

5.9. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 JULY 2017

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council notes the Financial Report for the period ended 31 July 2017.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The attached Financial Report details the progress of the 2017/18 budget for the period ended 31 July 2017. Key points to note include the following:

- operating revenue currently exceeds budget expectations by \$56k.
- operating expenditure is under budget by \$51k.
- the operating surplus is currently \$9.6m compared to a budgeted surplus of \$9.5m.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the Chief Executive Officer must present to Council a financial report which states the progress that has been made in relation to the current financial year's budget. This report must be presented to Council on a monthly basis and cover the period up to a day as near as practicable to the end of the preceding month.

COMMENT

The 2017/18 annual budget was adopted on 27 June 2017 and the attached financial report details progress against budget for the period ended 31 July 2017. The report is prepared on an accrual basis and includes revenue earned and expenditure incurred during this period.

The following information is provided to assist with interpreting the report, including the provision of relevant graphs.

Operating Revenue and Expenditure

Key points:

- *Council has received 33% of its annual budgeted operating revenue*
- *Year to date operating expenditure is currently under budget*

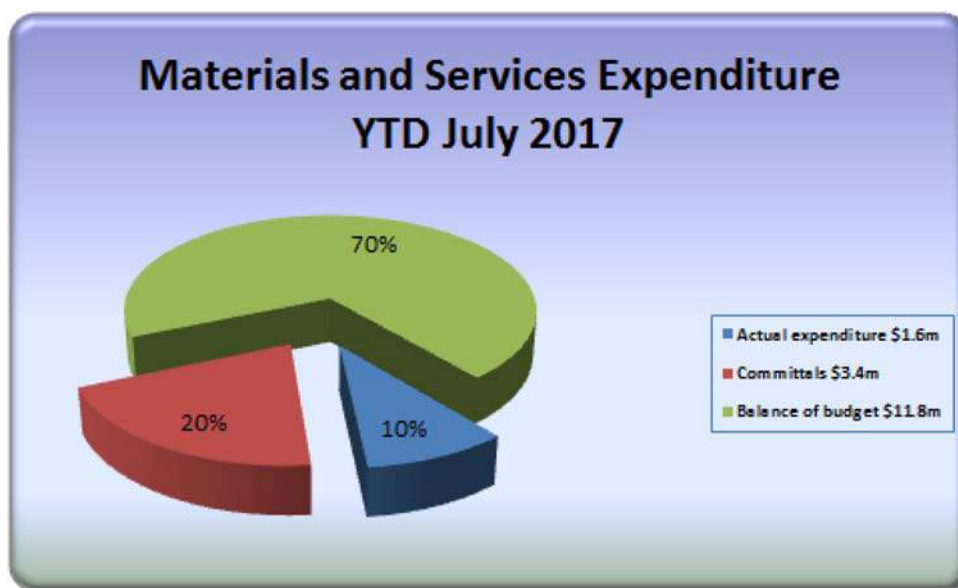
Overall year to date operating revenue is ahead of budget, with a number of variations occurring within the various categories as follows:

- Net rates and utility charges are \$23k ahead of budget as a result of greater than anticipated revenue from general rates, sewerage and waste management.
- Fees and charges are under budget by \$32k due to the following variations:
 - Ferry fares -\$8k
 - Building and property related fees -\$20k
 - Licences and Other fees and charges -\$4k

- Grants and subsidies are \$22k ahead of budget due to the receipt of funds related to NDRRA emergent works.
- Interest received has exceeded budget expectations and is \$33k ahead of budget.

On the operating expenditure side, year to date expenditure variations to budget are as follows:

- Employee benefits expenditure is \$31k under budget and can be impacted by various factors, such as staff vacancies, the amount and timing of leave taken and the allocation of costs to capital expenditure.
- Materials and Services expenditure is under budget by \$21k and while committals currently equal \$3.4m it should be noted that the majority of these committals relate to annual expenditure contracts.



- Depreciation expense has been accrued based on the budget forecast, as the asset register is still being finalised as part of the 2016/17 end of financial year process and cannot be updated with actual depreciation for the new financial year until this process is completed.

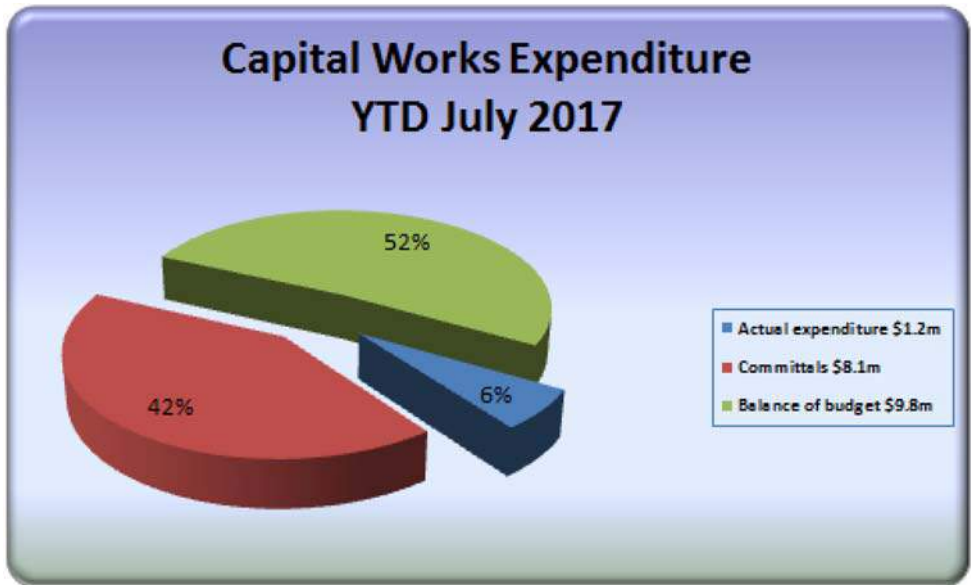
Capital Revenue and Expenditure

Key point:

- *Council has only received a small fraction of its annual budgeted capital grants and subsidies at this early stage of the financial year.*

Full budget amounts for capital revenue and expenditure were allocated to July, as the timing of this work had not been fully determined when the original budget was prepared. These amounts will be subsequently adjusted as part of a future budget review to take into account carry forwards (uncompleted works) from the previous financial year and any new capital projects.

It should be noted that in addition to year to date capital expenditure a further \$8.1m (excluding carry forwards) had been committed as at the end of July.



Operating Result

Key point:

- *the interim operating result is \$107k ahead of budget*

As reflected in the attached report, total operating revenue at the end of July was ahead of budget and operating expenditure was under budget. This has resulted in an operating surplus of \$9.6m compared to a budgeted surplus of \$9.5m. As mentioned above however, this result does not include any committals for materials and services.



PROPOSAL

The Financial Report for the period ended 31 July 2017 be received and noted by Council.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The results as at the end of July 2017 have not revealed any significant negative impacts on the 2017/18 budget.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Monthly financial reporting keeps Council informed of the progress that has been made in relation to the budget and allows for timely corrective action if required.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN, POLICY REFERENCE

This report has been prepared in accordance with the following:

Corporate Plan 2014-2019 Initiatives:

Theme 5 Governance

5.1.1 "Establish and develop long term financial, resource and infrastructure planning to ensure ongoing capacity to fund operations and capital works programs.

5.2.1 "Provide Councillors and community with accurate, unbiased and factual reporting to enable accountable and transparent decision-making.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Financial Statement as at 31 July 2017 **[5.9.1]**

Douglas Shire Council						
Statement of Comprehensive Income						
For the month of July 2017						
	Actual YTD '18	Budget YTD '18	Variance	Budget 17/18	Actual as % of	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	Budget 17/18	
Operating Revenue						
Net rates and utility charges	12,435,885	12,412,865	23,020	32,563,009	38%	
Fees and charges	774,011	805,667	(31,656)	5,281,946	15%	
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	21,843	-	21,843	1,655,441	1%	
Interest received	114,855	81,738	33,117	903,790	13%	
Other recurrent income	25,419	15,809	9,610	648,327	4%	
Total Operating Revenue	13,372,014	13,316,079	55,935	41,052,513	33%	
Operating Expenses						
Employee benefits	1,217,325	1,248,050	30,725	13,885,012	9%	
Materials and services	1,601,616	1,622,472	20,856	16,810,703	10%	
Depreciation	993,855	993,855	-	11,926,237	8%	
Finance costs	1,290	908	(382)	85,000	2%	
Total Recurrent Expenses	3,814,086	3,865,285	51,199	42,706,952	9%	
Operating Result	9,557,928	9,450,794	107,134	(1,654,439)	(578%)	
Capital revenue						
Capital grants and subsidies	6,225	8,139,421	(8,133,196)	8,139,421	0%	
Total capital revenue	6,225	8,139,421	(8,133,196)	8,139,421	0%	
Net result	9,564,152	17,590,215	(8,026,063)	6,484,982	147%	
Capital works program						
Capital additions	1,221,037	19,121,001	17,899,964	19,121,001	6%	
Total capital additions	1,221,037	19,121,001	17,899,964	19,121,001	6%	

NDRRA portion of Capital Works Program (included above)			
Capital grants and subsidies	-	-	-
Capital additions	62,763	(62,763)	-
Net position	(62,763)	(62,763)	-

9.1. AGENDA ITEM 9 - CLOSED SESSION

- 9.1 Four Mile Beach Commercial Activities Expressions of Interest**
- 9.2 Prejudicial Matter S275 (1) (H) *Local Government Regulation 2012* - Land Acquisition for Road Purposes - Lot 38 Crown Plan NR217 - Connolly Road, Mowbray**