse local and in some cases interstate and overseas travel expenses (e.g. flights, car, accommodation, meals and associated registration fees) deemed necessary to achieve the business of council where:

- a councillor is an official representative of council and
- the activity/event and travel have been endorsed by resolution of council.

Councillors are to travel via the most direct route, using the most economical and efficient mode of transport.

Council will pay for reasonable expenses incurred for overnight accommodation when a councillor is required to stay outside the local governments region.

Any fines incurred while travelling in council-owned vehicles or privately owned vehicles when attending to council business, will be the responsibility of the councillor incurring the fine.

2.3. Travel Bookings

All councillor travel approved by council will be booked and paid for by council.

Economy class is to be used where possible although council may approve business class in certain circumstances.

Airline tickets are not transferable and can only be procured for the councillor's travel on council business. They cannot be used to offset other unapproved expenses. (E.g. cost of partner or spouse accompanying the councillor.)

2.4. Travel Transfer Costs

Any travel transfer expenses associated with councillors travelling for council approved business will be reimbursed.

Example: Trains, taxis, buses and ferry fares

Cab charge vouchers may also be used if approved by council where councillors are required to undertake duties relating to the business of council.

2.5. Private Vehicle Usage

Councillors private vehicle usage may be reimbursed by council if the:

- travel has been endorsed by council resolution
- claim for mileage is substantiated with log book details and
- total travel claim does not exceed the cost of the same travel using economy flights plus the cost of taxi transfers.

2.6. Accommodation

All councillor accommodation for council business will be booked and paid for by council. Council will pay for the most economical deal available. Where possible, the minimum standards for councillors accommodation should be three or four star rating.

Where particular accommodation is recommended by conference organisers, council will take advantage of the package deal that is the most economical and convenient to the event.

2.7. Meals

A local government will reimburse costs of meals for a councillor when:

- the councillor incurs the cost personally and
- the meal was not provided:
 - within the registration costs of the approved activity/event
 - during an approved flight.

The following limits apply to the amount councils will reimburse for meals:

- Breakfast \$25.00
- Lunch \$25.00
- Dinner \$35.00

2.8. Incidental Allowance

Up to \$20 per day may be paid by a local government to cover any incidental costs incurred by councillors required to travel, and who are away from home overnight, for official council business.

2.9. Additional Expenses for Mayor Hospitality

Local governments may reimburse mayors up to \$1,000 per annum for hospitality expenses deemed necessary in the conduct of council business.

2.10 Provision of Facilities

All facilities provided to councillors remain the property of council and must be returned to council when a councillor's term expires.

2.11 Private use of council owned facilities

Based on the principle that *no private benefit is to be gained* the facilities provided to councillors by local governments are to be used only for council business unless prior approval has been granted by resolution of council.

The council resolution authorising private use of council owned facilities will set out the terms under which the councillor will reimburse council for the percentage of private use. This would apply when councillors have private use of council owned motor vehicles and / or mobile telecommunication devices.

3 FACILITIES CATEGORIES

3.1 Administrative tools

Administrative tools should be provided to councillors as required to assist councillors in their role. Administrative tools include:

- office space and meeting rooms
- computers
- stationery
- access to photocopiers
- printers
- facsimile machines
- publications
- use of council landline telephones and internet access in council offices.

Secretarial support may also be provided for mayors and councillors.

Council may provide a councillor with home office equipment including computer, internet access if necessary.

3.2 Maintenance Costs of Council Owned Equipment

Council will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance and reasonable wear and tear costs of council-owned equipment that is supplied to councillors for official business use.

This includes the replacement of any facilities, which fall under council's asset replacement program.

3.3 Name Badge

A local government may provide councillors with a name badge

3.4 Safety Equipment for Councillors

A local government may provide councillors with the necessary safety equipment for use on official business. E.g. safety helmet /boots.

3.5 Use of Council Vehicles on Council Business

Councillors may have access to a council vehicle for official business.

3.6 Private Use of Vehicles

Private use of council owned vehicles is permitted if prior approval has been granted by resolution of council. Council will, in its resolution authorise private use, set out the terms for the councillor to reimburse council for the private use.

3.7 Telecommunication Needs - Mobile Devices

Mobile telecommunication devices previously owned by a local government may be used by councillors for official council business use during the transitional period.

Additionally, where council deems it necessary to acquire new mobile devices due to the new local government structure, extra facilities may be approved by council resolution.

Example: Mobile telephones or hand-held personal digital assistants (i.e. ' Blackberry ')

Hand-held personal digital assistants such as Blackberry, Mobile Phones or similar, are available for all Councillors on the basis that Councillors enter into individual contracts with the relevant communication providers. A monthly reimbursement of \$80 will be claimable by participating Councillors.

3.8 Insurance Cover

A local government will indemnify or insure councillors in the event of injury sustained while discharging their civic duties.

The local government will pay the excess for injury claims made by a councillor resulting from conducting official council business.

3.9 Fuel Costs

Fuel for a council-owned vehicle used for official council business, will be provided or paid for by council.

3.10 Car Parking Amenities

Councils are to provide councillors with:

- car parking at the local government office premises and / or
- reimbursement of parking costs paid by councillors while attending to official council business.

4. PAYMENT OF REMUNERATION

Remuneration will be paid at a base salary rate of two thirds of the remuneration figure determined by the Tribunal for each financial year. The remaining one third remuneration will be paid to Councillors monthly, after certification of the Councillor's attendance at meetings.

4.1. Payment of base rate of remuneration

The base rate of remuneration will be paid monthly to Councillors after the submission of a tax invoice to Council.

4.2. Payment of meeting fee for attendance at meetings

Each local government is responsible for determining how and when it will pay meeting fees to its councillors. Meeting fees are only payable when Councillors attend all monthly meetings unless one of the following exceptions apply. Councillors will still receive the monthly meeting fee in the following situations:

1. Being absent from a meeting to attend to official Council Business (such as attendance at a conference or meeting to represent Council), where prior approval has been obtained from the Mayor;
2. Being absent from a meeting due to illness/accidents;
3. Being absent from a meeting whilst on annual leave;
4. Being absent from a portion or whole of a meeting where prior approval has been granted by the Mayor based on individual circumstances.

The Mayor or Chief Executive Officer will certify the attendance of Councillors at each meeting and note any exemptions for Councillors. Once certified, the payment of the monthly meeting fee will be included in the monthly tax invoice submitted to Council for payment after the meeting.

4 PURPOSE

The purpose of the policy is to ensure that councillors (including mayors) can receive reimbursement of reasonable expenses and be provided with necessary facilities in performance of their role.

5. POLICY OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this policy are to provide clear guidelines for Councillors and staff when dealing with the reimbursement of expenses.

6. NECESSITY TO COMPLY WITH THIS POLICY

If a Councillor fails to comply with this policy, such failure may constitute inappropriate conduct or misconduct pursuant to the *Local Government Act 2009* and will be dealt with accordingly.

7. REVIEW DATE

June 2020



REVENUE POLICY 2018/19

TITLE: Revenue Policy 2018/19

POLICY TYPE: Statutory

POLICY NUMBER: GRC 0012

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: Director Community & Corporate

DEPARTMENT: Community & Corporate Services

Version	Decision Number or CEO Approval	Decision Date	History
1	Reviewed	27 August 2008	Revised for 2009/10
2	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. CS-89)	29 June 2009	Adopted by Resolution
3	Reviewed	17 May 2010	Revised for 2010/11
4	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-097/10)	26 May 2010	Adopted by Resolution
5	Reviewed	04 May 2011	Revised for 2011/12
6	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-092/11)	25 May 2011	Adopted by Resolution
7	Reviewed	07 May 2012	Revised for 2012/13
8	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-120/12)	27 June 2012	Adopted by Resolution
9	Reviewed	10 May 2013	Revised for 2013/14
10	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-073/13)	22 May 2013	Adopted by Resolution
11	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-019/14)	28 May 2014	Adopted by Resolution
12	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-076/15)	27 May 2015	Adopted by Resolution
13	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-065/16)	25 May 2016	Adopted by Resolution
14	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-081/17)	26 April 2017	Adopted by Resolution
15	Ordinary Meeting Minutes (ref. OM-076/18)	23 May 2018	Adopted by Resolution

1. LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

- *Local Government Act 2009* - section 104(5)(a)(iii)
- *Local Government Regulation 2012* - section 193

2. POLICY OBJECTIVE

The objective of this Revenue Policy is to set out the principles used by Council for:-

- The levying of rates and charges; and
- The granting of concessions for rates and charges; and

- The recovery of overdue rates and charges; and
- Cost recovery fees.

3. POLICY PRINCIPLES

3.1 The levying of rates and charges

Council levies rates and charges to fund the provision of valuable services to our community. When adopting its annual budget, Council will set rates and charges at a level that will provide for both current and future community requirements. Council will apply the principle of transparency in making rates and charges.

In general, Council will be guided by the principle of user pays in the making of rates and charges so as to minimise the impact of rating on the efficiency of the local economy.

Council will also have regard to the following principles in the making of rates and charges:-

- Transparency in the making of rates and charges; and
- Administering a simple and inexpensive rating regime; and Equity by taking into account the different levels of revenue-producing potential of the land within the local government area; and
- Flexibility to take account of changes in the local economy, extraordinary circumstances and impacts that different industries may have on Council infrastructure.

In levying rates Council will be guided by the following the principles of:-

- Making clear what is the Council's and each ratepayers' responsibility to the rating system; and
- Making the levying system simple and inexpensive to administer; and
- Timing the levy of rates to take into account the financial cycle of local economic activity, in order to assist smooth running of the local economy; and
- Equity through flexible payment arrangements for ratepayers with a lower capacity to pay; and
- Communication by advising ratepayers about rate notice issue dates and discount dates; and
- Clarity by providing meaningful information on rate notices to enable ratepayers to clearly understand their responsibilities.

3.2 Recovery of rates and charges

Council requires payment of rates and charges within the specified period and it is Council policy to pursue the collection of outstanding rates and charges diligently, but with due concern for the financial hardship faced by some members of the community.

Council will exercise its rate recovery powers pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 4 Part 12 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* in order to reduce the overall rate burden on ratepayers, and will be guided by the principles of:-

- equity by treating all ratepayers in similar circumstances in the same manner and by having regard to their capacity to pay;
- transparency by making clear the obligations of ratepayers and the processes used by Council in assisting them to meet their financial obligations; and
- flexibility by accommodating ratepayers' needs through short-term payment arrangements;
- making the processes used to recover outstanding rates and charges clear, simple to administer and cost effective.

3.3 Cost-Recovery Fees

Section 97 of the *Local Government Act 2009* allows Council to set cost-recovery fees.

The Council recognises the validity of fully imposing the user pays principle for its cost-recovery fees, unless the imposition of the fee is contrary to its express social, economic, environmental and other corporate goals. This is considered to be the most equitable and effective revenue approach, and is founded on the basis that the Council's rating base cannot subsidise the specific users or clients of Council's regulatory products and services.

However, in setting its cost-recovery fees, Council will be cognisant of the requirement that such a fee must not be more than the cost to Council of providing the service or taking the action to which the fee applies.

3.4 Funding of Physical and Social Infrastructure Costs

Council requires developers to pay reasonable and relevant contributions towards the cost of infrastructure required to support the development. Specific charges are detailed in the policies and other material supporting Council's town planning schemes.

These policies are based on normal anticipated growth rates. Where a new development is of sufficient magnitude to accelerate the growth rate of a specific community within the Region, it may be necessary to bring forward social infrastructure projects. Where this occurs, Council expects developers to meet sufficient costs so that the availability of facilities are not adversely affected and so that existing ratepayers are not burdened with the cost of providing the additional infrastructure.

4. REVIEW DATE

May 2019

5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Budget 2018/19
- Revenue Statement 2018/19

6. ATTACHMENT

Nil

*Annexure C – Audited Financial Statements (including
Financial Sustainability Statements)*

For the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019



Goondiwindi Regional Council

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
for the year ended 30 June 2019



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Goondiwindi Regional Council

Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2019

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Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2019

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Income			
Recurrent Revenue			
Rates, Levies and Charges	3a	19,618	19,112
Fees and Charges	3b	866	658
Interest Revenue		944	928
Sales Revenue	3c	8,649	8,033
Other Income		813	864
Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	4a	8,494	7,235
Total Recurrent Revenue		39,384	36,830
Capital Revenue			
Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	4b	6,254	6,203
Capital Income	5	64	82
Total Capital Revenue		6,318	6,285
Total Income		45,702	43,115
Expenses			
Recurrent Expenses			
Employee Benefits	6	13,015	12,897
Materials and Services	7	14,542	14,125
Finance Costs		531	229
Depreciation and Amortisation	11f	9,402	9,214
Total Recurrent Expenses		37,490	36,465
Capital Expenses	8	5,507	1,343
Total Expenses		42,997	37,808
Net Result		2,705	5,307
Other Comprehensive Income			
Amounts which will not be reclassified to the Net Result			
Increase/(Decrease) on Asset Revaluation Surplus	16	2,652	27,793
Total Other Comprehensive Income		2,652	27,793
Total Comprehensive Income		5,357	33,100

Goondiwindi Regional Council

Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2019

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	16,385	13,520
Investments	21	19,000	22,000
Receivables	10	5,808	4,092
Inventories		173	158
Total Current Assets		41,366	39,770
Non-Current Assets			
Property, Plant and Equipment	11f	436,489	432,575
Intangible Assets	1g	3,963	3,963
Total Non-Current Assets		440,452	436,538
TOTAL ASSETS		481,818	476,308
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	12	5,261	4,169
Borrowings	13	-	79
Provisions	14	2,127	2,080
Other Liabilities	15	547	-
Total Current Liabilities		7,935	6,328
Non-Current Liabilities			
Borrowings	13	-	1,709
Provisions	14	2,666	2,411
Total Non-Current Liabilities		2,666	4,120
TOTAL LIABILITIES		10,601	10,448
Net Community Assets		471,217	465,860
COMMUNITY EQUITY			
Asset Revaluation Surplus	16	163,392	160,740
Retained Surplus/(Deficiency)		307,825	305,120
Total Community Equity		471,217	465,860

Goondiwindi Regional Council

Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2019

	Notes	Asset Revaluation Surplus \$'000	Retained Surplus \$'000	Total Community Equity \$'000
2019				
Balance as at 1 July 2018		160,740	305,120	465,860
Net Result		-	2,705	2,705
Other Comprehensive Income				
- Revaluations: Asset Revaluation Surplus	16	2,652	-	2,652
		2,652	-	2,652
Total Comprehensive Income		2,652	2,705	5,357
Balance as at 30 June 2019		163,392	307,825	471,217

	Notes	Asset Revaluation Surplus \$'000	Retained Surplus \$'000	Total Community Equity \$'000
2018				
Balance as at 1 July 2017		132,947	299,813	432,760
Net Result		-	5,307	5,307
Other Comprehensive Income				
- Revaluations: Asset Revaluation Surplus	16	27,793	-	27,793
		27,793	-	27,793
Total Comprehensive Income		27,793	5,307	33,100
Balance as at 30 June 2018		160,740	305,120	465,860

Goondiwindi Regional Council

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2019

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Receipts from Customers		29,255	27,073
Payments to Suppliers and Employees		<u>(28,296)</u>	<u>(26,624)</u>
		959	449
<u>Receipts:</u>			
Interest Revenue		943	843
Recurrent Grants, Subsidies and Contributions		8,494	7,235
Other		1,360	384
<u>Payments:</u>			
Borrowing Costs		(173)	(128)
Net Cash - Operating Activities	20	<u>11,583</u>	<u>8,783</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
<u>Receipts:</u>			
Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment		604	322
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions		5,241	6,203
Redemption of Term Deposits		3,000	-
<u>Payments:</u>			
Purchase of Investments		-	(4,000)
Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment		(15,775)	(14,024)
Purchase of Intangible Assets		-	(51)
Net Cash - Investing Activities		<u>(6,930)</u>	<u>(11,550)</u>
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
<u>Payments:</u>			
Repayment of Borrowings		(1,788)	(73)
Net Cash Flow - Financing Activities		<u>(1,788)</u>	<u>(73)</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		<u>2,865</u>	<u>(2,840)</u>
plus: Cash and Cash Equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		13,520	16,360
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the end of the financial year	9	<u>16,385</u>	<u>13,520</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

These general purpose financial statements are for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019 and have been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* and the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. Consequently, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all Australian Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except where stated.

(b) Statement of Compliance

Council is a not-for-profit entity and the Australian Accounting Standards include requirements for not-for-profit entities which are inconsistent with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), to the extent these inconsistencies are applied, these financial statements do not comply with IFRS. The main impacts are the offsetting of revaluation and impairment gains and losses within a class of assets, and the timing of the recognition of non-reciprocal grant revenue.

(c) Constitution

Goondiwindi Regional Council (Council) is constituted under the Queensland *Local Government Act 2009* and is domiciled in Australia.

(d) Rounding and Comparatives

Amounts included in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest \$1,000 unless otherwise indicated.

Comparative information has been restated where necessary to be consistent with disclosures in the current reporting period.

(e) New and Revised Accounting Standards

In the current year, Council adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are relevant to its operations and effective for the current reporting period. The adoption of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations has not resulted in any material changes to Council's accounting policies.

This year Council has applied AASB 9 *Financial Instruments* for the first time. AASB 9 replaces AASB 139 and relates to the recognition, classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities. Implementing AASB 9 has resulted in a change to the way council calculates impairment provisions, which are now based on expected credit losses instead of incurred credit losses.

The following standards are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2019:

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities and AASB 2016-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Australian Implementation Guidance for Not-for-Profit Entities (1 July 2019)

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Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

AASB 1058 clarifies and simplifies the income recognition requirements that apply to not-to-profit (NFP) entities, in conjunction with AASB 15, and AASB 2016-8. These Standards supersede the majority of income recognition requirements relating to public sector NFP entities, previously in AASB 1004 Contributions.

Identifiable impacts at the date of this report are:

Grants that are not enforceable and/or not sufficiently specific will not qualify for deferral, and continue to be recognised as revenue as soon as they are controlled. Council receives several grants from the Federal Government and State Government for which there are no sufficiently specific performance obligations these are expected to continue being recognised as revenue upfront assuming no change to the current grant arrangements.

Prepaid rates will not be recognised as revenue until the relevant rating period starts. Until that time these receipts will be recognised as a liability (unearned revenue). There will be no impact upon the recognition of other fees and charges.

Council has reviewed the way that income is measured and recognised and the implementation of the above standards is not expected to have a material impact.

AASB 16 Leases (1 July 2019)

Council does not have any leases and therefore AASB 16 Leases will have no impact on the financial statements.

(f) Estimates and Judgements

Where necessary, judgements, estimates and assumptions have been used in preparing these financial statements. Those that have a significant effect or risk of causing an adjustment to Council's assets or liabilities relate to:

- Valuation and depreciation of Property, Plant & Equipment - Note 11
- Provisions - Note 14
- Contingent Liabilities - Note 18
- Financial Instruments - Note 21

(g) Intangible Assets

Intangible assets with a cost or other value exceeding \$50,000 are recognised as intangible; items with a lesser value being expensed.

Intangible assets comprise of three water licences, which can be sold at any point in time and are assessed as having an indefinite life and therefore are not amortised.

(h) Taxation

The income of local authorities and public authorities is exempt from Commonwealth taxation except for Fringe Benefits Tax and Goods and Services Tax ('GST'). The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO or payable to the ATO is shown as an asset or liability respectively.

The Council does not pay payroll tax to the Queensland Government as it is below the prescribed threshold.

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Note 2. Analysis of Results by Function

(a) Components of Council Functions

Details relating to the Council's functions / activities as reported in Note 2(b) are as follows:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

The objective of the Executive Office is for Council to be open, accountable, transparent and deliver value for money community outcomes. This comprises the support functions for the Mayor and Councillors, Council and committee meetings, statutory requirements, human resources, media and public relations, planning, economic development, work, health and safety.

COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE

The objective of Community and Corporate services is to provide accurate, timely and appropriate information to support sound decision making and meet statutory requirements together with ensuring Goondiwindi is a healthy, vibrant and connected community. The Community and Corporate function provides support to libraries, emergency services, aged care services, disaster management, sporting and recreation venues, animal control, rural services and community and cultural activities. This function also incorporates administration, building, health, finance, information, technology and communication services of Council.

ENGINEERING

The goal of Engineering is to provide engineering development and design for transport, water and sewerage infrastructure, and the management and approval process of development of the region.

TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE

The objective of the transport infrastructure program is to ensure the community is serviced by a high quality and effective road network. The function provides and maintains transport infrastructure, including the maintenance and provision of the roads, drainage, footpath and bikeway network.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

The goal of this function is to protect and support our community and natural environment by sustainably managing refuse. The function provides refuse collection and disposal services.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

The goal of this program is to support a healthy, safe community through sustainable water services. This function includes all activities relating to water including flood and waterways management.

SEWERAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

This function protects and supports the health of our community by sustainably managing sewerage infrastructure.

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Note 2. Analysis of Results by Function (continued)

(b) Income and expenses defined between recurring and capital are attributed to the following functions

Functions	Gross Program Income				Total Income	Gross Program Expenses		Total Expenses	Net Result from Recurring Operations	Net Result	Total Assets
	Recurring		Capital			Recurring	Capital				
	Grants	Other	Grants	Other							
2019	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Executive Office	674	73	-	-	747	(2,268)	-	(2,268)	(1,521)	(1,521)	-
Community and Corporate	5,918	14,183	1,617	-	21,718	(11,230)	(781)	(12,011)	8,871	9,707	70,295
Engineering	157	8,724	103	-	8,984	(8,753)	(295)	(9,048)	128	(64)	20,824
Transport Infrastructure	1,600	1	3,424	-	5,025	(8,955)	(3,324)	(12,279)	(7,354)	(7,254)	312,209
Waste Management	-	1,907	687	64	2,658	(2,321)	-	(2,321)	(414)	337	2,884
Water Infrastructure	145	4,770	167	-	5,082	(3,092)	(685)	(3,777)	1,823	1,305	46,755
Sewerage Infrastructure	-	1,983	256	-	2,239	(1,622)	(422)	(2,044)	361	195	28,851
Total	8,494	31,641	6,254	64	46,453	(38,241)	(5,507)	(43,748)	1,894	2,705	481,818
Eliminations	-	(751)	-	-	(751)	751	-	751	-	-	-
Total	8,494	30,890	6,254	64	45,702	(37,490)	(5,507)	(42,997)	1,894	2,705	481,818

Functions	Gross Program Income				Total Income	Gross Program Expenses		Total Expenses	Net Result from Recurring Operations	Net Result	Total Assets
	Recurring		Capital			Recurring	Capital				
	Grants	Other	Grants	Other							
2018	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Executive Office	225	95	-	-	320	(2,432)	-	(2,432)	(2,112)	(2,112)	-
Community and Corporate	5,172	14,015	1,330	-	20,517	(10,948)	(504)	(11,452)	8,239	9,065	74,381
Engineering	153	8,111	128	-	8,392	(8,538)	(111)	(8,649)	(274)	(257)	15,348
Transport Infrastructure	1,626	1	4,326	-	5,953	(8,591)	(336)	(8,927)	(6,964)	(2,974)	309,900
Waste Management	-	1,430	-	82	1,512	(1,908)	-	(1,908)	(478)	(396)	2,869
Water Infrastructure	59	4,670	291	-	5,020	(3,075)	(312)	(3,387)	1,654	1,633	45,921
Sewerage Infrastructure	-	1,974	128	-	2,102	(1,674)	(80)	(1,754)	300	348	27,889
Total	7,235	30,296	6,203	82	43,816	(37,166)	(1,343)	(38,509)	365	5,307	476,308
Eliminations	-	(701)	-	-	(701)	701	-	701	-	-	-
Total	7,235	29,595	6,203	82	43,115	(36,465)	(1,343)	(37,808)	365	5,307	476,308

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Note 3. Revenue

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
(a) Rates, Levies and Charges			
General Rates		14,053	13,808
Water		1,660	1,625
Water Consumption		2,437	2,413
Sewerage		1,851	2,140
Waste Management		1,544	1,544
Total rates and utility charge revenue		<u>21,545</u>	<u>21,530</u>
Less: Discounts		(1,927)	(2,418)
<u>TOTAL RATES, LEVIES AND CHARGES</u>		<u><u>19,618</u></u>	<u><u>19,112</u></u>

Where rate monies are received prior to the commencement of the rating/levying period, the amount is recognised as revenue in the period to which it relates, otherwise rates are recognised at the commencement of the rating period.

(b) Fees and Charges

Fees and charges are recognised upon unconditional entitlement to the funds. Generally this is upon lodgement of the relevant applications or documents, issuing of the infringement notice or when the service is provided.

(c) Sales Revenue

The Council generates sales revenue solely from contracts for road and earthworks. Revenue from contracts and recoverable works generally comprises a recoupment of material costs together with an hourly charge for use of equipment and employees. Contract revenue and associated costs are recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract activity at the reporting date. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable in relation to that activity. Where consideration is received for the service in advance it is included in other liabilities and is recognised as revenue in the period when the service is performed.

The amount recognised as revenue for contract revenue during the financial year is the amount receivable in respect of invoices issued during the period. The contract work carried out is not subject to retentions.

Note 4. Grants, Subsidies and Contributions

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
(a) Recurrent			
General Purpose Grants		6,254	6,100
State Government Subsidies and Grants		1,033	739
Commonwealth Government Subsidies and Grants		922	243
Contributions		285	153
<u>TOTAL RECURRENT GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</u>		<u><u>8,494</u></u>	<u><u>7,235</u></u>

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Note 4. Grants, Subsidies and Contributions (continued)

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
(b) Capital			
State Government Subsidies and Grants		3,804	4,524
Commonwealth Government Subsidies and Grants		1,296	1,620
Cash Contributions		141	59
Contributed Assets	11f	1,013	-
<u>TOTAL CAPITAL GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS</u>		<u>6,254</u>	<u>6,203</u>

Capital revenue includes grants and subsidies received which are tied to specific projects for the replacement or upgrade of existing non-current assets and/or investment in new assets. It also includes contributions which are usually infrastructure assets received from developers.

Physical assets contributed to Council by developers in the form of buildings and structures, road works, stormwater, water and wastewater infrastructure are recognised as revenue when the development becomes "on maintenance" (i.e. the Council obtains control of the assets and becomes liable for any ongoing maintenance) and there is sufficient data in the form of drawings and plans to determine the approximate specifications and values of such assets. Non-cash contributions with a value in excess of the recognition thresholds are recognised as non-current assets. Those below the thresholds are recorded as expenses.

Grants, subsidies and contributions that are non-reciprocal in nature are recognised as revenue in the year in which Council obtains control over them.

Where grants are received that are reciprocal in nature, revenue is recognised as the various performance obligations under the funding agreement are fulfilled. Council does not currently have any reciprocal grants.

Note 5. Capital Income

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Provision for Restoration of Land			
Remeasurement due to Discounting of Landfill	14	64	82
<u>TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME</u>		<u>64</u>	<u>82</u>

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Note 6. Employee Benefits

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Wages and Salaries		11,632	11,557
Annual, Sick and Long Service Leave Entitlements		1,552	1,521
Superannuation	19	1,227	1,231
Councillors' Remuneration		495	482
		<u>14,906</u>	<u>14,791</u>
Other Employee Related Expenses		189	184
		<u>15,095</u>	<u>14,975</u>
Less: Capitalised Employee Expenses		(2,080)	(2,078)
<u>TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</u>		<u>13,015</u>	<u>12,897</u>

Note 7. Materials and Services

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Administration		169	159
Advertising		19	24
Audit of Annual Financial Statements by the Auditor-General of Queensland		80	60
Community Facilities		756	722
Consultancy Services		754	738
Contract Services		3,779	3,772
Donations Paid		429	369
Information, Technology and Communications		354	348
Insurance		171	197
Motor Vehicle Expenses		1,622	1,500
Operations and Maintenance - Sewerage Services		328	348
Operations and Maintenance - Water Services		945	934
Other Materials and Services		944	801
Parks and Gardens		450	416
Refuse Collection and Site Maintenance		1,226	1,095
Repairs and Maintenance - Roads, Bridges and Footpaths		1,742	1,807
Rural Services		404	486
Sport and Recreation		370	349
<u>TOTAL MATERIALS AND SERVICES</u>		<u>14,542</u>	<u>14,125</u>

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Note 8. Capital Expenses

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
(a) Loss on disposal of non-current assets			
Proceeds from the Disposal of Property, Plant and Equipment		604	322
Less: Book Value of Property, Plant and Equipment Disposed	11f	(610)	(363)
Loss on disposal of non-current assets		6	41
(b) Contingent Liability			
Payment of Contingent Liability		-	200
		-	200
(c) Loss on write off of non-current assets			
Land		1	1
Buildings and Structures		780	304
Plant and Equipment		289	70
Roads		3,269	246
Water		685	312
Sewerage		422	80
Drainage		55	89
	11f	5,501	1,102
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSES		5,507	1,343

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Note 9. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Cash at Bank and on Hand		14,420	9,762
Term Deposits		1,965	3,758
<u>TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</u>		<u>16,385</u>	<u>13,520</u>

Restricted Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Council's Cash and Cash Equivalents are subject to a number of Internal and External Restrictions that limit amounts available for discretionary of future use.

These include:

Externally imposed Expenditure Restrictions at the reporting date relate to the following cash assets:

Waste Levy Refund Received in Advance	547	-
Total Unspent Restricted Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments	<u>547</u>	<u>-</u>

Cash and cash equivalents consists of 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 cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Cash at bank and on hand at 30 June 2019 includes \$547,490 received from the State government to mitigate the direct impacts on households of the State Waste Levy, which comes into effect from 1 July 2019. This money has been set aside to help fund the Council's 2019-20 Levy expense.

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a separate trust bank account and separate accounting records are maintained for funds held on behalf of outside parties. Funds held in the trust account include those funds from security deposits lodged to guarantee performance. The Council performs only a custodian role in respect of these monies and because the monies cannot be used for Council purposes, they are not considered revenue nor brought to account in the financial statements. Council holds \$444,305 in trust monies at 30 June 2019 (2018: \$468,903).

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Note 10. Receivables

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Current			
Rateable Revenue and Utility Charges		743	757
Water Charges not yet Levied		488	596
Other Debtors		4,404	2,616
GST Recoverable		49	-
Accrued Interest		124	123
<u>TOTAL CURRENT RECEIVABLES</u>		<u>5,808</u>	<u>4,092</u>

Ageing of past due receivables and the amount of any impairment is disclosed in the following table:

Receivables

Not yet due	1,166	596
Past due:		
- Less than 30 days overdue	3,802	2,674
- 31 to 60 days overdue	-	7
- 61 to 90 days overdue	17	23
- Greater than 90 days overdue	823	792
Total	<u>5,808</u>	<u>4,092</u>

Receivables are recognised at the amounts due at the time of sale or service delivery. Settlement of these amounts is required within 30 days from invoice date.

Council use the simplified approach with forward-looking assumptions and information regarding expected future conditions affecting historical customer default rates by applying a percentage based on impairment recognised over the last five years (with the exclusion of extraordinary anomalies). The collectability of receivables is assessed periodically for impairment and any impairment is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Council has no bad debts as at 30 June 2019.

Because Council is empowered under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2009 to sell an owner's property to recover outstanding rate debts, Council does not impair any rate receivables.

Interest is charged on outstanding rates at a rate of 11% per annum. No interest is charged on other debtors. There is no concentration of credit risk for rates and utility charges, fees and other debtors receivable.

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment

(a) Recognition

Each class of property, plant and equipment is stated at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment loss. Items of property, plant and equipment over the thresholds listed below are capitalised in the financial year. Asset thresholds are as follows:

Land	\$	1
Buildings and Structures	\$	25,000
Plant & Equipment	\$	10,000
Infrastructure	\$	25,000

Any items below the thresholds are treated as a capital expense in the year of acquisition.

Expenditure necessarily incurred in either maintaining the operational capacity or useful life of assets is considered maintenance and is treated as an expense as incurred, while expenditure that relates to replacement of a major component of an asset to maintain its service potential is capitalised.

(b) Measurement

Acquisitions of assets are initially recorded at cost. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including freight in, architect's fees, engineering design fees and all other establishment costs.

Direct labour, materials and an appropriate portion of overheads expenditure incurred in the purchase or construction of assets are treated as capital expenditure.

Property, plant and equipment received in the form of contributions, are recognised as assets and revenues at fair value where that value exceeds the recognition thresholds for the respective asset class.

(c) Depreciation

Assets are depreciated from the date of acquisition or, in respect of internally constructed assets, from the time an asset is completed and commissioned ready for use.

Land and road formation are not depreciated as they have an indefinite useful life. Depreciation on all other property, plant and equipment assets is calculated on a straight-line basis. Management believe that the straight-line basis appropriately reflects the pattern of consumption of all Council assets.

Where assets have separately identifiable components that are subject to regular replacement, these components are assigned useful lives distinct from the asset to which they relate. Any expenditure that increases the originally assessed capacity or service potential of an asset is capitalised and the new depreciable amount is depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to the Council.

Depreciation methods, estimated useful lives and residual values of property, plant and equipment assets are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted where necessary to reflect any changes in the pattern of consumption, physical wear and tear, technical or commercial obsolescence, or management intentions. The condition assessments performed as part of the annual valuation process for assets measured at written down current replacement cost are used to estimate the remaining useful lives of these assets at each reporting date.

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

(d) Impairment

Property, plant and equipment is assessed for indicators of impairment annually. If an indicator of possible impairment exists, the Council determines the asset's recoverable amount. Any amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount is recorded as an impairment loss.

(e) Valuation

Non-current physical assets measured at fair value are revalued, where required, so that the carrying amount of each class of asset does not materially differ from its fair value at the reporting date. This is achieved by comprehensively revaluing these assets at least once every 5 years. Desktop valuations, using suitable indicies, are performed in the intervening years. Any material variations (positive or negative) are recorded in the financial statements.

Any revaluation increment arising on the revaluation of an asset is credited to the appropriate class of the asset revaluation surplus, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrement for the class previously recognised as an expense. A decrease in the carrying amount on revaluation is charged as an expense to the extent it exceeds the balance, if any, in the revaluation surplus of that asset class.

On revaluation, accumulated depreciation is restated proportionately with the change in the carrying amount of the asset and any change in the estimate of remaining useful life.

Separately identified components of assets are measured on the same basis as the assets to which they relate.

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

11 (f) Movements

30 June 2019		Capital Work in Progress	Land	Buildings and Structures	Plant and Equipment	Roads	Drainage	Water	Sewerage	Total
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Measurement Basis	Note	Cost	Fair Value	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value	
Opening Gross Balance		4,984	6,660	68,396	16,187	342,906	17,317	66,750	49,866	573,066
Additions*		15,774	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,774
Contributed Assets	4b	-	-	41	-	388	204	110	290	1,033
Disposals	8a	-	(1)	-	(1,905)	-	-	-	-	(1,906)
Write-offs	8c	-	(1)	(867)	(427)	(4,382)	(92)	(1,557)	(544)	(7,870)
Revaluation adjustment to other comprehensive income (asset revaluation surplus)	16	-	120	-	-	-	4,053	-	-	4,173
Work in Progress Transfers		(15,575)	49	1,495	2,311	8,450	83	1,837	1,350	-
Capital expenditure written off to expense		(13)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(13)
Internal transfers between asset classes		-	580	(771)	-	-	-	98	-	(93)
Total Gross Value of Property, Plant and Equipment		5,170	7,408	68,295	16,165	347,362	21,565	67,237	50,962	584,164
Opening Accumulated Depreciation		-	-	31,822	7,168	47,881	5,551	25,665	22,404	140,491
Contributed Assets	4b	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	20
Depreciation Expense		-	-	1,153	1,180	5,028	180	1,158	703	9,402
Disposals	8a	-	-	-	(1,296)	-	-	-	-	(1,296)
Write-offs	8c	-	-	(87)	(138)	(1,113)	(37)	(872)	(122)	(2,369)
Revaluation adjustment to asset revaluation surplus	16	-	-	-	-	-	1,521	-	-	1,521
Internal transfers between asset classes		-	-	(96)	-	-	-	3	-	(93)
Total Accumulated Depreciation of Property, Plant and Equipment		-	-	32,792	6,915	51,798	7,234	25,953	22,983	147,675
Total written down value as at 30 June 2019		5,170	7,408	35,503	9,250	295,564	14,331	41,284	27,979	436,489
Other Information										
Residual Value		-	-	-	5,225	-	-	-	-	5,225
*Asset Additions Comprise										
Asset Renewals		-	-	780	2,467	4,934	95	1,566	1,100	10,942
Other Additions		-	50	1,128	26	2,481	-	391	756	4,832
Total Asset Additions		-	50	1,908	2,493	7,415	95	1,957	1,856	15,774

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

11 (f) Movements (continued)

30 June 2018		Capital Work in Progress	Land	Buildings and Structures	Plant and Equipment	Roads	Drainage	Water	Sewerage	Total
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Measurement Basis	Note	Cost	Fair Value	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value	Fair Value	
Opening Gross Balance		5,333	6,657	66,214	15,959	364,608	17,151	65,901	50,021	591,844
Additions*		12,384	3	-	1,638	-	-	-	-	14,025
Disposals	8a	-	-	-	(1,035)	-	-	-	-	(1,035)
Write-offs	8c	-	(1)	(633)	(375)	(1,549)	(127)	(773)	(301)	(3,759)
Revaluation adjustment to other comprehensive income (asset revaluation surplus)	16	-	-	-	-	(28,009)	-	-	-	(28,009)
Work in Progress Transfers		(12,732)	-	2,815	-	8,004	145	1,622	146	-
Internal transfers between asset classes		-	-	-	-	(148)	148	-	-	-
Total Gross Value of Property, Plant and Equipment		4,984	6,660	68,396	16,187	342,906	17,317	66,750	49,866	573,066
Opening Accumulated Depreciation		-	-	30,989	6,927	100,548	5,377	24,997	21,918	190,756
Depreciation Expense		-	-	1,162	1,218	4,833	167	1,128	706	9,214
Disposals	8a	-	-	-	(672)	-	-	-	-	(672)
Write-offs	8c	-	-	(329)	(305)	(1,303)	(38)	(461)	(221)	(2,657)
Revaluation Increments to Equity	16	-	-	-	-	(56,152)	-	-	-	(56,152)
Internal transfers between asset classes		-	-	-	-	(45)	45	-	-	-
Total Accumulated Depreciation of Property, Plant and Equipment		-	-	31,821	7,169	47,883	5,551	25,665	22,402	140,491
Total written down value as at 30 June 2018		4,984	6,660	36,575	9,018	295,023	11,766	41,085	27,464	432,575
Other Information										
Residual Value		-	-	-	4,694	-	-	-	-	4,694
*Asset Additions Comprise										
Asset Renewals		-	-	1,580	1,321	6,099	148	1,868	357	11,373
Other Additions		-	3	521	276	1,852	-	-	-	2,652
Total Asset Additions		-	3	2,101	1,597	7,951	148	1,868	357	14,025

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

(g) Fair Value measurement

The methods used to estimate fair values comprise:

- Level 1 – the fair value is calculated using quoted prices in active markets.
- Level 2 – the fair value is estimated using inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices).
- Level 3 – the fair value is estimated using inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

The following tables show assets as at 30 June as either level 2 or level 3 in accordance with AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement*.

	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2019			
Recurring fair value measurements			
Land	3,287	4,121	7,408
Buildings & Structures	6,727	28,776	35,503
Infrastructure			
- Roads	-	295,564	295,564
- Drainage	-	14,331	14,331
- Water	-	41,284	41,284
- Sewerage	-	27,979	27,979
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	10,014	412,055	422,069
2018			
Recurring fair value measurements			
Land	3,238	3,422	6,660
Buildings & Structures	7,169	29,406	36,575
Infrastructure			
- Roads	-	295,023	295,023
- Drainage	-	11,766	11,766
- Water	-	41,085	41,085
- Sewerage	-	27,464	27,464
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	10,407	408,166	418,573

Land

Fair value of land is measured at current market value, which is derived by reference to market based evidence including observable historical sales data for properties of similar nature and specification in the same localities. Where there is a lack of appropriate comparable sales evidence, the valuation is based on the closest comparable sales in terms of the characteristics of the parcel and sales evidence.

Independent revaluations are undertaken on a rolling five year basis. An informal valuation of Land assets were undertaken by independent valuers, Macintyre Valuation Services effective 28 February 2019. The change in land valuation was immaterial and was not recognised in the financial statements.

Council's fair value measurement has been either a level 2 or 3, depending on the assumptions as to whether the land is subject to restriction as to use and/or sale, and whether there is an active market.

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

(g) Fair Value measurement (continued)

Buildings & Structures

Council buildings and structures are typically of a specialised nature such that there is no active market for these assets. Fair value for these assets has been determined on the basis of replacement with a new asset having similar service potential. As there is no depth of market for specialised buildings and structures, fair value has been derived using a cost approach; current replacement cost less accumulated depreciation adjusted to reflect the consumed or expired service potential of the building and structures assets. Current replacement cost is derived from reference to market data for recent projects and costing guides issued by the Rawlinson's (Australian Construction Handbook). Depreciation is calculated at the individual component level on a straight line basis.

Independent revaluations are undertaken on a rolling five year basis. An informal valuation of Building & Structure assets were undertaken by independent valuers, Macintyre Valuation Services effective 28 February 2019. The change in building and structures valuation was immaterial and was not recognised in the financial statements.

Infrastructure assets

All Council infrastructure assets were fair valued using written down current replacement cost. This valuation comprises the asset's current replacement cost (CRC) less accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset. Council first determined the gross cost of replacing the full service potential of the asset and then adjusted this amount to take account of the expired service potential of the asset.

CRC was measured by reference to the lowest cost at which the gross future economic benefits of the asset could currently be obtained in the normal course of business. Where existing assets were over designed, had excess capacity, or were redundant an adjustment was made so that the resulting valuation reflected the cost of replacing the existing economic benefits based on an efficient set of modern equivalent assets to achieve the required level of service output within the Council's planning horizon.

Roads

An informal valuation of roads infrastructure network was undertaken by independent valuers, Shepherd Services Pty Ltd, Registered Valuers, effective 31 March 2019. The review was completed utilising the Australian Bureau of Statistics indexes, ABS Catalogues, 6427.0 Producer Price Indexes, Australia. Table 17. Index Number 30, "Building Construction Queensland".

Council categorises its road infrastructure into urban and rural roads and the further sub-categorises these into sealed and unsealed roads. Urban roads are segmented generally from intersection to intersection. Rural roads are segmented to about 5 kilometre length sometimes longer where there is no logical cut off point. In some cases where they are shorter, there is a change in ages or dimensions with/or other attributes. Sometimes shorter if there is a significant change in construction ages or dimensions and sometimes longer where intersections are close together. All road segments are then componentised into formation, pavement and seal (where applicable). Council assumes that environmental factors such as soil type, climate and topography are consistent across each segment. Council also assumes a segment is designed and constructed to the same standard and uses a consistent amount of labour and materials.

The results of the road informal valuation proved to be immaterial and were not booked into Council's Asset Management System.

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Note 11. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

(g) Fair Value measurement (continued)

Drainage

A comprehensive revaluation of drainage assets was undertaken by independent valuers, Shepherd Services Pty Ltd, Registered Valuers, effective 31 March 2019.

Drainage assets are located underground and physical inspection is not possible. The age, size and type of construction material, together with current and planned maintenance practices are used to determine useful life and estimated remaining life. Adopted Unit Rates have been developed by reviewing past construction work costs. For those assets with no recent work cost available, rates were determined from first principles or obtained from surrounding regional councils. Allowances have been made for the difference in construction standards.

Concrete stormwater drainage pipe valuations have been increased due to increased supply of costs of concrete pipe and inclusion of trench benching. Trench benching requirements are in line with current safe work practices and increase unit rates as the excavation volumes expand and production rates decline as pipe depth and size increases.

Water and Sewerage

An informal valuation of water and sewerage was undertaken by independent valuers, Shepherd Services Pty Ltd, Registered Valuers, effective 31 March 2019 using indices. The review was completed utilising the Australian Bureau of Statistics indexes, ABS Catalogues, 6427.0 Producer Price Indexes, Australia. Table 17. Index Number 30, "Building Construction Queensland". CRC was calculated based on expected replacement costs. In all cases the assets were disaggregated to component level to ensure a reliable measure of cost and service capacity and deterioration of estimated remaining life.

The results of the Water and Sewerage informal valuation proved to be immaterial and were not booked into Council's Asset Management system.

(h) Useful lives

The classes and useful lives of property, plant and equipment recognised by the Council are:

Category	Years
Land	Indefinite
Buildings & Structures	3 - 200
Plant & Equipment	2 - 42
Infrastructure	
- Roads	10 - 200
- Drainage	25 - 100
- Water	5 - 200
- Sewerage	10 - 250
Works in progress	Not Depreciated

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Note 12. Payables

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Current			
Creditors and Accruals		3,492	2,464
Annual Leave		1,131	1,117
Sick Leave		407	368
Other Entitlements		231	220
<u>TOTAL CURRENT PAYABLES</u>		<u>5,261</u>	<u>4,169</u>

Creditors are recognised upon receipt of the goods or services ordered and are measured at the amount owed. Amounts owing are unsecured and are generally settled on 30 day terms.

Liabilities are recognised for employee benefits such as wages and salaries and annual leave in respect of services provided by the employees up to the reporting date.

Employee benefits include annual leave, sick leave and leave in lieu are calculated on current wage and salary levels and includes related employee on-costs.

Council has an obligation to pay sick leave on termination to certain employees and therefore a liability has been recognised for this obligation.

As Council does not have an unconditional right to defer annual and sick liability beyond 12 months, leave is classified as a current liability.

Note 13. Borrowings

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Current			
Loans - Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC)		-	79
<u>TOTAL CURRENT BORROWINGS</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>79</u>
Non-current			
Loans - Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC)		-	1,709
<u>TOTAL NON-CURRENT BORROWINGS</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>1,709</u>

As at 30 October 2018, Council fully extinguished it's QTC loan of \$1,871,662.

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Note 14. Provisions

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Current			
Long Service Leave		2,052	2,080
Refuse Restoration		75	-
TOTAL CURRENT PROVISIONS		2,127	2,080
Non-current			
Long Service Leave		187	151
Refuse Restoration		2,479	2,260
TOTAL NON-CURRENT PROVISIONS		2,666	2,411

Details of movements in Provisions:

Class of Provision	Opening Balance as at 01/07/2018 \$'000	Additional Provision \$'000	Decrease due to Payments \$'000	Remeasur- ment due to change in discount rate \$'000	Remeasur- ment due to discounting of landfill \$'000	Unused Amounts Reversed \$'000	Closing Balance as at 30/06/2019 \$'000
Long Service Leave	2,231	254	(240)	-	-	(6)	2,239
Refuse Restoration	2,260	(215)	-	573	(64)	-	2,554
TOTAL	4,491	39	(240)	573	(64)	(6)	4,793

Long Service Leave

A liability for long service leave is measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. The value of the liability is calculated using current pay rates and projected future increases in those rates and includes related employee on-costs. The estimates are adjusted for the probability of the employee remaining in the Council's employment or other associated employment which would result in the Council being required to meet the liability. Adjustments are then made to allow for the proportion of the benefit earned to date, and the result is discounted to present value. The interest rates attaching to Commonwealth Government guaranteed securities at the reporting date are used to discount the estimated future cash outflows to their present value.

Where employees have met the prerequisite length of service and Council does not have an unconditional right to defer this liability beyond 12 months long service leave is classified as a current liability. Otherwise it is classified as non-current.

Refuse restoration

Obligations for future remediation work are determined annually, with the nature and extent of work required dependent on condition assessments of the land and any proposed use of that land. Where Council has a present obligation, it is probable that the work will be undertaken and a reliable estimate of the amount can be made, it is recognised as a provision.

Council is expected to close the landfill sites at Yelarbon, Talwood, Toobeah and Bungunya during the 2019-20 financial year.

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Note 15. Other Liabilities

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Current			
Waste Levy Refund Received in Advance		547	-
<u>TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES</u>		<u>547</u>	<u>-</u>

The State government made an advance payment to Council in June 2019 to mitigate the impacts on households for 2019-20 of the State Waste Levy, which takes effect from 1 July 2019. The Council will be liable to the State for payment of the Levy on most forms of commercial and household waste delivered to its disposal sites from 1 July 2019. The State is required to make an annual payment to the Council that essentially refunds the Council for the portion of the Levy that relates to households. Council will fund the portion of the Levy that relates to commercial waste through charges to commercial users of disposal sites from 1 July 2019. As the receipt from the State in June 2019 is for a refund of Council's 2019-20 Levy expense, the full amount has been recognised as a liability at 30 June 2019.

Note 16. Asset Revaluation Surplus

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Movements in the asset revaluation surplus:			
Balance at beginning of financial year		160,740	132,947
Net adjustment to non-current assets at end of period to reflect a change in current fair value:			
Land	11f	120	-
Buildings and Structures		-	(350)
Roads		-	28,143
Drainage	11f	2,532	-
		<u>2,652</u>	<u>27,793</u>
Balance at end of financial year		<u>163,392</u>	<u>160,740</u>

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Note 16. Asset Revaluation Surplus (continued)

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Asset revaluation surplus analysis			
The closing balance of the Asset Revaluation Surplus comprises the following asset categories:			
Land		173	53
Buildings and Structures		768	768
Roads		127,205	127,205
Drainage		4,084	1,552
Water		20,958	20,958
Sewerage		10,204	10,204
Balance at end of financial year		<u><u>163,392</u></u>	<u><u>160,740</u></u>

The asset revaluation surplus comprises adjustments relating to changes in value of property, plant and equipment that do not result from the use of those assets. Net incremental changes in the carrying value of classes of non-current assets since their initial recognition are accumulated in the asset revaluation surplus.

Increases and decreases on revaluation are offset within a class of assets.

When an asset is disposed of, the amount reported in the asset revaluation surplus in respect of that asset is retained in the asset revaluation surplus and not transferred to retained surplus.

Note 17. Commitments for Expenditure

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Contractual commitments			
Contractual commitments for capital expenditure at end of financial year but not recognised in the financial statements are as follows:			
Infrastructure		1,017	930
Non-Infrastructure		2,310	965
		<u><u>3,327</u></u>	<u><u>1,895</u></u>

These commitments are expected to be realised in the next financial year.

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Note 18. Contingent Liabilities

Details and estimates of maximum amounts of contingent liabilities are as follows:

Local Government Mutual

The Council is a member of the local government mutual liability self-insurance pool, LGM Queensland. In the event of the pool being wound up or it is unable to meet its debts as they fall due, the trust deed and rules provide that any accumulated deficit will be met by the individual pool members in the same proportion as their contribution is to the total pool contributions in respect to any year that a deficit arises.

As at 30 June 2019 the financial statements reported an accumulated surplus and it is not anticipated any liability will arise.

Local Government Workcare

The Council is a member of the Queensland local government worker's compensation self-insurance scheme, Local Government Workcare. Under this scheme the Council has provided an indemnity towards a bank guarantee to cover bad debts which may remain should the self insurance licence be cancelled and there was insufficient funds available to cover outstanding liabilities. Only the Queensland Government's workers compensation authority may call on any part of the guarantee should the above circumstances arise. The Council's maximum exposure to the bank guarantee is \$306,712.

Note 19. Superannuation

Council contributes to the LGIASuper Regional Defined Benefits Fund (the scheme), at the rate of 12% for each permanent employee who is a defined benefit member. This rate is set in accordance with the LGIASuper trust deed and may be varied on the advice of an actuary. The Regional Defined Benefits Fund is a complying superannuation scheme for the purpose of the Commonwealth Superannuation Industry (Supervision) legislation and is also governed by the *Local Government Act 2009*.

The scheme is a defined benefit plan, however Council is not able to account for it as a defined benefit plan in accordance with AASB119 because LGIASuper is unable to account for its proportionate share of the defined benefit obligation, plan assets and costs.

Any amount by which the scheme is over or under funded may affect future benefits and result in a change to the contribution rate, but has not been recognised as an asset or liability of the Council.

Technically Goondiwindi Regional Council can be liable to the scheme for a portion of another local governments obligations should that local government be unable to meet them. However the risk of this occurring is extremely low and in accordance with the LGIASuper trust deed changes to Council's obligations will only be made on the advice of an actuary.

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Note 19. Superannuation (continued)

The last completed actuarial assessment of the scheme was undertaken as at 1 July 2018. The actuary indicated that "At the valuation date of 1 July 2018, the net assets of the scheme exceeded the vested benefits and the scheme was in a satisfactory financial position as at the valuation date." The Council is not aware of anything that has happened since that time that indicates the assets of the scheme are not sufficient to meet the vested benefits, as at the reporting date.

No changes have been made to prescribed employer contributions which remain at 12% of employee assets and there are no known requirements to change the rate of contributions.

The next triennial actuarial review is not due until 1 July 2021.

The most significant risks that may result in LGIASuper increasing the contribution rate, on the advice of the actuary, are:

Investment risk - The risk that the scheme's investment returns will be lower than assumed and additional contributions are needed to fund the shortfall.

Salary growth risk - The risk that wages or salaries will rise more rapidly than assumed, increasing vested benefits to be funded.

There are currently 62 entities contributing to the scheme and any changes in contribution rates would apply equally to all 62 entities. Goondiwindi Regional Council made less than 4% of the total contributions to the plan in the 2018-19 financial year.

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Superannuation contributions made to the Regional Defined Benefits Fund		145	156
Other superannuation contributions for employees		1,082	1,075
Total superannuation contributions paid by Council for employees	6	<u>1,227</u>	<u>1,231</u>
			2020 \$'000
Contributions Council expects to make to the Regional Defined Benefits Fund for 2019-20			<u>136</u>

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Note 20. Reconciliation of Net Result for the year to Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities

Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Net operating result from Income Statement	2,705	5,307
Adjust for non-cash items		
Depreciation and Amortisation	9,402	9,214
Remeasurement due to Discounting of Landfill	(64)	(82)
Discount Rate Adjustment - Refuse Restoration	358	101
	<u>9,696</u>	<u>9,233</u>
Investing and development activities		
Net Losses/(Gains) on Disposal of Assets	6	41
Net Loss on Write-Offs of Non-Current Assets	5,501	1,102
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	(6,254)	(6,203)
Capital Expenditure written off to expense	13	-
	<u>(734)</u>	<u>(5,060)</u>
	<u>8,962</u>	<u>4,173</u>
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	(1,716)	(845)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(15)	(1)
Increase/(Decrease) in Payables	1,092	132
Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities	547	-
Increase/(Decrease) in Employee Leave Entitlements	8	17
	<u>(84)</u>	<u>(697)</u>
Net cash provided from/(used in) Operating Activities from the Statement of Cash Flows	<u>11,583</u>	<u>8,783</u>

Note 21. Financial Instruments

Council has exposure to the following risks arising from financial instruments; **(i)** credit risk, **(ii)** liquidity risk, and **(iii)** market risk.

Financial Risk Management

Council is responsible for the establishment and oversight of the risk management framework, together with developing and monitoring risk management policies.

Council's management approves policies for overall risk management, as well as specifically for managing credit, liquidity and market risk.

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Note 21. Financial Instruments (continued)

The Council's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced, to set appropriate limits and controls and to monitor these risks and adherence against limits. The Council aims to manage volatility to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the Council.

Council does not enter into derivatives.

Credit Risk Exposure

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss if a counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. These obligations arise principally from the Council's investments and receivables from customers.

Exposure to credit risk is managed through regular analysis of credit counterparty ability to meet payment obligations. The carrying amount of financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure.

Investments in financial instruments are required to be made with Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) or similar State/Commonwealth bodies or financial institutions in Australia, in line with the requirements of the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982*.

No collateral is held as security relating to the financial assets held by the Council.

	Notes	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
The following table represents the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the carrying amounts of financial assets at the end of the reporting period:			
Financial Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	9	16,385	13,520
Investments		19,000	22,000
Receivables - Rates	10	743	757
Receivables - Other	10	5,065	3,335
		<u>41,193</u>	<u>39,612</u>
Other Credit Exposures			
Guarantee	18	307	291
		<u>307</u>	<u>291</u>
Total		<u><u>41,500</u></u>	<u><u>39,903</u></u>

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Council may be exposed to credit risk through its investments in the QTC Cash Fund and QTC Working Capital Facility. The QTC Cash Fund is an asset management portfolio that invests with a wide range of high credit rated counterparties. Deposits with the QTC Cash Fund are capital guaranteed. Working Capital Facility deposits have a duration of one day and all investments are required to have a minimum credit rating of "BBB-", therefore the likelihood of the counterparty having capacity to meet its financial commitments is strong.

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Note 21. Financial Instruments (continued)

Investments

Investments are held with financial institutions, which are rated BBB- to AA- based on rating agency Standard and Poors ratings, and whilst not capital guaranteed, the likelihood of a credit failure is assessed as remote.

Receivables

In the case of rate receivables, the Council has the power to sell the property to recover any defaulted amounts. In effect this power protects the Council against credit risk in the case of defaults.

In other cases, the Council assesses the credit risk before providing goods or services and applies normal business credit protection procedures to minimise the risk.

By the nature of the Council's operations, there is a geographical concentration of risk in the Council's area. Because the area is largely agricultural, there is a concentration in this sector.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk refers to the situation where the Council may encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Council is exposed to liquidity risk through its trading in the normal course of business.

The Council's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when they are due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Council's reputation.

Council manages its exposure to liquidity risk by maintaining sufficient cash deposits and undrawn facilities, both short and long term, to cater for unexpected volatility in cash flows. These facilities are disclosed in Note 9.

The following table sets out the liquidity risk in relation to financial liabilities held by the Council. It represents the remaining contractual cashflows (principal and interest) of financial liabilities at the end of the reporting period, excluding the impact of netting agreements:

	0 to 1 year \$'000	1 to 5 years \$'000	Over 5 years \$'000	Total Contractual Cash Flows \$'000	Carrying Amount \$'000
2019					
Payables	3,492	-	-	3,492	3,492
	<u>3,492</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,492</u>	<u>3,492</u>
2018					
Payables	2,464	-	-	2,464	2,464
Loans - QTC	147	589	1,730	2,466	1,788
	<u>2,611</u>	<u>589</u>	<u>1,730</u>	<u>4,930</u>	<u>4,252</u>

The outflows in the above table are not expected to occur significantly earlier and are not expected to be for significantly different amounts than indicated in the table.

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Note 21. Financial Instruments (continued)

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, will affect the Council's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments.

Interest Rate Risk

The Council is exposed to interest rate risk through investments with QTC and other financial institutions.

The Council has access to a mix of variable and fixed rate funding options through QTC so that interest rate risk exposure can be minimised.

Sensitivity to interest rate movements is shown for variable financial assets and liabilities based on the carrying amount at reporting date.

The Council does not account for any fixed-rate financial assets or financial liabilities at Fair Value through Profit or Loss, therefore a change in interest rates at the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

The following interest rate sensitivity analysis depicts what effect a reasonably possible change in interest rates (assumed to be 1%) would have on the profit and equity, based on the carrying values at the end of the reporting period. The calculation assumes that the change in interest rates would be held constant over the period.

	Net Carrying	Net Result		Equity	
	Amount \$'000	1% increase \$'000	1% decrease \$'000	1% increase \$'000	1% decrease \$'000
2019					
QTC Cash Fund	1,965	20	(20)	20	(20)
Other Investments	33,420	334	(334)	334	(334)
Net	35,385	354	(354)	354	(354)
2018					
QTC Cash Fund	3,758	38	(38)	38	(38)
Other Investments	31,762	318	(318)	318	(318)
Loans - QTC	(1,788)	(18)	18	(18)	18
Net	33,732	337	(337)	337	(337)

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Note 22. Transactions with Related Parties

(a) Other Related Parties

Transactions with Other Related Parties

Other related parties include the close family members of key management personnel (KMP) and any entities controlled or jointly controlled by KMP or their close family members. Close family members include a spouse, child and dependent of a KMP or their spouse.

	Amount of transactions during year	Outstanding Balance (incl. Commitments)
Notes	\$'000	\$'000
2019		
Purchase of materials and services from KMP controlled entities	47	4
Purchase of materials and services from other related party controlled entities	120	-
	<u>167</u>	<u>4</u>

Transactions that are individually significant, either because of their amount or nature, are included in the aggregate disclosure contained in this table and are also disclosed separately below.

(i) Significant Items

There were no significant items in 2018-19.

All purchases were at arm's length and on normal terms and conditions in the normal course of Council operations.

	Amount of transactions during year	Outstanding Balance (incl. Commitments)
Notes	\$'000	\$'000
2018		
Purchase of materials and services from KMP controlled entities	9	-
Purchase of materials and services from other related party controlled entities	210	7
	<u>219</u>	<u>7</u>

Transactions that are individually significant, either because of their amount or nature, are included in the aggregate disclosure contained in this table and are also disclosed separately below.

As part of the tender process for the provision of trade services Council entered into contracts with Laser Plumbing Goondiwindi, a company controlled by another related party.

The contracts were awarded in accordance with Council's normal purchasing policies, procedures and Local Government legislative requirements.

All purchases were at arm's length and on normal terms and conditions in the normal course of Council operations.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2019

Note 22. Transactions with Related Parties (continued)

(b) Key Management Personnel

Transactions with Key Management Personnel

Key Management Personnel include the Mayor, Councillors, Council's Chief Executive Officer and Executive Management.

The compensation paid to KMP comprises:

	2019	2018
	\$000	\$000
Short-Term Employee Benefits	1,078	1,015
Post-Employment Benefits	116	113
Long-Term Benefits	52	9
Total	<u>1,246</u>	<u>1,137</u>

(c) Transactions with Related Parties that have not been disclosed

Most of the entities and people that are related parties of council live and operate within the Goondiwindi Regional Council. Therefore, on a regular basis ordinary citizen transactions occur between Council and its related parties. Some examples include:

- Payment of rates and utility charges
- Fees and charges included in Council's Cost Recovery Fees & Commercial Charges

Council has not included these types of transactions in its disclosure, where they are made on the same terms and conditions available to the general public.

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Goondiwindi Regional Council

Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2019

Management Certificate

for the year ended 30 June 2019

These General Purpose Financial Statements have been prepared pursuant to sections 176 and 177 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the Regulation) and other prescribed requirements.

In accordance with Section 212(5) of the Regulation, we certify that:

- (i) the prescribed requirements of the *Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012* for the establishment and keeping of accounts have been complied with in all material respects; and
- (ii) the General Purpose Financial Statements, as set out on pages 2 to 34, present a true and fair view, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, of the Council's transactions for the financial year and financial position at the end of the year.



Cr Graeme Scheu

MAYOR

Date: 27 August 2019



Carl Manton

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 27 August 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Councillors of Goondiwindi Regional Council

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the financial report of Goondiwindi Regional Council.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- a) gives a true and fair view of the council's financial position as at 30 June 2019, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended
- b) complies with the *Local Government Act 2009*, the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements including significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certificate given by the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer.

Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General of Queensland Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report* section of my report.

I am independent of the council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General of Queensland Auditing Standards*.

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

Other information

Other information comprises the information included in Goondiwindi Regional Council annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019, but does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon. At the date of this auditor's report, the other information was the current year financial sustainability statement and long-term financial sustainability statement.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. However, as required by the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, I have expressed a separate opinion on the current year financial sustainability statement.

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

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the council for the financial report

The council is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009*, the Local Government Regulation 2012 and Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as the council determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

The council is also responsible for assessing the council's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is intended to abolish the council or to otherwise cease operations.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

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

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

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

However, future events or conditions may cause the council to cease to continue as a going concern.

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

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

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

In accordance with s.40 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, for the year ended 30 June 2019:

- a) I received all the information and explanations I required.
- b) In my opinion, the prescribed requirements in relation to the establishment and keeping of accounts were complied with in all material respects.



Sri Narasimhan
as delegate of the Auditor-General

30 August 2019
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

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Goondiwindi Regional Council

Current Year Financial Sustainability Statement

for the year ended 30 June 2019

	Actual 2019	Target 2019
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Measures of Financial Sustainability

Council's performance at 30 June 2019 against key financial ratios and targets.

Performance Indicators

1. Operating Surplus Ratio

Net Result (excluding capital items)	4.81%	0 - 10%
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)		

An indicator of which the extent to which revenues raised cover operational expenses only or are available for capital funding purposes or other purposes.

2. Asset Sustainability Ratio

Capital Expenditure on the Replacement of Assets (renewals)	103.08%	more than 90%
Depreciation Expense		

An approximation of the extent to which the infrastructure assets managed are being replaced as these reach the end of their useful lives.

3. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

Total Liabilities less Current Assets	-78.12%	less than 60%
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)		

An indicator of the extent to which the net financial liabilities can be serviced by its operating revenue.

Note 1 - Basis of Preparation

The current year financial sustainability statement is a special purpose statement prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and the *Financial Management (Sustainability) Guideline 2013*. The amounts used to calculate the three reported measures are prepared on an accrual basis and are drawn from the Council's audited general purpose financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2019.

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Goondiwindi Regional Council

Current Year Financial Sustainability Statement for the year ended 30 June 2019

Certificate of Accuracy for the year ended 30 June 2019

This current-year financial sustainability statement has been prepared pursuant to Section 178 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the Regulation).

In accordance with Section 212(5) of the Regulation we certify that this Current-Year Financial Sustainability Statement has been accurately calculated.



Cr Graeme Scheu

MAYOR

Date: 27 August 2019



Carl Manton

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 27 August 2019

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Councillors of Goondiwindi Regional Council

Report on the Current-Year Financial Sustainability Statement

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying current year financial sustainability statement of Goondiwindi Regional Council the year ended 30 June 2019, comprising the statement, explanatory notes, and the certificate of accuracy given by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer.

In accordance with section 212 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, in my opinion, in all material respects, the current year financial sustainability statement of Goondiwindi Regional Council for the year ended 30 June 2019 has been accurately calculated.

Basis of opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the *Auditor-General of Queensland Auditing Standards*, which incorporate the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the current year financial sustainability statement* section of my report.

I am independent of the council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the statement in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General of Queensland Auditing Standards*.

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

Emphasis of matter – basis of accounting

I draw attention to Note 1 which describes the basis of accounting. The current year financial sustainability statement has been prepared in accordance with the Financial Management (Sustainability) Guideline 2013 for the purpose of fulfilling the council's reporting responsibilities under the Local Government Regulation 2012. As a result, the statement may not be suitable for another purpose. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other Information

Other information comprises the information included in Goondiwindi Regional Council's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019, but does not include the current year financial sustainability statement and my auditor's report thereon. At the date of this auditor's report, the other information was the general purpose financial statements and long-term financial sustainability statement.

My opinion on the current year financial sustainability statement does not cover the other information and accordingly i do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. However, as required by the Local Government Regulation 2012, I have expressed a separate opinion on the general purpose financial report.

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

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the council for the current year financial sustainability statement

The council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the current year financial sustainability statement in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012. The council's responsibility also includes such internal control as the council determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the statement that is accurately calculated and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the current year financial sustainability statement

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

My responsibility does not extend to forming an opinion on the appropriateness or relevance of the reported ratios, nor on the council's future sustainability.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the statement, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the council's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the council.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the statement, including the disclosures, and whether the statement represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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



Sri Narasimhan
as delegate of the Auditor-General

30 August 2019
Queensland Audit Office
Brisbane

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Goondiwindi Regional Council

Long-Term Financial Sustainability Statement

prepared as at 30 June 2019

	Target 2019	Actual 2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Forecast					
							2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029

Measures of Financial Sustainability

Council's performance at 30 June 2019 against key financial ratios and targets.

Performance Indicators

1. Operating Surplus Ratio

Net Result (excluding capital items)	0 - 10%	4.81%	-0.89%	0.28%	0.35%	0.88%	0.81%	0.58%	0.27%	0.32%	0.20%	0.43%
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)												

An indicator of the extent to which revenues raised cover operational expenses only or are available for capital funding purposes or other purposes.

2. Asset Sustainability Ratio

Capital Expenditure on the Replacement of Assets (renewals)	> 90%	103.08%	131.13%	88.86%	101.59%	94.39%	96.97%	102.04%	92.95%	95.39%	94.26%	93.10%
Depreciation Expense												

An approximation of the extent to which the infrastructure assets managed are being replaced as these reach the end of their useful lives.

3. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

Total Liabilities less Current Assets	< 60%	-78.12%	-80.51%	-82.65%	-82.43%	-83.19%	-84.79%	-81.05%	-81.86%	-82.39%	-83.84%	-85.84%
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)												

An indicator of the extent to which the net financial liabilities can be serviced by its operating revenue.

Goondiwindi Regional Council

Long-Term Financial Sustainability Statement

prepared as at 30 June 2019

Goondiwindi Regional Council Financial Management Strategy

Council measures revenue and expenditure trends over time as a guide to future requirements and to make decisions about the efficient allocation of resources to ensure the most effective provision of services. Council ensures that its financial management strategy is prudent and that its long-term financial forecast shows a sound financial position whilst also being able to meet the community's current and future needs.

Council aims to operate within a set of conservative guide-posts to ensure we are financially sustainable in the short, medium and long term. As part of our financial strategy, we have adopted seven key financial performance indicators to guide our financial health. In addition to the financial indicators, we have the above three sustainability indicators that have been set by the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs to help monitor the long-term sustainability of all councils across Queensland. Throughout the financial year, these indicators are calculated and reported on monthly at Council meetings, as part of a full suite of financial reports. Should there be any deviation outside these parameters, the executive management and Council will be fully informed and may take corrective action as required.

The table above summarises how we performed against set targets for the three key financial performance indicators established in our financial strategy. In summary, Council achieved all of the financial targets and met all financial commitments in the financial year, whilst keeping debt to a conservative and manageable level. This was achieved while maintaining community services and making ongoing investment in community infrastructure.

Goondiwindi Regional Council

Long-Term Financial Sustainability Statement

Unaudited Certificate of Accuracy

for the long-term financial sustainability statement prepared as at 30 June 2019

This long-term financial sustainability statement has been prepared pursuant to Section 178 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the Regulation).

In accordance with Section 212(5) of the Regulation we certify that this long-term financial sustainability statement has been accurately calculated.



Cr Graeme Scheu

MAYOR

Date: 27 August 2019



Carl Manton

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 27 August 2019

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