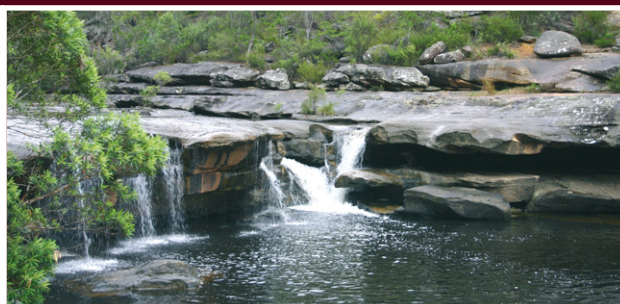




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2006 - 2007 management plan



Council's 2006-2007 Management Plan was adopted on 13 June 2006 following public exhibition and the consideration of submissions. In accordance with the Local Government Act, a quarterly report is required to be submitted to Council on the status of each objective detailed in the Plan.

Council's 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 Management Plans have been structured to progress organisation wide issues highlighted in the Department of Local Government's "Promoting Better Practice" Review, as well as the programs and recommendations contained in the Campbelltown City Social Plan 2004-2009, Council's Asset Management Strategy and Campbelltown 2025 - Looking Forward Town Planning Strategy.

As such, Council's 2006-2007 Management Plan contains the following six Corporate Projects:

- Information and Customer Service
- Human Resource Management
- Corporate Planning and Performance
- Social Plan
- Town Planning Strategy
- Strategic Asset Management.

The following is an update of the progress of each Corporate Project as at 30 June 2007.

INFORMATION AND CUSTOMER SERVICE

Key Tasks and Timeframes

1. Implementation of Customer Service Strategy (ongoing 30 June 2007).
2. Completion and adoption of Information Technology Strategy (30 November 2006).
3. Implementation of Information Technology Strategy as per time lines contained in Strategy (ongoing 30 June 2007).

Progress as at 30 June 2007

1. Customer Service Strategy
 - Customer Service Strategy endorsed by Executive for implementation.
 - Practical and operational issues associated with implementation are currently the subject to further consultation and investigations.
2. Information Technology Strategy
 - Draft Information Technology Strategy circulated to key staff for comments.

- Appointment of replacement Manager commenced.
- Draft Information Technology Strategy to be presented to Executive subsequent to appointment of replacement Manager.
- Implementation of IT Strategy - software upgrade program detailed in the draft Strategy has commenced.

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Key Tasks and Timeframes

Completion of Year 1 activities in Human Resources Strategy (ongoing 30 June 2007).

Progress as at 30 June 2007

1. Implementation of Human Resources Strategy
 - The Human Resources Project Team has completed the analysis of the research material and has developed a range of recommendations for 2007-2008.
 - Recommendations currently being considered by Executive relate to workforce planning with a particular emphasis on succession planning by identification of critical roles and completing a workforce demographic analysis.
 - A review of existing induction process and the development of site-specific inductions.
 - The development of a dedicated Human Resources intranet page to provide staff with access to the broad range of information needed in today's workplace.

CORPORATE PLANNING AND PERFORMANCE

Key Tasks and Timeframes

1. Commence development of Key Performance Indicators (March 2007).
2. Implementation of actions for 2006-2007 of Corporate Planning Cycle (ongoing 30 June 2007).
3. Completion of service review program for 2006-2007 (ongoing 30 June 2007).
4. Implementation of amended business and management planning and budget process for 2007-2008 (August 2006).

Progress as at 30 June 2007

1. Commence development of Key Performance Indicators (March 2007)
 - Continuation of audit of current information/data collection and reporting.
 - Framework for KPI's under development and elements have been incorporated into 2007-2008 Management Plan.

2. Completion of service review program for 2006-2007 (ongoing 30 June 2007)
 - Review of Childrens Services and Recreation completed.
 - Compliance Service Review ongoing.
 - Community Resources and Development Review commenced.
3. Implementation of amended business and management planning and budget process for 2007-2008 (August 2006)
 - Amended Business Plan and Budget Guide developed for 2007-2008, with amended business plan template and income component of budget completed by all sections December 2006.
 - Draft structure for 2007-2008 Management Plan developed incorporated linkages to Key Performance Indicators.

SOCIAL PLAN

Key Tasks and Timeframes

1. Completion of Year 2 Actions (ongoing 30 June 2007).
2. Development of implementation program for Year 3 Actions in preparation for 2007-2008 budget and management planning process (31 August 2006).
3. Completion of mid plan review and adoption of revised schedule of activities for 2007-2009 (if appropriate) (March 2007).



Progress as at 30 June 2007

1. Completion of Year 2 Actions
 - Draft Campbelltown (Sustainable City) DCP approved for exhibition.
 - Council endorsed a submission to the Growth Centres Commission regarding the Oran Park and Turner Road precincts.
 - State Government funding provided to strengthen the role of "Partners in Employment" to link local residents with employment opportunities.
 - Report to Council regarding affordability of recreational services and facilities.
 - Community Services forum held within Camden Council, Wollondilly Council and NGO's to provide feedback on social plans.

2. Completion of mid-plan review, and adoption of revised schedule of activities for 2007-2009
 - Mid plan review nearing completion. Information from forum of partner agencies held in June 2007 to be incorporated with a review of Social Plans that was undertaken by UTS and the Department of Local Government and released in March 2007.

TOWN PLANNING STRATEGY

Key Tasks and Timeframes

1. Completion of Town Centres Structure Plan.
2. Completion and adoption of the Campbelltown Local Planning Strategy (30 April 2007).
3. Commencement of the Campbelltown Consolidated Local Environmental Plan (commence May 2007, due to Council by March 2008 and gazettal May 2008).

Progress as at 30 June 2007

1. Campbelltown/Macarthur and Ingleburn Structure Plan
 - Exhibition of the Structure Plans concluded in September 2006. Since this time, submissions have been reviewed and further work has been carried out in regard to transport modelling for the Campbelltown/Macarthur CBD.
 - The modelling work was completed in March 2007. A meeting to discuss the outcomes of that work was held in late April 2007 with key stakeholders. Submission on the draft Structure Plan received by MoT in July 2007.
 - It is anticipated that a report on the Structure Plans will be provided to Council by the end of 2007.
2. Local Planning Strategy
 - On 30 January 2007, a presentation on the preliminary findings of the Draft Local Planning Strategy was provided to Councillors. This was followed by a report to Council on 13 February 2007, at which time Council resolved to hold a series of Community Information and Consultation Evenings.
 - The Community Information and Consultation Evenings were held from 26 February to 1 March 2007 and were well attended by members of the community. Community feedback will be taken into consideration in the next draft of the Local Planning Strategy (the Draft Strategy).
 - During March 2007, additional work was carried out in relation to the residential and heritage components of the Draft Strategy. A workshop was held between Council staff and planning consultants to discuss and finalise various components of the Draft Strategy. Council is currently working with Parsons Brickerhoff to finalise the project.
3. Comprehensive LEP
 - Preparation of a new statutory town plan (draft LEP) for the City of Campbelltown.

The Local Planning Strategy is due for completion in late 2007. The project is progressing and additional work

has been carried out on reviewing Council's existing Residential Strategy and Heritage Study. Completion of the Local Planning Strategy has been awaiting the NSW Department of Planning to finalise the draft Sub Regional Planning Strategy for South West Sydney (South West Strategy). It is now unlikely that the South West Strategy will be released for public comment until late 2007.

The delay in the timeframe for the release of the South West Strategy will also impact on the timeframe for completion of the Campbelltown Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan.

STRATEGIC ASSET MANAGEMENT

Key Tasks and Timeframes

1. Completion of the Annual Capital Works and Asset Rehabilitation Programs (ongoing 30 June 2007).
2. Completion of 5 Year Financial Projections for the Asset Management Program (31 October 2006).
3. The development and approval of a revised suite of Corporate policies and procedures that link procurement, tender specifications, contract management and Occupational Health and Safety (30 June 2007).

Progress as at 30 June 2007

1. Annual Capital Works and Asset Rehabilitation Programs
The Annual Capital Works and Asset Rehabilitation Programs were in the majority completed on target

- Adopted Better Towns Program
 - Major works 92% completed.
 - Minor works 95% completed.
 - Footpath program completed.
 - Cycleway program (off road), Ambarvale Sports Complex completed.
 - City entrances and village improvements 90% completed with remaining project involving a further stage of landscaping in Englorie Park Drive being continued in July.
 - Street lighting completed, with improvements at Minto Shopping Village being the main project.
 - Field improvements completed, Lynwood Park Soccer fields a key project.
 - Playground equipment program completed.
 - Storm Water Levy 85% completed, noting April 2007 amendment to program following damaging storms in February and March, these projects have continued into July.
 - Flood mitigation projects, flood modelling completed, programmed works delayed due to wet periods in February, March, May and June storms. Final stage of works at Minto Detention Basin currently underway.

- Recreation facility grants completed, including beginners area at Leumeah Skate Park and Lynwood Park Grandstand roofing.

• Section 94 Funded Program

- Blair Athol, street tree planting, cycleway project completed, exercise facilities completed.
- Glen Alpine, street tree planting completed, park facilities at Braeside Park completed.
- St Helens Park, street tree planting completed.
- Bow Bowling, street tree planting completed.

• Asset Management, Refurbishment and Rehabilitation Programs

- Building and recreation centres completed.
- Footpath reconstruction completed.
- Bridges and culverts completed, including specialist work scheduled for steel arch culverts.
- Parks facility maintenance completed, all scheduled works completed within budget.
- Kerb and gutter replacement 95% completed, problem with contractor in final projects, completed in July.
- Pavement repair program completed.
- Car park maintenance program completed.
- Road rehabilitation program completed.

• Ingleburn Community Centre

- Project Coordination Group meetings and scheduled pre-tender briefings and community consultations have been completed. DA approved by Council early in 2007, tenders called, project scheduled to commence in August 2007.

2. Completion of 5 Year Financial Projections for the Asset Management Program

- This task is on target. Financial projections completed for asset management categories, projections to be reviewed as part of budget adoption process is finalised.
- Determination of detail asset management programs completion for several asset categories, including buildings and roads.

3. The development and approval of a revised suite of corporate policies and procedures that link procurement, tender specifications, contract management and Occupational Health and Safety

- Stage one completed involving internal staff and independent consultants reviewing document to ensure compliance with Council policies and procedures and WorkCover requirements. Stage Two on target for September 2007.

community issues



ACCESS AND EQUITY

Campbelltown City Council is committed to providing facilities and services that are accessible to the whole community. The Local Government (General) Amendment (Community and Social Plans) Regulation 1998 requires Councils to report on access and equity activities in their Management Plans and Annual Reports. This legislation was introduced to ensure that Councils make their facilities and services appropriate for, and accessible to, everyone in the community. Councils also have a role advocating for residents to gain access to other resources required in the community.

Campbelltown City Council adopted its second Social Plan in November 2004. The plan provides an analysis of statistical data and community opinions about the quality of life in Campbelltown and, based on this analysis, details the strategies and actions needed to improve it.

The Social Plan was developed in conjunction with Federal and State Government Departments and non-Government organisations. Community members also participated in this process by providing extensive community feedback and reviewing drafts of the plan. Care was taken to ensure that the consultations covered all of the target groups required under the Social Planning guidelines.

The Social Plan provides an analysis of need that is central to Council's Corporate Plan. Strategies from the Social Plan are incorporated into Council's Management Plan, ensuring that access and equity strategies are put into place. An access and equity activity is defined as one that assists Council to:

- promote fairness in the distribution of resources, particularly for those in most need
- recognise and promote people's rights and improve the accountability of decision makers
- ensure that people have fairer access to the economic resources and services essential to meeting their basic needs and improving their quality of life
- give people better opportunities for genuine participation and consultation.

SOCIAL PLAN

The Social Plan describes our community, analyses the factors affecting quality of life and formulates strategies to address identified needs. The social planning function is continuous, and builds on the information brought together in the Social Plan. Social planning activities occur in conjunction with land use

planning and greatly assist Council to make progress towards achieving long term goals of access and equity for all residents of Campbelltown.

Campbelltown has reached a critical point in its development. The rapid population growth of the previous 30 years has slowed and current developments are focused on Campbelltown's further development as a regional centre. These developments highlight the importance of integrated planning in order to produce social, environmental and economic sustainability for the Campbelltown LGA.

The Social Plan provides an integrated response to the changing needs of the City. Strategies are grouped under nine focus areas - Traffic and Transport; Crime and Safety; Health; Urban Development; Recreation and Culture; Employment Education and Training; City Image; Council's Leadership in the Community; and Strengthening Local Communities. Some of the key plans linked to the Social Plan are the Cultural Plan, the Crime Prevention Plan and the Integrated Transport Strategy.

The implementation of the Social Plan is being monitored to ensure commitments are achieved and a reporting framework is being developed to provide feedback to residents and staff of the plan's progress.



EQUITY AND ACCESS (EAPS) POLICY

The Campbelltown Local Government Area has a significant proportion of people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds. Those born in non-English speaking countries now represent 16.8% of the total population.

Under the Local Government Act, Council has two key responsibilities in relation to access and equity for residents from non-English speaking backgrounds. These are:

- exercise its functions having regard for the cultural and linguistic diversity of its community

- include in its Annual Report details of programs undertaken by Council during the year to promote services and access to services for people with diversified cultural and linguistic backgrounds.

The broad aims of EAPS are to:

- make all residents aware of the services offered by Council
- have equal access to services for all residents
- make all Council services appropriate for the local population.

Council works closely with Macarthur Diversity Services Inc. and resident representatives and other organisations to ensure that programs and activities are developed to promote access and equity for people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. In the past year, some of the key initiatives have been:

- completing the Strengthening Bridges program to improve relationships between the Aboriginal and Pacific communities
- encouraging involvement of culturally and linguistically diverse youth with Council's Youth Advisory Sub Committee.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

During the year, Council has undertaken a variety of community consultation activities, including a series of meetings held throughout the city where local residents have the opportunity to meet with Councillors and senior staff. These evening meetings include a presentation on Council's strategic directions and major issues affecting the City, as well as discussion around issues that have been raised by residents.

Council's corporate planning cycle now includes community consultation activities, ensuring that the strategic direction and operations of Council take into account the key issues identified by residents.

DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION

Campbelltown City Council actively embraces initiatives that promote and continuously improve access by people with disabilities to services and facilities that allow them to live and participate fully in their community.

Through Council's Access Sub Committee, a Disability Discrimination Policy has been adopted to achieve this aim and a Disability Action Plan is being completed in accordance with a framework adopted by Council. The Sub Committee has developed priorities for action and is actively involved in the development of the Disability Action Plan.

Council conducts a series of Open Access Forums to give residents the opportunity to provide input and feedback regarding the development of the Disability Action Plan. These forums have focused on key access issues such as public transport.



TARGET GROUPS

Council's Social Plan addresses the needs of specific target groups, and many new initiatives have been identified and implemented as a result of including each group in the consultation process.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

Campbelltown's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population represents 80% of the total indigenous population of the Macarthur region. 2006 Census figures show that, since 2001, the Indigenous population of Campbelltown grew by 6.3% to 3830. ABS figures however, are not considered to reflect the true number of indigenous people in the area, and local organisations put the figure at somewhere between 8000 and 10,000.

Council has:

- developed and implemented strategies which increased understanding and cooperation between ATSI communities, Council and the wider community
- undertaken joint initiatives with ATSI organisations
- promoted cultural issues affecting service delivery, program development to mainstream services and organisations
- in partnership with the Department of Ageing Disability and Home Care, commenced an intergenerational project, focusing on the life stories of Aboriginal men and women living in Campbelltown
- employed an Indigenous Curator to lead the development and promotion of Aboriginal art
- featured a range of activities for families and children during NAIDOC Week including the flag raising ceremony and a march down Queen Street to Koshigaya Park. This was followed by a family fun day in the park, which attracted many people from the broader community as well as Aboriginal families
- continued to support the Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee
- developed and delivered cultural activities throughout Youth Week
- supported the Wunga Myamly Reconciliation Group in promoting and delivering activities such as the Appin Massacre memorial and Reconciliation Walk.

The Campbelltown Local Government Aboriginal Advisory Sub Committee provides a link between Council and the indigenous community.

Initiatives undertaken by the Sub Committee include:

- increasing Aboriginal community participation in NAIDOC Week and the Festival of Fisher's Ghost
- contributing to the implementation of Council's Aboriginal Service Plan.

Aged People

Council has:

- continued to develop and support the Community Options program to provide coordinated care for the frail aged, people with dementia and their carers
- employed an Aged Services worker
- supported the Seniors Cyber Seekers computer group, the Seniors Issues Group and Senior Citizen's clubs
- developed programs to address identified gaps in existing health and community services in conjunction with other government agencies
- coordinated a comprehensive program of activities for Seniors Week
- introduced bus transport on a monthly basis to the Forest Lawn Cemetery, for seniors living in Campbelltown
- held the Elders Walkabout Games as part of Seniors Week to promote physical activity amongst older Aboriginal people.



People with Disabilities

Council has:

- coordinated and implemented strategies across all areas of Council's responsibility to improve access for people with a disability
- initiated the development of a Disability Discrimination Action Plan to support Council's adopted Disability Discrimination Policy. This included a Working Party that enables people with a disability to participate in the development of the plan
- continued to develop and coordinate the work of Council's Access Committee to reflect the interests, needs and aspirations of all people with disabilities
- ensured that major developments such as shopping centres make adequate provisions for access by people with disabilities
- participated in the Get Active Macarthur Day – to improve staff knowledge and skill in providing services for people with a disability

- managed the Macarthur Disability Case Management and Brokerage Service, through funding from the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care. This service provides assessment and a range of support services for people with specific disabilities
- conducted activities for International Day for People with Disabilities. The activities included a poster competition that for local schools.

People from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Backgrounds (CALD)

The Campbelltown Local Government area has a significant and growing, culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) population. An analysis of the CALD population indicates that, with about 103 different language or cultural groups, most countries are represented. This significant increase in cultural diversity has implications for Council in the delivery of services to ensure equity to the CALD community. Council continues to review its Equity and Access Policy (EAPS) to ensure that these needs are met.

Council has improved the accessibility and appropriateness of all its services to residents of CALD backgrounds by providing:

- training and advice to local community services to improve accessibility by non-English speaking residents
- stationary that carries a printed message regarding interpreting services on the back
- approximately 4000 items in 11 community languages that are available from Council's libraries
- support for such events as Riverfest (activities, food and music from many cultures); community arts projects and workshops; cultural and community arts seminars; and major music performance events
- the Strengthening Bridges program was implemented to promote harmony between Pacific and Aboriginal communities in Campbelltown
- Council's Online Community Database which enables access to a comprehensive range of community services and support groups.

Children aged 0-6 years

- Eight accredited Long Day Care Centres providing care for up to 298 children daily
- One Occasional Child Care Centre providing 29 daily occasional care places
- One Occasional Child Care Centre providing 28 daily occasional care places on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (school terms only).

Children aged 5-12 years

- Three Before and After School Care Centres catering for 180 places
- Two After School Centres catering for 50 child places
- Three Vacation Care Centres catering for 165 places.

Children aged 0-12 years

- Family Day Care Scheme with 488 effective full-time children catered for by 97 care providers. Council organised a wide variety of child and family-focused events and activities in 2006/2007. These included:
 - the Bookalicious Junior Reading Club through Council's libraries to provide rewards to children for reading
 - expanding Before and After School Care Services through the Active After Schools program
 - holding many activities during Children's Week including craft, gym activities and mini Olympics at Council's child care centres.

Youth

In 2006/2007, Council extended innovative entertainment and performance opportunities for young people in the City and continued to support and coordinate the activities of Council's Youth Advisory Sub Committee.

A major activity has been the implementation of the Campbelltown Youth Strategy. This was produced in conjunction with key State and Federal government agencies, and non-government organisations. The strategy commits these organisations to the sharing of youth initiatives and activities, for example health, youth, entertainment and the education to employment pathway.

The Youth Services Advisory Sub Committee provides a link for Council to communicate with young people in the Local Government Area and raise issues and provide recommendations to direct Council in their delivery of youth services. Initiatives undertaken by the Sub Committee include:

- Campbelltown Skate Park activities
- Youth Week 2007, for which Council won the best ongoing commitment to Youth Week at the Local Government Week awards earlier this year.

At different events throughout the year, Council staffed stalls to promote the wide and diverse range of services it provides. Council assisted Breakthrough Mentoring to set up their program to assist young people into employment in Campbelltown, and coordinated a local network of youth leadership and mentoring programs.

Fishers Gig, the annual youth music event during the Festival of Fisher's Ghost, was the joint winner of the Indent All Ages Award from Music NSW.

The mock youth Council program went into its second year, to continue to develop young people's understanding of local government. A review of youth services and facilities was commenced to improve coordination and to develop more appropriate services and facilities for young people.

Council's successful Beach Bus initiative enabled more young people to travel free of charge to Wollongong.

Women

Council worked with State Government agencies such as the Department of Community Services and the police to identify ways in which the response to domestic violence incidents can be improved. This included a seminar in November 2006, which focused on a new model of service provision.

Additional Activities to Improve Access to Services

During 2006/2007, Council undertook the following initiatives to support the Management Plan:

- provided a comprehensive range of cultural activities through the Campbelltown Arts Centre
- continued to resource neighbourhood and community centres by providing support to management committees (including the Campbelltown Youth Services Board Inc) and to staff
- further developed the Campbelltown Senior Cyber Seekers Computer Club
- promoted and administered the Area Assistance Scheme in the Macarthur region and the Council Community Grants Scheme in Campbelltown
- set up information displays promoting the range of Council's services and facilities
- produced new information brochures
- continued to support employment and community development activities in Claymore, Minto Macquarie Fields, Airds, Ambarvale and Rosemeadow in partnership with other Government agencies
- continued to assist Home and Community Care Services in Macarthur
- lead the Macquarie Fields Local Reference Group, a forum for residents, government agencies and non government agencies
- provided a health educational resource and information service
- organised the annual Campbelltown City Challenge Walk



- distributed pamphlets and brochures on health, and liaised with other health education agencies
- provided the opportunity for sports clubs and associations to update their knowledge by conducting a number of sports forums
- erected temporary signage at Council facilities identifying Council's involvement in the organisation of high profile events.



environmental issues

Campbelltown City Council 2006 – 2007 State of the Environment Report

This State of the Environment Report (SoE) report has been prepared by Council to report on the condition of the key areas of Land, Water, Community and Heritage within the Campbelltown Local Government Area (LGA). The report provides a snapshot of the current state of these key areas, and the issues Council and the community face in making Campbelltown a better place to live, now and into the future. The report also identifies the main threats to these key areas, which will enable Council to develop actions to address them. These actions can then be incorporated into Council's Management Plan, ensuring the principles of ESD are effectively integrated into Council's policy and operational instruments.

The SoE report is divided into four key environmental areas within the Campbelltown LGA, including Our Land, Our Water, Our Community and Our Heritage and examines their current condition. Within these sections, the threats to these key areas have been identified, and Council's response to them briefly outlined, including Council's commitments and major achievements.

OUR LAND

Major Issues

The Campbelltown LGA is fortunate to contain significant preserved areas of bushland, which boast high levels of biodiversity. The largest areas of bushland are located on the steeper terrain in the east of the LGA, adjacent to the Georges River, however there are also significant remnants in the west and central sections of the LGA, where a higher level of urban development has occurred. Some of these areas contain Endangered Ecological Communities listed in the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995.

Threats to biodiversity in the Campbelltown Local Government Area include impacts associated with weed invasion, inappropriate fire regimes, predation by feral animals, stormwater runoff, illegal dumping, unauthorised vehicle access (such as trail bike riding), habitat loss/fragmentation and a lack of comprehensive baseline data relating to the state of biodiversity.

Council has continued to play a pivotal role in the development and implementation of strategies and on-ground works in association with the community and other key stakeholders. The broad aims of these strategies are to minimise the impacts of identified threats on biodiversity within the Campbelltown Local Government Area.

Achievements

Plan of Management for Bunbury Curran Park

- Council has prepared a Plan of Management for Bunbury Curran Park, located at Macquarie Fields. Key features of the Plan include the protection of habitat of five threatened species recorded in the Park, improvement of the condition of Bunbury Curran Creek, the provision of a cycleway in the western section of the Park, and strategies to encourage responsible community use and enjoyment of the Park.

Educational Programmes

- Council continued to offer environmentally focussed community workshops as part of the Sustainability Blitz Programme, which aims to increase the awareness of key sustainability issues for local households on a range of topics including worm farming, composting, water management and energy efficiency. During 2006/2007, four workshops were conducted, which were attended by 80 participants. Council was also a major sponsor and organiser of the Macarthur Sustainable Schools Expo, held in September 2006, which was attended by 190 students from 27 schools. The aim of the Expo was to educate local students on a range of topics relating to environmental sustainability.
- Council became a key partner in the Schools Climate Change Initiative funded by the NSW Greenhouse Office and the Department of Education and Training. The aim of this programme is to provide students with an understanding of sustainable living and an appreciation of the practical measures available to minimise and reduce climate change.

Control of Noxious Weeds

- Council currently coordinates a number of programmes to control the distribution and extent of noxious weeds in the Campbelltown LGA. Weed control works are currently underway at Milton Park (Macquarie Fields), Redfern Creek (Ingleburn), Smiths Creek (Ruse), Noorumba Reserve (Gilead), Botany Place (Ruse) and Georges River Road (Kentlyn). Details of weed control works have also been developed for Spring Creek (St Helens Park) and Ingleburn Reserve, which are scheduled to commence during the 2007/2008 reporting period. Council has utilised the Georges Riverkeeper Programme's Periodic Detention Centre (PDC) working group to assist in the removal of rubbish and weed material at three of these sites. Council is also currently mapping the extent and distribution of Lantana infestations throughout the Campbelltown LGA to identify areas to be targeted for treatment.

- Council also placed several pictorial/educational advertisements in local newspapers that provided information to the community on noxious weeds found within the Campbelltown LGA and appropriate control and containment measures.

Bushland Rehabilitation Work

- Work commenced on the Rehabilitation of the Redfern Creek Project, which is jointly funded by Council and the Sydney Metropolitan Catchment Authority (CMA). Activities conducted as part of the project included the removal and control of a variety of noxious and environmental weeds, planting of indigenous native species, removal of rubbish, installation of educational signage and protective fencing, and the initial establishment of a community volunteer streamcare group. Council also received funding from the Sydney Metropolitan CMA during the reporting period for the Koala Habitat Restoration Project at selected sites in Kentlyn and St Helens Park. Ongoing works as part of this project will commence during the 2007/2008 reporting period.

Preparation of Local Planning Strategy (LPS)

- Council commenced preparation of a Local Planning Strategy (LPS) for the Campbelltown LGA, which aims to provide background information for the preparation of a new comprehensive Local Environmental Plan (LEP). The LPS will investigate the regional, physical and environmental setting of the Campbelltown LGA and its unique characteristics. It will discuss environmental, economic and social issues related to future growth, including requirements for transport and social infrastructure, as well as identify potential areas where growth should be targeted and areas that should be maintained and protected. The plan will provide recommendations for future planning controls and land use zones that will be incorporated into the new LEP.

WASTE AND RECYCLING

Major Issues

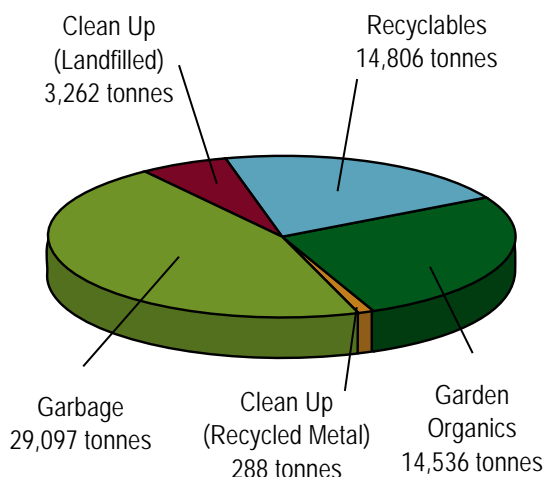
Council's key performance indicators in waste management are to minimise the total volume of domestic waste generated and maximise the recovery of recyclable materials, as well as to reduce the impacts associated with littering and illegal dumping.

To assist in meeting these objectives, Council continues to offer a waste and recycling collection system, consisting of:

- a 140 litre garbage bin collected weekly
- a 240 litre recycling bin collected fortnightly
- a 240 litre garden organics bin collected fortnightly
- four kerbside clean ups per year.

The figure below shows the tonnages of material collected through each of the services during the 2006/2007 reporting period.

Waste and Recycling Tonnages for 2006/2007



- Waste Landfilled 32,359 tonnes
- Resources Recycled 29,630 tonnes

Achievements

Educational Programmes

- Council provided 12 free 'Waste-Wise Workshops' to local schools on topics including waste reduction/recycling, worm farming, composting, and no dig vegetable gardening.

Recycling

- Arrangements were made with Council's recyclables processing contractor to eliminate the need for residents to separate containers from paper in household recycling bins. The removal of the dividers (which were recycled), created additional space for more recyclables.
- Council partnered with 'Mobile Muster' throughout March to June 2007 in a national mobile phone recycling initiative. Council collected mobile phones, mobile phone handsets, batteries and accessories from the public at selected Council facilities. During the programme residents dropped off 120 mobile phone handsets, 120 batteries, 30 cases, 60 phone chargers and 40 other mobile phone accessories for recycling.
- The programme was extended to schools in the form of a mobile phone recycling competition. Hurlstone Agricultural High School and Mary Brooksbank School won the competition by collecting the most mobile phones and mobile phone accessories. Each school was awarded \$1,000 in funding to assist in the development of environmental initiatives.

Clean up Australia Day

- A total of 38 sites were registered throughout the Campbelltown City Council LGA for Clean Up Australia Day, which was held in March 2007. Approximately 10 tonnes of waste and half a tonne of recyclables were removed from local schools, parks, roadsides, creeks and bushland areas by volunteers.

Leadership Awards

- In May 2007, Council received two Compost Leadership awards from the Waste Management Association of Australia for improvements in contamination levels for kerbside collected garden organics and innovation in organics recovery. The awards gave recognition to Council's efforts in recent years to improve resource recovery.

Chemical Clutter Cleanout

- A Chemical Clutter Cleanout event was held for two days in August and attracted a total of 601 participants. The event resulted in over 21,600 kg of household chemicals being collected, with the most popular items being: 8500 kg of paints; 4000 kg of car batteries; 4700 kg of oil; and 1400 kg of gas bottles.

Construction of a new Waste Management Facility

- Construction continued on the \$50 million facility that will process Campbelltown's domestic waste, recyclables and garden organics. The facility (which is scheduled to be constructed during 2008) promises to be an international showcase for advanced waste treatment technology that will divert more than 70% of waste from landfill.

ILLEGAL LAND USE ACTIVITIES AND NON-COMPLIANT DEVELOPMENT

Major Issues

Impacts associated with unauthorised activities (eg. trail bike riding, illegal dumping and arson), as well as development activity place considerable pressure on biodiversity and the quality of the natural environment as well as neighbourhood amenity. Council has continued to develop and implement programmes in association with the community, local business and other stakeholders to restrict these impacts. A summary of the major activities conducted during the reporting period is outlined below.

Achievements

Illegal Trail Bike Riding

- A total of nine joint Police and Council patrols targeting areas of high illegal trail bike riding activity (including Smiths Creek and Noorumba Reserves) were conducted during the reporting period. These patrols were successful in restricting environmental impacts associated with trail bike activities and resulted in the issuing of 53 infringement notices, 31 juvenile cautions, seizure of 31 bikes and laying of 25 charges for illegal trail bike riding offences.

Environmental Audits

- A total of 43 Environmental Audits of industrial premises (which monitor illegal building work, illegal land use activities and environmental management issues) were conducted during the reporting period. The audits were successful in identifying poor environmental management practices, fire safety concerns

or inappropriate or illegal land use activities. This resulted in a number of Notices or Orders being issued and associated action to enforce compliance with relevant legislation and adopted standards.

Bush Fire Trails and Walking Track Registers

- A comprehensive register of bush fire trails and major bush walking tracks throughout the Campbelltown LGA was developed principally for the purpose of enhancing capacity to enforce offences relating to illegal trail bike activity. This initiative has broader potential in terms of the identification of tracks and fire trails suitable for a wide range of recreational users and as a model approach to be utilised by other Council's to protect sensitive areas from the impacts of trail bike activity.

OUR WATER

Major Issues

The Campbelltown Local Government Area (LGA) is fortunate to have a number of waterways, which support a diverse variety of plant and animal communities, as well as provide a number of recreational opportunities for the public.

The majority of Campbelltown's waterways drain into the Upper Georges River, either directly into the Georges River itself or via the Bow Bowing/Bunbury Curran Creek System. A small number of waterways located in the southwest section of the LGA, drain into the Nepean River, which forms part of the Hawkesbury/Nepean Catchment.

Water quality in the Georges and Nepean Rivers is generally good, however, water quality within the Campbelltown LGA has deteriorated over time, due primarily to impacts associated with increased urbanisation. This has resulted in increased levels of stormwater runoff, containing a range of contaminants including nutrients, sediment, chemicals, litter and grease. Other factors that have contributed to poorer water quality within the LGA include pollution incidence, degraded riparian zones, stream flow modification, aquatic noxious weeds, illegal dumping, and the accumulation of litter.

Council's commitment to the sustainable management of water resources and improved water quality within the Campbelltown LGA is demonstrated through the number of initiatives Council has established and implemented over the reporting period. The following summarises some of Council's major achievements.

Achievements

On-site Septic Systems

- Initiated in 2004, the On-site Sewage Management Program has collectively involved the inspection of a total of 742 on-site septic systems, consisting of 216 aerated wastewater treatment systems and 526 septic tank and absorption trench systems. This has ensured that 85% of Campbelltown's on-site septic systems are structurally sound and comply with public health and environmental standards. Common issues identified during the inspections included failed trenches, systems requiring sludge clean outs and hydraulic overloading.
- Council officers have continued to implement community/resident education and have found that this is the best method for resolving future potential problems. In addition, Council has updated its internet site with information on grey water and rainwater tanks.

Identification of Noxious Weeds

- Council completed Stage 3 of the Campbelltown City Council Alligator Weed and Ludwigia Mapping Project, which involved the mapping of significant sections of selected waterways within the LGA. The purpose of the mapping was to identify priority areas for future weed control. Salvina survey and mapping was also undertaken, by which a new Water Hyacinth infestation was also identified.

Upgrade of Noxious Weeds Legislation

- Amendments to the Noxious Weeds Act 1993 came into effect on 1 March 2006. The amendments have resulted in a number of significant changes to the legislation, with the most relevant to Council being the introduction of new Weed Control Classes. The new weed Control Classes have a specific objective relating to the control of individual weeds compared to the previous weed control classes, which were quite inflexible and generally had broad generic objectives such as the suppression and destruction of weeds. Another key component of the amendment was the preparation of a Management Plan for enforcement of locally controlled noxious weeds. This plan was completed by Council in May 2007.

Georges River Combined Councils Committee Memorandum of Understanding

- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was prepared by Council, which defines the terms for the commitment of support to be provided by Council to the Georges River Combined

Councils Committee (GRCCC). Council's support to the GRCCC (as outlined in the MoU) includes financial, asset/infrastructure and strategic planning/management options. As part of the MoU, Council will receive assistance, in the form of volunteer labour, to aid in many of Council's environmental rehabilitation and improvement projects, such as the Iconic Redfern Creek Rehabilitation project and the Koala Habitat Restoration Works.

Bring Back the Fish Project

- Council became a participant in the recently initiated, 'Bring Back the Fish' (BBTF) project being coordinated by the Department of Primary Industries. The purpose of the project is to identify barriers to fish passage and establish and implement remediation works to enhance fish passage at the identified priority sites. Ingleburn Weir, (located on the Georges River near Ingleburn Reserve), has been identified by the BBTF project team as a high priority site given its location on a major waterway and the partial barrier it provides to fish passage. Due to the heritage significance of the weir, a Heritage Impact Statement will be prepared during 2007 prior to the commencement of remediation works.

Registered Business Inspection Programme

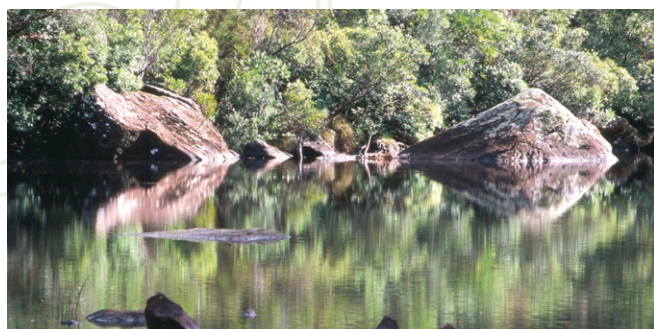
- Council has continued to implement its Registered Business Inspection Programme, which monitors the compliance of registered premises with a range of environmental criteria. The programme also examines practical measures businesses can implement to improve efficiency and environmental performance. During the reporting period, 12 of the 13 premises inspected complied with licence conditions. Council officers are working with the remaining premise to improve environmental performance and achieve compliance with license conditions. It has been encouraging to see a number of the business adopt and participate in further environmentally friendly initiatives as a result of the inspection program.

Water Quality Testing

- Council continued to implement its water quality monitoring programme which monitors the compliance of six selected sites with the Recreational Water Quality Guidelines and Protection of Aquatic Ecosystem Guidelines produced by the Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC). The six sites are monitored monthly and include Wedderburn Gorge, The Woolwash at Airds, Frere's Crossing at Kentlyn, Harold Street Bridge at Macquarie Fields, Simmos Beach and Menangle Bridge. In addition to the monthly tests, both Simmos Beach and Menangle Bridge are tested weekly in summer due to their recreational use.

Expansion of Streamcare/Bushcare Group

- Council's community Streamcare/BushCare group continued to work in Noorumba Reserve, Rosemeadow. The group, which meets on a fortnightly basis, participated in activities including; water testing, bush regeneration, litter collection and planting of native vegetation. The group was also involved in a successful on-site survey for the Cumberland Land Snail, which



is classified as a threatened species under the Threatened Species Conversation Act. The survey was a licence requirement of the Department of Environment and Climate Change for the construction of a fence adjacent to Appin Road to restrict the impacts of unauthorised vehicle access within the Reserve.

- Council appointed a Volunteer Coordinator for the group during the reporting period, whose duties include providing specialist support for community volunteers and developing and implementing basic volunteer training programmes.
- Council endorsed the commencement of a number of new Streamcare/Bushcare Volunteer Projects at Kentlyn, St Helen's Park and Ingleburn to operate over a two year period. The commencement of the projects will result in the formation of three new Streamcare groups.

Environmental Trust Urban Sustainability Grant Application

- Council prepared a joint grant application with Liverpool City Council under the Environmental Trust's Urban Sustainability Program. The application follows on from the "Think Tank Meeting" held at Liverpool Council earlier this year to consider strategies for improving the health of the Upper Georges River. The total project will be undertaken over a three year period and will consist of three phases designed to improve the sustainability of the Upper Georges River. Should the application be successful, as the lead Council, Campbelltown Council will be responsible for the administration and implementation of the grant.

OUR COMMUNITY

Major Issues

The major issues and trends affecting the quality of life in Campbelltown have been identified and addressed through Campbelltown City Council's Social Plan (2004-2009). In this regard, the plan aims to answer three important questions:

- What are the key quality of life issues impacting on the community now?
- What are the key strategic challenges that will impact on the community in the future?
- What should Council and its partners do to address these issues and challenges to ensure that quality of life conditions for its residents are maximised?

The key quality of life issues were identified through the analysis of statistical data and responses to community consultations. The key strategic challenges were expressed as 21 dynamics (eg. the development of Campbelltown as a regional centre, and the ageing of the population), which were identified through the research for the Social Plan.

The strategies in the Social Plan were then developed in response to the key issues and strategic challenges identified. The actions resulting from the Social Plan represent Council's

focus and commitment to addressing the quality of life needs of the City's residents. This includes the development of cultural services and facilities. By having access to cultural facilities and associated services, communities can actively engage with, and develop culture. It is through engaging with culture that communities can contribute to defining a local identity and sense of place.

Achievements

Community Services

Transport

- Council, in association with Camden Council, developed an Integrated Transport Strategy to improve transport conditions for both communities. The purpose of the strategy, which integrates all forms of transport including walking, cycling, rail and road, includes, providing improved transport options for the residents of Camden and Campbelltown; and encouraging residents of the region to make more sustainable transport choices.

Crime Prevention

- Council has continued to implement the Crime Prevention Plan, through projects including the Young Offenders Mentoring Programme (YOMP). The programme, which partner's young offenders with trained mentors, involves a range of government agencies and community organisations working collaboratively to develop a coordinated approach to support young people who are in contact with the Juvenile Justice System. The focus of YOMP is to positively connect young people to the community by increasing the linkages between young people and local sporting clubs and recreation associations.

Compacts

- The Compacts programme commenced in late 2006, and provides assistance to 400 people with complex conditions returning home from hospital. By enabling people to return home earlier through services such as nursing care in the home, health care costs are reduced and patient outcomes are improved.

Tourism

- Campbelltown's Visitor Information Centre, 'Quondong', continued to promote Campbelltown as a tourist destination through targeting more specific markets including school excursions, group training, business tourism and visiting friends and relatives.



Development

- Council adopted Stage 2 of the Sustainable City Development Control Plan in May 2007. This key plan sets out the requirements for commercial development and industrial

development and provides a revised Engineering Design Guide for Development.

Youth Mentoring

- The Macarthur Youth Mentoring Network has been formed to bring together those programs that aim to provide education, employment, leadership and social outcomes to young people through mentoring and coaching. These programmes partner young people with experienced mentors and coaches from relevant fields to assist them with life and/or professional skills.



Suburb Level Plans

- Council is assisting community organisations and government departments to develop suburb level plans to improve the quality of life in selected locations. Each plan focuses on issues identified by residents as being a priority. The resulting programmes are implemented as a partnership between the residents and agencies involved.

Community Health

Inquiry into the Health Impacts of Air Pollution in the Sydney Basin

- The State Government conducted an inquiry into the health impacts of air pollution in the Sydney basin during the reporting period. Given the significance of air quality as a regional issue, Council played a lead role in the submission of a response to the final report of the Inquiry and its recommendations by the Macarthur Region of Organisation of Councils (MACROC) on behalf of its member Councils (Campbelltown City Council, Camden City Council and Wollondilly Shire Council). The response by MACROC provided an overview of air quality issues within the Macarthur Region, comments on recommendations of specific relevance to the Macarthur region and the involvement and engagement of local government during the implementation of recommendations of the inquiry.

Air emission levels from Council and Department of Environment and Climate Change Regulated Premises

- The following table provides a ranking of air emissions levels based on the latest available data for the 2005/2006 financial year, as reported to the National Pollution Inventory website. This site ranks the reported emission levels from individual premises, compared to the maximum reported national emission levels for similar types of premises.

Facilities	Regulatory Authority	Ranking
Alsco Pty Ltd, Ingleburn NSW	Council	Low
CSR Bradford Insulation, Ingleburn NSW	Council	Low
Unilever Australia Limited (Streets Ice Cream) Minto NSW	Council	Low
Australian Petro Chemical Storage Pty Ltd, Ingleburn NSW	DECC	Low
Foamco Industries Pty Ltd, Minto NSW	DECC	Low
Pilkington (Australia) Ltd, Ingleburn NSW	DECC	Low

- Future SoE reports will include data obtained from a detailed new Air Emission Inventory currently being developed by the Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC).

OUR HERITAGE

Indigenous Heritage

Major Issues

The indigenous heritage of Campbelltown not only encompasses archaeological sites and artefacts, but also includes culture and places of cultural significance, history, language and spirituality. The Campbelltown LGA is home to the Dharawal people, with the Georges River and associated landscapes providing not only food and shelter, but also a rich resource for the expression of their cultural and social heritage. There are more than 350 known indigenous sites, places and relics within the Campbelltown LGA, including rock art, rock artefacts, scarred trees, open camp sites and axe grinding grooves.

Campbelltown City Council, like many other Councils, faces the challenge of documenting and preserving indigenous heritage features. The main factors influencing their preservation include urbanisation, recreational activities in bushland areas, vandalism and the effects of natural weathering processes.

Achievements

Preparation of an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan

- An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan for the Keith Longhurst Reserve, Kentlyn, was prepared for Council by archaeological consultants. The aims of the plan, which

forms part of the implementation of Council's adopted Plan of Management (POM) for the Reserve, include identifying and describing Aboriginal sites and their significance, as well as identifying measures to protect these sites from potential threats, such as arson and trail bike activities. The recommendations of the plan will be utilised in the implementation of strategies contained in the POM (for example walking track upgrading).



Aboriginal Community Events

- In October 2006, an Aboriginal Carers Week event was held at the Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation in partnership with several agencies across Macarthur. The event provided carers with the opportunity to discuss common issues as well as enabled a range of service providers to promote their services.
- During April 2007 as part of Seniors Week, the Elders Walkabout Games were held at the Campbelltown Sports Stadium. The games enabled participants from Campbelltown and neighbouring LGAs (as well as La Perouse and Canberra) to participate in activities including discus, javelin, boccia, wheelchair races, walking races and traditional indigenous games. Of note, the games were a finalist in the Kellogg/Heart Foundation Local Government Awards.
- In April 2007 the annual Appin Massacre Ceremony was held at Cataract Dam to acknowledge and pay respects to those aboriginals massacred. The event was well attended by both community members and officials.
- In May 2007, a series of events were held across the LGA to coincide with Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week. Sorry Day events were held at the Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation and at the Benevolent Society in Campbelltown. The Arts Centre hosted a film day where "Ten Canoes" and "Kanyini" were screened. Additionally, some residents travelled into Sydney to commemorate the stolen generations, by participating in the Reconciliation Walk to First Fleet Park.
- In July 2007, there was a Flag Raising event held at Council to mark the beginning of NAIDOC Week. Unfortunately, the annual Street March and Koshigaya Fun Day were cancelled due to bad weather. Further activities around NAIDOC Week included a touch football competition held at Minto and a Family Day held at Macquarie Fields. Both days were well attended.

European Heritage

Major Issues

Campbelltown, being one of the first areas of European colonisation in Australia, boasts a rich European heritage. The area contains a number of heritage items, which are significant to the community. Some of these items are also recognised as being State Significant. There are 107 heritage items identified within the Campbelltown LGA that encompass not only stately mansions and demure cottages, but monuments, bridges, cemeteries, reservoirs, dams, water canals, churches, railway stations and forests. The Queen Street Heritage Conservation Area, located at the southern end of Queen Street (near Campbelltown Mall), includes several important buildings, which are also of significance.

The cost of maintaining heritage items, particularly those in private ownership, and finding appropriate new uses for heritage buildings, are issues of concern. Council has planning rules that set out objectives and controls to conserve heritage items, heritage conservation areas, archaeological sites and places of Aboriginal heritage significance.

Achievements

Preparation of a Heritage Brochure

- Council, in conjunction with its Heritage Protection Sub-Committee commenced preparation of a heritage brochure to provide residents with information on heritage listing and related matters. Topics to be included in the brochure are the different levels of heritage significance, the importance of heritage in the Campbelltown LGA, Council's role in heritage protection, the process involved in heritage listing and the benefits and implications of heritage listing. It is anticipated that this brochure will be completed in the 2007/2008 financial year.
- As part of the review of its heritage study and register, Council, in conjunction with its Heritage Protection Sub Committee, commenced preliminary desktop research into the heritage significance of an additional 10 items for investigation for potential listing. It is anticipated that this work will be progressed during the 2007/2008 financial year.

Repairs to a Heritage Item

- Council's Local Heritage Fund 2006/2007 was used to provide funding to undertake repairs and restoration works to an historic grave in a local cemetery. Funds were also allocated for maintenance and repair works for a heritage listed home located within the Campbelltown LGA.

Heritage Week Activities

- Heritage Week was held in March 2007, to coincide with the National Trust Heritage Festival themed "Places in Context: Cultural and Natural Landscapes". The Campbelltown Arts Centre organised a Heritage Week programme about "Green Spaces in the Cultural and Natural Landscapes of Campbelltown". The programme involved a range of activities, including, the annual Heritage Forum, and the awarding of heritage medallions and certificates of recognition.

management issues



In accordance with Section 249 of the Local Government Act and the determination of the Remuneration Tribunal, the Mayor was paid an annual allowance of \$47,275 for the year ending 30 June 2007.

In accordance with Section 248 of the Local Government Act and the determination of the Remuneration Tribunal, Councillors were paid an annual fee of \$17,795 for the year ending 30 June 2007. Total fees paid to Councillors for the year ending 30 June 2007 were \$266,925.

In accordance with Section 252 of the Local Government Act, Council will pay expenses incurred to or to be incurred and provide facilities for the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors to enable them to discharge their functions of civic office. The total cost in 2006/2007 was \$230,041. This consisted of:

- \$42,404 for attendance at conferences and seminars including the Local Government Conference, UDIA Conference, Flood Mitigation Conference, Sister City Conference, Eco-Tourism Conference and Asia Pacific Cities Summit
- \$33,358 for the provision of staff on a shared basis
- \$28,184 for office accommodation
- \$4,291 for reimbursement of expenses to Councillors for use of private vehicles
- \$69,970 for provision of meals and refreshments in conjunction with Council and Committee Meetings as well as civic receptions
- \$8,763 for the use of Council vehicles by the Mayor and Councillors for authorised Council business
- \$43,071 for the provision of office equipment and communication systems.

Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors

The Local Government Act, 1993 which came into force on 1 July 1993, directs Council to adopt a policy concerning payment of expenses and the provision of facilities to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office. The Act also requires that the existing policy must be reviewed annually and submitted to the Department of Local Government by 30 November each year.

This policy applies to the Mayor and all elected Councillors of Campbelltown City Council for expenses incurred or facilities provided when Councillors are performing their civic duties as Councillors.

In accordance with Section 252 of the Local Government Act, Council will pay expenses incurred to or to be incurred and provide facilities for the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors to enable them to discharge their functions of civic office.

This policy excludes annual fees paid to the Mayor and Councillors under Section 248 to 251 inclusive of the Local Government Act, 1993.

The Department of Local Government Guidelines for the Payment of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities to Mayors and Councillors were issued on 5 September 2006 (DLG 06-57) and have been taken into account in preparing this policy.

Before adopting the policy Council must give at least 28 days public notice of the proposal.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Who May Attend Conferences and Seminars

Any interested Councillor may attend conferences, seminars and similar functions nominated by the Council. In addition, the Mayor may nominate a substitute attendee in his or her stead for functions within the Council area, or general Sydney metropolitan area, on those occasions where the Mayor is unable to be present.

Conference Costs

The Council will pay all normal registration costs charged by organisers, including the costs of related official luncheons, dinners and tours that are relevant to the interests of the Council or assist Councillors to discharge the functions of their civic office.

Travel

All reasonable travel costs will be met by the Council. Where appropriate, travel will be provided by air (economy class). Depending on the circumstances, it may be more appropriate for travel to be undertaken by car or train.

If a Councillor requests the use of a Council vehicle for travel, then the use of the vehicle can be determined by the Mayor and/or the General Manager under the current provisions for use of Council Vehicles by Councillors on authorised Council business.

Private vehicles may be used subject to prior approval from the General Manager. Councillors using a private vehicle will be paid the kilometre rate set by the appropriate Local Government Industrial Award as varied from time to time, but subject to any such payment not exceeding economy class air fares to and from the nearest airport to the particular destination of the Conference.

Councillors shall be issued with Cab Charge vouchers for taxi fares that are incurred while attending conferences and other Council related functions. All unused Cab Charges shall be returned to the Manager Executive Services within 15 days of the conference. The General Manager shall have the right to reject any unauthorised Cab Charges.

Accommodation and Meals

Reasonable accommodation including the night before and/or after the conference, where this is necessary, will be met by the Council. Accommodation selected shall be approved by the General Manager.

Council will be responsible for the reasonable cost of meals where they are not part of the conference program.

Spouse/Partner

Where the Councillor is accompanied by his or her spouse/partner costs incurred for the spouse/partner (including travel, sustenance, registration and partner's program) will be borne by the Councillor. Council will not be responsible for any costs incurred by other members of a Councillor's family.

However, where a Councillor is accompanied by his or her spouse/partner to the annual Local Government Association Conference, Council will meet the cost of registration and the official dinner for the spouse/partner. Travel expenses and any additional accommodation expenses will be the personal responsibility of the Councillor.

PROVISION OF FACILITIES

Mayor

Accommodation – A furnished office suite located on the Third Floor of the Administration Building.

Staff – A Personal Secretary on a shared basis with the General Manager.

Stationery and Postage

Mayoral stationery, business cards, Christmas cards, diary/electronic organiser, filing cabinet and briefcase, together with postage expenses.

Periodicals – Annual subscriptions of up to two periodicals subject to the approval of the General Manager.

Meals – Meals and beverages in conjunction with Council and Committee Meetings and Inspections.

Refreshments – Food and beverages in conjunction with civic functions and hosting meetings involving community groups and representatives.



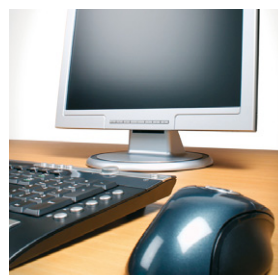
Insignia of Office – Mayoral robes, chain, badge and name plate indicating office held provided to Mayor. Badge and name plate provided to partner to be worn at civic functions. Mayoral robes and chain remain the property of the Council.

Communication System – A mobile telephone, approved by the General Manager, be provided by Council and that call costs up to the value of \$350 per month be met by Council. A personal computer or a laptop, personal digital assistant and combined printer, copier, scanner and facsimile machine, approved by the General Manager, in the Mayor's home, fully serviced and maintained by Council.

The ownership of this equipment is retained by Council, however, at the end of the term of office on Council the mobile telephone, personal computer or a laptop, personal digital assistant and combined printer, copier, scanner and facsimile machine may be acquired by the Mayor at the current market value based on the current depreciation rate and depending on the condition of the equipment.

Office Equipment – A facsimile machine and personal computer in the Mayor's office, fully serviced and maintained by Council.

The ownership of this equipment is retained by Council. A four drawer lockable metal filing cabinet for the Mayor's residence.



Telephone Answering Machine

– The provision of a telephone answering machine. The equipment shall remain the property of Council and shall be returned upon ceasing to hold office, however, the equipment may be acquired by the Mayor

on ceasing to hold office at its current market value based on the current depreciation rate and depending on the condition of the machine.

Motor Vehicle Parking Space – A permanent parking space in the basement of the Administration Building.

Council Vehicle – A Council vehicle will be provided for official and associated use.

Care Expenses – That council meet reasonable cost of care arrangements including child care expenses and the care of elderly, disabled and/or sick immediate family members of Councillors to allow them to attend Council, Committee and Sub Committee Meetings and Working parties at a rate equal to the carer's recommended fee structure for Campbelltown Family Day Care. Carer costs will be paid to cover the period 30 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement time of the meeting and one hour after the conclusion of the meeting.

Training - That Council meet all related expenses for training and educational courses that are directly related to the Mayor's civic functions and responsibilities.

Internet – Council shall make available to the Mayor facilities for internet use and email. These facilities shall be available to Councillors at:

- the Civic Centre
- at the Mayor's home
- when the Mayor is away from home.

Deputy Mayor and Councillors

Office Space – The provision of a lounge area, Committee Rooms and three offices on the Third Floor of the Administration Building to be pre-booked and used by Councillors in the conduct of their duties of office.

Staff Assistance – As required for answering constituents' requests.

Stationery and Postage – Councillors' stationery, business cards, Christmas cards, diary/electronic organiser, filing cabinet and briefcase, together with postage expenses.

Periodicals – Annual subscriptions of up to two periodicals subject to the approval of the General Manager.

Meals – Meals and beverages in conjunction with Council and Committee Meetings and Inspections.

Refreshments – Beverage service in the Councillors' Lounge.

Insignia of Office – Badge and name plates provided to Councillors and partner to be worn at civic functions.

Communication System – Mobile telephones, approved by the General Manager, to be provided by the Council to the Deputy Mayor and other Councillors and that call costs up to a value of \$350 per month be met by Council. A personal computer or a laptop, personal digital assistant and combined printer, copier, scanner and facsimile machine, approved by the General Manager, in the Deputy Mayor's and Councillors' homes, fully serviced and maintained by Council. The ownership of this equipment is retained by Council, however, at the end of the term of office on Council, the equipment may be acquired by the Deputy Mayor and Councillors at the current market value based on the current depreciation rate and depending on the condition of the equipment.

Office Equipment – The provision of a photocopier, telephone facilities and a personal computer in the work area adjacent to the Councillors' offices, fully serviced and available for the use of all Councillors. A four door lockable metal filing cabinet for their residence.

Telephone Answering Machine – Councillors requesting the provision of a telephone answering machine shall be provided with one. The equipment shall remain the property of Council and shall be returned upon ceasing to hold office however, the equipment may be acquired by the Deputy Mayor and Councillors on ceasing to hold office at its current market value based on the current depreciation rate and depending on the condition of the machine.

Council Vehicle – If available, and subject to approval by the

Mayor and General Manager, the use of a Council vehicle on authorised Council business.

Care Expenses – That council meet reasonable cost of care arrangements including child care expenses and the care of elderly, disabled and/or sick immediate family members of Councillors to allow them to attend Council, Committee and Sub Committee Meetings and Working parties at a rate equal to the carer's recommended fee structure for Campbelltown Family Day Care. Carer costs will be paid to cover the period 30 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement time of the meeting and one hour after the conclusion of the meeting.

Training - That Council meet all related expenses for training and educational courses that are directly related to the Councillor's civic functions and responsibilities.

Internet – Council shall make available to the Councillors facilities for internet use and email. These facilities shall be available to Councillors at:

- the Civic Centre
- at the Councillors home
- when a Councillor is away from home.

INSURANCE

Councillors will receive the benefit of insurance cover to the limit in Council's insurance policies for the following:

Personal Injury – Personal injury or death while on Council business covering bodily injury caused by accidental, violent, external and visible means. Personal injury insurance also provides specified benefits for lost income and other expenses arising from permanent disablement, temporary total disability and temporary partial disability. The cover does not include medical expenses.

Professional Indemnity – Applies in relation to claims arising out of the Councillor's (alleged) negligent performance of civic duties or exercise of their functions as Councillors provided the performance or exercise of the relevant civic duty or function is in the opinion of council bona fide and/or proper. This is subject to any limitations or conditions set out in the policy of insurance that is taken out at the direction of Council.

Public Liability – Applies in relation to claims arising out of the Councillor's (alleged) negligent performance of civic duties or exercise of functions as Councillors. This is subject to any limitations or conditions set out in the policy of insurance that is taken out at the direction of Council.

Councillors and Officers Liability – Applies to cover expenses incurred by Councillors in respect of claims made against them for any alleged wrongful acts arising out of their official capacities (but excludes cover for statutory penalties).

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

Legal assistance will be provided to Councillors in the event of an

enquiry, investigation or hearing, into the conduct of a Councillor by:

- the Independent Commission Against Corruption
- the Office of the Ombudsman
- Department of Local Government
- the Police
- the Director of Public Prosecutions
- the Local Government Pecuniary Interest Tribunal.

Legal assistance will be provided to Councillors in respect to legal proceedings being taken by or against a Councillor in the Local, District or Supreme Courts, arising out of or in connection with the Councillor's performance of his or her civic duties or exercise of his or her functions as a Councillor.

Council shall reimburse such Councillor, after the conclusion of the enquiry, investigation, hearing or proceeding, for all legal expenses properly and reasonably incurred, given the nature of the enquiry, investigation, hearing or proceeding, on a solicitor/client basis.

Legal assistance will be provided subject to the following conditions:

- the amount of such reimbursement shall be reduced by the amount of any moneys that may be or are recouped by the Councillor
- the enquiry, investigation, hearing or proceeding results in a finding substantially in favour of the Councillor
- the amount of such reimbursement is limited to the equivalent of the fees being charged by Council's solicitors.

PRIVATE BENEFITS

Councillors should not generally obtain private benefit from the provision of equipment and facilities, nor from travel bonus or any other loyalty schemes. However, it is acknowledged that incidental use of Council equipment and facilities may occur from time to time. Such incidental private use is not subject to a compensatory payment.

Where more substantial private use has occurred payment should be made to cover the level of private use or the fees payable under Section 248 may be reduced by an amount representing the private benefit.

REIMBURSEMENT

Reimbursement of costs and expenses to Councillors should only be made on the production of appropriate receipts and tax invoices, and the completion of the required claim forms within three months of the expense being incurred.

The Council will normally pay registration fees, accommodation deposits and airline tickets directly in advance. Where this is not appropriate or possible, a cash allowance or cheque equivalent will be paid to the Councillor in advance. However, Councillors must fully reconcile all expenses against the cost of the advance when they return within 28 days.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES

Reimbursement of travelling expenses for use of private motor vehicle on Council business initially, at the rate of 54 cents per kilometre for vehicles less than 2.5 litres and 62 cents per kilometre for vehicles over 2.5 litres, as provided in the Local Government State Award, as varied from time to time. Where the alternate means of travel would be by air, the vehicle travelling expenses be restricted to the above rates or the value of the economy class air fare, whichever is the lesser. Council business includes approved Council, Committee, Sub Committee and Working Party meetings, plus authorised site inspections and other authorised business.

OVERSEAS AND INTERSTATE TRAVEL

This policy has been developed by the Local Government Association for the guidance of member Councils in planning interstate and overseas travel for Councillors where Council funds will be used to finance the journey. It recognises that there are occasions when representatives will need to travel interstate or overseas to represent the interests of their local areas.

The thrust of the policy is that plans for any such travel should be transparent to the community and have an identifiable benefit to the local area through Council activity.

POLICY – INTERSTATE TRAVEL

In most cases, the need for such travel cannot be anticipated with as long a lead time as can reasonably be expected for overseas travel.

There are instances where Councillors are required to visit Canberra for official purposes such as meetings with federal parliamentarians and ministers. For purposes of this policy, the ACT is regarded as being within NSW.

Where Councillors propose to travel interstate, the proposals should be considered at an open Council meeting through a report from the Mayor or General Manager.

Where the cost of the travel is not expected to exceed \$2500 for transport, accommodation, and out of pocket reimbursement of expenses per person, no detail need be supplied other than a recommendation for approval that the visit is to take place.

Where the cost of travel is expected to exceed \$2500 for transport, accommodation, and out of pocket reimbursement of expenses per person, a detailed report should be provided outlining:

- who is to take part in the travel
- the objectives to be achieved in undertaking it, including an explanation of what community benefits will accrue to undertaking the visit
- details of costs, including any amounts expected to be reimbursed by participants.

If the travel is to be sponsored by private enterprise, ICAC guidelines and reporting structures should be followed.

A detailed report should be included in the Annual Report in the year which the travel was undertaken, outlining how the travel's objectives were met and how the community benefited from it.

POLICY – OVERSEAS TRAVEL

Proposals for overseas travel by Councillors on Council business should be documented in the annual Management Plan. The Plan must be widely circulated in the community. Community input about the proposed visit can therefore be considered as part of the Management plan review and budget finalisation process.

Proposals should indicate:

- who is planned to take part in the travel
- the objectives for undertaking it, including an explanation of what community benefits will accrue from the exercise, with an approximate budget
- detailed costs including a statement of any amounts expected to be reimbursed by the participants.

The Council should consider the above proposals in open meeting and resolve whether or not the travel is to take place. Where exceptional cases arise and travel has to be undertaken at short notice, the proposal must be put to Council for decision.

If Council agrees to the travel taking place, Councillors will be personally responsible for the cost of their international air travel. However, where the Mayor and/or the General Manager have been invited to officially represent Campbelltown overseas, the Council shall meet their cost of international air travel. Where the Mayor and/or the General Manager have been officially invited to represent Council overseas, a report must be presented to Council.

A detailed report should be given in the Annual Report for the year in which the visit took place, outlining how the objectives were met and what quantifiable benefits will flow to the community.

If the visit is to be sponsored by private enterprise, ICAC guidelines and reporting structures should be followed and this should form part of the community reporting process.

RESPONSIBILITY

The General Manager shall report to Council at the end of every financial year, an annual statement of the expenses claimed by each Councillor in relation to any item in this policy document. That report must be filed with the Council on or before 1 September each year. The report will include:

- all direct expenses claimed
- use of Council cars and the log book relating to same
- details of each Councillor attending conferences and what conferences they attended

- the money expended at the conference, including credit card use, adjusted to each Councillor
- Cabcharge provided to Councillors
- details of all travel claimed by Councillors.

EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS POLICY

This policy will be reviewed annually in accordance with the Department of Local Government Guidelines to ensure its continuing suitability and effectiveness. Records of reviews shall be maintained.

GRANTS TO COMMUNITY GROUPS

Under Section 356 of the Local Government Act, 1993 Council during 2006/2007 contributed \$156,485 to the following community groups.

Sister Cities	25,300
University of Western Sydney – Scholarships	11,500
Donations - Community Grants	37,225
Donations - Fundraising Events	5,185
Donations - Other	46,107
Donations - Charities	19,668
Donations - Sporting Grants	11,500
TOTAL	\$156,485

SENIOR STAFF REMUNERATION

Council employed five senior staff in 2006/2007 for a total remuneration of \$1,101,563 including salaries, fringe benefits and on-costs. Fringe benefits include the private use of a Council motor vehicle together with private use of a mobile telephone. On-costs include the employer's contribution to superannuation.

Detailed below is the total value of the remuneration packages paid to each senior staff member employed by Council.

General Manager	250,318
Deputy General Manager	179,755
Director City Works	170,610
Director Community Services	165,440
Director Planning & Environment	165,440
Director Organisational Development and Information	170,000
TOTAL	\$1,101,563

RATES AND CHARGES WRITTEN OFF

The following amounts were written off by Council during 2006/2007 in accordance with the Local Government Act and Council's Pensioner Rebate Scheme.

- \$1,479,382.22 was written off under the Local Government (Rates and Charges) Regulation 1993
- \$64,285.04 was written off under Section 595.1 of the Local Government Act 1993 for postponed rates on properties which are used for residential purposes but have a higher zoning.

WORK ON PRIVATE LAND

Council undertook works on private land in 2006/2007 to the total of \$460,326. No subsidies were provided. In cases where works were undertaken Council applied the following overhead recovery policy.

- 12% of the total cost of the job to be added in order to recover the administration and supervision overheads.
- 50% to be added to the wages component of the work in order to recover wages overhead costs.

EXTERNAL INTERESTS

Council has no external interests as prescribed under legislation.

PRIVACY AND PERSONAL INFORMATION

The Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 introduced mandatory standards and requirements for Local Government authorities and their staff relating to the collection, processing and storing of personal information.

In accordance with the legislation, Campbelltown City Council adopted the Model Privacy Plan for Local Government and has conducted training sessions for staff to assist in the implementation of the Plan. Guidelines for each Division of Council have been prepared to ensure both the staff and public are aware of privacy considerations.

No reviews have been conducted by or on behalf of Campbelltown City Council to date.

COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY

Council has addressed the requirements of National Competition

Policy by formulating policies for complaint handling and the distribution of corporate overheads. The policy includes a mechanism for dealing with competitive neutrality complaints. To date no complaints have been received concerning matters related to National Competition Policy.

In accordance with national Competition Policy guidelines, Council has nominated Child Care and Recreation Centres as Category 1 Businesses and Commercial Centres as a Category 2 Business.

In accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulations, a statement of expenses, revenues and assets in relation to each category 1 and 2 business activity for the year 2006/07 is provided in this report.

OVERSEAS VISITS

During the year ended 30 June 2007, Council's Waste Education Officer participated in a three month Staff Exchange Program with Campbelltown's Sister City, Koshigaya in Japan.

The Mayor and General Manager led a delegation which visited Koshigaya during the year to participate in the 2006 Koshigaya Owa Oderi Festival and celebrations of the Sister City Relationship between Koshigaya and Campbelltown.

The costs of travel and reimbursement for these activities totalled \$20,104 and were met by Council in accordance with its policy on overseas travel.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Freedom of Information became operative from 1 July 1989. Under terms of the Act, Council is required to publish statistical data in conjunction with its Annual Report.

	2005/2006	2006/2007
SECTION A REQUESTS		
New requests received	34	26
Completed	34	26
Withdrawn	Nil	Nil
Total Processed	34	26
SECTION B – COMPLETED		
Granted in Full	34	26
SECTION H – COSTS & FEES		
Processing Costs	\$6765	\$5082
Fees Received	\$1020	\$780
SECTION J – DAYS TO PROCESS		
0 – 21	34	26
SECTION K – PROCESSING TIME		
0 – 10 hours	29	22
11 – 20 hours	5	4
SECTION L – REVIEWS & APPEALS		
Internal Reviews	Nil	Nil
Ombudsman Reviews	Nil	Nil
District Court appeals	Nil	Nil

contract payments



Payments to external contractors in excess of \$100,000 for the year ended 30 June 2007 were as follows:

Account Name	Amount
AGL	\$250,560.09
AGL Electricity Limited	\$230,548.52
Allcorp Property Services Pty Ltd (prev called Menzies Property Services)	\$203,935.91
Austpac Security Services	\$407,625.95
Australia Post	\$366,882.79
Australian Sealcoating Pty Ltd	\$217,078.38
Automated Building Controls	\$145,654.41
Axblack Pty Ltd	\$126,435.04
B & D Latham Pty Ltd	\$566,442.52
Bakers Construction and Industrial	\$197,854.36
Benedict Sand & Gravel	\$202,881.64
Boccalatte Pty Limited	\$129,079.50
BP Australia Pty Limited	\$355,492.02
Brewster Hjorth Architects	\$307,450.00
Caltex Australia Petroleum Pty Ltd	\$357,407.08
Camden Soil Mix Pty Ltd	\$589,173.96
Campbelltown Floor Coverings	\$141,537.00
Canon Australia Pty Ltd	\$166,198.59
City Hino	\$203,127.10
Clintons Motors Pty Ltd	\$1,424,343.43
Coates Hire Operations Pty Ltd	\$127,884.47
Complete Office Supplies Pty Ltd	\$154,210.35
Concrete Civil & Landscape Pty Ltd	\$509,105.01
Corporate Express	\$168,827.56
Cumberland Newspapers	\$179,338.01
Department of Lands	\$198,643.80
Department of Local Government	\$229,685.00
Edscog Pty Ltd	\$132,213.17
Emerdyn Pty Ltd	\$133,031.80
Energy Australia	\$1,296,069.87
Evermil Pty Ltd	\$207,760.34
Executive Collections	\$646,420.50
Falcon Fabrication Pty Ltd	\$114,260.86
FRH Group Pty Ltd	\$2,298,074.96
Friendly Freds Tree Service	\$383,184.73
Fuji Xerox Australia Pty Ltd	\$156,766.64
Geac	\$127,895.64
Get Smart Security & Data Pty Ltd	\$186,992.13
Glenfield Waste Disposals	\$277,862.57
Grimston Transport Pty Ltd	\$175,349.22
Infrastructure Maintenance Services	\$132,525.47
Integral Energy	\$1,554,133.96



IW Contracting Pty Ltd	\$1,378,185.37
JAC Constructions Pty Ltd	\$459,114.10
Jardine Lloyd Thompson Pty Ltd	\$167,445.67
JC's Constructions Pty Ltd	\$115,266.80
John Fairfax Publications Pty Ltd	\$221,278.31
Leading Solutions NSW Pty Ltd	\$231,910.95
Local Government Rollover Plan	\$117,512.44
Local Govt Super Scheme (Div A)	\$2,557,978.08
Local Govt Super Scheme (Div B)	\$1,044,206.79
Long Service Payments Corporation	\$387,527.87
M&M Truck Bodies Pty Ltd	\$137,008.50
Macarthur Group Companies	\$328,620.07
Macarthur Mowers	\$149,656.53
Manildra Park Pty Ltd T/A Park Petroleum	\$213,232.80
Marsdens	\$340,900.40
Menzies Property Services (now Allcorp Property Services)	\$296,729.37
Nace Civil Engineering Pty Ltd	\$591,738.98
Nakfa Pty Ltd	\$373,929.21
Newman & Barker Plumbing	\$297,487.84
NSW Fire Brigades	\$896,335.00
NSW Rural Fire Services	\$217,156.47
Parkcrete Pty Ltd	\$219,767.69
Parkequip	\$307,309.20
Paul Wakeling Pty Ltd	\$461,127.46
Peter Donnelly Automotive Pty Ltd	\$105,424.85
Peter Warren Auto t/as Macarthur Ford	\$371,994.72
Pioneer Road Services Pty Ltd	\$235,516.93
Planning NSW	\$242,408.20
Playfix Pty Ltd	\$124,728.75
Sami Road Services Pty Ltd	\$ 806,957.52
Scully & Associates	\$ 107,934.33
Shell Company of Australia Limited	\$ 176,699.45
Sita Australia Pty Ltd	\$4,935,132.22
Skip Master Waste Management	\$319,073.16
Southern Highlands Hospitality Services Company	\$179,396.25
Stabilised Pavements of Australia	\$360,704.80
State Debt Recovery Office Infringement Processing Bureau	\$113,526.93
Statewide Mutual	\$720,768.99
Steensen Varming (Australia) Pty Ltd	\$102,583.25
Sydney Water Corporation Limited	\$536,439.10
Telstra Phone Charges	\$599,498.64
The Fitness Generation Pty Ltd	\$100,122.00
The Graffiti Eaters	\$182,079.06
The Green Horticultural Group	\$268,298.33
TMP Worldwide Pty Ltd	\$116,793.51
Tri-City Trucks (NSW) Pty Ltd	\$125,292.71
Ultimate Air Conditioning & Elec Ser	\$362,715.22
Workforce International Pty Ltd	\$324,574.91
Works Infrastructure Pty Ltd (t/as Pavement Salvage)	\$739,880.72
WSN Environmental Solutions A/C D9	\$3,599,065.13
Total	\$43,348,979.93

legal status report



Legal Proceedings Matters for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007

Land and Environment Court Matters

TABLE 1 - Class 1 Appeals against Council's determination of Development Applications (DA)

Case No.	Matter	Status	Costs Incurred
10598/2005	Appeal proceedings against the Land & Environment Court decision of 15 September 2005 to refuse DA 2890/2005/DA-M for operation of a brothel within an industrial complex at Lot 2 SP 42776 Essex Street, Minto.	On 2 February 2006 the Court ordered that the Applicant's appeal be dismissed. Proceedings finalised. Costs were carried forward into 2006/07 period.	\$325.00
11026/2005	DA F13/2004 for the construction of a 7-townhouse development at Nos 16 to 18 Mereil Street, Campbelltown. The applicant lodged an appeal against Council's refusal of the application.	On 22 May 2006 the Court issued Orders that the appeal be upheld and the DA granted conditional consent. Proceedings finalised. Costs were carried forward into 2006/07 period.	\$499.80
10257/2006	DA 336/2006/DA-I, appeal against Council's deemed refusal of a Designated Development application for a concrete batching plant and factory housing concrete masonry plant at Lot 16 DP 717203 (No. 16) Kerr Road Ingleburn.	On 9 March 2007, the Court issued consent orders for the development. Proceedings finalised. Matter completed cost recovery ongoing into 2007/08 period.	\$31,675.29
10314/2006	DA 364/2006/DA-I, appeal against Council's deemed refusal of an application to subdivide property into two lots at Lot 23 DP 32311 (No's 33 & 35) Blaxland Road, Campbelltown.	The Appeal was heard on 27 and 28 September 2006. The Court dismissed the appeal on grounds that the application was not worthy of approval. Matter completed.	\$13,158.32
10315/2006	DA 365/2006/DA-I, appeal against Council's deemed refusal of an application to demolish existing buildings and construct new bulky goods retail warehouse lots at Lot 23 DP 32311 (No's 33 & 35) Blaxland Road, Campbelltown.	The Appeal was heard on 27 and 28 September 2006. The Court dismissed the appeal on grounds that the application was not worthy of approval. Matter completed.	\$13,158.32
10414/2006	DA 4309/2005/DA-C, appeal against Council's deemed refusal of an application to demolish an existing building and to construct a childcare centre for 29 children at Lot 4 DP 241539 (No.23) Fitzroy Crescent, Leumeah.	On 22 December 2006 the Court handed down its judgment upholding the Applicant's appeal and granting conditional consent. Matter completed.	\$37,278.40
10589/2006	DA 5395/2004/DA-O, appeal against Council's refusal of an application to construct a telecommunications facility and ancillary works at Lot 1 DP 816910 Appin Road, Rosemeadow.	On 4 December 2006 the Court handed down its orders upholding the Applicant's appeal and granting conditional consent. Matter completed.	\$9,545.41

10988/2006	DA 872/2004/DA-M/A, appeal against Council's refusal of a Section 96 Application for the construction of 22 townhouses at 7-9 Ruzac Street and 88 & 92 Broughton Street Campbelltown.	At the consent orders hearing on 26 February 2007, the Court gave oral judgment upholding the Applicant's appeal and granting approval for the development. Matter completed.	\$14,511.55
10853/2006	DA 471/2006/DA-RA, appeal against Council's refusal of an application for a mixed use retail and medium density residential development, and demolition of existing shopping centre and removal of trees at Lot 1012 DP 630857 & Lot 1 DP 790795 No.45 Woodhouse Drive, Ambarvale.	On 10 December 2006 the Applicant filed a Notice of Discontinuance with the Court. Matter completed.	\$4,076.68
10860/2006	DA 803/2005/DA-S, appeal against Council's refusal of an application for a two lot Torrens Title subdivision at Lot 14 DP 28161 No.23 Alexander Crescent, Macquarie Fields.	On 20 November 2006 the Applicant filed a Notice of Discontinuance with the Court. Matter completed.	\$1,420.32
10862/2006	DA 1275/2005/DA-DW, appeal against Council's refusal of an application for the construction of a two-storey dwelling at Lot14 DP 28161 No.23 Alexander Crescent, Macquarie Fields.	On 20 November 2006 the Applicant filed a Notice of Discontinuance with the Court. Matter completed.	\$1,420.32
10056/2007	DA 2545/2006/DA-C, appeal against Council's refusal of an application to operate a restricted premises at Lot 12 DP 614305 Unit 4 No.109 Airs Road, Minto.	On 15 May 2007, the Court 'struck out' the proceedings due to the applicants continued non-appearance. Matter completed. Cost recovery ongoing into 2007/08 period.	\$15,165.95
10071/2007	DA 2646/2006/DA-82A, appeal against Council's refusal of an application to construct two two-storey dwellings and subdivision (dual occupancy) at Lot 1539 DP 8404444 No 32 Claremont Circuit, Glen Alpine.	The proceedings were heard before the Court on 7 and 8 May. Judgment was reserved to a date to be notified. Matter ongoing into 2007/08 period.	\$19,629.54
10077/2007	DA 2282/2006/DA-M, appeal against Council's deemed refusal of an application to construct five dwellings and Torrens Title subdivision at Lot 735 DP 819091 No. 41 Carnarvon Street, Bow Bowling.	The proceedings were heard before the Court on 14 and 15 May 2007. On 22 May 2007 the Court dismissed the appeal. Matter completed.	\$17,537.28
10135/2007	DA 1416/2006/DA-RA, appeal against Council's deemed refusal of an application to construct a four-storey residential apartment building and allotment consolidation at Lot 4 SEC A DP 6446, Lot 5 SEC A DP 6446, Lot 6 SEC A DP 6446, Lot 2 DP 327924, Lot 1 DP 951325, Lot 7 DP 651564, being 1 and 3 Norfolk Street, 52 and 54 Ingleburn Road, and 13 Nardoo Street, Ingleburn.	The proceedings were heard before the Court on 26 and 27 June 2007. The proceedings have been adjourned for further hearing 20 August 2007. In the interim the Applicant was to amend their plans for the development. Matter ongoing into 2007/08 period.	\$1,000.00
		TOTAL	\$180,402.16

TABLE 2 - Class 1 Appeals against Orders or Notices issued by Council

Case No.	Matter	Status	Costs Incurred
10695/2005	Council issued an Order under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act requiring the owner of property at No. 89 Aberfoyle Road, Wedderburn, to cease use of the property for a number of unauthorised land use activities (land filling and storage of materials) and to comply with an existing development consent for the provision of earth mounding. The owner lodged an appeal against the issue of Council's Order.	On 30 June 2006 advice was received from Council's Solicitor that the Applicant had filed a Notice of Discontinuance with the Court. Proceedings finalised. Costs were carried forward into 2006/07 period.	\$488.82
10332/2006	Appeal against an Order issued by Council under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, Requiring demolition of an unauthorised deck and awning constructed on the property at No. 3 Swordfish Avenue, Raby.	On 15 August 2006, the applicant filed a Notice of Discontinuance with the Court. Matter completed.	\$1,217.00
10566/2006	DA F491/2002, Appeal against an Order issued by Council under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, requiring occupation of the property to cease and compliance with conditions of development consent applying to the property at Lot 16 DP 717203 No 16 Kerr Road, Ingleburn On the 13 December 2007.	On the 13 December 2007, the applicant filed a Notice of Discontinuance with the Court. Matter completed.	\$3559.23
		TOTAL	\$5,265.05

TABLE 3 - Class 4 Matters – Non-compliance with Council Orders, Notices or Prosecutions

Case No.	Matter	Status	Costs Incurred
40049/2003	Council took proceedings against the owners of premises at Lot 1 DP510687 Wills Road Long Point for the unauthorised use of the premises as a storage and collection facility for scaffolding, recycled demolition and building materials, and waste.	Court proceedings completed. Cost recovery action ongoing. Matter carried over to 2007/08.	\$1,113.26
40307/2004	Council took proceedings against the owner of the premises at Lot 61 DP997095 "Emily Cottage" Old Menangle Road, Campbelltown, for unauthorised works on the premises.	Court proceedings completed. Cost recovery action ongoing. Matter carried over to 2007/08.	\$1,173.50
41244/2005	Council took proceedings against the owner of the property at Lot DP 595077 Old Glenfield Road, Glenfield, for the unauthorised use of the property for the sale of fruit and vegetables.	Court proceedings completed. Cost recovery action ongoing. Matter carried over to 2007/08.	\$1,702.5
40418/2007	Council took proceedings against the owner of the property at Lot 1 DP1024931 No. 28A Williamson Road, Ingleburn seeking court orders requiring the building's fire safety measures to be rectified.	The matter was before the Court on 22 June 2007, where by consent the proceedings were adjourned to 6 July to enable the parties to draft consent orders for the required works and recovery of Council's costs. Matter ongoing into 2007/08 period.	\$2,454.75
		TOTAL	\$6,442.01

TABLE 4 - Class 6 Matters - Appeals from convictions relating to environmental offences

Case No.	Matter	Status	Costs Incurred
N/A	Nil matters for 2006/07 period.	N/A	\$0.00
		TOTAL	\$0.00

District Court Matters

TABLE 5 - District Court NSW – Appeals from convictions in the Local Court not being environmental offences

Case No.	Matter	Status	Costs Incurred
00059942/ 06/49	Appeal against Local Court Conviction for an offence under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, "deposit litter from vehicle".	On 30 October 2006 the Court upheld the appeal and set aside the conviction and costs in the Local Court proceedings. Matter completed.	\$4,400.00
		TOTAL	\$4,400.00

Licensing Court Matters

TABLE 6 - Licensing Court NSW – Applications in respect of licensed premises to vary terms of liquor licence or apply for new liquor licence

Case No.	Matter	Status	Costs Incurred
110790/2007	Application by licensee to vary trading hours to permit 24-hour trading, Monday to Saturday for hotel premises at Lot 1 DP1024931 No. 96 The Parkway, Bradbury.	On 25 June 2007, the Court adjourned the proceedings to 16 July 2007, for further mention. Matter ongoing into 2007/2008 period.	\$0.00
269/120/ 2007	Application by social club for an on-licence for scheduled club functions, social events and exhibitions for its premises at Lot 81 SP 17876 Unit 20B No. 4 Louise Avenue, Ingleburn.	On 2 July 2007, the Court adjourned the proceedings to 6 August 2007 for further mention. Matter ongoing into 2007/2008 period.	\$0.00
		TOTAL	\$00.00

Local Court Matters

TABLE 7 - Prosecution for various offences under nominated legislation

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP05/05 & LP06/05	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Pollute Waters (dieseline spill) x 2	Plea - Not Guilty. Heard on 2 November 2005. Proved and convicted. Matter completed in 2005/06 period additional cost incurred during 2006/07 period.	N/A	N/A	\$370 Legal Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP23/05	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Not pay Clean-Up Notice fees	Plea - Not Guilty. Heard on 15 September 2006. Found not guilty, matter dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$160 Legal Costs
LP24/05 to LP28/05	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Pollute Waters (sediment control) x 5	Plea - Not Guilty. Heard on 15 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$5,000	\$335	\$810.26 Legal Costs
LP29/05 to LP35/05	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Not comply with Clean-Up Notice x 7	Plea - Not Guilty. Heard on 15 September 2006. Found not guilty, matters dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$1120 Legal Costs
LP01/06 & LP02/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Pollute Waters (sediment control) x 2	Plea Not Guilty. On 25 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$832 Legal Costs
LP06/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Pollute Waters (sediment control)	Plea Not Guilty. On 25 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$416 Legal Costs
LP07/06 to LP15/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Not pay Clean-Up Notice scheduled fee x 9	Plea Not Guilty. On 25 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$3,745.57 Legal Costs
LP24/06 & LP25/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted Dog Attack x 2	Plea Not Guilty. On 11 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$502 Legal Costs
LP26/06 & LP27/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted Dog not under effective control in public place x 2	Plea Not Guilty. On 11 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$502 Legal Costs
LP28/06	Companion Animals Act – Owner not comply with control requirements for restricted dog	Plea Not Guilty. On 11 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$251 Legal Costs
LP29/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted Dog Attack	Plea Not Guilty. On 11 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$251 Legal Costs
LP30/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted Dog Attack	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 20 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$4,500	\$1815	\$251 Legal Costs
LP31/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted Dog not under effective control in public place	Plea Not Guilty. On 11 August 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$251 Legal Costs
LP32/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted Dog not under effective control in public place	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 20 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$450	\$1065	\$251 Legal Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP33/06	Companion Animals Act – Restricted dog not registered	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 20 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$450	\$1065	\$251 Legal Costs
LP34/06	Companion Animals Act – Owner not comply with control requirements for restricted dog	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 20 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$450	\$1065	\$255.07 Legal Costs
LP36/06	Swimming Pools Act – Not Comply with Order (erect swimming pool safety fencing)	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 11 August 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$350	\$667	\$727.28 Legal Costs
LP37/06	Australian Road Rules - Disobey No Stopping Sign	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 31 July 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP45/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Deposit litter from vehicle (disposable drink container)	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 21 August 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$100	\$467	\$363.66 Legal Costs
LP46/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not comply with Order (cease use of premises for storage of machinery plant other materials)	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 8 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$500	\$1650	\$1,500 Legal Costs
LP49/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 31 July 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP53/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop on or near pedestrian crossing	Plea Not Guilty. On 21 July 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP54/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 25 July 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$50	\$50	\$0 Costs
LP55/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 25 July 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$50	\$50	\$0 Costs
LP57/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 25 July 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$25	\$25	\$0 Costs
LP58/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 25 July 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$50	\$50	\$0 Costs
LP60/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in disabled persons parking space without authority	Plea Guilty. Heard on 31 July 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP61/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (cease use of premises)	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 12 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP62/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Not Guilty. On 21 July 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP63/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	Plea Guilty. Heard on 21 November 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200	\$467	\$500 Legal Costs
LP64/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in disabled persons parking space without authority	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 12 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$100	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP65/06	Australian Road Rules - Disobey no stopping sign	Plea Guilty. Heard on 12 September 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP66/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in disabled persons parking space without authority	Plea - Guilty. Heard on 5 September 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP67/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (remove unauthorised privacy screen)	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 15 August 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$100	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP68/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 5 September 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP69/06	Australian Road Rules - Not position rear of vehicle correctly	Plea Guilty. Heard on 5 September 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP70/06	Swimming Pools Act – Not Comply with Order (erect swimming pool safety fencing)	Plea Guilty. Heard on 6 June 2006. Proved and convicted, Matter completed.	\$220	\$567	\$630 Legal Costs \$67 Court Costs
LP71/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (cease use of premises for storage of waste materials)	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 6 June 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$300	\$567	\$630 Legal Costs \$67 Court Costs
LP72/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (remove waste from premises)	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 6 June 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$300	\$567	\$630 Legal Costs \$67 Court Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP73/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Deposit litter from vehicle (cigarette)	Plea Not Guilty. On 8 November 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$267.26 Legal Costs
LP74/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 8 November 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$75	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP75/06	Australian Road Rules - Disobey no stopping sign	Plea Guilty. Heard on 26 September 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$30	\$0 Costs
LP76/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Development carried out without consent (site filling)	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 5 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP77/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Development carried out without consent (tree removal)	Plea Guilty. Heard on 19 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$100	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP78/06 and LP79/06	Companion Animals Act – Unregistered dog x 2	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 5 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$400	\$134	\$0 Costs
LP80/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop in bus zone	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 5 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP81/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 26 September 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$165	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP82/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 24 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$165	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP83/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 10 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$75	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP84/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 19 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP85/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop on path/strip in built up area	Plea Guilty. Heard on 3 October 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP86/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop in loading zone	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 10 October 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$150	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP87/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop on path/strip in built up area	Plea Guilty. Heard on 3 October 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP88/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	Plea Guilty. Heard on 5 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$200	\$500 Costs
LP89/06	Local Government Act - Not comply with Order (overgrown premises and waste removal)	Plea Guilty. Heard on 6 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP90/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (remove waste form premises)	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 6 June 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$400	\$567	\$634.84 Legal Costs
LP91/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop in loading zone	Plea Guilty. Heard on 24 October 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP92/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 21 November 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$250	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP93/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	No Appearance. Heard ex parte on 21 November 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$250	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP94/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop on path/strip in built up area	Plea Guilty. Heard on 5 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP95/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	Plea Guilty. Heard on 29 November 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP96/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (cease use of premises for storage of waste materials)	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 6 June 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$400	\$567	\$634.84 Legal Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP97/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop in bus zone	Plea Guilty. Heard on 12 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP98/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 22 February 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP99/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 19 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP100/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 19 December 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$80	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP101/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 19 December 2006. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP102/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Cause/permit offensive noise from motor vehicle sound system	Plea Guilty. Heard on 23 March 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200	\$617	\$500 Legal Costs \$67 Court Costs
LP103/06	Companion Animals Act - Unregistered dog	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 19 December 2006. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$20	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP104/06 and LP105/06	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Not Comply with Order (cease use of detached garage for habitable purposes and reinstate garage to original condition)	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 30 January 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200,000	\$934	\$727.28 Legal Costs \$134 Court Costs.
LP106/06	Australian Road Rules - Not park rear to kerb as indicated	Plea Guilty. Heard on 9 January 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$30	\$0 Costs
LP107/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Pollute waters (inadequate sediment and erosion controls on land)	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 10 April 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$1000	\$1717	\$1,500 Legal Costs \$67 Court Costs
LP108/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop in loading zone	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 9 January 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$250	\$67	\$0 Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP109/06	Australian Road Rules - Stop in loading zone	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 9 January 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$300	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP110/06 to LP113/06	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space x 4	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 23 January 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$400	\$268	\$0 Costs
LP114/06	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in disabled persons parking space without authority	Plea Not Guilty. On 11 December 2006 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP115/06	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Not comply with Clean-Up Notice (remove and properly dispose waste on land)	Plea Guilty. Heard on 30 January 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$250	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP116/06 and LP117/06	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control x 2	Plea Guilty. Heard on 9 January 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$200	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP01/07	Australian Road Rules - Disobey no stopping sign	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 6 March 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$179	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP02/07	Australian Road Rules - Disobey no stopping sign	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 20 February 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$200	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP03/07	Companion Animals Act – Unregistered dog	Plea Not Guilty. On 27 February 2007 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP04/07	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act – Development carried out without consent (construction work outside permitted hours)	Plea Guilty. Heard on 13 March 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$600	\$1,067	\$909.10 Legal Costs
LP05/07	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Not comply with Clean-Up Notice (inadequate sediment and erosion control on land)	Plea Not Guilty. On 20 March 2007 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP06/07	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Deposit litter from vehicle (cigarette)	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 13 March 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$220	\$67	\$910.20 Legal Costs
LP07/07	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	Plea Guilty. Heard on 6 March 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP08/07	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Not pay Clean-Up Notice fee	Plea Not Guilty. On 20 March 2007 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP09/07 and LP10/07	Companion Animals Act – Dog attack person (rush and harass) x 2	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 24 April 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$6,000	\$464	\$300 Legal Costs \$134 Court Costs
LP11/07 and LP12/07	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control x 2	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 24 April 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$1,200	\$134	\$0 Costs
LP13/07	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	Plea Guilty. Heard on 17 April 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$250	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP14/07	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in area longer than allowed	Plea Guilty. Heard on 24 April 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP15/07	Australian Road Rules - Park continuously for longer than allowed	Plea Not Guilty. Adjourned to 12 July 2007 for Hearing Matter ongoing into 2007/08 period.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs
LP16/07	Companion Animals Act – Dog Not Under Effective Control	Plea Not Guilty. On 1 May 2007 the proceedings were withdrawn and dismissed. Matter completed.	N/A	N/A	\$559 Legal Costs
LP17/07	Protection of the Environment Operations Act – Deposit litter from vehicle (cigarette)	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 1 May 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$300	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP18/07	Companion Animals Act – Restricted dog not on a lead	Plea Guilty. Heard on 8 May 2007. Proved and convicted. Matter completed.	\$100	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP19/07	Companion Animals Act – Unregistered dog	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 8 May 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$165	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP20/07	Companion Animals Act – Unregistered dog	No Appearance. Heard Ex Parte on 15 May 2007. Proved and convicted. Matters completed.	\$200	\$67	\$0 Costs
LP21/07	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 29 May 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP22/07	Australian Road Rules - Stop on path/strip in built up area	Plea Not entered. Listed on 3 July 2007 for First Mention. Matter ongoing into 2007/08 period.	N/A	N/A	\$0 Costs

Local Court Matters Cont.

File No.	Act and Offence	Status	Fine imposed	Costs imposed	Costs Incurred
LP23/07	Local Government Act - Stand vehicle in disabled persons parking space without authority	Plea Not Guilty. Heard on 5 June 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP24/07	Local Government Act - Not stand vehicle in marked parking space	Plea Guilty. Heard on 19 June 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
LP34/07	Australian Road Rules - Stop on path/strip in built up area	Plea Guilty. Heard on 26 June 2007. Proved and convicted, Section 10 dismissal given. Matter completed.	\$0	\$0	\$0 Costs
		FINE TOTAL	\$228,339.00		
		COSTS TOTAL		\$19,040.00	\$23,245.37

Legal Advice

TABLE 8 - Legal advice not relating to court proceedings for period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007	
Overall cost of various advice sought from Council's Contracted Solicitor	\$15,405.68

Legal Costs 2006/2007

Summary of 2006/2007 Net Costs	Debit	Credit
TABLE 1 - Class 1 Appeals against Council's determination of Development Applications	\$180,402.16	\$0.00
TABLE 2 - Class 1 Appeals against Council Orders or Notices	\$5,265.05	\$0.00
TABLE 3 - Class 4 Matters non-compliance with Council Orders, Notices or Prosecutions	\$6,442.01	\$17,000.00
TABLE 4 - Class 6 Matters on appeal from convictions relating to environmental offences non-compliance with Council Orders, Notices or Prosecutions	\$4,400.00	\$0.00
TABLE 5 - District Court NSW, matters on appeal from convictions in the Local Court not being environmental offences	\$0.00	\$0.00
TABLE 6 - Licensing Court NSW liquor licence application matters	\$0.00	\$0.00
TABLE 7 - Local Court Prosecution matters	\$23,245.37	\$9,434.00
TABLE 8 - Legal Advice	\$15,405.68	\$0.00
Costs Sub-Total	\$233,660.27	\$26,434.00
NET COSTS TOTAL	\$208,726.21	

Legal Costs Comparison

Comparison with Previous Years Costs					
	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
TABLE 1 - Class 1 appeals DA's	\$124,568.25	\$213,579.30	\$139,144.47	\$243,852.50	\$180,402.16
TABLE 2 - Class 1 appeals others	\$31,425.58	\$13,290.58	\$5,012.46	\$10,400.40	\$5,265.05
TABLE 3 - Class 4 proceedings	\$48,089.25	\$22,574.83	\$105,446.31	\$21,360.49	\$-10,557.99
TABLE 4 - Class 6 appeals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,702.50	\$0.00
TABLE 5 - District Court appeals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,400.00
TABLE 6 - Licensing Court	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	\$0.00
TABLE 7 - Local Court matters	\$16,790.00	\$14,099.80	\$31,598.80	\$39,596.71	\$13,811.37
TABLE 8 - Legal advice	Not Reported	\$16,815.29	\$9,473.70	\$29,020.32	\$15,405.68
OVERALL COSTS TOTAL	\$220,873.08	\$280,359.80	\$290,675.74	\$348,032.65	\$208,726.21

condition of public works



PUBLIC ROADS

Our Pavement Management System (PMS) estimates that to bring our road network up to a satisfactory (Good) condition would require expenditure of \$30.755 million in 2007/2008. The \$30.755 million expenditure would bring our road assets to a good condition and an acceptable level of functionality. To retain the road network in that condition would require a total expenditure of \$6.7 million spread over the next four years.

For the purpose of summarising the pavement condition, SMEC's Pavement Condition Index (PCI) has been used. It is a scale of 0 to 10 with 10 representing a pavement in excellent condition and 0 representing a pavement in a failed condition. In this report, road sections have been categorised in terms of PCI as follows:

- Poor Category - Roads with PCI less than or equal to 4.0
- Fair Category - Roads with PCI greater than 4.0 but less than or equal to 8.0
- Good Category - Roads with PCI greater than 7.9 but less than or equal to 10.

The average network PCI is 7.09 - Fair. Based on the recent condition survey, the table below reflects the condition of public roads under Council's control.

ROAD ASSETS CONDITION (PAVEMENTS)

Class	Condition at the end of 30th June 2007	% OF AREA
Urban	GOOD	41
	FAIR	52
	POOR	7
Rural	GOOD	18
	FAIR	75
	POOR	7

Estimate of expenditure required bringing the road pavement up to a satisfactory standard:

The cost to upgrade the pavement asset to a Good condition is estimated at \$30.755 million. This equates to 14.57 % of the asset value of \$ 211 million.

Estimate of the annual expenses of maintaining the Pavement at that standard:

The current average network PCI is 7.09 - Fair.

Council requires at least \$4.35 million for its road network every year to maintain the current agreed condition level, ie. PCI 7.09.

Program of maintenance for 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 in respect of pavements:

An annual prioritised works program was provided for road pavements in the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 budgets. Funding commitment was \$3.50 million in the year 2005-2006 and \$4.143 million for 2006-2007.

CONDITION OF BRIDGES AND CULVERTS

There are 192 bridges and culverts in Campbelltown City Councils area of which 171 are the direct responsibility of Council.

Of these 171 structures, 38 are road bridges, 127 culverts and 26 pedestrian bridges. The number of bridges and culverts exceeding 6.0 metres (along the road centre line) in length are 69.

The majority of Council bridges are reinforced concrete structures. The average age of assets is 18.52 years old, ranging from 2 to 51 years old.

A condition rating survey of 171 bridges and culverts are as below:

Condition	Condition Index	Nos. of Bridges & Culverts
Good	1	152
Fair	2	19
Poor	3	0

Estimate of expenditure required to bring the bridges up to a satisfactory standard:

The cost to upgrade the bridge asset to a condition index of one is estimated at \$1.077 million. This equates to 1.95 % of the asset value of \$ 55.359 million. The cost to upgrade the bridge asset to a condition index of two is estimated at \$490,000. This equates to 0.89% of the asset value of \$55.359 million.

Estimate of the annual expenses of maintaining the bridges at that standard:

Council surveys 100% of our bridges annually. Each bridge is assessed to determine its compliance with the nominated "acceptable" condition rating index and the cost of upgrading the bridge to that acceptable condition.

An estimate for the annual expense required for maintaining these bridges at a condition index of 1 is \$429,000 annually and at a condition index of 2 is \$375,000 annually.

Program of maintenance for 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 in respect of bridges:

An annual prioritised periodic and routine maintenance works program was provided for bridges and culverts in the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 budgets. Funding commitment was \$210,000 in the year 2005-2006 and \$247,000 for 2006-2007.

ROAD INVENTORY AND DRAINAGE ASSETS

Assets	LENGTH/ Nos.	% IN GOOD	% IN FAIR	% IN POOR
Footpath	326.9kms	63%	21%	16%
Kerb And Gutter	1129.00kms	80%	12%	8%
Signs	16567 Nos.	55%	22%	23%
Line Marking	627kms	58%	22%	20%
Bus Shelter	150 Nos.	40%	45%	15%
Stormwater Pipes	572kms	97%	3%	0
Stormwater Pits/Headwalls	21448 Nos.	91%	8%	1%

Assets	Estimated cost to bring to a satisfactory standard	Estimated Annual Maintenance Expense	Program Maintenance Works for 2005-2006	Program Maintenance Works for 2006-2007
Footpaths	\$737,000	\$401,000	\$300,000	\$290,000
Kerb And Gutter	\$2,770,000	\$1,031,000	\$300,000	\$623,000

PUBLIC BUILDING/FACILITIES

Campbelltown City Council owns and controls almost 200 buildings and facilities including various sub-structures. The following is a cross section of Councils holdings: Council administration offices, works depot, halls and community centres, houses and cottages, heritage buildings, libraries, childcare centres, bushfire brigade buildings, sporting and recreation centres, art gallery, public and sporting field toilet and amenities blocks.

Council currently is conducting regular condition and performance monitoring exercises in a sophisticated manner that allows it to understand the remaining life of its assets better. This understanding drives future expenditure patterns. The condition assessment is being carried out as per guidelines provided by the International Asset Management Manual.

	1	2	3	4	5
	Very Good Condition	Good Condition	Moderate Condition	Poor Condition	Very Poor Condition
Estimated proportion of life consumer	Up to 45%	Between 45% to 90%			Up to 90%
Structure	Sound structure	Functionally sound structure	Adequate structure some evidence of foundation movement minor cracking	Structure functioning but with problems due to foundation movement. Some significant cracking	Structure has serious problems and concern is held for the integrity of the structure
External	Fabric constructed with sound materials, true to line and level. No evidence of deterioration or discolouration	Showing minor wear and tear and minor deterioration of surfaces	Appearance affected by minor cracking, staining or minor leakage. Indications of breaches of weather proofing. Minor damage to coatings	Fabric damaged, weakened or displaced. Appearance affected by cracking, staining, overflows or breakages. Breaches of weatherproofing evident. Coatings in need of heavy maintenance or renewal	Fabric is badly damaged or weakened. Appearance affected by cracking, staining, overflows, leakage or damage. Breaches of waterproofing. Coatings badly damaged or non-existent.
Internal			Appearance affected by minor cracking, staining, or minor leakage, some dampness or mildew. Minor damage to wall/ ceiling finishes	Fabric damaged, weakened or displaced. Appearance affected by cracking, staining, dampness, leakage or breakages. Breaches of waterproofing evident. Finishes of poor quality and in need of replacement	Fabric badly damaged or weakened. Appearance affected by cracking, staining, leakage or wilful damage. Breaches of waterproofing. Finishes badly damaged marked and in need of replacement
Services	All components operable and well maintained	All components operable	Occasional outages breakdowns or blockages. Increased maintenance required	Failures of plumbing electrical and mechanical components common place	Plumbing electrical and mechanical components are unsafe or inoperable
Fittings	Well secured and operational, sound of function and appearance	Operational and functional, minor wear and tear	Generally operational. Minor breakage	Fittings of poor quality and appearance often inoperable and damaged	Most are inoperable or damaged

Maintenance	Well maintained and clean	Increased maintenance inspection required	Regular and programmed maintenance inspections essential	Frequent maintenance inspections essential. Short term element replacement/rehabilitation	Minimum life expectancy, requiring urgent rehabilitation or replacement
Customers	No customer concerns	Deterioration causes minimal influence on occupational users. Occasional customer concerns	Some deterioration beginning to be reflected in minor restrictions on operational uses. Customer concerns	Regular customer complaints	Generally not suitable for use by customers

Building Condition:

The current condition of Council's building assets has been listed below:

Asset Category	Nos. of Buildings	Satisfactory Condition	Present Condition
Council Offices	4	Good	Good 70% Fair 30%
Council Works Depot	4	Fair	Good 70% Fair 30%
Halls & Community Centres	36	Fair	Good 50% Fair 45% Poor 5%
Council Houses	15	Fair	Good 10% Fair 80% Poor 10%
Heritage Buildings	6	Fair	Good 40% Fair 40% Poor 20%
Library Buildings	4	Good	Good 80% Fair 20%
Childcare Centres	13	Good	Good 88% Fair 12%
Bushfire Buildings	6	Good	Good 70% Fair 30%
Recreation Centres	8	Fair	Good 58% Fair 42%
Other Buildings	32	Fair	Good 40% Fair 60%
Art Gallery	1	Good	Good 100%
Amenities / Toilets	68	Fair	Good 28% Fair 68% Poor 4%

Council has established policy standards for all of its buildings and facilities. A condition assessment is carried out on each asset based on the given policy standard, as compared to the current standard. Maintenance required to bring each asset in line with expected guidelines is forecast using Conquest data base systems. Costing requirements are estimated by the use of the Australian Construction Handbook published by Rawlinsons. Condition assessments are reviewed on a periodical basis.

Estimated expenditure to bring building assets up to required standard: \$6.99million. This figure equates to 3.06% of total asset value of \$228.00 million.

Estimated annual expenditure to maintain building assets at required standard: \$3.49 million. This figure equates to 1.5% of total asset value of \$228.00 million.

Program maintenance funding committed:

\$1.1 million – 2005/2006 \$1.1 million – 2006/2007

Rate Increase for Council Asset Maintenance

As part of the 2006-2007 budget approved by Council and to meet the conditions set by the Department of Local Government, Council expended \$1.3 million of rate income (3%) for additional rehabilitation maintenance across various asset categories, including roads, footpaths, kerbs and gutters, parks, buildings and sporting facilities. All works were completed within the financial year and have substantially improved the assets provided to the community.

Following is a breakdown of where this income was spent during 2006/2007:

Buildings (incorporating sporting facilities, halls, community centres, child care centres) - \$286,619.48

Roads, Footpaths, Kerb and Gutter (restoration and replacement) - \$755,504.79

Parks Maintenance (includes BBQs, outdoor furniture, pathways, pergolas, fencing) - \$337,565.35

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT OF CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial report of Campbelltown City Council for the financial year ended 30 June 2007. The financial report comprises the Statement by Council, Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Cash Flow Statement and accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements. Our audit responsibility does not extend to the original budget figures included in the Income Statement and Cash Flow Statement, the original budget disclosures in Notes 2(a) and 16, nor the projected revenue and expenditure of developer contributions reported in Note 17 and accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Council's Responsibility for the Financial Report

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by Council, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the Council's accounting records have been kept in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993, Chapter 13, Part 3, Division 2;
- (b) the Council's financial report:
 - (i) has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of this Division;
 - (ii) is consistent with the Council's accounting records;
 - (iii) presents fairly the Council's financial position, the results of its operations and cashflows; and
 - (iv) is in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards, and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.
- (c) all information relevant to the conduct of the audit has been obtained; and
- (d) there are no material deficiencies in the accounting records or financial report that have come to light in the course of the audit.

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Dated: 12 September 2007

Leanne Smith

LR Smith
Partner

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL REPORT OF CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the special purpose financial report of Campbelltown City Council for the year ended 30 June 2007, comprising the Statement by Council, Income Statement by Business Activities, Balance Sheet by Business Activities and accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements. Our audit responsibility does not extend to the best practice management disclosures in Notes 2 and 3 and accordingly we express no opinion on them.

Council's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are appropriate to meet the financial reporting requirements of the Council and the Department of Local Government for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of National Competition Policy reporting. The Council's responsibility also includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the Council. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Council as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The special purpose financial report has been prepared for distribution to the Council and the Department of Local Government for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of National Competition Policy reporting. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the Council or the Department of Local Government or for any purpose other than for which the report was prepared.

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

Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the special purpose financial report of Campbelltown City Council is presented fairly in accordance with the requirements of those applicable accounting policies detailed in Note 1, the accounting requirements of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

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Dated: 12 September 2007

Leanne Smith

LR Smith
Partner

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE CONDUCT OF THE AUDIT OF CAMPBELLTOWN CITY COUNCIL

We have audited the financial reports of Campbelltown City Council for the financial year ended 30 June 2007. The financial reports include the general purpose consolidated accounts of the economic entity comprising the Council and its controlled entities and the special purpose financial report, detailing the income and expenditure of Council's business units and their financial position at balance date. The contents of both of these reports include the Council's Certificate as required by section 413(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993. The Council is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial reports and the information they contain. We have conducted an independent audit of these financial reports in order to express an opinion on them to the Council.

In accordance with Section 417 of the Local Government Act 1993 we submit our report on the conduct of the audit of Campbelltown City Council for the year ended 30 June 2007. Our audit reports on the general purpose financial statements of Council and the special purpose financial statements on Council's business units outline the legislative framework of our audit and should be referred to in order to establish the context in which our comments are made.

Council's Responsibility for the Financial Report

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by Council, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

Review of the Financial Statements

(a) Result from Continuing Operations

- As disclosed in Council's Income Statement the year's operations resulted in a surplus from continuing operations after capital amounts of \$14,050,000 (2006 - \$2,879,000 deficit). Some items of note in the operating statement include:
- The operating surplus from continuing operations before capital amounts was \$5,471,000 (2006 - \$4,096,000 deficit).
- Rates and annual charges increased by \$3,165,000 to \$62,352,000 (2006 - \$59,187,000) being an increase of 5.3% which is consistent with the approved variation increase for general rates coupled with expansion of the rating base arising from the development of new residential sub-divisions within Council's boundaries.
- Council also levied a special rate on all rateable industrial land in Minto and Ingleburn, raising \$1,084,000 to fund loan repayments related to Council commitment to the RTA.
- Grant and contributions (capital) increased by \$7,362,000 to \$8,579,000 (2006 - \$1,217,000). The increase in capital contributions in 2006-'07 relate to 'works in kind' valued at \$7,402,000 for the Glenfield Section 94 development plan and contributions from developers for road construction works.
- Net gain on disposal of assets in 2007 was \$2,122,000 compared to \$318,000 in the prior year. The net gain from the disposal of infrastructure, plant and equipment of \$110,000 (2006 - \$318,000) is typical of the cyclical result from the turn-over of Council's plant and motor vehicle fleet. Council also realised a gain of \$2,012,000 (2006 - nil) on the disposal of property arising from the sale of land surplus to Council's needs.
- Materials and contracts has decreased to \$22,188,000 compared to \$26,806,000 in 2006. The current year's level of expenditure is consistent with Council's normal operating outlays.

- The unusually high expenditure in 2005-'06 was due to a contribution of \$4,500,000 paid to the RTA for the Ingleburn access ramps to the Hume Highway. This expenditure was outside of Council's control and was the principal factor in contributing to Council's deficit in that financial year.
- Employee costs represent 41% of Council's recurrent expenditure. Council is constantly under pressure to manage these costs which in 2006-'07 have increased by 3.0% with full time equivalent staff numbers being reduced to 637 (2006 – 650). This allowed Council to control the increase in its average cost per employee to 5.1% which is consistent with industry experience.

(b) Financial Position

The Balance Sheet disclosed that for the year ended 30 June 2007 Council's net assets stood at \$637,618,000 (2006 - \$623,568,000) which represents an increase of \$14,050,000 being the surplus from continuing operations after capital amounts.

To assess the appropriateness or otherwise of Council's net current asset position (available working capital) it is necessary to review the level of restrictions placed against the use of Council's assets. The notes to the financial statements indicate clearly where restrictions exist and the effect of the restrictions is summarised as follows:-

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Net current assets	33,886	26,473
Less:		
Amounts externally restricted for special purposes (refer Notes 6; 7; & 8 of financial statements)	(18,801)	(18,723)
Less:		
Council internally imposed restrictions (refer Notes 6 & 7 of financial statements)	(25,784)	(18,644)
Add:		
Applicable liabilities (refer Note 10) matched by a current cash restriction		
- Self Insurance	2,350	2,250
- Loan Commitments	382	382
Add:		
Employee leave entitlements classified settled within 12 months	7,559	6,915
Unrestricted net current asset surplus/(deficit)	(408)	(1,347)
Unrestricted net current assets comprise:		
<i>Unrestricted Current Assets</i>	10,536	8,854
Cash and Investments	5,140	5,013
Receivables	333	374
Inventories	91	129
Other assets		
Less:	16,100	14,370
<i>Unrestricted Current Liabilities</i>		
Payables	(7,174)	(6,788)
Provisions	(13,234)	(12,529)
Interest Bearing Liabilities	(3,659)	(3,315)
Unrestricted net current asset surplus/(deficit)	(7,967)	(8,262)
Add:		
Employee leave entitlements classified as current but not expected to be settled within 12 months	7,559	6,915
	(408)	(1,347)

Council's net current asset position is highly liquid and the foregoing analysis presents a position that recognises the impact of all Council's restricted funds being committed immediately and simultaneously.

Whilst the year produced an increase in net current assets of \$7,413,000, Council has committed an additional \$7,140,000 to its internal restrictions which has limited the reduction in Council's unrestricted net current asset deficit to \$939,000.

Historically and like many other organisations, Council budgets to utilise monies collected next year to fund loan repayments due in that year. Similarly Council budgets to fund ordinary levels of employee leave entitlements from next year's budget.

The following table shows the impact of these funding decisions on Council's calculated unrestricted net current asset position:

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000
Unrestricted net current asset surplus/(deficit)	(408)	(1,347)
Add back amounts to be funded from the following year's operations:		
<i>Unrestricted Current Liabilities</i>		
Provisions	7,455	7,314
Interest Bearing Liabilities	4,041	3,697
Adjusted unrestricted net current asset surplus/(deficit)	11,088	9,664

This adjustment alters Council's calculated position significantly and shows that Council's level of restrictions can be managed in the longer term. It is pleasing to note that Council's adjusted unrestricted net current assets have improved since the prior year by \$1,424,000 and remain highly liquid.

Whilst the analysis of the net current asset position is a succinct review of Council's short-term position, the strength of that position is determined by the liquidity of those assets i.e. the Council's ability to operate effectively is largely governed by the amount of available cash.

Note 6 to the accounts discloses total cash and investments of \$54,584,000 (2006 - \$45,636,000). Of this amount \$18,276,000 (2006 - \$18,161,000) is subject to external restrictions requiring Council to commit those funds to the purposes for which they were provided and \$25,772,000 (2006 - \$18,621,000) is subject to internal restrictions agreed upon by Council for designated purposes which may be altered at the discretion of Council, consistent with their management plan.

The unrestricted balance of \$10,536,000 (2006 - \$8,854,000) represents funds available to cover non-budgeted discretionary expenditure and short-term cash flow requirements.

Council is in a strong financial position to fulfil the objectives attached to its internally restricted funds as part of its long term development plans and at the same time has created a very strong unrestricted cash position.

(c) Performance Indicators

Note 13 to the Financial Statements provides a measure of Council's performance using a number of selected ratios as follows:

Current and Unrestricted Current Ratios

The current ratio and unrestricted current ratio are measures of Council's liquidity that demonstrate Council's ability to satisfy obligations out of short-term and immediate asset balances.

Council's ratios of 2.26:1 (2006 – 2.05:1) and 2.39:1 (2006 – 1.90:1) respectively are considered sound. We stress the importance of considering these ratios in conjunction with other performance indicators and not in isolation.

Debt Service Ratio

The cost of repaying debt is reflected in the debt service ratio, which expresses that cost as a percentage of revenue from ordinary activities.

Whilst there is no definitive guide on what constitutes an acceptable ratio it is generally accepted that a ratio of 10% to 20% is considered tolerable depending on the level of long-term development (infrastructure) plans and funding of entrepreneurial activities. At 6.41% (2006 – 5.39%), Campbelltown City Council's ratio is well within these industry benchmarks.

Rate Coverage Ratio

The rate coverage ratio indicates the proportion of total revenue that is generated by rates. A changing ratio may indicate a change in the mix of Council's revenue streams. These revenue streams would include rates, user charges, grants, contributions and income from entrepreneurial activities.

Council's ratio of 56.70% (2006 – 61.51%) is slightly lower than the previous year. This ratio is reasonably volatile depending on the mix of revenue in any given year. The variation in coverage this year was influenced by the impact of the 'works in kind' contributions of \$7,402,000 on total operating revenue.

Rates and Annual Charges Outstanding Ratio

The rates and annual charges outstanding percentage is a measure of management efficiency. Whilst prevailing economic conditions may influence Council's ability to collect revenue, the efficiency and application of collection procedures are still the largest determinant of this ratio.

Campbelltown City Council's rates and annual charges outstanding percentage of 4.97% has marginally increased since the prior year (2006 – 4.79%). Achieving a rates recovery ratio of 95.03% is indicative that Council is maintaining diligent recovery procedures.

(d) Cash Flow Statement

The Statement of Cash Flows reports a net decrease in cash assets held of \$4,336,000 (2006 increase - \$3,541,000) as follows:

	2007 \$'000	2006 \$'000	Movement \$'000
Cash flow provided by / (used in)			
Operating activities	16,820	11,734	5,086
Investing activities	(19,412)	(11,902)	(7,510)
Financing activities	(1,744)	3,709	(5,453)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash held	(4,336)	3,541	(7,877)

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

The net cash flow provided by operating activities totalled \$16,820,000 (2006 - \$11,734,000). Council has continued to generate a positive cash flow from operating activities.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

The net cash flow used in investing activities totalled \$19,412,000 (2006 – \$11,902,000). These cash outflows related to the investment in interest earning financial assets of \$13,285,000 (2006 – 7,854,000) as well as the net sale and acquisition of assets by Council.

Major additions to property, plant and equipment during the year included the turn-over of Council's motor vehicle fleet and the acquisition of operating plant.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

The net cash flow used in financing activities was \$1,744,000 (2006 – \$3,709,000 cash inflow). Additional funds of \$2,500,000 (2006 - \$7,000,000) were borrowed during the year as part of Council's ongoing borrowing schedule. Repayments in the year were in line with the requirements of the loans.

(e) Comparison of Actual and Budgeted Performance

Council's change in net assets from operations for the year of was a surplus of \$14,050,000 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$7,351,000.

The nature of this report does not lend itself to detailed analysis of individual budget variations. However, the major factor in the variation to budget was grants and capital contributions received exceeding Council's budgeted income by \$7,895,000 primarily related to the 'works in kind' for the Glenfield Section 94 plan and developer contributions to roadworks.

Other Matters

(a) National Competition Policy

In accordance with the requirements of National Competition Policy guidelines, Campbelltown City Council has prepared a special purpose financial report on its business units for the year ended 30 June 2007. Council has determined that it has three business units within its operations: Child Care Centres, Indoor Recreation Centres and Commercial Centres.

The Department of Local Government's July 1997 guidelines 'Pricing and Costing for Council Businesses: A Guide to Competitive Neutrality' outlines the process for identifying and allocating costs of activities and provide a standard of disclosure requirements. These disclosures are reflected in Council's pricing and/or financial reporting systems and include taxation equivalents, Council subsidies, rate of return on investments in business units and dividends paid.

An unqualified audit report on the special purpose reports for the year ended 30 June 2007 has been issued.

(b) Management Letters

Interim management letters were issued on 5 February 2007 and 13 July 2007, whilst a final report will be prepared upon completion of our year end review.

(c) Legislative Compliance

As a result of our audit we advise that there are no material deficiencies in the accounting records or financial reports that have come to our attention during the conduct of the audit and that Campbelltown City Council's accounting records have been kept in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1993 and regulations.

Conclusion

- (a) Campbelltown City Council's accounting records have been kept in a manner and form that facilitated the preparation of the general purpose financial report and allowed proper and effective audit of this report;
- (b) Campbelltown City Council's accounting records have been kept in a manner and form that facilitated the preparation of the special purpose financial reports and allowed proper and effective audit of this report; and
- (c) all information relevant to the conduct of the audit has been obtained.

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balance sheet as at 30 June 2007

Business Activity and Category	Business Activities					
	Actual 2007 Child Care Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2006 Child Care Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2007 Indoor Rec Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2006 Indoor Rec Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2007 Commercial Centres (Cat.2) \$'000	Actual 2006 Commercial Centres (Cat.2) \$'000
Current Assets						
Receivables	30	13	20	20	16	28
Inventories	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other - due by general fund	0	0	0	0	4,692	4,157
Total Current Assets	30	13	20	20	4,708	4,185
Non-Current Assets Infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	3,153	3,217	15,289	15,603	7,243	7,270
Total Non-Current Assets	3,153	3,217	15,289	15,603	7,243	7,270
TOTAL ASSETS	3,183	3,230	15,309	15,623	11,951	11,455
Current Liabilities Other - due to general fund	(4,394)	(3,654)	(18,058)	(15,588)	0	0
Total Current Liabilities	(4,394)	(3,654)	(18,058)	(15,588)	0	0
Non-Current Liabilities Borrowings	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(4,394)	(3,654)	(18,058)	(15,588)	0	0
NET ASSETS	(1,211)	(424)	(2,749)	35	11,951	11,455
EQUITY	(1,211)	(424)	(2,749)	35	11,951	11,455
Retained earnings	(1,211)	(424)	(2,749)	35	11,951	11,455
TOTAL EQUITY	(1,211)	(424)	(2,749)	35	11,951	11,455

To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

cash flow statement for the year ended 30 June 2007

Budget 2007 \$'000		Notes	Actual 2007 \$'000	Actual 2006 \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
	Receipts:			
62,074	Rates and annual charges		61,779	59,612
10,566	User charges and fees		8,949	9,728
2,341	Investment revenue and interest		3,515	2,564
18,266	Grants and contributions		22,008	21,900
6,721	Other		3,017	2,910
	Payments:			
(43,510)	Employee costs		(38,171)	(36,872)
(24,432)	Materials and contracts		(19,691)	(23,608)
(1,398)	Borrowing costs		(1,410)	(1,163)
(26,125)	Other		(23,176)	(23,337)
4,503	Net cash provided by/or used in operating activities	11b	16,820	11,734
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
	Receipts:			
1,350	Sale of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment		3,272	3,857
0	Sale of investments		0	0
	Payments:			
	Purchase of investments		(13,285)	(7,854)
(6,977)	Purchase of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment		(9,399)	(7,905)
0	Purchase of real estate		0	0
(5,627)	Net cash provided by/or used in investing activities		(19,412)	(11,902)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
	Receipts:			
2,500	Borrowing and advances		2,500	7,000
	Other		0	30
	Payments:			
(4,153)	Borrowing and advances		(4,244)	(3,321)
0	Lease liabilities		0	0
0	Other		0	0
(1,653)	Net cash provided by/or used in financing activities		(1,744)	3,709
(2,777)	Net increase/(decrease) in cash assets held		(4,336)	3,541
11,051	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of reporting period	11a	11,051	7,510
8,274	Cash and cash equivalents at end of reporting period	11a	6,715	11,051

To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

income statement for the year ended 30 June 2007

Business Activity and Category	Business Activities					
	Actual 2007 Child Care Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2006 Child Care Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2007 Indoor Rec Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2006 Indoor Rec Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Actual 2007 Commercial Centres (Cat.2) \$'000	Actual 2006 Commercial Centres (Cat.2) \$'000
Revenue from continuing operations						
User charges & fees	1,048	1,061	2,394	2,332	681	622
Interest	0	0	0	0	42	35
Grants & contributions provided for non capital purposes	1,691	1,886	0	0	0	0
Total revenue from continuing operations	2,739	2,947	2,394	2,332	723	657
Expenses from continuing operations						
Employee benefits and on-costs	3,076	3,238	2,726	2,661	140	128
Materials & contracts	276	195	1,137	904	38	181
Interest charges	73	72	181	163	0	0
Depreciation and impairment	64	67	347	357	27	15
Calculated tax equivalents	194	198	177	173	90	89
Debt guarantee fees	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other operating expenses	397	597	1,171	1,145	41	39
Total expenses from continuing operations	4,080	4,367	5,739	5,403	336	452
Surplus/(deficit) from continuing operations before capital amounts	(1,341)	(1,420)	(3,345)	(3,071)	387	205
Grants & contributions provided for capital purposes	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net gain/(loss) on disposal of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
Surplus/(deficit) from continuing operations after capital amounts	(1,341)	(1,420)	(3,345)	(3,071)	387	205
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FROM ALL OPERATIONS BEFORE TAX	(1,341)	(1,420)	(3,345)	(3,071)	387	205
Corporate taxation equivalent	0	0	0	0	120	93

income statement for the year ended 30 June 2007 cont.

Business Activity and Category	Business Activities					
	Actual 2007	Actual 2006	Actual 2007	Actual 2006	Actual 2007	Actual 2006
	Child Care Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Child Care Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Indoor Rec Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Indoor Rec Centres (Cat.1) \$'000	Commercial Centres (Cat.2) \$'000	Commercial Centres (Cat.2) \$'000
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER TAX	(1,341)	(1,420)	(3,345)	(3,071)	387	205
Dividend payment [6.235% of CNA after tax]	0	0	0	0	17	12
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS After Dividend	(1,341)	(1,420)	(3,345)	(3,071)	250	100
Opening Retained Profits	(424)	401	35	2,484	11,455	11,142
Adjustments for amounts unpaid						
* Taxation equivalents payments	194	198	177	173	90	89
* Corporate taxation equivalents	0	0	0	0	120	93
* Dividend payments	0	0	0	0	17	12
* Corporate overheads	360	397	385	449	19	19
Closing Retained Profits	(1,211)	(424)	(2,748)	35	11,951	11,455
Return on Capital (%)	-42.53%	-44.14%	-21.88%	-19.68%	5.34%	2.82%
SUBSIDY FROM COUNCIL	1,341	1,420	3,345	3,071	Nil	Nil

To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements



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