2022–26 MACDONNELL REGIONAL COUNCIL
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2022–23 FINANCIAL PLAN

Cover image: Major roadworks have been completed on the 9 kilometre Kintore Access Road with funding provided by the Federal Government through the Roads to Recovery program

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MacDonnell Regional Council proposes to adopt its budget for the 2022-23 financial year consistent with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act).

The following information is provided in accordance with the requirements of Part 10.4 Long-term Financial Plan, section 200, and Part 10.5 Annual Budgets, sections 201(2) and 201(3) and *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021* as applicable. The format of the Tables presented are in accordance with recommendations provided by the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet.

Each legislative requirement is addressed below.

OUR LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

A LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN MUST CONTAIN:

s200(3)(a) a statement of the major initiatives the council proposes to undertake during the period to which the plan relates.

The Budget which has been developed for 2022-2023 feeds into the long term financial planning of Council. This planning is restricted by a series of unknowns in regards to a range of commercial and community services related programs and contracts.

Commercial and agency contracts represent a significant revenue stream for the Council in management and administration fees. The programs also assist in subsidising other core service activities such as human resources, administration and infrastructure services.

The sustainability of the Council is dependent upon stable, long term grant funding arrangements with the Australian Government and the Northern Territory Government. Changes in these arrangements and in existing commercial and agency contracts have the potential to disrupt the Council's capacity to deliver core services to the communities.

Key assumptions of the long-term financial plan:

- All current core services will continue to be provided by the Council.
- Grant-funded (community) services have been considered only where experience shows that the funding is recurrent since the Council hasn't been advised, at the time of preparing the long term financial plan, of what funding will be available for the next 4 financial years. Estimates are based on original arrangements provided to the Council.
- There will be no significant adverse change in government policies impacting upon the operation of the Council.
- Overall CPI increases assumed is 2.0% per year.
- The repairs, maintenance, management and development of infrastructure is intended to continue at the same level as detailed in the current year budget with increases in line with inflation.

The new initiatives budgeted for in 2022-2023 are detailed in Table 6. "Budget Initiatives".

s200(3)(b) the projected statement of income and expenditure for each financial year of the period to which the plan relates.

Table 2. "Long Term Financial Plan" contains the required information as specified in the Act.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

THE BUDGET FOR A PARTICULAR FINANCIAL YEAR MUST:

s201(2)(a) outline:

(i) the council's objectives for the relevant financial year.

The objectives for the 2022-2023 financial year are to deliver Council services and programs as outlined in the Regional Plan 2022-2023. The primary focus of the Council is to deliver Core Services such as providing an administration centre in each community and undertaking roads and parks maintenance and waste management.

Regulation 8(1)(b) of the General Regulations states that Council's Budget and Long Term Financial Plan must include a list of budget assumptions. The assumptions used in drafting the Budget for 2022-2023 are shown at Table 5. "Budget Assumptions". The Long Term Financial Plan Assumptions are detailed above.

(ii) the measures the council proposes to take, during the financial year, towards achieving those objectives.

At page 19 of the Regional Plan, Council's Performance Monitoring and Reporting mechanisms are detailed. The Community, Local Authorities, Council, etc, all hold MRC accountable in achieving its Objectives. More specifically each Objective included in the Goals established by Council is assigned to a specific organisational Director. It is the responsibility of each Director to report to Council on a quarterly basis on progress against each Key Performance Indicator and to provide an update against the target and timeline set.

In relation to budget objectives MRC's performance is strictly monitored and reported to Council at each meeting. Variances outside of acceptable limits are quantified and qualified in the report.

(iii) the indicators the council intends to use as a means of assessing its efficiency in achieving its objectives.

The Regional Plan lists the indicators/measures that the Council intends to use to assess the quality and/or effectiveness of the planned outputs/actions.

s201(2)(b) contain the projected statement of income and expenditure for the financial year (differentiating between operating and capital expenditure).

Table 1. "Annual Budget 2022-2023" and Table 3. "Capital Expenditure and Funding Budget" contain the required information as specified in the Act.

Table 4. "Planned Major Capital Works Budget" provides detail of projects that are either in progress, that will continue over more than one financial year or will be completed this current financial year, including those that will be started and completed in the current financial year.

s201(2)(c) list the council's fees for services and the estimates of revenue for each of those fees.

The detailed Schedule of Fees and Charges 2022-2023 is included at Appendix 2.

s201(2)(d) state the amount to be allocated to the development and maintenance of each class of infrastructure for the financial year.

The Budget 2022-2023 includes the following expenditure in relation to Council's infrastructure:

Category	Operating Expenditure	Capital Expenditure
Infrastructure - inc the upgrades listed below:	$3,342,675.00	$160,000.00
4604 - Haasts Bluff Remote Oval Upgrades	$3,585.00	
4605 - Papunya Remote Oval Upgrades	$104,844.00	
4611 - Amoonguna Remote Oval Upgrades	$20,507.00	
4621 - ABA - upgrade of various outstations	$1,951,139.00	
4622 - Hermannsburg oval lighting	$1,262,600.00	

s201(2)(e) state the amount the council proposes to raise by way of rates, and set out the rates structure, for the financial year.

The full Declaration of Rates and Charges for MacDonnell Regional Council 2022-2023 under Part 11 of the *Local Government Act 2019* is included at Appendix 1 to this report. The précis of rates and charges to be levied is as follows:

Rate or Charge	Application	Rate or Amount	Total to be Raised
Rate	Residential	Flat rate of $957.54 per allotment	**$980,683**
Rate	Commercial	Flat rate of $1,133.16 per allotment	
Rate	Conditional rating (pastoral)	0.0416 cents per dollar/min. charge $511.97	
Rate	Conditional rating (mining)	0.4726 cents per dollar/min. charge $1,211.71	
Rate	All other allotments	Flat rate of $1,133.16 per allotment	
Charge	Garbage - Residential	$848.10pa	**$946,787**
Charge	Garbage - Commercial, industrial or community use purposes	$1,696.16pa	
		TOTAL	**$1,927,470**

One of MRC's completed projects - the new Areyonga playground.

s201(2)(f) include an assessment of the social and economic effects of its rating policies.

MacDonnell Regional Council's rates and charges are set each year with regard to a number of factors including increases in the cost of providing services, proposed capital works and increases in service levels or other Council initiatives. The Council also considers statistical indicators such as the Consumer Price Index and the Northern Territory Local Government Index, which is prepared by the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT).

The Council consciously aims to keep the increase in rates to a minimum in order to lessen any impact on ratepayers, while generating enough income to provide adequate levels of service and achieve its objectives.

The rates as a revenue source at MacDonnell Regional Council represent just 3% of revenue so are a minor part of its revenue. The Minister for Local Government will increase Conditional Rates by 36% from 1 July 2022 and the next two subsequent financial years.

To support local businesses recover from challenges they have faced during the COVID-19 pandemic, MRC has made conservative increases to rates and charges in comparison to 2019-20 increases.

The Council will cover the shortfall created by the rates relief with its reserves, ensuring that the Council continues to stimulate the local economy.

As such, the Council's assessment of the social and economic effects of the Council's rating policy is that the increases in rates are not of sufficient magnitude to have any significant effect on the ratepayers concerned.

Ongoing skill shortages have negatively impacted MRC's ability to deliver its corporate KPIs. This has been caused by difficulty attaining and retaining remote-based staff.

s201(2)(g) state the allowances for members of the council for the financial year and the amount budgeted to cover payment of those allowances.

The following rates of allowances for Councillors are applicable from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023:

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEMBER	
Base Allowance	$13,509.96
Electoral Allowance	$4,943.73
Professional Development Allowance	$3,753.17
Maximum Extra Meeting Allowance (Paid at the per day rates approved within Council's policy)	$9,006.64
Total Claimable	**$31,213.50**

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MEMBER	
Base Allowance	$27,776.12
Electoral Allowance	$4,943.73
Professional Development Allowance	$3,753.17
Total Claimable	**$36,473.02**

PRINCIPAL MEMBER	
Base Allowance	$75,116.61
Electoral Allowance	$19,771.29
Professional Development Allowance	$3,753.17
Total Claimable	**$98,641.07**

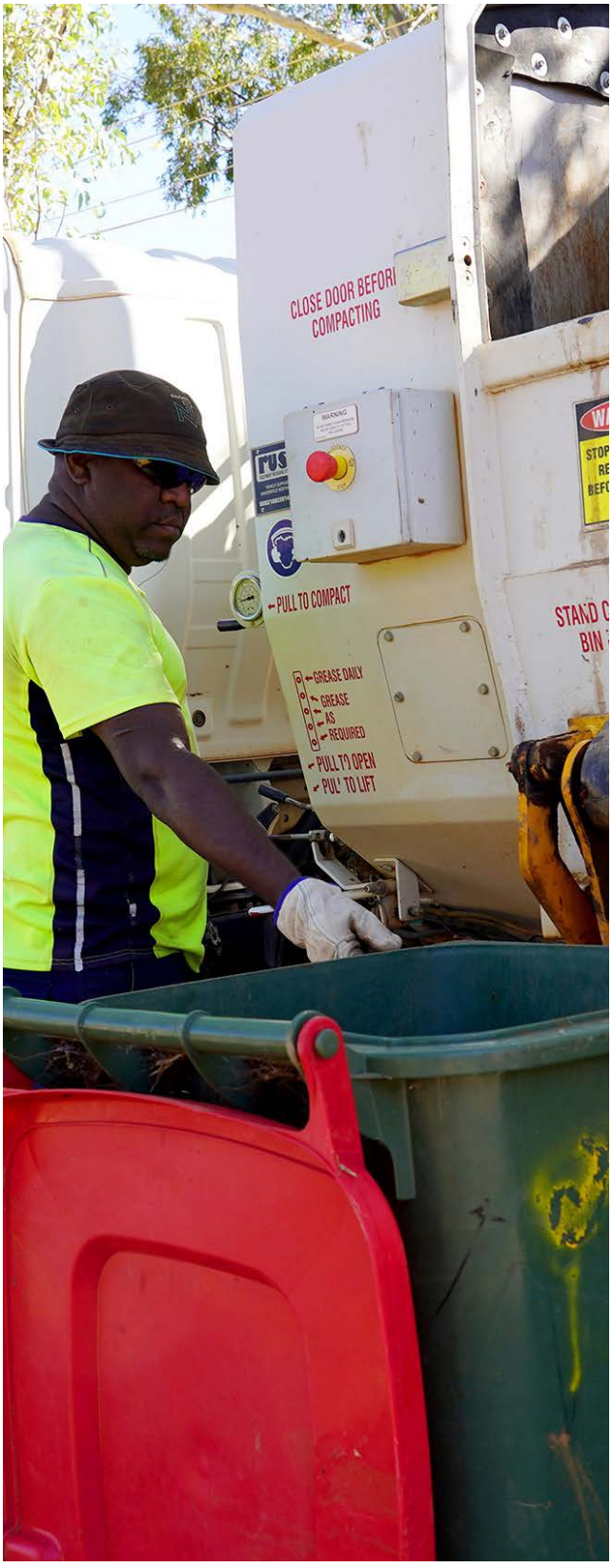
ACTING PRINCIPAL MEMBER	
Daily Rate	261.34
Total Claimable (Maximum 90 Days)	**23,520.60**

LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER PER MEETING	
Local Authority Chairperson Allowance	$181.00
Ordinary Local Authority Member Allowance	$135.00

MacDonnell Regional Council's 2022-2023 budget includes $407,178 in respect of Members' Allowances. Elected Members' Allowances are paid in accordance with Council Policy and in line with the Minister's Guideline established under the Local Government Act 2019.

s201(2)(h) separately provide for a budget for each local authority established by the council.

Table 7. "Budget for Each Local Authority Area 2022-2023" contains the required information as specified in the Act.



Travis Williams collects garbage in Amoonguna.

One of MRC's completed projects - the new fence at the Amoonguna oval.

1 TABLES

TABLE 1. ANNUAL BUDGET 2022-2023

	2022/23 Budget $
OPERATING INCOME	
Rates	980,683
Charges	946,787
Fees and Charges	481,137
Operating Grants and Subsidies	36,074,072
Interest/Investment Income	50,305
Commercial & Other Income	5,231,320
TOTAL INCOME	**43,764,305**
OPERATING EXPENDITURE	
Employee Expenses	23,327,523
Materials and Contracts	12,792,302
Elected Member Allowances	312,150
Elected Member Expenses	242,000
Council Committee & LA Allowances	93,404
Council Committee & LA Expenses	73,950
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	2,883,982
Interest Expenses	6,490
Other Expenses	6,916,487
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	**46,648,287**
BUDGETED OPERATING SURPLUS/DEFICIT	**(2,883,982)**
Capital Grants Income	253,477
Gain from the sale of assets/other	1,300,000
Council own fund	4,276,200
BUDGETED SURPLUS/DEFICIT	2,945,695
Capital Expenses	(5,829,677)
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	2,883,982
NET BUDGETED OPERATING POSITION	0

TABLE 2. LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN

	2022/23 Budget	2023/24 Budget	2024/25 Budget	2025/26 Budget
	$	$	$	$
OPERATING INCOME				
Rates	980,683	1,000,300	1,020,310	1,040,720
Charges	946,787	965,720	985,030	1,004,730
Fees and Charges	481,137	490,760	500,580	510,590
Operating Grants and Subsidies	36,074,072	36,795,550	37,531,460	38,282,090
Interest/Investment Income	50,305	51,310	52,340	53,390
Commercial & Other Income	5,231,320	5,335,950	5,442,670	5,551,530
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	**43,764,305**	**44,639,590**	**45,532,390**	**46,443,050**
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Employee Expenses	23,327,523	23,794,070	24,269,950	24,755,350
Materials and Contracts	12,792,302	13,048,150	13,309,110	13,575,290
Elected Member Allowances	312,150	318,390	324,760	331,260
Elected Member Expenses	242,000	246,840	251,780	256,820
Council Committee & LA Allowances	93,404	95,270	97,180	99,120
Council Committee & LA Expenses	73,950	75,430	76,940	78,480
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	2,883,982	2,941,660	3,000,490	3,060,500
Interest Expenses	6,490	6,620	6,750	6,890
Other Expenses	6,916,487	7,054,820	7,195,920	7,339,840
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	**46,648,287**	**47,581,250**	**48,532,880**	**49,503,550**
OPERATING SURPLUS/DEFICIT	**(2,883,982)**	**(2,941,660)**	**(3,000,490)**	**(3,060,500)**
Capital Grants Income	253,477	258,550	263,720	268,990
Gain from the sale of assets/other	1,300,000	1,326,000	1,352,520	1,379,570
Council own fund	4,276,200	4,361,720	4,448,950	4,537,930
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	2,945,695	3,004,610	3,064,700	3,125,990
Capital Expenses	(5,829,677)	(5,946,270)	(6,065,190)	(6,186,490)
Borrowing Repayments (Principal Only)				
Less Non-Cash Income				
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	2,883,982	2,941,660	3,000,490	3,060,500
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	0	0	0	0
Prior Year Carry Forward Tied Funding				
Other Inflow of Funds				
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	0			
NET OPERATING POSITION	0	0	0	0

TABLE 3. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FUNDING BUDGET

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2022/23 Budget $	2023/24 Budget $	2024/25 Budget $	2025/26 Budget $
Land and Buildings	1,375,677	1,403,190	1,431,250	1,459,880
Infrastructure (including roads, footpaths, park furniture)	160,000	163,200	166,460	169,790
Plant and Machinery	4,272,000	4,357,440	4,444,590	4,533,480
Other Assets (including furniture and office equipment)	22,000	22,440	22,890	23,350
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING	**5,829,677**	**5,946,270**	**6,065,190**	**6,186,500**
** Total must equal Capital Expenses amount in the Income and Expenditure Statement*				
Total capital expenditure funded by:		0	0	0
Capital Grants Income	253,477	258,550	263,720	268,990
Gain from the sale of assets/other	1,300,000	1,326,000	1,352,520	1,379,570
Council own fund	4,276,200	4,361,720	4,448,950	4,537,930
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING	**5,829,677**	**5,946,270**	**6,065,190**	**6,186,490**

TABLE 4. PLANNED MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET

CLASS OF ASSETS	BY MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECT	Total prior year actuals $	Current financial year budget $	Financial year budget 23-24 $	Financial year budget 24-25 $	Financial year budget 25-26 $	Total planned budget $	Expected completion date
Land and Buildings	Refurbishment of Staff Housing - Kintore	0	220,000	0	0	0	220,000	30/6/23
	Refurbishment of Staff Housing - Papunya	0	210,000	0	0	0	210,000	30/6/23
	Upgrade of Staff Housing - Installation of Security Systems	0	250,000	0	0	0	250,000	30/6/23
	Upgrade of HQ - Installation of Security Systems	0	250,000	0	0	0	250,000	30/6/23
Plant and Machinery	Acquisition and upgrade of Fleet	0	2,803,000	0	0	0	2,803,000	30/6/23
	Upgrade of Plant and Equipment	0	969,000	0	0	0	969,000	30/6/23
	TOTAL	**0**	**4,702,000**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**4,702,000**	

The Projects listed above are new projects for the 2022-2023 financial year. It is anticipated at this time that they will be completed in the 2022-2023 financial year.

Tony Palmer and Leroy Riley of the Civil Works Team installing new bollards at Amoonguna.

TABLE 5. BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS

Key Assumptions of the Income and Expenditure Budget:

a) At the time of preparation of this budget Council is engaged in discussions with funding bodies regarding grants for 2022-2023. This budget therefore reflects a combination of known and anticipated funding for its continuing services based on previous experience and known service requirements.

b) Administration fees charged by Council have previously, in general, been set at 15%. Charges are made to income external to Core Services (noting that some grants will not pay 15% and this is a continuing negotiation). It is further recognised that the actual administration fee should be between 19% and 24%, though no change has been made to the budget in relation to this at this stage.

c) Council has reduced the budget for swimming pools to approximately $350,000 as the management and operation of MRC's pools has been transferred to a third party.

d) All other current services will continue to be provided by Council.

e) Discretionary funds provided to Local Authorities have been set at $4,000pa. In addition funds resulting from the Northern Territory Government's promise of grants to Local Authorities have again been included as it is believed that these are to be available again in 2022-2023.

f) The budget has been set with the assumption that:

- The release of the NT Government Plan for Budget Repair in 2019/20 (efficiency dividend) included the application of a 1% for 2021-22 and 2022-23. The budget incorporates this reduction.
- In the absence of a significant rates base, the Commonwealth and Territory Governments will continue to fund services.

g) Council has increased the residential rate by 3.5% and Commercial rate by 3.5%. Waste charges increased 1.95% and Other Fees and Charges have been increased by approximately 2%.

h) An estimated CPI increase of 2% has been applied to the current and outer 3-year budgeted expenses.

i) The council's employee Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA) is due for renewal and to avoid pre-empting negotiations a 1.75% rate increase included in budget.

j) Expenses have been estimated to increase by an average of 2.0% over the life of the plan.

k) Council policy is to not capitalise roads, therefore road expenditure is reflected in full in the Council Services line within the budget.

l) Expenditure on plant and equipment has been fully funded, and will cover the expected depreciation for the year. Additionally, Council has resolved to set aside any surplus from operations in the 2021-22 year into its reserve for funding replacement of Council assets and other future projects in 2022-2023.

TABLE 6. BUDGET INITIATIVES

In the deliberation of Council's Objectives, Strategies and Key Performance Indicators for 2022-2023 a comprehensive review of the Regional Plan 2021-2022 was undertaken. Consideration was focus ed on what was still relevant, what needed refinement and what new initiatives should be introduced.

As a result of this consideration the following new initiatives were established:

- Development and implementation of a long-term road and storm water drainage maintenance plan for Council-controlled roads.
- Undertake a risk assessment of MRC's facilities to determine areas to be targeted.
- Undertake a feasibility study and cost benefit analysis into the establishment of an in-house mobile maintenance team.
- LED lighting, water saving devices and solar panels to be introduced to council buildings to improve energy efficiency and decrease power and water consumption.
- Using established baseline animal health data develop and implement animal health programs targeting identified health issues.
- Working in partnership with AMRRIC, develop and implement animal health education and management through schools in the MRC region.
- Develop and maintain Youth Boards in the 9 MacYouth communities.
- Each Elected Member completes the NTG's governance training within 12 months of being elected.
- Communities hold LA meeting outdoors which include lunch/shared meal at which all members - appointed and elected - can talk with members of the community.
- Development and implementation of an on-line, self-paced learning system to assist with orientation of new staff to explain MRC's policies, guidelines, processes and the completion of all required documentation and the setup of computers/phones.
- Establish WH&S Committees in each community.
- Develop and implement minimum safety standards for staff housing.
- Rollout of upgraded network system in association with CouncilBiz, including training of staff and installation of equipment.

Cr Annie Young and CEO Jeff MacLeod try out the new water filling station at Santa Teresa.

TABLE 7. BUDGET FOR EACH LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA

	Regional Office	Amooguna	Areyonga	Docker River	Finke	Haasts Bluff
	$	$	$	$	$	$
OPERATING INCOME						
Rates	980,683	0	0	0	0	0
Charges	946,787	0	0	0	0	0
Fees and Charges	90,000	21,215	28,388	25,720	32,478	6,761
Operating Grants and Subsidies	28,476,866	155,141	622,885	634,287	473,990	432,074
Interest/Investment Income	50,305	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial & Other Income	1,668,717	385,939	279,359	292,447	269,740	275,888
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	**32,213,359**	**562,295**	**930,631**	**952,454**	**776,208**	**714,723**
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Employee Expenses	8,892,316	982,718	1,223,262	956,045	992,351	1,202,484
Materials and Contracts	5,093,496	485,315	408,003	758,195	341,605	425,003
Elected Member Allowances	312,150	0	0	0	0	0
Elected Member Expenses	240,000	0	0	0	1,000	0
Council Committee & LA Allowances	40,000	4,108	4,108	4,108	4,108	4,108
Council Committee & LA Expenses	0	5,300	5,300	6,100	5,300	6,700
Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	2,883,982	0	0	0	0	0
Interest Expenses	6,490	0	0	0	0	0
Other Expenses	3,893,162	149,531	371,529	196,364	278,609	235,454
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	**21,361,596**	**1,626,973**	**2,012,202**	**1,920,812**	**1,622,973**	**1,873,749**
OPERATING SURPLUS/ DEFICIT	**10,851,762**	**(1,064,678)**	**(1,081,571)**	**(968,358)**	**(846,765)**	**(1,159,026)**
Capital Grants Income	0	0	76,790	0	0	0
Gain from the sale of assets	1,300,000	0	0	0	0	0
Council own fund	3,154,000	60,500	111,000	47,500	10,200	142,000
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	15,305,762	(1,004,178)	(893,781)	(920,858)	(836,565)	(1,017,026)
Capital Expenses	(4,454,000)	(60,500)	(187,790)	(47,500)	(10,200)	(142,000)
Borrowing Repayments (Principal Only)						
Less Non-Cash Income						
Add Back Non-Cash Expenses	2,883,982	0	0	0	0	0
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	13,735,744	(1,064,678)	(1,081,571)	(968,358)	(846,765)	(1,159,026)
Prior Year Carry Forward Tied Funding						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL INFLOWS	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET OPERATING POSITION	13,735,744	(1,064,678)	(1,081,571)	(968,358)	(846,765)	(1,159,026)

Hermannsburg	Imanpa	KIntore	Mount Liebig	Papunya	Santa Teresa	Titjikala	Wallace Rock
$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25,198	11,999	49,750	23,139	75,185	64,853	25,481	970
2,141,729	96,474	355,439	475,246	941,253	633,140	585,827	49,723
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
314,424	246,099	243,058	221,458	344,593	250,765	308,157	130,676
2,481,351	**354,572**	**648,247**	**719,843**	**1,361,031**	**948,758**	**919,464**	**181,369**
1,541,926	665,557	1,112,087	1,029,332	1,445,042	1,312,930	1,567,880	403,593
1,959,291	282,197	479,923	391,402	904,330	503,565	654,771	105,206
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	0
4,108	4,108	4,108	4,108	4,668	4,108	4,108	3,548
5,300	5,300	5,300	6,700	5,300	6,750	5,300	5,300
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
375,918	137,027	194,854	177,707	345,658	225,150	247,255	88,269
3,886,543	**1,094,189**	**1,796,272**	**1,609,249**	**2,704,998**	**2,052,503**	**2,480,314**	**605,916**
(1,405,191)	**(739,617)**	**(1,148,025)**	**(889,406)**	**(1,343,966)**	**(1,103,745)**	**(1,560,849)**	**(424,547)**
0	0	72,357	0	0	104,330	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
148,000	0	318,000	75,000	210,000	0	0	0
(1,257,191)	(739,617)	(757,668)	(814,406)	(1,133,966)	(999,415)	(1,560,849)	(424,547)
(148,000)	0	(390,357)	(75,000)	(210,000)	(104,330)	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(1,405,191)	(739,617)	(1,148,025)	(889,406)	(1,343,966)	(1,103,745)	(1,560,849)	(424,547)
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(1,405,191)	(739,617)	(1,148,025)	(889,406)	(1,343,966)	(1,103,745)	(1,560,849)	(424,547)

TABLE 8. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET FOR EACH LOCAL AUTHORITY AREA

	Regional Office	Amoonguna	Areyonga	Docker River	Finke	Haasts Bluff
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	**$**	**$**	**$**	**$**	**$**	**$**
Land and Buildings	0	60,500	187,790	47,500	10,200	142,000
Infrastructure (including roads, footpaths, park furniture)	160,000	0	0	0	0	0
Plant and Machinery	4,272,000	0	0	0	0	0
Other Assets (including furniture and office equipment)	22,000	0	0	0	0	0
Other Leased Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING	**4,454,000**	**60,500**	**187,790**	**47,500**	**10,200**	**142,000**
** Total must equal Capital Expenses amount in the Income and Expenditure Statement*						
Total capital expenditure funded by:						
Capital Grants Income	0	0	76,790	0	0	0
Gain from the sale of assets/other	1,300,000	0	0	0	0	0
Council own fund	3,154,000	60,500	111,000	47,500	10,200	142,000
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING	**4,454,000**	**60,500**	**187,790**	**47,500**	**10,200**	**142,000**

www.waste.management.drop.off.bay

Hermannsburg	Imanpa	Kintore	Mount Liebig	Papunya	Santa Teresa	Titjikala	Wallace Rock	Total
$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	
148,000	0	390,357	75,000	210,000	104,330	0	0	1,375,677
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	160,000
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,272,000
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22,000
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
148,000	**0**	**390,357**	**75,000**	**210,000**	**104,330**	**0**	**0**	**5,829,677**
0	0	72,357	0	0	104,330	0	0	253,477
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,300,000
148,000	0	318,000	75,000	210,000	0	0	0	4,276,200
148,000	**0**	**390,357**	**75,000**	**210,000**	**104,330**	**0**	**0**	**5,829,677**

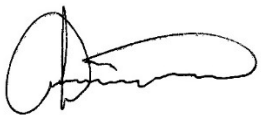
New waste management drop off bay at Santa Teresa.

2 APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1

Rate Assessment Record Certification

I certify to the Council that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the rates assessment record is a comprehensive record of all rateable land within the area.



Jeff MacLeod, *Chief Executive Officer,*
MacDonnell Regional Council

Friday 27 May 2022

Rates and Charges Declaration for 2022-23

RATES

MacDonnell Regional Council (the Council) makes the following declaration of rates pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Local Government Act 2019 (the Act)

1 Pursuant to Section 226 of the Act, the Council declares rates consisting of a combination of fixed charges and valuation based charges including a minimum charge. For valuation based rates, pursuant to Section 227 of the Act, the Council adopts the Unimproved Capital Value (UCV) method as the basis of the assessed value of allotments within the council area.

2 The Council intends to raise, for general purposes by way of rates, the amount of $980,683 which will be raised by application of:

(a) Differential rates with differential minimum amounts being payable in application of each of those differential rates; or

(b) A fixed charge ("flat rate")

3 The council hereby declares the following rates:

(a) With respect to every allotment of rateable land within the council area that is used for residential purposes, a flat rate of $957.54 for each allotment.

(b) With respect to every allotment of rateable land within the council area that is used for commercial or business purposes, a flat rate of $1,133.16 for each allotment.

(c) With respect to every allotment of conditionally rateable land within the council area:

(i) A rate of 0.000306 multiplied by the assessed value of land held under a Pastoral Lease, with the minimum amount being payable in the application of the differential rate being $511.97;

(ii) A rate of 0.003475 multiplied by the assessed value of land occupied under a Mining Tenement with the minimum amount being payable in the application of the differential rate being $1,211.71

(d) With respect to every allotment of rateable land within the council area not otherwise described elsewhere in this declaration, a flat rate of $1,133.16 for each allotment.

CHARGES

4 Pursuant to Section 239 of the Act, the Council declares the following charges in respect of the garbage collection services it provides for the benefit of all land within the following designated communities within the council area (except such land as Council from time to time determines to be exempt or excluded from the provision of such services or for which the Council has determined it is impractical to provide such services).

5 Council intends to raise $946,787 by these charges.

6 Garbage collection services are provided weekly in the designated communities within the council area of Amoonguna, Areyonga, Docker River, Finke, Haasts Bluff, Hermannsburg, Imanpa, Kintore, Mount Liebig, Papunya, Santa Teresa, Titjikala and Wallace Rockhole.

7 For the purpose of paragraphs 8:

- "residential dwelling" means a dwelling house, flat or other substantially self-contained residential unit or building on residential land and includes a unit within the meaning of Unit Titles Act.
- "residential land" means land used or capable of being used for residential purposes (but does not include land on which there is no residential dwelling).

8 The following charges are declared:

(a) A charge of $848.10 per annum per residential dwelling in respect of the garbage collection service provided to, or which Council is willing and able to provide to, each residential dwelling within Amoonguna, Areyonga, Docker River, Finke, Haasts Bluff, Hermannsburg, Imanpa, Kintore, Mount Liebig, Papunya, Santa Teresa, Titjikala and Wallace Rockhole Communities.

(b) Other than a residential dwelling to which paragraph 8 (a) applies, a charge of $1,696.16 per annum for each allotment used for commercial, industrial or community use purposes in respect of the garbage collection service provided to, or which Council is willing and able to provide to, each such allotment within Amoonguna, Areyonga, Docker River, Finke, Haasts Bluff, Hermannsburg, Imanpa, Kintore, Mount Liebig, Papunya, Santa Teresa, Titjikala and Wallace Rockhole Communities.

PAYMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES

9 Pursuant to section 244 of the Act, Council determines that rates and charges for the year 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 inclusive, shall be due and payable in two approximately equal instalments on the following dates namely:

- First instalment Friday 07 October 2022
- Second instalment Friday 10 March 2023

Payment of all or any remaining instalments may be made on or before the due date of the next instalments.

(b) Details of due dates and specified amounts will be listed on the relevant rates notice under section 242 of the Act ("the Rates Notice").

(c) Variations to those options for payment will be administered according to the conditions outlined on the front and reverse of the Rate Notice.

(d) A ratepayer who fails to abide by such conditions may either be sued for recovery of the principal amount of the rates and charges and late payment penalties; or a charge may be registered over the property or lease prior to potential sale of the property. Costs reasonably incurred by Council in recovering or attempting to recover the rates and charges will be recoverable from the ratepayer.

RELEVANT INTEREST RATE

10 The Council fixes relevant interest rate for the late payment of rates and charges in line with Section 245 of the Act at the rate of 18% per annum which is to be calculated on a daily basis.

Belinda Urquhart, Director Service Delivery, presents Graham McAndrew with his award on attaining 10 years service with MRC at Docker River.

APPENDIX 2

Fees and Charges Schedule

The following Fees and Charges are correct as at 1 July 2022. Council reserves the right to vary them from time to time and current rates can be found at:

www.macdonnell.nt.gov.au/about/rates-fees-charges

LABOUR HIRE (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY)

Penalties apply for work outside of normal span of work hours.

	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Council Service Coordinator	per Hour	$115.00
Essential Services Operator	per Hour	$182.00
Team Leader Works	per Hour	$103.00
Work Assistant	per Hour	$70.00
Other Skilled Staff	per Hour	POA*

* price on application

SHORT TERM ACCOMMODATION

A purchase order must be received and the booking confirmed prior to arrival on community. All accommodation arrangements to be completed with the Council Services Coordinator in the specific community prior to arrival at that location. All accommodation is un-serviced and based on availability.

	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
All communities except Amoonguna	per Person/ per Night*	$98.00

*terms greater than 14 days are dependent on availability and fee is subject to change

ADMINISTRATION

Service	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
A4 Photocopying	per Page	$2.00
A3 Photocopying	per Page	$5.00
A4 Faxing	per Page	$4.00
A4 Scanning and Emailing Documents	per Page	$4.00
Regional Plan	per Copy	$20.00
Annual Report	per Copy	$30.00
Rates Search	Per request	$27.50

MEETING ROOM AND OFFICE USE

Service	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Meeting rooms in Council Offices	per Full Day	$248.00
Use of office space	per Day	POA*
Use of office facilities	per Person/ per Day	POA*

* price on application

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

	Unit	Fee (gst n/a)
Early Learning Program	per Hour	$6.00

SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

School Nutrition Program (Client Contributions)	Unit	Fee (gst n/a)
Morning Tea & Lunch	per Fortnight	$60.00
Breakfast, Morning Tea & Lunch	per Fortnight	$80.00

AGED AND DISABILITY SERVICES

Meal Services (Ingredient Contribution)	Unit	Fee (gst n/a)
Cost for each service	Per Service	$7.50
Weekend Hampers	per week	$29.50

PLANT HIRE

	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Vehicle Hire 4WD day rate (with driver less km rate)	per Hour	$115.00
Vehicle Hire 4WD km rate	per Km	$2.00
Backhoe (with operator)	per Hour	$230.00
Excavator (with operator)	per Hour	$285.00
Forklift (with operator)	per Hour	$230.00
Front End Loader (with operator)	per Hour	$230.00
Front End Loader - Large (with operator)	per Hour	$285.00
Grader (with operator)	per Hour	$285.00
Skid Steer (with operator and attachments)	per Hour	$230.00
Tractor (with operator and attachments)	per Hour	$230.00
Truck - Articulated (with operator)	per Hour	$285.00
Truck - HR (with operator)	per Hour	$285.00
Truck - MR (with operator)	per Hour	$230.00

EQUIPMENT HIRE

	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Brush Cutter (with operator and fuel)	per Hour	$90.00
Cement Mixer	per Hour	$80.00
Chainsaw (with operator and fuel)	per Hour	$90.00
Generator	per Hour	$80.00
Lawnmower (with operator)	per Hour	$90.00

WASTE MANAGEMENT FEES

Municipal Solid Waste (non- commercial)	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Clean Fill	m3	No Charge
General Waste	m3	No Charge
Green Waste	m3	No Charge

Bins	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Replacement 240 litre Wheelie Bin	Each	$120.00
Replacement parts	Each	POA*
Service fee to supply and fit parts	per Hour	$66.00
Skip Bin Hire	Each	POA*

* price on application

Commercial and Industrial	Unit	Fee (gst inc)
Unsorted Waste will be charged at m3 rate	m3	$580.00
Animal Carcasses	Each	$40.00
Animal Carcasses (feral - camels, donkeys, etc.)	Each	$230.00
Batteries	Each	$6.00
Car Bodies	Each	$300.00
Concrete/Rubble	m3	$200.00
General Waste	m3	$55.00
Green Waste	m3	$55.00
Metal Uncontaminated	m3	$55.00
Mixed Fill (soil, rock, rubbish)	m3	$55.00
Solar Hot Water Systems	Each	$68.00
Timber (untreated)	m3	$55.00
Timber (treated) includes pallets	m3	$55.00
Tyre - Vehicle	Each	$22.00
Tyre - Light Truck 16"	Each	$38.00
Tyre - Truck Heavy Vehicle	Each	$70.00
Tyre - Tractor/ Industrial Vehicle	Each	$195.00
White Goods	Each	$22.00

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