



Port Augusta

CITY COUNCIL



**PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL
ANNUAL REPORT
2019/2020**



Council is required to prepare and adopt an Annual Report each year, in line with the provisions of Section 131 of the Local Government Act 1999 including the information detailed in Schedule 4. Section 9 of the Freedom of Information Act 1991 also requires Council to publish an Information Statement at intervals of not more than 12 months. The preparation and adoption of the 2019/2020 Annual Report ensures compliance with these legislative provisions. A hard copy of the Annual Report is available, free of charge, from the Council Office, 4 Mackay Street, Port Augusta, or alternatively can be viewed on Council's Website www.portaugusta.sa.gov.au

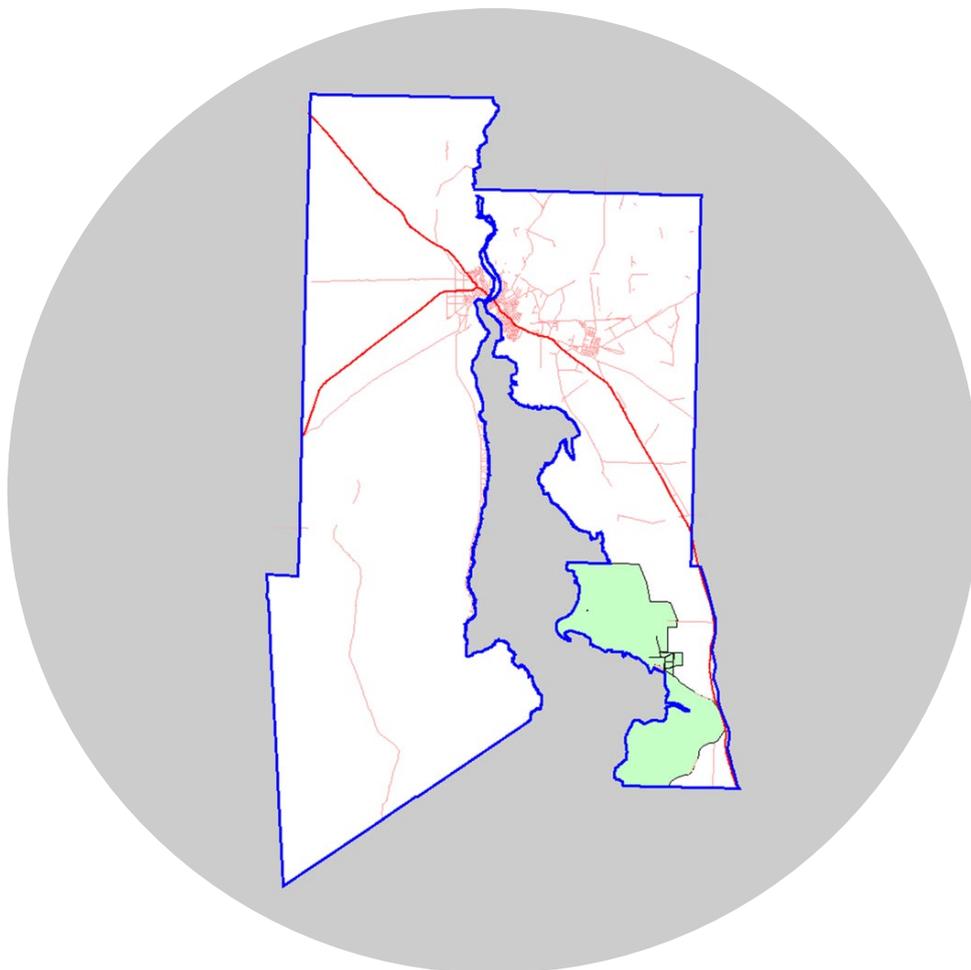
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SECTION ONE:

Introduction





Our Aspiration

Port Augusta is a growing service centre for the Outback regions of South Australia and a Place of Destination in its own right, supporting a proud and vibrant community. We are a City with a long history as a Regional Hub that is able to reinvent itself.

Our City

Port Augusta is the most uniquely located City in South Australia, sitting at and nestled around the top of Spencer Gulf, the heart of South Australia. This is a seaside City, yet it maintains its strong connections with the iconic Australian Outback. The stunning backdrop of the Flinders Ranges is a constant reminder of this link to the Australian bush.

The Port Augusta City Council area is 1,153.1km² and extends to the foothills of the Flinders Ranges in the east and to the Whyalla Council and Lincoln Gap in the west.

Our Values

The following outlines the qualities that underpin the way we treat each other, the natural and built environment and all of the resources and materials we use in our daily lives.



Respect and Social Cohesion

Respect is fundamental to building a strong, socially cohesive community. It is based on a fundamental belief in the worth and value of all living things. It informs the way we treat people and nature. It also includes the way we protect our built heritage.

We demonstrate respect when we include people in our conversations about what matters to us and listen with open hearts and minds to what they tell us. We value cultural diversity and encourage the expression of these different perspectives.

We nurture respect when we find ways to work together on particular actions that address our shared concerns.

Respect deepens when we take the time to learn more about each other through sharing our culture, our celebrations and our achievements.



Optimism and Confidence

We will face the future with a positive attitude drawing on our collective strengths and our shared history of struggle and triumph.

We are resilient people and Port Augusta is a resilient place. We know that we have succeeded at anything we have believed in.



Courage

We are not afraid to face the hard issues and work through them together. We are prepared to take calculated risks to move towards a better future. Those who speak up are not silenced. They are invited to contribute to the solutions.



Leadership

We commit ourselves to nurturing leadership in our children and young people, valuing their contributions as citizens of our City.

We develop opportunities for people to provide leadership within their communities, workplaces and places of learning.

We actively support those who accept leadership roles in the community, whether these are political, religious, recreational, business or civic.

Leaders have a passion and determination to succeed which means they are always prepared to try, to learn from their mistakes and try again. They are motivated by a desire to create a better world rather than the need to satisfy their own egos. We therefore value our leaders and recognise their contribution publicly



RECONCILIATION MISSION STATEMENT

Port Augusta City Council acknowledges and pays its respect to the traditional land owners within the Port Augusta area. Council also acknowledges elders both past and present and their strong ongoing spiritual connection to the land and reach out to other Aboriginal groups who visit our community and offer positive contributions to the City of Port Augusta.

The cultural diversity of our community is valued and Council is committed to building on the process of meaningful reconciliation in partnership with Aboriginal Peoples in our Community.

It is believed that in order to strive for genuine reconciliation it is crucial to acknowledge past hurts and injustices forced upon the First Australians and we choose to leave behind stereotypes and prejudices of the past and choose to respectfully understand and embrace all people and cultures.

The Reconciliation Journey that the Port Augusta City Council is committed to, will ensure that as a community we celebrate our diverse Aboriginal population and cultures, provide services to Aboriginal people that are culturally appropriate and meet their needs. As an organisation we will provide a welcoming, supportive, inclusive and collaborative environment, where Aboriginal Councillors, workers and customers are treated with equality, care and respect.

Together we will work toward a positive shared future built on strong relationships, where the rights, interest and wellbeing of Aboriginal Peoples are celebrated and protected along with the broader community and we will walk together as one.



In 2016 the Port Augusta City Council in partnership with the Aboriginal Community Engagement Group developed Council's first Reconciliation Mission Statement. Acknowledgement and appreciation goes to the Artists, Linda Daru a Barngarla Woman and Charmaine Wilson a Pitjantjatjara Woman, who were selected and endorsed by the Aboriginal Community Engagement Group. ©

Linda Daru

SECTION TWO:

The Council



Mayor's Report

It has been a challenging year with COVID-19 adding some unprecedented lifestyle changes across Australia. The pandemic has held a predominate focus across Council, however I am proud to provide you with Port Augusta City Council's 2019/2020 Annual Report.

Port Augusta has often been referred to as the "Crossroads" to Australia or the "Jewel" of the North but seldom known as a "Regional Hub", which we would like to see the town transition to.

The introduction of our new 2019-2029 Strategic Directions Plan and Four Year Action Plan was launched this year and the document provides a clear focus on what strategic goals, aims and vision Port Augusta and Council can aim to achieve throughout the next four years and continuing throughout the decade.



Council will continue to position Port Augusta to be the leader in renewable energy in South Australia and practice better waste management systems. We will continue to build relationships with the Local Government Association, State and Commonwealth Governments and the Upper Spencer Gulf Cities to lobby for key developments, outcomes and projects.

Council will also continue to review its operations to ensure we are functioning in an economical and sustainable way. Council is continuing to improve the budget deficit and has once again reduced its operational costs throughout 2019/2020. Borrowings are below \$5M, and a Council decision to keep an average 0% rate rise for the 2020/2021 period was a major decision. Council has ensured approximately \$4.7M will still be spent on capital works within the City.

The Joy Baluch AM Bridge duplication commenced in 2020, a new cabin park is being completed and a number of renewable projects are continuing to move forward to the development stage, which should see a positive boost in the current economic climate.

So as you can see even in these unprecedented times, Port Augusta is still moving forward and endeavouring to be a place to invest, work, live and visit!

Brett Benbow
Mayor

2.1 Elected Members

The Port Augusta City Council comprises a Mayor and nine Councillors. The Mayor is elected by the community, keeping with the fundamental principle of democracy and provides the community with an opportunity to express faith in a candidate on a four yearly basis. Elected Members are elected at large and represent the whole of the community and this structure ensures a community wide focus when debating and voting on issues within the Chamber.



Mayor Brett Benbow

Mayor: 2018 - current
Deputy Mayor: 2014 – 2018
Councillor: 2010 – 2018



Deputy Mayor Phillip Brown

Deputy Mayor: 2018 – current
Councillor: 2010 – 2018



Cr Matt Leonard

Councillor: 2018 – current



Cr Fran Paynter

Councillor: 2003 – current



Cr Louise Foote

Councillor: 2018 – current



Cr Maralyn Marsh

Councillor: 2018 – current



Cr Linley Shine

Councillor: 2018 – current



Cr Ann Johnston

Councillor: 2014 – current



Cr John Naisbitt

Councillor: 1981-1983,
2018 – current



Cr Sunny Singh

Councillor: 2018 – current

2.2 Council and Committee Structure

Council adopted the following decision making structure following the November 2018 Council Election.

2.2.1 Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee

The Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee is established pursuant to Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999, and fulfils the requirement of Section 101A of the Development Act 1993. The Committee is responsible for advising Council in relation to the Strategic Planning and Development Policy, and considering reports regarding Council's strategic direction and planning process. The membership of the committee includes the Mayor (ex-officio) and all Councillors. The Committee meets on an as needs basis.

2.2.2 Council Meetings

From 1 July 2019 to 14 April 2020 Council meetings were held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6.00pm (excluding the second Tuesday in January and the fourth Tuesday in December). Agendas for Council Meetings are available on Council's Website on the Thursday prior to the Tuesday Meeting. The agenda and minutes are placed on Council's Website and are emailed to a public listing, for those who have registered an interest. Minutes are made available within 5 days following the meeting.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Local Government Act 1999 was amended to allow Council meetings to take place electronically. At a Council meeting on 14 April 2020 Council amended the *Code of Practice for Access to Council Meetings and Documents* and the *Code of Practice Meeting Procedures* to allow for electronic participation at Council meetings. At the same meeting, Council adopted the *COVID-19 Response Policy* and changed the meeting frequency to once a month, on the second Tuesday of the month.

2.2.3 Informal Gatherings

Informal gatherings are held as required and provide an opportunity to enhance the Council decision-making processes, by providing opportunities for Council to become better informed on issues and seek clarification. Notice of Informal Gatherings are published on Council's website, including the matters to be discussed and whether it is open to the public, or confidential. In 2019/2020 Council held 20 Informal Gatherings.

2.3 Council Meeting Attendance Records

The following table provides a record of attendance by Elected Members at the Council and Special Council meetings held during 2019/2020:

Elected Member	Council Meeting	Special Council Meeting	Total % Attendance
Total number of Meetings	19	9	
Mayor Benbow	17*	9	93%
Deputy Mayor Brown	19	8	96%
Cr Foote	11	4	54%
Cr Johnston	16	5	75%
Cr Leonard	18	7	89%
Cr Marsh	18	9	96%
Cr Naisbitt	18	9	96%
Cr Paynter	15	9	86%
Cr Shine	16	9	89%
Cr Singh	17	8	89%

*The Mayor was unable to attend Council Meetings as a result of being invited to other meetings of strategic importance at the same time. Cr Foote had a leave of absence for Maternity Leave from 11 February and 17 April 2020.

2.4 Council Committees

2.4.1 Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is established pursuant to Sections 41 and 126 of the *Local Government Act 1999*. The Committee is responsible to report and provide advice to Council on its financial reporting and sustainability, internal controls and risk management systems, and internal and external auditing processes. The Audit Committee met on 27 August 2019, 15 October 2019, 11 February 2020 and 19 May 2020.

2.4.2 Council Assessment Panel (CAP)

The CAP was established pursuant to Section 82 and 83 of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* and Section 56A of the *Development Act 1993* and assists in facilitating the expeditious assessment of development applications made to Council. The CAP meets on an as needs basis on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, or as required commencing at 5:30pm. The CAP met on 8 July 2019, 30 October 2019 and 25 March 2020.

2.4.3 Port Augusta Marine Advisory Committee

The Port Augusta Marine Advisory Committee was established pursuant to Section 41 of the *Local Government Act 1999* and is responsible for advising Council on all marine matters relating to the Upper Spencer Gulf. The Marine Advisory Committee meets on an as needs basis. During the reporting period the Port Augusta Marine Advisory Committee did not meet.

2.4.4 Safety First Committee

Council's Health and Safety Committee known as the Safety First Committee, is established pursuant to Section 75 of the *Work Health and Safety Act 2012* and incorporates the health and safety of all workers, contractors, volunteers and others in the work place. The Committee brings together workers and management to assist in the development and review of health and safety policies and procedures.

The committee must meet at least once every three months. Due to Council's diverse operations the Committee aims to meet monthly, and there were 8 meetings held during 2019/2020, with several meetings unable to proceed due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. The Safety First Committee meets at 10:00am on the 3rd Thursday of each month and minutes of meetings are presented to Management Group.

2.4.5 Building Fire Safety Committee

The Building Fire Safety Committee is established pursuant to Section 71(19) of the *Development Act 1993* and plays an important role in protecting the on-going safety of building occupiers and users, by investigating whether building owners are maintaining proper levels of fire safety in their buildings. The Building Fire Safety Committee meets at a time and date that suits members. During the reporting period the Committee met on 25 July 2019, 11 November 2019, and a meeting scheduled for 24 March 2020 was unable to take place as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

2.4.6 Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden Advisory Committee

The Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden (AALBG) Advisory Committee is a Committee of Council. The purpose of the Committee is to monitor the implementation of the AALBG Master Plan and to provide advice to Council on opportunities for the development of the AALBG to ensure that it becomes an internationally recognised Centre of Excellence for AridSmart Plants and Outback Visitor Experiences. This Committee meets at least twice a year, and during the reporting period the Committee met on 30 August 2019, 15 November 2019 and 1 May 2020.

2.4.7 Port Augusta Aboriginal Community Committee

The Port Augusta Aboriginal Community Committee is a Committee of Council. The objective of the Committee is to provide advice and guidance to Council on the strategies and priorities that Council should implement to ensure positive outcomes are achieved that are consistent with the cultural requirements of the diverse Aboriginal Community. The Group also has a role to keep Council informed of issues impacting the Aboriginal Community and advise how Council can be more inclusive of Aboriginal groups, individuals and communities. The Committee did not meet during the reporting period. Council resolved to conduct an Expression of Interest process for new membership at its meeting on 12 May 2020.

2.4.8 Chief Executive Officer Performance Review Committee

The purpose of the Chief Executive Officer Performance Review Committee is to report and provide advice to Council on the performance of the Chief Executive Officer in achieving the annual key performance indications, as determined by Council. The Committee meets annually to undertake the performance review, and a mid-term evaluation is also undertaken.

2.5 Reference Groups/Working Parties

2.5.1 Port Augusta Alcohol Management Group

The Port Augusta Alcohol Management Group is a multi-agency forum supported by Council, responsible for providing leadership in the planning, facilitation, implementation and monitoring of holistic and coordinated initiatives in response to alcohol misuse within the community. Membership of the committee comprises over 20 agencies and community representatives. The group meets on a bi-monthly basis and minutes are presented to Council for adoption, with the Group meeting on 27 August 2019, 8 October 2019, 3 December 2019, 11 February 2020, 21 April 2020 and 16 June 2020.

2.5.2 Emergency Planning Committee

The Emergency Planning Committee is responsible for developing, implementing and monitoring Council's emergency management activities and to ensure that staff are aware of emergency and continuity plans, policies and procedures. The Committee did not hold any formal meetings during the report period, however the committee was active with implementing responses to the COVID-19 pandemic.

2.6 External Committees, Boards and Associations

Council has formal representation on the following committees, boards and associations:

- Spencer Gulf Cities
- Regional Development Australia (Far North) Board
- SA Regional Organisations Committee (SAROC)
- Spencer Gulf Cities Zone Representative on the LGA Board
- Zone Emergency Management Committee
- Port Augusta Business Centre Board
- Port Augusta Roxby Downs and Woomera Health Advisory Council
- Uni Hub Port Augusta Campus Working Group

2.7 Elector Representation Review

Section 12(4) of the *Local Government Act 1999* requires a comprehensive review of the composition of the Council is completed at least once in every 8 years, with the last review completed during 2017/2018. The Council is next due for a representation review in 2025/2026. Council's representation consists of a Mayor and nine Area Councillors. The following chart makes comparisons with other comparable Councils.

Council	Number of Electors	Elected Members including Mayor and Area Councillors	Ratio Elected Members to Electors 1:00
PORT AUGUSTA	9491	10	1:949
Port Lincoln	10472	10	1:1047
Loxton Waikerie	8171	11	1:742
Light Regional	10536	11	1:957
Copper Coast	11405	10	1:1140
Victor Harbor	12463	10	1:1246
Port Pirie	12881	10	1:1288
Whyalla	15369	10	1:1536

The above data was sourced The Electoral Commission of SA (ECSA) and it is current as at 28/02/2020.

2.8 Elected Members' Allowances and Benefits

2.8.1 Elected Members' Allowances

Pursuant to Section 76 of the *Local Government Act 1999* a member of Council is entitled to be paid an allowance determined by the Remuneration Tribunal, to assist in covering costs associated with discharging their official functions and duties. The allowance is adjusted annually on the anniversaries of the periodic election, to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. In July 2019 the Remuneration Tribunal published the allowances applicable from November 2019 to November 2020. Elected Members' allowances are paid monthly in arrears.

Group 2 Council	November 2018 to November 2019	November 2019 to November 2020
Councillors Allowance	\$17,270	\$17,912
Deputy Mayor & Chairpersons of Council Key Committees (1.25 times Councillors Allowance)	\$21,587	\$22,390
Mayoral Allowance (4 times Councillors Allowance)	\$69,080	\$71,648

2.8.2 Members' Reimbursement of Expenses

Elected Members are entitled to receive reimbursement of expenses incurred while undertaking official functions and duties of the Council. The Elected Members' Allowances and Benefits Policy 1.1.04, outlines the expenses that will be reimbursed to assist Members in fulfilling their role.

2.8.3 Allowances and Benefits Register

Council maintains a register with details of all allowances and benefits paid to Elected Members throughout each financial year. The following benefits are issued to Elected Members to assist them in undertaking their roles and responsibilities:

- Mayor – Office computer and printer access, Laptop, iPad with keyboard, mobile phone, Council pool vehicle access, designated carpark at the Civic Centre, business cards and a name badge.
- Councillors – Laptop, iPad with keyboard, Council pool vehicle access, business cards and name badge.

2.8.4 Register of Interest

Elected Members are required to complete annually, and keep updated, a Register of Interest. The details of the Elected Members Registers of Interest are published on Council's website in accordance with Section 70 of the *Local Government Act 1999*, including the member's income sources or employer, the name of any political party, body or association formed for political purposes or any trade or professional organisation of which the member is a member, and certain gifts received by the member.

2.9 Elected Members' Training and Development

The Elected Members' Training and Development Policy 1.1.02 and Training Program allows members to maintain and improve their knowledge base to assist them in carrying out their official functions and duties. Pursuant to Regulation 8AA of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2013*, the Elected Members completed the 4 mandatory Local Government Association Training Modules within the first 12 months of their term of office.

The total expenditure for Elected Members' training and development during 2019/2020 was \$11,817, and Elected Members attended the following training and development seminars:

Date	Training/Development Session	Names of Elected Members attending
03/07/2019	Council Assessment Panel Training	Cr Naisbitt
23/08/2019	Governance Training	Mayor Benbow, Crs Brown, Foote, Johnston, Leonard, Marsh, Naisbitt, Paynter, Shine, Singh.
16/10/2019	Meeting Procedures Training	Mayor Benbow, Crs Brown, Leonard, Marsh, Naisbitt, Paynter, Shine, Singh.
16/06/2020	Depreciation Training	Mayor Benbow, Crs Brown, Foote, Johnston, Leonard, Marsh, Naisbitt, Paynter, Shine, Singh.

SECTION THREE:

Strategic Plan and Performance



3.1 Strategic Directions 2019 – 2029

In 2019/2020 Council adopted a new strategic management plan: Strategic Directions 2019 – 2029. This document is supported by a Four Year Priority Action Plan. These documents also focus on the importance of Port Augusta as a Regional Hub in the areas of Education, Tourism, Transport, Recreation and Culture, Retail and Business, Government and Not-for-profit Services, Renewable Energy and Circular Economy, Mining Services and Defence.

The Strategic Directions document contains five themes for which Council has an overarching strategic goal, and a number of targeted outcomes. The performance against each of these outcomes is detailed in this section of the Annual Report.



Theme 1: Community



Theme 2: Economy



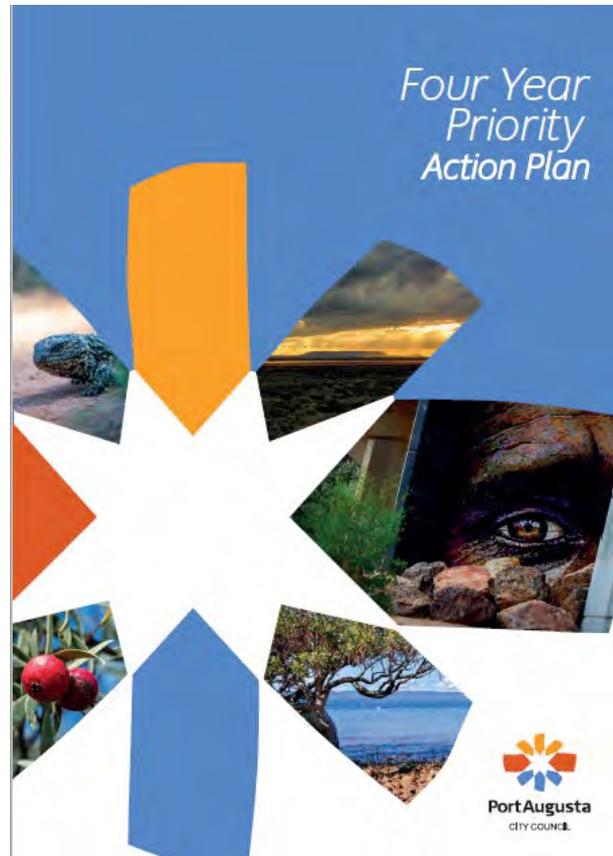
Theme 3: Environment



Theme 4: Infrastructure



Theme 5: Governance and Financial Sustainability



3.2 COVID-19 Impact on Service Delivery

The performance against each of the five themes and associated outcomes, as well as Council's overall service delivery has been impacted by the COVID-19 Global pandemic. In March 2020, the effects of COVID-19 began to be felt within South Australia and restrictions, legislative changes and mandatory directions started to be imposed across various Council operations.

Council had services that were forced to close for a period of time, including Wadlata, the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden (AALBG) café and shop, Central Oval Courts and Function spaces, Yarta Purtli Gallery, Health Focus, Men's Shed and theatres. Once services were permitted to be re-opened, this required adaptation of the way in which services were provided.

Throughout the various closures and restrictions, Council was able to adapt services in some areas, and continue to provide a modified service to the community. This required regular communication with the community to keep them up to date on how to access Council services.

This included the development of a drop and wave service for the Library, telephone contact and activity packs for Health Focus and Men's Shed clients, online and phone plant sales for the AALBG and phone and online visitor information from Wadlata.

Council also has a range of services that were required to continue, business as usual. As a result, heightened safety measures including increased cleaning, sanitisation, and personal protective equipment were implemented to ensure that our staff and customers were kept safe during a difficult time. Throughout the various restrictions, services continued at the Civic Centre Customer Service, Animal Control, Substance Misuse Services, Park and Works teams and Childcare Centre. Business Port Augusta provided recognition to our frontline staff at Substance Misuse Services, for supporting vulnerable members of the community.

Council was also required to provide additional services as a result of the pandemic, including monitoring quarantine compliance on behalf of state government agencies and providing support and education for the general community in a time of constant change.

HOW COUNCIL NOW OPERATES...

WORKS/PARKS - Business as usual
WASTE MANAGEMENT - Business as usual
ANIMAL CONTROL - Business as usual
CIVIC CENTRE - Business as usual. We highly encourage phone calls, emails, electronic payments rather than face to face contact.
PORT AUGUSTA CHILDCARE CENTRE - Business as usual
SMS/SOBERING UP UNIT - Business as usual.
AUSTRALIAN ARID LANDS BOTANIC GARDEN - Open 10am- 4pm Mon- Sun and public holidays (social distancing rules apply).
WADLATA OUTBACK CENTRE - Open 10am- 4pm Mon- Fri and 10am- 3pm on weekends and public holidays (social distancing rules apply).
PORT AUGUSTA PUBLIC LIBRARY - Open Mon- Fri 9am-5pm. Closed on weekends (social distancing rules apply). Drop and Wave delivery & Online Services are available phone 8641 9151.
CENTRAL OVAL - Venue bookings and sporting activities to resume. Phone 8641 5400 or e-mail admin@centraloval.com.au for more information regarding current restrictions.
YARTA PURTLI CULTURAL CENTRE - Re-opens June 10th, 10am- 2pm Mon- Fri. (social distancing rules apply)
RYAN MITCHELL SWIM CENTRE - Closed for the season.
MENS SHED - Re-opens June 9th with modified hours and limited capacity.
HEALTH FOCUS - Re-opens June 9th with modified hours and limited capacity.
LEA MEMORIAL THEATRE, INSTITUTE THEATRE, BARRACKS - Venue bookings to resume. Phone 8641 5400 or e-mail admin@centraloval.com.au for more information regarding current restrictions.





Theme 1: Community

GOAL

WE ARE A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY THAT UNDERSTANDS, REPRESENTS AND PRESERVES OUR UNIQUE SENSE OF PURPOSE AND PLACE.



3.3 Strategic Directions Theme 1 – Community

Outcome 1.1 – Our City has a sustainable growth in population

Australian Citizenship

Port Augusta City Council welcomed 50 new citizens at four Australian Citizenship ceremonies throughout the year. Ceremonies were held on 5 July, 17 September and 29 November 2019 and 26 January 2020. At the Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony in Gladstone Square, 20 new citizens were welcomed, with migrants from nine countries, including Britain, Nepal, India, Pakistan, Thailand, and Ireland. Overall we welcomed 21 women, 21 men and 8 children.

AUSTRALIA DAY 2020

LET'S CELEBRATE!
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26
BREAKFAST IN GLADSTONE SQUARE
 FREE COMMUNITY BREAKFAST 7.30AM
 FLAG RAISING 8.30AM
 AUSTRALIA DAY CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY AND AWARDS
 26'ERS BIRTHDAY CAKE
 GUEST SPEAKER: DAN VAN HOLST PELLEKAAN MP
 MUSIC BY CAROONA ROAD BAND



THANK YOU TO ALL SPONSORS AND SERVICE CLUBS WHO ASSISTED TO CREATE THIS COMMUNITY EVENT.

Outcome 1.2 – We are a resilient, inclusive, safe and a vibrant community where people feel proud to live.

Australia Day Awards

Smiling locals came out to enjoy the 2020 Australia Day breakfast celebrations in Port Augusta's Gladstone Square for the 38th annual morning ceremony. The ceremony included annual traditions, such as the raising of the Australian flag by the 46th Army Cadet Unit and the cutting of the 26ers cake.

Glenise Coulthard - Order of Australia (AM)

Glenise Coulthard was announced in the 'Australia Day Honours' by the Governor-General a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for significant service to Aboriginal health in South Australia, and to emergency response organisations.



Photos: Glenise Coulthard and Brian Reichelt with Member for Stuart Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP and Mayor Brett Benbow.

Brian Reichelt - Australia Day Citizen of the Year.

Brian joined the former Port Augusta Jaycees in 1970, and he was involved in the running of Christmas Pageants. He was involved in establishing the former Homestead Park Pioneer Museum, and was a volunteer caterer at South Augusta Football Club.

Brian is currently the President of the Port Augusta Bird Society, a position he has held for 43 years. In 2012 Brian joined the Friends of the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden (AALBG) and was elected (and remains) as the Vice President. Brian volunteers at the Garden an average of 30 hours per week, and has been involved in fundraising, seeking sponsorship and applying for grants as well as selling plants at off-site events. Brian has worked with the AALBG Staff on projects including fences, picnic shelters, bird hides and bird information bay. He participates in the general maintenance of the Garden, including the laying of footpaths, propagation of plants, planting, pruning and mulching.

Brett and Sandra Prentis, and Shirley Mundy received certificates of recognition.

Lauren Kennett - Young Citizen of the Year.

Lauren began dancing at the age of four and gives her time generously to the Anderson Dancers whilst also participating in Dance Explosions. Lauren began acting in Anderson Dancers junior cast in 2015 and has loved the stage and all it brings. In 2017 she was approached to become a student teacher and took on this role willingly. Lauren spends Saturdays assisting the youngest students to the older teenagers.



Photo: Lauren Kennett and South Augusta Football Club representatives Jenny Grantham, Lee-Anne Maule, Michael Kerin with Member for Stuart Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP and Mayor Brett Benbow.

South Augusta Football Club 'Kiss Goodbye to MS Mid-Summer Ball' - Community Event of the Year.

Held on 23 February 2019 at the Central Oval Complex, the event was an opportunity to promote awareness of the Multiple Sclerosis Society and to raise funds to assist in finding a cure for this debilitating disease. A donation of \$5,000 was provided to a Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Research Foundation from the proceeds of the Ball. The Ball attracted 300 attendees from Port Augusta, Whyalla, Adelaide and surrounding towns.

Anderson Dancers 50th Pantomime – Aladdin and His Magic Lamp received a certificate of recognition.

ANZAC DAY Celebrations

With COVID-19 pandemic restrictions in place, Council supported the RSL SA initiative "Light up the Dawn" for at home driveway tribute ANZAC Day services. The community was encouraged to show their respect in a different way in 2020 at home, and accessing media broadcasts and online coverage. The community was also able to visit or lay a wreath at the War Memorial in Gladstone Square or the Westside memorial at any time on 25 April 2020, with social distancing measures in place.

Academic Achiever Award

Since 1991 Council has acknowledged the local Year 12 student who received the highest ATAR score with an Academic Achiever Award consisting of a \$500 donation, certificate and trophy.

Alyssa Magor, of Caritas College, was the 2019 Academic Achiever gaining her South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) with an outstanding ATAR score of 97.80. Alyssa applied to undertake a Bachelor of Creative Industries at the University of South Australia in 2020.

Photo: Alyssa receiving her Award from Mayor Brett Benbow.



Outcome 1.3 – People of all ages, cultures, abilities and interests have access to services, facilities and experiences that support their wellbeing.

Health Focus

Health Focus is funded through the Commonwealth Government Department of Health Home Support Program and currently supports approximately 100 clients across a range of programs aimed at maintaining and improving wellbeing. The programs include Let's Keep Active Groups, Men's Group, Bizzi Bodies community based exercise classes, and the Bizzi Walkers who have surpassed the milestone of 500 walks with the Heart Foundation. A wider distribution of the monthly newsletter increased My Aged Care client referrals for weekly sessions.

The wellness and reablement focus for 2019/2020 was increasing individual independence and physical activity. Forward planning by the Health Focus team assisted client's choice in activity engagement. Theme days were also introduced as learning opportunities and knowledge sharing amongst clients to strengthen relationships. Day trips enable clients to visit their favourite lunchtime locations and meet at local businesses for lunch. These trips strengthened friendships and provided opportunities to reduce social isolation.

Whilst client attendance was temporarily suspended from late March 2020 until June 2020 due to COVID-19 concerns, staff continued to support clients via weekly telephone contact and posting out Activity Books to keep clients entertained and engaged. This initiative was well received by the clients.

In June 2020 Health Focus celebrated 30 years of service. The service was originally established as the Nerrilda Day Centre in January 1988, in June 1990 became the Nerrilda Day Therapy Centre before blossoming into the Health Focus of today. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the staff held a small celebration and enjoyed being back together after some time apart.

Photo: Health Focus Staff celebrate 30 years of service: Janice Shiner, Richard Jones, Bronwyn Filsell and Debra Barnwell.



For 30 years this service has connected people with new skills, services, friendships, activities and networks, when at times they may feel disconnected or isolated in the community. Health Focus provides a range of group social support services for older adults in need of maintaining optimum levels of physical, mental, spiritual and emotional independence.

Far North Aged Care Collaborative Project

The Far North Collaborative Project is fully funded through the Commonwealth Government's Home Support Program and hosted four 'Partnerships in Positive Ageing' Aged Care Network meetings which gave local service providers the opportunity to discuss best practice with a wellness, reablement and restorative care approach and local issues relating to service provision. Training sessions were arranged for service providers including a 'Wellness CPR' workshop and 'Preparing for the new Standards'. A regional symposium was held at Central Oval complex in October 2019 with 70 attendees from across South Australia. Information has continued to be disseminated to Aged Care Providers to assist in providing quality care to clients. The COVID-19 pandemic and resultant Emergency Declarations impacted on the ability of the project to achieve desired outcomes in the final quarter of the financial year.

Men's Shed

On 29 July 2019, the Men's Shed reached 20 years of providing a much revered social service to older men of the Port Augusta community, with three Shed members honoured for 20 years of service.

Projects worked on over the year included clothes racks, frames for diamond art, children's mud kitchens, wishing well for a wedding, child's semi-trailer, chair repairs, redesigned pre-loved furniture into something new, and a garden setting refurbishment.

In 2019/2020 quality timber and cash were donated from businesses and a member of the community. Members received health promotion presentations from the Heart Foundation and an Audiologist from Audika. The Men's Shed also entered the Christmas Tree Festival with a steel windmill and the Port Augusta Christmas Pageant with a Toy Story Xmas Float.

For the safety of clients, the Shed closed from the end of March 2020 to the first week in June 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. During this time, clients were contacted weekly by email, text messaging, or phone calls, with clients appreciating the contact so they did not feel so alone. Monthly newsletters were posted to keep the men engaged, which included COVID-19 related articles and images of some of the projects the men completed at home, such as Brian McGovern's toy box train, which will be raffled to raise funds for the Shed.

Photo: Brian McGovern and his storage train with coal carriage.



Substance Misuse Services

Council is funded through the State and Commonwealth Governments to provide Substance Misuse Services to the Port Augusta Community. The programs include the Sobering Up Unit, Clean Needle Program, Mobile Assistance Patrol, Assertive Outreach Program and an Exceptional Needs Program. The Substance Misuse Services provide on the ground outcomes for our community, offering holistic support, assistance and case management for the most vulnerable members of our community.

In 2019 Port Augusta City Council celebrated the 20th Anniversary of the Substance Misuse Service. The service was established in 1999 with the amalgamation of the Sobering Up Unit with the Mobile Assistance Patrol. One of the Service's goals is to 'Enhance the Health and Wellbeing of the Port Augusta community' by increasing awareness and knowledge of issues, concerns and effects of substance misuse. This has been achieved through many initiatives including the addition of two programs being the Exceptional Needs Program in 2012, and the Assertive Outreach Program in 2013. The relationships between the staff and clients have been critical to the success of the service.

Photo: Substance Misuse Staff celebrate 20 years of service: David Stewart, Alison Hillman, Steve Yandell, Stefan Strangways, Mark Cooper, Jo Newell and Kay Fotiou.



2019/2020 Immunisation Programme

Council is funded to provide a sub contractual service for the School Based Immunisation Programme. Data is collected at the end of each clinic visit and submitted online to the School Immunisation Data Base through SA Health and the Australian Immunisation Register. In 2019 and 2020 South Australian Year 8 students were offered two doses of HPV (Gardasil) and one dose of Boostrix (Whooping Cough and Tetanus) Vaccine. In 2019 and 2020 Year 10 and 11 Students (2019 only year 11) were offered two doses of Meningococcal B Vaccine and one dose of Meningococcal ACYW Vaccine.

Clinic Type	Number of Clinics	Coverage	2019 Percentage	2020 Percentage
School Clinic	6	Year 8	79%	93%
Internal (Council Staff) Influenza Clinic	1	Year 10	67%	92%
Total	7	Year 11	68%	-

STARCLUB

The Office for Sport, Recreation and Racing continues to fund Council to run the StarClub Development program. Council worked with sporting clubs and associations in the region, with 41 registered clubs, six of those being fully recognised STARCLUBS at the highest level of the program. Council schedules training and provides resources in accordance with club needs, including Concussion Management, Back to Basics, Child Safe Officer Training and the Monkey See Monkey Do presentation by the Sammy D Foundation.

Council strengthened its partnership with Cirkidz bringing circus skill workshops to the region during the school holidays, offering an alternate activity to children especially those that are not already engaged in mainstream or competitive sport.

Community Events and Committees

Council is represented at a variety of community forums including the Homelessness and Violence Against Communities Collaboration, Suicide Intervention Life Promotion Advisory Group, Social Justice Interagency Meetings, the Port Augusta Liquor License Accord and the Country SA PHN National Suicide Prevention Steering Committee.

Council continues to provide the community with events, and support for events, within our city and region. In 2019/2020 there were 23 Events that received financial or in-kind support from Council, including Australia Day Citizenships and Awards Breakfast, Clean Up Australian Day and free Waste Disposal, Wharfest, Rotary Christmas Pageant and the Community Christmas Party. Due to COVID-19 some events were unable to go ahead in 2020, these events were either rescheduled or cancelled.

Clean Up Australia Day

Clean up Australia Day was held on 1 March 2020, and Veolia provided four skip bins for participants of the event to dispose rubbish as sponsorship for the event.

In conjunction with Clean Up Australia Day, Council ran a Free Waste Disposal day for residents of Port Augusta City Council. Residents were allowed one trip per household, with 198 people accessing the transfer station on Sunday.



Photo: Port Augusta Scouts Group - Clean Up Australia Day Volunteers

Desert Fringe

Desert Fringe was held from in February 2020 and was well supported by the community, with the Fringe Club in the Barracks showcasing a variety of well received acts. Desert Fringe brings many great artists into our community showcasing dance, singing, music, drama, comedy and circus acts.

Council together with the Adelaide Fringe continue to ensure that they provide a safe, family orientated and positive space for all to enjoy and embrace as they continue to show their commitment and professionalism on organising the events. This year’s festivities included the installation of a mural on the Old Fire Station on Commercial Road, as pictured below.



Christmas Lighting Festival

Registrations were called for the Christmas Lighting Festival and Council received a total of 35 nominations for the various Christmas Lighting festival categories. The 2019 Christmas Lighting winners are:

1st Place (joint winners)	4 Stuart Terrace, Port Augusta / 8 Domeyer Court, Port Augusta
2 nd Place	79 Pybus Street, Port Augusta
3rd Place (joint winners)	21 Donaldson Terrace, Port Augusta / 16 Kanyaka Avenue, Stirling North
Best Business/Not for Profit Organisation	Northpoint Toyota
Best Street	Naisbitt Street, Port Augusta (6 residences)
Incentive Awards	1 Carrig Avenue, Port Augusta / 18 Litchfield Crescent, Port Augusta



Photo: 4 Stuart Terrace, Port Augusta



Photo: 8 Domeyer Court, Port Augusta

Rotary Christmas Pageant

Council provided financial assistance and support preparing the Central Business District for the Rotary Christmas Pageant held on Friday 6 December 2019. The pageant was strongly supported by the community who came out to celebrate the festive season. Best Floats were judged by Mayor Brett Benbow with certificates from Rotary and financial incentives from Council being awarded to the winning Pageant float entries.



Photo: Mayor Brett Benbow in the Christmas Pageant

Best Float (\$250)	Army Cadets
First Runner Up (\$150)	Port Augusta and Whyalla Music Band
Second Runner Up (\$100)	Flinders View Primary

Community Christmas Party

Following the Rotary Christmas Pageant the community enjoyed the Port Augusta Community Christmas Party at Gladstone Square. Entertainment included gold coin donation amusements for the Model Engineers miniature trains, 10m Rock Climbing Wall, Bouncy Castles and a free live show and roving entertainment by Circus Elements. Live music was provided by The Hooligans and there was a visit from Santa. Food, drink and market stalls, coordinated by community organisations and individual locals, were available throughout the evening and Fireworks concluded the event.



Photos: Fireworks at the foreshore, and Santa’s Cave in the Yarta Purtli Gallery.



Outcome 1.4 – Aviation access to and from the City is easily accessible to all people.

Airport Management

The Port Augusta Laurie Wallis Aerodrome (Port Augusta Airport) is a vital link between South Australia's regional and remote communities and cities across the state, delivering social and economic benefits. Port Augusta Airport is the transition hub for various Fly in Fly Out (FIFO) mining operations, and is well positioned to support further growth opportunities.

During 2019/2020 Stage 2 of the Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) lighting system was completed and commissioned to comply with CASA regulations MOS – 139 to enable jet passenger operations into Port Augusta Airport. This project was completed using funding from South Australian Government Support Regional Aviation Initiative.

Total flight numbers increased slightly from 4,992 in 2018/2019 to 5,006 in 2019/2020 and it is anticipated that increased mining activities in the north of the state will have a flow on affect for Port Augusta Airport in coming years. Due to the effects of the COVID-19 virus Regional Express (REX Airlines) suspended all operations into Port Augusta effective 8 May 2020 leaving the city without a regular passenger service.

Increased mining activities reflected an increase in air traffic to and from Port Augusta with further increases forecast. National Jet Express (Cobham Aviation) increased flights from 464 in 2018/2019 to 768 in 2019/2020, the increase of 304 flights highlighting the importance of Port Augusta Airport in supporting the mining industry in South Australia. Sharp Airlines also contributed with 354 flight operations to the Beverly Uranium Mine.

The Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) has a state of the art Operations Control Centre based at the Port Augusta Airport. During 2019/2020 the RFDS flight numbers remained consistent with the previous year with 1,450 flights to and from Port Augusta, highlighting their valuable contribution to rural and remote communities across the state.



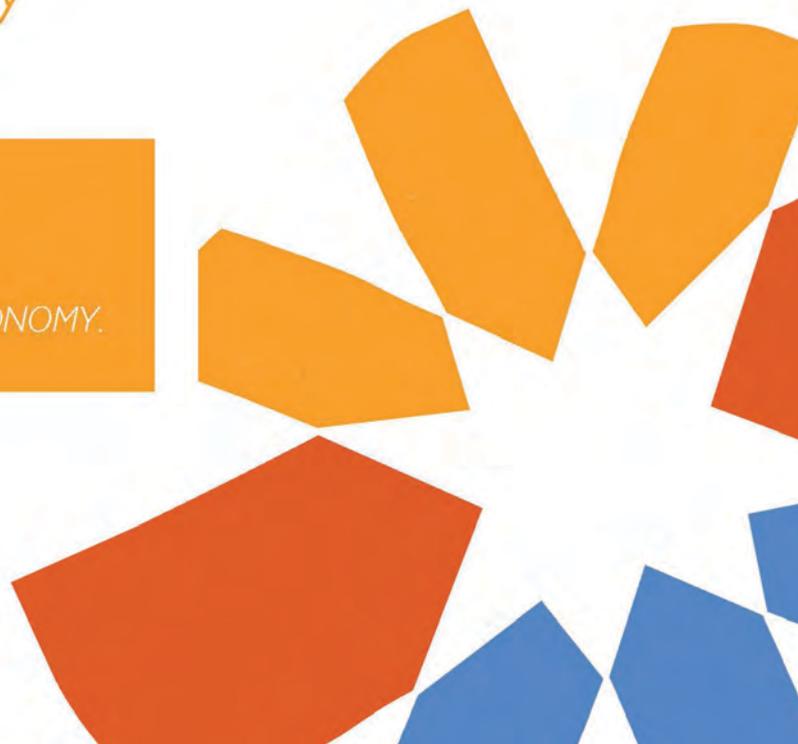
Photo: Mayor Brett Benbow and the Airport Manager inspect the new Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) lighting system at the Port Augusta Airport.



Theme 2: Economy

GOAL

*WE CAPITALISE ON OUR REGIONAL HUB
ATTRIBUTES TO PURSUE A THRIVING ECONOMY.*



3.4 Strategic Directions Theme 2 – Economy

Outcome 2.1 – Our region is widely recognised as a regional hub with increasing investment and strong industry sectors, a skilled workforce and local jobs.

Economic Development

Council maintains close working relationships with Regional Development Australia Far North, and the Spencer Gulf Cities to provide a coordinated approach to regional development and any issues that arise.

Port Augusta is proud to be home to a number of new large-scale renewable energy initiatives that will help to secure the economic future of our region and energy security for South Australia. Council continues to build relationships with a number of organisations as they embark on their developments within our region.

Oz Minerals - Carrapateena

On 1 August 2019 Council participated in a site visit of the Carrapateena Mine north of Port Augusta, together with representatives from Upper Spencer Gulf Cities, Business Port Augusta, the Outback Communities Authority, Regional Development Australia Far North and Yorke and Mid North. The visit featured a bus tour of above-ground operations including the Tjungu Village, subsidence zone, lookout, Tailings Storage Facility vantage point and Exploration Camp.



Photo: Carrapateena Site Visit

Uni Hub Spencer Gulf

Uni Hub helps to overcome many of the barriers to university study by providing a local campus to study at, with support people in place, and access to local industry tutors. Uni Hub will assist in providing Port Augusta and the Upper Spencer Gulf with a skilled workforce.

Uni Hub Spencer Gulf officially opened its doors in Port Augusta on 28 February 2020, bringing with it a new era in tertiary education for the region. The new community-owned tertiary education centre was officially opened by Member for Grey, the Hon Rowan Ramsey MP.

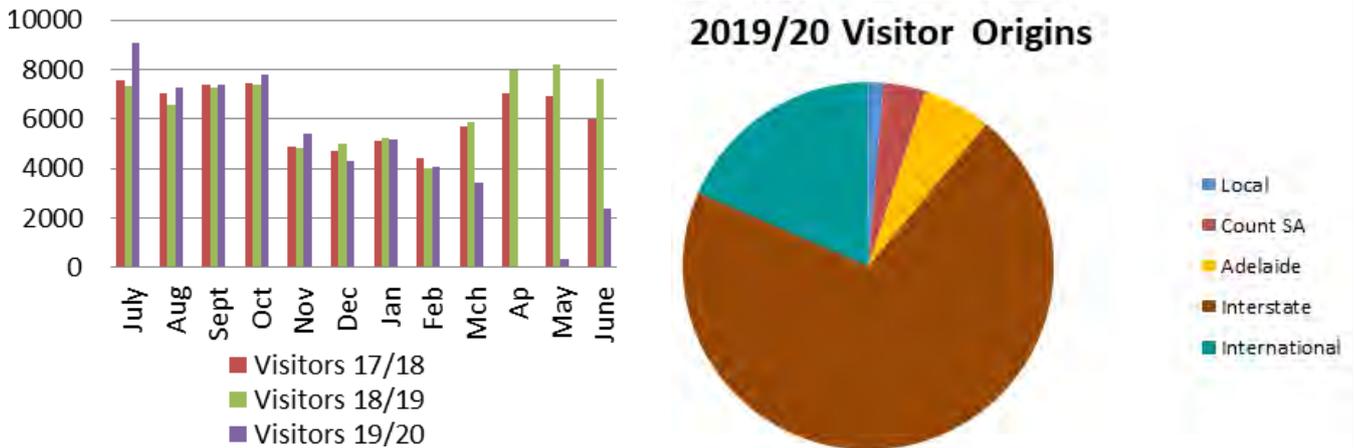
Council has been proud to support the development of this facility including promoting the program on Council's Social Media and Electronic Newsletter, providing in-kind support for recruitments, media and communications and information technology, and through participation on the Uni Hub Port Augusta Campus Working Group.



Outcome 2.2 – Our City is known as a destination of choice where people come to stay awhile to experience our lifestyle and environment.

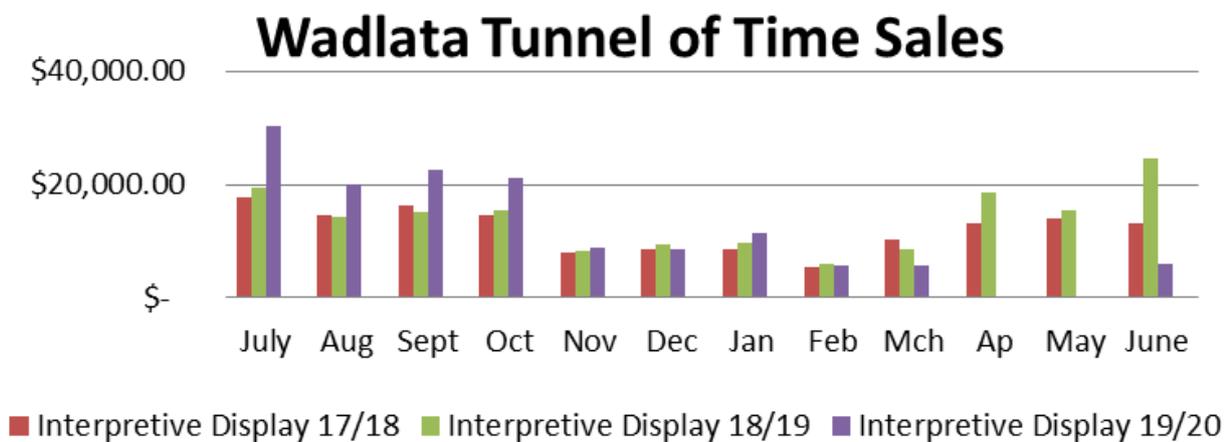
Wadlata Outback Centre

Visitor numbers continued to grow in 2019/2020 with steady increases in visitation until the COVID-19 pandemic started taking effect, causing a decrease in visitation over February and March prior to the closure period. Wadlata still hosted 12 school groups and 93 coach tours over the 2019/2020 period (with 38 coach cancellations due to COVID-19). With a significant contribution made by both international (1874) and interstate (7168) visitation, COVID-19 has had, and will continue to have, a major impact. An increase in visitation is expected with the easing of restrictions to allow interstate travel.



Interpretive Centre visitation was up by 21% for the same period during March until COVID-19 forced the closure of the Tunnel of Time on 24 March until 1 June, with the re-opening subject to restricted numbers, starting at 20 and gradually increasing to 178 by the end of June. A similar trend was evident with food and beverage sales, with increases every month until March 2020 when forced to close. Reopening on 19 May, 10 diners were permitted at designated outside dining areas only. Again this gradually eased to allow the seating of 43 diners indoors and 30 outdoors.

The marketing of Wadlata was reduced as a cost saving during the pandemic, however a digital presence on social media platforms was maintained. Television campaigns proceeded between December and February. As an accredited visitor centre, Wadlata performed well over the financial year with food, beverage and souvenir sales reflective of the increases in visitors.



Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden (AALBG)

The impact of COVID-19 on the AALBG has been significant with a forced closure. There was a significant drop in visitor numbers leading up to the closure of the Visitor Centre on 24 of March. As a facility, the gardens themselves were able to remain open and accessible as long as social distancing guidelines were adhered to. Plant and shop sales continued over the phone and online during the closure with promising results from the improvised business model. From 19 May the Visitor Centre reopened with only 10 people permitted at any time in an outdoor dining capacity. From 22 May a further 10 people were permitted indoors, with the centre operating under restricted hours with a reduced staffing component. Restrictions continued to ease and from 29 June the indoor dining area could accommodate 53 people, and full capacity outdoors.

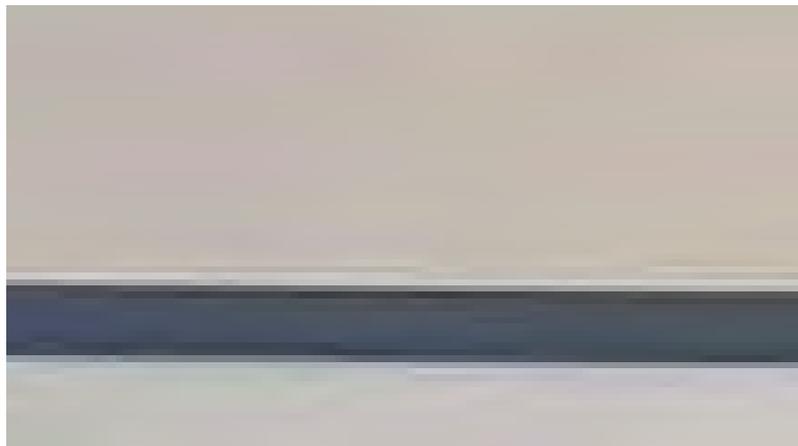
Excluding the obvious downturn over March, April, May and June due to COVID-19, it was most pleasing to note an increase in Café trading from the previous financial year over every month with the exception of December. The same trend was seen with the shop trading figures with the exception of October. Nursery figures were mostly positive from a garden and plant sales perspective compared to the previous year.

The Friends of the AALBG continue to be a wonderful support to the garden. COVID-19 limited the guiding and interaction with visitors, nonetheless, their return was warmly welcomed.

The AALBG placed first on the list of 10 “Stunning gardens to visit in Australia” by Australia Unwrapped. This award once again highlighted the incredible work done by the entire team on the ground in showcasing such an integral part of the city. Other promotion during the year included articles in “Gardening Australia” and “SA Life Gardens & Outdoor Living”. Tripadvisor also recognised AALBG as Certificate of Excellence “Hall of Fame” winners! The “Hall of Fame” honours businesses that earn the “Certificate of Excellence” over a period of five consecutive years.

The AALBG was once again a finalist in the Flinders Ranges and Outback South Australian Tourism Awards, taking out Bronze in the Ecotourism category. The gardens were also named as finalists in the National Australia Bank award of Excellence in delivery of service.

Photo: Gold, Silver and Bronze winners of the Ecotourism Award, including AALBG staff.



Visitor numbers were down on the previous year during the COVID-19 pandemic, but had otherwise increased steadily. A total of 102,386 people visited the gardens compared to 114,078 in 2018/2019. Despite cancellations, the AALBG hosted 8 school groups with 175 students (2018/2019 - 26 school groups with 617 students) and 28 coach groups with 579 passengers (2018/2019 - 79 coach groups with 1582 passengers). The Explorers Garden had an increase with 17 parties booked with 387 children attending, up nearly 100 from 2018/2019. Conferences were down from 45 to 40. It is pleasing to note a healthy resurgence in demand as COVID-19 restrictions continue to ease. The ‘Sunset Dinners’ were re-introduced in November and December leading up to Christmas 2019 and they were once again very well attended.

Structural improvements included the new wedding and events area which will offer a truly beautiful and convenient option for weddings and private gatherings.

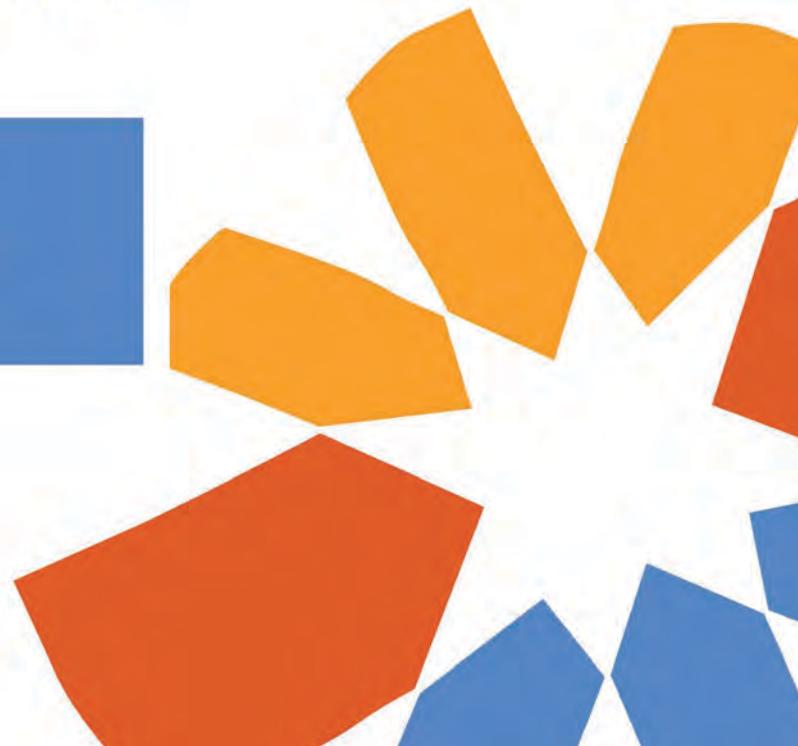
Research activities continue in the garden including a research project on research on *Maireana sedifolia* through Adelaide University.



Theme 3: Environment

GOAL

WE VALUE, RESPECT AND PROTECT OUR
NATURAL AND BUILT ENVIRONMENTS.



3.5 Strategic Directions Theme 3 – Environment

Outcome 3.1 – Our community reduces potable water and energy consumption.

Waste Water Treatment Plant

In 2019/2020 the Waste Water Treatment Plant saw a reduction in its total volume used for irrigation mainly as a result of the Central Oval Turf Upgrade, but was still able to harvest 158,917 kilolitres from the SA Water Sewer Network. Water was treated with chlorine and pumped through a filter bank to irrigate a number of park turf and garden beds. Whilst this provides good results in some areas, other locations still rely on potable water supply to achieve the desired results.

	FY18	FY19	FY20
Treated water consumption	103,743	209,767	158,917
SA Water consumption	0	1,717.6	852
Total water use (kilolitres)	103,743	211,484.6	128,790
% Treated water use	100.00%	99.19%	81.05%

Port Augusta City Council Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) data over the past three years.

New CBD Lighting Upgrade

The CBD and surrounding areas have received an LED lighting upgrade as part of an agreement with SA Power Networks. The old orange lighting has been replaced in the CBD to new LED lights which will reduce power consumption, maintenance costs and increase visibility and safety.

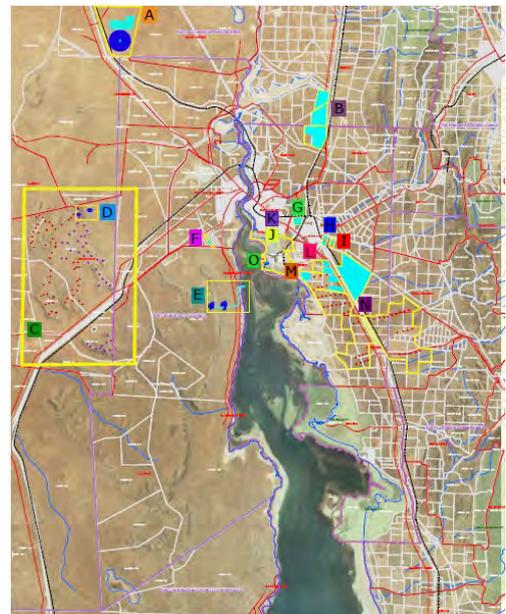
Outcome 3.2 – Improve energy efficiency and increase accessibility to renewable energy.

Renewable Energy

Port Augusta – and the Upper Spencer Gulf – is well placed to be a major part of the energy transformation from coal to renewables. Port Augusta is in close proximity to some of the best and most diverse renewable and low carbon energy resources in the world and has the infrastructure, skills, knowledge and community support to keep powering our state.

Port Augusta is proud to be home to a number of new large-scale renewable energy initiatives that will help to secure the economic future of our region and energy security for South Australia. Council Continues to build relationships with a number of organisations as they embark on their developments within our region.

Image: Renewable energy projects in proximity to Port Augusta.



DP Energy

The Port Augusta Renewable Energy Park is a unique hybrid renewable energy development integrating wind and solar PV technology. DP Energy has partnered with Spanish renewable energy giant Iberdrola to build Stage 1 of the Port Augusta Renewable Energy Park. The project will provide around 320 MW of power on land situated on the coastal plain south-east of Port Augusta, in South Australia.

Outcome 3.3 – The amount of waste going to landfill is reduced by our community.

Waste Management

Council saw a gradual decrease of 5% in the amount of waste being sent to landfill over the 2019/2020 year. A reverse trend was seen in relation to green waste with a 30% increase in the amount of waste being processed through the green bin system. This coincided with the roll out of the Food and Garden Organics project .

	FY20
Lost / Stolen Bins – # received	127
Damaged bins – # issued	102

	July - September	October - December	January - March	April - June
Green Waste disposed (tonnes)	252	282	313	324
Recycled Waste (tonnes)	252	230	261	241
General Waste disposed (tonnes)	703	890	694	732
Sent to Landfill %	67%	64%	63%	62%

Food and Garden Organics

Council introduced a new organic composting system to change the way that green waste is disposed into green bins. This campaign was well received over social media and there were 4,101 visits to our Waste and Recycling section on our website from December 2019 to July 2020.

Residents are now encouraged to use the FOGO (Food and Garden Organics) kitchen caddy system, to collect food scraps and other compostable materials before placing them into the green lidded food and garden organics bin. Compostable plant based bin liners can be purchased from major supermarket chains. Council continues to promote the State Government ‘Which Bin?’ campaign to encourage the appropriate recycling and waste disposal. www.whichbin.sa.gov.au/a-z-items



Outcome 3.4 – The region’s unique natural resources and urban environment are recognised as a key element and high value asset in the City’s economic future.

Street Trees and Infrastructure Works

Council conducted vegetation management works to support the Infrastructure Asset Management Program for resealing, footpath and kerb repair and upgrade projects. This included chemical treatment, street tree pruning for road envelope clearance and access, tree removals and root and stump grinding. Where practical, design is adapted to support the retention of existing street trees. Street tree maintenance included:

- 188 street tree trimming
- 63 dead tree removals
- 23 delegated tree removals
- 40 tree assessments
- 14 storm damaged trees
- 121 stump removals
- 8 termite treatments



In July 2019, Council engaged an independent arborist to prepare tree assessment reports on trees at a range of locations including the Port Augusta Airport and the Westside Foreshore Reserve. This resulted in specialist tree contractors being engaged to conduct a range of maintenance and removal.

Photo: Tree maintenance at Chinnery Oval Reserve.

SA Power Networks

Council continued to participate on the LGA Vegetation Management Working Group with SA Power Networks, for the development of a long-term strategy for tree management in vicinity of overhead powerlines. SA Power Networks has introduced risk-based trimming around low voltage powerlines in non-bushfire classified areas. Where street trees are situated beneath low voltage lines the street trees are now permitted to grow through the overhead lines.

In December 2019, two heat waves coincided with SA Power Networks vegetation clearance program. Soon after, some mature eucalyptus street tree species exhibited sections of crown dieback, most likely caused by the combination of heat stress, prolonged dry conditions and trimming for vegetation powerline clearance. SA Power Networks attended several site inspections to assess street tree condition, to improve their future scheduling of cyclic vegetation clearance. Many street trees have started to regenerate with new growth.

Natural Resource Management

Samphire removal was completed following public requests for a more comfortable beach bathing experience. Grading works minimises the opportunity for water to pond and deters future plant growth. The work required Native Vegetation Council approvals under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*. Council graded the Eastside Foreshore beach ready for summer to reduce pooling and make the area more user friendly.

Photos: Westside Foreshore Reserve samphire removal and Eastside Foreshore beach grading.





Theme 4: Infrastructure

GOAL

*WE PROVIDE AND ADVOCATE FOR FIT FOR PURPOSE
INFRASTRUCTURE THAT IMPROVES THE PHYSICAL, ECONOMIC,
ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL WELLBEING OF OUR CITY.*



3.6 Strategic Directions Theme 4 – Infrastructure

Outcome 4.1 – Our physical infrastructure meets our community needs.

Central Oval Community Hub

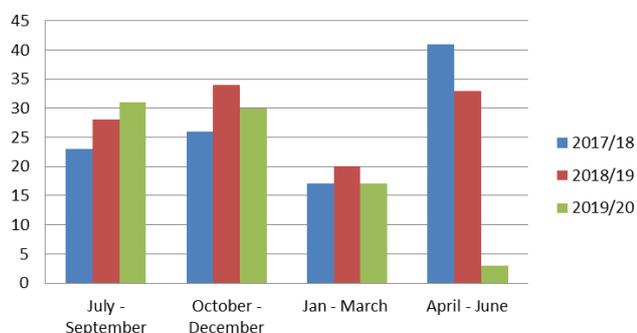
Central Oval Community Hub celebrated its 5th Birthday in 2020. Central Oval Community Hub has become an established venue for conferences, weddings, expos and sports and is meeting the demands of the community. The flexibility of the venue allows for the community to utilise it for a wide range of functions.

Photo: Corey Wingard MP, Minister for Minister for Police, Emergency Services, Correctional Services, Recreation, Sport and Racing.

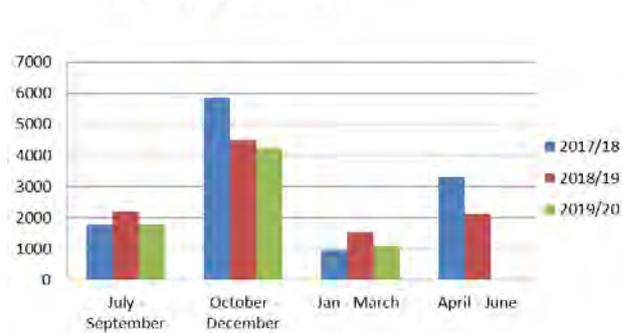


COVID-19 pandemic forced the closure of operations at the venue and had a major impact on the usage of the venue which saw the cancellations of events, functions and in some cases sporting seasons for the first time in history. Staff continued to follow all guidelines and restrictions that were imposed and changed.

No. of Events Hosted



No. of Attendees



With sports forced to cease or restricted, Council have been working with local organisations on a return to play plan which has allowed the return of sports such as Basketball, Football, Yoga, and Inclusive Basketball. Council is working at attracting events back to the venue and providing leadership to sports and community organisations in setting up management plans for a return to some normality.

Central Oval Turf Redevelopment

Council was successful in obtaining a grant of \$486,500 from the Office for Recreation and Sport’s Grassroots Football, Netball, Cricket funding program for the Central Oval Turf Upgrade to redevelop the oval surface and irrigation system. This project was completed in March 2020 and hosted its first football game on 4 July 2020, due to a delayed start of the Spencer Gulf Football League Season. Council will closely monitor the oval condition and schedule games and events at other Council facilities to meet the usage requirements for the first two years of operation as per recommendations.



Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre

The Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre opened for the summer season on 14 October 2019 after undergoing repairs and maintenance during the winter months.

Prior to the commencement of the 2019/20 swim season it was noted that the main pool was losing water. A dye test was conducted to locate suspected leaks, with two leaks detected near expansion joints. Cameras were also placed in pipes to check for other leaks. A report was received from Statewide Pool Services regarding possible leaks in the main pool and potential upgrade recommendations. Small pools were emptied for the winter and refilled in September. Maintenance of pools continued throughout the year including repairs to solar absorbers, starting blocks and filter grate screen.

General maintenance of the grounds, including the BBQ area, was undertaken throughout the year to keep the area in good condition. The pool grounds receive a lot of positive comments, especially from tourists.

A Swim-a-thon was held at the pool in February 2020 for the South Australian Bush Fire Appeal which raised \$3,169.30

In 2019/2020 the Swim Centre provided the following services:

- SOS (Sink or Swim) Classes
- Aerobics in Water Sessions
- Education Department Swimming and School Splash Days
- Vac Swim (Royal Life Saving)
- Swimming training clubs and carnivals
- Aussie Masters
- Sporting Clubs pre-season training
- local fitness and rehabilitation centres
- Birthday Party Table (pool grounds) and BBQ area bookings.

As the pool is an outdoors facility, the weather impacted the gate attendance. In 2019/2020 there were 29,060 attendances compared to 35,424 in 2018/2019.

Port Augusta
RYAN MITCHELL
SWIM CENTRE

OPEN OCTOBER - APRIL
MONDAY - FRIDAY 6AM - 7PM
(IF TEMPERATURE IS OVER 30C THE POOL WILL STAY OPEN UNTIL 8PM
NOTE THIS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE).

LAP SWIMMING
MONDAY - FRIDAY 6AM - 9AM
(GENERAL ADMISSION FEES APPLY)

AQUA AEROBICS
TUESDAY & THURSDAY 7PM
(SINGLE AND SESSION PASSES AVAILABLE)

BBQ AREA HIRE
4 HOUR BOOKING FEE
(TERMS, FEES AND CONDITIONS APPLY)

HANNAGAN STREET, PORT AUGUSTA
PH: (08) 8641 2280

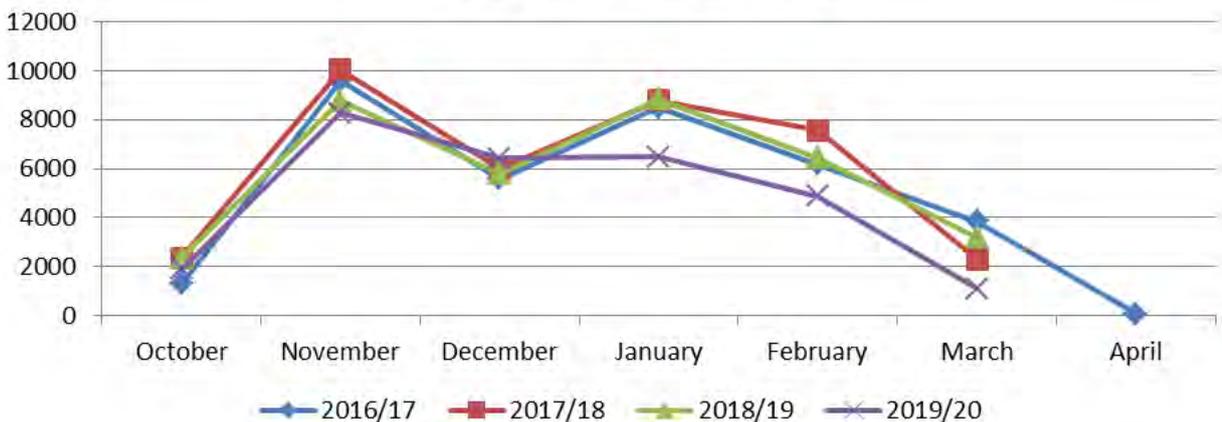
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(SEARCH FOR RYAN MITCHELL SWIM CENTRE)

OPEN 7 DAYS
SWIM... RELAX... ENJOY...



The Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre closed early on 23 March 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

RMSC Attendances



Sports Ovals

Throughout the year Council's three main sports facilities - ETSA, Chinnery and Central Ovals have been maintained through a seasonal program to maintain turf condition. Activities range from aerivation, fertilising, scarification, top dressing, spreading of gypsum for soil structure, reseeding, pest and weed control to monitoring, maintenance of the irrigation systems and frequent mowing.

The Wave – Skate Park

Port Augusta's Skate Park remains popular amongst locals as well as attracting a number of visitors to Port Augusta to utilise this challenging park.

Hancock Stadium

Hancock Stadium continues to be well utilised with Badminton, School sports programs, Health Focus Bizzi Bodies, specialised basketball programs, and basketball trainings. A Building Condition report was finalised 2018/2019 to enable a decision in relation to the future of the building. Flinders Power Partnership generously agreed to provide \$225,000 towards the upgrade of Hancock Stadium facilities, and Council resolved to transfer ownership of Hancock Stadium from Port Augusta Basketball Association to Council.

Leases, Licences and Permits

Council continues to support Community Groups and Business by providing land, infrastructure and buildings by way of leases, licences and permits, with 26 arrangements formalised during 2019/2020.

Cemetery Management

Over the past 12 months Council has conducted preparation works for 98 burials and interments at the Westside, Carlton Parade and Stirling North Garden cemeteries, consistent with numbers from the previous financial year. The Sirling North Cemetery has had a kangaroo problem due to drought conditions with damage to lawn, roses and irrigation. A new Kangaroo proof fence has been installed along the western boundary and new tubular fencing has also been installed along French Drive, as pictured below.



Venue Management

Council's venues have been used for a range of activities and events such as community functions, government meetings, commercial activities, exhibitions, shows, workshops, family celebrations and community performances. Annual maintenance for venues and equipment is undertaken to ensure all venues are at a high standard. The COVID-19 pandemic has had a negative impact on these venues with a number of bookings cancelled due to Emergency Declarations.

The Barracks

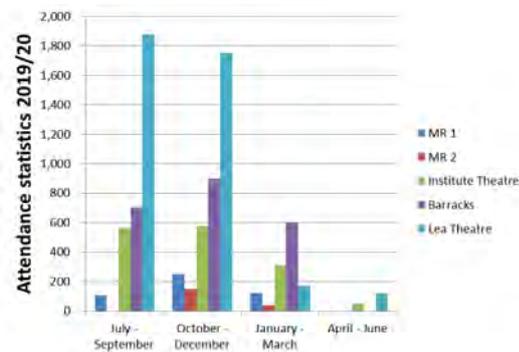
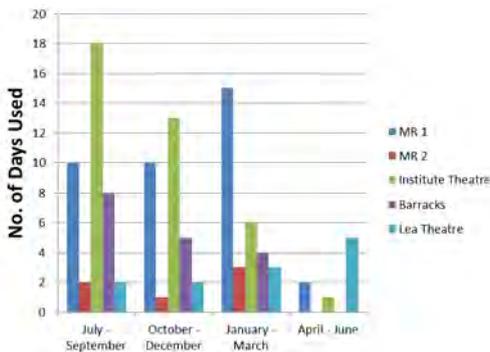
The Barracks hosted the Desert Fringe Club showcasing a variety of acts, as part of Desert Fringe in February 2020. The event was well supported by the community, and the commitment and professionalism of the Adelaide Fringe continues to ensure the success and smooth running of the event.

Illuminart’s Travelling Light show came to Port Augusta as part of the SALA Projection Art Tour to illuminate Silos, Town Halls and Landmarks, including a projection onto the outside of the Port Augusta Cultural Centre - Yarta Purtli Gallery on 18 August 2019. The program of animated projections lit up the building to provide a free midwinter celebration, as pictured.



The Theatres

The Institute Theatre, the Barracks and Lea Memorial Theatre are booked by commercial organisations and community groups and members for a wide range of events and activities including weddings, conferences, school presentations, dance performances and local support group meetings. SeatAdvisor online ticketing service continues to be the preferred option for events. Lea Memorial Theatre hosts local dance and music performances, as well as a range of other events. The Theatre allows for larger audience capacity for touring commercial productions, such as ‘Hans: Like a German’.



Port Augusta Cultural Centre – Yarta Purtli

The Yarta Purtli Gallery offers local artists with an exhibition space to showcase their works and hosts touring exhibitions from Country Arts SA and other major cultural institutions. The Gallery’s dynamic exhibition program ensures new exhibitions are on display every 4-5 weeks. The Gallery hosted 9 exhibitions and a range of other activities including the Jam Factory and the 10th Anniversary of the Malka Aboriginal Art Prize, with the 2019 exhibition featuring 52 artists from across the region.



Photos: Malka Aboriginal Art Prize Awards Ceremony and Exhibition.

Outcome 4.2 – We have safe, accessible and well-utilised CBD, public spaces and built environments that reflect the priorities of our community.

Parks and Gardens Management

The Port Augusta City Council area covers approximately 1152 square kilometres. The management and planning of parklands and sporting grounds are informed by the Open Space and Play Space Strategy 2016-2031 and the Infrastructure Asset Management Plan principles. Open space areas, including 21 public playgrounds are maintained through a combination of internal staff and contractors.

General parks maintenance included a significant amount of tree trimming, mulching, pruning, weeding, irrigation repairs and replanting that was conducted at the following Council sites: Lions Park, Rotary Park, Eastside Foreshore, Withers Street Reserve, Apex Park and Central Oval. With an SGL game scheduled at Chinnery Park some much needed maintenance to the trees at the oval and surrounds was also undertaken.



Photos: Parks showing the effect of continued maintenance and new plantings.

Parks Maintenance

Contractors provide the cleaning service for the maintenance of Council park facilities through two contract agreements for the *Cleaning of Public Conveniences and other buildings*, and the *Cleaning of barbeques, parks and street furniture*. Contractors provide a range of daily, weekly and monthly cleaning schedule requirements including rubbish collection, sanitising park furniture including playground equipment and reporting graffiti.

Council has also installed sharps containers at several park locations in designated public toilets including Keith Jones Memorial Park and Lions Jubilee Park which are now being monitored and emptied by Substance Misuse Service staff.

Community Service Groups

The Lions Club of Port Augusta supplied two new aluminium picnic settings for under the shelters at Lions Jubilee Park. The Lions Club were successful in sourcing a grant for one of the picnic settings and funded the purchase of the second picnic setting. Port Augusta City Council supported the project by engaging a contractor who prepared two reinforced concrete pads, while works staff followed up with the assembly of the two picnic settings.

Photo: New picnic settings at Lions Park.



Playgrounds

In 2019/2020 playground maintenance and inspections were undertaken to keep the aesthetics and safety of each facility to a high standard. Playground upgrades were scheduled at Rotary Park, Eastside Foreshore and Keith Jones Park but due to COVID-19 had to be put on hold until the following financial year. The pandemic added in a new complexity with an increase in signage as well as some additional cleaning undertaken at each playground. The playgrounds were shut in April 2020 and reopened in mid-May once social distancing restrictions had eased.



Photo: COVID-19 Signage at Bert McKenzie and Mosely Street Playgrounds

City Safe Program

The City Safe Program commenced in September 2008. The role of the program is to reduce anti-social behaviour and vandalism of Council's infrastructure. The City Safe Patrol Officers have a good rapport with the local community working closely with government and non-government agencies including SA Police, Housing SA, Salvation Army, Red Cross, Drug and Alcohol Services SA, licensed premises and stakeholders of the Liquor Licensing Accord.

Council has resolved to continue a City Safe Service until 30 September 2020. Council established a Transition Steering Committee in 2019 with relevant agencies for the transition of the City Safe Service away from Council funding and to develop and implement a transition and communication plan for agencies, stakeholders and the wider community.

Log sheets provided by the City Safe contractor indicate that the majority of interactions are for anti-social behaviour in public areas linked to substance misuse, resulting in liaison with SA Police or the Mobile Assistance Patrol staff.

Outcome 4.3 – Our City develops and evolves in a planned way, improving the appearance of our City and making efficient use of infrastructure.

Asset Management

The 2019/2020 budget of \$1,917,800 for capital infrastructure works was informed by the Asset Management Plan process. Infrastructure upgrades have been delivered to the community with a clear target of self-funding the capital works program rather than increasing debt through external borrowing. Council also manage five community wastewater management areas within Port Augusta.

Roads

In accordance with the Infrastructure Asset Management Plan \$400,000 of capital roads works was carried out resulting in over 18,500 square metres of road reseals and intersection upgrades at the locations listed below. The procurement process undertaken was a collaboration of Spencer Gulf Cities. Roads included McAuley Street, Carlton Parade, Hipwell Street, Cooper Street, McKerlie Street, Rogers Street and Carlton Parade Intersection, Flinders Terrace and Spear Creek Road.



Photo: New 2 coat seal works on Carlton Parade



Photo: Footpath on Pine Street

Footpaths

In 2019/2020 over 1,500 square meters of footpath work was undertaken representing \$232,000 of capital expenditure upgrades at Forster street, Augusta Terrace, Carlton Parade, Mosely Street, Progress Avenue and Pine Street.

Kerbing

Over 1,100 lineal meters of kerbing totalling \$326,150 was undertaken by way of full length replacement and section repairs. Areas addressed through the 2019/2020 financial year were on Stokes Terrace.



Photo: Kerb along Stokes Terrace



Photos: Graded un-sealed road

Infrastructure Management

In accordance with Council's Infrastructure Asset Management Plan, Council is implementing upgrades to the City's unsealed network.

Old Tarcoola Road was upgraded with new kerbing, pavement and Asphalt surface, with a project value of \$273,000 (50% funded through the Local Government Transport Advisory Panel - Special Local Road Program 2019/2020).

Upgrades continued along Shack Road with works undertaken on 727 square metres of roadway at a cost of \$67,000. Patrol grading again was allocated a lot of time due to ageing and underperforming material, this again will be a key focus to plan for and maintain.

Waste Water Lagoon

Maintenance works to the outer walls of the waste water lagoon were undertaken to repair some damage to the crest and outer walls. Coir Logs were also installed around the perimeter of the dam walls at varying heights to help with any future erosion issues.



Photo: Waste Water Lagoon wall repairs



Photo: CWMS Pipe damage

Community Waste Water Management System

Council engaged a contractor to collect asset condition data on its CWMS pipe network, to identify sections that require repair. These inspections identified specific sections of pipework that required repair. Council funded \$610,000 of relining works to restore damaged pipework in Holdsworth Avenue, Hannagan and Lancaster Streets back to its original condition, providing in excess of 50 years of useful life to the relined sections. This process has collected valuable information on the network condition and the future budgetary requirements to improve condition and maintain to agreed standards.

Park Garden Beds

Council propagated and purchased a selection of native annuals and trees to further establish and enhance the garden beds around town, in the high traffic garden beds at Lions Jubilee Park, Apex Park and within the CBD. The garden beds at Central Oval were also revitalised with new rock formations, new plantings and an upgrade to the irrigation system.

Photo: Sturt Desert Pea's planted at the corner of the Highway and Flinders Terrace.



Revitalising Port Augusta Project

The joint State Government and Council funded project has upgraded infrastructure around the foreshore and central business district. There are two components to the project which comprise upgrade of the picnic area at the Eastside Foreshore Reserve, and renewal of the heritage walk signage. These projects focus on creating a more active and vibrant public realm, and ultimately revitalization of Port Augusta.

Eastside Foreshore Reserve Upgrade

The Eastside Foreshore Reserve Upgrade project saw the installation of two new Greenplate barbecues including an Equal Access double hotplate DDA compliant unit. Landscaping was undertaken to address persisting site issues with patchy turf and included the placement of large rocks, logs and some of the former Old Mill T-Jetty Pylons.



Photos: log and pylon delivery and landscaped garden bed areas.

Heritage Walk Signage Renewal Project

The heritage walk signage renewal comprises 21 new heritage signs designed to encourage people to explore and learn about the development and history of the township and the surrounding area of Port Augusta. The heritage walk route has been redesigned and extended to provide linkages between the central business district and the foreshores. The new signage has been rejuvenated with a contemporary design and a QR code symbol on each sign provides access to a digital platform to assist with language barriers and also links users to tourist information updates via Councils website.

Photo: Conceptual images of new heritage walk signage



Jetty Timbers Repurposing Project

Following the demolition of the Old Mill T-Jetty in 2018/2019, Council established a working group to determine how some of the timbers could be repurposed within the community. Community consultation was undertaken on several ideas and concepts, and Council endorsed the use of the timbers for key site name signage. The signs will be installed at Eastside Foreshore, Lions Park, Rotary Park, Central Oval, Civic Centre and Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden.

Photo: Sign made from Jetty Timbers



Building Inspections

Council has formulated a Building Inspection policy which incorporates the Swimming Pool inspection regime in accordance with State legislation. During the reporting period 26 Class 1A (dwellings and extensions) and 8 Class 1B (Swimming pools) applications received approval.

During the reporting period Council building staff carried out inspections on 12 dwellings, these inspections were carried out at different stages of construction, they were generally found to be in accordance with the approved plans and didn't require further action by Council. There were 8 Swimming Pools inspections carried out. Of those, four fully complied with the legislation, three had to carry out additional work to comply, and one required only signage or access gates adjustment. There were no enforcement notices issued during the reporting period.

Building Maintenance - Council Owned Buildings

Council staff are responsible for arranging general maintenance on Council owned buildings, liaising with management to seek the best outcome for Council in accordance with the Building Asset data. Some Minor Works projects for Council Owned Buildings included the installation of an additional Emergency Exit door in the Time Tunnel display at Wadlata Outback Centre, and work on the firewalls between units at Julia Lodge to meet Building Code fire safety requirements.

Building Fire Safety Committee

Council has delegated its powers to the Building Fire Safety Committee to undertake inspections of buildings within the City. The Committee meets quarterly and has a full agenda on most occasions. At 30 June 2020 there were 17 properties with building fire safety issues, and 7 properties that have been issued with notices to rectify some deficiencies. Most of the notices are seeking clarification or design criteria so the Committee can assess against the National Construction Code.

Development Services – Planning

During the 2019/2020 financial year, 200 development applications were lodged with the Council. This is lower than the five year average of 246 applications and a decline of 5% compared to last financial year.



Theme 5: Governance & Financial Sustainability

GOAL

WE PROVIDE AND ADVOCATE FOR FIT FOR PURPOSE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT IMPROVES THE PHYSICAL, ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL WELLBEING OF OUR CITY.



3.7 Strategic Directions Theme 5 – Governance and Financial Sustainability

Outcome 5.1 – We are inclusive, engaged and open

Media and Communications

Council recognises the diversity in how people connect with services and endeavours to maintain a strong and up-to-date online presence. To cater for the range of needs of the community, news and information continues to be delivered across a number of platforms such as media releases, television, Transcontinental newspaper and radio interviews, Facebook postings as well as Council’s website. In 2019/2020 Council employed a full time Media and Communications Officer to assist with community consultation, advertising, promotion, community engagement and liaising with media.

The Council website promotes Port Augusta as a top location to live, work and visit. The website system was upgraded and new design elements were introduced to simplify page content. A “tabbed” design element was added to enhance readability. There were 52,563 visits to the Council website in 2019/2020. A “Your Say” page was also introduced to Council’s website to assist with community engagement and increase community feedback.



A COVID-19 information box and dedicated page was also introduced to our website, to assist with relaying Federal and State Government updates. Local COVID-19 testing stations and health and safety marketing tools were also added for community groups and businesses to use.

Daily Facebook posts continued to be added to our Social Media pages and feature links to the Council website for information on meetings and public consultations. We continued to advertise community events, workshops, job opportunities and provide general information. In 2019/2020 the Council Facebook page increased its followers from 3751 to 4508. Council’s Twitter page increased to 267 followers.

Community and Active Achievement Grants

This financial year Council provided over \$7690 to support 15 people and 5 Groups to assist with their attendance to various sporting and academic achievements of which they were selected. Port Augusta was represented in fields of basketball, badminton, dance, cricket, netball and the Tri-State Games. 11 organisations were successful in receiving Community Grants for events, and to promote active participation in community initiatives. Over \$9,500 was provided in total for projects and events including 4WD Show and Shine Car Show, Kids Crabbing Day and The Salvation Army Growing our Community through Gardening Project.



Youth Week 2020

Council usually participates in local Youth Week celebrations, generally held in April of each year. Unfortunately the 2020 celebrations were unable to proceed due to COVID-19 pandemic Emergency Declarations.

Reconciliation Week 2020 – SA Water Reconciliation Project – Pipeline Artwork

The 2020 theme for reconciliation is "In this together", and with COVID-19 restrictions in place, normal reconciliation week activities were not able to proceed. However, Council was able to partner with SA Water to provide public art on a portion of the Princess Highway pipeline, to celebrate National Reconciliation Week. This initiative was delivered as an action from SA Water's Reconciliation Action Plan, and aims to share Aboriginal culture and their deep connection to land and water with the wider community.

Showcasing local artists Wulla Design, the artwork has attracted attention and added vibrancy to the entranceway of Port Augusta. Community members embraced the project, with local school children, truck drivers, families and Aboriginal Elders able to participate and add their hand print to the mural.



NAIDOC Week 2019

NAIDOC Week was held in July 2019 with the theme – *Voice. Treaty. Truth. Let's work together for a shared future.* Council representatives attended the NAIDOC Corporate Breakfast and Award Ceremony and the official Opening Ceremony with the raising of the flags and morning tea in Gladstone Square. Council organised the NAIDOC Elders lunch and the Community Breakfast together with ADAC - Footsteps Rehabilitation Service and the Stepping Stones Day Centre.

Council provided support to the NAIDOC Committee to coordinate events being held at Council locations including the Flag Raising Morning Tea at Gladstone Square, the Community Fun Run on the Eastside Foreshore and Yarn Around the Campfire at the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden.

Photo: Mayor Benbow at the NAIDOC Week Breakfast



Aboriginal Art and Culture

Council conducted a variety of programs and workshops throughout 2019/2020, as detailed below.

KU Arts Community Workshops on Screen Printing, Weaving and Jewellery making.

Drawing on Country day at the Barracks working on Sand Art with Val Surch

Tarnanthi / Our Mob local artists participated in the Our Mob Exhibition, and 12 Local community members attended the Tarnanthi Festival at the Adelaide Art Gallery and Tandanya Aboriginal Art Gallery Art Fair.

Isaiah Firebrace Workshop focussed on NO SHAME and getting children and parents to think about their dreams and going BEYOND. Isaiah performed with children from Carlton Primary, Willsden Primary and Port Augusta Secondary School, including the Year 12 Graduation which was the highlight for the class of 2019.

Guitar and Bars Weekend in partnership with Umeewarra Radio Council coordinated the Guitar and Bars program in Port Augusta with 7 Aboriginal Music Artists participating in pop up shows in local hotels.

Mission Songs

In partnership with Country Arts SA the Mission Song Project came to Port Augusta as a part of the Desert Fringe Festival. Expressions of Interest were sought for community members to be a part of this project. Three workshops were held with 12 community members to write their own song about Umeewarra and Port Augusta. Participants came from Coober Pedy, Shepparton, Perth, Whyalla and Port Augusta.

It was an emotional project for the participants particularly for those who had been placed in Missions and taken from their family. All participants were able to incorporate their stories into the resulting song "A Stroke of a Pen". The workshops also included the development of music to accompany the words. Participants performed the song at Desert Fringe and the project was well received from the community.

Aboriginal Film Project

Council received external funding to conduct the Aboriginal film Project with 12 local community members and two from Ceduna. The aim of this project is to inspire the participants to feel empowered in storytelling, confidence building, and communication and negotiation skills. Participants developed skills in film making and to capture the unique voices, culture and stories from our community. The workshops were held between July and September 2019, and the outcome of the project was the development of two small documentaries:

Dusty Feet Mob - This Story's true: The Dusty Feet Mob dancers tell healing stories of the Stolen Generation, featuring Archie Roach's famous song 'Took the Children Away.'

The Mulka Man: Meet the Mulka Man, Adnyamathanha Elder Roy Coulthard, the last wood carver of the Flinders Ranges, keeping culture alive by passing on his knowledge to the next generation.

Outcome 5.2 – We have positive relationships with other levels of government and partners that deliver great outcomes for the community.

Upper Spencer Gulf Cities

The Spencer Gulf Cities continue to strengthen their relationship with the South Australian Government, with the Mayors and CEO's of the Whyalla, Port Pirie and Port Augusta Councils meeting the Premier and key Ministers in 2019/2020 to discuss issues of regional significance, including the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication project and Yorkey's Crossing. The Premier's commitment to meeting regularly with the Mayors highlights the importance of the region to the state's growth target.



Photos: Upper Spencer Gulf Cities meetings with Premier and Key Ministers

Bird Lake Rehabilitation

Council has been provided with a grant from the State Government to undertake rehabilitation works on Bird Lake. This project has required Council to work closely with several State Government Departments, and the former and new owners of the Old Power Station site. Council has also taken an active role in engaging with the Port Augusta community in relation to the works and the impact that this will have. Contractors commenced the \$3.2 million project with the movement of soil to the perimeter of Bird Lake, which will later be seeded with native vegetation in a bid to stop the stench and improve the amenity of the area. The project is due for completion in late 2020.



Photo: Mayor Benbow inspecting site works and aerial photo of project.

Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication

Council has been working closely with the Department for Planning Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) to develop opportunities for local business and outcomes for the local community as the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication project continues to progress. Feedback from the Community Information Sessions in 2019 is being incorporated as the design progresses to ensure a positive outcome for both pedestrian and road safety. In 2019/2020 the Port Wakefield to Port Augusta Alliance (PW2PA) and DPTI commenced work on the project, with some on-ground site preparation works and designs progressing.

Project Fast Facts

<p>\$200 MILLION Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication Project jointly funded by the Australian and South Australian Governments</p>	<p>17,600 vehicles per day during peak periods</p> <p>7% are HEAVY VEHICLES</p>
<p>BENEFITS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMPROVED SAFETY FOR ALL ROAD USERS • IMPROVED EFFICIENCY • IMPROVED FREIGHT PRODUCTIVITY 	<p>135 BRIDGE BEAMS</p> <p>46 STEEL PILES</p> <p>1,000 CONCRETE BARRIERS</p>
<p>MAJOR CONSTRUCTION COMMENCES SECOND HALF OF 2020</p> <p>EXPECTED COMPLETION 2022</p>	<p>29,000 m³ OF EARTHWORKS</p> <p>12,000 m² OF PAVEMENT</p>
<p>Dedicated SHARED USE PATH from the western foreshore to Flinders Terrace</p>	<p>114 FULL-TIME JOBS per year over the lifetime of the project</p>

For all project enquiries:
 Call: 1800 928 345
 email: DPTI.communityrelations@sa.gov.au
 visit: dpti.sa.gov.au/joybaluchambridge

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Community Placement Project

In 2019/2020 Council entered into a new arrangements with the Department for Correctional Services for a Community Services project whereby criminal offenders undertaking community service would provide basic services to Council including litter collection, weeding, landscaping, general maintenance and graffiti removal throughout the Council.

Aboriginal Community Engagement Group

In the final year of the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) funded Aboriginal Community Engagement Group, Council collaborated with the NIAA to commission a report to identify a suitable model for a future Aboriginal Leadership Group within Port Augusta. This project also involved the delivery of some on ground projects including support for the MALKA Aboriginal Art Awards, Arid Sculpture Event and the development of a fire pit for community use.

ABORIGINAL LEADERSHIP PROJECT

JUNE 2020
 VERSION 1.3 UPDATED: 30.06.2020
 REPORT

PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS AGENCY FUNDING

Outcome 5.3 – We are in a surplus financial operating position.

Financial Management

Council's interim audit was conducted from 25 to 27 February 2019 by Council's Auditor, Galpins. The Interim Management Letter stated that overall Council demonstrated a high level of compliance with the implementation of an internal control framework consistent with the Better Practice Model principles.

During the interim visit, Galpins noted that 74 out of 79 of the key internal controls reviewed were in place and were operating effectively. The principles underpinning the model were used by the Council in the identification of its business cycles, the establishment of its internal controls and the implementation of its financial risk management processes. Galpins noted that the total number of effective controls improved from the prior year, and there has been a good level of progress made towards addressing the identified control gaps since the prior period.



Long Term Financial Plan

The purpose of the Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) is to express, in financial terms, the activities that the Council proposes to undertake over the medium to longer term to achieve its stated objectives. It is a guide for future action that requires Council to think about the longer-term impact of capital investment expenditure proposals. The aggregation of future intended outlays and anticipated revenues enables the accumulating overall financial implications to be identified and, if warranted, proposed future activities to be revised. The LTFP is critical for planning the renewal, replacement or upgrade of assets into the foreseeable future, in addition to managing service levels and maintaining rate rises to an acceptable level.

Council's LTFP was updated following the adoption of the 2018/2019 budget and completion of 2017/2018 Audited Financial Statements. The revised plan shows that with CPI at 2.3%, wage increases of 2% and general rate increases of 3.2%, at year ten (2028), Council would have a deficit of \$1.158M. To break even at Year 10, Council needs to reduce expenditure on average by \$140,000 per annum for the life of the Plan.

Council's Audit Committee is satisfied that Council is heading in the right direction with borrowings, operating expenditure and net financial liabilities ratio reducing over the past 5 years. This is an indication that Council's financial position is strengthening.

Shared Services

In 2019/2020 Shared Services Agreements with the Flinders Ranges Council, Port Pirie Regional Council and Whyalla City Council for services including Building Officers, Planning Officers, Fire Safety, General Inspectors and Work, Health and Safety Services.

Outcome 5.4 – We put the customer first and give each customer a great experience of Council’s services.

Customer Services

The My Local Services App can link to web pages on the local SA Council website to inform you of upcoming events and other services your local council may be promoting including events, what bin to put out on what night, grants for sporting clubs and youth service activities.

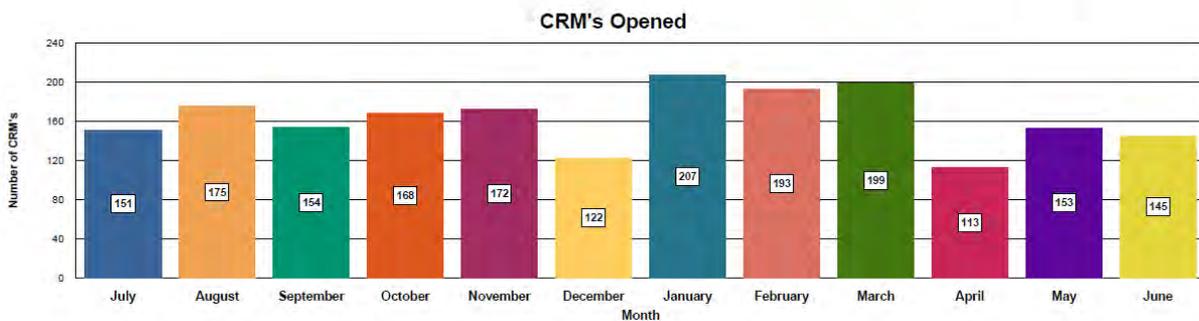
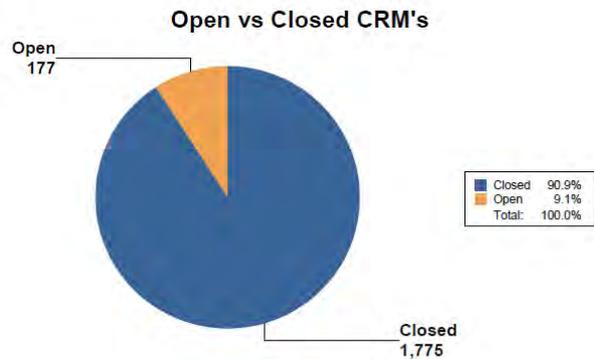


Council’s Customer Service Charter focusses on providing a friendly, approachable, supportive and responsive service when dealing with customers’ needs. Requests for service are actioned through the Customer Request for Maintenance/Service (CRM) program. Requests can be lodged by staff and members of the community using Council’s website, the ‘MyLocal’ App, or by contacting Customer Service staff during working hours. Requests for support in relation to animals can be lodged with a CRM or by completing an Animal Nuisance Form. The following graphs provide an overview of requests received during 2019/2020.



CRM Statistics For Period
1/07/2019 to 30/06/2020

Total CRM's Opened: 1,952
Total CRM's Closed: 1,775
Total Closure Rate: 91%



Miriam High Special Needs Centre

Council called for Expressions of Interest for the Centre in 2018 due to the reduction in numbers and the withdrawal of Government funding with the transition to NDIS. The first expression of interest process did not achieve the desired outcome, and a second expression of interest conducted in early 2019 had the same result. With low numbers of children attending, and only 3 of those children eligible for NDIS funding, the Centre was financially unviable and Council made the difficult decision to transition towards closure of the Centre. Prior to closure, Council worked with families, other service providers and Government departments to support children’s transition to other services. The Centre closed on 30 September 2019 and remaining staff were redeployed within Council.

The Centre has been advertised for sale through a local real estate agency.

Port Augusta Public Library

The One Card Network consortium of libraries across South Australia, continues to allow the community to utilise the resources of the State. The Library provides a Toy Library service, audio books, home visit service, local and family history service, and community information services. Also provided is free public access to six computers, scanning, printing facilities and wireless internet service. The Library staff assists with basic computer support for the community as part of the daily Library operation.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions the Library was closed from 24 March to 14 May 2020 during this time Library staff instigated a successful Drop and Wave service to ensure members had access to materials.

A diverse range of programs and activities (from June 2019 to 24 March 2020) were coordinated by the Library, with 96 events and activities attracting 1300 participants. Activities included the regular Storytime session, author visit Scott Whitaker, introduction of the Crocheting and Knitting Group and Science fun – come and try for pre-schoolers in August 2019.

Tech Savvy Seniors Sessions were conducted, funded by Telstra, Libraries SA and the State Government, the introductory level workshops included topics such as mobile phones, emails and internet security.

The Library continues to partner with the Community to support events outside the Library such as Pop Up Playgroups and visits to Preschools. The local Lions Group donated a collection of SPELD readers to assist with reading development.

The Libraries Board of South Australia visited on 18 October 2019 as part of their Far North tour, allowing for Board members to be informed on the facilities and services of the Library.



Photos: Libraries Board and Library staff and the Drop and Wave Service



Modified Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 9am-5pm only

Social distancing awareness
maintaining 1.5 metres at all times

Limit of 20 customers

Visits to the Library will need to be shorter than usual

Drop and Wave Delivery

Please contact the Library on 8641 9151 to arrange a delivery to your verandah

Return Chute

Return items in our after hours book chute or contact us on 8641 9151 to renew your items

Online Services

Contact the Library on 8641 9151 for assistance with accessing our online services
https://www.libraries.sa.gov.au/client/en_AU/digital/

All Other Enquires

Contact the Library on 8641 9151
Follow our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/portaugustalibrary/>

Port Augusta Childcare Centre

During 2019/2020 the Port Augusta Childcare Centre had approximately 80 children enrolled using a variety of casual, part time and full time care. Average full time equivalent attendances for the year were 30.7 children per day, slightly down from 32.15 in 2018/2019.

As a COVID-19 pandemic response, the Federal Government introduced a 'Free Childcare Initiative' from 5 April 2020. The Centre was not permitted to charge families for care and the Federal Government paid 50% of the Childcare Subsidy. Councils negotiated with the State Government to provide the other 50% of Childcare Subsidy to ensure viability of Local Government Centres. The Centre provided priority care to 'essential workers' between April and June 2020. COVID-19 measures introduced included temperature testing on arrival and additional cleaning and sanitisation was introduced at the Centre. The Centre also developed a COVID Safe Plan including a 'Confirmed Care Checklist' to guide practice.

The Kindy and Toddler yards had boundaries re-aligned with the impending sale of the adjacent Miriam High Special Needs Centre. This required a shed to be replaced and the Kindy yard outside boundary was adjusted to allow for a nature play area in the future.

In 2019 the Centre starting using Storypark, an electronic communication tool between the Centre and families about their child's day, funded by the Family Advisory Committee Fundraising Levy.

Educators were supported in obtaining qualifications including Certificate 3 and Diploma in Children's Services and Bachelor of Early Childhood Teaching. The Centre also hosts student placements throughout the year from various education institutions.



The Centre has hosted various performances and hosted a Pyjama Day and Christmas Party for all the families with Santa in attendance. The children were also involved in simultaneous story time which happens every year, This year was a book called *Whitney and Brittney Chicken Diva's*, and the educators extended on the learning experience with a variety of activities for the children.

Other cultural activities that were celebrated included Australia Day, Chinese New Year, Harmony Day, NAIDOC week, Holi day, Easter, International Mud Day, National Tree Day (plants bought from AALBG), National Sorry Day, Reconciliation Week, Queens birthday, ANZAC Day, Remembrance Day, Valentine's Day, Saint Patrick's Day, Mother's Day and Father's Day just to name a few.



Outcome 5.5 – We meet or exceed legislative and accreditation requirements for all relevant programs.

Legislative Compliance Audit

In 2018 Council introduced a Legislative Compliance Framework including a Register to identify all the legislative provisions that Council must comply with under the 34 Acts and Regulations administered by Council. In 2019/2020 Council engaged an independent auditor to undertake the legislative compliance audit. The Legislative Compliance Audit Report was provided to the Audit Committee in February 2020. Council has now developed a 12 month Action Plan to address the findings of the report, which will be prioritised in accordance with their risk rating.

Fire Protection Services

Council conducts property inspections including vacant residential and commercial blocks. Council has a role in ensuring that potential bushfire fuel loads are reduced on private land to reduce bushfire risk as legislated under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005*. Orders can be made for clean-up/slashing as required to ensure minimization of the threat of fires in and around our community. Annual fuel loading and curing inspections are conducted as required by the Country Fire Service, with the data being used to assess and schedule the start and end dates of the fire danger season.

Environmental Health

Under the provisions of the SA Public Health Act 2011, Council received 10 complaints that required inspections due to insanitary conditions. The septic tank desludging program operates over a four year cycle with approximately a quarter of properties completed each financial year, with 'year 1' properties serviced in 2019/2020. Five Development applications required assessment by the Environmental Health Officer, compared with 18 in 2018/2019. Onsite wastewater approvals totalled 22 during 2019/2020 compared to 25 in the previous year. Section 7 Searches for the period totalled 226, down slightly from 247 previously.

Air Quality

During the reporting period there were seven complaints of wood heater smoke compared to two complaints in the previous financial year. An education based approach informing residents of management and maintenance of their heaters was typically adopted. A single expiation notice was issued.

Food Act

In 2019/2020 there were 79 commercial food outlets in operation within the City. Food premises are inspected on a routine basis, with some receiving more inspections based on their risk factors as set out by South Australian Food Business Risk Classification Guidelines. A total of 96 inspections took place over the financial year. There were four food related complaints received during the reporting period which were investigated and satisfactorily resolved.

Liquid Waste Facility

Council's liquid waste facility was closed in May 2015 as a result of nearing its capacity. Testing of the facility is ongoing and maintenance at the pond is continuing in line with the conditions of the EPA licence.

Asbestos registers

Council maintains the asbestos registers for all Council buildings with the assistance of an external company.

Building Rules Assessment

Council undertakes the assessment of development applications for compliance with the National Construction Code (NCC) and any relevant codes that form part of the development assessment process. The NCC covers areas including structural adequacy, health and amenity, access and egress and fire safety.

Dog and Cat Management

Council continued to implement the Animal Management Plan 2017 – 2021 and commenced drafting the new 5 year plan for 2022 to 2026. The Plan outlines the services required for the health, welfare and safety of animals and our community.

Council continues to provide support to residents to access the online DACO registration system, with online registrations continuing to increase each year. Council provides a range of services including free cat trap hire and options for owners looking to surrender their animals. Council provided discounted desexing and microchipping days with in collaboration with local vets, with subsidised vaccinations available for low income earners.

Council’s Lost and Found Animals Facebook page continues to be a great tool for dog owners to access the latest dog and cat information and photos of impounded animals. Council works with local shelters to rehome abandoned dogs. Inspectors work closely with the RSPCA and follow up reports with Adelaide inspectors, the RSPCA also take councils stray cats and dogs that are suitable to be rehomed.

Council’s snake catching service was introduced in 2019 and was well utilised by residents. This service is provided as a fee for service.



When you own a dog it is your responsibility to clean up after it.

It's a fun activity walking your dog, however sometimes our Animal Control Officers notice or receive complaints about pet waste on our public footpaths

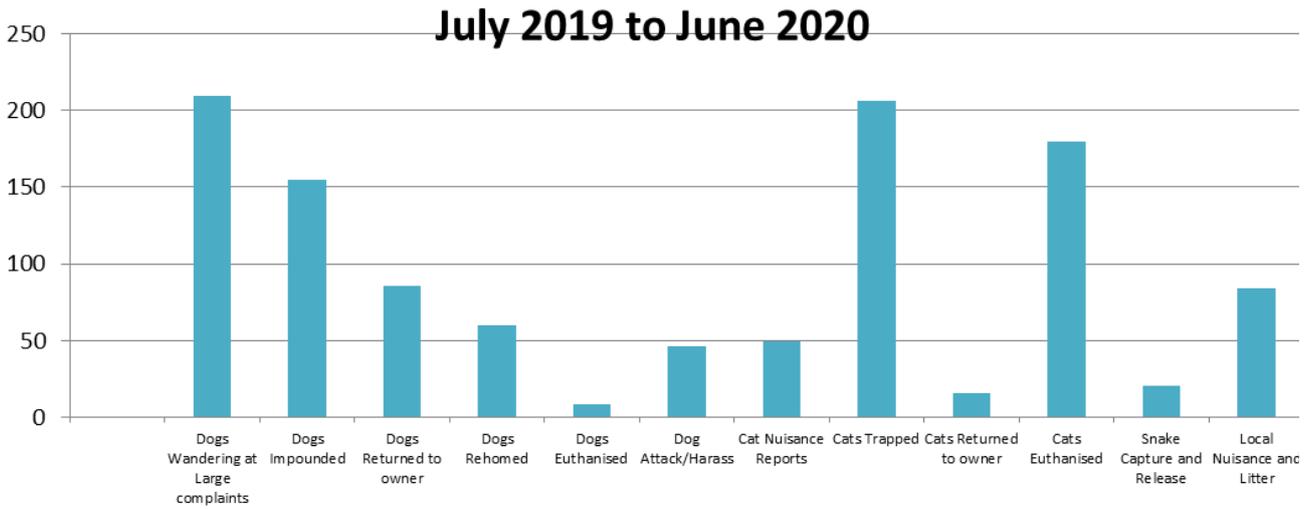
Early morning patrols have been implemented to reduce the amount of dog waste in public areas.

Did you know?
Failure to clean up after your dog can result in an on-the-spot fine of \$210.00.

- How you can be a responsible dog owner:**
- Always carry a bag which is suitable to collect your pet waste.
 - Entice your dog to 'go' at home before walking.
 - Dispose of your pet waste in red lidded bins.

Fun Fact!
Port Augusta City Council provides free dog litter bags at the Eastside Foreshore in dispensers- keep your eye

Our footpaths are for everyone to use, please clean up after your pet.



Community Safety Enforcement

Council enforced parking restrictions in the community to improve traffic flow, ensure the safe and fair use of roads within the community, and protect Council infrastructure. Areas of focus included school safety and access to the Central Business District. The Road Rules are consistent across South Australia and the expiation fees are set in accordance with Regulations. Litter and Nuisance reports in relation to illegal dumping, smoke nuisance and unsightly areas are investigated and expiations issued where appropriate.

Records Management

Council completed an upgrade of the Electronic Document Records Management System (EDRMS) in 2019, with training sessions provided to EDRMS users. The Sentencing (archiving) project continued, with records assessed for permanent or temporary value in accordance with various State Records SA General Disposal Schedules. The new State Records SA (SRSA) Local Government General Disposal Schedule 40 (GDS40) came into effect which must be used to classify and identify the retention of Local Government official records in line with SRSA requirements. This requires all Council hard copy and electronic files and records to be remapped and resented in accordance to the updated retention dates and disposal numbers.

Information Technology

Information and Communication Technology security was a focus in 2019/2020 with several cyber-attacks against local and state government entities, including at least three against Council which were successfully repelled. Council's cyber defences internally and externally continue to be strengthened and cyber-awareness continues to be rolled out within the organisation and to the community.

Key projects undertaken included major upgrades to the primary Financial Management system with the latest technology, improvements to the CWMS pipeline alert system with additional wireless technologies and deployment of mobile expiation devices. Information Technology played a key role in the deployment of systems to maintain all Council functions to the community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Work Health and Safety

Council is committed to ensuring our work practices ensure the health and safety of all persons who encounter Council by virtue of the provision of our services and products. To achieve this, Council commits to WHS considerations in all organisational plans, procedures, programs and services. Council undertakes a systematic approach in identifying and managing risk across the organisation, ensuring all staff have the knowledge to understand and carry out their responsibilities and continue to drive a positive WHS culture throughout all Council's operations.

During 2019/2020 Council continued with the implementation of the Safety Management System – Skytrust, which is now utilised for incident and hazard management, assessing both WHS and corporate risk, legislative compliance auditing, safety evaluations and Inspections. This system continues to be a valuable tool to enable Council to target longer-term risk mitigation and administration of suitable controls.

Throughout 2019/2020 there was a 13% increase of reported incidents from the previous year (from 124 to 140) which can be attributed to the focus on reporting all incidents and hazards and the flexibility of an online reporting system with Skytrust. Despite the increase in incident reports the numbers of injuries dropped by 19% which indicates an improved reporting culture, and that incidents investigations are resulting in measures being put into place prevent re-occurrence. A good example of this is the 38% reduction in sprains and strains. It is envisaged that reports will continue to increase and injuries decrease as the reporting culture improves over time.

Council underwent a WHS and Injury management evaluation in September 2019 and an action plan was developed out of the results for 2020 – 2021. This action plan focusses on key areas such as Training, Hazard Management, Safety Management Systems, Emergency Management and Injury Management. The plan is updated monthly and progress tracked via the Safety First Committee and the Management Group. Completion of the plan will assist council with compliance to WHS related legislation and assist in providing a safe workplace for all.

Outcome 5.6 – Council is a great place to work – we attract, develop and retain a skilled workforce to deliver our priorities.

Equity and Diversity

Council provides a workplace that is fair, equitable and inclusive. All recruitment and selection of staff is processed in accordance with the provisions of the *Equal Opportunity Act 1984*. Our commitment to fair treatment and equal employment opportunity is underpinned by the Fair Treatment Policy 3.1.12 and Equal Employment Opportunity Policy 3.1.01.

Volunteers

Council values and respect the role of volunteers. At 30 June 2020 Council had 70 registered volunteers contributing to various sites and services, including the Men’s Shed, Cultural Centre, Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden, Childcare, Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre, Library and Health Focus.

The Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden host 30 regular volunteers from all ages, backgrounds and abilities. The work of the volunteers is equivalent to at least 3 full time staff and includes gardening, minor construction projects, plant propagation and tours of the AALBG.

Local history volunteers assist the Library staff in promoting the local history collection and family history research services. The Justice of the Peace service continued to operate from the Library with a volunteer Justice of the Peace rostered to provide this free service. Port Augusta Cultural Centre – Yarta Purtli has volunteers that play a vital role in the ongoing operation of the gallery.

National Volunteer Week was held during from 18 to 24 May 2020. The theme was ‘Changing communities. Changing lives.’ The team of volunteers who assist Council with various events and business activities were recognised and thanked by the Mayor via social media, as the events usually held during National Volunteer Week were cancelled due to COVID-19.



Workforce Development

Significant effort has been undertaken to identify and deliver appropriate and mandated training to ensure that Council employees have the skills and knowledge to operate safely and deliver excellent service to the community. Utilisation of software to manage training records is a positive step towards increased efficiency, security of information and compliance with legislated training.

Employee Relations

The Australian Workers Union Enterprise Bargain Agreement 2017/2020 was confirmed in April 2018, and continued to operate throughout 2019/2020. The Municipal Salaried Officers Enterprise Bargaining Agreement 2019 was signed off by the South Australian Employment Tribunal on November 2018, and the Enterprise Bargaining Agreement continued to operate throughout 2019/2020.

Injury Management

During 2019/2020 there were six new Workers Compensation Claims. At 30 June 2020 no claims remained open with all claims closed. This is compared to four claims in the previous year. The value of Workers Compensation claims over a four year period has reduced. As a result the Loss Ratio has decreased from 2019/20 to 2020/21 by 16.88%, with the Rebate Entitlement increasing by 9.35%. Proactive reporting, adequate resourcing, active management, hazard identification and preventative training are all factors, contributing to the improved results in the area of injury management.

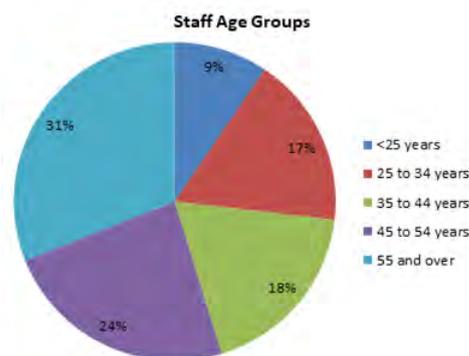
Staffing levels at 30 June 2020

Council employed 181 staff at 30 June 2019, compared to 190 in the previous year, and three positions were vacant. The following table provides an overview of the number employees in each Directorate.

Directorate	Full Time	Part Time	Casual	Males	Females
City Management	6	-	-	1	5
City Services	21	5	12	19	19
Corporate and Community Services	15	28	51	14	80
Infrastructure	41	2	-	36	7
TOTAL	83	35	63	70	111
Combined Total and M/F Percentages		190		39%	61%

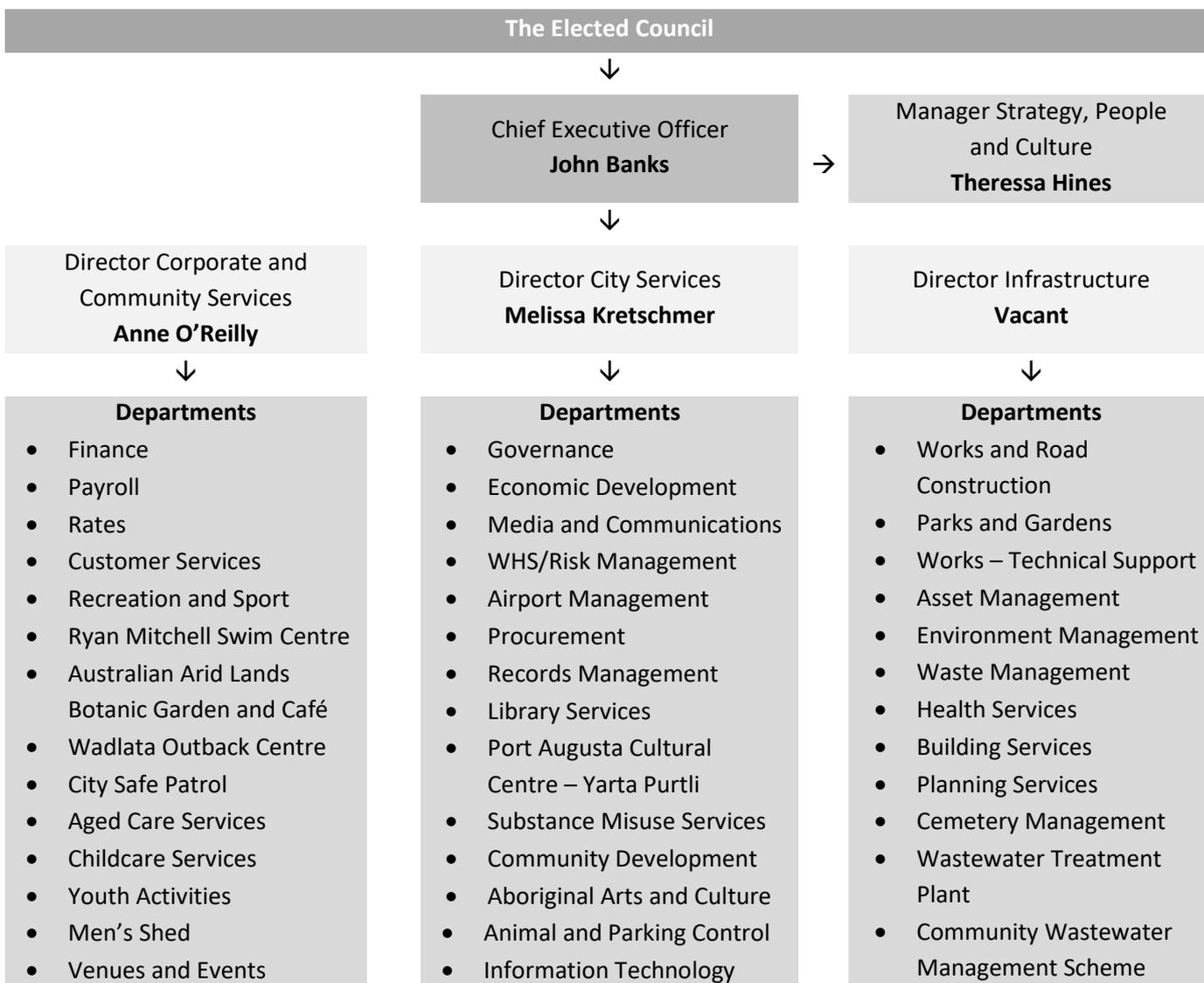
Trainees

Traineeships provide an opportunity for younger members of our community to enter the workforce combining study and on the job learning. As one of the larger employers within our community Council takes its role seriously in offering opportunities to the youth of Port Augusta. During 2019/2020 three trainee positions were included within Council’s Organisational Structure.



Organisational Structure

At 30 June 2020 Council had the following Organisational Structure:



Staff Remuneration and Benefits

Council maintains a 'Register of Remuneration, Salaries and Benefits' Pursuant to Section 105 of the *Local Government Act 1999*. The register can be inspected at the Council Office during and an extract from the register is available upon payment of a fee. At 30 June 2020, Council had a Management Group made up of the Chief Executive Officer, Director City Services, Director Corporate and Community Services and Director Infrastructure. The Senior Executive Officers received the following allowances and benefits:

Position	5 Year Rolling Employment Contract	Senior Officer Level 8 Salary	5 Year Fixed Term Contract	Exclusive use of Council vehicle	Mobile Phone, Laptop and iPad	Professional Memberships Subscriptions	Personal Vehicle Allowance, Reimbursement of km travelled for work purposes and Fuel Card
Chief Executive Officer John Banks	X				X	X	X
Director Corporate and Community Services Anne O'Reilly		X		X	X		
Director City Services Melissa Kretschmer		X	X	X	X		
Director Infrastructure Suzanne McKell (30/06/19 – 14/05/20)		X	X	X	X		

Employee Recognition

On a quarterly basis the Chief Executive Officer schedules a 'staff briefing' session with all staff, to provide an update on activities. The briefing sessions highlight the importance of Work, Health and Safety and specific activities that have occurred within the previous three month period. This process also celebrates the fantastic workers of Council, whose commitment and dedication allow the Council to be managed to the current high standards, giving all staff an appreciation of the achievements across the organisation.

Farewell to long term employees

Pauline Hedger – 33 Years

Pauline commenced with Council in 1986, working with the Wadlata Establishment Committee to help bring the Wadlata Outback Centre concept to life. Pauline later took on the role of Manager following the retirement of Brian Penglase and under Pauline's guidance over many years, Wadlata has become a premier tourist attraction in the region, achieving significant status and numerous tourism awards. Pauline is very passionate about tourism in our region and participated on local tourism boards and worked closely with tourism industry leaders and operators to promote Port Augusta as a destination.

Carol (Lynn) Hedger – 27 Years

Lynn commenced with Council in 1992 as a personal care attendant at Nerrilda Nursing Home. Lynn was a dedicated and caring member of the Nerrilda team, providing support to many residents and their families and saw many changes to the Aged Care system over that time. In 2005, Lynn took on the role of Therapy Aide in Health Focus. Lynn has brought much laughter and joy to the role with her tales of her previous life in England as well as her recent travels. She has successfully planned many client trips and fun activities which have brought much joy to the clients and lots of laughs along the way.

Leah (Kay) Fotiou – 25 Years

Kay was a respected long term staff member of the Substance Misuse Service. Kay was working with both the Mobile Assistance Patrol for Council and the Sobering Up Centre for the Department for Health before the services amalgamated in 1999. Kay cared for the most vulnerable in our community always turned up to work with a smile on her face and ready to take on whatever came her way. Kay always arrived extra early for her shifts, so that she was never late and had time to have a coffee and a chat with her co-workers.

Maxwell Rieck – 16 Years

During Max's time with Council he has been a huge asset to the Ryan Mitchell Swimming Pool. His knowledge and skills of the pool plant and general maintenance work has saved the Council time and money. Max was a great support to the Manager, and taught and encouraged other staff members. Max was well liked by staff and patrons and will be sadly missed.

Lindy Madigan – 14 Years

Lindy commenced employment with Council at the Ryan Mitchell Swimming Pool in 2006 and moved to the Port Augusta Cultural Centre – Yarta Purtli in 2009 as the Venue Co-ordinator for the newly opened cultural centre, drawing on her experience gained from many years volunteering at the Lea Memorial Theatre. Lindy's event management and organisation skills ensured the smooth operation of the venues within the Cultural Centre, and her professional approach, enthusiasm and commitment was valued by her colleagues.

Lawrence (Larry) Martin – 12 Years

Larry was a vital cog in the Parks and Gardens team for many years. His experience, knowledge and leadership was valued throughout the organisation. He was a driving force in the installation and ongoing running of the Waste Water Treatment Plant and always ensured no stone was left unturned no matter how big or small the project was.

Adam Grantham – 10 Years

Adam commenced his career at Council in 2009 as a Cadet Building Surveyor and worked alongside a long serving member in the Building Dept. Adams knowledge grew through training and on the job experience to become a valuable person in the Development Team and his skills varied from Development Applications to Building Fire Safety and relevant construction.

Staff Service Awards

The Chief Executive Officer annually acknowledges and congratulates staff who achieved a milestone in their employment.

30 Year Service Awards

- Anne O'Reilly
- Quanita Hockey

20 Year Service Awards

- Stefan Strangways
- Cy Wewzow
- David Stewart
- Mark Cooper

10 Year Service Awards

- Adam Grantham
- Roger Carpenter
- Irene Smith



SECTION FOUR:

Compliance Report



4.1 Services for the Community

Council is required by legislation to provide a range of services. In addition to the mandatory services, other services and activities are provided by Council in response to local needs, interests and aspirations of the community, with Council providing a total of 50 services.

1	Aboriginal Community Development	26	Human Resource
2	Aerodrome	27	Immunisation
3	Asset Management	28	Information Technology
4	Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden	29	Infrastructure Technical Services
5	Building Services	30	Library & Community Information
6	Cemeteries	31	Media & Communications
7	Central Oval Community Hub	32	Men's Shed
8	Childcare Centre	33	Miriam High Special Needs Centre (closed 30/09/2019)
9	City Management	34	Parks, Gardens, Ovals
10	City Safe Patrol	35	Port Augusta Cultural Centre – Yarta Purtli
11	Community Planning	36	Procurement
12	Community & Recreational Development	37	Rates Administration
13	Corporate Services	38	Roads, Bridges and Jetties
14	Customer Services	39	Records Management
15	Disability Services	40	Retirement Accommodation (Poinsettia Village)
16	Economic Development	41	Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre
17	Environmental Health	42	STARCLUB
18	Far North HACC Collaborative Project	43	Street Lighting
19	Financial & Treasury Management	44	Substance Misuse Services
20	Footpaths	45	Venue and Event Management (Theatres)
21	Foreshore Development/Levee Banks	46	Wadlata Outback Centre
22	General Inspectorate	47	Waste Management
23	Governance/Compliance/Risk Management	48	Waste Water Treatment Plant
24	Health Focus	49	Work, Health and Safety
25	Horse Stables	50	Youth Services

4.2 Public Participation

Council provides a range of opportunities for community members to voice their opinion and provide feedback including attendance at Council Meetings (including the Community Forum and Question Time), contacting Elected Members directly, lodging customer requests or providing petitions or deputations directly to the Elected Council.

Council also conducts a variety of processes to engage with the community including surveys, establishing working groups with community members, and conducting formal Community Consultation in accordance with Council's Public Consultation and Engagement Policy 1.1.08. These mechanisms allow Council to source community views about local issues, plans, events and activities to inform Council's decisions and ensure that services are tailored to best meet local requirements.

4.3 Internal Review of Council Actions

Council recognises the importance of transparency in decision making and the need to provide a fair procedure for the review of Council decisions, including matters relating to the impact of rates and service charges on ratepayers. In 2019/2020 there were no requests received for an Internal Review under Section 270 of the Local Government Act 1999, compared to two in 2018/2019.

4.4 Community Consultation

Council consults and engages with its community on numerous issues throughout the year. During consultation processes, community members have an opportunity to comment and/or be heard by Council on issues that interest them. Submissions received as part of consultation processes are assessed and considered by Council as part of the decision making process. Consultation Activities undertaken during 2019/2020 are listed below.

Month	Consultation Relating to
November 2019	Jetty Timbers Repurposing Survey
January 2020	Leases and Licences Review
February 2020	Strategic Directions and Four Year Action Plan 2019-2024
May 2020	Events Survey
May 2020	2020/2021 Budget and Annual Business Plan

Council also advised the community of general information and public notices, through social media posts and adverts in 'The Transcontinental'.

4.5 Freedom of Information Requests

Requests for information not publicly available will be considered in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*. Under this act, applicants seeking access to documents held by Council, need to provide sufficient information to enable the correct documents to be identified and must complete the application form and lodge it at the Council Office. All enquiries on Freedom of Information processes should be directed to Council's Freedom of Information Officers. In 2019/2020 Council received and resolved five Freedom of Information requests. One was granted in full, two partially granted and the remaining two returned no relevant documents.

4.6 Public Access to Council Documents

A significant amount of information and documentation held by Council is available for public viewing and is readily available without recourse to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* and we invite you to discuss your information needs with us. Council's Annual Report is available free of charge upon request at the Council Office and can be found on Council's website. The public also has access to the following documents, which are available free of charge on Council's website (unless indicated otherwise). Alternatively, copies may be obtained at a charge as outlined within Council's Fees and Charges Register.

4.6.1 Registers

- Register of Interests (Elected Members)
- Register of Allowances, Gifts and Benefits (Elected Members)
- Register of Remuneration, Salaries and Benefits – council office only
- Register of Interests (Staff) – not for public inspection *s116,117,118,119 Local Government Act 1999*
- Register of Community Land
- Register of Public Roads
- Register of Conflict of Interest
- Register of Fees and Charges
- Register of Sub-Delegations
- Register of Employees Gifts

4.6.2 Codes

- Elected Member Code of Conduct
- Code of Practice for Access to Meetings/Documents
- Council Staff Code of Conduct
- Code of Practice - Meeting Procedures

4.6.3 By-Laws

A review of Council by-laws was undertaken in 2019. Following community consultation and adoption from Council, the new By-Laws came into effect on 1 January 2020.

- By-Law No 1 – Permits and Penalties
- By-Law No 2 – Moveable Signs
- By-Law No 3 – Local Government Land
- By-Law No 4 – Roads
- By-Law No 5 – Dogs
- By-Law No 6 – Waste Management
- By-Law No 7 – Cats
- By-Law No 8 – Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden

4.6.4 Policies

Refer to Council's website for a complete list of Council Policy documents.

4.7 Community Land Management Plans

Community land management plans identify the purpose and objectives of land held for community use and operate in accordance with Section 196 of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

An annual review of the Community Land Management Plans and Register was completed for the purpose of updating renewed dates of leases/licences/permits over community land and updating of site plans and maps. Two amendments were made to ensure the correct area calculation for land parcels was shown in the register. Council did not undertake any revocation processes in relation to any community land during 2019/2020.

4.8 Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act

In accordance with the *Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2016*, below is activities undertaken under for the reporting period. There were no prosecutions, abatement notices, civil penalties or court orders pursued by the Council in relation to these complaints. Council was successful in identifying those responsible for illegal dumping in several instances and placed surveillance cameras at known hotspots to deter that activity.

	Dust	Noise	Odour	Animals	Litter	Insanitary Conditions
Complaints	2	2	1	0	65	14
Expiations					18	

4.9 Confidentiality Provisions

The table below lists the reasons that a matter may be considered by Council under the confidentiality provisions and the number of occasions during 2019/2020 that each of the provisions was used:

Section of the Local Government Act	Number of times used
Section 90(3)(a) – Personal affairs	1
Section 90(3)(b) – Commercial advantage	1
Section 90(3)(c) – Trade Secret	0
Section 90(3)(d) – Commercial information not a trade secret	2
Section 90(3)(e) – Security / Safety	0
Section 90(3)(f) – Maintenance of law	0
Section 90(3)(g) – Ensure Council does not breach a law	0
Section 90(3)(h) – Legal advice	0
Section 90(3)(i) – Information relating to litigation	0
Section 90(3)(j) – Confidential information of a Minister of the Crown	2
Section 90(3)(k) – Tenders for the supply of goods	1
Section 90(3)(m) – Development Plan Amendment	0
Section 90(3)(n) – Freedom of Information Act 1991	0

The matters considered by Council in Confidence are listed below, including the topics, provisions, when the order was made, period of confidentiality and date documents have been released (if applicable). In 2019/2020 Council considered a total of 190 items, with seven of those considered in confidence, representing less than 1% of items. Of the seven items placed under confidential provisions, three items were released during 2019/2020, and four items remained in confidence at 30 June 2020.

No.	Topic & Confidential Provisions Used	Order Made	Period	Documents released
1	Report AR19/33964 – Substance Misuse Services Tender (b) Commercial advantage	13/08/2019 AR19/34121	Until a Parks, Gardens & Footpath Maintenance Contract has been executed or another option has been approved by Council	12/05/2020
2	Report AR19/32841 – Miriam High Special Needs Centre – Future of Building (d) Commercial information not a trade secret	13/08/2019 AR19/34121	Until a divestment process is finalised	Resolution released 08/10/2019
3	Report AR19/40931 – Central Oval Turf Upgrade Funding Commitment (k) Tenders for the supply of goods	24/09/2019 AR19/41033	Until the Central Oval Turf Upgrade Contract has been executed or the tender process is otherwise concluded	15/01/2020
4	Report AR19/44926 – 2020 Green Power Festival Sponsorship (The report is not confidential. The provisions relate to the Business Plan Submission and discussions that took place at the confidential meeting) (d) Commercial information not a trade secret	22/10/2019 AR19/45231	For a period of 12 months (applicable only to the Business Plan and discussions)	No
5	Report AR19/53714 – Chief Executive Officer 2019 Performance Evaluation & Development (a) Personal affairs	10/12/2019 AR19/54115	For one month	23/01/2020
6	Report AR20/1643 – Information Report – Auditor General Cyber Security Audit (j) – Confidential information of a Minister of the Crown	11/02/2020 AR20/1643	For 12 months or until such time as advice is received from Auditor General that the information can be released	No
7	Report AR20/20999 – Information Report – Auditor General Cyber Security Audit Update (j) – Confidential information of a Minister of the Crown	26/05/2020 AR20/22409	For 12 months or until such time as advice is received from the Auditor General that the information can be released	No

Pursuant to Section 91(9) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, a review was undertaken of all confidential orders which have or will operate for a period exceeding 12 months (this includes items from previous financial years). On 9 June 2020, Council resolved to approve the four remaining confidential items from 2019/2020 to remain under confidential provisions. The following table outlines the items under confidential orders from previous years, that were released during 2019/2020 or remained under confidential provisions following the 2020 review:

No.	Topic	Order Made	Date Expired and Released	Date Order was remade
1	AR13/23272 and AR14/12790 Negotiations with State Government around transfer of Cinema Augusta and other surplus TAFE SA buildings - Items 6 and 12	2013/2014	31/07/2019	-
2	AR14/16589 Information provided by a public authority in relation to areas of significant importance pertaining to Aboriginal Heritage - Item 14	2013/2014	31/07/2019	-
3	AR15/10373 Sale of Land for non-payment of Rates - Item 9	2014/2015	31/07/2019	-
4	AR15/32190 Central Oval Redevelopment Defects Period - Item 1	2015/2016		09/06/2020
5	AR17/4595 and AR17/4808 Future Operation and Management of Council Facilities – Items 8 and 9	2016/2017	30/06/2020	-
6	AR17/30306 and AR17/46162 Future Operation and Management of Council Facilities – Items 2 and 4	2017/2018	30/06/2020	-
7	AR18/6258 Sale of Land for non-payment of Rates - Item 6	2017/2018	30/06/2020	-
8	AR17/32714, AR17/50517 and AR18/7474 CEO mid-year and 2017 Performance Evaluation – Items 3, 5 and 7	2017/2018	-	09/06/2020
9	Presentation by SAPOL – Community Concerns – Item 8	2017/2018	31/07/2019	-
10	Report by CEO on Bird Lake Legal Advice – Item 9	2017/2018	31/07/2019	-
11	AR18/26070 and AR19/2042 – Parks, Gardens & Footpath Maintenance Contract – Item 1 and 10	2018/2019	15/01/2020	-
12	AR18/35255 – Miriam High Special Needs Centre Divestment Process – Item 2	2018/2019	-	09/06/2020
13	AR18/32046 – Chief Executive Officer 2018 Performance Evaluation & Development	2018/2019	-	09/06/2020
14	AR18/35255, AR18/51370 and AR19/16978 – Miriam High Special Needs Centre Divestment Process – Item 3, 11 and 17	2018/2019	-	09/06/2020
15	AR18/49688 – Bird Lake Rehabilitation Draft Funding Agreement – Item 9	2018/2019	31/07/2019	-
16	AR19/2504 – Mobile Assistance Patrol Services & Assertive Outreach Program – Request for Tender Proposal – Item 12	2018/2019	31/07/2019	-
17	Verbal Presentation by SAPOL – Item 13	2018/2019	31/07/2019	-
18	Verbal Presentation by DPTI – Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication – Item 14	2018/2019	31/07/2019	-
19	AR19/13272 – Information Report – Pichi Richi Railway Preservation Society – Item 15	2018/2019	25/09/2019	-
20	AR19/13784 – Sale of Land for Non-Payment of Rates – Item 16	2018/2019	30/06/2020	-
21	AR19/2042 – Parks, Gardens & Footpath Maintenance Contract Review (inclusive of Central Oval Turf)	2018/2019	15/01/2020	
22	AR19/33964 – Substance Misuse Services Tender	2019/2020	12/05/2020	
23	AR19/32841 – Miriam High Special Needs Centre – Future of Building (resolution released 08/10/2019, report remains in confidence)	2019/2020		09/06/2020
24	AR19/40931 – Central Oval Turf Upgrade Funding Commitment	2019/2020	15/01/2020	
25	Report AR19/44926 – 2020 Green Power Festival Sponsorship (report not confidential – Business Plan and discussion only)	2019/2020		09/06/2020
26	Report AR19/53714 – Chief Executive Officer 2019 Performance Evaluation & Development	2019/2020	23/01/2020	
27	AR20/1643 – Information Report – Auditor General Cyber Security Audit	2019/2020		09/06/2020
28	AR20/20999 – Information Report – Auditor General Cyber Security Audit Update	2019/2020		09/06/2020

4.9.1 Contracts with Confidentiality Clauses

Pursuant to Clause 13(2) of Schedule 1 of the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*, Council may include a clause within a contract document outlining a schedule of confidentiality provisions within the contract. Council must report to the Minister administering the Act, the number of contracts containing confidentiality clauses. Council did not include these provisions within any contract documents during 2019/2020.

4.10 Competitive Tendering Statement

Council has a Purchasing, Contracts and Tendering Policy 1.1.09 which outlines the process to be undertaken when seeking the supply of services and goods from external parties. Council utilised a competitive tendering approach as detailed in the following table.

Tender Details	Public or Selective	Value
Security and Monitoring of Council Buildings	Public	\$95,597
Kerbing Assets Replacement and Repair Works 2019/2020	Public	\$143,020
Septic Tanks Pump-out and Associated Sludge/Bio-Solids	Public	\$102,555
Bitumen Surfacing and Pavement Construction 2019/2020	Public	\$419,568
Parks, Gardens and Footpath Maintenance	Public	\$579,269
Footpath Paving Installation 2019/2020	Public	\$64,800
Supply of Pavers 2019/2020	Public	\$53,080
Audit Services 2020-2025	Public	\$99,139
Turf Replacement – Central Oval	Public	\$1,057,303
Council Light Fleet Vehicle Replacement 2019/2020	Selective	\$121,999

4.11 National Competition Principles

Competitive neutrality is one of the key principles of the National Competition Policy. The principle is based on the concept of a level playing field for people competing for business and relates to any situation where there is, or there is the potential for, competition between the private and public sectors. Councils are required to identify their business activities and disclose those in Category One (annual gross operating income greater than \$2 million) and Category 2 (annual gross operating income less than \$2 million.) In 2019/2020 Council continued to maintain the following significant business activities:

1 Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden	6 Port Augusta Mens Shed
2 Central Oval Community Hub	7 Ryan Mitchell Swim Centre
3 Miriam High Special Needs Centre (closed 30/09/2019)	8 Substance Misuse Services
4 Port Augusta Childcare Centre	9 Wadlata Outback Centre
5 Port Augusta Cultural Centre – Yarta Purtli	

4.12 Auditor Independence

The Local Government Act and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 set out the requirements of Auditors to provide independent audit opinions of the accounts and annual financial reports, and internal financial controls of the Council. The audit must meet statutory requirements and Australian audit standards. Galpins Accountants, Auditors and Business Consultants have been appointed for a period from 2015/2016 up to and including 2019/2020, at a contract price of \$110,000. During the 2019/2020 financial year, Galpins Accountants, Auditors and Business Consultants were paid \$11,275 for undertaking the 2018/19 final audit in September 2019 and \$11,550 for the interim audit in February 2020. A copy of Council's audited financial statement for 2019/2020 is provided on the following pages, and is also available on Council's website.



Port Augusta

CITY COUNCIL

PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL
**ANNUAL FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS**
FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

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CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have been authorised by the Council to certify the financial statements in their final form. In our opinion:

- The accompanying financial statements comply with *the Local Government Act 1999, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011* and Australian Accounting Standards.
- The financial statements present a true and fair view of the Council's financial position at 30 June 2020 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the financial year.
- Internal controls implemented by the Council provide reasonable assurance that the Council's financial records are complete, accurate and reliable and were effective throughout the financial year.
- The financial statements accurately reflect the Council's accounting and other records.



J BANKS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date: 20/10/2020



B BENBOW
MAYOR

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
INCOME			
Rates	3	19,865,613	19,119,362
Statutory charges	3	329,470	262,492
User charges	3	2,616,268	2,879,612
Grants, Subsidies & Contributions	3	6,844,084	6,697,532
Investment Income	3	18,695	27,043
Reimbursements	3	485,352	696,628
Other Income	3	1,281,234	1,324,464
TOTAL INCOME		31,440,716	31,007,133
EXPENSES			
Employee Costs	4	11,533,397	12,051,785
Materials, Contracts & Other Expenses	4	13,079,450	12,655,981
Finance Costs	4	397,736	663,452
Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment	4	6,682,078	6,806,799
TOTAL EXPENSES		31,692,661	32,178,017
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		(251,945)	(1,170,884)
Asset disposal and fair value adjustments	5	(248,797)	(755,193)
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	3	544,522	486,500
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) transferred to Equity Statement		43,780	(1,439,577)
Other Comprehensive Income			
Changes in revaluation surplus - infrastructure, property, plant & equipment		-	(279,468)
TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		-	(279,468)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		43,780	(1,719,045)

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.

Financial Assistance Grant Payment Reallocation	18/19		1,525,808
Financial Assistance Grant Payment Reallocation	19/20	1,557,484	(1,557,484)
Financial Assistance Grant Payment Reallocation	20/21	(1,575,847)	
Supplementary Road Funding Reallocation	19/20	141,579	(141,579)
Supplementary Road Funding Reallocation	20/21		(141,579)
Gain on the sale of held for sale assets			
Adjusted Operating Surplus/(Deficit)		(128,729)	(1,485,718)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	Notes	2020	2019
		\$	\$
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	273,465	598,590
Trade & other receivables	6	3,088,125	1,167,986
Inventories	6	<u>183,818</u>	<u>174,362</u>
		3,545,408	1,940,938
Non Current Assets held for Sale	17	<u>393,168</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>3,938,576</u>	<u>1,940,938</u>
Non-current Assets			
Financial Assets	7	7,008	22,446
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	8	181,293,981	184,511,427
Other Non-current Assets	7	<u>4,125</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Non-current Assets		<u>181,305,114</u>	<u>184,533,873</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>185,243,690</u>	<u>186,474,811</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade & Other Payables	9	3,891,484	2,939,366
Borrowings	9	1,409,242	6,890,665
Provisions	9	<u>2,067,721</u>	<u>2,076,517</u>
Total Current Liabilities		<u>7,368,447</u>	<u>11,906,548</u>
Non-current Liabilities			
Borrowings	9	8,460,036	5,237,782
Provisions	9	<u>127,631</u>	<u>86,685</u>
Total Non-current Liabilities		<u>8,587,667</u>	<u>5,324,467</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>15,956,114</u>	<u>17,231,015</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>169,287,576</u>	<u>169,243,796</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus(Deficit)		(6,733,395)	(6,777,175)
Asset Revaluation Reserve	10	<u>176,020,971</u>	<u>176,020,971</u>
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>169,287,576</u>	<u>169,243,796</u>

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

		ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE	TOTAL EQUITY
2020	Notes			
Balance at end of previous reporting period		(6,777,175)	176,020,971	169,243,796
Net Surplus/ (Deficit) for year		43,780		43,780
Other Comprehensive Income				
Gain/ (Loss) on revaluation of property, plant & equipment				-
Balance at end of period		<u>(6,733,395)</u>	<u>176,020,971</u>	<u>169,287,576</u>
2019	Notes			
Balance at end of previous reporting period		(5,337,598)	181,966,089	176,628,491
Correction of prior period error	1.2		(5,665,650)	(5,665,650)
Restated Balance		<u>(5,337,598)</u>	176,300,439	170,962,841
Net Surplus/ (Deficit) for year		(1,439,577)		(1,439,577)
Other Comprehensive Income				
Gain/ (Loss) on revaluation of property, plant & equipment			(279,468)	(279,468)
Balance at end of period		<u>(6,777,175)</u>	<u>176,020,971</u>	<u>169,243,796</u>

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
<u>Receipts</u>		
Operating Receipts	30,653,792	32,313,556
Investment Receipts	18,695	27,043
<u>Payments</u>		
Operating Payments to suppliers & employees	(24,662,927)	(24,774,282)
Finance Payments	(517,521)	(728,087)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Operating Activities	<u>5,492,039</u>	<u>6,838,230</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
<u>Receipts</u>		
Amounts specifically for new or upgraded assets	544,522	486,500
Sale of replaced assets	106,727	94,819
Sale of surplus assets	44,491	21,002
Repayments of loans by community groups	20,403	19,732
<u>Payments</u>		
Expenditure on renewal/replacement of assets	(2,106,349)	(752,510)
Expenditure on new/upgraded assets	(2,167,789)	(1,039,826)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Investing Activities	<u>(3,557,995)</u>	<u>(1,170,283)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
<u>Receipts</u>		
Proceeds from Borrowings	5,000,000	-
<u>Payments</u>		
Repayments of Borrowings	(7,259,169)	(5,416,660)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Financing Activities	<u>(2,259,169)</u>	<u>(5,416,660)</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held	<u>(325,125)</u>	<u>251,287</u>
Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of period	<u>598,590</u>	<u>347,303</u>
CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	<u>273,465</u>	<u>598,590</u>

This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes

NOTE 1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

1.1 Basis of Preparation

1.1.1 Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards

This general purpose financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis using the historical cost convention in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards as they apply to not-for-profit entities, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Interpretations and relevant South Australian legislation.

1.1.2 Authorisation for Issue

The financial report was authorised for issue by certificate under regulation 14 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 dated 20/10/2020.

1.1.3 Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates, and requires management to exercise its judgement in applying Council's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are specifically referred to in the relevant sections of these Notes.

1.1.4 Rounding

All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar (\$0).

1.2 Correction of Prior Period Error

During the year it was identified that the Port Augusta Wharf has never been under the care and control of the Port Augusta City Council, but had been included in revaluations of property, plant and equipment for many years.

Accordingly, the balances of Property, Plant and Equipment and Asset Revaluation Reserve have been retrospectively restated to the earliest prior period presented.

The effect of the restatement is as follows:

	Balance reported as at 30 June 2018	Restatement	Restated Balance as at 30 June 2018
Buildings and Other Structures	62,603,403	(5,665,650)	56,937,753
Total Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment	195,798,875	(5,665,650)	190,133,225
Total Assets	198,908,275	(5,665,650)	193,242,625
Net Assets	176,628,491	(5,665,650)	170,962,841
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)	(5,337,598)	-	(5,337,598)
Asset Revaluation Reserve - Buildings and Other Structures	47,019,777	(5,665,650)	41,354,127
Total Asset Revaluation Reserve	181,966,089	(5,665,650)	176,300,439
Total Equity	176,628,491	(5,665,650)	170,962,841

	Balance reported as at 30 June 2019	Restatement	Restated Balance as at 30 June 2019
Buildings and Other Structures	60,181,904	(5,564,703)	54,617,201
Total Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment	190,076,130	(5,564,703)	184,511,427
Total Assets	192,039,514	(5,564,703)	186,474,811
Net Assets	174,808,499	(5,564,703)	169,243,796
Depreciation Expense - Infrastructure	3,208,141	(100,947)	3,107,194
Total Depreciation Expense	6,907,746	(100,947)	6,806,799
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)	(6,878,122)	100,947	(6,777,175)
Asset Revaluation Reserve - Buildings and Other Structures	46,795,727	(5,665,650)	41,130,077
Asset Revaluation Reserve	181,686,621	(5,665,650)	176,020,971
Total Equity	176,628,491	(5,665,650)	170,962,841

1.3 Change In Accounting Policy

An upgrade of Councils rating software has allowed for the separate recognition of Council's liability for rates received in advance for the current year. The resulting change is shown in note 6 and note 9. As it is not practical to recalculate and restate the prior year the comparative in note 6 remains a net amount of rates receivable and rates received in advance.

2.0 The Local Government Reporting Entity

The Port Augusta City Council is incorporated under the SA Local Government Act 1999 and has its principal place of business at 4 Mackay Street, Port Augusta, South Australia. These financial statements include the consolidated fund and all entities through which Council controls resources to carry on its functions. In the process of reporting on the Council as a single unit, all transactions and balances between activity areas and controlled entities have been eliminated.

Trust monies and property held by Council but subject to the control of other persons have been excluded from these reports. A separate statement of moneys held in the Trust Fund is available for inspection at the Council Office by any person free of charge.

3.0 Income recognition

The Council recognises revenue under AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 1058) or AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB 15) when appropriate. In cases where there is an 'enforceable' contract with a customer with 'sufficiently specific' performance obligations, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15 where income is recognised when (or as) the performance obligations are satisfied (i.e. when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer).

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Council expects to be entitled in a contract with a customer. In other cases, AASB 1058 applies when a not-for-profit (NFP) entity enters into transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than the fair value of the asset principally to enable the entity to further its objectives. The excess of the asset recognised (at fair value) over any 'related amounts' is recognised as income immediately, except in the case where a financial asset has been received to enable the council to acquire or construct a recognisable non-financial asset that is to be controlled by the council. In this case, the council recognises the excess as a liability that is recognised over time in profit and loss when (or as) the entity satisfies its obligations under the transfer.

In the month of June in recent years the Federal Government has paid amounts of untied financial assistance grants, which are recognised on receipt, in advance of the year of allocation:

June 2015	2 quarters of the 2015/16 allocation	\$1,505,972
June 2016	No advance paid	
June 2017	2 quarters of the 2017/18 allocation	\$1,510,089
June 2018	2 quarters of the 2018/19 allocation	\$1,525,808
June 2019	2 quarters of the 2019/20 allocation	\$1,557,484
June 2020	2 quarters of the 2020/21 allocation	\$1,575,847

In June 2019, the Commonwealth Government also paid an advance of the Supplementary Road Funding for 2019/20 and 2020/21 of \$141,579 for each year.

Because these grants are untied, the Australian Accounting Standards require that payments be recognised upon receipt. Accordingly, the operating results of these periods have been distorted compared to those that would have been reported had the grants been paid in the year to which they were allocated.

The Adjusted Operating Surplus Ratio disclosed in Note 13 has also been calculated after adjusting for the distortions resulting from the differences between the actual grants received and the grants entitlements allocated.

4.0 Cash Equivalents and other Financial Instruments

Cash Assets include all amounts readily convertible to cash on hand at Council’s option with an insignificant risk of changes in value with a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Receivables for rates and annual charges are secured over the subject land, and bear interest at rates determined in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999. Other receivables are generally unsecured and do not bear interest.

All receivables are reviewed as at the reporting date and adequate allowance made for amounts the receipt of which is considered doubtful.

All financial instruments are recognised at fair value at the date of recognition.

A detailed statement of the accounting policies applied to the Financial Instruments forms part of Note 12.

5.0 Inventories

Inventories held in respect of stores have been valued by using the weighted average cost on a continual basis, after adjustment for loss of service potential. Inventories held in respect of business undertakings have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

6.0 Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment

6.1 Initial Recognition

All assets are initially recognised at cost. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition. All non-current assets purchased or constructed are capitalised as the expenditure is incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held “ready for use”. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including architects’ fees and engineering design fees and all other costs incurred. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

6.2 Materiality

Assets with an economic life in excess of one year are only capitalised where the cost of acquisition exceeds materiality thresholds established by Council for each type of asset. In determining (and in annually reviewing) such thresholds, regard is had to the nature of the asset and its estimated service life. Examples of capitalisation thresholds applied during the year are as follows. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Buildings, Structures and Site Improvements	\$5,000
Road Construction/Reconstruction	\$5,000
CWMS, Waste Water and Stormwater	\$3,000
Paving, Footpaths, Kerb and Gutter	\$2,000
Plant, Contents and Vehicles	\$1,000



Assets which are not completed as at 30th June in any year will be shown in the Statement of Financial Position as 'Other Non Current Assets'. These assets will not attract depreciation until completion.

6.3 Subsequent Recognition

All material asset classes are revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. For infrastructure and other asset classes where no active market exists, fair value is determined to be the current replacement cost of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset. Further detail of existing valuations, methods and values are provided in Note 8.

6.4 Depreciation of Non-Current Assets

Other than land, all infrastructure and property, plant and equipment assets recognised are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis. Major depreciation periods for each class of asset are shown below. Depreciation periods for infrastructure assets have been estimated based on the best information available to Council, but appropriate records covering the entire life cycle of these assets are not available, and extreme care should be used in interpreting financial information based on these estimates.

Plant, Contents and Vehicles

Furniture and Contents	3 to 15 years
Plant and Equipment	5 to 15 years
Vehicles	5 to 15 years

Buildings, Structures and Site Improvements

Buildings – Structure	50 to 120 years
Buildings – Components	15 to 40 years
Park Furniture	5 to 20 years
Playground Equipment	20 to 30 years
Carparks, Pathways and Fencing	30 to 50 years
Monuments and Memorials	50 to 100 years
Shade Sails and Shelters	15 to 30 years
Swimming Pools	40 to 50 years
Marine Structures	60 to 150 years

CWMS, Waste Water and Stormwater

Stormwater Drains	80 to 100 years
Culverts	50 to 80 years
Flood Control Structures	80 to 100 years
Bores	20 to 40 years
Reticulation Pipes – PVC70	60 to 80 years
Reticulation Pipes – other25	50 to 75 years
Pumps & Telemetry	15 to 25 years
Reclaimed Water Plant & Irrigation System	20 to 50 years
CWMS	50 to 80 years

Road Infrastructure

Sealed Roads – Surface Upper	15 to 35 years
Sealed Roads – Surface Lower	45 to 75 years
Sealed Roads – Pavement Upper	50 to 80 years

Sealed Roads – Pavement Sub Base	150 to 300 years
Unsealed Roads	10 to 15 years
Bridges – Concrete	80 to 100 years
Kerb and Gutter	60 to 80 years
Paving and Footpaths	15 to 45 years

6.5 Impairment

Assets whose future economic benefits are not dependent on the ability to generate cash flows, and where the future economic benefits would be replaced if Council were deprived thereof, are not subject to impairment testing. Other assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount (which is the higher of the present value of future cash inflows or value in use). Where an asset that has been revalued is subsequently impaired, the impairment is first offset against such amount as stands to the credit of that class of assets in Asset Revaluation Reserve, any excess being recognised as an expense.

7.0 Payables

7.1 Goods & Services

Creditors are amounts due to external parties for the supply of goods and services and are recognised as liabilities when the goods and services are received. Creditors are normally paid 30 days after the month of invoice. No interest is payable on these amounts.

7.2 Payments Received in Advance & Deposits

Amounts received from external parties in advance of service delivery, and security deposits held against possible damage to Council assets, are recognised as liabilities until the service is delivered or damage reinstated, or the amount is refunded as the case may be.

8.0 Borrowings

Loans are carried at their principal amounts which represent the present value of future cash flows associated with servicing the debt. Interest is accrued over the period to which it relates, and is recorded as part of "Payables".

9.0 Employee Benefits

9.1 Salaries, Wages & Compensated Absences

Liabilities for employees' entitlements to salaries, wages and compensated absences expected to be paid or settled within 12 months of reporting date are accrued at nominal amounts (including payroll based on cost) measured in accordance with AASB 119.

Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows (including payroll based on costs) to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Present values are calculated using government guaranteed securities rates with similar maturity terms. 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.

9.2 Superannuation

The Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Statewide Superannuation Scheme and to a number of other super funds as chosen by the employee. The Statewide Superannuation Scheme has two types of membership, each of which is funded differently. No changes in accounting policy have occurred during either the current or previous reporting periods. Details of the accounting policies applied and Council's involvement with the schemes are reported in Note 15.

10.0 Construction Contracts

Construction works undertaken by Council for third parties are generally on an agency basis where the third party reimburses Council for actual costs incurred, and usually do not extend beyond the reporting period. As there is no profit component, such works are treated as 100% completed. Reimbursements not received are recognised as receivables and reimbursements received in advance are recognised as "payments received in advance".

11.0 Leases

AASB 16 Leases, commenced from 1 July 2019 and requires that the right of use conveyed by leasing contracts - except leases with a maximum term of 12 months and leases for low-value assets - be recognised as a form of Infrastructure, Property, Plant and Equipment, and that the lease liability be disclosed as a liability. At 30 June 2020, Council has no leases to which this treatment will need to be applied.

12.0 GST Implications

In accordance with UIG Abstract 1031 Accounting for the Goods & Services Tax

- Receivables and Creditors include GST receivable and payable
- Except in relation to input taxed activities, revenues and operating expenditures exclude GST receivable and payable.
- Non-current assets and capital expenditures include GST net of any recoupment.
- Amounts included in the Statement of Cash Flows are disclosed on a gross basis.

13.0 New Accounting Standards

Certain new accounting standards and UIG interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2020 reporting period and have not been used in preparing these reports.

Council is of the view that none of the new standards or interpretations will materially affect any of the amounts recognised in the financial statements, but that they may impact certain information otherwise disclosed.

AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and AASB 1058 Income of Not-for-Profit Entities commenced 1 July 2019 and affects the timing with which revenues, particularly special purpose grants, are recognised. Amounts received in relation to contracts with sufficiently specific performance obligations will now be recognised as these obligations are fulfilled. In 2019, prior to the introduction of these standards, \$486,500 was recognised as “amounts received specifically for new and upgraded assets” and was unable to be recorded as a liability in relation to unfulfilled performance obligations. In 2020, following commencement of the new standards, \$144,641 has been recognised as a liability in relation to grant funds received for which specific performance obligations have not been met.

Treatment relating to AASB 16 Leases is outlined in paragraph 11 above.

14.0 COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the 2019/2020 financial statements, which may impact on the comparability of some line items and amounts reported in this financial report.

The financial impacts are a direct result of either Council’s response to the pandemic or due to the mandatory shut downs as directed by the Australian Government and the advice from the Australian Government Department of Health and SA Health.

The impacts on the Council’s financial performance and financial position are outlined below

- Decreases in user charges and other revenue of approximately \$425,000 due to closures or reductions in programs or services, including sporting facilities, childcare, public and tourism facilities.
- Decreases in employee costs and materials, contracts and other expenses of approximately \$525,000 due to closures or reductions in programs or services as described above.
- Additional costs of approximately \$43,000 associated with changes to Council operations and increased public health activities (e.g. cleaning, preparing Council’s facilities to respond to COVID-19, health and safety initiatives, PPE etc)

Council estimates that overall the reduction in revenue and expenditure resulted in a decrease of approximately \$57,000 in the 2019/2020 operating deficit. It is expected that further financial impacts, though not significant, will flow into the 2020/2021 financial year.

Council has considered the consequences of COVID-19 and other events and conditions, and it has determined that they do not create a material uncertainty that casts significant doubt upon the Council’s ability to continue as a going concern.

PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

NOTE 2 FUNCTIONS & ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL

	REVENUES, EXPENSES AND ASSETS HAVE BEEN DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS & ACTIVITIES									
	INCOME		EXPENSES*		SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		GRANTS INCLUDED IN INCOME		TOTAL ASSETS HELD (CURRENT & NON-CURRENT)	
	2020 \$	2019 \$	2020 \$	2019 \$	2020 \$	2019 \$	2020 \$	2019 \$	2020 \$	2019 \$
Administration										
City Management & Economic Development	3,038,029	3,033,277	838,806	850,257	2,199,223	2,183,021	3,025,341	3,033,277	47,378	19,749
Human Resource Management	89,629	162,987	42,732	134,944	46,897	28,043			14,506	398
Records Management			15,506	19,288	(15,506)	(19,288)			715	715
Financial & Customer Services	17,515,429	16,835,787	914,937	883,202	16,600,492	15,952,585			1,819,944	900,435
Information Technology			210,045	226,079	(210,045)	(226,079)			542,787	546,120
Work Health & Safety	96,583	160,584	56,612	53,731	39,971	106,853				28,672
Public Order & Safety										
General Inspection	329,535	263,089	376,868	410,666	(47,333)	(147,577)			328,918	274,921
Other General Services	47,734	30,226	48,021	32,038	(287)	(1,812)				
Health Services										
Substance Misuse Service	623,693	567,389	650,053	596,058	(26,360)	(28,669)	623,693	567,389	35,531	31,341
Sobering Up Unit	753,337	733,482	781,460	762,136	(28,123)	(28,654)	751,819	733,482	12,721	16,620
Aged Care Programs		196,390	7,781	27,659	(7,781)	168,731			4,788	7,702
Immunisation Program	16,290	15,575	21,689	18,011	(5,399)	(2,436)	16,290	15,315		
Environmental Health	9,468	18,933	172,724	120,884	(163,256)	(101,951)			2,999	3,427
Social Security & Welfare										
Health Focus	264,931	268,722	237,644	292,533	27,287	(23,811)	245,769	242,137		
Childcare Service	803,262	862,781	1,035,879	1,165,970	(232,617)	(303,189)	570,982	505,334	738,557	780,105
Special Needs Program	27,171	212,228	144,146	283,624	(116,975)	(71,396)	18,727	155,882	361,486	416,761
Mens Shed Program	53,915	57,531	57,528	60,958	(3,613)	(3,427)	44,486	43,829	2,971	3,391
HACC Project	73,787	76,269	66,209	81,352	7,578	(5,083)	72,227	71,160		
Youth Activities Service		2,000		2,077		(77)		2,000		
Service Reviews			58,870	324,001	(58,870)	(324,001)				
Senior Citizens Centre			46,063	47,069	(46,063)	(47,069)			293,348	322,909
Housing & Community Amenities										
City Planning	64,116	72,295	360,918	254,997	(296,802)	(182,702)			221	338
Contracts & Events	2,500	6,691	210,063	230,179	(207,563)	(223,488)			148	1,226
Community Harmony Program	250,269	396,676	344,276	285,361	(94,007)	111,315	250,269	382,792	87,674	
Community Donations			19,927	22,978	(19,927)	(22,978)				
Community Safety Program		11,630	284,469	286,047	(284,469)	(274,417)		11,630	219,301	228,830
Community Bus Service			1,504	228	(1,504)	(228)				
Halls	1,198			1,198					296,597	314,160
Civic Centre			369,147	369,240	(369,147)	(369,240)			2,192,103	2,314,388
Housing	53,664	60,929	108,948	116,949	(55,284)	(56,020)			1,059,465	1,109,959
Cemeteries	229,114	180,230	333,031	259,576	(103,917)	(78,346)			284,346	239,475
Sanitation & Garbage	1,667,561	1,588,154	1,756,250	1,583,055	(88,689)	5,099			4,919,939	4,864,661
Foreshores			155,320	201,760	(155,320)	(201,760)				
Public Conveniences			108,255	99,795	(108,255)	(99,795)				
Street Lighting			315,432	305,907	(315,432)	(305,907)				
Lakes Management	809,000	255,500	944,564	281,799	(135,564)	(26,299)	809,000	255,500	926,271	59,782
Other Property & Services	253,768	108,435	353,464	633,137	(99,696)	(524,702)	19,957	30,000	7,590,851	7,552,805
Stormwater Drainage			327,093	282,941	(327,093)	(282,941)			7,925,922	8,120,442
Waste Water Treatment Plant			298,835	286,337	(298,835)	(286,337)			2,786,192	2,848,649
Effluent Drainage	761,635	742,950	763,756	619,887	(2,121)	123,063			4,601,174	4,139,428
Recreation & Culture										
Library & Information Service	59,967	72,068	679,678	716,800	(619,711)	(644,732)	47,684	57,162	35,645	47,109
Fountain Gallery			63,811	60,325	(63,811)	(60,325)			955,542	997,014
Cultural Centre	96,538	156,339	745,010	701,000	(648,472)	(544,661)		25,000	3,880,577	4,046,787
Aquatic Centre		695	45,143	45,600	(45,143)	(44,905)			533,558	570,364
Ryan Mitchell Swimming Centre	195,231	190,881	636,700	598,829	(441,469)	(407,948)			822,093	896,502
Be Active Community Centre				701		(701)				
Parks & Gardens & Playgrounds	6,875	605	1,339,175	1,119,104	(1,332,300)	(1,118,499)			5,011,622	5,197,607
Ovals	63,395	3,698	835,835	639,240	(772,440)	(635,542)			805,959	881,597
ETSA Oval Complex			167,113	174,017	(167,113)	(174,017)			239,445	257,705
Central Oval Community Hub	312,468	459,224	1,728,603	1,937,068	(1,416,135)	(1,477,844)	28,409	28,409	17,385,727	17,141,619
Mining Manufacturing & Construction										
Building Act	16,298	26,337	223,373	364,474	(207,075)	(338,137)			859	16,497
Transport & Communication										
Aerodromes	465,066	430,695	723,127	794,407	(258,061)	(363,712)		82,500	12,943,615	13,069,678
Maintenance of Roads, Bridges	291,436	482,829	4,182,111	4,330,486	(3,890,675)	(3,847,657)	286,925	424,737	95,082,659	96,822,109
Street Sweeping			192,204	152,018	(192,204)	(152,018)				
Footpaths			381,637	323,417	(381,637)	(323,417)				
Parking			6,283	12,997	(6,283)	(12,997)				
Economic Affairs										
Economic Development	25,043	12,656	248,190	294,026	(223,147)	(281,370)				
Wadlata Outback Centre	483,813	649,831	1,143,689	1,421,263	(659,876)	(771,432)			4,077,735	4,336,256
Aust.Arid Lands Botanic Garden	800,255	866,147	1,703,353	1,706,282	(903,098)	(840,135)			2,566,127	2,719,581
Information Bays			3,016	2,457	(3,016)	(2,457)				
Public Debt Transactions										
Treasury - Debt Servicing	18,695	27,043	426,673	712,678	(407,978)	(685,635)			295,985	641,760
Other Purposes										
Machinery Operating	770,018	707,345	521,425	580,796	248,593	126,549	32,506	29,997	3,111	2,828
Depot & Nursery			1,760,056	1,945,557	(1,760,056)	(1,945,557)			3,413,478	3,533,854
Engineering Services			1,097,631	1,031,765	(1,097,631)	(1,031,765)			93,100	148,535
TOTALS	31,440,716	31,007,133	31,692,661	32,178,017	(251,945)	(1,170,884)	6,844,084	6,697,532	185,243,690	186,474,811

*Expenses includes depreciation and full cost attribution

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
RATES REVENUES		
GENERAL RATES		
General Rates	17,843,890	17,160,628
Less Mandatory Rebates	371,232	340,789
Less Discretionary Rebates, remissions & write offs	<u>491,358</u>	<u>583,809</u>
	<u>16,981,300</u>	<u>16,236,030</u>
OTHER RATES (INCLUDING SERVICE CHARGES)		
Natural Resource Management Levy	283,442	274,096
Community Waste Water Management Systems	761,635	706,558
Waste Management Levy	<u>1,617,796</u>	<u>1,580,863</u>
	<u>2,662,873</u>	<u>2,561,517</u>
OTHER CHARGES		
Penalties for late payment	123,523	139,818
Legal & other costs recovered	<u>97,917</u>	<u>181,997</u>
	<u>221,440</u>	<u>321,815</u>
	<u>19,865,613</u>	<u>19,119,362</u>

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
STATUTORY CHARGES		
Development Act Fees	24,178	28,918
Town Planning Fees	51,613	63,579
Animal Registration & Expiation Fees	186,441	114,664
Parking Expiation Fees	50,860	39,933
Sundry	16,378	15,398
	<u>329,470</u>	<u>262,492</u>
USER CHARGES		
Cemetery Fees	229,114	179,853
Halls Hire	3,267	5,868
Sales - General	846,796	948,661
Rentals	51,614	57,624
Childcare Fees	219,752	328,656
Swimming Pool Fees	180,636	184,381
Wadlata Fees	142,124	182,450
Arid Lands Fees	185,061	187,409
Other Fees	757,364	804,281
Sundry	540	429
	<u>2,616,268</u>	<u>2,879,612</u>
INVESTMENT INCOME		
Interest on Investments		
Local Government Finance Authority	17,384	25,060
Loans to community groups	1,311	1,983
	<u>18,695</u>	<u>27,043</u>
REIMBURSEMENTS		
For Roadworks	215	48,243
For Private Works	4,296	9,849
Other	480,841	638,536
	<u>485,352</u>	<u>696,628</u>
OTHER INCOME		
Contributions from developers		
Insurance & other recoupments - infrastructure	881,546	830,328
Sundry	399,688	494,136
	<u>1,281,234</u>	<u>1,324,464</u>

NOTE 3 INCOME (CONTINUED)

	2020 \$	2019 \$
GRANTS, SUBSIDIES, CONTRIBUTIONS		
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	544,522	486,500
Other grants, subsidies and contributions	<u>6,844,084</u>	<u>6,697,532</u>
	<u>7,388,606</u>	<u>7,184,032</u>

The functions to which these grants relate are shown in Note 2.

Sources of grants

Commonwealth government	1,864,882	1,584,955
State government	<u>5,523,724</u>	<u>5,599,077</u>
	<u>7,388,606</u>	<u>7,184,032</u>

INDIVIDUALLY SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

In June 2020, the Commonwealth Government paid an advance of half of the Financial Assistance Grant for 2020/2021.	(1,575,847)	
In June 2019, the Commonwealth Government paid an advance of half of the Financial Assistance Grant for 2019/2020.	1,557,484	(1,557,484)
In June 2018, the Commonwealth Government paid an advance of half of the Financial Assistance Grant for 2018/2019.		1,525,808
In June 2019, the Commonwealth Government paid an advance of the Supplementary Road Funding for 2019/2020 and 2020/2021.	-	(283,158)

Conditions over grants & contributions

Grants and contributions which were obtained on the condition that they be expended for specified purposes or in a future period, but which are not yet expended in accordance with those conditions, are as follows:

<i>Unexpended at the close of the previous reporting period</i>	1,840,642	1,569,558
<i>Less: expended during the current period from revenues recognised in previous reporting periods</i>	1,840,642	1,569,558
<i>Subtotal</i>	0	0
<i>Plus: amounts recognised as revenues in this reporting period but not yet expended in accordance with the conditions</i>	1,793,252	1,840,642
<i>Subtotal</i>	1,793,252	1,840,642
<i>Unexpended at the close of this reporting period and held as restricted assets</i>	1,793,252	1,840,642
<i>Net increase (decrease) in restricted assets in the current reporting period</i>	(47,390)	271,084

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	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
EMPLOYEE COSTS			
Salaries and Wages		9,368,021	9,718,412
Employee Leave Expenses		1,166,897	1,112,524
Superannuation - Defined Contribution Plan Contributions	15	800,174	834,222
Superannuation - Defined Benefit Plan Contributions	15	155,272	171,916
Superannuation - Other	15	0	12,254
Workers Compensation Insurance		271,414	428,482
Less: Capitalised and distributed costs		<u>(228,381)</u>	<u>(226,025)</u>
Total Operating Employee Costs		<u>11,533,397</u>	<u>12,051,785</u>
Total Number of Employees			
<i>(Full time equivalent at end of reporting period)</i>		124.0	138.6
MATERIALS, CONTRACTS & EXPENSES			
Prescribed Expenses			
Auditor's Remuneration			
- Auditing the financial reports		28,250	24,200
Elected members' expenses		321,130	289,278
Election Expenses		616	57,701
Lease expense – low value assets/short term leases		<u>102,530</u>	<u>106,595</u>
Sub Total Prescribed Expenses		<u>452,526</u>	<u>477,774</u>
Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses			
Contractors		6,383,594	5,596,437
Utilities		2,080,210	2,037,923
Legal Expenses		104,198	150,516
Levies paid to government - NRM Levy		281,328	273,931
Parts, Accessories & Consumables		1,382,262	1,552,779
Professional Services		4,576	800
Communications		153,742	259,754
Contributions & Donations		82,971	84,833
Insurances		504,683	508,500
Rates & Taxes		59,691	59,136
Travel & Accommodation		31,792	47,754
Affiliations		-	227
Advertising		64,100	82,651
Subscriptions		68,349	53,774
Training		84,413	67,265
Postage Printing Stationery		87,275	88,334
Plant Hire		647,668	607,247
Bank Charges		60,782	60,036
Sundry		<u>545,290</u>	<u>646,310</u>
Sub Total Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses		<u>12,626,924</u>	<u>12,178,207</u>
TOTAL MATERIALS, CONTRACTS & EXPENSES		<u>13,079,450</u>	<u>12,655,981</u>

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	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
FINANCE COSTS			
Interest on Loans		<u>397,736</u>	<u>663,452</u>
		<u>397,736</u>	<u>663,452</u>
 DEPRECIATION, AMORTISATION & IMPAIRMENT			
Depreciation			
Buildings & Other Structures		2,581,391	2,566,368
Infrastructure		3,213,228	3,208,141
Plant & Equipment		546,759	572,113
Furniture & Equipment		<u>340,700</u>	<u>460,177</u>
		<u>6,682,078</u>	<u>6,806,799</u>

Please refer to Note 1.2 for detail regarding the derecognition of the Port Augusta Wharf.

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NOTE 5 ASSET DISPOSAL & FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
<i>Assets renewed or directly replaced</i>		
Proceeds from disposal	106,727	115,821
Less: Carrying amount of assets disposed	<u>357,434</u>	<u>871,014</u>
Gain / (Loss) on disposal	<u>(250,707)</u>	<u>(755,193)</u>
<i>Assets surplus to requirements</i>		
Proceeds from disposal	44,491	-
Less: Carrying amount of assets sold	<u>42,581</u>	<u>-</u>
Gain / (Loss) on disposal	<u>1,910</u>	<u>-</u>
NET GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OR REVALUATION OF ASSETS	<u>(248,797)</u>	<u>(755,193)</u>

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	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CASH & EQUIVALENT ASSETS		
Cash on Hand and at Bank	84,689	403,426
Deposits at Call	<u>188,776</u>	<u>195,164</u>
	<u>273,465</u>	<u>598,590</u>
TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Rates - General & Other	1,557,052	945,323
Accrued Revenues	8,996	129,477
Debtors - General	284,094	210,328
Other levels of Government	1,031,248	62,457
GST Recoupment	298,120	209,261
Loans to community organisations	<u>15,438</u>	<u>20,403</u>
	<u>3,194,948</u>	<u>1,577,249</u>
Less: Allowance for Doubtful Debts	<u>106,823</u>	<u>409,263</u>
	<u>3,088,125</u>	<u>1,167,986</u>
INVENTORIES		
Stores & Materials	60,488	63,353
Trading Stock	<u>123,330</u>	<u>111,009</u>
	<u>183,818</u>	<u>174,362</u>

Rates receivable for the prior year remains a net figure of rates receivable and rates received in advance, as per Note 1.3.

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NOTE 7 NON-CURRENT ASSETS

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Receivables		
Loans to community organisations	<u>7,008</u>	<u>22,446</u>
TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS	<u>7,008</u>	<u>22,446</u>
OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Capital Works-in-Progress	<u>4,125</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS	<u>4,125</u>	<u>-</u>

NOTE 8 INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	FAIR VALUE LEVEL	2019 \$				2020 \$			
		AT FAIR VALUE	AT COST	ACCUM DEP'N	CARRYING AMOUNT	AT FAIR VALUE	AT COST	ACCUM DEP'N	CARRYING AMOUNT
Land	2	1,736,934			1,736,934	1,736,934			1,736,934
Land	3	11,340,638			11,340,638	11,210,640			11,210,640
Buildings & Other Structures	2	1,525,058	630,087	(1,263,080)	892,065	2,155,143	293,065	(1,315,520)	1,132,689
Buildings & Other Structures	3	92,331,514	604,618	(39,210,996)	53,725,136	92,003,937	1,563,256	(41,165,109)	52,402,083
Infrastructure	3	169,841,383	7,335,959	(65,247,514)	111,929,828	169,922,713	8,559,908	(68,096,324)	110,386,297
Plant & Equipment	2	5,955,235	1,682,079	(3,850,551)	3,786,763	5,534,235	2,206,298	(4,080,001)	3,660,532
Furniture & Fittings	2	4,946,775	53,892	(3,900,604)	1,100,063	4,885,425	61,219	(4,181,838)	764,806
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		287,677,537	10,306,635	(113,472,745)	184,511,427	287,449,027	12,683,746	(118,838,792)	181,293,981
2019 Totals		292,207,889	8,139,144	(110,213,808)	190,133,225	287,677,537	10,306,635	(113,472,745)	184,511,427

	FAIR VALUE LEVEL	2019 \$						2020 \$
		CARRYING AMOUNT	ADDITIONS		DISPOSALS	DEPRECIATION	TRANSFER	CARRYING AMOUNT
			NEW/UPGRADE	RENEWALS				
Land	2	1,736,934						1,736,934
Land	3	11,340,638				(39,998)	(90,000)	11,210,640
Buildings & Other Structures	2	892,065	230,739	62,325			(52,440)	1,132,689
Buildings & Other Structures	3	53,725,136	420,392	1,142,862		(54,189)	(2,528,950)	52,402,083
Infrastructure	3	111,929,828	701,898	1,168,052		(200,253)	(3,213,228)	110,386,297
Plant & Equipment	2	3,786,763	58,597	465,623		(103,692)	(546,758)	3,660,532
Furniture & Fittings	2	1,100,063	7,326			(1,883)	(340,700)	764,806
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		184,511,427	1,418,952	2,838,862		(400,015)	(6,682,077)	181,293,981
2019 Totals		190,133,225	1,033,088	1,302,395		(871,014)	(6,806,799)	184,511,427

Please refer to Note 1.2 for detail regarding the derecognition of the Port Augusta Wharf.

NOTE 8 INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

Valuation of Assets

At July 2004 upon the transition to AIFRS, Council elected pursuant to AASB 1.19 to retain previously established deemed cost under GAAP as its deemed cost. With subsequent additions at cost, this remains as the basis of recognition of non-material asset classes.

The requirements of AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement have been applied to all valuations undertaken since 1 July 2013.

Upon revaluation, the current new replacement cost and accumulated depreciation are re-stated such that the difference represents the fair value of the asset determined in accordance with AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement: accumulated depreciation is taken to be the difference between current new replacement cost and fair value. In the case of land, current replacement cost is taken to be the fair value.

Fair value hierarchy level 2 valuations

Certain land, and the buildings and structures thereon, are shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 2 valuation inputs. They are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, with directly or indirectly observable adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset.

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of land

Valuations of Crown land, community land and land subject to other restrictions on use or disposal, shown above as being based on fair value hierarchy level 3 valuation inputs, are based on prices for similar assets in an active market, but include adjustments for specific advantages or disadvantages attaching to the particular asset that are not directly or indirectly observable in that market, or the number and / or amount of observable adjustments of which are so great that the valuation is more fairly described as being based on level 3 valuation inputs.

Fair value hierarchy level 3 valuations of buildings, infrastructure and other assets

There is no known market for these assets and they are valued at depreciated current replacement cost. This method involves:

The determination of the cost to construct the asset (or its modern engineering equivalent) using current prices for materials and labour, the quantities of each being estimated based on recent experience of this or similar Councils, or on industry construction guides where these are more appropriate.

The calculation of the depreciation that would have accumulated since original construction using current estimates of residual value and useful life under the prime cost depreciation method adopted by Council.

This method has significant inherent uncertainties, relying on estimates of quantities of materials and labour, residual values and useful lives, and the possibility of changes in prices for materials and labour, and the potential for development of more efficient construction techniques. Accordingly, formal sensitivity analysis does not provide useful information.

Transfers between fair value hierarchy levels

In the course of revaluing all asset classes the nature of the inputs applied was reviewed in detail for each asset and where necessary, the asset reassigned to the appropriate fair value hierarchy level. Such transfers take effect as at the date of the revaluation.

Land

Land assets were valued by Maloney Field Services as at 30 June 2016.

Council being of the opinion that it is not possible to attribute a value sufficiently reliably to qualify for recognition, land under roads has not been recognised in these reports. Land acquired for road purposes during the year is initially recognised at cost, but transferred to fair value at reporting date, effectively writing off the expenditure.

Pursuant to Council's election, freehold land and land over which Council has control, but does not have title, is recognised on the cost basis. No capitalisation threshold is applied to the acquisition of land or interests in land.

Estimated future costs of reinstatement of land, capitalised in accordance with AASB 116.16(c) are reviewed annually (see Note 1) and depreciated over the estimated remaining life of the relevant asset.

Buildings & Other Structures

Buildings & Other Structures were valued by Maloney Field Services as at 30 June 2016.

Julia Lodge assets have been transferred and re-classified as "Non Current Assets Held for Sale" as at 30 June 2020. Additional disclosure details are contained within Note 17.

A revaluation adjustment has occurred for 2019/2020 to remove the Wharf from Councils asset register.

Infrastructure

Community waste water management systems were valued by Tonkins Consulting as at 1 July 2015. Stormwater drainage and road infrastructure assets were valued by Tonkins Consulting as at 30 June 2016.

Plant & Equipment

Plant & Equipment were valued by Maloney Field Services as at 30 June 2016.

Furniture & Fittings

Furniture & Fittings were valued by Maloney Field Services as at 30 June 2016.

PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCILNOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**NOTE 9 LIABILITIES**

	2020 Current \$	2020 Non-Current \$	2019 Current \$	2019 Non-Current \$
TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES				
Goods & Services	2,382,004	-	2,487,705	-
Payments received in advance	1,156,875	-	-	-
Accrued expenses - other	352,605	-	451,661	-
	<u>3,891,484</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,939,366</u>	<u>-</u>
BORROWINGS				
Loans - LGFA	<u>1,409,242</u>	<u>8,460,036</u>	<u>6,890,665</u>	<u>5,237,782</u>
	<u>1,409,242</u>	<u>8,460,036</u>	<u>6,890,665</u>	<u>5,237,782</u>

All interest bearing liabilities are secured over the future revenues of the Council.

PROVISIONS

Provision for Annual Leave	974,530	-	976,292	-
Provision for Long Service Leave	<u>1,093,191</u>	<u>127,631</u>	<u>1,100,225</u>	<u>86,685</u>
	<u>2,067,721</u>	<u>127,631</u>	<u>2,076,517</u>	<u>86,685</u>

Amounts included in provisions that are not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date.

	1,262,434	-	1,151,021	-
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Rates received in advance has been separately recognised in the current year, as per Note 1.3.

NOTE 10 RESERVES

ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE	30/06/2019	Net Increments (Decrements)	30/06/2020
	\$	\$	\$
Land	14,566,180	-	14,566,180
Buildings & Other Structures	41,130,077	-	41,130,077
Infrastructure	115,003,620	-	115,003,620
Plant & Equipment	3,234,635	-	3,234,635
Furniture & Fittings	2,086,459	-	2,086,459
Total Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	176,020,971	-	176,020,971

PURPOSES OF RESERVES**Asset Revaluation Reserve**

The asset revaluation reserve is used to record increments and decrements arising from changes in fair value of non current assets and available-for-sale financial assets.

Please refer to Note 1.2 for detail regarding the derecognition of the Port Augusta Wharf.

NOTE 11 RECONCILIATION TO CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash Assets comprise highly liquid investments with short periods to maturity subject to insignificant risk of changes of value. Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:

	Notes	2020 \$	2019 \$
Total Cash & Equivalent Assets	6	<u>273,465</u>	<u>598,590</u>
Balances per Statement of Cash Flows		<u>273,465</u>	<u>598,590</u>

(b) Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets to Cash from Operating Activities

Net Surplus (Deficit)		43,780	(1,439,577)
Non-cash items in Income Statement			
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment		6,682,077	6,806,799
Change in allowances for under-recovery		(302,440)	38,148
Grants for capital acquisitions treated as investing activity		(544,522)	(486,500)
Net increase (decrease) in unpaid employee benefits		32,150	(111,361)
Net (Gain) Loss on Disposals		<u>248,797</u>	<u>755,194</u>
		<u>6,159,842</u>	<u>5,562,703</u>
Add (Less): Changes in Net Current Assets			
Net (increase) decrease in receivables		(1,622,664)	1,300,507
Net (increase) decrease in inventories		(9,456)	38,915
Net increase (decrease) in trade & other payables		<u>964,317</u>	<u>(63,895)</u>
Net Cash provided by (or used in) operations		<u>5,492,039</u>	<u>6,838,230</u>

(c) Financing Arrangements

Unrestricted access was available at balance date to the following lines of credit:

Bank Overdrafts	700,000	700,000
Corporate Credit Cards	43,000	36,000
LGFA Cash Advance Debenture Facility	17,037,104	16,668,596

The bank overdraft facilities may be drawn at any time and may be terminated by the bank without notice.

NOTE 12 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Recognised Financial Instruments
Bank, Deposits at Call, Short Term Deposits

Accounting Policy: Carried at lower of cost and net realisable value; Interest is recognised when earned.

Terms & conditions: Deposits are returning fixed interest rates of 1.5% (2019: 1.5%) and variable interest rates of 0.45% (2019: 1.25%).

Carrying amount: approximates fair value due to the short term to maturity.

Receivables - Rates & Associated Charges (including legals & penalties for late payment)

Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal values less any allowance for doubtful debts. An allowance for doubtful debts is recognised (and re-assessed annually) when collection in full is no longer probable.

Terms & conditions: Receivables for rates and annual charges are secured over the subject land, and bear interest at rates determined in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Receivables - Fees & other charges

Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal values less any allowance for doubtful debts. An allowance for doubtful debts is recognised (and re-assessed annually) when collection in full is no longer probable.

Terms & conditions: Unsecured, and do not bear interest. Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).

Receivables - other levels of government

Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal value.

Terms & conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective programs following advice of approvals, and do not bear interest. All amounts are due by Departments and Agencies of the Governments of the Commonwealth & State.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Liabilities - Creditors and Accruals

Accounting Policy: Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Council.

Terms & conditions: Liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Liabilities - Interest Bearing Loans

Accounting Policy: Carried at the principal amounts. Interest is charged as an expense as it accrues.

Terms & conditions: secured over future revenues, loans are repayable by equal 6 monthly instalments of principal & interest; interest is charged at fixed rates between 2.8% and 6.7% (2019: 3.35% and 6.70%)

Carrying amount: approximates fair value.

Liabilities - Finance Leases

Accounting Policy: accounted for in accordance with AASB 16.

NOTE 12 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

Liquidity Analysis

2020	Due ≤ 1 year	Due > 1 year ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
<u>Financial Assets</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash & Equivalents	273,465	-	-	273,465	273,465
Receivables	3,088,798	237	-	3,089,035	3,089,035
Other Financial Assets	15,440	7,008	-	22,448	22,448
Total	3,377,703	7,245	-	3,384,948	3,384,948
Financial Liabilities					
Payables	2,382,004	-	-	2,382,004	2,382,004
Borrowings	1,612,972	5,675,467	-	7,288,439	9,869,278
Total	3,994,976	5,675,467	-	9,670,443	12,251,282
2019					
<u>Financial Assets</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash & Equivalents	598,590	-	-	598,590	598,590
Receivables	1,169,297	911	-	1,170,208	1,170,208
Other Financial Assets	20,403	22,448	-	42,851	42,851
Total	1,788,290	23,359	-	1,811,649	1,811,649
Financial Liabilities					
Payables	2,487,705	-	-	2,487,705	2,487,705
Borrowings	7,302,588	1,787,739	-	9,090,327	12,128,447
Total	9,790,293	1,787,739	-	11,578,032	14,616,152

The following interest rates were applicable to Council's borrowings at balance day.

	30 June 2020		30 June 2019	
	Weighted Average Interest Rate %	Carrying Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate %	Carrying Value
Overdraft		-		-
Other Variable Rates	2.20	3,162,897	3.35	3,531,403
Fixed Interest Rates	3.26	6,706,381	5.05	8,597,044
		<u>9,869,278</u>		<u>12,128,447</u>

NET FAIR VALUE

All carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments. With the exception of investments, there is no recognised market for the financial assets of the Council.

RISK EXPOSURES

Credit risk represents the loss that would be recognised if counterparties fail to perform as contracted. The maximum credit risk on financial assets of the Council is the carrying amount, net of any allowance for doubtful debts. All Council investments are made with the SA Local Government Finance Authority and are guaranteed by the SA Government. Except as detailed in Notes 5 & 6 in relation to individual classes of receivables, exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries, and there is no material exposure to any individual debtor.

Market Risk is the risk that fair value of financial assets will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. All of Council's financial assets are denominated in Australian dollars and are not traded on any market; and hence neither market risk or currency risk apply.

Liquidity Risk is the risk that Council will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations with financial liabilities. In accordance with the model Treasury Policy (LGA Information Paper 15), liabilities have a range of maturity dates based on cash inflows. Council also has available a range of bank overdraft and short-term draw down facilities that it can access.

Interest Rate Risk is the risk that future cash flows will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. Council has a balance of both fixed and variable interest rate borrowings and investments. Cash flow fluctuations are managed holistically in seeking to minimise interest costs over the longer term in a risk averse manner.

NOTE 13 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

	2020	2019
<p>These Financial Indicators have been calculated in accordance with <i>Information Paper - Local Government Financial Indicators</i> prepared as part of the LGA Financial Sustainability Program for the Local Government Association of South Australia. Detailed methods of calculation are set out in the SA Model Statements.</p>		
Operating Surplus Ratio	(0.8%)	(3.8%)
<u>Operating Surplus</u>		
Total Operating Revenue		

This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of operating revenue.

Adjusted Operating Surplus Ratio	(0.4%)	(4.8%)
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The 2019 and 2020 Adjusted Operating Surplus Ratio has been adjusted to account for the advance payments of the Financial Assistance Grant and the Supplementary Road Funding.

Net Financial Liabilities	12,587,516	15,441,993
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Net Financial Liabilities are defined as total liabilities less financial assets (excluding equity accounted investments in Council businesses). These are expressed as a percentage of total operating revenue

Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	40.0%	49.8%
<u>Net Financial Liabilities</u>		
Total Operating Revenue		

Adjusted Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	44.9%	56.3%
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The 2019 and 2020 Adjusted Net Financial Liabilities Ratio has been adjusted to account for the advance payments of the Financial Assistance Grant and the Supplementary Road Funding.

Asset Renewal Funding Ratio		
<u>Expenditure on renewal/replacement of assets</u>	109.5%	53.6%
Optimal level of such expenditure per I&		

This ratio indicates the extent to which existing non-financial assets are being renewed and replaced, compared with the asset renewal and replacement expenditure identified as warranted in a Council's infrastructure and asset management plan.

The draft Building and Land Asset Management Plan expenditure has been included in this Ratio. The draft is yet to be reviewed and adopted by Council.

Contents, Plant and Vehicles asset class are excluded from this ratio as there is no asset management plan for this class of assets.

NOTE 14 UNIFORM PRESENTATION OF FINANCES

The following is a high level summary of both operating and capital investment activities of the Council prepared on a uniform and consistent basis. All Councils in South Australia have agreed to summarise annual budgets and long-term financial plans on the same basis. The arrangements ensure that all Councils provide a common 'core' of financial information, which enables meaningful comparisons of each Council's finances.

	2020 \$	2019 \$
Income	31,440,716	31,007,133
<i>less</i> Expenses	<u>31,692,661</u>	<u>32,278,964</u>
	<u>(251,945)</u>	<u>(1,271,831)</u>
<i>less</i> Net Outlays on Existing Assets		
Capital Expenditure on renewal and replacement of Existing Assets	2,106,349	752,510
<i>less</i> Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	<u>(6,682,078)</u>	<u>(6,806,799)</u>
<i>less</i> Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	<u>(106,727)</u>	<u>(94,819)</u>
	<u>(4,682,456)</u>	<u>(6,149,108)</u>
<i>less</i> Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets		
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets (<i>Including investment property & real estate developments</i>)	2,167,789	1,039,826
<i>less</i> Amounts specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	<u>(544,522)</u>	<u>(486,500)</u>
<i>less</i> Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets (including investment property and real estate developments)	<u>(44,491)</u>	<u>(21,002)</u>
	<u>1,578,776</u>	<u>532,324</u>
Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year	<u>2,851,735</u>	<u>4,344,953</u>

NOTE 15 SUPERANNUATION

The Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Statewide Super (formerly Local Government Superannuation Scheme). There are two types of membership, each of which is funded differently. Permanent and contract employees of the South Australian Local Government sector with Salarylink benefits prior to 24 November 2009 have the option to contribute to Marketlink and/or Salarylink. All other employees (including casuals) have all contributions allocated to Marketlink.

Marketlink (Accumulation Fund) Members

Marketlink receives both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings in accordance with superannuation guarantee legislation (9.50% in 2019/20; 9.50% in 2018/19). No further liability accrues to the Council as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the Fund.

Salarylink (Defined Benefit) Members

Salarylink is a defined benefit scheme where the benefit payable is based on a formula determined by the member's contribution rate, number of years and level of contribution and final average salary. Council makes employer contributions to Salarylink as determined by the Scheme's Trustee based on advice from the Scheme's Actuary. The rate is currently 6.3% (6.3% in 2018/19) of "superannuation" salary.

In addition, Council makes a separate contribution of 3% of ordinary time earnings for Salarylink members to their Accumulation account. Employees also make member contributions to the Salarylink section of the Fund. As such, assets accumulate in the Salarylink section of the Fund to meet the member's benefits, as defined in the Trust Deed, as they accrue.

The Salarylink section is a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Salarylink section's assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by each employer, and employees may transfer to another employer within the local government sector and retain membership of the Fund, the Actuary is unable to allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided by AASB 119.32(b), Council does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

The most recent actuarial investigation was conducted by the Fund's actuary, Louise Campbell, FIAA, of Willie Towers Watson as at 30 June 2020. The Trustee has determined that the current funding arrangements are adequate for the expected Salarylink liabilities. However, future financial and economic circumstances may require changes to Council's contribution rates at some future time.

Contributions to other schemes

Council also makes contributions to other Superannuation Schemes selected by employees under the "choice of fund" legislation. All such schemes are of the accumulation type, where the superannuation benefits accruing to the employees are represented by their share of net assets of the scheme, and no further liability attaches to the Council.

NOTE 16 CONTINGENCIES & ASSETS & LIABILITIES NOT RECOGNISED IN THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

The following assets and liabilities do not qualify for recognition in the Statement of Financial Position but knowledge of those items is considered relevant to user of the financial report in making and evaluating decisions about the allocation of scarce resources.

1. LAND UNDER ROADS

As reported elsewhere in these Statements, Council is of the opinion that it is not possible to attribute a value sufficiently reliably for these assets to qualify for recognition, and accordingly land under roads has not been recognised in these reports. Land acquired for road purposes during the year is initially recognised at cost, but transferred to fair value at reporting date, effectively writing off the expenditure.

At reporting date, Council controlled 410km of road reserves of average width 20 metres.

2. POTENTIAL INSURANCE LOSSES

Council is a multi-purpose organisation providing a large range of building, parks infrastructure, playgrounds and other facilities accessible to the public. At any time, it is likely that claims will have been made against Council that remain unsettled.

Council insures against all known insurable risks using a range of insurance policies, each of which is subject to a deductible "insurance excess", the amount of which varies according to the class of insurance.

Council may recognise the potential losses arising from claims known at reporting date based on average historical net cost (including insurance excess) of similar types of claims. Other potential claims not reported to Council may have existed at reporting date.

NOTE 17 NON CURRENT ASSETS HELD FOR SALE & DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS**Julia Lodge**

During 2019/2020, Port Augusta City Council resolved to place this property on the market.

At reporting date there was no signed sale contract in place, but it was considered probable that a sale would occur in the following financial reporting period.

Financial Performance

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Revenue	36,468	38,358
Expenses (excluding depreciation)	22,876	23,340
Depreciation expense	23,150	23,150
Operating Result of discontinued operations	<u>(9,558)</u>	<u>(8,133)</u>

Carrying Amount of Assets and Liabilities

Infrastructure, property, plant and equipment	<u>393,168</u>	<u>406,516</u>
Total Assets	<u>393,168</u>	<u>406,516</u>

The balances of these Assets were re-classified and transferred to "Non Current Assets Held for Sale" as at 30 June 2020.

NOTE 18 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Key Management Personnel of the Council include the Mayor, Councillors, CEO and certain prescribed officers under section 112 of the Local Government Act 1999.

In all, 17 persons were paid the following total compensation:

	2020
Salaries, allowances & other short term benefits	\$ 1,302,364
Post-employment benefits	\$ -
Long term benefits	\$ -
Termination benefits	\$ 2,396
TOTAL	\$ 1,304,760

Amounts paid as direct reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of Council have not been included above.

Other than amounts paid as ratepayers or residents (eg rates, swimming pool entry fees etc), Council received the following amounts in total:

	2020
Contributions for fringe benefits tax purposes	\$ -
Planning & building application fees	\$ 545
Rentals for Council property	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 545

Key management personnel or close family members (including related parties) lodged a total of three planning and building applications during the year

Three close family members of the key management personnel are employed by Council in accordance with the terms of the Award, and as recorded in the public Register of Salaries maintained in accordance with section 105 of the Local Government Act 1999.

An Elected Member is a member of the management committee for an organisation which received a rate rebate of \$1,325.

An Elected Member is a member of the management committee for an organisation which received a contribution of \$1,314 for an event.

An Elected Member is involved in a company which paid Council \$1,100.

An Elected Member is involved in a business with total purchases amounting to \$3,188. This business also paid Council \$504.

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, these persons declare a conflict of interest and leave the meeting environs when any matter affecting the organisation is discussed or voted upon.

NOTE 19 EVENTS AFTER THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DATE

COVID-19 has been classified as a global pandemic by the World Health Organisation and has developed rapidly in 2020. Measures taken by the Federal and State governments have affected South Australia's economic activity and Council's operations.

At this stage, the financial impacts on Council's operations have not been significant and Council does not expect that further financial impacts to flow into the 2020/2021 financial year to be significant. Note 1 discloses the financial impacts caused by COVID-19 during 2019/2020.

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CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the audit of the Port Augusta City Council for the year ended 30 June 2020, the Council's Auditor, Galpins, have maintained their independence in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22(3) Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011.



JOHN BANKS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



ALAN RUSHBROOK
PRESIDING MEMBER
AUDIT COMMITTEE

20 /10/ 2020

PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 30 June 2020

Statement by Auditor

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta for the year ended 30 June 2020, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)*, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22 (5) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 2011*.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta

Report on the Financial Report

Audit Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta (the Council), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Council Certificate of the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta.

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta as at 30 June 2020, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Local Government Act 1999 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011.

Basis for Audit Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Council in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 and for such internal control as the Council determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta

Independent Assurance report on the Internal Controls of The Corporation of the City of Port Augusta

Opinion

We have audited the compliance of the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta (the Council) with the requirements of Section 125 of the *Local Government Act 1999* in relation only to the Internal Controls established by the Council to ensure that financial transactions relating to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property and incurring of liabilities for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020 have been conducted properly and in accordance with law.

In our opinion, the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta has complied, in all material respects, with *Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1999* in relation to Internal Controls established by the Council in relation to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property and incurring of liabilities so as to provide reasonable assurance that the financial transactions of the Council have been conducted properly and in accordance with law for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our engagement in accordance with applicable Australian Standards on Assurance Engagements ASAE 3100 *Compliance Engagements*, issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, in order to state whether, in all material respects, the Council has complied with Section 125 of the *Local Government Act 1999* in relation only to the Internal Controls specified above for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020. ASAE 3100 also requires us to comply with the relevant ethical requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

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

The Council's Responsibility for Internal controls

The Council is responsible for implementing and maintaining an adequate system of internal controls, in accordance with Section 125 of the *Local Government Act 1999* to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property, and incurring of liabilities have been conducted properly and in accordance with law.

Our Independence and Quality Control

We have complied with the independence and other relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements, and apply Auditing Standard ASQC 1 *Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, and Other Assurance Engagements* in undertaking this assurance engagement.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Council's compliance with Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1999 in relation only to the Internal Controls established by the Council to ensure that financial transactions relating to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, acquisition and disposal of property and incurring of liabilities, based on our procedures. Our engagement has been conducted in accordance with applicable Australian Standards on Assurance Engagements ASAE 3100 Compliance Engagements, issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board, in order to state whether, in all material respects, the Council has complied with Section 125 of the Local Government Act 1999 in relation only to the Internal Controls specified above for the period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020. ASAE 3100 also requires us to comply with the relevant ethical requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

Our procedures included obtaining an understanding of controls in relation to the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property and the incurring of liabilities, evaluating management's assessment of these controls, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and implementation of controls on a sample basis based on the assessed risks.

Limitations of Controls

Because of the inherent limitations of any internal control structure it is possible that, even if the controls are suitably designed and operating effectively, the control objectives may not be achieved so that fraud, error, or non-compliance with laws and regulations may occur and not be detected.

An assurance engagement on controls is not designed to detect all instances of controls operating ineffectively as it is not performed continuously throughout the period and the tests performed are on a sample basis. Any projection of the outcome of the evaluation of controls to future periods is subject to the risk that the controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with them may deteriorate.

Limitation of Use

This report has been prepared for the members of the Council in Accordance with Section 129 of the Local Government Act 1999 in relation to the Internal Controls Specified above. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report to any persons or users other than the members of the Council, or for any purpose other than which it was prepared

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Simon Smith CA, FCPA, Registered Company Auditor
Partner

23 / 10 / 2020

PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 30 June 2020

Statement by Auditor

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the Corporation of the City of Port Augusta for the year ended 30 June 2020, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)*, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 22 (5) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 2011*.

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