



GLAMORGAN SPRING BAY
COUNCIL

Annual Report 2011/2012

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Municipal Overview

The Glamorgan Spring Bay municipality is located on the beautiful East Coast of Tasmania, a one hour drive from Hobart. The municipality stretches more than 110 kilometres along the coast and encompasses the iconic Freycinet National Park, Douglas Apsley National Park and historical Maria Island National Park and includes the main towns of Bicheno, Coles Bay, Swansea, Triabunna, Orford and Buckland. Our vision is to be a welcoming community with quality lifestyles supporting dynamic progress consistent with the objectives of sustainable development and natural resource management.

The municipal area covering an area of 2,522 square kilometres, is bounded on the east coast by the Tasman Sea with the coastline ranging from long sandy beaches to areas of craggy rocks, and is bordered to the south by the municipal areas of Sorell and Southern Midlands and to the north by Break O'Day. The highest elevations in the municipal area are several un-named hills in the upper reaches of the Swan River at approximately 750m above sea level. The Municipal area had a permanent population of just over 4,133 residents and had 5,608 rateable properties as at June 2012. The population during the peak holiday season can more than double the permanent population and is estimated to reach over 10,000.

Of the permanent population, 70% live in the towns of Bicheno, Coles Bay, Swansea, Triabunna, Orford and Buckland. The remainder of the population is spread out over the rural hamlets of Swanwick, Cranbrook, Little Swanport and the large rural holdings that form the backbone of the rural sector.

Glamorgan Spring Bay is also proving a popular choice for developers, people seeking a 'sea change', and retirees as a place to live, work and invest. Glamorgan Spring Bay Council provides a wide range of services including roads and bridges, elderly care, planning and building services, street lighting, recreational facilities and programs, parks, public toilets, street cleaning and waste management.

Tourism is a significant industry centred largely on the East Coast Escape Touring Route, featuring the world-renowned Freycinet National Park, Maria Island National Park and supported by and a range of visitor experiences available throughout the municipality. Freycinet National Park has moved ahead of the Gordon River and Lake St Clair to become the second most popular National Park destination in Tasmania after Cradle Mountain.

Most town centres focus on employment opportunities in tourism, fishing, grazing, forestry, aquaculture, with a more recent focus on cash cropping including viticulture, olives and walnuts. Downstream processing industries include wood chipping, fish, saw milling and wine production although wood chipping has ceased since the sale of the chip mill to Triabunna Investments and was being wound down prior to this time.



• Mission • Vision • Values

OUR VISION

Glamorgan Spring Bay will be a welcoming community which delivers sustainable development, appreciates and protects its natural environment and facilitates a quality lifestyle.

OUR MISSION

- Represent and promote the interests of the communities in our municipality.
- Provide sound community governance, practices and processes.
- Plan, implement and monitor services according to our agreed priorities and available resources.
- Seek and secure additional funds, grants to augment our finances.
- Manage the finances and administer the Council.
- Establish and maintain mutually beneficial strategic partnerships with State and Federal Government and private businesses and industry.

OUR VALUES

Our agreed organisational and individual values are: -

- Honesty and integrity, in all we do and all we say.
- Transparency and accessibility, in our practices and processes.
- Teamwork and efficiency, in our departmental and organisational work.
- Creativity and initiative, in seeking new ways and new solutions.
- Recognition and reward, for individual, team and organisational performance.
- Value and respect each other and our stakeholders.

CORE BUSINESS

The core business of Glamorgan Spring Bay Council is:

- “To develop and deliver essential facilities and services on behalf of residents and visitors in our municipality through sound community governance and management.”
- The core business of Glamorgan Spring Bay Council will be driven by the Councillors and delivered by management and staff via the service departments.
- Corporate Services
- Community Development
- Regulatory Services
- Works and Services
- Tourism Services



Map of Municipality



Council in Brief

Council Headquarters	38 Vicary Street, Triabunna
Service Centre	Noyes Street, Swansea
Council Depots	Melbourne Street, Triabunna, Maria Street, Swansea Burgess Street, Bicheno
Elected Members	9
Employees	49 Full time equivalents (Last year 49)
Total Operating Revenue	\$10,912,000 (Last year \$9,816,000) ⬆ 11.2%
Total Operating Expenses	\$9,847,000 (Last year \$9,000,000) ⬆ 9.4 %
Total Capital Income	\$322,000 (Last Year \$378,000) ⬇ 14.8%
Loan Debt	\$479,329 (Last year \$531,000) ⬇ 9.7%
Property Assessments	5,608 (Last year 5,580) ⬆ 0.5%
Property Valuations – Land only	\$946,866,000 (Last year \$849,970,500) ⬆ 11.4 %
Capital Value of Properties	\$1,563,697,000 (Last year \$1,391,034,500) ⬆ 12.4%
Assessed Annual Value of Properties	\$67,316,008 (Last year \$59,779,660) ⬆ 12.6%
Adjusted Assessed Annual Value of Properties	Not Applicable
Infrastructure	147kms - Local Government Sealed Roads, 198kms - Local Government Unsealed Roads, 4 Sporting Ovals, 8 Community Halls, 4 Waste Transfer Stations, 17 Public Toilets

OTHER STATISTICS – ABS CENSUS FIGURES

Population: 1996 (4,035) 2001 (4,080) 2006 (4,302) 2011 (4,133)	Education: 555 people attending educational institution. 52.3% primary school, 25.2% secondary, and 15.6% undertaking technical and tertiary studies
Place of usual residence: 2006 (4,189) 2011 (4,190)	Tourism: Attracts 17.4% of Tasmania's visitors. GSBC market share stable. Tasmania down 7.9% which has had the effect of reducing numbers to GSBC area.
Median Age: 53 compared to Tasmania (40) and Australia (37)	Employment: 5.1% unemployed. Accommodation largest employer 12.2%, Farming 5.4%, Food Services 3.3%
Average Number of children per family: 1.9	
Average Number of persons per household: 2.1	
Dwellings: 55% unoccupied which is significantly higher than the rest of Tasmania and Australia	



Mayor's Report



It is an honour to provide you with my fifth Mayor's Report since my election as Mayor in October 2007, 2009 and 2011. On behalf of my fellow Councillors and staff of the Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council, I thank you for acquainting yourself with the activities of the Council by taking time to read this Annual Report.

The year under review is yet another year where Glamorgan Spring Bay Council has proved to be a progressive, caring and performing Council in the provision of services and financial management. The removal of water and sewerage from the Council's operations with

little or no return on assets invested continues to impact on Council's finances as well as increased electricity costs and other increased costs such as water and sewerage charges. Council achievements during the year under review include the completion of a new medical centre in Triabunna and the major upgrade of the heritage centre in Swansea to form a new heritage centre and visitor centre. Many smaller, community projects have also been undertaken during this time and, I am sure you will agree, our towns are looking better as a result. Council continues to invest heavily in renewal and new assets with capital expenditure topping \$3.5million compared to \$2.5 million in 2011 well above the depreciation level of \$1.6million in 2011 and \$2.0 million in 2012.

The 2011/2012 financial year resulted in a pleasing \$1065k surplus compared to a surplus of \$767k in 2010/2011.

Several major items of maintenance were also taken in to account in the result for 2011/2012 which make the result more pleasing. The marketing of our unique 'Motorcycle and Bicycle Friendly Municipality' and the overseas exposure of our Municipality is continuing to pay dividends, with many motorcyclists groups and overseas tourists making their way to the

Glamorgan-Spring Bay area to sample our wonderful weather, superb cuisine and most importantly our sense of special hospitality toward them.



Heritage Museum and Visitor Centre completed development



(left to right)
Hobart Lord Mayor
Damon Thomas,
Mayor Bertrand
Cadart and Mayor of
Noumea Jean Leques

Several dignitaries have also visited our area this financial year including the Governor of Tasmania, The Mayor of Noumea, The Deputy Ambassador of France in Australia, and TFi which is France's largest free to air television network. Development interest in the municipality is strong, with several large developers either investing, or exploring the possibility of investing in the municipality. Many large developments are either on the books, or are being proposed. Council continues to investigate the feasibility of marina developments for both Triabunna and Swansea and the results of these are expected by the beginning of 2013

The many awards won by our East Coast Businesses is the living proof that our future as a tourist destination is dazzling and these organisations continue making national and international news with these rewards. It has been a pleasure to lead Council during this time of tremendous achievement despite serious economic downturn and State Political

uncertainty. I would like to express my gratitude to the many wonderful people I have met within our community, who have made my job as Mayor so worthwhile and rewarding. To the many volunteers throughout our community who give of their time so generously and willingly, my sincere thanks to each and every one of you for your dedication and commitment. Finally, I would like to thank the Councillors and staff for the significant contribution they have made during the past twelve months.

I wish you and your family every happiness for Christmas and New Year. Joyeux Noel...

Bertrand Cadart, Mayor

"Passion 2 lead the Region"

Council Representation

Council Representation on Section 24 Committees & other organisations

July 2011 to June 2012

Mayor Bertrand Cadart:

Bicheno Health & Resource Centre
Management Committee
Bicheno Hall Committee
Bicheno Housing and Services Committee
Natural Resource Management Committee

Deputy Mayor Jenifer Crawford:

Glamorgan Spring Bay Rural Primary Health
Advisory Committee
Swansea Hall Committee
Coles Bay Hall Committee
East Coast Cycling Committee

Clr Cheryl Arnol:

Tasmanian Seafarers' Memorial Committee
Buckland Hall Committee
Eldercare Committee
Youth Council Spring Bay Memorial Trust

Clr Mick Fama:

Marine Infrastructure Committee
Orford Hall Committee
East Coast Cycling Committee
Triabunna Gymnasium Committee

Clr Howard Harris (Resigned October 2011):

Marine Infrastructure Committee

Clr Craig Johnston:

Cranbrook Hall Committee
Glamorgan War Memorial Centre Committee
East Coast Health Municipal Committee

Clr Geoff Whitton (Retired October 2011):

Orford Hall Committee
Eldercare Committee

Clr Jenny Woods:

Natural Resource Management Committee

Clr Richard Parker:

Triabunna Hall Committee

Clr Michael Davis

Marine Infrastructure Committee
Natural Resource Management Committee

Clr Chelsea Lee Brown

Cranbrook Hall Committee
Coles Bay Hall Committee
Youth Council

Other Organisation Representation:

Freycinet Coast Tourism Board Inc.

- Mayor Bertrand Cadart, Clr Mick Fama

Glamorgan Spring Bay Historical Society Inc.

- Clr. Craig Johnston

Freycinet Association Inc.

- Mayor Bertrand Cadart,
Deputy Mayor Jenifer Crawford

Little Swanport Catchment Management Plan Implementation Committee

- Clr C Arnol, Clr M Davis

National Sea Change Taskforce

- Mayor Bertrand Cadart,
Deputy Mayor Jenifer Crawford

South East Regional Development Association

- Mayor Bertrand Cadart, Clr J Crawford (Proxy)

Southern Tasmania Councils Authority

- Mayor Bertrand Cadart, Clr J Crawford (Proxy)

Southern Waste Strategy Authority

- Mayor Bertrand Cadart, Clr J Crawford

School Viability Reference Group, Education Representative

- Clr J Woods

Triabunna Gymnasium Committee

- Clr M Fama

Rural Alive and Well

- Clr J Woods





Mayor Bertrand Cadart



*Deputy Mayor Jenifer
Crawford*



Cllr Cheryl Arnol



Cllr Mick Fama



Cllr Craig Johnston



Cllr Jenny Woods



Cllr Richard Parker



Cllr Michael Davis



Cllr Chelsea Lee Brown

Council Representatives

Elected Member Overview

Members of the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council as at 30 June 2012 are:

	TERM EXPIRES	TERM EXPIRES
<i>Mayor Bertrand Cadart.....Mayor</i>	<i>October 2013.....</i>	<i>Councillor.....October 2015</i>
<i>Deputy Mayor Jenifer Crawford.....Deputy Mayor.....</i>	<i>October 2013.....</i>	<i>Councillor.....October 2015</i>
<i>Councillor Cheryl Arnol.....Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2013</i>	
<i>Councillor Mick Fama.Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2015</i>	
<i>Councillor Howard Harris.....Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2013 (Resigned 2011)</i>	
<i>Councillor Craig Johnston.Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2013</i>	
<i>Councillor Richard Parker.Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2015</i>	
<i>Councillor Geoff Whitton.....Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2011 (Retired 2011)</i>	
<i>Councillor Jenny Woods.....Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2013</i>	
<i>Councillor Michael Davis.....Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2015</i>	
<i>Councillor Chelsea Lee Brown.....Councillor.....</i>	<i>October 2013</i>	

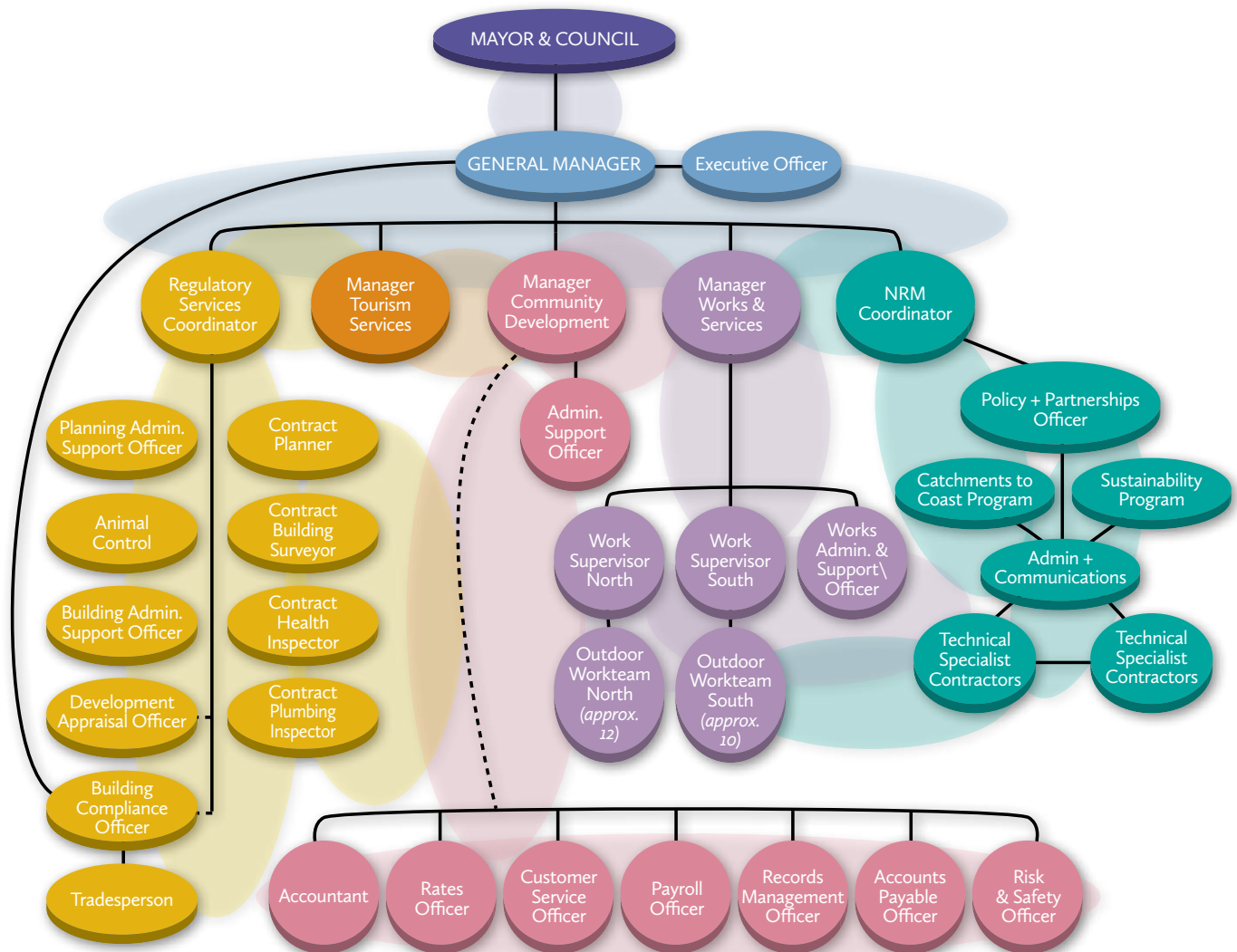
Schedule of attendance at meetings July 2011 to June 2012

Name	No. of meetings
Mayor Bertrand Cadart	15
Deputy Mayor Jenifer Crawford	15
Clr. Cheryl Arnol	13
Clr. Jenny Woods	16
Clr. Mick Fama	13
Clr. Craig Johnston	14
Clr. Richard Parker	12
Clr. Geoff Whitton (<i>Retired October 2011</i>)	6
Clr. Howard Harris (<i>Resigned October 2011</i>)	2
Clr. Michael Davis	8
Clr. Chelsea Lee Brown	8

Total number of meetings held during the year was 16.



Organisational Chart



General Manager's Report



*David Metcalf,
General Manager*

This is my sixth report to the community since being appointed General Manager of the Council in late September 2007.

As stated in last years annual report this year again has been a difficult year containing costs and increasing revenue to cover the loss of all water and sewerage assets to the regional corporation (Southern Water) from the 1st July 2009. Water & Sewerage departments reported a surplus of \$337,000 in the 2008/2009 financial year and showed an average return of \$329,000 over the last five years. Council has an investment of \$38.0 million in Southern Water and had not received a dividend for the reporting year at the time of this report.

I have enjoyed the many outings I have had in the municipality out and about meeting people and the various community organisations.

On the financial side of the business Council has reported a surplus for the 2011/2012 financial year of \$1,065,000 against a budget of \$125,000 and a prior year surplus of \$816,000.

A criticism of the Auditor General in the past was that Council was reporting actual deficits if capital grants were deducted from the result and I am very pleased to announce again this year that the result is \$341,000 surplus after these items and extraordinary items are taken into account. This is the fourth year in a row that Council has been able to produce a surplus before capital grants and extraordinary items. Employee costs are reported at \$3,450k (\$3,229k after capital) against the 2011 figure of \$3,132k (\$2,962k after capital). Extra wages were consumed in the visitor centres as they reported their second full year of operation including the opening of the Swansea Visitor Centre and Heritage Museum; and within the Natural Resource Management department as this department employed personnel directly related to grant funding; however these were directly offset by the increase in revenue, net contribution and grant funding. Overall expenses showed a moderate increase of 9% after taking into account the extra expenditure required to generate extra revenue.

Council continues to monitor expenses and look for alternative methods of increasing revenue without the need to increase rates above CPI. The Municipality needs residential, commercial and industrial growth and Council will be working strongly in 2012/2013 to try and attract these investments into our Municipality. Council continues to use set residential rates (Average Area Rates) for non vacant residential properties and vacant residential properties.

Overall the results are pleasing and whilst Council has decreased its cash position by \$593,000 from last years cash the level of capital works and improvements have been above other years. Rates debtors outstanding have increased however this is in relation to rates owing on properties that are due to be sold by auction early in the New Year of 2013.

The Council is now in a strong position to benefit from the many cost saving initiatives and strong fiscal management and have set an aggressive capital works program that has been included in the 2012/2013 budget year, and I look forward to reporting these benefits to you in the next annual report. I wish to personally thank the Mayor and the Councillors for their support and to my dedicated staff thank you for all your efforts and support. Together Everyone Achieves More.

To the community thank you for your support, to the volunteers thank you for your commitment and efforts during 2011- 2012.

David Metcalf
GENERAL MANAGER

Council Governance 2011-2012

OBJECTIVES

- To ensure the needs of our community are met through a collaborative approach in terms of service deliveries and policy development.
- To ensure within our community there are dedicated means of consultation on a broad scale.
- Consistently monitor service levels to the community to ensure they are in line with community expectations.
- As custodians, adequately plan for the renewal and replacement of existing infrastructure using proficient asset management principals.
- To provide leadership and continuity to our community.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Work within the parameters of the Strategic Plan 2006-2011 and provide either an update of the plan or a new strategic plan in consultation with the community *(Update of Strategic Plan 2012-2013 Budget)*
- Provide decisive and strong leadership for our community. *(Ongoing)*
- Continue to conduct ourselves in an open and transparent manner. *(Ongoing)*
- To advocate on behalf of our community Regional, State and National issues. *(Ongoing)*
- To hold regular meetings of Council. *(Ongoing)*
- Continue participation with the Local Government Association of Tasmania with a particular focus on equal representation, economies of scale and issues of significance. *(Ongoing)*
- Ensure Council is continually abreast of issues which are pertinent to our area and where necessary react in a proactive manner for our community. *(Ongoing)*

Major projects & tasks for 2011-2012

- Identify key stakeholder groups in each town in order to ensure effective and efficient communication strategies with our community. *(Ongoing)*
- Conduct a review or renewal of the strategic planning process and review Council's performance on the existing Strategic Plan 2006-2011. *(In progress)*
- Develop a new or updated strategic plan for 2012-2017. *(In progress)*
- Develop Council's community governance system including principles, policies, procedures, indicators, tools and resources. *(Continuing)*

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

- Conducting regular meetings of Council. *(Achieved)*
- The level of effective communication with the community. *(Ongoing)*
- Minutes of meetings are available in an efficient manner to the community. *(Ongoing)*
- Number of appearances before the Code of Conduct Committee. *(Ongoing)*
- Infrastructure principles are adhered to resulting in a decrease in Council's funding renewal gap. *(Ongoing)*





MEDICAL SERVICES

OBJECTIVES

- To ensure the community has adequate access to medical services across our municipal area. *(Ongoing)*
- To ensure the delivery of an appropriate emergency medical service. *(Ongoing)*
- To work in collaboration with State Government and the community to ensure this precious service delivery is sustainable for our area into the future. *(Continuing)*

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Introduce strategies to remedy the infrastructure problems in existence in the southern area of the municipality *(Completed)*
- Regularly communicate progress and achievements to our community in this area. *(In Progress)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Develop and implement a Community Health Development Strategy for the whole municipality with the aim of ensuring there is an effective medical system available to Glamorgan Spring Bay residents including a 24 hour, 7 day a week medical service in emergency situations. *(Ongoing)*



Tasman Highway, Mayfield looking over Great Oyster Bay

- Monitor the Rural Primary Health Services Agreement objectives under the auspice of May Shaw Health Centre, and in particular ensure that the community benefit from this contract. *(Ongoing)*
- Lobby the Commonwealth Government to ensure renewal of this service in future years *(Continuing)*
- Support the established East Coast health services committee for the whole of the Municipality to help guide Council in future strategic decisions regarding health. Members of this committee may become members of a board of a Council owned company dealing with health matters *(Ongoing)*
- Investigate the provision of a purpose built health centre in the southern area of the Municipality. *(Completed)*

Performance Measures

- Rural Primary Health Service objectives are clearly defined and implemented. *(Continuing)*
- Appropriate communication and consultation with Glamorgan Spring Bay Rural Primary Health Service Committee, Bicheno Health Committee and East Coast Health committee. Where and when required. *(Ongoing)*
- The completion of a purpose built health facility in the southern area of the Municipality. *(Completed)*

Corporate Services



General Manager
(Overseeing Corporate Services)

As your first point of contact with Council the Corporate Services Team is entrusted with the provision of quality customer service and administration to the community.

The corporate team manages accounting, rates, payroll, accounts payable and receivable, records management and reception staff.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To ensure courteous and efficient customer service delivery to internal and external customers. **(Achieved)**
- To continually monitor and review Council's financial situation and report findings to Council in a clear and transparent format on a monthly basis. **(Achieved)**
- Ensuring the issue of accounts for rates, water and dog notices to our customers are in accordance with Council instructions. **(Achieved)**
- Prepare the annual Financial Statements by the 15th August 2012. **(Achieved)**
- To implement strategies that continue to develop Council's risk management practices across the whole of Council. **(Achieved)**

Major projects & tasks for 2011-2012

- To undertake a five year and broader 10 year Financial Plan aimed at providing Council with sound financial management practices, improved cash flow and the ability to meet its existing demand in terms of asset management preservation. **(Completed)**
- To continue to analyse existing processes and practices with the aim of implementing more cost effective and integrated systems to streamline Council operations. **(Continuing)**
- Rationalise Council's assets with particular emphasis on surplus property and report to Council with recommendations. **(Not Completed – Scheduled for 2012/2013)**
- Ensure contemporary systems are achievable through the continual assessment and enhancement of information technology software. **(Continuing)**
- Report key performance indicators in various areas to Council to outline our successes and where improvement can be made. **(Continuing)**
- To continue to foster asset management principles throughout the Council. **(Continuing)**
- Facilitate an induction process which has the capability to adapt to employees, contractors or volunteers to improve occupational health and safety and mitigate risk issues for Council. **(Continuing)**
- Undertake internal communication strategies aimed at increasing the level of information to all internal stakeholders across the Council environment. **(Continuing)**
- Compile a contract register to ensure a more streamlined approach to contract management across the organisation. **(Continuing)**
- Develop a culture related to the capture of corporate history and continue to improve records management systems. **(Completed)**

STATISTICS

	GSBC	Small Council Average	State Average
Population	4,133	5,449	18,638
Area Sq Klm	2,522	3,475	2,449
Population Sq Klm	1.6	3.8	64.5
No. of Rateable Valuations	5,608	4,385	9,632
Employee Costs	\$3,450	\$3,199	\$9,172
F.T.E.	49	43	122
Cost per FTE 000's	\$70,000	\$74,727	\$73,000
FTE per 1000 population	11.1	9.6	7.5
Labour cost/Operating Rev.	33.6%	33.2%	35.5%
Labour cost/Operating Exp.	35.0%	32.0%	34.9%
Actual Operating Surplus	\$433,000	-\$419,636	-\$473,000
Operating Surplus Ratio (1)	4.21	-4.34	-2.11
Self Financing Ratio (2)	23.70%	27.74%	25.80%
Average Rate Per Rateable Property	\$1,052	\$1,128	\$1,281

(1) Net operating surplus(deficit) divided by total operating revenue - BENCHMARK > 0

(2) Net operating cash flows divided by operating revenue



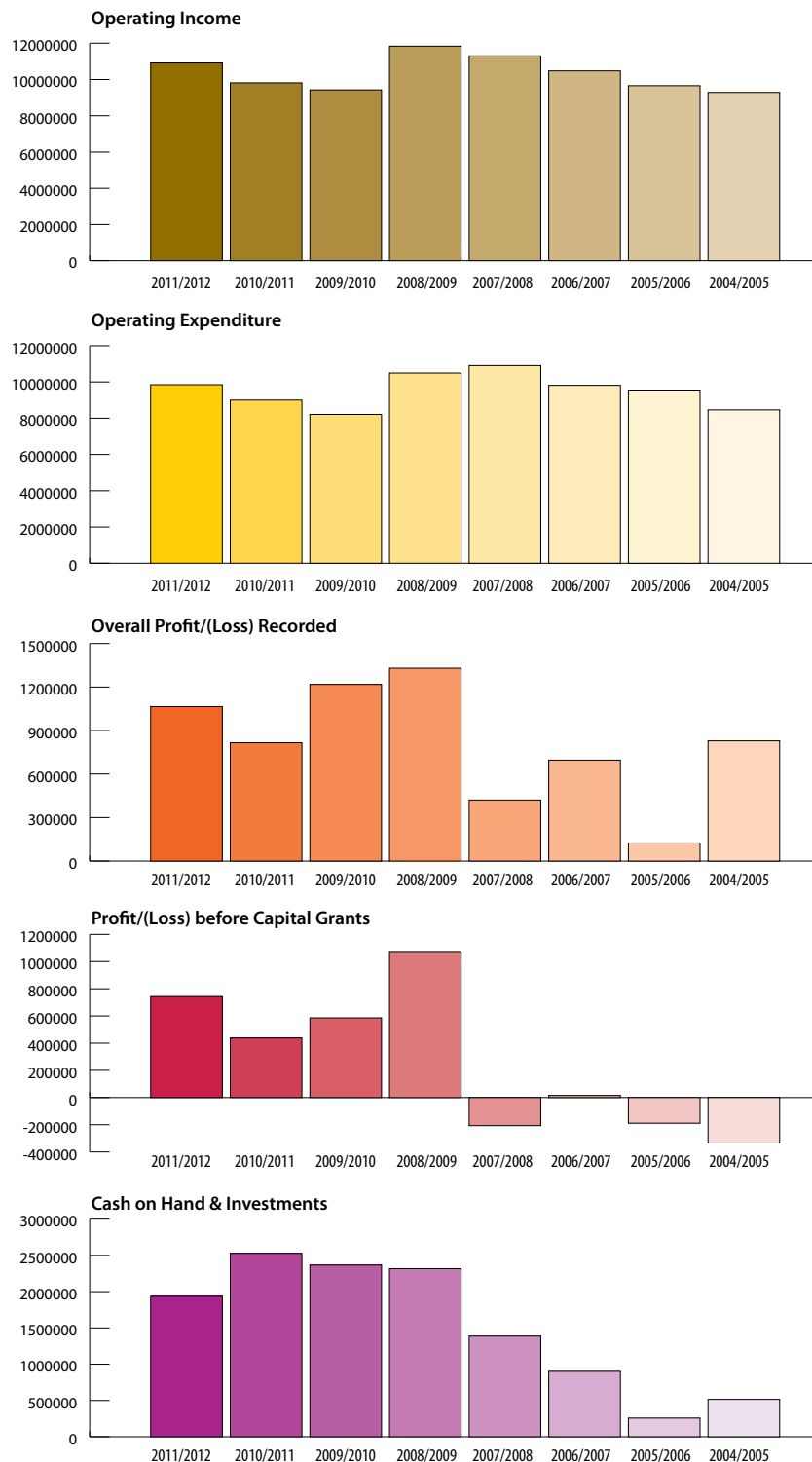
GRANTS RECEIVED

Grants Received 2011-2012	From	Purpose	Type	Amount
Financial Assistance Grant	Commonwealth via State Grants Commission	Roads & Bridges	Yearly	\$676,217.73
Financial Assistance Grant	Commonwealth via State Grants Commission	General Purpose	Yearly	\$230,677.27
Roads to Recovery	Commonwealth - Roads to Recovery	Roads	Yearly	\$321,737.00
Community Digital Hub	Commonwealth - Dept of Broadband	Community NBN training	Application	\$98,441.00
Local Govt Digital Hub	Commonwealth - Dept of Broadband	Local Government connectivity	Application	\$243,750.00
Rural Primary Health	Commonwealth	Delivery of Rural Primary Health Services	3 years	\$395,244.04
Specific Grant	Tasmanian Community Fund	Our Park play equipment	Application	\$8,000.00
Specific Grant	Tasmanian Community Fund	Oroford Odeon sound improvement equipment	Application	\$2,272.81
Specific Grant	State Government	Youth Week	Application	\$1,263.64
Specific Grant	State Government	Rural Practitioners Initiative	Application	\$40,000.00
Specific Grant	State Government	Rural Practitioners Initiative	Application	\$40,000.00
Specific Grant	State Government	Dolphins Sands Fire Emergency Management	Application	\$6,818.00
Specific Grant	State Government	Funds for swings	Application	\$2,020.00
Specific Grant	State Government	Playground Equip & BBQ	Application	\$25,080.00
Specific Grant	Commonwealth and State	Natural Resource Management	Application	\$227,071.37
Financial Assistance Grant	Commonwealth via State Grants Commission	Roads & Bridges - In advance for 2012-2013	Yearly	\$368,736.00
Financial Assistance Grant	Commonwealth via State Grants Commission	General Purpose - In advance for 2012-2013	Yearly	\$154,120.00
				\$2,841,448.86

FINANCE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

	2011/2012	2010/2011	2009/2010	2008/2009	2007/2008	2006/2007	2005/2006	2004/2005
Operating Income	\$10,912,000	\$9,816,000	\$9,428,000	\$11,835,000	\$11,299,000	\$10,474,000	\$9,658,000	\$9,288,000
Operating Expenditure	\$9,847,000	\$9,000,000	\$8,210,000	\$10,491,000	\$10,902,000	\$9,813,000	\$9,553,000	\$8,459,000
Overall Profit/(Loss) Recorded	\$1,065,000	\$816,000	\$1,218,000	\$1,330,000	\$421,000	\$696,000	\$125,000	\$829,000
Profit/(Loss) before Capital Grants	\$743,000	\$438,000	\$586,000	\$1,074,000	-\$206,903	\$15,711	-\$188,747	-\$334,004
Cash on Hand & Investments	\$1,935,000	\$2,528,000	\$2,367,000	\$2,317,000	\$1,387,000	\$901,000	\$257,000	\$515,000
Receivables	\$373,000	\$291,000	\$334,000	\$940,000	\$535,000	\$433,000	\$464,000	\$630,000
Payables	\$624,000	\$828,000	\$505,000	\$1,300,000	\$1,410,000	\$575,000	\$998,000	\$708,000
Borrowings	\$479,329	\$531,000	\$580,000	\$3,221,000	\$2,440,000	\$2,698,000	\$2,899,000	\$3,218,000
Employee Provisions	\$726,000	\$584,000	\$451,000	\$382,000	\$481,000	\$508,000	\$564,000	\$426,000
Work in Progress	\$-	\$20,000	\$43,000	\$294,000	\$311,000	\$75,000	\$85,000	\$4,293,000
Cash Backed Reserves	\$880,000	\$935,000	\$887,000	\$1,795,000	\$729,495	\$428,000	\$401,000	\$-
	2011/2012	2010/2011	2009/2010	2008/2009	2007/2008	2006/2007	2005/2006	2004/2005
Liquidity Ratio	3.4	3.15	4.88	1.39	1.14	1.52	0.57	1.13
Debt Servicing Ratio	0.46%	0.50%	0.8%	2.4%	2.6%	4.1%	4.9%	5.3%
Working Capital Ratio	197%	200%	259.0%	110.0%	98.0%	105.0%	50.0%	81.0%
Year End Outstanding Rates	3.65%	4.60%	2.3%	3.8%	3.5%	2.8%	3.4%	9.6%





SAFETY & RISK MANAGEMENT

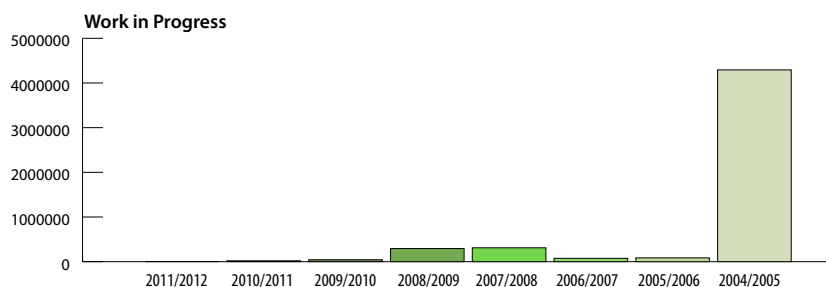
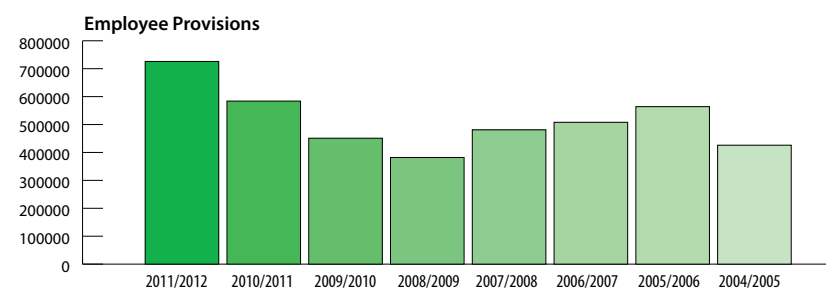
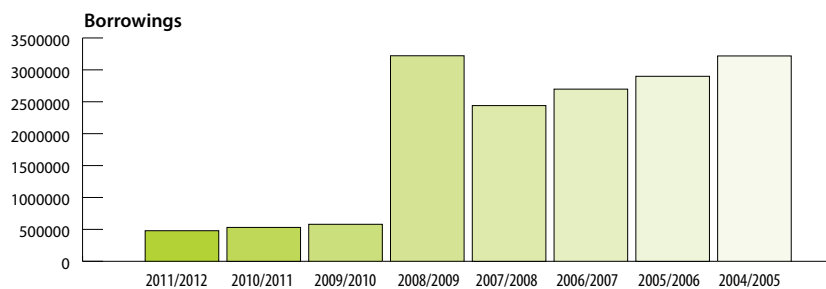
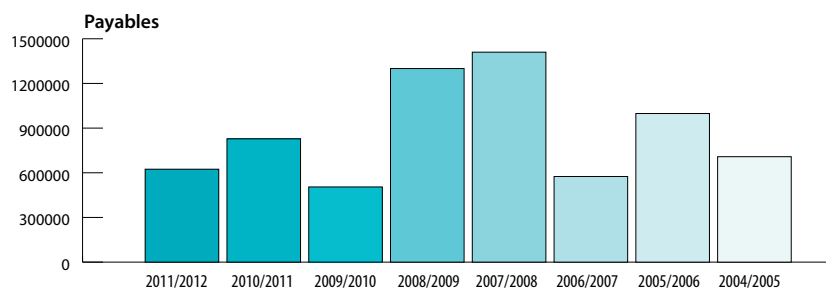
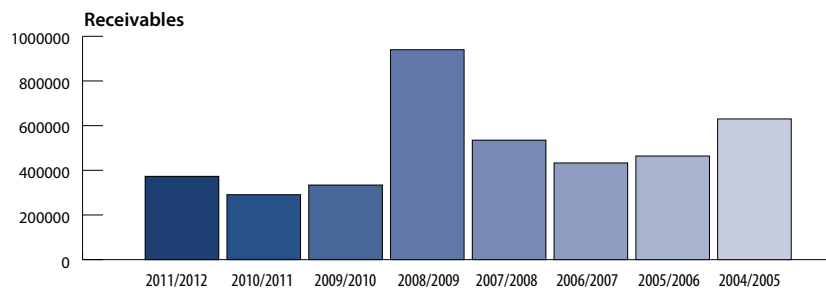
Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Conduct a review of standard operating procedures for staff and create procedures where we may be deficient. **(Completed)**
- Reduce the number of workplace injuries and lost time to Council. **(Ongoing)**
- Aim to reduce the number of incidents attributed to Council from visitors and the community alike. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects & tasks for 2011-2012

- Develop an OH&S Plan for approval by the General Manager and commence implementation of the strategies. **(Completed)**
- Conduct a self assessment of existing practices and ensure any deficiencies are subsequently included in the OH&S Plan to be improved. **(Completed)**
- Continue to implement, and enhance where required, the existing Risk Management Plan. **(Completed now complies with AS/NZS/ISO 31000:2009)**
- Consult our community groups who manage Council assets to collectively enhance existing practices. **(Ongoing)**





ELECTED MEMBER PAYMENTS

In accordance with Section 72 (1) (cb) of the Local Government Act, the following table shows the total gross payments made to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Councillors in terms of elected member allowances and expenses.

Mayor \$ 39,454

Deputy Mayor \$ 26,189

Councillors \$ 71,244

SENIOR MANAGEMENT PAYMENTS

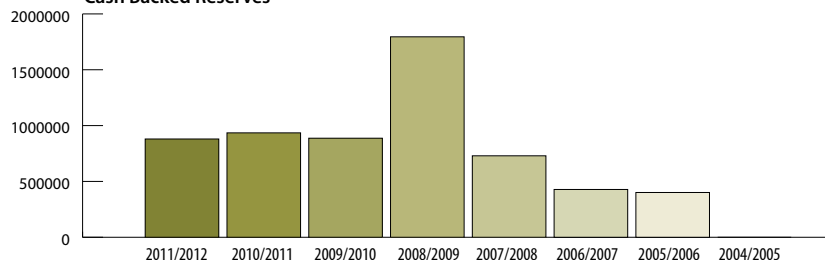
In accordance with Section 72 (1) (cd) of the Local Government Act, the following table shows the total annual remuneration paid to employees who hold Senior Management positions at the Council

The value includes the cost of superannuation and any motor vehicle and other benefits that may be supplied.

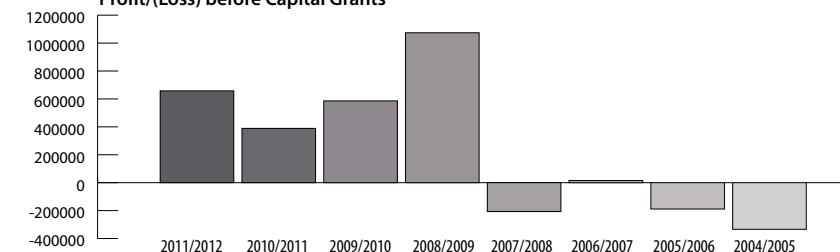
Salary Band per annum	No. of Employees
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\$80,000 - \$100,000	1
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Cash Backed Reserves

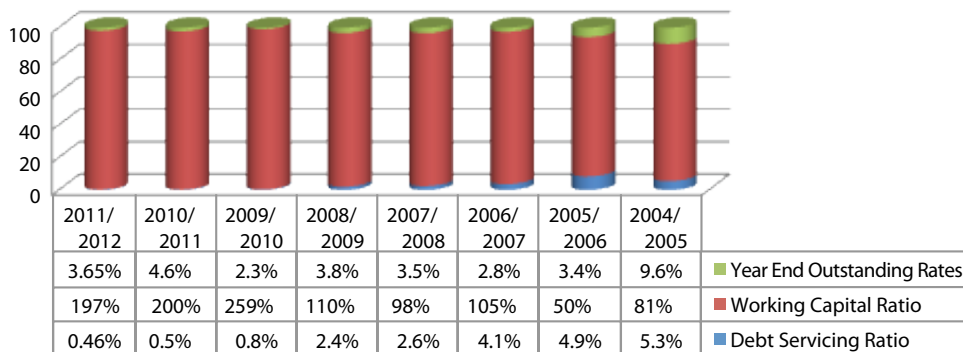


Profit/(Loss) before Capital Grants



Profit/(Loss) before Capital Grants

Performance Indicators



TENDERS

T001-2011	12 September 2011	Sand River Rd Bridge	VEC Civil	\$408,719
T003-2011	11 October 2011	Triabunna Tip Truck Replacement	Hino	\$111,996
T004-2011	12 November 2011	Resealing Programme	Roadways Pty Ltd	\$207,000



Community Development



Lona Turvey,
Community Development
Manager

AIM: To assist in increasing the economic, social and environmental wellbeing of the residents, their communities and visitors within our municipal area.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Co-ordinate major Council events. **(Achieved)**
- Work with health professionals to increase opportunities for older people to enhance their physical wellbeing. **(Ongoing)**
- Analyse youth issues facing our community and make recommendations to Council in relation to youth development, support and facilities. **(Ongoing)**
- Ongoing support of the Glamorgan Spring Bay Youth Council. **(Ongoing)**
- Ensure the quality and diversity of the community newsletter. **(Ongoing)**
- Support and encourage community volunteers by recognising and acknowledging their contributions to our area. **(Ongoing)**
- Continue to hold regular Community Safety Group meetings in collaboration with other key stakeholders. **(Ongoing)**

- Continue to participate in partnership with the State Government in the Community Road Safety Partnership program, implementing identified strategies and promoting road safety initiatives within our municipal area. **(Ongoing)**
- Administering of Council's Community Small Grants Programme. **(Ongoing)**
- Support the relevant organisations in attracting volunteers. **(Ongoing)**

Major Projects & Tasks for 2011-2012

- Co-ordinate major events for our area such as Australia Day, Seniors' Week, Adult Learners' Week, Youth Week, Seafest and Carols at the Marina. **(Achieved)**
- Co-ordination of the photography competition. **(Achieved)**
- Production and distribution of the 2012 calendar. **(Achieved)**
- Implement and support new initiatives of the Community Road Safety Partnership. **(Achieved)**
- Co-ordinate the community newsletter **(Ongoing)**



Whalesong at Seafest

Premier Lara Giddings launches Seafest



*Seniors trip to
Saffire Freycinet*

The following report details some of the events and work carried out during the year, as endorsed by Council in the 2011-2012 Annual Plan.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2012

The Glamorgan Spring Bay Australia Day awards ceremony for 2012 was held in conjunction with the family fun day which is organised each year by the Lions Club of Spring Bay.

Mick Desmond of Orford was presented with the Australia Day senior citizen award for his outstanding services and commitment to the community.

Eleven year old Brittany Ford of Bicheno was awarded the young citizen of the year for her charity work. Brittany raised more than \$2,000 for the Bicheno Primary School by setting up her own business walking dogs and making and selling natural dog biscuits.

Rachael Robertson, an Australia Day Ambassador, gave the Australia Day address at the ceremony. (Rachael successfully led a 12 month research expedition to Davis Station in the Antarctic in 2005).



Seniors at morning tea at Government House

SENIORS' WEEK

A Visit to Saffire Freycinet

To celebrate Seniors Week, a bus load of twenty (20) seniors from Orford, Triabunna and Swansea were treated to a special trip to Saffire Freycinet. The participants were given a tour of the amazing complex by Saffire's General Manager, Matt Casey, followed by a delicious morning tea. On returning to Swansea, the Mayor hosted a lunch in the Council Chambers before the group visited the Swansea Heritage Centre and Museum.

Visit to Government House

More than forty (40) seniors from Bicheno to Buckland travelled to Government House on 25th October, where they enjoyed morning tea with His Excellency the Governor and Mrs Underwood. Following the morning tea, His Excellency gave a talk on the role of governor and Mrs. Underwood delighted everyone when she played some Beethoven on the piano.

After a guided tour of the House and a wander through the beautiful grounds, the group enjoyed a buffet lunch at Wrest Point.

Bus Trip to Hobart

Forty-three (43) seniors from throughout the municipal area travelled to Hobart by bus where they spent some time browsing the shops and art galleries in Salamanca Place before visiting the Narryna Museum in Battery Point. A buffet luncheon at Wrest Point followed before returning home. The occasion provided a great social outing for our seniors and an opportunity to meet and make new friends.

CHRISTMAS PARADE AND CAROLS

The Australian Army Band, Tasmania, led 27 floats at the Christmas Parade held in Triabunna on 8th December, 2011. Many spectators lined the streets to watch one of the biggest parades for a number of years. Unfortunately, the rain only held off long enough for the parade to finish when a severe



*Laser skirmish trip for
National Youth Week*

thunderstorm sent everyone scattering for shelter and the carols had to be abandoned. This was a great disappointment to everyone, especially for the students from our local schools, some who had travelled from Swansea to sing at the carols.

PIANO RECITAL – FERMIN HIGUERA ALVAREZ

Forty seniors from Swansea to Buckland were treated to a piano recital by concert pianist Fermin Higueru Alvarez at the Hobart Town Hall in December. Fermin is professor of piano at the Conservatorium of Music in Madrid and was visiting relatives in Tasmania. Fermin has delivered recitals in Argentina, Colombia, France, Italy, Switzerland and Venezuela.

The concert provided a unique opportunity to hear a Spaniard play the works of two great Spanish composers – Granados and Soler and the audience was delighted with the performance.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The 2011 Glamorgan Spring Bay photography competition attracted a total of 148 entries.

The winning image, “Patch of Blue” (taken from Spring Beach) by Gavan Barber featured on the front of the 2012 calendar.



‘Patch of blue – Winning image for the 2011 photography competition by Gavan Barber

Runners up in the competition (in no particular order) were: John Smith, Kellie Turvey, Yvonne Segda, Geoff Wells, Robyn Shallard, Kim Thornbury, Tom Ikin, Meg Weily, Geoff Wells, Maree Woolley.

Judges for the competition were Grant Gaffney, Jan Perkins and Terry Pinfold.

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK 2012

National Youth Week was celebrated with a bus trip to Hobart where thirty-five (35) young people from Glamorgan Spring Bay participated in a two-hour game of Laser Skirmish at Kingston, followed by a visit to Kingborough Council’s Interact festival at Blackman’s Bay. The festival included local youth bands, climbing wall, body art and a range of art workshops such as inner-tube belt making, aerosol art, basket weaving, junk percussion and jewellery making.

The event was largely funded from a grant received from the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

MUSIC THEATRE – RHYTHM, RHYME & RHUBARB

In March, 2012, Tony Barry, Australian film and television legend, led a cast of performers in an original music theatre piece – “Rhythm, Rhyme and Rhubarb” (Poetry set to Music) – at the Triabunna Hall.

People travelled from throughout the municipal area for the show which was a great success, with 100 people attending.

Profits raised from Rhythm, Rhyme and Rhubarb was used towards the cost of a bus trip for seniors.

LORIN NICHOLSON

Lorin Nicholson is a pre-eminent Australian youth motivational speaker and one of the nations’ leading guitar players.

Despite being legally blind since birth, he is a successful independent recording artist, with four top selling instrumental albums and was a finalist in the Australian Country Music Awards.

On 28th March, 2012, students from the Triabunna District High School and the





Youth Week Interact Festival

Orford and Levendale Primary Shooools attended Lorin's "See Sharp" presentation at the Triabunna school, together with approximately fifty (50) community members. Following the presentation, Lorin also held a workshop for the students.

The "See Sharp" presentation was co-funded by Council from profits raised from the Orford Odeon.

BUCKLAND WOMEN'S INFORMATION NETWORK

The Buckland Women's Information Network meets on a monthly basis and provides an opportunity for local women to socialise, meet new residents, and share experiences. Guest speakers are invited on a regular basis to talk on a range of topics from health issues to cooking demonstrations.

An outing was arranged in April for the group to visit the historic Brockley Estate at Buckland where a special Easter morning tea was enjoyed, followed by a tour of the house and a walk along the old convict road.

COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

The Glamorgan Spring Bay Community Road Safety Partnership (CRSP) was established in 2004 and continues to be a very successful road safety initiative co-ordinated by Council in partnership with the Department of Infrastructure, Energy & Resources (DIER). The CRSP program has engaged the local community to assist and support the implementation of strategies that address high risk road user behaviour at a grassroots level.

The Partnership is an excellent example of what can be achieved when two tiers of government and local community groups work constructively together.

The Glamorgan Spring Bay CRSP program has resulted in a significant number of volunteers and community advocates actively participating in road safety related activities throughout the municipality. It is a considerable contribution and one that underpins the program.

In a small state and especially in a small community like ours, a road death has a devastating "ripple effect" as the impact spreads from the victim's immediate family to friends, workmates and the wider community.

Some of the local CRSP initiatives include:-

- Alcoliser on Loan project - involving voluntary breath testing at participating hotels and clubs.
- Roadside Crash Markers erected at fatal and serious injury crash sites.
- Voluntary breath testing provided at Seafest Festival.
- Speed trailer used to raise awareness as part of a coordinated program supported by local police.
- TQA road safety course introduced to teachers from Triabunna District High School.
- New motorcycle warning signs erected at high risk locations on Tasman Highway
- Older Driver seminars conducted as part of Seniors' Week.
- Drink Driving awareness displays at strategic locations.
- General awareness messages distributed through local publications.
- Planning completed for new 'What's Around the Corner' information warning signs to be erected on Tasman Highway and flyers distributed at strategic locations to reinforce relevant safety messages.



Audience at Whalesong (Seafest)

OVARIAN CANCER INFORMATION SESSION

More than sixty people (60) attended this event which was held at the Blue Waters Motel in Orford on 2nd May, 2012.

The session, which was presented by Jane Stephens, an ambassador for ovarian cancer, highlighted the fact that each year more than 1,200 Australian women are diagnosed with ovarian cancer and approximately 800 will die from the disease.

Ms Stephens stressed the need to get the message out to women and make them aware of the symptoms of ovarian cancer, as there is currently no reliable early detection test or screening program.

RURAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

The Glamorgan Spring Bay Council hosted a morning tea to welcome twenty (20) second year medical students to our area.

The medical students were participating in the Rural Communities Program which aims to provide the students with an understanding of the network of care available to members of rural communities and how that impacts upon the lives of people with a range of acute and chronic conditions in those communities.

This is the third year that a group of medical students has been placed in Glamorgan Spring Bay and a full program kept them busy for the week.

The students reported back to the community at the end of the week with a presentation on their activities. They indicated that it had been a valuable experience and that they had a much better insight into how a rural community

works. Some students said that the placement had changed their perception of working in a rural area.

HAT DAY FOR MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH

The Glamorgan Spring Bay Suicide Prevention Network hosted a "Wear a Hat Morning Tea" in Triabunna on 20th June, 2012.

Hat Day is Australian Rotary Health's fundraising event for mental health research.

More than 100 people attended the "Hat Day" at which guest speaker, Maggie Mackellar, author, captivated the audience as she told of her own life experience and loss.

The event was a great social occasion and a total of \$1,450 was raised for mental health research.

FESTIVAL OF VOICES AT AVALON

On 5th July, 2011, two (2) busloads of seniors travelled from Buckland, Triabunna and Orford



Rotary Hat Day



Seafest Jetski races

to Rocky Hills to attend a free concert at Avalon Coastal Retreat. The Ooolation choir and musicians, who had been workshoping their repertoire on Maria Island over the previous six days, performed at Avalon to an audience of approximately sixty people. The choir was in Tasmania to perform at the Festival of Voices in Hobart so residents of Glamorgan Spring Bay were very privileged to be able to enjoy this free concert in such a beautiful setting.

ORFORD ODEON

In December 2010, a partnership between the Orford Primary School and the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council was formed to bring movies to our community. A small committee of five was established to drive the project.

Since then the Orford Odeon has gone from strength to strength with the majority of movies attracting a capacity crowd.

The Orford Odeon screens films in the school's Performing Arts Centre on a monthly basis and more frequently during school holidays.

The foyer is decorated for each movie and is themed around the film showing on the night. Committee members, David Kirk and Gavan Barber, do a fantastic job creating the displays which add so much to the overall atmosphere and they work tirelessly to make the Orford Odeon a unique cinema experience.

A sponsorship programme was introduced which has covered the distribution charges for each film screened in 2012, resulting in more profits for our community. Sponsorship funding has been secured from individuals, businesses and service organisations and we are very grateful for this support. The sponsorship programme has also made it possible to provide a free bus service to pick up movie goers from their homes and return them to their doors following the movie.

The Prosser House bus is used for this service and we are very thankful to Malcolm Bishop who so willingly volunteers his time to drive the bus.

Profits from the Orford Odeon go towards Glamorgan Spring Bay Council youth projects and the Orford Primary School.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Council conducted, contributed or participated in several other community events and activities throughout the year:

- Reclink Football Matches
- Suicide Prevention Network
- Tidy Towns
- School Holiday Activities
- Rural Primary Health Services
- Interagency Support Team
- Seafest
- Older Drivers' Seminars
- Tasmanian Seafarers' Memorial Service and Blessing of the Fleet
- West Australian Nightingale Chorale.

SEAFEST

The inaugural Seafest was held in Triabunna in November, 2012 in partnership with the Triabunna District High School. The event ran over three days and was based around the theme of all things marine and celebrated living, visiting and working and learning on Tasmania's East Coast.

Friday was Schools Day and students participated in a range of marine discovery activities as well as beach games and a recycled raft race.

Premier Lara Giddings launched the festival on Friday afternoon and one of the highlights of the event was a community theatre light and

sound show “Whale Song” on the Friday and Saturday evenings.

Water activities, including kayaking, dragon boat races, jet ski rides and a jet ski race from Triabunna to Maria Island and back created a great deal of interest, as did the marine displays, art exhibitions and fishing competition.

There was a great line up of live music throughout the festival and visitors enjoyed sampling the delicious local food and wine.

The festival exceeded all expectations and another Seafest is planned for 2013.

COMMUNITY SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

Council’s Community Small Grants Program provides financial assistance to community groups and organisations for projects, events and equipment which provide a benefit to the Glamorgan Spring Bay community. Council determines its allocations during budget deliberations and applications are considered throughout the year until those funds are exhausted.



Orford Odeon

The following grants were approved in 2011/2012:

Spring Bay RSL Sub-Branch Inc.....	\$1,000
Spring Bay Education Group.....	\$1,000
Spring Bay Tennis Club Inc.	\$1,000
PCYC Swansea.....	\$1,000
Bicheno Wine and Food Festival Committee.....	\$1,500
Discover the Arts Group	\$1,000
Orford Bowls Club Inc.	\$1,000
Tasmanian bushland Garden Inc.	\$2,000
Lions Club of Spring Bay.....	\$2,000
Bicheno Busy Fingers’ Craft Group.....	\$500
Seniors Christmas Party Bicheno.....	\$500
Buckland Hall Committee.....	\$1,000
Coles Bay Triathlon	\$1,000
Spring Bay Target Club Inc.....	\$1,000
Orford Primary School Association	\$1,000
Exercise Classes in Coles Bay	\$1,000
May Shaw Health Centre	
30 Year Reunion	\$1,000

Other funding allocations were:-

Spring Bay On-Line Access Centre.....	\$1,000
Swansea On-Line Access Centre.....	\$1,000
Bicheno On-Line Access Centre	\$1,000
Triabunna District High School (Book Prizes)	\$200
Orford Primary School (Book Prizes).....	\$100
Swansea Primary School (Book Prizes)	\$100
Bicheno Primary School (Book Prizes)	\$100

Tourism -Economic Development & Visitor Centres



Jo-Anne O'Brien,
Tourism Services Manager

Tourism remains vitally important to the economy of the Glamorgan Spring Bay area. A full time Tourism Services Manager was appointed by Council in 2008 and the position co-ordinates Tourism Services for the Municipality as well as the three Visitor Information Centres and their paid and voluntary staff. This position is also shared with the Break O'Day Council contributing one third of the costs. The Freycinet Coast Tourism Board, an incorporated body and previously a special committee of Council,

has been assisting to drive tourism in the region since 2007. In recognition of the importance of tourism to our area, Council has continued to make a financial contribution to the Board. The Board includes representation from Parks and Wildlife, Forestry and business representatives from the townships of Orford, Triabunna, Swansea, Bicheno and Coles Bay.

Objectives

- To continue implementation of the new marketing strategy for the East Coast.
- To work in partnership with Government, local authorities and local operators.
- Identify funding opportunities to continue supporting this role.
- To form a whole of East Coast tourism board in partnership with Break O day Council and Tourism Tasmania

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To continue fostering a relationship with Government agencies in relation to Economic Development and Tourism. *(Continuing)*
- Continue to support the Freycinet Coast Tourism Board Inc.in the interim and eventually the whole of East Coast board *(Achieved)*
- Continue consultation with key stakeholders and hub organisations. *(Continuing)*

- Investigate the formation of an economic development steering committee for the Municipality in conjunction with the Department of Economic Development and other key stakeholders *(Not achieved)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Contribute and ensure the whole of East Coast tourism board is established. *(Ongoing)*
- Identify other funding opportunities for this area. *(Ongoing)*
- Continue to undertake public awareness of the Motor Cycle and Bicycle friendly themes. *(Ongoing)*
- Investigate the possibility of new industry growth in the Municipal area and in particular Triabunna *(In Progress)*
- Implement strategies identified in the Triabunna and Bicheno Structure Plans and the Triabunna/Orford/Maria Island visitor plan (TOMI). *(Continuing)*

Performance Measures

- Increase in visitor numbers to our area compared with previous statistics coupled with a larger dollar spend. *(Visitor Numbers not achieved 6% decrease on year 2010/2011)*
- Increase in length of stay by visitors. *(Ongoing)*
- Additional funding opportunities sought to initiate key programs. *(Ongoing)*
- Identify options for new industry growth in our Municipality and implement *(Ongoing)*

Visitor Information Network

The Triabunna, Swansea and Bicheno Visitor Information Centres are managed by Council and are important to the delivery of tourist information for the whole region. The three centres are accredited as Yellow 'I' and have been operated by part-time staff and dedicated volunteers. During the 2011/2012 financial year 52,767 tourists visited the centres compared to 56,496 tourists in 2010/2011. Many volunteers assist at both Centres and we are forever thankful for their efforts.

Objectives

- To maximise the economic benefits of tourism to Glamorgan Spring Bay Municipality.
- To establish fully operational and in the future self funded Visitor Centres in Swansea, Triabunna & Bicheno.
- To deliver to the community and visitors alike, a welcoming and informative experience to our Visitor Information Centres.
- To acknowledge and encourage participation from our volunteers.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To encourage visitors to stay longer within the Glamorgan Spring Bay area. *(Ongoing)*
- Identification of funding opportunities to enhance our Centres. *(Ongoing)*
- To deliver high quality support services to our community and our customers. *(Ongoing)*
- Ensure effective communication with the Freycinet Coast Tourism Board and the future East Coast Tourism Board as the entities undertaking marketing and promotional activities of our areas. *(Ongoing)*
- To maintain 'Yellow I' status for the network.

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- 10% increase in sales at both Centres. *(Achieved)*
- Undertake a volunteer drive. *(Continuing)*

- Undertake a quality training and development program of our staff and volunteers engaged at the Centres. *(Achieved)*
- Implement procedures and practices that will streamline operations and create efficiencies at the Centres. *(Achieved)*
- Implement a visitor survey which will gauge satisfaction of our services and provide the ability for suggestions to be made regarding the improvement of our Centres. *(Ongoing)*
- Establish a "Yellow I" Centre in Swansea as part of the East Coast Visitor Information Network. *(Achieved)*
- Implement Council's policy aimed at recognising the contribution made by volunteers by making a donation to them to offset costs incurred in order to assist at the Centres. *(Ongoing)*
- Make substantial progress towards the Centres being self sustainable. *(Ongoing)*
- Promote community and tourism business awareness of the Centres and what their main purpose is. *(Ongoing)*
- Continue the development of a partnership arrangement with the Break O'Day Council to achieve maximum tourism potential for all the Centres. *(Ongoing)*

Performance Measures

- Success in our grant submissions. *(Ongoing)*
- Progress towards break-even status. *(Ongoing)*
- Results of the visitor surveys. *(Ongoing)*
- Volunteer numbers increased and skills enhanced. *(Not Achieved)*
- Increased numbers utilising the 'Book Easy' functionality. *(Achieved)*
- Increased revenue from retail sales. *(Ongoing)*



Natural Resource Management



Mel Kelly,
NRM Coordinator

Objective:

To make a significant contribution to the understanding, use and protection of the natural environment.

Council will be a leader in Natural Resource Management (NRM) and work in partnership with key stakeholders and the broader community in the establishment and management of NRM projects and initiatives.

The NRM Unit comprises NRM, Integrated Catchment Management, and Sustainability.

What is NRM

NRM involves an integrated approach to the sustainable use and management of natural resources. Natural Resource Management (NRM) is defined as: The management of any activity that uses, develops or conserves our natural resources – land, water, coasts, oceans, flora and fauna.

Natural Resource Management is an important role of local government with broad impact for Council and everyone in our community. Council

has a number of legislative obligations with regards to NRM. The Glamorgan Spring Bay NRM team has expanded over the years to include a full time manager and number of part time and casual staff involved in both core Council NRM activities as well as delivering a broad range of grant funded projects. Council is a member of the Southern Tasmanian NRM Region (NRM South).

Glamorgan Spring Bay Natural Resource Management Committee

The Glamorgan Spring Bay Council Natural Resource Management Committee (NRMC) is a Section 24 Special Committee of Council. The NRMC provides advice, input and direction to Council on NRM issues. Committee members are volunteers representing many stakeholders and have a broad range of skills and knowledge relevant to NRM. The Committee has been active since 2005 and is guided by a Terms Of Reference endorsed by Council which was revised in 2012. The NRMC is now also a Tasmanian Police Bush Watch Committee and this year had great success with engaging with DIER resulting in the control of roadside weeds on the Tasman Hwy.



NRM Committee



Apsley Marshes

Catchments To Coasts

A key focus for the NRM Council is to continue catchment management initiatives in Glamorgan Spring Bay, in partnership with NRM South and other key stakeholders, through the 'Catchments To Coasts' program which commenced in 2008.

Co funding by Council and NRM South continues to employ a Catchment Coordinator, and Administration and Communications Officer. Project funding employs local on ground works and specialist officers as required. Much of the externally funded work undertaken by the team is on private property and lines up with national, state, regional and local NRM priorities. This includes the protection and enhancement of significant flora and fauna, and the strategic control of Declared Weeds and Weeds Of National Significance (WONS).

Significant projects in 2012

A number of projects have continued since 2011. Some projects are funded through different sources, although the Catchments To Coast team continue to be actively involved. For example the support of landholders with *Serrated Tussock* is now funded as part of a statewide project managed by DPIPW.

Our *Shorebird Education and Awareness* program continues to grow in partnership with Birds Australia (Tasmania) and the Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS). Orford Primary School, Levendale Primary School, Triabunna District High School and Swansea Primary School continue to participate in activities including erecting fences to protect nesting birds on beaches. This is only one element of the *Kids Connecting with the Coast* Partnership that has emerged from the program and continues to grow.

Information stalls will again be present at many events over the summer and 'team shorebird', which includes community members, continues to respond quickly to erect shorebird fences and signs in locations where birds are nesting on beaches.

Strategic weed control work in the nationally significant *Callitris oblonga* / *Eucalyptus ovata* forest community on the Apsley River and around the internationally recognized Ramsar wetland Moulting Lagoon continues in partnership with landholders and the PWS. Support of smaller rural landholders with strategic weed management is ongoing with the focus on the lower Little Swanport expanding as more landholders become involved.

Support of community groups including the *Little Swanport Catchment Committee* continues with an information session held in November at the Woodsdale Hall on a variety of NRM initiatives of relevance to the catchment community.

The Catchments To Coasts team was successful in obtaining a significant grant from the Australian Government Caring for Our Country Community Actions Grants to protect and enhance the international significant values of the Apsley Marshes RAMSAR wetland.

Community Engagement in Natural Resource Management

Other NRM activities include a range of community education projects, accessing grants for Council and community on ground works, ongoing implementation of the Glamorgan Spring Bay Weed Management Plan and support of community groups in both on-ground and strategic activities on many public reserves throughout the Municipality. The NRM team provides support to a number of



Tino Carnevale, host of Gardening Australia, at Swansea Primary School showing children how to plant fruit trees

community groups to enable them to undertake important work, mostly on public land. Again we supported community involvement in National Tree Day and Clean Up Australia Day activities at Triabunna, Little Swanport, Swansea and Buckland.

Education and Communication

A key focus of the NRM program is to continue to keep the community informed of and engaged in NRM activities. Ongoing information on projects and opportunities for involvement is communicated via the Council newsletter, local publications such as the Great Oyster Bay Community News and the Central Coast Courier, locally specific newsletters and through the *Catchments To Coasts* newsletter which goes to all ratepayers.

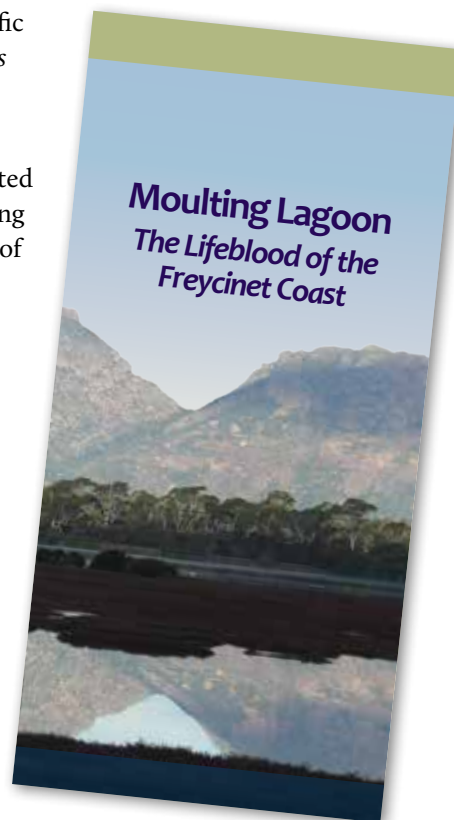
New publications produced or contributed to by our team include a revised Moulting Lagoon information brochure, the first of a series of brochures on responsible cat ownership, a series of children's shore bird postcards and a reprint of the very popular Grow Local poster.

Sustainability and climate change

Council continues our involvement a number of sustainability and climate change initiatives including organising workshops on recycling, supporting community gardens and involvement in the Southern Tasmanian Council Authority Regional Climate Change Initiative.



GSB NRM / Catchments To Coast team up with Parks and Wildlife Officers at Seafest 2011 – sharing information about our important coastal and marine environment





Glamorgan Spring Bay Council, NRM South and the Southern Coastcare Association thank the many volunteers who work hard to protect and improve the natural resources in our Municipality.

Aims for 2011-2012

- Develop a NRM webpage on Council's corporate site. **(Ongoing)**
- Maintain membership of NRM South and continue to be involved in regional NRM programs especially the Catchments To Coast partnership. **(Ongoing)**
- Complete the review of the Swan Apsley Catchment Management Plan and continue to support integrated catchment management through the Catchments To Coast program. **(Ongoing)**
- Ensure that Council continues to meet the relevant NRM legislative obligations and communicates this to the community via newsletters and other forums. **(Ongoing)**
- Continue to support the GSB NRM Committee and use as a key link between Council and the community on NRM issues. **(Ongoing)**
- Continue to work and develop partnerships with Parks and Wildlife Service, Crown Land Services, Southern Water and DIER with regards to NRM values on public land. **(Ongoing)**
- Ensure that development assessments strive to meet Triple Bottom Line Principles **(Ongoing)**
- Continue participation in the Planning Strategy Review. **(Ongoing)**

- Continue participation sustainability initiatives. **(Ongoing)**
- Develop systems and capacity to protect and enhance aboriginal heritage values. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Finalise review of the Swan Apsley and continue to support integrated catchment management Plans through the 'Catchment To Coasts' partnership with NRM South and other stakeholders. **(Ongoing)**
- Continue to work with the works department, community and other relevant agencies in the strategic management of Council owned, leased and licensed public reserves, with a particular focus on the protection of natural assets through the development and implementation of vegetation (fire and weed) management plans for reserves in each town. **(Ongoing)**
- Ongoing implementation of the GSB Weed Management Plan – continuation of roadside and public land control activities and support of private land weed control through the Catchments To Coast program. **(Ongoing)**
- Continue support for the following community events; National Tree Day, Clean Up Australia Day, Weedbuster Week and World Wetlands Day. **(Ongoing)**
- Initiative and / or continue support for the following sustainability initiatives; Energy Management, Sustainable Waste Management, Solar Schools, Community Gardens, and Tidy Towns.
- Development of policies in consultation with relevant sections of Council and other key stakeholders; reserve management, sustainability and aboriginal heritage. **(Ongoing)**

Regulatory Services Report

(Including Planning, Building, Technical Services, Regulatory Control, Animal Control, Environmental Health)



Winny Enniss,
Regulatory Services
Coordinator

The Regulatory Services Department of Council is based at the Council Offices in Vicary Street, Triabunna.

In accordance with Council's Strategic Plan, the Regulatory Services Department is committed to maintaining appropriate and sustainable services across a range of Key Result Areas, particularly: Community Wellbeing, Natural Environment and Planned Environment.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

Some major projects and tasks dealt with by the Department included assisting to develop a Plant Replacement Asset Management Plan. This has been commenced and will be an ongoing project for 2011 - 2012.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To ensure the capture of data related to condition assessments are accurate and are populated into Council's Asset Register.
- To assist in the continual development of Council's Asset Management principals and framework.
- Develop maintenance programs for classes of assets.
- Review the intervention levels outlined in our Asset Management Plan for different classes of assets to ensure they are appropriately budgeted where necessary.

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Assist to develop a Plant Replacement Asset Management Plan.
- Undertake the specification and design of
- Council's major projects budgeted within 2011-2012 budget as required.

PLANNING

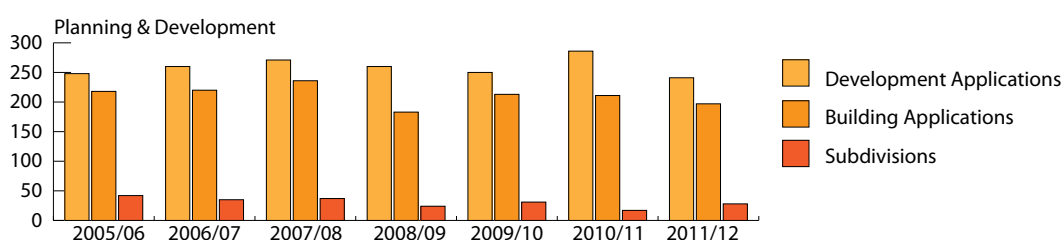
Development applications indicated steady development and building activity during the year. The annual approvals figures were less than development levels of previous financial years. This can be attributed to the introduction of Planning Directive No 4 approved by the Tasmanian Planning Commission whereby permits were no longer required for dwellings and ancillary buildings in the residential zone if they complied with the development standards. The total of developments received for the financial year is 269 of which 28 were subdivisions. 20 applications were assessed to be PD4 compliant.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To provide a framework to encourage development within our area that meets the needs of the community and encourages the sustainable use of the area's resources, in accordance with the provisions of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993. *(Ongoing)*
- Maintain efficient administrative services for the issuing of planning documentation. *(Ongoing)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Complete the review of the Glamorgan Spring Bay Planning Scheme 1994 with regard to the



Southern Regional Land Use Strategy 2010-2035, Vision East and structure plans and in accordance with the TPC Regional Model Planning Scheme template (*Ongoing*)

- Processing of all development applications in accordance with time limits prescribed under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993. (*Achieved*)
- Introduction of specific criteria in relation to the consistent collection of technical data to be input into Council's GIS system, related to development in our area. (*Ongoing*)

The review of the Glamorgan Spring Bay Planning Scheme 1994 was ongoing and in accordance with the new template implemented by the Tasmanian Planning Commission and the Southern Regional Planning Strategy. This work has proceeded in cooperation with the other eleven Councils in the southern region and with assistance from the Southern Regional Planning Project and the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority. The Department approved 255 development applications for the 2011 — 2012 year in accordance time limits prescribed under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993.

There were 2 Planning Scheme amendments initiated during the year and 8 appeals lodged against Council planning decisions. The operation of both the Tasmanian Planning Commission and Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunals increasingly focused on ensuring Council acting as Planning Authority appropriately, consistently and strategically carries out its functions and responsibilities. The costs associated with both jurisdictions has risen both in terms of presenting cases and the implications of improper decision making.

Introduction of specific criteria in relation to the consistent collection of technical data to be input into Council's GIS system, related to development in our area.

The development of a sub-regional land use strategy "Vision East" that was adopted in December 2009 highlighted the need for structure plans to be prepared for both Bicheno and Orford/Triabunna. This has been completed and is vital to the ongoing development of a new planning scheme which was envisaged to be implemented during this financial year. The process has taken longer than anticipated and it is now hoped to be implemented during the next financial year.

There are significant benefits that will result from an updated and revised planning scheme with improved day to day 'development processing' operations of the municipality as well as encouraging pragmatic, sustainable and appropriate investment and growth both in the settlements and throughout the municipality. Council will continue to rigorously pursue this vitally important project with the respective government agencies.

Planning Directive No 4 which deals with single dwellings in the residential zone, was implemented and become operational in August 2011 which allowed for compliant single dwellings to bypass the need for a planning permit.



BUILDING

Council operates as a Building Permit Authority with all applicants providing self certification of building plans. This division was staffed by 1 full time Admin Officer supported by the Technical Officer performing the role of Permit Authority.

The Plumbing Authority and Building Surveying Services were provided under contract from Brighton Council and Hobart Building Surveying. A total of 197 Building permits were received and 182 applications were approved for the financial year which is comparable to previous years.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To enforce the standard of building, plumbing and drainage regulated by the Building Code of Australia and its associated Regulations. *(Ongoing)*
- To ensure effective administrative systems for the issuing of building documentation. *(Ongoing)*
- To ensure all applications are processed within the required timeframes. *(Achieved)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Continue to update an information brochure related to Council's role as a Permit Authority, outlining obligations of both parties. *(Achieved)*
- Processing of building applications promptly within the time limits prescribed under the Building Regulations. *(Achieved)*

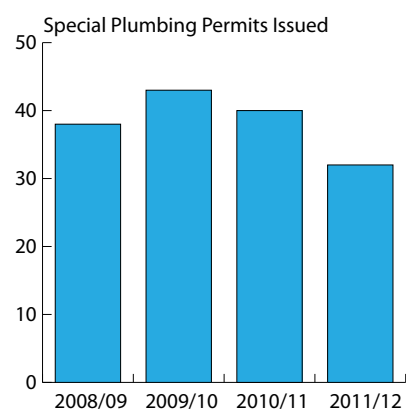
REGULATORY CONTROL

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Be proactive in our approach to caravan licensing. *(Achieved)*
- Continue to regulate land holdings in terms of fire abatements. *(Achieved)*
- Ensure all infringements issued are in line with Council's obligations under the Monetary Penalties Act 2008. *(Achieved)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Enforce Council's Environmental Health By-Law which outlines Council's regulatory position on environmental and animal control issues. *(Achieved)*
- Investigate more effective ways of administering annual caravan licences to become more proactive in our approach. *(Achieved)*
- Implement procedures related to the Monetary Enforcement Act 2008 and ensure compliance with this Act when issuing infringements. *(Achieved)*
- Carry out regular inspections of properties in relation to fire abatements and undertake enforcements where necessary. *(Achieved)*
- Funding to purchase and the erecting of parking signage throughout the municipality. *(Ongoing)*



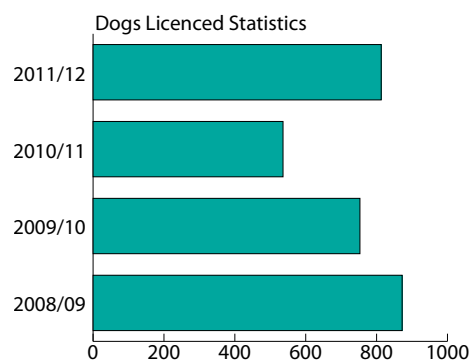
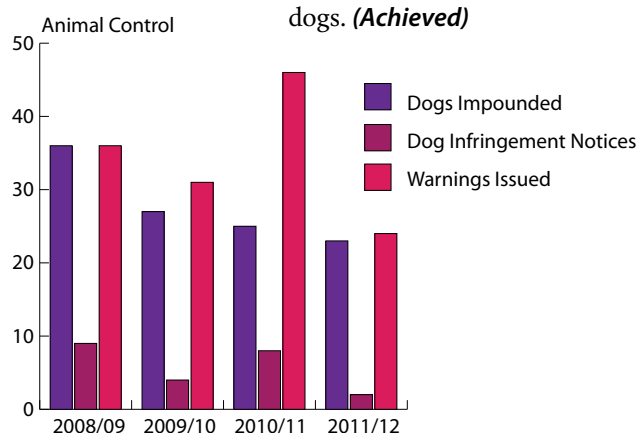
ANIMAL CONTROL

Council employed one full time Municipal Inspector. Responsibilities include; animal control, dog management, caravan registration, recreational water monitoring, investigation of nuisance complaints and water supply sampling program. Properties throughout the municipality are routinely surveyed for health nuisances and fire hazards.

During the year, 120 nuisance abatement notices were issued, 23 dogs impounded, 6 dogs reported lost, 2 barking dog complaints, 2 dog infringement notices issued, 1 kennel licence was issued, 3 feral cats were euthanized and 813 dog licenses issued. The sampling program included popular swimming beaches as well as occasional environmental sampling in response to specific concerns. Dog micro chipping is compulsory from 1st July 2011 and an extensive micro chipping campaign was conducted in conjunction with the RSPCA resulting in 440 dogs being micro chipped.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To provide effective control of dogs and other animals within the municipal area in accordance with the requirements of the Dog Control Act 2000. **(Achieved)**
- Respond to reports on lost or stray dogs and other animals, including impounding and infringing if necessary. **(Achieved)**
- Be proactive in our approach to unregistered dogs. **(Achieved)**



Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Enforce Council's Environmental Health By-Law which outlines Council's regulatory position on environmental and animal control issues. **(Achieved)**
- Identification and notification of dog exercise areas and defined areas outlined in Council's Dog Management Plan. **(Ongoing)**
- Investigate more effective ways of administering annual dog registrations to become more proactive in our approach. **(Ongoing)**
- Undertake continual education of our residents and visitors in their responsibilities as dog owners. **(Ongoing)**
- Implement procedures related to the Monetary Enforcement Act 2008 and ensure compliance with this Act when issuing infringement notices. **(Achieved)**
- Prepare for the implementation of compulsory micro chipping of dogs from 1st July 2011. **(Achieved)**
- Prepare for the implementation of cat control. **(Ongoing)**
- Ensure a more pro active strategy is in place over the summer period to ensure that the community is aware of the dog control act and local dog control laws. **(Ongoing)**
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ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC HEALTH

The Environmental Health Section comprises: Environmental Health Officer (part time), Administrative Officer (part time) and Medical Officer of Health, Dr Andrew Grove and Dr Camilla Byrne.

Environmental Services address a range of functions under the *Public Health act 1997*, *Food Act 2003* and *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act 1994 (EMPCA)*.

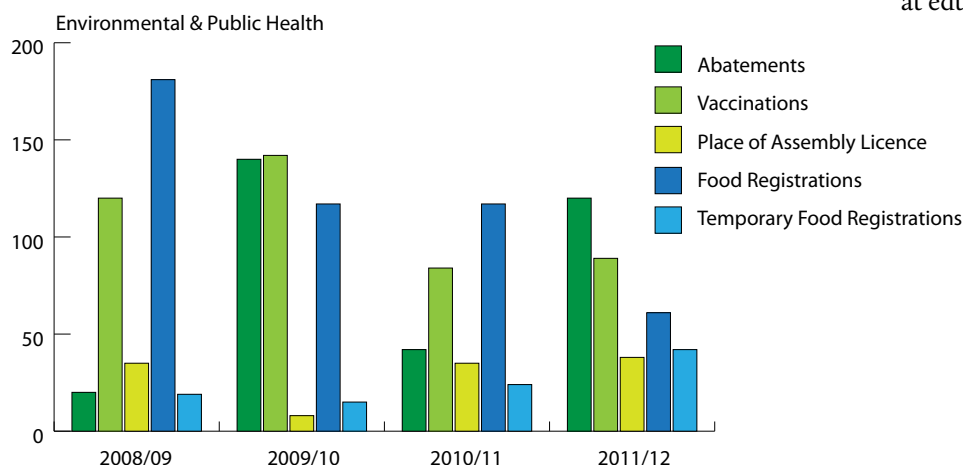
Council is also responsible for registering and issuing licenses for places of assembly and food business including temporary food premises. This year eight (38) place of assembly licenses were issued, 61 food business' were registered and 42 temporary food business' were registered. "Eat Safe East Coast" was also introduced from July 2011. Food businesses are provided with a star rating based on assessment of their food management practices. The program is voluntary and 40 businesses have taken on the initiative. Food safety rating schemes have been effective in reducing food related illnesses in the cities across the world. No nuisance complaints that were investigated under *EMPCA 1994*.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To continually ensure compliance with relevant guidelines and legislation. **(Ongoing)**
- Undertake regular assessments of food premises and undertake necessary action where necessary. **(Ongoing)**
- Ensure infringements issued are in line with the requirements of the new Monetary Enforcement Act 2008. **(Achieved)**
- Annual registration and licensing of premises and food businesses. **(Achieved)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Develop efficiencies in the registration and licensing requirements managed by Council in an effort to be more proactive in our approach. **(Ongoing)**
- Assist the Emergency Management Committee in their efforts to develop Community Recovery and Pandemic Preparedness strategies. **(Ongoing)**
- Enforce Council's Environmental Health By-Law which outlines Council's regulatory position on Environmental Health issues. **(Ongoing)**
- Inspection of all food premises at least twice yearly. **(Ongoing)**
- Conduct a Food Safe program aimed at education of food handlers in the municipality. **(Achieved)**
 - Fully implement and promote "Eat Safe East Coast" **(Achieved)**



FOOD SAFETY

Within the municipal area there were sixty one (61) prescribed food businesses registered and operators licensed in accordance with the statutory provisions. Ongoing, education of food handlers/ operators was an integral part of the food management of the area.

There were forty two (42) applications made for food stalls as a requirement of the *Tasmanian Food Act 2003*.

IMMUNISATIONS

A general immunisation support service was provided to the general public, including technical advice and record verification.

Council's Environmental Health Department provided certificates to parents indicating that their child had been immunised.

Medical Officer of Health Dr Andrew Grove and Dr Camilla Byrne, in conjunction with Council's Environmental Health Department, carried out the immunisation program at schools within the municipal area. Kindergarten children were given DTPa/IPV and MMR. Year 6 children were given Hep B and Chicken Pox. Year 7 female students were given Gardasil and Year 10 students were given dTpa in accordance with the immunisation schedules.

There were a total of eighty nine (89) persons immunised during the reporting period.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

There were no notifiable diseases reported for the financial year.

BEACH SAMPLING

Beaches in the municipality are regularly sampled during the Christmas and up to Easter periods for contamination. There were no beach closures — all passed sampling. A total of 23 samples were taken.

SUPPLIERS OF PRIVATE WATER

The Public Health Act requires Council to register all suppliers of private water used for public consumption in a commercial environment. Thirty (30) premises were registered this financial year.

ON-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PERMITS

Prior to a septic tank being installed the Building Act requires a special plumbing application to be made to Council. Permits are only issued once Council is satisfied that no Public Health or Environmental hazard will be caused by the installation.

Council issued a total of thirty two (32) Special Plumbing Permits for the installation of on-site domestic wastewater treatment systems during this period.



Works & Services Report



Tony Pollard,
Manager Works & Services

In accordance with Council's Strategic Plan, the Works Department remains committed to developing and maintaining appropriate and sustainable community infrastructure and also ensuring the provision of a range of quality services.

Council's outside Works staff operate out of four depots located at Bicheno, Coles Bay, Swansea and Triabunna and are managed by our two Works Supervisors, Rodney Read (southern area) and Andrew Hill (northern area).

Jill Quinn assists within the Works and Services Department in relation to customer requests, waste management and general departmental activities.

Key Departmental responsibilities include:

- Roads and Footpaths
- Stormwater and Drainage
- Bridges and Culverts
- Town Maintenance
- Parks, Reserves and Cemetery
- Waste Management
- Garbage and Recycling

ROADS & FOOTPATHS

To provide an appropriate and well maintained road network throughout the municipality to a safe and acceptable standard.

Continuation of the annual resealing program for urban and rural sealed roads throughout the municipality based on our annual condition assessment program.

There is approximately 68 lineal kms of concrete kerb and channel on Council's sealed road network in residential townships.

Continuation of Council's footpath maintenance program based on our pro-active footpath condition assessment program.

General maintenance works were carried out on a number of sections of substandard kerb within the municipal area as a result of subbase failure of the adjacent road pavement.

New kerbing works have been completed along Shaw Street, Gordon Street and Old Spring Bay Roads, Swansea. In Triabunna new kerbing and concrete footpath was constructed along Melbourne St, between Victoria to Franklin Streets.

In Bicheno, Little Street had new kerbing installed on the eastern side to assist in reducing localised flooding.

Roads 2 Recovery funds were well utilised this financial year by fully reconstructing Murray St (part), Makepeace Ave and Harvey Ave in Bicheno. Works included constructing new kerbing which eliminated the open swale drains down each side and new concrete footpaths.

Resheeting works on Nugent Road, Old Coach Road, McNeills Road and Crossings Road was carried this financial year as part of the adopted works programme.

Full road reconstruction works were completed on Buckland Road (part) in 2010_11 and has been bitumen sealed this financial year.

A new concrete footpath was constructed in Jetty Road, Coles Bay between Percy St and Harold St.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To maintain Council's Asset Management System for roads, kerbs and footpaths. **(Ongoing)**
- To ensure that current assets are maintained in a useable and safe condition. **(Ongoing)**
- To address and repair isolated failures in accordance with defined intervention levels. **(Ongoing)**
- Carryout regular inspections for defects. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Completion of adopted Capital Works Programme in relation to construction, maintenance works and re-seal activities. **(Achieved)**
- Finalise road hierarchy inputs for the GIS and Asset Register **(Achieved)**



STORMWATER & DRAINAGE

To provide residents with an appropriate level of infrastructure that accommodates for road and property surface runoff to minimise the risk of flooding.

General maintenance works were carried out on a number of sections of substandard kerb within the municipal area as a result of subbase failure of the adjacent road pavement.

A stormwater line was constructed along the southern side of Mount Street, Orford from the bend down to Charles Street to reduce localised flooding.

In the Esplanade, Coles Bay an extension to the existing stormwater system was introduced to accommodate medium to heavy rainfalls. This work eased generalised road flooding and reduced the likelihood of adjacent property flooding.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Maintenance of existing storm water infrastructure. **(Ongoing)**
- Manage the technical data associated to the Asset Register and GIS. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Maintain all infrastructure assets to an acceptable standard within the financial year's allocated budget. **(Achieved)**
- Establish a hierarchy for new and replacement works in relation to Stormwater. **(In Progress)**

BRIDGES & CULVERTS

Condition monitor the structural integrity of all bridges and large culverts through annual routine inspections to address maintenance requirements and review replacement program priorities of Council's bridge assets throughout the municipal area.

General maintenance works were carried out this financial year on a number of structures within the municipal area to ensure structural and approach standards for all bridges and large culverts was achieved.

The large timber bridge structure on Sand River Road over the Bluff Rivulet, Buckland was replaced due to poor structural integrity. The Australian Government (Department of Defence), contributed \$40,000 towards the replacement as Sand River Road is the main access road to the Army Training Grounds.

The timber bridge on Back Leventdale Road, Prosser River was renewed with a concrete deck. This structure was co-funded with Southern Midlands Council.

Existing structures at Seaford Road and McKay Road was replaced with culverts and the collapsed multi-pipe culverts on Burgess Street, Swansea was replaced with large concrete box culverts.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To maintain an annual maintenance and replacement programme in conjunction with the consultant's engineering recommendations. **(Achieved)**
- Manage the Bridges Asset Management Register. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Replace 5 sub-standard bridge structures as per works schedule and capital budget. **(Achieved)**
- Continue general maintenance programme for all other structures. **(Achieved)**
- Continue to develop a bridge and culvert layer on GIS for staff reference. **(Achieved)**



WASTE MANAGEMENT

Maintain and promote a waste management program, which provides residents and commercial operators, with a high level of service that is equivalent to community expectations.

Council's four Waste Transfer Stations (WTS) at Orford, Swansea, Bicheno and Coles Bay are all operating within prescribed guidelines.

The burning of accumulated greenwaste is being carried out at Orford, Swansea and Bicheno WTS's under strict conditions from the Department of Tourism, Arts and the Environment, Environment Division. Approximately two burns per year per site are currently being carried out.

A FREE, 2 week greenwaste disposal period was introduced in January 2011 to allow residents the opportunity to clean up their properties prior to the bushfire season. This program is ongoing.

Waste Transfer Station opening hours remained unchanged and entrance fees remained static.

The majority of kerbside waste collected is disposed of at the Orford WTS to assist in reducing transportation costs to the Copping Landfill site.

In 2011-12 financial year, 2470 tonnes of waste was transported from Council's WTS's to the Copping Landfill.

The annual DrumMuster programme continues to assist in the reduction of disused chemical containers in the Municipality.

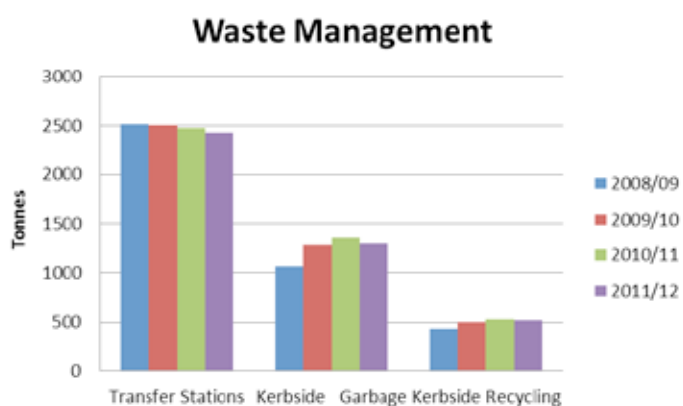
Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Maintenance of WTS's to ensure operations are maintained at an acceptable standard. **(Ongoing)**
- Encourage recycling through education and participation. **(Ongoing)**
- To provide an efficient and cost effective service in an environmentally friendly manner. **(Ongoing)**
- Review of fee structure and opening hours. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Investigate cost saving options via a waste strategy for the overall Municipality including transport, recycling, and compaction. **(Ongoing)**

All kerbside garbage is transported to Copping Landfill via WTS's and recyclables are taken directly to Hobart for processing.



Total number of residential and commercial mobile bins collected from the kerbside.

Note: Garbage service weekly, recycling service fortnightly



GARBAGE & RECYCLING

To provide residents with an efficient and cost effective garbage and recycling kerbside collection service that is equivalent to community expectations.

Veolia Environmental Services, Council's contractor for our kerbside waste/recycle collections, is servicing the community very well with all kerbside collections, bin deliveries and complaints managed effectively and efficiently.

The current kerbside collection contract expires in 2015.

In 2011/12 the total kerbside waste collected was approximately 1302 tonnes and kerbside recycle collected totaled approximately 525 tonnes.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Community education and encouragement of recycling within the Municipality to reduce landfill waste stream. *(Ongoing)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Investigate cost saving options for kerbside collection that may be available. *(Ongoing)*

PARKS, RESERVES & CEMETERY

Maintain and upgrade Council's passive and active recreational areas to a standard that is acceptable, safe and encourages community and visitor use. In consultation with relevant Community groups, plan future improvements to parks and reserves areas that will meet the needs of the general community.

Continuation of a proactive maintenance program for all playgrounds and recreational areas to ensure safety and compliance is met as per the Australian Standards.

The existing old heavy wire perimeter fence around the Bicheno Cemetery was replaced with a modern type, powder-coated panel fence. A new Niche Wall was also erected.

Adjacent the existing walking track through 'Our Park' in Orford, a series of adult gym equipment was installed to complement the existing playground facilities. Thanks to the Orford Community Group for gaining funding and progressing this project. At the northern end of the park a concrete slab was installed to accommodate our transportable skate ramp, which rotates around the council area.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To provide and maintain all areas to an acceptable standard to ensure risk safety compliance. *(Ongoing)*
- Maintain related infrastructure assets i.e. playgrounds, BBQ areas etc to appropriate levels. *(Ongoing)*
- Manage the Bicheno Cemetery Register. *(Ongoing)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Maintenance and upgrade of foreshore reserves. *(Ongoing)*
- Maintain a playground infrastructure register and conduct regular risk assessments. *(Ongoing)*
- Progress a GIS layer for all parks and reserves and walking tracks *(Ongoing)*



PUBLIC AMENITIES & BUILDINGS

Maintain and upgrade Council's public amenities and buildings across the municipality to an appropriate standard so as to deliver to its residents and visitors access to and use of, high quality infrastructure services.

Works are completed on the extension and renovations at the Swansea Heritage Centre. This redevelopment incorporated a new Visitor Information Centre including public toilets, a new location for the Historical Society in the restored old school house and a new gallery for the existing Museum on site.

A new bar-b-que shelter has been constructed on the public reserve at Buckland.

Work has commenced on a new Medical Centre at Triabunna. The old Forestry Building in Victoria Street are currently being renovated and extended to provide a modern functional facility.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- Ensure Council owned buildings meet community needs. **(Achieved)**
- Update condition assessments for asset management principles. **(Ongoing)**
- Undertake inspections for all buildings to ensure that Council's meets its legislative obligations. **(Ongoing)**

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Apply to Crown Land Services to take ownership of Ravensdale Hall. **(Achieved)**
- Completion of maintenance works within budget constraints. **(Achieved)**
- Regular inspections and documenting undertaken. **(Ongoing)**

Category	No.	Sub-Category	No.
Community Facility	23	Halls	9
		Community Services	14
Municipal Facility	19	Council Depots	13
		Administrative Offices	6
Recreation Facility	11	Change Room	2
		Club Rooms	3
		Pavilion	2
		Playing Surface (Tennis)	1
		Structure	3
Public Toilets	16	Toilets (<i>now in town maintenance</i>)	16
Shelters & Monuments	15	Monuments	1
		Public Shelters	14
Waste Management Facility	4	Buildings & Sheds	4
Total Buildings Listed			88

BOAT RAMPS & JETTIES

Maintain and upgrade Council's 'recreational use' boat ramps and jetties across the municipality to appropriate structural and safety standards, so as to deliver to its residents and visitors access to and use of, high quality infrastructure services.

Glamorgan Spring Bay Council has a good working partnership with M.A.S.T. to ensure appropriate maintenance levels are achieved in providing an acceptable and safe standard for recreational use. Marine engineers inspect these facilities as required.

Freeman's jetty at Coles Bay boatramp has been replaced with a new design & structure along with an extra ramp.

The Bicheno boatramp jetty at the Gulch has been extended to facilitate better boat launching & retrieval.

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To continue to facilitate this type of infrastructure across the municipal area. *(Ongoing)*
- To work in partnership with Marine and Safety Tasmania to collectively tackle maintenance issues where possible. *(Ongoing)*
- To undertake regular inspections carried out by a marine engineer or equivalent to ensure optimum safety standards. *(Ongoing)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Seek to obtain grant funding to assist in the redevelopment and improvement of public boatramps & jetties. *(Ongoing)*
- Rationalise our licenses and assets in this area and identify what improvements are required. *(Ongoing)*

TRIABUNNA MARINA

Manage, operate and maintain the Marina facility at Triabunna to ensure a proper operating port is available for the commercial and recreational boating public.

Council has engaged James Burbury Consulting Engineer to provide a detail Master Development Plan for the following:

- *Extend the existing marina berths throughout Vicarys Inlet.*
- *Re-locate the public boat ramp & jetty to opposite side of Vicarys Inlet.*
- *Extend the main wharf & provide fuelling facilities.*
- *Construct a maintenance berth.*
- *Construct 6 Fishing boat berths.*

Annual Aims for 2011-2012

- To ensure that the Marina is inspected by suitably qualified professionals as to its suitability for the purposes it provides. *(Ongoing)*
- To ensure that any annual maintenance that is recommended from these inspections is carried out by suitably qualified contractors. *(Ongoing)*
- To complete as much extra berthing area as possible with funding available. *(Ongoing)*

Major projects and tasks for 2011-2012

- Annual inspection regime. *(Ongoing)*
- Seek to obtain grant funding to assist in the redevelopment of the Wharf & Marina in Triabunna. *(Ongoing)*
- Annual maintenance activities. *(Ongoing)*
- Investigate the provision of further berthing facilities for both commercial, recreational, and tourism operators and prepare a business plan to satisfy the waiting list for both commercial and recreational berths *(Ongoing)*



Financial Statements



**Tasmanian
Audit Office**

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Councillors of Glamorgan Spring Bay Council

Financial Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2012

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Glamorgan Spring Bay Council (Council), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2012 and the statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the General Manager's statement.

Auditor's Opinion

In my opinion Council's financial report:

- (a) presents fairly, in all material respects, its financial position as at 30 June 2012 and financial performance, cash flows and changes in equity for the year then ended; and
- (b) is in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and Australian Accounting Standards.

The Responsibility of the General Manager for the Financial Report

The General Manager is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Section 84 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based upon my audit. My audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement,

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

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

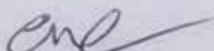
My audit is not designed to provide assurance on the accuracy and appropriateness of the budget information in Council's financial report.

Independence

In conducting this audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of Australian Auditing Standards and other relevant ethical requirements. The *Audit Act 2008* further promotes independence by:

- providing that only Parliament, and not the executive government, can remove an Auditor-General, and
- mandating the Auditor-General as auditor of State Entities but precluding the provision of non-audit services, thus ensuring the Auditor-General and the Tasmanian Audit Office are not compromised in their role by the possibility of losing clients or income.

Tasmanian Audit Office



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Deputy Auditor-General
Delegate of the Auditor-General

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Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2012				
Council Budget 2012 \$'000		Note	Council Actual 2012 \$'000	Council Actual 2011 \$'000
	Income			
5,862	Rates	6	5,845	5,651
1,516	Grants (Operating)	7	2,519	1,892
1,682	User Charges		1,214	1,173
100	Interest		160	201
930	Other		767	496
10,090	Total Income		10,505	9,413
	Expenses			
3,458	Employee Costs	3	3,229	2,962
5,069	Materials & Contracts	4	4,638	4,409
1,700	Depreciation	5	1,959	1,600
30	Finance Costs		21	29
10,257	Total Expenses		9,847	9,000
(167)	Net Operating Surplus		658	413
292	Grants (Capital)	7	322	378
	Net gain(loss) on disposal of assets	8	85	25
125	Net Surplus for the year		1,065	816
	Other Comprehensive Income			
	Net Gain on Revaluation of Assets		1,385	1,017
	Change in fair value of investment in Southern Water		83	217
125	Comprehensive Result		2,533	2,050
<i>The above Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.</i>				



Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2012

	Note	Council 2012	Council 2011
CURRENT ASSETS		\$'000	\$'000
Cash	9	1,924	1,618
Investments	9	11	910
Receivables	10	373	291
Accrued Income		31	47
Inventory		49	49
Prepayments		147	115
Total Current Assets		2,535	3,030

NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables	10	47	51
Investment in Water Corporation	25	37,849	37,766
Property, Plant & Infrastructure	11	52,346	49,527
Total Non-Current Assets		90,242	87,344

TOTAL ASSETS		92,777	90,374
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CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	12	624	828
Interest Bearing Liabilities	14	55	67
Provisions	15	467	441
Deferred Income	13	144	160
Total Current Liabilities		1,290	1,496

NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Interest Bearing Liabilities	14	424	464
Provisions	15	259	143
Total Non-Current Liabilities		683	607

TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,973	2,103
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NET ASSETS		90,804	88,271
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EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		62,149	61,029
Available for sale asset reserve		300	217
Asset Revaluation Reserve		27,475	26,090
Reserves	16	880	935
Total Equity		90,804	88,271

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



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Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2012			
	Note 1(j)	Council Inflows (Outflows) 2012 \$'000	Council Inflows (Outflows) 2011 \$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Grants		2,595	1,962
Rates		5,850	5,547
User Charges & Other Income		1,982	1,678
Interest Received		176	188
Employee Costs		(3,087)	(2,829)
Materials & Contracts		(5,048)	(4,175)
Finance Costs		(27)	(30)
Net Cash From Operating Activities	20	2,441	2,341
Cash Flows (Used in) Investing Activities			
Payments for Property, Plant & Infrastructure		(3,438)	(2,571)
Payment for Investments		899	175
Grants for Property, Plant & Infrastructure		322	378
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant & Infrastructure		130	62
Net Cash (Used in) Investing Activities		(2,087)	(1,956)
Cash Flows (Used in) Financing Activities			
Repayment of Interest Bearing Liabilities		(48)	(49)
Proceeds from Interest Bearing Liabilities		0	0
Net Cash From (Used in) Financing Activities		(48)	(49)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held		306	336
Cash & Cash Equivalents at Beginning of the Financial Year		1,618	1,282
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of the Financial Year	9	1,924	1,618

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



Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2012

	Accumulated Surplus	Other Reserves (Note 16)	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Available for Sale Reserve	Total Equity
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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2012 \$'000
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Balance at beginning of financial year	61,029	935	26,090	217	88,271
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Comprehensive Result	1,065	-	1,385	83	2,533
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Transfers to/from reserves	55	(55)	-	-	-
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Balance at end of financial year	62,149	880	27,475	300	90,804
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	Accumulated Surplus	Other Reserves (Note 16)	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Available for Sale Reserve	Total Equity
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	Council 2011 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
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Balance at beginning of financial year	60,261	887	25,073	-	86,221
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Comprehensive Result	816	-	1,017	217	2,050
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Transfers to (from) reserves	(48)	48	-	-	-
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Balance at end of financial year	61,029	935	26,090	217	88,271
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The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Financial Statements



Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012

Financial Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2012

I, the undersigned, certify that, in my opinion:

- (a) the financial report represents fairly the financial position of the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council as at 30th June 2012 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.
- (b) the financial report complies with the Australian Accounting Standards, and Australian Accounting Interpretations.
- (c) the financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993.

Dated this 15th of August 2012

GENERAL MANAGER

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012**INTRODUCTION**

(a) The Glamorgan Spring Bay Council was established on <date> and is a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal. Council's main office is located at the corner of Henry and Vicary Streets, triabunna, Tasmania.

(b) The purpose of the Council is to:

- provide for the peace, order and good government of the municipal area;
- to promote the social, economic and environmental viability and sustainability of the municipal area;
- to ensure that resources are used efficiently and effectively, and services are provided in accordance with the Best Value Principles to best meet the needs of the local community;
- to improve the overall quality of life of people in the local community;
- to promote appropriate business and employment opportunities;
- to ensure that services and facilities provided by the Council are accessible and equitable;
- to ensure the equitable imposition of rates and charges; and
- to ensure transparency and accountability in Council decision making.

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a general purpose financial report that consists of a Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity, Cash Flow, and notes accompanying these financial statements. The general purpose financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), and the Local Government Act 1993 (LGA1993) (as amended).

Australian Accounting Standards include Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards. Some AASBs contain requirements specific to not-for-profit entities that are inconsistent with International Financial Reporting Standards requirements. Council has determined that it is a not-for-profit entity.

Except to the extent that these special provisions require, this financial report complies with IFRSs.

a) Basis of Accounting

This financial report has been prepared on the accrual and going concern basis.

Except for certain assets, including infrastructure assets, which are valued as disclosed in the relevant notes, the report has been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

In the application of Australian Accounting Standards, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstance, the results of which from the basis of making the judgements. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. Significant judgements and assumptions include Employee Benefits, refer Note 1f.

The statements were authorised for issue by the General Manager on 15th August 2012.

b) The Local Government Reporting Entity

All funds through which Council controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in this financial report.

Entities comprising special committees and a summary of their financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2012 are disclosed at Note 17.

Amounts, if any, received as tender deposits and retention amounts controlled by Council are included in the amount disclosed as Other creditors within current liabilities.



*Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012***c) Property, plant and equipment***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 amount for which the asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

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.

Non monetary assets received in the form of grants or donations are recognised as assets and revenues at their fair value at date of receipt.

Items will not be recognised as assets but treated as expenses if their purchase or construction cost does not reach certain limits. These limits vary according to the asset classification. The limits range from \$500 (Office Equipment) to \$5,000 (Roads, Bridges and Infrastructure assets).

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 amount for which assets could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arms length transaction. At balance date, 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.

Council undertakes a formal revaluation of land, buildings, and infrastructure assets on a regular basis, with balances being subject to indexation between full revaluations, where balances change materially. The valuation is performed by independent experts.

Any increases in an asset's carrying amount have been credited directly to equity under the heading of revaluation reserve. However, the increase is recognised in profit or loss to the extent that it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss.

Council has adopted the following valuation basis for its non-current assets:

Land	fair value
Buildings	fair value
Roads & Bridges	fair value
Plant & Motor Vehicles	at cost
Furniture & Fittings	at cost
Other Structures (marine infrastructure, parks & reserves)	fair value
Infrastructure (water, sewer, waste management & stormwater)	fair value
Intangibles	at cost

Land under roads

Council has elected not to recognise land under roads prior to 1 July 2008 as an asset in accordance with AASB 1051 Land under Roads. Land under roads acquired after 30 June 2008 has not been recognised and has been determined as immaterial.

Repairs and Maintenance

Routine maintenance, repair costs, and minor renewal costs are expensed as incurred. 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.



*Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012***d) Impairment of Assets**

At each reporting date, 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 to sell 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 reserve 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. For non-cash generating assets of Council such as roads, drains, public buildings and the like, value in use is represented by the deprival value of the asset approximated by its written down replacement cost.

e) Depreciation of Non-current Assets

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost, or revalued amount, of each item of property, plant and equipment (excluding land, which is not a depreciable asset) over its expected useful life.

Assets added since valuation are depreciated at rates based on their estimated useful lives commencing from the beginning of the month after which the asset first became available for use.

Indicative depreciation periods are:

Buildings & Improvements	25 to 50 years
Roads & Bridges	15 to 60 years
Other Structures	15 to 50 years
Plant & Vehicles	2 to 20 years
Furniture & Fittings	6 to 10 years
Infrastructure	15 to 100 years
Intangibles	2 to 5 years

f) Employee Benefits

AASB 119 'Employee Benefits' requires liabilities for short-term benefits to be measured at nominal amounts and liabilities for long-term employee benefits to be measured at present value. AASB 119 defines short-term employee benefits as benefits that fall due wholly within twelve months after the related period of service. Therefore, liabilities for short-term employee benefits are measured at present value where they are not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date.

Employee Numbers

The Council had 49 full-time equivalent (FTE) employees at 30 June 2012 (2011, 49).

Wages and salaries

Liabilities for wages and salaries and rostered days off are recognised as the amount unpaid at balance date and include appropriate oncosts.

Annual leave

Annual leave entitlements are accrued on a pro rata basis in respect of services provided by employees up to balance date and are measured at the amount expected to be paid, including appropriate oncosts.

Long service leave

Long service leave entitlements payable are assessed at balance date having regard to expected employee remuneration rates on settlement, employment related oncosts and other factors including accumulated years of employment, on settlement, and experience of employee departure per year of service. Long service leave expected to be paid within 12 months is measured at nominal value based on the amount expected to be paid when settled. Long service leave expected to be paid later than one year has been



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measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for these accrued entitlements. Commonwealth bond rates are used for discounting future cash flows. Long service leave expected to be paid later than one year has been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for these accrued entitlements. Commonwealth bond rates are used for discounting future cash flows.

Sick Leave

No accrual is made for sick leave as Council experience indicates that, on average, sick leave taken in each reporting period is less than the entitlement accruing in that period, and this experience is expected to recur in future reporting periods. Council does not make payment for untaken sick leave.

Classification of employee benefits

An employee benefit liability is classified as a current liability if the Council does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of the period. This would include all annual leave and unconditional long service leave entitlements.

Superannuation

Council contributes to a multi-employer defined benefits superannuation fund. Further details of superannuation payments are disclosed at Note 18. The superannuation expense for the reporting year is the amount of the statutory contribution Council makes to the superannuation plan which provides benefits to its employees.

g) Investments

Investments are brought to account at cost. Interest revenues are recognised as they accrue.

h) Leases

Lease payments for operating lease are recognised as an expense in the years in which they are incurred as this reflects the pattern of benefits derived by Council.

Leases of assets where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to Council are classified as finance leases. Council currently has no finance leases.

i) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Revenue is measured on major income categories as follows:

Rates and Grants

Rates, grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenues when the Council obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control over assets acquired from rates is obtained at the commencement of the rating period or, where earlier, upon receipt of the rates. Control over granted assets is normally obtained upon their receipt or upon prior notification that a grant has been secured and valued at their fair value at the date of transfer. A liability is only recognised in respect to granted assets if there is an obligation to disburse future economic benefits to the grantor.

Unreceived contributions over which the local government Council has control are recognised as receivable.

User Charges

User charges are recognised as revenue when the service has been provided, the payment has been received, or when a penalty has been applied. An allowance for impairment is recognised when collection in full is no longer probable.

*Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012**Interest*

Interest is recognised as revenue on a proportional basis when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever first occurs.

j) Significant Business Activities

Council has identified its Visitor Information Centres as Significant Business Activities in accordance with section 84 (2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993, refer Note 23.

k) Cash and Reconciliation of Cash

Cash includes cash on hand and deposits at call and other highly liquid investments with original maturities of 3 months or less, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, Council considers cash to include cash on hand and in banks (including Special Committee accounts). Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related item in the Statement of Financial Position.

l) Payables

Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received, whether or not billed to Council. Trade accounts payable are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying amount of creditors approximates their net fair value.

m) Interest Bearing Liabilities

Bank loans and other loans are recorded at amortised cost.

n) Finance Costs

Finance costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred, except where they are capitalised as part of a qualifying asset constructed by Council. Where specific borrowings are obtained for the purpose of specific asset acquisition, the weighted average interest rate applicable to borrowings at balance date, excluding borrowings associated with superannuation, is used to determine the borrowing costs to be capitalised. Finance costs include interest charges on bank overdrafts and borrowings.

o) Budget Figures

The estimated revenue and expense amounts in the Statement of Comprehensive Income represent amended budget figures and have not been audited.

p) Taxation

Council is exempt from all forms of taxation except Fringe Benefits Tax, Payroll Tax and the Goods and Services Tax.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivable and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable or payable to the ATO is included as a current asset or current liability in the Statement of Financial Position. Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which are recovered from, or paid to, the ATO, are classified as operating cash flows.



*Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012***q) Comparative Information**

Where necessary comparative figures have been amended to conform to changes in presentation in the current year.

There has been a change in the comparatives for User Chagres, Materials and Contracts and Inventory. The changes are considered to be immaterial.

r) Rounding

Dollar amounts shown in the General Purpose Report are rounded to the nearest thousand. This may result in minor variations between schedules.

s) Investment in Water Corporations

Investment in Water Corporations are valued at Fair Value at balance date. Fair value was determined by using its ownership percentage against the water corporation's net asset value at balance date. Any unrealised gains and losses on holdings at balance date are recognised in Comprehensive income Statement.

t) Pending Accounting Standards

The following Australian Accounting Standards have been issued or amended and are applicable to the Council but are not yet effective.

They have not been adopted in preparation of the financial statements at reporting date.

<i>Standard / Interpretation</i>	<i>Summary</i>	<i>Applicable for annual reporting periods beginning or ending on</i>	<i>Impact on Local Government financial statements</i>
AASB 9: Financial Instruments	<p>These Standards are applicable retrospectively and amend the classification and measurement of Financial Assets Council has not yet determined the potential impact on the Financial Statements. Specific changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * simplifying the classifications of financial assets into those carried at amortised cost and those carried at fair value; * removing the tainting rules associated with held-to-maturity assets; * simplifying the requirements for embedded derivatives; * removing the requirements to separate and fair value embedded derivatives for financial assets carried at amortised cost; * allowing a irrevocable election on initial recognition to present gains and losses on investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading in other comprehensive income. Dividends in respect of these investments that are a return on investment can be recognised in profit or loss and there is no impairment or recycling in profit or loss and there is no impairment or recycling on disposal of the instrument and * reclassifying financial assets where there is a change in an entity's business model as they are initially classified based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the objective of the entity's business model for managing the financial assets; and b. the characteristics of the contractual cash flows. 	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	These changes are expected to provide some simplification in the accounting for and disclosure of financial instruments.



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<i>Standard / Interpretation</i>	<i>Summary</i>	<i>Applicable for annual reporting periods beginning or ending on</i>	<i>Impact on Local Government financial statements</i>
AASB 10: Consolidated Financial Statements	This Standard supercedes requirements under AASB 127 <i>Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements and Int 112 Consolidation- Special Purpose Entities</i> , introducing a number of changes to accounting treatments. The Standard was issued in August 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 11: Joint Arrangements	This Standard supercedes requirements under AASB 131 <i>Interests in Joint Ventures</i> , introducing a number of changes to accounting treatments. This Standard was issued in August 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 12: Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities	This Standard supercedes requirements under AASB 127 <i>Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements</i> and AASB 131 <i>Interests in Joint Ventures</i> . This Standard was issued in August 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 13: Fair Value Measurement	This Standard defines fair value, sets out a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements. There is no financial impact.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2011.	No financial impact.
AASB 119: Employee Benefits	This Standard supercedes AASB 119 <i>Employee Benefits</i> , introducing a number of changes to accounting treatments. This Standard was issued in September 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 127: Separate Financial Statements	This Standard supercedes requirements under AASB 127 <i>Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements</i> , introducing a number of changes to accounting treatments. This Standard was issued in August 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 128: Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures	This Standard supercedes AASB 128 <i>Investments in Associates</i> , introducing a number of changes to accounting treatments. This Standard was issued in August 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 1053: Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards	This Standard establishes a differential financial reporting framework consisting of two tiers of reporting requirements for preparing general purpose financial statements. This Standard is not expected to impact Council. However, it may affect disclosures if reduced disclosure requirements apply.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2013.	These amendments are not expected to impact Council.
AASB 2009-11 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 118, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 139, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 10 & 12]	[Modified by AASB 2010-7]	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.



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Standard / Interpretation	Summary	Applicable for annual reporting periods beginning or ending on	Impact on Local Government financial statements
AASB 2010-2: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements	Introduces reduced disclosure requirements for certain types of entities.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2013.	This standard is not expected to have a financial impact.
AASB 2010-7: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards. AASB 9 (December 2010) [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 112, 118, 119, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 139, 1023 & 1038 and int 2, 5, 10, 12, 19, & 127]	This Standard makes consequential amendments to other Australian Accounting Standards and interpretations as a result of issuing AASB 9 in December 2010.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 2011-2: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Trans-Tasman Convergence Project - Reduced Disclosure Requirements [AASB 101 & 1054]	This Standard removes disclosure requirements from other Standards and incorporates them in a single Standard to achieve convergence between Australian and New Zealand Accounting Standards for reduced disclosure reporting. There is no financial impact.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2013.	No financial impact.
AASB 2011-6: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Extending Relief from Consolidation, the Equity Method and Proportionate Consolidation - Reduced Disclosure Requirements [AASB 127, 128 & 131]	This Standard extends the relief from consolidation, the equity method and proportionate consolidation by removing the requirement for the consolidated financial statements prepared by the ultimate or any intermediate parent entity to be IFRS compliant, provided that the parent entity, investor or venturer and the ultimate or intermediate parent entity comply with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements. There is no financial impact.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2013.	No financial impact.
AASB 2011-7: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Consolidation and Joint Arrangements Standards [AASB 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 2009-11, 101, 107, 112, 118, 121, 124, 132, 133, 136, 138, 139, 1023 & 1038 and int 5, 9, 16 & 17]	This Standard gives effect to consequential changes arising from the issuance of AASB 10, AASB 11, AASB 127 <i>Separate Financial Statements</i> and AASB 128 <i>Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures</i> .	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 2011-8: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 13 [AASB 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 2009-11, 101, 102, 108, 110, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 128, 131, 132, 133, 134, 136, 138, 139, 140, 141, 1004, 1023 & 1038 and int 2, 4, 12, 13, 14, 17, 19, 131, 132]	This Standard replaces the existing definition and fair value guidance in other Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations as the result of issuing AASB 13 in September. There is no financial impact.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	No financial impact.



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<i>Standard / Interpretation</i>	<i>Summary</i>	<i>Applicable for annual reporting periods beginning or ending on</i>	<i>Impact on Local Government financial statements</i>
AASB 2011-9: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Presentation of items of Other Comprehensive Income [AASB 1, 5, 7, 101, 112, 120, 121, 132, 133, 134, 1039 & 1049]	This Standard requires to group items presented in other comprehensive income on the basis of whether they are potentially reclassifiable to profit or loss subsequently (reclassification adjustments).	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 2011-10: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 119 (September 2011) [AASB 1, 8, 101, 124, 134, 1049 & 2011-8 and int 14]	This Standard makes amendments to other Australian Accounting Standards and interpretations as a result of issuing AASB 119 Employee Benefits in September 2011.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.
AASB 2011-11: Amendments to AASB 119 (September 2011) arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements.	This Standard gives effect to Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements for AASB 119 (September 2011). There is no financial impact.	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	No financial impact.
AASB 2012-1: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Fair value measurement - arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements [AASB 3, 7, 13 & 140]	This Standard amends Reduced Disclosure Requirements arising from AASB13 <i>Fair Value Measurement</i> and consequential amendments implemented through AASB 2011-8 <i>Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB13</i> .	Applicable for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 January 2013.	Council has not yet determined the application or the potential impact of the Standard.

(aa) Contingent assets and contingent liabilities and commitments

Contingent assets and contingent liabilities are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position, but are disclosed by way of a note and, if quantifiable, are measured at nominal value. Contingent assets and liabilities are presented inclusive of GST receivable or payable respectively.

Commitments are not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position. Commitments are disclosed at their nominal value and inclusive of the GST payable.

(ab) Budget

The estimated revenue and expense amounts in the Statement of Comprehensive Income represent revised budget amounts and are not audited.



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2(a) FUNCTIONS / ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL								
2012	Unclassified	Public Services & Amenities	Community & Welfare Services	Building & Planning	Roads & Bridges	Waste & Environmental Health	Trading Activities	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expenses	1,729	1,357	903	772	2,832	1,430	824	9,847
Revenue - Grants	329	45	577	0	1,890	0	0	2,841
Revenue - Rates	4,750	0	162	35	0	898	0	5,845
Other	562	183	126	360	259	153	583	2,226
Total	5,641	228	865	395	2,149	1,051	583	10,912
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	3,912	(1,129)	(38)	(377)	(683)	(379)	(241)	1,065
Assets:								
Non Current	38,996	6,430	279	21	5,592	1,020	37,904	90,242
Current	2,535	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,535
Total	41,531	6,430	279	21	5,592	1,020	37,904	92,777

2011	Unclassified	Public Services & Amenities	Community & Welfare Services	Building & Planning	Roads & Bridges	Waste & Environmental Health	Trading Activities	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expenses	3,033	1,072	927	576	1,663	973	650	8,894
Revenue - Grants	466	132	394	0	1,223	0	55	2,270
Revenue - Rates	2,317	1,225	264	120	724	875	126	5,651
Other	459	42	167	424	43	117	488	1,740
Total	3,242	1,399	825	544	1,990	992	669	9,661
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	209	327	(102)	(32)	327	19	19	767
Assets:								
Non Current	80,776	13,556	201	5	30,212	360	0	125,110
Current	2,981	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,981
Total	83,757	13,556	201	5	30,212	360	-	128,091

Note 2(a) should be read in conjunction with the descriptions of functions/activities of Council disclosed at Note 2(b).



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2 FUNCTIONS/ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL

b) The activities of the Municipality are categorised into the following broad functions:

Unclassified Expenditure

Administrative support for the Council and operational branches of the Council, including secretarial, computer, financial, personnel and general administrative services. Any other services not falling into one of the following categories.

Public Services & Amenities

Provision and maintenance of public amenities, parks and reserves; provision of urban and rural fire protection, public housing, animal control, by-law control and emergency services. The provision and maintenance of public halls, civic centres, boat ramps and marina; provision of library services and development of facilities relative to the heritage and cultural requirements of the Council.

Community & Welfare Services

The provision of community health care including preventive services, immunisation programmes and operation of elderly persons' units, respite centres and child care centres.

Building & Planning

Development and administration of town planning schemes, processing of subdivision and development applications, including the inspection of structures to ensure compliance with approvals and regulations.

Roads and Bridges

Management and maintenance of roads, bridges, footpaths, drainage, street lighting, kerbs, guttering and street beautification.

Waste & Environmental Health

Collection, handling, processing and disposal of waste material, operation of tip sites and waste transfer stations.

Trading Activities

Development and promotion of tourism and economic services within the Municipality. Provision of private works to residents of the Municipality.

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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
3 EMPLOYEE COSTS		
Wages & Salaries	3,083	2,805
Superannuation	341	311
Workers Compensation Insurance	-	-
Other	26	16
	3,450	3,132
Less Amounts Capitalised	(221)	(170)
	3,229	2,962
4 MATERIALS & CONTRACTS		
Auditors Remuneration	25	17
Consultancies & Professional Services	1,042	953
Council Member Allowances	110	105
Electricity	179	157
Grants/Donations	121	54
Information Technology	57	103
Insurance	57	134
Land Tax	41	30
Materials/Purchases/Parts	321	380
Medical Fees	159	159
Other	1,175	1,004
Pensioner Remissions	202	183
Plant Hire	6	29
Re-use Scheme Subsidisation	-	-
i RHS Payments to May Shaw	395	392
State Government Fire Levy	268	266
Telecommunications	139	118
Waste Management	316	316
Water	25	9
	4,638	4,409
i Regional Health Services (RHS)		



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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
5 DEPRECIATION & AMORTISATION		
Buildings & Improvements	141	116
Roads & Bridges	1,148	953
Other Structures	104	82
Plant & Vehicles	389	278
Furniture & Fittings	26	25
Infrastructure	139	133
Intangibles - Software	12	13
	1,959	1,600
6 RATE REVENUE		
General	4,451	4,322
Water	-	-
Sewerage	-	-
Garbage	898	859
Caravan Charges	66	62
Fire	268	274
Medical Levy	162	134
	5,845	5,651
7 GRANTS		
Operating		
Financial Assistance Grant	1,534	1,240
Other	985	652
Capital		
Roads to Recovery	322	299
Other		79
	2,841	2,270
<p>Note: The Capital Grants are made up of the following: Roads to Recovery - \$321,737.00</p> <p>The Australian Commonwealth Government provides Financial Assistance Grants to Council for general purpose use and the provision of local roads. On 11 May 2012 the Government announced the Commonwealth Budget following the downturn in the economy that, "to assist local councils with planning for the recovery and to ensure local government has maximum certainty to begin planning their 2012-13 works programs", it would bring forward for payment to all councils in June 2012, the first two instalments of the 2012-13 grant pool. Since 2009-10 the Commonwealth has been making early payment of the first quarterly instalment for the following year. However, the above General Purpose and Roads Financial Assistance Grants for 2011-12 thus include an additional instalment over that received in 2010-11. In accordance with AASB1004 Contributions, Council recognises these grants as revenue when it receives the funds and obtains control. The effects of the early receipt of instalments each year has resulted in Commonwealth Government Financial Assistance Grants being above that originally budgeted in 2011-12 by \$627,156 and 2010-11 by \$317,201. This has impacted the Statement of Comprehensive income resulting in the Net surplus/(deficit) from continuing operations being higher in both years by these amounts. With fewer instalments due to be received in 2012-13, the reverse effect is expected to occur.</p>		
8 GAIN/(LOSS) ON NON-CURRENT ASSETS SOLD OR RETIRED		
Proceeds from sales	130	62
Less Carrying amount of assets sold or retired	(45)	(37)
Gain/(Loss) on Disposal/Retirement	85	25
9 CASH AND INVESTMENTS		
Cash		
Cash At Bank and On Hand	922	144
Committee Accounts	103	91
Short Term Deposits	899	1,383
	1,924	1,618
<p>The above figure reconciles to cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows. Cash includes monies held for Reserves (note 16) and Committees (Note 17). For restricted and unrestricted Short Term deposits see Note 16.</p>		
Investments		
Term Deposits	11	910
	11	910



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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
10 RECEIVABLES		
Current		
Rates Receivable	253	260
Other Debtors	121	32
Provision for Impairment	(1)	(1)
	373	291
Non-Current		
Other Debtors	47	51
	47	51
<i>Unpaid rates are recoverable on the sale of the property concerned, so no allowance for impairment has been made in respect of rate debtors.</i>		
11a PROPERTY, PLANT & INFRASTRUCTURE		
Land	495	495
Buildings & Improvements	9,236	8,485
Roads & Bridges	31,868	30,212
Other Structures	6,427	6,121
Plant & Vehicles	1,387	1,265
Furniture & Fittings	102	73
Infrastructure	2,756	2,827
Work In Progress	-	20
Intangibles - Software	75	29
	52,346	49,527

A full revaluation of all Council assets was undertaken at 1 July 2005 by Sinclair Knight and Merz Pty Ltd.

Assets that were indexed during 2011/12 were: Roads, Bridges, Infrastructure and Other structure.

Roads & Bridges were indexed 3.48% (last indexed 30/06/11). Infrastructure and Other structure were indexed 2.30% (last indexed 30/06/11).



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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
PROPERTY, PLANT & INFRASTRUCTURE cont.		
LAND		
Land at fair value	495	495
	495	495
Land at fair value		
Carrying amount 1 July	495	492
Revaluation	0	3
Transfers	0	0
Additions	0	0
Disposals	0	0
	495	495
BUILDINGS		
Buildings	10,036	9,144
Accumulated Depreciation	(800)	(659)
Buildings at fair value	9,236	8,485
Buildings at fair value		
Carrying amount 1 July	8,485	8,077
Revaluation	0	166
Transfers from work in progress	0	26
Additions	892	332
Depreciation Expense	(141)	(116)
	9,236	8,485
ROADS & BRIDGES		
Roads & Bridges	51,000	47,489
Accumulated Depreciation	(19,132)	(17,277)
Roads & Bridges at fair value	31,868	30,212
Roads & Bridges at fair value		
Carrying amount 1 July	30,212	28,900
Revaluation	1,178	646
Transfers from work in progress	0	0
Additions	1,626	1,619
Depreciation Expense	(1,148)	(953)
Disposals/write down	0	0
	31,868	30,212



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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
Other Structures	6,882	6,462
Accumulated Depreciation	(455)	(341)
Other structures at fair value	6,427	6,121
Other Structures at fair value		
Carrying amount 1 July	6,121	5,873
Revaluation	145	139
Transfers from work in progress	0	15
Additions	265	176
Depreciation Expense	(104)	(82)
	6,427	6,121
INFRASTRUCTURE		
Infrastructure	5,514	5,384
Accumulated Depreciation	(2,758)	(2,557)
Infrastructure at fair value	2,756	2,827
Infrastructure at fair value		
Carrying amount 1 July	2,827	2,814
Revaluation	62	64
Adjustment	0	0
Transfers	0	0
Transfers from work in progress	0	0
Additions	6	82
Depreciation Expense	(139)	(133)
Disposals	0	0
	2,756	2,827
PLANT & VEHICLES		
Plant & Vehicles	3,013	2,745
Accumulated Depreciation	(1,626)	(1,480)
	1,387	1,265
Plant & Vehicles at cost		
Carrying amount 1 July	1,265	1,267
Additions	555	313
Depreciation Expense	(389)	(278)
Disposals	(44)	(37)
	1,387	1,265



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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
FURNITURE & FITTINGS		
Furniture & Fittings	1,043	987
Accumulated Depreciation	(941)	(914)
	102	73
<i>Furniture & Fittings at cost</i>		
Carrying amount 1 July	73	72
Additions	57	28
Depreciation Expense	(26)	(25)
Disposals	(1)	0
	102	73
WORK IN PROGRESS	0	20
<i>Work in Progress at cost</i>		
Opening Balance	20	43
Additions	0	20
Capitalised	0	(41)
Expensed / Cleared	(20)	(2)
	0	20
INTANGIBLES		
Computer Software	231	173
Accumulated Depreciation	(156)	(144)
	75	29
<i>Intangibles at cost</i>		
Carrying amount 1 July	29	40
Additions	58	2
Depreciation Expense	(12)	(13)
Disposals	0	0
	75	29



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	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
12 PAYABLES		
Current		
Trade Creditors	466	387
Other	0	0
Trust Accounts	0	22
Deposits / Bonds Held	58	56
Accrued Expenditure	100	363
	624	828
13 DEFERRED INCOME		
Current		
Revenue Received in Advance	17	33
Deferred Income	127	127
	144	160
14 INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES		
Current		
Bank Loans	55	67
	55	67
Non-Current		
Bank Loans	424	464
	424	464
15 PROVISIONS		
Current		
Employee Benefits - Annual Leave	290	264
Employee Benefits - Long Service Leave	157	158
Oncosts	20	19
	467	441
Non-Current		
Employee Benefits - Long Service Leave	258	142
Oncosts	1	1
	259	143
Aggregate Employee Benefits	726	584



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16 RESERVES				
Composition & Movements				
	Balance at 1/7/11 \$'000	Transfers in \$'000	Transfers out \$'000	Balance at 30/6/12 \$'000
Asset Improvement Reserves (restricted)				
Eldercare	118	9	0	127
Building Improvement	77	6	0	83
Contributed Reserves (Unrestricted)				
Public Open Space	119	9	0	128
Parking in Lieu	12	1	0	13
Kerb & Channel	14	1	0	15
Development Bonds	79	6	0	85
Unrestricted				
Municipal	236	17	0	253
Landcare	115	0	(115)	0
Statutory Reserves (Unrestricted)				
Employee Entitlement	118	8	0	126
Asset Replacement	47	3	0	50
	935	60	(115)	880

	Balance at 1/7/10 \$'000	Transfers in \$'000	Transfers out \$'000	Balance at 30/6/11 \$'000
Asset Improvement Reserves (restricted)				
Eldercare Reserve	118	0	0	118
Building Improvement Reserve	77	0	0	77
Contributed Reserves (Unrestricted)				
Public Open Space	119	0	0	119
Parking in Lieu Reserve	12	0	0	12
Kerb & Channel Reserve	14	0	0	14
Development Bonds Reserve	79	0	0	79
Unrestricted				
Municipal Reserve	236	0	0	236
Landcare Reserve	67	48	0	115
Statutory Reserves (Unrestricted)				
Employee Entitlement Reserve	118	0	0	118
Asset Replacement Reserve	47	0	0	47
	887	48	0	935

The reserves are established to ensure there is cash backing for any amounts that may be put into reserves for future works or held to meet current and future obligations. Examples are public open space and car parking in lieu where cash in these reserves represent cash paid by developers in lieu of either providing open space or car parking facilities. At some future time Council will be required to build new open space infrastructure or additional car parks and these cash backed reserves will be used to partly fund these developments.

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Glamorgan Spring Bay has nine Special Committees appointed in accordance with Section 24 of the Local Government Act 1993.

The various funds have been incorporated into the accounts of Council and all significant transactions between Council and the committees have been eliminated in full.

COMMITTEE	Opening Balance at 1/7/11	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance at 30/6/12
Bicheno War Memorial Committee	4,672	7,680	3,853	8,499
Cranbrook Hall Committee	1,215	-	-	1,215
Coles Bay Community Centre	6,405	1,932	1,484	6,853
Coles Bay Community Centre - Investment	6,696	405		6,853
Orford Hall Committee	3,988	2,109	939	5,158
Buckland Hall Committee	1,240	2,406	676	2,970
Triabunna Hall Committee	1,891	-	186	1,705
Triabunna Hall Committee - Investment	10,000	1,000	-	11,000
Bicheno & District Health & Resource Centre	24,477	63,826	62,814	25,489
Bicheno & District Health & Resource Centre Investment	30,878	1,979	-	32,857
	91,462	81,337	69,952	102,847

These committees raise their own funds and make their own decisions, maintain their own books and records, and operate separate bank accounts. They generally do not conduct financial transactions with Council.

18 COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE**a) Capital Commitments**

At 30 June 2012 Council had no tenders for capital expenditure contracted at the reporting date.

b) Operating Lease Commitments

Commitments under operating leases at the reporting date are payable as follows:

	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
Not later than 1 year	11	12
1 to 5 years	-	11
Later than 5 years	-	-
	11	23



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Council makes superannuation contributions for a number of its employees to the Quadrant Defined Benefits Fund, which is a sub fund of the Quadrant Superannuation Scheme. The Quadrant Defined Benefits Fund has been classified as a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Fund's assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by employer, the Actuary is unable to allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided under paragraph 32(b) of AASB 119 Employee Benefits, Council does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

At the present time Council contributes 9.5% of employees' gross income to the Fund. Assets accumulate in the fund to meet member benefits as they accrue, and if assets within the fund are insufficient to satisfy benefits payable, the Council is required to meet its share of the deficiency.

Bendzulla Actuarial Pty Ltd undertook the last actuarial review of the Fund at 30 June 2011. The review disclosed that at that time the net market value of assets available for funding member benefits was \$57,588,247, the value of vested benefits was \$52,794,839, the surplus over vested benefits was \$4,793,408 and the value of total accrued benefits was \$57,330,437. These amounts relate to all members of the fund at the date of valuation and no asset or liability is recorded in the Quadrant Superannuation Scheme's financial statements for Council employees.

The financial assumptions used to calculate the Accrued Benefits for the Fund were:

Net Investment Return -0% p.a. for 2011/12 and 7.0% p.a. thereafter
 Salary Inflation 4.0% pa
 Price Inflation n/a

The actuarial review concluded that:

1. The value of assets of the Quadrant Defined Benefit Fund was adequate to meet the liabilities of the Fund in respect of vested benefits as at 30 June 2011.
2. The value of assets of the Fund was adequate to meet the value of the liabilities of the Fund in respect of accrued benefits as at 30 June 2011.
3. Based on the assumptions used, and assuming the Employer contributes at the levels described below, the value of the assets is expected to continue to be adequate to meet the value of the liabilities of the Fund in respect of vested benefits at all times during the period up to 30 June 2014.

The Actuary recommended that in future the Council contribute 9.5% of salaries in 2012/13, 10.5% of salaries in 2013/14, and 11% of salaries in 2014/15.

The Actuary will continue to undertake a brief review of the financial position the Fund at the end of each financial year to confirm that the contribution rates remain appropriate. The next full triennial actuarial review of the Fund will have an effective date of 30 June 2014 and is expected to be completed late in 2014 or early in 2015.

Council also contributes to other accumulation schemes on behalf of a number of employees, however the Council has no ongoing responsibility to make good any deficiencies that may occur in those schemes.

During the year Council made the required superannuation contributions for all eligible employees to an appropriate complying superannuation fund as required by the Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992.

During the reporting period the amount of contributions paid to defined benefits schemes was \$0 (2010-11, \$1,300), and the amount paid to accumulation schemes was \$340,759 (2010-11, \$309,546).



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20 RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH (USED IN) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES TO NET SURPLUS

	Council 2012 \$'000	Council 2011 \$'000
Net surplus for year	658	413
Add/(less) non cash items		
Depreciation	1,959	1,600
Change in operating assets & liabilities		
(Increase) decrease in receivables	(82)	47
(Increase) decrease in other assets	(16)	(168)
Increase (decrease) in provisions	142	133
Increase (decrease) in payables & other liabilities	(220)	316
Net cash from operating activities	2,441	2,341

21 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Council has dealings, from time to time, with its Councillors, in both their private and business capacities. Transactions between Council and its related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties.

Disclosure of related party interests in accordance with Section 84(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993.

COUNCILLOR	INTEREST
Clr Bertrand Cadart (Mayor)	No interest declared
Clr Jenifer Crawford (Deputy Mayor)	No interest declared
Clr Richard Parker	No interest declared
Clr Mick Fama	No interest declared
Clr Craig Johnston	No interest declared
Clr Howard Harris (Resigned October 2011)	No interest declared
Clr Cheryl Arnol	No interest declared
Clr Geoff Whitton (Retired October 2011)	No interest declared
Clr Jenny Woods	No interest declared
Clr Michael Davis	No interest declared
Clr Chelsea Lee Brown	No interest declared



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22 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

1 Financial Risk Management and Risk Exposures

a) Risk Management policies and processes

The Council has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

Credit Risk;
Liquidity risk; and
Market risk.

The General Manager has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Council's risk management framework. Risk management policies are established to identify and analyse risks faced by the Council, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

b) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Council if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from trade and other receivables and cash and investments.

The amount of any credit risk associated with financial assets is the carrying amount net of any allowance for impairment. Such a risk crystallises when one party to the transactions fails to discharge their obligations. The Council's financial assets comprise receivables and cash and cash equivalents.

Exposures

There is no significant concentration of credit risk with any single debtor or group of debtors.

The Council's credit risk is therefore minimal. There has been no change in its exposure to or management of this risk since the previous period. Council controls credit risk through implementation and monitoring of credit policy.

The Council's policy in relation to receivables is summarised below.

Debtors of the Council are required to settle their accounts within specified terms including:

Rate Debtors

Rates and charges are required to be paid in four equal instalments. Should amounts remain unpaid outside of approved payment options, Council will instigate collection proceedings. Rates and charges outstanding past three years may be recouped through sale of property under the Local Government Act (1993).

Other Debtors (including loans and advances)

Debtors are required to settle within 30 days of issue of the account. Debtors may apply to the Council to pay accounts by instalments, subject to approved terms and conditions. Should amounts remain unpaid outside approval payment options, Council will instigate collection proceedings.

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22 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Aging of Receivables

The following table provides an ageing of the Council's trade and rate receivables at the reporting date.

	Gross 2012 \$'000	Impairment 2012 \$'000	Gross 2011 \$'000	Impairment 2011 \$'000
Rates				
Current	160	0	180	0
Last Year	43	0	37	0
2 Years Plus	50	0	46	0
Water				
Current	0	0	1	0
Last Year	0	0	1	0
2 Years Plus	4	0	6	0
Sundry				
Not past due	95	0	15	0
Past due 0-30 days	10	0	4	0
Past due 31-60 days	4	0	2	0
Past due 61-90 days	3	0	1	0
More than 90 days	4	1	107	14
	373	1	400	14

No allowance for impairment loss is recognised for rates/water as unpaid amounts represents a charge against the rateable property that will be received when the property is next sold.

An impairment loss is recognised for sundry debtors under provision for impairment.

Currency risk -

This is the risk that the fair value for future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Council has no exposure to currency risk.

Other price risk -

This is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk, whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. The Council is not aware of having any exposure to this risk.

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Liquidity risk is the risk that the Council will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Council's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when they fall due.

The debenture loans of Council are secured by trust deed and the total loan borrowings are limited to borrowings approved by Treasury. In accordance with section 80 of the Local Government Act 1993 (as amended) the borrowing capacity of Council is limited as follows:

Except with the approval of the Minister, a Council may not borrow additional money for any purpose if the annual payments required to service the total borrowings would exceed 30% of its revenue of the preceding financial year. Grants made to a Council for specific purposes are to be excluded in calculating 30% of the revenue of the Council.

Maturity analysis for financial liabilities

The following tables detail the undiscounted cash flows payable by the Council by remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities. The Cash Flows represent principal and interest repayments.

	Less than 1 year	1-5 years	More than 5 years	Total contractual cash flows	Carrying amount
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2012					
Payables	624			624	624
Interest bearing liabilities	55	424	-	479	479
Total	679	424	-	1,103	1,103
30 June 2011					
Payables	828	-	-	828	828
Interest bearing liabilities	67	464	-	531	531
Total	895	464	-	1,359	1,359

The Council has not defaulted on or breached the conditions of any loans payable recognised at balance date.

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d) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates, interest rates and equity prices. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return to Council.

The primary market risk that the Council is exposed to is interest rate risk.

At the reporting date the Council had the following mix of financial assets and liabilities exposed to variable interest rate risk:

	2012 \$'000	2012 \$'000
Financial assets		
Cash	1,924	1,618
Total	1,924	1,618
Financial liabilities		
Interest bearing liabilities	-	-
Total	-	-
Net Total	1,924	1,618

Sensitivity Analysis of Council's Exposure to Possible Changes in Interest Rates

The following sensitivity analysis is based on the interest rate risk exposures in existence at the reporting date. The analysis assumes all other variables remain constant and was performed on the same basis for 2011.

At 30 June 2012, if interest rates had moved, as illustrated in the table below, profit and equity would have been affected as follows:

	Profit or loss		Equity	
	2012 \$'000 increase	2011 \$'000 decrease	2012 \$'000 increase	2011 \$'000 decrease
+1% (100 basis points)	19	16	19	16
-1% (100 basis points)	(19)	(16)	(19)	(16)

The movements in profit are due to higher/lower interest costs from variable rate debt and cash balances.

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2 Net Fair Values and Categories of Financial Assets and Liabilities

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities, together with the carrying amounts shown in the Balance Sheet, are as follows:

Fair Values	30 June 2012		30 June 2011	
	Carrying amount \$'000	Fair Value \$'000	Carrying amount \$'000	Fair Value \$'000
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	1,924	1,924	1,618	1,618
Receivables	373	373	291	291
Accrued revenue	31	31	47	47
	2,328	2,328	1,956	1,956
Financial liabilities				
Payables	624	624	828	828
Interest bearing liabilities	479	479	531	531
Other liabilities				
	1,103	1,103	1,359	1,359
Net financial assets / (liabilities)	1,225	1,225	597	597

All financial assets are classified as Loans and Receivables and all financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

Fair Value Hierarchy

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value by valuation method.

The different levels have been defined as follows:

Level 1 - quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 - inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices)

Level 3 - inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data

30 June 2012	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Available for sale financial assets	-	-	37,849	37,849
30 June 2011	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Available for sale financial assets	-	-	37,766	37,766

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
Reconciliation of Level 3 Fair Value Movements		
Opening balance	37,766	37,549
Investment on transfer of net assets	-	-
Change in fair value of investment	83	217
Closing balance	37,849	37,766



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Council has identified its Visitor Information Centres as Significant Business Activities in accordance with section 84 (2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993. The following tables show the costs of operations of these activities for the year ended 30 June 2012.

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
REVENUES		
Rates	126	126
Sales	539	450
Other	44	39
Grants	0	55
	709	670
EXPENDITURE		
Direct		
Employee costs	249	215
Materials , Services, Contractors & Other	563	421
	812	636
Capital Costs		
Depreciation	12	13
	12	13
COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY COSTS		
Council Rates	1	1
Income Tax (Taxation Equivalents)	0	0
Land Tax	0	0
	1	1

The purpose of this statement is to illustrate the additional costs which Council would have to meet, less savings which would occur, if the Significant Business Activity (SBA) which has been identified, was operating in the private sector.

The following assumptions have been made in applying the Competitive Neutrality Costs:

Council Rates have been calculated on the land and buildings utilised by the SBA using the current applicable rates.

Fringe Benefits Tax - not applicable for the purpose of this exercise as the tax is payable by Local Government as well as private enterprise.

24 Events occurring after balance date

There are no subsequent events after 30 June 2012 that have had a material impact on the accounts.

*Notes to and forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2012***25 WATER AND SEWERAGE REFORMS IN TASMANIA**

In February of 2008 State and Local Government reached agreement to establish three Local Government owned, vertically integrated businesses providing bulk, distribution and retail water and sewerage services, and a common service provider subsidiary company. The Water and Sewerage Corporations Act 2008 (Corporations Act) was subsequently enacted and received Royal Assent on 13 June 2008.

Full transfer of water and sewerage assets, liabilities and staff to the new corporations took place on 1 July 2009. From that date, responsibility for the provision of water and sewerage services moved from local councils to the three new regional water and sewerage corporations (trading as Cradle Mountain Water, Ben Lomond Water and Southern Water). A fourth company provides common services and support to the three regional corporations (trading as Onstream).

Council has classified this asset as an Available-for-Sale financial asset as defined in AASB 139 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement and has followed AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation and AASB 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures to value and present the asset in the financial statements.

There is no active market for the investment and so it is valued at Council's share of total equity as at each balance date. Changes in the fair value are recognised as revenue or expense in the Comprehensive Income Statement each year. Council's investment is disclosed on the face of the Statement of Financial Position with the value being determined as disclosed above. Dividends received from Southern Water are brought to account as income is received.

The fair value of the investment in Southern Water was based on Council's equity share of Southern Water's net assets as at the 30th June 2012. Council recognised an ownership interest of 4.1% based on advice provided to Council by the Corporation. At the time of preparation of this report the Treasurer's Allocation Order confirming the equity allocation percentage was not finalised. Council does not have significant influence to allow it to use the equity method to account for this interest.

	2012 \$'000	2011 \$'000
<i>Carrying amount</i>		
At fair value	37,849	37,766





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