

# MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HINDMARSH SHIRE COUNCIL HELD 4 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 92 NELSON STREET NHILL COMMENCING AT 3:00PM.

# AGENDA

1.	Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community and Opening Prayer
2.	Apologies
3.	Confirmation of Minutes
4.	Declaration of Interests
5.	Public Question Time
6.	Deputations
7.	Activity Reports
8.	Correspondence
9.	Assembly of Councillors
9.1	Record of Assembly
10.	Planning Permit Reports

10.1 Application for Amendment to Planning Permit 869-2003 – Use and Develop Land (Including Works) For Continued Mineral Extraction (Gypsum), Lot 1 TP217813,

Warraquil Rd Netherby

# 11. Reports Requiring a Decision

- 11.1 Murray Darling Association Membership
- 11.2 Re-Allocation of Funds from The 2018/2019 Capital Works Program to Increase the Scope of Albert Street Footpath Project
- 11.3 Review of Election Period Policy

# 12. Special Committees

- 12.1 Hindmarsh Shire Council Audit Committee
- 12.2 Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee
- 12.3 Yurunga Homestead Committee
- 12.4 Rainbow Town Committee
- 12.5 Dimboola Town Committee
- 12.6 Jeparit Town Committee
- 12.7 Antwerp Hall Committee
- 12.8 Nhill Town Committee

# 13. Late Reports

No report

#### 14. Other Business

# **15.** Confidential Matters

#### No report

# 16. Meeting Close

# Present:

Crs R Ismay (Mayor), R Lowe (Deputy Mayor), D Nelson, D Colbert, R Gersch

# Apologies:

Cr T Schneider

# In Attendance:

Mr Greg Wood (Chief Executive Officer), Ms Monica Revell (Director Corporate and Community Services), Ms Angela Hoy (Director Infrastructure Services), Ms Sarah Dickinson (Executive Assistant)

# 1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY AND OPENING PRAYER

Cr R Ismay opened the meeting at 3:01pm by acknowledging the Indigenous Community and offering the opening prayer.

# 2. APOLOGIES

Cr T Schneider

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Cr T Schneider apology be accepted.

MOVED: Crs D Colbert/D Nelson

Cr T Schneider apology be accepted.

CARRIED

# 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 7 August 2019 at the Council Chambers, 92 Nelson Street Nhill as circulated to Councillors be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Crs R Gersch/R Lowe

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### CARRIED

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# 4. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OR OFFICERS OF ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST IN ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA.

Direct; or

Indirect interest

- a) by close association;
- b) that is an indirect financial interest;
- c) because of conflicting duties;
- d) because of receipt of an applicable gift;
- e) as a consequence of becoming an interested party; or
- f) because of an impact on residential amenity.

Declaration of direct or indirect interest must also be advised by Councillors at the commencement of discussion of the specific item.

None declared.

# 5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No public in attendance.

# 6. **DEPUTATIONS**

No deputations.

# 7. ACTIVITY REPORTS

# COUNCILLOR ACTIVITIES: JULY 2019

# Cr ISMAY, MAYOR

Attended:	
01/07/2019	Off Road Race meeting Rainbow
04/07/2019	Weather Radar Construction Site with Minister Symes
04/07/2019	Weather Radar workshop Rainbow
05/07/2019	Working bee Off road site
08/07/2019	Tour of Wimmera River Dimboola
08/07/2019	Jeparit Town Committee meeting
10/07/2019	Citizenship Ceremony Nhill
10/07/2019	Council briefing Nhill
10/07/2019	Council meeting Nhill
13/07/2019	Nhill 1969 premiership lunch Nhill
15/07/2019	VORRA meeting Rainbow
16/07/2019	WMT Meeting Little desert lodge
16/07/2019	Wimmera River user group meeting Dimboola
19/07/2019	Scrutineers course theory Rainbow
21/07/2019	Scrutineers course practical Rainbow
22/07/2019	Tour with Paul Mathews Visit Vic
23/07/2019	Dimboola mural presentation RSL hall
24/07/2019	Briefing meeting Nhill
24/07/2019	Council meeting Nhill
26/07/2019	Regional roads meeting Horsham
29/07/2019	Off road race meeting Rainbow
31/07/2019	Local Govt reform meeting Melbourne

# Cr LOWE, DEPUTY MAYOR

Attended:

01 - 13/ 07/2019	Leave of Absence
16/07/2019	WMPM Meeting, Jeparit
20/07/2019	Little Desert Nature Lodge Reopening
24/07/2019	Council Briefing, Meeting. Nhill

# **Business Arising:**

# MOVED: Crs R Lowe/D Nelson

That Council writes to the Dimboola Golf Club on their successful Golf Tournament event held in August 2019.

# CARRIED

# Cr GERSCH

Attended:	
02/07/2019	Youth presentation at A&P Meeting
03/07/2019	RCV presentation to West Wimmera Shire
10//07/2019	Council briefing meeting
10//07/2019	Council meeting
12/07/2019	RCV board meeting Melbourne
13/07/2019	Nhill Football Club 50 year reunion
16/07/2019	WDA board meeting
19/07/2019	Nhill Fire Brigade AGM
19/07/2019	Wimmera Regional Library meeting
24/07/2019	Council briefing meeting
24/07/2019	Council meeting

# **Business Arising:**

# MOVED: Crs R Gersch/R Lowe

That Council write to the Nhill Fire Brigade to congratulate the newly appointed captain and thanks to the brigade for their time.

# CARRIED

# Cr COLBERT

Attended:	
10/07/2019	Briefing and Council meeting, Nhill
24/07/2019	Briefing and Council meeting, Nhill

# Cr NELSON

Attended:	
01/07/2019	Town Committee meeting, Dimboola
03/07/2019	WDA CEO recruitment interviews, Horsham
10/07/2019	Briefing Meeting, Nhill
10/07/2019	Council meeting, Nhill
16/07/2019	WSMLLEN Finance Committee meeting, Horsham
16/07/2019	WDA Audit & Review Committee meeting, Horsham
16/07/2019	WDA Board meeting, Horsham
20/07/2019	Little Desert Nature Lodge Re-Opening
23/07/2019	Travis Price Mural meeting, Dimboola
24/07/2019	Briefing Meeting, Nhill
24/07/2019	Council Meeting, Nhill
25/07/2019	WSMLLEN COM meeting, Horsham

# **Cr SCHNEIDER**

Attended:

10/07/2019Briefing and Council meeting, Nhill24/07/2019Briefing and Council meeting, Nhill

# SENIOR MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES: JULY 2019

# **GREG WOOD, Chief Executive Officer:**

Attended:	
01/07/2019	Leave
03/07/2019	EBA Update, Nhill Depot
04/07/2019	Meeting with Andy Meddick MP, Animal Justice Party, Nhill
04/07/2019	Rainbow radar site construction commencement ceremony, Rainbow
04/07/2019	Rainbow Radar and Weather Workshop by Jaclyn Symes, Rainbow
10-11/07/2019	Leave
15/07/2019	Yarriambiack Shire CEO Jessie Holmes, Nhill
16/07/2019	WDA Meeting
19/07/2019	Youth Council Karaoke Event, Nhill
20/07/2019	Little Desert Nature Lodge reopening
23/07/2019	Teleconference Maddocks Lawyers
23/07/2019	Special all staff EBA Meeting, Nhill
24/07/2019	Mayor Meeting, Nhill
24/07/2019	Council Briefing - Nhill
24/07/2019	Council Meeting – Nhill
26/07/2019	Meeting with Architects regarding Dimboola Civic Hub – Dimboola
31/07/2019	Local Government Bill Forum - Local Government Minister, Melbourne

# ANGELA HOY, Director Infrastructure Services:

Attended:

- 10/07/2019 Council Briefing, Nhill
- 10/07/2019 Council Meeting, Nhill
- 24/07/2019 Council Briefing, Nhill
- 24/07/2019 Council Meeting, Nhill

29/07/2019	Wimmera (	Catchment	Management	Authority	Flood	Gauge	Cost	Share
	<b>Review Me</b>	eting, Wimr	nera Catchme	ent Manage	ement	Authority	/, Hors	sham
25/07/2019	Combined	Municipal	Emergency	Managem	ent F	Planning	Com	mittee
	Meeting, He	orsham RSI	L					

- 16/07/2019 Wimmera River Stakeholders Advisory Group Meeting, Dimboola
- 04/07/2019 Rainbow Radar and Weather Workshop, Rainbow Bowling Club

# MONICA REVELL, Director Corporate and Community Services:

Attended:	
02/07/2019	Interviews Information Technology Administrator – Nhill
03/07/2019	Relief & Recovery Meeting with Red Cross – Horsham
04 - 08/07/2019	Annual Leave
10/07/2019	Council Briefing – Nhill
10/07/2019	Council Meeting – Nhill
15/07/2019	Meeting with Yarriambiack Shire CEO – Nhill
17/07/2019	Meeting regarding MAV Workcare – Nhill
19/07/2019	WRLC Special Board Meeting – Horsham

HINDMARSH SHIRE COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING		MINUTES	4 SEPTEMBER 2019
23/07/2019	EBA Negotiations Me	eeting – Nhill	
23/07/2019	All Staff Meeting – N	•	
24/07/2019	Meeting regarding D	rought support small funds – N	hill
24/07/2019	Council Briefing - Nh	ill	
24/07/2019	Council Meeting - Nh	hill	
25/07/2019	Combined MEMPC N	Veeting – Horsham	
25/07/2019	Meeting with DHHS r	regarding Made 2 Measure Car	e Program – Nhill
26/07/2019	Meeting with Archited	cts regarding Dimboola Civic H	ub – Dimboola
30/07/2019	Meeting with Dorothy	/ McLaren WWHS – Nhill	
31/07/2019	Rural Council Transf	ormation Project Initiation Meet	ing – Horsham
31/07/2019	Meeting with Mark G	ent DWM – Horsham	
31/07/2019	Wimmera PCP After	a suicide workshop - Horsham	I

### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

### 8.1 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

**Responsible Officer:** Chief Executive Officer

No correspondence.

### 9. ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

Responsible Officer:Chief Executive OfficerAttachment:2

#### Introduction:

The attached Assembly of Councillors Records are presented as an attachment to the Council agenda for the information of Councillors and recorded at the Council meeting as required under s80A Local Government Act 1989.

#### **Options:**

1. That Council accepts the Assembly of Councillors Records as presented.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council accepts the Assembly of Councillors Records as presented.

#### MOVED: Crs R Lowe/D Colbert

That Council accepts the Assembly of Councillors Records as presented.

#### CARRIED

Attachment: 2

10. PLANNING PERMITS

# 10.1 APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO PLANNING PERMIT 869-2003 – USE AND DEVELOP LAND (INCLUDING WORKS) FOR CONTINUED MINERAL EXTRACTION (GYPSUM), LOT 1 TP217813, WARRAQUIL RD NETHERBY

Responsible Officer:	Director Infrastructure Services
File:	Planning – Applications
Assessment:	112080
Applicant:	Melissa Say – AMETS (formerly Noel Laidlaw & Associates)
Owner:	Steve and Sarah White
Subject Land:	Lot 1 TP217813, Warraquil Rd Netherby
Proposal:	Use and develop land (including works) for continued mineral
	extraction (Mining License MIN5573).
Zoning & Overlays:	Farming Zone (FZ);
	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sensitivity
Attachment:	3

# Summary:

This report recommends that Council approve an amendment to Planning Permit 869-2003 for mineral extraction – gypsum at Lot 1 TP217813, Warraquil Rd Netherby.

# Background:

On the 31 August 2018, an application to amend a planning permit to expand and continue to extract gypsum at Lot 1 TP217813, Warraquil Rd Netherby was received.

# **Proposal Details:**

The current extraction area –see Attachment 1.1– Mining Licence No. 5495 – has a total area of approximately 14.16 ha.

The proposal is to increase the area under extraction on the site to 79.3ha, with proposed Mining Licence MIN5573 having an area of 65.14ha, as the current area under extraction (Mining Licence No. 5495) is approaching the end of its resources. Annual output is expected to be within the range of 12000t to 30000t, depending on seasonal agricultural demand.

The proposed operation will involve the disturbance and removal of gypsum and lime from below the land surface, to a maximum depth of 3 metres. The gypsum and lime will be extracted using earth moving equipment, excavating, crushing, and removing the lime gypsum mix. The landscape will be rehabilitated over the life of the mine, with the life of the mine anticipated to be twenty years.

Mining activity has occurred within the area for 2 generations. As the site is located within an area of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sensitivity, a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) has been prepared concurrently with the lodgement of this application, lodged with

the Barengi Gadgin Land Council (BGLC) on the 18 March 2019, and approved by the BGLC on the 17 April 2019.

A request for further information (RFI) under Section 54 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 seeking provision of this CHMP was sent to the applicant on the 07 November 2018, and was provided to Council on the 29 April 2019.

# Requirement for Permit:

A Planning permit is required under Clause 35.07 – Farming Zone of the Hindmarsh Planning Scheme to use and develop land (including works) associated with a use in Section 2 of Clause 35.07-1.

Under the provisions of the planning scheme, 'mineral extraction' is a Section 2 Use in the Farming Zone (FZ).

# Definitions:

The proposal is defined within the Hindmarsh Planning Scheme as 'mineral extraction', which is *"Land used for extraction of minerals in accordance with the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990".* 

# **Restrictive Covenant or Section 173 Agreement:**

The subject site is not burdened by a Restrictive Covenant or Section 173 Agreement.

# Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP):

The proposal is not exempt from requiring a CHMP pursuant to the Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2007, as the proposal is within land affected by the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Overlay. A CHMP has been supplied, and approved by Barengi Gadgin Land Council (BGLC).

# Subject site & locality:

The subject site is known as Lot 1 TP217813, Warraquil Rd Netherby, and is currently used for the purposes of a gypsum quarry, and grazing. The property (and surrounds) has been extensively cleared with little established vegetation remaining.

The subject land and proposed expansion to the mining activity is located 6.5 km north of Netherby, and approximately 34 km north of the Nhill Post Office. The total activity area on the site is 79.3 hectares, and no native vegetation is proposed to be removed. There is a dwelling located approximately 4km to the south west, another dwelling located approximately 5.5km to the south, and two located 4.1km and 4.5 km to the south southeast. **s52** Notice of application

# (1) Unloss the Despendible Author

- (1) Unless the Responsible Authority requires the applicant to give notice, the Responsible Authority must give notice of an application in a prescribed form—
  - (a) to the owners (except persons entitled to be registered under the **Transfer of Land Act 1958** as proprietor of an estate in fee simple) and occupiers of allotments or

lots adjoining the land to which the application applies unless the Responsible Authority is satisfied that the grant of the permit would not cause material detriment to any person.

### **Referrals:**

External Referrals/Notices Required by the Planning Scheme:

Section 52 Notices: Notice was given to adjoining landowners, and a sign was placed on the land. Notices were not required to be given to State Agencies. No objections were received at the time of writing of this report.

Section 55 Referrals: Not required - This has been submitted and previously referred and approved.

Internal Referrals:

- Engineering: Condition to be applied.
- Environmental Health: Not required
- Building: Not required
- Economic Development and Tourism: Not required

### Planning Assessment:

#### Planning Scheme Requirements:

# Planning Policy Framework:

Bushfire planning
Protection of agricultural land
Agricultural productivity - Wimmera Southern Mallee
Earth and Energy Resources
Resource exploration and extraction
Aboriginal cultural heritage
Economic Development
Employment
Diversified economy
Diversified economy - Wimmera Southern Mallee

# Local Planning Policy Framework:

Clause 21 - Municipal Strategic Statement

# Zoning Provisions:

Clause 35.07 – Farming Zone (FZ)

# Planning Scheme Overlay Provisions:

None.

### **Particular Provisions:**

Clause 52.08	Earth and Energy Resources Industry
Clause 52.09	Stone Extraction and Extractive Industry Interest Areas

### **General Provisions:**

Clause 65 - Decision Guidelines, states that:

"Because a permit can be granted does not imply that a permit should or will be granted. The Responsible Authority must decide whether the proposal will produce acceptable outcomes in terms of the decision guidelines of this clause".

The decision guidelines relevant to this application are stated within Clause 65.01 of the Hindmarsh Planning Scheme – Approval of an application or plan.

It is considered that the application complies with the relevant decision guidelines as outlined. The proposal is supportive of, and complies with the Planning Policy Framework, having regard to the benefit the proposal will cause regarding appropriate use of land for agriculture.

# Clause 35.07 – Farming Zone (FZ) Decision Guidelines

### General Issues

The proposed use and development of land including the associated works is considered to meet the applicable decision guidelines.

# Agricultural issues and the impacts from non-agricultural uses

The proposed use and development of land and associated works are considered to meet the applicable decision guidelines with regard to agricultural considerations outlined within the scheme and does not require an integrated land management plan to be prepared for the site. The proposal accords with existing development on the site. It is acknowledged that the proposal will reduce available farming area on the lot, however, it will aid agriculture within the wider locality in general, by ensuring an additional supply of gypsum.

#### Environmental issues

The proposed use and development of land including associated works is considered to:

- Not negatively impact on the natural physical features and resources of the area.
- Not negatively impact on the flora and fauna on the site and its surrounds as no native vegetation is proposed to be removed.
- The proposal will have an impact upon the biodiversity of the area, given the depth and area of excavation proposed. The impact is considered to be minimal due to the subject land being of a low biodiversity value having regard to its current use (cropping). The work plan submitted with the application also addresses site rehabilitation at the end of the mine's life.

# Design and siting issues

Not applicable, as no associated buildings are proposed as a part of this application.

# Clause 52.09-5 – Stone Extraction and Extractive Industry Areas Decision guidelines

The proposal will not have any detrimental impact on any native flora and fauna, given the proposed extraction area is used for cropping, and does not contain any wildlife corridors. A comprehensive cultural heritage management plan has been approved by Barengi Gadgin Land Council, thus ensuring extraction does not cause detrimental impacts on natural and cultural landscapes. The site has been in effective operation since 1967, with continued operation on the site considered appropriate.

# Strategic, Statutory and Procedural Requirements:

The proposal is consistent with the Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies.

# Report to Council:

The Coordinator Planning and Development advises that all obligations of Council (strategic, statutory and procedural) have been addressed and discharged in this planning application.

This report is being presented to Council at its meeting on the 04 September 2019 (87 days). The statutory processing time requirements of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (60 days) have not been satisfied in this instance.

# **Conflict of Interest:**

Under section 80C of the Local Government Act 1989 officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible: Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no interests to disclose.

Author: Andre Dalton, Coordinator Planning and Development In providing this advice as the Author, I have no interests to disclose.

# Conclusion

It is recommended that Council approve amendments to planning permit 869-2003, consistent with the new Mining Licence (MIN5570) and associated work plan, which includes expanding the extraction area from 14.16ha to an extraction area of 79.3ha on Lot 1 TP217813, Warraquil Rd Netherby and revised conditions as follows:

- Condition 1: Title of Condition 1 altered to reflect current responsible State Government Department (Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning – DELWP), formerly Department of Sustainability and Environment.
- Condition 2: Address of Department updated.

- Condition 7: Name of position updated.
- Condition 8: Position updated.
- Conditions 9, 10 and 11 added to reflect current Planning Scheme requirements.
- Condition 12: Added to address Council's Engineering Department requirements.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approves amendments to planning permit 869-2003 as follows:-

The use and development shall be in accordance with the new Mining Licence (MIN5573) and associated work plan, which includes expanding the extraction area from 14.16ha to an extraction area of 79.3ha on Lot 1 TP217813, Warraquil Rd Netherby.

The Planning Permit shall be subject to the following conditions:-

# Condition of Department Environment, Land, Water and Planning:

1. The development of the subject land must at all times be in accordance with the relevant mining licence and the work authority, including the approved work plan, issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Development Act 1990.

# Conditions of Heritage Victoria:

2. The attention of the applicant is drawn to the requirements of the Heritage Act 1995, particularly the following sections:

Section 127(1) – "a person must not knowingly or negligently deface or damage or otherwise interfere with an archaeological relic or carry out an act likely to endanger a relic except in accordance with a consent issued under section 129", and

Section 132(1) – "a person who discovers an archaeological relic must as soon as practicable report the discovery to the executive director or an inspector unless he or she has reasonable cause to believe that the relic is recorded in the heritage register", and

(2) – "if an archaeological relic is discovered in the course of any construction or excavation on any land, the person in charge of the construction or excavation must as soon as practicable report the discovery to the executive director".

To assist compliance with Section 132, reports of historical relics should be submitted to the executive director, Heritage Victoria, 8 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne, Vic., 3002.

# Conditions of Aboriginal Affairs, Vic.:

3. Tenure of the mining licence does not exempt the holder from the following provisions of the Archaeological and Aboriginal Relics Preservation Act 1972.

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# Conditions of Responsible Authority:

- 4. That the development be in accordance with the plans submitted with the application, endorsed and forming part of the permit and these shall not be altered or amended without the approval of the responsible authority.
- 5. Details of the siting and design of entry/exit points are to be submitted to the satisfaction of the responsible authority before commencement of any work is authorised by this permit.
- 6. Excessive road maintenance costs, above the standard maintenance as defined in the road hierarchy, shall be at the cost of the pit operator.
- 7. Standard 'truck entering' signs shall be erected at the entrance/exit of the site to the satisfaction of the Director Infrastructure Services, Hindmarsh Shire Council. Such signs shall only be displayed during carting operations.
- 8. That the Coordinator Planning and Development Officer be advised in writing within 14 days of commencement of the development.

# Boundary setback

9. Except with a permit, no alteration may be made to the natural condition or topography of the land within 20 metres of the boundary of the land. This does not apply to driveways, drains, bund walls or landscaping.

Screen planting

10. Shrubs and trees must be planted and maintained to screen activity on the site to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

# Parking areas

11. Parking areas must be provided for employees' cars and all vehicles used on the site to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

# <u>Engineering</u>

12. In the event the existing access via private property to Nottles Road cannot be accessed, the applicant shall identify and construct a suitable access to Council's Road Network, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. Any subsequent upgrading of Council's road network as a result will be at the cost of the applicant.

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#### CARRIED

Attachment: 3

# 11. REPORTS REQUIRING A DECISION

#### 11.1 MURRAY DARLING ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Responsible Officer:	Director Infrastructure Services
Attachment:	4

#### Introduction:

The Murray Darling Association is a representative body for the management of Murray Darling basin water resources. This report discusses the role of the Murray Darling Association for Council's consideration in whether to commence a paid membership with the association.

#### Discussion:

The Murray Darling Association (the Association) recently wrote to Council on the 28 June 2019, inviting Council to enter into membership with the Association. Historically, Council has not been a member of the Association, however with the security and availability of water increasingly becoming a key issue for Council, and after informal discussions with Cr. Ron Ismay at the ALGA National General Assembly, the Association has reached out to Council.

Previously, Hindmarsh Shire Council has had little to do with the Association, other than the attendance of Cr. Daryl Argall at a conference held in 2001. Research has shown that both Yarriambiack Shire Council and West Wimmera Shire Council are not financial members of the Association.

Established in 1944 as the Murray Valley Development League, and in 1993 changing its name to the Murray Darling Association, the Association has a membership comprising of local councils from across Victoria, including rural, regional and metropolitan councils, along with non-local government representatives. The Association's mission is to "ensure that the natural resources of the Murray-Darling Basin remain as valued assets for all Australians." The Association splits the area of the basin into 12 regions, of which Hindmarsh Shire Council is located within region 4 (Lower Darling).

The Association has published a number of reports and submissions including:

- Strategic Plan 2016 2019
- Submission to the Murray-Darling Basing Water Infrastructure Program
- Submission to the Productivity Commission's Basing Plan Inquiry
- Murray-Darling Basin Plan Socio-Economic Impacts Evaluation Framework and Neutrality Test project proposal - March 2018

It is widely recognised that the accessibility of water to use as both an agricultural and lifesustaining resource will continue to be an issue amongst both rural and metropolitan councils. The Association advocates that membership will allow rural councils to have a collaborative voice in the management of Basin resources, both now and into the future. It is difficult however to measure the level of influence the Association (and other representative bodies)

has on State and Federal policy and investment.

With regard to the management of the Basin and other water resources, Hindmarsh Shire Council liaises with a number of advocacy and representative groups and committees:

- Wimmera River Stakeholders Advisory Group
- Wimmera Catchment Management Authority
- Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water
- Wimmera Floodplain Management Meetings
- Integrated Water Management Meetings

It is recommended that Council not commence a membership with the Murray Darling Association as we are able to utilize the above memberships to advocate and comment on the Shire's behalf without having to finance a membership.

# **Options:**

Council can:

- 1. Commence a membership with the Murray Darling Association; or
- 2. Not commence a membership with the Murray Darling Association.

# Link to Council Plan:

- 2.1.4 Enhance river and lakes environment to support informal recreation and social interaction (subject to funding)
- 2.1.6 In partnership with other agencies implement recommendations from the Wimmera Catchment Authority's Flood Plain Management Strategy
- 2.2.1 Explore options for rainwater/stormwater harvesting to supplement the water supply for community assets
- 2.2.2 Replace appliances in Council facilities with water efficient applications if and when redevelopment occurs

# Financial Implications:

Membership to the Murray Darling Association this year is quoted at \$1,744.91 plus GST (\$174.49). This figure is calculated on a \$0.305 per head of population basis. Council did not include funding for the Murray Darling Association in its 2019/20 Budget.

# Risk Management Implications:

Should Council decide to not commence a membership with the Association, there is a very low risk that water supply to residents and Council will be affected. There would also be a perception the council does not view this association to be an important body.

# Conflict of Interest:

Under section 80c of the Local Government Act 1989 officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible and Author – Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this

report.

# **Communications Strategy:**

Officers will inform the Murray Darling Association of Council's decision in writing.

### Next Steps:

Councillors and officers continue to advocate for the sustainable management of the Murray Darling Basin and water resources serving the municipality; through the existing groups that Council is a member of.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council not become a member of the Murray Darling Association at this time.

MOVED: Crs D Colbert/R Gersch

That Council not become a member of the Murray Darling Association at this time.

# CARRIED Attachment: 4

# 11.2 RE-ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM THE 2018/2019 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM TO INCREASE THE SCOPE OF ALBERT STREET FOOTPATH PROJECT

**Responsible Officer:** Director Infrastructure Services

# Introduction:

This report seeks Council approval to re-allocate funds from the 2018/2019 capital works program, allocated to the King Street footpath project to increase the scope of approved Albert Street footpath project.

# Discussion:

At its Council meeting held 27 June 2018, Hindmarsh Shire Council adopted its 2018/2019 budget, comprising an allocation of \$55,272 for the renewal of King Street footpath between Federal Street and Bow Street and a budget of \$48,789 to renew the footpath in Albert Street, from Taverner Street to King Street, Rainbow.

Due to Council's success with a number of grant applications giving priority to other projects, neither of these projects were completed in the 2018/2019 year. Both budgets will form part of the 2018/2019 carry forward report for the 2019/20 year.

Since the 2018/2019 budget was approved, there have been a number of changes affecting both projects.

A safety concern prompted the budget bid for the King Street footpath upgrade. This safety concern has now been addressed and it is therefore not necessary to prioritise the upgrade in the following year's capital works program.

Additional works on Albert Street are required to address safety concerns with children crossing at various points on the road next to the Rainbow P – 12 school.

# King Street –

This renewal project was in response to a concern with the condition of the gravel pavement in the vicinity of a number of underground services. Since the budget approval, the gravel path has been successfully stabilised. This together with the fact that there is an existing concrete path on the opposite side of the road means that this renewal project is now a low priority which is supported by Council's footpath strategy.

# Albert Street –

Since originally scoped for budget consideration, the scope for this project has recently been expanded to include the following works:

- An additional kerb return at the top of Albert and King Street to tie in to the underground drainage (school side) and installation of a grated pit with seal surface required at the Albert Street / King Street intersection
- Construction of a new concrete path on the south side of Albert Street from Taverner

Street through to the existing school crossing – a length of approximately 100 metres.

- New pedestrian outstands for additional protection of pedestrians on both sides of Albert Street.
- Drainage works and large layback at the laneway on the south side of Albert Street to address drainage issues.

Works are already well underway on the project with the original scope nearing completion. The revised scope has been strongly supported by the Rainbow P - 12 School as an important safety improvement

# Options

Council can:

- 1. Approve the re-allocation of \$55,272 budget for the renewal of the King Street footpath to enable the extended scope of the Albert Street footpath project to be completed; or
- 2. Not approve the re-allocation of \$55,272 budget for the renewal of King Street footpath and proceed with the renewal of the King Street footpath.

# Link to Council Plan:

- 2.1 Well-maintained physical assets and infrastructure to meet community and organizational needs.
- 4.3 An engaged, skilled Council and workforce capable of meeting community needs.

# Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications as capital works funding not spent 2018/19 financial year can be carried forward.

# Risk Management Implications:

The safety concern with the King Street footpath has been addressed through stabilization of the gravel.

The safety concern on Albert Street will be addressed the expanded scope of works

# Conflict of Interest:

Under section 80c of the Local Government Act 1989 officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Author – Janette Fritsch, Manager Strategic Assets and Planning In providing this advice as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Officer Responsible – Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

### **Communications Strategy:**

The capital works team will be advised of the change of scope enabled by the transfer of budget.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approves the re-allocation of the \$55,272 budget from the 2018/19 capital works program for the renewal of the King Street footpath (General ledger 20353/758) to the Albert Street footpath project (General ledger 20353/703) to enable the increased scope of works to be carried out.

MOVED: Crs R Lowe/D Nelson

That Council approves the re-allocation of the \$55,272 budget from the 2018/19 capital works program for the renewal of the King Street footpath (General ledger 20353/758) to the Albert Street footpath project (General ledger 20353/703) to enable the increased scope of works to be carried out.

CARRIED

# 11.3 REVIEW OF ELECTION PERIOD POLICY

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	5

# Introduction:

This report recommends Council adopt the updated Election Period Policy.

# Discussion:

Section 93B of the *Local Government Act 1989* (*Act*) requires Council following the general election on 22 October 2016, continue to maintain the election period policy by reviewing and, if required, amending the policy not later than 12 months before the commencement of each subsequent general election period. The forthcoming election period will commence in September 2020.

A review was completed in December 2017 with minor amendments being made to the policy. A further review was completed in August 2019.

Minor changes have been made to the policy as follows:

- Inclusion of reference to Council funded services, such as mobile phones, land lines and internet connections.
- Inclusion of Travel and Accommodation for interstate and overseas travel during the election period.
- Updating references to Manager Governance and Human Services as the position of Risk and Governance Coordinator has been replaced.

# **Options:**

Council may adopt, reject or adopt with amendments the Election Period Policy.

# Link to Council Plan:

Strategic Objective 4.6: An organisation that takes its risk management responsibilities seriously.

# **Financial Implications:**

No financial implications.

# **Risk Management Implications:**

No risk management implications.

# **Conflict of Interest:**

Under section 80C of the LGA officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Author & Officer Responsible: Monica Revell, Director Corporate & Community Services In providing this advice as the Author and Officer Responsible, I have no interests to

disclose.

# **Communications Strategy:**

Council must make available on its website the election period policy prepared under section 93B.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council adopts the Election Period Policy version 1.2 as presented.

# MOVED: Crs R Gersch/D Colbert

That Council adopts the Election Period Policy version 1.2 as presented.

### CARRIED

Attachment: 5

# 12. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

# 12.1 HINDMARSH SHIRE COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	6

# Introduction:

The Hindmarsh Shire Council Audit Committee held its meeting on 9 May 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Hindmarsh Shire Council Audit Committee meeting held on 9 May 2019.

MOVED: Crs D Colbert/R Gersch

That Council notes the minutes of the Hindmarsh Shire Council Audit Committee meeting held on 9 May 2019.

# CARRIED

Attachment: 6

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	7

#### Introduction:

The Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee held its meeting on 18 June 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee meeting held on 18 June 2019, and that Council notes the meeting held on 25 May 2019 is not minuted due to lack of a quorum.

### MOVED: Crs R Lowe/D Nelson

That Council notes the minutes of the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee meeting held on 18 June 2019, and that Council notes the meeting held on 25 May 2019 is not minuted due to lack of a quorum.

#### CARRIED

Attachment: 7

#### 12.3 YURUNGA HOMESTEAD COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachments:	8 & 9

#### Introduction:

The Yurunga Homestead Committee held its meetings on 27 June 2019 and 25 July 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meetings. A copy of the minutes is included as attachments for the information of Council.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Yurunga Homestead Committee meetings held on 27 June 2019 and 25 July 2019.

# MOVED: Crs R Lowe/R Gersch

That Council notes the minutes of the Yurunga Homestead Committee meetings held on 27 June 2019 and 25 July 2019.

#### CARRIED

Attachments: 8 & 9

# 12.4 RAINBOW TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	10

### Introduction:

The Rainbow Town Committee held its meeting on 22 July 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Rainbow Town Committee meeting held on 22 July 2019.

### MOVED: Crs D Colbert/R Gersch

That Council notes the minutes of the Rainbow Town Committee meeting held on 22 July 2019.

#### CARRIED

Attachment: 10

# 12.5 DIMBOOLA TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:Director Corporate and Community ServicesAttachment:11

#### Introduction:

The Dimboola Town Committee held its meeting on 5 August 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Dimboola Town Committee meeting held on 5 August 2019.

MOVED: Crs D Colbert/D Nelson

That Council notes the minutes of the Dimboola Town Committee meeting held on 5 August 2019.

CARRIED

Attachment: 11

# 12.6 JEPARIT TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	12

# Introduction:

The Jeparit Town Committee held its meeting on 12 August 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Jeparit Town Committee meeting held on 12 August 2019.

MOVED: Crs R Lowe/D Colbert

That Council notes the minutes of the Jeparit Town Committee meeting held on 12 August 2019.

# CARRIED

Attachment: 12

# 12.7 ANTWERP HALL COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	13

# Introduction:

The Antwerp Hall Committee held its meeting on 18 August 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Antwerp Hall Committee meeting held on 18 August 2019.

# MOVED: Crs D Colbert/R Lowe

That Council notes the minutes of the Antwerp Hall Committee meeting held on 18 August 2019.

#### CARRIED

Attachment: 13

### 12.8 NHILL TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate and Community Services
Attachment:	14

#### Introduction:

The Nhill Town Committee held its meeting on 19 August 2019. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from the meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the minutes of the Nhill Town Committee meeting held on 19 August 2019.

#### MOVED: Crs D Colbert/R Gersch

That Council notes the minutes of the Nhill Town Committee meeting held on 19 August 2019.

#### CARRIED

Attachment: 14

### 13. LATE REPORTS

No report.

#### 14. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

### 15. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

In accordance with Section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989, Council may close the meeting to the public if items to be discussed are deemed confidential, that is, if the items to be discussed relate to:

- a) Personnel matters;
- b) The personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer;
- c) Industrial matters;
- d) Contractual matters;
- e) Proposed developments;
- f) Legal advice;
- g) Matters affecting the security of Council property;

h) Any other matter which the Council or Special Committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person;

(i) a resolution to close the meeting to members of the public.

No confidential matters.

#### 16. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business, Cr R Ismay declared the meeting closed at 4:22pm.

12 September 2019



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15 Federal Street RAINBOW VIC 3424 Ph: (03) 5391 4451 Fax: (03) 5395 1436 Jo Donnelly Ladies Captain Dimboola Golf Club PO Box 244 DIMBOOLA VIC 3414 Email:

Dear Jo

# Re: Successful Golf Tournament 13-14 August 2019

At its Council meeting held on 4 September 2019, Council resolved that I write on its behalf to congratulate you on the successful event, Victorian Men's Veteran Golfers Association Sandgreen Championships, held on the 13-14 August 2019.

Council was very pleased to hear you were happy with the attendance of this event, and that it was a success for your club. It also provided a boost for the town and community of Dimboola, and most of the local businesses, as well as the tourist attractions.

Congratulations on such a successful event and we look forward to supporting you into the future.

Yours sincerely

Greg Wood Chief Executive Officer

12 September 2019



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Rainbow 15 Federal Street RAINBOW VIC 3424 Ph: (03) 5391 4451 Rob Schneider Captain Nhill Fire Brigade 104-106 Nelson Street NHILL VIC 3418

Dear Rob

#### Re: Congratulations and thank you

At its Council meeting held on 4 September 2019, Council resolved that I write on its behalf to congratulate you on taking over the role of Captain of the Nhill Frie Brigade unit, and also thank your team for your contributions to helping keep Nhill and broader communities safe.

As Captain, I am sure your leadership and knowledge will be an asset to the Nhill Fire Brigade unit and of benefit to the Nhill and surrounding communities. Council also acknowledges the hard work and commitment that was contributed to the Nhill Fire Brigade team by the previous Captain, Joel Borgelt.

It is evident the dedication to the Nhill Fire Brigade unit from the number of members that received awards for many years of service to the community.

Congratulations to all award recipients, and thank you for what you do for our community, to all Nhill Brigade members and their family's for their time and service.

Yours sincerely

Greg Wood Chief Executive Officer



# ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS RECORD

Assembly of Councillors means a planned or scheduled meeting of at least 3 councillors and one member of council staff which considers matters that are intended or likely to be:

- a) the subject of a decision of the Council; or
- b) subject to the exercise of a function, duty of power of the council that has been delegated to a person or committee; but does not include a meeting of the Council, a special committee of the Council, a club, association, peak body, political party or other organisation.

Requirements to be observed by an assembly of Councillors (Section 80A Local Government Act, 1989)

Title of Meeting:Council Briefing Session

Date: Wednesday 4 September 2019 Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Assembly Location: Council Chambers, 92 Nelson Street, Nhill

# Present:

Crs. Ronald Ismay (Mayor), Ronald Lowe (Deputy Mayor), Debra Nelson, Robert Gersch, David Colbert

# Apologies:

Cr. Tony Schneider

# In Attendance:

Mr Greg Wood (Chief Executive Officer), Ms Monica Revell (Director Corporate and Community Services) (Items 2 to 6), Ms Angela Hoy (Director Infrastructure Services) (Items 2, 3 and 6), Ms Janelle Reichelt (Item 5)

# **Conflict of Interest Disclosures**

- 1. Direct; or
- 2. Indirect interest
  - (a) by close association;
  - (b) that is an indirect financial interest;
  - (c) because of conflicting duties;
  - (d) because of receipt of an applicable gift;
  - (e) as a consequence of becoming an interested party; or
  - (f) because of an impact on residential amenity.

Declaration of direct or indirect interest must also be advised by Councillors at the commencement of discussion of the specific item.

Nil

# Officers: Nil

# Matters Discussed:

No.	Detail	Presenter
1.	CEO Update	Greg Wood
2.	Caretaker Period Review	Monica Revell
3.	Dimboola Civic Precinct	Monica Revell
4.	VicRoads Disability Parking Permit Update	Monica Revell
5.	Carry Forwards	Janelle Reichelt
6.	Councillor Question Time	Greg Wood

Completed by: Greg Wood

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Signed:

Date: 04/09/2019

Must be kept for four years from date of the assembly. Available for public inspection at Council Offices for 12 months after date of assembly.

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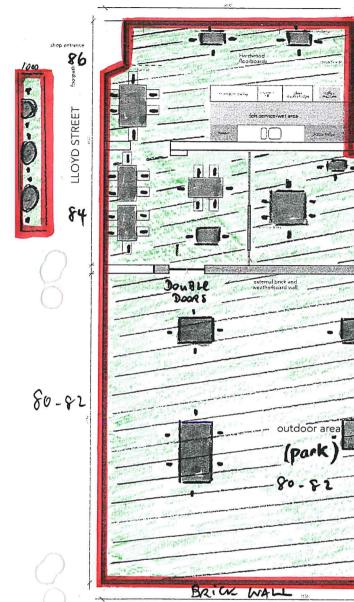
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# **Our Municipality**

Hindmarsh Shire is located in the Wimmera region in western Victoria and covers an area of 7,527km2. Situated on the Western Highway, 375km west of Melbourne and 350km east of Adelaide, Hindmarsh Shire is alive with business opportunities as it lies on the second-busiest freight corridor in Australia.

Our Shire is bound by two National Parks, the Little Desert in the South and Wyperfeld in the North. Other distinct natural features include the Big Desert Wilderness Area to the West, as well as the Wimmera River and Lakes Hindmarsh and Albacutya. The central part of the Shire is utilised primarily for broad acre cropping and grazing.

Hindmarsh Shire's four main towns are Nhill, Dimboola, Jeparit and Rainbow. Each community has its own spirit and identity, but all towns offer spacious rural living, inclusive small communities, and wonderful natural amenities.

The first Australians in the Hindmarsh area were the Wotjobaluk people. Communities were located near the Nhill Swamp, the Wimmera River at Dimboola, Lake Hindmarsh near Jeparit and Lake Albacutya near Rainbow, while the majority made their home along the Red Gum lined banks of the Wimmera River and Nine Creeks area in Dimboola.

Today it is estimated, 5,645 people live in Hindmarsh Shire, with a median age of 50 years. According to the 2016 Census 83% of people in Hindmarsh Shire were born in Australia, with English the only language spoken in 88% of homes. Our most significant group of migrants are Karen refugees from Burma (Myanmar), with approximately 190 calling Nhill home.

The median weekly household income is \$906, and most people own their homes outright. Most people are employed in farming, with employment in health care coming a close second, followed by retail, manufacturing, education and transport. Hindmarsh has a very high rate of volunteering, 18% higher than the national average.



# **Sustainable Capacity Indicators**

For the year ended 30 June 2019

IndicatorI measure	Results 2016	Results 2017	Results 2018	Results 2019	Material Variations
<b>Own-source revenue</b> Own-source revenue per head of municipal population [Own-source revenue / Municipal population]	\$1,811	\$1,880	\$1,891	\$2,048	Own source revenue during 2018/19 has increased including rates and charges, and user fees. There has been a small decrease in population resulting in higher own source revenue.
<b>Recurrent grants</b> Recurrent grants per head of municipal population [Recurrent grants / Municipal population]	\$916	\$1,601	\$1,200	\$1,125	Recurrent grants decreased by \$460k during 2018/19 this is mainly due to the reduction in the Roads to Recovery grant.
<b>Population</b> Expenses per head of municipal population [Total expenses / Municipal population]	\$3,089	\$3,151	\$3,048	\$4,219	The increase is due to significant expenditure on flood recovery works and a reduction in the population.
Infrastructure per head of municipal population [Value of infrastructure / Municipal population]	\$19,938	\$28,647	\$27,273	\$27,580	A reduction in the municipal population, along with investment in Council Infrastructure and revaluation of assets alters the value of infrastructure per municipal population.
<i>Population density per length of road</i> [Municipal population / Kilometres of local roads]	1.73	1.71	1.79	1.78	No material variations.
<b>Disadvantage</b> Relative socio-economic disadvantage [Index of Relative Socio- economic Disadvantage by decile]	2	2	2	2	No material variations.

# Definitions

"adjusted underlying revenue" means total income other than-

- (a) non-recurrent grants used to fund capital expenditure; and
- (b) non-monetary asset contributions; and
- (c) contributions to fund capital expenditure from sources other than those referred to above

"infrastructure" means non-current property, plant and equipment excluding land

"local road" means a sealed or unsealed road for which the council is the responsible road authority under the *Road Management Act 2004* 

"population" means the resident population estimated by council

"own-source revenue" means adjusted underlying revenue other than revenue that is not under the control of council (including government grants) "relative socio-economic disadvantage", in relation to a municipality, means the relative socioeconomic disadvantage, expressed as a decile for the relevant financial year, of the area in which the municipality is located according to the Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (Catalogue Number 2033.0.55.001) of SEIFA

"SEIFA" means the Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas published from time to time by the Australian Bureau of Statistics on its Internet website

"unrestricted cash" means all cash and cash equivalents other than restricted cash.

# **Service Performance Indicators**

For the year ended 30 June 2019

Service/indicator/measure	Results 2016	Results 2017	Results 2018	Results 2019	Material Variations
Governance Satisfaction Satisfaction with council decisions [Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how council has performed in making decisions in the interest of the community]	57	58	60	61	No material variations.
Statutory Planning Decision making Council planning decisions upheld at VCAT [Number of VCAT decisions that did not set aside council's decision in relation to a planning application / Number of VCAT decisions in relation to planning applications] x100	100%	n/a	50%	0%	1 planning matter was taken to VCAT during 2018/19. The application was struck out due to lacking substance.
Roads Satisfaction Satisfaction with sealed local roads [Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how council has performed on the condition of sealed local roads]	45	52	48	54	Council has invested additional funding on sealed roads to improve the quality of strategic routes within our Shire, this has resulted in higher community satisfaction.
Libraries Participation Active library members [Number of active library members / Municipal population] x100	11%	10%	9%	7%	As at 30 June 2019 there was a reduction of 82 active library members. (2018/19 – 435; 2017/18 – 517).
Waste CollectionWaste diversionKerbsidecollectionwastediverted from landfill[Weight of recyclables and greenorganics collected from kerbsidebins/Weight of garbage,recyclables and green organicscollected from kerbside bins]x100	22%	23%	34%	32%	Council collected 382 tonnes of recycling and 1187 tonnes of waste during 2018/19, compared to 2017/18 collection of 419 tonnes of recycling and 1200 tonnes of waste.
Aquatic facilities Utilisation Utilisation of aquatic facilities [Number of visits to aquatic facilities / Municipal population]	3	3	3	4	Aquatic facilities for the period November to March. An additional 1,155 people visited Council's aquatic facilities during 2018/19.

Service/indicatorlmeasure	Results 2016	Results 2017	Results 2018	Results 2019	Material Variations
Animal managementHealth and safetyAnimalmanagementprosecutions[Number of successful animalmanagement prosecutions]	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No animal prosecutions during 2018/19.
Food safety Health and safety Critical and major non- compliance notifications [Number of critical non- compliance notifications and major non-compliance notifications about a food premises followed up / Number of critical non-compliance notifications and major non- compliance notifications about food premises] x100		n/a	n/a	100%	Council received 2 critical non- compliance notifications during 2018/19. Both non- compliance notifications were followed up ensuring actions were taken to achieve compliance.
Home and community care Participation Participation in HACC service [Number of people that received a HACC service / Municipal target population for HACC services] x100	61%	n/a	n/a	n/a	Reporting ceased on 1 July 2016.
<b>Participation</b> Participation in HACC service by CALD people [Number of CALD people who receive a HACC service / Municipal target population in relation to CALD people for HACC services] x100	60%	n/a	n/a	n/a	Reporting ceased on 1 July 2016
Maternal and child health Participation Participation in the MCH service [Number of children who attend the MCH service at least once (in the year) / Number of children enrolled in the MCH service] x100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Not applicable. Council has no operational control over MCH services.
Participation Participation in the MCH service by Aboriginal children [Number of Aboriginal children who attend the MCH service at least once (in the year) / Number of Aboriginal children enrolled in the MCH service] x100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Not applicable. Council has no operational control over MCH services.

# Definitions

"Aboriginal child" means a child who is an Aboriginal person

"Aboriginal person" has the same meaning as in the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006

"active library member" means a member of a library who has borrowed a book from the library

"annual report" means an annual report prepared by a council under sections 131, 132 and 133 of the Act

"class 1 food premises" means food premises, within the meaning of the *Food Act 1984*, that have been declared as class 1 food premises under section 19C of that Act

"class 2 food premises" means food premises, within the meaning of the *Food Act 1984*, that have been declared as class 2 food premises under section 19C of that Act

"Community Care Common Standards "means the Community Care Common Standards for the delivery of HACC services, published from time to time by the Commonwealth

"critical non-compliance outcome notification" means a notification received by council under section 19N(3) or (4) of the *Food Act 1984*, or advice given to council by an authorized officer under that Act, of a deficiency that poses an immediate serious threat to public health

"food premises" has the same meaning as in the Food Act 1984

"HACC program" means the Home and Community Care program established under the Agreement entered into for the purpose of the Home and Community Care Act 1985 of the Commonwealth

"HACC service" means home help, personal care or community respite provided under the HACC program

"local road" means a sealed or unsealed road for which the council is the responsible road authority under the *Road Management Act 2004* 

"major non-compliance outcome notification" means a notification received by a council under section 19N(3) or (4) of the *Food Act 1984*, or advice given to council by an authorized officer under that Act, of a deficiency that does not pose an immediate serious threat to public health but may do so if no remedial action is taken

"MCH" means the Maternal and Child Health Service provided by a council to support the health and development of children within the municipality from birth until school age

"population" means the resident population estimated by council

"target population" has the same meaning as in the Agreement entered into for the purposes of the Home and Community Care Act 1985 of the Commonwealth

"WorkSafe reportable aquatic facility safety incident" means an incident relating to a council aquatic facility that is required to be notified to the Victorian WorkCover Authority under Part 5 of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004*.

# **Financial Performance Indicators**

For the year ended 30 June 2019

	Results	Results	Results	Results			Forecasts		
Dimension/indicator/measure	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Material Variations
Operating position Adjusted underlying result Adjusted underlying surplus (or deficit) [Adjusted underlying surplus (deficit)/ Adjusted underlying revenue] x100	-10.4%	10.8%	2.7%	-4.2%	-14.1%	-8.5%	-6.7%	-8.2%	The result for 2019 is due to higher non-recurrent expenditure on materials, and increase in non- recurrent income. Higher non-recurrent expenditure has not been removed from the adjusted underlying surplus. The result for this measure is decreasing due to over the 4 years to 2023. The decreasing trend is mainly due to the introduction of rates capping.
Liquidity Working capital Current assets compared to current liabilities [Current assets / Current liabilities] x100	287.9%	414.1%	431.2%	310.0%	108.7%	71.9%	63.5%	43.8%	The reduction in working capital is due to timing of non-recurrent payments for outstanding invoices in relation to flood recovery at 30 June 2019.
Unrestricted cash Unrestricted cash compared to current liabilities [Unrestricted cash / Current liabilities] x100	94.3%	371.4%	393.9%	254.9%	78.9%	41.6%	32.5%	12.7%	The reduction in unrestricted cash as at 30 June 2019 is due to a lower cash balance and higher current liabilities than the previous financial year. Council's cash is forecast to reduce for the 4 years to 2023.

	Results	Results	Results	Results			Forecasts		
Dimension/indicator/measure	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Material Variations
Obligations Loans and borrowings Loans and borrowings compared to rates [Interest bearing loans and borrowings / Rate revenue] x100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Council continues to remain debt free with no loans or borrowings.
Loans and borrowings Loans and borrowings repayments compared to rates [Interest and principal repayments on interest bearing loans and borrowings / Rate revenue] x100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	Council continues to remain debt free with no loans or borrowings.
Indebtedness Non-current liabilities compared to own source revenue [Non-current liabilities / Own source revenue] x100	2.3%	2.8%	2.3%	2.3%	1.3%	1.3%	1.3%	1.3%	Non-current provisions at 30 June 2019 remained steady. The forecast is a reduction in non-current provisions over the 4 years to 2023 based on the employee profile and related long service leave entitlements.
Asset renewal Asset renewal compared to depreciation [Asset renewal expenses / Asset depreciation] x100	66.0%	55.6%	57.0%	62.7%	82.4%	86.0%	88.9%	83.4%	Expenditure on Asset renewal remains a high priority for Council with increased investment in Asset Renewal during 2018/19.
Stability Rates concentration Rates compared to adjusted underlying revenue [Rate revenue / Adjusted underlying revenue] x100	50.5%	41.6%	46.9%	37.8%	54.1%	49.1%	49.0%	49.0%	A significant increase in recurrent grants (mainly the Victorian Grants Commission) has resulted in a reduction in rates concentration.

	Results	Results	Results	Results			Forecasts		
Dimension/indicator/measure	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Material Variations
<i>Rates effort</i> <i>Rates compared to property values</i>	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	No material variations.
[Rate revenue / Capital improved value of rateable properties in the municipality ] x100									
Efficiency Expenditure level Expenses per property assessment [Total expenses / Number of property assessments]	\$3,076	\$3,331	\$3,362	\$4,670	\$3,717	\$3,960	\$3,963	\$4,090	Expenses were significantly higher in 2018/19 due to a large amount of flood recovery work being undertaken.
<b>Revenue level</b> Average residential rate per residential property assessment [Residential rate revenue / Number of residential property assessments]	\$1,107	\$1,202	\$1,154	\$1,169	\$1,198	\$1,222	\$1,223	\$1,246	No material variations.
Workforce turnover Resignations and terminations compared to average staff [Number of permanent staff resignations and terminations / Average number of permanent staff for the financial year] x100	13%	11%	18%	19%	12%	11%	11%	11%	Due to Council's small FTE, staff turnover statistics are sensitive to resignations.

# Definitions

"adjusted underlying revenue" means total income other than-

- (a) non-recurrent grants used to fund capital expenditure; and
- (b) non-monetary asset contributions; and
- (c) contributions to fund capital expenditure from sources other than those referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b)

"adjusted underlying surplus (or deficit)" means adjusted underlying revenue less total expenditure

"asset renewal expenditure" means expenditure on an existing asset or on replacing an existing asset that returns the service capability of the asset to its original capability

"current assets" has the same meaning as in the AAS

"current liabilities" has the same meaning as in the AAS

"non-current assets" means all assets other than current assets

"non-current liabilities" means all liabilities other than current liabilities

"non-recurrent grant" means a grant obtained on the condition that it be expended in a specified manner and is not expected to be received again during the period covered by a council's Strategic Resource Plan

"own-source revenue" means adjusted underlying revenue other than revenue that is not under the control of council (including government grants

"population "means the resident population estimated by council

"rate revenue" means revenue from general rates, municipal charges, service rates and service charges

"recurrent grant "means a grant other than a non-recurrent grant

"residential rates" means revenue from general rates, municipal charges, service rates and service charges levied on residential properties

"restricted cash" means cash and cash equivalents, within the meaning of the AAS, that are not available for use other than for a purpose for which it is restricted, and includes cash to be used to fund capital works expenditure from the previous financial year

"unrestricted cash" means all cash and cash equivalents other than restricted cash.

# **Other Information**

For the year ended 30 June 2019

## 1. Basis of preparation

Council is required to prepare and include a performance statement within its annual report. The performance statement includes the results of the prescribed sustainable capacity, service performance and financial performance indicators and measures together with a description of the municipal district and an explanation of material variations in the results. This statement has been prepared to meet the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1989* and Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

Where applicable the results in the performance statement have been prepared on accounting bases consistent with those reported in the Financial Statements. The other results are based on information drawn from Council information systems or from third parties (e.g. Australian Bureau of Statistics).

The performance statement presents the actual results for the current year and for the prescribed financial performance indicators and measures, the results forecast by Council's strategic resource plan. The Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 requires explanation of any material variations in the results contained in the performance statement. Council has adopted materiality thresholds relevant to each indicator and measure and explanations have not been provided for variations below the materiality thresholds unless the variance is conserved to be material because of its nature.

The forecast figures included in the performance statement are those adopted by Council in its strategic resource plan on 26 June 2019 which forms part of the council plan. The strategic resource plan includes estimates based on key assumptions about the future that were relevant at the time of adoption and aimed at achieving sustainability over the long term. Detailed information on the actual financial results is contained in the General Purpose Financial Statements. The strategic resource plan can be obtained by contacting Council at its municipal offices at 92 Nelson Street Nhill, by email to info@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au or phone 03 5391 4444.

# **Certification of the performance statement**

In my opinion, the accompanying performance statement has been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* and the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

Ms Monica Revell Director Corporate & Community Services Dated: 18 September 2019

In our opinion, the accompanying performance statement of the Hindmarsh Shire Council for the year ended 30 June 2018 presents fairly the results of council's performance in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* and the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

The performance statement contains the relevant performance indicators, measures and results in relation to service performance, financial performance and sustainable capacity.

At the date of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances that would render any particulars in the performance statement to be misleading or inaccurate.

We have been authorised by the council and by the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 to certify this performance statement in its final form.

Mr Ron Ismay Councillor Dated: 18 September 2019

Mr Ronald Lowe Councillor Dated: 18 September 2019

Mr Greg Wood Chief Executive Officer Dated: 18 September 2018

# Annual Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2019



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## **Certification of the Financial Statements**

In my opinion, the accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1989, the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014, the Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

Mrs Monica Revell Principal Accounting Officer

**Date :** 18-Sep-19

Nhill

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial transactions of Hindmarsh Shire Council for the year ended 30 June 2019 and the financial position of the Council as at that date.

As at the date of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances that would render any particulars in the financial statements to be misleading or inaccurate.

We have been authorised by the Council and by the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 to certify the financial statements in their final form.

Cr Ron Ismay Councillor Date : 18-Sep-19 Nhill

Cr Ron Lowe Councillor

Date : 18-Sep-19 Nhill

Mr Greg Wood Chief Executive Officer

Date : 18-Sep-19 Nhill

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# Comprehensive Income Statement For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

	Note	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Income		<b>\$ 000</b>	φ 000
Rates and charges	3.1	8.650	8.350
Statutory fees and fines	3.2	190	180
User fees	3.3	1.049	856
Grants - operating	3.4	10,491	5,515
Grants - capital	3.4	2,896	1,903
Contributions - monetary	3.5	63	41
Net gain (or loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	3.6	39	47
Share of net profits (or loss) of associates and joint ventures	6.2	5	29
Other income	3.7	1,632	1,273
Total income		25,015	18,194
Expenses			
Employee costs	4.1	(6,388)	(6,559)
Materials and services	4.2	(10,970)	(4,563)
Depreciation	4.3	(5,071)	(4,836)
Other expenses	4.5	(1,393)	(1,345)
Total expenses		(23,822)	(17,303)
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		1,193	891
Other comprehensive income			
Items that will not be reclassified to surplus or deficit in future periods			
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)	6.1	-	(760)
Total comprehensive result		1,193	131

The above comprehensive income statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Balance Sheet As at 30 June 2019

	Note	2019	2018
		\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5.1	11,877	11,228
Trade and other receivables	5.1	2,085	704
Inventories	5.2	291	292
Other assets	5.2	190	65
Total current assets		14,443	12,289
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	5.1	2	2
Investments in associates, joint arrangements and subsidiaries	6.2	484	480
Property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	6.1	158,061	157,201
Total non-current assets		158,547	157,683
Total assets		172,990	169,972
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	5.3	2,875	985
Trust funds and deposits	5.3	32	182
Provisions	5.4	1,751	1,682
Total current liabilities		4,658	2,849
Non-current liabilities			
Provisions	5.4	269	253
Total non-current liabilities		269	253
Total liabilities		4,927	3,102
Net assets		168,063	166,870
Fauity			
Equity Accumulated surplus		65,411	64,218
Reserves	9.1	,	,
	9.1	102,652 168,063	102,652 166,870
Total equity		100,003	100,070

The above balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

2019	Note	Total \$'000	Accumulated Surplus \$'000	Revaluation Reserve \$'000
Balance at beginning of the financial year		166,870	64,218	102,652
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		1,193	1,193	-
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)	6.1	-	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year	_	168,063	65,411	102,652

2018		Total \$'000	Accumulated Surplus \$'000	Revaluation Reserve \$'000
Balance at beginning of the financial year		166,739	63,327	103,412
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		891	891	-
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)	6.1	(760)	-	(760)
Balance at end of the financial year	_	166,870	64,218	102,652

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

		2019 Inflows/ (Outflows)	2018 Inflows/ (Outflows)
Cash flows from operating activities	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Rates and charges		8,712	8,433
Statutory fees and fines		0,712	0,433 10
User fees		196	1,022
Grants - operating		10,491	5,516
Grants - capital		2,896	1,903
Contributions - monetary		2,890	41
Interest received		182	167
			107
Trust funds and deposits taken		(147)	
Other receipts		1,451	1,169 52
Net GST refund/payment			
Employee costs Materials and services		(6,224)	(6,445)
		(9,542)	(4,647)
Other payments	-	(1,545)	(1,494)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	_	6,540	5,902
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	6.1	(6,165)	(4,537)
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment		274	169
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	-	(5,891)	(4,368)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		649	1,534
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		11,228	9,694
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	_	11,877	11,228

Restrictions on cash assets

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The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of Capital Works For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

Note	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Property		
Buildings	503	272
Total property	503	272
Plant and equipment		
Plant, machinery and equipment	1,064	598
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	19	99
Total plant and equipment	1,083	697
Infrastructure		
Roads	3,421	2,352
Bridges	26	-
Footpaths and cycleways	91	223
Drainage	66	83
Kerb & Channel	502	236
Other infrastructure	473	674
Total infrastructure	4,579	3,568
Total capital works expenditure	6,165	4,537
Represented by:		
New asset expenditure	1,813	1,063
Asset renewal expenditure	3,180	2,760
Asset upgrade expenditure	1,172	714
Total capital works expenditure	6,165	4,537

The above statement of capital works should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### OVERVIEW

#### Introduction

The Hindmarsh Shire Council was established by an Order of the Governor in Council on 20 January 1995 and is a body corporate.

The Council's main office is located at 92 Nelson Street, Nhill, Victoria.

#### Statement of compliance

These financial statements are a general purpose financial report that consists of a Comprehensive Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows, Statement of Capital Works and Notes accompanying these financial statements. The general purpose financial report complies with the Australian Accounting Standards (AAS), other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the *Local Government Act 1989*, and the *Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014*.

#### Significant accounting policies

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The accrual basis of accounting has been used in the preparation of these financial statements, whereby assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses are recognised in the reporting period to which they relate, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Judgements, estimates and assumptions are required to be made about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated judgements are based on professional judgement derived from historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and also in future periods that are affected by the revision. Judgements and assumptions made by management in the application of AAS's that have significant effects on the financial statements and estimates relate to:

- the fair value of land, buildings, infrastructure, plant and equipment (refer to Note 6.1)
- the determination of depreciation for buildings, infrastructure, plant and equipment (refer to Note 6.1)
- the determination of employee provisions (refer to Note 5.4)
- the determination of landfill provisions (refer to Note 5.4)

Unless otherwise stated, all accounting policies are consistent with those applied in the prior year. Where appropriate, comparative figures have been amended to accord with current presentation, and disclosure has been made of any material changes to comparatives.

#### Note 1 Performance against budget

The performance against budget notes compare Council's financial plan, expressed through its annual budget, with actual performance. The *Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014* requires explanation of any material variances. Council has adopted a materiality threshold of the lower of 10 percent or \$100,000 where further explanation is warranted. Explanations have not been provided for variations below the materiality threshold unless the variance is considered to be material because of its nature.

The budget figures detailed below are those adopted by Council on 27 June 2018. The Budget was based on assumptions that were relevant at the time of adoption of the Budget. Council sets guidelines and parameters for income and expense targets in this budget in order to meet Council's planning and financial performance targets for both the short and long-term. The budget did not reflect any changes to equity resulting from asset revaluations, as their impacts were not considered predictable.

These notes are prepared to meet the requirements of the Local Government Act 1989 and the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

#### 1.1 Income and expenditure

	Budget 2019	Actual 2019	2019	Variance	_
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	Re
Income					
Rates and charges	8,645	8,650	5	0	
Statutory fees and fines	136	190	54	40	1
User fees	691	1,049	358	52	2
Grants - operating	3,089	10,491	7,402	240	3
Grants - capital	859	2,896	2,037	237	4
Contributions - monetary	13	63	50	385	5
Net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	298	39	(259)	(87)	
Share of net profits/(losses) of associates and joint ventures	-	5	5	0	
Other income	1,445	1,632	187	13	6
Total income	15,176	25,015	9,839	1	
Expenses					
Employee costs	7,115	6,388	(727)	(10)	7
Materials and services	4,071	10,970	6,899	169	8
Depreciation	4,928	5,071	143	3	
Other expenses	2,046	1,393	(653)	(32)	9
Total expenses	18,160	23,822	5,662	31	
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(2,984)	1,193	4,177	(140)	

(i) Explanation of material variations

Variance Ref	ltem	Explanation
1	Statutory fees and fines	Statutory fees and fines are higher than budgeted due to a larger number of fines being issued.
2	User fees	User fees are higher than budgeted due to Income received from Private works and Caravan Parks being higher than budgeted.
3	Grants - Operating	Operating grants are higher than budgeted due to unbudgeted grant funds for Disaster Support & Relief, the Dimboola HPV event, This Girl Can Marketing and Recycling Services Temporary Relief Grants.
4	Grants - Capital	Council have received unbudgeted grants for the refurbishment of Jeparit and Rainbow kindergartens, provision of a fishing pontoon at Nhill Lake, provision of boating pontoon at Dimboola, Nhill Aerodrome Entrance & Heritage Walk, e- waste, Fixing Country Roads Program and Local Roads to Market Program.
5	Contributions - monetary	Contributions are higher than budgeted due to receipt of payment from the Dimboola & district sporting club toward the female change rooms facility.
6	Other Income	Other income is higher than budget due to increased interest income, and increased quarry material used on jobs and plant recovery.
7	Employee Costs	Employee costs are currently under expenditure due to the period of time some vacancies remained unfilled, also the departure of top of band employees whose replacements commence at the bottom of the banding impacts this.
8	Materials & Services	Materials and Services are over budget due to payments in relation to Flood recovery works.
9	Other expenses	This variance is composed of a number of small variances along with a reduction in the kindergarten subsidy required by the provider of this service.

## Notes to the Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

## Note 1 Performance against budget (cont'd)

1.2 Capital works
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	Budget 2019 \$'000	Actual 2019 \$'000	Variance 2019 \$'000	Variance 2019 %	Ref
Property					
Buildings	127	503	376	296.1	1
Total property	127	503	376	296.1	
Plant and equipment					
Plant, machinery and equipment	1,737	1,064	(673)	(38.7)	2
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	5	19	14	280.0	
Total plant and equipment	1,742	1,083	(659)	(37.8)	
Infrastructure					
Roads	2,991	3,421	430	14.4	3
Bridges	-	26	26	-	
Footpaths and cycleways	260	91	(169)	(65.0)	4
Drainage	128	66	(62)	(48.4)	5
Kerb & Channel	128	502	374	292.2	6
Other infrastructure	441	473	32	7.3	7
Total infrastructure	3,948	4,579	631	16.0	
Total capital works expenditure	5,817	6,165	348	6.0	
Represented by:					
New asset expenditure	324	1,813	1,489	459.6	
Asset renewal expenditure	5,440	3,180	(2,260)	(41.5)	
Asset upgrade expenditure	53	1,172	1,119	2,111.3	
Total capital works expenditure	5,817	6,165	348	6.0	

# Notes to the Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

(i) Explanation of material variations

Variance Ref	ltem	Explanation
1	Buildings	Carried forward expenditure for the final payment for the Nhill Early Years Centre and the Dimboola Recreation Reserve Netball Facilities was expended in 2019. Grant opportunities arose for kindergarten bathroom upgrades at the Rainbow and Jeparit kindergartens and also the consruction of E-waste sheds at Dimboola and Nhill transfer stations also contributed to the variance.
2	Plant, machinery and equipment	There are some plant items that were unable to be delivered before the end of the financial year. These items will be purchased in 2020, with the funds carried forward for this purpose.
3	Roads	The variance in actual expenditure to budgeted is due to gaining grant funding for completing further road construction projects that were not budgeted.
4	Footpaths and cycleways	The reduced expenditure was due to not completing all budgeted projects. The significant increase in grant funding for completing further road construction projects meant there was not enough time to complete all budgeted projects with some carried forward to 2020.
5	Drainage	The reduced expenditure was due to not completing all budgeted projects. The significant increase in grant funding for completing further road construction projects meant there was not enough time to complete all budgeted projects with some carried forward to 2020.
6	Kerb & Channel	The reduced expenditure was due to not completing all budgeted projects. The significant increase in grant funding for completing further road construction projects meant there was not enough time to complete all budgeted projects with some carried forward to 2020.
7	Other infrastructure	The variance in actual expenditure to budgeted is due to gaining grant funding during the year for small capital projects that were not budgeted for, including, Nhill RSL ANZAC Memorial enhancement, Dimboola Boating Pontoon, and Nhill Aerodrome entrance and heritage walk upgrade.
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#### Note 2.1 Analysis of Council results by program

Council delivers its functions and activities through the following programs.

#### 2 (a) Community Liveability

Community Liveability focuses on achieving an actively engaged community, providing a range of effective and accessible services to support the health and wellbeing of our community, and promoting a community that is physically active with access to a wide range of leisure, sporting and recreation facilities.

#### **Built and Natural Environment**

Built and Natural environment focuses on provision of well maintained physical assets and infrastructure to meet community and organisational needs. A community that reduces its reliance on water and managers this resource wisely. A healthy natural environment and a community living more sustainably.

#### **Competitive and Innovative Economy**

A strong rural economy and thriving towns, a thriving tourism industry, modern and affordable information and communicatiion technology throughout the municipality, and transport solutions that support the needs of our communities and businesses.

#### **Our People, Our Processes**

This area of Council focuses on long term financial sustainability, quality customer services, an engaged, skilled Council and workforce capable of meeting community needs, efficient and effective information communications technology. Providing support for the community in the areas of emergency preparedness, response and recovery. Also, an organisation that takes it risk management responsibilities seriously and embeds a culture of risk management throughout the organisation.

# Hindmarsh Shire Council 2018/2019 Financial Report

# Notes to the Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

Note 2.1 Analysis of Council results by program

## 2.1 (b) Summary of revenues, expenses, assets and capital expenses by program

	Income	Expenses	Surplus/( Deficit)	Grants included in income	Total assets
2019	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Community Liveability	1,331	(2,045)	(714)	952	1,384
Built and Natural Environment	10,123	(16,764)	(6,641)	7,657	143,816
Competitive and Innovative Economy	623	(1,161)	(538)	46	2,491
Our People, our Processes	12,938	(3,852)	9,086	4,732	18,372
Unattributed	-	-	-	-	6,927
	25,015	(23,822)	1,193	13,387	172,990

	Income	Expenses	Surplus/( Deficit)	Grants included in income	Total assets
2018	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Community Liveability	1,346	(2,005)	(659)	957	856
Built and Natural Environment	5,054	(11,396)	(6,342)	1,944	140,152
Competitive and Innovative Economy	602	(1,283)	(681)	89	1,859
Our People, our Processes	12,356	(3,783)	8,573	4,428	17,217
Unattributed	-	-	-	-	9,888
	19,358	(18,467)	891	7,418	169,972

Note 3 Funding for the delivery of our services	2019	2018
3.1 Rates and charges	\$'000	\$'000

Council uses Capital Improved Value (CIV) as the basis of valuation of all properties within the municipal district. The CIV of a property is the value of the land and all of its improvements.

The valuation base used to calculate general rates for 2018/19 was \$1,393.62 million (2017/18 \$1,237.08 million).

General rates	6,847	6,710
Municipal charge	742	737
Waste management charge	970	874
Revenue in lieu of rates	91	29
Total rates and charges	8,650	8,350

The date of the latest general revaluation of land for rating purposes within the municipal district was January 2019, and the valuation will be first applied in the rating year commencing 1 July, 2019.

Annual rates and charges are recognised as revenues when Council issues annual rates notices. Supplementary rates are recognised when a valuation and reassessment is completed and a supplementary rates notice issued.

#### 3.2 Statutory fees and fines

Animal registration fees	70	71
Building fees	57	50
Infringements and costs	16	31
Court recoveries	-	-
Town planning fees	41	28
Land information certificates	6	-
Permits	-	-
Total statutory fees and fines	190	180

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

#### 3.3 User fees

Aged and health services	315	288
Private works	106	53
Caravan parks & camping fees	348	302
Transfer station fees	68	55
Commercial garbage collection fees	48	40
Film screenings and hall hire	32	32
Other fees and charges	132	86
Total user fees	1,049	856

User fees are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided or council has otherwise earned the income.

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	unding from other levels of government	2019	201
	irants were received in respect of the following :	\$'000	\$'00
	ummary of grants	6.040	6,40
	commonwealth funded grants	7,347	1,00
	tate funded grants otal grants received	13,387	7,41
I.	otal grants received		7,41
(2	a) Operating Grants		
	Recurrent - Commonwealth Government		
	Financial Assistance Grants	4,732	4,41
	General home care	512	48
	Other	28	
	Recurrent - State Government		
	Delivered Meals	1	
	Home care services	81	8
	Home maintenance	5	
	Senior citizens	23	1
	School crossing supervisors	6	
	Libraries	105	10
	Youth participation program	25	3
	Roadside weeds and pest management	74	12
	Other	-	2
	Total recurrent operating grants	5,592	5,29
	Non-recurrent - Commonwealth Government		
	Building better regions funding	9	
	Building better regions funding Non-recurrent - State Government		
		9 11	
	Non-recurrent - State Government		7
	Non-recurrent - State Government Community health		
	Non-recurrent - State Government Community health Karen community capacity building & migration project		
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	Non-recurrent - State Government Community health Karen community capacity building & migration project Community safety fund Disaster support & relief	11 - - 75	1
	Non-recurrent - State Government Community health Karen community capacity building & migration project Community safety fund Disaster support & relief Regional events funding	11 - - 75 8	1
	Non-recurrent - State Government Community health Karen community capacity building & migration project Community safety fund Disaster support & relief Regional events funding Walk to school	11 - 75 8 14 2 -	1
	Non-recurrent - State Government Community health Karen community capacity building & migration project Community safety fund Disaster support & relief Regional events funding Walk to school Youth participation project	11 - 75 8 14 2 - 72	1
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		2019	2018
	(b) Capital Grants	\$'000	\$'000
	Recurrent - Commonwealth Government		
	Roads to recovery	759	1,519
	Total recurrent capital grants	759	1,519
	Non-recurrent - State Government		
	Nhill early years centre	-	22
	Dimboola civic precinct	-	100
	Recreational fishing	50	10
	Skate parks	20	90
	Public safety infrastructure	2	19
	Building our regions	-	75
	Stronger communities walking track	20	20
	National livestock identification scheme	-	19
	Variable message sign	-	18
	Aerodrome entrance and heritage walk	30	-
	Dimboola boating pontoon	64	-
	E-waste sheds	60	-
	Fixing country roads	1,243	-
	Kindergarten refurbishment	18	-
	Roads to market	630	-
	Other	-	11
	Total non-recurrent capital grants	2,137	384
	Total capital grants	2,896	1,903
	(c) Unspent grants received on condition that they be spent in a specific manner		
	Balance at start of year	1,003	1,125
	Received during the financial year and remained unspent at balance date	496	321
	Received in prior years and spent during the financial year	(433)	(443)
	Balance at year end	1,066	1,003

Grant income is recognised when Council obtains control of the contribution. Control is normally obtained upon receipt (or acquittal).

#### 3.5 Contributions

Monetary	63	41
Total contributions	63	41

Monetary and non monetary contributions are recognised as revenue when Council obtains control over the contributed asset.

3.6 Net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment

Proceeds of sale	274	213
Written down value of assets disposed	(235)	(166)
Total net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	39	47

The profit or loss on sale of an asset is determined when control of the asset has passed to the buyer.

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3.	7 Other income	2019	2018
		\$'000	\$'000
	Plant operations	790	596
	Quarry operations	491	386
	Interest	187	167
	Recoupments	79	53
	Fire services levy administration	42	41
	Centralised valuation funding	28	-
	Scrap metal and transfer station sales	10	26
	Vicroads agency administration	4	3
	Other	1	1
	Total other income	1,632	1,273

Interest is recognised as it is earned.

Other income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is recognised when Council gains control over the right to receive the income.

#### Note 4 The cost of delivering services

4.1 (a) Employee costs

4,981	4,810	Wages and salaries
159	119	WorkCover
616	648	Annual leave, sick leave and long service leave
556	577	Superannuation
87	56	Fringe benefits tax
129	148	Training
31	30	Other
6,559	6,388	Total employee costs
-		

#### (b) Superannuation

Council made contributions to the following funds:

#### Defined benefit fund

Employer contributions to Local Authorities Superannuation Fund (Vision Super)	66	74
	66	74
Employer contributions payable at reporting date.	nil	nil
Accumulation funds		
Employer contributions to Local Authorities Superannuation Fund (Vision Super)	266	254
Employer contributions - other funds	245	228
	511	482
Employer contributions payable at reporting date.	nil	nil

Refer to note 9.3 for further information relating to Council's superannuation obligations.

#### 4.2 Materials and services

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251	310
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		2019
4.3 Depreciation		\$'000

Refer to note 6.1 for a more detailed breakdown of depreciationcharges and accounting policy.		1,000
Total depreciation	5.071	4,836
Infrastructure	3,797	3,618
Plant and equipment	811	794
Property	463	424

2018 \$'000

#### 4.4 Bad and doubtful debts

4.5 Other expenses

Movement in provisions for doubtful debts		
Balance at the beginning of the year	17	17
New provisions recognised during the year	-	-
Amounts already provided for and written off as uncollectible	-	-
Amounts provided for but recovered during the year	-	-
Balance at end of year	17	17

Provision for doubtful debt is recognised based on an expected credit loss model. This model considers both historic and forward looking information in determining the level of impairment.

otal other expenses	1,393	1,345
Dthers	32	(20
own committees	30	30
elecommunications	20	24
Subscriptions	120	88
Regional library contribution	265	259
Postage	24	23
egal costs	5	-
andfill charges	251	238
lindergartens	-	87
nsurance	268	256
lindmarsh landcare network contribution	10	-
ire services levy	22	23
Councillors' allowances	179	174
Council contributions - other	-	28
Community action grants	22	20
Bank charges	32	31
uditors' remuneration - Internal	7	-
uditors' remuneration - VAGO - audit of the financial statements, performance statement nd grant acquittals	44	43
dvertising	62	41

Note 5 Our financial position

9,877	7,228
2,000	4,000
11,877	11,228
	2,000

Councils cash and cash equivalents are subject to external restrictions that limit amounts available for discretionary use. These include:

- Trust funds and deposits (Note 5.3)	32	182
Total restricted funds	32	182
Total unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	11,845	11,046

#### Intended allocations

Although not externally restricted the following amounts have been allocated for specific future pur	poses by Council:	
- cash held to fund carried forward capital works	2,411	1,788
- grants unspent	1,066	1,003
Total funds subject to intended allocations	3,477	2,791

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits at call, and other highly liquid investments with original maturities of 90 days or less, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Other financial assets are valued at fair value, at balance date. Term deposits are measured at original cost. Any unrealised gains and losses on holdings at balance date are recognised as either a revenue or expense.

(c) Trade and other receivables	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
Current		
Statutory receivables		
Rates debtors	383	445
Building permit debtors	21	7
Infringement debtors	88	73
Provision for doubtful debts - infringements	-	-
GST receivable	488	97
Non statutory receivables		
Loans and advances to community organisations	-	-
Other debtors	49	31
Sundry debtors	1,070	65
Street scheme debtors	2	2
Provision for doubtful debts - other debtors	(16)	(16)
Total current trade and other receivables	2,085	704
Non-current		
Statutory receivables		
Special rate scheme	-	-
Non statutory receivables	-	-
Street scheme debtors	2	2
Total non-current trade and other receivables	2	2
Total trade and other receivables	2,087	706

Short term receivables are carried at invoice amount. A provision for doubtful debts is recognised when there is objective evidence that an impairment has occurred. Long term receivables are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

## (d) Ageing of Receivables

The ageing of the Council's trade and other receivables (excluding statutory receivables) that are not impaired was:

Current (not yet due)	-	65
Past due by up to 30 days	412	8
Past due between 31 and 180 days	4	-
Past due between 181 and 365 days	33	3
Past due by more than 1 year	21	29
Total trade and other receivables	470	105

## (e) Ageing of individually impaired Receivables

At balance date, other debtors representing financial assets with a nominal value of \$16,649 (2018: \$16,649) were impaired. The amount of the provision raised against these debtors was \$16,649 (2018: \$16,649). They individually have been impaired as a result of their doubtful collection. Many of the long outstanding past due amounts have been lodged with Council's debt collectors or are on payment arrangements.

The ageing of receivables that have been individually determined as impaired at reporting date was:

Current (not yet due)		-	-
Past due by up to 30 days		-	-
Past due between 31 and 180 days		-	-
Past due between 181 and 365 days		-	-
Past due by more than 1 year		16	16
Total trade & other receivables	-	16	16
	-		

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5.2 Non-financial assets	2019	2018

5.2 Non-financial assets	2019	2018
(a) Inventories	\$'000	\$'000
Inventories held for distribution	291	292
Total inventories	291	292

Inventories held for distribution are measured at cost, adjusted when applicable for any loss of service potential. All other inventories, including land held for sale, are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Where inventories are acquired for no cost or nominal consideration, they are measured at current replacement cost at the date of acquisition.

## (b) Other assets

Prepayments	190	64
Accrued income	-	1
Total other assets	190	65

## 5.3 Payables

(a) Trade and other payables		
Trade payables	2,477	666
Accrued expenses	398	319
Total trade and other payables	2,875	985
(b) Trust funds and deposits		
Refundable deposits	12	12
Fire services levy	20	170
Total trust funds and deposits	32	182

Amounts received as deposits and retention amounts controlled by Council are recognised as trust funds until they are returned, transferred in accordance with the purpose of the receipt, or forfeited. Trust funds that are forfeited, resulting in council gaining control of the funds, are to be recognised as revenue at the time of forfeit.

## Purpose and nature of items

Refundable deposits - Deposits are taken by council as a form of surety in a number of circumstances, including in relation to building works, tender deposits, contract deposits and the use of civic facilities.

Fire Service Levy - Council is the collection agent for fire services levy on behalf of the State Government. Council remits amounts received on a quarterly basis. Amounts disclosed here will be remitted to the state government in line with that process.

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5.4 Provisions					
		Employee	Landfill restoration	Quarry	Total
2019		\$ '000	\$ '000	\$ '000	\$ '000
Balance at beginning of the fi	inancial year	1,769	21	145	1,935
Additional provisions	-	787	3	23	813
Amounts used		(728)	-	-	(728)
Balance at the end of the fina	ancial year	1,828	24	168	2,020
2018					
Balance at beginning of the fi	inancial year	1,668	21	145	1,834
Additional provisions		623	-	-	623
Amounts used		(522)	-	-	(522)
Balance at the end of the fina	ancial year	1,769	21	145	1,935

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		2019 2018					
	(a) Employee provisions	\$'000	\$'000				
	Current provisions expected to be wholly settled within 12 months						
	Annual leave	604	561				
	Long service leave	100	102				
	—	704	663				
	Current provisions expected to be wholly settled after 12 months						
	Annual leave	77	93				
	Long service leave	896	861				
	—	973	954				
	Total current employee provisions	1,677	1,617				
	Non-current						
	Long service leave	151	152				
	Annual leave	-	-				
	Total non-current employee provisions	151	152				
	Aggregate carrying amount of employee provisions:						
	Current	1,677	1,617				

The calculation of employee costs and benefits includes all relevant on-costs and are calculated as follows at reporting date.

## Wages and salaries and annual leave

Total aggregate carrying amount of employee provisions

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and accumulated sick leave expected to be wholly settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in the provision for employee benefits in respect of employee services up to the reporting date, classified as current liabilities and measured at their nominal values.

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1.828

152 1,769

Liabilities that are not expected to be wholly settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in the provision for employee benefits as current liabilities, measured at the present value of the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement.

### Long service leave

Non-current

Liability for long service leave (LSL) is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. LSL is measured at present value. Unconditional LSL is disclosed as a current liability. Conditional LSL that has been accrued, where an employee is yet to reach a qualifying term of employment, is disclosed as a non - current liability.

Key assumptions: - discount rate - index rate	1.148% 4.313%	2.327% 3.875%
(b) Landfill restoration Current Non-current		21  <b>21</b>

Council is obligated to restore a number of landfill and quarry sites to a particular standard. The forecast life of the site is based on current estimates of remaining capacity and the forecast rate of infill. The provision for landfill restoration has been calculated based on the present value of the expected cost of works to be undertaken. The expected cost of works has been estimated based on current understanding of work required to reinstate the site to a suitable standard. Accordingly, the estimation of the provision required is dependent on the accuracy of the forecast timing of the work, work required and related costs.

Key assumptions: - estimated cost to rehabilitate	24	21
(c) Quarry restoration		
Current	50	44
Non-current	118	101
	168	145
Key assumptions:		
- estimated cost to rehabilitate	168	145

## 5.5 Financing arrangements

The Council has the following funding arrangements in place as at 30 June 2019.

Credit card facilities	30	30
Total facilities	30	30
Used facilities	20	23
Unused facilities	10	7

## 5.6 Commitments

The Council has entered into the following commitments. Commitments are not recognised in the Balance Sheet. Commitments are disclosed at their nominal value and presented inclusive of the GST payable.

2019	Not later than 1 year \$'000	Later than 1 year and not later than 2 years \$'000	Later than 2 years and not later than 5 years \$'000	Later than 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Operating					
Building services	-	115	252	-	367
Recycling	260	87	-	-	347
Garbage collection	197	66	-	-	263
Transport waste and recycling to Dooen	61	20	-	-	81
Swimming pool management	282	287	213	-	782
Meals for delivery	59	54	-	-	113
Internal audit services	49	49	49	-	147
Kindergarten Services	48	60	120	-	228
Total	956	738	634	-	2,328

2018	Not later than 1 year \$'000	Later than 1 year and not later than 2 years \$'000	Later than 2 years and not later than 5 years \$'000	Later than 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
Operating	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 000</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>	<b>\$ 000</b>
Building services	158	162	-	-	320
Recycling	260	260	260	-	780
Garbage collection	197	197	197	-	591
Transport waste and recycling to Dooen	62	62	62	-	186
Swimming pool management	266	-	-	-	266
Meals for delivery	91	59	-	-	150
Internal audit services	49	49	98	-	196
Total	1,083	789	617	-	2,489

Note 6 Assets we manage

6.1 Property, infrastructure, plant and equipment

## 6.1 a Summary of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment

	At Fair Value 30 June 2018	Additions	Depreciation	Disposal	Transfers	At Fair Value 30 June 2019
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property	23,958	172	(463)	(3)	2,399	26,063
Plant and equipment	5,317	1,084	(811)	(231)	-	5,359
Infrastructure	124,808	3,141	(3,797)	-	28	124,180
Work in progress	3,118	1,768	-	-	(2,427)	2,459
	157,201	6,165	(5,071)	(234)	-	158,061

Summary of Work in Progress	Opening WIP	Additions	Write-off	Transfers	Closing WIP
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property	2,664	331	-	(2,399)	596
Plant and equipment	3	-	-	-	3
Infrastructure	451	1,437	-	(28)	1,860
Total	3,118	1,768	-	(2,427)	2,459

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#### (a) Property

(-,							
	Land - specialised	Total Land & Land Improvements	Heritage buildings	Buildings - specialised	Total Buildings	Work In Progress	Total Property
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At fair value 1 July 2018	2,370	2,370	215	25,028	25,243	2,664	30,277
Accumulated depreciation at 1 July 2018	-	-	(40)	(3,615)	(3,655)	-	(3,655)
	2,370	2,370	175	21,413	21,588	2,664	26,622
Movements in fair value							
Additions	1	1	-	171	171	331	503
Disposal	(3)	(3)	-	-		-	(3)
Transfers	-	-	-	2,399	2,399	(2,399)	
	(2)	(2)	-	2,570	2,570	(2,068)	500
Movements in accumulated depreciation							
Depreciation	-	-	(3)	(460)	(463)	-	(463)
	-	•	(3)	(460)	(463)	-	(463)
At fair value 30 June 2019	2,368	2,368	215	27,598	27,813	596	30,777
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2019	-		(43)	(4,075)	(4,118)	-	(4,118)
	2,368	2,368	172	23,523	23,695	596	26,659

### (b) Plant and Equipment

	Plant machinery and equipment	Fixtures fittings and furniture	Work in Progress	Total plant and equipment
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At fair value 1 July 2018	9,545	1,126	3	10,674
Accumulated depreciation at 1 July 2018	(4,523)	(831)	-	(5,354)
	5,022	295	3	5,320
Movements in fair value				
Additions	1,065	19	-	1,084
Disposal	(772)	-		(772)
	293	19		312
Movements in accumulated depreciation				
Depreciation	(737)	(74)		(811)
Accumulated depreciation of disposals	541	-	-	541
	(196)	(74)	-	(270)
At fair value 30 June 2019	9,838	1,145	3	10,986
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2019	(4,719)	(905)	-	(5,624)
	5,119	240	3	5,362

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## (c) Infrastructure

(-)	Roads	Bridges	Footpaths and cycleways	Drainage	Kerb & Channel	Other	Work In Progress	Total Infrastructure
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At fair value 1 July 2018	122,760	7,069	6,698	6,295	19,019	10,984	451	173,276
Accumulated depreciation at 1 July 2018	(33,146)	(2,226)	(3,325)	(2,074)	(4,455)	(2,791)		(48,017)
	89,614	4,843	3,373	4,221	14,564	8,193	451	125,259
Movements in fair value								
Additions	2,358	-	91	66	174	452	1,437	4,578
Transfers	14	-	-	-	14	-	(28)	-
	2,372	-	91	66	188	452	1,409	4,578
Movements in accumulated depreciation								
Depreciation	(2,802)	(70)	(159)	(79)	(241)	(446)	-	(3,797)
	(2,802)	(70)	(159)	(79)	(241)	(446)	-	(3,797)
At fair value 30 June 2019	125,132	7,069	6,789	6,361	19,207	11,436	1,860	177,854
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2019	(35,948)	(2,296)	(3,484)	(2,153)	(4,696)	(3,237)	-	(51,814)
	89,184	4,773	3,305	4,208	14,511	8,199	1,860	126,040

## Acquisition

The purchase method of accounting is used for all acquisitions of assets, being the fair value of assets provided as consideration at the date of acquisition plus any incidental costs attributable to the acquisition. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset (or paid to transfer a liability) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Depreciation

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

In accordance with Council's policy, the threshold limits have applied when recognising assets within an applicable asset class and unless otherwise stated are consistent with the prior year.

	Period	Threshold Limit
Asset recognition thresholds and depreciation periods		\$'000
Land & land improvements		
land	-	1
Buildings		
buildings	30 - 100 years	1
Plant and Equipment		
plant, machinery and equipment	2 - 20 years	1
fixtures, fittings and furniture	2 - 50 years	1
Infrastructure		
roads - pavements, substructure, formation and earthworks	15 - 110 years	1
roads - kerb, channel and minor culverts and other	60 - 100 years	1
bridges	70 - 120 years	1
footpaths and cycleways	15 - 80 years	1
drainage	80 - 120 years	
other infrastructure	5 - 100 years	1

Land under roads

Council will recognise land under roads, acquired after 1 July 2008 at fair value.

## Depreciation and amortisation

Buildings, land improvements, plant and equipment, infrastructure, and other assets having limited useful lives are systematically depreciated over their useful lives to the Council in a manner which reflects consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets. Estimates of remaining useful lives and residual values are made on a regular basis with major asset classes reassessed annually. Depreciation rates and methods are reviewed annually.

Where assets have separate identifiable components that are subject to regular replacement, these components are assigned distinct useful lives and residual values and a separate depreciation rate is determined for each component.

Road earthworks are not depreciated on the basis that they are assessed as not having a limited useful life.

Straight line depreciation is charged based on the residual useful life as determined each year.

Depreciation periods used are listed above and are consistent with the prior year unless otherwise stated.

## Finance leases

Leases of assets where substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the asset are transferred to the Council are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised, recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the fair value of the asset and the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual value. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the interest expense. Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives to the Council where it is likely that the Council will obtain ownership of the asset or over the term of the lease, whichever is the shorter. At balance date Council has no finance leases.

#### Repairs and maintenance

Where the repair relates to the replacement of a component of an asset and the cost exceeds the capitalisation threshold the cost is capitalised and depreciated. The carrying value of the replaced asset is expensed.

#### Leasehold improvements

Leasehold improvements are recognised at cost and are amortised over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the improvement, whichever is the shorter. At balance date, Council has no leasehold improvements.



## Valuation of land and buildings

Valuation of land and buildings were undertaken by a qualified independent valuer Ben Sawyer, certified pracicing valuer AAPI Registration 63163 from Preston Rowe Patterson Horsham & Wimmera Pty Ltd. The valuation of land and buildings is at fair value, being market value based on highest and best use permitted by relevant land planning provisions. Where land use is restricted through existing planning provisions the valuation is reduced to reflect this limitation. This adjustment is an unobservable input in the valuation. The adjustment has no impact on the comprehensive income statement.

Specialised land is valued at fair value using site values adjusted for englobo (undeveloped and/or unserviced) characteristics, access rights and private interests of other parties and entitlements of infrastructure assets and services. This adjustment is an unobservable input in the valuation. The adjustment has no impact on the comprehensive income statement.

Any significant movements in the unobservable inputs for land and land under roads will have a significant impact on the fair value of these assets.

The date of the current valuation is detailed in the following table.

Details of the Council's land and buildings and information about the fair value hierarchy as at 30 June 2019 are as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Date of Valuation
Specialised land	-	-	2,368	Jun-15
Heritage Buildings	-	-	172	Jun-15
Buildings	-	-	23,524	Jun-15
Total	 -	-	26,064	

## Valuation of infrastructure

Valuation of road and kerb and channel assets has been determined in accordance with an independent valuation undertaken by Talis Consultants Pty Ltd. An independent valuation of bridges has also been undertaken, by Pitt & Sherry. The valuation of all other infrastructure assets has been determined by Mrs Angela Hoy, Director of Infrastructure Services.

The date of the current valuation is detailed in the following table.

The valuation is at fair value based on replacement cost less accumulated depreciation as at the date of valuation.

Details of the Council's infrastructure and information about the fair value hierarchy as at 30 June 2019 are as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Date of Valuation
	-	-	89,183	Jun-17
ges	-	-	4,772	Jun-18
paths and cycleways	-	-	3,305	Jun-19
ge	-	-	4,208	Jun-19
& Channel	-	-	14,511	Jun-17
infrastructure	-	-	8,199	Jun-19
	-	-	124,178	

## Description of significant unobservable inputs into level 3 valuations

Specialised buildings are valued using a depreciated replacement cost technique. Significant unobservable inputs include the current replacement cost and remaining useful lives of buildings. Current replacement costs is calculated on a square metre basis and ranges from \$300 to \$2,600 per square metre. The remaining useful lives of buildings are determined on the basis of the current condition of buildings and vary from 5 years to 75 years. Replacement cost is sensitive to changes in market conditions, with any increase or decrease in cost flowing through to the valuation. Useful lives of buildings are sensitive to changes in expectations or requirements that could either shorten or extend the useful lives of buildings.

Infrastructure assets are valued based on the depreciated replacement cost. Significant unobservable inputs include the current replacement cost and remaining useful lives of infrastructure. The remaining useful lives of infrastructure assets are determined on the basis of the current condition of the asset and vary from 10 years to 100 years. Replacement cost is sensitive to changes in market conditions, with any increase or decrease in cost flowing through to the valuation. Useful lives of infrastructure are sensitive to changes in use, expectations or requirements that could either shorten or extend the useful lives of infrastructure assets.

6.2 Investments in associates, joint arrangements and subsidiaries	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
(a) Investments in associates		
Investments in associates accounted for by the equity method are:		
- Wimmera Regional Library Corporation	386	378
- Wimmera Development Association	98	102
Wimmera Regional Library Corporation		
Background		
Hindmarsh Shire Council, in conjunction with Horsham Rural City Council, Northern Grampians Shire Council, West Wimmera Shire Council and Yarriambiack Shire Council, have an interest in the Wimmera Regional Library Corporation		
Hindmarsh Shire has a 13.34% interest in equity (13.16% in 2017/18)		
Fair value of Council's investment in Wimmera Regional Library Corporation	386	378
Council's share of accumulated surplus/(deficit)		
Council's share of accumulated surplus(deficit) at start of year	151	159
Change in equity share apportionment	-	-
Reported surplus(deficit) for year	(206)	(8)
Transfers (to) from reserves	-	-
Distributions for the year		-
Council's share of accumulated surplus(deficit) at end of year	(55)	151
Council's share of reserves		
Council's share of reserves at start of year	226	227
Change in equity share apportionment	(8)	(1)
Transfers (to) from reserves	(94)	-
Council's share of reserves at end of year	124	226
Movement in carrying value of specific investment		
Carrying value of investment at start of year	378	387
Change in equity share apportionment	8	(1)
Share of surplus(deficit) for year	-	(8)
Share of asset revaluation	-	-
Distributions received		-
Carrying value of investment at end of year	386	378

The Council provided notice of withdrawal from the Wimmera Regional Library Corporation effective from 30 June 2020 in accordance with the terms of the agreement signed with the library corporation. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the agreement, the Council expects to recover its investment in associate which principally comprises assets that will be returned. The Council does not expect material impact of this withdrawal on the carrying value of its assets and liabilities.

## Wimmera Development Association

## Background

Hindmarsh Shire Council, in conjunction with Horsham Rural City Council, Northern Grampians Shire Council, West Wimmera Shire Council and Yarriambiack Shire Council, have an interest in the Wimmera Development Association

Hindmarch Shire has a 10 3/1% interact in equity (10 3/1% in 2017/19)

Hindmarsh Shire has a 10.34% interest in equity (10.34% in 2017/18)		
Fair value of Council's investment in Wimmera Development Association	98	102
Council's share of accumulated surplus/(deficit)		
Council's share of accumulated surplus(deficit) at start of year	78	41
Change in equity share apportionment	-	-
Reported surplus(deficit) for year	(4)	37
Transfers (to) from reserves	-	-
Distributions for the year	-	-
Council's share of accumulated surplus(deficit) at end of year	74	78
Council's share of reserves		
Council's share of reserves at start of year	24	23
Change in equity share apportionment	-	1
Transfers (to) from reserves	-	-
Council's share of reserves at end of year	24	24
Movement in carrying value of specific investment		
Carrying value of investment at start of year	102	64
Change in equity share apportionment	-	-
Share of surplus(deficit) for year	(4)	38
Share of asset revaluation	-	-
Distributions received	-	-
Carrying value of investment at end of year	98	102

Associates are all entities over which Council has significant influence but not control or joint control. Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method of accounting, after initially being recognised at cost.

People and relationsh Council and key mana	nips agement remuneration	2019 No.	20
(a) Related Parties			
Parent entity Hindmarsh Shire Cound	ril is the parent entity		
Subsidiaries and Assoc Interests in subsidiaries	s and associates are detailed in Note 6.2.		
(b) Key Management I	Personnel ing the position of Councillor or other members of key management per	sonnel at any time during the ve	ar ara.
Councillors	Councillor R. Ismay (Mayor) Councillor R. Lowe (Deputy Mayor) Councillor R. Gersch Councillor T.Schneider Councillor D.Colbert Councillor D. Nelson Chief Executive Officer Director - Corporate and Community Services Director - Infrastructure Services		
Total Number of Coun	ncillors	6	
Total of Chief Execution	ve Officer and other Key Management Personnel	4	
	Management Personnel	10	
(c) Remuneration of K	Key Management Personnel	2019 \$'000	2 \$'
Total remuneration of k	ey management personnel was as follows:		
Short-term benefits		789	-
Long-term benefits		-	
Termination benefits		2	
Total		791	
The numbers of key m related entities, fall with	nanagement personnel whose total remuneration from Council and ar in the following bands:	ıy	
		2019	2
		No.	
\$20,000 - \$29,999		5	
\$30,000 - \$39,999		-	
\$50,000 - \$59,999		-	
\$60,000 - \$69,999		2	
\$70,000 - \$79,999		-	
\$110,000 - \$119,999		1	
\$130,000 - \$139,999		-	
\$150,000 - \$159,999		-	
		- 1	
\$150,000 - \$159,999		1 1 10	

Remuneration disclosed is total remuneration package (TRP) inclusive of base salary, superannuation & vehicle benefits. Accrued annual and long service leave is excluded.

For the rear Ended 30 June 2	2019	2018	
Related party disclosure	\$'000	\$'000	
7.2 (a) Transactions with related parties			
During the period Council entered into the following transactions with related parties.			
Council entered into purchases of materials and services on normal commercial terms arrangements with the following businesses:	s and		
T.Ismay & Co (a related party to Cr R. Ismay)	3	4	
Jim's Butchery (a related party to Cr R. Gersch)	3	1	
(b) Outstanding balances with related parties			
The following balances are outstanding at the end of the reporting period in relation to transactions with related parties:	0		
T.Ismay & Co (a related party to Cr R. Ismay) - nil Jim's Butchery (a related party to Cr R. Gersch) - nil			

There are no outstanding balances with related parties at 30 June 2019.

#### Note 8 Managing uncertainties

8.1 Contingent assets and liabilities

#### (a) Contingent assets

#### **Operating lease receivables**

Council receives lease payments for telephone towers, small sections of land, and rooms within Council owned buildings. The receivable is incidental to the purpose for holding the property. The lease terms are between 1 and 10 years and include a CPI based revision annually.

Future minimum rentals receivable under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2019	2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Not later than one year	48	55
Later than one year and not later than five years	136	130
Later than five years	113	113
	297	298

## (b) Contingent liabilities

Superannuation

Council has obligations under a defined benefit superannuation scheme that may result in the need to make additional contributions to the scheme, matters relating to this potential obligation are outlined below. As a result of the volatility in financial markets the likelihood of making such contributions in future periods exists.

#### Future superannuation contributions

In addition to the disclosed contributions, Hindmarsh Shire Council has paid unfunded liability payments to Vision Super totalling \$0 during the 2018/19 year (2017/18 \$0). There were *no* contributions outstanding and *no* loans issued from or to the above schemes as at 30 June 2019. The expected contributions to be paid to the Defined Benefit category of Vision Super for the year ending 30 June 2020 are \$60,000.

### Liability Mutual Insurance (where applicable)

Council is a participant of the MAV Liability Mutual Insurance (LMI) Scheme. The LMI scheme provides public liability and professional indemnity insurance cover. The LMI scheme states that each participant will remain liable to make further contributions to the scheme in respect of any insurance year in which it was a participant to the extent of its participant's share of any shortfall in the provision set aside in respect of that insurance year, and such liability will continue whether or not the participant remains a participant in future insurance years.

#### (c) Guarantees for loans to other entities

Council holds financial guarantees totalling \$131,000 held with the National Australia Bank on behalf of the Minister for Energy and resources for the purpose of ensuring quarry sites are restored to an environmentally satisfactory condition. If Council fail to meet the conditions of these guarantees they may become future liabilities to Council.

The amount disclosed for financial guarantee in this note is the nominal amount of the underlying loan that is guaranteed by the Council, not the fair value of the financial guarantee.

Financial guarantee contracts are not recognised as a liability in the balance sheet unless the lender has exercised their right to call on the guarantee or Council has other reasons to believe that it is probable that the right will be exercised.

The following new AAS's have been issued that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2019 reporting period. Council has assessed these pending standards and has identified the following potential impacts will flow from the application of these standards in future reporting periods.

## Revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15) (applies 2019/20 for LG sector)

The standard shifts the focus from the transaction-level to a contract-based approach. Recognition is determined based on what the customer expects to be entitled to (rights and obligations), while measurement encompasses estimation by the entity of the amount expected to be entitled for performing under the contract. The full impact of this standard is not known however it is most likely to impact where contracts extend over time, where there are rights and obligations that may vary the timing or amount of the consideration, or where there are multiple performance elements. This has the potential to impact on the recognition of certain grant income.

Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Deferral of AASB 15 for Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 2016-7) (applies 2019/20) This Standard defers the mandatory effective date of AASB 15 for not-for-profit entities from 1 January 2018 to 1 January 2019.

#### Leases (AASB 16) (applies 2019/20)

8.2 Change in accounting standards

The classification of leases as either finance leases or operating leases is eliminated for lessees. Leases will be recognised in the Balance Sheet by capitalising the present value of the minimum lease payments and showing a 'right-of-use' asset, while future lease payments will be recognised as a financial liability. The nature of the expense recognised in the profit or loss will change. Rather than being shown as rent, or as leasing costs, it will be recognised as depreciation on the 'right-of-use' asset, and an interest charge on the lease liability. The interest charge will be calculated using the effective interest method, which will result in a gradual reduction of interest excense over the lease term.

Council has elected to adopt the modified retrospective approach to the transition to the new lease standard. This will mean that only existing operating leases for non low value assets, with remaining terms greater than 12 months, will be recognised on transition (1 July 2019). Based on our current lease commitments and an assumption of a continuation of the current leasing arrangements Council expects that the transition to the new standard will see the initial recognition of \$239,501 in lease related assets and an equivalent liability.

#### Income of Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 1058) (applies 2019/20)

This standard is expected to apply to certain transactions currently accounted for under AASB 1004 Contributions and establishes revenue recognition principles for transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than fair value to enable a not-for-profit entity to further its objectives.

#### 8.3 Financial instruments

(a) Objectives and policies

The Council's principal financial instruments comprise cash assets, term deposits, receivables (excluding statutory receivables), payables (excluding statutory payables) and bank borrowings. Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted, including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised, in respect of each class of financial asset, financial liability and equity instrument is disclosed in the notes of the financial statements. Risk management is carried out by senior management under policies approved by the Council. These policies include identification and analysis of the risk exposure to Council and appropriate procedures, controls and risk minimisation.

#### (b) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of council financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The Council's exposure to market risk is primarily through interest rate risk with only insignificant exposure to other price risks and no exposure to foreign currency risk.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the value of a financial instrument or cash flows associated with the instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. Cash flow interest rate risk is the risk that the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Council has minimal exposure to cash flow interest rate risk through its cash and deposits that are at floating rates

Investment of surplus funds is made with approved financial institutions under the Local Government Act 1989. Council manages interest rate risk by adopting an investment policy that ensures:

- diversification of investment product;
- monitoring of return on investment; and
- benchmarking of returns and comparison with budget.

There has been no significant change in the Council's exposure, or its objectives, policies and processes for managing interest rate risk or the methods used to measure this risk from the previous reporting period.

Interest rate movements have not been sufficiently significant during the year to have an impact on the Council's year end result.

#### (c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a contracting entity will not complete its obligations under a financial instrument and cause Council to make a financial loss. Council have exposure to credit risk on some financial assets included in the balance sheet. Particularly significant areas of credit risk exist in relation to outstanding fees and fines as well as loans and receivables from sporting clubs and associations. To help manage this risk:

- Council have a policy for establishing credit limits for the entities council deal with;
- Council may require collateral where appropriate; and

- Council only invest surplus funds with financial institutions which have a recognised credit rating specified in council's investment policy. Receivables consist of a large number of customers, spread across the ratepayer, business and government sectors. Credit risk associated with the Council's financial assets is minimal because the main debtor is secured by a charge over the rateable property.

There are no material financial assets which are individually determined to be impaired.

Council may also be subject to credit risk for transactions which are not included in the balance sheet, such as when council provide a guarantee for another party. Details of our contingent liabilities are disclosed in Note 8.1(b).

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount, net of any provisions for impairment of those assets, as disclosed in the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements. Council does not hold any collateral.

## (d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk includes the risk that, as a result of council's operational liquidity requirements it will not have sufficient funds to settle a transaction when required or will be forced to sell a financial asset at below value or may be unable to settle or recover a financial asset. To help reduce these risks Council:

- have a liquidity policy which targets a minimum and average level of cash and cash equivalents to be maintained;
- have readily accessible standby facilities and other funding arrangements in place;
- have a liquidity portfolio structure that requires surplus funds to be invested within various bands of liquid instruments;
- monitor budget to actual performance on a regular basis: and
- set limits on borrowings relating to the percentage of loans to rate revenue and percentage of loan principal repayments to rate revenue.

The Council's maximum exposure to liquidity risk is the carrying amounts of financial liabilities as disclosed on the face of the balance sheet and the amounts related to financial guarantees disclosed in Note 8.1(c), and is deemed insignificant based on prior periods' data and current assessment of risk.

There has been no significant change in Council's exposure, or its objectives, policies and processes for managing liquidity risk or the methods used to measure this risk from the previous reporting period.

With the exception of borrowings, all financial liabilities are expected to be settled within normal terms of trade.

Unless otherwise stated, the carrying amounts of financial instruments reflect their fair value.

#### (e) Sensitivity disclosure analysis

Taking into account past performance, future expectations, economic forecasts, and management's knowledge and experience of the financial markets, Council believes the following movements are 'reasonably possible' over the next 12 months:

- A parallel shift of +2.0% and -1.0% in market interest rates (AUD) from year-end rates of 1.2%.

These movements will not have a material impact on the valuation of Council's financial assets and liabilities, nor will they have a material impact on the results of Council's operations.

#### 8.4 Fair value measurement

Fair value hierarchy

Council's financial assets and liabilities are not valued in accordance with the fair value hierarchy, Council's financial assets and liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

Council measures certain assets and liabilities at fair value where required or permitted by Australian Accounting Standards. AASB 13 Fair value measurement, aims to improve consistency and reduce complexity by providing a definition of fair value and a single source of fair value measurement and disclosure requirements for use across Australian Accounting Standards.

AASB 13 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value under AASB 13 is an exit price regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within a fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

Level 1 - Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2 — Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable; and Level 3 - Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures. Council has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

In addition, Council determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

#### Revaluation

Subsequent to the initial recognition of assets, non-current physical assets, other than plant and equipment, are measured at their fair value, being the price that would be received to sell an asset (or paid to transfer a liability) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. At balance date, the Council reviewed the carrying value of the individual classes of assets measured at fair value to ensure that each asset materially approximated its fair value. Where the carrying value materially differed from the fair value at balance date, the class of asset was rovaluor

Fair value valuations are determined in accordance with a valuation hierarchy. Changes to the valuation hierarchy will only occur if an external change in the restrictions or limitations of use of an asset result in changes to the permissible or practical highest and best use of the asset. In addition, Council undertakes a formal revaluation of land, buildings, and infrastructure assets on a regular basis ranging from 3 to 5 years. The valuation is performed either by experienced council officers or independent experts.

Where the assets are revalued, the revaluation increments are credited directly to the asset revaluation reserve except to the extent that an increment reverses a prior year decrement for that class of asset that had been recognised as an expense in which case the increment is recognised as revenue up to the amount of the expense. Revaluation decrements are recognised as an expense except where prior increments are included in the asset revaluation reserve for that class of asset in which case the decrement is taken to the reserve to the extent of the remaining increments. Within the same class of assets, revaluation increments and decrements within the year are offset.

#### Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, the Council reviews the carrying value of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that these assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use, is compared to the assets carrying value. Any excess of the assets carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the comprehensive income statement, unless the asset is carried at the revalued amount in which case, the impairment loss is recognised directly against the revaluation surplus in respect of the same class of asset to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that same class of asset.

## 8.5 Events occurring after balance date

No matters have occurred after balance date that require disclosure in the financial report.

### Note 9 Other matters

1 Reserves	Balance at beginning of reporting period	Increment (decrement)	Balance at end of reporting period
(a) Asset revaluation reserves	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2019			
Property			
Land and land improvements	1,639	-	1,639
Buildings	9,827	-	9,827
<u> </u>	11,466	-	11,466
Infrastructure			
Roads	86,443	-	86,443
Bridges	218	-	218
Footpaths and cycleways	1,479	-	1,479
Drainage	2,416	-	2,416
Other infrastructure	602	-	602
Share of asset revaluation in associates	28	-	28
-	91,186	-	91,186
Total asset revaluation reserves	102,652	•	102,652
2018			
Property		-	
Land and land improvements	1,639	-	1,639
Buildings	9,827	-	9,827
- -	11,466	-	11,466
Infrastructure			
Roads	86,443	-	86,443
Bridges	978	(760)	218
Footpaths and cycleways	1,479	-	1,479
Drainage	2,416	-	2,416
Other infrastructure	602	-	602
Share of asset revaluation in associates	28	-	28
-	91,946	(760)	91,186
Total asset revaluation reserves	103,412	(760)	102,652

The asset revaluation reserve is used to record the increased (net) value of Council's assets over time.

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## Notes to the Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2019

9.2 Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities to surplus/(deficit)	2019 \$'000	2018 \$'000
	\$ 000	\$ UUU
Surplus for the year	1,193	891
Depreciation	5,071	4,836
Profit/(loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment	(39)	(48)
Other	(5)	(28)
Change in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(1,381)	135
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	(126)	(56)
(Increase)/decrease in accrued income	(1)	65
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	1,813	(83)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories	1	(91)
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	85	100
Increase/(Decrease) in trust funds and deposits	(150)	170
Increase/(Decrease) in accrued expenses	79	11
Net cash provided by operating activities	6,540	5,902

## 9.3 Superannuation

Council makes the majority of its employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Local Authorities Superannuation Fund (the Fund). This Fund has two categories of membership, accumulation and defined benefit, each of which is funded differently.

#### Accumulation

The Fund's accumulation categories receive both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are normally based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings (for the year ended 30 June 2019, this was 9.5% as required under Superannuation Guarantee legislation).

## **Defined Benefit**

Council does not use defined benefit accounting for its defined benefit obligations under the Fund's Defined Benefit category. This is because the Fund's Defined Benefit category is a pooled multi-employer sponsored plan. Council makes employer contributions to the Defined Benefit category of the Fund at rates determined by the Trustee on the advice of the Fund Actuary. For the year ended 30 June 2019, this rate was 9.5% of members' salaries (9.5% in 2017/2018).

As at 30 June 2018, an interim actuarial investigation was completed. The vested benefit index (VBI) of the Defined Benefit category of which Council is a contributing employer was 106.0%. To determine the VBI, the Fund Actuary used the following long-term assumptions:

Net investment returns 6.0% pa Salary information 3.5% pa Price inflation (CPI) 2.0% pa.

Vision Super has advised that the estimated VBI at 30 June 2019 was 107.1%.

The VBI is to be used as the primary funding indicator. Because the VBI was above 100%, the 30 June 2018 interim actuarial investigation determined the Defined Benefit category was in a satisfactory financial position and that no change was necessary to the Defined Benefit category's funding arrangements from prior years.

## Defined benefit 2018 interim actuarial investigation surplus amounts

The Fund's interim investigation as at 30 June 2018 identified the following in the defined benefit category of which Council is a contributing employer:

- A VBI surplus of \$131.9 million, (\$69.8 million 2017)
- A total service liability surplus of \$218.3 million, (\$193.5 million 2017)
- A discounted accrued benefits surplus of \$249.1 million (\$228.8 million 2017)

The VBI surplus means that the market value of the fund's assets supporting the defined benefit obligations exceed the vested benefits that the defined benefit members would have been entitled to if they had all exited on 30 June 2018. Council was notified of the 30 June 2018 VBI during August 2018. RAINBOW TOWN COMMITTEE 26<sup>™</sup> AUGUST 2019 Held at small meeting room @ 7.30 pm start

**Members Attending:** Ross Hienrich, Michael Sullivan, Adrian Bennett, Bill Hutson, Greg Roberts,

Visiting: Was Liaison Officer Wayne Schulz and Mayor Cr Ron Ismay. Welcome: Chairperson Ross Heinrich welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies: Leonie Clarke, Julie McLean and Renee Hollier. Motion: to except apologies.

Moved: Michael Sullivan / Greg Roberts - carried

Declaration by members of any conflict of interest in <u>any item of</u> <u>the agenda</u>, either,

Direct; or

Indirect interest of one of five types;

a close association;

an indirect financial interest;

a conflicting duty;

an applicable gift or

a party to the matter in any term on the agenda

An impact on residential amenity.

Chairman requests members declare any known conflicts of and/or pecuniary interests.

Motion: to adopt July 2019 circulated minutes as correct

Moved: Greg Roberts / Michael Sullivan - carried

Business arising from last meeting: no

Treasures Report: Adrian Bennett

23/07/19 - 26/08/19

Opening Balance	\$42 <i>,</i> 839.698
Income	\$19 <i>,</i> 680.20
Payments	\$2,244.00
Closing Balance	\$60,276.18

Income	<u>Payments</u>
RDE \$12,180.20 2019 Enduro	Dare Telecom \$144.00 (Replacement cheque from May 2019)
HSC \$6500.00 Grant	RDE \$1,000.00 Cash gate floats.
HSC \$ 1000.00 Administration	RDE \$1,000.00 Cash catering floats
	RDE \$100.00 Rainbow Progress association

Rainbow Town Committee Projects & Commitments Day on the Lake \$816.75

Lawn \$802.75 Pella Project \$282.29 Grave Seat \$50.00 **Open Spaces project \$422.37** (reallocated to TV/Info Station) Town Traders \$3,017.38 Historic Film Farming in the Mallee \$710.00 (Drought Response Funding) Rainbow Desert Enduro \$19,160.66 Hindmarsh Shire Grant: 2017\$6,500.00 (Unallocated). Hindmarsh Shire Grant: 2018\$6,500.00 (Unallocated). Hindmarsh Shire Grant: 2019 \$6500.00 (unallocated) Silo Art Trail \$7,400.00 (transferred from Pella Project) Town Entrance Project \$2,505.00 **Project funds \$54,384.91** Uncommitted funds \$7,608.98 Cheque Account \$60,257.28 Petty Cash Account \$18.90 Accounts **Rainbow Civic Centre \$39 Hall rent** RDE IGA \$289.70 RDE T Ismay & CO **RDE Rainbow Civic Centre \$74.00 RDE Wimmera Liquid Waste \$500.00** Motion: to receive treasurer's report and pass accounts for payment Moved: Adrian Bennett / Greg Roberts – carried

## Liaison Officer Report: Wayne Schulze

- Works Bridge 7<sup>th</sup> September pushed out due to wet weather still to do approach works
- Footpath works doing on Albert Street
- Rainbow Nhill Road next section we are going to do is about a kilometre from Hounsell Road back towards Rainbow
- Sealing S Bends near the feed lot

- Shoulder re sheet at Kurnbrunin Road
- Work being done at Albacutya Bridge area, soil and concrete testing.
- Maintenance being carried out on Solley's road to rectify road damage from Enduro.
- Phil King submitted for street lighting funding application.
- Still waiting for guide lines: to come out for community sports infrastructure fund for net ball change rooms.
- Council allocated \$16,000 for street furniture council already have the style or design which is in the other towns Woodgrove style, RTC to decide on locations.
- Drought funding of \$2,000.00 would be made available.
- Recycle waste with SKM has been shut down we have some storage space for 3 or 4 weeks unfortunately Recycle at this time will be going to land fill. Council really do encourage people to recycle as we don't know when things will turn around.

Motion: to receive Liaison Officer report.

## Moved: Michael Sullivan /Adrian Bennett -carried

Greg Roberts asked about the old Skate Park and was advised that it had been sold.

Cr Report: Mayor Cr Ron Ismay.

- Bridge on Nhill Rainbow Road will open soon
- Intend to have meeting with CEO Cams in the next week or so to try and get funding for off road race pit area.
- Urban development consultants doing feasibility study on doing something on Llew Schilling Silo. The Chair of tourism for the state has also inspected the silo; it looks like something will happen with this silo buy we don't know what.

# Motion: to receive Cr report

# Moved: Adrian Bennett / Greg Roberts - carried

# Inwards correspondence:

- Email: from Leeanne Cox advising of her resignation from RTC
- Email: from Leonie Clarke re day on the lake money.

# Outwards correspondence

• Letter: of support provided to Phil King for lighting project. *Motion:* to receive inwards and endorse outwards correspondence **Moved:** Adrian Bennett / Greg- carried

# **General Business**

*Motion:* approving promise of \$2000 for lighting project if application is *successful. Moved:* Greg Roberts/ Michael Sullivan - carried

Christmas Decorations Julie McLean: a July was an apology

**Day on the lake money:** Leonie Clarke had a discussion with Alison Ey and she would approve allocating the funds to an open mike night type of event possibly at the Oasis to avoid inconvenience of street closure.

## **Discuss date for AGM:**

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23<sup>rd</sup> September at the Royal Hotel was decided.

**Update information re town entrance structures.** Vic roads are two months behind and design work is at a standstill becoming extremely and very frustrating.

Greg Roberts: Query Bow St Rail crossing stop sign: 50 k zone change to give way sign Liaison Officer will follow up.

As there was no further business Chairperson Ross Heinrich thanked all for their attendance.

Meeting Closed @ 8.10 pm Next meeting AGM 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 at the Royal Hotel

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## **Dimboola Town Committee Minutes**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> September @ Dimboola Community Centre @ 7.30pm

Present: Jo Donnelly (JD,) Amanda Ingeme (AI), Chris Johnston (CJ), Jan Ballard (JB), Kaylene Pietsch (KP), Phil Colquhoun (PC), Monica Revell (MR), Sharyn Cook (SC), Bill Eldridge (BE).

Apologies: Tony Schneider (TS), Debra Nelson (DN), Angela Hoy (AH), Ron Donaldson (RD)

	Item	Action	Whom
1	Welcome & apologies	Mvd JB 2 <sup>nd</sup> SC	
2	Minutes of last meeting	Mvd AI 2 <sup>nd CJ</sup>	
3	Items arising last Minutes	Nil	
4	Treasurer's report	Opening Balance Term Deposit account as at 1/7/19 - \$28,463.66Opening Balance Cheque account - \$14,011.70In: \$1,000 (Historical Society)\$570 Caravan Park Wood sold\$7,500 Hindmarsh Shire Seed Funding 2019/2020\$2,000 Cargill – Roadside Cropping Donation\$5,000 Lions Club DimboolaOut: NilClosing Balance Cheque Acct – \$30,081.70Closing Balance Term Deposit Acct – \$28,463.66MvdKP2 <sup>nd</sup> SC	
5	Correspondence in/out	IN: Letter Bendigo Bank – Unsuccessful Grant for 15K for 15Y         Cheque Roadside Cropping Group \$2,000         Email Rhonda Huf re trees on High Street         Email Kevin Gardner (Onsite Engineering Horsham) re Event Signage quote         Email Phil King re Tables / Chairs for Weir Shelter         OUT: Thank you letters to Roadside Cropping Group (Ken Ough), Dimboola Historical Society,         Dimboola Lions Club for Donations         Email to Onsite Engineering Horsham quering details/price for Event Signage coming into Horsham         Mvd BE       2 <sup>nd</sup> Al	
6	General business		

Pedestrian Bridge on the Walking Track - Update	Purchase order has been sent – waiting on Jayden Leehman to come and repair it (Lehman Engineering)	MR
Promotion of Town Update	Shire has put together a brochure – a summary of the 4 towns. Everyone will receive one in their showbag. Out & About will focus on Dimboola in the Summer Edition. Shire working on a promotion for the Riverside Caravan Park. New Hindmarsh Shire Brochures. Wimmera Mallee Tourism now have an App – focusing on different areas.	
Update on Sound Shell development	Scope of works being prepared & then to send out for quotations.No update	
Weir Shelter Seating Update	The seats have now been ordered – waiting for update from PK / MR	
Corella Damage in Town Update	Monica has spoken to Steve to use the Gas gun when required. – to further community Groups	
Installation of Bollards / signs on walking Track	Bags of Concrete at Phil's – see below re Working Bee Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> September.	
Tidy Towns Update	Shire has organized Grazing platters thru Black Betty for the Welcome on the Friday night at the Rowing Club. Foreseeing there might only be about 40 people? Correspondence has come thru from Liz to Chris, Kaylene & Jan. Need to clarify who is paying for the event (CJ). Donna Hogan is organizing catering for the event. Price of the meal to be confirmed. Suggested that Sponsors / suppliers / volunteers be included in the Information flyer. CJ put together details of a walking tour through the town. Jan has organized a 40+ seater bus (& driver – Tony Ingeme) through Ron Ismay (Rainbow) - \$250 for the day including Driver, to take visitors to do a Pink Lake / Town tour. Looking at the same Route, but twice thru the day – AM & PM? Des Lardner donating 200 Samples of "Death to Mozzie's" repellent, Jan organized Mount Zero Pink Lake Salt x 200, & 200 Pens from Post Office for the guest bags – along with Town Brochures, Business Cards. CJ to ask Paul Hutchinson for some more Pens to make up the 200. Mary Clarke to supply 200 "Food Festival" Glasses for the Tables (one for each guest) – they can take home if they wish. (Will need to be washed at the school in Dishwashers there, prior to the event DTC to do the Breakfast BBQ on the Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> .	CJ, JB MR
Signage for Tidy Towns @ Roundabout	Angela has spoken to Vic Roads about "Light Trailer" Sign for the Tidy Town Weekend – waiting to hear back	AH
Partial Funding of Plants for Table Centrepieces for event	Wimmera Nursery has agreed to pay for half of the plants for the Table Centrepieces (4 per "Box") – DTC to pay for the other half? (40 Tubes @ \$3 each = \$120 (\$44 Credit with the nursery)	JB
Pot Holes around Town	Angela has organized with the Shire to fix a few around town	AH
War Memorial Signs	War Memorial Signs to be installed on High Street & the Secondary School	MR
Truck Bay Complaints	Truck Bays complaint has been logged with the Shire (near the Nursery & Motel)	MR / AH

Shire work around town	Bakery, Newsagent & Outside the Library need to be painted prior to Tidy towns in October	MR
Successful Funding request	Ken Ough dropped in a cheque for \$2,000 to go towards completing DTC Projects	JD, PC,
from Roadside Cropping	Add this to Horsham Sports & Community Club \$5,000, Lions donated \$5,000, Historical Society has	
	donated \$1,000. Looking at funding to go towards cementing & completing the Rec Reserve BBQ	
	Structure /Shelter; Cementing under the Tables/Chairs Shelter at the Pines, & also the Shelter at the	
	Weir. JD & PC have spoken to Max Baker & waiting on quote.	
Shelter at Rec Reserve	As above – Funding from Horsham Sports & Community Club, Dimboola Lions, etc to complete asap	JD, PC
	It was discussed at a meeting on Friday afternoon that the original size of the Shelter at 12 metres	PK, MR
	would be too long. It was agreed by all that it will now be 9metres. We need to order the Kit (Phil	
	King) will only be 9M not 12m.	
Spreading of quarry / Gravel	It was discussed that there are 2 sections that need to be completed asap (Section from the Bridge to	BE, CJ, JD, P
dust (2 sections that need	the Rowing Sheds, & the section from Community Centre to the River) – prior to the Tidy Towns	AH, PK
attention asap)	weekend in October. Working bee organised for Sunday 15th September, 8.30am.	
Working Bee Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Eldridge to check with Isaac about using their Front Loader for the day.	
September @ 8.30am	Chris Johnson to speak to Thomo about loaning his Tractor for the day.	
	Phil Colquhoun to supply Water Truck (Need someone to volunteer to collect it from Phil's home)	
	Phil has the new DTC Post Hole Digger at the Shop. & Phil has the Sled at his home – to be loaded.	
	Gravel is located near the Old Camp Kitchen.	
	JD to email Angela re loaning of the Shire Loader & a volunteer Driver (Barry Parker has volunteered	
	on prior occasions)	
	We will see how we go, may be able to do the Bollards on the walking track on the same day? (JD to	
	email Angela re accessing the Bollards from the Shire Yards on the day.	
	Also look at putting up the Walking Track signs (at Phil Kings?	
Storage for the DTC	Kaylene spoke to Raylene Britton & Dennis Britton to contact Phil.	PC, KP
Lions Club Signage	Lions Club could fund an interchangeable sign for Dimboola, to be put up at the train park. JD to take	
	photo of the ones coming into Horsham. Ongoing	
Bendigo Bank 15K for 15Y	Our submission for a the Grant to erect a Gazebo shelter similar to the Weir, to go near the Boat	
	Pontoon – near the Bridge, wasn't successful.	
Xmas this year Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Lions Club not doing main street Xmas Event. DTC to organize main street Xmas event on the	DTC
December AM, in the main	Saturday morning before Xmas. Santa to attend. Do the Raffles. Ask Ian Leehman – Music. 21 <sup>st</sup>	
street – outside the library	December. BBQ out front of Library. Streetrade	
Entertainment for Show	Quentan has agreed to be the evening entertainment at the show (5pm to 7pm). DTC to do the BBQ.	КР
Evening / BBQ	Rowing Club will organize the Bar. DTC to do softdrinks.	

Crop Report from Duck Farm	Barley is looking fantastic! At this stage there will be quite a bit of income, if all goes to plan -	КР
Paddock	45hectares.	
Term Deposit Renewal	Rolling over	JD
Trees on High Street	Email sent by Rhonda Huf to the Town Committee addressing the selection of trees on High Street	JD
	being the wrong choice. JD to forward email to Angela Hoy.	AH
Nature Strips on High Street	Soil on the nature Strips on both sides of High Street, Very poor quality – high clay content – this side	AH, MR
	of the railway line. None of the plants that were planted are surviving. Can we do anything about	JB
	fixing it (prior to Tidy Towns?)	
Drinking Fountain in	Any update on where we are at with this?	MR, AH
Pickering Gardens		
Next Meeting includes AGM	It was discussed that 7.30pm is a little late for everyone – next months meeting will be at 7pm	JD
& change of time to 7pm	instead. It will also include the AGM. Jo Donnelly to advertize	
Next Meeting	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> October at 7pm – at Community Centre.	
	Including AGM (Time Changed to 7pm)	
Meeting Closed	Closed at 8.45pm	