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Northern Midlands Council Account Management Report

Income & Expenditure Summary for the Period Ended 28 February 2017 (67% of Year Completed)

Line Item Summary Totals	Operating Statement		Corporate Services		Regulatory & Community Serv		Development Services		Works & Infrastructure Services		Total Operating Statement		% of Budget
	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	
1 Wages	302,906	209,639	870,466	510,022	212,109	104,235	451,554	275,120	1,620,173	1,007,979	3,457,208.00	2,106,985.00	60.94%
2 Material & Services Expenditure	342,820	272,252	488,859	342,774	254,244	172,017	243,683	220,936	3,171,937	2,593,509	4,501,543.00	3,001,488.00	66.66%
3 Depreciation Expenditure	41,320	27,520	72,822	48,502	23,020	15,340	13,770	9,170	5,176,302	3,450,822	5,327,234.00	3,551,354.00	66.66%
4 Government Levies & Charges	6,610	5,687	593,863	303,235	1,690	1,125	0	0	60,256	44,039	662,419.00	354,086.00	53.45%
7 Councilors Expenditure	190,097	107,820	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190,097.00	107,820.00	56.72%
9 Other Expenditure	472,679	73,995	438,879	440,316	179,398	62,232	47,020	33,639	126,036	46,824	1,264,212.00	657,006.00	51.97%
11 Oncost	133,278	91,577	249,764	150,682	92,419	41,758	198,280	101,101	597,181	373,140	1,270,922.00	756,258.00	59.56%
12 Internal Plant Hire/Rental	19,650	15,563	20,570	15,054	19,310	11,967	56,650	17,061	845,778	623,148	961,958.00	682,793.00	70.98%
13 Internal Rental/Rates	0	0	910	1,264	0	606	0	0	8,290	3,901	7,200.00	5,771.00	80.15%
10 Other Internal Transfers Expenditure	0	0	6,410,447	4,194,575	0	289	0	0	27,050	18,882	6,437,497.00	4,216,281.00	65.50%
14 Oncosts Paid - Payroll	67,980	32,243	166,086	118,543	33,548	60,625	110,141	232,940	324,135	365,787	701,889.00	810,138.00	115.42%
15 Oncost Paid - Non Payroll	96,398	57,627	243,619	131,871	44,637	27,158	154,914	94,896	477,673	294,576	1,017,241.00	606,128.00	59.59%
16 Plant Expenditure Paid	7,430	4,386	13,950	6,619	10,500	6,530	6,500	7,033	444,515	355,466	482,995.00	380,034.00	78.70%
	1,681,368	900,864	9,570,234	6,263,457	870,875	503,862	1,282,512	991,896	12,677,326	9,178,073	26,282,315	17,898,152	67.87%
17 Revenue	0	0	(9,146,348)	(8,897,728)	(23,256)	(22,644)	0	0	(702,941)	(719,655)	(9,872,546.00)	(9,640,027.00)	97.64%
18 Recurrent Grant Revenue	(5,273)	(5,273)	(1,806,201)	(1,446,617)	(1,000)	(1,000)	0	0	(2,575,436)	(1,770,977)	(4,387,909.00)	(3,223,867.00)	73.47%
19 Fees and Charges Revenue	0	(1,53)	(540,272)	(339,965)	(137,982)	(130,431)	0	0	(427,862)	(323,316)	(1,506,300.00)	(1,065,069.00)	70.71%
21 Interest Revenue	(300,000)	(98,448)	(1,05,842)	(71,820)	0	0	(400,184)	(271,174)	0	0	(405,842.00)	(170,268.00)	41.95%
22 Reimbursements Revenue	(2,600)	(1,173)	(25,767)	(5,851)	(7,000)	(8,242)	0	0	(45,500)	(34,768)	(81,867.00)	(50,034.00)	61.12%
Oncost Recoveries - Internal Trf	(133,276)	(88,234)	(247,052)	(145,961)	(57,410)	(33,318)	(232,476)	(111,160)	(807,199)	(449,850)	(1,477,424.00)	(828,523.00)	56.08%
Plant Hire Income - Internal Trf	(17,830)	(14,306)	(15,310)	(5,312)	(9,000)	(4,354)	(21,940)	(13,385)	(1,138,889)	(766,091)	(1,202,969.00)	(823,448.00)	68.45%
10 Other Internal Transfers Income	(25,770)	(17,370)	(495,442)	33,468	(490,583)	(335,115)	(667,112)	(407,125)	(5,138,580)	(3,398,958)	(6,837,497.00)	(4,125,099.00)	60.33%
23 Other Revenue	(702,000)	(175,585)	(23,795)	(25,779)	(2,100)	(1,14)	0	0	(84,426)	(53,376)	(812,321.00)	(254,854.00)	31.37%
	(1,186,751)	(400,542)	(12,406,039)	(10,905,584)	(728,534)	(535,218)	(1,341,712)	(802,844)	(10,921,831)	(7,536,991)	(26,584,674)	(20,181,179)	75.91%
Underlying (Surplus) / Deficit Before	494,617	500,322	(2,835,805)	(4,642,127)	142,534	(31,356)	(59,200)	189,052	1,955,495	1,641,082	(302,359)	(2,343,027)	
20 Gain on sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6 Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	6,911	0	21,854	300,000	22,627	300,000	51,392	
Net Loss On Disposal of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	6,911	0	21,854	300,000	22,627	300,000	51,392	
Underlying (Surplus) / Deficit	494,617	500,322	(2,835,805)	(4,642,127)	142,534	(24,445)	(59,200)	210,906	2,255,495	1,663,709	(2,359)	(2,291,635)	
Capital Grant Revenue	0	0	0	(246)	0	0	0	0	(2,291,976)	(737,055)	(2,291,976)	(737,301)	
Subdivider Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(430,000)	0	(430,000)	0	
	0	0	0	(246)	0	0	0	0	(2,721,976)	(737,055)	(2,721,976)	(737,301)	
Operating (Surplus) / Deficit	494,617	500,322	(2,836,805)	(4,642,373)	142,534	(24,445)	(59,200)	210,906	(466,481)	926,654	(2,724,335)	(3,028,936)	

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2016/17 for year to February 2017

	Annual Budget	YTD Actual	Annual Budget Spent %	Scheduled and Actual Works by Month																			
				B/twd	Actual Expenditure											Scheduled Work							
					JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY		JUN						
Capital Expenditure - Governance																							
Fleet, Plant & Equipment																							
780004 Gov - Council Chambers Table and Chairs	5,000	5,500	110%																				
780006 Gov - Office Equipment Purchases	6,910	6,910	100%																				
Total Fleet, Plant & Equipment	11,910	12,410	104%																				
Land & Buildings																							
707987 Lfd - CBD Strategy Parklets	102,000	2,835	3%																				
Total Land & Buildings	102,000	2,835	3%																				
Capital Expenditure - Corporate Services																							
Equipment & Buildings - Corporate Services																							
704420 S.E.S. Equipment Purchase	80,000	239	0%																				
707964 Lfd - Council Chambers Roof Replacement	6,000	2,707	45%																				
707968 Pth - Community Centre/Child Care Air Conditioning	115,927	34,139	29%																				
715300 Corp - Computer System Upgrade	9,913	10,048	101%																				
715310 Corp - Purchase Office Equipment	187,293	97,215	52%																				
720113 Corp - Office / Council Chambers Improvements	20,000	1,073	5%																				
750202 Sports Centre Equipment Purchases / Improvements	419,133	145,421	35%																				
Total Equipment & Buildings - Corporate Services	419,133	145,421	35%																				
Capital Expenditure - Regulatory and Community Services																							
Fleet, Equipment & Buildings																							
700002 Fleet - F2 Pool Vehicle	15,000	17,784	119%																				
780025 Ec & Comm Dev - Purchase of Office Equipment	2,000	809	40%																				
Total Fleet, Equipment & Buildings	17,000	18,593	109%																				
Total Capital Expenditure - Regulatory and Community Services	17,000	18,593	109%																				
Capital Expenditure - Development Services																							
Fleet, Plant & Equipment																							
700004 Fleet - F4 Health/Planning Inspector	15,000	-	0%																				
715330 Plan & Dev - Purchase of Office Equipment	44,000	33,190	75%																				
Total Fleet, Plant & Equipment	59,000	33,190	56%																				
Total Capital Expenditure - Development Services	59,000	33,190	56%																				
Capital Expenditure - Works Department																							
Fleet, Plant & Depot																							

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700001 Fleet - F1 Former Works Manager Vehicle Disposal	-	-	24,409																												
700003 Fleet - F3 Works Supervisor (Trade \$18,181)	15,000	-	32,966																												
700011 Fleet - F11 Light Truck	40,000	-	-																												
700012 Fleet - F12 Light Truck Litter Collection North	30,000	-	11,006																												
700014 Fleet - F14 Utility Building Maintenance	40,000	-	39,647																												
700025 Fleet - F25 Utility Vehicle (Trade \$12,499)	18,500	-	31,045																												
700031 Fleet - F31 Utility	20,000	-	-																												
700032 Fleet - F32 Truck	84,000	-	-																												
700051 Fleet - F51 Backhoe	95,000	-	-																												
700060 Fleet - F60 Mobile Arrow Board	3,896	-	3,896																												
700064 Fleet - F64 Tractor (Trade \$50,000)	72,000	-	122,121																												
700180 Fleet - Depot Pool Utility Vehicle	20,000	-	-																												
715320 Works - Purchase Small Plant	16,104	-	1,266																												
715337 Works - CCTV Installation	15,000	-	5,652																												
715338 Works - Office Equipment Purchases	-	-	82																												
720200 Works - Longford Depot Improvements	21,500	-	25,822																												
720201 Works - Clowen Depot Improvements	11,500	-	9,054																												
Total Fleet, Plant & Depot	502,500	-	236,136																												
Recreation																															
707752 Lfd - Sports Centre Landscaping	20,000	-	-																												
707774 Evan - Lamp Posts Main Street	25,000	-	14,253																												
707789 Lfd - Victoria Square to Mill Dam Project	50,000	-	-																												
707801 Rec - Private Power Poles All Areas	10,000	-	-																												
707814 Rec - Street Tree Program All Areas	51,000	24	24																												
707827 Lfd - NMC Marquee	5,240	-	5,240																												
707855 All Areas - Town Entrance Landscaping/Beautification	30,000	-	18,817																												
707883 Evan - Morvern Park Dump Point Landscaping	4,000	-	8,839																												
707899 Various - Signage Projects	35,000	-	11,395																												
707913 Cry - Recreation Ground Sewer Dump Point and Main Extension	30,000	-	-																												
707923 Cry - Recreation Ground Building Improvements	30,000	-	1,003																												
707924 Cry - Pool Roller Cover and Signage	14,000	-	1,671																												
707936 Evan - Falls Park Fence	253,000	-	1,228																												
707940 Rec - Longford Victoria Square Destination Play Space	8,000	-	254,052																												
707965 Lake Leake - Caretakers House and Amenities Upgrade	10,000	-	1,177																												
707967 Pth - Train Park Painting of Train	10,000	-	98																												
707971 Ross - Town Square Building Removal	10,000	-	-																												
707977 Evan - Falls Park Entrance & Gates	40,000	-	706																												
707978 Evan - Morven Park Oval Top Dressing	-	-	522																												
707979 Lfd - Rec Ground Improvements Master Plan Stage 1	20,000	-	-																												
707980 Lfd - Cemetery Improv to Road Irrigation, Seats, new Shearhts	15,000	-	10,941																												
707982 Longford - Victoria Square Christmas Tree Lighting	-	-	2,038																												
707983 Lfd - Victoria Square Cenotaph Lighting	20,000	-	914																												
707984 Lfd - Playground Shelter Lewis St	7,500	-	7,038																												
707985 All Areas - Playground Softfall Replacement Program	50,000	-	1,727																												
707986 Pth - Playground Shelter Secombe St	15,000	-	4,067																												

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				Actual Expenditure											
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Buildings															
707990 Lfd - Northern Midlands Sports Centre Redevelopment			0%												
715255 Rec - Street Furniture & Playground Equip All Area	33,328	48,828	147%												
723800 Rec - Boat Ramp Improvements	140,000	69,072	49%												
788609 NRM - Sheepwash Creek Capital Works	55,000	-	0%												
Total Recreation	981,068	463,650	47%												
Buildings															
707719 Ross - Cannon at War Memorial Restoration	15,000	-	0%												
707805 Town - War Memorial Oval Amenities Upgrade	-	1,784	0%												
707854 Pth - War Memorial Main St Gun Restoration	5,000	-	0%												
707868 Cry - Town Hall Improvements	8,000	-	0%												
707877 All Areas - Bus Shelters / Playground / BBQ / Shade Structures	80,000	22,240	28%												
707920 Rec - Public Buildings Asbestos Removal	20,000	13,658	68%												
707925 Town - Town Hall Improvements	50,000	5,874	12%												
707927 Epping - Hall Weatherboard Replacement	20,000	-	0%												
707934 Ross - Public Toilet Replacement	200,000	10,681	5%												
707942 Avoca - Public Buildings Program	22,000	-	0%												
707945 Cry - Trout Park History Board Shelter	5,000	-	0%												
707947 Town - Pool Improvement	24,500	239	1%												
707948 Town - Renovations/Upgrades William St Units	20,000	-	0%												
707949 Town - Renovations/Upgrades Guide Hall	5,000	-	0%												
707950 Town - Valentine Park Log Shelter Shingle Replacement	7,000	-	0%												
707951 Town - Oval Score Box Stair Replacement	2,000	-	0%												
707952 Lfd - 15 Smith Street Redevelopment	-	1,300	0%												
707954 Evan - Renovations/Upgrades Murray St Units	20,000	-	0%												
707955 Evan - Community Centre Flag Pole Replacement	10,000	1,126	11%												
707956 Evan - BBQ Shelter Improvements Honeybanks Reserve	1,000	-	0%												
707957 Lfd - Town Hall Exterior Painting	25,000	1,982	8%												
707959 Lfd - War Memorial Hall Floor Improvements and Sound Proofing	61,000	528	1%												
707961 Lfd - Library Access and Rising Damp Rectification	10,000	-	0%												
707962 Lfd - Recreation Ground Building Stair Replacement	17,000	-	0%												
707970 Rossarden - Public Toilet Improvements	2,000	-	0%												
707973 Ross - Town Hall Acoustic Improvements	4,733	-	0%												
707976 Ross - Caravan Park Units Floor Coverings	10,000	9,659	97%												
707988 Avoca - Museum Roof Replacement	12,000	-	0%												
715350 Rec - Public Building Improvements	100,000	-	0%												
715390 All Areas - Public Amenities Painting Program	30,500	473	2%												
715400 All Areas - Building Demolitions	17,500	7,503	43%												
Total Buildings	804,233	77,047	10%												
Waste Management															
712952 Waste - MGB Purchases	25,000	2,260	9%												
728755 Waste - WTS Improvements	1,500	1,415	94%												
728763 Waste - Lfd WTS Improvements	-	808	0%												
728766 Waste - Avoca WTS Improvements	30,850	30,356	98%												
Total Waste Management	57,350	34,839	61%												

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					JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN		
Roads																		
Ross Streetscape Improvements																		
714846 Ross - Streetscape Improvements	50,000	6,211																
714846:38 Ross - Town Sandstone Entrance Statements	50,000	38,119																
Total Ross Streetscape Improvements																		
714846:38	50,000	44,330	89%															
Resealing Program																		
715005 Roads - Resealing All Areas	700,000	5,156																
715005.159 Lfd - Reseal Carpark Bishopbourne Community Centre	700,000	13,100																
Total Resealing Program																		
715005.159	700,000	18,256	3%															
Resheeting Program																		
715125 Southern - Resheeting	265,000	115,863																
715460 Roads Northern - Resheeting	265,000	96,902																
Total Resheeting Program																		
715125	265,000	115,863																
715460	265,000	96,902																
Footpath Construction Program																		
750000.61 All Areas - Footpaths Stimulus Program	250,000	-	0%															
750180.6 Crown - Bridge St Church St to Highway Footpath	29,016	55	0%															
750474.6 Pth - George St Fairtlough to end of Kerb Footpath	24,000	-	0%															
750492.6 Crown - Glenelg St Peddar to Church Footpath	60,000	49,280	82%															
750507.6 Lfd - Goderich St William to Archer Footpath	17,000	-	0%															
750716.6 Evan - Logan Rd from Stockman Footpath	3,000	-	0%															
750794.6 Cry - Main St No 134 to Bus Parking West Side Footpath	60,000	-	0%															
750796.6 Cry - Main St Newsagency to Church St Footpath	15,000	-	0%															
750823.6 Lfd - Malcombe St Laycock to Marlborough Footpath	70,000	-	0%															
751044.6 Crown - Queen St Bridge to Glenelg Footpath	40,000	41,576	59%															
751100.6 Evan - Cnr Scone/Russell Street Footpath	4,622	34,642	87%															
751144.6 Lfd - Smith Street Howick to Hay Footpath	11,694	4,622	100%															
751145.6 Lfd - Smith Street Hay to Gate Footpath	12,843	12,791	109%															
751150.6 Cry - Spencers Lane Cressy Rd to Gatenby St Footpath	5,900	12,537	98%															
751356.6 Lfd - Wellington St Hobhouse 2047 to Bulwer 2062 Footpath	63,360	5,900	100%															
751499.6 Drummond St - Youl Rd to Norfolk St Gravel Footpath	4,320	-	0%															
751500.6 Drummond St - Norfolk to Drummond Ct Concrete Footpath	48,600	-	0%															
Total Footpath Construction Program																		
751500.6	719,355	161,403	22%															
Town - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St																		
750180 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St	220,000	21,429																
750180.1 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St Excavation	-	9,303																
750180.2 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St Subbase	-	4,406																
750180.3 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church Base	-	15,051																
750180.4 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church Prep for Seal	-	236																
750180.5 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church Seal	-	-																
750180.7 Crown - Bridge St Church St to Highway Nature Strip	-	1,382																
750180.8 Crown - Bridge St Church St to Highway Nature Strip	-	603																
750180.9 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St Other	-	969																
750180.91 Crown - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St Stormwater	-	5,875																
Total Town - Bridge St Reconstruction Highway to Church St																		
750180.91	220,000	59,254	27%															

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Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse K&G																		
750684 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse K&G	140,000	2,335	2%															
750684.1 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Excavation	-	8,002																
750684.2 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Subbase	-	4,038																
750684.3 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Base	-	649																
750684.4 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Prep for Seal	-	-																
750684.5 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Seal	-	-																
750684.6 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Footpath	-	-																
750684.7 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Nature Strip	-	36																
750684.8 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Driveways	-	1,407																
750684.9 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Other	-	955																
750684.91 Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse Excavation	-	19,609																
Total Crown - Leake St Reconstruct Mason to Torlesse K&G	140,000	37,029	26%															
Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end																		
751257 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end	50,000	284																
751257.1 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Excavation	-	837																
751257.2 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Subbase	-	-																
751257.3 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Base	-	-																
751257.4 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Prep for Seal	-	-																
751257.5 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Seal	-	-																
751257.6 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Footpath	-	-																
751257.7 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Naturestrip	-	-																
751257.8 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Driveways	-	-																
751257.9 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Other	-	43																
751257.91 Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end Stormwater	-	-																
Total Crown - Torlesse St Reconstruction Leake to end	50,000	1,164	2%															
Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end																		
751131 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end	70,000	1,894																
751131.1 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Excavation	-	1,273																
751131.2 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Subbase	-	3,104																
751131.3 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Base	-	-																
751131.4 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Prep for Seal	-	-																
751131.5 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Seal	-	-																
751131.6 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Footpath	-	-																
751131.7 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Nature Strip	-	-																
751131.8 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Driveways	-	-																
751131.9 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Other	-	-																
751131.91 Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end Stormwater	-	-																
Total Pth - Secombe St East Reconstruct and Seal Fairtough to end	70,000	6,270	9%															
Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800																		
751571 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800	120,000	26,461																
751571.1 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Excavation	-	20,531																
751571.2 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Subbase	-	15,967																

	Annual Budget	YTD Actual	Annual Budget Spent %	Scheduled and Actual Works by Month												
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				B/Fwd	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
751571.3 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Base	-	24,463	-													
751571.4 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Prep for seal	-	5,729	-													
751571.5 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Seal	-	-	-													
751571.6 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Footpath	-	2,935	-													
751571.7 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Naturestrip	-	3,859	-													
751571.8 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Driveways	-	795	-													
751571.9 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800	-	7,032	-													
751571.91 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800 Stormwater	-	24,195	-													
Total Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 10.490 to 10.800	120,000	131,967	110%													
Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction																
751599.1 Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction	-	-	-													
751599.2 Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction Excavation	-	1,374	-													
751599.3 Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction Subbase	-	-	-													
751599.4 Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction Base	-	5,512	-													
751599.5 Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction Prep for Seal	-	1,651	-													
751599.5 Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction Seal	-	82	-													
Total Evan - Pleasant Banks Access Rd off Leighlands Road Reconstruction	-	8,620	0%													
99 Woolmers Lane Ch 3.269 to 5.800																
751412.1 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490	250,000	-	493													
751412.1 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Excavation	-	25,902	-													
751412.2 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Subbase	-	113,307	-													
751412.3 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Base	-	122,765	-													
751412.4 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Prep for Seal	-	7,890	-													
751412.5 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Seal	-	-	-													
751412.8 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Driveways	-	2,870	-													
751412.9 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Other	-	19,499	-													
751412.91 Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 4.490 Stormwater	-	7,019	-													
Total Lfd - Woolmers Lane Reconstruction Ch 3.269 to 5.800	260,000	-	-													
Total Lfd - Woolmers Lane Ch 3.269 to 5.800	510,000	299,745	59%													
Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side																
750333.1 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Excavation	40,000	-	2,531													
750333.1 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Excavation	-	3,936	-													
750333.2 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Subbase	-	1,093	-													
750333.3 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Base	-	5,615	-													
750333.3 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Base	-	2,046	-													
750333.4 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Prep for Seal	-	-	-													
750333.4 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Footpath	-	-	-													
750333.6 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Nature Strip	-	315	-													
750333.7 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Driveways	-	968	-													
750333.8 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side Other	-	36	-													
750333.9 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson East Side Stormwater	-	17,618	-													
750333.91 Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson East Side Stormwater	40,000	-	34,158													
Pth - Cromwell St Phillip to Nelson K&G East Side	40,000	34,158	85%													
Other Road Projects																
750561 Ross - High St Church to Esplanade Reconstruction	60,000	-	-													
Other Road Projects	60,000	-	0%													

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				B/fwd	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
750744 Ctown - Macquarie Rd Reconstruction Ch 32.940 to 33.865	230,000	-	0%													
750933 Evan - Nile Road Reconstruction Ch 7.300 to 8.085	264,000	14,165	5%													
751308 Pth - Secombe St West K&G and Rd Verge reconstruction Mulgrave to Minerva	80,000	30	0%													
751548 Ctown - Macquarie Rd Ch 33.865 to Ch 34.215 Reconstruct	87,000	5,250	6%													
Total Other Road Projects	721,000	19,445	3%													
Total Roads	3,870,355	1,034,406	27%													
Bridges																
741130 Lfd - Bridge 1130: Woolmers Lane Macquarie River	2,600,000	75,878	3%													
741300 Avoca - Bridge 1300: Rossarden Rd Storeys Creek	120,000	-	0%													
743725 Avoca - Bridge 3725: McShanes Rd Hop Pole Crk	300,000	-	0%													
747350 Crv - Bridge 7350: Cressy Rd Lake River	1,430,000	1,660,429	116%													
Total Bridges	4,450,000	1,736,307	39%													
Urban Stormwater Drainage																
788576 Lfd - Stormwater Detention Basin Paton Street	74,553	74,553	100%													
788601 Evan - Stormwater Translink Upgrade	819,134	157,670	19%													
788605 Storm Water Management Plans	40,000	25,913	65%													
788608 Lfd - Park St Stormwater George to West South Side	-	6,581	0%													
Total Urban Stormwater Drainage	933,687	264,717	28%													
Total Capital - Works Department	11,599,193	3,847,102	33%													
Total Capital Works All Departments	12,208,236	4,059,551	33%													

Policy Name:	Investment of Council Funds
Originated Date:	Adopted 15 December 2008 – Min. No. 310/08 (as Policy 55)
Amended Date/s:	Reviewed 21 September 2015 – Min. No. 270/15
Applicable Legislation:	Section 75 of the Local Government Act
Dataworks Reference:	44/001/001
Objective	To provide guidelines for the investment of Council Investment funds.

1 DEFINITIONS

Investment Funds – are funds that are not required to be expended in the course of normal operations in the short term.

Authorised Deposit-taking Institution (ADI) – a body corporate in relation to which an authority under subsection 9 (3) of the Banking Act (No. 6 of 1959 as amended) is in force.

Investment arrangement – an arrangement that relates to acquiring, consolidating, dealing with, or disposing of certificates of deposit, debentures, stocks, shares, bonds or notes issued or proposed to be issued, bill of exchange and promissory notes.

2 OBJECTIVE

The objective of this policy is to ensure that the best possible rate of return is achieved from the investment of surplus Council funds whilst, at the same time, ensuring the security of those funds.

3 POLICY

- 3.1 The level of Council funds available for investment is to be reviewed at least fortnightly. During the review process likely cash inflows and outflows for the immediate future will be assessed to establish either the availability of investment funds or the need to redeem existing investments.
- 3.2 Where investment funds are available the following procedure will apply:
- a) Not less than two (2) quotations shall be obtained from authorised deposit-taking institutions whenever an investment arrangement is proposed. The best quote of the day will be successful after allowing for security, and administration and banking fees.
 - b) An 'Investment Lodgement Form' is to be completed which will include the following information:
 - ◆ Name of ADI
 - ◆ Amount of Investment
 - ◆ Duration of Investment

- ◆ Details of Product including security (i.e. S&P rating, State or Commonwealth)
- ◆ Interest Rate offered
- ◆ Endorsement of the selection by the Accountant or the Corporate Services Manager

3.3 Council may support investments in local community banks/financial institutions with up to an amount of 33.3% of investment funds, limited to 10% of investment funds held per institution at any one time for fixed term deposits.

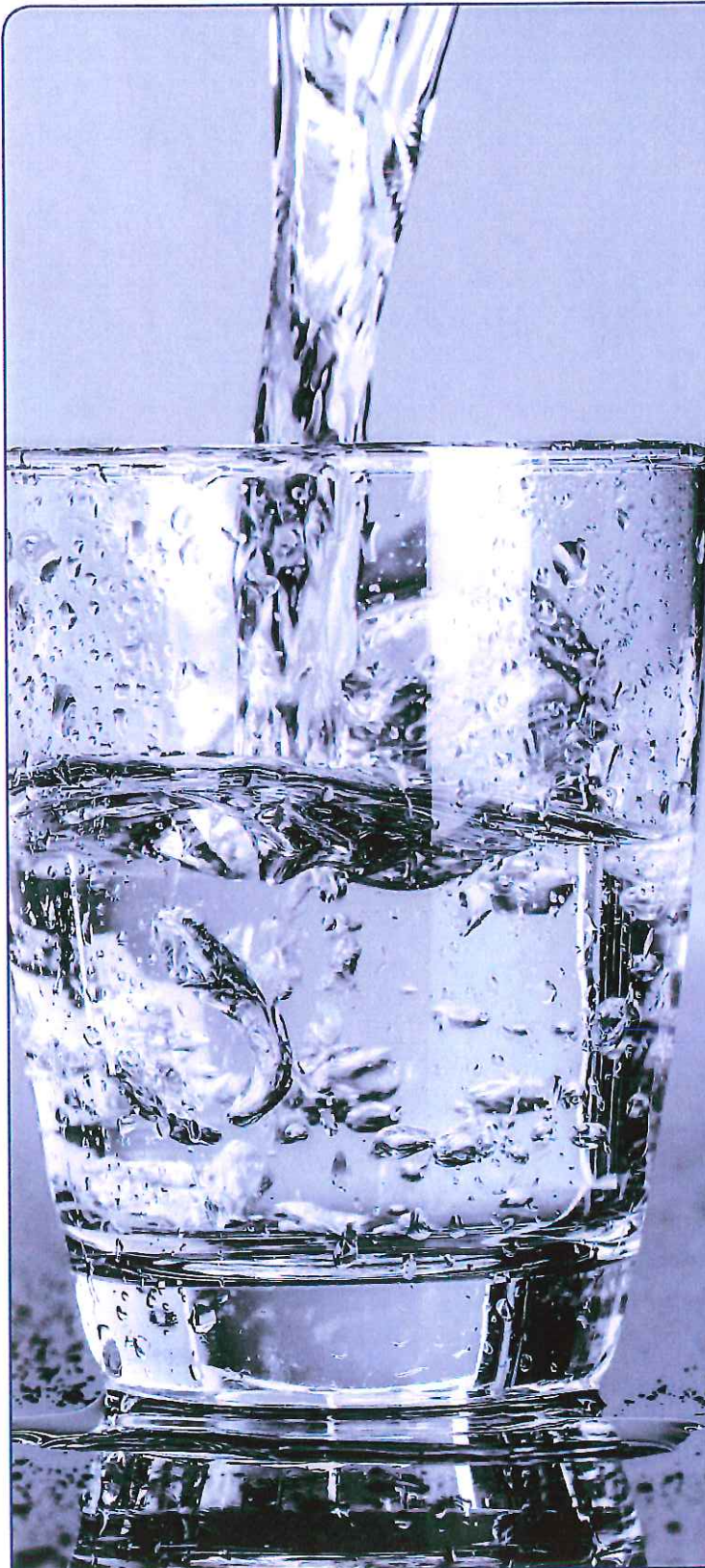
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4 RESPONSIBILITY

Any two of three following incumbents shall be jointly responsible for the application of this policy:

- ◆ Corporate Services Manager;
- ◆ Financial Accountant; and
- ◆ General Manager.

Taking Control of TasWater



- ✓ *Lower Prices*
- ✓ *No need for rate increase*
- ✓ *Water and Sewerage fixed sooner*
- ✓ *No privatisation*

Taking Control of TasWater

Why has the State Government decided to intervene in Tasmania's water and sewerage?

Tasmania's enviable reputation and indeed our brand for having a clean and safe environment is at risk because our water and sewerage system is not up to the standard it should be.

Despite substantial reform to the structure of the Tasmanian water and sewerage industry and the regulatory framework over the past decade, TasWater continues to face significant challenges in meeting environmental, public health, dam safety and water regulations under the stewardship of Tasmania's Councils.

Owned by Tasmania's 29 local Councils, TasWater has not made sufficient progress in meeting the objectives of earlier reforms.

Despite the obvious and urgent need for substantial investment in water and sewerage infrastructure, 25 towns remain on Boil Water or Do Not Consume alerts, only one of Tasmania's 78 Level Two sewerage plants is 100 per cent compliant with EPA discharge to waters limits and in recent years the rate of sewage overflows to the environment has been higher than seven times the national average.

The fact is local Councils have been paid significant returns during their period of ownership, receiving money from TasWater that has not been able to be reinvested in desperately needed upgrades to infrastructure.

While TasWater's Board did take the extraordinary step last year to override their local Council owners and reduce distributions to them to help increase spending on infrastructure, it's not enough and more needs to be done. Councils have not delivered on their fundamental duty to ensure TasWater delivers safe drinking water and sewerage services.

Clean, safe water and a first-world sewerage system are important for public health, our lifestyle, our brand and our economy.

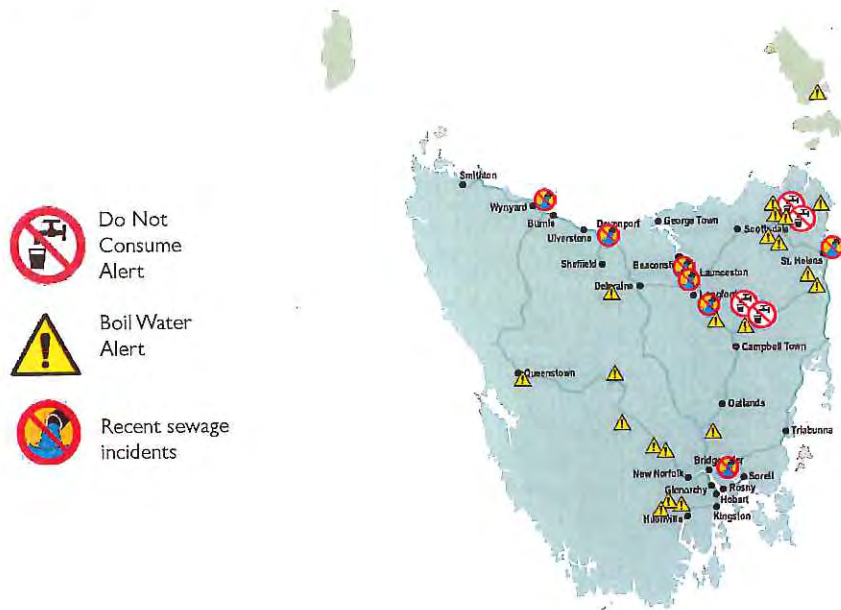
It's simply not good enough that visitors to our State need to check if tap water is safe to drink and the water is safe to swim in. It's not good enough for affected residents who have to fill plastic bottles from communal water tanks in order to have clean water in their homes.

The Government has repeatedly raised these concerns with the Local Council Owners over the last three years. The situation cannot be allowed to continue and the State Government has decided to take control of TasWater in order to fix it.

***Tasmanians expect
and deserve better.***

Do Not Consume/Boil Water Notice

Tasmanian towns operating with Do Not Consume/Boil Water Notices or public health alerts at 3/3/17



Clear Benefits

<p>LOWER PRICES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Price increases for consumers will be lower. • The Government will target future price increases to be within a 2.75 to 3.5 per cent range - well below the current level of 5 per cent projected by TasWater and its Council Owners. • Over 6 years an average customer can expect to save up to \$548.
<p>NO NEED FOR RATE INCREASES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councils will receive not one dollar less than the returns that they have been promised by TasWater up until 2024-25, after which, Councils will receive one half of the value of total returns from TasWater indefinitely.
<p>WATER AND SEWERAGE FIXED SOONER</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On taking control of TasWater on 1 July next year, our plan is to bring forward and complete the remainder of the \$1.5 billion capital program over a 5 year period to ensure water and sewerage infrastructure is fixed faster.
<p>NO CHANGE FOR EMPLOYEES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No employees will lose their jobs as a result of the change in ownership. • TasWater employees will be transferred to the new TasWater government business and their employment terms and conditions will be retained.
<p>NO PRIVATISATION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The legislation for the takeover of TasWater will contain explicit provisions to prevent a future privatisation of TasWater.

Options Considered

When the State Government met recently with all local Council TasWater owners to discuss accelerating the investment in water and sewerage services in Tasmania, five options were considered.

OPTIONS	PROS	CONS
Status Quo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No improvement from current situation Not acceptable to State Government
Federal injection of funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significant Federal funding would accelerate expenditure on water and sewerage No further impost on local government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unrealistic given state of Federal Budget Current Federal election cycle Effectively just "kicks the can down the road"
Councils reduce returns (Dividends/ ITE/Guarantee Fees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accelerates capital expenditure on water and sewerage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Councils lose revenue Some Councils can manage Others more difficult
Increase Prices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accelerates capital expenditure on water and sewerage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consumers already facing 30 per cent increase over six years Many households already facing significant cost increases Not acceptable to State Government
Tasmanian Government intervention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tasmanian Government greater capacity to contribute than Councils Accelerates capital expenditure on water and sewerage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budgetary impact on Tasmanian Government TasWater ownership structure complicates State Government intervention

Options Considered

The State Government made it clear to local Councils that neither the status quo option nor increasing prices were acceptable outcomes. Councils also indicated that they would like more to be done.

While the State Government will always argue for Tasmania's fair share of Federal funding, as no Australian Government funding has been forthcoming to date, this option is not realistic in the short term, and in effect just "kicks the can down the road". On this basis, this was also rejected as a viable option.

Councils rejected the option of reducing their TasWater returns to provide for an accelerated timeframe for investment in infrastructure.

The final option of State Government intervention is the only realistic way to address the challenge we face to bring Tasmania's water and sewerage infrastructure up to an acceptable level over a shorter timeframe.

Tasmanian Government Control of TasWater

"The State Government has decided that the best way to resolve Tasmania's inadequate water and sewerage infrastructure is to assume ownership and control over TasWater.

"This will facilitate a faster solution to the problem and resolve the long term underinvestment that has led to the current unsatisfactory situation."

The Treasurer, Hon Peter Gutwein MP

Key Benefits of State Government Ownership

The transfer of TasWater into State Government ownership will facilitate improved water and sewerage infrastructure and lower costs to Tasmanians. The key benefits are outlined below.

Substantial increase in investment in water and sewerage infrastructure

On taking control of TasWater on 1 July next year, our plan is to bring forward and complete the remainder of the \$1.5 billion capital program over a 5 year period which will allow TasWater to fix water and sewerage infrastructure earlier than under current local government ownership.

The State Government can achieve this increased expenditure without adversely impacting water and sewerage charges or Council rates, by using the underlying strength of its financial position.

TasWater has the capacity to take on more debt and under State ownership it will have a lower cost of borrowing. This means it can borrow

more for less and invest more to fix Tasmania's water and sewerage infrastructure sooner. In addition, the State will use its strong financial position to support TasWater should that be required.

As it stands at the moment, the Government's target of increased investment over five years can only begin once it assumes control on 1 July 2018. However, subject to Councils' agreement as the current owners of TasWater, work can begin immediately on the planning and scoping of the future infrastructure program. It is hoped that Councils will put the interests of Tasmanians before politics and agree that this work commence immediately.

Water and Sewerage prices will be lower under State Ownership

Upon assuming ownership, the State Government will set a price increase of 2.75% for the 2018-19 year and will target price increases of between 2.75% and 3.5% per annum in future years.

This is materially below the price increases projected by the Council Owners of around 5% over 6 years.

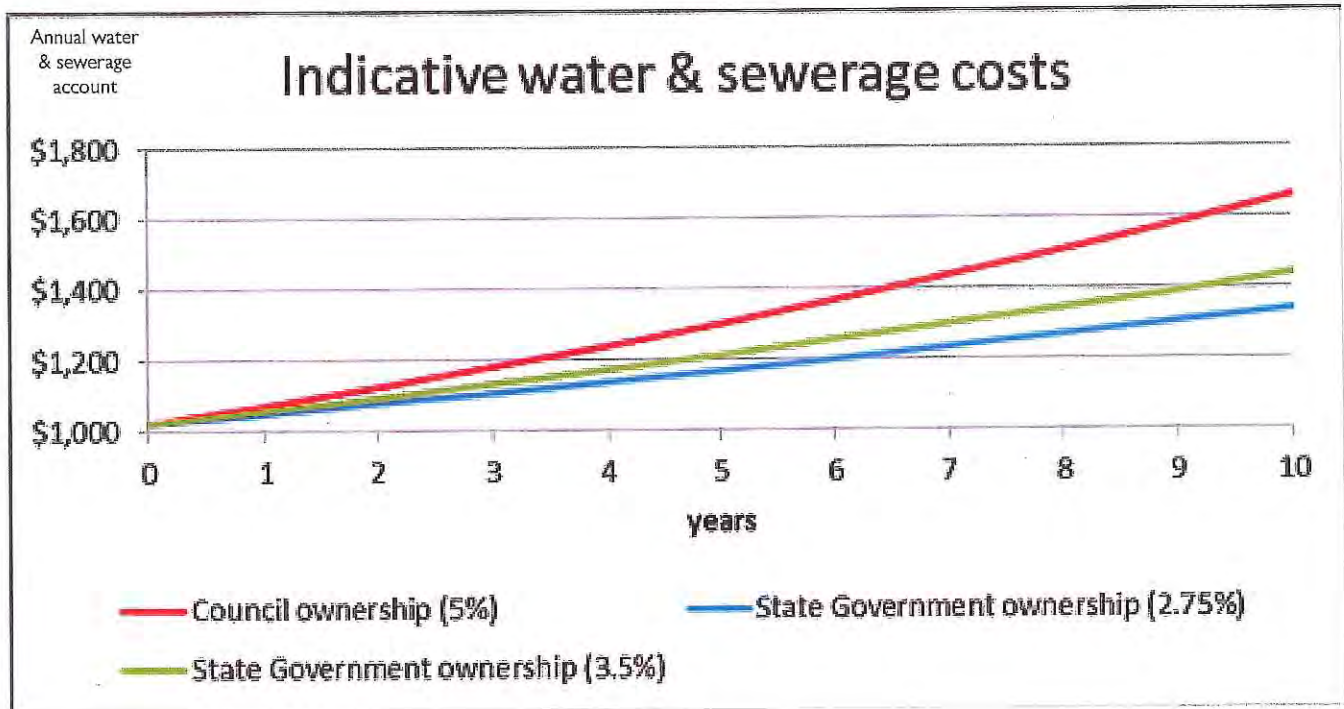
An average customer, over 6 years, could expect to save around \$548 at 2.75% and \$370 at 3.75%

compared to the 5% growth in prices forecast by the Council Owners.

The chart below shows the indicative price increases based on the current average water and sewerage bill of \$1,020 and applying average price increases of between 2.75%, 3.5% and 5.0%.

In addition, the State Government will continue to provide water and sewerage concessions to eligible pensioners, currently worth \$9 million per annum.

Key Benefits of State Government Ownership



Council rates will not be impacted by the transfer of ownership

The State Government will legislate to ensure that distributions continue to be provided to local government over the period to 2024-25 as already announced by TasWater.

They will receive \$30 million for 2016-17 and 2017-18 and for the seven year period following 1 July 2018 (the date on which the State Government expects to assume ownership) Councils will continue to receive annual distributions of \$20 million per annum.

This is the same amount proposed by TasWater last year. Local government will not "receive one dollar less" over this period.

Following this period, local government will receive half of any future distributions from TasWater.

Councils will no longer own or be responsible for water and sewerage in Tasmania and yet they will still receive returns from TasWater. This is a risk-free return for local Councils in perpetuity.

The long timeframe over which Councils will receive a guaranteed return, followed by a 50% share of returns into the future, will ensure that Councils have adequate time to plan and will not need to increase rates as a result of the Government assuming control.

Summary of Key Matters

1. The Government intends to establish a new government business to provide water and sewerage services in Tasmania, through legislation to be introduced in the 2017 Spring session of Parliament and for the new business to commence operations on 1 July 2018;
2. We will transfer the operating business and all its employees to the new government business;
3. The current price determination will be extended to 30 June 2019 with the price increase set at 2.75% for customers on the target tariff;
4. From 1 July 2019, the Treasurer will determine water and sewerage prices with the Regulator providing guidance by continuing to conduct water and sewerage price investigations;
5. The Government will target future price increases to be within a 2.75% to 3.5% range;
6. The Regulator will remain responsible for setting customer service standards and the retention of all other regulation, including environmental, public health, dam safety and water;
7. A legislated obligation to provide Councils with payments of \$20 million per year from 2018-19 over a seven year period, to provide Councils with the same returns as announced by TasWater last year;
8. A commitment from the Government that it will receive no net returns from the entity over this period; and, following this period, Councils will receive one half of any returns from the entity in perpetuity;
9. On taking control of TasWater on 1 July next year, our plan is to bring forward and complete the remainder of the \$1.5 billion capital program over a 5 year period;
10. After the targeted investment phase, it is expected that investment levels will remain elevated as projects that currently sit outside of TasWater's 10 year plan are progressed;
11. No employees will lose their jobs as a result of the change in ownership. TasWater employees will be transferred to the new TasWater government business and their employment terms and conditions will be retained; and
12. The legislation for the takeover of TasWater will contain explicit provisions to prevent a future privatisation of TasWater.

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MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

9 March 2017

Election Stunt Exposed – Clean Water in Sight

“Despite councils showing a willingness to carefully consider the State Government’s agenda for TasWater and weigh up what future model will give the best outcomes for communities, the State Government continues to play fast and loose with the facts,” Local Government Association of Tasmania President, Mayor Doug Chipman said today.

“The use of opportunistic and misleading data and stories which play on the heartstrings of Tasmanians are purely for political purposes,” said Mayor Chipman.

“This continued rhetoric downplaying the accomplishments and plans for TasWater ultimately hurts all Tasmanians – impacting on our reputation nationally and internationally.”

“All councils want boil water alerts resolved as quickly as possible and in August last year, TasWater publicly announced a two-year plan to have all the current boil water alerts removed by August 2018.”

“This means that before the State Government would take ownership, all the hard work around boil water alerts will have been done by TasWater under Local Government ownership,” he said.

Mayor Chipman said take Ringarooma for example. “Ringarooma is one of five towns that will benefit from the new water treatment plant currently under construction, along with Derby, Branxholm, Legerwood and Winnaleah. All those towns will be off boil water alerts by the end of August this year,” said Mayor Chipman.

“Not only that, but by 1 July this year, a further five communities on boil water alerts will be resolved – Avoca, Lady Barron, Mole Creek, Pioneer and Mountain River.”

Mayor Chipman noted that over a series of meetings in 2015, TasWater expressed concern over proceeding with any further tank replacement programs in small towns and put forward a proposal for the State Government to invest in fixing the remaining towns without any further tank roll outs.

"The Treasurer made it clear to the Chairman of TasWater and its Chief Owner Representative that the government was not prepared to provide any financial support and was happy to see them removed from town water and put onto tanks instead."

"Ultimately the Board of TasWater, with health equity and the future of the remaining towns in mind, determined it had to find a way to upgrade water services in the remaining towns without State Government help," he said.

"The Government are persisting with this manufactured crisis when they know that water supplies for 99% of Tasmanians comply with Australian Standards and that the remaining one percent will be fixed before they even have to lift a hand."

"They also know that at no time have there been concerns raised by the Environment Protection Authority, or the Department of Health and Human Services about TasWater services."

Mayor Chipman said the State Government knows the compliance data they have presented is misleading - with the sewage incidences highlighted primarily relating to dry weather events during the long drought period and with many interruptions to water services relating to the drought, or to flood events."

"It beggars belief that a State Government committed to developing the visitor economy and stimulating growth would denigrate Tasmania's clean, green image for their own political gain," said Mayor Chipman.

"Further, it suggests the offer to work with TasWater and the council owners is disingenuous and merely another political stunt," he added.

Ends....

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8 March 2017

Councils now to Consider ALP Policy on TasWater

Today, in his State of the State reply, Leader of the Opposition, Bryan Green outlined the ALP position on TasWater.

“Notably, the ALP expressed support for continued Local Government ownership of TasWater - a position welcomed by the sector,” said Local Government Association of Tasmania President, Mayor Doug Chipman.

“Also welcomed is the commitment to work collaboratively with Local Government going forward,” Mayor Chipman said.

“However, ambiguity about future ownership must be removed,” he said. “It is simply not in the best interests of Tasmania to revisit this issue every election cycle.”

“Local Government is pleased that the ALP has also recognised the importance of the return to councils in ensuring vital community infrastructure can be delivered.”

“Councils strongly believe that while investment in water and sewerage will deliver statewide economic and health benefits, some projects are of such scale and significance that they cannot be tackled by the Local Government sector alone,” he said.

Mayor Chipman said engaging with TasWater to explore different equity and partnership models, as well as leveraging State and Federal funding, will be key to delivering on projects such as Cameron Bay, Macquarie Point and the Launceston combined system.

“Councils will consider the ALP model carefully in conjunction with the Premier’s announcement regarding State Government ownership of TasWater,” he said.

LGAT Members will discuss the future of TasWater at the General Meeting on 7 April 2017.

Ends....

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7 March 2017

Councils to Carefully Consider State Government Ownership Model for TasWater

The Local Government sector is committed to carefully considering the model of State Government ownership proposed in the Premier's State of the State address in Parliament today and awaits further detail.

"It appears the Government has recognised a number of concerns raised by the Owners' Representatives' Group when they met with him on 24 February," said LGAT President, Mayor Doug Chipman.

"In particular, the model outlined has acknowledged the importance of the return to councils and their communities, the need to keep water prices as low as possible, and a broad concern regarding future privatisation."

"However, the detail will be important. TasWater's council owners are confident that TasWater could deliver the robust 10-year capital plan and would like to better understand the feasibility and impacts of an accelerated program," Mayor Chipman said.

"Councils will also be keen to hear and consider any alternative proposals from the State opposition."

"Regardless of any future model for delivering water and sewerage services in Tasmania, the work of the skilled and professional Board and staff of TasWater is very much appreciated."

"The Local Government Association of Tasmania has invited the Treasurer, Peter Gutwein to attend the LGAT General Meeting on 7 April, by which time each council will have had the opportunity to consider the detail," he said.

Ends....

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24 February 2017

Councils Considering Treasurer's Advice

Today the Treasurer, Peter Gutwein, met with the council owner representatives of TasWater.

At this meeting, the Treasurer advised that, despite the aggressive 10-year capital works program that is currently being implemented by TasWater, the State Government is "actively considering State Government ownership".

Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) President, Mayor Doug Chipman said this stance has been presented without warning and we are now seeking more information about the State Government's proposition in writing.

"The Treasurer acknowledged that some councils and their communities are highly dependent on distributions from TasWater," Mayor Chipman said.

"Councils use their returns from TasWater to invest in other important local infrastructure and services."

"Councils agree that it is important that Tasmanians have safe drinking water and that resolving boil water and health alerts is a priority."

"We are extremely disappointed that the Treasurer has embarked on such a public campaign before engaging with Local Government because TasWater has made significant progress since it commenced operations three and a half years ago," he said.

"However, the sector is willing to collaborate and work with the State Government to look at all the options to accelerate the pace of the capital works program."

"It is important that the State Government clearly explains why they believe it is necessary to own TasWater," Mayor Chipman said. "Local Government believes that the continued council ownership of TasWater is in the best interests of communities."

Mayor Chipman said following today's meeting with the Treasurer, it is now essential for the owner representatives to take the discussion back to their councils, to work to understand the consequences of what the Treasurer is proposing and to respond to him as a matter of priority.

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TasWater Chief Owner Representative Mayor David Downie on 0418 132 041



MEDIA RELEASE

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23 February 2017

State Government Continues to Peddle Half Truths and Misleading Information

“The relentless beat up of councils and TasWater is all about politics and appears to be about getting re-elected, and has nothing to do with the facts,” said Local Government Association of Tasmania President, Mayor Doug Chipman today.

Mayor Downie said councils are working closely with TasWater and have endorsed its \$1.55 billion fully funded 10-year capital plan.

“The fact is councils have proven they are willing to make the tough decisions, already foregoing dividends worth \$150 million,” added Chief Owner Representative for TasWater, Mayor David Downie.

“In the last year of TasWater’s current 10-year plan, the total dividends paid to council owners will be \$3.178 million, an average of less than \$110,000 per council,” said Mayor Chipman.

TasWater, along with State Government Business Enterprises, is required by law to pay tax equivalents and loan guarantee payments to its owners.

“We have adopted the same approach that the State Government has applied to its Government Business Enterprises,” he said. “Whilst dividends have been reduced, like the State Government, we continue to receive loan guarantee and tax equivalent payments.”

Mayor Chipman said the State Government does not hand back its tax equivalent payments and guarantee fee receipts to their businesses, even when they are facing significant challenges such as the recent energy crisis, and yet that is what the State Government is demanding of councils.”

Mayor Downie said all the Tasmanian Liberal Government seems to deliver is scaremongering.

"They ignore the fact that the final decision on TasWater prices is made by an independent regulator and they distort the possible price increases for consumers," said Mayor Chipman.

Mayor Downie said the projected price increases for water and sewerage services are an average of 4.1% per annum over the next six years. "When you subtract projected inflation, the real increase in water bills will be 1.7% per annum.

"A substantial capital works plan is now funded without a single dollar being contributed by either the Federal or State Government," he said. "Over the next two years all boil water alerts will be removed".

"It is not a matter of money, it is simply how long it takes to do the work" he said.

All the core sewerage improvement works will be delivered over the next ten years under our current plan, but the Owners note that with an additional injection of State or Federal Government funding, TasWater could accelerate that work to be completed in around eight and a half years.

Mayor Chipman said the State Government needs to stop attacking TasWater and its owners with half-truths and misleading information, and work with councils to fix the problems.

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Disappointing Process by Treasurer

“Local Government is in disbelief that the Treasurer chose a national forum to attack local councils as opposed to directly engaging with us,” says LGAT President, Mayor Doug Chipman.

“It is all well and good to say he will meet with council owners this Friday but the invitation and discussion should have happened first.”

“Local Government welcomes the opportunity to correct his claims which demonstrate a limited understanding of the true facts.”

Mayor Chipman says, “The LGAT CEO and I met with the Treasurer only a little over a week ago to discuss our budget submission and rather than outline his concerns to us, he has chosen to ambush the sector in the national spotlight.”

“Councils have proven they are willing to make the tough decisions, already forgoing dividends worth \$82million,” says Chief Owner Representative for TasWater, Mayor David Downie.

“Councils use the return on decades of community investment into water and sewerage infrastructure to aid in the maintenance and renewal of other community assets infrastructure such as local roads and bridges, parks, sports grounds and community halls,” he says.

“Councils aren’t backing away from the task that needs to be done but with TasWater, we are working responsibly and as fast as possible. This work can’t be done overnight and must be managed within ongoing operational requirements,” says Mayor Downie.

"TasWater's council owners have already agreed to a dividend reduction and support TasWater's aggressive 10-year capital improvement plan."

Mayor Chipman says, "Distributions from TasWater to Owner Councils are reinvested into communities through development, renewal or maintenance of other key community infrastructure that also support vibrant communities."

It is critical that State and Local Government work together on this issue, taking joint responsibility.

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Media Release- from the Chairman, TasWater

It's time to set the record straight

The Chairman of TasWater, Miles Hampton today said that it is time for the Treasurer to stop using TasWater as a political football.

As Chairman of the Board of TasWater, I want to reassure the community that there is neither a "crisis" in the State's water and sewerage system as the Treasurer asserts, nor is it "universally inadequate" as he has also asserted.

Despite his rhetoric, the Treasurer is fully aware that 99% of TasWater customers receive drinking water that fully complies with Australian drinking water standards.

Further, he knows the remaining one percent of customers will be receiving similar quality water within 18 months.

Prior to the Treasurer's announcements over the past week, neither the State Government, nor the Environmental Protection Authority, nor Department of Health and Human Services raised any issue of a "crisis". They sought no meetings or discussions about the issue.

Is the Treasurer in possession of advice from these two bodies that they have not shared with us?

From the start, the Treasurer's portrayal of the situation appears to have been a cynical attempt to alarm the community and convince the Upper House that a takeover of TasWater is in the best interest of the State.

To support his arguments, the Treasurer points to the number of small towns that are still on boil water alerts and says this is, in part, a result of councils underinvesting.

I feel I must now defend the record.

In 2008-9 The Office of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator (OTTER) part of whose role is to report on TasWater's performance, reported that 4 percent of the Tasmanian population serviced with reticulated water received non-compliant drinking water.

Then in 2014-15 OTTER reported that only 1.4% of the population serviced with reticulated water received non-compliant drinking water.



I quote from the OTTER report of 2014-15:

“Sound ongoing performance reflects increased operational management and investment in infrastructure since the hand-over of the water supply infrastructure from local Councils to the regional corporations and then TasWater.”

The State Government’s own independent Economic Regulator therefore confirmed that TasWater and the Councils are making significant progress in these areas.

It has been reported that the Treasurer believes our fast-tracked 18 month time frame to address the remaining small towns on boil water alerts can be further accelerated without wasting public money.

If the Treasurer has a plan, I would like to see it.

The Treasurer also says he can solve Tasmania’s water and sewerage challenges in five years or less by leveraging the state’s balance sheet, in other words by running even greater debt now for others to pay later. Money is only one aspect of delivering real projects on the ground.

If the Treasurer has a plan, we would all like to see it.

TasWater on the other hand, does have a plan – a ten-year, fully-funded plan.

Once again, I call upon the Treasurer to consider the long term interests of Tasmanians and the people at TasWater who are proudly working every day on these issues – including some of the most talented water and sewerage engineers in Australia – and share his plan on how he intends to keep his promises and do it faster.

Until then, just let us get on with the job.

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