



Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority

Quarterly Report to Members

March 2022



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 31 March 2022. This report with all previous quarterly reports is published on the Authority's website: www.stca.tas.gov.au

The Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority commenced on 1 July 2006

Photo: Kunanyi/Mt Wellington from the Old Beach foreshore, Credit to Brighton Council

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Old Beach Wetlands and foreshore walking track Photo Credit to Michael Aboud 2022



Old Council Chambers Pontville -New Jobs Hub. Photo Credit Anthony McConnon 2022

ORDINARY BOARD MEETING – 21 February 2022

A meeting of the STCA Board took place on 21 February 2022, the following matters were discussed:

Community Consultation for the 2022/23 Tasmanian State Budget

The Board noted the submission to the State Government sent in December 2021, including Health Services, the road network, regional land use planning, public transport and infrastructure, climate change and State and regional waste initiatives.

2022/23 STCA Draft Budget

The carried forward items from the 2021/22 Budget were discussed together with some new proposed budget items.

Regional Climate Change Initiative (RCCI)

The Board reviewed and noted the quarterly Regional Climate Change Initiative Report and were also presented the following RCCI climate initiatives to review:

- Developing a Tasmanian Local Government Climate Strategy and Council Climate Action
- Regional Strategy – Adapting to a Changing Tasmanian Coastline
- State-wide proposal for Implementing Climate Change Action Planning in Local Government

Other updates

Updates were provided for Brighton Council, South East Regional Development Authority, South-Central Sub-region committee and TasWater, Destination Southern Tasmania. It was noted that the new South-Central Workforce Development Regional Jobs Hub at Pontville was official opening by Minister Jaensch.

Regional Economic Development Strategy

An update was provided on the Regional Economic Development Strategy.

Central Hobart Precincts Plan

The Project Manager of the Central Hobart Precincts Plan gave the Board a presentation. The City of Hobart has released its Central Hobart Precincts Plan Discussion Paper to help inform conversation about the future of the City of Hobart. The discussion paper ponders topics related to Central Hobart's land use, public realm, connectivity, and investment. The draft precincts plan will provide guidance and clarity on preferred design outcomes for different parts of the city and how each area's heritage, landscape, sustainability, economic growth, and liveability can be enhanced.

Financial Report

The Board noted the 31 December 2021 draft Financial Report. A copy is included with this Quarterly Report.

Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be hosted by Sorell Council and will be held on 23 May 2022.

STCA - FINANCIAL STATEMENT - DECEMBER 2021	YTD ACTUAL	YTD BUDGET	YTD VARIANCE	YTD VARIANCE %	FULL YEAR BUDGET
Administration					
Expenses					
Website Development	2,182	2,400	218	9.1 %	4,800
Catering	318	500	182	36.4 %	1,000
Contractor Services - General	500	1,000	500	50.0 %	2,000
Consultancy - Business Management	0	0	0		10,000
Contractors - Auditors	5,630	6,075	445	7.3 %	6,075
Subtotal EXPENSES	8,630	9,975	1,345	13.5 %	23,875
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(222,739)	(222,739)	0	0.0 %	(222,739)
Member Contributions 2021/22	(21,813)	(23,994)	(2,181)	9.1 %	(23,994)
Bank Interest	0	0	0	(100.0 %)	0
Subtotal REVENUE	(244,552)	(246,733)	(2,181)	(0.9 %)	(246,733)
Subtotal Administration	(235,922)	(236,758)	(836)	(0.4 %)	(222,858)
Climate Change Adaptation Project					
Expenses					
Contractor Services - Regional Climate Change Strategy and Council Action Plans	30,000	50,000	20,000	40.0 %	100,000
Contractor Services - Regional Coastal Strategy	0	6,000	6,000	100.0 %	6,000
Subtotal EXPENSES	30,000	56,000	26,000	46.4 %	106,000
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(100,090)	(100,090)	0	0.0 %	(100,090)
Other Contributions - Regional Climate Change Initiative	(5,455)	(6,000)	(545)	(9.1 %)	(6,000)
Subtotal REVENUE	(105,545)	(106,090)	(545)	(0.5 %)	(106,090)
Subtotal Climate Change Adaptation Project	(75,545)	(50,090)	25,455	50.8 %	(90)
Waste Communications					
Expenses					
Consultancy - Business Management	0	0	0		0
Communications	5,129	15,000	9,871	65.8 %	30,000
Subtotal EXPENSES	5,129	15,000	9,871	65.8 %	30,000
Revenue					
Subtotal REVENUE	0	0	0		0
Subtotal Waste Communications	5,129	15,000	9,871	65.8 %	30,000
Regional Economic Development Strategy					
Expenses					
Development of Strategy	0	10,000	10,000	100.0 %	20,000
Subtotal EXPENSES	0	10,000	10,000	100.0 %	20,000
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	0	0	0		0
Subtotal REVENUE	0	0	0		0
Subtotal Regional Economic Development Strategy	0	10,000	10,000	100.0 %	20,000
Regional Planning Initiative					
Expenses					
Contractor Services - Environmental	0	12,220	12,220	100.0 %	24,435
Subtotal EXPENSES	0	12,220	12,220	100.0 %	24,435
Revenue					
Unspent Grants/Opening Funds B/F	(23,007)	(23,007)	0	0.0 %	(23,007)
Subtotal REVENUE	(23,007)	(23,007)	0	0.0 %	(23,007)
Subtotal Regional Planning Initiative	(23,007)	(10,787)	12,220	113.3 %	1,428
Total Operating					
Expenditure	43,759	103,195	59,436	57.6 %	204,310
Income	(373,103)	(375,830)	(2,727)	(0.7 %)	(375,830)
Net Operating	(329,344)	(272,635)	56,709	20.8 %	(171,520)

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

STCA December Financial Statement Summary

Funds Carried Forward from 2020/21 to 2021/22

- In the 2021/22 Financial Year \$345,836 has been carried forward from unspent funds in prior periods.
- \$100,000 of these funds have been allocated to Regional Climate Change Strategy and Council Action Plans
- \$6,000 of these funds have been allocated to Regional Coastal Strategy

Expenditure:

- With 50% of the financial year elapsed \$43,759 of expenditure has been recorded. This represents 21.42% of the annual budget.

Income:

- With 50% of the financial year elapsed \$373,103 of income has been recorded. This represents 99.27% of the annual budget.
- In addition to \$345,836 of funds carried forward, \$27,267 of funding has been received in the 2021/22 financial year, comprising:
 - \$21,813 for Annual Fees paid by Member Councils; and
 - \$5,454 from Non-Member Councils as contributions to the Regional Climate Change Initiative project.