

TOWN *of* CLAREMONT

# Annual Report 2024/2025

**A CONNECTED, SUSTAINABLE  
AND FLOURISHING COMMUNITY**



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Town of Claremont acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land and waterways of the Claremont and Swanbourne area. We respect the significance of their connection to the sacred sites, the Derbal Yerrigan and Galbamaanup wetland.

We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.



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# Welcome to the 2024-25 Annual Report

The Town's vision is to support a connected, flourishing and sustainable community, and it achieves this through good governance, innovation, and solid leadership.

The 2024-25 Annual Report provides an overview of the Town's achievements in this period are in line with the ten-year community strategic plan – *Claremont Ahead 2021 to 2031*.

This annual report has been produced in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995*.







# Message from the Mayor

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In my sixteenth year as being your Mayor, it is an honour and a privilege to have continued to serve this community.



On behalf of the Town of Claremont Council, I proudly present the Annual Report for the financial year 24-25.

As I reflect on the last year, what stands out most is not just about what was achieved, but how it was achieved. I am proud of the team - Town staff, council members and volunteers who work so diligently with a shared purpose to make a difference in our community.

Our key goals of leadership, liveability, prosperity, people and the environment continued to provide guidance, while our community consultation efforts ensure that we remain engaged and make the best decisions based on community feedback.

While maintaining our commitment to transparency and fiscal responsibility, we continued to support improvements to our Aquatic Centre, drainage, pathways, and roads. New community infrastructure including a scooter track and accessible playground equipment commenced this year that will enhance John and Jean Mulder Park, providing new amenities for young families.

Further improvements to our parks were made with a new playground installed at Maclagan Park, and outdoor fitness equipment at Rowe Park, to compliment the existing tennis courts, basketball hoop and cricket pitch.

This report also highlights another year of supporting local businesses and ensuring public safety, we have made important strides in building a town that works for everyone. Our Community Safety Officers have been aided in their role in managing parking with the addition of vehicle registration software.

The vibrancy and connectedness of this community can be seen at our community facilities and events; and this year it was pleasing to see a large increase in active library membership at the Bay View Community Centre.

In my sixteenth year as being your Mayor, it is an honour and a privilege to have continued to serve this community.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jock Barker". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

**Jock Barker**  
Mayor





# Message from the Chief Executive Officer

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The work from 24-25 has continued to support our vision of a connected, flourishing and sustainable community, and it has been my privilege to work with a team of dedicated professional staff, Council and the community.



Improvement to our technology was a big focus in this financial year, to enable the organisation to move forward with customer service, improve efficiency and cyber security.

Since the adoption of new software in 23-24, the Town has been continually improving its customer service technology. In October, the Town was invited to participate in a cyber security pilot project, which has allowed the Town to improve its security posture to a benchmarked level.

The Town's Geographical Information System was updated and integrated into the new software, which will ultimately provide more efficient response and access to accurate data.

Relocation of the Town's library and learning services to the redeveloped Bay View Community Centre in October has enabled growth in community workshops, activities and building social connection.

With a continued focus on safety and sustainability, the Aquatic Centre is now an accredited St John SAFE facility with the addition of a purpose-built first aid room. Furthermore, the changeover to a salt chlorinator this year supported the Town in winning the 2025 Sustainability Award at the WA Aquatic Recreation Industry Awards.

Importantly, the Town undertook an audit of the organisation's greenhouse gas emissions, which has provided baseline data for the creation of a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Plan for the Town. This will be completed in 25-26.

In November 2024 the Industrial Relations Commission endorsed the Town's Employment Agreement, which sets out the terms and conditions for employees through to November 2027. This Agreement reflects the Town's commitment to maintaining competitive pay and working conditions, ensuring the continued delivery of high-quality services to the Claremont community.

Also in November the Town Centre Precinct Structure Plan was endorsed, providing the Town with a strong guiding document that will facilitate positive outcomes for town centre businesses and the future proposed developments.

The work from 24-25 has continued to support our vision of a connected, flourishing and sustainable community, and it has been my privilege to work with a team of dedicated professional staff, Council and the community.

**Elizabeth Ledger**  
Chief Executive Officer

# About the Town

The Town of Claremont is the local government authority for the beautiful, leafy, riverside suburbs of Claremont and parts of Swanbourne. Established in 1898, the Town is situated just 9km from the Perth CBD and is the hub of the western suburbs of Perth. The Town is located on the land of the Whadjuk Noongar people and covers an area of almost 5km<sup>2</sup>.

Claremont is a vibrant and thriving community that is home to more than 11,200 people, with an estimated growth to 14,600 people over the next 20 years. The Town is abundant with natural beauty, highlighted by the Lake Claremont Conservation Category Wetland and surrounding bushland, the stunning foreshore of Freshwater Bay, numerous parks and recreational facilities, as well as the tree-lined suburban streets that are distinctly Claremont.

The Claremont Town Centre is a harmonious blend of heritage and modern architecture with a pedestrian friendly high street. It is recognised as a premier retail, commercial and entertainment precinct that attracts visitors from all over Perth. Claremont Quarter Shopping Centre and surrounding streets host a range of shopping and dining options, from boutique stores and restaurants to cafés, fresh produce, and a variety of other small businesses.

A range of sustainable transport options are located within the Town, including the Claremont and Swanbourne Railway Stations, numerous bus routes, bike paths and walking tracks. The Town is also home to several public and private schools, hospitals, and community facilities.

## OUR HISTORY

### Noongar Boodjar

This has always been Noongar land. The Noongar people have lived in the south-west corner of Western Australia for at least 45,000 years. The Noongar population is made up of 14 different language groups. The suburbs of Claremont and Swanbourne are located on the lands and waters of the Whadjuk language group.

The banks of the Swan River (Derbal Yarrigan) and the wetland area of Lake Claremont (Galbamaanup) have always been significant as campsites and hunting grounds and they remain intrinsic to their spiritual beliefs and creation stories relating to the great serpent (Waugal). The river and lake provided the Whadjuk Noongar people with an abundance of food such as fish, crabs, waterfowl, snakes and lizards as well as bush food and freshwater.

The areas known today as the Town of Claremont and the City of Nedlands, were once within the jurisdiction of the old Perth Roads Board. On 17 May 1893 polling took place to elect seven residents to represent a newly formed Claremont Roads Board.

By 1898 the population of the district numbered 1700 and after a petition and government intervention the Municipality of Claremont was formed. Nine councillors and an auditor were sworn in with James King as the first Mayor. However, the suburbs of Nedlands and Dalkeith remained the Claremont Roads Board until 1931 which can cause much confusion when researching the past.

Early Municipal meetings were held in the Congregational Church, on Stirling Highway, until the Edwin Summerhayes designed Municipal Chambers was constructed in 1899. Summerhayes later designed the Town's War Memorial in 1921.

In 1907 North (West), East and South Wards were established, and the first ward-based election saw each ward electing three councillors. On 1 July 1961, under the Local Government Act 1960, the municipality became the Town of Claremont. Since that time, boundaries have changed, as has legislation strengthening the role of local government in the community.



ALFRED ROAD

GUGERI STREET

SHENTON ROAD

STIRLING HIGHWAY

STIRLING ROAD

BAY VIEW TERRACE



## Our Vision and Mission

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### OUR VISION

**The Town is a progressive, respectful, sustainable local government supporting a connected, flourishing community.**

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### OUR MISSION

**We exist to deliver quality services for Claremont today and to build the foundation for the future.**

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## Our values

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### Respect

We are responsible for how we behave in our workplace and will show respect and courtesy to all of our customers and colleagues.

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### Integrity

We are open, accountable and honest.

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### Quality communication

We demonstrate our respect for our community and each other through timely, accurate and understandable communication.

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### Customer service

Every contact with a customer is important and an opportunity to demonstrate our commitment.

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### Excellence

Our focus is quality outcomes achieved on time and on budget.

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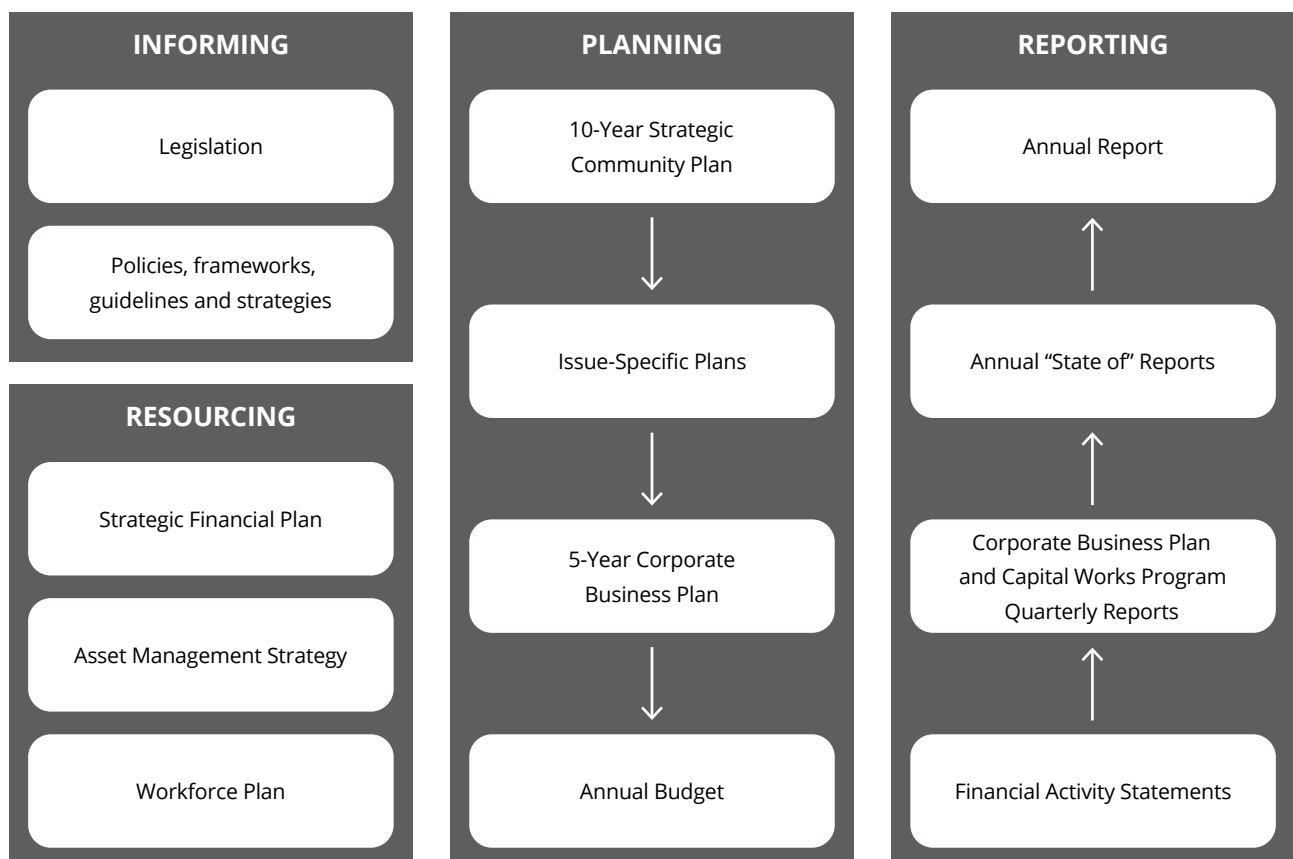


# Purpose of the Annual Report

The Town produces an Annual Report for each financial year by 31 December, as required under the Western Australian *Local Government Act 1995*.

This Annual Report demonstrates our performance against the long-term vision of the Town's 10-Year Strategic Community Plan, Claremont Ahead, and the projects and priorities detailed in our Corporate Business Plan. It provides information about our organisational performance and illustrates our commitment to accountable and transparent government.

## INTEGRATED PLANNING FRAMEWORK



# Key Goal Areas

## LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

We are an open and accountable local government: a leader in community service standards







## Your Council

The Council of the Town of Claremont consists of nine Elected Members: one Mayor and eight Council Members.

Council is the policy and decision-making body for the Town of Claremont and meets monthly on a Tuesday evening at 7.00pm. The Chief Executive Officer and the directors of the Town also attend Council meetings.

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend Council meetings and may ask questions during public question time. Minutes of Council meetings are available to the public and are published on the Town of Claremont website.





TOILETS



**JOCK BARKER**  
*Mayor*

**Mobile:** 0408 984 471

**Email:** mayor@claremont.wa.gov.au

**Background**

Elected as Councillor in 2001-2009, Elected Mayor 2009. Has lived in Claremont since 1976.

**Interests**

The Mayor has been an elected member serving the community for over 20 years. He works closely with the CEO to support good governance, and is committed to preserving services, facilities and events that maintain and enhance this. Personally, the Mayor has a strong interest in aviation, farming, as well as travel and keeping fit.

**Committees and Memberships**

The Mayor is an Honorary Affiliate Member Claremont RSL and Patron of Claremont Yacht Club. In 2024/2025 the Mayor was a member of the Town's Audit & Risk Management Committee; Claremont Town Centre Advisory Committee; and the Complaints Committee.

**Current term**

2021 – 2025



**PAUL KELLY**  
*Deputy Mayor*

**Mobile:** 0419 666 233

**Email:** pkelly@claremont.wa.gov.au

**Background**

Lived in and been involved in the Claremont community for over 30 years. Elected to Council in 1995 and Deputy Mayor for ten years. A member of the Senior Executive Service of the Public sector for over 25 years, recently retiring from his position of Executive Director of the Economic Regulation Authority.

**Interests**

Cr Kelly has an interest in ensuring local government provides high quality services to the community through consultation and good governance.

**Committees and Memberships**

Cr Kelly was a member of the Town's Audit & Risk Management Committee; Complaints Committee; Chair of Western Metropolitan Regional Council; Deputy President of WA Local Government Association, Chair Central Metropolitan Zone; Board Director Local Government Insurance Scheme, Board Director Australian Local Government Association, Board Member Australian Building Code Board.

**Current term**

2021 – 2025



**SARA FRANKLYN**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0403 003 840

**Email:** sfranklyn@claremont.wa.gov.au

**Background**

Cr Franklyn grew up in the Southwest and has lived in Perth since 1983 and Swanbourne since 1991.

**Interests**

Cr Franklyn has a strong interest in sporting facilities, Lake Claremont, good governance and transparency. She is keen on ensuring the Town remains connected with the community through regular communication and contact. She is a regular swimmer at Claremont Aquatic Centre and manages a charity for underprivileged children in Ethiopia.

**Committees and Memberships**

In 2024/2025 Cr Franklyn was a member of the Complaints Committee (Deputy Member) and Western Metropolitan Regional Council (Deputy Member); Lake Claremont Advisory Committee (Chair); Western Subgroup – Metropolitan Regional Road Group.

**Current term**

2021 - 2025



**JILL GOETZE**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0407 440 249

**Email:** jgoetze@claremont.wa.gov.au

#### **Background**

Elected in 2009, Cr Goetze has lived in Claremont since 1981, and four generations of her family have lived in Claremont since 1918.

#### **Interests**

Cr Goetze is passionate about retaining the village feel of Claremont and protecting the heritage character of the town. She is keen to ensure strong community connection to the town through good communication, community events, and town centre activations. She works to enhance our beautiful green spaces and to ensure that we retain our tree canopy in Claremont.

#### **Committees and Memberships**

In 2024/2025 Cr Goetze was a member of the Claremont Museum Advisory Committee (Chair) (until 29 October 2024) and Claremont Museum Working Group (from 29 October 2024); Claremont Town Centre Advisory Committee; Public Art Working Group and Member of the Board, Freshwater Bay Primary School.

#### **Current term**

2021 – 2025



**SHELLEY HATTON**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0408 946 295

**Email:** shatton@claremont.wa.gov.au

#### **Background**

Elected in 2021, Cr Hatton has lived in Claremont since 1976. She has been a member of the Physiotherapists Board of Western Australia and Chair of the Rottneet Channel Swim Association, as well as having been on numerous sporting committees and Chair of Uni Camp for Kids.

#### **Interests**

Cr Hatton is interested in all things outdoors. She is particularly interested in Lake Claremont and its surrounds and works with the Friends of Lake Claremont on various weeding and planting activities. Open spaces are another passion, as are the provision and maintenance of dog parks. She is also interested in good governance and communication with ratepayers.

#### **Committees and Memberships**

Cr Hatton is a member of the Lake Claremont Advisory Committee; Traffic Management Working Group; Foreshore Advisory Committee; WALGA Central Zone; and the CEO Performance Review Working Group.

#### **Current term**

2021 – 2025



**ANNETTE SUANN**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0410 031 245

**Email:** asuann@claremont.wa.gov.au

#### **Background**

Cr Suann loves Perth and after living and working in London, Tokyo and Singapore, she knows from experience it is the best place to live! She moved back to WA in 2008 with her family and has been residing in Claremont ever since. Cr Suann is a mum, wife, small business owner, volunteer and board member.

#### **Interests**

Cr Suann is passionate about supporting local businesses and fostering opportunities to connect communities. She values open consultation and effective communication, emphasising the importance of education for sustainability and strong governance. Cr believes that everyone should take an active interest in their local community.

#### **Committees and Memberships**

Cr Suann was a member of the Foreshore Advisory Committee; Claremont Museum Advisory Committee (until 29 October 2024) and Claremont Museum Working Group (from 29 October 2024); Claremont Town Centre Advisory Committee; Complaints Committee (Deputy Member); Traffic Management Working Group; WALGA Central Metropolitan Zone.

#### **Current term**

2023 - 2027



**KATE MAIN**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0417 949 761

**Email:** kmain@claremont.wa.gov.au

**Background**

Cr Main has lived in Claremont for 18 years and been a Councillor for eight. She works in marketing and has an economics degree as well as horticulture qualifications. Cr Main is a keen hockey player, gardener, and fair-weather bike rider.

**Interests**

Cr Main is passionate about making Claremont a liveable space by keeping the community feel and encouraging good planning and design. This includes walking, riding, roads, green space and building development.

**Committees and Memberships**

Metro Inner-North Joint Development Assessment Panel; Western Subgroup - Metropolitan Regional Road Group; Claremont Museum Advisory Committee (until 29 October 2024) and Claremont Museum Working Group (from 29 October 2024); Claremont Park Project Working Group; Claremont Public Art Working Group; Traffic Management Working Group and RoadWise Council representative.

**Current term**

2023 - 2027



**RYAN BROWN**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0438 924 968

**Email:** rbrown@claremont.wa.gov.au

**Background**

Cr Brown grew up in the Southwest but has been a local resident for 20 years. He attended UWA where he completed his master's degree in architecture. He is a registered practicing architect and is an advocate for quality design and planning.

**Interests**

Cr Brown is passionate about enhancing the quality of Claremont's built and natural environment, while promoting it as a liveable, accessible, and sustainable town. His goal is to maintain Claremont as a locale which is welcoming for current and future generations. As a father and member of several local clubs and committees, he is interested in providing greater access to youth services and recreation areas. Cr Brown is a keen runner, having successfully advocated for the Lake Claremont Parkrun.

**Committees and Memberships**

In 2024/2025 Cr Brown was a member of the Metro West Joint Development Assessment Panel, Public Art Working Group and Claremont Park Working Group.

**Current term**

2023 - 2027



**GRAHAM CAMERON**  
*Councillor*

**Mobile:** 0413 620 079

**Email:** gcameron@claremont.wa.gov.au

**Background**

Cr Cameron has lived in Swanbourne for over 27 years where he likes to frequent the local parks and beaches in his spare time.

**Interests**

Cr Cameron has a commercial background which includes owning and operating two private businesses earning recognition winning a Telstra Small Business award and numerous innovation awards. This experience has equipped him with the skills to advocate for a vibrant, sustainable and community-friendly environment.

Cr Cameron works collaboratively with councillors to ensure the Town continues to thrive as a place residents are proud to live.

**Committees and Memberships**

In 2024/2025 Cr Cameron was a member of the Audit and Risk Committee.

**Current term**

2023 - 2027



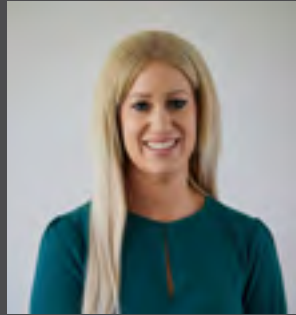
# Executive Team



**ELIZABETH LEDGER**

*Chief Executive Officer*

- Elected Members
- Strategic Community Planning
- Communication & Marketing
- Community Engagement
- Tourism & Events
- Museum
- Community Hub & Library
- Customer Relations



**BREE WEBSDALE**

*Director Corporate Services*

- Information Technology
- Human Resources
- Workplace Health & Safety
- Legal
- Governance & Records
- Insurance & Risk
- Finance and Rates
- Community Safety



**NICOLA CLARK**

*Director Planning & Environment*

- Statutory Planning
- Building
- Heritage
- Environmental Health

*(From 1 January 2025)*

*(Position held by David Vinicombe until 31 December 2024)*



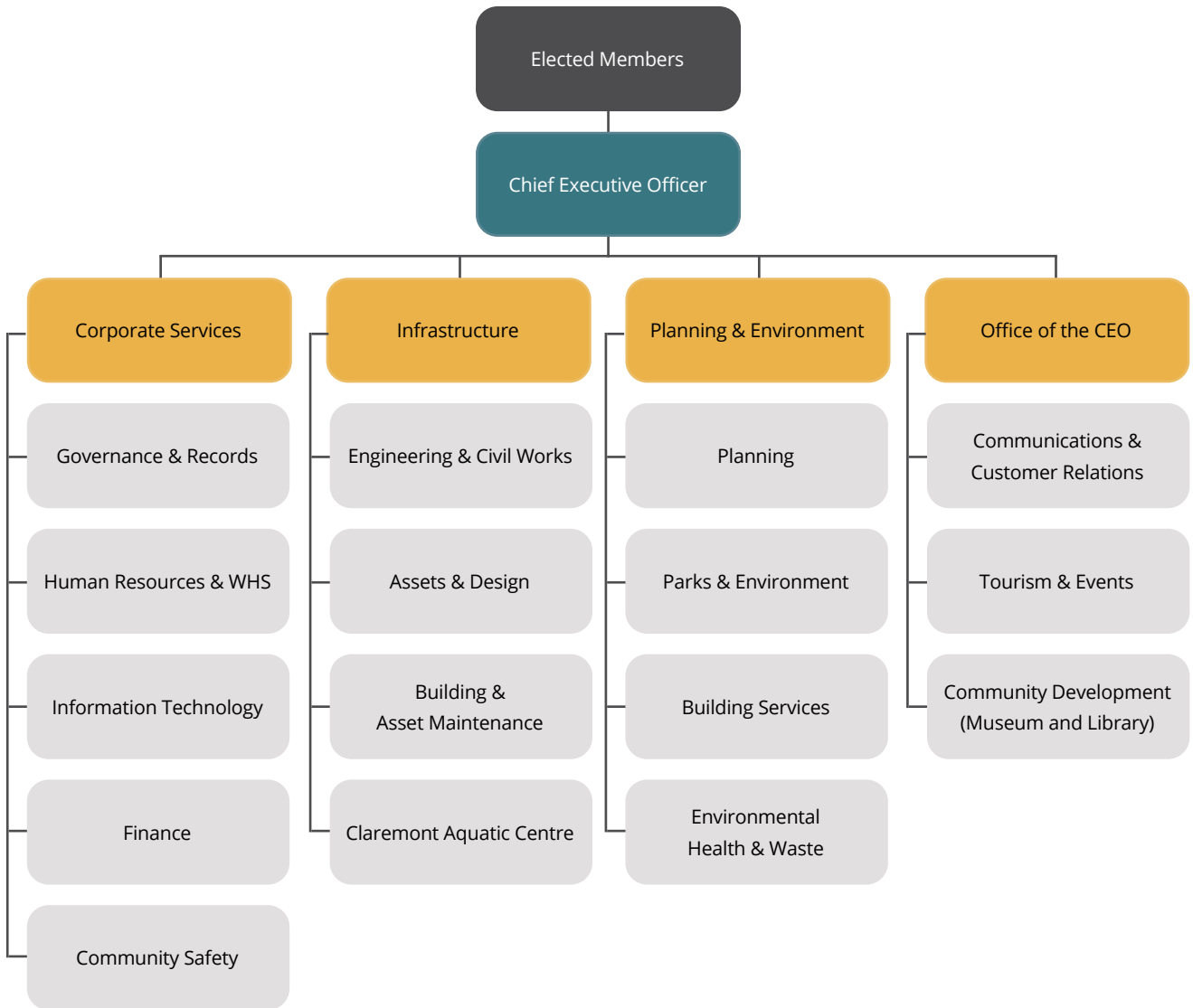
**MARTY SYMMONS**

*Director Infrastructure*

- Engineering
- Civil Works
- Building Works & Maintenance
- Parks
- Environment
- Asset Management
- Aquatic Centre



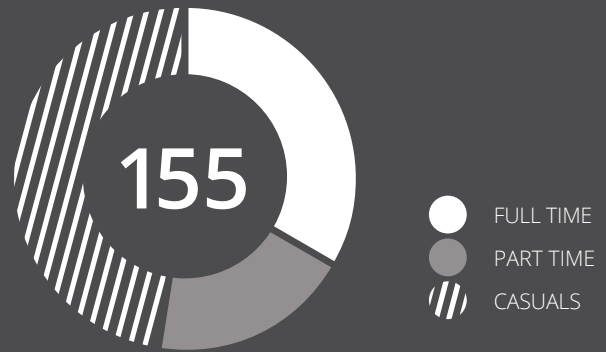
# Organisational Structure



# Our employees

During the 2024-2025 period, the Town operated with a total of 84 full-time and part-time employees, resulting in a total FTE equivalent of 71.12. Additionally, the Town has a casual pool of approximately 71 employees who work predominantly at the Aquatic Centre, Museum and Bay View Community Centre Library.

## EMPLOYEE TYPE



## EXECUTIVE TEAM / MANAGEMENT TEAM



## AVERAGE TENURE

ALL STAFF

**3.65**  
Years

## AVERAGE TENURE

EXCLUDING CASUAL

**4.29**  
Years

## AGE RANGE

ALL STAFF

**16-78**  
Years

## AVERAGE AGE

ALL STAFF

**37.59**  
Years

## AVERAGE AGE

FEMALE

**37.87**  
Years

## AVERAGE AGE

MALE

**37.12**  
Years

**SALARY RANGE**

\$130,000 - \$160,000

**5**  
People

**SALARY RANGE**

\$160,000 - \$180,000

**1**  
People

**SALARY RANGE**

\$180,000 - \$200,000

**3**  
People

**SALARY RANGE**

\$200,000 - \$230,000

**1**  
People



# Highlights of our achievements

- Managed and responded to 32,550 customer enquiries over the year.
- Received and responded to eight Freedom of Information applications.
- Advertised and selected five Request for Tenders.
- Prepared 127 Council reports, discussed at 14 meetings at a total of 692 minutes.
- Held 19 community events with an estimated attendance of 20,214 and an 84% satisfaction rate of very good or excellent.
- Budgeted an operational revenue of \$24,651,853 with a total operational expenditure of \$23,728,356.
- Reached 28,600 people via Facebook and 5,200 via Instagram.
- Created and distributed a total of four editions of Flourish: approximately 20,000 magazines over the year.
- Installation of Public Art Baxter the Good Luck Bulldog.
- \$500,000 on Aquatic Centre improvements / upgrades.
- \$400,000 on drainage improvements / upgrades, + \$170k on drainage maintenance + \$330k on street sweeping.
- Improved the Town's parks by approximately \$1million on furniture, equipment, retic and maintenance.
- Approx \$900k on footpath renewal program – footpath maintenance \$130k.
- \$1.7 million on roads renewal.
- Volunteer Recognition function.
- Held Youth Photography Competition and Youth Mural Art Mentorship programs.
- Disability access carousel installed at Jean and John Mulder Park.
- 23 Adopt a tree applications received.
- Provided approximately \$50,000 in training and professional development across the organisation.
- Finalised the 2024 Industrial Agreement: reflecting the Town's commitment to maintaining competitive pay and work conditions.
- Developed and implemented a Women in Management support program.
- Sponsored the Claremont Football Club's Young Women's Development Squad and the Women's WA Football League team.
- Prepared and submitted the Annual Report and Financial Statement for 23-24 which highlighted the effective management of the overall expenditure of \$21,759,159.00 with revenue of \$22,479,315.00.



# Strategic Community Plan Goal Areas

## STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

The Town's Strategic Community Plan 'Claremont Ahead 2031' provides direction for other plans within its five key goal areas.

- Leadership and governance
- Liveability
- People
- Environmental sustainability
- Local prosperity

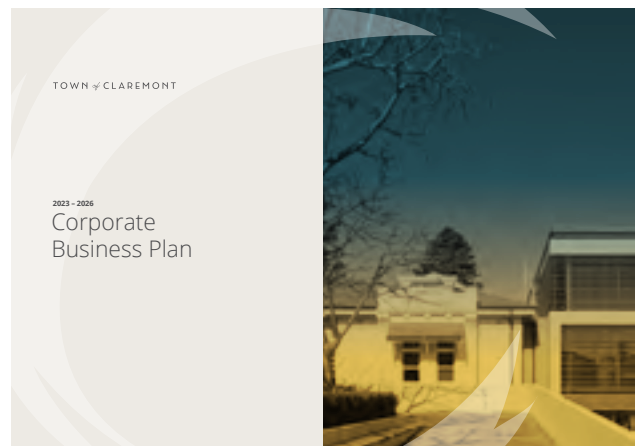
The development of this strategic plan is through extensive community and stakeholder consultation and reviewed regularly to ensure its relevance.



## CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN

The Corporate Business Plan (CBP) translates the Town's long-term aspirations into a four-year program of projects, services and programs. The CBP includes strategic priorities that align to the Strategic Community Plan and the resource requirements to achieve these priorities.

The annual review of the CBP provides an opportunity for the Town to reassess forecast time-frames in accordance with resourcing strategies to ensure the sustainable delivery of projects.



## Five key goal areas

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# Leadership and governance

### ASPIRATIONAL OUTCOME

We are an open and accountable local government;  
a leader in community service standards.

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# Liveability

### ASPIRATIONAL OUTCOME

We are an accessible community with well maintained and managed assets.  
Our heritage is preserved for the enjoyment of the community.

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# People

### ASPIRATIONAL OUTCOME

We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity,  
enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.

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# Environmental sustainability

### ASPIRATIONAL OUTCOME

We are a leader in responsibly managing the built and natural environment for the enjoyment  
of the community and continue to demonstrate diligent environmental practices.

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# Local prosperity

### ASPIRATIONAL OUTCOME

Our businesses are thriving and integrated into the life of the Claremont community,  
and the town centre is known as a premier destination.

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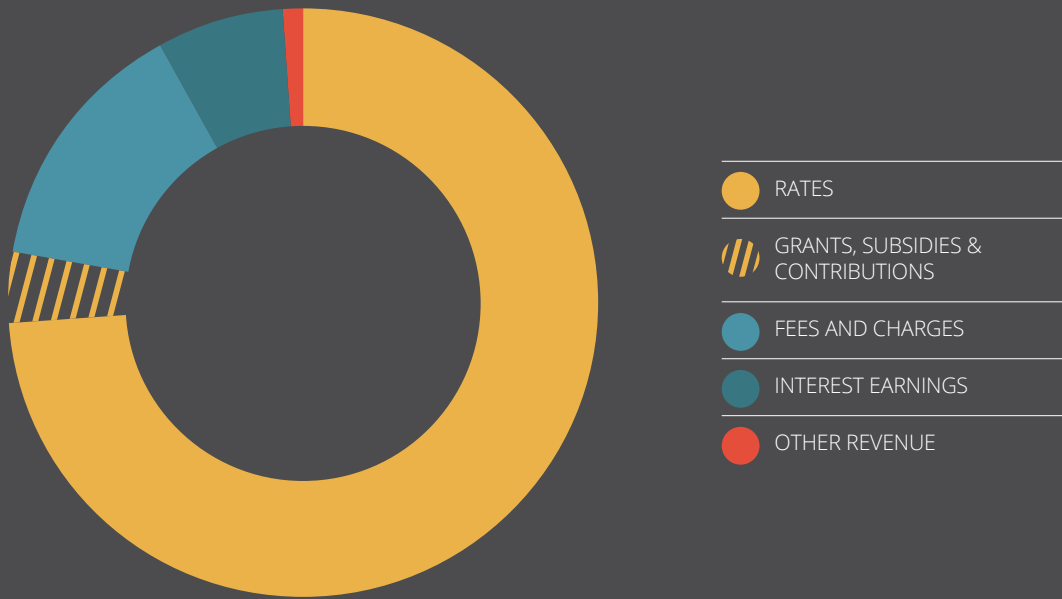
# A snapshot of financial performance

2024/25 OPERATING REVENUE		2024/25 OPERATING EXPENSES	
Rates	\$17,962,840	Employee costs	\$9,693,802
Grants, subsidies & contributions	\$658,108	Materials and contracts	\$7,869,372
Fees and charges	\$4,247,054	Utility charges	\$658,375
Interest revenue	\$1,551,811	Depreciation on non-current assets	\$4,209,886
Other revenue	\$162,355	Interest expenses	\$233,796
Profit on asset disposals	\$69,685	Insurance expenses	\$293,749
		Other expenditure	\$769,376
	<b>\$24,651,853</b>		<b>\$23,728,356</b>

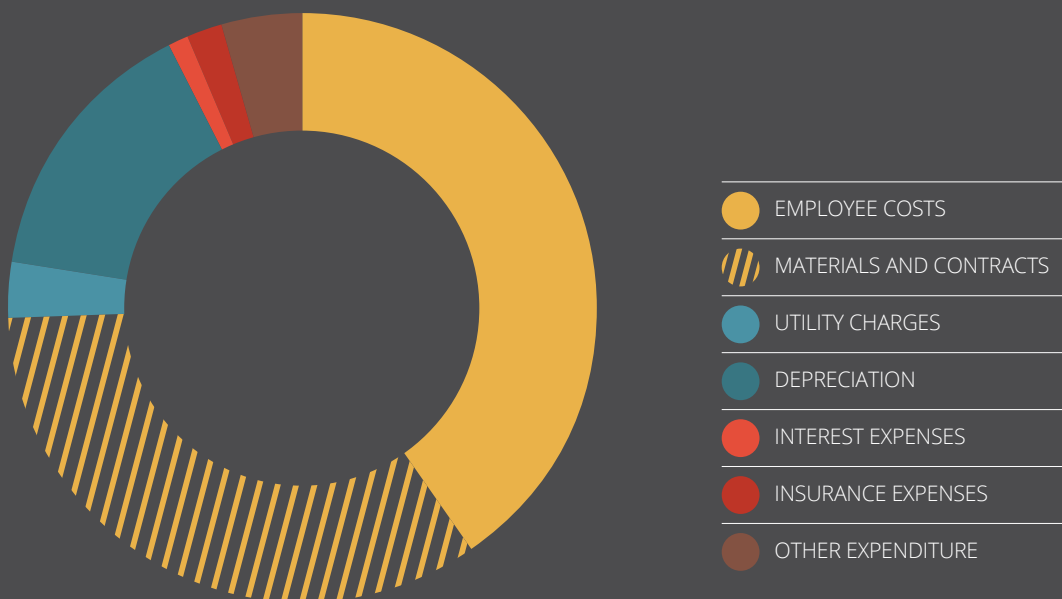




### 2024/25 OPERATING REVENUE



### 2024/25 OPERATING EXPENSES



## Aspirational outcome

# Leadership and governance

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### STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

We are an open and accountable local government, a leader in community service standards.

- I. Our stakeholders are well-informed, and we provide opportunities for community engagement
- II. Demonstrate a high level of leadership, governance, accountability, management and strategic planning
- III. Manage our finances responsibly and improve financial sustainability
- IV. Create an environment to support and develop our staff
- V. Provide the best possible customer experience throughout every interaction we have with our customers
- VI. Continually assess our performance and implement initiatives that drive continuous improvement
- VII. Develop and build partnerships that support the Town's vision





## I. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Our stakeholders are well-informed, and we provide opportunities for community engagement

# Consultation

The Town asked its community to 'Have your say' on several engagements to assist with the decision-making process.

### PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO CLAREMONT TOWN CENTRE PRECINCT STRUCTURE PLAN

Following completion of the required changes to the Precinct Structure Plan (PSP), the Western Australian Planning Commission approved the final PSP for the Town Centre on 24 September 2024.

Servicing authorities and owners of property and residents in the Structure Plan area were notified via mail out (465 letters), advertisement in the local Perth Now newspaper and on the Town's website.

Amendment No. 1 was advertised for public comment for 42 days.

A total of 9 submissions were received (1 from the public and 8 from servicing authorities).

### CLAREMONT FORESHORE ENHANCEMENT PLAN

Following completion of the Town's Sand Management Plan, 2021, the findings and recommendations provided therein warranted the development of a broader guiding plan that considered all elements of the Claremont Foreshore, environmental, recreational, and cultural, for the reserve area from just east of the Claremont Yacht Club to Mrs Herberts Park.

The plan will prioritise resources for preserving and enhancing the Claremont Foreshore – now and into the future.

This consultation closed in July and received 126 responses.

### PUBLIC ART – NAME THE GOODLUCK BULLDOG

The Town is committed to enhancing our public spaces and as such Claremont Park has been chosen to home to a new sculpture the 'Good Luck Bulldog' which has been designed to reflect the shared joy of spending time in the park for both humans and canines.

Our community was invited to have their say in naming the bulldog by nominating their favourite name from either – Monty, Bentley, Preston, Otis, Baxter and Clover.

The survey had 136 responses and by a narrow margin with Baxter being crowned the name for the Claremont Park sculpture.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS AND SERVICES

At each community event, the Town provides feedback opportunities to ensure the events are offering what the community wants at the expected service level.

- A Day on the Bay, May 2025 – 22 responses
- Luminous Street Festival, April – 62 responses
- Claremont Artisan Markets, 24/25 – 97 responses
- A Night on Bay View, February – 10 responses
- Carols in the Park, December – 42 responses
- Seniors Week, November – 45 responses
- Celebrate Lake Claremont, September – 20 responses

TOTAL: 298 respondents

A SUMMARY OF OTHER CONSULTATIONS		
Date	Project	Detail
27 May 2025	Business Workshop Interest	Claremont Town Centre businesses were asked to advise their interest and availability in attending a tourism and marketing workshop facilitated by the Tourism Council WA.
21 April 2025	Freshwater Bay Bushland Plan	The Town is working with the Shire of Peppermint Grove and the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Riverbank Program to implement enhancement and restoration projects in the Freshwater Bay Bushland Plan area. The survey closed April with total of 29 responses from stakeholders across both the Town of Claremont and Shire of Peppermint Grove.
28 June 2024	Differential rates for the 2024/25 financial year	Introducing differential rate categories allows greater flexibility in generating the required rate revenue in a fair and equitable way.

# Communication

## WEBSITE

The website remains a vital platform and source for a wide range of information and forms and in 24-25 the Town recorded 145,000 users. Each year a review is undertaken to determine that the layout and tools available were meeting the standard for local government, which lead to recommended improvements and upgrades.

Upgrades implemented in 2024/2025 included the addition of a Public Art Trail in the form of an interactive digital map. The map features all of the public artworks/murals and sculptures from across Town with their location and details included.

Customer friendly forms and content renewal was also part of the website remaining a relevant and vital communications tool.

## DIGITAL MEDIA

The Town's Digital Media Strategy continues to focus on key platforms such as Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn. These tools have continued to drive engagement and allow the Town to impart messages and strengthen branding.

The dominant audience for Instagram and Facebook is females, with over 3,000 followers for Instagram and over 5,000 for Facebook in 24-25.

## E-NEWSLETTERS

The Claremont community is communicated to every month via a digital e-newsletter to provide a Claremont Ahead update.

The email database consists of 3,740 individual email addresses and in 2024-25 there were 12 e-newsletters sent highlighting key messages and events.

The Bay View Community Centre and Library e-newsletter kept 3,932 community members informed of the latest workshops, new reads and school holiday programs.

## CORPORATE PUBLICATIONS

### Flourish

The Town's quarterly publication Flourish is designed to tell the stories of local businesses, groups and individuals who contribute and impact the community life of Claremont, while conveying key messages about the Town. The magazine is created in-house and showcases local events, businesses, community groups, facilities and sustainability initiatives.

Flourish is distributed to all households and businesses each quarter by a community group; this provides an opportunity for them to raise funds which goes back into the community. The magazine is also available online via the Town's website.

### Annual Report

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Town produces an annual report which covers the strategic outcomes for the financial year just gone. The 2023-24 Annual Report was produced internally and endorsed by Council in December 2024.

## PUBLIC NOTICES

Local and Statewide Public Notices were given throughout the financial year as required including:

- Requests for Tender
- Commencement of the Town of Claremont Fencing Local Law 2024
- Review of Parking Local Law 2016
- Draft Budget and Notice of Intention to Levy Differential Rates for 2025/26
- Intention of Disposal of Land by of Lease for Part of 290 Stirling Highway, Claremont.
- Expression of Interest to Dispose of Property by way of Lease – 331 Stirling Highway, Claremont and 39 Gugerri Street, Claremont.
- Request for feedback on Proposed Amendment No. 1 to Town Centre Precinct Structure Plan
- Annual Report 2023/24 and Annual General Meeting of Electors.

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995*, the above notices were advertised via the Town's website, noticeboards, social media and newspaper advertisements.

**LOCAL PRINT CONTENT**

POST NEWSPAPERS

**153**  
Articles

PERTH NOW WESTERN SUBURBS

**34**  
Articles

TOTAL REACH

**187**  
Articles

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

FACEBOOK

**5,546**  
Followers

**248**  
Posts

**28.6k**  
Average reach

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

INSTAGRAM

**4,102**  
Followers

**146**  
Posts

**5.2k**  
Average reach

**AUDIENCE**

FACEBOOK



● FEMALE  
▨ MALE

INSTAGRAM



● FEMALE  
▨ MALE

**WEBSITE**

TOTAL USERS

**145k**  
People

**DIRECT MAIL**

SENT

**12**  
E-news

DATABASE

**3.7k**  
People

## Freedom of Information (FOI)

The *Freedom of Information Act 1992 (FOI Act)* gives the public a general right to apply for access to documents held by the Town of Claremont.

In 2024-2025 the Town received twelve (12) applications under the FOI Act. Of those applications:

- A decision was made on eight (8) applications.
- One application was withdrawn by the Applicant and reapplied for with a different scope.
- One applicant withdrew based on the information requested being publicly available.

- Two applications were carried forward into financial year 2025/26.

One application for internal review of the Freedom of Information Officer's decision was received and processed in 2024/25. The same application was submitted for external review to the Office of the Information Commissioner.

In accordance with the FOI Act, the Town publishes an Information Statement on its website detailing the types of documents the Town holds, the FOI process and how to make a FOI application. The Information Statement is reviewed annually by the Town's Freedom of Information Officer.





# Record keeping

Principle 6 of the *State Records Act 2000* (compliance to the State Records Act 2000) states that the Town's Annual Report is to include evidence of the Town's work to maintain an efficient and effective record keeping system.

In 2024/25, 37,903 records were manually registered in the Town's Electronic Document Records Management System, Content Manager.

79,719 documents were saved into Content Manager from the Town's Enterprise Management System, DataScape, as part of the integration.

Specific activities undertaken during 2024/2025 to support recordkeeping at the Town included the following:

1. Review, update and creation of various record-keeping work procedures, including an updated records induction manual.
2. Delivered face-to-face records induction to all new employees and introduced refreshers and check-ins with existing staff. New staff are informed of their record-keeping obligations under the *State Records Act 2000*, the use of Content Manager tailored to the employee's role and responsibilities and is complemented by recordkeeping work instructions and guidelines.
3. The Records team administered the records email inbox to provide support and advice to staff.
4. The Town continued to implement its digital records strategy.
5. Commenced an upgrade to Content Manager upgrade from version 9.4 to 24.4, since which this has been successfully deployed.
6. Records training delivered to offsite locations, including refreshers on how to optimise current record-keeping activities and streamlining record-keeping activities.
7. Conducted a review of the Town's off-site records storage contract and facility.

# Requests for Tender

REQUESTS FOR TENDER 2024/25						
Tender	Advertised	Submissions	Awarded by Council to	Estimated contract amount	Contract Term (years)	From-To
Cleaning of Council Buildings	27/03/2024	12	BrightMark Group	Approx \$140,000 per annum	2+1 years	01/10/2024 – 16/01/2026
Natural Area Weed Control and Maintenance	03/10/2024	4	Sustainable Outdoors	Approx \$100,000 per annum	2+1 years	09/12/2024 – 08/06/2026
Garden and Streetscapes Services	08/10/2024	4	LD Total	Approx \$400,000	2+1 years	06/12/2024 – 06/06/2026
Salt Chlorinator	04/10/2024	1	Commercial Aquatics Australia	Approx \$269,500	To project completion	01/04/2025 – 30/06/2025
Bulk Waste Verge Collection	10/12/2024	2	B & B Waste Contractors	Approx \$510,000	2+1 years	05/02/2025 – 05/02/2027



## II. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Demonstrate a high level of leadership, governance, accountability, management and strategic planning

# Council

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Town of Claremont held a total of 11 Ordinary Council Meetings between July 2024 and June 2025. In addition, two Special Council Meetings and one Annual General Meeting of Electors were held on the following dates:

1. Annual General Meeting of Electors – 4 February 2025; and
2. Special Council Meeting – 6 August 2024 and 25 February 2025.

Meeting attendance for each Council Member during the financial year is detailed below.

ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS		
Council Member	Attendance at Ordinary Council Meetings (11)	Attendance at AGM and SCM (3)
Mayor Barker	10	3
Cr Suann	7	1
Cr Franklyn	8	2
Cr Main	11	3
Cr Goetze	9	3
Cr Kelly	7	2
Cr Brown	9	1
Cr Cameron	8	3
Cr Hatton	10	2

## A SUMMARY OF THE MEETINGS DURATION AND NUMBER OF ITEMS:

JUL 2024  
**30<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**6**  
 MINUTES  
**25**

AUG 2024\*  
**6<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**1**  
 MINUTES  
**2**

AUG 2024  
**27<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**12**  
 MINUTES  
**75**

SEP 2024  
**24<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**13**  
 MINUTES  
**46**

OCT 2024  
**29<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**7**  
 MINUTES  
**34**

NOV 2024  
**26<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**15**  
 MINUTES  
**52**

DEC 2024  
**17<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**15**  
 MINUTES  
**123**

FEB 2025  
**4<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**AGM**  
 MINUTES  
**1**

FEB 2025  
**4<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**7**  
 MINUTES  
**57**

FEB 2025\*  
**25<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**5**  
 MINUTES  
**32**

MAR 2025  
**25<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**14**  
 MINUTES  
**64**

APR 2025  
**29<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**11**  
 MINUTES  
**69**

MAY 2025  
**27<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**6**  
 MINUTES  
**67**

JUN 2025  
**24<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**14**  
 MINUTES  
**45**

\*Special Council Meeting

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL:**

JUL 2024  
**30<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**6**  
 # CARRIED  
**6**

AUG 2024\*  
**6<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**1**  
 # CARRIED  
**1**

AUG 2024  
**27<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**12**  
 # CARRIED  
**9**

SEP 2024  
**24<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**13**  
 # CARRIED  
**13**

OCT 2024  
**29<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**7**  
 # CARRIED  
**7**

NOV 2024  
**26<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**15**  
 # CARRIED  
**13**

DEC 2024  
**17<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**15**  
 # CARRIED  
**12**

FEB 2025  
**4<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**AGM**  
 # CARRIED  
**1**

FEB 2025  
**4<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**7**  
 # CARRIED  
**7**

FEB 2025\*  
**25<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**5**  
 # CARRIED  
**5**

MAR 2025  
**25<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**14**  
 # CARRIED  
**13**

APR 2025  
**29<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**11**  
 # CARRIED  
**11**

MAY 2025  
**27<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**6**  
 # CARRIED  
**5**

JUN 2025  
**24<sup>th</sup>**  
 # ITEMS  
**14**  
 # CARRIED  
**14**

\*Special Council Meeting

## REPORT INFORMATION

In 2024/25 127 reports of the Chief Executive Officer were presented to Council. Of those reports:

117	CARRIED BY COUNCIL	2	REFERRED BACK TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION
6	LOST	2	WITHDRAWN BY THE CEO

	Date	Number of Items	Carried	Lost	Referred back	Withdrawn
Ordinary Council Meeting	30 July 2024	6	6	0	0	0
Special Council Meeting	6 August 2024	1	1	0	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	27 August 2024	12	9	2	0	1
Ordinary Council Meeting	24 September 2024	13	13	0	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	29 October 2024	7	7	0	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	26 November 2024	15	13	0	1	1
Ordinary Council Meeting	17 December 2024	15	12	2	1	0
Annual General Electors Meeting	4 February 2025	1	1	0	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	4 February 2025	7	7	0	0	0
Special Council Meeting	25 February 2025	5	5	0	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	25 March 2025	14	13	1	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	29 April 2024	11	11	0	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	27 May 2025	6	5	1	0	0
Ordinary Council Meeting	24 June 2025	14	14	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>127</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

## COUNCIL MEMBER TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Council Policy LG540 Council Member Training and Professional Development encourages Council Members to participate in relevant training and professional development opportunities to acquire or develop skills and knowledge to assist in their role.

Council Members attended the below training during the financial year.

In addition, Council Members attend regular workshops and forums presented by the Administration on key issues.

COUNCIL MEMBERS TRAINING		
Council Member	Training Course	Date Completed
Cr Shelley Hatton	Elected Member Masterclass: Tree Retention Through the Planning System	13 February 2025
Cr Kate Main	Elected Member Masterclass: Tree Retention Through the Planning System	13 February 2025

## COMMITTEES

Council has established the following Committees to assist in its role:

- Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee
- Claremont Town Centre Advisory Committee
- Foreshore Advisory Committee
- Lake Claremont Advisory Committee
- Claremont Museum Advisory Committee\*
- Complaints Committee

\* Council resolved to disband the Claremont Museum Advisory Committee at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 29 October 2024 and formed the Claremont Museum Working Group.

The committees are comprised of Council Members and community representatives and are supported by Administration Staff. Membership of each committee is detailed below:

Meeting Dates	Presiding Member	Council Member Representatives	Community Representatives
<b>AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE</b>			
14 August 2024	Mr Peter Telford	Mayor Jock Barker	Mr Peter Telford
11 December 2024		Cr Paul Kelly	Ms Nanette Trask
24 March 2025		Cr Graham Cameron	
13 June 2025			
<i>(Meeting cancelled)</i>			
<b>COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE*</b>			
		Mayor Jock Barker	Nil
		Cr Paul Kelly	
		Cr Sara Franklyn	
		Cr Annette Suann <i>(Deputy Member)</i>	
		Cr Graham Cameron <i>(Deputy Member)</i>	
<b>FORESHORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
21 August 2024	Mr Peter Telford	Cr Annette Suann	Ms Claire Brittain
20 November 2024		Cr Shelley Hatton	Mr Bill Macleod
21 May 2025			Mr Peter Telford
<i>(Meeting cancelled)</i>			
19 February 2025			



Meeting Dates	Presiding Member	Council Member Representatives	Community Representatives
<b>CLAREMONT TOWN CENTRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE*</b>			
6 August 2024	Cr Jill Goetze	Mayor Jock Barker	Ms Lesley Thomas
12 November 2024		Cr Jill Goetze	<i>(until May 2025)</i>
13 February 2025		Cr Annette Suann	Mr John Slade
15 May 2025			<i>(until May 2025)</i>
<b>CLAREMONT MUSEUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DISBANDED ON 29 OCTOBER 2024)</b>			
29 October 2024	Cr Kate Main	Cr Jill Goetze Cr Kate Main	Ms. Karen Kaard Mr. Greg Simpson Jenny Gregory
<b>LAKE CLAREMONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b>			
15 August 2024	Cr Sara Franklyn	Cr Sara Franklyn	Mr. Leeuwin Beeck
14 November 2024		Cr Shelley Hatton	Dr Bruce Haynes
13 February 2025			Mr. Tony Barr
15 May 2025			<i>(Friends of Lake Claremont)</i> Mr. David Kyle <i>(Scotch College)</i> Cr Brackenridge <i>(City of Nedlands)</i> Cr Youngman <i>(Deputy Member – City of Nedlands)</i>

## EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

Council Members are appointed to represent the Town of Claremont on external Committees as set out below.

EXTERNAL COMMITTEE APPOINTEES	
External Committee	Council Representatives
WALGA Central Metropolitan Zone Committee	Cr Paul Kelly Cr Shelley Hatton Cr Ryan Brown ( <i>Deputy Delegate</i> )
Western Metropolitan Regional Council	Cr Paul Kelly Cr Sara Franklyn ( <i>Deputy Member</i> )
Metro West Joint Development Assessment Panel	Cr Kate Main Cr Ryan Main Cr Paul Kelly ( <i>Alternative Member</i> ) Cr Annette Suann ( <i>Alternative Member</i> )
Western Subgroup, Metropolitan Regional Road Group	Cr Kate Main

## WORKING GROUPS

Council has established several working groups which have led to better outcomes through facilitating innovation and collaboration.

Officers from relevant business units contribute to the working groups as required.

### Public Art Working Group

Purpose: To advocate for public art and oversee the Town's selection of public art through being part of the selection procedure.

Membership:

- Cr Ryan Brown
- Cr Jill Goetze
- Cr Kate Main

### Traffic Management Working Group

Purpose: To advocate and generate ideas for traffic improvements around the Town.

Membership:

- Cr Kate Main
- Cr Annette Suann
- Cr Shelley Hatton

### Claremont Park Project Working Group

Purpose: To assist in the planning and generation of ideas for the Town's community facilities around Claremont Park.

Membership:

- Cr Ryan Brown
- Cr Kate Main
- Cr Annette Suann



## COUNCIL MEMBER REMUNERATION

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* Council Members are entitled to receive a fee for meeting attendance and be paid an allowance for certain types of expenses.

Council Member Fees and Allowances are determined as a range by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal according to Band classifications for local governments in Western Australia. The Town is classified as a Band three local government. Payment of Council Member Fees and Allowances are governed by Council Policy LG516 Fees, Allowances and Expenses for Council Members.

COUNCIL MEMBER FEES AND ALLOWANCES				
Council Member	Mayoral Allowance	Meeting Fee	ICT Allowance	Total
Mayor Barker	\$39,988.00	\$27,425.00	\$3,500.00	\$70,913.00
Cr Kelly <i>Deputy Mayor</i>	\$9,997.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$31,208.00
Cr Suann	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Cr Goetze	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Cr Franklyn	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Cr Main	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Cr Brown	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Cr Hatton	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Cr Cameron	\$0.00	\$17,711.00	\$3,500.00	\$21,211.00
Total				\$250,598

### III. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Manage our finances responsibly  
and improve financial sustainability

#### BUDGET

The 2024-2025 budget was developed through

1. Consultation with Council including four budget workshops held between March and May 2024.
2. Strong consideration to the Town's Strategic Community Plan, 'Claremont Ahead 2021-2031', the Town's Corporate Business Plan for 2024-2025 to 2028-2029 and the Long-Term Financial Plan 2024/2025-2034/2035.
3. Community consultation. A Draft Budget and proposal to implement differential rates was advertised and made available for public comment as per Council Policy LG503.

The 2024-2025 Budget actuals included an operating revenue budget of \$23,474,008, with an operating expenditure of \$24,296,629.

Highlights included:

- Investment in the renewal of and additions to the Town's capital works with a budget provision of \$5,794,130 including contributions of:
  - \$918,554 for footpaths.
  - \$1,647,909 for roads.
  - \$112,404 for building renewal.
  - \$360,000 for drainage.
- Increased funding to replace trees lost to Polyphagous shot-hole borer and ensure the Town's tree canopy.
- Funding to commence a master plan for the Claremont Park east project.
- Funding to finalise the Local Planning Strategy 4 and Town Planning Scheme.
- \$342,000 was funded through the Town's reserve account for a chemical system changeover at the Claremont Aquatic Centre which will improve safety outcomes and lead to significant cost reductions on chemicals.
- Continuation of investment in the IT Security Program and software improvements. Improving internal efficiencies through information technology advancements. This includes the introduction of vehicle plate recognition and a building and planning module in the Town's ERP system.

#### RATES

In 2023-2024 Council first resolved to set different rates in the dollar (RID), known as differential rates for various property types within the district to reflect the different nature, GRVs and costs associated with providing services.

The Gross Rental Values (GRV's) for all properties across the State are updated every three years. The current valuations provided by Landgate are effective from 1 July 2023 and based on data collected in 2020-2021.

49 properties in Claremont have increased their GRV in the 2024-2025 financial year, likely due to new builds or substantial renovations.

The purpose of imposing differential rating for residential and non-residential/commercial/industrial is to obtain a fair and equitable form of revenue raising from all categories of properties in the Town.

For 2024/2025 the rates were set as:

- The General Rate was 0.061486 cents in the dollar of gross rental value.
- The Commercial Rate was 0.075687 cents in the dollar of gross rental value.
- Minimum Rate (commercial and residential): \$1,499.16 per assessment.
- Special Area Rate was 0.002441611 cents in the dollar of gross rental value to reflect a rate to levy \$120,000.

The Rate Yield for 2024-2025 was \$17,962,840 including \$540,432 in interim rates majority for Airlie Street apartments.

Fees and charges were reviewed and increased where appropriate in line with CPI. Of note was:

- Continuation of a free residential parking permit.
- Continuation of no fees for alfresco licenses.
- Museum Education program fees remained as per 2023-2024.
- Rowe Park tennis court hire fees remain as 2023-2024.
- In relation to the Aquatic Centre, a simplification of the fee structure.
- In relation to swimming pool inspection fees, an increase from \$45 to \$78 to reflect actual costs.

## GRANT FUNDING

The Town obtained external funding of \$320,638 towards the capital works program, through grants and contributions including:

- Main Roads for Metropolitan Regional Road Group for \$83,316.
- Department of Infrastructure for LRCI Phase 3 & 4 \$196,704 for Leura Avenue Roundabout and BVCC upgraded.

## LOANS

Council maintained 3 loans with the WA Treasury Corporation:

- Loan 1 – Claremont Aquatic Centre.
- Loan 2 – 333 Stirling Highway.
- Loan 3 – 327 Stirling Highway.

The table below shows the opening and closing balances and repayments (principal and interest) for 2024-2025:

LOANS	PRINCIPAL BALANCE 1 JULY 2024	REPAYMENTS REQUIRED FOR 2024/25				PRINCIPAL BALANCE 30 JUNE 2025
		Date	Principal	Interest	Total	
Loan 1						
Aquatic Centre	\$467,722	16/12/24	\$29,632.44	\$14,826.80	\$44,459.24	\$407,518
6.34% interest		16/06/25	\$30,571.79	\$13,887.45	\$44,459.24	
		Maturity date: 14 December 2030				
Loan 2c						
333 Stirling Highway	\$4,151,004	13/09/24	\$167,607.12	\$86,519.38	\$254,126.50	\$3,812,296
4.17% interest		13/03/25	\$171,100.56	\$83,025.94	\$254,126.50	
		Maturity date: 13 March 2027				
Loan 3						
327 Stirling Highway	\$570,435	27/12/24	\$30,073.01	\$12,692.21	\$42,765.22	\$509,621
4.45% interest		26/06/25	\$30,742.13	\$12,023.09	\$42,765.22	
		Maturity date: 26 June 2032				

#### IV. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Create an environment to support and develop our staff

## Supporting & developing staff

### HEALTH & WELLBEING

The yearly Health and Wellbeing program provided by the Town for its employees continued throughout 2024-2025 and included:

- Provision of 24/7 confidential employee counselling service.
- Flu and COVID-19 vaccinations on site.
- Skin checks and health assessments on site.
- Complimentary access to the Aquatic Centre and gym.
- Flexible working arrangements, including working from home.
- Regular bring your dog to work days.
- Ergonomic checks and stand-up desks.
- Financial Education Webinars.
- Arranged social after work walks.
- Offered after work yoga.
- LGIS Fitness Challenge – A competition between all local governments. 16 employees participated and travelled a collective distance of 6,166 km. The Town ranked 15th among all participating local governments
- R U OK day – Morning tea where employees were encouraged to wear yellow or bright-coloured clothing for the day.
- Healthy eating education and initiatives; healthy lunch, favourite recipes and cooking competitions.
- Movember/Mo Sista – Participation, awareness and fundraising for prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and men's suicide. The Town was in the top 100 registered government contributors.
- Appreciation letters: 50 messages of appreciation and support were sent between employees.

The Town celebrates the successes of our employees with an employee of the month award, recognised at the monthly staff meeting. At the end of the year, one team is awarded 'ToC Team of the Year' for demonstrating the Town's values of integrity, respect, quality communication, customer service and excellence.

In addition, the annual performance appraisal cycle offers a structured opportunity for employees and their immediate supervisors to collaboratively assess training and development needs. This process includes a self-assessment component and a feedback loop, fostering open dialogue, continuous improvement, and alignment between individual goals and organisational priorities.

The Town's management team convenes monthly, creating dedicated time for targeted leadership development throughout the year. These sessions offer a valuable opportunity for managers to strengthen professional relationships and refine their skills. The program helps build a resilient, high-performing leadership team equipped to meet the evolving needs of the organisation.

The Town also implemented a Women in Management program supporting the development of emerging female leaders. This group meets monthly and provides a forum for peer learning, mentorship, and professional growth. The program fosters a supportive network where participants can share experiences, gain insights and skills needed to advance in their careers.

Training implemented in 2024-2025 varied from annual certifications, safety, management as well as relevant professional conferences. Training was undertaken within the approved budget and will promote efficient and effective delivery of services to the community.

Some training highlights were:

- Mental health first aid training was available for all employees.
- De-escalation training for customer facing roles.
- Workplace Behaviours Training for all employees.
- Health and Safety, Warden and First Aid representatives attended their respective courses.
- Integrated Planning and Reporting Fundamentals.
- FOI Coordinators Workshop and Decision-Writing.
- Navigating the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2003*.
- Leadership as a Driver of Organisational Climate.
- Navigating book challenges for Local Government libraries.
- Financial Reporting Workshop.
- WA Wetlands Conference.
- Waterwise Council Forum.
- WA Tourism Conference.
- Heritage Tourism Workshop.
- WALGA Planning Showcase.
- Civil Works Safety Forum.

## INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENT 2024

The Town of Claremont's Industrial Agreement was officially signed by the Local Government, Racing and Cemeteries Employees Union (LGRCEU) and the Australian Services Union (ASU) in November 2024. Following its endorsement by Industrial Relations Commission, the Agreement sets out the employment terms and conditions for Town employees through to November 2027.

This Agreement reflects the Town's commitment to maintaining competitive pay and working conditions, ensuring the continued delivery of high-quality services to the Claremont community.

## WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Town WHS Committee is comprised of three employee representatives and management representatives. The Committee is endorsed by Council in Council Policy, LG 544 and meets quarterly. The Committee are responsible for:

- Facilitating consultation and cooperation between the Town and employees.
- Keeping informed about WHS standards and making recommendations.
- Recommending the establishment, maintenance, and monitoring of WHS programs.

The Committee is an important part of embedding a safety culture at the Town and enhancing safety practices across the organisation. In 2024-2025 there has been a marked improvement in incident and hazard reporting processes and in analysing trends to identify areas for proactive intervention.

## VOLUNTEERS

The Town's volunteers add to the outcomes of the Town through their generous donation of time and expertise. The Town has volunteer work and assist at the Claremont Museum and Library.

At the Claremont Museum alone a total of 1,346 volunteer hours were worked supporting the exhibitions, collection management and education program.

The Town's dedicated Library volunteers ensure the continuation of a fortnightly home delivery service for residents who, due to frail health or limited mobility, are unable to visit the library.

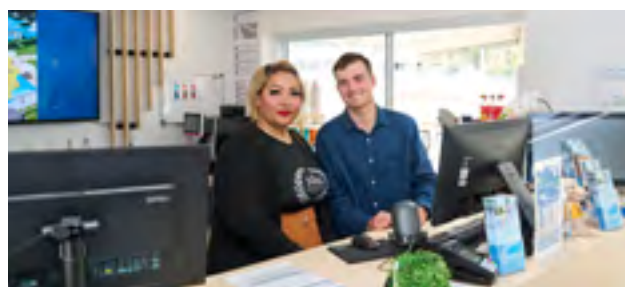
The Town thanked these volunteers for the contribution at a function held in May 2025 at the Claremont Yacht Club.

## CELEBRATING JACK'S JOURNEY WITH THE TOWN OF CLAREMONT

The Town has had the privilege of welcoming Jack as a valued volunteer throughout 2024-2025. Jack's role has been both diverse and impactful, with his time spent at the Claremont Aquatic Centre warmly greeting members and visitors, crafting coffees, and assisting customers in the swim shop.

Through a partnership with Edge Employment Solutions, the Town has proudly supported Jack in developing his professional skills, boosting his confidence, and helping him discover a role that aligns with his interests and strengths.

Jack shared, *"The Town of Claremont has a great atmosphere, staff and people. I feel empowered, supported, confident and I am heard and listened to."*





V. **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

Provide the best possible customer experience throughout every interaction we have with our customers

# Customer experience

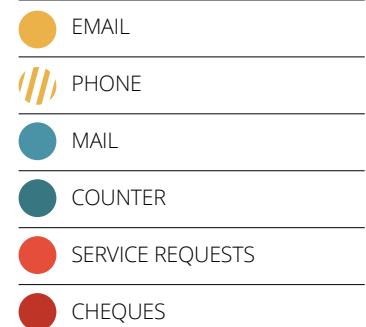
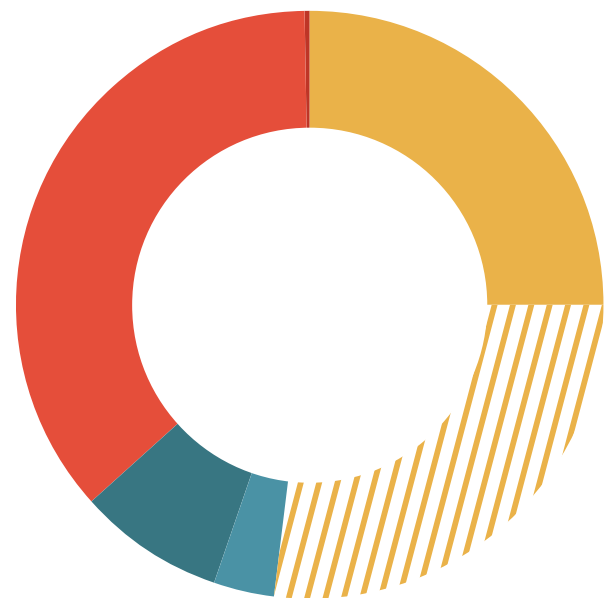
The Town's Enterprise Resource Project saw the introduction of new software Datascape from 1 July 2023.

Datascape was built specifically for Local governments and the Town has introduced the following modules:

- A Customer Relationship Management System.
- Finance including general ledger, accounts payable and receivables, job costing and inventory and financial asset management.
- Payroll, and
- Property and rating.

The system has a greater functionality enabling our employees to respond to customers more efficiently and effectively.

In the 24-25 period, the Town introduced modules to process infringements and property information. A total of 46,917 customer enquiries was handled by the Customer Relations team, which is broken down as follows.



**VI. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

Continually assess our performance and implement initiatives that drive continuous improvement

# Business improvement

## STRATEGIC RISK FRAMEWORK

In 2024, the Administration engaged a risk consultant to facilitate a workshop with Council Members and the Executive Team on strategic risk. This process assisted Council to analyse the key strategic risks for the Town and set the Council's risk appetite. This information has then been used by the Administration to more effectively set the strategy for managing those risks as well as assisting future planning, budgeting and resourcing.

## AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

The Town has continued to report the following standing items to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee:

- Council resolutions and their status. This provides greater transparency on the status of resolutions.
- Insurance claims received and their outcome. This provides transparency on emerging risk.
- Audit log. This report provides transparency on the status of outstanding audit findings.

The annual insurance renewal process is also reported to the Committee.

The Town's Membership Renewal for 2025/26 was completed in July 2025. The below table provided by LGIS details the contributions for each policy this financial year and the comparative contribution for 2024/25.



POLICY CONTRIBUTIONS				
Scheme Fund	2024/25 Total Contribution (including GST)	2025/26 Total Contribution (including GST)	Difference	Comments
LGIS Pollution Liability	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Scheme-funded policy
LGIS Casual Hirers Liability	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Scheme-funded policy
LGIS Voluntary Workers	\$609.40	\$636.90	\$27.50	Minor rate increase
LGIS Travel	\$1,018.60	\$1,018.60	\$0.00	Rollover rate negotiated
LGIS Commercial Crime & Cyber Liability	\$14,559.60	\$14,889.89	\$330.29	Minor rate increase
LGIS Management Liability	\$18,561.40	\$18,854.00	\$292.60	Minor rate increase
LGIS Motor Vehicle	\$28,694.60	\$26,586.78	-\$2,107.82	Rollover rate negotiated
LGIS Property	\$87,242.98	\$91,678.18	\$4,435.20	Rate has increased from 1.25% to 1.35%. The premium increase from 24/25 to 25/26 was \$4,435.20. **
		**\$103,889.50	**\$16,646.52	
LGIS Workcare	\$119,196.00	\$141,397.30	\$22,201.30	Rate has increased from 1.25% to 1.35%
LGIS Public Liability	\$168,702.60	\$173,763.81	\$5,061.21	Minor rate increase
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$438,585.18</b>	<b>\$481,036.78</b>	<b>\$42,451.60</b>	

## INTEGRITY STRATEGY

In October 2022, Council adopted an Integrity Strategy for the Town modelled on the Public Sector Commissioner’s strategy which applies to employees and Council Members. It focuses on four key improvement areas with actions and controls to promote integrity and help prevent misconduct and corruption:

1. Plan and act to improve integrity.
2. Model and embody a culture of integrity.
3. Learn and develop integrity knowledge and skills.
4. Be accountable for integrity.

## COUNCIL POLICY REVIEW

The following Council policies were reviewed in 2024/25:

POLICY REVIEWS	
LV108	Rights of Way Laneways
EN307	Use of Parks and Reserves
LG509	Purchasing
LG512	Corporate Purchasing Cards
LG527	Fleet Management Policy

Council adopted two new policies being LG548 Panels of Pre-Qualified Suppliers and LG549 Election Signage.

## COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN

The Compliance Audit Return was adopted by Council at the 25 March 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting and was certified by both the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer and submitted to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries by 31 March 2025.

The 2024 Compliance Audit Return included 94 questions over 11 disciplines. A summary of the return is as follows:



COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN	
Discipline	Response and Town Comment
Commercial Enterprises by Local Government	Not applicable
Delegation of Power/Duty	100% Compliance
Disclosure of Interest	1 instance of non-compliance
Disposal of Property	100% Compliance
Elections	100% Compliance
Finance	100% Compliance
Integrated Planning and Report	100% Compliance
Local Government Employees	Not applicable
Official Conduct	100% Compliance
Tenders for Providing Goods and Services	2 instances of non-compliance
Optional Questions	100% Compliance

A Primary Return was lodged outside the statutory timeframe of three months by an employee who was acting in a role with a delegation assigned to it. To mitigate the risk of reoccurrence, a review of the internal process was carried out and additional steps were added to the existing procedure in relation to acting employees.

In one instance it was identified that, Council Policy LG509 Purchasing has not been adhered in relation to works completed by a contractor after expiry of a contract. Once the non-compliance was identified the contractor was advised to cease all works and a new contract for the services was promptly arranged.

It was identified that in one instance, regulation 11(1) of the Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 requiring the Town to publicly invite tenders was not adhered to. This was identified and action was taken to introduce a new program of training in procurement, purchasing and contract management.

## LOCAL LAWS

The Town of Claremont Fencing Local Law 2024 was published in the Government Gazette on 26 July 2024 and came into effect on 9 August 2024.

On 31 October 2024 local public notice was given of the Town's intention to review the Town of Claremont Parking Local Law 2016 as required by section 3.16 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

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VII. **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

Develop and build partnerships  
that support the Town's vision

## Partnerships

Throughout the year the Town has maintained existing partnerships with aligned organisations and works closely with agencies to achieve the best outcomes possible for the community.



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS		
Organisation	Overview	Type
Claremont Concert Band	The Town supports the band to play at a number of Town held community events.	Partnership
Claremont Football Club	Work collaboratively to maintain the Claremont Oval.	Partnership
Claremont Lawn Tennis Club	Subsidised leases, fee structures, direct and indirect financial contributions, and provision of sporting facilities.	Partnership
Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage	To improve the balance of technical expertise and local knowledge on planning decisions through the Metropolitan West Joint Development Assessment Panel (Metro West JDAP).	Agency
Disability Groups	The Town supports these community groups through the free use of the Town's Claremont Park Community building to deliver local programs and services.	Partnership
FORM building a state of creativity	The Town works in partnership with FORM to support their residence in Claremont, which provides the community access to cultural events and festivals for social connection, stimulation, education and civic pride.	Partnership
Freshwater Bay Primary School	The Town supports the Freshwater Bay Primary School through the free use of Claremont Park for sporting and leisure activities.	Partnership
Friends of Lake Claremont	The Town works in partnership with the local environmental group, the Friends of Lake Claremont. This further enhances the revegetation, planting, weed control and environmental management at the Lake Claremont reserve, including bushfire control and risk reduction.	Partnership
Local Government Professionals	The Town is a silver member of LGPro which provides discounted access to training and development in the industry.	Member
Regional Road Group	To manage distributed regional road group funding and direct grants from Main Roads to local government.	Agency

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS CONTINUED		
Organisation	Overview	Type
Small Business Development Corporation	The Town is a registered Small Business Friendly Local Government, which enables the Town to further support the town centre businesses.	Member
Scotch College	Volunteering programs include Lake Claremont planting, weeding and general environmental management.	Partnership
Shenton College	The Town supports the Chaplaincy program at Shenton College, contributing to student access to a counsellor.	Partnership
SHINE Community Care	The Town supports SHINE Community Care which contributes to their independent living support services to seniors, people with disabilities and other eligible residents in the Town.	Partnership
South West Group	To support the Snake Our Snake Necked Turtle Citizen Science Program for turtle trackers to protect nests from predation.	Partnership
State Emergency Management Committee	To provide support to hazard management agencies as required through the Western Central Local Emergency Management Committee.	Member
West Australian Local Government Association	The umbrella agency for local government, providing advice and advocacy to all members.	Member
West Australian Symphony Orchestra	The Town's partnership with the state's orchestra provides the community access to world class musicianship.	Partnership
Western Metropolitan Regional Council	A regional council of Peppermint Grove, Mosman Park, Cottesloe, Subiaco and Claremont, formed to efficiently manage waste and support recycling and sustainable waste options. The WMRC operates the Waste Transfer Station on behalf of these Councils.	Member
Western Suburbs Alliance	A joint initiative of seven western suburbs local governments to identify and develop shared regional services, advocacy and potential joint initiatives. This includes environmental matters such as animal control (fox and feral cats), walking trail network, sustainability.	Member







## Aspirational outcome

# Liveability

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### STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

We are an accessible community with well-maintained and managed assets. Our heritage is preserved for the enjoyment of the community.

- I. Promote and support initiatives that improve traffic flow
- II. Provide clean, usable, attractive, and accessible streetscapes and public spaces
- III. Balance the Town's historical character with complementary, well-designed development
- IV. Develop the public realm as gathering spaces for participation, prosperity, and enjoyment
- V. Maintain and upgrade the Town's assets for seamless day-to-day usage

## I. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Promote and support initiatives that improve traffic flow

### ROADWISE COUNCIL

The Town was registered as a RoadWise Council through the WA Local Government Association (WALGA) in July 2024.

As a RoadWise Council, the Town benefits from direct access to WALGA's road safety services.

With ongoing support from WALGA's team of road safety specialists, the Town will continue to plan, implement, record and share local road safety actions which contribute to delivering a safer road and transport system for the use of our community.

### TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP

The Traffic Management Working Group formed by Council on 28 February 2023 continues to meet with the working group members comprising of Councillors, Staff, representatives of local major public and private schools and organisations.

At the meeting held in November 2024, Main Roads WA representatives presented to the Working Group providing a thorough presentation on their 2023 Traffic Study. The study reviews potential changes to the road network in the area of Stirling Road/Queenslea Drive intersection with Stirling Highway to:

- Assess the viability of identified opportunities for improvement, and
- Identify opportunities that warrant further investigation.

The proposals require further detailed discussions and negotiation with the impacted Working Group stakeholders with the Town to facilitate.

### PORTION OF STIRLING HWY – 40KMH SCHOOL ZONE

To enhance levels of safety for school students and pedestrians, Council resolved its support for the installation of a 40kmh School Zone on Stirling Highway, adjacent to the Methodist Ladies College and Christ Church Grammar School, at its Ordinary Council Meeting in December 2024.

An estimated 40,000 vehicles travel along Stirling Hwy each day as a Main Roads WA managed Primary Distributor. Main Roads WA will be responsible for funding the design and construction of a 40kmh school zone on Stirling Highway with its installation planned for September 2025.

The recommendation of the school zone was initiated by the Traffic Management Working Group.

In addition to the school zone, the Town's staff have also met (independently) with Main Roads WA to look at a number of practical initiatives to reduce congestion on Stirling Highway.

### PLEASE SLOW DOWN, CONSIDER OUR KIDS INITIATIVE

With five schools located within its boundary the Town values the importance of reminding drivers to slow down, particularly around school zones.

The Town organised stickers that say '*Please Slow Down, Consider our Kids*' that are to be affixed to residents rubbish bins as a timely reminder.

The stickers are available for collection at the Town's customer service area during opening hours and supplies were distributed to each of the local schools.

## LED SPEED SIGN

Two speed display signs were installed on the intersection of Shenton Road and Devon Road, and Davies Road and Lapsley Road.

As a WALGA Roadwise Council, these signs were provided for temporary loan and remained in place for four weeks.

The displays inform drivers of their current speed, promoting awareness of their speed limit and enhancing road safety. When vehicles travel too fast, they are shown a red sad face, and when travelling at an appropriate speed, a green smiley face.





## II. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Provide clean, usable, attractive and accessible streetscapes and public spaces

Keeping the Town Centre clean is part of the annual program of works that includes deep cleaning of car parks, clearing drains, street sweeping multiple times per week and daily cleaning and clearing of footpaths. Around the Town, other maintenance statistics are:

- Lawn mowing of 34 parks and reserves fortnightly or monthly depending on location.
- 448,000 dog waste bags supplied.
- 220 street and park trees planted.
- Street trees pruned and dead trees removed.
- Ten parks and playgrounds had sandpits serviced on a quarterly basis.
- Timber Playgrounds and assets oiled biannually.
- Native gardens were installed at the following locations: Alfred Road, Davies Road, Claremont Crescent, Brockway Road, Victoria Avenue, Claremont Oval, Mary Street Reserve, Mckenzie Bushland, Lake Claremont.
- 26 graffiti callouts with graffiti cleaned/removed, with 81% fully removed within three days of notification. The remaining 19% just outside of this timeframe due to being in difficult locations.

The following roads were resurfaced:

- Franklin Street – Claremont Crescent to Shenton Road
- Stirling Road – Barnfield Road to Claremont Crescent
- Richardson Avenue – Osborne Parade to Wilson Street
- Osborne Parade – Bindaring Parade
- Bay Road – Stirling Highway to Melvista Avenue
- Corry Lynn Road – Stirling Highway to Brae Road
- Dean Street – Stirling Highway to Barnfield Road

- Albert Street – Stirling Highway to Barnfield Road
- Lorikeet Lane (portion)
- Frogmouth Lane (portion)
- Bernard Street – Bright Beginnings car park

The following slab footpaths were replaced and upgraded:

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| • Langsford Street | • Chester Road     |
| • Vaucluse Avenue  | • Queen Street     |
| • Victoria Avenue  | • Bindaring Parade |
| • Goldsworthy Road | • Osborne Parade   |
| • Evelyn Road      | • Reserve Street   |
| • Airlie Street    | • Wood Street      |
| • Koeppe Road      | • Derby Street     |
| • Agett Road       |                    |

The Town has been improving its stormwater drainage network, and in 24-25 accomplished the following:

- Bay View Terrace
  - Drainage upgrades to increase storage capacity in the event of major rainfall events were completed.
  - Large storage tanks were installed underground at Claremont Park, off Bay View Terrace resulting in improved drainage network flow rates for a large area of the Town south of Stirling Highway.
- Shenton Road drainage at Romily House & 39 Shenton Road





### III. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Balance the Town’s historical character with complementary, well-designed development

#### STRATEGIC PLANNING

Following extensive consultation, the Precinct Structure Plan (PSP) for the Claremont Town Centre was endorsed by the WAPC in November 2024. This document will guide development for the next 10-15 years.

#### HERITAGE

This financial year provided the opportunity to complete a significant review of the Town’s heritage policies. This included reviewing and updating the Town’s Heritage List and Local Heritage Survey, as well as the development and adoption of Local Planning Policies for Claremont Crescent and Bay View Terrace Heritage Areas. A six-week consultation period provided a considerable amount of feedback from the community.

#### STATUTORY PLANNING

The Town continues to determine applications which comply with the Town’s Heritage and Character Retention Policies where relevant, as well as other Local Planning Policies, Residential Design Codes, LPS and Local Laws.

Other significant outcomes include:

##### Planning

- 133 Development Applications determined 01/07/2024 – 30/06/2025.
- \$144,702 in Development Application Fees.
- \$150,811,191 total value of developments.
- 49 Development Applications required heritage assessment or comment.

- 38 days – DAs processed average days (60 t/f).
- 75 days – DAs processed average days (90 t/f).
- Three applications for review lodged with the State Administrative Tribunal: 4 Victoria Avenue (Yacht Club), 14 Chester Road and 63A Bay View Terrace.

##### Building

- 182 Building Permits were assessed and approved in line with legislative requirements, a 16% decrease on the previous year.
- The value of application fees for all applications was \$280,255 an increase of 103% on the previous year. This increase in fees is due to the receipt of higher valued applications (3 Shenton Rd – The Terraces and 22 St Quentin – mixed use development).
- The Town has 907 registered pools, with inspections carried out every four years. A new round of inspections commenced in 2024, and a total of 265 pools were inspected during the year. 230 were found to be compliant on the first inspection, 22 compliant on the second inspection, with the remaining 13 compliant on the final inspection.

##### Swimming Pool Inspections

86% COMPLIANCE RATE ON THE FIRST POOL INSPECTION

#### IV. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Develop the public realm as gathering spaces for participation, prosperity and enjoyment

A new sculpture which has been designed to reflect the shared joy of spending time in the park for both humans and dogs was installed in June at Claremont Park. Entitled the 'Good Luck Bulldog', the Town's latest public artwork stands at 1.5 metres tall as it welcomes visitors to the park.

The artist behind the Good Luck Bulldog, Steven Buckles, has over 20 years' experience of working professionally within Western Australia across a portfolio that encompasses activations, murals, sculptures and branding experiences.

The Good Luck Bulldog will be reflective of his contemporary artistic style in utilising geometric form and aesthetics while incorporating the use of modern materials. The piece itself is comprised of polished concrete mixed with resin and decorative aggregate to create a luxurious yet durable finish. It is the artist's vision that the interactive quality of his work will encourage park-goers to pat the dog for luck, creating not just a visual display but also a tactile experience.

The community was tasked with deciding on the name for the Good Luck Bulldog via popular vote with Baxter being selected as the name of choice.



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V. **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**  
 Maintain and upgrade the Town's assets for seamless day-to-day usage

The Town owns and maintains a significant amount of community assets including footpaths, roads, public right of ways, kerbs, playgrounds, paths, car parks, drainage, public seating and bins.

**ROADS AND FOOTPATHS**

Over the year the Town carried out a program of works that saw:

<b>\$0.7M</b>	ROADS AND LANEWAYS RESURFACED PROJECTS
<b>\$0.8M</b>	FOOTPATHS UPGRADE PROJECTS
<b>\$0.3M</b>	VALUE OF BUILDING PROJECTS
<b>\$1.7M</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>

**DRAINAGE**

Projects both large and small were completed with more still being planned for the next financial year.

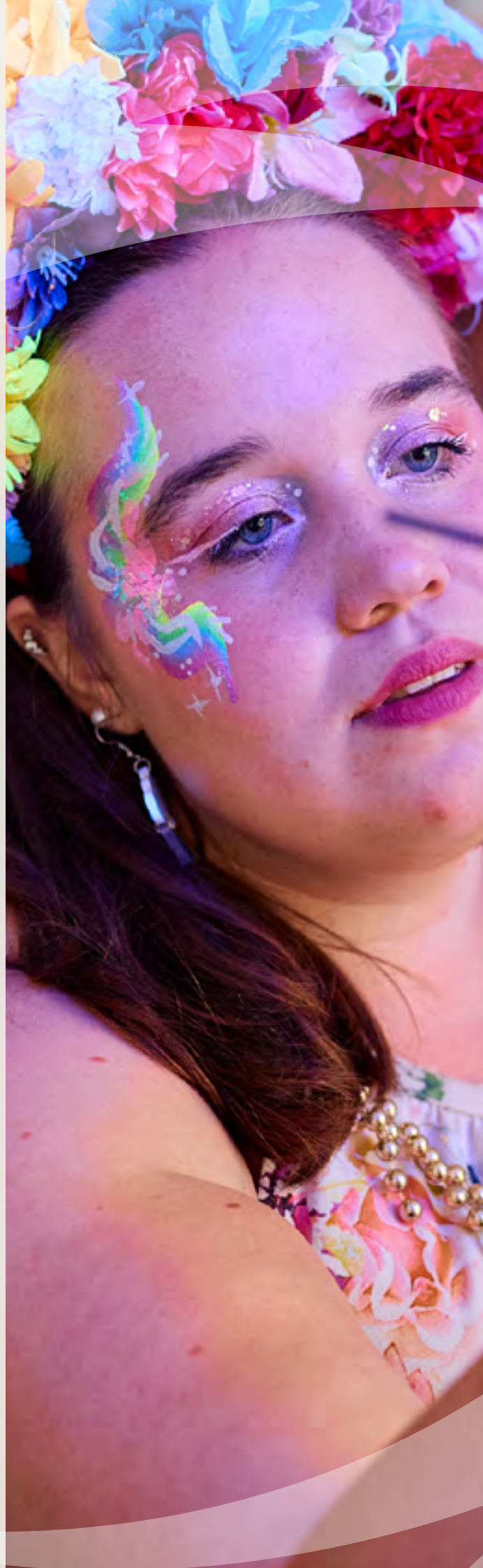
A large drainage project was completed at Claremont Park to increase drainage storage capacity in the event of major rainfall events. This will result in improvement to the drainage network flow rates for a large area of the Town.

## Aspirational outcome **People**

### STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity and enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.

- I. Effectively manage and enhance the Town's community facilities in response to a growing community
- II. Facilitate opportunities for social participation, health, learning and inclusion through programmed activities and events
- III. Support local safety and crime prevention
- IV. Provide opportunities for local community groups that support their capacity and ongoing sustainability
- V. Develop and implement a strategy that supports services for seniors and youth
- VI. Recognise and celebrate the Town's history and culture through arts and events
- VII. Promote and encourage an active lifestyle through supporting local community clubs, groups, recreation and leisure facilities







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## I. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Effectively manage and enhance the Town's community facilities in response to a growing community

The Town continued to upgrade its existing facilities and equipment to support the growing community and make Claremont a flourishing place for people to visit and live in.

Work started on a new scooter track and accessible playground at Jean and John Mulder Park, and is expected to be completed later in the year. The design of the accessible equipment was chosen by the community.

In October 2024, the Town ran a competition for UWA Landscape Architecture Students to design a new community garden space on the bowling green at the Bay View Community Centre. A design has been chosen and construction on this new asset will begin shortly.

The Aquatic Centre transitioned to a salt chlorination system for its previous chemical system. This allows for greater cost-effectiveness and enhanced safety. The new First Aid room was also completed early in the first quarter of FY24-25.

The monthly playground safety inspections and associated repairs were undertaken, while quarterly sandpit cleaning and top ups were completed. New playgrounds were installed at Maclagan, Hatchett and Rowe parks. New outdoor fitness equipment was installed at Rowe Park, and new shade sails were installed across playgrounds and reinstalled over playgrounds at Stirling Road Park and Maclagan Park for the warmer months.

Furthermore, bore, pump and flowmeter renewal work began and continued throughout the year as well as garden bed mulching. The limestone paths were renewed at Lake Claremont surrounds and playgrounds and park infrastructure were oiled.

II. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Facilitate opportunities for social participation, health, learning and inclusion through programmed activities and events

The Town manages and operates several community facilities to encourage community connection, health and learning.

The Claremont Aquatic Centre hosts an extensive range of water programs including squad training, water polo, aqua aerobic classes, birthday parties, school swimming carnivals and general swimming.

The Claremont Museum has a focus on preserving and sharing the Town’s history through the accurate collection and display of artefacts, as well as running an education program for young school children. In 2024-2025, the Museum had 3,786 visitors, with most of those being school children attending the specifically tailored education program. The monthly History in a Coffee Cup and Claremont Meanders walking tours continued to be a success, as well as the Sunday Funday activities held in the Museum Courtyard for children.

In October 2024, the Town officially opened the Bay View Community Centre. The occasion was marked with a community open day featuring crafts and other activities. The library now opens half an hour earlier at 9am instead of 9:30am, extending the opening hours by 3 hours per week.

Story Time and Rhyme Time sessions relaunched in December with the State Library Better Beginnings literacy packs also distributed during these sessions.

Other events include English as a Second Language, after school and holiday activities for children, and activities for adults.

In summary, the facility attracted the following:

23K	BOOKS BORROWED
57.3K	VISITORS
11K	ACTIVE MEMBERS
678	CLASSES HELD
23	HOMEBOUND SERVICE

The Town also creates and implements a number of accessible community events, activities and workshops throughout the year to create opportunities for social connection, learning and wellbeing. This includes events such as Celebrate Lake Claremont (September 2024), Carols in the Park (December 2024), A Night on Bay view (February 2025), Anzac Day (April 2025) and A Day on the Bay (May 2025).





TOWN OF CLAREMONT  
**CLAREMONT  
MUSEUM**  
& MRS HERBERT'S PARK



### III. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Support local safety and crime prevention

## Enhancing community safety

### SAFETY

The Town's Community Safety Officers (CSO) help provide a safe environment for all residents and visitors by monitoring and enforcing compliance with the Town's local laws. They operate on a roster system that provides coverage seven days a week.

### ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

The Town adopted the Town of Claremont Animal Local Law in February 2024. The CSO's are authorised to monitor and enforce compliance with the Local Law and other legislation regarding the behaviour and control of animals (dogs, cats, poultry and birds), this includes barking and reporting lost and found dogs within the district.

110

DOGS REGISTERED

19

CATS REGISTERED

2

CATIO GRANTS

The aim of the Catio Grant Program is to support residents to build enclosed outdoor areas for domestic cats, allowing them to spend time outside without the risk of harming native wildlife. These enclosures provide an enriching outdoor space for cats while protecting native wildlife and reducing altercations with other cats.

### CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION CAMERAS

The Town now has 108 CCTV cameras installed in key areas to help keep public order and deter any illegal activity. This ensures improved security and safety outcomes for the Claremont community.

The location of all public facing cameras within the Town are registered with Cam-Map WA, a centralised map of public facing CCTV cameras utilised by WA Police.

Footage is provided as per Council Policy 514. The release or viewing of recorded footage and still photographs to the WA Police is permitted. Unless specifically required under law, the release or viewing of recorded footage and still photographs other than to the WA Police is expressly prohibited.

In 2024 - 2025 WA Police requested and were provided with CCTV footage on 22 occasions.

### FIRE HAZARDS

The CSO's are responsible for issuing Fire Break Notices and ensuring compliance with the Bush Fires Act 1954. Each year, public notice is provided requiring residents to:

- Slash all grass and clear all inflammable matter on their land.
- Where applicable, create a fire break that is clear of all inflammable matter on the land.

This is an important task to prevent the outbreak, spread or extension of a bush fire.

Meetings were held with the Friends of Lake Claremont to maximise joint efforts group in relation to bushfire mitigation around the (high-risk) Lake Claremont area.

## PARKING AND VEHICLE MANAGEMENT

The Community safety team oversee:

- Precinct parking including the issuing of permits and compliance with signage.
- On foot patrols in the Town Centre.
- Targeted patrols focus on hotspot or problematic areas.
- Monitoring building sites to ensure builders are complying with the Traffic Management Plans.
- Applications to hire a parking bay.
- Abandoned vehicles.
- Misplaced trolleys.

The team works closely with the many local schools in Claremont. A comprehensive 'return to school' patrols roster was developed to target problematic parking at school drop off/ pickup times at the start of the school year. Officers were visible on site twice a day and proactively interacted drivers to tackle illegal/ hazardous parking.

In March 2025, the Town installed License plate recognition (LPR) cameras to Town vehicles and have been utilising this system throughout 2024-2025. The installation will allow the team to trial the use of the technology and to increase patrolling efficiency.

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Town attended District Emergency Management Committee meetings in November 2024 and Western Central Local Emergency Management Committee meetings in March, June and September 2025.

The Town met regularly with representatives from WA Police, DFES, and other Local Governments to discuss a unified approach to emergency management.

Regular meetings are also held with WA Police at Wembley Police Station to discuss any issues experienced in the district including anti-social behaviour and homelessness and to promote a collaborative approach. The Town continues to advocate for a stronger police presence in Claremont.

## CLAREMONT SHOWGROUNDS

The Town worked closely with the Royal Agricultural Society to ensure the impact of additional vehicles entering and parking in Claremont for their large-scale events did not adversely affect residents' safety and access. The largest two events were:

- Perth Royal Show which attracted over 280,000 people to the Town over the course of the event in September-October 2024. The Town opened Rowe Park and Lake Claremont as parking facilities for the duration of the event.
- Caravan and Camping event took place over the course of 3 days from 20-23 March 2025. The Town opened Rowe Park as a parking facility for the duration of the event. Other events that required Town involvement such as additional patrolling included:

EVENT	DATE
CrossFit WA	12-13 October 2024
Curtin Sustainability Fair	3 November 2024
Fashion Thrift Society	2 November 2024
Uncovered Culture	9 November 2024
3 in 1 Markets	30 November – 1 December 2024
Boutique Christmas Market	13 – 15 December 2024
SNACK New Years Eve	31 December 2024



#### IV. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Provide opportunities for local community groups that support their capacity and ongoing sustainability

The Town offers a Community Funding Program for not-for-profits who meet the guidelines and deliver services that support our community. The recipients for 2024/2025 are listed below:

COMMUNITY FUNDING PROGRAM		
Organisation	Amount	Purpose
Remida	\$6,764.00	The A Maze 'N' Web is a festival-like, interactive, large-scale art installation providing a visually stunning and highly engaging weekend event at Claremont Park.
Bloomhouse Projects Inc.	\$3,500.00	A unique cultural event designed to bring home Western Australian talent and nurture emerging local artists.
The Claremont Group of Embroiderers	\$841.20	Frame a piece of artwork they are donating to the Claremont Museum.
Lions Cancer Institute	\$5,000.00	The Lions Cancer Institute is hosting its annual Special Children's Christmas Big Day Out. This is a red-carpet event at Belmont Cinemas for local children who have special needs, cancer or are terminally ill.
Friends of Lake Claremont	\$2,500.00	Plant 150 trees throughout the turfed areas on the Eastern side of Lake Claremont

V. **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

Develop and implement a strategy that supports services for seniors and youth



**YOUTH**

**Youth Mural Art Mentorship Program**

After the success of the initial Youth Mural Art Mentorship Program in 23-24, it returned for a second year with mentor Peter Ryan and mentees Jack and Daisy designing, creating and painting a new public mural, titled ‘Busy Bees’, at the Bay View Community Centre.

The mural depicts people from the community on one side – including a librarian, creative kids and sporty teens – controlling the strings (like puppets) of bees on the other side which are building a garden.

**Youth Photography Competition**

The Town’s annual Youth Photography Competition provides an opportunity for 12–18-year-olds who live or go to school in the western suburbs to get creative and use their mobile phone technology, a widely accessible tool to this cohort. The 24-25 competition asked young people to capture an image that reflected their perspective of being ‘in their own world’.

There were 64 entries in this year’s competition with first prize being awarded \$1,000.

**Shenton College Youth Chaplaincy**

The Town again supported the Shenton Christian YouthCARE Council, delivering chaplaincy programs to Shenton College. This partnership funds three chaplains to provide social, emotional, spiritual, and mental support to students.

**Claremont Football Club Women’s Development Squad**

The Town was a community sponsor of the Claremont Football Club Women’s Team and returned as a Community Partner for the Youth Girls Development Squad.

**Town facilities**

School holiday programs, school swimming and coaching at the Aquatic Centre



## SENIORS

### Seniors Week

Each November, the Town organises a special program of activities designed to foster social connections among senior community members. The program includes technology workshops, health and wellbeing sessions, art and craft opportunities, and recreational events, with a highlight being the highly attended Twilight Cruise.

### SHINE Community Care

Annual funding is provided to SHINE Community Care, a local not-for-profit agency that supports the elderly and people with disabilities. SHINE offers a range of services, including in-home care, social activities, and transport to appointments and events.

### Town facilities

The Bay View Community Centre continued to offer a diverse range of free weekly activities for seniors, including language conversation sessions, technology workshops, and creative classes in knitting and painting.

The Museum's popular history program History in a Coffee Cup features a new topic each month with presentations from special guest speakers. This event, well-loved by seniors, provides an opportunity for attendees to engage in lively discussions over coffee after the presentation.

Additionally, the Town offers Claremont Meanders Walking Tours that explore the Town's historical trails. These tours offer a nostalgic experience, allowing our senior community to reflect on Claremont's past.

The Aquatic Centre continued to provide tailored classes for older adults, including Water running, Aqua aerobics and Senior swimming lessons.

## VI. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Recognise and celebrate the Town's history and culture through arts and events

The Town's annual community arts and events program for 24-25 is provided below.



### JULY 2024

#### NAIDOC Week

7 - 14 July

Town Wide

To celebrate NAIDOC Week, a range of activities were held at the Claremont Museum, Claremont Library and the Council Chambers. Sessions were hosted by proud noongar people and first nations facilitators Belinda Cox and Dylan Collard.

Attendance: Goal 150 / Actual 84

### SEPTEMBER 2024

#### Celebrate Lake Claremont

15 September

Lake Claremont

An event for nature lovers with a focus on sustainability and the environment. This event featured plenty of fun for all ages with hands-on sustainable activities, workshops, food stalls kids rides and animal encounters.

Attendance: Goal 2000 / Actual 1200

### OCTOBER 2024

#### Jurassic Adventure Trail

2 - 3 October

Claremont Town Centre

An adventure trail across two days, children found hidden dinosaurs and collected stickers from participating businesses. With a range of dinosaur-themed fun along the way, this school holiday adventure was enjoyed by attendees and supported local businesses.

Attendance: Goal 2000 / Actual 1000

#### Bay View Community Centre Open Day

6 October

Bay View Community Centre

Games, face-painting, giveaways, prizes and craft activities were on offer to celebrate the opening of the new Bay View Community Centre.

Attendance: Goal 400 / Actual 200

### NOVEMBER 2024

#### Seniors Twilight Cruise

14 November

Claremont Yacht Club

An evening to enjoy a cruise along the Swan River followed by dinner at the Claremont Yacht Club. This event celebrated WA Seniors Week and provided an opportunity for local seniors to find social connection.

Attendance: Goal 100 / Actual 91

### Remembrance Day

11 November

War Memorial, Claremont

A small Remembrance Day service was held in partnership with RSLWA; Claremont sub-branch.

Attendance: Goal 50 / Actual 56

### DECEMBER 2024

#### Carols in the Park

7 December

Claremont Park

Carols in the Park performed by the West Australian Symphony Orchestra, plus family friendly stage performances, roving entertainers and a guest appearance from Santa.

Attendance: Goal 2000 / Actual 3000

#### End of School Pool Party

14 December

Claremont Aquatic Centre

Held at Claremont Aquatic Centre with pool inflatables, rides and other kids' activities.

Attendance: Goal 500 / Actual 305





## FEBRUARY 2025

### A Night on Bay View

15 February

Claremont Park

A night under the stars featuring the West Australian Symphony Orchestra performing an outdoor community concert at Claremont Park. The audience was treated to classical favourites and famous musical scores from the worlds of ballet, opera and cinema with internationally acclaimed soprano Rachelle Durkin.

Attendance: Goal 3000 / Actual 3500

### Back to school pool party

1 February

Claremont Aquatic Centre

Held at the Claremont Aquatic Centre with pool inflatables, mermaids and face-painting.

Attendance: Goal 500 / Actual 610

### Claremont Artisan Markets

16 November, 14 December,

18 January + 22 February

Claremont Oval

A range of stalls showcasing food, drinks, clothing and artisan homewares.

Attendance: Goal 6000 / Actual 3300



## MARCH 2025

### Art in the Open

14 March – 16 March

Bay View Community Centre

A temporary art installation in the form of a magic garden providing an immersive experience of saturated colour and sound with over 40 life-sized geometric characters and shapes. Children could also decorate a mini pot and plant their own magical seed, and get their face painted to glow under the UV lights.

Attendance: Goal 1000 / Actual 629

## APRIL 2025

### Luminous Street Festival

11 – 12 April

Claremont Town Centre

An illuminated night-time event during the April school holidays where people could enjoy various neon activities.

Bay View Terrace and surrounding streets were closed to cars, making it a safe space for people to walk around.

Attendance: Goal 5000 / Actual 4000

### Anzac Day

25 April

Claremont War Memorial

An event incorporating local community partners, including the



RSLWA; Claremont sub-branch and the 10th Light Horse Bunbury Troop to commemorate Australian and New Zealand service men and women.

Attendance: Goal 400 / Actual 800

## MAY 2025

### A Day on the Bay

18 May

Claremont Foreshore

A family-friendly event set against the beautiful backdrop of the Claremont Foreshore. A host of fun activities took place on the day including kayaking, paddle swans, a cuddly animal farm, meet a mermaid, sustainability stalls, food vendors, live music performances and so much more.

Attendance: Goal 1500 / Actual 1400

### Volunteer Thank You Celebration

22 May

Claremont Yacht Club

Local volunteers were treated to an evening of celebration and recognition. The Town shows its appreciation for the hard work and commitment of its volunteers and their vital role in our community.

Attendance: Goal 80 / Actual 39

## VII. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Promote and encourage an active lifestyle through supporting local community clubs, groups, recreation and leisure facilities

### NATURE TRAILS

The Whadjuk Trail Network remains a key feature for nature enthusiasts in the western suburbs of Perth, linking remnant bushland areas to offer a distinctive walking experience.

There is comprehensive information about the trails through its website, app and QR codes, making it easier for walkers to navigate and appreciate the natural landscape.

### LAKE CLAREMONT PARKRUN

Since its inception in April 2022, Lake Claremont parkrun has been a tremendous success, thanks to the dedication of its volunteers. Each Saturday at 8am, the event takes place on the grass at the bottom of Lapsley Road, welcoming participants of all running levels. Volunteers play crucial roles, including greeting first-time runners, marshalling the course, and distributing finish tokens, making the 5km run a community highlight.

### PARKS

Claremont continues to be celebrated for its beautiful parks and gardens, which offer a serene environment for both residents and visitors. Throughout the 2024-25 financial year, the turf areas at Claremont Park were maintained for safe use by students including mowing, branch collection and ground top dressing. Bore, pump and flowmeter renewal work began across multiple parks, enhancing the presentation of these green spaces.

### RECREATION FACILITIES

The Town continues to support the following local community clubs and schools through various means including the provision of access to grounds and subsidised leasing or cost contribution:

- Claremont Lawn Tennis Club
- Lake Claremont Golf Course
- McKenzie Pavilion (Claremont Nedlands Cricket Club and Westside Wolves Hockey)
- Claremont Football Club
- Freshwater Bay Primary School



## Aspirational outcome

# Environmental sustainability

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### STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

We are a leader in responsibly managing the built and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to demonstrate diligent environmental practices.

- I. Take leadership in the community in environmental sustainability
- II. Aim for best practice in water usage and waste minimisation, in line with community expectations
- III. Protect and conserve the natural flora and fauna of the Swan River foreshore and Lake Claremont





## I. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Take leadership in the community  
in environmental sustainability

The Lake Claremont Management Plan 2024 – 2029 has been endorsed and is now in effect with priority projects discussed at the Lake Claremont Advisory Committee Meetings in August and November 2024 and February and May 2025. This plan identifies the current needs of the Lake Claremont reserve and recommends the actions required to preserve and enhance the area. It helps the Claremont Council, the Lake Claremont Advisory Committee and the Friends of Lake Claremont establish future budget requirements, make informed decisions and recommendations, and appropriately prioritise and schedule works around the Lake and surrounds.

The first tree was planted under the Town's Adopt-a-Tree program with 17 applications received in the winter. Residents could sponsor the planting of a tree with the option of adding a customised plaque to their tree. Trees could be planted at Lake Claremont, Claremont Park, John and Jean Mulder Park, or on Stirling Road near the Scotch College playing fields. The Town also added more than 200 trees to its extensive tree canopy.

During May, Claremont residents could once again purchase subsidised native plants through the Native Plant Subsidy Scheme, with 1,500 plants purchased. In partnership with the Friends of Lake Claremont, regular planting and weeding days were organised, reducing the use of chemicals for weeding and supporting the building and retention of the canopy cover.

## SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

The Town has replaced the entire management team's old petrol cars with new hybrid vehicles. Employees who do not drive to work and instead take public transport, walk or cycle were rewarded as part of the Town's Sustainable Transport Initiative.

## PLASTIC FREE JULY

There were education talks around sustainability for Plastic Free July with beeswax wraps also made.

## CATIO GRANTS PROGRAM

The Town's Catio Grants Program continued after it was introduced last financial year with six applications received from residents.

This program seeks to promote cat safety and the protection of native wildlife by offering residents up to \$500 to install a catio. These funds can be used for eligible items or for installation service costs.

A catio is a fully enclosed space that allows cats to be outdoors in a contained area. These enclosures provide a safe outdoor space for pets while protecting native wildlife and reducing altercations with other cats.



## II. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Aim for best practice in water usage and waste minimisation, in line with community expectations

The Town is one of five local governments that make up the Western Metropolitan Regional Council; a specialist waste management service provider that supports waste transfer, community waste treatment and recycling, and waste education and promotion. Through the household verge management collection:

934	TONNES OF DOMESTIC HARD WASTE COLLECTED
704	TONNES OF DOMESTIC HARD WASTE RECYCLED
1.1K	TONNES OF DOMESTIC GREEN WASTE COLLECTED
1.1K	TONNES OF DOMESTIC GREEN WASTE RECYCLED

To minimise potential paper waste, all the Town’s Council meetings and agendas are delivered electronically, and residents are also encouraged to receive their rates notices and any Town communications and consultations online. The Town’s e-newsletter database comprises 3,801 subscribers. Flourish, the Town’s quarterly magazine, is printed using solar electricity on paper that is FSC® certified from plantation sourced timber. Both the printer and paper mill are ISO 14001 accredited, the highest environmental standard.

The Aquatic Centre has an online booking system and digital display screens to reduce paper usage. Building applications and food and health assessments are also completed electronically with food assessments conducted using the iAuditor program on iPad, which saves both paper and time.

Community events are planned with consideration to minimise the amount of waste produced and single-used plastics used. The Town continued its partnership with Go2Cup to provide reusable cups, cutlery and crockery to its events such as A Day on the Bay, Celebrate Lake Claremont, Carols in the Park and A Night on Bay View.

KERBSIDE RECYCLED		
Material Category	Material Type	Tonnes Recycled
Cardboard	Cardboard / paper packaging	232.04
Glass	Glass packaging – mixed	191.78
Metals	Metals – Non-ferrous – Aluminium – packaging	4.38
Metals	Metals – Ferrous Steel – packaging	24.86
Mixed paper / cardboard	Mixed paper / cardboard	201.88
Paper	Old Newsprint (ONP)	0
Plastic	Mixed plastic packaging	20.10
Plastic	HDPE (2)	13.35
Plastic	PET (1)	15.60



HOUSEHOLD VERGE MANAGEMENT COLLECTION			
Service type	Tonnes collected	Tonnes disposed	Tonnes recycled
Domestic hard waste	186.70	175	11.70
Domestic green waste	121	0	121

The Town was awarded Gold Waterwise accreditation by the Water Corporation and received a Waterwise Greening Scheme grant in recognition of efforts in water conservation. The grant allowed the Town to plant demonstrative waterwise verges to highlight that ways in which irrigated and non-irrigated verges can be used to save on watering. The accreditation recognises the Town's commitment to using no more than their allocated water allowance.

Based on public requests, free mulch was deposited on residential verges when available and free mulch information was listed on the Town's website. Waterwise plant species were selected to be used through the winter garden bed landscaping works and Waterwise Greening Scheme demonstration gardens on verges.

Fortnightly reticulation system testing and repairs were performed by contractors throughout parks and streetscapes. Monthly water meter readings were conducted for both bore and scheme water irrigation systems.





### III. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Protect and conserve the natural flora and fauna of the Swan River foreshore and Lake Claremont

The management of Lake Claremont and the Swan River foreshore is guided by their respective advisory committees, the Lake Claremont Advisory Committee and the Foreshore Advisory Committee. Each committee includes representatives from a range of stakeholders including elected members, community members, and local organisations. The advisory committees meet quarterly.

#### LAKE CLAREMONT

Lake Claremont is a conservation-category wetland situated on freehold land owned by the Town of Claremont. This valuable area is managed by the Town through the Lake Claremont Management Plan. The Lake Claremont Management Plan 2024 – 2029 highlights the current needs of Lake Claremont reserve and recommends actions required to preserve and enhance the area.

Voluntary efforts by the Friends of Lake Claremont (FOLC) in weeding, planting, trail camera monitoring, feral animal control and turtle tracking significantly support the growth and conservation of native flora and fauna. Contractors and volunteers continued hand weeding efforts at Lake Claremont. Glyphosate treatment in the bushland behind fences was completed as required and pelargonic acid was sprayed on lake path edges as an alternative to glyphosate. Officers are continuing to research an alternative to glyphosate.

The Town continued its partnership with the FOLC and Murdoch University's Saving Our Snake-Necked Turtle Project during the September to November nesting season. Part two of the reptile survey was also completed by consultants, with multiple species of skinks and bobtails found, but no snakes.

#### CLAREMONT FORESHORE

The Sand Management Plan continued to be implemented along the foreshore to assist with erosion control under year 4 of the 5-year plan. The Town of Claremont, Shire of Peppermint Grove and the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Riverbank Program are working together to establish a Freshwater Bay Bushland Plan to determine priorities of project funding. A community consultation was open to gather feedback with 29 responses received.

The Town's annual A Day on the Bay event was held, an environmental and sustainability focused event to inspire appreciation of the foreshore. The event brought visitors to the foreshore and encouraged community members to view it as a natural asset that deserves protecting for the future.

The Town was successful in the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Riverbank Funding proposal. The purpose of this project is to complete ground penetrating radar investigations into the rubble along the foreshore east of the Chester Road Car Park. Sand management work was undertaken by earthmoving contractors, with work including covering exposed rubble (historic landfill material) east of the Chester Road Car Park with sand relocated from the sand build-up adjacent to the Claremont Yacht Club hard stand.





## Aspirational outcome

# Local prosperity

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### STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Our businesses are thriving and integrated into the life of the Claremont community, and the town centre is known as a premier visitor destination.

- I. Raise the profile of Claremont Town Centre as a visitor destination
- II. Plan for the development of attractive and thriving activity nodes to support local small businesses
- III. Support new and existing local small business and entrepreneurial activity



# CLAREMONT'S NIGHT LUXE

SPEND & WIN!

Shop and dine within the Claremont Town Centre from September 1st until 31st July for your chance to win a share of \$3000 worth of luxury prizes!

Upload your receipt for a chance to win!

Therese Cummings

[claremont.wa.gov.au](http://claremont.wa.gov.au)

SPEND & WIN!

EVERYWHERE

Scan the QR code below to enter and explore your rewards!



## I. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Raise the profile of Claremont Town Centre as a visitor destination

The Town works in consultation with a committee of Council, the Claremont Town Centre Advisory Committee (CTCAC) to develop an annual action plan. This committee includes representatives from the business district and the project is part funded through the implementation of a specified area rate.

CTCAC met quarterly over the year, to discuss the annual action plan outlines the key strategies to be implemented that focus on raising the profile of the town centre as a visitor destination. The plan includes marketing and public relations campaigns promoting the Claremont Town Centre brand, using well devised and implemented activations. This results in increased foot traffic in the town centre, ultimately supporting local economic development.

### MARKETING AND PROMOTION

Throughout the 2024/2025 financial year, the Town continued to enhance and deliver on a range of destination marketing initiatives. These marketing collaborations were aimed at highlighting unique experiences around the Town that would attract community members and new visitors alike, underscoring our commitment to both local enjoyment and broader outreach. This renewed focus aligned with our membership as a member of our regional tourism organisation Destination Perth.

These partnerships and promotions included:

#### Claremont Town Centre Mystery Picnic

*July 2024 – March 2025*

The Town continued to collaborate with local businesses and AmazingCo to provide Claremont's very own Town Centre Mystery Picnic, for the local community and visitors. This interactive experience, which could be booked online, guided participants through a self-walkable itinerary where they solved clues and riddles to visit eateries for their picnic items. Unfortunately, due to some businesses closing, the trail remained close from April – June 2025, with officers working to get new local businesses involved so the trail can resume.

#### Destination Perth Brand Awareness Campaign

*February 2025 – March 2025*

The Town collaborated with Destination Perth to create a bespoke campaign to increase brand awareness of the Claremont Town Centre. This involved:

- A social media competition with paid campaign: This engaging social media competition was created to increase Instagram followers whereby entrants were required to follow @claremonttowncentre, @claremontquarter and @destinationperth for the chance to win a \$1000 voucher and styling session provided by Claremont Quarter.
- Instagram and TikTok video series with paid Meta campaign: 5 reels were made to promote the things to see and do in the Town Centre. This included Claremont Quarter Shopping, Club Mello Pilates, and The Claremont Hotel, Greenhaus Studio, and open-air shopping. The best performing reel by far was the open-air shopping video showcasing Claremont's unique laneways and streets for shopping.

- Solus EDM: A dedicated email was sent out to Destination Perth's data base promoting a Night on Bay View and encouraging people to dine in the Town Centre pre/post event.

The campaign increased brand awareness about the things to see and do in the Town Centre.

### Photoshoot and reel production

*January 2025, February 2025 & May 2025*

The Town engaged a professional photographer to deliver a full day photoshoot in January in the Claremont Town Centre. The session included getting photos taken at a range of local businesses as well as outside scenic shots of the Town Centre. An additional photoshoot was organised in February to assist in photographic content for the Destination Perth promotion.

In May, a content creation professional was engaged to produce a series of reels, promoting the exclusive businesses that Claremont has on offer. This resulted in 13 reels being produced which the Town was able to promote the quality content on its social media channels over the following 2-3 months.

## ACTIVATIONS AND EVENTS

### Claremont's Night Luxe

*20 July 2024*

In July 2024 the Claremont Town Centre hosted its highly anticipated Night Luxe event, however the event undertook a new look this year, turning the initiative into a 'Spend & Win' competition.

Anyone spending \$50 or more in the Claremont Town Centre on a Thursday evening in July, between 5pm-11pm had the opportunity to upload their receipts to go into the draw to win luxury prize packs, kindly contributed from a range of local businesses.

In total there was 88 entrants, whose total spending added up to \$7,977.78 in the Town Centre. There were six prize packs donated by a range of Town Centre businesses, totalling in a recommend retail value to \$5,340.

### Jurassic Adventure Trail

*October 2024*

On October 2 & 3 from 10:00am to 2:00pm children were invited to go exploring in the Claremont Town Centre to complete their Jurassic Adventure Passport, participating in the range of dinosaur themed activities and activations put on by the Town and local businesses along the trail. Rather than distributing a printed map, a fun interactive passport was created to enhance event participants experience. There was 'Roarsome Deals' available to participants from local businesses to encourage foot traffic and spend in the Town Centre. Unfortunately, the weather was not favourable on day 1, which is believed to have impacted on attendance numbers, seeing around 1,000 people attend, down from previous years. 136+ Roarsome deals were redeemed.

The concept encouraged parents to visit the Town Centre with their children, and by requiring them to find elements along the trail, it naturally leads them to explore various parts across the Town. The Jurassic Adventure Trail exemplified how such events effectively foster community engagement, support local businesses, and raise the profile of the Claremont Town Centre.

### Claremont Christmas Luxe

*November 2024*

From 1 – 30 November, the Town ran a digital campaign to promote Claremont Luxe-Christmas Edition. This was a competition where entrants were required to fill in a short survey telling us their favourite thing about the Claremont Town Centre. Entrants had the chance to win one of two personal shopping experiences in the Town Centre with Flair by Ryah and \$2,500 spending money, to be delivered before Christmas to help with their Christmas shopping. The campaign successfully raised brand awareness of the Town Centre and received 585 entrants. Both winners were able to spend their winnings in the Town Centre, injecting money back into the local economy. Some of the common responses from survey entrants about what their favourite thing about the Claremont Town Centre was included; the shops, the community feel, accessibility, cafés and dining options.



## Luminous Street Festival

April 2025

The Luminous Street Festival illuminated the Claremont Town Centre across two nights on 12 and 13 April 2025, marking the end of the April school holidays with a spectacular array of immersive and interactive luminous activities. The festival attracted 4,000 attendees who were treated to a vibrant display of illuminated stilt walkers, entertainers, street artists, light projections, and installations. The festivities also included a silent disco, face painting, and neon canvas art, creating an unforgettable experience for all ages.

The event involved the closure of the northern end of Bay View Terrace, transforming it into an event hub where everyone could enjoy the activities. Local retailers also participated, staying open late and offering special deals and promotions, further enhancing the festive atmosphere. The Luminous Street Festival not only brought the community together but also showcased the Claremont Town Centre as a dynamic and engaging destination.



CLAREMONT TOWN CENTRE:

NUMBER OF FOLLOWERS

FACEBOOK

2,582  
People

INSTAGRAM

2,887  
People

AVERAGE REACH

4,246  
People

NUMBER OF POSTS

FACEBOOK

138  
Posts

INSTAGRAM

140  
Posts

AVERAGE

139  
Posts

TOTAL REACH

FACEBOOK

53.7K  
People

INSTAGRAM

48.2K  
People

AVERAGE

51K  
People

INCREASE IN AUDIENCE

FACEBOOK

47  
People

INSTAGRAM

784  
People

AUDIENCE

FACEBOOK



● FEMALE  
▨ MALE

INSTAGRAM



● FEMALE  
▨ MALE

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Social media content plans were developed weekly for the Claremont Town Centre Facebook and Instagram accounts. Content mainly consisted of businesses new to the Town Centre, activations/ events, special occasions and video content to support local messaging and promotion of the Town Centre and its businesses.

## **FUNDING PROGRAM**

The Town's Night-Time Activation Grants (NTAG) program continued to thrive in the 2024-25 financial year, reflecting its growing impact on the Claremont Town Centre. The grant program was promoted to all past applicants which helped increase in the number of applicants received this year.

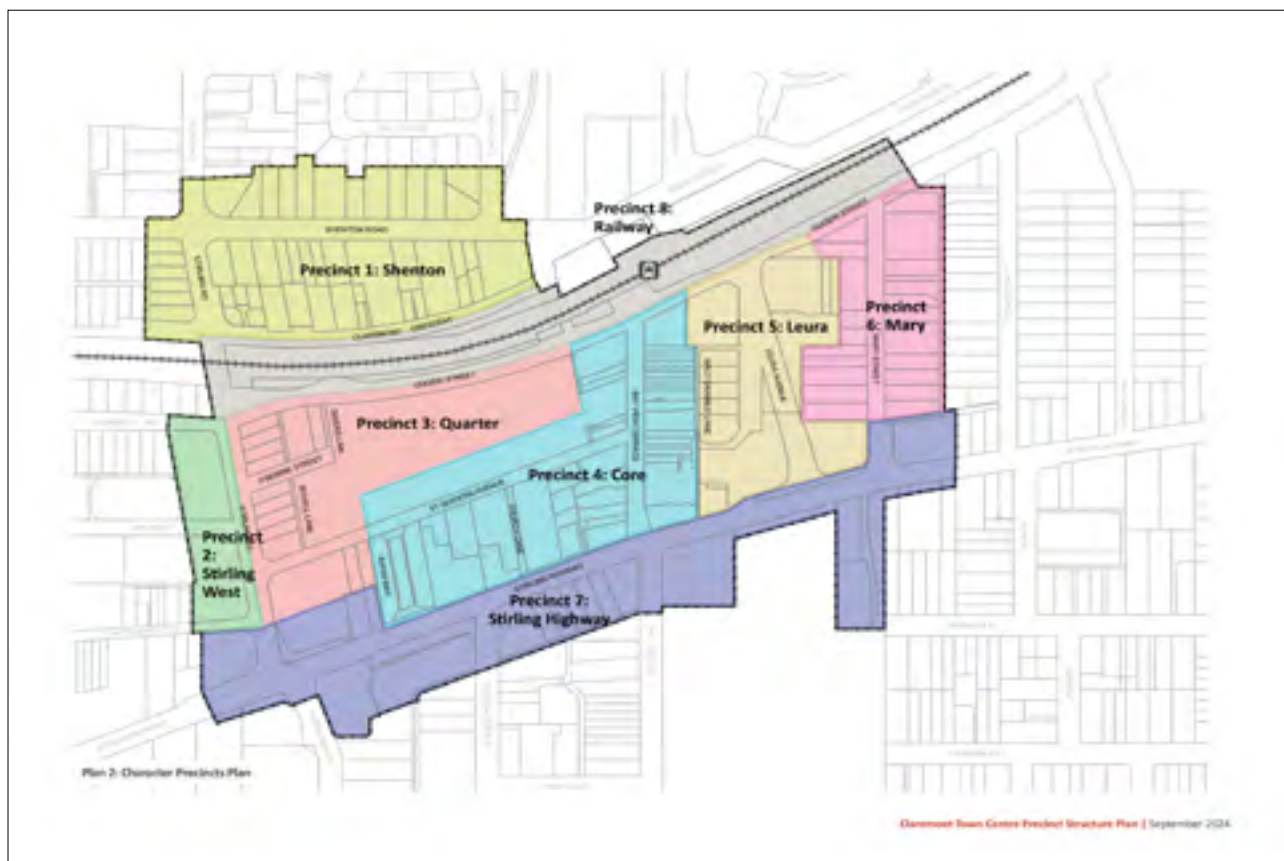
The initiative successfully awarded 29 grants, with a total funding of \$100,000. These grants supported a variety of innovative projects that contributed to the vibrancy of the Town Centre. Notable events included The Thousand Interactive 'The Voyagers', Kamile Gallery Friday Circle exhibition series, Carols at Claremont, FORM closing and opening exhibition launches, Jenny Jones Rugs exhibition, The Dilettante Circle, Perth Art Weekend Launch Event, Joanne Colely 100 Heritage Houses Exhibition and Luminous Street Festival

The NTAG program continues to play a crucial role in revitalising the Claremont Town Centre, fostering a lively atmosphere through diverse and engaging night-time activities.



## II. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Plan for the development of attractive and thriving activity nodes to support small local businesses



The Structure Plan was considered by the Statutory Planning Committee of the Western Australian Planning Commission on 26 March 2024 and supported for final approval subject to minor changes. Following completion of the required changes, the Western Australian Planning Commission approved the final Town Centre Precinct Structure Plan on 24 September 2024.

The Town Centre Precinct Structure Plan focuses on the Claremont Town Centre and immediate surrounds. This plan provides more detailed guidance on the design, planning, assessment and implementation of future development in the Town Centre.

To achieve the overarching vision for the Claremont Town Centre Precinct the PSP identifies eight distinctive precincts outlined below, based on their diverse building typologies, density, building edge activity levels, and the public realm functionality.

In 24-25 the Town continued to support the attractiveness and safety of the town centre with the provision of Christmas Lights and ornaments, cleaning, parking patrols, graffiti removal and attention to anti-social behaviour.

### III. STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Support new and existing local small business and entrepreneurial activity

The Claremont Town Centre objectives continued in 2024-25, focusing on engaging with local businesses, social media promotion, and hosting several events throughout the year, all aimed at increasing visitation to the Claremont Town Centre. This is facilitated by a dedicated resource, who is responsible for liaising with new businesses and assisting them with promotion through various channels.

The Town’s quarterly publication ‘Flourish’ includes the promotion of new and existing business, with a ‘get to know your local business operator’ theme. A specially curated gift guide is created for each publication promoting goods from over ten stores. The magazine is funded and produced by the Town and is distributed to over 5,000 local residences at no cost for the placement.

The Town actively promotes resources to the Claremont Town Centre business community via its monthly e-newsletter, along with other useful resources from Tourism Council WA and Destination Perth.

Other Town initiatives to support local businesses and encourage visitation to the Claremont Town Centre includes the Scores on Doors programme. Developed to support the food and beverage industry, this rating system demonstrates to potential customers that these businesses have received an outstanding food and safety rating from the Town’s Environmental Health team, through mandatory inspections. In 2024-25, the Town recorded 23 businesses with a 5-star rating.

The Town continues to provide the ‘Little Libraries’ located around the Claremont Town Centre. This initiative encourages visitors to grab a book and perhaps linger in the Town to read.

The Town is committed to actively supporting small businesses and is recognised by the Small Business Development Corporation as a small business-friendly local government.







Stack of folded linens with a black geometric pattern on a white background.	Three beige pillows with a zipper closure.	Three beige pillows with a zipper closure.
Three beige pillows with a zipper closure.	Stack of folded linens with a black geometric pattern on a white background.	Stack of folded linens with a pink and white diagonal stripe pattern.
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# Financials

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The Town of Claremont conducts the operations of a local government with the following community vision:

*The Town is progressive, respectful, sustainable local government supporting flourishing community*

Principal place of business:  
308 Striling Highway  
CLAREMONT WA 6010

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*Local Government Act 1995  
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*

**Statement by CEO**

The accompanying financial report of the Town of Claremont has been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995* from proper accounts and records to present fairly the financial transactions for the reporting period ended 30 June 2025 and the financial position as at 30 June 2025.

At the date of signing this statement the particulars included in the financial report are not misleading or inaccurate.

Signed on the 5th day of December 2025



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Timothy Clynch  
Interim Chief Executive Officer



**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>Revenue</b>				
Rates	2(a),23	17,962,840	18,088,966	16,439,901
Grants, subsidies and contributions	2(a)	658,108	385,408	660,496
Fees and charges	2(a)	4,247,054	4,047,122	3,864,459
Interest revenue	2(a)	1,551,811	853,470	1,112,603
Other revenue	2(a)	162,355	99,042	231,131
		<b>24,582,168</b>	<b>23,474,008</b>	<b>22,308,590</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Employee costs	2(b)	(9,693,802)	(9,239,185)	(8,088,710)
Materials and contracts		(7,869,372)	(8,421,039)	(8,010,323)
Utility charges		(658,375)	(664,429)	(460,267)
Depreciation		(4,209,886)	(4,473,415)	(3,960,149)
Finance costs	2(b)	(233,796)	(237,632)	(203,899)
Insurance		(293,749)	(398,714)	(278,514)
Other expenditure	2(b)	(769,376)	(862,215)	(757,297)
		<b>(23,728,356)</b>	<b>(24,296,629)</b>	<b>(21,759,159)</b>
		<b>853,812</b>	<b>(822,621)</b>	<b>549,431</b>
Capital grants, subsidies and contributions	2(a)	320,638	0	349,332
Profit on asset disposals		69,685	0	121,490
Share of net profit of associates accounted for using the equity method	21(e)	157,357	0	49,235
		<b>547,680</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>520,057</b>
<b>Net result for the period</b>		<b>1,401,492</b>	<b>(822,621)</b>	<b>1,069,488</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income for the period</b>				
<i>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</i>				
Share of other comprehensive income of associates accounted for using the equity method	16, 21(b)	0	0	4,176
<b>Total other comprehensive income for the period</b>	16	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,176</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<b>1,401,492</b>	<b>(822,621)</b>	<b>1,073,664</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



**TOWN OF CLAREMONT  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 30 JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025	2024
		\$	\$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	772,772	3,787,776
Trade and other receivables	5	1,614,337	1,119,877
Other financial assets	4(a)	18,419,811	13,888,158
Inventories	6	14,915	10,783
Other assets	7	159,356	273,308
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>20,981,191</b>	<b>19,079,902</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Trade and other receivables	5	327,706	359,922
Investment in associate	21(a)	910,628	753,271
Property, plant and equipment	8	121,224,046	121,694,120
Infrastructure	9	89,592,223	89,819,079
Right-of-use assets	11(a)	5,449	58,603
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>212,060,052</b>	<b>212,684,995</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>233,041,243</b>	<b>231,764,897</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other payables	12	3,274,264	2,967,094
Capital grant/contributions liabilities	13	75,077	192,406
Lease liabilities	11(b)	10,074	50,024
Borrowings	14	480,607	459,727
Employee related provisions	15	1,094,991	1,169,739
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,935,013</b>	<b>4,838,990</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Lease liabilities	11(b)	28,368	27,013
Borrowings	14	4,248,828	4,729,434
Employee related provisions	15	442,986	184,904
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,720,182</b>	<b>4,941,351</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>9,655,195</b>	<b>9,780,341</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>223,386,048</b>	<b>221,984,556</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained surplus		65,803,424	64,976,362
Reserve accounts	26	12,689,551	12,115,121
Revaluation surplus	16	144,893,073	144,893,073
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>223,386,048</b>	<b>221,984,556</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Note	Retained surplus \$	Reserve accounts \$	Revaluation surplus \$	Total equity \$
Balance as at 1 July 2023		64,282,435	11,739,560	144,888,897	220,910,892
Comprehensive income for the period					
Net result for the period		1,069,488	0	0	1,069,488
Other comprehensive income for the period	16	0	0	4,176	4,176
Total comprehensive income for the period		1,069,488	0	4,176	1,073,664
Transfers from reserve accounts	26	587,965	(587,965)	0	0
Transfers to reserve accounts	26	(963,526)	963,526	0	0
<b>Balance as at 30 June 2024</b>		<b>64,976,362</b>	<b>12,115,121</b>	<b>144,893,073</b>	<b>221,984,556</b>
Comprehensive income for the period					
Net result for the period		1,401,492	0	0	1,401,492
Total comprehensive income for the period		1,401,492	0	0	1,401,492
Transfers from reserve accounts	26	327,591	(327,591)	0	0
Transfers to reserve accounts	26	(902,021)	902,021	0	0
<b>Balance as at 30 June 2025</b>		<b>65,803,424</b>	<b>12,689,551</b>	<b>144,893,073</b>	<b>223,386,048</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025 Actual \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Receipts</b>			
Rates		17,843,683	16,492,584
Grants, subsidies and contributions		415,664	1,683,067
Fees and charges		4,246,362	3,850,095
Interest revenue		1,551,811	1,112,603
Goods and services tax received		(122,532)	(7,630)
Other revenue		162,355	231,131
		24,097,343	23,361,850
<b>Payments</b>			
Employee costs		(9,495,665)	(8,356,764)
Materials and contracts		(7,444,604)	(6,859,926)
Utility charges		(658,375)	(460,267)
Finance costs		(233,796)	(203,899)
Insurance paid		(293,749)	(278,514)
Other expenditure		(769,376)	(751,679)
		(18,895,565)	(16,911,049)
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>		<b>5,201,778</b>	<b>6,450,801</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Payments for purchase of property, plant & equipment	8(a)	(820,528)	(1,550,391)
Payments for construction of infrastructure	9(a)	(2,687,374)	(3,486,649)
Proceeds from capital grants, subsidies and contributions		203,309	451,738
Proceeds for financial assets at amortised cost		(4,531,653)	(4,457,006)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment		120,182	171,597
<b>Net cash (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>(7,716,064)</b>	<b>(8,870,711)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Repayment of borrowings	25(a)	(459,726)	(4,377,136)
Payments for principal portion of lease liabilities	25(b)	(40,992)	(46,128)
Proceeds from new borrowings	25(a)	0	4,151,004
<b>Net cash (used in) financing activities</b>		<b>(500,718)</b>	<b>(272,260)</b>
<b>Net (decrease) in cash held</b>		<b>(3,015,004)</b>	<b>(2,692,170)</b>
Cash at beginning of year		3,787,776	6,479,946
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>		<b>772,772</b>	<b>3,787,776</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.



**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Note	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Revenue from operating activities</b>				
General rates	23	15,187,830	15,313,953	16,349,901
Rates excluding general rates	23	2,775,010	2,775,013	90,000
Grants, subsidies and contributions		658,108	385,408	660,496
Fees and charges		4,247,054	4,047,122	3,864,459
Interest revenue		1,551,811	853,470	1,112,603
Other revenue		162,355	99,042	231,131
Profit on asset disposals		69,685	0	121,490
Share of net profit of associates accounted for using the equity method	21(e)	157,357	0	49,235
		<b>24,809,210</b>	<b>23,474,008</b>	<b>22,479,315</b>
<b>Expenditure from operating activities</b>				
Employee costs		(9,693,802)	(9,239,185)	(8,088,710)
Materials and contracts		(7,869,372)	(8,421,039)	(8,010,323)
Utility charges		(658,375)	(664,429)	(460,267)
Depreciation		(4,209,886)	(4,473,415)	(3,960,149)
Finance costs		(233,796)	(237,632)	(203,899)
Insurance		(293,749)	(398,714)	(278,514)
Other expenditure		(769,376)	(862,215)	(757,297)
		<b>(23,728,356)</b>	<b>(24,296,629)</b>	<b>(21,759,159)</b>
Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities	24(a)	4,275,539	4,473,415	4,334,865
<b>Amount attributable to operating activities</b>		<b>5,356,393</b>	<b>3,650,794</b>	<b>5,055,021</b>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Inflows from investing activities</b>				
Capital grants, subsidies and contributions		320,638	0	349,332
Proceeds from disposal of assets		120,182	86,000	171,597
		<b>440,820</b>	<b>86,000</b>	<b>520,929</b>
<b>Outflows from investing activities</b>				
Right of use assets received - non cash	11(a)	(2,397)	0	5,622
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	8(a)	(820,528)	(1,524,511)	(1,550,391)
Acquisition of infrastructure	9(a)	(2,687,374)	(4,209,819)	(3,486,649)
Payments for intangible assets	11	0	(59,800)	0
		<b>(3,510,299)</b>	<b>(5,794,130)</b>	<b>(5,031,418)</b>
<b>Amount attributable to investing activities</b>		<b>(3,069,479)</b>	<b>(5,708,130)</b>	<b>(4,510,489)</b>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Inflows from financing activities</b>				
Proceeds from borrowings	25(a)	0	0	4,151,004
Proceeds from new leases - non cash	25(b)	2,397	0	0
Transfers from reserve accounts	26	327,591	713,000	587,965
		<b>329,988</b>	<b>713,000</b>	<b>4,738,969</b>
<b>Outflows from financing activities</b>				
Repayment of borrowings	25(a)	(459,726)	(459,727)	(4,377,136)
Payments for principal portion of lease liabilities	25(b)	(40,992)	(53,706)	(46,128)
Transfers to reserve accounts	26	(902,021)	(9,112)	(963,526)
		<b>(1,402,739)</b>	<b>(522,545)</b>	<b>(5,386,790)</b>
Non-cash amounts excluded from financing activities	24(b)	(2,397)	0	0
<b>Amount attributable to financing activities</b>		<b>(1,075,148)</b>	<b>190,455</b>	<b>(647,821)</b>
<b>MOVEMENT IN SURPLUS OR DEFICIT</b>				
<b>Surplus or deficit at the start of the financial year</b>	24(c)	2,635,542	1,866,881	2,739,868
Amount attributable to operating activities		5,356,393	3,650,794	5,055,021
Amount attributable to investing activities		(3,069,479)	(5,708,130)	(4,510,489)
Amount attributable to financing activities		(1,075,148)	190,455	(647,821)
<b>Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates</b>	24(c)	<b>3,847,308</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,636,579</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**TOWN OF CLAREMONT  
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

**1. BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The financial report of the Town of Claremont which is a Class 3 local government comprises general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and accompanying regulations.

**Local Government Act 1995 requirements**

Section 6.4(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* read with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* prescribe that the financial report be prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Australian Accounting Standards. The Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities) and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board were applied except for disclosure requirements of:

- \* AASB 7 Financial Instruments Disclosures
- \* AASB 16 Leases paragraph 58
- \* AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements paragraph 61
- \* AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows paragraphs 43 and 45
- \* AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment paragraph 79
- \* AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets paragraph 85
- \* AASB 140 Investment Property paragraph 75(f)
- \* AASB 1052 Disaggregated Disclosures paragraph 11
- \* AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures paragraph 16

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* specify that vested land is a right-of-use asset to be measured at cost, and is considered a zero cost concessionary lease. All right-of-use assets under zero cost concessionary leases are measured at zero cost rather than at fair value, except for vested improvements on concessionary land leases such as roads, buildings or other infrastructure which continue to be reported at fair value, as opposed to the vested land which is measured at zero cost. The measurement of vested improvements at fair value is a departure from AASB 16 Leases which would have required the Town to measure any vested improvements at zero cost.

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* provide that:

- land and buildings classified as property, plant and equipment or
- infrastructure; or
- vested improvements that the local government controls; and measured at reportable value, are only required to be revalued every five years. Revaluing these non-financial assets every five years is a departure from AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, which would have required the Town to assess at each reporting date whether the carrying amount of the above mentioned non-financial assets materially differs from their fair value and, if so, revalue the class of non-financial assets.

Accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. Except for cash flow and rate setting information, the financial report has been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

**Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

As with all estimates, the use of different assumptions could lead to material changes in the amounts reported in the financial report.

The following are estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year and further information on their nature and impact can be found in the relevant note:

- \* Fair value measurement of assets carried at reportable value including:
  - \* Property, plant and equipment - note 8
  - \* Infrastructure - note 9
  - \* Expected credit losses on financial assets - note 5
  - \* Assets held for sale - note 7
  - \* Impairment losses of non-financial assets - Note 9
  - \* Investment property - note 11
  - \* Estimated useful life of intangible assets - note 11
  - \* Measurement of employee benefits - note 15
  - \* Measurement of provisions - note 15

Fair value hierarchy information can be found in note 22

**The local government reporting entity**

All funds through which the Town controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

All monies held in the Trust Fund are excluded from the financial statements. A separate statement of those monies appears at Note 26 of the financial report.

**Initial application of accounting standards**

During the current year, the following new or revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations were applied for the first time.

- \* AASB 2020-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current
- \* AASB 2022-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
- \* AASB 2022-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Non-current Liabilities with Covenants
- \* AASB 2023-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Disclosure of Non-current Liabilities with Covenants: Tier 2
- \* AASB 2024-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Supplier Finance Arrangements: Tier 2 Disclosures
- \* AASB 2023-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Supplier Finance Arrangements

These amendments are not expected to have any material impact on the financial report on initial application.

- \* AASB 2022-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Fair Value Measurement of Non-Financial Assets of Not-for-Profit Public Sector Entities

These amendment may result in changes to the fair value of certain non-financial assets on revaluation. The impact has not been quantified as it is not considered practicable to determine the amount of the difference in fair value attributable to the change in the standard.

**New accounting standards for application in future years**

The following new accounting standards will have application to local government in future years:

- \* AASB 2014-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture
- \* AASB 2024-4b Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Effective Date of Amendments to AASB 10 and AASB 128 [deferred AASB 10 and AASB 128 amendments in AASB 2014-10 apply]
- \* AASB 2022-9 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Insurance Contracts in the Public Sector
- \* AASB 2023-5 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Lack of Exchangeability
- \* AASB 18 (FP) Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements - (Appendix D) [for for-profit entities]
- \* AASB 18 (NFP/super) Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements - (Appendix D) [for not-for-profit and superannuation entities]
- \* AASB 2024-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments
- \* AASB 2024-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Annual Improvements Volume 11

These amendments are not expected to have any material impact on the financial report on initial application.

**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

**2. REVENUE AND EXPENSES**

**(a) Revenue**

**Contracts with customers**

Recognition of revenue is dependant on the source of revenue and the associated terms and conditions associated with each source of revenue and recognised as follows:

Revenue category	Nature of goods and services	When obligations typically satisfied	Payment terms	Returns/refunds/warranties	Timing of revenue recognition
Grants, subsidies and contributions	Community events Capital works	Over time	Based on agreed milestones and reporting	Contract obligation if project not completed	Based on project milestones and/or completion of performance obligation
Fees and charges - licenses, registration & approvals	Building and planning development Animal management	Point in time	Full payment prior to issue	None	On payment of the license, registration or approval
Fees and charges - sale of stock	Aquatic centre and museum stock	Point in time	Payment in advance or normal trading terms if credit is provided	None	On entry to facility

**Revenue recognition**

Rate revenue was recognised from the rate record as soon as practicable after the Town resolved to impose rates in the financial year as well as when the rate record was amended to ensure the information in the record was current and correct.

Revenue recognised during the year under each basis of recognition by nature of goods or services is provided in the table below:

**For the year ended 30 June 2025**

Nature	Contracts with customers	Capital grant/contributions	Statutory requirements	Other	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Rates	0	0	17,962,840	0	17,962,840
Grants, subsidies and contributions	658,108	0	0	0	658,108
Fees and charges	818,116	0	1,528,158	1,900,780	4,247,054
Interest revenue	1,379,845	0	171,966	0	1,551,811
Other revenue	158,325	0	0	4,030	162,355
Capital grants, subsidies and contributions	0	320,638	0	0	320,638
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,014,394</b>	<b>320,638</b>	<b>19,662,964</b>	<b>1,904,810</b>	<b>24,902,806</b>

**For the year ended 30 June 2024**

Nature	Contracts with customers	Capital grant/contributions	Statutory requirements	Other	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Rates	0	0	16,439,901	0	16,439,901
Grants, subsidies and contributions	660,496	0	0	0	660,496
Fees and charges	856,571	0	357,751	2,650,137	3,864,459
Interest revenue	170,858	0	0	941,745	1,112,603
Other revenue	193,682	0	0	37,449	231,131
Capital grants, subsidies and contributions	0	349,332	0	0	349,332
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,881,607</b>	<b>349,332</b>	<b>16,797,652</b>	<b>3,629,331</b>	<b>22,657,922</b>

**TOWN OF CLAREMONT  
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

**2. REVENUE AND EXPENSES (Continued)**

**(a) Revenue (Continued)**

Note	2025 Actual \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>Interest revenue</b>		
Interest on reserve account	870,509	638,354
Trade and other receivables overdue interest	171,966	170,858
Other interest revenue	509,336	303,391
	<u>1,551,811</u>	<u>1,112,603</u>
The 2025 original budget estimate in relation to: Trade and other receivables overdue interest was \$186,942		
<b>Fees and charges relating to rates receivable</b>		
Charges on instalment plan	75,088	70,829
The 2025 original budget estimate in relation to: Charges on instalment plan was \$82,500		
<b>(b) Expenses</b>		
<b>Auditors remuneration</b>		
Audit of the Annual Financial Report	75,700	57,090
Other services – grant acquittals	5,262	4,550
	<u>80,962</u>	<u>61,640</u>
<b>Employee Costs</b>		
Employee benefit costs	9,693,803	8,088,710
	<u>9,693,803</u>	<u>8,088,710</u>
<b>Finance costs</b>		
Interest and financial charges paid/payable for lease liabilities and financial liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss	233,796	135,306
	<u>233,796</u>	<u>135,306</u>
<b>Other expenditure</b>		
Impairment losses on trade receivables	0	692
Elected member expense	251,270	248,576
Donations, contributions and subsidies	462,373	511,309
Sundry expenses	55,733	(3,280)
	<u>769,376</u>	<u>757,297</u>

**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

**3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

	Note	2025	2024
		\$	\$
Cash at bank and on hand		772,772	3,787,776
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>772,772</b>	<b>3,787,776</b>
Held as			
- Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents		772,772	3,787,776
- Restricted cash and cash equivalents	17	0	0
		<b>772,772</b>	<b>3,787,776</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits available on demand with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Bank overdrafts are reported as short term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

**Restricted financial assets**

Restricted financial asset balances are not available for general use by the local government due to externally imposed restrictions. Restrictions are specified in an agreement, contract or legislation. This applies to reserve accounts, unspent grants, subsidies and contributions and unspent loans that have not been fully expended in the manner specified by the contributor, legislation or loan agreement.

**4. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS**

**(a) Current assets**

Financial assets at amortised cost

**Other financial assets at amortised cost**

Term deposits

Held as

- Unrestricted other financial assets at amortised cost
- Restricted other financial assets at amortised cost

	Note	2025	2024
		\$	\$
Financial assets at amortised cost		18,419,811	13,888,158
		18,419,811	13,888,158
Other financial assets at amortised cost			
Term deposits		18,419,811	13,888,158
		18,419,811	13,888,158
Held as			
- Unrestricted other financial assets at amortised cost		5,655,183	1,580,631
- Restricted other financial assets at amortised cost	17	12,764,628	12,307,527
		<b>18,419,811</b>	<b>13,888,158</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Other financial assets at amortised cost**

The Town classifies financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following criteria are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cashflows, and
- the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

Fair values of financial assets at amortised cost are not materially different to their carrying amounts, since the interest receivable on those assets is either close to current market rates or the assets are of a short term nature. Non-current financial assets at amortised cost fair values are based on discounted cash flows using a current market rates. They are classified as level 2 fair values in the fair value hierarchy (see Note 0 (bu) due to the observable market rates).

Interest received is presented under cashflows from operating activities in the Statement of Cash Flows where it is earned from financial assets that are held for cash management purposes.

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**5. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

**Current**

Note	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Rates and statutory receivables	550,025	421,233
Trade receivables	156,451	125,031
Other receivables	68,613	89,131
GST receivable	217,443	94,911
Receivables for employee related provisions	15 65,170	65,170
Allowance for credit losses of trade receivables	0	(692)
Allowance for credit losses of fines receivables	(95,524)	(190,602)
Fines receivables	591,035	476,181
Underground power and pensioner/senior rebate receivables	61,124	39,514
	<b>1,614,337</b>	<b>1,119,877</b>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Rates and statutory receivables	312,806	345,022
Receivables for employee related provisions	14,900	14,900
	<b>327,706</b>	<b>359,922</b>

**Disclosure of opening and closing balances related to contracts with customers**

Information about receivables from contracts with customers along with financial assets and associated liabilities arising from transfers to enable the acquisition or construction of recognisable non-financial assets is:

Note	30 June 2025 Actual	30 June 2024 Actual	1 July 2023 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Contract assets	7 165,863	127,282	127,282
Allowance for credit losses of trade receivables	5 0	(692)	(15,056)
Total trade and other receivables from contracts with customers	<b>165,863</b>	<b>126,590</b>	<b>112,226</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Rates and statutory receivables**

Rates and statutory receivables are non-contractual receivables arising from statutory requirements and include amounts due from ratepayers for unpaid rates and service charges and other statutory charges or fines.

Rates and statutory receivables are recognised when the taxable event has occurred and can be measured reliably.

**Trade receivables**

Trade receivables are amounts receivable from contractual arrangements with customers for goods sold, services performed or grants or contributions with sufficiently specific performance obligations or for the construction of recognisable non financial assets as part of the ordinary course of business.

**Other receivables**

Other receivables are amounts receivable from contractual arrangements with third parties other than contracts with customers and amounts received as grants for the construction of recognisable non financial assets.

**Measurement**

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at the amount of the transaction price, unless they contain a significant financing component, and are to be recognised at fair value.

**Classification and subsequent measurement**

Receivables which are generally due for settlement within 30 days except rates receivables which are expected to be collected within 12 months are classified as current assets. All other receivables such as, deferred pensioner rates receivable after the end of the reporting period are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are held with the objective to collect the contractual cashflows and therefore the Town measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Due to the short term nature of current receivables, their carrying amount is considered to be the same as their fair value. Non-current receivables are indexed to inflation, any difference between the face value and fair value is considered immaterial.

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**6. INVENTORIES**

Note	2025	2024
<b>Current</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Aquatic Centre pool shop	14,915	9,931
Aquatic Centre café	0	852
	14,915	10,783
The following movements in inventories occurred during the year:		
<b>Balance at beginning of year</b>	10,783	15,078
Inventories expensed during the year	(150,132)	(154,861)
Additions to inventory	154,264	150,566
<b>Balance at end of year</b>	14,915	10,783

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**General**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

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**7. OTHER ASSETS**

**Other assets - current**

Prepayments  
Contract assets

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
	(6,507)	146,026
	165,863	127,282
	<b>159,356</b>	<b>273,308</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Other current assets**

Other non-financial assets include prepayments which represent payments in advance of receipt of goods or services or that part of expenditure made in one accounting period covering a term extending beyond that period.

**Contract assets**

Contract assets primarily relate to the Town's right to consideration for work completed but not billed at the end of the period.

Impairment of assets associated with contracts with customers are detailed at Note 2(b).



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**7. OTHER ASSETS**

**Other assets - current**

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**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

(a) Movements in balances

Movement in the balances of each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.

	Assets not subject to operating lease				Total property			Plant and equipment				Total property, plant and equipment		
	Note	Land	Buildings - non specialised	Buildings - specialised	Land	Buildings	Building - Work in progress	Total property	Furniture and equipment	Plant and equipment	Electronic equipment		Furniture and equipment - Work in progress	Plant and equipment - Work in progress
Balance at 1 July 2023		95,295,000	926,252	23,939,255	95,295,000	24,865,507	4,716	120,165,223	72,751	642,229	644,060	0	0	121,524,263
Additions		0	0	4,559	0	4,559	1,172,242	1,176,801	29,716	297,703	31,353	14,818	0	1,550,391
Disposals		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(50,107)	0	0	0	(50,107)
Derecognition of assets		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(605,026)	0	0	(605,026)
Depreciation		0	(22,232)	(619,706)	0	(641,938)	0	(641,938)	(10,301)	(259,659)	186,497	0	0	(725,401)
Transfers		0	0	4,716	0	4,716	(4,716)	0	0	8,830	(8,830)	0	0	0
Balance at 30 June 2024		95,295,000	904,020	23,328,824	95,295,000	24,232,844	1,172,242	120,700,086	92,166	638,996	248,054	14,818	0	121,694,120
Comprises:														
Gross balance amount at 30 June 2024		95,295,000	950,000	24,587,592	95,295,000	25,537,592	1,172,242	122,004,834	421,533	1,828,742	1,074,606	14,818	0	125,344,533
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2024		0	(45,980)	(1,258,768)	0	(1,304,748)	0	(1,304,748)	(329,367)	(1,189,746)	(826,552)	0	0	(3,650,413)
Balance at 30 June 2024	8(b)	95,295,000	904,020	23,328,824	95,295,000	24,232,844	1,172,242	120,700,086	92,166	638,996	248,054	14,818	0	121,694,120
Additions		0	9,959	224,357	0	234,316	20,650	254,966	64,328	500,273	961	0	0	820,528
Disposals		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(50,497)	0	0	0	(50,497)
Depreciation		0	(28,498)	(736,302)	0	(764,800)	0	(764,800)	(43,786)	(283,480)	(130,134)	0	0	(1,222,200)
Transfers		0	0	1,154,337	0	1,154,337	(1,172,242)	(17,905)	14,818	0	0	(14,818)	0	(17,905)
Balance at 30 June 2025		95,295,000	885,481	23,971,216	95,295,000	24,856,697	20,650	120,172,347	127,526	805,292	118,881	0	0	121,224,046
Comprises:														
Gross balance amount at 30 June 2025		95,295,000	959,959	25,966,286	95,295,000	26,926,245	20,650	122,241,895	500,679	2,159,561	1,075,567	0	0	125,977,702
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2025		0	(74,478)	(1,995,070)	0	(2,069,548)	0	(2,069,548)	(373,153)	(1,354,269)	(956,686)	0	0	(4,755,656)
Balance at 30 June 2025	8(b)	95,295,000	885,481	23,971,216	95,295,000	24,856,697	20,650	120,172,347	127,526	805,292	118,881	0	0	121,224,046

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8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

(b) Carrying amount measurements

Asset class	Note	Carrying amount 2025	Carrying amount 2024	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique	Basis of valuation	Date of last valuation	Inputs used
<b>(i) Fair value - as determined at the last valuation date</b>								
<b>Land and buildings</b>								
Land		95,295,000	95,295,000	2/3	Market approach using recent observable or estimated data for similar properties.	Independent valuation	June 2022	While the unit rates based on square metres could be supported from market evidence (level 2) other inputs such as zoning, restrictions, accessibility level 3) required extensive professional judgment and impacted significantly on the final determination.
Total land	8(a)	95,295,000	95,295,000					
Buildings - non specialised		885,481	904,020	2	Market approach using recent observable or estimated data for similar properties	Independent valuation	June 2022	Market or estimated price per square metre.
Buildings - specialised		23,971,216	23,328,824	3	Market approach using recent observable or estimated data for similar properties	Independent valuation	June 2022	This required estimating the replacement cost for each building by componentising the buildings into significant parts with different useful lives and taking into account a range of factors. Other inputs such as residual value, useful life, pattern of consumption and asset condition required extensive professional judgment and impacted significantly on the final determination.
Total buildings	8(a)	24,856,697	24,232,844					
<b>(ii) Cost</b>								
Furniture and equipment					Not applicable	Cost	Not applicable	Not applicable
Plant and equipment					Not applicable	Cost	Not applicable	Not applicable
Electronic equipment					Not applicable	Cost	Not applicable	Not applicable

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9. INFRASTRUCTURE

(a) Movements in balances

Movement in the balances of each class of infrastructure between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.

	Infrastructure - roads	Infrastructure - paths	Infrastructure - drainage	Infrastructure - parks and reserves	Infrastructure - car parks	Infrastructure - street furniture	Infrastructure - streetlights	Infrastructure - artefacts	Infrastructure - public art collection	Infrastructure - leasehold improvements	Total infrastructure
<b>Balance at 1 July 2023</b>	\$ 50,043,875	\$ 16,634,848	\$ 8,248,601	\$ 5,015,166	\$ 2,361,204	\$ 4,225,702	\$ 891,569	\$ 1,137,500	\$ 930,170	\$ 22,943	\$ 89,511,578
Additions	1,486,632	582,376	469,984	839,559	0	0	0	0	108,098	0	3,486,649
Depreciation	(1,785,384)	(443,844)	(132,537)	(372,915)	(101,126)	(145,978)	(112,962)	0	(61,459)	(22,943)	(3,179,148)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>	49,745,123	16,773,380	8,586,048	5,481,810	2,260,078	4,079,724	778,607	1,137,500	976,809	0	89,819,079
<b>Comprises:</b>											
Gross balance at 30 June 2024	67,677,934	21,171,986	13,065,614	9,524,232	3,055,030	5,324,277	2,377,883	1,137,500	1,365,098	39,549	124,799,103
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2024	(17,932,811)	(4,398,606)	(4,479,566)	(4,042,422)	(794,952)	(1,244,553)	(1,599,276)	0	(386,289)	(39,549)	(34,920,024)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>	49,745,123	16,773,380	8,586,048	5,481,810	2,260,078	4,079,724	778,607	1,137,500	976,809	0	89,819,079
<b>Additions</b>	852,323	807,887	312,880	599,070	5,200	0	0	0	56,759	0	2,734,119
Derecognition of assets*	(8,885)	(660)	(37,200)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(46,745)
Depreciation	(1,380,143)	(423,440)	(130,665)	(486,049)	(61,156)	(266,214)	(118,894)	0	(65,574)	0	(2,932,135)
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17,905	0	17,905
<b>Balance at 30 June 2025</b>	49,308,418	17,157,167	8,731,063	5,594,831	2,204,122	3,813,510	659,713	1,137,500	985,899	0	89,592,223
<b>Comprises:</b>											
Gross balance at 30 June 2025	68,621,372	21,979,213	13,341,294	10,123,302	3,060,230	5,324,277	2,377,883	1,137,500	1,439,762	39,549	127,444,382
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2025	(19,312,954)	(4,822,046)	(4,610,231)	(4,528,471)	(856,108)	(1,510,767)	(1,718,170)	0	(453,863)	(39,549)	(37,852,159)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2025</b>	49,308,418	17,157,167	8,731,063	5,594,831	2,204,122	3,813,510	659,713	1,137,500	985,899	0	89,592,223

\* derecognition of prior year asset addition

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9. INFRASTRUCTURE (Continued)

(b) Carrying amount measurements

Asset class	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique	Basis of valuation	Date of last valuation	Inputs used
<b>(i) Fair value - as determined at the last valuation date</b>					
Infrastructure - roads	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - paths	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - drainage	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - parks and reserves	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - car parks	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - street furniture	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - streetlights	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - artefacts	3	Market approach using recent observable market data for similar assets	Management valuation	June 2023	Market price per item
Infrastructure - public art collection	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs
Infrastructure - leasehold improvements	3	Cost approach using depreciated replacement cost	Management valuation	June 2023	Construction costs and current condition (level 2) Residual values and remaining useful life assessments (level 3) inputs

Level 3 inputs are based on assumptions with regards to future values and patterns of consumption utilising current information. If the basis of these assumptions were varied, they have the potential to result in a significantly higher or lower fair value measurement.

During the period there were no changes in the valuation technique to determine the fair value of infrastructure using level 3 inputs

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**10. FIXED ASSETS**

**(a) Depreciation**

**Depreciation rates**

Typical estimated useful lives for the different asset classes for the current and prior years are included in the table below:

<b>Asset class</b>	<b>Useful life</b>
Land	Unlimited
Buildings	40 - 80 years
Furniture and equipment	10 years
Plant and equipment	3 - 10 years
Electronic equipment	3 - 10 years
Infrastructure - roads	15 - 90 years
Infrastructure - paths	30 - 50 years
Infrastructure - drainage	90 - 100 years
Infrastructure - parks and reserves	10 - 40 years
Infrastructure - car parks	25 - 50 years
Infrastructure - street furniture	10 - 20 years
Infrastructure - streetlights	20 - 30 years
Infrastructure - artefacts	Unlimited
Infrastructure - public art collection	40 - 50 years
Infrastructure - leasehold improvements	40 - 80 years

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**10. FIXED ASSETS (Continued)**

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Initial recognition**

An item of property, plant and equipment or infrastructure that qualifies for recognition as an asset is measured at its cost.

Upon initial recognition, cost is determined as the amount paid (or other consideration given) to acquire the assets, plus costs incidental to the acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Town includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overheads. For assets acquired at zero cost or otherwise significantly less than fair value, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

Assets for which the fair value as at the date of acquisition is under \$5,000 are not recognised as an asset in accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(5)*. These assets are expensed immediately.

Where multiple individual low value assets are purchased together as part of a larger asset or collectively forming a larger asset exceeding the threshold, the individual assets are recognised as one asset and capitalised.

Individual assets that are land, buildings and infrastructure acquired between scheduled revaluation dates of the asset class in accordance with the Town's revaluation policy, are recognised at cost and disclosed as being at reportable value.

**Measurement after recognition**

Plant and equipment including furniture and equipment and right-of-use assets (other than vested improvements) are measured using the cost model as required under *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(2)*. Assets held under the cost model are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses being their reportable value.

**Reportable value**

In accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(2)*, the carrying amount of non-financial assets that are land and buildings classified as property, plant and equipment, investment properties, infrastructure or vested improvements that the local government controls.

Reportable value is for the purpose of *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(4)* is the fair value of the asset at its last valuation date minus (to the extent applicable) the accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses in respect of the non-financial asset subsequent to its last valuation date.

**Revaluation**

Land and buildings classified as property, plant and equipment, infrastructure or vested improvements that the local government controls and measured at reportable value, are only required to be revalued every five years in accordance with the regulatory framework. This includes buildings and infrastructure items which were pre-existing improvements (i.e. vested improvements) on land vested in the Town.

Whilst the regulatory framework only requires a revaluation to occur every five years, it also provides for the Town to revalue earlier if it chooses to do so.

For land, buildings and infrastructure, increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of asset classes are credited to a revaluation surplus in equity.

Decreases that offset previous increases of the same class of asset are recognised against revaluation surplus directly in equity. All other decreases are recognised in profit or loss.

Subsequent increases are then recognised in profit or loss to the extent they reverse a net revaluation decrease previously recognised in profit or loss for the same class of asset.

**Depreciation**

The depreciable amount of all property, plant and equipment and infrastructure, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the individual asset's useful life from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the improvements.

The assets residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

**Depreciation on revaluation**

When an item of property, plant and equipment and infrastructure is revalued, any accumulated depreciation at the date of the revaluation is treated in one of the following ways:

- (i) The gross carrying amount is adjusted in a manner that is consistent with the revaluation of the carrying amount of the asset; or
- (ii) Eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

**Impairment**

In accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 17A(4C)*, the Town is not required to comply with *AASB 136 Impairment of Assets* to determine the recoverable amount of its non-financial assets that are land or buildings classified as property, plant and equipment, infrastructure or vested improvements that the local government controls in circumstances where there has been an impairment indication of a general decrease in asset values.

In other circumstances where it has been assessed that one or more of these non-financial assets are impaired, the asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

**Gains or losses on disposal**

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they arise.

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**11. LEASES**

**(a) Right-of-use assets**

Movement in the balance of each class of right-of-use asset between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.

Note	Right-of-use assets - electronic equipment	Right-of-use assets - land and buildings	Right-of-use assets - plant and equipment	Total right-of-use assets
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Balance at 1 July 2023</b>	93,297	24,527	2,001	119,825
Additions	(5,622)	0	0	(5,622)
Depreciation	(37,648)	(16,351)	(1,601)	(55,600)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>	50,027	8,176	400	58,603
Gross balance amount at 30 June 2024	130,377	48,715	4,803	183,895
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2024	(80,350)	(40,539)	(4,403)	(125,292)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2024</b>	50,027	8,176	400	58,603
Additions	2,397	0	0	2,397
Depreciation	(47,375)	(8,176)	0	(55,551)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2025</b>	105,103	0	400	5,449
Gross balance amount at 30 June 2025	132,774	48,715	4,803	186,292
Accumulated depreciation at 30 June 2025	(127,725)	(48,715)	(4,403)	(180,843)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2025</b>	5,049	0	400	5,449

The following amounts were recognised in the statement of comprehensive income during the period in respect of leases where the Town is the lessee:

	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
	\$	\$
Depreciation on right-of-use assets	(55,551)	(55,600)
Finance charge on lease liabilities	(6,494)	(17,434)
<b>Total amount recognised in the statement of comprehensive income</b>	<b>(62,045)</b>	<b>(73,034)</b>
Total cash outflow from leases	(47,486)	(63,562)
<b>(b) Lease liabilities</b>		
Current	10,074	50,024
Non-current	28,368	27,013
	<b>38,442</b>	<b>77,037</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Leases**

At inception of a contract, the Town assesses if the contract contains or is a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

At the commencement date, a right-of-use asset is recognised at cost and lease liability at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be readily determined. If that rate cannot be readily determined, the Town uses its incremental borrowing rate.

All contracts that are classified as short-term leases (i.e. a lease with a term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Details of individual lease liabilities required by regulations are provided at Note 25(b).

**Right-of-use assets - measurement**

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost. All right-of-use assets (other than vested improvements) under zero cost concessionary leases are measured at zero cost (i.e. not recognised in the Statement of Financial Position). The exception is vested improvements on concessionary land leases such as roads, buildings or other infrastructure which are reported at fair value.

Refer to Note 10 under revaluation for details on the material accounting policies applying to vested improvements.

**Right-of-use assets - depreciation**

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the lease term or useful life of the underlying asset, whichever is the shorter. Where a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset, or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Town anticipates to exercise a purchase option, the specific asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset.



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**11. LEASES (Continued)**

**(c) Lessor - property, plant and equipment subject to lease**

The table below represents a maturity analysis of the undiscounted lease payments to be received after the reporting date.

Less than 1 year  
1 to 2 years  
2 to 3 years  
3 to 4 years  
4 to 5 years  
> 5 years

	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
	\$	\$
	454,532	518,414
	210,060	106,611
	88,307	106,611
	64,887	98,611
	64,887	59,209
	64,887	59,209
	947,560	948,665
<b>Amounts recognised in profit or loss for property, plant and equipment subject to lease</b>		
Rental income	454,055	507,486

These leases are classified as operating leases as they do not transfer substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to the ownership of the assets. In addition, they are not considered investment property as they are leases for use in the supply of services to the community.

Lease payments are for some contracts include CPI increases, but there are not other variable lease payment that depend on an index or rate. Although the Town typically enters into new operating leases and therefore will not immediately realise any reduction in residual value at the end of these leases.

Expectations about the future residual values are reflected in the fair value of the properties.

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**The Town as lessor**

Upon entering into each contract as a lessor, the Town assesses if the lease is a finance or operating lease.

The contract is classified as a finance lease when the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases not within this definition are classified as operating leases. Rental income received from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the specific lease.

Initial direct costs incurred in entering into an operating lease (eg legal cost, cost to setup) are included in the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

When a contract is determined to include lease and non-lease components, the Town applies AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* to allocate the consideration under the contract to each component.

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**12. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

**Current**

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Sundry creditors	1,336,077	1,256,603
Prepaid rates	180,807	203,388
Accrued payroll liabilities	150,573	135,770
Bonds and deposits held	1,360,372	1,288,240
Accrued interest	72,689	55,692
Other prepayments	173,720	27,401
Other payables	26	0
	<b>3,274,264</b>	<b>2,967,094</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value when the Town becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and any consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

**Trade and other payables**

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Town prior to the end of the financial year that are unpaid and arise when the Town becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services. The amounts are unsecured, are recognised as a current liability and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. The carrying amounts of trade and other payables are considered to be the same as their fair values, due to their short-term nature.

**Prepaid rates**

Prepaid rates are, until the taxable event has occurred (start of the next financial year), refundable at the request of the ratepayer. Rates received in advance are initially recognised as a financial liability. When the taxable event occurs, the financial liability is extinguished and the Town recognises income for the prepaid rates that have not been refunded.

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**13. OTHER LIABILITIES**

**Current**

Capital grant/contributions liabilities

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
	75,077	192,406
	75,077	192,406
<b>Reconciliation of changes in capital grant/contribution liabilities</b>		
Opening balance	192,406	90,000
Additions	0	102,406
Revenue from capital grant/contributions held as a liability at the start of the period	(117,329)	0
	75,077	192,406

Performance obligations in relation to capital grant/contribution liabilities are satisfied as project milestones are met or completion of construction of acquisition of the asset.

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Capital grant/contribution liabilities**

Capital grant/contribution liabilities represent the Town's obligations to construct recognisable non-financial assets to identified specifications to be controlled by the Town which are yet to be satisfied. Capital grant/contribution liabilities are recognised as income when the obligations in the contract are satisfied.

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**14. BORROWINGS**

	Note	2025			2024		
		Current	Non-current	Total	Current	Non-current	Total
<b>Secured</b>		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Bank loans		480,607	4,248,828	4,729,435	459,727	4,729,434	5,189,161
<b>Total secured borrowings</b>	25(a)	480,607	4,248,828	4,729,435	459,727	4,729,434	5,189,161

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Borrowing costs**

The Town has elected to recognise borrowing costs as an expense when incurred regardless of how the borrowings are applied.

Fair values of borrowings are not materially different to their carrying amounts, since the interest payable on those borrowings is either close to current market rates or the borrowings are of a short term nature.

Borrowings fair values are based on discounted cash flows using a current borrowing rate. They are classified as level 3 fair values in the fair value hierarchy (see Note 22(i)) due to the unobservable inputs, including own credit risk.

**Risk**

Details of individual borrowings required by regulations are provided at Note 25(a).

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**15. EMPLOYEE RELATED PROVISIONS**

**Employee related provisions**

**Current provisions**

**Employee benefit provisions**

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Annual leave	664,038	600,847
Long service leave	357,989	485,156
Personal leave	72,964	83,736
	1,094,991	1,169,739

**Total current employee related provisions**

1,094,991      1,169,739

**Non-current provisions**

**Employee benefit provisions**

Long service leave	442,986	184,904
	442,986	184,904

**Total non-current employee related provisions**

442,986      184,904

**Total employee related provisions**

1,537,977      1,354,643

Provision is made for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave and associated on costs for services rendered up to the reporting date and recorded as an expense during the period the services are delivered.

Annual leave liabilities are classified as current, as there is no unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Employee benefits**

The Town's obligations for employees' annual leave, long service leave and other employee leave entitlements are recognised as employee related provisions in the Statement of Financial Position.

**Short-term employee benefits**

Provision is made for the Town's obligations for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The Town's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as a part of current trade and other payables in the statement of financial position.

**Other long-term employee benefits**

Long-term employee benefits provisions are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements for changes in assumptions of obligations for other long-term employee benefits are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur.

The Town's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the Town does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

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**16. REVALUATION SURPLUS**

	2025 Opening balance	2025 Change in Accounting Policy	Total Movement on revaluation	2025 Closing balance	2024 Opening balance	Total Movement on revaluation	2024 Closing balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revaluation surplus - Land	83,953,368	0	0	83,953,368	83,953,368	0	83,953,368
Revaluation surplus - Buildings	3,074,943	0	0	3,074,943	3,074,943	0	3,074,943
Revaluation surplus - Furniture and equipment	59,622	0	0	59,622	59,622	0	59,622
Revaluation surplus - Plant and equipment	607,596	0	0	607,596	607,596	0	607,596
Revaluation surplus - Electronic equipment	290,432	0	0	290,432	290,432	0	290,432
Revaluation surplus - Land vested in and under control	617,710	0	0	617,710	617,710	0	617,710
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - roads	34,185,232	0	0	34,185,232	34,185,232	0	34,185,232
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - paths	9,126,105	0	0	9,126,105	9,126,105	0	9,126,105
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - drainage	4,155,797	0	0	4,155,797	4,155,797	0	4,155,797
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - parks and reserves	2,342,936	0	0	2,342,936	2,342,936	0	2,342,936
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - car parks	970,158	0	0	970,158	970,158	0	970,158
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - street furniture	4,040,686	0	0	4,040,686	4,040,686	0	4,040,686
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - streetlights	617,082	0	0	617,082	617,082	0	617,082
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - artefacts	393,500	0	0	393,500	393,500	0	393,500
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - public art collection	391,951	0	0	391,951	391,951	0	391,951
Revaluation surplus - Infrastructure - leasehold improvements	61,779	0	0	61,779	61,779	0	61,779
	144,888,897	0	0	144,888,897	144,888,897	0	144,888,897
Revaluation surplus - Share from investments in associates	4,176	0	0	4,176	0	4,176	4,176
	144,893,073	0	0	144,893,073	144,888,897	4,176	144,893,073

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**17. RESTRICTIONS OVER FINANCIAL ASSETS**

	Note	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
		\$	\$
The following classes of financial assets have restrictions imposed by regulations or other externally imposed requirements which limit or direct the purpose for which the resources may be used:			
- Cash and cash equivalents	3	(5,655,183)	0
- Financial assets at amortised cost	4	18,419,811	12,307,527
		<u>12,764,628</u>	<u>12,307,527</u>
The restricted financial assets are a result of the following specific purposes to which the assets may be used:			
Restricted reserve accounts	26	12,689,551	12,115,121
Capital grant liabilities	13	75,077	192,406
<b>Total restricted financial assets</b>		<u>12,764,628</u>	<u>12,307,527</u>

**18. UNDRAWN BORROWING FACILITIES AND CREDIT  
STANDBY ARRANGEMENTS**

**Credit standby arrangements**

Bank overdraft limit		0	0
Bank overdraft at balance date		0	0
Credit card limit		150,000	150,000
Credit card balance at balance date		(11,980)	(18,148)
<b>Total amount of credit unused</b>		<u>138,020</u>	<u>131,852</u>

**Loan facilities**

Loan facilities - current		480,607	459,727
Loan facilities - non-current		4,248,828	4,729,434
<b>Total facilities in use at balance date</b>		<u>4,729,435</u>	<u>5,189,161</u>
<b>Unused loan facilities at balance date</b>		0	0

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**19. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Contracted for:		
- capital expenditure projects	23,197	79,331
	23,197	79,331
Payable:		
- not later than one year	23,197	79,331



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**20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

**(a) Council member remuneration**

Fees, expenses and allowances to be paid or reimbursed to council members.

Note	2025 Actual	2025 Budget	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Mayor's annual allowance	39,988	39,988	38,450
Mayor's meeting attendance fees	27,425	27,425	26,370
Mayor's annual allowance for ICT expenses	3,500	3,500	3,500
	70,913	70,913	68,320
Deputy Mayor's annual allowance	9,997	9,997	9,659
Deputy Mayor's meeting attendance fees	17,711	17,711	17,030
Deputy Mayor's annual allowance for ICT expenses	3,500	3,500	3,500
	31,208	31,208	30,189
All other council member's meeting attendance fees	123,977	123,977	124,482
All other council member's annual allowance for ICT expenses	24,500	24,500	25,585
	148,477	148,477	150,067
20(b)	250,598	250,598	248,576

**(b) Key management personnel (KMP) compensation**

The total of compensation paid to KMP of the Town during the year are as follows:

Short-term employee benefits	840,216	869,907
Post-employment benefits	108,405	110,419
Employee - other long-term benefits	70,848	14,339
Council member costs	250,598	248,576
20(a)	1,270,067	1,243,241

*Short-term employee benefits*

These amounts include all salary and fringe benefits awarded to KMP except for details in respect to fees and benefits paid to council members which may be separately found in the table above.

*Post-employment benefits*

These amounts are the current-year's cost of the Town's superannuation contributions made during the year.

*Other long-term benefits*

These amounts represent annual leave and long service leave entitlements accruing during the year.

*Council member costs*

These amounts represent payments of member fees, expenses, allowances and reimbursements during the year.

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**20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)**

**(c) Transactions with related parties**

Transactions between related parties and the Town are on normal commercial terms and conditions, no more favourable than those available to other parties, unless otherwise stated.

No outstanding balances or provisions for doubtful debts or guarantees exist in relation to related parties at year end.

In addition to KMP compensation above the following transactions occurred with related parties:

	<b>2025 Actual</b>	<b>2024 Actual</b>
	\$	\$
Sale of goods and services	3,638	4,705
Reimbursement - key management personnel	4,527	4,935

**(d) Related parties**

**The Town's main related parties are as follows:**

*i. Key management personnel*

Any person(s) having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Town, directly or indirectly, including any council member, are considered key management personnel.

*ii. Other Related Parties*

An associate person of KMP was employed by the Town under normal employment terms and conditions.

Any entity that is controlled by or over which KMP, or close family members of KMP, have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activity of the entity, directly or indirectly are considered related parties in relation to the Town.

*iii. Entities subject to significant influence by the Town*

An entity that has the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of an entity, but does not have control over those policies, is an entity which holds significant influence.

Significant influence may be gained by share ownership, statute or agreement as detailed in Note 21 (investment in associates)

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**21. INVESTMENT IN ASSOCIATES**

**(a) Investment in associates**

Set out in the table below are the associates of the Town. All associates are measured using the equity method. Western Australia is the principal place of business for all associates.

Name of entity	% of ownership interest		2025	2024
	2025	2024	Actual	Actual
Western Metropolitan Regional Council (WMRC)	21.34%	21.34%	\$ 910,628	\$ 753,271
<b>Total equity-accounted investments</b>			<b>910,628</b>	<b>753,271</b>

**(b) Share of investment in Western Metropolitan Regional Council**

The Town together with the Town of Cottesloe, Town of Mosman Park, Shire of Peppermint Grove and City of Subiaco have interest in the Western Metropolitan Regional Council (WMRC) waste transfer station. The Council was formed to provide efficient treatment and/or disposal of waste. A waste transfer station was constructed from funds provided from constituent Councils. The voting power held by the Town is 20% and the Town 21.34% share of the net assets are included as follows:

	Note	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
<b>Summarised statement of comprehensive income</b>			
Revenue		10,864,319	9,160,607
Interest revenue		88,007	64,357
Finance cost		(3,225)	(3,994)
Depreciation		(292,027)	(396,601)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations		737,379	230,718
Profit/(loss) for the period		737,379	230,718
Other comprehensive income		0	19,567
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<b>737,379</b>	<b>250,285</b>
<b>Summarised statement of financial position</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		1,858,229	1,266,551
Other current assets		1,154,196	841,106
Total current assets		3,012,425	2,107,657
Non-current assets		2,589,406	2,485,404
Total assets		5,601,831	4,593,061
Current financial liabilities		1,249,269	988,516
Other current liabilities		0	0
Total current liabilities		1,249,269	988,516
Non-current financial liabilities		85,340	74,692
Other non-current liabilities		0	0
Total non-current liabilities		85,340	74,692
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>1,334,609</b>	<b>1,063,208</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>4,267,222</b>	<b>3,529,853</b>
<b>Reconciliation to carrying amounts</b>			
Opening net assets 1 July		3,529,853	3,279,568
Changes in members contributions		0	0
Profit/(Loss) for the period		737,379	230,718
Other comprehensive income		0	19,567
Closing net assets 30 June		4,267,232	3,529,853
<b>Carrying amount at 1 July</b>		<b>753,271</b>	<b>699,860</b>
- Share of associates net profit/(loss) for the period	21(e)	157,357	49,235
- Share of associates other comprehensive income arising during the period		0	4,176
<b>Carrying amount at 30 June (Refer to Note 21(a))</b>		<b>910,628</b>	<b>753,271</b>

**MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Investments in associates**

An associate is an entity over which the Town has significant influence, that is it has the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but not control or joint control of those policies.

Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method. The equity method of accounting, is whereby the investment is initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter for the post-acquisition change in the Town's share of net assets of the associate. In addition, the Town's share of the profit or loss of the associate is included in the Town's profit or loss.

**(e) Share of associates net profit/(loss) for the period**

Investment in Western Metropolitan Regional Council (WMRC)

	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
\$	\$	\$
157,357	49,235	
<b>157,357</b>	<b>49,235</b>	

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**22. OTHER MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**a) Goods and services tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows.

**b) Current and non-current classification**

The asset or liability is classified as current if it is expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Town's operational cycle. In the case of liabilities where the Town does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, such as vested long service leave, the liability is classified as current even if not expected to be settled within the next 12 months. Inventories held for trading are classified as current or non-current based on the Town's intentions to release for sale.

**c) Rounding off figures**

All figures shown in this annual financial report, other than a rate in the dollar, are rounded to the nearest dollar. Amounts are presented in Australian Dollars.

**d) Comparative figures**

Where required, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

When the Town applies an accounting policy retrospectively, makes a retrospective restatement or reclassifies items in its financial statements that has a material effect on the statement of financial position, an additional (third) Statement of Financial Position as at the beginning of the preceding period in addition to the minimum comparative financial report is presented.

**e) Budget comparative figures**

Unless otherwise stated, the budget comparative figures shown in this annual financial report relate to the original budget estimate for the relevant item of disclosure.

**f) Superannuation**

The Town contributes to a number of Superannuation Funds on behalf of employees. All funds to which the Town contributes are defined contribution plans.

**g) Fair value of assets and liabilities**

Fair value is the price that the Town would receive to sell the asset or would have to pay to transfer a liability, in an orderly (i.e. unforced) transaction between independent, knowledgeable and willing market participants at the measurement date.

As fair value is a market-based measure, the closest equivalent observable market pricing information is used to determine fair value. Adjustments to market values may be made having regard to the characteristics of the specific asset or liability. The fair values of assets that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data.

To the extent possible, market information is extracted from either the principal market for the asset or liability (i.e. the market with the greatest volume and level of activity for the asset or liability) or, in the absence of such a market, the most advantageous market available to the entity at the end of the reporting period (i.e. the market that maximises the receipts from the sale of the asset after taking into account transaction costs and transport costs).

For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement also takes into account a market participant's ability to use the asset in its highest and best use or to sell it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

**h) Interest revenue**

Interest revenue is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset measured at amortised cost except for financial assets that subsequently become credit-impaired. For credit-impaired financial assets the effective interest rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance).

**i) Fair value hierarchy**

AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* requires the disclosure of fair value information by level of the fair value hierarchy, which categorises fair value measurement into one of three possible levels based on the lowest level that an input that is significant to the measurement can be categorised into as follows:

**Level 1**

Measurements based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.

**Level 2**

Measurements based on inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.

**Level 3**

Measurements based on unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The fair values of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data. If all significant inputs required to measure fair value are observable, the asset or liability is included in Level 2. If one or more significant inputs are not based on observable market data, the asset or liability is included in Level 3.

**Valuation techniques**

The Town selects a valuation technique that is appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data is available to measure fair value. The availability of sufficient and relevant data primarily depends on the specific characteristics of the asset or liability being measured. The valuation techniques selected by the Town are consistent with one or more of the following valuation approaches:

**Market approach**

Valuation techniques that use prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions for identical or similar assets or liabilities.

**Income approach**

Valuation techniques that convert estimated future cash flows or income and expenses into a single discounted present value.

**Cost approach**

Valuation techniques that reflect the current replacement cost of the service capacity of an asset.

Each valuation technique requires inputs that reflect the assumptions that buyers and sellers would use when pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risks. When selecting a valuation technique, the Town gives priority to those techniques that maximise the use of observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. Inputs that are developed using market data (such as publicly available information on actual transactions) and reflect the assumptions that buyers and sellers would generally use when pricing the asset or liability are considered observable, whereas inputs for which market data is not available and therefore are developed using the best information available about such assumptions are considered unobservable.

**j) Impairment of assets**

In accordance with Australian Accounting Standards the Town's assets, other than inventories, are assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication they may be impaired.

Where such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount except for non-financial assets that are:

- land and buildings classified as property, plant and equipment;
- infrastructure; or
- vested improvements that the local government controls, in circumstances where there has been an impairment indication of a general decrease in asset values.

These non-financial assets are assessed in accordance with the regulatory framework detailed in Note 10.

Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount in accordance with another Standard (e.g. AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment*) whereby any impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with that other Standard.

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23. RATING INFORMATION

(a) General rates

Rate description	Basis of valuation	Rate in \$	Number of properties	2024/25 Actual rateable value*	2024/25 Actual rate revenue	2024/25 Actual interim rates	2024/25 Actual total revenue	2024/25 Budget interim rate	2024/25 Budget total revenue	2023/24 Actual total revenue
General rates	Gross rental valuation	0.061486	3,480	154,045,610	9,471,648	526,526	9,998,174	666,554	10,138,202	8,912,187
Commercial rates	Gross rental valuation	0.075687	267	68,383,618	5,175,750	13,906	5,189,656	0	5,175,751	4,908,334
<b>Total general rates</b>			<b>3,747</b>	<b>222,429,228</b>	<b>14,647,398</b>	<b>540,432</b>	<b>15,187,830</b>	<b>666,554</b>	<b>15,313,953</b>	<b>13,820,521</b>
<b>Minimum payment</b>										
General rates	Gross rental valuation	1,499.16	1,754	33,937,070	2,629,527	0	2,629,527	0	2,629,527	2,505,223
Commercial rates	Gross rental valuation	1,499.16	17	248,989	25,483	0	25,483	0	25,486	24,157
<b>Total minimum payments</b>			<b>1,771</b>	<b>34,186,059</b>	<b>2,655,010</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,655,010</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,655,013</b>	<b>2,529,380</b>
<b>Total general rates and minimum payments</b>			<b>5,518</b>	<b>256,615,287</b>	<b>17,302,408</b>	<b>540,432</b>	<b>17,842,840</b>	<b>666,554</b>	<b>17,968,966</b>	<b>16,349,901</b>
<b>Specified area rates</b>										
BID Program - Promotion of CBD	Gross rental valuation	0.002441611	108	49,147,886	120,000	0	120,000	0	120,000	90,000
<b>Total rates</b>							<b>17,962,840</b>		<b>18,088,966</b>	<b>16,439,901</b>

(b) Rates related information

Rates instalment interest	104,055
Rates instalment plan charges	75,088
Rates overdue interest	62,158

\*Rateable Value at time of raising of rate.

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**24. DETERMINATION OF SURPLUS OR DEFICIT**

Note	2024/25 (30 June 2025 carried forward) \$	2024/25 Budget (30 June 2025 carried forward) \$	2023/24 (30 June 2024 carried forward) \$
<b>(a) Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities</b>			
The following non-cash revenue or expenditure has been excluded from amounts attributable to operating activities within the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with <i>Financial Management Regulation 32</i> .			
<b>Adjustments to operating activities</b>			
	(69,685)	0	(121,490)
	(157,357)	0	(49,235)
10(a)	4,209,886	4,473,415	3,960,149
Non-cash movements in non-current assets and liabilities:			
	32,216	0	23,081
	258,082	0	(82,723)
	0	0	605,026
	2,397	0	57
	<b>4,275,539</b>	<b>4,473,415</b>	<b>4,334,865</b>
<b>(b) Non-cash amounts excluded from financing activities</b>			
The following non-cash revenue or expenditure has been excluded from amounts attributable to financing activities within the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with <i>Financial Management Regulation 32</i> .			
<b>Adjustments to financing activities</b>			
25(b)	(2,397)	0	0
	<b>(2,397)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>(c) Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates</b>			
The following current assets and liabilities have been excluded from the net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with <i>Financial Management Regulation 32</i> to agree to the surplus/(deficit) after imposition of general rates.			
<b>Adjustments to net current assets</b>			
26	(12,689,551)	(11,113,384)	(12,115,121)
	480,607	0	459,727
11(b)	10,074	(6,341)	50,024
	0	(18,895)	
	<b>(12,198,870)</b>	<b>(11,138,620)</b>	<b>(11,605,370)</b>
<b>Net current assets used in the Statement of financial activity</b>			
	20,981,191	15,866,844	19,079,902
	(4,935,013)	(4,728,224)	(4,838,990)
	<b>(12,198,870)</b>	<b>(11,138,620)</b>	<b>(11,605,370)</b>
	<b>3,847,308</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,635,542</b>

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25. BORROWING AND LEASE LIABILITIES

(a) Borrowings

Purpose	Note	Actual					Budget		
		Principal at 1 July 2023	New loans during 2023-24	Principal repayments during 2023-24	Principal at 30 June 2024	New loans during 2024-25	Principal repayments during 2024-25	Principal at 30 June 2025	
Loan 1: Aquatic Centre Refurbishment		\$ 524,283	\$ 0	\$ (56,561)	\$ 467,722	\$ 0	\$ (60,204)	\$ 407,518	
Loan 2: 333 Stirling Highway		\$ 4,262,378	\$ 0	\$ (4,252,378)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Loan 2c: 333 Stirling Highway		\$ 0	\$ 4,151,004	\$ 0	\$ 4,151,004	\$ 0	\$ (338,708)	\$ 3,812,296	
Loan 3: 327 Stirling Highway		\$ 628,632	\$ 0	\$ (58,197)	\$ 570,435	\$ 0	\$ (60,815)	\$ 509,620	
<b>Total</b>		\$ 5,415,293	\$ 4,151,004	\$ (4,377,136)	\$ 5,189,161	\$ 0	\$ (459,727)	\$ 4,729,434	
<b>Borrowing finance cost payments</b>									
Purpose	Loan number	Institution	Interest rate	Date final payment is due	Actual for year ending 30 June 2025	Budget for year ending 30 June 2025			
Loan 1: Aquatic Centre Refurbishment	1	*	6.34%	14/12/2030	\$ (28,714)	\$ (28,714)			
Loan 2c: 333 Stirling Highway	2c	*	4.17%	13/03/2027	(169,545)	(169,545)			
Loan 3: 327 Stirling Highway	3	*	4.45%	26/06/2032	(28,715)	(28,715)			
<b>Total</b>					(222,974)	(222,974)			
<b>Total finance cost payments</b>					(222,974)	(222,974)			

\* WA Treasury Corporation

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25. BORROWING AND LEASE LIABILITIES (Continued)  
(b) Lease liabilities

Purpose	Note	Actual				Budget			
		Principal at 1 July 2023	New leases during 2023-24	Principal repayments during 2023-24	Principal at 30 June 2024	New leases during 2024-25	Principal repayments during 2024-25	Principal at 1 July 2024	Principal at 30 June 2025
EL227 - Personal computing		\$ 39,026	\$ 0	\$ (19,599)	\$ 19,427	\$ 0	\$ 19,427	\$ 0	
EL228 - Printer/copiers		19,770	0	(6,677)	13,093	2,397	(21,824)	0	
BLD54 - Car bays		19,595	0	(8,816)	10,779	0	(7,939)	5,154	
PE459 - Coffee Machine		2,151	0	(1,702)	449	0	(10,780)	(1)	
EL225 - Wide Area Network rental		42,623	0	(9,334)	33,289	0	(449)	0	
<b>Total lease liabilities</b>	11(b)	<b>123,165</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(46,128)</b>	<b>77,037</b>	<b>2,397</b>	<b>(40,992)</b>	<b>38,442</b>	
<b>Lease finance cost payments</b>									
Purpose	Lease number	Institution	Interest rate	Date final payment is due	Actual for year ending 30 June 2025	Budget for year ending 30 June 2025	Actual for year ending 30 June 2024	Lease term	
EL227 - Personal computing	EL227	Dell	2.71%	31/03/2025	\$ (2,791)	\$ (2,726)	\$ (9,939)	3 years	
EL228 - Printer/copiers	EL228	Kyocera	2.05%	31/01/2026	(2,477)	(2,477)	(4,193)	4 years	
BLD54 - Car bays	BLD54	Charter Hall	1.69%	30/06/2025	(1,220)	(1,220)	(3,184)	10 years	
PE459 - Coffee Machine	PE459	Gesha Coffee Co	0.71%	30/09/2024	(6)	(6)	(118)	3 years	
EL225 - Wide Area Network rental	EL225	TPG	3.00%	19/04/2026	0	(8,229)	0	Not applicable	
<b>Total finance cost payments</b>					<b>(6,494)</b>	<b>(14,658)</b>	<b>(17,434)</b>		



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**26. RESERVE ACCOUNTS**

	2025 Actual opening balance	2025 Actual transfer to	2025 Actual transfer (from)	2025 Budget opening balance	2025 Budget transfer to	2025 Budget transfer (from)	2025 Budget closing balance	2024 Actual opening balance	2024 Actual transfer to	2024 Actual transfer (from)	2024 Actual closing balance
<b>Restricted by legislation/agreement</b>											
(a) NEP developers contribution	479,751	28,095	0	475,244	0	0	475,244	475,244	4,507	0	479,751
(b) Cash in lieu of parking	586,049	34,321	0	580,544	0	0	580,544	580,544	5,505	0	586,049
(c) Claremont Town Centre - Specified Area Rate	199,789	11,700	0	184,114	0	0	184,114	214,115	15,674	(30,000)	199,789
	1,265,589	74,116	0	1,239,902	0	0	1,239,902	1,269,903	25,686	(30,000)	1,265,589
<b>Restricted by council</b>											
(d) Pool upgrade	942,310	55,184	0	796,595	0	(513,000)	283,595	687,265	255,045	0	942,310
(e) Plant replacement	178,916	10,478	0	167,647	0	0	167,647	167,647	11,269	0	178,916
(f) Irrigation and drainage	638,944	34,490	(50,000)	600,910	0	(50,000)	550,910	598,680	40,264	0	638,944
(g) Public art	199,502	11,683	0	225,892	9,112	0	235,004	189,922	39,580	(30,000)	199,502
(h) Parking	1,217,325	71,290	0	1,205,890	0	0	1,205,890	1,205,890	11,435	0	1,217,325
(i) Building	486,972	28,518	0	452,067	0	0	452,067	449,814	37,158	0	486,972
(j) Future fund	5,044,478	295,419	0	4,830,668	0	0	4,830,668	5,160,143	264,335	(380,000)	5,044,478
(k) Claremont/joint venture	1,063,508	62,282	0	1,043,814	0	0	1,043,814	1,030,562	32,946	0	1,063,508
(l) Heritage grant	81,014	4,221	(8,933)	75,098	0	0	75,098	93,041	5,514	(17,541)	81,014
(m) Employee entitlements	691,720	33,202	(124,765)	661,213	0	(150,000)	511,213	653,636	38,084	0	691,720
(n) Western Suburb Alliances (WSA) contribution	304,843	221,138	(143,893)	517,576	0	0	517,576	233,057	202,210	(130,424)	304,843
	10,849,532	827,905	(327,591)	10,577,370	9,112	(713,000)	9,873,482	10,469,657	937,840	(557,965)	10,849,532
	12,115,121	902,021	(327,591)	11,113,384	9,112	(713,000)	11,113,384	11,739,560	963,526	(587,965)	12,115,121

All reserves are supported by cash and cash equivalents and financial assets at amortised cost and are restricted within equity as Reserve accounts.

In accordance with council resolutions or adopted budget in relation to each reserve account, the purpose for which the reserves are set aside and their anticipated date of use are as follows:

Name of reserve account	Purpose of the reserve account
<b>Restricted by legislation/agreement</b>	
(a) NEP developers contribution	To accumulate funds to cover the Town's contribution to NEP Development arising from ownership of Lot 11578 Claremont Crescent.
(b) Cash in lieu of parking	To provide for the purchase of land for car parking in accordance with Clause 33(2).
(c) Claremont Town Centre - Specified Area Rate	To fund promotion and publicity for Claremont CBD.
<b>Restricted by council</b>	
(d) Pool upgrade	To fund major maintenance of the Claremont Pool.
(e) Plant replacement	To provide for the replacement of major items of heavy plant.
(f) Irrigation and drainage	To provide funds for the replacement, renewal and upgrade of irrigation and drainages.
(g) Public art	To assist with the programmed purchase and development of Public Art assets throughout the Town.
(h) Parking	To provide for the purchase, upgrade or renewal of parking infrastructure.
(i) Building	To provide for building renewal in accordance with the Town's Asset Management Plans.
(j) Future fund	To provide for the future planning and undertaking of capital and infrastructure works in the Town.
(k) Claremont/joint venture	To provide for traffic modifications/roads works within the Town Centre zone and the surrounding roads.
(l) Heritage grant	To assist with funding the Town's heritage grant maintenance program.
(m) Employee entitlements	To fund annual and long service leave requirements.
(n) Western Suburb Alliances (WSA) contribution	To fund the Western Suburb Regional Organisation of Councils projects and initiatives and hold funds contributed by each council member.



## Auditor General

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

2025

Town of Claremont

#### To the Council of the Town of Claremont

#### Opinion

I have audited the financial report of the Town of Claremont (Town) which comprises:

- the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows and statement of financial activity for the year then ended
- notes comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In my opinion, the financial report:

- is based on proper accounts and records
- presents fairly, in all material respects, the results of the operations of the Town for the year ended 30 June 2025 and its financial position at the end of that period
- is in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act) and, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the Act, Australian Accounting Standards.

#### Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report section below.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

#### Other information

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is responsible for the preparation and the Council for overseeing the other information. The other information is the information in the entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2025, but not the financial report and my auditor's report.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly, I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I did not receive the other information prior to the date of this auditor's report. When I do receive it, I will read it and if I conclude that there is a material misstatement in this information, I am required to communicate the matter to the CEO and Council and request them to correct the misstated information. If the misstated information is not corrected, I may need to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report.

### **Responsibilities of the Chief Executive Officer and Council for the financial report**

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Town is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounts and records
- preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the requirements of the Act, the Regulations and Australian Accounting Standards
- managing internal control as required by the CEO to ensure the financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the CEO is responsible for:

- assessing the Town's ability to continue as a going concern
- disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern
- using the going concern basis of accounting unless the State Government has made decisions affecting the continued existence of the Town.

The Council is responsible for overseeing the Town's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report**

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report. The objectives of my audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located on the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website. This description forms part of my auditor's report and can be found at [https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf](https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf).

### **My independence and quality management relating to the report on the financial report**

I have complied with the independence requirements of the *Auditor General Act 2006* and the relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements. In accordance with ASQM 1 *Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements*, the Office of the Auditor General maintains a comprehensive system of quality management including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

### **Matters relating to the electronic publication of the audited financial report**

This auditor's report relates to the financial report of the Town of Claremont for the year ended 30 June 2025 included in the annual report on the Town's website. The Town's management is responsible for the integrity of the Town's website. This audit does not provide assurance on the integrity of the Town's website. The auditor's report refers only to the financial report. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the annual report. If users of the financial report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to contact the Town to confirm the information contained in the website version.



Grant Robinson  
Assistant Auditor General Financial Audit  
Delegate of the Auditor General for Western Australia  
Perth, Western Australia  
10 December 2025



## COMMUNITY VISION

The Town is a progressive, respectful, sustainable local government supporting a connected, flourishing community. We exist to deliver quality services for Claremont today and to build the foundation for the future.

Principal place of business:

308 Stirling Highway,  
Claremont, WA, 6010

