



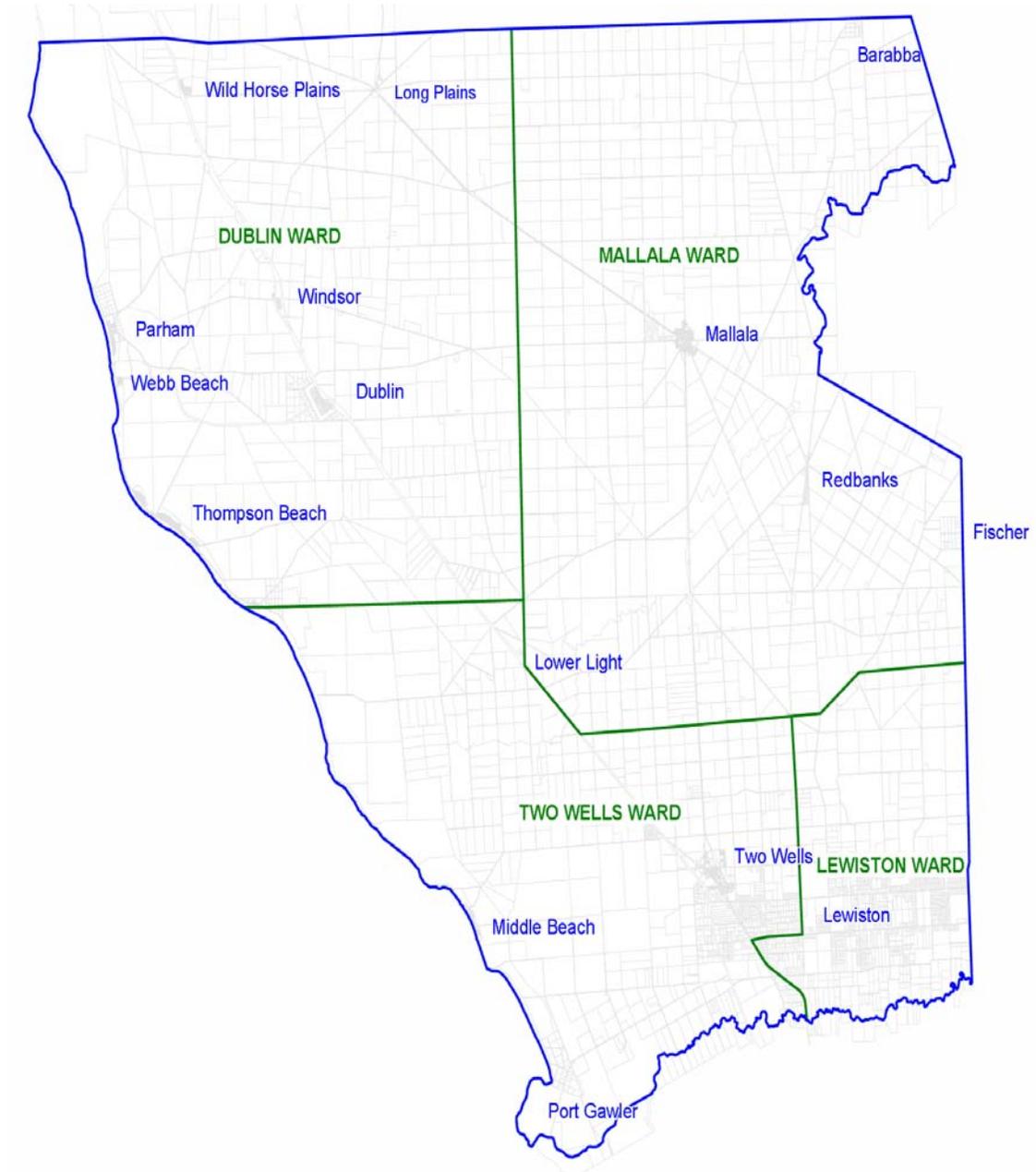
District Council of Mallala

Annual Report
2008 - 2009

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District Map showing Ward Boundaries



The District Council of Mallala is located within the northern segment of the Outer Metropolitan Area of Adelaide, covering an area of 926 km². The Council area is within 45 minutes travelling distance to Adelaide with dual lane highway access. The District is also a gateway to the northern parts of the State for those travelling from Adelaide along Highway 1.

The District has a diverse topography from gently undulating plains in the east to the floodplains of the Light and Gawler Rivers and the low lying coastal wetlands adjacent to the Gulf St Vincent in the west.

Most of the area is rural in nature and agriculture is the predominant land use. The major urban towns of the District are Two Wells, Mallala and Dublin, all with a distinct country township character. These towns provide service centres for the rural hinterland and are increasingly becoming commuter settlements for employment in nearby Adelaide. There are also several coastal townships in the District Council area, the main ones being Thompson Beach, Parham and Middle Beach.

The District Council of Mallala area was originally inhabited by the Kurna people, with the first white settlement dating back to 1839 when large tracts of surveyed land began to be allotted to pastoralists who farmed mostly grain and sheep. Today employment generated within the District is largely focused around stock grazing, horticulture and intensive animal keeping industries and service sectors to these industries.

The Council area has experienced strong population growth in both townships and rural living areas over the last 10 years. This is expected to continue particularly in the southern part of the district, with advantages of easy access to Adelaide, employment options in the northern suburbs and affordable housing. The total population is currently estimated to be around 8,365 people. The District Council area also has unique opportunities for people wishing to purchase properties for rural and coastal living.

The regional economy continues to grow and growth in the services and transport sectors is also contributing to population growth. Australian Bureau of Statistics population projections show continued strong growth over the next 10 years with a possible population of up to 11,535 people by 2016.

The District Council of Mallala Synopsis

Population as at 30 June 2009:

Area of Council:	926.7 sq km	
Number of Rateable Assessments:	4177	
Number of Electors:	State Roll	5232
	Council Roll :	2067
Total Electors		7299
Total Population:		8,365

Council Office (Registered office & principal place of business)	2a Wasleys Road, Mallala 5502 (office)
Office Hours (Monday to Friday)	9:00am - 5:00pm
<i>Telephone:</i>	8527 2006
<i>Fax</i>	8527 2242
<i>Postal Address:</i>	PO Box 18, Mallala 5502
<i>Email Address:</i>	info@mallala.sa.gov.au
<i>Web Address:</i>	www.mallala.sa.gov.au

Vision Statement

A vibrant and caring community, enjoying quality country and coastal living with city access

Mission Statement

Provide a safe, healthy and sustainable environment for our growing community, business and visitors, by providing quality services, infrastructure and facilities.

Core Values

The values or behaviours that the Council will embrace to support our Mission and guide us in achieving our Vision are:

- **Consultation** – *“we listen, we talk, and we act”* in striving to meet the aspirations of the community
- **Customer Focus** – by being aware of the needs of the community and business, and providing timely and appropriate services
- **Efficiency and Effectiveness** – by responsible management of resources and the provision of responsive and cost effective services
- **Empowerment of the Community** – by assisting the community to help themselves
- **Innovation** – by being proactive in continually improving and adapting our services
- **Openness and Honesty** - by ensuring transparency of decision making and operations, accountability for performance, and delivering on our promises
- **Respecting and Valuing Our Staff** – by providing support and encouragement for good performance and ensuring a safe and healthy work environment

Message from the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer

The 2008/09 year has seen the District continue to develop into a vibrant community aligned with the achievement of our Vision to be a "*vibrant and caring community, enjoying quality country and coastal living with city access*". As you read this report you will see that the Council has been actively pursuing its Strategic Plan outcomes with a number of great achievements.

As a Council representing the many community interests it is important that we continue this great work so that the community can continue to develop and more importantly enhance the lives of all that live, play and work in the District.

The environment that the District finds itself is changing rapidly with many challenges and as many opportunities surfacing as we better understand the potential for the District. The State Government has set some clear targets for the State and in the process of developing some key policy documents that will establish a framework for the next thirty years. The Mallala District is identified within this process as a key area for both residential and commercial growth balanced with a natural environment that not many communities have within their District.

The challenge for our community is to address the issues this brings, for example, the sustainable management of growth and ensuring appropriate levels of services, while also making the most of opportunities through partnerships with key stakeholders as they recognise the District as a key component of the broader State outcomes.

In these times strong leadership is also critical which the Council will strive to deliver for the community. The Council will over the next twelve months revisit its Strategic Plan to ensure that a positive outcome and attainment of our collective vision is achieved. The involvement of the community and the many external stakeholders will play a strong role in ensuring this review provides for a robust plan.

As Mayor I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our past Chief Executive Officer, Damien Moloney and wish him well for the future. I thank all Councillors, staff and the community, particularly those involved in the many clubs and committees that all input into a better environment for all.

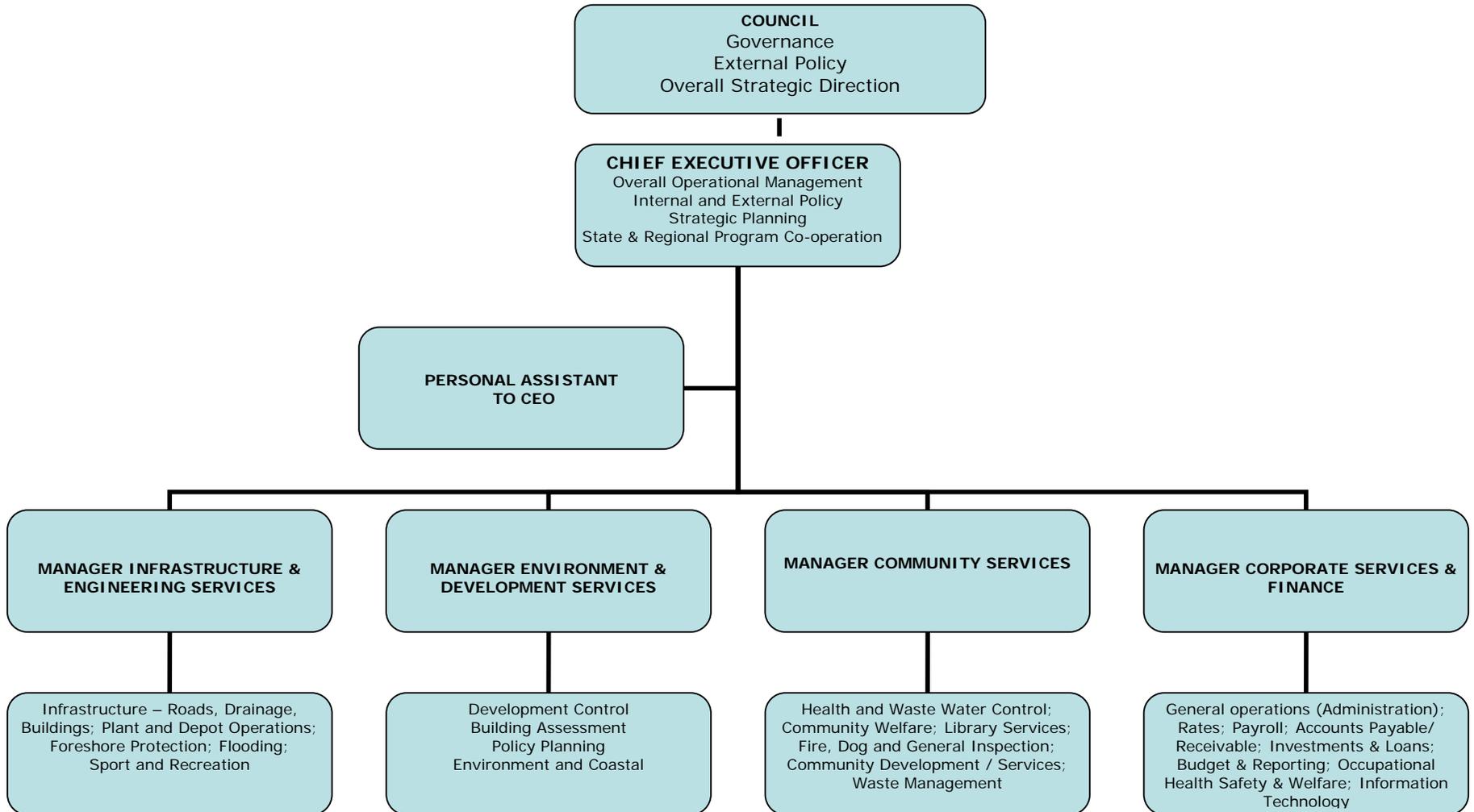
Looking ahead, the platform Council has established will be an opportunity for the new management team, headed up by the new Chief Executive Officer, Charles Mansueto, to tackle the challenges and benefit from the opportunities.

We look forward to working as a proactive Council and achieving our collective vision.

Charles Mansueto
Chief Executive Officer

Tony Flaherty (OAM)
Mayor

Organisational Structure



DIRECTORATE and TOTALS	Male (Actual)	Female (Actual)	Total (Actual)	Male (FTE)	Female (FTE)	Total (FTE)
Community Services						
Manager	1			1.0		1.0
Community Officer		1			1.0	1.0
Environmental Health	1			1.0		1.0
Dog Control/General Inspector	1			1.0		1.0
Library		3			1.8	1.8
Cleaner		1			0.1	0.1
Waste Management Unit	4			4.0		4.0
<i>Community Services Total</i>	7	5	12	7.0	2.9	9.9
Infrastructure & Engineering Services						
Manager	1		1	1.0		1.0
Foreman	1		1	1.0		1.0
Administration		1	1		1.0	1.0
Asset Coordinator	1		1	1.0		1.0
Works/Horticulture						
Construction & Maintenance	9		9	9.0		9.0
Parks & Gardens	2		2	2.0		2.0
Quarry Workers	2		2	2.0		2.0
Support						
Mechanics	1		1	1.0		1.0
Asset Facilities						
General Maintenance	1		1	1.0		1.0
<i>Infrastructure & Engineering Services Total</i>	18	1	19	18.0	1.0	19.0
OVERALL TOTAL	35	14	49	33.1	11.0	45.1

Senior Management Team



Chief Executive Officer - Damien Moloney

Salary: \$130,000pa (resigned effective - 22 May 2009)
Superannuation as per SA Superannuation 9% and Local Government Acts
Limited private use of mobile telephone



Manager, Corporate Services and Finance

Salary: \$81,489
Superannuation as per SA Superannuation 9% and Local Government Acts
Fully maintained vehicle for private use
Limited private use of mobile telephone



District Planner – Henri Mueller

Salary: \$87,476 (5 year contract exp September 2013)
Superannuation as per SA Superannuation 9% and Local Government Acts
Fully maintained vehicle for private use
Limited private use of mobile telephone



Manager, Community Services – Stephen Bateman

Salary: \$81,489
Superannuation as per SA Superannuation 9% and Local Government Acts
Fully maintained vehicle for private use
Limited private use of mobile telephone



Manager, Infrastructure & Engineering Services - John Tillack

Salary: \$87,476 (5-year contract exp September 2013)
Superannuation as per SA Superannuation 9% and Local Government Acts
Fully maintained vehicle for private use
Limited private use of mobile telephone

NB: The preceding information reflects the number of Senior Executive Officers, together with information on allowances, bonuses and benefits, as part of a salary package. This information relates to the Municipal Officers (SA) Award 1998 and Council's Enterprise Agreement 2007.

Training and Development

A training needs analysis was undertaken for the purpose of determining staff training needs to meet the strategic and operational objectives of the Council. These objectives are articulated in Council's Strategic Plan and in the legislation and regulations governing Council's operations.

The intent in the methodology for development of the Plan is to shift from a reactive approach to the identification of training needs for staff, to a strategic focus on corporate objectives as the framework for individual and occupational group needs. Attention to these needs and to the technology issues identified, in conjunction with this process, will substantially enhance Council's capability to meet its strategic goals.

Equal Employment Opportunity

The District Council of Mallala is an equal opportunity employer. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for:

- (a) developing and implementing an equal employment opportunity program relating to employment with the Council;
- (b) developing and implementing other initiatives to ensure that employees have equal employment opportunity in relation to their employment. Human Resources and Personnel Practices, Policies and Procedures are also reviewed on a regular basis.

Council Profile

Mayor: Cr A J Flaherty (OAM)

Deputy Mayor: Cr R J Fabrici

Councillors:

Lewiston Ward:	Duncan Kennington	290 Hayman Road Lewiston 5501
	Rudi Fabrici	15 Hancock Drive Lewiston 5501
	B J (Tom) Summerton	1 Aunger Road Lewiston 5501
	Anne Picard	PO Box 581 Virginia 5120
Mallala Ward:	Yvonne Howard	3 Irish Street Mallala 5502
	Marcus Strudwicke	4 Dublin Road Mallala 5502
Dublin Ward:	Terry Ann Keen	PO Box 118 Dublin 5501
	Steve Jones	C/- Post Office Lower Light 5501
Two Wells Ward:	P M N (Joe) Daniele	8 Old Pt Wakefield Road, Two Wells 5501
	Tony Flaherty (OAM)	5 Germantown Road Two Wells 5501
	Steve Kennedy	PO Box 2283 Regency Park 5942

Elected Members

Re-imbusement of Expenses, Facilities and Support

The District Council of Mallala ensures that the reimbursement of expenses and the provision of allowances, facilities and support to the Elected Members is accountable, transparent and in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and associated regulations.

Allowances

Section 76 of the Local Government Act 1999 and Regulation 4 prescribe that all Elected Members are entitled to receive an allowance. The Council, within the limits imposed by the Regulations, sets this allowance annually. The allowance is to help cover the cost of performing and discharging their official functions and duties.

The following annual allowances were set by Council and were paid on a monthly basis in arrears pursuant to Regulation 4(2).

Position	Allowance paid July to December 2008	Allowance paid January to June 2009
Mayor	\$10,000.00	\$12,500.00
Deputy Mayor	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 9,375.00
Elected Members	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,250.00
Presiding Members of Council Section 41 Committees	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 6,250.00

Payments made to Councillors

Total payments (includes travel allowance) made to councillors for the period 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 are as follows:

<i>Payments to 30 June 2009</i>	\$
Cr A J Flaherty (OAM)	10,208.39
Councillor Allowance	5,926.20
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	16,134.59
<i>Total Payments for 2008 - 2009</i>	
Cr R J Fabrici	
Councillor Allowance	7,552.10
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	3,113.50
<i>payments for 2008-2009</i>	<i>10,665.60</i>

Cr T A Keen	
Councillor Allowance	5,729.23
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	5,729.23
Cr S J Kennedy	
Councillor Allowance	7,812.58
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	7,812.58
Cr J Daniele	
Councillor Allowances	5,729.23
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	1,235.31
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	6,964.54
Cr B J Summerton	
Councillor Allowance	5,729.23
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	954.80
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	6,684.03
Cr S E Jones	
Councillor Allowance	5,729.23
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	5,729.23
Cr S M Strudwicke	
Councillor Allowance	7,552.10
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	7,552.10
Cr Y L Howard	
Councillor Allowance	7,552.10
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	7,552.10
Cr D Kennington	
Councillor Allowance	5,729.23
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	738.20
<i>Total payments for 2008-2009</i>	6,467.43
Cr A Picard	
Councillor Allowance	5,729.23
Councillor Travel Reimbursement	2,288.54
<i>Total of payments for 2008-2009</i>	8,017.77
Total payments to Councillors for 2008-2009	\$89,309.20

Meeting Attendance

<i>Councillor</i>	<i>Ordinary Meetings</i>	<i>Special Meetings</i>	<i>Attendance Record</i>
Steve Jones	12	9	15
Tony Flaherty (OAM)	12	9	14
Joe Daniele	12	9	15
Rudi Fabrici	12	9	13
Yvonne Howard	12	9	15
Marcus Strudwicke	12	9	14
Terry Keen	12	9	13
Steve Kennedy	12	9	13
Duncan Kennington	12	9	15
Anne Picard	12	9	14
Tom Summerton	12	9	17

Training & Development Activities

<i>Program</i>	<i>Councillors Attending</i>
Meeting Procedures Training	Yvonne Howard
Elected Member 'Conflict of Interest' Workshop	All Councillors
Code of Conduct Training	All Councillors
Workshop and Training	All Councillors
Seminar	Yvonne Howard
Customer Service Training	All Councillors
Water Forum	Rudi Fabrici
Governance Training	All Councillors
Council Members Residential Seminar	Tony Flaherty (OAM) Yvonne Howard

Committees

To assist Council in its day to day operation, a number of committees have been formed under the provisions of Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999.

These committees meet on an 'as required' basis and meetings are open to the public.

- Audit Committee
- Asset Management Advisory Committee
- CEO Appraisal Panel
- Coastal Management Advisory Committee
- Community Development Board
- DCM Community Partnerships Program Steering Committee
- Dublin Institute Committee
- Mallala Greening Committee
- Mallala Historical Committee
- Mallala & Districts Homes Committee
- Mallala Institute Committee
- Mallala Sports Park Committee
- Windsor Institute Committee

External Bodies

Council is a member of, or participates in, a number of external bodies and committees

- Adelaide & Mount Lofty NRM Board
- Yorke NRM Board
- Adelaide Plains Marketing Committee
- Sturt Area Consultative Committee
- Barossa Region Spatial Framework
- Local Government Association
- Local Government Finance Authority
- Central Local Government Region Inc
- Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority
- District Council of Mallala Bushfire Prevention Committee
- Mid North Regional Passenger Transport Service
- Yorke Regional Development Board
- Wakefield Group of Councils

Subsidiaries

- (i) Council is a member of the Central Local Government Region and the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority and, in accordance with Section 28(3) Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act, 1999, activity reports and financial statements for both bodies are incorporated under Appendixes II and III.
- (ii) Council does not have any subsidiaries established in accordance with Part 1 Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act, 1999.

National Competition Policy

Significant Business Action

There were no significant activities undertaken in either category for the financial year, nor was any in-house tendering undertaken.

Elector Representation

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act, Council is required to undertake a review of its size composition and Ward Structure.

A review must be undertaken at least once every six (6) years. Council completed its last review which took effect for the periodic election held in May 2003.

At the electoral roll closure in November 2006, Ward quotas for Mallala were as follows:

<i>Ward</i>	<i>Total Electors</i>	<i>Councillors</i>	<i>Quota</i>	<i>%</i>
Dublin	1,371	2	686	4.40
Mallala	1,352	2	676	2.9
Two Wells	1,948	3	649	- 1.1
Lewiston	2,553	4	638	- 2.8
Total	7,224		657 (average)	

The difference in current quota numbers falls within acceptable margins $\pm 10\%$, therefore no extraordinary review is considered to be required at this time.

As a comparison to other Councils in the State, the following table provides an average representation quota for similar size Councils.

Council	Electors	Total Members (inc Mayor)	Representation Quota
Berri / Barmera	8242	10	824
Clare & Gilbert Valleys	7848	9	872
Grant	7153	9	795
Loxton / Waikerie	9187	12	765
Mallala	7224	11	657
Naracoorte Lucindale	6857	11	623
Renmark Paringa	7190	9	798
Tatiara	5487	10	548

Source: State Electoral Office (July 2008)

Community Land

All Local Government land became classified as Community Land when the Local Government Act 1999 came into effect from 1st January 2000.

Register of Community Land

The District Council of Mallala has prepared a Register of Community Land containing the following information:

- Legal description and location of the land
- Commonly known name of land (if applicable)
- The area of the land
- The owner of the land. In most cases this will be The District Council of Mallala but there are also several parcels of land owned by the Crown but under Council's care and control management.
- Details of any leases or licences applicable to the Community Land (under review)
- Copies of Community Land Management Plans under the following categories:

Management Plan 1	- Undeveloped Open Space / Reserves with Minor Improvements
Management Plan 2	- Cemeteries
Management Plan 3	- Port Parham Sports and Social Club
Management Plan 4	- Formal Gardens
Management Plan 5	- Council Parks – Major Improvements
Management Plan 6	- Stormwater Management
Management Plan 7	- Community Buildings
Management Plan 8	- Sports / Recreation Facilities
Management Plan 9	- Two Wells Car Park Land
Management Plan 10	- Historic Wells Reserve
Management Plan 11	- Mallala Museum Gardens

The Register of Community Land is available for public inspection at the Council Office at 2a Wasleys Road, Mallala during ordinary office hours.

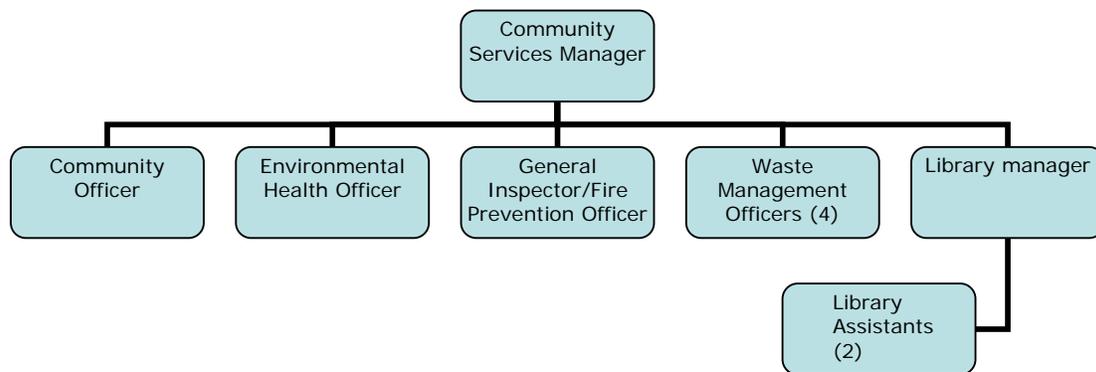
A person is also entitled on payment of a fee fixed by Council, to an extract from the Register.

Community Services

Key Departmental Services:

- Food Act
- Environment Protection Act
- Public and Environmental Health Act
- Local Government Act
- Dog and Cat Management Act
- Library Management
- Fleet Management
- Community Welfare / Development

The Community Services Team comprises of eleven staff including:



During the year, input from the community, together with the nature of enquiries received under the following legislation, determines the priorities for each section: -

- Food Act
- Public & Environmental Health Act
- Dog and Cat Management Act
- Environment Protection Act
- Local Government Act
- Australian Citizenship Act

Food

Council continues to undertake its legal responsibilities under the provisions of the Food Act 2000 within the resources it has at its disposal. There are 79 food premises inspected on a regular basis, within our district during the 12 month period to 30 June 2009.

Proprietors are regularly informed of changes regarding the food legislation and important information regarding food requirements.

Food safety and hygiene legislative information is distributed to all food business, community and charitable organisations in the Council region.

During the reporting period, one food complaint was received involving food quality, which could not be substantiated due to lack of evidence.

An information session was conducted at the Mallala Football Club in conjunction with "Community Foodies", a volunteer community group being trained in food preparation.

Public and Environmental Health

The Public and Environmental Health Act 1987, requires local government to take responsibility in the administration of public health issues such as sanitation, control of vectors the prevention and control of diseases in its own locality. Local Government must ensure that guidelines and standards pursuant to this act are adopted and enforced to areas such as future development, community concerns and health promotion.

There are three registered hairdressing / beauty premises within the Council area; which were all inspected during the reporting period.

During the 2008-2009 year, a total of sixteen complaints were investigated relating to various public health issues, such as preventing insanitary conditions on premises, controlling offensive activities, providing adequate sanitation and failed septic tanks.

Vector Control

Council's Public and Environmental Health Section regularly liaises with the Department of Health Services regarding monitoring and controlling mosquitoes.

Samples of mosquito larvae and adults are collected, identified and recorded for density determination and population monitoring.

Mosquito breeding areas are identified and effectively treated by the use of a larvicide. The sites are later checked to determine larval reduction and thereby the success of the treatment. Trapping of adult mosquitoes was undertaken during the reporting period in the Web Beach area due to recent increased activity.

Disease Surveillance

Notifiable diseases can be associated with a variety of sources, including preparation and consumption of food; access to swimming pools; and cooling towers / warm water handling systems and handling of potting soil etc.

Council liaises with The Communicable Disease Control Branch and maintains Communicable Disease surveillance within the district to help prevent the transmission of infectious diseases. This is achieved by undertaking Interviews and conducting investigations when necessary to determine the source of an illness and to establish links between similar cases.

There were no notifiable disease notifications which required investigation during this reporting period.

Chemical Drum Program

Council continues to participate in the drumMuster collection program which provides a farm chemical metal drum crushing and plastic container recycling service to farmers, orchardists and market gardeners in the area. With on-going support from the farming community, approximately 2750 containers were collected and recycled during the current period.

Council is investigating the creation of a permanent enclosure to store containers until pick up by the recyclers and the possibility of a monthly collection program to provide a better service to the rural community.

European Wasps

Council is a contributor to the European Wasp Equalisation Fund. During the reporting period there were no European Wasp Nests either identified or destroyed. Residents are encouraged to report Wasp sightings, Council supplies information and instructions of how to locate the nest. When the nest is located, arrangements are made to have the nest destroyed by a licensed pest controller at no cost to the ratepayer.

Community

Council's Community Officer has enhanced the link between Council and the community. Public consultation was undertaken on various projects, further engaging the community with Council decisions.

Council continues to provide vital support for events held both regionally and within the District, facilitating greater pride in the community.

The Community Partnerships funding program is in its seventh year of operation, with \$50,000 allocated for community projects and individual sports and recreation grant funding within the District.

As part of the 2009 National Volunteer Week, Council in conjunction with Gawler Town Council provided a free movie day with around 150 volunteers from throughout the district attending. Recognition and support provided to volunteers has increased and this will continue.

Council organised yet another successful Australia Day Ceremony, and five new citizens were inducted during this time.

It is anticipated that community awareness of Council's actions will increase as further communication takes place. Further research will also be conducted to ensure the community's needs are identified and met.

Tomorrow's success is founded on today's preparation.

Waste Management

Council operates and manages an alternating domestic waste and recycling collection that is offered to all residents throughout the district. Each residential property is provided with a 240 litre MGB for recycling purposes. Council collects approximately 26 tonnes of recyclables per fortnight, which equates to an average of 10.5 kilograms per household.

Council continues to operate its own landfill and is committed to reducing the amount of waste to landfill. Domestic waste and recyclables are transported either to the Northern Adelaide Waste Management Authority (NAWMA), or Inkerman, to be further sorted and processed. The waste collection tonnage statistics for the reporting period are provided below:

Year 2008/2009

Waste	1383 tonnes
Recycling	554 tonnes
Total	1937 tonnes

Council is committed to reducing waste to landfill and its dedicated Waste Management Unit is responsible for the collection and disposal of all waste, including resource recovery programs.

Resource Recovery Facility

Council's successful grant application has allowed for the construction and development of a specifically designed undercover sorting facility for recovery of recyclable materials from the Two Wells transfer station, illegally dumped rubbish and residential general trailer waste.

The sorting and diversion of the material has significantly reduced the amount of waste to landfill.

The facility is currently being upgraded with the provision of an air conditioned office and toilet/shower facilities for staff.

Food Waste/Green Organics Pilot

Council is undertaking an exciting and innovative waste pilot involving households in the townships of Two Wells, Mallala and Dublin, in conjunction with Zero Waste SA. The trial aims to increase the diversion of waste from landfill and at the same time recover food waste and green organics for processing into nutrient rich compost.

To date over 80 tons of organics has been processed and recycled as compost with a relatively low contamination rate of approximately 10%.

Illegal Dumping



The issue of illegal dumping is a major concern. Council removed approximately 395 loads of illegally dumped waste during the reporting period ranging in size from bags to trailer loads of domestic waste associated with residential premises to contractors depositing semi-trailer loads of waste including tyres, asbestos and building

materials. Illegal dumping is not only limited to road verges, but also occurs on parks, reserves, creeks and other watercourses.

A successful grant funding application for councils *'We're Out to Get You'* campaign received from Zero Waste SA allows Council to install surveillance cameras to monitor vehicle movement; detect licence plates and record evidence to prosecute those dumping on roadsides.

In the past it has been difficult to prosecute persons for illegal dumping due to lack of evidence in most cases; however, Council is hopeful that once cameras begin to catch them out, offenders will get the message. Council is working very closely with the media who are very keen to run stories regarding this issue.

Council will continue to liaise with SAPOL and other enforcement agencies to ensure that persons caught illegally dumping waste will be prosecuted and suffer the consequences of their actions.



2008/2009 Library Registration Statistical Snapshot

Registered Borrowers (inc children & institutions)	Registered Borrowers (Residents)	Registered Borrowers (Non – Residents - inc institutional borrowers not within the Council area)
1341	1166	175

2008/2009 Library Collection Loan Statistical Snapshot

Adult Fiction	Adult Non- Fiction	Large Print	Child	Periodicals Magazines	CD's	DVD's
4663	4623	1404	4553	929	252	744

The Two Wells Public Library is very fortunate to have people willing to volunteer their time and skills to assist with the running of the library. During the past year, the library has been assisted on a weekly basis by two volunteers who have contributed 516 volunteer hours to the library service.

Re-location and Opening of the Mallala Branch Library

The relocation of the Mallala Branch Library (within the District Council of Mallala Office complex) took place in March 2009.

The new Mallala Branch Library holds around 1200 resources (this fluctuates monthly when resources are rotated between library branches). Feedback about the new facility has been good, especially in regards to the new location and computer facilities. Since the move many new members have joined the library, which has been pleasing. Some comments have been received about the size of the library.

Summer Reading Program – Get in the Game - READ

The library service was involved in the national Summer Reading Program, 'Get in the Game – READ' which is now in its third year and proved a huge success. The aim of the program is to encourage children to read during the warmer months, from November to February, when literacy levels generally have fallen. This year there were 42 registrations and the number of children who completed the program was 34 which was very pleasing.

In mid February, twenty (20) children and parents gathered to celebrate the conclusion of the Summer Reading Program. All children were presented with a certificate and a prize, which included an environmentally friendly library bag afterwards.

Memorandum of Understanding with Town of Gawler

Council currently has a MOU with the Town of Gawler (Gawler Public Library) for the provision of casual library staff. The MOU was formalised in September 2007. To date, participating in this relationship has proved to be a worthwhile resource sharing arrangement, as both the Gawler Public Library and Two Wells Public Library use the same library management system (Spydus), have similar policies and procedures and as neighbouring Councils and have many borrowers in common. In addition, this arrangement has provided some beneficial staff development opportunities for both libraries, various efficiencies and savings for Council. The MOU is due to be reviewed and renewed in late 2009.

Publications and Presentations

In 2008 the library manager wrote and presented the paper Changing Library Types: the journey from joint use to public library at two conferences, which received excellent feedback and interest in the process of disbanding a joint-use library. These presentations promoted the library service to a national audience.

Library Management System

The Library Management System (LMS), Spydus has continued to operate effectively, since it's implementation in May 2008. The system is part of Civica's SA Regional Libraries Consortium, which has the benefits of a managed service using a shared database of the Spydus software. The managed service means that Civica has been administering system back-ups and system maintenance, which has eliminated the responsibility of maintaining library technology and hardware.

The remaining members of the consortium are Kangaroo Island Public Library and Renmark Paringa Public Library and are smaller regional library services like our Council, which experience similar challenges and a commitment to networking and resource sharing. During the past year, each consortium site has been able to access and share each other's catalogue records, which has saved staff time during the cataloguing process. In early 2009 the library implemented a sole Online Public Access Catalogue at Two Wells Public Library. This encourages library users to use the online catalogue to renew items and make reservations. The OPAC does away with the perception of library staff as 'gatekeepers' to the information and allows a sense of privacy. OPAC users are then more likely to use the library from school, work or home.

On-site Waste Water Disposal

Mallala Council is classified as a compulsory septic tank area. As a result the Council is required to conduct a minimum 3 inspections regarding the installation of all new or altered wastewater control systems. The aim is to ensure compliance with provisions of The Public and Environmental Health Act, Waste Control Regulations.

Various types of systems are approved in the area, ranging from a conventional system, with alternating trenches, to the more technically advanced Aerobic Waste Treatment Plants and Sand Filter Systems, as well as a Septic Tank Effluent Disposal (STED) Scheme at Middle Beach.

During the reporting period work has begun on the surveying and planning stage of the Community Waste Management Systems, one for the township of Two Wells and one for the Mallala Township. Our aim is take the effluent from the premises so that onsite effluent disposal is no longer required. This is a concern due to the large amount of failed systems and the inability for residents to install new effluent disposal systems due to either the small size of the allotments or the total build up of the allotment with the residents pumping raw untreated effluent onto their lawns and yards.

A total of 81 Waste Control Systems were installed during the reporting period.

Type of System Approvals

On-site Effluent Trench System	36
Aerobic Systems	40
Other / STED Connections.	5

Council is committed to encouraging installations of alternative effluent disposal methods with the primary aim to increase reuse of grey water from the waste control system. It also is committed to achieving long term efficiency with regards to waste water disposal systems.

Dog and Cat Management Act

During the reporting period authority for the management of dogs and cats, within the district, is vested in Council, pursuant to legislation under the Dog and Cat Management Act, 1995. The objectives of the Act are to encourage responsible ownership, promote effective management and reduce the public and environmental impact from dogs and cats. Council is responsible under the Act to receive registration of dogs.

During the reporting year, Council received 3012 individual dog registrations and 114 business registrations. It is estimated that the average number of dogs on a dog business registration premise averages about 15 dogs, which equates to approximately 1785 dogs. Total dogs registered, including business registrations is 4722.

Dog Complaint Statistics

Complaint	2008/2009
Dog wandering at large	117
Dog impounded	94
Dog Returned to owner	49
Dog attack	9
Dog harass	14
Dog barking	20

Since the completion of Councils Dog and Cat Management Plan pursuant to Section 26A of the Dog and Cat Management Act 1995, policies and procedures are in the process of being produced for dealing with various dog and cat management issues. The dog off-leash area on Wells Road Two Wells was completed and was officially opened on 15 August 2008. We have noted that this facility has been used regularly by the public.

Whilst Council has resolved not to introduce cat management controls at this point, residents are afforded advice and assistance in the removal of stray or feral cats, to lessen their impact on the environment and society.

Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005

The Fire and Emergency Services Act, 2005, stipulates that each rural council must appoint a Fire Prevention Officer for its area. The role of Council's Fire Prevention Officer includes the monitoring of residential areas to ensure landowners take reasonable steps to protect property from fire, as required under the Act. Inspections of residential areas, leading up to and during the Fire Danger Season are carried out to assess compliance. Notices are issued where compliance has not been met.

Section 83 Notices are issued pursuant to the Act, requiring landowners to attend to maintenance of land to reduce the risk of fire. Council also has the responsibility to ensure that reserves which come under its care and control are maintained to good bushfire prevention standards.

Section 83 Statistics	2008/2009
Section 83 Notices Issued	259
Council action required	19
Expiations Issued	18

Council's Fire Prevention Officer is also responsible for the issuing of permits and monitoring compliance, pursuant to the Fire and Emergency Services Act, for the purpose of burning off stubble in agricultural pursuits. As the district is largely agricultural, with predominance for cropping, the agricultural practice of burning stubble to lessen weed and pest infestation is followed. During the fire danger season, Council's Fire Prevention Officer continues to issue permits for that purpose, with 30 fire permits issued for the 2008/2009 season.

Council introduced an initiative for residents to use the refuse depots at specific periods to deposit uncontaminated green waste, free of charge

Rapid Plates

Council and a local Rural Neighbourhood Watch group have been concerned about the lack of property identification throughout the district. After consideration a Rapid Plate system was introduced for properties located in the general farming and not allocated a house number.

The Rapid Plate is similar to a number plate and is placed at the main entrance to their property and provides a personalised location. The scheme is known as RAPID (Rural Area Property Identification Directory) and assists emergency services such as Ambulance, CFS, SES, and Police to locate the property.

The number is quoted if assistance is required in an emergency situation. Mallala Rural Watch finances the purchase of the number plates.

It is noted that this system is scheduled to be replaced by the Rural Property Addressing system by the end of 2010.

Foreshore

Mallala Council, in conjunction with South Australian Police and Cheetham Salt Limited, resolved to deal with the issues associated with persons driving or riding off-road vehicles, and/or unregistered vehicles throughout coastal areas. Signs regarding illegal use of Off Road Vehicles have been installed and the South Australia Police agreed to undertake patrols on a regular basis to deal with unacceptable and unwelcome behaviour of persons involved in riding or driving unregistered/ unlicensed vehicles along the coastal areas.

Environment Protection

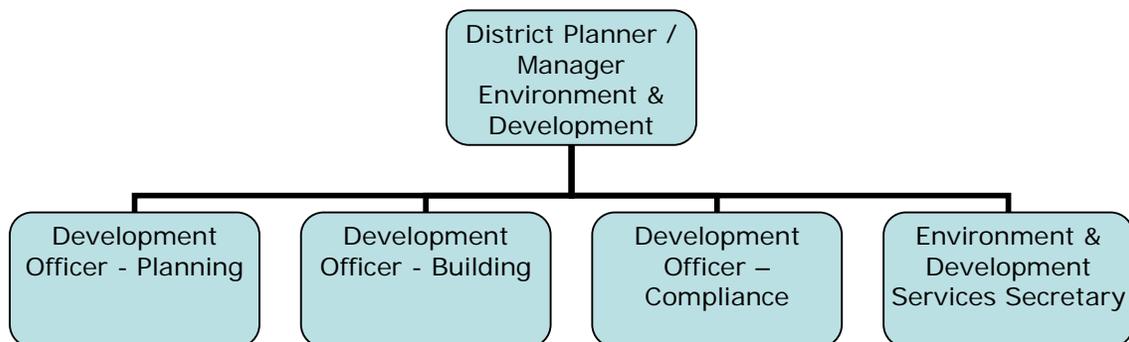
All enquiries received by Council relating to environmental protection or pollution receive preliminary advice and are referred to the relevant state or local department for further action. Council officers liaise with officers of the Environmental Protection Authority and other State Government Departments and provide initial on-site investigations when required.

Environment and Development Services

Key Department Services:

- **Policy Planning**
- **Contraventions**
- **Environment and Coastal**
- **Building Assessment**
- **Development Control**

The Environment and Development Services Team comprises of five staff including:



The year has seen progress in a number of areas of planning policy, ongoing improvements to customer service, and progress on a number of strategic projects including the Light River Flood Mapping project, the Two Wells Urban Design Framework, the Two Wells Urban Expansion Project, the Thompson Beach Levee Banks Survey and Remediation project, and the Dublin Entry Features and Lions Park concept plan preparation. Regional cooperation between Local and State Governments continued with the commencement of the preparation of the Greater Adelaide Plan and associated workshops. Cooperation with Local Government across the region continued on the Gawler River Flood Mitigation Development Plan Amendment. Development assessment saw an increase in applications lodged with considerable growth in land division. Council's building inspection activities exceeded Council's targets and an emphasis was maintained on the requirements of Councils Building Fire Safety Authority. A number of long standing matters were resolved through the Environment Resources and Development Court.

Planning Policy

Progress has been made in the following areas of development policy:

- Investigations into the Two Wells Residential & Commercial Development Plan Amendment (DPA) were recommenced. Terms of reference for a Master Planning study by the developer were prepared with a view to providing a basis for the investigations into the DPA.
- The Mallala Township DPA draft was endorsed by Council as suitable for commencing agency consultation. The DPA follows Process A of council-initiated DPAs, which allows six weeks for agency consultation and eight weeks for public consultation.
- As a result of the revised flood mapping for the Gawler River the amendment of Development Plan provisions is required. A co-operative approach by the District Council of Mallala, Light River Council, City of Playford and Town of Gawler has been adopted and enshrined in a Memorandum of Understanding between the Councils. A Flood Prone Area DPA Statement of Intent (SOI) has been prepared by Jensen Planning & Design addressing the implications of the revised flood mapping of the Gawler River.
- The Better Development Plan (BDP) Conversion of Council's Development Plan is progressing with a finalised version for the 'Council Wide Section' almost complete. All modules for the 'Council Wide Section' and the Zones will be concluded in the new year. In respect to Council's other DPAs the timeframe of converting the Development Plan into the BDP version has yet to be determined. Advice from the Department of Planning and Local Government will be sought to determine whether the BDP DPA will come into action before or after the Mallala Township and Flood Prone Areas DPAs.

The Mayor, Chief executive Officer and Senior Staff have participated with the State Government on preparations for the Draft Greater Adelaide Plan (GAP). It is intended that the GAP reflect the State Planning Strategy and form the basis of infrastructure decisions and more detailed structure planning in the future.

The Draft Barossa Regional Spatial Framework was released during the year and is intended to inform the investigations into the GAP.

Light River Flood Mapping Project

Two successful grant applications were submitted to the Natural Disaster Mitigation Program and the State's Stormwater Management Authority for \$90,000 each toward the mapping of the Light River Flood Plain. A commitment was made by the Hickenbotham Group for a further \$90,000 toward the project. Council allocated \$75,000 in the budget and an additional \$15,000 was allocated from the Stormwater Reserve Fund to provide equal contributions all round. The total budget for the project is \$360,000.

Fugro Spatial Pty. Ltd was engaged under the selective tendering process to undertake aerial survey work and prepare a digital terrain model of the catchment area. The consultant for the hydrological and hydraulic modeling of the 1:100 year Flood Plain of the Light River, Templers Creek and Salt Creek will be determined using the selective tender process in the next financial year. A steering Group was established with representatives of the Natural Disaster Mitigation Program and Stormwater Management Authority, the Hickenbotham Group and Council.

Two Wells Urban Design Framework

Council endorsed the final plan for the Two Wells Urban Design Framework / Master Plan following an extensive community consultation phase in the preceding year.



Figure 1 Two Wells Urban Design Framework

Dublin Entry Features and Lions Park Concept Plan

With funding obtained through the State Government's Better Places for People Program consultants were engaged to design entry features on both the northern and southern approaches to Dublin (see Figure 2 below). The consultants also prepared concept plans for the Dublin Lions Park (see Figure 3 below). The plans were well received by the community and Council gave its in principle endorsement. The plans are currently being considered by the Department of Transport Energy and Infrastructure.

In relation to the more long term strategic approach of Council, we are currently working with the Coast Protection Board (CPB) and the Department of Environment and Heritage (DEH) to survey, redesign, and remediate the levee bank systems for the townships of Thompson Beach, Parham and Webb Beach.

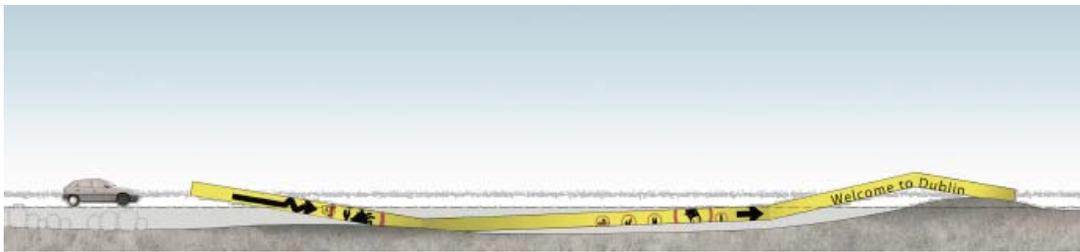


Figure 2: Example of Entry Feature



Figure 3: Lions Park Concept Plan

Coastal Protection

With funding from DC Mallala, the Natural Disaster Mitigation Program (Federal) and SAFECOM (State) a comprehensive survey of the levee banks around Thompson Beach has already been undertaken. Council is now engaging in an engineering design process for remediation of the levee system incorporating flexibility for later upgrade to cater for sea level rise. This will be followed by public consultation and approvals processes including Native Vegetation Council approval for any



clearing incidental to the works.

A similar process will be commenced for the townships of Webb Beach and Parham with the reallocation of leftover funding recently approved by the NDMP and SAFECOM from a risk assessment project of coastal towns on the Yorke Peninsula. The project will involve state of the art LYDAR mapping using radar technology to generate a digital terrain model of the area (DTM). The model will be used to prepare a flood map of the townships for a range of storm-surge events, including scenarios for predicted sea level rise.



Development Assessment

Development applications received by Council during the period were mostly for traditional type development, with the majority approved under delegated authority. These included dwellings, dwelling extensions, shed/garages, swimming pools, and verandahs/carports/pergolas. Several larger development applications were also processed by Council throughout the year.

Development proposed in the Lewiston/Two Wells area made up the majority of applications received by Council, with some relating to horse keeping and dog kennelling in the rural living zones. Development proposals in the Mallala and Dublin townships, Thompson Beach, Middle Beach and Parham were also approved.

The year also saw seven meetings of Council's Development Assessment Panel, an increase of two from the previous year. The panel meets when required to consider public notification development applications where there has been representations (Category 2 and Category 3), non-complying development applications, and applications being recommended for refusal. The panel may also be called to consider applicant compromise proposals resulting from appeals to the Environment Resources and Development Court.

The term of office for panel members expired during the period, however six of the seven members sought re-selection and were subsequently re-appointed for another two year term.

Public Notification Applications

The following developments were approved by the panel after public notification:

- Dog kennels (29 breeding dogs) and associated exercise yards and landscaping at Lewiston;
- Dog kennels (20 breeding dogs) and associated exercise yards, day yards and landscaping at Lewiston;
- Division of one allotment into forty three residential allotments, and associated roadways and open space reserve, in two stages, at Two Wells, subject to conditions and a draft Land Management Agreement being finalised, adopted by Council and lodged with the Land Titles Office;
- Variation to an existing development application to enable public use of dressage shed, and associated car/float parking, landscaping and construction of access track at Lewiston;
- Horticulture involving construction of twelve plastic covered greenhouses at Lower Light;
- Variation to an existing development application involving an increase in milking cow numbers from 500 to 900 at Korunye;
- 70 metre high telecommunications guyed mast and antennas, with associated security fencing and equipment shelter at Wild Horse Plains.

Applications Refused

The following developments were refused by the panel :

- Land Division (boundary realignment) within the Mallala township;
- Dwelling within Flood Hazard Zone 2 of Gawler River Flood Plain Policy Area at Lewiston;

Non-Complying Development

The panel resolved to seek the concurrence of the Development Assessment Commission in respect to approving an application for the division of horticultural land into 4 allotments plus reserve adjacent to the Gawler River at Lewiston. However the Commission did not concur with the panel and the application was subsequently refused without a right of appeal for the applicant.

The Commission did concur with the decision of Council planning staff to grant Development Plan Consent to several minor non-complying development proposals. This concurrence was required before Council could issue an approval to the applicant. The applications were for a solid fence, swimming pool and boundary realignment in the Gawler River Flood Plain Policy Area.

The panel decided to proceed with an assessment of a non-complying application for the division of one allotment into two, each less than 40 hectares in area wholly within the Gawler River Flood Plain Policy Area at Lewiston. It determined that the proposal had sufficient merit to warrant further investigation. The application is currently being assessed by Council planning staff.

The panel also concurred with the decision of the Commission to grant Development Plan Consent (with strict conditions) for the storage of waste material at a property on Old Port Wakefield Road at Two Wells.

Appeals/Compulsory Conferences

An applicant had appealed to the Environment, Resources and Development Court against the panel's decision to refuse an application for the parking of two trucks and two trailers on a rural living property at Two Wells. A compulsory conference between all parties took place to investigate the possibility of the differences being resolved without the matter proceeding to a full hearing. The appellant requested an opportunity to provide an amended application to Council.

A compromise proposal requesting parking for one truck and one trailer (each under 9 tonnes un-laden weight) and providing additional screening was submitted to Council and approved by the panel. The application was subsequently approved by the Court.

An appeal was also lodged with the Court against the panel's decision to refuse a shed constructed without approval below recommended finished floor level in the Gawler River flood plain at Lewiston. A compulsory conference between the parties took place. The matter was adjourned to a further conference, during which the appellant withdrew the appeal and indicated the shed would be removed. It is evident that the shed has now been removed from the property.

A long standing Appeal against a decision to refuse consent for a dwelling in the Coastal Zone appears to be nearing a satisfactory resolution.

Development Act Compliance

In June 2008 a Court Order with costs were awarded to Council for an illegal land use in the General Farming Zone. The matter was heard under Sections 32, 44, 84 and 85 of the Development Act, 1993. The property owner (defendant) was ordered to clear the property of materials that had been illegally stored on the property. Costs totaling in excess of \$24,000 were awarded to Council and in the process of being collected. This matter is pending further action for an alleged breach of the Court Order.

In September 2008 a Court order with costs were awarded to Council for a development in the Rural Living Area. The matter was heard under Section 55 of the Development Act, 1993, and was in relation to a planning condition that was not complied with. In this case the property owner did not carry out the development in accordance with the planting requirements. Costs totalling \$5,000 were awarded to Council.

Due to tightening of procedural and evidentiary requirements, an appropriate complaint form is now available from the Environment and Development Services department.

Total Number of contraventions	Ongoing contraventions	Development Applications lodged	Referrals	Resolved	Section 84 (Notice)
44	18	12	7	16	3

The following gives a breakdown of the 44 contraventions by type:

- Illegal land use 15
- Trucks 4
- Kennels (dog keeping) 4
- Horse keeping 6
- Structures 11
- Planning conditions 4

Building Inspection

A total of 88 inspections of building work relating to applications were performed during the financial year. There was a total of 336 applications lodged in the financial year dating 2008-09, meaning that the number of total inspections performed was equal to 26% against the total number of applications. This meets the Council policy of 25%. Of that, 58 (66%) were formally notified to Council that the relevant inspection stage was ready, this was up by 8% from last year, while the remainder were random inspections, performed as a result of observation and record keeping. A further 11 notification were recorded, however at the time of inspection the works had either not been completed or access could not be gained. Of the inspections performed, 66 (75%) related to dwelling or dwelling addition applications (down 3% from last year), and the remainder related to inspections were performed on commercial & industrial buildings (6 in total or 7%) (excluding Building Fire Safety Committee inspections listed below) and minor domestic structures (15 in total or 17%).

Council's Building Fire Safety Authority was ratified by the council in April of this year. The committee comprised of Chris Wiltshire (Building Surveyor) as the Chair, Pat Ryan (Chief Fire Warden) and Peter Harmer (Building Surveyor/Consultant engineer). The Committee took an active role in the community to ensure that commercial and industrial buildings operated at a safe level. Overall, 10 public buildings were monitored and assessed for safety compliance, the same number as last year.

During the last financial year a number of changes occurred to the Development Act and Regulations. The residential code was adopted in March this year and Certificates of Compliance were a requirement for private certifiers to sign at the completion of their assessments, confirming there was consistency between the planning rules assessment and building rules assessment.

As an overview, minor domestic structures such as sheds and verandahs were the main focus of the changes. Sheds less than 40ms only required building consent, while sheds less than 60ms were complying development for planning, meaning that essentially, they too were only assessed against the building rules consents. Verandahs below 60ms also required only building consent. The objective of the changes was to decrease application assessment times within Council.

One major industrial development was completed during the financial year. The main obstacle with approving the application was the lack of fire hydrant cover, however with the help of the CFS and the adaption of a new hydrant, the issues were resolved and the application was approved.

Continuous Improvement Process

This year saw the results of initiatives to improve customer service in the assessment of development applications. The results of the customer survey / feedback rating on customer satisfaction have averaged between 8 and 9 out of 10 throughout most of the year (see attached graph). Feedback forms are sent out with every Planning/Building decision notification and allow customers to score the Environmental Department for service, timeliness and communication. The forms also offer constructive feedback for continuous improvement. Staff collated the forms quarterly and reports were discussed at staff meetings and provided to Council for information with the following results for the 30 July, 2009:

- 100% of the applicants were satisfied with the level of communication prior to lodgement and during the assessment process;
- 75% rated the advice and service received by staff with a score of 10 and 25% rated staff with a score of 8;
- 100% found the staff courteous and helpful and 100% were satisfied with the time taken to process the application.
- Comments received on these forms reinforced customer satisfaction but also asked for flexibility in requirements.

Since this system was introduced in December 2007, a number of applicants have returned forms with positive feedback, demonstrating that the Department is providing a system with an efficient and effective outcome.

Council's information sheets were reviewed and new ones prepared, e.g. regarding Residential Code, site plans and elevation drawings, home based business and cottage industry, native vegetation, environmentally friendly building, electricity declaration form, development application form, dog keeping. The information sheets are available for download on Council's homepage. A public information session was held at the Two Wells Community Centre in June 2009 providing information about the new requirements.

Staff spent considerable time developing and restructuring our own Authority tracking system to coincide with the requirements of the System Indicators. The introduction of the Residential Code has required alteration of the Authority reporting system to incorporate this action.



Human Resources

A new position of **Planning Officer – Policy and Development Assessment** was created during the year. The position was filled by Alexandra Koppa who joined the Environment & Development Services Team in March 2009.

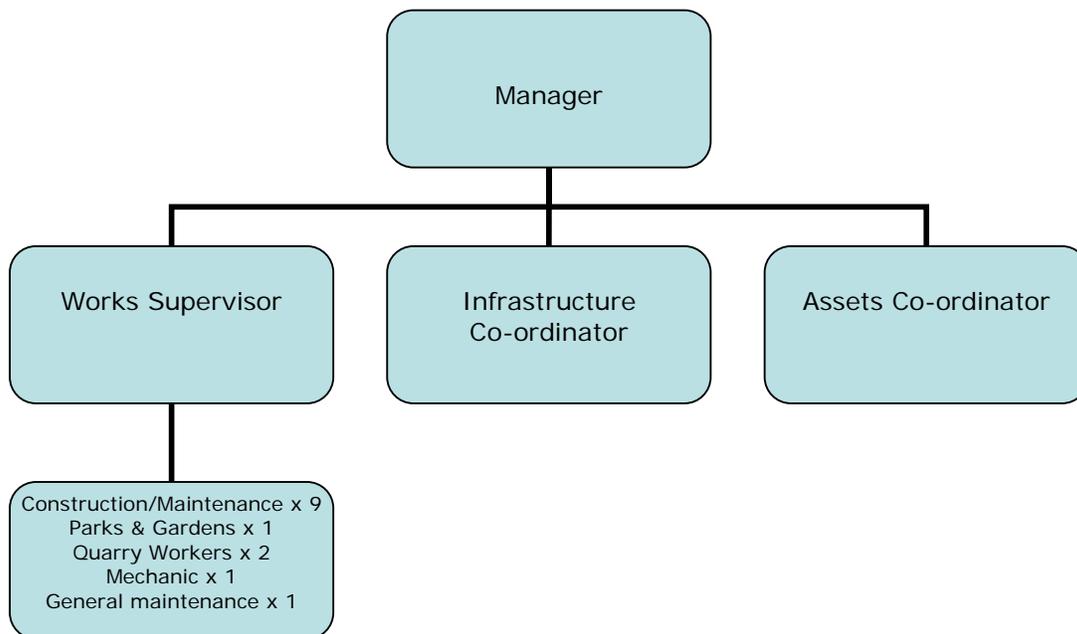
The Environment Development Services Section comprises the following positions:

- Manager Environment & Development Services
- Team Leader Development Assessment - Planning
- Development Officer - Building
- Development Officer – Compliance
- Environment & Development Services Secretary
- Planning Officer – Policy and Development Assessment

Infrastructure and Engineering Services

Key Department Services:

- **Infrastructure**
 - **Construction and Maintenance**
 - **Roads, Drainage, Buildings**
- **Flooding**
- **Plant and Depot Operations**
- **Sport and Recreation**
- **Foreshore Protection**



The Infrastructure and Engineering Services Department provides services to the community both directly and through the provision of infrastructure. Our services include:

- Construction, maintenance and management of:
 - Transport facilities (roads, bridges, culverts and footpaths)
 - Stormwater systems (under ground and open drains and associated pumping systems)
 - Flood mitigation, response and recovery
 - Parks, gardens and reserves
- Cemetery operations
- Public conveniences
- Production of road making materials
- Plant and Depot operations

The major capital expenditure projects completed during 2008/09 were:

- Construction of new pavement and sealing of 3.5 km of Germantown Road, Two Wells together with road realignment at the Germantown Road/Gawler Road intersection. This project was funded by Council, local industries and the State and Federal Governments' Blackspot programs. The total cost for these two projects was \$835,000.



Construction of Germantown Road near d'VineRipe - August 2008

- Construction of new pavement and sealing of 1.3 km of Judd Road, Lewiston at a cost of \$210,000.
- Construction and sealing of intersection aprons at the Gawler / Williams and Gawler / McPharlin Road intersections to improve safety at these busy intersections. Project cost was \$26,000 with equal funding from Council and the Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure.

- Redevelop the children's playground in Two Wells complete with new equipment, rubberised softfall and shade sails. Project cost was \$67,500 with \$62,500 being provided through the Federal Government's Community Infrastructure Project.
- Reconstruction of 6000 metres of road shoulders on Dawkins Road, Lewiston.
- Construction of a BMX recreation facility within the Two Wells Oval area – project cost \$15,000.
- Streetscape improvement (Phase 2) on Old Port Wakefield Road, Dublin – project cost \$150,000.
- Construction of new footpaths in Redbanks Road, Mallala and Rowe Crescent, Two Wells at a cost of \$21,000 funded by Council and the Federal Government's Community Infrastructure Project.

Major maintenance programs included:

- Resealing of 40,000 m² of sealed roads - \$176,000
- Resheeting (new wear course of 100 mm of crushed limestone) on 16 km of unsealed roads - \$375,000
- Extensive patrol grading of unsealed roads
- Installation of a large number of road signs to improve information for the community or to replace those that were no longer serviceable or were damaged or stolen by vandals
- Street sweeping of township roads three time per year and an annual sweep of rural living sealed road intersections

Equipment/Plant Purchases

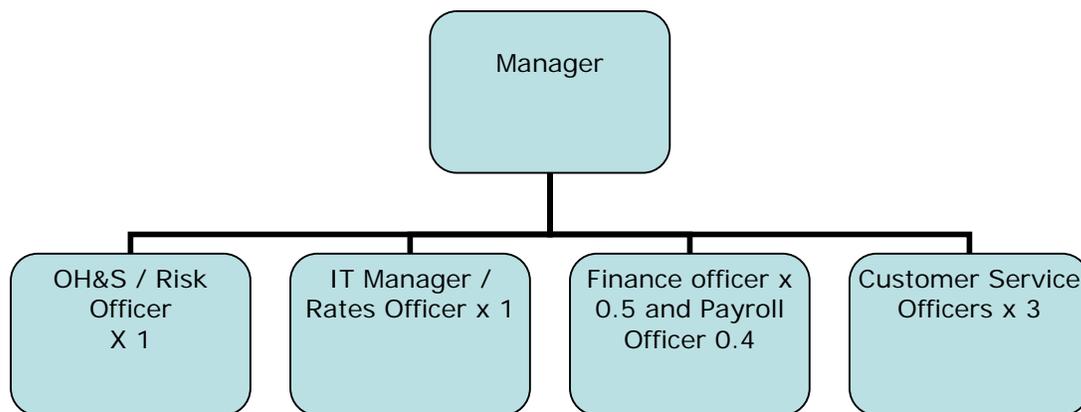
Council purchased the following major equipment during 2008/09:

- Tray Top Truck – replacement
- Utility (1) – replacement

Corporate Services

Key Department Services:

- **Asset Control**
- **Occupational Health and Safety and Risk Management**
- **Civic Centres**
- **Payroll**
- **Council Committee Administration Public Debt and Funding**
- **Customer Service**
- **Rating and Property**
- **Financial Compliance**
- **Records**
- **Information Technology**



The Corporate Services report highlights any specific or new activities performed under each service area.

Asset Control

Planning for sustainable asset management in the long term is in progress based on the LGA coordinated asset plan program to develop industry specific policy and program. Council will need to budget for the development of a register and the completion of asset management plans for each category of asset.

All Council's land and buildings and road infrastructure assets, constructed and/or purchased, were updated in our records at cost and will depreciate over the estimated useful life.

Civic Centres

A new office has now been located at 2 Wasleys Road, Mallala and is occupied by the Chief Executive Officer and the Executive Assistant. Currently an officer of the Natural Resource Management Board also works from the office.

Due the drought condition, termites have unfortunately been on the move with two (2) of our sites added to our existing termite management programs.

Customer Service

Council continues to review its operations in maintaining and enhancing its customer service delivery. In addition to introducing EFTPOS facilities and website payments, Council has now introduced Australia Post Billpay and telephone credit card options for payments of rates. Rate-payers now have a comprehensive range of options for paying rates, dog registrations and sundry accounts.

Council is currently reviewing the options to continue the services of the Two Wells Visitor Information Centre. The Centre provides for a number of services to the community.

Financial Compliance

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are being used to analyse our financial situation and check any trends in our financial sustainability. Financial indicators are shown at Note 15 of the Annual Financial Statements.

Council endeavours to inform the Community of its current and projected financial position through the public consultation process for annual business planning, budgeting and rating. Financial sustainability indicators are also reported three times a year at each budget review to track our performance and to inform Council and interested parties.

Information Technology (IT)

Council has achieved its long term strategy for Information Technology sustainability by engaging software supplier Civica, an integrated managed services provider, to host our server network. Council has also engaged website professionals to undertake a review and upgrade of Council's website.

Occupational Health & Safety (OHS&W) and Risk Management

Council is a self-insurer through the LGA Workers Compensation Scheme and is required to comply with all Workcover standards and to meet various legislative requirements for OHS&W.

A comprehensive suite of policies, procedures, systems and programs are in place to ensure and promote a safe workplace. A systematic review of these are undertaken each year, and amended where identified.

In recognition of safety, rehabilitation and claims performance Council received an audit score of 82% for OHS&W, which is down from the previous year, which can be attributed mainly to a change in audit practice requiring additional substantiation and documentation of actions and outcomes. All of the identified non-conformances areas are being addressed and action formulated for implementation / completion early 2010.

Council received a Risk Management Audit score of 69.5%, the same as the previous period. The LGA conducted Risk Management Review process has changed significantly from previous reviews. Whilst this Council managed to maintain the same score many similar type Councils did not score as effectively. All of the identified non-conformances areas are being addressed and action formulated for implementation / completion early 2010.

Public Debt & Funding

As part of the Financial Sustainability program, Council has in place a long term financial plan and treasury management policy [4.17] to ensure cash flow and debt levels are monitored and managed effectively to produce an optimum outcome for Council and its ratepayers. For the 2008-09 financial year no new long-term debt was incurred

Rating & Property

Modelling property-rate revenue is done each year when Council formulates its annual budget to ensure overall rating increases are kept at targeted levels whilst accounting for valuation increments. Council makes adjustments to its variable rate to balance the impact of rate increases on individual households.

Council continues to use a minimum charge plus variable rate by zone model in calculating and raising property rate revenue.

The authenticity of property and name and address records is checked against the data provided by the office of the Valuer-General annually and updated where necessary.

Records

Records management is integral to the functions of the Council, as it enables the control of one of the most important resources in any organisation – that is recorded information.

Council uses State Government GDS20 - General Disposal Schedule filing system as developed by a working party and State Records. All incoming correspondence is registered in our records system before being issued to officers concerned.

Council has an agreement with Civica to implement a future Electronic Data Record Management System (EDRMS). This will ensure that Council meets future mandatory requirements in relation to electronic records.

Disaster Recovery

The development of a formal disaster recovery policy and procedure will be undertaken as part of a scheduled council-wide risk management review. In the mean time through the agreement with Civica to host our servers off-site the ability of Council to maintain day to day operations in the event of a substantial local interruption has been greatly enhanced, and business continuity ensured.

Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2009

Council's auditor, Dean Newbery & Partners, audited and recently accepted and signed the District Council of Mallala Annual Financial Statements, without qualification.

The Council accepted and signed the statements at its general meeting on 16 November 2008.

The Financial Statements, Notes to the Financial Statements and the Key Performance Indicators are presented separately in this report and indicate that Council's overall performance was satisfactory. Council's aim of producing a positive operating result continues to provide a challenge whilst the debt level remains satisfactory, and Council's performance in maintaining and renewing infrastructure assets is within industry target range.

Outcomes for 2008-09

<i>Service Profile Description</i>	<i>Outcome (SP#)</i>	<i>Performance</i>	<i>Legislative /Corporate</i>
Health	1.1	Continue to liaise with various health and family service providers to ensure that new links are created and existing links maintained	Corporate
Youth	1.3	Two Wells BMX track completed and officially opened on	Corporate
Aged and Disabled		Liaised with local and regional bodies including the Lower North and the Gawler Health Services and attended aged care seminar in December 2008. Links were established and assistance given with research for mental health awareness and future facilities in the District.	Corporate
Dog Management	1.6	An 'Off-leash' dog park was established and opened to the public in May 2009.	Legislative
Library	1.6	A small library room, opened in March 2009, was established within the Council's main office building providing the public with a unique library service. The library was completed using RCLIP funding.	Corporate
Community	1.7	A register of all community buildings in the DC Mallala was completed.	Legislative
Community Transport	1.7	Consultation was undertaken with State and Local representatives regarding the identification of transport needs within the Wakefield Region. Initial discussions with the Mid-North Passenger Transport Board were commenced.	Corporate
Fire Prevention	1.8	A fire prevention committee consisting of Councillors, Fire Prevention Officer and the CFS was established. The committee meet on a regular basis to ensure activities regarding fire prevention and Council's preparedness in relation to fires under provisions of the Act.	Legislative
Tourism	2.1	Design concept for 'Dublin Entry Features' was presented to Council. following modification, a third public meeting was held at and supported by an overwhelming majority of Dublin's community participants. Council's endorsement of the designs allowed preparation of final draft plans.	Corporate
Business Growth and Employment	2.2	Economic Development Officer provided annual report presentation at the November informal information session. Employment Directions have established Outreach Officers in both Mallala and Two Wells to better service these areas.	Corporate

Service Profile Description	Outcome (SP#)	Performance	Legislative /Corporate
Sustainable Population Growth	2.5	Attended a series of population planning workshops with Planning SA and the Barossa Region and made written submissions. Discussed population growth targets in the Greater Adelaide Plan workshop and with Connor Holmes consultants.	Corporate
Water resources	3.2	CWMS for Two Wells and Mallala completed to the concept design stage. Discussions were undertaken regarding the possible re-use of treated water which initially will be used for watering Council ovals. Option for excess water to be purchased by interested parties and used for various activities.	Corporate
Water Resources	3.2	On going activity promoted by the CEO at Wakefield Group meetings has resulted in a Water Project which is in the process of seeking grants for on ground works.	
Waste Management	3.4	A successful grant funding application provided townships with a 240 litre green organics waste bin which is collected on an alternating fortnightly collection. Obtained Grant funding for Zero Waste SA pilot study, for food waste collection for townships.	Corporate
Waste management	3.4	Completion of Council's large Resource Recovery Facility and the re-design of the Two Wells transfer station has enabled domestic waste to be diverted from Councils landfill.	Corporate
Waste Management	3.4	A funding application was obtained for purchase of surveillance camera units to combat illegal dumping. Trialling was undertaken prior to cameras going 'live' in February 2009.	
Energy Reduction	3.5	Contract for green energy has been established for 20% of electricity supplied for Council sites.	Corporate
Depot Operations		The Depot redevelopment project consultancy was let to MasterPlan Pty Ltd with a report presented to Council in December 2008 to short list sites for detailed analysis. A final report was presented to Council in February 2009 and Council resolved to redevelop the depot on site.	
Governance	4.1	Committees established and ratified by Council with staff appointed to control committee meeting agendas and minutes, including posting on Council web page as required. Terms of Reference to be monitored annually and Risk Management principles adopted	
Community Information	4.2	A large noticeboard was installed on the external wall of the main Council office to provide up to date information to residents and ratepayers	Corporate
	4.4	The first review of the Long Term Financial Plan was completed and adopted by Council in February 2009	Legislative

Proposals for 2009 - 2010

The Annual Business Plan has been prepared to deliver the following Council objectives for the year ending 30 June 2010.

Service Profile Description	Outcome (SP#)	Measuring Performance	Legislative or Corporate
Community	1.1	Liaise with regional health bodies for provision of quality medical services to the District.	Corporate Program to support accessible services to meet the needs of the district.
Cemeteries	1.5	Continued maintenance of cemetery records for burials and leases to be maintained	Corporate program to support services which meet the needs of the district.
Community Development	1.6	Progress broadband roll out to rural SA (via Wakefield Group) at both Federal and State level.	Corporate Program to support accessible services which meet the needs of the district
Housing and Transport	1.9	Incorporate medium density housing options and accommodation for the elderly in the Two Wells Urban Design Framework	Corporate Program to encourage housing and transport options that are responsive to community needs.
Housing and Transport	1.9	Reinforce opportunities for urban expansion and passenger rail link at Two Wells and Mallala through BRSF discussions.	Corporate Program to encourage transport options that meet community needs
Tourism	2.1	Complete Dublin Entry Feature design and apply for funding for construction through the State Government's Better Places for People Program.	Corporate program to promote and support local and regional tourism initiatives.
Business Growth	2.2	Continue to promote the potential for economic growth within the council area at regional planning forums.	Corporate Program to promote the district as a good business destination.
Planning and Development	2.2	Identify public consultation categories within the Development Plan to streamline development applications.	Corporate program that identifies community needs
Sustainable Population Growth	2.5	Identify opportunities for the staging of growth around Two Wells, Mallala, and Dublin within the Section 30 Development Plan Review process	Corporate program to ensure opportunities for staged sustainable development and growth for township and rural living areas.

Service Profile Description	Outcome (SP#)	Measuring Performance	Legislative or Corporate
Environment Land Management	3.1	Encourage sustainable land management practices through the development assessment process	Corporate program using land management practices
Flood Mitigation	3.3	Investigate flood mitigation options in conjunction with the Two Wells Residential and Commercial DPA.	Corporate program using land management practices
Energy Efficiency	3.5	Undertake landscaping to Principal Office to be environmentally efficient and fit rainwater tanks to main building to be rainwater reliant. Fit Enviro-cycle plumbing to new office to maintain landscaping.	Corporate program to effectively use and conserve energy and be environmentally efficient.
Building and Planning	3.6	Prepare Development Plan Amendment to review commercial and retail policy at Two Wells; and draft centre development guidelines	Legislative requirement to provide policy guidance on the future use of land in the Two Wells Centre area
Sustainable and managed rural living areas	3.7	Prepare joint Gawler River Revised Flood Plain DPA with Playford and Gawler Councils	Corporate Program to incorporate the latest flood modelling into the Development Plan.
Governance	4.1	Allocate resources to control Committee meeting agendas and minutes, including posting on Council web page as required	Corporate program to continue to provide effective governance and leadership.
Occupational Health Safety & Welfare	4.5	Develop a Risk Management program to assist in the control of this significant area and identify deficiencies 2010.	Corporate Program to ensure compliance with relevant Legislation and minimise the likelihood of claims through prevention programs.

Elected Members - Code of Conduct

1. Introduction

This Code of Conduct is a public declaration of the principles of good conduct and standards of behaviour that the elected members of the District Council of Mallala have decided its community can reasonably expect members of Council to demonstrate as elected community representatives.

2. Statement of Commitment

We, the Members of the District Council of Mallala are committed to discharging our duties conscientiously and to the best of our ability. We will not at any time make improper use of our position as an elected member or any information acquired in the course of our duties.

In the performance of our role we will act with honesty and integrity and conduct ourselves in a way that generates community trust and confidence in us as individuals and enhances the role and image of the Council and Local Government generally.

In addition to all legislative requirements, we the members of the District Council of Mallala agree to abide by this Code of Conduct and have adopted the requirements as the standards of behaviour that we will observe in the performance of our role and responsibilities.

3. Principles of this Code of Conduct

The standards in this Code of Conduct are in addition to all Council policies and procedures, any statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 or any other legislative requirement applicable to elected members in the performance of their roles and responsibilities.

Role of Elected Member

As an elected member of the District Council of Mallala I will:

- show commitment and discharge my duties conscientiously and to the best of my ability,
- act in a fair, just, honest and proper manner and according to the law,
- act with reasonable care and be diligent in the performance of my duties and responsibilities,
- act in good faith and not for improper or ulterior motives,
- have due regard to the laws dealing with conflict of interest in relation to all my duties and behaviours and exercise the highest level of integrity expected of people holding public office,
- not misuse my position to gain an advantage for myself or others or to cause detriment to the Council,
- at all times behave in a manner that maintains and enhances the image of the Council and/or does not reflect adversely on the Council,

- be impartial in reaching Council decisions and acceptance of the responsibility associated with that decision

Community

- act with honesty and integrity and conduct myself in a way that generates community trust and confidence, and which enhances the role and image of the Council and of Local Government generally,
- act in the best interests of the overall Council area and the community, balancing the interest of all stakeholders and take an active interest beyond ward boundaries.

Relationships

- act in a reasonable, just and non-discriminatory manner when dealing with people,
- seek to achieve a team approach when dealing with employees of the Council and seek to achieve an environment of mutual respect and trust,
- treat Council employees with respect and acceptance of their different roles in achieving Council's objectives,
- seek to establish a working relationship with fellow members that recognises and respects the diversity of opinion and seeks to achieve the best possible outcomes for the community in my dealings with other elected members and with Council employees. I will ensure that my behaviour is not and cannot be interpreted to constitute bullying and/or harassment.

Information

- not make improper use of information acquired or make improper use of my position as an elected member,
- not at any time release to any person or organisation any information that the Council has ordered be kept confidential or that has otherwise been delivered to me as a member of Council with an indication that it is confidential, whether or not it falls within the protocols of the Council's confidentiality policy,
- any information given to the media in relation to the Council or Council decisions will be accurate and not be a misuse of information.

Communication

- be fair and honest in my dealings with individuals and organisations and behave in a manner that facilitates constructive communication between the Council and the community,
- when making comments to the media I will state clearly that I am expressing my personal opinion and not that of the Council (unless authorised by the Council to speak on its behalf),
- when making personal comments I will show respect for Council decisions, other members and employees of the Council,
- in my dealings with elected members, employees and the community I will endeavour to ensure that my communication written, verbal, (or otherwise) is not offensive to any person or otherwise defamatory.

4. Compliance

4.1 Making a Complaint

A complaint made by any person that relates to an alleged breach of this Code of Conduct must:

- be made in writing,
- identify the provision(s) of this Code which it alleges have been breached,
- provide all available evidence that supports the allegation(s) of breach,
- be delivered to the Chairperson (which includes any person acting in the Office of Chairperson), in the case of a complaint against an elected member,
- be delivered to the Deputy Chairperson in the case of a complaint against the Chairperson.

Receipt of the complaint will be acknowledged to the complainant within Three (3) business days of receiving the complaint.

The elected member about whom the complaint has been made will be notified within Three (3) business days of receipt of the complaint about the complaint in terms of its substance and the identity of the complainant.

The complaint will be treated with strict confidentiality until such time as it has been fully investigated and finally determined, subject to satisfying the requirements of Section 90(3) of the Local Government Act 1999. The complainant will also be expected to observe confidentiality.

On receipt of a complaint the Chairperson (or the Deputy Chairperson, as the case may be) must bring the fact of the complaint, but not the detail of the allegations, to the attention of the Council at the next formal meeting of Council and it is to be received by Council in confidence, subject to meeting one or more of the grounds under Section 90(3) of the Local Government Act 1999.

An allegation of illegal behaviour will not be investigated by the Council under this Code of Conduct but will, instead, be referred to the appropriate authority which will usually be the South Australian Police.

4.2 Assessment of Complaint

Council must cause a proper investigation of the complaint by obtaining the services of a suitably qualified, mutually agreed, independent person to conduct the investigation.

Where all parties are unable to agree upon the independent person within a reasonable period of time (as determined by Council) a suitably qualified person nominated by the Executive Director of the Local Government Association of South Australia will be appointed to conduct the investigation.

The following process will be followed with respect to assessment and investigation of any complaint:

- 4.2.1 The independent assessor may determine that no further action will be taken with respect to an alleged breach where the independent assessor determines that the allegation is frivolous or vexatious.
- 4.2.2 If the independent assessor determines a complaint is frivolous or vexatious the independent assessor must prepare a report and provide it to the Chairperson (or Deputy Chairperson as the case may be) and the person who made the allegation(s).
- 4.2.3 The independent assessor may, for the purposes of an investigation require the person who made the complaint and/or the elected member who is the subject of the complaint, or a third party to answer, orally or in writing, questions put by the independent assessor to the best of that person's knowledge, information and belief.
- 4.2.4 If the independent assessor identifies issues of substance that warrant further investigation:
 - 4.2.4.1 the investigation will be a thorough and balanced assessment of the evidence submitted regarding the alleged breach, the relevant circumstances prevailing at the time of the alleged breach and any other factors deemed relevant to making a fair and reasonable judgement about the matter.
 - 4.2.4.2 the member the subject of the allegation(s) will be provided with a reasonable opportunity to explain his/her actions and to make written submissions on the allegations that will be presented to Council in confidence, subject to Section 90(3) of the Local Government Act 1999 being satisfied.
 - 4.2.4.3 the independent assessor must provide Council with a final written report on the investigation undertaken within fourteen (14) days or receiving written submissions from the person who made the complaint and/or the elected member who is the subject of the complaint, or such longer period as the Council may determine.
 - 4.2.4.4 if the final report is not received from the independent assessor within fourteen (14) days Council will ascertain from the independent assessor the time frame within which Council may expect the final reports. If the independent assessor forms the view that additional time will be needed to conclude the investigation and finalise the report the independent assessor must bring this to the attention of Council at the earliest convenience, but at the very least, before the expiration of the fourteen (14) day timeframe.
 - 4.2.4.5 the final report will be presented at the first available Council meeting in confidence, subject to Section 90(3) of the Local Government Act 1999 being satisfied.

- 4.2.4.6 after receipt of the final report from the independent assessor, Council must convey to the elected member who is the subject of the complaint and to the person who made the complaint, a copy of the investigation report and a copy of Council's resolution in relation to the report.
- 4.2.4.7 if the final report makes recommendations that are punitive in nature and recommends the application of sanctions, the elected member the subject of the allegation(s) will be provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment in writing upon the contents, findings and sanctions contained in the report. Such submissions will also provide the elected member the subject of the allegation(s) the opportunity to comment in writing on the appropriateness of the proposed sanction in accordance with Clause 5.3.
- 4.2.4.8 the report delivered to Council is final and binding on all parties.

4.3 Confidentiality

All deliberations by Council, and the independent assessment process in regard to an alleged breach of this Code of Conduct must be conducted in confidence, subject to satisfying the requirements of Section 90(3) of the Local Government Act 1999, and maintained as confidential until finally determined, at which time the Council must decide the ongoing status of the confidentiality order.

4.4 Procedural Fairness

The principles of procedural fairness must be observed from the time of receipt of the complaint and during the investigation of the complaint to final determination.

5. Penalties

- 5.1 On receipt of the final report of the independent person Council must determine an appropriate penalty should there be a finding that there has been a breach of this Code of Conduct.
- 5.2 The Council has the power to impose the following penalties in relation to a finding of a breach of this Code of Conduct or in the event of a dismissal of a complaint:
 - 5.2.1 censure the member of Council;
 - 5.2.2 require a public apology from either the complainant (in the event of a dismissal of a complaint) or the elected member in relation to the breach;
 - 5.2.3 recommend the elected member undertake a particular training course or appropriate instruction relevant to the breach;and in any such case Council may:

5.2.4 make a public announcement of the complaint made against the member of Council, the determination and the penalty imposed on the elected member, or the apology required of the complainant.

5.3 Before making the final decision on penalty Council must inform the complainant and the elected member of the penalty it proposes to impose and must give the complainant and the elected member an opportunity to comment in writing on the appropriateness of the penalty. Such comment must be taken into account by Council and thereafter Council may impose the penalty it thinks appropriate.

6. Further Information

Members of the public may inspect this Code of Conduct for Elected Members on Council's website at www.mallala.sa.gov.au and at the principal office of the District Council of Mallala at:

2a Wasleys Rd,
Mallala SA 5502

On payment of a fee, a copy of this Code of Conduct may be obtained.

Any queries in relation to this Code of Conduct must be in writing and directed to the Chief Executive Officer at the above address.

7. Commitment of the Council Members

We, the Elected Members and Councillors of the District Council of Mallala commit to observe this Code of Conduct:

..... Date:
A J Flaherty (Chairman) (OAM)

..... Date:
R J Fabrici (Deputy Chairman)

..... Date:
P M N Daniele

..... Date:
Y L Howard

..... Date:
S E Jones

..... Date:
T A Keen

..... Date:
S J Kennedy

..... Date:
D Kennington

..... Date:
A Picard

..... Date:
S M Strudwicke

..... Date:
B J Summerton

Code of Conduct for Council Staff

Background

This Code of Conduct ("Code") is a public declaration of the principles of good conduct and standards of behaviour which the elected Members ("Members") of the District Council of Mallala ("Council") have decided its stakeholders could reasonably expect of Council Staff ("Staff") to demonstrate in the performance of their duties and functions.

This Code has been developed, as required by the Local Government Act, 1999 in consultation with Staff and the relevant registered industrial associations representing the interests of Staff.

The standards in this Code are in addition to any statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 ("Act") or any other relevant Act or Regulation.

2. Statement of the General Duty of Staff

The general duty of Staff is to act honestly and with reasonable care and diligence in the performance and discharge of their functions and duties. Staff must not make improper use of information acquired or make improper use of their position as Staff of Council.

3. Statement of Commitment

All Staff are committed to discharging their duties conscientiously and to the best of their ability.

In the performance of their duties they will act with honesty and integrity and conduct themselves in a manner that both generates community trust and confidence in them, as individuals, and enhances the role and image of Council and Local Government generally.

In addition to all legislative requirements, Staff recognise the requirements of this Code as the standards that will be adopted in the performance of their functions and roles.

4. Principles of the Code

4.1 Staff must act in a fair, honest and proper manner according to the law.

Staff therefore agree to:-

- be understanding of, and give proper consideration to, legislative requirements;
- apply reasonable, just and non-discriminatory behaviour in all aspects of carrying out their roles and responsibilities;
- that their actions are to be undertaken in good faith and not for improper or ulterior motive;
- behaviour that maintains and enhances the image of Council and does not reflect adversely on Council;

- not accept gifts and gratuities that could cause conflict with their roles and responsibilities; and
- apply impartiality in implementing Council decisions, or when exercising delegated authority.

4.2 Staff must act with reasonable care and be diligent in the performance of their duties and functions.

Staff, therefore agree to: -

- carry out lawful policies, decisions and practices of Council in a professional manner;
- have respect for decisions of Council;
- be aware of the effectiveness and efficiency of activities and service delivery for which they are responsible or contribute; and
- the proper and responsible use of Council resources.

4.3 Staff must be fair and honest in their dealings with individuals and organisations and behave in a manner that facilitates constructive communication between Council and the community.

Staff therefore agree to: -

- honestly and fairly deal with all members of the community;
- courteous and sensitive behaviour which does not discriminate against people;
- be aware of, and disclose, any situation that may create a tension between their public and private roles;
- have respect for electors' opinions and property;
- prevent misuse of their position to gain an advantage for themselves or others;
- represent Council in the community;
- provide an accurate and fair representation of Council decisions; and conduct themselves in a manner that will not reflect unfavourably on Council.

4.4 Staff and Members will seek to achieve a team approach in an environment of mutual respect, trust, and acceptance of their different roles in achieving Council's objectives.

Staff, therefore agree to: -

- have mature and constructive working relationships based on mutual trust and respect;
- conduct the relationships with courtesy and respect;
- accept and have respect for the different, but complementary, roles in achieving Council's objectives;
- demonstrate respect for the role of Members in policy and planning and the role of Staff in providing professional opinion, guidance and expertise;

- accept communication processes regarding access by Members to Staff, which have been established by the Chief Executive Officer with Members; and
- prevent the misuse of their position to influence individual Members to gain an advantage for themselves or others.

4.5 Staff will establish a working relationship with their colleagues, which recognises and respects the diversity of opinion and achieves the best possible outcomes for the community.

Staff, therefore agree to: -

- conduct the relationship with courtesy and respect
- behaviour that seeks to establish mature and constructive working relationships
- the right of all points of view to be heard.

4.6 Staff who obtain information in the course of their duties and functions must respect and use such information in a careful and prudent manner

Staff, therefore agree: -

- that the information obtained by Staff as a result of their role is not to be used for any purpose other than Council business
- to only make comments to the media after obtaining the approval of the Chief Executive Officer
- that information given in relation to Council or Council decisions should be accurate and not be a misuse of information
- to have respect for and, when necessary, maintain confidentiality.

5. Compliance with the Code

5.1 In the event of alleged non-compliance with this Code the following will apply:-

Allegations of non-compliance made by Members, Staff or the community will be considered by the Chief Executive Officer.

Staff will be entitled to representation in the consideration of an allegation of non-compliance against them. Investigation and management of the matter will have regard to the principles of fairness, equity and natural justice.

Any investigation undertaken will be kept confidential.

The Chief Executive Officer will have responsibility for ensuring compliance.

6. Review

Council will review this Code, in consultation with staff and the relevant registered industrial association representing staff to ensure that its commitment to the principles of good conduct and standards of behaviour is being achieved. The next scheduled review is due to occur in 2010.

7. Further Information about the Code

The Chief Executive Officer can provide further information about the Code and can be contacted by:

Telephone	8527 2006
Fax	8527 2242
Email	info@mallala.sa.gov.au
Appointment	2a Wasleys Road, Mallala
Letter	PO Box 18, Mallala 5502

8. Availability of the Code

This Code will be available for inspection at the Council Office, 2a Wasleys Road Mallala during ordinary business hours at no charge. Copies of this Code may be obtained upon request at a cost of 50 cents.

The availability of this Code will be promoted to the local community from time to time through Council's 'District Communicator'.

9. Adoption of the Code

Council adopted this Code at its Council meeting held on 18 February 2008.

Signed: (employee)

Date: ____/____/____

Freedom of Information

The District Council of Mallala Information Statement 2008 – 2009

This Information Statement is published by the District Council of Mallala, in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom Information Act 1991.

The District Council of Mallala is pleased to comply with this legislation and welcomes all enquiries from the Public for information.

An updated Information Statement will be published at least every 12 months.

1. **Structure and Functions of the Council**

1.1 ***Ordinary Meetings***

Full Council, consisting of ten Ward Councillors and the Chairman, is the peak decision-making body on all policy matters. Ordinary meetings of the full Council are held on the third Monday of every month, with each meeting commencing at 6.00 p.m. Members of the public are welcome to attend. When the Monday is a public holiday, the meetings are held on the following Tuesday.

Council Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, Redbanks Road, Mallala.

1.2 ***Standing Committees***

A number of Council Committees have been established to streamline the consideration of Council business. These Committees meet at various times, and unless they have specific delegated authority, only make recommendations to Council. Members of the public are again invited and welcome to attend any of these Committee Meetings.

The various Council Committees are as follows: -

- Audit Committee
- Asset Management Advisory Committee
- Coastal Management Advisory Committee
- Community Development Board
- DCM Community Partnerships Program Steering Committee
- Dublin Institute Committee
- Mallala Greening Committee
- Mallala Historical Committee
- Mallala & Districts Homes Committee
- Mallala Institute Committee
- Mallala Sports Park Committee
- Windsor Institute Committee

1.3 **Agendas and Minutes**

Agendas for all Ordinary Council Meetings and Standing Committee Meetings are placed on public display no less than three days prior to those meetings. Minutes are placed on display within five days after the meetings at both the Council Office and at the Dublin, Mallala and Two Wells Libraries.

1.4 **Delegations**

Council determines which of its powers it wishes to delegate to Staff. All delegations are given to the Chief Executive Officer who has authority to sub-delegate such delegations to a Staff Member. These delegations are listed in the Policy Manual and reviewed annually by Council.

1.5 **Functions of the Council**

Council has a legislative requirement to:-

- Determine policies to be applied by the Council in exercising its discretionary powers;
- Determine the type, range and scope of projects to be undertaken by the Council; and
- Develop comprehensive management plans, budgets, financial controls and performance objectives and indicators for the operations of the Council.

The Council makes decisions which direct and/or determine its activities and functions. Such decisions include the approval of works and services to be undertaken; and the resources that are to be made available to undertake such works and services. Decisions are also made to determine if approvals are to be granted for applications from residents for various forms of development.

1.6 **Council Policies**

- Fire Fighting & Other Emergency Activities
- Cemeteries
- Volunteers
- Building Inspection Policy
- Vegetation Management
- Resident Contribution to Road Sealing
- Route Assessment for Restricted Access Vehicles
- Henri - Storm water draft
- Labour, Plant, Equipment and Materials
- Tenders & Purchasing
- Records Management
- Expenditure of Goods, Services & Works
- Customer Service Standards
- Asset Management
- Audit Committee Policy
- Community Consultation
- Employee Code of Conduct
- Workplace Bullying
- Sexual Harassment
- Elected Members Code of Conduct

- Staff Disciplinary Policy
- Training & Development
- Lands Under Roads Policy
- Reserve Policy
- Treasury
- Asset Impairment Policy
- Asset Revaluation Policy
- Revenue & Financing Policy
- Risk Management Policy

2. **Services for the Community**

Full Council makes decisions on policy issues relating to the services provided for members of the public. These services currently include: -

- ***Management***

General Management and Leadership
Statutory and General Administrative Services
Resource Sharing
Entrepreneurial Activities
Elected Members and the Local Government Association
Industrial Relations
Corporate Planning and Development
By-Law Administration
Facility Management
Property Services
Security
Leases and Licences
Elections, Council Meetings
Civic and Community Relations, Community Liaison

- ***Commerce and Industry***

Local and Regional Economic Development
Regional Promotion and Marketing
Business Attraction and Support
Business Information Services
Industry Liaison
Tourism Planning and Development

- ***Strategic Development***

Strategic Planning
Neighbourhood Planning
Business Planning
Contestability
Organisational Development
Project Management

- **Finance**

- Human Resource Management
- Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare
- Workers Compensation and Rehabilitation
- Employee Relations
- Financial Planning and Reporting
- Rating and Property Systems
- Revenue Collection
- Funds Management
- Insurance
- Payroll Services
- Supply Management
- Information Technology

- **Works and Environment**

- Road and Footway construction and maintenance
- Street Tree Planting and maintenance
- Street Cleaning
- Street Lighting and Signage
- School Crossings
- Stormwater Drainage construction and maintenance
- Local Area Traffic Control
- Parks, Gardens, Ovals and Reserves development and maintenance
- Public Conveniences construction and maintenance
- Machinery Operations
- Playground construction and maintenance
- Flood Control
- Bus Stop Seats and Shelters
- Council Property Maintenance
- Weed Control
- Street-scaping
- Street Closures
- Public Cemeteries

- **Environmental Services**

- Community Development
- Aged and Disabled Services
- Home Assistance
- Special Needs Programmes
- Transport and Access
- Environmental Health and Management
- General Inspectorial Services
- Dog Control
- Fire Prevention

Impounding
Housing
Civic Centre
Litter Control
Effluent Disposal
Building Control
Clean Air Control
Foreshore Management and Protection
Pest Control
Building Project Management
Records and Office Management, including Freedom of Information
Recreation and Sport
Open Space
Recycling
Roadside Vegetation
Waste Management

- ***Development and Planning Control***

Development Control
Development Plan Amendments
Urban Design
Heritage
Parking Controls
Development Projects

- ***Cultural Development***

Art and Culture
Library Services
Information Services
Council and Community Information

3. **Public Participation**

3.1 ***Council Meetings***

Members of the public have a number of opportunities to express their views on particular issues before Council.

These are:-

- (a) Deputations - People wishing to appear at a meeting of Council or Committee must make a written request to the Chairman or the Committee Chairman of Council. The request must include a statement of the reason why the deputation wishes to appear.

The Chief Executive Officer must notify the Chairman and the Chairman must advise the Chief Executive Officer, in writing, that the Chief Executive Officer notifies the deputation, in writing, of the date and hour of the meeting and also informing them that they have up to five (5) minutes to discuss the item.

- (b) Petitions - Written petitions can be addressed to the Council on any issue within the Council's jurisdiction.
- (c) Written Requests - A member of the public can write to the Council on any Council policy, activity or service.
- (d) Elected Members - Members of the public can contact their Elected Members of Council to discuss any issue relevant to Council.
- (e) Open Forum – To encourage direct communication between the public and Council, a 30 minute open forum segment is held for the public to make statements, place submissions or put questions before Council forum. Open Forum commences at 7.30 p.m.

3.2 ***Community Consultation***

The District Council of Mallala is committed to appropriate consultation with residents and other stakeholders on issues which affect them. This consultation involves seeking and receiving feedback, as well as providing information. Consultation with residents can take a variety of forms including: -

- (a) Hand delivered or posted circular letters.
- (b) Letters personally addressed to individuals, including questionnaires.
- (c) Street meetings or local area meetings.
- (d) Information via Council's quarterly newsletter: 'The Communicator'.
- (e) Various pamphlets or publications.
- (f) Telephone sample surveys.

The following are some examples of consultation undertaken by Council: -

- (1) Development Applications - Residents are notified of some development applications requiring the approval of Council. The Planning Act exempts a number of applications from public notification. When an application is publicly notified, residents have the opportunity both to write to Council expressing their views on the application and subsequently to personally address the Council prior to a decision being made.
- (2) Reserve Development – Local residents may be consulted on the type of facilities and equipment during the design proposal of some reserve development.
- (3) Resident Forums – Various forums are convened on an 'as needed' basis to enable residents to discuss proposals that may affect them with the Officers concerned and Ward Councillors. These proposals may include issues such as local area traffic management schemes, etc.

4. Access to Council Documents

4.1 Documents Held by Council

Records System

Council operates a computerised Records Management System which classifies and records documents into Subject Files, Personnel Files, Property Files, Road Files, Legal Documents and a number of specific categories.

Property System

Council's computerised Property System contains property related information (valuation, rates, and ownership details) on each property in the area.

4.2 Documents Available for Inspection

The following documents are available for public inspection at the Council office free of charge. Members of the public may purchase copies of these documents and the charges are shown below.

<u>Document</u>	\$ Fee per Copy	Fee per page
Council Minutes - per copy	5.00	
Council Agenda - up to 50 sheets per copy	10.00	
- over 50 sheets - additional cost per age		0.20
Voters Roll (Commercial Organisations)	5.00	
The Policy Manual		0.20
The Delegation Manual		0.20
The Human Resource Manual		0.20
Budget Statement		0.20
The Annual Report		0.20
Council By-laws		0.20
Annual Financial Statements		0.20
Accounting Policies & Procedures Manual		0.20
Development Application Register		0.20
Register of Elected Members Allowances and Benefits		0.20
Register of Employees' Salaries, Wages and Benefits		0.20
Assessment Book		0.20
Register of Public Streets and Roads		0.20
Register of Fees and Charges Levied by Council		0.20
Register of Parking Controls		0.20
Voters Roll (Residents)		0.20
Occupational Health & Safety Policy & Procedures Manual		0.20
Internal Rehabilitation Policy & Procedures Manual		0.20
Code of Practice for the use of the Confidentiality Provisions of the Local Government Act		0.20

4.3 **Other Information Requests**

Requests for other information not included in Clause 4.2 above will be considered in accordance with Freedom of Information provisions of the Local Government Act.

Under this legislation, an application fee and, where appropriate, a search fee must be forwarded with the completed request form as provided for in Regulation No. 275 of 1991, unless the applicant is granted an exemption. The following charges will apply: -

- (a) An application fee of \$21.50
- (b) \$8.00 per hour, after the second hour.
- (c) Recovery of costs associated with file recovery from State Archives.
- (d) Photocopying at 10 cents per page.

Should the applicant require copies of any documents inspected, pursuant to a Freedom of Information request, the charges set out in Clause 4.2 will apply.

Freedom of Information Request Forms should be addressed to: -

The Freedom of Information Officer
The District Council of Mallala
P.O. Box 18
MALLALA SA 5502

Forms are available at the Council Office.

Applications will be responded to as soon as possible within the statutory 45 days of Council receiving the properly completed Freedom of Information Request Form, together with application and search fees

Four (4) determinations relating to Freedom of Information requests were issued under the Local Government Freedom of Information Act in the twelve months to 30 June, 2007.

5. **Amendment of Council Records**

A member of the public may request access to Council documents, to make amendments to their personal affairs, by making a request under the Freedom of Information provisions of the Local Government Act. A request may then be made to correct any information about them that is incomplete, incorrect, misleading, or out of date.

To gain access to these Council records, a Freedom of Information Request Form must be completed, as indicated above, outlining the records that the applicant wishes to inspect.

6. **Confidentiality Provisions**

The provisions of Section 90 (2) and 91 (7) of the Local Government Act, 1999 were used by Council a total of thirteen (13) times to consider matters in confidence in the 12 months to 30 June, 2009.

In this period, Council passed 252 resolutions which included a broad range of issues; with items considered in confidence representing approximately 2% of the total.

Section 90 (3) (a) was used seven times; and (3) (b) and (k) were each used three times.

On seven occasions, information originally declared confidential has subsequently been made publicly available. On the other six occasions information declared confidential has still not subsequently been made publicly available, due to the matters not being completed.

This Information Statement is published by the District Council of Mallala in accordance with the requirements of Section 65r of the Local Government Act 1934, as amended.

The District Council of Mallala is pleased to comply with this legislation and welcomes all enquiries from the Public for information.

An updated Information Statement will be published at least every 12 months.

Internal Review of Council Decisions

1. Purpose

The District Council of Mallala is committed to transparent decision-making processes; and to providing access to a fair and objective procedure for the internal review of decisions.

Grievances may arise as a result of dissatisfaction with a decision about a policy, procedure, service or fee. All attempts will be made to resolve grievances quickly and efficiently, without the need for formal applications for review to be lodged. Sometimes this cannot be achieved. The procedure provides guidance for dealing with formal requests for internal review of decisions of Council, its employees, and other people acting on behalf of the Council.

Dealing with grievances at the local level is the most effective way of resolving matters quickly. Applicants for review of decisions will be encouraged to participate in the review handling process co-operatively. However, this will not negate citizens' rights to seek external review through the State Ombudsman, other legal appeal processes, or the Courts at any time during the internal review process.

2. The Local Government Act 1999 ('The Act')

The District Council of Mallala's Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure, has been adopted in accordance with Section 270 of the Local Government Act 1999. The Procedure is one aspect of Council's customer focussed approach to service delivery. It provides a further opportunity to review the way Council provides services to the community and to identify areas for improvement.

3. When will the internal review of council decisions procedure apply?

Issues arise about a range of matters during the course of Council's day-to-day activities. Most grievances are initially made verbally by telephone, face-to-face to a Council officer, or some may be made in writing in the first instance. Sometimes elected members also receive grievances. Grievances will be referred to the relevant Council staff member in the first instance and prompt action generally results in the matter being resolved satisfactorily.

The Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure will apply to requests for review of decisions of Council, its employees or other persons acting on behalf of Council. A formal application or request for review of a decision will therefore initiate the procedure process. The person who lodges a formal request for internal review is referred to as the "applicant".

The Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure will apply to all formal requests for review of Council decisions, except in instances where specific procedures are prescribed in Local Government or other relevant legislation. For example: Conflict of Interest, Election and Voting, Development Act, and Freedom of Information Act matters.

Examples of when other processes will be used include: -

- Electoral Issues – Local Government (Elections) Act
- Development Act matters
- Freedom of Information requests
- Expiation of Offences – for example, dog and parking controls
- By-Laws and Order making powers
- Rates
 - Valuations – Valuer General
 - Declarations
 - Invalid Rate
 - Land Use
- Code of Conduct issues
- Employment related matters
- Conflict of Interest matters
- Electoral sign issues
- Decisions made through delegations under other Acts, such as:
 - Country Fire Services Act (Section 40 notices)
 - Water Resources Act
 - Health and Food Act

4. Who can lodge a request for a review of a decision?

Any person, who is affected by the decisions made by Council, may lodge a request for Internal Review of a Council decision. For example, residents, ratepayers, members of a community group, users of Council's facilities, and visitors to the area all have the right to lodge an application for review.

5. How can a request for a decision review be lodged?

Formal requests for the review of Council decisions are to be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, providing full details about the review request. Assistance will be provided to applicants, where necessary, including the use of an interpreter, providing assistance for people with a disability, or referring applicants to an advocate to help prepare a written application.

Council undertakes to maintain confidentiality as far as is possible, and only relevant parties will be involved. Applicants will be encouraged to observe confidentiality also, as this is likely to achieve the fairest result for all concerned.

6. How will a request for internal review of a council decision be dealt with?

Principles of natural justice will be observed in dealing with all matters. All parties will have the opportunity to express their point of view, provide relevant information, and respond to issues raised. Council has nominated a Contact Officer who is responsible for dealing with the request for review of a Council decision in the first instance. The Council's Chief Executive Officer is the Contact Officer.

The Contact Officer will assess the request, determine the appropriate action, and arrange for independent review if necessary. Should the applicant not be satisfied with the decision of the Contact Officer then, if necessary, the matter will be referred to the Council.

Some matters will be referred directly to Council for consideration or re-consideration. The types of requests for review of Council decisions that could be referred to Council are those regarding: -

- Decisions made by resolution of Council
- Council endorsed objectives and policies
- Budgetary matters or evaluation of service delivery matters
- Civic and ceremonial matters
- The Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure, or the process applied.
- Issues that are likely to be of interest to the wider community
- Matters which may involve litigation
- Recommendations to refuse to review a decision raised by an applicant on the grounds that it is frivolous or vexatious, or where the applicant does not have a sufficient interest in the matter
- Matters where legal procedures have not been followed, for example, relating to leases and licences and tenders.
- Any other matters at the discretion of the Contact Officer.

Matters may also be dealt with through independent mediation, where the associated costs will be shared equally between Council and the applicant. The Contact Officer will discuss this option with applicants where relevant.

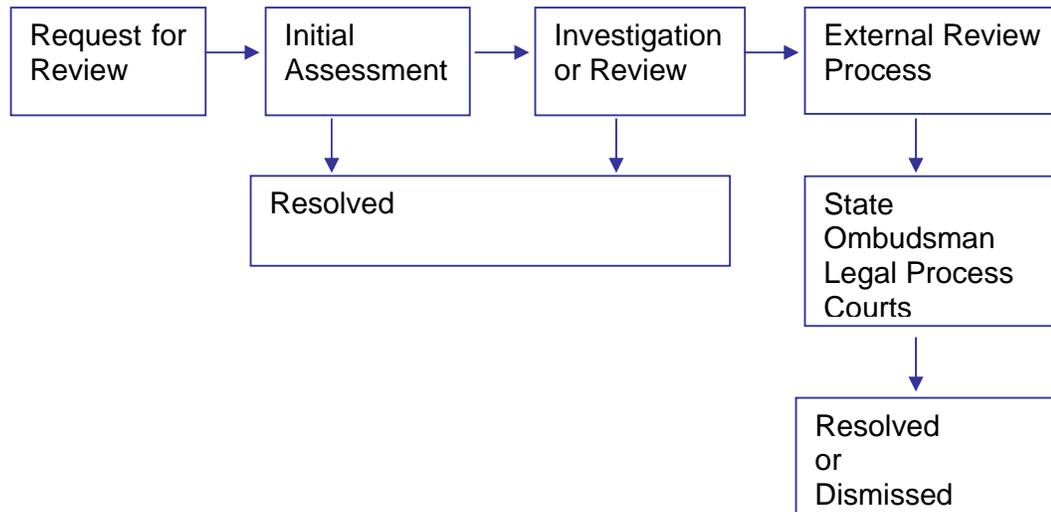
7. How long will it take for the request for review of a council decision to be assessed?

A request for review of a Council decision will be formally acknowledged within 5 days of receipt, including advice to applicants about the expected timeframe for dealing with the matter. In most cases applications for review will be considered within 21 days, although in some circumstances it may take longer. However, in all cases, applicants will be kept informed about the progress of the review, and advised in writing of the outcome of the review procedure and process.

If applications for review are not resolved satisfactorily, applicants will be advised of other options for review, such as the State Ombudsman, legal advice, and/or the courts.

8. The process adopted

The following diagram demonstrates the review processes available to the applicant for the review of Council decisions.



Further Information:

Charles Mansueto is the Contact Officer for the District Council of Mallala regarding advice about the Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure.

For further information about the Procedure and other options for review, please contact:

Charles Mansueto
 Chief Executive Officer
 District Council of Mallala
 PO Box 18
 Mallala SA 5502
 Telephone: 8527 2006
 Fax: 8527 2242
 Email: info@mallala.sa.gov.au

Copies of the Procedure are available from the Council offices at no charge

Rating Policy Statement

Introduction

This document sets out the policy of the District Council of Mallala for setting and collecting rates from its community. The policy covers:

- contact details for further information
- strategic focus
- annual adoption of the rating policy
- method used to value land
- notional values
- adoption of valuations
- business impact statement
- Council's revenue raising powers/differential general rates
- minimum rate
- water catchment levy (the Council's collection role)
- separate rate
- service charge
- rate concessions
- state seniors card ratepayer (self funded retiree)
- pensioner concession
- other concessions
- payment of rates
- late payment of rates
- sale of land for non-payment of rates
- remission and postponement of rates
- rebate of rates
- disclaimer

Contact Details for Further Information

Peter Buchmann, Rates Officer on 08 8527 2006, fax 08 8527 2242, email:
PeterB@mallala.sa.gov.au

The District Council of Mallala
2a Wasleys Road,
MALLALA SA 5502

Strategic Focus

In setting its rates for the 2008/2009 financial year the Council has considered the following:

- The District Council of Mallala Strategic Management Plan
- the current economic climate and relevant factors such as inflation and interest rates;
- the specific issues faced by our community, which are:
 - the need over the next few years to continually replace and upgrade infrastructure assets;
 - the continuation of the waste management and recycling program to all areas of the district;
- the budget for the 2008/2009 financial year;
- the impact of rates on the community, including:
 - householders, businesses and primary producers;

The strategic management plans and the Council's budget are available for inspection at the contact location listed on Page 1.

Annual Adoption of the Rating Policy

Section 171 of the Local Government Act 1999 requires a Council to prepare and adopt each year, in conjunction with setting the rates, a rates policy. The policy must be available at the principal office of the Council and a summary version must be distributed with the rates notice.

This policy is available for inspection at the contact location listed on Page 1.

Method Used to Value Land

The Council may adopt one of three valuation methodologies to value the properties in its area. They are:

- *Capital Value* – the value of the land and all of the improvements on the land.
- *Site Value* – the value of the land and any improvements which permanently affect the amenity of use of the land, such as drainage works, but excluding the value of buildings and other improvements.
- *Annual Value* – a valuation of the rental potential of the property.

The Council has decided to continue to use capital value as the basis for valuing land within the council area. The Council considers that this method of valuing land provides the fairest method of distributing the rate burden across all ratepayers on the following basis:

- the equity principle of taxation requires that ratepayers of similar wealth pay similar taxes and ratepayers of greater wealth pay more tax than ratepayers of lesser wealth;

- property value is a relatively good indicator of wealth and capital value, which closely approximates the market value of a property and provides the best indicator of overall property value;
- the distribution of property values throughout the Council area is such that few residential ratepayers will pay significantly more than the average rate per property.

Notional Values

Certain properties may be eligible for a notional value under the Valuation of Land Act 1971 where the property is the principal place of residence of a ratepayer. This can relate to certain primary production land or where there is State heritage recognition. A notional value is generally less than the capital value and this will result in reduced rates, unless the minimum rate already applies. Application for a notional value must be made to the State Valuation Office.

Adoption of Valuations

The Council has adopted the valuations made by the State Valuation Office as provided to the Council by the end of June 2008. If a ratepayer is dissatisfied with the valuation made by the Valuer-General then the ratepayer may object to the State Valuation Office in writing, within 60 days of receiving the notice of the valuation, explaining the basis for the objection, provided they have not: (a) previously received a notice of this valuation under the Local Government Act 1999, in which case the objection period is 60 days from the receipt of the first notice; or (b) previously had an objection to the valuation considered by the Valuer-General. The address of the State Valuation Office is:

State Valuation Office
GPO Box 1354
ADELAIDE SA 5001
email: lsg.objections@saugov.sa.gov.au

and the telephone number is 1300 653 345. Please note that the Council has no role in this process. It is also important to note that the lodgement of an objection does not change the due date for the payment of rates.

Business Impact Statement

The Council has considered the impact of rates on all businesses in the Council area, including primary production.

Council's Revenue Raising Powers / Differential General Rates

All land within a Council area, except for land specifically exempt (eg. crown land, Council occupied land and other land prescribed in the Local Government Act 1999 – refer Section 147 of the Act), is rateable. The Local Government Act provides for a Council to raise revenue for the broad purposes of the Council through a general rate, which apply to all rateable properties, or through differential general rates, which apply to classes of properties. In addition, Council can raise separate rates, for specific areas of the Council or service rates or charges for specific services. The Council also raises revenue through fees and charges, which are set giving consideration to the cost of the service provided and any equity issues. The list of applicable fees and charges is available at the contact locations listed on Page 1.

At its meeting on 2 July 2008 the Council decided to raise rate revenue of \$4,883,589.00 in a total revenue budget of \$7,084,026. As a result of this decision the Council has decided to impose differential general rates based on the zone in which properties are located within the district.

The Council has also assessed the level of service delivered in each of these zones and this is reflected accordingly by the rate in the dollar set for each zone.

Minimum Rate

A Council may impose a minimum amount payable by way of rates. Where two or more adjoining properties have the same owner and are occupied by the same occupier, only one minimum rate is payable by the ratepayer. Where a Council imposes a minimum rate it must not apply to more than 35% of properties in the Council area.

The Council has decided to impose a minimum rate of \$570.00, which will affect (15.9%) of rateable properties. The reasons for imposing a minimum rate are:

- the Council considers it appropriate that all ratable properties make a base level contribution to the cost of administering the Council's activities; and to
- the cost of creating and maintaining the physical infrastructure that supports each property.

Natural Resources Management Levy

Council is covered by two natural resource management boards, the Northern & Yorke and the Adelaide & Mount Lofty Ranges.

The Minister determines the levy to be contributed by council using the basis set out in the Board's plan.

The levy is collected by Council, on behalf of the boards, by using a separate rate against all rateable properties in the Council area.

This year the Minister has determined that the contribution for the Northern & Yorke Board is \$62,222 while for the Adelaide & Mount Lofty Ranges Board the contribution is \$61,463.

Council has, therefore, set a separate rate of 0.015522 cents in the dollar for the Northern & Yorke Board and 0.008056 cents in the dollar for the Adelaide & Mount Lofty Ranges Board.

A reminder that council is simply operating as a revenue collector for the Natural Resource Management Boards and does not retain the revenue nor does it determine how the revenue is spent.

A map of the Natural Resource Management Boards areas showing those properties within the boundary is on display at the contact locations listed.

Separate Rate

The Council has provided an extension to the water main to supply water to rural living properties on Harris Road, Dublin. In order to recover the amount paid for the installation of the Dublin Water Supply the Council declares a separate rate of \$541.46 payable on rateable properties along Harris Road. The separate rate will service the loan repayment raised to finance the installation of the water supply.

Service Rate/Charge

The Council provides a septic tank effluent disposal system (STED) to Middle Beach. The full cost of operating, maintaining and improving this service for this financial year is budgeted to be \$17,250. This includes setting aside funds in a specific reserve for the future replacement of the assets employed in providing the service. The Council will recover this cost through the imposition of a service charge for large and small tanks of \$325 and \$350 respectively. A service charge of \$575.08 is also in place for the repayment of a loan raised to finance the installation of the STED scheme.

Rate Concessions

The State Government, in providing equity across SA in this area, funds a range of concessions on Council rates. The concessions are administered by various State Agencies who determine eligibility and pay the concession directly to Council on behalf of the ratepayer. Concessions are available only on the principal place of residence.

Ratepayers who believe they are entitled to a concession should not withhold payment of rates pending assessment of an application by the State Government as penalties apply to overdue rates. A refund will be paid to an eligible person if Council is advised that a concession applies and the rates have already been paid.

State Seniors Card Ratepayer (Self Funded Retiree)

This concession is administered by RevenueSA. If you are a self-funded retiree and currently hold a State Seniors Card you may be eligible for a concession toward Council Rates. In the case of couples, both must qualify, or if only one holds a State Senior's Card, the other must not be in paid employment for more than 20 hours per week. If you have not received a concession on your rates notice, or would like further information, please contact the RevenueSA Call Centre on 1300 366 150.

Pensioner Concession

An eligible pensioner must hold a Pension Card, State Concession Card or a Repatriation Health Card marked TPI Gold, EDA Gold or War Widow and may be entitled to a concession on Council rates (and water and effluent charges where applicable). Application forms, which include information on the concessions, are available from the Council, SA Water Corporation and its District Offices or the Department of Human Services. This concession is administered by SA Water on behalf of the Department of Human Services and further information can be obtained by telephoning SA Water.

Other Concessions

The Department of Families SA administers Council rate concessions available to range of eligible persons receiving State and Commonwealth allowances. This includes, but is not limited to, ratepayers who are in receipt of: Austudy, Newstart, Parenting Payment, Partner Allowance, Sickness Allowance, Special Benefit, Widow Allowance, Youth Allowance, Abstudy, CDEP or a New Enterprise Initiative Scheme. It may also apply to ratepayers in receipt of a pension as a war widow under legislation of the United Kingdom or New Zealand and the holders of a State Concession Card issued by Families SA. All enquiries should be directed to you nearest branch office of Families SA (refer to the White Pages for location and telephone details).

Payment of Rates

The Council has decided that the payment of all rates will be by quarterly instalments, due on the 3 September 2008, 3 December 2008 and 4 March 2009 and 3 June 2009.

Rates may be paid:

- In person, at the Council office at

The District Council of Mallala

2a Wasleys Road

Mallala SA 5502

During the hours of 9.00 am and 5.00 pm, Monday to Friday

CABRI Centre

71 Old Port Wakefield Road (Formerly the Kindergarten Site)

Two Wells SA 5501

During the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm, Monday to Friday

- At any branch of Bank SA
- Payment through the mail – make cheques payable to:
District Council of Mallala and crossed 'Not Negotiable'
Mail Payment to: District Council of Mallala
PO Box 18
MALLALA SA 5502
Mail payment with tear-off payment slip. Payments must be received at this office on or before the last day to pay or fines for late payment must be imposed.
- By Bpay using a debit or credit card, Biller Code 9662 and your reference number shown on your rate account
- By Bankcard, Visa card or Mastercard via the Councils web site www.mallala.sa.gov.au

Any ratepayer who may, or is likely to, experience difficulty with meeting the standard payment arrangements is invited to contact Peter Buchmann, Rates Officer, on 8527 2006 to discuss alternative payment arrangements, including payment in advance. Such inquiries are treated confidentially by the Council.

The Council has adopted a policy that where the payment of rates will cause a ratepayer demonstrable hardship, the Council is prepared to make available extended payment arrangements. Upon application in writing on or before the first quarterly instalment becoming due, Ratepayers in the General Farming Zone have the ability to pay rate accounts on or before the 31st December 2008 without the application of fines, the payment must then be at least the first two quarterly instalments.

Late Payment of Rates

The Local Government Act provides that Councils impose a penalty of a 2% fine on any payment for rates, whether instalment or otherwise, that is received late. A payment that continues to be late is then charged an interest rate, set each year according to a formula in the Act, for each month it continues to be late. The purpose of this penalty is to act as a genuine deterrent to ratepayers who might otherwise fail to pay their rates on time, to allow Councils to recover the administrative cost of following up unpaid rates and to cover any interest cost the Council may meet because it has not received the rates on time. For the 2008/2009 financial year this rate is 11.28%.

The Council is prepared to remit penalties for late payment of rates where ratepayers can demonstrate hardship.

The Council issues a final notice for payment of rates when rates are overdue i.e. unpaid by the due date. Should rates remain unpaid more than 21 days after the issue of the final notice then the Council refers the debt to a debt collection agency for collection. The debt collection agency charges collection fees that are recoverable from the ratepayer.

When the Council receives a payment in respect of overdue rates the Council applies the money received as follows:

- first – to satisfy any costs awarded in connection with court proceedings;
- second – to satisfy any interest costs;
- third – in payment of any fines imposed;
- fourth – in payment of rates, in chronological order (starting with the oldest account first).

Sale of Land for Non-Payment of Rates

The Local Government Act provides that a Council may sell any property where the rates have been in arrears for three years or more. The Council is required to notify the owner of the land of its intention to sell the land, provide the owner with details of the outstanding amounts, and advise the owner of its intention to sell the land if payment of the outstanding amount is not received within one month.

Remission and Postponement of Rates

Section 182 of the Local Government Act permits the Council, on the application of a ratepayer, to partially or wholly remit rates or to postpone rates, on the basis of hardship. Where a ratepayer is suffering hardship in paying rates they are invited to contact Neville Gay, Rates Officer, on 08 8527 2006 to discuss the matter. Such inquiries are treated confidentially by the Council.

Rebate of Rates

The Local Government Act requires Councils to rebate the rates payable on some land. Specific provisions are made for land used for health services, community services, religious purposes, public cemeteries, and educational institutions. Discretionary rebates may be applied by the Council under Section 166 of the Act. In relation to discretionary rebates council has adopted a Rebate Policy, this policy is available for inspection at the contact location listed on Page 1.

Disclaimer

A rate cannot be challenged on the basis of non-compliance with this policy and must be paid in accordance with the required payment provisions.

Appendix I

Appendix II

Central Local Government Region

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Appendix III

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Annual Report 2008 – 2009



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General Purpose **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**



Council's garden work crew in action

for the period

1 JULY 2008 to 30 JUNE 2009

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General Purpose Financial Reports for the year ended 30 June 2009

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**INCOME STATEMENT
for the year ended 30 June 2009**

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
INCOME			
Rates	2	5,038,579	4,674,833
Statutory charges	2	225,946	223,673
User charges	2	136,368	123,909
Grants, subsidies and contributions	2	1,614,448	1,462,905
Investment income	2	42,797	75,221
Reimbursements	2	275,954	214,008
Other income	2	91,736	26,237
Net gain - joint ventures & associates	19	-	1,793,219
Total Income		<u>7,425,828</u>	<u>8,594,005</u>
EXPENSES			
Employee costs	3	2,745,073	2,621,427
Materials, contracts & other expenses	3	2,437,026	2,540,964
Finance costs	3	236,136	247,628
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	3	1,685,289	1,532,170
Net loss - joint ventures & associates	19	64,670	-
Total Expenses		<u>7,168,194</u>	<u>6,942,189</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		257,634	1,651,816
Net gain (loss) on disposal or revaluation of assets	4	(65,825)	(446,455)
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets	2	969,748	-
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)		<u>1,161,557</u>	<u>1,205,361</u>

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

District Council of Mallala

BALANCE SHEET as at 30 June 2009

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	851,333	1,056,608
Trade & other receivables	5	907,544	611,386
Inventories	5	161,692	142,858
Total Current Assets		<u>1,920,569</u>	<u>1,810,852</u>
Non-current Assets			
Equity accounted investments in Council businesses	6	4,766,684	4,831,354
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	7	48,934,127	44,208,442
Other Non-current Assets	6	55,802	145,903
Total Non-current Assets		<u>53,756,613</u>	<u>49,185,699</u>
Total Assets		<u>55,677,182</u>	<u>50,996,551</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade & Other Payables	8	717,194	595,593
Borrowings	8	680,116	782,223
Provisions	8	175,193	157,189
Total Current Liabilities		<u>1,572,503</u>	<u>1,535,005</u>
Non-current Liabilities			
Borrowings	8	2,368,971	2,928,227
Provisions	8	116,473	100,816
Total Non-current Liabilities		<u>2,485,444</u>	<u>3,029,043</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>4,057,947</u>	<u>4,564,048</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>51,619,235</u>	<u>46,432,503</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		25,962,955	24,654,654
Asset Revaluation Reserve	9	25,228,711	21,203,536
Other Reserves	9	427,569	574,313
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>51,619,235</u>	<u>46,432,503</u>

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

District Council of Mallala

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 30 June 2009

	2009 \$	2008 \$
	Notes	
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		
Balance at end of previous reporting period	24,654,654	22,840,941
Adjustment to give effect to changed accounting policies	-	170,603
Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year	1,161,557	1,205,361
Transfers to Other Reserves	(74,471)	(30,869)
Transfers from Other Reserves	<u>221,215</u>	<u>468,618</u>
Balance at end of period	<u>25,962,955</u>	<u>24,654,654</u>
ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE		
	9	
Balance at end of previous reporting period	21,203,536	21,574,429
Gain on revaluation of infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	4,025,175	-
Transfer to Accumulated Surplus on sale of infrastructure, property, plant & equipment	-	(370,893)
Balance at end of period	<u>25,228,711</u>	<u>21,203,536</u>
OTHER RESERVES		
	9	
Balance at end of previous reporting period	574,313	641,169
Transfers from Accumulated Surplus	74,471	30,869
Transfers to Accumulated Surplus	<u>(221,215)</u>	<u>(97,725)</u>
Balance at end of period	<u>427,569</u>	<u>574,313</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD	<u>51,619,235</u>	<u>46,432,503</u>
<i>Total of all revenues recognised directly in Equity</i>	<i>4,025,175</i>	<i>-</i>
<i>Total of all expenses recognised directly in Equity</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
NET CHANGE IN EQUITY	<u>4,025,175</u>	<u>-</u>

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

District Council of Mallala

CASH FLOW STATEMENT for the year ended 30 June 2009

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
<u>Receipts</u>			
Operating receipts		7,573,833	7,443,787
Investment receipts		42,797	75,221
<u>Payments</u>			
Operating payments to suppliers & employees		(5,586,117)	(5,909,599)
Finance payments		<u>(215,378)</u>	<u>(232,431)</u>
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Operating Activities		1,815,135	1,376,978
 CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
<u>Receipts</u>			
Amounts specifically for new or upgraded assets		969,748	-
Sale of replaced assets		313,634	557,723
Sale of surplus assets		-	-
Prepayments		-	172,744
Insurance Claims Prepayable		338	3,088
Repayments of loans by community groups			
<u>Payments</u>			
Expenditure on renewal/replacement of assets		(2,045,237)	(1,557,620)
Expenditure on new/upgraded assets		(629,920)	(692,729)
Interest Receivable		10,941	(6,260)
Amounts Receivable		<u>21,448</u>	<u>(8,317)</u>
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Investing Activities		(1,359,048)	(1,531,371)
 CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
<u>Receipts</u>			
Proceeds from Borrowings		-	400,000
<u>Payments</u>			
Repayments of Borrowings		<u>(618,799)</u>	<u>(687,809)</u>
Net Cash provided by (or used in) Financing Activities		(618,799)	(287,809)
Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held		(162,712)	(442,202)
Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of period	11	<u>1,012,872</u>	1,284,471
Cash & cash equivalents at end of period	11	<u>850,160</u>	<u>1,012,872</u>

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

District Council of Mallala

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

1 Basis of Preparation

1.1 Compliance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) as they apply to not-for-profit entities, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations (UIGs) and relevant South Australian legislation.

An amount of \$170,603 has been included in equity as a result of a change in accounting treatment of funds held in account of Draing Fund Reserve and Roads Contribution Reserve, previously treated as Trust Funds. Also, the treatment of Net gain/loss - joint ventures and associates has changed the presentation of the Income Statement, but does not affect the overall result.

The financial report was authorised for issue by certificate under clause 11 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 dated (insert date).

1.2 Historical Cost Convention

Except as stated below, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

1.3 Critical Accounting Estimates

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

1.4 Rounding

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

2 The Local Government Reporting Entity

The District Council of Mallala is incorporated under the SA Local Government Act 1999 and has its principal place of business at 2A Wasleys Road, Mallala. These financial statements include the consolidated fund and all entities through which Council controls resources to carry on its functions. In the process of reporting on the Council as a single unit, all transactions and balances between activity areas and controlled entities have been eliminated.

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

3 Income recognition

Income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Income is recognised when the Council obtains control over the assets comprising the income, or when the amount due constitutes an enforceable debt, whichever first occurs.

Where grants, contributions and donations recognised as incomes during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the amounts subject to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in these notes. Also disclosed is the amount of grants, contributions and receivables recognised as incomes in a previous reporting period which were obtained in respect of the Council's operations for the current reporting period.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 1 (cont) - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

4 Cash, Cash Equivalents and other Financial Instruments

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

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

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

All financial instruments are recognised at fair value at the date of recognition. A detailed statement of the accounting policies applied to financial instruments forms part of Note 13.

5 Inventories

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

5.1 Real Estate Assets Developments

Real Estate Assets developments have been classified as Inventory in accordance with AASB 102 and are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value. Cost includes the costs of acquisition, development, borrowing and other costs incurred on financing of that acquisition and up to the time of sale. Any amount by which cost exceeds the net realisable value has been recognised as an expense.

Revenues arising from the sale of property are recognised in the operating statement when settlement is completed.

5.2 Other Real Estate held for resale

Properties not acquired for development, but which Council has decided to sell as surplus to requirements, are recognised at the carrying value at the time of that decision.

Certain properties, auctioned for non-payment of rates in accordance with the Local Government Act but which failed to meet the reserve set by Council and are available for sale by private treaty, are recorded at the lower of the unpaid rates and charges at the time of auction or the reserve set by Council. Holding costs in relation to these properties are recognised as an expense when incurred.

6 Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment

6.1 Transitional Provisions

As at 1 July 2008, Council has elected not to recognise any values for land under roads acquired before the commencement of AASB 1051 Land Under Roads. Details of the effects of this election are given in Note 7.

All non-current assets purchased or constructed are capitalised as the expenditure is incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held "ready for use".

6.2 Initial Recognition

All assets are initially recognised at cost. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition, including architects' fees and engineering design fees and all other costs incurred. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 1 (cont) - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

6.2 Initial Recognition (cont...)

The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

Capital works still in progress at balance date are recognised as other non-current assets and transferred to infrastructure, property, plant & equipment when completed ready for use.

6.3 Materiality

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

Office Furniture & Equipment	\$ 1,000
Other Plant & Equipment	\$ 1,000
Buildings - new construction/extensions	\$10,000
Park & Playground Furniture & Equipment	\$ 2,000
Road construction & reconstruction	\$10,000
Paving & footpaths, Kerb & Gutter	\$ 2,000
Drains & Culverts	\$ 5,000
Reticulation extensions	\$ 5,000
Sidelines & household connections	\$ 5,000

6.4 Subsequent Recognition

Certain asset classes are revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. For infrastructure and other asset classes where no active market exists, fair value is determined to be the current replacement cost of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset. Further detail of existing valuations, methods and valuers are provided at Note 7.

6.5 Depreciation of Non-Current Assets

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

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

Plant, Furniture & Equipment

> Office Equipment	5 to 10 years
> Office Furniture	10 to 20 years
> Vehicles and Road-making Equip	5 to 8 years
> Other Plant & Equipment	5 to 15 years

Building & Other Structures

> Buildings – masonry	50 to 100 years
> Buildings – other construction	20 to 40 years
> Park Structures – masonry	50 to 100 years
> Park Structures – other construction	20 to 40 years
> Playground equipment	5 to 15 years
> Benches, seats, etc	10 to 20 years

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 1 (cont) - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

6.5 Depreciation of Non-Current Assets (cont...)

Infrastructure

> Sealed Roads – Surface	15 to 25 years
> Sealed Roads – Structure	20 to 50 years
> Unsealed Roads	10 to 20 years
> Bridges – Concrete	80 to 100 years
> Paving & Footpaths, Kerb & Gutter	80 to 100 years
> Drains	80 to 100 years
> Culverts	50 to 75 years
> Flood Control Structures	80 to 100 years
> Dams and Reservoirs	80 to 100 years
> Bores	20 to 40 years
> Reticulation Pipes – PVC	70 to 80 years
> Reticulation Pipes – other	25 to 75 years
> Pumps & Telemetry	15 to 25 years

Other Assets

> Library Books	10 to 15 years
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6.6 Impairment

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to depreciation and are reviewed annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount (which is the higher of the present value of future cash outflows or value in use).

For assets whose future economic benefits are not dependent on the ability to generate cash flows, and where the future economic benefits would be replaced if Council were deprived thereof, the value in use is the depreciated replacement cost. In assessing impairment for these assets, a rebuttable assumption is made that the current replacement cost exceeds the original cost of acquisition.

6.7 Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs in relation to qualifying assets (net of offsetting investment revenue) have been capitalised in accordance with the allowed alternative treatment in AASB 1023 "Borrowing Costs". The amounts of borrowing costs recognised as an expense or as part of the carrying amount of qualifying assets are disclosed in Note 3, and the amount (if any) of interest revenue offset against borrowing costs in Note 2.

7 Payables

7.1 Goods & Services

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

7.2 Payments Received in Advance & Deposits

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

8 Borrowings

Loans are carried at their principal amounts which represent the present value of future cash flows associated with servicing the debt. Interest is accrued over the period to which it relates, and is recorded as part of "Payables". Interest free loans are carried at their nominal amounts; interest revenues foregone by the lender effectively being a reduction of interest expense in the period to which it relates.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 1 (cont) - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

9 Employee Benefits

9.1 Salaries, Wages & Compensated Absences

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

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

Weighted average discount rate a% 5.23% (2008, 5.935%)

Weighted average settlement period 5 years (2008, 4 years)

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

9.2 Superannuation

The Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Local Government Superannuation Scheme. The Scheme has two types of membership, each of which is funded differently. No changes in accounting policy have occurred during either the current or previous reporting periods. Details of the accounting policies applied and Council's involvement with the schemes are reported in Note 18.

10 Construction Contracts

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

11 Joint Ventures and Associated Entities

Council participates in cooperative arrangements with other Councils for the provision of services and facilities.

12 Leases

Lease arrangements have been accounted for in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 117.

In respect of finance leases, where Council substantially carries all of the risks incident to ownership, the leased items are initially recognised as assets and liabilities equal in amount to the present value of the minimum lease payments. The assets are disclosed as assets under lease, and are amortised to expense over the period during which the Council is expected to benefit from the use of the leased assets. Lease payments are allocated between interest expense and reduction of the lease liability, according to the interest rate implicit in the lease.

In respect of operating leases, where the lessor substantially retains all of the risks and benefits incident to ownership of the leased items, lease payments are charged to expense over the lease term.

13 GST Implications

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

> Receivables and Creditors include GST receivable and payable.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 1 (cont) - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

13 GST Implications (cont...)

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

14 Comparative Information

Comparative information has been reclassified to be consistent with the current year disclosure of equivalent information in accordance with AIFRS.

15 New Accounting Standards

Certain new accounting standards and UIG interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2009 reporting period.

- AASB 3 Business Combinations
- AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements
- AASB 123 Borrowing Costs
- AASB 127 Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements
- AASB 2007-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 123
- AASB 2007-8 & AASB 2007-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 101
- AASB 2008-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations arising on Liquidation
- AASB 2008-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 3 and AASB 127
- AASB 2008-5 & AASB 2008-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project
- AASB 2008-7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or Associate
- AASB 2008-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Eligible Hedged Items
- AASB 2008-9 Amendments to AASB 1049 for Consistency with AASB 101
- AASB 2008-11 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standard – Business Combinations Among Not-for-Profit Entities
- AASB 2008-12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Reclassification of Financial Assets – Effective Date and Transition
- AASB 2008-13 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB Interpretation 17 – Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners
- Interpretation 15 Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate
- Interpretation 16 Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation
- Interpretation 17 Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners
- Interpretation 18 Transfers of Assets from Customers
- (Standards not affecting local government have been excluded from the above list.)

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

District Council of Mallala

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 2 - INCOME

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
RATES REVENUES			
<u>General Rates</u>		4,882,719	4,543,649
Less: Discretionary rebates, remissions & write offs		(51,178)	(51,600)
		4,831,541	4,492,049
<u>Other Rates</u> (including service charges)			
Natural Resource Management levy		123,510	114,320
Community wastewater management systems		17,250	17,250
		140,760	131,570
<u>Other Charges</u>			
Penalties for late payment		32,608	-
Legal & other costs recovered		33,670	51,214
		66,278	51,214
		5,038,579	4,674,833
STATUTORY CHARGES			
Development Act fees		93,254	83,932
Animal registration fees & fines		106,080	106,727
Septic tank fees		25,605	30,913
Other fines, penalties & expiations		1,007	2,101
		225,946	223,673
USER CHARGES			
Cemetery/crematoria fees		22,603	10,687
House/Aged Home Rent		22,403	22,933
Admission Charges for Museum		7,945	2,913
Rate Searches		9,450	10,820
Hall & equipment hire		3,488	5,202
Sales - general		5,695	5,034
Subsidies received on behalf of users		56,450	56,809
Sundry rentals [road reserves]		8,334	9,511
		136,368	123,909
INVESTMENT INCOME			
Interest on investments			
Local Government Finance Authority		33,451	66,469
Banks & other		9,346	8,752
		42,797	75,221

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

NOTE 2 - INCOME (continued)

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
REIMBURSEMENTS			
- for roadworks		217,722	154,105
- by joint undertakings		3,066	4,346
- other		<u>55,166</u>	<u>55,557</u>
		<u>275,954</u>	<u>214,008</u>
 OTHER INCOME			
Sundry		<u>91,736</u>	<u>26,237</u>
		<u>91,736</u>	<u>26,237</u>
 GRANTS, SUBSIDIES, CONTRIBUTIONS			
Amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets		969,748	-
Other grants, subsidies and contributions		1,347,977	1,462,905
Individually significant item - additional Grants Commission payment	see below	266,471	-
		<u>2,584,196</u>	<u>1,462,905</u>
 <i>The functions to which these grants relate are shown in Note 2.</i>			
 Sources of grants			
Commonwealth government		99,721	159,219
State government		<u>2,484,475</u>	<u>1,303,686</u>
		<u>2,584,196</u>	<u>1,462,905</u>
 Individually Significant Item			
On 26 June 2009, Council received payment of the first quarter instalment of the 2009/10 Grant Commission (FAG) grant. This represents a significant increase in income from this source for 2008/09, with an equivalent reduction in 2009/10.		<u>266,471</u>	-
		<u>266,471</u>	-

District Council of Mallala

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

NOTE 2 - INCOME (continued)

	2009	2008
Notes	\$	\$
Conditions over grants & contributions		
<i>Grants and contributions which were obtained on the condition that they be expended for specified purposes or in a future period, but which are not yet expended in accordance with those conditions, are as follows:</i>		
<i>Unexpended at the close of the previous reporting period</i>	165,216	277,534
<i>Less: expended during the current period from revenues recognised in previous reporting periods</i>		
<i>Community Waste Water Management System - study</i>	(53,668)	(70,994)
<i>Heritage & Cultural Services</i>		(54,807)
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>(53,668)</u>	<u>(125,801)</u>
<i>Plus: amounts recognised as revenues in this reporting period but not yet expended in accordance with the conditions</i>		
<i>Zero waste illegal dumping prevention</i>	14,158	13,483
<i>Heritage & Cultural Services</i>		
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>14,158</u>	<u>13,483</u>
<i>Unexpended at the close of this reporting period</i>	<u>125,706</u>	<u>165,216</u>
 <i>Net increase (decrease) in assets subject to conditions in the current reporting period</i>	 <u>(39,510)</u>	 <u>(112,318)</u>

District Council of Mallala

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 3 - EXPENSES

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
EMPLOYEE COSTS			
Salaries and Wages		2,320,602	2,162,716
Employee leave expense		311,678	279,417
Superannuation	18	221,291	203,624
Workers' Compensation Insurance		92,292	69,577
Less: Capitalised and distributed costs		<u>(200,790)</u>	<u>(93,907)</u>
Total Operating Employee Costs		<u>2,745,073</u>	<u>2,621,427</u>
 Total Number of Employees		 44	 45
<i>(Full time equivalent at end of reporting period)</i>			
 MATERIALS, CONTRACTS & OTHER EXPENSES			
<u>Prescribed Expenses</u>			
Auditor's Remuneration			
- Auditing the financial reports		5,240	5,500
Elected members' expenses		106,060	77,637
Operating Lease Rentals - cancellable leases		13,815	34,490
Subtotal - Prescribed Expenses		<u>125,115</u>	<u>117,627</u>
 <u>Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses</u>			
Contractors		695,098	670,397
Energy/ Fuel		463,461	466,141
Individually Significant Items		-	257,269
Maintenance		222,971	220,149
Legal Expenses		129,663	102,009
Levies paid to government - NRM levy		122,271	113,313
- Other Levies		61,268	20,003
Parts, accessories & consumables		322,039	361,058
Professional services		181,624	178,941
Sundry		113,516	34,057
Subtotal - Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses		<u>2,311,911</u>	<u>2,423,337</u>
		<u>2,437,026</u>	<u>2,540,964</u>
 INDIVIDUALLY SIGNIFICANT ITEMS			
		<u>-</u>	<u>257,269</u>

District Council of Mallala

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 3 - EXPENSES (cont)

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
FINANCE COSTS			
Interest on Loans		<u>236,136</u>	<u>247,628</u>
		236,136	247,628
 DEPRECIATION, AMORTISATION & IMPAIRMENT			
Depreciation			
Land & Landscaping		8,795	8,616
Buildings, Pavement & Structures		331,659	327,924
Road Infrastructure		1,034,218	906,228
Other Infrastructure		67,731	56,027
Equipment & Furniture		<u>242,886</u>	<u>233,375</u>
		1,685,289	1,532,170

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 4 - ASSET DISPOSAL & FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS

	2009	2008
Notes	\$	\$
INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
<i>Assets renewed or directly replaced</i>		
Proceeds from disposal	313,634	557,723
Less: Carrying amount of assets sold	<u>379,459</u>	<u>1,004,178</u>
Gain (Loss) on disposal	<u>(65,825)</u>	<u>(446,455)</u>
NET GAIN (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL OR REVALUATION OF ASSETS	<u>(65,825)</u>	<u>(446,455)</u>

District Council of Mallala

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 30 June 2009

Note 5 - CURRENT ASSETS

	2009	2008
CASH & EQUIVALENT ASSETS		
	Notes	
	\$	\$
Cash on Hand and at Bank	354,062	100,412
Deposits at Call	497,271	956,196
	<u>851,333</u>	<u>1,056,608</u>
TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Rates - General & Other	197,859	193,639
Debtors - general	485,236	34,460
Other levels of Government	-	230,960
GST Recoupment	99,986	87,184
Prepayments	58,671	41,477
Interest Receivable	4,070	15,011
Insurance Claims Prepayable	-	338
Amounts Receivable	61,722	8,317
Total	<u>907,544</u>	<u>611,386</u>
INVENTORIES		
Stores & Materials	161,692	142,858
	<u>161,692</u>	<u>142,858</u>

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Note 6 - NON-CURRENT ASSETS

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
EQUITY ACCOUNTED INVESTMENTS IN COUNCIL BUSINESSES			
<i>Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority</i>	19	<u>4,766,684</u>	<u>4,831,354</u>
		<u>4,766,684</u>	<u>4,831,354</u>
 OTHER NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Capital Works-in-Progress		<u>55,802</u>	<u>145,903</u>
		<u>55,802</u>	<u>145,903</u>

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	2008 \$				2009 \$			
	AT FAIR VALUE	AT COST	ACCUM DEP'N	CARRYING AMOUNT	AT FAIR VALUE	AT COST	ACCUM DEP'N	CARRYING AMOUNT
Note 7 - INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT								
Land & Landscaping	9,098,267	-	(416,016)	8,682,251	9,098,267	43,764	(424,811)	8,717,220
Buildings, Pavement & Structures	12,310,392	-	(7,781,524)	4,528,868	12,310,392	220,570	(8,113,183)	4,417,779
Road Infrastructure	41,452,127	-	(16,238,282)	25,213,845	46,141,706	2,002,054	(18,522,855)	29,620,905
Other Infrastructure	-	3,968,804	(1,587,116)	2,381,688	-	5,559,650	(2,659,743)	2,899,907
Equipment & Furniture	-	5,185,295	(1,783,505)	3,401,790	-	5,281,258	(2,002,942)	3,278,316
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	62,860,786	9,154,099	(27,806,443)	44,208,442	67,550,365	13,107,296	(31,723,534)	48,934,127
<i>2008 Totals</i>					62,860,786	9,154,099	(27,806,443)	44,208,442

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	2008	CARRYING AMOUNT MOVEMENTS DURING YEAR						2009	
	\$	\$						\$	
	CARRYING AMOUNT	Additions		Disposals	Depreciation	Impairment	Blank	Net Revaluation	CARRYING AMOUNT
		New/Upgrade	Renewals						
Note 7 (cont) - INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT									
Land & Landscaping	8,682,251	43,764	-	-	(8,795)	-	-	-	8,717,220
Buildings, Pavement & Structures	4,528,868	220,570	-	-	(331,659)	-	-	-	4,417,779
Road Infrastructure	25,213,845	365,586	1,636,468	-	(1,034,218)	-	-	3,439,224	29,620,905
Other Infrastructure	2,381,688	-	-	-	(67,731)	-	-	585,950	2,899,907
Equipment & Furniture	3,401,790	-	498,871	(379,459)	(242,886)	-	-	-	3,278,316
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	44,208,442	629,920	2,135,339	(379,459)	(1,685,289)	-	-	4,025,174	48,934,127
2008 Totals	44,400,205	786,964	1,557,621	(1,004,178)	(1,532,170)				44,208,442

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Note 7 (cont) - INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Valuation of Assets

At 1 July 2004 upon the transition to AIFRS, Council elected pursuant to AASB 1.19 to retain a previously established deemed cost under GAAP as its deemed cost for the purposes of AIFRS.

Land & Land Improvements

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

Land improvements, including bulk earthworks with an assessed unlimited useful life, are recognised on the cost basis, originally deriving from a valuation at 30 June 1997 at current replacement cost. A revaluation was done at fair value as at 1 June 2007. Acquisitions after that are recognised at cost. Estimated future costs of reinstatement of land, capitalised in accordance with AASB 116.16(c), are reviewed annually (see Note 1) and depreciated over the estimated remaining life of the relevant asset.

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

Buildings & Other Structures

A revaluation was done at fair value as at 1 June 2007. Pursuant to Council's election, buildings and other structures are recognised on the cost basis. The weighted average depreciation period is 32.7 years (2007 - 32.7 years).

Infrastructure

Transportation assets were valued by Council officers and consulting engineer (Trevor Mace Engineering) at written down current replacement cost as at 1 July 2008 and pursuant to Council's election are disclosed at deemed cost. All acquisitions made after the respective dates of valuation are recorded at cost.

Stormwater drainage infrastructure was valued by Council officers as at 1 July 2008 at written down current replacement cost, based on actual costs incurred during the reporting period ended 30 June 2002 and pursuant to Council's election are disclosed at deemed cost. All acquisitions made after the respective dates of valuation are recorded at cost.

Community wastewater management scheme at Middle Beach was valued by Council's officers at written down current replacement cost during the reporting period ended 30 June 2004, and pursuant to Council's election are disclosed at deemed cost. All acquisitions made after the respective dates of valuation are recorded at cost.

All other Assets

Pursuant to Council's election, these assets are recognised on the cost basis.

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Note 8 - LIABILITIES

	Notes	2009		2008	
		Current	Non-current	Current	Non-current
		\$	\$	\$	\$
TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES					
Goods & Services		188,650		190,517	
Payments received in advance		2,024		4,165	
Accrued expenses - employee entitlements		329,576		250,268	
Accrued expenses - other		169,455		123,457	
GST Liability		27,489		27,186	
		<u>717,194</u>	-	<u>595,593</u>	-
BORROWINGS					
Bank Overdraft		1,173		43,737	
Loans		678,943	2,368,971	738,486	2,928,227
		<u>680,116</u>	<u>2,368,971</u>	<u>782,223</u>	<u>2,928,227</u>
PROVISIONS					
Employee entitlements (including oncosts)		175,193	116,473	157,189	100,816
		<u>175,193</u>	<u>116,473</u>	<u>157,189</u>	<u>100,816</u>
Movements in Provisions - 2009 year only (current & non-current)					
			Insurance Losses	Future Reinstatement	Other Provision
Opening Balance		258,005	-	-	-
Add Unwinding of present value discounts		44,786	-	-	-
Additional amounts recognised		52,587			
(Less) Payments		(32,169)			
Unused amounts reversed					
Add (Less) Remeasurement Adjustments		(31,543)			
Closing Balance		<u>291,666</u>	-	-	-

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Note 9 - RESERVES

ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE	1/07/2008	Net Increments (Decrements)	Transfers on Sale	30/6/2009
Notes	\$	\$	\$	\$
Land & Landscaping	4812165	-	-	4,812,165
Buildings, Pavement & Structures	2609875	-	-	2,609,875
Road Infrastructure	13353098	3439224	-	16,792,322
Other Infrastructure	-	585951	-	585,951
Equipment & Furniture	428398	-	-	428,398
Total Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	21,203,536	4,025,175	-	25,228,711
TOTAL	21,203,536	4,025,175	-	25,228,711
2008 Totals	21,574,429	-	(370,893)	21,203,536

OTHER RESERVES	1/07/2008	Transfers to Reserve	Transfers from Reserve	30/6/2009
Building Maintenance Reserve	25,843	-	-	25,843
Equus Park Reserve	38,765	2213	-19547	21,431
Home for the Aged Reserve	89,718	5097	-8000	86,815
Long Service Leave Reserve	200,800	2106	-140000	62,906
CWMS Reserve - Midle Beach	40,479	4297	-	44,776
Community Infrastructure Reserve	168,218	14152	-53668	128,702
Unexpected Specific Grants Reserve	10,490	542	-	11,032
** Drainage Fund Reserve	155,517	45476	-	200,993
** Roads Contribution Reserve	15,086	588	-	15,674
TOTAL OTHER RESERVES	744,916	74471	-221215	598,172
2008 Totals	641,169	30,869	(97,725)	574,313

** Previously recognised as trust funds in Note 21

PURPOSES OF RESERVES

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

The Building Maintenance Reserve is used for adhoc expenditure for buildings

The Equus Park Reserve was received from the developer for tree planting at the Equus Park subdivision

The Home for the Aged Reserve is funds received from residents of the aged units in Mallala, these funds may need to be returned to tenants upon their departure

The Long Service Leave Reserve is funds held for long service leave payable to employees upon termination

The CWMS Reserve [previously STEDS] is rate revenue received in excess of annual expenditure held for future maintenance of the scheme

The Community Infrastructure Reserve is funds held pending CWMS study \$91,326; Middle beach Boat ramp \$76,892

The Unexpected Specific Grants Reserve is funds received from the developer for reserve development in the Auger subdivision

Drainage Fund Reserve is funds received from developers and held for future construction of drainage

Roads Contribution Reserve is funds received from developers and held for future provision of roads

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Note 10 - ASSETS SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

The uses of the following assets are restricted, wholly or partially, by legislation or other externally imposed requirements. The assets are required to be utilised for the purposes for which control was transferred to Council, or for which the revenues were originally obtained.

		2009	2008
CASH & FINANCIAL ASSETS	Notes	\$	\$
Developer Contributions		49,797	49,797
Other unexpended amounts form other levels of Government		128,702	168,218
CWMS Scheme		44,776	40,479
Other		86,815	99,794
		<u>310,090</u>	<u>358,288</u>

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Note 11 - RECONCILIATION TO CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

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

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
Total cash & equivalent assets	5	851,333	1,056,608
Less: Short-term borrowings	8	<u>(1,173)</u>	<u>(43,737)</u>
Balances per Cash Flow Statement		<u>850,160</u>	<u>1,012,871</u>

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

Net Surplus (Deficit)	1,161,557	1,205,361
Non-cash items in Income Statement		
Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	1,685,289	1,532,170
Equity movements in equity accounted investments (increase) decrease	64,670	(1,793,219)
Net increase (decrease) in unpaid employee benefits	91,823	41,774
Grants for capital acquisitions treated as Investing Activity	(969,748)	-
Net (Gain) Loss on Disposals	65,825	446,455
	<u>2,099,416</u>	<u>1,432,541</u>
Add (Less): Changes in Net Current Assets		
Net (increase) decrease in receivables	(307,437)	275,866
Net (increase) decrease in inventories	(18,834)	(77,144)
Net increase (decrease) in trade & other payables	41,990	(254,285)
Net Cash provided by (or used in) operations	<u>1,815,135</u>	<u>1,376,978</u>

(c) Financing Arrangements

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

Cash Advance Facility	1,000,000	1,000,000
Corporate Credit Cards	10,000	10,000

Council has immediate access to a short-term draw-down facility, and variable interest rate borrowings under a cash advance facility, both from the Local Government Finance Authority of SA.

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Note 12 - FUNCTIONS

INCOMES, EXPENSES AND ASSETS HAVE BEEN DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTED TO THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS & ACTIVITIES										
	INCOME		EXPENSES		OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		GRANTS INCLUDED IN INCOME		TOTAL ASSETS HELD (CURRENT & NON-CURRENT)	
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL				
	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Business Undertakings	236,132	237,462	260,982	341,528	(24,850)	(104,066)	-	-	638,847	623,158
Public Order & Safety	2,645	1,100	39,338	43,473	(36,693)	(42,373)	-	-	210,374	184,683
Health Services	218	2,115	37,147	32,832	(36,929)	(30,717)	-	-	-	-
Community Support	61,383	61,407	372,661	284,311	(311,278)	(222,904)	19,344	19,885	1,641,807	1,518,112
Community Amenities	22,603	10,687	120,414	116,076	(97,811)	(105,389)	-	-	549,539	524,239
Library Services	27,581	28,780	223,090	206,109	(195,509)	(177,329)	63,477	28,217	35,594	8,594
Cultural Services	6,256	15,628	85,563	104,475	(79,307)	(88,847)	28,900	8,698	1,043,637	1,056,137
Economic Development	925	681	117,975	96,920	(117,050)	(96,239)	-	-	-	-
Eviro - Agricultural Services	-	-	23,556	17,078	(23,556)	(17,078)	-	-	-	-
Eviro - Waste Management	66,450	56,809	801,457	766,408	(735,007)	(709,599)	40,000	-	702,973	589,688
Other Environment	-	1,793,220	334,141	232,038	(334,141)	1,561,182	29,000	-	8,950,115	8,364,165
Recreation	43,611	8,158	276,277	269,877	(232,666)	(261,719)	92,250	-	5,774,902	5,649,277
Regulatory Services	230,626	220,637	816,664	755,051	(586,038)	(534,414)	20,000	15,775	152,145	119,788
Transport	555,735	669,657	2,026,676	2,296,584	(1,470,941)	(1,626,927)	1,247,715	657,714	29,635,050	25,805,829
Plant Hire & Depot/Indirect	802	16,834	54,100	66,249	(53,298)	(49,415)	-	-	3,793,012	3,861,762
Governance	1,909	-	879,570	804,533	(877,661)	(804,533)	-	-	1,680,593	1,646,843
Support Services	6,168,952	5,470,830	698,583	508,647	5,470,369	4,962,183	1,043,510	732,616	868,594	873,673
TOTALS	7,425,828	8,594,005	7,168,194	6,942,189	257,634	1,651,816	2,584,196	1,462,905	55,677,182	50,825,948

Excludes net gain (loss) on disposal or revaluation of assets, net gain (loss) from joint ventures & associated entities, amounts received specifically for new or upgraded assets and physical resources received free of charge.

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Note 12 (cont) - COMPONENTS of FUNCTIONS

The activities relating to Council functions are as follows:

Business Undertakings

Abattoirs, Caravan Parks, Electricity Supply, Gravel Pits/Quarries, Development of Land for Resale, Marinas/Boat Havens, Markets/Saleyards, Off-street Car Parks – fee paying, Private Works, Property Portfolio, Sewerage/CWMS, Water Supply – Domestic, Town Bus Service, and Other – please specify.

Community Services

Public Order and Safety, Crime Prevention, Emergency Services, Other Fire Protection, Other Public Order and Safety, Health Services, Pest Control – Health, Immunisation, Nursing Homes, Preventive Health Services, Other Health Services, Community Support, Elderly Citizens Facilities, Home Assistance Scheme, Other Services for the Aged and Disabled, Child Care Centres, Children and youth Services, community Assistance, Community Transport, Family and Neighbourhood Support, Other Community Support, Community Amenities, Bus Shelters, Cemeteries/Crematoria, public Conveniences, Car Parking – non-fee-paying, Telecommunications Networks, and Other Community Amenities.

Culture

Library Services, Mobile Libraries and Housebound Services, Static Libraries, Other Library Services, Cultural Services, Cultural Venues, Heritage, Museums and Art Galleries, and Other Cultural Services.

Economic Development

Employment Creation Programs, Regional Development, Support to Local Businesses, Tourism, and Other Economic Development.

Environment

Agricultural Services, Agricultural Water, Animal/Plant Boards, Landcare, Other Agricultural Services, Waste Management, Domestic Waste, Green Waste, Recycling, Transfer Stations, Waste Disposal Facility, Other Waste Management, Other Environment, Coastal Protection, Stormwater and Drainage, Street Cleaning, Street Lighting, Streetscaping, Natural Resource Management Levy, and Other Environment.

Recreation

Jetties, Other Marine Facilities, Parks and Gardens, Sports Facilities – Indoor, Sports Facilities – Outdoor, Swimming Centres – Indoor, Swimming Centres – Outdoor, and Other Recreation.

Regulatory Services

Dog and Cat Control, Building Control, Town Planning, Clean Air/Pollution Control, Litter Control, Health Inspection, Parking Control, and Other Regulatory Services.

Transport

Aerodrome, Bridges, Bus Service, Footpaths and Kerbing, Roads – sealed, Roads – formed, Roads – natural formed, Roads – unformed, Traffic Management, LGGC – roads (formula funded), and Other Transport.

Plant Hire & Depot

Plant and equipment, indirect expenditure and depot operations

Council Administration

Governance, Administration n.e.c., Elected Members, Organisational, Support Services, Accounting/Finance, Payroll, Housing for Council Employees, Human Resources, Information Technology, Communication, Rates Administration, Records, Occupancy, Contract Management, Customer Service, Other Support Services, Revenues, LGGC – General Purpose, and Separate and Special Rates.

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Note 13 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Recognised Financial Instruments

Bank, Deposits at Call, Short Term Deposits	<p>Accounting Policy: Carried at lower of cost and net realisable value; Interest is recognised when earned.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Deposits are returning fixed interest rates between 2% and 5% (2008: 5% and 7%). Short term deposits have an average maturity of 30 days and an average interest rates of 3% (2008: 30days, 5.5%).</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value due to the short term to maturity.</p>
Receivables - Rates & Associated Charges (including legals & penalties for late payment)	<p>Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal values less any allowance for doubtful debts. An allowance for doubtful debts is recognised (and re-assessed annually) when collection in full is no longer probable.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Secured over the subject land, arrears attract interest of 8.9% (2008: 10.25%) Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries in the State.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).</p>
Receivables - Fees & other charges	<p>Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal values less any allowance for doubtful debts. An allowance for doubtful debts is recognised (and re-assessed annually) when collection in full is no longer probable.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Unsecured, and do not bear interest. Although Council is not materially exposed to any individual debtor, credit risk exposure is concentrated within the Council's boundaries.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).</p>
Receivables - other levels of government	<p>Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal value.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective programs following advice of approvals, and do not bear interest. All amounts are due by Departments and Agencies of the Governments of the Commonwealth & State.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value.</p>
Receivables - Retirement Home Contributions	<p>Accounting Policy: Carried at nominal values less any allowance for doubtful debts. An allowance for doubtful debts is recognised (and re-assessed annually) when collection in full is no longer probable.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Amounts due have been calculated in accordance with the terms and conditions of the respective legislation.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value (after deduction of any allowance).</p>
Liabilities - Creditors and Accruals	<p>Accounting Policy: Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Council.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Liabilities are normally settled on 30 day terms.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value.</p>
Liabilities - Retirement Home Contributions	<p>Accounting Policy: To avoid inconvenience when complying with the separate audit requirements imposed by the relevant legislation, amounts are carried at nominal values.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: Pursuant to Commonwealth legislation certain intending residents are required to contribute amounts on an interest free basis. The amounts are subject to certain deductions as prescribed by the legislation, the balance being repaid on termination of tenancy.</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value for short tenancies; may be non-materially overstated for longer tenancies.</p>
Liabilities - Interest Bearing Borrowings	<p>Accounting Policy: Carried at the principal amounts. Interest is charged as an expense as it accrues.</p> <p>Terms & conditions: secured over future revenues, borrowings are repayable on credit foncier terms; interest is charged at fixed rates between 5.3% and 9.05% (2008: 5.3% and 9.05%)</p> <p>Carrying amount: approximates fair value.</p>
Liabilities - Finance Leases	<p>Accounting Policy: accounted for in accordance with AASB 117.</p>

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Note 13 (cont) - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Liquidity Analysis

2009	Due < 1 year	Due > 1 year; ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets					
Fair Value through P & L					
Cash Assets	851,333	-	-	851,333	851,333
Loans & Receivables	907,544			907,544	907,544
Total	1,758,877	-	-	1,758,877	1,758,877

Weighted Average Interest rate 3.50%

Financial Liabilities

Payables	218,163	-	-	218,163	218,163
Current Borrowings	681,289	-	-	681,289	1,173
Non-Current Borrowings	-	1,735,787	632,011	2,367,798	3,047,914
Total	899,452	1,735,787	632,011	3,267,250	3,267,250

2008	Due < 1 year	Due > 1 year; ≤ 5 years	Due > 5 years	Total Contractual Cash Flows	Carrying Values
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Financial Assets

Fair Value through P & L

Cash Assets	907,544	-	-	907,544	907,544
Loans & Receivables	611,386			611,386	611,386
Total	1,518,930	-	-	1,518,930	1,518,930

Weighted Average Interest rate 6.50%

Financial Liabilities

Payables	221,868	-	-	221,868	221,868
Current Borrowings	43,737	-	-	43,737	43,737
Non-Current Borrowings	738,486	2,088,509	839,718	3,666,713	3,666,713
Total	1,004,091	2,088,509	839,718	3,932,318	3,932,318

The following interest rates were applicable to Council's borrowings at balance date:

	30 June 2009		30 June 2008	
	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Carrying Value	Weighted Average Interest Rate	Carrying Value
	%	\$	%	\$
Overdraft	3.5	1,173	3.25	43,737
Other Variable Rates	-	218,163	-	221,868
Fixed Interest Rates	6.63	3,047,914	6.63	3,666,713
		3,267,250		3,932,318

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Note 13 (cont) - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Net Fair Value

All carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments. There is no recognised market for the financial assets of the Council.

Risk Exposures

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

Market Risk is the risk that fair values of financial assets will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices. All of Council's financial assets are denominated in Australian dollars and are not traded on any market, and hence neither market risk nor currency risk apply.

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

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

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Note 14 - COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE

	2009	2008
<u>Notes</u>	\$	\$
Capital Commitments		
Capital expenditure committed for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities:		
Buildings	<u>55,802</u>	<u>133,510</u>
	<u>55,802</u>	<u>133,510</u>
These expenditures are payable:		
Not later than one year	<u>55,802</u>	<u>133,510</u>
	<u>55,802</u>	<u>133,510</u>
Other Expenditure Commitments		
Other expenditure committed for (excluding inventories) at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities:		
Waste Management Services	-	13,483
Other	-	91,326
	<u>-</u>	<u>104,809</u>
These expenditures are payable:		
Not later than one year	<u>-</u>	<u>104,809</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>104,809</u>

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Note 15 - FINANCIAL INDICATORS

	2009	2008	2007
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These Financial Indicators have been calculated in accordance with *Information Paper 9 - Local Government Financial Indicators* prepared as part of the LGA Financial Sustainability Program for the Local Government Association of South Australia. Detailed methods of calculation are set out in the SA Model Statements.

Operating Surplus	257,634	1,651,816	236,947
- Adjusted for Grants Commission payment	(8,837)		

Being the operating surplus (deficit) before capital amounts .

Operating Surplus Ratio

<u>Operating Surplus</u>	5%	36%	6%
Rates - general & other less NRM levy			
- Adjusted for Grants Commission payment	-0.18%		

This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of general and other rates, net of NRM levy.

Net Financial Liabilities

	2,299,070	2,896,054	2,687,654
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Net Financial Liabilities are defined as total liabilities less financial assets (excluding equity accounted investments in Council businesses).

Net Financial Liabilities Ratio

<u>Net Financial Liabilities</u>	31%	34%	40%
Total Operating Revenue less NRM levy			

Interest Cover Ratio

<u>Net Interest Expense</u>	2.7%	2.1%	2.4%
Total Operating Revenue less NRM levy less Investment Income			

Asset Sustainability Ratio

<u>Net Asset Renewals</u>	103%	65%	66%
Depreciation Expense			

Net asset renewals expenditure is defined as net capital expenditure on the renewal and replacement of existing assets, and excludes new capital expenditure on the acquisition of additional assets.

Asset Consumption Ratio

<u>Carrying value of depreciable assets</u>	56%	56%	57%
Gross value of depreciable assets			

Total carrying value of depreciable assets divided by total reported value of depreciable assets before accumulated depreciation.

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Note 16 - UNIFORM PRESENTATION OF FINANCES

The following is a high level summary of both operating and capital investment activities of the Council prepared on a uniform and consistent basis. The uniform presentation represents a simplified version of reporting under the Government Finance Statistics (GFS) framework of the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

All Councils in South Australia voluntarily have agreed to summarise annual budgets and long-term financial plans on the same basis.

The arrangements ensure that all Councils provide a common 'core' of financial information, which enables meaningful comparisons of each Council's finances

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Income	7,425,828	8,594,005
<i>less</i> Expenses	<u>(7,168,194)</u>	<u>(6,942,189)</u>
	257,634	1,651,816
Net Outlays on Existing Assets		
Capital Expenditure on renewal and replacement of Existing Assets	(2,045,237)	(1,557,620)
<i>less</i> Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	1,685,289	1,532,170
<i>less</i> Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	<u>313,634</u>	<u>557,723</u>
	(46,314)	532,273
Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets		
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets <i>(including investment property & real estate developments)</i>	(618,979)	(698,989)
<i>less</i> Amounts received specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	969,748	-
<i>less</i> Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets <i>(including investment property and real estate developments)</i>	-	172,744
	<u>350,769</u>	<u>(526,245)</u>
Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year	<u>562,089</u>	<u>1,657,844</u>

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Note 17 - OPERATING LEASES

Lease payment commitments of Council

Council has entered into non-cancellable operating leases for various items of computer and other plant and equipment.

Contingent rental payments exist in relation to the lease of one grader if utilisation exceeds 250 hours during any month. No contingent rentals were paid during the current or previous reporting periods.

No lease imposes any additional restrictions on Council in relation to additional debt or further leasing.

Leases in relation to computer and office equipment permit Council, at expiry of the lease, to elect to re-lease, return or acquire the equipment leased.

No lease contains any escalation clause.

Commitments under non-cancellable operating leases that have not been recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Not later than one year	7,172	9,941
Later than one year and not later than 5 years	<u>12,317</u>	<u>8,484</u>
	<u>19,489</u>	<u>18,425</u>

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Note 18 - SUPERANNUATION

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

Marketlink (Accumulation Fund) Members

Marketlink receives both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings in accordance with superannuation guarantee legislation (9% in 2008/09 for Marketlink members and 3% for Salarylink members; 9% and 3% respectively in 2007/08). No further liability accrues to the employer as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the Fund.

Salarylink (Defined Benefit) Members

Salarylink is a defined benefit scheme where the benefit payable is based on a formula determined by the member's contribution rate, number of years of contribution and final average salary. Council makes employer contributions to Salarylink as determined by the Scheme's Trustee based on advice from the Scheme's Actuary. The rate is currently 6% (6% in 2007/2008) of "superannuation" salary. Given that Employer contributions are based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings in accordance with superannuation guarantee legislation, the remaining 3% for Salarylink members is allocated to their Marketlink account. Employees also make member contributions to the Fund. As such, assets accumulate in the Fund to meet the member's benefits, as defined in the Trust Deed, as they accrue.

The Salarylink Plan is a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Fund's assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by employer, the Actuary is unable to allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided by AASB 119.32(b), Council does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

The most recent full actuarial investigation conducted by the Scheme's actuary, L C Brett, BSc., FIA, FIAA, of Brett and Watson Pty Ltd as at 30 June 2008, the Trustee has determined that the current funding arrangements are adequate for the expected Defined Benefit Plan liabilities. However, future financial and economic circumstances may require changes to Council's contribution rates at some future time.

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Note 19 - JOINT VENTURES & ASSOCIATED ENTITIES

Section 43 of the Local Government Act 1999, provides that Councils may establish a regional subsidiary to carry out joint projects, functions or activities of the Councils

Central Local Government Region of South Australia

The District Council of Mallala is a member of the Central Local Government Region of South Australia, referred to in this report as the "Subsidiary".

- undertake co-ordinating, advocacy and representational roles on behalf of its Constituent Councils at a regional level
- facilitate and co-ordinate activities of local government at a regional level related to community and economic development with the object of achieving improvement for the benefit of the communities of its Constituent Councils.
- develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain consultation and co-operation and to strengthen the representation and status of local government when dealing with other governments, private enterprise and the community;
- develop further co-operation between its Constituent Councils for the benefit of the communities of the region;
- develop and manage policies which guide the conduct of programs and projects in the region with the objective of securing the best outcomes for the communities of the region;
- undertake projects and activities that benefit the region and its communities;
- associate, collaborate and work in conjunction with other regional local government bodies for the advancement of matters of common interest.

During the 2008-09 year Council Subsidiary contributions were \$8,895.

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA)

The GRFMA has been established for the following purposes:

1. To coordinate the construction, operation and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure in the Gawler River area (the Floodplain);
2. To raise finance for the purpose of developing, managing and operating and maintaining flood mitigation works within the Floodplain;
3. To provide a forum for the discussion and consideration of topics relating to the Constituent Council's obligations and responsibilities in relation to management of flood mitigation within the Floodplain;
4. To enter into agreements with Constituent Councils for the purpose of managing and developing the Floodplain.

During the 2008-09 year Council Subsidiary contributions were for a subscription of \$4,000.

This note is continued on the next page.

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Note 19 (cont) - JOINT VENTURES & ASSOCIATED ENTITIES

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Current Assets	1,015,831	1,087,895
Non-current Assets	15,729,084	15,860,612
Total Assets	<u>16,744,915</u>	<u>16,948,507</u>
Current Liabilities	-	16,321
Non-current Liabilities	-	-
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>16,321</u>
NET ASSETS	<u><u>16,744,915</u></u>	<u><u>16,932,186</u></u>
EQUITY		
Retained earnings	16,932,186	10,511,961
Reserves	-	(1,235,810)
Net Surplus (deficit) from Operations	(187,271)	7,676,035
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>16,744,915</u>	<u>16,932,186</u>
<u>SHARE OF NET ASSETS</u>		
District Council of Mallala percentage share in Net Assets	28.47%	28.53%
% of brought forward Net Assets	4,831,354	3,038,135
% of Surplus (deficit) from Operations	(64,670)	1,793,219
Share of Net Assets recognised as non-current assets, investment (see Note 6)	<u>4,766,684</u>	<u>4,831,354</u>

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Note 20 - CONTINGENCIES & ASSETS & LIABILITIES NOT RECOGNISED IN THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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

1 POTENTIAL INSURANCE LOSSES

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

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

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

2 BANK GUARANTEES

Council has guaranteed an amount of \$36,000 for a lease on a rubble pit (6143 EML) (2007: \$36,000) at reporting date.

Council does not expect to incur any loss arising from these guarantees.

3 LEGAL EXPENSES

Council is the planning consent authority for its area under the Development Act 1993 (as amended). Pursuant to that Act, certain persons aggrieved by a planning decision of the Council may appeal. It is normal practice that parties bear their own legal costs.

At the date of reporting, Council is unaware of any appeals against planning decisions made before reporting date.

4 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A claim against the bank guarantee, the contingency is \$36,000

Council is gathering information and data for all of its landfill sites in regard to rehabilitation of those sites, the known sites to be addressed are; old landfill at two Wells, Coleman Road Mallala, Parham, Lewiston, Mallala (current site). The Environment Protection Authority is liaising with council on the Coleman Rd Mallala site.

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Note 21 - TRUSTS

Details of Trusts	2009	2008
	\$	\$
The following trusts were held by Council as at the reporting date but are not included in the accounts:		
Thompsan Beach Ratepayers	1,173	1,173
The District Council of Mallala received monies to be held on behalf of a community group from which it makes authorised payment for expenditure		
Total Trusts	<u>1,173</u>	<u>1,173</u>

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**ANNUAL GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2009**

STATEMENT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I, Charles Mansueto, the person for the time being occupying the position of Chief Executive Officer of District Council of Mallala, do hereby state that the Financial Statements of the Council for the year ended 30 June 2009 are to the best of my knowledge presented fairly, and in accordance with accounting procedures which have been maintained in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999* made under that Act.



Charles Mansueto
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dated this 16th day of November 2009

ADOPTION STATEMENT

Laid before the District Council of Mallala and adopted on the

16th day of November 2009.



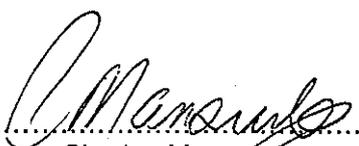
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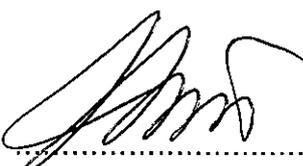
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District Council of Mallala**ANNUAL GENERAL PURPOSE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 June 2009****CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE**

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the audit of District Council of Mallala for the year ended 30 June 2009, the Council's Auditor, Dean Newberry & Partners has maintained its independence in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999* made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16A(2) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999*.


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Charles Mansueto
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER


.....
John Comrie
**PRESIDING MEMBER
AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Dated: 16/11/2009

Auditor's Independence Declaration Under Section 16A of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 to the District Council of Mallala.

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the District Council of Mallala for the year ended 30 June 2009, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110 – Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999* made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16A (4) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999*.



JIM KEOGH

Partner

**DEAN NEWBERY & PARTNERS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
214 MELBOURNE STREET
NORTH ADELAIDE SA 5006**

NORTH ADELAIDE, this 18th day of June 2009



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF MALLALA

We have audited the accompanying financial report of the District Council of Mallala, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2009 and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the Chief Executive Officer's Statement.

The Responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer for the Financial Report

The Chief Executive Officer of the District Council of Mallala is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Local Government Act 1999 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control 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 and 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 Chief Executive Officer, 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 an audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Local Government Act 1999 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999, provided to the Chief Executive Officer on 18 June 2009, would be in the same terms if provided to the Chief Executive Officer as at the date of this auditor's report.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the District Council of Mallala as of 30 June 2009, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 and the Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations).

**DEAN NEWBERY & PARTNERS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**


**Jim Keogh
PARTNER**

Signed on the 30th day of November 2009,
at 214 Melbourne Street, North Adelaide, South Australia 5006.

Appendix II

Central Local Government Region

Annual Report 2008 – 2009

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The Central Local Government Region of South Australia

The Central Local Government Region was established in 1998 under Section 200 of the Local Government Act 1934 as a controlling authority. It now continues in existence and as a regional subsidiary of its member Councils under Part 2 of Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999 by virtue of the provisions of Section 25 of the Local Government (Implementation) Act 1999.

The Central Region is established to:

- undertake co-ordinating, advocacy and representational roles on behalf of its Constituent Councils at a regional level
- facilitate and co-ordinate activities of local government at a regional level related to community and economic development with the object of achieving improvement for the benefit of the communities of its Constituent Councils
- develop, encourage, promote, foster and maintain consultation and co-operation and to strengthen the representation and status of local government when dealing with other governments, private enterprise and the community
- develop further co-operation between its Constituent Councils for the benefit of the communities of the region
- develop and manage policies which guide the conduct of programs and projects in the region with the objective of securing the best outcomes for the communities of the region
- undertake projects and activities that benefit the region and its communities
- associate, collaborate and work in conjunction with other regional local government bodies for the advancement of matters of common interest.

The Central Region is a body corporate and is governed by a Board of Management which has the responsibility to manage all activities of the Central Region and ensure that the Central Region acts in accordance with its Charter. The Board has 15 members, comprising one representative elected from each constituent Council:

- Barossa Council
- District Council of Barunga West
- Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council
- District Council of The Copper Coast
- The Flinders Ranges Council
- Regional Council of Goyder
- Light Regional Council
- District Council of Mallala
- District Council of Mount Remarkable
- Northern Areas Council
- District Council of Orroroo/Carrieton
- District Council of Peterborough
- Port Pirie Regional Council
- Wakefield Regional Council
- District Council of Yorke Peninsula

The Region's area spans the Barossa through the Clare Valley, Yorke Peninsula, Adelaide Plains, Mid and Upper North districts through to the Flinders Ranges, covering 27 per cent of the incorporated area of the State and comprises some 27 per cent of the State's population outside Adelaide.

Office Bearers for 2008/09

Chairman:	Mayor James Maitland (Wakefield)
Deputy Chairs:	Mayor Max Mc Hugh (Flinders Ranges) Mayor Ray Agnew (Yorke Peninsula)
Delegate to the LGA State Executive:	Mayor James Maitland (Wakefield) Mayor Ray Agnew (Yorke Peninsula)
Proxy Delegate to the LGA State Executive:	Cr Peter Graham (Light) – from April 2007 – February 2009
Delegates to SAROC:	Mayor James Maitland (Wakefield) Mayor Ray Agnew (Yorke Peninsula) Mrs Anita Crisp
Executive Officer:	Anita Crisp
Auditor:	Gerald Cobiac and Co.



Central Region Board of Management meeting held at Blyth during 2008

Central Local Government Region Board of Management

The Central Local Government Region Board of Management comprises an elected delegate appointed from each of the 15 member councils. A proxy delegate is also appointed, with policy provisions allowing for representation by other elected or endorsed members.

In February 2007 the Central Local Government Region confirmed, subject to the provisions within the Charter, the appointment of the following Council delegates to the CLGR Board of Management for a term to expire concurrent with the 2010 Local Government elections:

<u>Council</u>	<u>Delegate</u>	<u>Proxy Delegate</u>
The Barossa Council	Mayor Brian Hurn	Cr Barrie Stewart
District Council of Barunga West	Mayor Dean Dolling	Deputy Mayor Ian Burgess
District Council of the Copper Coast	Mayor Paul Thomas	Deputy Mayor Dean Rodda
Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council	Mayor Allan Aughey	Cr Wayne Thomas
Flinders Ranges Council	Mayor Max McHugh	Deputy Mayor John Shute
Regional Council of Goyder	Mayor Peter Matthey	Deputy Mayor Warren Mosey
Light Regional Council	Mayor Robert Hornsey	Deputy Mayor Carrick
District Council of Mallala	Chair Cr Steven Kennedy, replaced mid term by Chair Cr Tony Flaherty	
District Council of Mount Remarkable	Mayor Trevor Rooke	Cr Michael Pearce
Northern Areas Council	Chair Cr Allan Woolford	Cr Denis Clark
District Council of Orroroo Carrieton	Chair Cr Kathie Bowman	Deputy Chair Cr Colin Parkyn
District Council of Peterborough	Mayor Ruth Whittle	Cr Judith Kempen
Port Pirie Regional Council	Deputy Mayor Neville Wilson	Cr John Legg
Wakefield Regional Council	Mayor James Maitland	Deputy Mayor Barry Nottle
District Council of Yorke Peninsula	Mayor Ray Agnew	Cr Jeff Cook and Cr Joyce Yeomans

Meetings of the Central Local Government Region Board of Management

Four meetings of the Central Local Government Region Board of Management were held during the 2008/2009, each hosted by one of the member Councils. The meeting host and location is rotated throughout the region on alphabetical order. Meetings were held:

- Friday 8th August 2008 – AGM, hosted by District Council of Yorke Peninsula
- Friday 14th November 2008, hosted by The Barossa Council
- Friday 13th February 2009, hosted by District Council of Barunga West
- Friday 15th May 2009, hosted by Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council

Committee Meetings

In accordance with its Charter, the Central Local Government Region maintains several sub committees to assist in effective project implementation and governance. The committee's generally meet on an as needs basis and comprise representatives from the various member councils along with, in many cases additional delegates from other relevant regional bodies or state government agencies:

Committee	Members	Meeting Dates
Executive Committee:	Mayor James Maitland, Mayor Max McHugh, Mayor Ray Agnew, Mayor Trevor Roocke, Cr Kathie Bowman	11 th July 2008 10 th October 2008 3 rd April 2009
Member Councils CEO's Forums:	David Morcom (Barossa), Nigel Hand (Barunga West), Roy Blight (Clare & Gilbert Valleys), Peter Dinning (Copper Coast), Lee Connors/Colin Davies (Flinders Ranges), John Brak (Goyder), Brian Carr (Light), Damien Moloney (Mallala), Sean Cheriton (Mt Remarkable), Keith Hope (Northern Areas), Tony Renshaw/Iian Wilson (Orroroo/Carrieton), Terry Barnes (Peterborough), Andrew Johnson (Pirie Regional), Phil Barry (Wakefield), Ricki Bruhn (Yorke Peninsula). Chaired by a member of the CLGR Executive	11 th July 2008 10 th October 2008 19 th December 2008 3 rd April 2009
Transport Infrastructure Planning Committee:	Lee Connors – Chair until Feb 09 (Flinders Ranges), Roy Blight (Clare & Gilbert Valleys), Michael Lange (Barossa), David Hassett (Wakefield), John Tillack (Mallala), Tony Eckermann (Clare & Gilbert Valleys), Roy O'Connor (Goyder), Fred Linke (Barunga West), Simon Millcock/Paul McInerney (Regional Development), Phil Stratton/Peter Tan (DTEI)	14 th October 2008 21 st November 2008 16 th February 2009 1-2 nd April 2009
Regional Waste Management Steering Committee:	Ian Baldwin (Barossa), Debbie Devlin (Port Pirie), Stephen Goldsworthy (Yorke Peninsula), Andrew Philpott (Light), Cr Trevor Roocke (Mt Remarkable), Cr Tony Schkabaryn (Barunga West), Cr Frederick Sparks (Northern Areas), Adam Gray (LGA SA), Marina Wagner (EPA), Fiona Jenkins (Zero Waste)	31 st July 2009 * 4 th August 2008 12 th March 2009 (Northern) 21 st April 2009 (Northern) 22 nd April 2009 (Lower Nrth) 10 th June 2009 <i>*note transition to two sub-regional working groups from July 09</i>
Natural Disaster and Risk Mitigation Project Steering Committee:	Mr Phil Barry (Wakefield), Mr Ian Baldwin (Barossa), Cr Allan Woolford (Northern Areas), Mr John Schmidt (Orroroo Carrieton), Mr Matt Maywald (State Emergency Services), Mr Neville Hyatt (Project Officer) – Ex Officio	Nil
Water Project Steering Committee:	Mr Ricki Bruhn (Yorke Peninsula), Mr Peter Dinning (Copper Coast), Mr Lee Connors (Flinders Ranges), Mr Henri Mueller (Mallala), Mr Peter Stockings (Yorke Regional Development Board), Mr Kerry Ward (Northern & Yorke NRM Board), Mr Paul Doherty (SA Water/Office of Water Security)	23 rd October 2008
Broadband Project Steering Committee:	Mr Damien Moloney (Mallala) – Chair, Mr Lee Connors (Flinders Ranges), Mr Peter Dinning (Copper Coast), Ms Leonie Fretwell (Goyder), Mr Colin Rawnsley/Ms Kelly-Anne Saffin (Mid North Regional Development Board), Cr Elizabeth Calvert (Clare & Gilbert Valleys), Ms Louise Sladdin (Regional Broadband Officer)	8 th August 2008
Coastal Councils Project Executive Committee:	Mayor Ray Agnew (Yorke Peninsula), Mr Damien Moloney (Mallala), Ms Anita Crisp (Central Region Executive Officer), Ms Deborah Allen (Coastcare Facilitator) – ex officio	Nil
Executive Officer Performance Review Committee:	Mayor James Maitland, Mr Nigel Hand, Cr Kathie Bowman	19 th December 2008

Regional Forums and Workshops

In order to progress specific priorities and actions, the Central Local Government Region occasionally holds information forums or workshops to allow member councils and other relevant stakeholders to come together and discuss or learn about particular initiatives.

The forums and workshops provide an opportunity for greater awareness, understanding and engagement with various Central Local Government Region activities and increases the level of active involvement by stakeholders. The following issue-specific forums were held during the 2008/09 financial year.

21 st November 2008	Regional Transport Workshop – Special Local Roads Briefing, Crystal Brook
19 th December 2008	Regional Development, Waste and Water Forum
14 th May 2009	Stormwater Reuse and Regional Development Australia *
5 th June 2009	ICLEI Water Campaign Council Recognition Event, Kadina **
17 th June 2009	Coastal Councils Forum, Port Broughton
3 rd April 2009	Regional Development Australia, Crystal Brook
12 th June 2009	Regional Development Australia, Clare

* - held in conjunction with the LGA

** - convened by ICLEI, a co-funded project with the CLGR



*Council representatives attending Central
Local Government Region activities*



Achievements for 2008/09

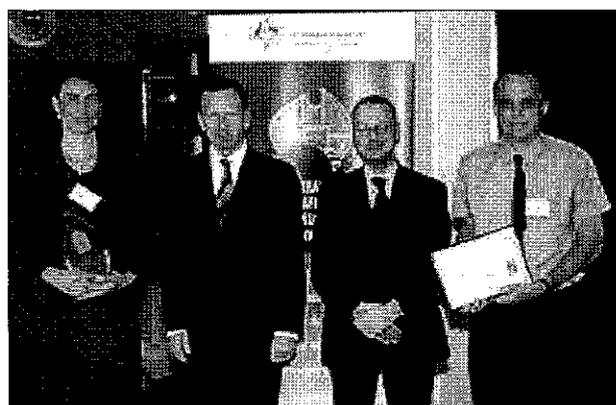
During the 2008/09 year, the Central Region continued to progress a number of priority activities, as identified under the target areas within the strategic and business plan:

Focus Areas and Targets	Achievements for 2008/09
1. Board Governance and Operation	
<p><i>The Central Local Government Region's actions and operation accountable and transparent in accordance with agreed governance practices.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Central Region revised charter finalised and gazetted ▪ CLGR Board meeting agendas & minutes distributed in accordance with policy ▪ Committee operations executed within terms of reference ▪ Board Policy Manual finalised and endorsed ▪ Establishment of Central Region Audit Committee ▪ Ongoing re-alignment of Central Local Government operations with agreed policies and procedures continues
2. Communication, Networks and Relationships	
<p><i>The Central Local Government Region -</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>is well regarded by its member councils and stakeholders as a valid and relevant organisation</i> • <i>has a solid and broad network of relevant stakeholders with whom appropriate communication, a positive and collaborative relationship exists.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Monthly newsletter prepared and distributed ▪ Attendance by LGASA and Department of Planning and Local Government at CLGR quarterly meetings ▪ Ad hoc communications with LGASA and DPLG staff as required ▪ Attendance at all SAROC, LGA State Executive and LGA General meetings ▪ Informal meetings with Regional Executive Officers on key issues ▪ Participation of relevant regional agencies and bodies on CLGR committees and at workshops and forums as appropriate ▪ Distribution of monthly newsletter to Commonwealth and State MP's ▪ MP briefings as required ▪ Website update ▪ Local media coverage of Central Region projects and events
3. Regional Identity and Cohesion	
<p><i>Stakeholders of the Central Local Government geographical area operate as a strong, coordinated region that is well recognised and regarded at State and Federal levels and that works with an effective, collaborative and pro-active approach to issues of priority.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Local Government representation on State Government Regional Coordination Network ▪ Participation and support of Planning SA 'Regional Spatial Planning' program ▪ Submission to Australian Government regarding establishment of Regional Development Australia ▪ Convene Regional Development Australia workshop sessions ▪ Regular liaison with Regional Development Boards, NRM Board and other regional partners on relevant issues ▪ Central Region office co-location with Regional DTEI
4. Local Government Leadership, Succession and Sustainability	
<p><i>Local Government viewed as a genuine, effective, capable and legitimate level of government, with elections well contested, an improved rate of recruitment and retention of Local Government professional staff and a greater public awareness and appreciation of the role and function of Councils.</i></p> <p><i>Local Government operations are sustainable and adequately resourced</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quarterly Council CEOs forum held ▪ Convene regular Council CEO update with LGA Executive Director ▪ Attendance at Australian Local Government Association assembly in Canberra ▪ Participation in LGA Financial Sustainability Stakeholder Workshop ▪ Update by Local Government Managers Association to Central Region meetings ▪ Liaison with LGA regarding inequity of Councils fully funding court costs following appeals to development applications refused on advice by State Government agencies ▪ Submission to review of LGA constitution ▪ Coordination of Central Zone appointments to LGA State Executive Committee

5. Regional IT & Telecommunications	
<i>Improved telecommunications and technologies across the CLGR region</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Broadband Project Officer active <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing liaison with local internet and broadband service providers and advice to Australian and State Government regarding Australian Broadband Guarantee • Updates to Councils, Regional Development Boards, Wakefield Group, local Mps and media • Supported expansion of new terrestrial wireless services • Advice, training and support to businesses and consumers regarding broadband access and availability, e-security, applications • Submissions to Australian Government – Infrastructure Australia, Regional Telecommunications Review, Regional Blackspots program and Regulatory Review • Meetings with Federal and State Government regarding regional Broadband • Correspondence and liaison encouraging State Government to take a strong leadership role in coordinating and implementing a timely, multi-region solution for deployment of modern, affordable terrestrial wireless broadband infrastructure deployment; • Reports to SAROC and LGA regarding regional broadband • Update broadband data for CLGR region • Coordinated and hosted Australian Telecommunications User Group (ATUG) national roadshow events across the Region • Support to Thinker in Residence Program activity in Region
6. Waste Management	
<i>Viable, sensible and long term solutions for waste management across the region</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implementation of Regional Waste Management Strategy recommendations underway with support from TJH Management Services ▪ Regular meetings of waste sub regions active (southern & northern) ▪ Active liaison with Zero Waste SA and EPA ▪ Coordination of Regional Assessment Panel for Zero Waste SA 'Regional Implementation Program' ▪ Preparation of Regional Implementation Program regional submission ▪ Liaison with SAROC and LGA regarding Service Charge for waste collection ▪ Correspondence to State Minister regarding security of Zero Waste funding for Regional implementation projects
7. Roads and Transport	
<i>Sound and sustainable transport network and appropriate community access to transportation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transport Infrastructure Planning Committee active ▪ Assessment, inspection and regional submission to Special Local Roads program ▪ Council Special Local Roads briefing held ▪ Submission and case studies regarding implementation of road reclassification guidelines
8. Natural Resource Management	
<i>Local Government is appropriately resourced and considered as a genuine, integral and active partner to help achieve local NRM outcomes.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Australian Government funding for Local Government Environment & Sustainability Officer network secured ▪ Completion of Regional Coastal Management Access Strategy and Signage Guide and commencement of implementation ▪ Additional funding secured for continuation of Regional Coastcare Officer ▪ Coordination of Annual 'Coastal Council' Forum and ongoing liaison with Coastal Councils ▪ Redraft Local Government NRM Action Plan in conjunction with Northern & Yorke NRM Board ▪ Submission to draft N&Y NRM Board plan ▪ Participation in LGA Review of NRM – regional consultation sessions ▪ Local Government rep attendance at Regional NRM Board meetings
9. Regional Water Supply	

<p><i>Measurable improvement in sustainable water supply for the Region</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Co-funding with NRM Boards for implementation support to regional ICLEI Water Campaign delivery – nine Councils participating ▪ Attended ICLEI Recognition Awards – Canberra and Adelaide ▪ Correspondence to Minister for Water Security regarding regional water resource management and sustainability ▪ 'Water Forum' held in conjunction with Council CEO's forum ▪ Funding of Technical Officer (Water) for Central Region ▪ Coordinate Central Region projects to LGA Stormwater Reuse proposal in conjunction with SAMDB NRM Board and ICLEI ▪ Briefing to Office of Federal Minister for Water Resources regarding support for implementation of Tonkin report ▪ Liaison with LGA regarding implementation of SA Water Irrigated Public Open Space (IPOS) Code of Practice
<p>10. Energy</p>	
<p><i>Secure, adequate and effective energy networks to meet community needs</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preparation of Rural Electricity Augmentation submission to State Government, Electricity Supply Planning Industry Commission and ESCOSA
<p>11. Disaster Mitigation</p>	
<p><i>Disaster risk is effectively managed and impact minimised</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 'Safer Communities' award and LGA Innovation Showcase presentation for Regional Natural Disaster and Risk Mitigation strategy ▪ Local Council Emergency Management Plans finalised ▪ Liaison with State Government regarding establishment of Zone Emergency Management committees ▪ Participation in LGA Bushfire Working Group and Fire & Emergency Services Act review Regional Forum ▪ Correspondence to State Minister regarding ZEMC funding ▪ Local Government representation on Regional Drought Taskforce ▪ Correspondence to State Minister regarding continuation of drought support programs ▪ Regional Climate Change Steering Committee established in conjunction with Regional Development and NRM Boards ▪ Correspondence to LGA and SAROC urging State Government DAC to become the authority responsible for either approving or refusing protection works adjacent freeholded shack sites
<p>12. Community Health and Wellbeing</p>	
<p><i>Appropriate infrastructure, facilities and services in place to suitably meet demand and enhance community health and wellbeing</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Correspondence to State Minister for Health regarding Country Health Plan ▪ Liaison with LGA regarding additional consultation on Country Health Plan ▪ Liaison with LGA and SAROC regarding proposed changes to school funding policy and ramifications for small, rural communities

Right: Central Region Executive Officer (Anita Crisp) and Natural Disaster & Risk Mitigation Project Officer (Neville Hyatt) accepting the Emergency Management Australia 'Safer Communities' award for the Regional Natural Disaster and Risk Mitigation Strategy from Minister Wright and a representative from the Australian Government – Emergency Management Australia division



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INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

	NOTES	2009	2008
		\$	\$
INCOME			
Council Contributions	3	142,698	127,680
Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions	4	495,656	192,487
Investment Income	5	14,684	22,071
Other Incomes	6	14,431	13,917
TOTAL INCOMES		667,468	356,155
EXPENSES			
Employee Costs	7	893	3,656
Materials, Contracts & Other Expenses	8	433,664	361,695
TOTAL EXPENSES		434,557	365,351
OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		232,911	(9,197)
Net Gain (Loss) on Disposal or Revaluation of Assets	9	(8,947)	
Discontinued Operations			
Surplus (Deficit) of Discontinued Operations	10		(84)
Gain (Loss) on Disposal of Assets of Discontinued Operations	10		(139,869)
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		223,964	(149,149)

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2009

	NOTES	2009	2008
ASSETS		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	11	458,610	321,479
Trade & Other Receivables	12	104,574	18,565
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		563,184	340,044
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	13	28,641	27,583
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		28,641	27,583
TOTAL ASSETS		591,824	367,628
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade & Other Payables	14	232	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		232	0
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		0	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES		232	0
NET ASSETS		591,592	367,628
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		591,592	367,628
TOTAL EQUITY		591,592	367,628

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

	NOTES	2009	2008
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS		\$	\$
Balance at End of Previous Reporting Period		367,628	516,777
Net Surplus (Deficit) for Year		223,964	(149,149)
<i>BALANCE AT END OF PERIOD</i>		591,592	367,628
TOTAL EQUITY AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD		591,592	367,628

**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

	NOTES	2009 \$	INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS)	2008 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
<i>Receipts</i>				
Operating Receipts		569,113		356,376
Investment Receipts		17,255		21,645
GST Collected		60,275		34,178
GST Refund from the ATO		40,161		35,611
<i>Payments</i>				
Operating Payments to Suppliers & Employees		(434,346)		(365,435)
Finance Payments				
GST Payments on Purchases		(40,140)		(35,611)
GST Remitted to the ATO		(65,184)		(35,407)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (OR USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES		147,136		11,356
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
<i>Receipts</i>				
Sale of Replaced Assets		18,636		
<i>Payments</i>				
Expenditure on Renewal/Replacement of Assets		(28,641)		
Capital Contributed to Associated Entities				(47,617)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (OR USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(10,004)		(47,617)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
<i>Receipts</i>				
<i>Payments</i>				
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (OR USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		0		0
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		137,131		(36,261)
CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD		321,479		357,739
CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF REPORTING PERIOD	15	458,610		321,479

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

1. Significant Accounting Policies

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

(a) The Local Government Reporting Entity

The Central Local Government Region of South Australia Incorporated ("the Region"), is a Regional Subsidiary under Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999.

The Constituent Councils are:

The Barossa Council;	District Council of Mount Remarkable;
District Council of Barunga West;	Northern Areas Council;
Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council;	District Council of Orroroo / Carrieton;
District Council of the Copper Coast;	District Council of Peterborough;
The Flinders Ranges Council;	Port Pirie Regional Council;
Regional Council of Goyder;	Wakefield Regional Council; and
Light Regional Council;	District Council of Yorke Peninsula.
District Council of Mallala;	

All funds received and expended by the Region have been included in the Financial Statements forming part of this Financial Report.

(b) Basis of Accounting

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) as they apply to not-for-profit entities, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations (UIGs) and relevant South Australian legislation.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Region by certificate under clause 11 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1999 dated 31 July 2009.

Except where stated below, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

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

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

(c) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Revenue is recognised when the Region obtains control over the assets comprising the revenue, or when the amount due constitutes an enforceable debt, whichever first occurs.

Where grants, contributions and donations recognised as revenues during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the amounts subject to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in these notes. Also disclosed is the amount of grants, contributions and receivables recognised as revenues in a previous reporting period which were obtained in respect of the Region's operations for the current reporting period.

(d) Cash, Cash Equivalents & Other Financial Instruments

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

Receivables are generally unsecured and do not bear interest. All receivables are reviewed as at the reporting date and adequate allowance made for amounts the receipt of which is considered doubtful.

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

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(e) *Property, Plant & Equipment*

All non-current assets purchased are capitalised as the expenditure is incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held "ready for use".

All assets are initially recognised at cost. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

Assets with an economic life in excess of one year are only capitalised where the cost of acquisition exceeds materiality thresholds established by the Region for each type of asset. In determining such thresholds, regard is had to the nature of the asset and its estimated service life. Examples of capitalisation thresholds applied during the year are as follows:-

Office Furniture & Equipment	\$1,000
Other Plant & Equipment	\$1,000

Certain asset classes are revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value.

All plant and equipment assets recognised are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets. Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis.

(f) *Payables*

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

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

(g) *Employee Benefits*

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

Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows (including payroll based on costs) to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

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

(h) *Superannuation*

The Region makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Local Government Superannuation Scheme. The Scheme has two types of membership, each of which is funded differently.

No changes in accounting policy have occurred during either the current or previous reporting periods.

Accumulation Fund Members - The accumulation fund receives both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are normally based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings in accordance with Superannuation Guarantee Legislation (9% in 2008/2009; 9% in 2007/2008). No further liability accrues to the employer as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the Fund.

Defined Benefit Members - the Region makes employer contributions to the defined benefits categories of the Scheme at rates determined by the Scheme's Trustee. The rate is currently 6% (6% in 2007/2008) of superannuation salary. Employees also make member contributions to the Fund. As such, assets accumulate in the Fund to meet the member's benefits, as defined in the Trust Deed, as they accrue.

The Fund's Defined Benefit Plan is a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Fund's assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by employer, the Actuary is unable to allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided by AASB 119.32(b), the Region does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

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(i) GST Implications

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

* Receivables and Creditors include GST receivable and payable.

* Except in relation to input taxed activities, revenues and operating expenditures exclude GST receivable and payable.

* Non-current assets and capital expenditures include GST net of any recoupment.

* Amounts included in the Statement of Cash Flows are disclosed on a gross basis.

(j) Comparative Information

Comparative information has been reclassified to be consistent with the current year disclosure of equivalent information in accordance with AIFRS.

(k) New Accounting Standards

Certain new accounting standards and UIG interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2009 reporting period.

AASB 3	Business Combinations
AASB 101	Presentation of Financial Statements
AASB 123	Borrowing Costs
AASB 127	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements
AASB 2007-6 & 8	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 123
AASB 2007-10	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 101
AASB 2008-2	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Puttable Financial Instruments and Obligations arising on Liquidation
AASB 2008-3	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 3 and AASB 127
AASB 2008-5 & 6	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project
AASB 2008-7	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Cost of an Investment in a Subsidiary, Jointly Controlled Entity or Associate
AASB 2008-8	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Eligible Hedged Items
AASB 2008-9	Amendments to AASB1049 for consistency with AASB 101
AASB 2008-11	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Business Combinations Among Not-for-Profit Entities
AASB 2008-12	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Reclassification of Financial Assets - Effective Date and Transition
AASB 2008-13	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB Interpretation 17 - Distributions of Non Cash Assets to Owners
Interpretation 15	Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate
Interpretation 16	Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation
Interpretation 17	Distribution of Non-cash Assets to Owners
Interpretation 18	Transfers of Assets from Customers

NB. Standards not affecting Local Government Entities have been excluded from the above list.

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

(l) Subscriptions

Clause 5.2 of the Charter of the Region prescribes that subscriptions by Constituent Councils will be decided at the Annual General Meeting. For 2008 / 2009 these were \$8,895 exclusive of GST.

2. Functions / Activities of the Region

Revenues and expenses have been attributed to the functions / activities which are described below.

The activities of the Region are categorised into the following broad programs:

General Operating Activities	Natural Resource Management
Regional Transport Strategy & Review	Natural Disaster & Risk Mitigation
Water Project	Broadband Project
Transport Infrastructure Committee	STEDs Project
Regional Waste Management	Reserves

Revenues, expenses and the carrying amount of assets which are reliably attributable to each of the listed functions / activities are reported on regularly throughout the year and are available upon request to the Executive Officer.

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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	NOTES	2009	2008
3. COUNCIL CONTRIBUTIONS		\$	\$
General Operations		133,425	127,680
Roads Project		9,273	
		142,698	127,680
4. GRANTS, SUBSIDIES & OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS			
Other Grants, Subsidies & Contributions		495,656	192,487
		495,656	192,487
<i>Sources of Grants</i>			
Commonwealth Government		379,091	1,000
State Government		80,000	160,000
Other		36,565	31,487
		495,656	192,487
<i>Conditions Over Grants & Contributions</i>			
Grants and contributions which were obtained on the condition that they be expended for specified purposes or in a future period, but which are not yet expended in accordance with those conditions, are as follows:			
Unexpended at Close of Previous Reporting Period		251,157	258,577
Less: Expended During the Current Period from Revenues Recognised in Previous Reporting Periods:-			
Waste Study			45,362
Disaster Mitigation Project		57,188	42,715
Broadband Project		6,542	
NRM		623	
		64,353	88,077
Plus: Amounts Recognised as Revenues in this Reporting Period but Not Yet Expended in Accordance with the Conditions:-			
Waste Study		13,727	
Disaster Mitigation Project			57,188
Broadband Project		92,908	6,542
Natural Resources Management		122,913	623
Climate Change			16,305
Local Government		36,565	
		266,114	80,657
Unexpended at Close of Reporting Period and held as Restricted Assets		452,918	251,157
Net Increase (Decrease) in Restricted Assets in Current Reporting Period		201,761	(7,420)
5. INVESTMENT INCOME			
Interest on Investments			
Local Government Finance Authority		14,671	22,060
Banks & Other		13	11
		14,684	22,071
6. OTHER INCOMES			
Vehicle Charges		13,917	10,417
Sundry		514	3,501
		14,431	13,917

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

	NOTES	2009	2008
7. EMPLOYEE COSTS		\$	\$
Salaries and Wages		819	3,345
Superannuation - Defined Cont Plan Contributions	19	74	311
		893	3,656
<i>Total Number of Employees</i>		-	0.05
<i>(Full Time Equivalent at End of Reporting Period)</i>			
8. MATERIALS, CONTRACTS & OTHER EXPENSES			
<i>Prescribed Expenses</i>			
Auditor's Remuneration			
Auditing the Financial Reports		1,200	1,400
		1,200	1,400
<i>Other Materials, Contracts & Expenses</i>			
Contractors		403,481	314,573
Energy / Fuel		3,413	5,171
Legal Expenses			15,879
Sundry		25,570	24,671
		432,464	360,295
		433,664	361,695
9. ASSET DISPOSAL & FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS			
Proceeds from Disposal		18,636	
Less: Carrying Amount of Assets Sold		27,583	
		(8,947)	0
10. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS			
As at 1st July 2007, the Region made the decision to discontinue its involvement and interests in the management and administration of the Mid North Community Passenger Transport Network. This responsibility was transferred to the Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council on behalf of the member Councils involved in the Transport Network. In making this transfer, employees, assets and liabilities of the Network were also transferred as outlined below.			
Revenue of Discontinued Operations			
Council Contributions			
Grants, Subsidies and Other Contributions			
Donations			
Other Revenues			
		0	0
Expenditure of Discontinued Operations			
Employee Costs			
Materials, Contracts & Other Expenses			84
		-	84
Surplus (Deficit) of Discontinued Operations		0	(84)
Carrying Amounts of Assets / Liabilities Disposed			
Cash & Cash Equivalents			47,617
Motor Vehicles			95,760
Other Equipment			7,970
Annual Leave Entitlement			(4,484)
Long Service Leave Entitlement			(6,995)
		-	139,869
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets			
Gain (Loss) on Disposal of Assets of Discontinued Operations		0	(139,869)

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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	NOTES	2009	2008
11. CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS		\$	\$
Cash on Hand & At Bank		85,962	31,074
Deposits at Call		372,648	290,405
	15	458,610	321,479
12. TRADE & OTHER RECEIVABLES			
Accrued Revenues		2,573	5,145
Debtors - General		102,001	13,421
		104,574	18,565
13. INFRASTRUCTURE, PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT			
<i>Valuation of Assets</i>			
At 1 July 2004 upon the transition to AIFRS, the Region elected pursuant to AASB 1.19 to retain a previously established deemed cost under GAAP as its deemed cost for the purposes of AIFRS.			
Pursuant to the Region's election, property, plant and equipment assets are recognised on the cost basis.			
PLANT & EQUIPMENT			
At Fair Value			
At Cost		28,641	27,583
		28,641	27,583
Carrying Amount at Close of Previous Reporting Period		27,583	131,314
Additions		28,641	
Disposals		(27,583)	
Discontinued Operations Disposals			(103,730)
Carrying Amount at Close of Current Reporting Period		28,641	27,583
14. TRADE & OTHER PAYABLES			
Accrued Expenses - Other		232	
		232	0

**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009**

15.	NOTES	2009 \$	2008 \$
RECONCILIATION TO CASH FLOW STATEMENT			
<i>Reconciliation of Cash</i>			
Cash Assets comprise highly liquid investments with short periods to maturity subject to insignificant risk of changes of value. Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Cash Flow Statement is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows:			
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	11	458,610	321,479
Less: Short Term Borrowings	BS		
Balance per Cash Flow Statement		458,610	321,479
<i>Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets to Cash from Operating Activities</i>			
Net Surplus (Deficit)		223,964	(149,149)
Non-Cash Items in Income Statement			
Net (Gain) Loss on Disposals		8,947	
(Gain) Loss on Disposal of Assets of Discontinued Operations			139,869
		232,911	(9,281)
Add (Less): Changes in Net Current Assets			
Net (Increase) Decrease in Receivables		(86,008)	20,637
Net Increase (Decrease) in Trade & Other Payables		232	
Net Cash Provided (or Used In) Operating Activities		147,136	11,356
<i>Non-Cash Financing and Investing Activities</i>			
Acquisition of Assets by Means of:-			
Physical Resources Received Free of Charge			
Non-Cash Grants & Contributions			
Amounts Recognised in Income Statement		0	0
Finance Leases			
Land Taken Over for Non-Payment of Rates			
		0	0
<i>Financing Arrangements</i>			
Unrestricted access was available at Balance Date to the following Lines of Credit:-			
Bank Overdrafts		0	0
Corporate Credit Cards		0	0

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

16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Net Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

The net fair value of cash and cash equivalents and non-interest bearing monetary financial assets and financial liabilities approximates their carrying value. Due to the nature of the financial instruments held by the Region, the costs associated with their settlement would not be material and therefore have not been considered.

Credit Risk Exposure

Credit risk represents the loss that would be recognised if other parties failed to perform as contracted.

The credit risk on financial assets, excluding investments, of the Region which have been recognised in the Balance Sheet (if any) is the carrying amount, net of any provision for doubtful debts.

The Region does not have significant exposure to any concentration of credit risk.

The net fair value of other monetary financial assets and financial liabilities is based on market prices where a market exists or by discounting expected future cash flows by the current interest rates for assets and liabilities with similar risk properties.

Cash flows are discounted using standard valuation techniques and the applicable market yield having regard to the timing of cash flows. The carrying amount of bank term deposits, accounts receivable, accounts payable and bank loans approximate net fair value

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16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONT.)

Interest Rate Risk Exposure

The Region's exposure to interest rate risk and the effective weighted average interest rate for classes of financial assets and financial liabilities is set out below. Exposures arise predominantly from assets and liabilities at variable interest rates as the Region intends to hold fixed rate assets and liabilities to maturity.

	Weighted Ave Interest Rate	Floating Interest Rate	One Year or Less	Fixed Interest Rate One to Five Years	More Than Five Years	Non Interest Bearing	Total
2009							
Financial Assets							
Cash on Hand							0
Cash at Bank	0.01 %	85,962					85,962
Deposits	2.75 %	372,648					372,648
Receivables						102,001	102,001
		458,610	0	0	0	102,001	560,611
Financial Liabilities							
Overdraft							0
Borrowings							0
Creditors & Accruals						232	232
		0	0	0	0	232	232
Excess of Financial Assets over Liabilities		458,610	0	0	0	101,768	560,378
2008							
Financial Assets							
Cash on Hand							0
Cash at Bank	0.50 %	31,074					31,074
Deposits	7.00 %	290,405					290,405
Receivables						13,421	13,421
		321,479	0	0	0	13,421	334,900
Financial Liabilities							
Overdraft							0
Borrowings							0
Creditors & Accruals							0
		0	0	0	0	0	0
Excess of Financial Assets over Liabilities		321,479	0	0	0	13,421	334,900

	2009 \$	2008 \$
RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS & LIABILITIES		
<i>Excess of Financial Assets over Liabilities</i>		
Financial Assets	560,611	334,900
Financial Liabilities	(232)	
	560,378	334,900
<i>Non-Financial Assets (Liabilities)</i>		
Accrued Revenues	2,573	5,145
Property, Plant & Equipment	28,641	27,583
	31,214	32,728
<i>Net Assets per Balance Sheet</i>	591,592	367,628

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17.	NOTES	2009	2008	2007
		\$	\$	\$
	These Financial Indicators have been calculated in accordance with Information Paper 9 - Local Government Financial Indicators prepared as part of the LGA Financial Sustainability Program for the Local Government Association of South Australia.			
	Operating Surplus	232,911	(9,197)	55,806
	<i>Being the operating surplus (deficit) before capital amounts .</i>			
	Operating Surplus Ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A
	<i>This ratio expresses the operating surplus as a percentage of general and other rates, net of NRM levy.</i>			
	Net Financial Liabilities	(562,951)	(340,044)	(385,463)
	<i>Net Financial Liabilities are defined as total liabilities less financial assets (excluding equity accounted investments in the Region's businesses).</i>			
	Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	(84 %)	(95 %)	(97 %)
	Interest Cover Ratio	(2.2 %)	(6.6 %)	(5.8 %)
	Asset Sustainability Ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asset Consumption Ratio	N/A	N/A	N/A

18. UNIFORM PRESENTATION OF FINANCES

The Local Government Association's General Meeting in March 2006 resolved that a high level summary of both operating and capital investment activities of each council / subsidiary be prepared on a uniform and consistent basis, thereby enabling more meaningful comparisons of organisation's finances.

A feature of the arrangement is that it facilitates the reporting of a standard set of key financial indicators of the reporting entity's financial sustainability – all of which are shown in Note 17 above.

	2009	2008
	\$	\$
Income	667,468	356,155
less Expenses	(434,557)	(365,351)
	232,911	(9,197)
Net Outlays on Existing Assets		
Capital Expenditure on Renewal and Replacement of Existing Assets	(28,641)	0
less Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment		
less Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	18,636	0
	(10,004)	0
Net Outlays on New & Upgraded Assets		
Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets	0	0
less Amounts Received Specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	0	0
less Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	0	0
	0	0
Net Lending (Borrowing) for Reporting Period	222,907	(9,197)

19. SUPERANNUATION

The Region makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Local Government Superannuation Scheme (the Scheme). The Scheme has two categories of membership, each of which is funded differently.

The Scheme's accumulation category, receives both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are normally based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings (9% required under Superannuation Guarantee Legislation). No further liability accrues to the employer as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the Scheme.

The Scheme's Defined Benefit Plan is a multi-employer sponsored plan. As the Scheme's assets and liabilities are pooled and are not allocated by employer, the Actuary is unable allocate benefit liabilities, assets and costs between employers. As provided under AASB 119.32(b), the Region does not use defined benefit accounting for these contributions.

The Region makes employer contributions to the defined benefit category of the Scheme at rates determined by the Trustee on the advice of the Scheme's Actuary. On the basis of the results of the most recent full actuarial investigation conducted by the Scheme's actuary, L C Brett, BSc., FIA, FIAA, of Brett and Watson Pty Ltd as at 30 June 2008, the Trustee has determined that the current funding arrangements are adequate for the expected Defined Benefit Plan liabilities.

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20. JOINT VENTURES & ASSOCIATED ENTITIES

An *Associate* is an entity, including an unincorporated entity such as a partnership, over which the investor has significant influence and that is neither a subsidiary nor an interest in a joint venture.

A *Joint Venture* is a contractual arrangement whereby two or more parties undertake an economic activity that is subject to joint control.

The Region has no interests in Joint Ventures or Associated Entities.

Although the Region itself is a Regional Subsidiary established by the 15 Member Councils (as listed in Note 1 (a)), it is not considered to be an associate of any of the individual Councils as no one Council has significant influence. As such, equity accounting procedures are not used by the individual Councils. It is likely that each Council's interest in the Regional Subsidiary is non-material, and as such, it is appropriate for a Council to write off its annual contribution as an expense.

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STATEMENT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I, **ANITA CRISP** the person for the time being occupying the position of **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** of the **CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGION OF SA INC.** do hereby state that the Financial Statements of the Incorporated Body for the year ended 30 June 2009 are to the best of my knowledge presented fairly and in accordance with accounting procedures which have been maintained in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act.

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A. Crisp
Executive Officer

31 July 2009
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Dated

~ ADOPTION STATEMENT ~

Laid before the Central Local Government Region of SA Inc.

and adopted on the () day of 2009

.....
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

.....
PRESIDENT

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CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the Audit of the Central Local Government Region of South Australia Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2009, the Association's Auditor, Cobiac and Chapman, has maintained its independence in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act.

This Statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16A(2) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999.

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Chief Executive Officer
The Barossa Council

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of Barunga West

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Chief Executive Officer
Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of the Copper Coast

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Chief Executive Officer
The Flinders Ranges Council

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Chief Executive Officer
Regional Council of Goyder

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Chief Executive Officer
Light Regional Council

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of Mallala

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of Mount Remarkable

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Chief Executive Officer
Northern Areas Council

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of Orroroo Carrieton

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of Peterborough

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Chief Executive Officer
Port Pirie Regional Council

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Chief Executive Officer
Wakefield Regional Council

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Chief Executive Officer
District Council of Yorke Peninsula

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STATEMENT BY AUDITOR

I confirm that, for the audit of the financial statements of the Central Local Government Region of South Australia Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2009, I have maintained my independence in accordance with the requirements of APES 110 – Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, Section 290, published by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16A (4) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999.

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GERALD P. COBIAC AUA CPA

Partner

Cobiac & Chapman

Certified Practising Accountants

Prospect, South Australia

August, 2009

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBER COUNCILS
OF THE CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGION OF SA INC.**

Scope

We have audited the attached special purpose Financial Report on pages 1 to 14 comprising the Income Statement, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity, the Cash Flow Statement, the Notes to the Financial Statements and Statement by the Executive Officer for the year ended 30 June 2009.

The Central Local Government Region of SA Inc Board is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Financial Report and the information contained therein and has determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of their Constitution, and are appropriate to meet the needs of the Incorporated Body. We have conducted an independent audit of the Financial Statements in order to express an opinion on them. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the Association.

The Financial Report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Incorporated Body's financial reporting requirements. As such, we disclaim any assumption of responsibility for reliance on this report or on the Financial Report to which it related to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it is prepared. The Audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Standards to provide reasonable assurances as to whether the Financial Statements are free of material misstatement. The procedures included an examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the Financial Statements, and evaluation of accounting policies and significant account estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether in all material respects, the Financial Statements are presented fairly in accordance with the operations of, and with the accounting policies of the Incorporated Body. (These bodies do not require the application of all statements of Accounting Concepts and Accounting Standards).

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the Financial Statements of the Central Local Government Region of SA Inc are properly drawn up in accordance with the accounting policies as adopted by the Committee. Financial Statements disclose the financial position of the Central Local Government Region of SA Inc. as at 30 June 2009 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

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GERALD P. COBIAC AUA CPA

Partner
Cobiac & Chapman
Certified Practising Accountants

Prospect, South Australia
August, 2009

Appendix III

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Annual Report 2008 – 2009

GRFMA

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Constituent Councils: Adelaide Hills Council
The Barossa Council
Town of Gawler
Light Regional Council
District Council of Mallala
City of Playford

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Chairman's Forward

Stage two of the three part program to ameliorate flooding in the Gawler River system is progressing in the seventeenth year since the devastating 1992 floods and four years after the 2005 Virginia floods.

It is anticipated that commencement of construction of the increase in height of the South Para Reservoir dam wall and spillway will occur in November this year with completion during 2010.

Continuing assessment of the measures required to address the Two Wells Virginia floodplain will be the focus of the Authorities activities in conjunction with the Highways and Rail Authorities during the coming year. Further flood protection works on the floodplain will need to be designed and costed, meet a cost benefit test and be approved for additional capital funding.

I continue to appreciate the input from the Council Board Members and officers, the external expertise of the Technical Assessment Panel and the tireless and exacting challenges ably addressed by the Authorities Executive Officer, Mr Fred Pedler.

Dr Bruce Eastick AM
Chairman

GRFMA

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority (GRFMA) was formed as a Regional Subsidiary under Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999, by a Charter published in The South Australian Government Gazette on 22nd August 2002. The Constituent Councils are the Adelaide Hills Council, The Barossa Council, The Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council, District Council of Mallala and the City of Playford.

The Charter provides that a representative of the Adelaide Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board (AMLRNRMB) is the Chairperson of the Board of Management of the GRFMA. The Charter sets down the powers, functions, safeguards, accountabilities and an operational framework and the Business Plan sets down the operational plan and financial plan to achieve agreed objectives.

The GRFMA has been established for the following purposes:

1. To co-ordinate the construction, operation and maintenance of flood mitigation infrastructure in the Gawler River area (the Floodplain);
2. To raise finance for the purpose of developing, managing and operating and maintaining flood mitigation works within the Floodplain;
3. To provide a forum for the discussion and consideration of topics relating to the Constituent Council's obligations and responsibilities in relation to management of flood mitigation within the Floodplain;
4. To enter into agreements with Constituent Councils for the purpose of managing and developing the Floodplain.

The Board

The Members of the Board for the year were:

Authority	Board Members	Deputy Board Members
AMLRNRMB	Dr Bruce Eastick AM, Chair	
Adelaide Hills Council	Cr Geoff Purdie Mr Peter Peppin, CEO	Mr Howard Lacy ¹ Mr Marc Salver ²
The Barossa Council	Mayor Brian Hurn OAM	Cr Barrie Stewart

Authority	Board Members	Deputy Board Members
	Mr Ian Baldwin	
Town of Gawler	Cr Brian Thom Mr Stephen Kerrigan, CEO	Cr Penny Johnston
Light Regional Council	Cr William Close Mr Brian Carr, CEO ²	Cr Peter Graham
District Council of Mallala	Cr Joe Daniele Mr Damien Maloney, CEO ³ Mr John Tillack, A/CEO ⁴	Cr Ann Picard
City of Playford	Cr Max O’Rielly Mr Tim Jackson, CEO	Cr Don Levitt

1 to March 2009

2 from March 2009

3 to June 2009

4 from June 2009

Ordinary meetings of the Board are held bi-monthly on the third Thursday of the even months commencing at 9.00 AM. Meetings are hosted by the Constituent Councils on a rotational roster. Seven Board meetings, including one Special Meeting, were held during the year as follows:

Thursday	14 th August 2008	Gawler
Thursday	16 th October 2008	Mallala
Thursday	11 th December 2008	Elizabeth
Thursday	19 th March 2009	Kapunda
Thursday	16 th April 2009	Stirling
Thursday	25 th June 2009	Nuriootpa

A Key Outcomes Summary is prepared following each Board Meeting that highlights the key issues and achievements and is distributed to Stakeholders electronically.

Technical Assessment Panel

A Technical Assessment Panel has been appointed to support the decision-making processes of the Board with delegated powers to provide advice and manage the technical aspects of the design, assessment and construction of the various parts of the Scheme:

The Members of the Panel are:

Dr Bruce Eastick AM, Chair
 Fred Pedler, Executive Officer, GRFMA
 Keith Downard, Technical Manager, AMLRNRMB (to November 2008)
 Mark Temme, Group Manager, City of Playford
 Bill Lipp, Principal Stormwater Engineer, Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure
 Andy Parsons, Principal Engineer Dams & Civil, SA Water Corporation
 Mr Andy Slager, Civil Engineer, City of Playford (proxy to Mark Temme)

The Panel meets as the agenda requires and held six meetings during the year as follows:

Thursday	24 th July 2008	Walkerville
Thursday	24 th August 2008	Walkerville
Wednesday	8 th October 2008	Walkerville
Tuesday	9 th December 2008	Walkerville
Tuesday	7 th April 2009	Walkerville
Wednesday	10 th June 2009	Walkerville

Property Sale Committee

A Property Sale Committee was appointed in June 2008 with delegated authority to sell the two properties that are now surplus to requirements. The houses and outbuildings on the former McGlen property (Lot 25 via McDonald Road, Concordia) and the former Morgan property (Lot 21 Fennessey Road, Concordia) were both at risk of inundation from dam waters and were purchased by the GRFMA. The houses, outbuildings and electricity services were removed, a 'right to flood easement' registered on both properties in preparation for sale.

The Members of the Committee are

Dr Bruce Eastick AM, Chair
Fred Pedler, Executive Officer, GRFMA
Cr Brian Thom, Town of Gawler
Mr Stephen Kerrigan, CEO, Town of Gawler

The Committee met on three occasions

Thursday 4th December 2008 at Gawler
Thursday 2nd April 2009 at Gawler
Tuesday 9th June 2009 at Gawler

The former Morgan property was sold in June 2009.

Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme

The 'Scheme' is described in the 'Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme', published by the Northern Adelaide & Barossa Catchment Water Management Board and the Department of Water, Land & Biodiversity Conservation October 2002. Based on the Gawler River Flood Management Study - Flood Management Plan prepared for The Gawler River Flood Management Working Party, BC Tonkin & Associates April 1994.

Following the November 2005 flood, which coincided with the public consultation of the State Government Stormwater Management and Flood Mitigation Policy, a series of meetings of the major stakeholders led to the adoption of a Business Plan to construct the Scheme.

The Australian Government, South Australian Government, the six Constituent Councils and the Northern Adelaide Barossa Catchment Water Management Board committed to a funding package totalling \$20 million to implement the Scheme.

The Scheme had three parts as follows:

- The construction of a flood mitigation dam on the North Para River near Gawler – the Bruce Eastick North Para Flood Mitigation Dam was completed in December 2007.
- Modifications to the dam wall and spillway of the South Para Reservoir to provide flood mitigation – currently in design to be constructed 2009 - 2010.
- Construction of levees including the formalization of a controlled parallel flow path together with sensitive vegetation and channel maintenance along the lower reaches of the Gawler River - to be later described as Strategy 6d – this part of the Scheme was abandoned in 2008.

In 2008 the Scheme was reviewed following the assessment of the Stage 1 mapping data (see below) to give priority to mitigating peak flows as follows:

- Priority One Works
 - Construction of the North Para River Flood Mitigation Dam and associated replacement of the Turretfield Flow gauge Weir and Tipping Bucket rain gauge
 - Modifications to the South Para Reservoir spillway and dam wall
 - Completion of the Mapping Project to identify the impact of the March 2007 estimates and to identify strategies to mitigate the impact of flooding
- Priority Two Works
 - To undertake works identified on a cost benefit basis that will mitigate the impact of flooding identified by the Mapping Project

In June 2009 the Board amended the Business Plan to include the preparation of a *Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme – Mark Two*, that will build on the work of the last four years and bring forward strategies that can cost effectively reduce the impact of flooding from the Gawler River.

Gawler River Mapping Project

Stage 1, completed in February 2008, identified that approximately 3,850 properties remain at risk of flooding. This information has been made available to Councils who are working collaboratively to review their land management policies to limit the impact of future flooding.

Strategy 6d on its own has become obsolete in light of the revised catchment hydrology and has been abandoned

Stage 2, completed in December 2008 found that:

Authorities can undertake some measures relatively quickly with significant results. Such measures include:

- Continuing to support and refine existing flood warning and emergency response programs.
- Implementing planning systems and measures that create a consistent and best practice approach across all councils for the management of development.
- Developing a flood awareness and information program for landholders so that they are better equipped to respond to a major flood event.
- Undertake detailed investigations and, if feasible, installing flood management levees to protect properties in Gawler, Two Wells and Angle Vale from flooding during a 100 ARI flood.
- Increasing the capacity of highway and rail bridges and culverts over Salt Creek at Two Wells as part of an integrated levee and channel capacity improvement measure in this area.

South Para Reservoir Modifications

SA Water are proceeding with two contracts, a design, drawings and specification contract, and an Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) contract to engage a construction contractor as an integral member of the design team with the Design Consultant to provide a cost competitive and constructible design solution.

Construction is planned to commence in November 2009 and be completed by June 2010.

Gawler River Open Space Strategy

In December 2006 the GRFMA was awarded a grant of \$200,000 from the AMLRNRMB to prepare an Open Space Strategy for the Gawler River from the Junction of the North and South Para Rivers to the marine outfall.

The Gawler River Open Space Strategy, completed in June 2009, provides a framework to coordinate the actions of the various Councils and Government Departments while recommending strategies and actions to address environmental and recreational issues. It brings together the results of the background research and site analysis together with an assessment of the environmental values, landscape character and recreational usage of the River. It identifies the key issues confronting the river and provides an Action Plan designed to improve the management of the river.

The Strategy proposes a Vision where the Gawler River will be an attractive and functional regional recreational and environmental asset where, resources are managed efficiently, recreational access along the river is maximised and the river and riparian land is rehabilitated.

General

Mr Fred Pedler, Principal of Fred Pedler & Associates, has been engaged to provide Executive Officer services under a services agreement until 31st December 2010. Mr Pedler has experience in the administration of Councils and regional subsidiaries under the Local Government Act.

The following Policies have been adopted to provide management guidelines for the day-to-day business of the GRFMA:

- Policy A1 - Access to Meetings and Documents
- Policy C1 - Consultation
- Policy I1 - Internal Review of Decisions
- Policy O1 – Operations Manual

The GRFMA has no employees and all services are engaged on a contract basis

Information about the GRFMA, the Scheme and a number of documents are available on the website www.fredpedler.com and go to the grfma pages.

The following reports were completed during the year and are available as downloads from the website.

- *Australian Water Environments and Water Technology* Gawler River Floodplain Mapping Project – Flood Mitigation Options – Preliminary Assessment – November 2008 - Final Draft
- *Australian Water Environments and Water Technology* Lower Gawler River Flood Mitigation - Detailed Design Part 1 - November 2008
- *Australian Water Environments and Water Technology* Lower Gawler River Flood Mitigation - Detailed Design Part 2 - November 2008
- *Urban Regional Planning Solutions in Association with Swanbury Penglase*, Gawler River Open Space Strategy, May 2009
- *Urban Regional Planning Solutions* Gawler River Open Space Strategy – Issues Paper, November 2008

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Income Statement for the Year Ending 30th June 2009

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
Income			
Subscriptions	3	24,000	24,000
Investment Income	1 (d)	49,630	101,309
State Government Grants		91,321	5,000
Commonwealth Government Grants		91,321	0
Other		0	1,805
Total Income		256,272	132,114
Expenditure			
Contractual Services	5	215,550	92,287
Finance Charges		2,161	2,120
Other		38,214	12,524
Total Expenditure		255,925	106,931
Surplus before Impairment of Assets		347	25,183
Impairment of Assets			
South Para	4	(33,835)	0
Lower Gawler River	4	(311,559)	0
Land	4	(35,422)	(1,235,810)
Total Impairment of Assets		(380,816)	(1,235,810)
Loss from Operations		(380,469)	(1,210,627)
Capital Revenues			
Mapping Project Contribution		0	100,000
State Government Grants		96,599	3,765,426
Commonwealth Government Grants		96,599	3,765,426
Total Capital Revenues		193,198	7,630,852
Surplus / (Deficit)		(187,271)	6,420,225

The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2009

	Notes	2009 \$	2008 \$
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank		3,524	0
Investments	1 (d)	1,011,150	1,085,755
Debtors - GST		1,157	2,140
Total Current Assets		1,015,831	1,087,895
Current Liabilities			
Bank Overdraft		0	16,321
Total Current Liabilities		0	16,321
Net Current Assets		1,015,831	1,071,574
Non Current Assets			
Infrastructure	4	14,832,720	14,995,612
Land	4	896,364	865,000
Total Non Current Assets		15,729,084	15,860,612
Net Assets		16,744,915	16,932,186
Equity			
Accumulated Surplus		16,744,915	16,932,186
Total Equity		16,744,915	16,932,186

The above Balance Sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Statement of Change in Equity for the Year Ended 30th June 2009

	2009	2008
Notes	\$	\$
Accumulated Surplus		
Balance at beginning of period	16,932,186	10,511,961
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	(187,271)	6,420,225
	16,744,915	16,932,186
Balance at end of period	16,744,915	16,932,186
Total Equity	16,744,915	16,932,186

The above Statement of Change in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended 30th June 2009

	2009	2008
Notes	\$	\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts	264,963	8,598,601
Payments	(313,263)	(1,076,390)
Interest Receipts	49,630	99,189
	1,330	7,621,400
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	1,330	7,621,400
Cash Flows from Investment Activities		
Receipts	193,198	
Payments	(249,288)	(9,820,944)
	(56,090)	(9,820,944)
Net Cash Used in Investment Activities	(56,090)	(9,820,944)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held	(54,760)	(2,199,544)
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period	1,069,434	3,268,978
Cash at the end of the reporting period	1,014,674	1,069,434

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

1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) The Local Government Reporting Entity

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared for use by the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority. The Board has determined that the Authority is not a reporting entity.

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority is a Regional Subsidiary under Section 43 and Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act 1999. The Constituent Councils are the Adelaide Hills Council, The Barossa Council, Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council, District Council of Mallala and the City of Playford.

All funds received and expended by the Authority have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

(b) Basis of Accounting

This financial report has been prepared in accordance with the following Accounting Standards:

AASB 1031 Materiality

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values, or except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

(c) Employees

The Association has no employees.

(d) Investments

Investments are valued at cost. Interest revenues are recognized as they accrue.

(e) Cash

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash deposits which are readily convertible to cash on hand and which are used in the cash management function on a day to day basis, net of outstanding bank overdraft.

2 Functions / Activities of the Association

(a) Revenues and expenses have been attributed to the following functions / activities, descriptions of which are set out in Note 2b.

(b) The activities of the Authority are categorised into the following function / activities:

Administration: The operations of the Authority and its Board

Other Environment: Flood Mitigation

Note 2b Functions of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Year	Revenue			%	Expenses		Surplus (Deficit)
	Grants	Other	Total Revenue		Expenses Total	%	
Administration							
2009	182,642	73,630	256,272	57.0%	255,925	50.7%	347
2008	5,000	127,114	132,114	1.7%	106,931	1.1%	25,183
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation							
2009	193,198	0	193,198	43.0%	249,288	49.3%	(56,090)
2008	7,530,852	100,000	7,630,852	98.3%	9,820,944	98.9%	(2,190,092)
Total							
2009	375,840	73,630	449,470	100.0%	505,213	100.0%	(55,743)
2008	7,535,852	227,114	7,762,966	100.0%	9,927,875	100.0%	(2,164,909)

3 Subscriptions

The following subscriptions were levied on the Constituent Councils in accordance with Clause 10.2 of the Charter for the year:

Constituent Council	Scheme Works		Operations	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Adelaide Hills Council	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
The Barossa Council	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
Town of Gawler	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
Light Regional Council	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
District Council of Mallala	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
City of Playford	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
Total	\$0	\$0	\$24,000	\$24,000

4 Non Current Assets, Non Current Liabilities

The following are the Non Current Assets:

	2009	2008
Infrastructure		
North Para – at Cost	\$14,650,218	\$14,650,218
Plus new infrastructure – at Cost	\$182,502	\$0
	<u>\$14,832,720</u>	<u>\$14,650,218</u>
South Para – at Cost	\$33,835	\$33,835
less: Impairment of design and supervision	<u>(\$33,835)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
	\$0	\$33,835
Lower Gawler River – at Cost	\$311,559	\$311,559
less: Impairment of design and supervision	<u>(\$311,559)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
	\$0	\$311,559
Total	\$14,832,720	\$14,995,612
Land		
Land and Houses – at Cost	2,100,810	\$2,100,810
less: Impairment - Houses	<u>(\$1,235,810)</u>	<u>(\$1,235,810)</u>
Land – at Valuation	\$865,000	\$865,000
Land and Easements - additions	\$66,786	\$0
less: Impairment	<u>(\$35,422)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
	\$31,364	\$0
Total	\$896,364	\$865,000
Total	\$15,729,084	\$15,860,612

There are no Non Current Liabilities

5 Contractual Services

Contractual Services involve payments or liabilities for the external provision of services and include (net of GST):

	2009	2008
Consultants Operations		
Fred Pedler & Associates	\$94,300	\$31,195
Allsurv Engineering Services Pty Ltd	\$1,364	
Australian Water Environments	\$77,461	
ETSA Utilities	\$17,280	
Maloney Field Services	\$5,739	
URS Australia Pty Ltd	\$8,087	
Urban and Regional Planning Solutions	\$8,158	
The Lighthouse Public Relations	<u>\$3,161</u>	
Totals	\$215,550	\$31,195

Consultants Designs Infrastructure

Adelaide Research & Innovation Trust		\$800
Allsurv Engineering Services Pty Ltd		\$0
Australian Water Environments		\$268,570
Bardavcol Pty Ltd	\$180,717	\$8,768,658
ETSA Utilities		\$17,280
Fred Pedler & Associates		\$76,960
Maloney Field Services		\$38,511
Royal Park Salvage		\$35,450
URS Australia Pty Ltd		\$394,378
Urban and Regional Planning Solutions		\$24,440
The Lighthouse Public Relations		<u>\$2,643</u>
Totals	\$396,267	\$9,658,885

6 Comparison of Budget and Actual Results

	2009		2008	
	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$
<i>Revenue</i>				
Administration	104,000	73,630	109,000	125,309
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation	0	182,642	72,000	6,805
Maintenance				
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation Capital	<u>2,591,606</u>	<u>193,198</u>	<u>10,719,132</u>	<u>7,630,852</u>
Total Revenue	2,695,606	449,470	10,900,132	7,762,966
<i>Expenditure</i>				
Administration	52,000	47,714	42,000	44,615
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation	0	208,211	140,500	62,316
Maintenance				
Other Environment: Flood Mitigation Capital	<u>2,569,813</u>	<u>249,288</u>	<u>13,535,282</u>	<u>9,820,944</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>2,621,813</u>	<u>505,213</u>	<u>13,717,782</u>	<u>9,927,875</u>
Surplus (Deficit)	<u>73,793</u>	<u>(55,743)</u>	<u>(2,817,650)</u>	<u>(2,164,909)</u>

7 Expenditure Commitment

1. An agreement has been entered into with SA Water Corporation to undertake design work of the South Para Reservoir dam wall and spillway in a staged manner. The estimate for this work \$3.5 million (net of GST) based on a concept design where the final cost could be ± 30% of this estimate. This estimate includes a 20% contingency and allowances for design and construction supervision.
2. An agreement has been entered into with Fred Pedler & Associates to provide Executive Officer and Supervision of Consultants services to 31st December 2010.
3. The State Government has approved funding for the Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme totalling \$7,750,000 of which \$6,748,385 has been paid to the Authority.
4. The Commonwealth Government has approved funding for the Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme under the Regional Flood Mitigation Program totalling \$8,063,371 of which \$6,748,385 has been paid to the Authority.
5. A contract for the sale for Lot 21 Hd Barossa (Morgan Land) for \$285,000 was signed in June to settle in July 2009.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT

I, **Frederick William Pedler**, the person for the time being occupying the position of Executive Officer of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority do hereby state that the financial statements for the Authority for the 2008 - 2009 financial year are to the best of my knowledge presented fairly and in accordance with accounting procedures which have been maintained in accordance with the Local Government Act 1999 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999 made under that Act.

Dated 11th August 2009



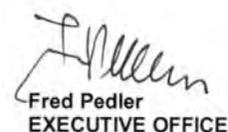
Fred Pedler
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CERTIFICATION OF AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we confirm that, for the purpose of the audit of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority the Authorities Auditor, HLB Mann Judd, has maintained its independence in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1999* and the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999* made under that Act.

This statement is prepared in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 16A(2) *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1999*.

Dated 20th August 2009



Fred Pedler
EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Dr Bruce Eastick AM
CHAIRMAN
GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

ADOPTION STATEMENT

Laid before the Board Meeting of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority and Adopted on Thursday 20th August 2009



Dr Bruce Eastick AM
CHAIRMAN
GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the constituent councils of the **GAWLER RIVER FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**:

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2009, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, and the Executive Officer's Statement as set out on pages 1 to 8.

Board's Responsibility of for the Financial Report

The Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority's Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and has 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 Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority Charter and the constituent councils. The Board'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 constituent councils. 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 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 company's internal control.

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An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by members of the Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to constituent councils for the purpose of fulfilling the Board's financial reporting requirements under the Charter. 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 constituent councils constituent councils, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by the Board.

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 have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority as at 30 June 2009 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.



**HLB MANN JUDD
(SA Partnership)
Chartered Accountants**



Adelaide

 **August 2009**

**Trevor D Hirth
Partner**

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority

Schedule of Constituent Council's Interests in Net Assets as at 30th June 2009

Prepared to meet the requirements of Clause 15.5 of the Charter

"The 'Schedule of Constituent Councils' Interests in Net Assets' will reflect the proportionate contribution each Constituent Council has made to the growth of the net assets of the Authority having regard to the proportionate contribution to subscriptions. The Schedule when updated by the Board at the end of each financial year will reflect the proportionate contribution of each Constituent Council since the commencement of the Authority and once accepted by each Constituent Council will be evidence of the agreed proportion of a Constituent Council's interests in the net assets as at 30 June in that year."

For the purposes of this Clause All Subscriptions by Constituent Councils have been included. Contributions by Town of Gawler, Light Regional Council, District Council of Mallala and City of Playford to the mapping Project have been excluded.

This Schedule has been prepared on the basis that the Authority was 'wound up' on 30th June 2009. The value of infrastructure and land as stated in the Audited Financial Statements at 30th June have been included. Grants and contributions from the Commonwealth Government, State Government and the Northern Adelaide Barossa Catchment Water Management Board that have contributed to these costs have not been deducted.

Calculation of Net Equity

Assets

Investments / Debtors	\$	1,015,831
Designs and Infrastructure	\$	-
Infrastructure	\$	14,832,720
Land	\$	896,364
	\$	16,744,915

Less Liabilities

Overdraft / Creditors	\$	-
	\$	16,744,915

Allocation of Councils Interest in Net Assets

Constituent Councils	Accumulated Suscriptions for Operations to 30 June 2009	Accumulated Suscriptions for Scheme Works to 30 June 2009	All Subscriptions to 30 June 2009	Percentage of Contributions to the Total	Council's Interests in Net Assets
Adelaide Hills Council	\$ 25,166	\$ 70,988	\$ 96,154	2.27%	\$ 379,319
The Barossa Council	\$ 25,166	\$ 354,951	\$ 380,117	8.96%	\$ 1,499,528
Town of Gawler	\$ 25,166	\$ 709,892	\$ 735,058	17.32%	\$ 2,899,739
Light Regional Council	\$ 25,166	\$ 354,951	\$ 380,117	8.96%	\$ 1,499,528
District Council of Mallala	\$ 25,166	\$ 1,183,146	\$ 1,208,312	28.47%	\$ 4,766,684
City of Playford	\$ 25,166	\$ 1,419,763	\$ 1,444,929	34.04%	\$ 5,700,117
	\$ 150,996	\$ 4,093,691	\$ 4,244,687	100.00%	\$ 16,744,915

Schedule of Constituent Councils' Interests in Net Assets' as at the 30th June 2009 adopted by the Board in accordance with Clause 15.5 of the Charter on 20th August 2009.

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority
Achievements Against the Business Plan 2008 – 2012 for the period July 2008 to June 2009

For the previous achievements see the Annual Reports for the years ending 2003 to 2008.

Evaluation of Performance Against the Business Plan

This Statement of Achievements Against the Business Plan will form part of the Key Outcomes Summary to Councils following the meetings at which it is tabled. The Statement will be prepared for the February, April and June Board Meetings. The June report will form part of the GRFMA Annual Report 2008 - 2009.

Part A: Funding

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured By:	Actual Achievements
Secure Additional Project Funding	June 2009	All Councils, stakeholders and Governments agree to contribute to the project in accordance with the Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> May 2006 all Governments agree to the funding package totalling \$20 million <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> June 2009 all Councils agree to funding package for additional \$751,000 Scheme funds
Grant Claims	At all times	Lodge claims monthly for the payment of Commonwealth and State Government Grants.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claims lodged at the end of the month
Maintain positive Cash Flow	At all times	Positive bank account balances at all times.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive cash flow maintained

Part B: Proposed Flood Mitigation Scheme Works

North Para Works			
Construction of the North Para Flood Control Dam completed	December 2007	Completed	
Scope of work expanded to include the relocation of the Turretfield flow gauge weir and tipping bucket rain gauge to a site downstream from the proposed dam. Site selection and ecological impact assessment of the weir construction completed October 2007			
Approval for the construction of the flow gauge weir	March 2008	Water Affecting Activity Licence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7th October 2008
Construction of the flow gauge weir	February 2008	Call tenders for construction of the flow gauge weir	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract let 9th December 2008
	June 2008	Construction of the flow gauge weir completed	

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority
Achievements Against the Business Plan 2008 – 2012 for the period July 2008 to June 2009

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South Para Works			
<p>The South Para Reservoir is under the control and management of SA Water Corporation who have agreed to undertake the required modifications to the South Para Reservoir to provide the required level of flood mitigation capacity as a cost to the Scheme.</p> <p>Dam safety review and design proposal to modify the dam wall and spillway completed September 2005</p> <p>Detailed hydrology study of the catchment using the very latest methodologies let to Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure completed March 2007.</p>			
Detailed design of works	March 2009	Completion of detailed design and tender documents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11th February 2009 Design workshop <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> May 2009 Design and ECI contracts awarded
Construction of the works	September 2009	Completion of construction	

Lower Gawler River			
<p>Following the November 2005 flood the scope of works was amended to include a geotechnical assessment of the existing flood control levees was undertaken in March 2006</p> <p>Strategy 6d was developed to carry the mitigated flow through the Lower Gawler River in a formalised parallel flood path. This strategy would require the acquisition of significant levee footprint and floodway 'Right to Flood Easements'</p> <p>Strategy 6d will need to be validated by the Mapping Project before any further work is undertaken on the strategy.</p> <p>Alternate strategies may be identified by the Mapping Project.</p>			
Prioritisation on a cost benefit basis of identified strategies to reduce flooding from the Gawler River	June 2008	Approval of strategies to mitigate flooding on the Gawler River.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assessment Report completed December 2008 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategy 6d determined ineffective in 1 in 100 year event and abandoned

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority
Achievements Against the Business Plan 2008 – 2012 for the period July 2008 to June 2009

For the previous achievements see the Annual Reports for the years ending 2003 to 2008.

Mapping of the Floodplain			
<p>Following the receipt of the <i>Department for Transport Energy and Infrastructure</i> Hydrological Study of the Gawler River Catchment – March 2007 report, in May 2007 the Board approved a Mapping of the Floodplain project to identify the parts of the floodplain that will remain at risk of flooding, post works, in a 100 ARI flood event.</p> <p>Australian Water Environments with Water Technology Australia were engaged in June 2007 to undertake the project</p>			
Preparation of flood mapping	February 2008	Flood mapping plans prepared	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 completed February 2008
Preparation of concept flood mitigation strategy and final report	April 2008	Concept flood mitigation strategy prepared	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 2 completed December 2008
Prioritisation of strategies	June 2008	Prioritised Strategies Prepared	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed as part of Gawler River Flood Mitigation Scheme Mark Two Strategy

Part B: Maintenance of the Scheme

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured By:	Actual Achievements
Preparation of a Schedule of Dam Maintenance Works including costings	January 2008	Completion of the Schedule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> O&M Plan adopted July 2008
Preparation of a Schedule of Lower Gawler River Maintenance Works including costings	tba	Completion of the Schedule	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abandoned
Investigate the opportunities for maintenance works to be undertaken by Agencies, Councils.	December 2008	Opportunities being negotiated into tangible schemes of arrangement	
Adopt an integrated Scheme Maintenance Plan including costings.	June 2009	The adoption of the Maintenance Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Included in Draft Budget 2009 – 2010

Gawler River Floodplain Management Authority
Achievements Against the Business Plan 2008 – 2012 for the period July 2008 to June 2009

For the previous achievements see the Annual Reports for the years ending 2003 to 2008.

Part C: Operation of the Regional Subsidiary

Performance Targets:	Timings:	To be measured By:	Actual Achievements
Reports to Stakeholders	Twice yearly	The publication and distribution of a Fact Sheet to all stakeholders and affected landowners.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dam Opening fact Sheet August 2008
	Bi-Monthly	Key Outcomes Summary to be published following each Board Meeting to include a summary of the progress of the development of the Scheme.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Draft Business Plan 2009 – 2012, including Cashflow Report, approved for consultation March 2009 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Achievements against the Business Plan 2008 – 2012 completed in December, March and June.
Maintain effective Regional Subsidiary	December	The performance of the Executive Officer be reviewed annually	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Undertaken January 2009
	August	The appointment of Auditor, Bank Operators, levels of insurance, appropriate registrations, delegations and policies be reviewed annually.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review conducted Aust 2008
Review of the Business Plan	By 31 st March	Review the Business Plan prior to preparing the Budget Forward to the Councils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed February and March 2009. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved for consultation 19th March 2009
Annual Budget	By 31 st March, June, October, December, April	Adopt for consultation forward to Councils Adopt Budget – copy to Councils in 5 days Conduct Budget Reviews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved for consultation 19th March 2009 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted 25th June 2009
Subscriptions	June December	Send half year subscriptions to Council Send half year subscriptions to Council	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All subscriptions paid
Report to Constituent Councils	Following each Board meeting By 30 th September	The receipt of the following reports by Councils: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Meeting Key Outcome Summary • Annual Report including Annual Financial Statements 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Outcomes Summary distributed following each meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annual Reports forwarded to Councils 4th September 2008