



# **Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority**

## **Quarterly Report to Members**

### **September 2020**



Each Joint Authority is required under Section 36B of the *Local Government Act 1993* to provide to its members a quarterly report that includes a statement of general performance and a statement of its financial performance

This report covers the three month period ending 30 September 2020. This report with all previous quarterly reports is published on the Authority's website: [www.stca.tas.gov.au](http://www.stca.tas.gov.au)

The Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority commenced on 1 July 2006

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## **ORDINARY BOARD MEETING – 10 AUGUST 2020**

An 'on-line' meeting of the STCA Board took place on 10 August 2020, the following matters were discussed:

### **Waste Management Update**

Mr Dion Lester, Policy Director from the Local Government Association of Tasmania provided an update on the Southern Tasmanian Waste Management Group (STWMG). The STWMG, which came into effect on 1 July 2020, provides for all southern councils to work cooperatively on waste management and resource recovery issues and projects. A steering committee has been established to oversee the operation of the group with each member council nominating an officer to sit on the committee.

The Board heard about the Australian Government's commitment of \$190M for a new Recycling Modernisation Fund (RMF) to help create infrastructure to sort, process and remanufacture waste materials. The Board spoke about how councils may assist in positioning the region and providing input to the STWMG so that it is best placed to take advantage of any future money.

### **Premier's Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Council**

The STCA agreed that it would provide a detailed submission to Stage Two of the Premier's Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Council (PESRAC). The STCA's submission will focus on the issues of training and skill development, increased government spending on public transport services and a wholesale review of the Southern Tasmanian Regional Land Use Strategy.

### **Tasmanian Government's Community Consultation on the 2020/21 Budget**

The Board supported the provision of a submission to the Tasmanian Government's community consultation on the 2020/21 budget. It was agreed that the submission would focus on the issues of training and skill development, increased government spending on public transport services and a wholesale review of the Southern Tasmanian Regional Land Use Strategy.

### **City Deal Greater Hobart Work Plan**

Members of the Board endorsed Brighton Council General Manager, Mr James Dryburgh, as the contact between the STCA and the Greater Hobart Work Plan.

### **Regional Climate Change Initiative**

STCA representatives met with the Tasmanian Government to discuss the STCA/UTAS Australian Research Council (ARC) grant application. A grant application has been submitted to the Climate Research Grants Program and the Regional Coastal Strategy, Regional Climate Change Strategy and Council Climate Profiles Program continue to progress despite the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **Financial Report**

The Board noted the 30 June 2020 draft Financial Report. A copy is included with this Quarterly Report.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting will be hosted by Central Highlands Council and will be held on 23 November 2020.

STCA - DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENT - JUNE 2020	YTD ACTUAL	YTD BUDGET	YTD VARIANCE	YTD VARIANCE %	FULL YEAR BUDGET
<b>Administration</b>					
Expenses					
Licences - ICT	3,964	8,800	4,836	55.0%	8,800
Promotions	3,419	-	(3,419)	-	-
Catering	368	2,000	1,632	81.6%	2,000
Contractors - Services	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	-
Consultancy - Business Management	-	13,700	13,700	100.0%	13,700
Contractors - Auditors	5,710	5,500	(210)	(3.8 %)	5,500
Subtotal EXPENSES	23,461	30,000	6,540	21.8%	30,000
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(344,542)	(246,542)	98,000	(39.7 %)	(246,542)
Subtotal REVENUE	(344,542)	(246,542)	98,000	(39.7 %)	(246,542)
<b>Subtotal Administration</b>	(321,081)	(216,542)	104,540	(48.3 %)	(216,542)
<b>Climate Change Adaptation Project</b>					
Expenses					
Catering	103	-	(103)	-	-
Grants - Benefits	148,500	127,805	(20,695)	(16.2 %)	127,805
Subtotal EXPENSES	148,603	127,805	- 20,798	-16.3%	127,805
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(127,805)	(225,805)	(98,000)	43.4 %	(225,805)
Other Contributions Assets	-	(4,000)	(4,000)	100.0 %	(4,000)
Other Contributions	(4,000)	-	4,000	-	-
Subtotal REVENUE	(131,805)	(229,805)	(98,000)	42.6%	(229,805)
<b>Subtotal Climate Change Adaptation Project</b>	16,798	(102,000)	- 118,798	116.5 %	(102,000)
<b>Climate Change Communication Project</b>					
Expenses					
Contractor Services - General	-	23,090	23,090	100.0 %	23,090
Subtotal EXPENSES	-	23,090	23,090	100.0%	23,090
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(23,090)	(23,090)	-	-	(23,090)
Subtotal REVENUE	(23,090)	(23,090)	-	-	(23,090)
<b>Subtotal Climate Change Communication Project</b>	(23,090)	-	23,090	-	-
<b>Waste Strategy South</b>					
Expenses					
Promotions	36,762	12,800	(23,962)	(187.2 %)	12,800
Catering	251	-	(251)	-	-
Communications	16,801	30,000	13,199	44.0 %	30,000
Subtotal EXPENSES	53,813	42,800	(11,015)	(25.7 %)	42,800
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal REVENUE	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Subtotal Waste Strategy South</b>	53,813	42,800	(11,015)	(25.7 %)	42,800
<b>Regional Planning Initiative</b>					
Expenses					
Contractor Services - General	-	24,434	24,434	-	24,434
Subtotal EXPENSES	-	24,434	24,434	-	24,434
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(24,434)	(24,434)	-	-	(24,434)
Subtotal REVENUE	(24,434)	(24,434)	-	-	(24,434)
<b>Subtotal Regional Planning Initiative</b>	(24,434)	-	24,434	-	-
<b>Total Operating</b>					
Expenditure	225,877	248,129	22,251	9.0%	248,129
Income	(523,871)	(523,871)	-	-	(523,871)
<b>Net Operating</b>	(297,994)	(275,742)	22,251	(8.1 %)	(275,742)

Note: This report is for management reporting purposes only. YTD actual and budget income include carry forward unspent grant funds which have been received and were unspent in prior reporting periods.