



# Alice Springs Town Council

Annual Report  
2009 / 2010



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## Purpose of this Report

This report highlights the achievements and activities of the Alice Springs Town Council and includes the Financial Statements for the financial year ending 30 June 2010.

Council's performance is reported under the goals outlined in the 2009 / 2010 Business Plan including:

1. Economic
2. Community
3. Environment
4. Culture & Heritage
5. Organisation

While this report is primarily produced to satisfy statutory requirements, the report provides an overview for residents, clients, staff, the Department of Local Government and other interested parties.



# Vision

Alice Springs Town Council's vision is for a vibrant and growing community that embraces its cultural heritage, its unique identity and desert living environment.

# Mission

Through innovative leadership and good governance, Alice Springs Town Council will provide services to meet the present and changing needs of our community.

# Core Values

The Alice Springs Town Council will be recognised and appreciated by its residents and visitors as valuing:

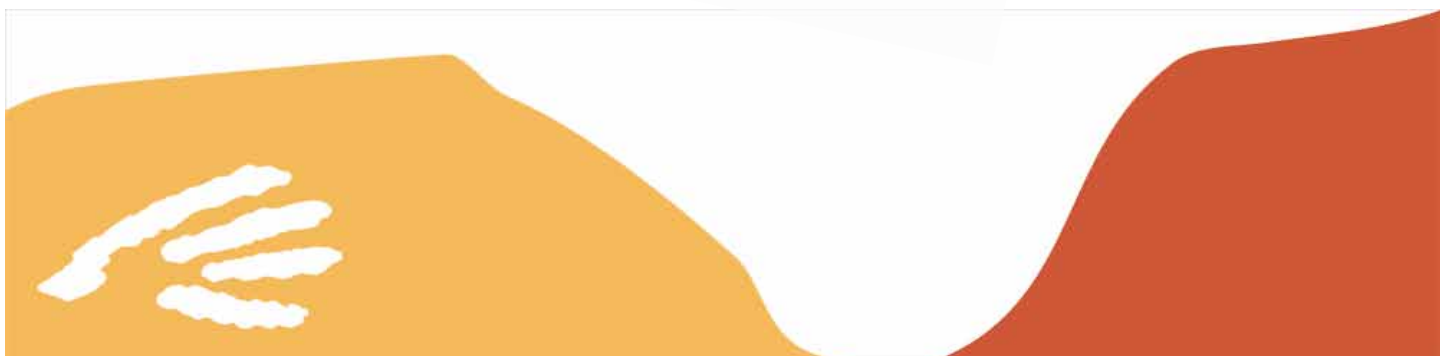
- Strong Leadership
- Clear Communication
- Integrity
- Customer service
- Response and Contribution to the Community
- Transparency and Accountability



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# Mayor's Message



I am very happy to be able to present the 2009/2010 Annual Report. In last financial year the Alice Springs Town Council embarked on many initiatives and projects, helping us to continue to move ahead as one of the most progressive and innovative local governments in the Territory.

The 2009/2010 financial year highlights include the new seniors committee, securing Deductible Gift Recipient Status with the Australian Tax Office for the Library as well as the popular and successful Cash for Containers program.

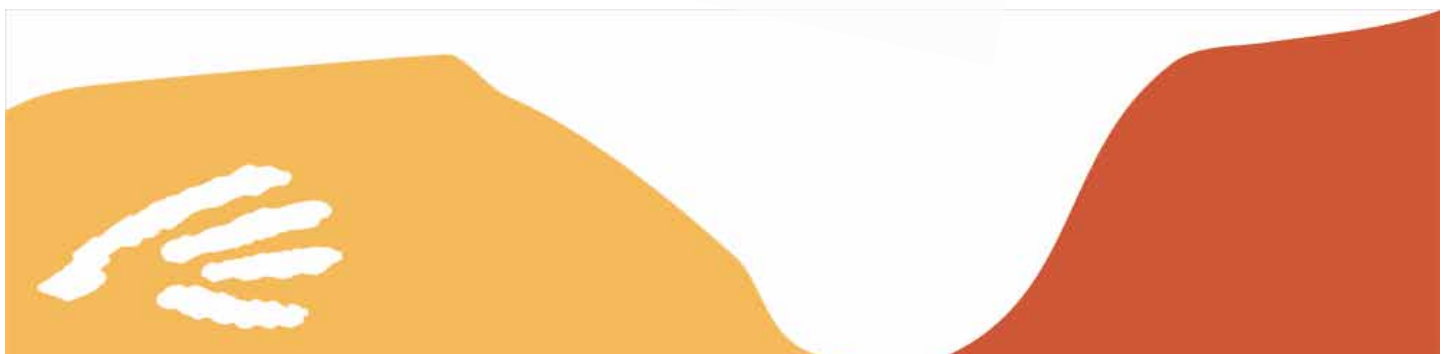
The Alice Springs Town Council has also undertaken some major works projects in the 2009/2010 financial year and these included the upgrades to Traeger Park, construction works on stage two of the new Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre and the completion of three new roundabouts.

We continue to focus on the creation and maintenance of a beautiful and sustainable Alice Springs for everyone. Throughout 2009/2010 Council remained dedicated to thinking environmentally and paving a bright future for Alice Springs and its residents. There was, and will continue to be, Council recycling initiatives implemented.

As Mayor, I have been proud of the way people from the community have actively taken part in Council debates and the way they have brought their own passionate issues and ideas forward through the public question times provided at the beginning of all Council meetings. It is through this type of sharing and input that we can better understand what is important to our local community.

I would also like to thank my fellow Aldermen for their ongoing support, both to me, and as a voice for the community of Alice Springs. Both the Aldermen and staff have delivered exceptional service to the Alice Springs community and I thank them for their resourcefulness and desire to achieve high quality outcomes. I am proud of our Council, our community, our town and am pleased to represent them as Mayor; both now, and into the future.

Damien Ryan  
MAYOR





# Chief Executive Officer's Message



The 2009/2010 financial year has been one of major achievements and developments for the Alice Springs Town Council.

As an organisation we continue to be one of the largest employers in Alice Springs, and we proudly continue to provide some of the best employment conditions in the Territory. I would like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of our dedicated staff at the Alice Springs Town Council. Our team contribute so much to Council and the community; their hard work should always be recognised.

Some major achievements for Council from an organisational perspective include:

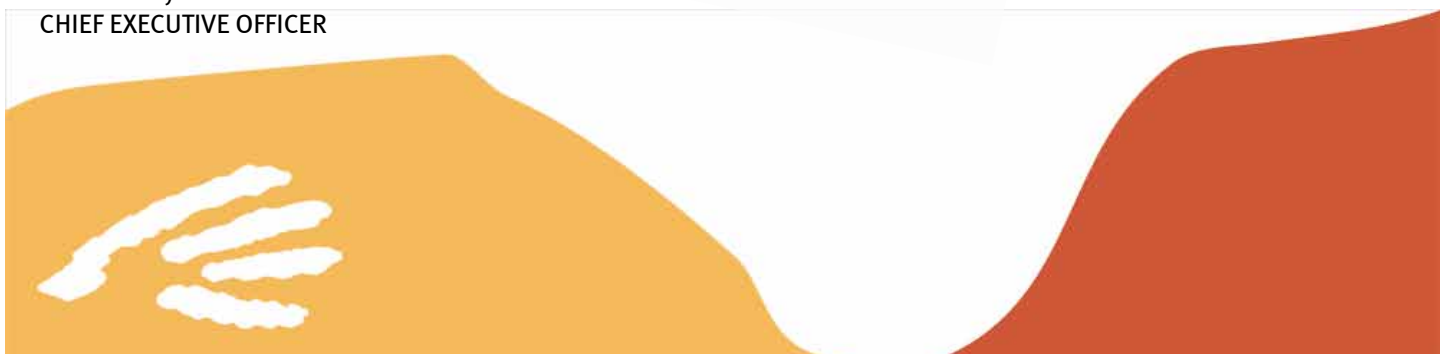
- Ongoing internal organisational review.
- Completion of staff enterprise bargaining agreement negotiations valid to December 2012.
- Stage two construction works on the much anticipated Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre.
- Major works including three new roundabouts, widening of Illparpa Road and Treager Park upgrades.
- Continued maintenance and development of our recreational parks and gardens throughout the municipality.
- Many successful community events, including the Triple J One Night Stand major concert, the 2009 Christmas Carnival and many library events.
- The ongoing maintenance of the successful Town Camps Dogs Strategy.
- The extensive process of community consultation, communication and passing of the new Alice Springs (Management of Public Places) By-laws.
- The continued effective management of Council's day-to-day operations in an efficient and proactive manner.

The achievements outlined within our Annual Report are testament to the commitment of our elected members to the Alice Springs community, combined with the hard work and vision of our dedicated Council staff.

I would also like to thank the Mayor and Aldermen for their tremendous efforts in representing the wider community of Alice Springs. Each year I am privy to influential and democratic debates within the Council chamber and I always urge members of the community to take an active role in attending Council meetings to see how local government works for their local community.

The 2009/2010 Annual Report illustrates the enthusiasm and dedication of His Worship, Mayor Damien Ryan and the Aldermen in providing the leadership to meet the needs of our community.

Rex Mooney  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



# The 11th Alice Springs Town Council

The Council is a democratically elected body comprising eight Aldermen and the Mayor. The elected members are Council's principal decision making body. Council Standing Committees meet on the third last Monday of each month commencing at 5.30pm and the last Monday of each month at 6.30pm for its Ordinary Council meeting. Meetings are held in the Civic Centre off Todd Street, and are open to the public. All Aldermen and the Mayor stand for election every four years with the next election due in March 2012.



**Mayor Damien Ryan - (08) 8950 0525**

**Alderman John Rawnsley - 0427 066 279**

**Deputy Mayor Brendan Heenan - 0418 897 029**

**Alderman Murray Stewart - 0407 256 428**

**Alderman Jane Clark - 0417 864 935**

**Alderman Sandy Taylor - 0411 531 344**

**Alderman Samih Habib - Bitar - 0411 661 963**

**Alderman Melanie van Haaren - 0448 885 078**

**Alderman Liz Martin - 0429 201 549**



*BACK LEFT TO RIGHT: Alderman Melanie van Haaren, Alderman Samih Habib-Bitar, Deputy Mayor Brendan Heenan, Alderman Liz Martin.  
FRONT LEFT TO RIGHT: Alderman Sandy Taylor, Alderman Murray Stewart, Mayor Damien Ryan, Alderman Jane Clark, Alderman John Rawnsley.*

*\* Alderman John Rawnsley was Deputy Mayor from March 2009 to March 2010.*

*\* Alderman Brendan Heenan is Deputy Mayor from March 2010 to current.*

# Committee Representatives at 30 June 2010

Council decisions are made through a series of Council and Committee meetings. The Council and Committee structure for the year 2009 / 2010 is as follows. More information about Council meetings including meeting schedules, locations, agendas and minutes are available on Council's website [www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au](http://www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au)



## Council Standing Committees

**Corporate and Community Services Committee:-**  
Chair Alderman Liz Martin

**Technical Services Committee:-**  
Chair Alderman Samih Habib-Bitar

**Finance Committee:-**  
Chair Alderman John Rawnsley

## Council representation on other committees

Ald Taylor and Ald van Haaren (Alternate) - Access Advisory Committee.

Ald Martin, Ald Stewart, Ald Heenan, Mayor Ryan - Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee.

Ald Stewart, Ald Taylor, Ald van Haaren - Sports Facilities Advisory Committee.

Mayor Ryan, Ald Heenan, Ald Habib Bitar - Public Art Advisory Committee.

Ald Heenan, Ald Stewart, Ald Rawnsley, Ald Habib-Bitar - Finance Sub-Committee.

Ald van Haaren, Ald Habib-Bitar, Ald Taylor - Community Grants Committee.

Ald Clark, Ald Habib-Bitar - Araluen Community Access Grants.

New committee members to be advised - Youth Action Committee.

Mayor Ryan, Ald Heenan (Chair), Ald Martin, Ald Clark - Cemeteries Committee.

Ald Clark (Chair), Ald Stewart, Ald Rawnsley - Environment Advisory Committee.

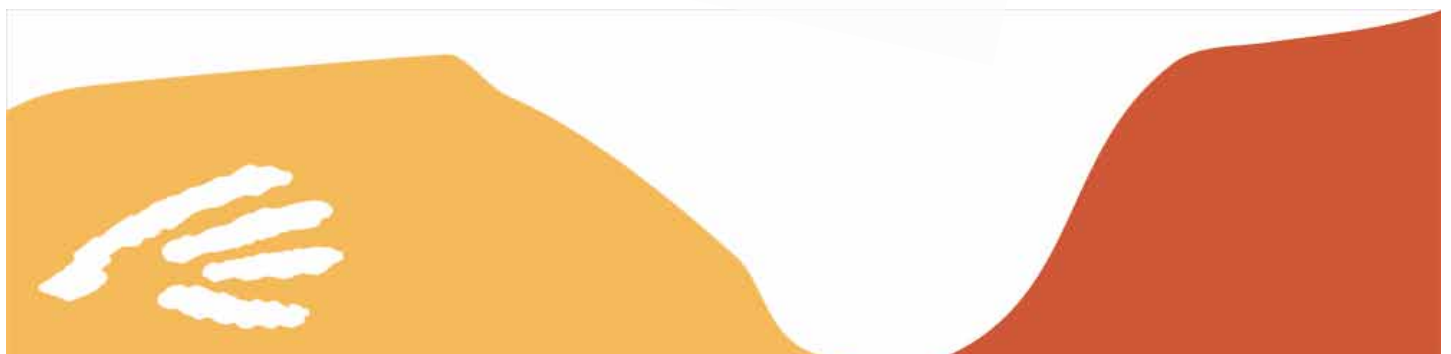
Ald van Haaren, Ald Stewart - Seniors Coordinating Committee.

Mayor Ryan, Ald Rawnsley, Ald Heenan, Ald Stewart, Ald Habib-Bitar - Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre Project Team.

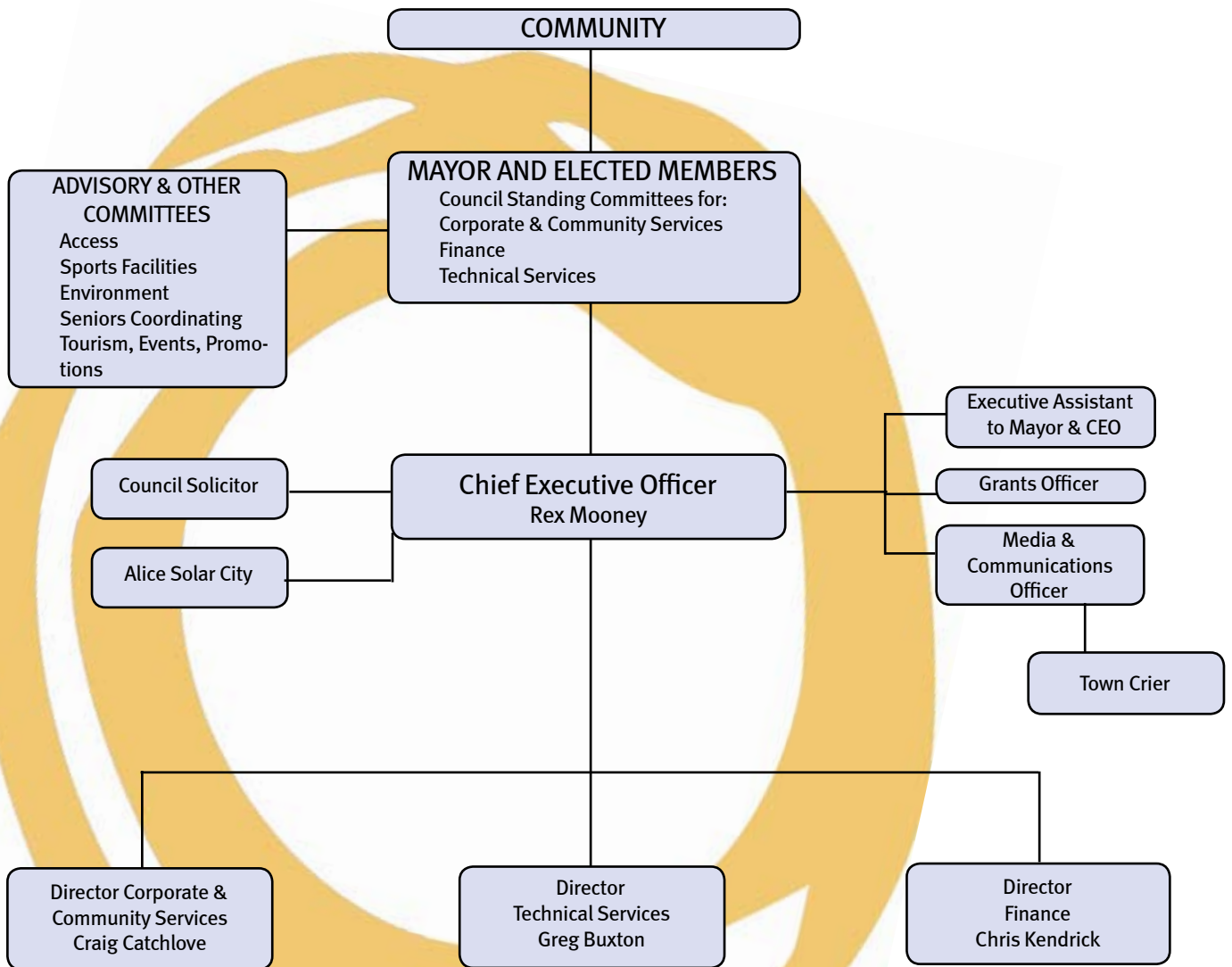
Mayor Ryan, Ald Habib-Bitar, Ald van Haaren - Alice Springs Town Council and Tangentyere Council Steering Committee. Council Committee combined with Tangentyere Council.

Mayor Ryan, Ald Rawnsley, Ald Taylor - Alice Springs Town Council and Lhere Artepe Aboriginal Corporation (LAAC) Partnership Committee. Council Committee combined with LAAC.

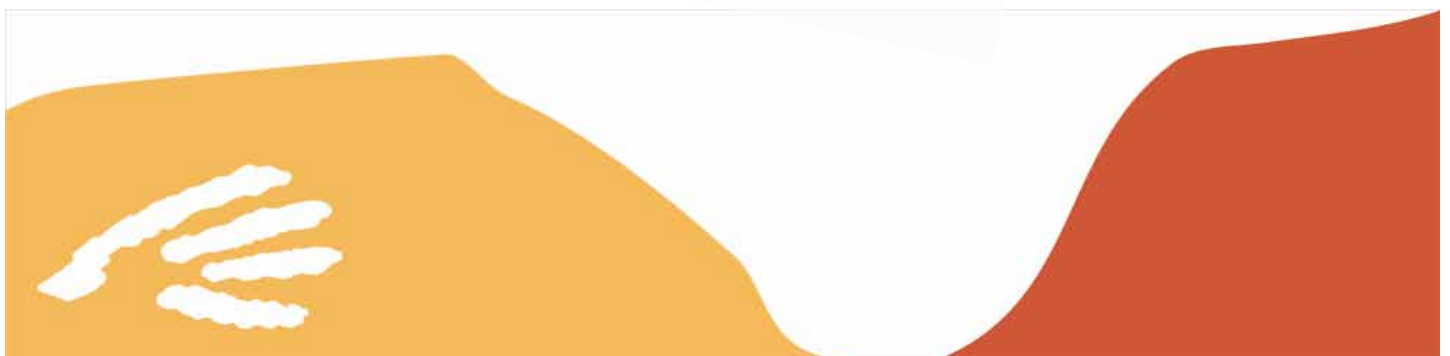
\* Note - Mayor is ex-officio on all committees.



# Alice Springs Town Council 2009 / 2010 Organisational Structure

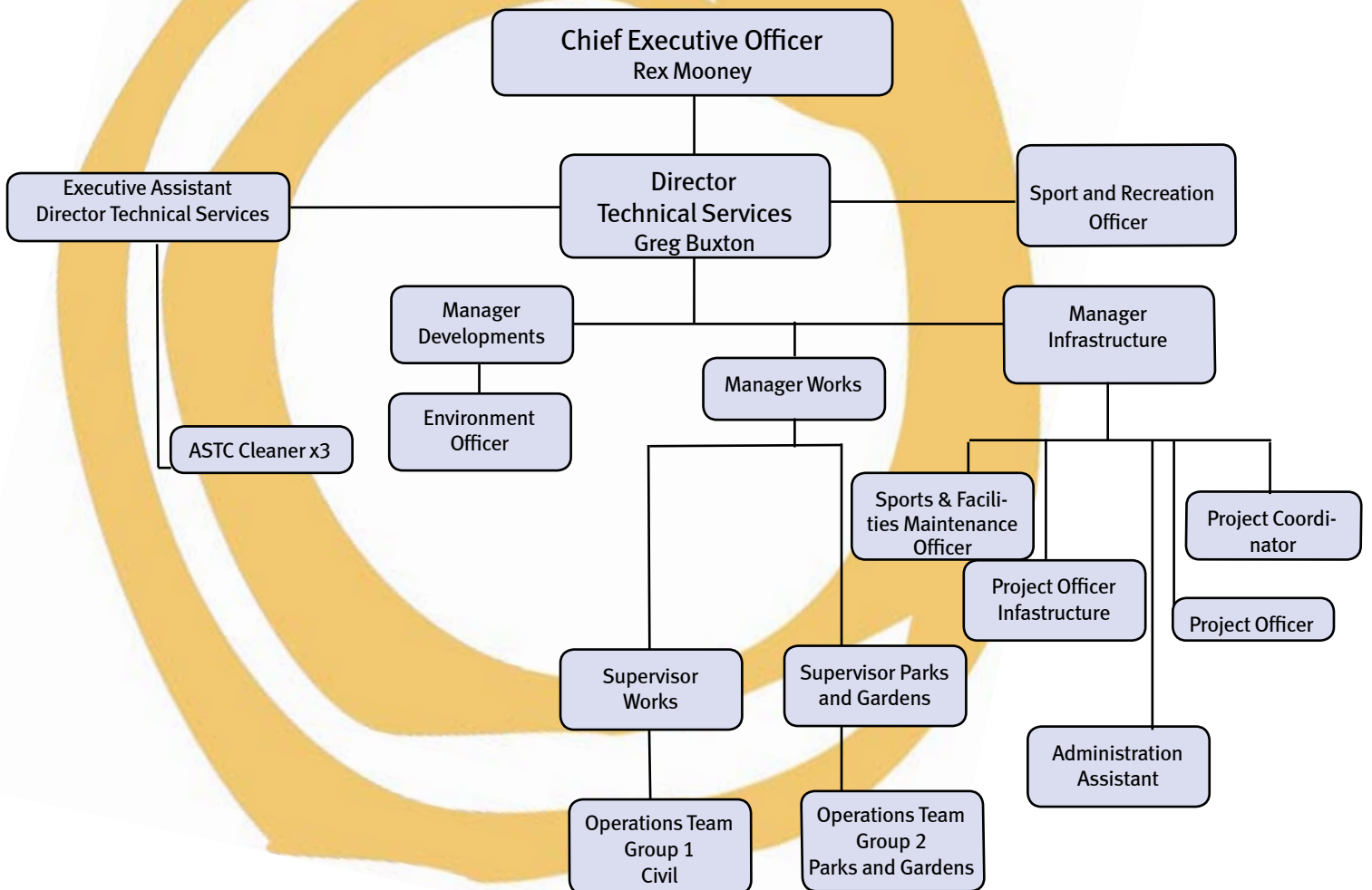


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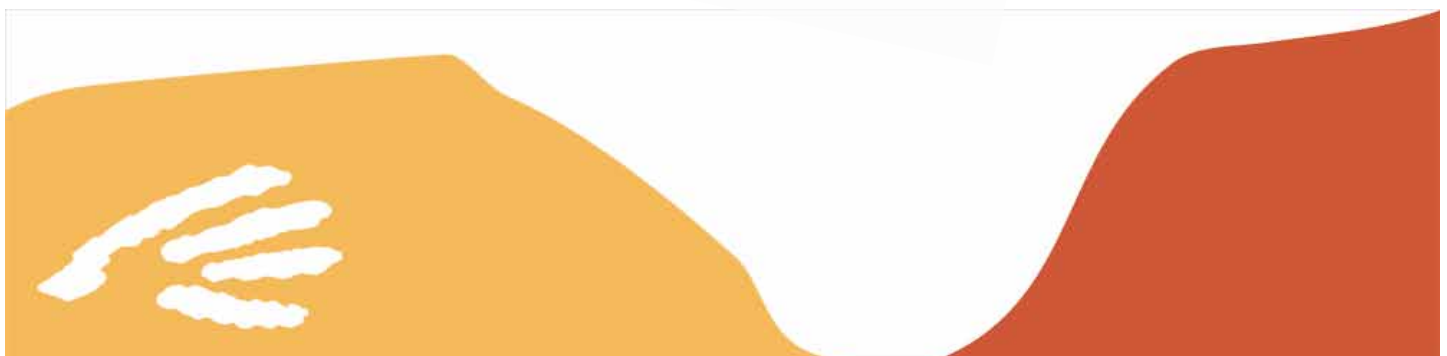




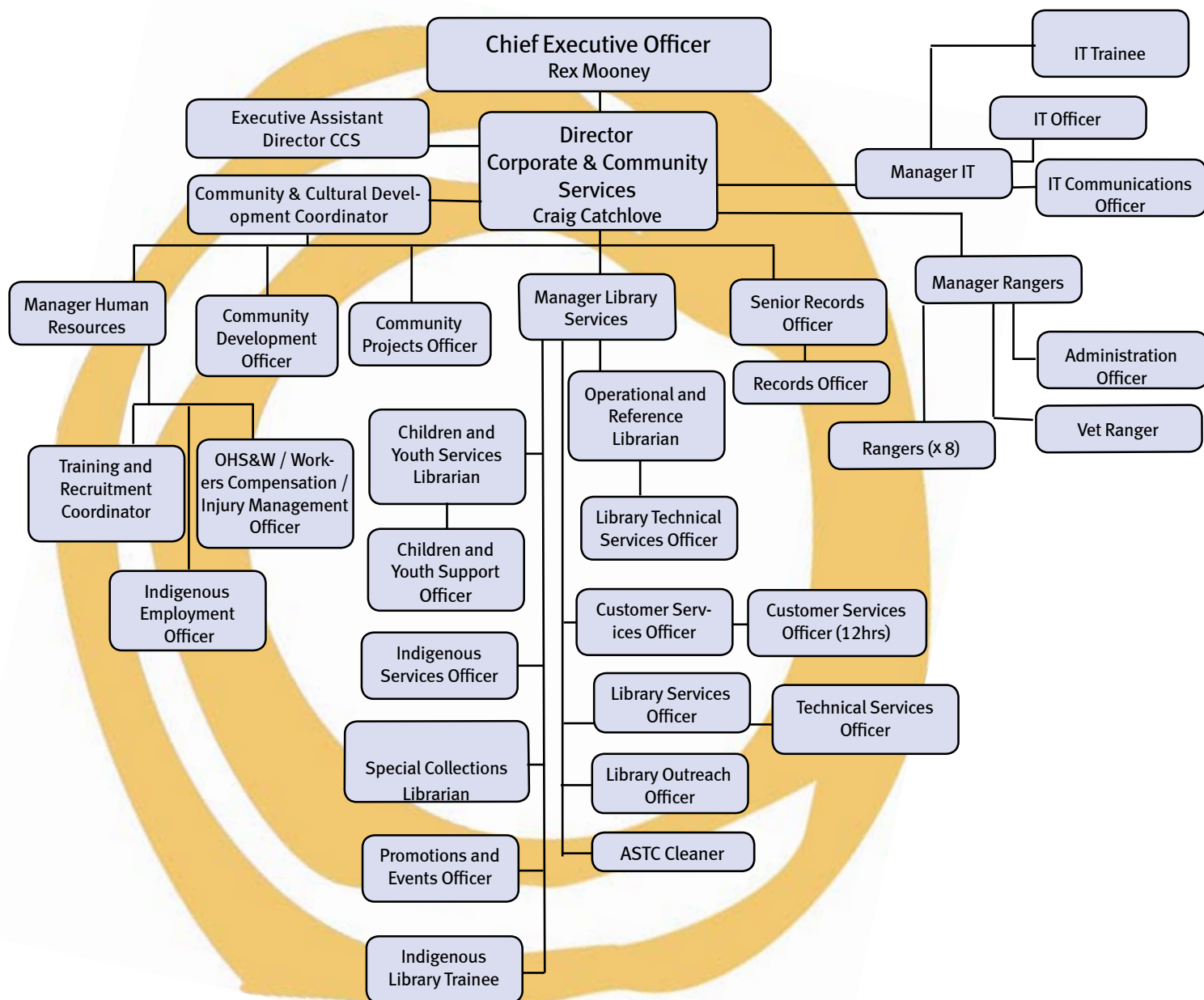
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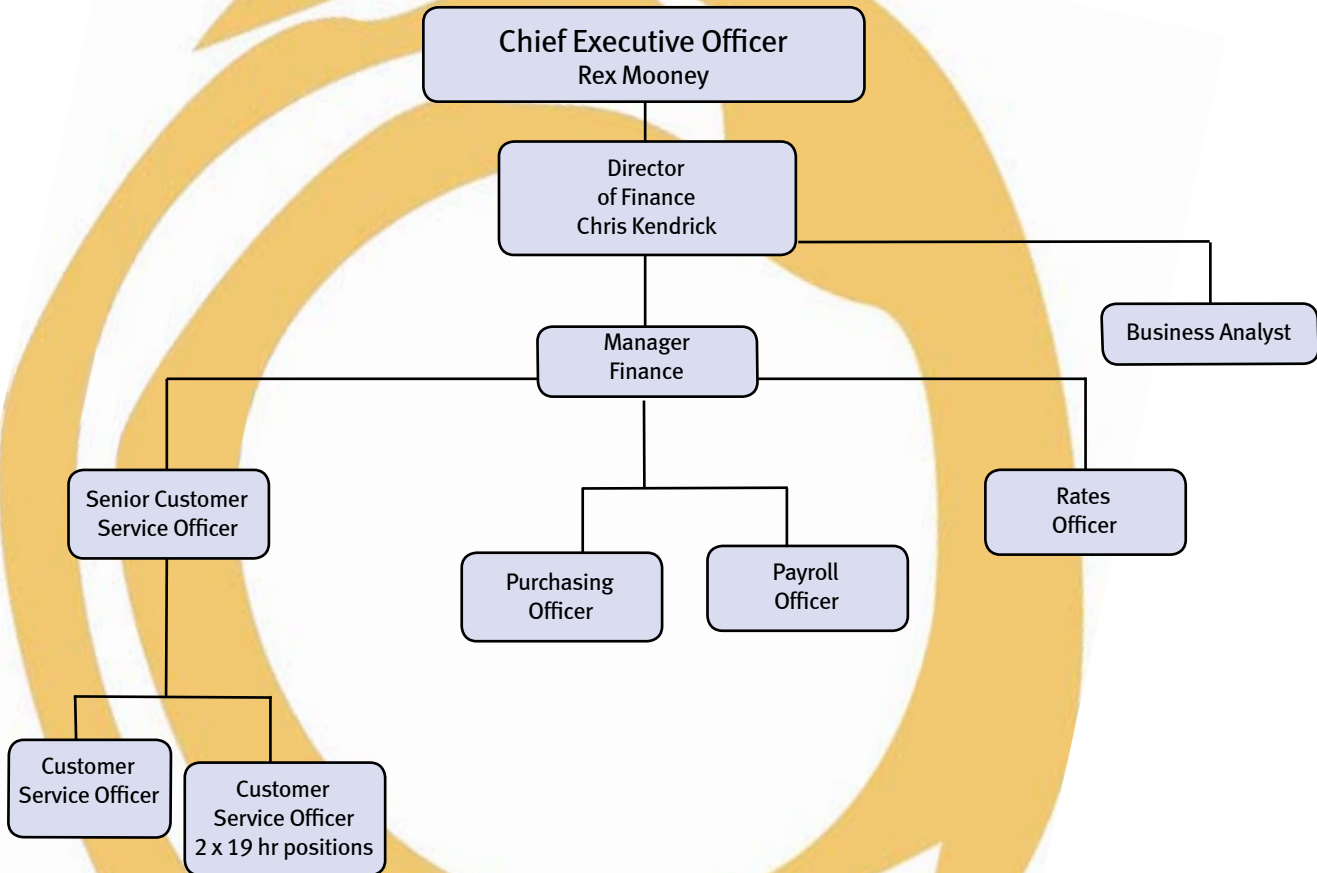
# Alice Springs Town Council 2009 / 2010 Corporate and Community Services Structure



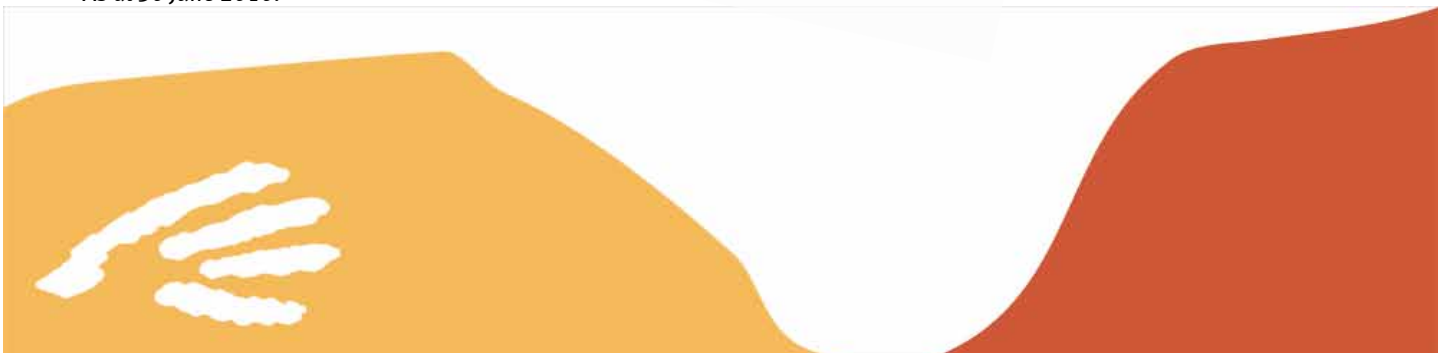
\* As at 30 June 2010.



# Alice Springs Town Council 2009 / 2010 Finance Structure



\* As at 30 June 2010.



# Council's Goals



The Alice Springs Town Council's Annual Report is divided into five goals:

## 1. Economic Goal:

A growing and dynamic economic base underpinning strong employment.

## 2. Community Goal:

A united, supportive and healthy community.

## 3. Environment Goal:

To lead Australia in the management of its arid land natural resources.

## 4. Culture & Heritage Goal:

A community proud of its Indigenous heritage and pioneer history.

## 5. Organisation Goal:

An organisation dedicated to good governance, effective leadership & provision of high quality services.



# 1. ECONOMIC

**GOAL: A growing and dynamic economic base underpinning strong employment**



The town of Alice Springs is the largest town in Central Australia, servicing surrounding mining, pastoral and Indigenous communities, defence facilities and thousands of tourists every year. The town's economy has traditionally been based around tourism, and faces the challenge of diversifying this base to ensure a strong future for Alice Springs. Opportunities exist for diversification in particular through the development of an international airport and supporting the growth of existing industries such as the arts, defence, mining and pastoralism.

Tourism will continue to be vitally important to the Alice Springs economy, and Council will need to work with the Northern Territory Government to ensure the maintenance and expansion of this industry. The development of a customer focused culture to service delivery and the attraction and retention of skilled people will be key to ensuring a first-class Alice Springs experience.

Indigenous residents currently make up almost a third of the population of Alice Springs, but do not have a corresponding participation rate in the economy. The opportunity to further develop the Indigenous cultural experience and for increasing participation through ongoing training and development should not be missed.

All stakeholders including the Town Council, the Tourist Associations and the NT Chamber of Commerce and Industry will need to develop a strong collaborative approach to the implementation of the economic development goal of this Plan.

## Goal Outcomes

- ◇ A diversified and strong local economy
- ◇ Customer focused culture to service delivery
- ◇ Growing regional provider of services





There was no let up in the response from Alice Springs residents and businesses in 2009/10 to joining the Alice Solar City program. Indeed the number of participants more than doubled during the year, again demonstrating the willingness of the community to use energy sustainably and reduce the town's carbon footprint.

"I am extremely impressed with the enthusiasm people have shown for the Alice Solar City project, particularly given that we have already passed our target of having 1500 residents join the program and commit to changing their energy efficiency behaviour", says Brian Elmer.

During the 2009/10, 928 residents and over 61 businesses joined the program, bringing the total of participants to 1784 and 132 respectively.

The 2009/10 year was also a very big year in terms of installation of solar technologies, with 215 new solar power systems and over 250 solar hot water systems installed on households and businesses during the year. In less than 2 years, this has taken the number of solar power systems in Alice Springs from 2 to almost 300, a fantastic achievement for a town the size of Alice Springs.

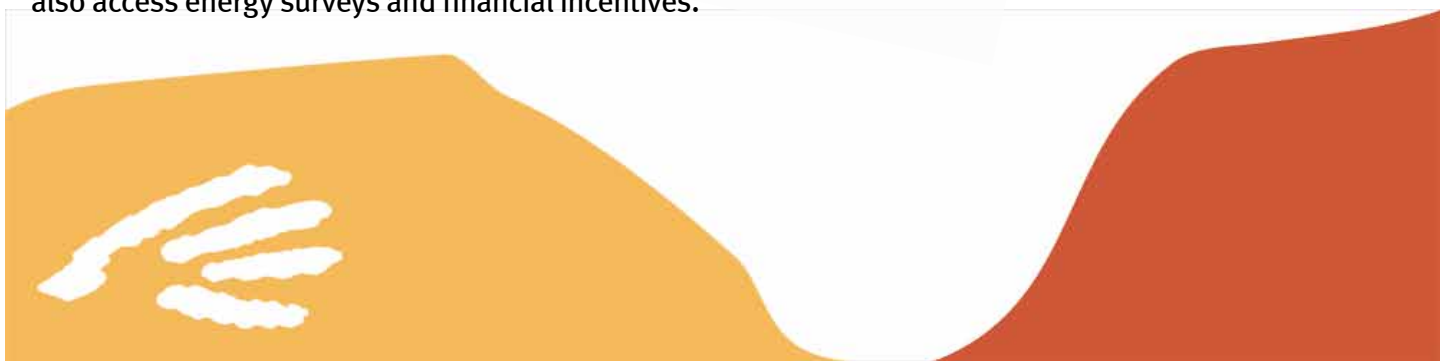
After the successful 100 Days of Solar campaign, where almost 300 people signed up to go solar, and over 500 expressed their interest to go solar, Alice Solar City facilitated a competitive Bulk Purchase Scheme. Interest to date has been very positive.

To help residents be inspired on what can be achieved, Alice Solar City launched the Sustainable Living House in September 2009. This project saw a typical Alice Springs home begin its transformation into a showcase of sustainable living through a partnership between Alice Solar City and the desertSmart COOLmob. The home was opened to the public 4 times during the year, with over 400 residents having visited the house so far.

This year saw a particularly strong response from the local business community, with over 20 local businesses installing solar power systems as well as implementing energy efficiency projects.

Work on the second of Alice Springs iconic projects (following on from the Crowne Plaza project) commenced. The Alice Springs Airport project will be a 235kW installation, using cutting edge, concentrating tracking solar technology. Due for completion in early 2010/11, this installation will be the first installation of its type in the southern hemisphere, another major milestone for the Alice Solar City project and Alice Springs.

Residents and business owners can sign up for a free home energy survey by visiting the Smart Living Centre on Todd Street, after which they will receive a personalised energy saving report. They can then choose from a range of financial incentives to assist them on their way to becoming an energy champion. Businesses can also access energy surveys and financial incentives.



## 2. COMMUNITY

**GOAL: A united, supportive and healthy community**



The Alice Springs Town Council understands the importance of services to our community in relation to health, social and cultural development. The continued implementation of services in this area will see improvements in the coordination and effectiveness of community services, addressing the community's priorities.

In early 2010 the staffing of the Community Services area in Council was increased with the addition of a .7 Community Development Officer in addition to the fulltime Community and Cultural Development Coordinator and Community Projects Officer. This restructure effectively created a Community Development Unit which reflects Council's commitment to working with the community services sector to enhance and increase services.

### Goal Outcomes

- ◇ Coordinated and effective community services
- ◇ Improved community health and well being
- ◇ Reduced anti social behaviour
- ◇ Greater opportunities for our youth

The key areas which the Community Development Unit has been working across include:

### Public Art

Coordination of the development and installation of public art projects at the new Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre has been the focus of work over the last twelve months. More details below.

### Seniors

A new Seniors Coordinating Committee was established in May 2010 and will meet regularly to discuss and advise on issues of importance for the Seniors' community of Alice Springs. The purpose of the 'Seniors Coordinating Committee' is to provide a forum where issues and matters that impact on our senior citizens can be raised, discussed and where relevant, progressed or resolved. Throughout 2010 Council has been working closely with seniors to develop the facilities at the Senior Citizen's Centre, this includes the sourcing of new computers and equipment. The Council has also been negotiating with the key senior's groups to establish a new management structure for the '50 Plus Community Centre'.

### Youth

Council worked with various youth service providers in Alice Springs to coordinate and implement a program of activities for young people during the summer 09/10 school holidays. Research got underway in June into the establishment of a new Youth Coordinating Committee which is expected to begin in the 2010/2011 year.

### Community Grants

The Council continues to implement its twice yearly small grants program enabling local community organisations to access funds to support their activities.

## Community Events: An Economic Plus

Council is a proud supporter of key community events unique to Alice Springs. Throughout the 2009/10 financial year Council provided fundamental support to a number of valuable local events through cash assistance and in-kind support.



These events bring thousands of tourists to Central Australia annually, and significantly boost the local economy. Council is committed to recognising the social, cultural and economic benefits of festivals and to heavily promote their events, which not only attract tourists when they are visiting but are an essential part of the community atmosphere. Council's Tourism, Promotions and Events Committee continues to review and make recommendations back to Council regarding event support and sponsorship requests. Key events supported and committed to during the 2009/10 financial year include:

- 2009 Finke Desert Race
- 2009 Alice Springs Show
- 2009 Alice Desert Festival
- 2009 Henley on Todd
- JJJ One Night Stand 2010
- Todd Mall Markets Inc
- Imparja Cup 2010
- AFL NAB Challenge
- AFL Lightning Carnival
- 150th Anniversary of Stuart
- Lions Camel Cup 2009
- ASTC Night Markets 2009
- ASTC Christmas Carnival 2009
- Ride to Work Day 2009
- Mayoral Awards
- Citizenship Ceremonies
- Australia Day 2010
- Clean up Australia Day 2010
- Todd River Tucker & Damper Cook Off
- School Holiday Library Programs
- Seniors Month 2010



Other significant projects included the purchase and installation of Council's Christmas Tree, where the lights are switched on during one of the town's most attended events, the ASTC Christmas Carnival. Main and LED fairy lighting were installed in Todd Mall to assist with security and enhance the ambience during evening held events. Council's website was upgraded and launched along with the new look Community Calendar, the one stop shop for all community events in Alice.



## Library

Building our community involves undertaking social plans and strategies to guide the provision of development programs and activities. Promoting our library as being an engaging centre of learning, working in partnership with the community to build connections and developing other education opportunities are part of this.



Alice Springs Public Library offers the Central Australian community, which covers an area of more than 500,000 square kilometres, much more than books. It provides a diverse collection including fiction, non-fiction, large print, CDs, audio books, DVDs, magazines, newspapers, children's and young adult collections, graphic novels, an Indigenous Knowledge Collection and the local historical Alice Springs Collection. We also host a range of regular activities including story-time, baby rhyme time and school holiday programs, as well as seniors' events. We are looking at expanding these programs to include a broader range activities for the community.

Some services offered include:

- Computers available for Internet use
- Computers available for Word Processing
- Local Papers on a searchable database
- Wireless access
- Country Borrower program - delivery of books by plane for patrons living more than 100km away
- Reference Services
- Inter-Library Loans service
- Photocopying and Facsimile facilities
- Online Databases

Some innovative programs include:

- The Summer Reading Club - this year's summer reading club attracted 315 participants.
- Author talks including Jan Ormerod and Margaret Wild
- Story-time
- Baby Rhyme Time
- Exhibitions
- School holiday programs
- Bi-Lingual readings of IAD new releases
- Organised activities such as basket weaving workshop during Reconciliation Week

Statistics:

- 130,434 items borrowed
- 8,659 Members
- 5,163 new items added
- 41 new Country Borrowers
- 112 magazine subscriptions
- 106 local and interstate newspapers
- 150 inter-library loans
- 22,120 uses of the Internet
- 338 uses of wireless access



Expanding the number of electronic and digitised resources has been initiated in the Indigenous Knowledge Collections. This has been a response to both user preference and the small area containing these Collections.

The Akaltje Antheme collection budget has been used to support programs which Indigenous people provide to the library community, such as bi-lingual readings of IAD publications.

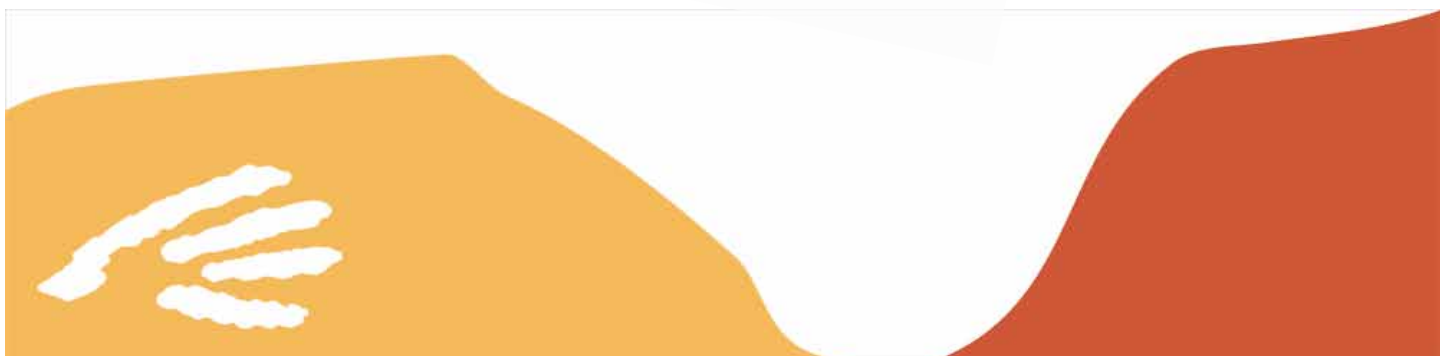
The Library is committed to moving with the times. This means continually developing the service to take advantage of new technologies and forms of delivery. It also means broadening our sources of income.

In 2009 Council registered the Library as a Deductible Gift Recipient with the Australian Tax Office. Individuals and organisations can now make financial donations to the Library and claim a deduction for the value of the donation against their tax.

In response to Council's initiative, the Library developed a strategy to maximise the whole of its income, not just from these new potential sources, but from conventional sources as well. The elements to the strategy are: government funding, from all levels of government; corporate sponsorship; grants, from government, philanthropic trusts and corporations; private support, or tax-deductible donations; and enterprise. Government funding will remain the most important source of Library income. The remaining elements are new activities, or existing activities that will be pursued more actively. As a result of pursuing all possible sources of income, the balance between funding sources will change, spreading risk and enhancing the Library's viability.

The Library has already been successful in obtaining sponsorship for some events and a grant to refurbish the Children's and Youth area. A slightly different focus to the Promotions and Events Officer position will ensure real development in these areas of the strategy.

Improving the preservation of items in the Alice Springs Collection has been a focus the Special Collections area during 2009 /2010. The Special Collections Librarian has liaised extensively with relevant staff at Northern Territory Library and the State Libraries of New South Wales and Victoria, drawing on their advice to source supplies and to apply processes which will maintain the condition of the items for as long as possible. To address the need for space to house this expanding collection, duplicate items have been housed off-site, and the Collection room reorganised to incorporate another 10.7 metres of shelving.



## **New Control of Public Places By-Laws**

During 2009/2010, the by-laws pertaining to the control of public places were re-written. At the July 2009 Ordinary Council Meeting, Aldermen resolved that the draft Alice Springs Management of Public Places By-laws 2009 (version 2) be put on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. The draft Public Places By-laws were put out to community consultation on Friday 31st July 2009 and were available for public comment for a period of 28 days, closing Friday 28th August 2009. Council held an information session on Wednesday 12th August 2009 to inform the community about the amendments and allow opportunities for feedback. Council also placed the draft document on the web site for people to read, make suggestions and give feedback. Extensive consultation resulted in an unprecedented number of submissions from the public. The final version was sent to the NT Government in November 2009 and was gazetted (and therefore came into effect) in September 2010. The latest amendments aim to improve peace, order and fair use of public places and the protection of amenities and environment whilst working towards a cleaner and safer community for all.

## **Dog Control on Town Camps**

Grants were received by the ASTC from the Federal and NT Governments to continue dog control in the Town Camps. These grants enable two full time Rangers, a vehicle and equipment to be applied on a full time basis to this program. This program involves liaising with town camp residents, promoting and administering dog registration, micro chipping for ID, and sterilization. Effective enforcement of a 2 dog per household policy has limited the amount of dogs that can be kept. This program is considered extremely successful. At time of writing over 193 dogs have been registered, microchipped and desexed in the Town Camps, with over 667 dogs having been removed. The residents of the Town Camps have been very positive towards the program and the relationship between Town Camp residents and the Rangers has been very cooperative.



## Sporting facilities

### Maintenance of Sporting Ovals

The maintenance of sporting ovals is a necessity for the effective recovery of the sporting fields. Throughout the sporting year, the ovals are subject to repetitive wear and tear from players, officials, general public, etc. A yearly maintenance schedule is required to enable the playing surface to be rejuvenated.

The main cause of field deterioration is compaction. This is due to the amount of foot traffic passing over a field during training and competition. Constant foot traffic leads to the wearing down of fields and repetitive training on the same area wears the playing surface out quickly.

During the warmer months, the grass has a chance to recover but during the cooler months the grass recovery rate is not as vigorous, hence the grass wears out and doesn't grow back. For this reason it is important to move training sessions around so as to not wear out one specific patch of turf.

Sporting facilities around Alice Springs have benefited from numerous technical services projects in 2009/10. In preparation for the 2010 Masters Games (expected to attract around 4,500 participants from across Australia) Council's sporting facility preparations were stepped up.

Alice Springs is nationally renowned for its exceptional sporting facilities, programs, and participation levels, and Council is committed to ensuring it stays that way. Council's Director Technical Services Greg Buxton said a large volume of Council's technical services works had been devoted to the upkeep and upgrades of significant sporting facilities and grounds throughout town.

### Major Projects

Major technical services works for sporting facilities across Alice Springs include:

- **TRAEGER PARK SPORTING COMPLEX**

New Corporate Box/Toilet Block

Completed

Cost: \$400,000

- **AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE**

Stage 1:

Outdoor Components

Completed

\$2.4m

Stage 2:

Indoor aquatic and leisure centre

In construction

Est. total cost:

\$15.5 Million



## Stage 1 & 2 - Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre

Stage 1 works at the new multi-million dollar Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre was completed in October 2008. The new Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre is the largest capital works project ever undertaken by the Alice Springs Town Council.



Stage 1 of the construction works includes a new learn-to-swim pool, a new paddle pool, and the draining and revitalisation of the existing outdoor 50 metre pool.

Stage 2 works started in September 2009, with an expected completion date of February 2010.

Council's Director Technical Services Greg Buxton is pleased with the project. "This is the first stage of a three stage program that will deliver Alice Springs an exciting Aquatic and Leisure Centre that will be one of the most modern facilities available in Australia," Mr. Buxton said. He added "It will include many environmental considerations and leading edge technology, specifically in plant and filtration systems"

The 2010 unprecedented rainfall had an impact on the excavation works. Negotiations, prior to commencement of the project, allowed for potential delays due to inclement weather. Consequently, the construction program has been able to proceed with no additional cost to the project due to the slight delays caused by these rain events.

An exciting development was approved for funding to incorporate solar water heating into the swimming pool design. The solar water heating system will sit on the roof of the building and will preheat water for the indoor pools as well as providing heating to the outdoor learn to swim and kiddies pool. This will allow them to operate for more months of the year than they currently do.

The centre will have many exciting features such as:

- Two fun water slides – the first with single loop and the second with double loops
- A heated indoor 8 lane, 25m swimming lap pool
- Upgraded kiosk/café reception, spectator seating, administration, and amenities.
- A second 20 metre pool will include: - beach entry, toddler area, indoor spa and lazy river, a four lane learn-to-swim section with disabled ramp access.

The Aquatic & Leisure Centre is a large project with an expenditure at over \$16 million. Due to the size and nature of the build it is being project managed by CAT Projects.



### 3. ENVIRONMENT

**GOAL:** To lead Australia in the management of its arid land natural resources.



Alice Springs' vast and unspoiled landscapes attract visitors from around the world. The community has an important role to play in the preservation and enhancement of this natural environment.

Town aesthetics and cleanliness have been identified as important to the community and receive a strong focus from Council.

The built environment of Alice Springs needs to complement the natural environment that surrounds the town as well as capturing the distinctive character of a thriving outback community.

Ensuring effective management of waste and a greater emphasis on greening and recycling are important roles for Council. This includes an awareness of water efficiency and the harnessing of natural energy sources.

The ongoing support and encouragement of community groups, such as the Arid Lands Environment Centre, the Alice Springs Environment Educators group, Desert Knowledge, and the Centre for Sustainable Arid Towns, who are involved in environmental programs will assist in achieving the outcomes of this goal.

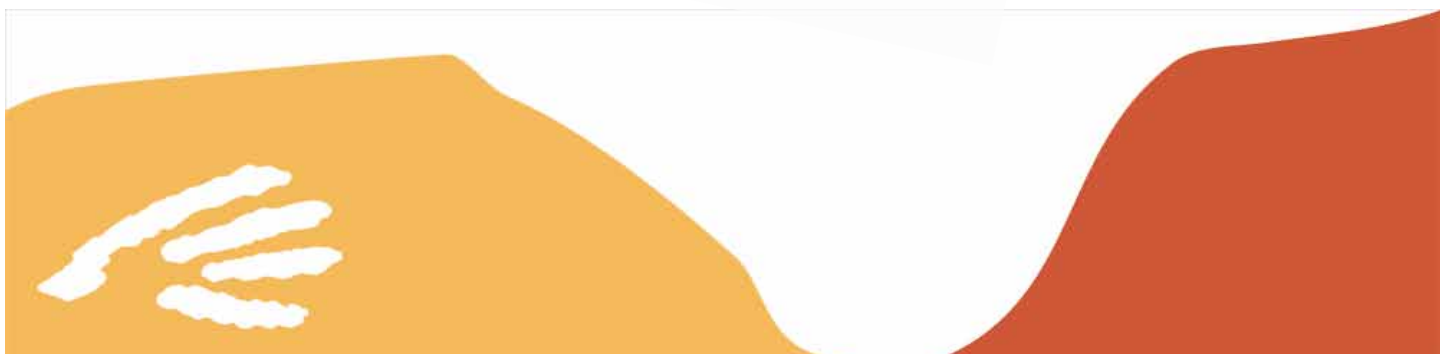
#### Goal Outcomes

- ◇ A clean and attractive town
- ◇ Preservation of natural and built environment
- ◇ More efficient use of energy and water

#### Waste management

Alice Springs Town Council is keen to take a leadership role for Central Australia by addressing the town's waste sustainability challenges. The sustainable management of resources and the natural environment in the municipality of the Town of Alice Springs include:

- Issues that relate to waste management relevant to Council functions
- Ensuring that Council's natural environment is protected and rehabilitated
- Reduction of waste and improvement of recycling of waste
- Strategies for the rehabilitation of native vegetation
- Ongoing support for the Council's Environment Advisory Committee allows for public input into decisions made by the Council in regard to waste management issues



## Cash for Containers

Council initiated a Cash for Containers program to try and reduce litter in Alice Springs. A 5 cent per container refund was offered, and in the first year of operation over one million containers were handed in for recycling.

The NT Government has decided to support the coming year's program in advance of the introduction of a Territory wide Container Deposit Legislation.

The Alice Springs Town Council Cash for Containers scheme brings in over 70,000 containers on average per operating day to the deposit centre. That makes for nearly 7 million fewer containers ending up in Council landfill. The program had its first milestone of the one millionth container collected in September 2009 and since then has gone from strength to strength. As of May 2010 over 5 million aluminium cans were collected and 600,000 glass drink containers, making 78 tonnes of aluminium cans and 600 cubic meters of glass.

The Alice Springs Town Council launched the "Cash for Glass & Aluminium Beverage Containers" recycling initiative in July 09. The program had proved so popular with the local community that a total of 7,144,327 containers were voluntarily collected in the program's first year of operation.

In June 2010 the Council Glass Crushing site was official opened by the Mayor Damien Ryan and Minister for Central Australia Karl Hampton. Later that day, the Mayor and Minister went on to lay a concrete footpath in a residential area of Alice Springs using the recycled glass as a replacement for river sand.

## Parks upgrades

The Rainbird Reticulation System has been further rolled out in Alice Springs in the 2009/2010 financial year. The Rainbird System has the cutting edge technology in monitoring and reducing water use on Council facilities. The system was installed with a weather station which provides data for the Parks and Gardens Department on numerous weather information including evapo-transpiration, temperature, humidity, solar radiation, rainfall, wind direction and velocity. Other features include the systems ability to detect faults in the irrigation programs. If sprinklers are damaged for any reason, the system detects a high flow rate on the solenoid valve and will shut down that sprinkler line, send a warning message to the central computer and move onto the next station. The system continues to deliver excellent results for the Alice Springs Town Council and the ratepayers of the town.



## Environment Advisory Committee (EAC) committee



Terms of Reference for the EAC is to provide advice and make formal recommendation to the Technical Services Standing Committee on public policy in matters relating to the sustainable management of resources and the natural environment in the Municipality of Alice Springs including:

- Consider issues that relate to waste management relevant to Council functions.
- Support Council with initiatives to minimise greenhouse gas emissions.
- Contribute to the improved water usage measures of the town.
- Ensure that Council's natural environment is protected and rehabilitated.
- Assist with development of educational mediums to raise the awareness of sustainable resource management and environmental issues.

The Committee is also concerned with matters referred to it by either the Technical Service Committee or Council. Issues that are of relevance to the Environment Advisory Committee include:

- Promotion of Solar-city technology.
- Promotion of cycling activities.
- Assist with the improvement of water wise usages and water savings devices in Alice Springs.
- Reduction of waste and improvement of recycling of waste.
- Strategy for the rehabilitation of native vegetation.





## 4. CULTURE & HERITAGE

**GOAL: A community proud of its indigenous heritage and pioneer history.**



The Alice Springs community is a “collage” of different nationalities and backgrounds, which, along with the large Indigenous population, has been fundamental in the development of the town. Alice Springs is proud of its history and the pioneers who have settled here.

Whilst cultural diversity is a major strength for our community, it is recognised that we need to strive to work together and be more united if we are to achieve the outcomes of this Plan. Increased cultural awareness and understanding, such as a respect for special Aboriginal sites and customs is critical to ensuring positive outcomes for not only the cultural aspects of this plan, but also the economic, community and environmental goals. Collaborative partnerships with Lhere Artepe Aboriginal Corporation and Tangentyere Council underpin the success of many of the community strategies in this Plan.

There is so much about Alice Springs that makes us unique, the people, the environment and our cultural heritage. This identity is important to all who live, work and visit Alice Springs, and we need to work together as a community to ensure its preservation and growth.

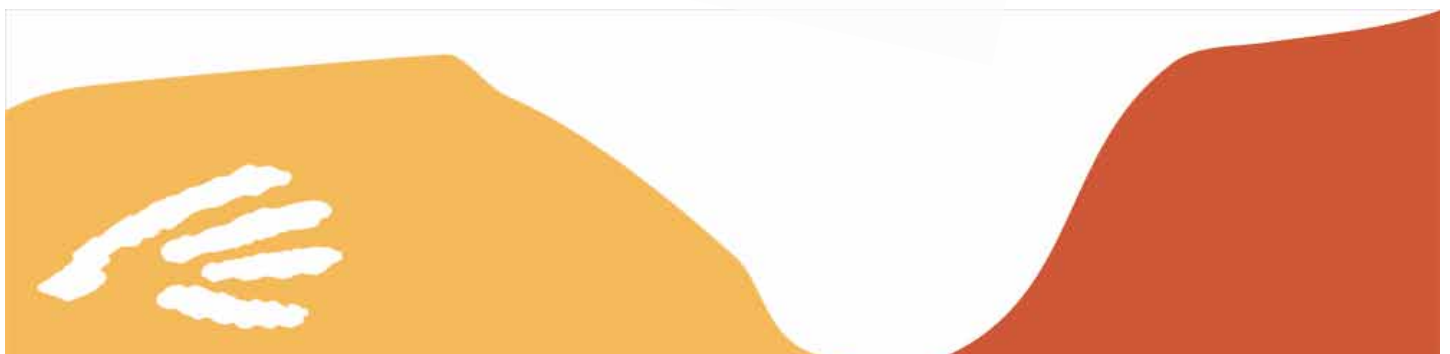
### Goal Outcomes

- ◇ Enhanced community spirit and pride
- ◇ Improved cultural awareness and understanding
- ◇ Preservation of unique identity

### Public art – Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre

Public Art will be an integral part of the new Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre. \$160,000 has been allocated, and incorporating the art into the project has been a key undertaking of 2009/2010. The major pieces are a mosaic walkway (utilising indigenous water stories), tile walls, native aquatic creature decals and a large mural.

Council’s Public Art Policy is to achieve a standard of professional excellence in the planning and execution of all public art projects. The policy is designed to develop a relevant, diverse and exciting collection of public art which celebrates local identity and essence of place and is of recognised high standard within Australia and abroad.



# 5. ORGANISATION

**GOAL: An organisation dedicated to good governance, effective leadership & provision of high quality services.**



The role of Council as a major service provider in the region, means that Council's staff must be skilled and equipped to deliver high quality responsive services. The strategies within this goal will promote a positive and professional organisational climate with an emphasis on staff development, retention and attraction.

It is important that Council ensure that there is ongoing formal and informal communication and consultation with the community as awareness of and involvement in Council's activities is essential to realising benefits from the services Council provides.

It is vital that Council maintains effective strategic and business planning processes to identify priorities and funding required. The plans need to be reviewed on a regular basis, be backed up by sound financial management systems and effective performance measurement and reporting processes.

## Goal Outcomes

- ◇ Skilled, committed and professional staff
- ◇ Effective communication and consultation with the Community
- ◇ Customer service culture

## Community Questionnaire

In February and March 2010 Alice Springs Town Council conducted a community questionnaire which is distributed every few years and information from this survey formulates the Council's future plans and the Strategic Plan document. These questionnaires are designed to ascertain important information and feedback from the Alice Springs community on issues such as performance of Council services and Council's future direction. The questionnaire was distributed to Alice Springs household, copies were available from the Civic Centre or downloadable from the web site.

## Our people, our staff

Alice Springs Town Council remains one of the largest employers in Alice Springs, and offers very good employment conditions. During 2009 a new Employment Agreement was successfully negotiated between management and staff, this coming into effect in December 2009.

Council received funding to employ an Indigenous Employment Officer, and the success of the position during the 2009/2010 year is evidenced by the increase in indigenous employment rate to 17% by the end of that year. This was due to both an increase in applications and retention of existing indigenous staff.

Council aims to retain a high quality workforce and is committed to learning and development. As such it has organised over 100 training courses, workshops and conferences for over 450 participants in a variety of areas including computer skills, machinery licenses, cultural awareness, customer service and OH&S procedures.

## **Staff Induction**

Council has a comprehensive induction process to aid all new staff in a smooth transition to their workplace. This includes basic facilities, tourism, introductions to all other staff members, job-specific equipment setup, and a seat at the next Council Induction Day.

Organised by Council's Recruitment and Training Officer, the Council induction days are held every few months and aim to present new staff with information on their role within the context of the wider organisation, and of the entire organisation's role within the community.

Induction Day's feature presentations from the Chief Executive Officer, Media and Communications Officer, Director Technical Services, Director Finance, and Director Corporate and Community Services, as well as the Human Resources Manager.

Staff also participate in a cultural awareness session presented by local cultural awareness experts. These sessions aim to contextualise cultural issues within Alice Springs, and familiarise new employees with Council and community cultural issues and arrangements. These sessions are of particular importance for new employees from interstate, and provide a basic understanding of the history and existing cultural practices throughout Central Australia.

## **Freedom of Information**

The Northern Territory Information Act applies to the Alice Springs Town Council. The Act gives to the general public a right to access information held by Council if it is in the public interest to do so. A person may also apply to access and if necessary correct personal information held by Council.

Under Section 11 of the Act, Council as a public sector organisation must publish a statement about its structure and functions, the kinds of information usually held by it and a description of its procedures for providing access to information and correcting personal information.

Council's functions are prescribed by the Act and include the control and management of:

- Public places
- Street lighting
- On and off street parking
- Markets
- Public transport
- Public toilets
- Sanitation and garbage
- Litter and street cleaning
- Animals
- Halls and public buildings
- The Alice Springs Swimming Centre
- The Alice Springs Public Library
- Parks, gardens and reserves
- Roads (with some exceptions)
- Cemeteries



## Structure and functions

The Alice Springs Town Council is a local government authority established under the Local Government Act. It is charged with the peace, order and good government of the Municipality of Alice Springs and has the control and management of that government.

## Kinds of Information

Broadly speaking, the Alice Springs Town Council holds information falling into the following categories:

- (a) information relating the discharge of its functions;
- (b) information related to inquiries and investigations into complaints against members of the public and Council employees;
- (c) information related to the management of Council including personnel, occupational health and safety, contracts, legal advice, financial records and information about asset management; and
- (d) information related to rates including the information in the assessment record kept by Council pursuant to section 152 of the Local Government Act.

Pursuant to section 200 of the Local Government Act, any person may inspect the current version of the various documents at Council's office free of charge, including:

- auditor's report
- Council's policy concerning Elected Members in relation to payment of expenses and provision of facilities
- assessment record (but not so as to disclose a ratepayer's history of payment of rates and charges)
- register of interests
- agendas for Council meetings
- a copy of the unconfirmed minutes of each meeting of Council or a Committee together with any recommendations and reports referred to in the meeting which are not prescribed as confidential. Please refer to the Act for a full list.

## Accessing Council information

In cases where information sought is not publicly available, any member of the public may request that information by completing and lodging with Council an Application to Access Council Information. This form is available from Council's office or may be downloaded from its website. A fee of \$38 is charged for receiving this application.

Council's Information Officer must make a decision within 30 days of application whether to grant access to the information sought or to refuse access to the information in whole or in part. If access is granted, a further processing fee may be charged in accordance with the Information Act depending of the nature and extent of the information sought. Photocopying fees may also be charged.

A decision to refuse access may only be based on the ground that the information sought is exempt under the Act because to disclose it would be contrary to the public interest. A person aggrieved by a decision to refuse access may apply to Council for a review of the decision. In that case, Council's Director Corporate and Community Services must conduct a review within 30 days of application. If the person remains aggrieved after the review, he or she may make a complaint to the Information Commissioner.

The following documents may also be inspected at Council's office or accessed at its website at [www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au](http://www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au):

- The previous 6 annual financial statements and annual reports
- Municipal Plan 2009 – 2013
- Strategic Plan 2010 – 2015

### **Accessing and correcting personal information**

Any member of the public may access their personal information by completing and lodging with Council an application for personal information. This form is also available from Council's office or may be downloaded from its website. No fee is charged for receiving or processing an application to access personal information.

If, after accessing their personal information, they consider that the information is wrong, incomplete or out-of-date, they may request that records containing information about them be corrected by completing and lodging with Council an Application to correct personal information.

Council's Information Officer must make a decision within 30 days of application to agree to the request, refuse the request or make different corrections to those requested. A person aggrieved by the decision is entitled to request Council to take reasonable steps to associate with that information a statement by him or her that the information is incorrect. This form is also available from Council's office or may be downloaded from its website. Again, no fee is charged for receiving or processing an application to correct personal information.

A detailed explanation of Council's procedures and requirements in relation to applications to access and correct information may be found in its publication access to Council information available at its office or website.



# Financial snapshot 2009 / 2010



## Operating Income and Operating Expenditure

The detailed audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2010 follow this report.

During the 2009/2010 financial year Council maintained its delivery of core services to the community at a high level. Services delivered included road and footpath maintenance, animal registration and control, waste management collection, landfill management, public cemeteries and toilets, the provision and maintenance of sporting and recreation facilities and the Alice Solar City project.

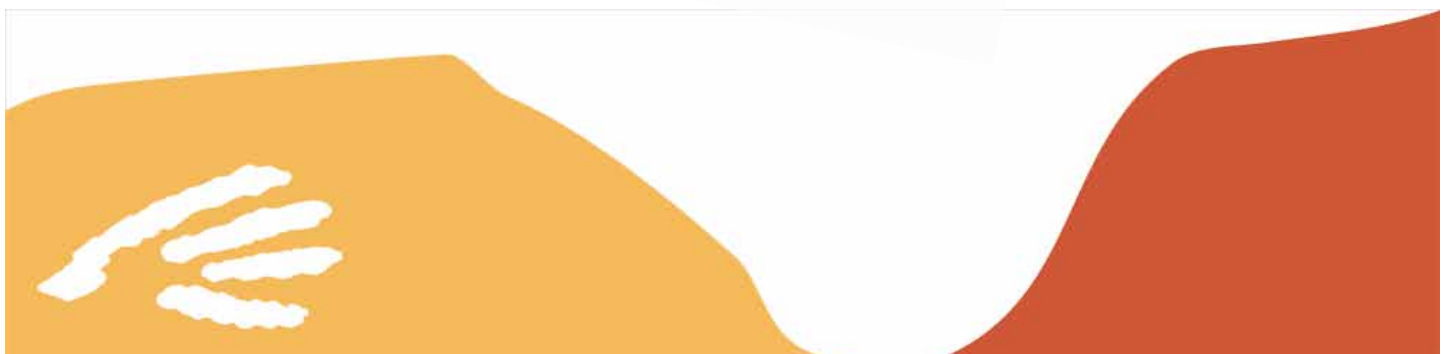
Revenue for 2009/2010 was raised from rates and annual charges, fees and charges, interest, grants and other revenue. Rates and annual charges increased by 13.36% from \$14.64m to \$16.60m. Grants and contributions increased from \$13.05m in 2008/2009 to \$14.97m in 2009/2010 reflecting an increase in funding of \$3.59m for the Alice Solar City project, \$0.6m for provision of a waste collection service to Town Camps, \$0.49m for new Public Toilets at Traeger Park, a further \$2.8m for the Aquatic & Leisure Centre project, \$0.4m for Revitalisation of Green Streetscapes and \$0.8m for work on Ilparpa Road and Undoolya Road Roundabout.

Expenses have increased by 16.91% from \$27.84m to \$32.55m.

### Summary of the Operating Income and Operating Expenses

#### OPERATING INCOME

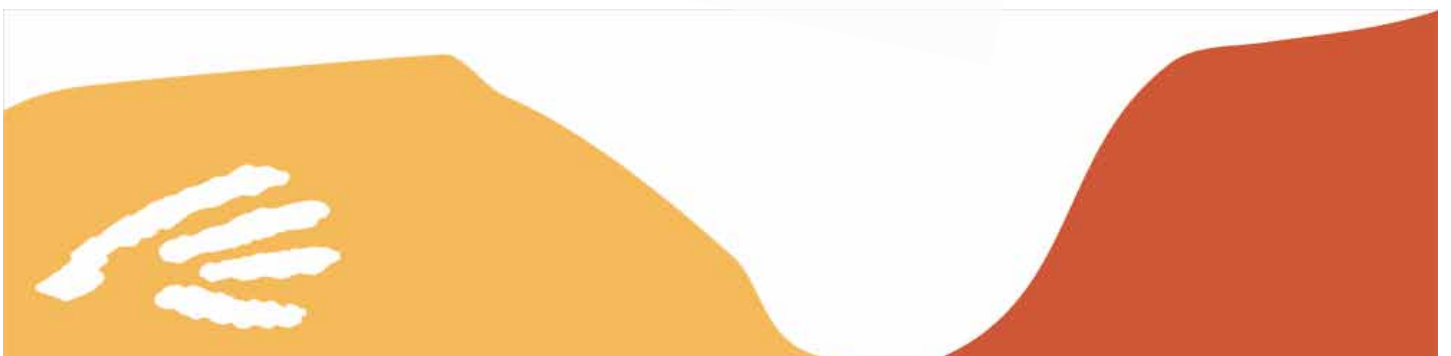
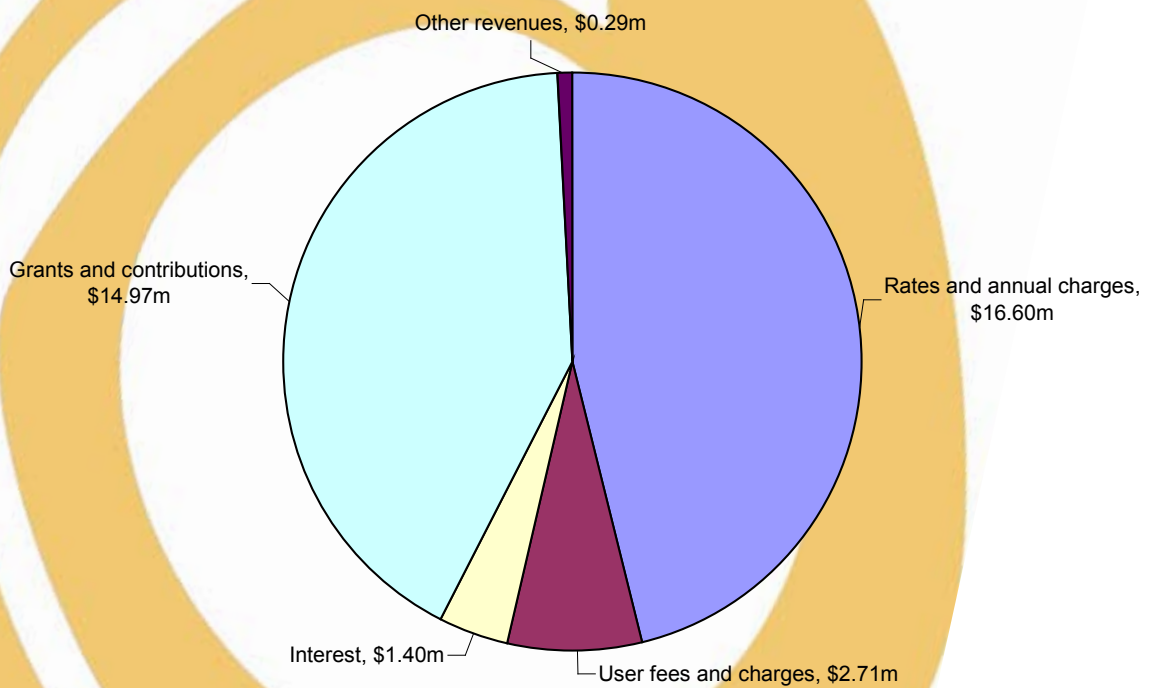
|  | 2006/07         | 2007/08         | 2008/09         | 2009/10         |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Rates and annual charges                 | \$12.07m        | \$13.33m        | \$14.64m        | \$16.60m        |
| User fees and charges                    | \$1.11m         | \$1.54m         | \$2.13m         | \$2.71m         |
| Interest                                 | \$1.10m         | \$1.29m         | \$1.38m         | \$1.40m         |
| Grants and contributions                 | \$3.81m         | \$7.32m         | \$13.05m        | \$14.97m        |
| Other revenues                           | \$0.39m         | \$0.29m         | \$0.26m         | \$0.29m         |
| Donated Assets Received                  | \$0.00m         | \$0.00m         | \$3.63m         | \$0.00m         |
| W/Back Prior Year Loss<br>on Revaluation | \$0.00m         | \$0.00m         | \$1.31m         | \$0.00m         |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>\$18.47m</b> | <b>\$23.77m</b> | <b>\$36.40m</b> | <b>\$35.97m</b> |



REVENUE BREAKDOWN GRAPH



Revenue Breakdown

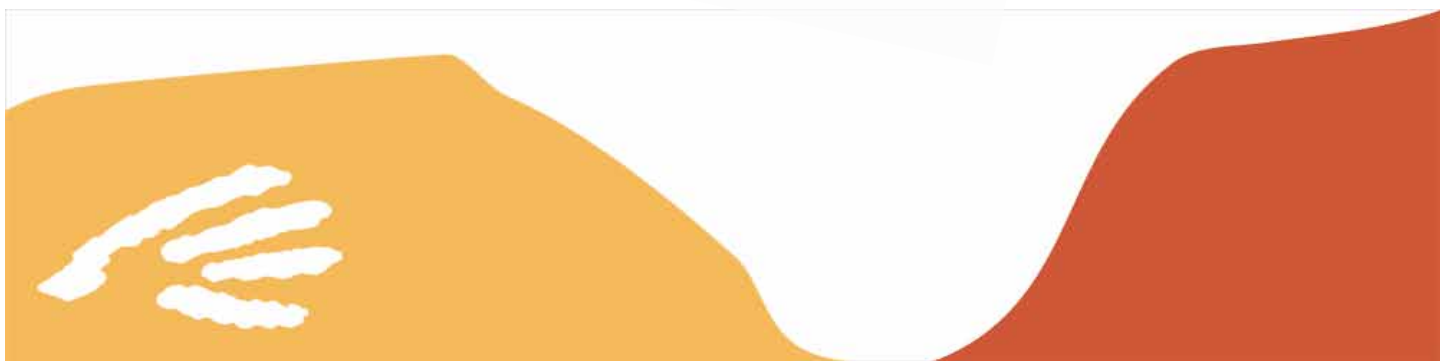
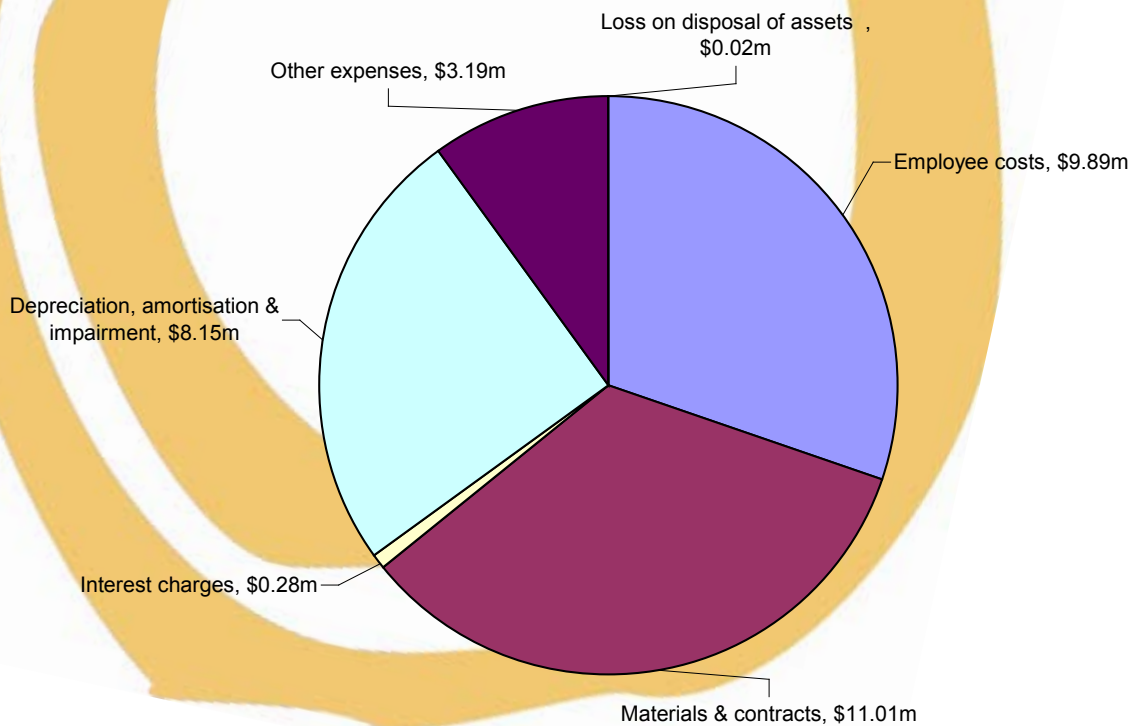


OPERATING EXPENDITURE



|   | 2006/07         | 2007/08         | 2008/09         | 2009/10         |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Employee costs                          | \$7.36m         | \$8.06m         | \$9.03m         | \$9.89m         |
| Materials & contracts                   | \$5.90m         | \$5.55m         | \$7.64m         | \$11.01m        |
| Interest charges                        | \$0.31m         | \$0.44m         | \$0.33m         | \$0.28m         |
| Depreciation, amortisation & impairment | \$4.69m         | \$4.69m         | \$8.07m         | \$8.15m         |
| Other expenses                          | \$2.31m         | \$2.44m         | \$2.53m         | \$3.19m         |
| Loss on disposal of assets              | \$0.02m         | \$0.03m         | \$0.24m         | \$0.02m         |
| <b>Total</b>                            | <b>\$20.58m</b> | <b>\$21.21m</b> | <b>\$27.84m</b> | <b>\$32.54m</b> |

Expenditure





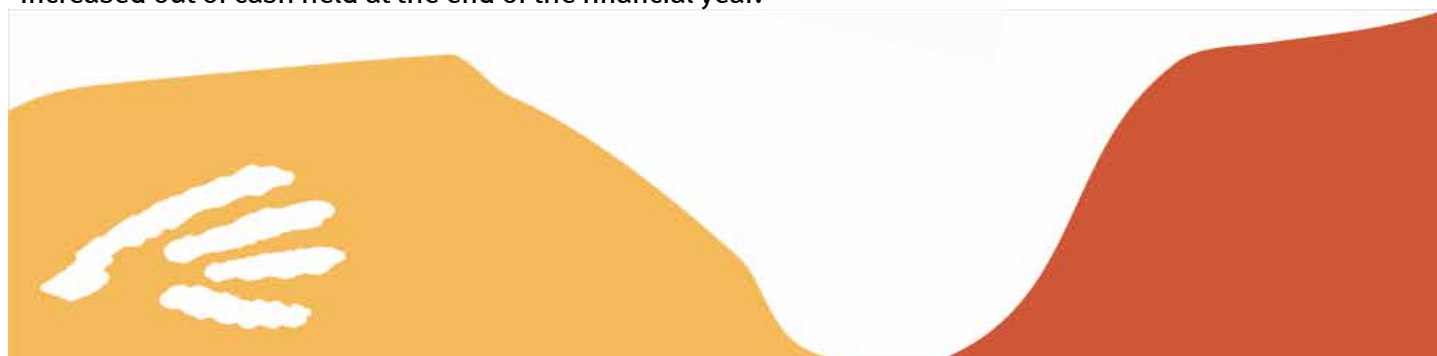
## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES



|                                |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>          | 2006/07          | 2007/08          | 2008/09          | 2009/10          |
| Cash Assets                    | \$14.48m         | \$17.86m         | \$24.15m         | \$23.81m         |
| Receivables                    | \$1.36m          | \$1.83m          | \$1.59m          | \$2.81m          |
| Inventories                    | \$0.09m          | \$0.21m          | \$0.17m          | \$0.08m          |
| Other                          | \$0.00m          | \$0.00m          | \$0.05m          | \$0.15m          |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$15.93m</b>  | <b>\$19.90m</b>  | <b>\$25.96m</b>  | <b>\$26.85m</b>  |
| <b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>      | 2006/07          | 2007/08          | 2008/09          | 2009/10          |
| Deferred Rates                 | \$0.06m          | \$0.06m          | \$0.04m          | \$0.01m          |
| Work in Progress               | \$0.56m          | \$1.63m          | \$1.20m          | \$9.68m          |
| Property, Plant & Equipment    | \$176.30m        | \$174.21m        | \$162.28m        | \$174.83m        |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$176.92m</b> | <b>\$175.90m</b> | <b>\$163.52m</b> | <b>\$184.53m</b> |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>     | 2006/07          | 2007/08          | 2008/09          | 2009/10          |
| Payables                       | \$1.38m          | \$1.75m          | \$1.39m          | \$3.21m          |
| Borrowings                     | \$0.23m          | \$0.25m          | \$0.27m          | \$0.29m          |
| Provisions                     | \$1.23m          | \$1.37m          | \$1.35m          | \$1.50m          |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$2.85m</b>   | <b>\$3.38m</b>   | <b>\$3.01m</b>   | <b>\$5.00m</b>   |
| <b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> | 2006/07          | 2007/08          | 2008/09          | 2009/10          |
| Borrowings                     | \$4.26m          | \$3.98m          | \$3.72m          | \$3.43m          |
| Provisions                     | \$2.15m          | \$2.28m          | \$2.43m          | \$2.47m          |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$6.41m</b>   | <b>\$6.26m</b>   | <b>\$6.15m</b>   | <b>\$5.90m</b>   |

Council's financial position at the end of the year shows that it is in a reasonable financial position and that it has carried out its core functions as required and provided additional planned expenditure to enhance the quality of life within the community of Alice Springs. Where Council has an obligation to carry out specific work as a condition of grant funding and that work has not yet been completed provision has been made to ensure that funds are carried forward into the next financial year.

Council continues to set aside reserve funds to meet future requirements and these are specifically set out in the detailed financial statements. Not all long term obligations, such as depreciation, are cash funded as Council does not have the cash resources to do so at this time but, where possible, cash provisions have been increased out of cash held at the end of the financial year.



# Key Performance Indicators 2009 / 2010



## Economic Performance Objectives & Measures

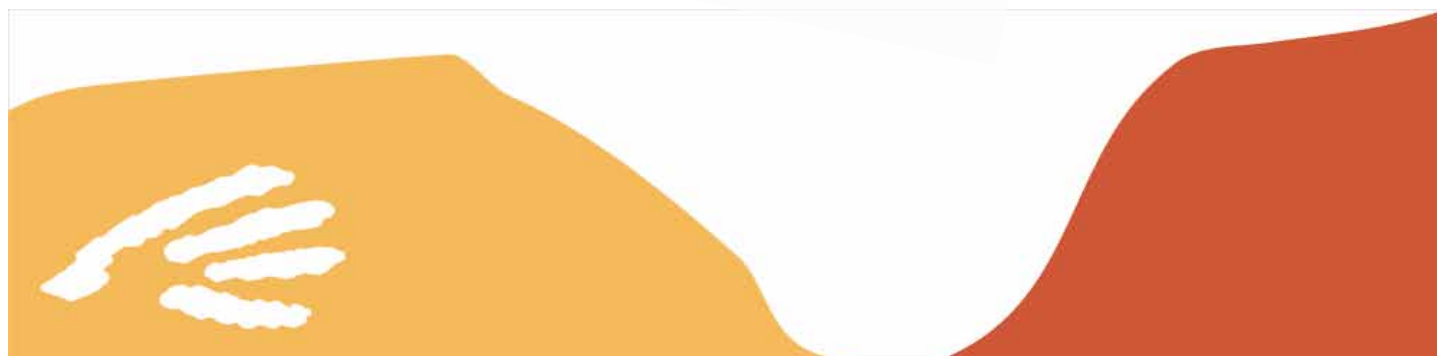
Strategic Goal 1 - Economic : A growing economic base underpinning strong employment

| Measures   | Target<br>2009/10 | 2007/08 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 |
|--|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Participation of Indigenous people in the economy<br>- Percentage of Indigenous employment in Alice Springs Town Council | 20%               | 14.20%  | 16.00%  | 15.60%  |

## Community Performance Objectives & Measures

Strategic Goal 2 - Community: A united, supportive and healthy community

| Measures  | Target<br>2009/10 | 2007/08               | 2008/09                | 2009/10                |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Youth Development and Well Being</b><br>- Number of youth events<br>- Number of visits of youth Arunta<br>- Number of Journeys of discovery conducted  | 5<br>1<br>2       | 1<br>0<br>0           | 1<br>0<br>0            | 1<br>0<br>0            |
| <b>Recreational, sporting and leisure facility programs</b><br><br><b>Library</b><br>- Library visits per capita<br>- Library loans per capita<br>- Library membership as a % of the population | 5<br>5<br>30%     | 8.49<br>5.14<br>30.3% | 7.94<br>4.74<br>30.34% | 6.92<br>3.62<br>28.30% |
| <b>Pool</b><br>- Per Annum pool patronage / total population<br>- Total number of visits  | 3<br>80,000       | 2.75<br>73,416        | 2.08<br>57,084         | 1.46<br>43,730         |

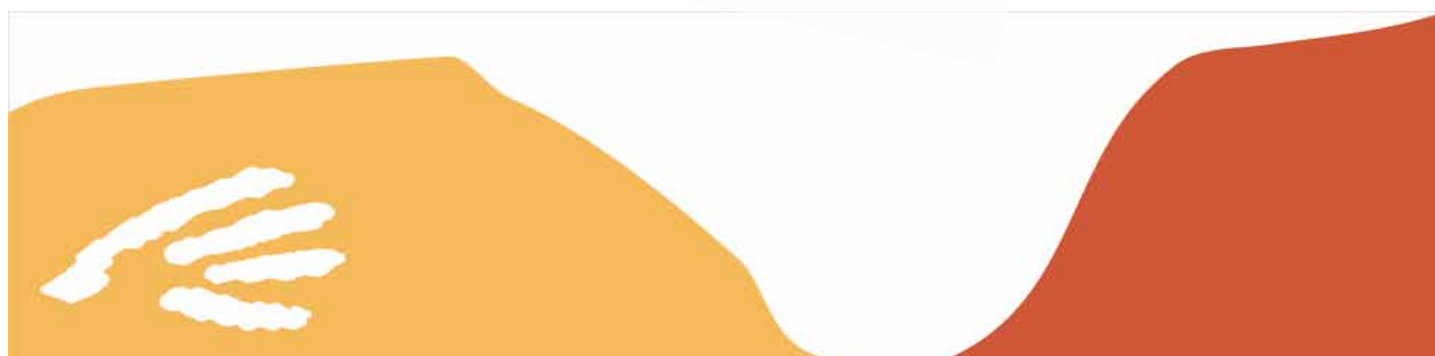


## Environment Performance Objectives & Measures

**Strategic Goal 3 - Environment: To lead Australia in the management of its arid land and natural resources.**



| Measures  | Target<br>2009/10 | 2007/08  | 2008/09  | 2009/10  |
|---|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>Waste</b>  |                   |          |          |          |
| - Number of properties serviced                             | 9,283             | 9,254    | 9,273    | 9,235    |
| - Average collection cost per residential property serviced | \$54              | \$62     | \$53.71  | \$57.87  |
| - Dump operating costs per serviced property                | \$147             | \$139.96 | \$126.83 | \$132.76 |
| - Cost of public litter collection per capita               | \$23              | \$23.40  | \$25.52  | \$31.26  |
| - Garbage collection complaints per residential property    | 0.0054            | 0.011    | 0.0859   | 0.0110   |
| - Number of complaints concerning litter in public places   | 25                | 208      | 174      | 82       |
| <b>Roads</b>  |                   |          |          |          |
| - Length of sealed roads                                    | 235km             | 235km    | 235km    | 235km    |
| - Length of gravel & formed roads                           | 18km              | 18km     | 18km     | 18km     |
| - Maintenance costs per kilometre of sealed road            | \$2,100           | \$1,069  | \$1,559  | \$1,798  |
| - Maintenance costs per kilometre of unsealed road          | \$850             | \$358    | \$119    | \$138    |
| - Maintenance costs as a % of asset value of sealed roads   | 0.40%             | 0.002%   | 0.92%    | 1.17%    |
| - Maintenance costs as % asset value of unsealed road       | 6.70%             | 0.17%    | 0.91%    | 1.33%    |
| - Total road expenditure as % of total council expenditure  | 2.20%             | 0.007%   | 1.53%    | 6.80%    |
| - Road surface complaints                                   | 25                | 156      | 124      | 25       |
| <b>Open Space</b>   |                   |          |          |          |
| - Number of trees planted / replaced per annum              | 500               | 500      | 750      | 3,500    |



## Culture and Heritage Performance Objectives & Measures



**Strategic Goal 4 - Culture and Heritage: A community proud of its Indigenous heritage and pioneer history.**

| Measures  | Target<br>2009/10 | 2007/08 | 2008/09 | 2009/10 |
|---|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Culture preservation and harmony  |                   |         |         |         |
| - Maintenance or improvement of attendance per cultural event / festival. | 20%               | 50%     | 80%     | 50%     |

## Organisation Performance Objectives & Measures

**Strategic Goal 5 - Organisation: An organisation dedicated to good governance, effective leadership and provision of high quality services.**

| Measures   | Target<br>2009/10 | 2007/08           | 2008/09           | 2009/10          |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Community Management   |                   |                   |                   |                  |
| - Debt servicing and recovery costs as % of total income                       | 2%                | 1.25%             | 0.76%             | 0.72%            |
| - Current liabilities as % of realisable assets                                | 20%               | 16.99%            | 11.58%            | 18.61%           |
| - Local government related grants as % of income                               | 20%               | 19.69%            | 32.13%            | 39.63%           |
| - Average rate & service charges per residential property                      | \$979.62          | \$1,485           | \$1,414           | \$1,584          |
| - Percentage of rates outstanding  | 4.5%              | 5.9%              | 7.23%             | 7.16%            |
| - Contract expenditure via competitive tendering as % of the total operational | 38.89%            | 12.13%            | 27.44%            | 14.16%           |
| - Rates as % of total income   | 64%               | 56.06%            | 40.22%            | 46.15%           |
| - Charges and services fees as a % of income                                   | 6%                | 6.47%             | 5.85%             | 7.54%            |
| - How often are the Council's Strategic Plan and Business Plan reviewed?       | 12 mth<br>& 3 mth | 12 mth<br>& 3 mth | 12 mth<br>& 3 mth | 12mth<br>& 3 mth |
| Training and Development   |                   |                   |                   |                  |
| - Total \$ training & development as % of total wages & salaries.              | 2%                | 0.88%             | 1.36%             | 1.41%            |
| - Number EFT exits as % of total EFT at year end.                              | 32%               | 39.6%             | 31.95%            | 30.04%           |



# Alice Springs Town Council

## GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2009/2010

*Through innovative leadership and good governance,  
Alice Springs Town Council will provide services to  
meet the present and changing needs of our community.*

# **Alice Springs Town Council**

## **General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010**

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# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S STATEMENT

I, Rex Roger Mooney, the Chief Executive Officer of the Alice Springs Town Council, hereby certify that the General Purpose Financial Statements:

- (a) have been drawn up in accordance with the applicable Australian Accounting Standards, the Local Government Act and the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations so as to present fairly the financial position of the Council and the results for the year; and
- (b) are in accordance with the accounting and other records of the Council.

  
Rex Roger Mooney  
Chief Executive Officer

28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2010  
Date

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Alice Springs Town Council (the "Council"), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2010, and the income statement, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of cash flows and the statement of changes in equity for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Chief Executive Officer's statement.

#### *The Responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer for the Financial Report*

The Chief Executive Officer of the Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Local Government Act 1993, (the "Act"), the Local Government Accounting Code and Local Government (Accounting) Regulations. The responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### *Auditor's Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit and whether the Council has complied with the requirements of the Act in relation to the keeping of accounting records. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Council's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Chief Executive Officer, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL (continued)

#### *Auditor's Independence Declaration*

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional accounting bodies.

#### *Auditor's Opinion*

In our opinion, the financial report of Alice Springs Town Council presents fairly, in all material respects, the Council's financial position as at 30 June 2010, and its financial performance, its cash flows and its changes in equity for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations).



DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU



W R McAinsh  
Partner  
Chartered Accountants

Alice Springs, 30/09/2010.

# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### INCOME STATEMENT

|  | Notes  | 2010<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$        |
|--|--------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                              |        |                   |                   |
| Rates & Annual Charges                       | 3(a)   | 16,598,530        | 14,642,917        |
| User Charges & Fees                          | 3(b)   | 2,711,264         | 2,131,313         |
| Interest                                     | 3(c)   | 1,397,035         | 1,377,812         |
| Grants & Contributions                       | 3(d&e) | 14,971,450        | 13,054,337        |
| Other Revenues                               | 3(f)   | 289,042           | 255,510           |
| Donated Assets Received                      | 3(g)   | -                 | 3,633,000         |
| Write Back of Prior Year Loss on Revaluation | 3(g)   | -                 | 1,311,250         |
| <b>Revenues from Ordinary Activities</b>     |        | <b>35,967,321</b> | <b>36,406,139</b> |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                              |        |                   |                   |
| Employee Costs                               | 4(a)   | 9,891,719         | 9,031,971         |
| Materials & Contracts                        | 4(b)   | 11,013,247        | 7,641,117         |
| Interest Charges                             | 4(c)   | 283,920           | 329,706           |
| Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment      | 4(d)   | 8,153,450         | 8,068,414         |
| Other Expenses                               | 4(e)   | 3,188,787         | 2,534,648         |
| Write Down of Assets on Revaluation          | 4(f)   | -                 | 1,049             |
| Loss on Disposal of Assets                   | 5      | 18,563            | 235,004           |
| <b>Expenses from Ordinary Activities</b>     |        | <b>32,549,686</b> | <b>27,841,909</b> |
| <b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year</b>      |        | <b>3,417,635</b>  | <b>8,564,230</b>  |

### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

|  | 2010<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$          |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year</b>        | <b>3,417,635</b>  | <b>8,564,230</b>    |
| <b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>              |                   |                     |
| Gain Arising on Revaluation of Property        | 16,590,400        | ( 14,105,420)       |
| <b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR</b> | <b>20,008,035</b> | <b>( 5,541,190)</b> |

*This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.*

# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements as at 30th June 2010

### BALANCE SHEET

|                                      | Notes | 2010<br>\$         | 2009<br>\$         |
|--------------------------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                |       |                    |                    |
| Cash Assets                          | 6     | 23,805,979         | 24,151,345         |
| Receivables                          | 7     | 2,807,806          | 1,585,809          |
| Inventories                          | 8(a)  | 78,844             | 171,046            |
| Other                                | 8(b)  | 152,583            | 51,473             |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>          |       | <u>26,845,212</u>  | <u>25,959,673</u>  |
| <b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>            |       |                    |                    |
| Deferred Rates                       |       | 12,386             | 40,294             |
| Work in Progress                     | 8(c)  | 9,682,400          | 1,201,792          |
| Property, Plant & Equipment          | 9     | 174,833,959        | 162,417,329        |
| <b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>      |       | <u>184,528,745</u> | <u>163,659,415</u> |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                  |       | <u>211,373,957</u> | <u>189,619,088</u> |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>           |       |                    |                    |
| Payables                             | 10(a) | 3,209,500          | 1,389,630          |
| Borrowings                           | 10(b) | 289,207            | 270,101            |
| Provisions                           | 10(c) | 1,496,170          | 1,347,856          |
| <b>Total Current Liabilities</b>     |       | <u>4,994,877</u>   | <u>3,007,587</u>   |
| <b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>       |       |                    |                    |
| Borrowings                           | 10(d) | 3,427,524          | 3,716,643          |
| Provisions                           | 10(e) | 2,473,707          | 2,425,044          |
| <b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b> |       | <u>5,901,231</u>   | <u>6,141,687</u>   |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>             |       | <u>10,896,108</u>  | <u>9,149,274</u>   |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                    |       | <u>200,477,849</u> | <u>180,469,814</u> |
| <b>EQUITY</b>                        |       |                    |                    |
| Accumulated Surplus                  |       | 18,327,225         | 12,191,323         |
| Asset Revaluation Surplus            |       | 161,436,414        | 144,846,014        |
| Other Reserves                       |       | 20,714,210         | 23,432,477         |
| <b>Total Equity</b>                  |       | <u>200,477,849</u> | <u>180,469,814</u> |

*This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.*

# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

|   | 2010<br>\$                | 2009<br>\$                |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>ACCUMULATED SURPLUS</b>                    |                           |                           |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | 12,191,323                | 10,912,293                |
| Net Result for the Reporting Period           | 3,417,635                 | 8,564,230                 |
| Transfers from Asset Revaluation Surplus      | -                         | -                         |
| Transfers to Other Reserves                   | ( 9,679,930)              | ( 14,314,716)             |
| Transfers from Other Reserves                 | 12,398,197                | 7,029,516                 |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u><u>18,327,225</u></u>  | <u><u>12,191,323</u></u>  |
| <b>ASSET REVALUATION SURPLUS</b>              |                           |                           |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | 144,846,014               | 158,951,433               |
| Revaluation of Property, Plant & Equipment    | 16,590,400                | ( 14,105,419)             |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u><u>161,436,414</u></u> | <u><u>144,846,014</u></u> |
| <b>OTHER RESERVES</b>                         |                           |                           |
| <b>AQUATIC CENTRE RESERVE</b>                 |                           |                           |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | 10,073,441                | 9,533,534                 |
| Transfers to Aquatic Centre Reserve           | 1,035,340                 | 3,751,206                 |
| Transfers from Aquatic Centre Reserve         | ( 4,162,305)              | ( 3,211,299)              |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u><u>6,946,476</u></u>   | <u><u>10,073,441</u></u>  |
| <b>ASSET REPLACEMENT RESERVE</b>              |                           |                           |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | 30,000                    | 30,000                    |
| Transfers to Asset Replacement Reserve        | -                         | -                         |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u><u>30,000</u></u>      | <u><u>30,000</u></u>      |
| <b>CAPITAL (INFRASTRUCTURE) RESERVE</b>       |                           |                           |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | 2,733,875                 | 1,083,875                 |
| Transfers to Capital (Infrastructure) Reserve | 100,000                   | 1,650,000                 |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u><u>2,833,875</u></u>   | <u><u>2,733,875</u></u>   |
| <b>DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS RESERVE</b>        |                           |                           |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | 122,192                   | 122,192                   |
| Transfers to Developer Contributions Reserve  | -                         | -                         |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u><u>122,192</u></u>     | <u><u>122,192</u></u>     |

*This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.*

# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Cont'd)

|   | 2010<br>\$       | 2009<br>\$       |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| <b>EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENTS RESERVE</b>                |                  |                  |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period        | 298,662          | 298,662          |
| Transfers to Employee Entitlements Reserve          | -                | -                |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | <u>298,662</u>   | <u>298,662</u>   |
| <b>SPORTS FACILITY RESERVE</b>                      |                  |                  |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period        | 660,058          | 697,186          |
| Transfers to Sports Facility Reserve                | 107,905          | 149,262          |
| Transfers from Sports Facility Reserve              | ( 343,000)       | ( 186,390)       |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | <u>424,963</u>   | <u>660,058</u>   |
| <b>TREE REPLACEMENT RESERVE</b>                     |                  |                  |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period        | 231,118          | -                |
| Transfers to Tree Replacement Reserve               | -                | 231,118          |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | <u>231,118</u>   | <u>231,118</u>   |
| <b>UNEXPENDED FUNDS RESERVE</b>                     |                  |                  |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period        | 7,892,892        | 3,661,828        |
| Transfers to Unexpended Funds Reserve               | 7,641,446        | 7,862,891        |
| Transfers from Unexpended Funds Reserve             | ( 7,892,892)     | ( 3,631,827)     |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | <u>7,641,446</u> | <u>7,892,892</u> |
| <b>URBAN DRIFT / POPULATION STUDY RESERVE</b>       |                  |                  |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period        | 45,000           | -                |
| Transfers to Urban Drift / Population Study Reserve | -                | 45,000           |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | <u>45,000</u>    | <u>45,000</u>    |
| <b>WASTE MANAGEMENT RESERVE</b>                     |                  |                  |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period        | 1,345,239        | 720,000          |
| Transfers to Waste Management Reserve               | 495,239          | 625,239          |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | <u>1,840,478</u> | <u>1,345,239</u> |

*This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.*

# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Cont'd)

|   | 2010<br>\$         | 2009<br>\$         |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>WORKING CAPITAL RESERVE</b>                |                    |                    |
| Balance at Beginning of the Reporting Period  | -                  | -                  |
| Transfers to Working Capital Reserve          | 300,000            | -                  |
| <b>Balance at End of the Reporting Period</b> | <u>300,000</u>     | <u>-</u>           |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER RESERVES</b>                   | <u>20,714,210</u>  | <u>23,432,477</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>                           | <u>200,477,849</u> | <u>180,469,814</u> |

*This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.*

# Alice Springs Town Council

## General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### CASH FLOW STATEMENT

|  | Notes | 2010<br>\$               | 2009<br>\$               |
|--|-------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>      |       |                          |                          |
| <b><u>Receipts</u></b>                           |       |                          |                          |
| Rates & Annual Charges                           |       | 16,576,995               | 14,440,831               |
| User Charges & Fees                              |       | 2,672,712                | 2,301,961                |
| Interest   |       | 1,365,689                | 1,364,554                |
| Grants & Contributions                           |       | 15,671,817               | 13,766,597               |
| Other Revenues                                   |       | 69,304                   | 360,228                  |
| <b><u>Payments</u></b>                           |       |                          |                          |
| Employee Costs                                   |       | ( 8,034,795)             | ( 8,923,335)             |
| Materials & Contracts                            |       | ( 3,253,369)             | ( 9,516,739)             |
| Interest Charges                                 |       | ( 259,440)               | ( 277,098)               |
| Other Expenses                                   |       | ( 12,405,415)            | ( 1,591,464)             |
| <b>Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities</b> | 11(b) | <u>12,403,498</u>        | <u>11,925,535</u>        |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>      |       |                          |                          |
| <b><u>Receipts</u></b>                           |       |                          |                          |
| Sale of Property, Plant & Equipment              | 5     | 233,045                  | 159,228                  |
| <b><u>Payments</u></b>                           |       |                          |                          |
| Purchase of Property, Plant & Equipment          |       | ( 4,231,288)             | ( 5,968,302)             |
| Work in Progress                                 |       | ( 8,480,608)             | 429,218                  |
| <b>Net Cash Used In Investing Activities</b>     |       | <u>( 12,478,851)</u>     | <u>( 5,379,856)</u>      |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>      |       |                          |                          |
| <b><u>Payments</u></b>                           |       |                          |                          |
| Repayments of Borrowings & Advances              |       | ( 270,013)               | ( 250,870)               |
| <b>Net Cash Used In Financing Activities</b>     |       | <u>( 270,013)</u>        | <u>( 250,870)</u>        |
| <b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held</b>      |       | <u>( 345,366)</u>        | <u>6,294,809</u>         |
| Cash at Beginning of the Reporting Period        |       | 24,151,345               | 17,856,536               |
| <b>Cash at End of the Reporting Period</b>       | 11(a) | <u><u>23,805,979</u></u> | <u><u>24,151,345</u></u> |

*This Statement is to be read in conjunction with the attached Notes.*

# **Alice Springs Town Council**

## **Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010**

### **Note 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **1 Basis of Preparation**

##### **1.1 Compliance with Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards**

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) as they apply to not-for-profit entities, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations (UIGs) and relevant Northern Territory Legislation.

##### **1.2 Historical Cost Convention**

Except where stated below, these financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

##### **1.3 Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with AIFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates, and requires management to exercise its judgement in applying Council's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are specifically referred to in the relevant sections of this Note.

#### **2 The Local Government Reporting Entity**

Alice Springs Town Council is incorporated under the NT Local Government Act as amended and has its principal place of business on Todd Street, Alice Springs. These financial statements include the consolidated fund and all entities through which Council controls resources to carry on its functions. In the process of reporting on the Council as a single unit, all transactions and balances between activity areas and controlled entities have been eliminated.

#### **3 Revenue Recognition**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Revenue is recognised when the Council obtains control over the assets comprising the revenue, or when the amount due constitutes an enforceable debt, whichever occurs first.

Where grants, contributions and donations recognised as revenues during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the amounts subject to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in these notes. Also, disclosed is the amount of grants, contributions and receivables recognised as revenues in a previous reporting period which were obtained in respect of the Council's operations for the current reporting period.



# Alice Springs Town Council

## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

#### 4 Cash Assets and Other Financial Instruments

Cash Assets include all amounts readily convertible to cash on hand at Council's option with an insignificant risk of changes in value with a maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Receivables for rates and annual charges are secured over the subject land, and bear interest at rates determined in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 (as amended) and the Regulations and Determinations made thereunder. Other receivables are generally unsecured and do not bear interest. All receivables are reviewed as at the reporting date and adequate allowance made for amounts the receipt of which is considered doubtful.

All financial instruments are recognised at fair value at the date of recognition.

#### 5 Inventories

Inventories held in respect of stores have been valued by using the weighted average cost on a continual basis, after adjustment for loss of service potential. Inventories held in respect of business undertakings have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### 6 Property, Plant & Equipment

##### 6.1 Transitional Provisions

At its meeting of 30th June 2008, Council elected to continue not to recognise land under roads, acquired before 30th June 2008, in accordance with the provisions of *section 8 of AASB 1051 Land Under Roads*.

All non-current assets purposed or constructed are capitalised as the expenditure is incurred and depreciated as soon as the asset is held "ready for use".

##### 6.2 Materiality

Assets with an economic life in excess of one year are only capitalised where the cost of acquisition exceeds materiality thresholds established by Council for each type of asset. In determining (and in annually reviewing) such thresholds, regard is had to the nature of the asset and its estimated service life. Capitalisation thresholds applied during the year under review are as follows:

|                                     |                                |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Land - Council owned and controlled | All Land Capitalised           |
| Land Improvements                   | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| Buildings                           | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| Furniture & Office Equipment        | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| Plant & Equipment                   | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| Infrastructure:                     |                                |
| - Sealed Roads                      | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| - Unsealed Roads                    | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| - Stormwater Drainage               | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| - Other                             | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |
| Art Collection & Heritage           | Capitalised if value > \$2,000 |

# Alice Springs Town Council

## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

#### 6.3 Valuation

Existing valuations, methods and values are detailed below. Purchased assets brought to account for the first time are valued at historical cost. Donated assets brought to account for the first time are valued at fair value. Assets are revalued every 3 to 5 years.

##### 6.3.1 Land - Council owned and Council controlled

Freehold land and land over which Council has control, but does not have title, was valued by the Australian Valuation Office on the basis of fair market value on the 1st July 2009 and is disclosed at fair value.

##### 6.3.2 Buildings / Furniture & Office Equipment / Plant & Equipment / - Sealed Roads / - Unsealed Roads / - Stormwater Drainage / - Other Infrastructure

These assets were valued by the Australian Valuation Office on 1st July 2008 and pursuant to Council's election are disclosed at fair value. All acquisitions since revaluation are recorded at cost.

##### 6.3.4 Art Collection & Heritage

The Art Collection was valued by Mr William Mora, an independent valuer, on 1st July 2004 and pursuant to Council's election is disclosed at fair value. All acquisitions since revaluation are recorded at cost.

#### 6.4 Depreciation of Non-Current Assets

Other than Land and Art Collection & Heritage, all Property, Plant and Equipment assets recognised are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the service potential embodied in those assets.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis. Major depreciation periods for each class of asset are as follows:

| <b>Asset</b>                 | <b>Major Depreciation Periods</b> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Land Improvements            | 10 - 25 years                     |
| Buildings                    | 20 - 50 years                     |
| Furniture & Office Equipment | 10 - 20 years                     |
| Plant & Equipment            | 5 - 20 years                      |
| Infrastructure:              |                                   |
| - Sealed Roads               | 40 - 50 years                     |
| - Unsealed Roads             | 10 - 25 years                     |
| - Stormwater Drainage        | 50 - 100 years                    |
| - Other                      | 10 - 25 years                     |

Depreciation periods for infrastructure assets have been estimated based on the best information available to Council, but appropriate records covering the entire life cycle of these assets are not available, and extreme care should be used in interpreting financial information based on these estimates.

# Alice Springs Town Council

## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

#### 6.5 Impairment

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to depreciation and are reviewed annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to depreciation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount (which is the higher of the *present value of future cash outflows* or *value in use*).

For assets whose future economic benefits are not dependent on the ability to generate cash flows, and where the future economic benefits would be replaced if Council were deprived thereof, the *value in use* is the depreciated replacement cost. In assessing impairment for these assets, a rebuttable assumption is made that the current replacement cost exceeds the original cost of acquisition.

#### 6.6 Prior Year Correction

Adjustments have been made to prior year's comparisons in relation to the following:

Land with a carrying value of \$743,000 was restated to the correct valuation of \$74,000 and adjusted against the Revaluation Reserve at 1/7/08, due to duplicate inclusion of the value of lot 8199 on revaluation at 1/7/04.

Land consisting of laneways, a verge and open space with a carrying value of \$854,500 was added to the asset register and adjusted against Accumulated Funds at 1/7/08 all having previously been omitted from the register.

A toilet block with a net carrying value of \$58,353 was removed from the asset register and adjusted against Accumulated Funds at 1/7/08 due to the asset having previously been disposed of.

Two items of plant & equipment were added to the asset register and adjusted against Accumulated Funds at 1/7/08 as they were erroneously not capitalised at the purchase date in 2005.

#### 7 Payables

##### 7.1 Goods & Services

Creditors are amounts due to external parties for the supply of goods and services and are recognised as liabilities when the goods and services are received. Creditors are normally paid 30 days after the month of invoice. No interest is payable on these amounts.

##### 7.2 Payments Received in Advance & Deposits

Amounts received from external parties in advance of service delivery, and security deposits held against possible damage to Council assets, are recognised as liabilities until the service is delivered or damage reinstated, or the amount is refunded as the case may be.

# Alice Springs Town Council

## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

#### 8 Borrowings

Borrowings are carried at their principal amounts which represent the present value of future cash flows associated with servicing the debt.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities to the extent that they are payable within 12 months and as non-current liabilities where Council has the right to defer payment beyond 12 months from the reporting date.

#### 9 Employee Benefits

##### 9.1 Salaries, Wages & Compensated Absences

Liabilities for employees' entitlements to salaries, wages and compensated absences expected to be paid or settled within 12 months of the reporting date are accrued at nominal amounts (including payroll based on-costs) measured in accordance with *AASB119 Employee Benefits*.

Liabilities for employee benefits not expected to be paid or settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows (including payroll based on-costs) to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Present values are calculated using government guaranteed securities rates with similar maturity terms.

|                                    | Long Service Leave | Annual Leave |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Weighted average discount rate     | 7.97%              | 3.00%        |
| Weighted average settlement period | 2.37 years         | 1 year       |

No accrual is made for sick leave as Council experience indicates that, on average, sick leave taken in each reporting period is less than the entitlement accruing in that period, and this experience is expected to recur in future reporting periods. Council does not make payment for untaken sick leave.

##### 9.2 Superannuation

The Council makes employer superannuation contributions in respect of its employees to the Local Government Superannuation Scheme. Whilst the Scheme has two different types of membership, each of which is funded differently, the Council only pays into members under the following scheme.

##### Accumulation Fund Members

The accumulation fund receives both employer and employee contributions on a progressive basis. Employer contributions are normally based on a fixed percentage of employee earnings in accordance with Superannuation Guarantee Legislation (9% in 2009/10; 9% in 2008/09). No further liability accrues to the employer as the superannuation benefits accruing to employees are represented by their share of the net assets of the Fund.

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## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

#### 10 Provision for Restoration of the Landfill Site

In accordance with *part 8 of UIG Interpretation 1 Changes in Existing Decommissioning, Restoration and Similar Liabilities* the increase in liability due to the passage of time (the unwinding of the discount related to the time value of money) is recognised to profit or loss as a finance cost as it occurs.

The liability is expected to be settled in approximately 15 years and is measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflow. Present values are calculated using government guaranteed securities rates with similar maturity terms.

Weighted average discount rate            7.11%

#### 11 GST Implications

In accordance with *UIG Interpretation 1031 Accounting for Goods & Services Tax* Receivables and Creditors include GST receivable and payable.

Except in relation to input taxed activities, revenues and operating expenditures exclude GST receivable and payable.

Non-current assets and capital expenditures include GST net of any recoupment.

Amounts included in the Cash Flow Statement are disclosed on a gross basis.

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## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont'd)

#### 12 New Accounting Standards

Certain new accounting standards and UIG interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for the 2009/2010 reporting period.

Council is of the view that the changes made by the new Standards or Interpretations will not affect any of the amounts recognised in the financial statements, but may impact certain information otherwise disclosed.

|   | Expected to be initially applied in the<br>financial year ending: |
|---|---|
| <i>AASB 2009-5 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project [AASB 5, 8, 101, 107, 117, 118, 136 &amp; 139]</i>  | 30 June 2011  |
| <i>AASB 2009-8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Group Cash-settled Share-based Payment Transactions [AASB 2]</i>   | 30 June 2011  |
| <i>AASB 2009-9 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Additional Exemptions for First-time Adopters [AASB 1]</i>   | 30 June 2011  |
| <i>AASB 2009-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Classification of Rights Issues [AASB 132]</i>  | 30 June 2011  |
| <i>AASB 2009-11 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 108, 112, 118, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 139, 1023 &amp; 1038 and Interpretations 10 &amp; 12]</i> | 30 June 2014  |
| <i>AASB 2009-12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards [AASBs 5, 8, 108, 110, 112, 119, 133, 137, 139, 1023 &amp; 1031 and Interpretations 2, 4, 16, 1039 &amp; 1052]</i>  | 30 June 2012  |
| <i>AASB 2009-14 Amendments to Australian Interpretation – Prepayments of a Minimum Funding Requirement</i>  | 30 June 2012  |
| <i>AASB 2010-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Limited Exemption from Comparative AASB 7 Disclosures for First-time Adopters [AASB 1 &amp; AASB 7]</i>  | 30 June 2011  |
| <i>AASB 2010-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements</i>   | 30 June 2014  |
| <i>AASB 2010-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project [AASB 3, AASB 7, AASB 121, AASB 128, AASB 131, AASB 132 &amp; AASB 139]</i>                                   | 30 June 2011  |
| <i>AASB 2010-4 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Annual Improvements Project [AASB 1, AASB 7, AASB 101 &amp; AASB 134 and Interpretation 13]</i>                                   | 30 June 2012  |
| <i>AASB 9 Financial Instruments</i>   | 30 June 2014  |
| <i>AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures</i>   | 30 June 2012  |
| <i>Interpretation 19 Extinguishing Financial Liabilities with Equity Instruments</i>  | 30 June 2011  |



# **Alice Springs Town Council**

## **Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010**

### **Note 2 (b) - COMPONENTS OF FUNCTIONS**

The activities relating to Council functions are as follows:

#### **General Public Services**

Administrative, Legislative and Executive Affairs, Financial and Fiscal Affairs, General Governance, Community Partnerships and Grants, Community Development.

#### **Public Order & Safety**

Animal Control and Impounding, Control of Public Places, Enforcement of By-Laws.

#### **Health**

Council does not administer any health issues.

#### **Social Protection**

Child Care Centres, Senior Citizen Activities and Facilities, Disabled Services.

#### **Environmental Protection**

Waste Management, Other Waste Management Services, Litter Control, Open Drains, Street Cleaning, Alice Solar City.

#### **Housing & Community Amenities**

Public Cemeteries, Public Conveniences, Street Lighting.

#### **Recreation & Culture**

Facilities and Venues, Recreation Parks and Reserves, Cultural Services, Public Library, Community Event Grants and Support, Youth and Family Activities, Art Collection.

#### **Economic Affairs - Transport**

Roads and Streets, Footpaths, Parking Areas, Bus Facilities and Services, Underground Drains.

#### **Other Economic Affairs**

General Economic, Promotional and Tourism Affairs.

#### **Education**

Charles Darwin University Sponsorships.



# Alice Springs Town Council

## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### Note 3 - OPERATING REVENUES

|   | 2010<br>\$ | 2009<br>\$ |
|---|------------|------------|
| <b>a) Rates &amp; Annual Charges</b>                |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                               |            |            |
| <b><u>Ordinary Rates</u></b>                        |            |            |
| Residential   | 8,932,446  | 8,030,002  |
| Farmland  | 382,457    | 346,315    |
| Business  | 4,874,046  | 4,448,104  |
|   | 14,188,949 | 12,824,421 |
| <b><u>Special Rates</u></b>                         |            |            |
| Airport   | 41,038     | 37,578     |
|   | 41,038     | 37,578     |
| <b><u>Annual Charges (pursuant to LGA s157)</u></b> |            |            |
| Liquor Litter Charge                                | 300,000    | -          |
| Waste Management Services                           | 2,068,543  | 1,780,918  |
|   | 2,368,543  | 1,780,918  |
| <b>Total Rates &amp; Annual Charges</b>             | 16,598,530 | 14,642,917 |
| <b>b) User Charges &amp; Fees</b>                   |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                               |            |            |
| <b><u>Charges</u></b>                               |            |            |
| Hire of Council Equipment                           | 16,741     | 109,494    |
| Cemetery Charges                                    | 115,593    | 118,015    |
| Rates Searches                                      | 50,584     | 55,084     |
| Rental Charges                                      | 67,141     | 83,214     |
| Sales   | 653        | 468        |
| Sale of Cans  | 39,058     | -          |
| Weighbridge Charges                                 | 1,969,148  | 1,527,624  |
| Other   | 309,638    | 67,295     |
|   | 2,568,556  | 1,961,194  |
| <b><u>Fees</u></b>                                  |            |            |
| Regulatory / Statutory Fees                         | 133,802    | 152,537    |
| Trolley Release Fees                                | 8,906      | 17,582     |
|   | 142,708    | 170,119    |
| <b>Total User Charges &amp; Fees</b>                | 2,711,264  | 2,131,313  |
| <b>c) Interest</b>                                  |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                               |            |            |
| Interest on Overdue Rates & Charges                 | 180,126    | 209,076    |
| Interest on Investments                             | 1,156,748  | 1,122,312  |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                          | 1,336,874  | 1,331,388  |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                      |            |            |
| Interest on Investments                             | 60,161     | 46,424     |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                 | 60,161     | 46,424     |
| <b>Total Interest</b>                               | 1,397,035  | 1,377,812  |

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## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### Note 3 - OPERATING REVENUES (Cont'd)

|   | 2010<br>\$ | 2009<br>\$ |
|---|------------|------------|
| <b>d) Grants</b>                                      |            |            |
| <b>NT Operating Grants</b>                            |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                 |            |            |
| <b><u>General Purpose</u></b>                         |            |            |
| FAG   | 733,746    | 1,108,533  |
| Roads   | 850,283    | 1,041,396  |
| <b><u>Specific Purpose</u></b>                        |            |            |
| NT Police - Alice Alcohol Awareness Campaign          | 25,000     | -          |
| DRDPIFR - Alice Employment Campaign                   | -          | 15,000     |
| Dept Chief Minister - Big Day Out Concert             | 5,000      | -          |
| DLGHS - Cash for Containers                           | 300,000    | -          |
| Dept Chief Minister - CBD Security Camera System      | 200,000    | 270,000    |
| DIPE - Discovery Walkway Maintenance                  | -          | 75,000     |
| DLGHS - Elected Member Training                       | 16,000     | -          |
| Sports & Recreation Office - Facility Development     | 50,000     | 50,000     |
| DLGHS - Gap Childcare Centre Painting                 | -          | -          |
| Library Operational                                   | 509,826    | 555,273    |
| DET - National Literacy & Numeracy Week               | 3,000      | -          |
| Pensioner Subsidies                                   | 170,259    | 171,604    |
| Sports & Recreation Office - Sports Master Plan       | -          | 50,000     |
| NDRA - Storm Damage                                   | 92,773     | 456,913    |
| Dept Chief Minister - Town Camps Dog Control Strategy | 87,110     | -          |
| DHLGS - Town Camps Waste Collection                   | 599,833    | -          |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                            | 3,642,830  | 3,793,719  |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                        |            |            |
| <b><u>Specific Purpose</u></b>                        |            |            |
| DPIFM - Alice Solar City                              | 4,217,102  | 1,422,583  |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                   | 4,217,102  | 1,422,583  |
|   | 7,859,932  | 5,216,302  |
| <b>Commonwealth Operating Grants</b>                  |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                 |            |            |
| DEEWR - Indigenous Employment Coordinator             | 49,455     | -          |
| DEEWR - Training                                      | 50,909     | -          |
| ICC - Town Camps Dog Control Strategy                 | -          | 142,400    |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                            | 100,364    | 142,400    |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                        |            |            |
| DEWHA - Alice Solar City                              | 1,200,000  | 409,500    |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                   | 1,200,000  | 409,500    |
|   | 1,300,364  | 551,900    |

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## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### Note 3 - OPERATING REVENUES (Cont'd)

|   | 2010<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$        |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>NT Capital Grants</b>  |                   |                   |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>   |                   |                   |
| DIPE - Anzac Oval Facilities Upgrade  | -                 | 90,000            |
| DLGH - Basketball Stadium Upgrade   | 9,091             | 90,909            |
| DIPE - CBD Revitalisation Green Streetscapes<br><i>(previously called Todd Mall Moving Alice Ahead)</i> | 400,000           | -                 |
| Dept Chief Minister - CBD Security Camera System  | -                 | 1,100,000         |
| NRETA - Gathering Garden  | -                 | 150,000           |
| NRETA - Glass Crusher   | -                 | 850,000           |
| LATM - Kmart Laneway Upgrade  | 121,300           | -                 |
| DLGHS - LED Mobile Message Sign   | -                 | -                 |
| DIPE - Park Development   | -                 | -                 |
| NRETA - Public Art Professional Development   | -                 | 10,000            |
| DLGH - Public Toilet Upgrade  | -                 | 125,000           |
| DIPE - Safety and Security Lighting   | -                 | 200,000           |
| NRETA - Traeger Park Public Toilets   | 235,000           | -                 |
| SVID - Traeger Park Public Toilets  | 260,000           | -                 |
|   | <u>1,025,391</u>  | <u>2,615,909</u>  |
| <b>Commonwealth Capital Grants</b>  |                   |                   |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>   |                   |                   |
| ABA - Aquatic Centre  | 456,643           | 1,821,000         |
| DITRDLG - Aquatic Centre  | 2,384,615         | 545,455           |
| DOTARS - Black Spot - Undoolya Road Roundabout  | 150,000           | -                 |
| DOTARS - Black Spot - Ilparpa Road  | 650,000           | -                 |
| AG - CBD Security Camera System   | -                 | 15,000            |
| DOTARS - Roads to Recovery  | 341,613           | 657,704           |
| RLCIP - Safety and Security Lighting  | -                 | 230,000           |
| ICC - Town Camps Dog Control Strategy   | -                 | 43,898            |
| RLCIP - Upgrade of Facilities   | 84,000            | -                 |
|   | <u>4,066,871</u>  | <u>3,313,057</u>  |
| <b>Total Grants</b>   | <u>14,252,558</u> | <u>11,697,168</u> |

# Alice Springs Town Council

## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### Note 3 - OPERATING REVENUES (Cont'd)

|   | 2010<br>\$ | 2009<br>\$ |
|---|------------|------------|
| <b>Unexpended Grant Funds</b>   |            |            |
| <i>The following Grants have conditions over them and these have not been fully acquitted at the end of the reporting period:</i> |            |            |
| <b>NT Operating Grants</b>  |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>   |            |            |
| <b><u>Specific Purpose</u></b>  |            |            |
| Alice Alcohol Awareness Campaign  | 25,000     | -          |
| DRDPIFR - Alice Employment Campaign   | 15,000     | 15,000     |
| Dept Chief Minister - Big Day Out Concert   | -          | -          |
| DLGHS - Cash for Containers   | 300,000    | -          |
| Dept Chief Minister - CBD Security Camera System  | 196,298    | 200,000    |
| DIPE - Discovery Walkway Maintenance  | 55,623     | 75,000     |
| DLGHS - Elected Member Training   | 16,000     | -          |
| Sports & Recreation Office - Facility Development   | -          | -          |
| DLGHS - Gap Childcare Centre Painting   | -          | 2,071      |
| DET - National Literacy & Numeracy Week   | 2,025      | -          |
| Sports & Recreation Office - Sports Master Plan   | -          | 50,000     |
| NDRA - Storm Damage   | 231,118    | -          |
| DIPE - Todd River Rechannelling   | -          | 3,590      |
| Dept Chief Minister - Town Camps Dog Control Strategy   | 8,576      | -          |
| DHLGS - Town Camps Waste Collection   | 538,736    | -          |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>  | 1,388,376  | 345,661    |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>  |            |            |
| <b><u>Specific Purpose</u></b>  |            |            |
| DPIFM - Alice Solar City  | 340,221    | 135,898    |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>   | 340,221    | 135,898    |
|   | 1,728,597  | 481,559    |
| <b>Commonwealth Operating Grants</b>  |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>   |            |            |
| DEEWR - Indigenous Employment Coordinator   | -          | -          |
| DEEWR - Training  | 50,909     | -          |
| ICC - Town Camps Dog Control Strategy   | -          | 47,163     |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>  | 50,909     | 47,163     |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>  |            |            |
| DEWHA - Alice Solar City  | 37,454     | 231,660    |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>   | 37,454     | 231,660    |
|   | 88,363     | 278,823    |

## Alice Springs Town Council

### Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

#### Note 3 - OPERATING REVENUES (Cont'd)

|  | 2010<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$        |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>NT Capital Grants</b>   |                   |                   |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>  |                   |                   |
| DIPE - Anzac Oval Facilities Upgrade   | 2,592             | 90,000            |
| NT Government - Aquatic Centre (incl Interest)   | 6,920,476         | 9,527,986         |
| DLGH - Basketball Stadium Upgrade  | 24,485            | 90,909            |
| DIPE - CBD Revitalisation Green Streetscapes<br>(previously called Todd Mall Moving Alice Ahead) | 694,500           | 300,000           |
| Dept Chief Minister - CBD Security Camera System   | 160,533           | 1,098,031         |
| NRETA - Gathering Garden   | -                 | 9,776             |
| NRETA - Glass Crusher  | 3,983             | 850,000           |
| LATM - Kmart Laneway Upgrade   | 32,671            | -                 |
| DLGHS - LED Mobile Message Sign  | 30,000            | 30,000            |
| DIPE - Leichhardt Terrace Park Upgrade   | 300,000           | 300,000           |
| DIPE - Park Development  | -                 | 3,683             |
| NRETA - Public Art Professional Development  | 10,000            | 10,000            |
| DLGH - Public Toilet Upgrade   | 123,444           | 125,000           |
| DLGHS - Ross Park Lights & Clubrooms   | -                 | 127,585           |
| DIPE - Safety and Security Lighting  | 29,321            | 200,000           |
| DIPE - Todd River Walk   | 196,629           | 196,629           |
| Traeger Park Public Toilets  | 412,112           | -                 |
|  | <u>8,940,746</u>  | <u>12,959,599</u> |
| <br><b>Commonwealth Capital Grants</b>   |                   |                   |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>  |                   |                   |
| ABA - Aquatic Centre   | -                 | -                 |
| DITRDLG - Aquatic Centre   | -                 | 545,455           |
| DOTARS - Black Spot - Ilparpa Road   | 98,638            | -                 |
| DOTARS - Roads to Recovery   | 33,984            | 479,173           |
| RLCIP - Safety and Security Lighting   | -                 | 203,950           |
| RLCIP - Upgrade of Facilities  | 84,000            | -                 |
|  | <u>216,622</u>    | <u>1,228,578</u>  |
| <b>Total Unexpended Grant Funds</b>  | <u>10,974,328</u> | <u>14,948,559</u> |

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### Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

#### Note 3 - OPERATING REVENUES (Cont'd)

|   | 2010<br>\$            | 2009<br>\$              |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>e) Contributions</b>                                   |                       |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                     |                       |                         |
| ASBUS - From NT Government                                | -                     | 416,950                 |
| Developer Contributions                                   | -                     | -                       |
| Sports Facility Fees & Participation Levies               | 46,100                | 41,714                  |
| Tennis Facility Upgrade                                   | 38,000                | -                       |
| Tip Face Contract Management                              | 45,073                | 15,913                  |
| Traeger Park Media & Coach Boxes - AFL NT                 | 150,000               | -                       |
| Other   | 28,719                | 102,592                 |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                                | <u>307,892</u>        | <u>577,169</u>          |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                            |                       |                         |
| Northern Territory Government                             | 359,000               | 718,000                 |
| Power & Water Corporation                                 | 52,000                | 62,000                  |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                       | <u>411,000</u>        | <u>780,000</u>          |
| <b>Total Contributions</b>                                | <u><u>718,892</u></u> | <u><u>1,357,169</u></u> |
| <b>f) Other Revenues</b>                                  |                       |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                     |                       |                         |
| Fines   | 128,569               | 118,784                 |
| Fuel Rebates  | 17,228                | 22,764                  |
| Insurance Claims  | 20,855                | 107,339                 |
| Sales of Other Equipment (Not Assets)                     | 41,965                | 1,836                   |
| Other   | 80,425                | 4,787                   |
| <b>Total Other Revenues</b>                               | <u>289,042</u>        | <u>255,510</u>          |
| <b>g) Donated Assets Received</b>                         |                       |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                     |                       |                         |
| NT Government - Traeger Park Grandstand                   | -                     | 3,633,000               |
| <b>Total Donated Assets Received</b>                      | <u>-</u>              | <u>3,633,000</u>        |
| <b>h) Write Back of Prior Year Loss on Revaluation</b>    |                       |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                     |                       |                         |
| Other Infrastructure                                      | -                     | 1,311,250               |
| <b>Total Write Back of Prior Year Loss on Revaluation</b> | <u>-</u>              | <u>1,311,250</u>        |

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## Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

### Note 4 - OPERATING EXPENSES

|   | 2010<br>\$              | 2009<br>\$              |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>a) Employee Costs</b>  |                         |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>   |                         |                         |
| Salaries & Wages  | 7,855,299               | 7,370,965               |
| Travelling  | 79,421                  | 49,189                  |
| Employee Leave Entitlements   | 218,997                 | 129,221                 |
| Superannuation  | 742,707                 | 685,646                 |
| Workers Compensation Insurance                                      | 192,868                 | 186,518                 |
| FBT   | 39,394                  | 39,927                  |
| Training  | 110,897                 | 109,616                 |
| Other   | 14,640                  | 6,660                   |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>  | <u>9,254,223</u>        | <u>8,577,742</u>        |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                                      |                         |                         |
| Salaries & Wages  | 522,012                 | 362,771                 |
| Travelling  | 11,112                  | 12,089                  |
| Employee Leave Entitlements   | 36,022                  | 13,993                  |
| Superannuation  | 48,522                  | 36,237                  |
| Workers Compensation Insurance                                      | 9,789                   | 8,172                   |
| FBT   | 7,503                   | 7,605                   |
| Training  | 2,536                   | 13,362                  |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                                 | <u>637,496</u>          | <u>454,229</u>          |
| <b>Total Employee Costs</b>   | <u><u>9,891,719</u></u> | <u><u>9,031,971</u></u> |
| <b><i>Number of Full Time Equivalent Employees at 30th June</i></b> | 134.80                  | 122.06                  |
| <b>b) Materials &amp; Contracts</b>                                 |                         |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>   |                         |                         |
| Audit Fees  | 11,750                  | 12,050                  |
| Books & Non-Book Resources  | 41,153                  | 37,847                  |
| Computer Consumables  | 10,759                  | 8,200                   |
| Consulting Fees   | 120,417                 | 546,704                 |
| Contract Material and Labour  | 4,293,175               | 3,367,972               |
| Equipment Hire  | 3,433                   | 12,627                  |
| Food (Catering)   | 45,844                  | 33,345                  |
| Fuel and Oil  | 213,734                 | 237,556                 |
| Internet Service Provider   | 46,055                  | 35,073                  |
| IT Equipment  | 76,933                  | 67,332                  |
| Journals / Periodicals  | 10,481                  | 10,066                  |
| Licence Fees  | 6,140                   | 9,124                   |
| Materials   | 952,579                 | 903,386                 |
| Membership & Subscriptions  | 43,033                  | 41,593                  |
| Network Communication   | 4,653                   | 2,113                   |
| Office Equipment  | 16,313                  | 18,557                  |
| On-line Resources   | -                       | 3,182                   |
| Other Equipment   | 18,734                  | 40,055                  |

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#### Note 4 - OPERATING EXPENSES (Cont'd)

|  | 2010           | 2009          |
|--|----------------|---------------|
|  | \$             | \$            |
| Printing   | 38,972         | 31,340        |
| Promotional / Education                                  | 3,247          | 3,692         |
| Security   | 270,906        | 160,248       |
| Software Development and Fees                            | 44,371         | 4,000         |
| Software Licence and Maintenance Fees                    | 132,244        | 92,565        |
| Stationery   | 26,242         | 24,423        |
| Stock Write-off  | -              | 18,567        |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                               | 6,431,168      | 5,721,617     |
| <br><b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                       |                |               |
| 10/10 and 20/20 Support                                  | 9,594          | 3,980         |
| Audit Fees   | -              | 1,450         |
| Consulting Fees  | 29,833         | 32,576        |
| Contract Material and Labour                             | 313,137        | 378,673       |
| Energy Audits  | 8,500          | 4,806         |
| Energy Efficiency  | 1,003,416      | 428,426       |
| Flat Panel PV Systems                                    | 2,324,991      | 637,402       |
| Food (Catering)  | 673            | 933           |
| Fuel and Oil   | 1,919          | 1,829         |
| In House Display   | 131,495        | -             |
| IT Equipment   | 6,457          | 828           |
| Materials  | 42,826         | 21,482        |
| Membership & Subscriptions                               | 1,580          | 1,140         |
| Meter Hardware   | 62,122         | -             |
| Office Equipment   | 7,673          | 5,295         |
| Other Equipment  | -              | 723           |
| Promotional / Education                                  | 16,689         | 39,718        |
| PV Metering  | 69,283         | 31,100        |
| Security   | 3,867          | 2,378         |
| Smart Meters   | 38,060         | 34,200        |
| Software Licence and Maintenance Fees                    | 9,352          | 490           |
| Solar Hot Water  | 491,684        | 281,459       |
| Stationery   | 6,386          | 10,612        |
| Website Development and Fees                             | 2,542          | -             |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                      | 4,582,079      | 1,919,500     |
| <br><b>Total Materials &amp; Contracts</b>               | <br>11,013,247 | <br>7,641,117 |
| <br><b>c) Interest Charges</b>                           |                |               |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                    |                |               |
| Finance Expenses - Provision for Restoration of Landfill | 24,480         | 52,608        |
| Interest Expenses - Bank Loan                            | 259,440        | 277,098       |
| <br><b>Total Interest Charges</b>                        | <br>283,920    | <br>329,706   |



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#### Note 4 - OPERATING EXPENSES (Cont'd)

|  | 2010<br>\$       | 2009<br>\$       |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| <b>d) Depreciation, Amortisation &amp; Impairment</b>    |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                    |                  |                  |
| Land Improvements  | 1,624,204        | 1,556,425        |
| Buildings  | 854,506          | 792,276          |
| Furniture & Office Equipment                             | 99,338           | 138,986          |
| Plant & Equipment  | 665,747          | 711,449          |
| Infrastructure:  |                  |                  |
| - Sealed Roads   | 3,922,894        | 3,906,492        |
| - Unsealed Roads   | 49,722           | 49,722           |
| - Stormwater Drainage                                    | 368,629          | 368,599          |
| - Other  | 510,054          | 488,515          |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                               | <b>8,095,094</b> | <b>8,012,464</b> |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                           |                  |                  |
| Furniture & Office Equipment                             | 37,000           | 37,000           |
| Plant & Equipment  | 2,406            | -                |
| Alice Solar City Brand                                   | 18,950           | 18,950           |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                      | <b>58,356</b>    | <b>55,950</b>    |
| <b>Total Depreciation, Amortisation &amp; Impairment</b> | <b>8,153,450</b> | <b>8,068,414</b> |
| <b>e) Other Expenses</b>                                 |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                                    |                  |                  |
| Advertising  | 102,129          | 141,485          |
| Aldermen Allowances                                      | 190,330          | 149,776          |
| Elected Members - Travel & Accommodation                 | 24,749           | 16,471           |
| Elected Member Other Expenses                            | 790              | 3,329            |
| Bad & Doubtful Debts                                     | 25,788           | ( 9,534)         |
| Bank Fees  | 2,231            | 3,658            |
| Can Refunds  | 357,191          | -                |
| Cashier Overs/Unders                                     | 2,129            | ( 503)           |
| Donations & Contributions to Local & Regional Bodies     | 158,807          | 177,779          |
| Electricity and Gas                                      | 275,618          | 232,594          |
| Freight  | 15,460           | 4,155            |
| Insurance  | 256,444          | 235,087          |
| Legal Fees   | 30,045           | 132,458          |
| Merchant Transaction Fees                                | 49,942           | 59,852           |
| Pensioner Concessions                                    | 200,726          | 198,592          |
| Postage  | 20,735           | 20,731           |
| Rates - Early Bird draw                                  | 8,862            | 8,296            |
| Rates Written off / Wavered                              | 27,463           | 314              |

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#### Note 4 - OPERATING EXPENSES (Cont'd)

|  | 2010             | 2009             |
|--|------------------|------------------|
|  | \$               | \$               |
| Relocation Expenses                                  | -                | 2,452            |
| Street Lighting                                      | 372,479          | 371,114          |
| Telephone  | 67,338           | 66,097           |
| Travel & Accommodation for Non-Employees             | -                | -                |
| Unexpended Funds Returned                            | -                | 591              |
| Vehicle Registration                                 | 44,589           | 44,043           |
| Water & Sewerage Charges                             | 607,344          | 547,312          |
| Other  | -                | -                |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>                           | <b>2,841,189</b> | <b>2,406,149</b> |
| <br>   |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                       |                  |                  |
| Advertising  | 37,826           | 38,038           |
| Bank Fees  | 414              | 272              |
| Cash Rounding  | ( 3)             | -                |
| Chairman Sitting Fees                                | 11,850           | 15,000           |
| Control Group Subsidy                                | 8,727            | -                |
| Donations & Contributions to Local & Regional Bodies | 775              | -                |
| Electricity and Gas                                  | 3,132            | 3,114            |
| Energy Efficiency Training                           | 70,000           | -                |
| Insurance Premium                                    | 11,698           | 8,189            |
| Legal Fees   | -                | -                |
| Merchant Transaction Fees                            | 123              | 95               |
| Postage  | 6,393            | 3,100            |
| PV Buyback Incentive Scheme                          | 131,609          | 8,603            |
| Relocation Expenses                                  | 5,978            | -                |
| Rent   | 47,580           | 46,399           |
| Telephone  | 10,076           | 5,206            |
| Travel & Accommodation Expenses                      | -                | -                |
| Vehicle Registration                                 | 1,420            | 483              |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                  | <b>347,598</b>   | <b>128,499</b>   |
| <br>   |                  |                  |
| <b>Total Other Expenses</b>                          | <b>3,188,787</b> | <b>2,534,648</b> |
| <br>   |                  |                  |
| <b>f) Write Down of Assets on Revaluation</b>        |                  |                  |
| <br>   |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                       |                  |                  |
| Furniture & Office Equipment                         | -                | 1,049            |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                  | <b>-</b>         | <b>1,049</b>     |
| <br>   |                  |                  |
| <b>Total Other Expenses</b>                          | <b>-</b>         | <b>1,049</b>     |

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#### Note 5 - GAIN OR LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

|  | 2010<br>\$       | 2009<br>\$        |
|--|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Gain (or Loss) on Disposal of Plant &amp; Equipment</b>       |                  |                   |
| Proceeds from disposal   | 233,045          | 159,228           |
| Less: Carrying Amount of Assets Sold                             | 251,608          | 394,232           |
| <b>Total Gain (or Loss) on Disposal of Plant &amp; Equipment</b> | <u>( 18,563)</u> | <u>( 235,004)</u> |
| <b>Total Gain (or Loss) on Disposal of Assets</b>                | <u>( 18,563)</u> | <u>( 235,004)</u> |

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#### Note 6 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

|                                     | 2010<br>\$ | 2009<br>\$ |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| <b>Cash Assets</b>                  |            |            |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>               |            |            |
| Cash on Hand and at Bank            | 1,159,919  | 1,742,956  |
| Short Term Deposits                 | 21,126,091 | 21,082,879 |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | 22,286,010 | 22,825,835 |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>      |            |            |
| Cash on Hand and at Bank            | 1,119,809  | 324,318    |
| Short Term Deposits                 | 400,160    | 1,001,192  |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | 1,519,969  | 1,325,510  |
| <b>Total Cash Assets</b>            | 23,805,979 | 24,151,345 |

*Cash Assets comprise highly liquid investments with short periods to maturity subject to insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash Assets subject to external restrictions that are not expected to be discharged during the next reporting period are classified as Non-Current.*

#### RESTRICTED CASH AND INVESTMENTS SUMMARY

|   |            |              |
|---|------------|--------------|
| <b>External Restrictions</b>                |            |              |
| - Included in Liabilities                   | -          | -            |
| - Included in Revenue                       | 7,477,818  | 3,835,166    |
| - Included in Equity                        | 5,243,149  | 11,466,703   |
| <b>Total External Restrictions</b>          | 12,720,967 | 15,301,869   |
| <b>Internal Restrictions</b>                |            |              |
| - Included in Liabilities                   | 4,110,497  | 3,320,724    |
| - Included in Revenue                       | 2,209,094  | 41,713       |
| - Included in Equity                        | 5,419,519  | 6,797,101    |
| <b>Total Internal Restrictions</b>          | 11,739,110 | 10,159,538   |
| <b>Total Assets Subject to Restrictions</b> | 24,460,077 | 25,461,407   |
| <b>Total Shortfall</b>                      | ( 654,098) | ( 1,310,062) |
| <b>Total Cash Assets</b>                    | 23,805,979 | 24,151,345   |

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### Note 6 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

|  | 2010<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$        |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>RESTRICTED CASH AND INVESTMENTS - DETAIL</b>              |                   |                   |
| <b>External Restrictions</b>                                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Included in Revenue</b>                                   |                   |                   |
| Developer Contributions (D)                                  |                   |                   |
| - Parking  | -                 | -                 |
| - Roads  | -                 | -                 |
| Aquatic Centre incl Interest (F)                             | 3,314,356         | 1,140,014         |
| Other Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants & Contributions (F) | 2,328,919         | 2,595,871         |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                               |                   |                   |
| Solar Cities Consortium Funds (F)                            | 1,834,543         | 99,281            |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                          | <u>1,834,543</u>  | <u>99,281</u>     |
| <b>Total Included in Revenue</b>                             | <u>7,477,818</u>  | <u>3,835,166</u>  |
| <b>Included in Equity</b>                                    |                   |                   |
| Developer Contributions (D)                                  | 122,192           | 122,192           |
| Aquatic Centre (F)   | 3,632,120         | 8,878,880         |
| Ross Park Lights & Clubrooms (F)                             | -                 | 116,707           |
| Todd River Rechannelling (F)                                 | -                 | 3,590             |
| Todd River Walk (F)  | 196,629           | 196,629           |
| Leichhardt Terrace Park Upgrade (F)                          | 300,000           | 300,000           |
| Storm Damage Reserve (F)                                     | 231,118           | 231,118           |
| Other Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants (F)                 | 761,090           | 335,754           |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>                               |                   |                   |
| Solar Cities Consortium Funds                                | -                 | 1,281,833         |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>                          | <u>-</u>          | <u>1,281,833</u>  |
| <b>Total Included in Equity</b>                              | <u>5,243,149</u>  | <u>11,466,703</u> |
| <b>Total External Restrictions</b>                           | <u>12,720,967</u> | <u>15,301,869</u> |
| <b>Internal Restrictions</b>                                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Included in Liabilities</b>                               |                   |                   |
| Waste Facility Restoration                                   | 2,222,088         | 2,197,608         |
| Net of Liabilities & Debtors                                 | 1,888,409         | 1,123,116         |
| <b>Total Included in Liabilities</b>                         | <u>4,110,497</u>  | <u>3,320,724</u>  |

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### Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

#### Note 6 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (Cont'd)

|   | 2010                     | 2009                     |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|   | \$                       | \$                       |
| <b>Included in Revenue</b>                      |                          |                          |
| Sports Facility                                 | 189,985                  | 41,713                   |
| Unexpended Funds                                | 2,019,109                | -                        |
| <b>Total Included in Revenue</b>                | <u>2,209,094</u>         | <u>41,713</u>            |
| <b>Included in Equity</b>                       |                          |                          |
| Asset Replacement                               | 30,000                   | 30,000                   |
| Commitments for Expenditure (excl Tied Amounts) | 19,092                   | 383,950                  |
| Employee Entitlements                           | 298,662                  | 298,662                  |
| Infrastructure                                  | 2,833,875                | 2,733,875                |
| Sports Facility                                 | 234,978                  | 618,345                  |
| Unexpended Funds                                | 162,434                  | 1,387,030                |
| Waste Facility Replacement                      | 1,840,478                | 1,345,239                |
| <b>Total Included in Equity</b>                 | <u>5,419,519</u>         | <u>6,797,101</u>         |
| <b>Total Internal Restrictions</b>              | <u><u>11,739,110</u></u> | <u><u>10,159,538</u></u> |

#### **Legend**

- D* Development contributions that are not yet expended for the provision of services and amenities in accordance with contribution plans (also includes those not under contribution plans).
- F* Grants that are not yet expended for the purposes for which the grants were obtained.

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#### Note 7 - RECEIVABLES

|                                     | 2010<br>\$            | 2009<br>\$            |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Receivables</b>                  |                       |                       |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>               |                       |                       |
| Rates & Annual Charges              | 1,187,693             | 1,138,250             |
| User Charges & Fees                 | 694,933               | 494,695               |
| Accrued Income                      | 138,106               | 106,760               |
| ATO                                 | 411,885               | ( 178,997)            |
| Other                               | 143,969               | 95,368                |
|                                     | <hr/> 2,576,586       | <hr/> 1,656,076       |
| Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts  | 122,494               | 101,316               |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | <hr/> 2,454,092       | <hr/> 1,554,760       |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>      |                       |                       |
| ATO                                 | 45,943                | 31,049                |
| Other                               | 307,771               | -                     |
|                                     | <hr/> 353,714         | <hr/> 31,049          |
| Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts  | -                     | -                     |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | <hr/> 353,714         | <hr/> 31,049          |
| <b>Total Receivables</b>            | <hr/> <hr/> 2,807,806 | <hr/> <hr/> 1,585,809 |

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### Note 8 - OTHER ASSETS

|                                     | 2010<br>\$     | 2009<br>\$     |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>               |                |                |
| <b>a) Inventories</b>               |                |                |
| <u>Council</u>                      |                |                |
| Stores & Materials                  | 78,844         | 171,046        |
| <b>Total Inventories</b>            | <u>78,844</u>  | <u>171,046</u> |
| <b>b) Other</b>                     |                |                |
| <u>Council</u>                      |                |                |
| Prepayments                         | 148,396        | 47,023         |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | <u>148,396</u> | <u>47,023</u>  |
| <u>Alice Solar City</u>             |                |                |
| Prepayments                         | 4,187          | 4,450          |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | <u>4,187</u>   | <u>4,450</u>   |
| <b>Total Other</b>                  | <u>152,583</u> | <u>51,473</u>  |
| <b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>           |                |                |



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### Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010

#### Note 8 - OTHER ASSETS (Cont'd)

|  | 2010             | 2009             |
|--|------------------|------------------|
|  | \$               | \$               |
| <b>c) Work in Progress</b>               |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                    |                  |                  |
| Anzac Oval Scoreboard                    | 1,986            | -                |
| Aquatic Centre                           | 7,370,058        | 928,737          |
| CBD Security Cameras - Expansion Stage 1 | 987,071          | 2,682            |
| Civic Centre                             | -                | -                |
| Depot - Lunch/Meeting Room               | 91,967           | -                |
| Footpaths - Willoby & Gilbert            | 24,083           | -                |
| Gap Road / Congress Carpark Reconfigure  | -                | -                |
| Gillen Club / Newland Park Proposal      | ( 51,595)        | ( 4,240)         |
| Glass Crusher                            | 836,453          | -                |
| Glass Crusher - Shed                     | 7,264            | -                |
| Izuzu Flusher Truck                      | -                | 2,160            |
| Kmart Laneway                            | 88,629           | -                |
| Laneway Closures & Park Subdivisions     | 12,658           | 10,809           |
| Plant & Equipment                        | -                | -                |
| Playground Equipment                     | -                | -                |
| Public Art - The Gathering Garden        | -                | 158,774          |
| Public Toilet Upgrade                    | 1,556            | -                |
| Quad Bike                                | -                | 391              |
| Quad Bike                                | -                | 391              |
| Rhonda Diano Oval Storeroom Extension    | -                | 1,200            |
| Roads to Recovery                        | 2,700            | 15,490           |
| Roads to Recovery - Additional           | -                | -                |
| Ross Park Lights & Clubrooms             | -                | -                |
| Sadadeen Child Care Centre               | 4,105            | 4,105            |
| Safety & Security Lighting               | -                | 26,050           |
| Solitaire Metal Pay Phone                | -                | -                |
| Sweeper 52789                            | 3,519            | -                |
| Todd Mall Pavers                         | -                | 17,812           |
| Traeger Park Entrance                    | 10,400           | -                |
| Traeger Park Tennis Facility Upgrade     | 208,658          | -                |
| Traeger Park Toilets                     | 82,888           | -                |
| Tuncks Road                              | -                | 36,587           |
| Welcome Sign Civic Centre Entrance       | -                | 844              |
| <b>Total Work in Progress</b>            | <b>9,682,400</b> | <b>1,201,792</b> |

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**Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements  
for the year ended 30th June 2010**

**Note 9 - PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

|                                     | 2009               |                     |                    | CARRYING AMOUNT OF MOVEMENTS DURING YEAR |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     | 2010               |                      |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | AT FAIR VALUE      | ACCUM DEPN          | CARRYING AMOUNT    | ASSET PURCHASES                          | NET REVALUATION       |                         | ASSET DISPOSALS   |                         | DEPRECIATION        | AT FAIR VALUE      | ACCUM DEPN           | CARRYING AMOUNT    |
|                                     |                    |                     |                    |  | FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENT | DEPRECIATION ADJUSTMENT | FAIR VALUE        | DEPRECIATION ADJUSTMENT |                     |                    |                      |                    |
| <b>Council</b>                      |                    |                     |                    |  |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     |                    |                      |                    |
| Land - Council owned and controlled | 44,187,950         | -                   | 44,187,950         | -  | 16,590,400            | -                       | -                 | -                       | -                   | 60,778,350         | -                    | 60,778,350         |
| Land Improvements                   | 17,988,436         | ( 1,694,172)        | 16,294,264         | 1,070,366                                | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 1,624,204)        | 19,058,802         | ( 3,318,376)         | 15,740,426         |
| Buildings                           | 19,304,222         | ( 788,629)          | 18,515,593         | 608,905                                  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 854,506)          | 19,913,127         | ( 1,643,135)         | 18,269,992         |
| Furniture & Office Equipment        | 902,070            | ( 139,374)          | 762,696            | 57,730                                   | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 99,338)           | 959,800            | ( 238,712)           | 721,088            |
| Plant & Equipment                   | 4,228,390          | ( 685,999)          | 3,542,391          | 941,510                                  | -                     | -                       | ( 389,350)        | 194,694                 | ( 665,747)          | 4,780,550          | ( 1,157,052)         | 3,623,498          |
| Infrastructure:                     |                    |                     |                    |  |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     |                    |                      |                    |
| - Sealed Roads                      | 43,401,985         | ( 3,906,492)        | 39,495,493         | 438,602                                  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 3,922,894)        | 43,840,587         | ( 7,829,386)         | 36,011,201         |
| - Unsealed Roads                    | 285,600            | ( 49,722)           | 235,878            | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 49,722)           | 285,600            | ( 99,444)            | 186,156            |
| - Stormwater Drainage               | 33,543,900         | ( 368,599)          | 33,175,301         | 9,070                                    | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 368,629)          | 33,552,970         | ( 737,228)           | 32,815,742         |
| - Other                             | 4,451,913          | ( 488,515)          | 3,963,398          | 1,082,656                                | -                     | -                       | ( 66,300)         | 9,348                   | ( 510,054)          | 5,468,269          | ( 989,221)           | 4,479,048          |
| Art Collection & Heritage           | 2,001,615          | -                   | 2,001,615          | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | -                   | 2,001,615          | -                    | 2,001,615          |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | <b>170,296,081</b> | <b>( 8,121,502)</b> | <b>162,174,579</b> | <b>4,208,839</b>                         | <b>16,590,400</b>     | <b>-</b>                | <b>( 455,650)</b> | <b>204,042</b>          | <b>( 8,095,094)</b> | <b>190,639,670</b> | <b>( 16,012,554)</b> | <b>174,627,116</b> |
| <b>Alice Solar City</b>             |                    |                     |                    |  |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     |                    |                      |                    |
| Furniture & Office Equipment        | 185,000            | ( 37,000)           | 148,000            | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 37,000)           | 185,000            | ( 74,000)            | 111,000            |
| Plant & Equipment                   | -                  | -                   | -                  | 22,449                                   | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 2,406)            | 22,449             | ( 2,406)             | 20,043             |
| Alice Solar City Brand              | 113,700            | ( 18,950)           | 94,750             | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | ( 18,950)           | 113,700            | ( 37,900)            | 75,800             |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | <b>298,700</b>     | <b>( 55,950)</b>    | <b>242,750</b>     | <b>22,449</b>                            | <b>-</b>              | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>          | <b>-</b>                | <b>( 58,356)</b>    | <b>321,149</b>     | <b>( 114,306)</b>    | <b>206,843</b>     |
| <b>Totals</b>                       | <b>170,594,781</b> | <b>( 8,177,452)</b> | <b>162,417,329</b> | <b>4,231,288</b>                         | <b>16,590,400</b>     | <b>-</b>                | <b>( 455,650)</b> | <b>204,042</b>          | <b>( 8,153,450)</b> | <b>190,960,819</b> | <b>( 16,126,860)</b> | <b>174,833,959</b> |

|                                     | 2008               |                      |                    | CARRYING AMOUNT OF MOVEMENTS DURING YEAR |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     | 2009               |                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | AT FAIR VALUE      | ACCUM DEPN           | CARRYING AMOUNT    | ASSET PURCHASES                          | NET REVALUATION       |                         | ASSET DISPOSALS   |                         | DEPRECIATION        | AT FAIR VALUE      | ACCUM DEPN          | CARRYING AMOUNT    |
|                                     |                    |                      |                    |  | FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENT | DEPRECIATION ADJUSTMENT | FAIR VALUE        | DEPRECIATION ADJUSTMENT |                     |                    |                     |                    |
| Land - Council owned and controlled | 44,187,950         | -                    | 44,187,950         | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | -                   | 44,187,950         | -                   | 44,187,950         |
| Land Improvements                   | 16,377,799         | ( 3,543,054)         | 12,834,745         | 3,534,269                                | ( 1,710,399)          | 3,362,533               | ( 213,233)        | 42,774                  | ( 1,556,425)        | 17,988,436         | ( 1,694,172)        | 16,294,264         |
| Buildings                           | 24,365,008         | ( 2,625,082)         | 21,739,926         | 3,979,821                                | ( 9,040,607)          | 2,628,729               | -                 | -                       | ( 792,276)          | 19,304,222         | ( 788,629)          | 18,515,593         |
| Furniture & Office Equipment        | 960,506            | ( 324,812)           | 635,694            | 12,365                                   | ( 70,401)             | 324,252                 | ( 400)            | 172                     | ( 138,986)          | 902,070            | ( 139,374)          | 762,696            |
| Plant & Equipment                   | 4,554,297          | ( 1,604,901)         | 2,949,396          | 1,073,649                                | ( 1,131,556)          | 1,585,896               | ( 268,000)        | 44,455                  | ( 711,449)          | 4,228,390          | ( 685,999)          | 3,542,391          |
| Infrastructure:                     |                    |                      |                    |  |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     |                    |                     |                    |
| - Sealed Roads                      | 59,286,731         | ( 5,880,502)         | 53,406,229         | 650,385                                  | ( 16,535,131)         | 5,880,502               | -                 | -                       | ( 3,906,492)        | 43,401,985         | ( 3,906,492)        | 39,495,493         |
| - Unsealed Roads                    | 277,850            | ( 114,832)           | 163,018            | -  | 7,750                 | 114,832                 | -                 | -                       | ( 49,722)           | 285,600            | ( 49,722)           | 235,878            |
| - Stormwater Drainage               | 34,518,655         | ( 1,452,893)         | 33,065,762         | -  | ( 974,755)            | 1,452,893               | -                 | -                       | ( 368,599)          | 33,543,900         | ( 368,599)          | 33,175,301         |
| - Other                             | 4,248,519          | ( 1,458,669)         | 2,789,850          | 350,813                                  | ( 147,419)            | 1,458,669               | -                 | -                       | ( 488,515)          | 4,451,913          | ( 488,515)          | 3,963,398          |
| Art Collection & Heritage           | 2,001,615          | -                    | 2,001,615          | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | -                   | 2,001,615          | -                   | 2,001,615          |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | <b>190,778,930</b> | <b>( 17,004,745)</b> | <b>173,774,185</b> | <b>9,601,302</b>                         | <b>( 29,602,518)</b>  | <b>16,808,306</b>       | <b>( 481,633)</b> | <b>87,401</b>           | <b>( 8,012,464)</b> | <b>170,296,081</b> | <b>( 8,121,502)</b> | <b>162,174,579</b> |
| <b>Alice Solar City</b>             |                    |                      |                    |  |                       |                         |                   |                         |                     |                    |                     |                    |
| Furniture & Office Equipment        | 198,178            | ( 12,129)            | 186,049            | -  | ( 13,178)             | 12,129                  | -                 | -                       | ( 37,000)           | 185,000            | ( 37,000)           | 148,000            |
| Plant & Equipment                   | -                  | -                    | -                  | -  | -                     | -                       | -                 | -                       | -                   | -                  | -                   | -                  |
| Alice Solar City Brand              | 116,905            | ( 3,247)             | 113,658            | -  | ( 3,205)              | 3,247                   | -                 | -                       | ( 18,950)           | 113,700            | ( 18,950)           | 94,750             |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | <b>315,083</b>     | <b>( 15,376)</b>     | <b>299,707</b>     | <b>-</b>                                 | <b>( 16,383)</b>      | <b>15,376</b>           | <b>-</b>          | <b>-</b>                | <b>( 55,950)</b>    | <b>298,700</b>     | <b>( 55,950)</b>    | <b>242,750</b>     |
| <b>Totals</b>                       | <b>191,094,013</b> | <b>( 17,020,121)</b> | <b>174,073,892</b> | <b>9,601,302</b>                         | <b>( 29,618,901)</b>  | <b>16,823,682</b>       | <b>( 481,633)</b> | <b>87,401</b>           | <b>( 8,068,414)</b> | <b>170,594,781</b> | <b>( 8,177,452)</b> | <b>162,417,329</b> |

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#### Note 10 - PAYABLES, PROVISIONS AND BORROWINGS

|                                     | 2010<br>\$              | 2009<br>\$              |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>          |                         |                         |
| <b>a) Payables</b>                  |                         |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>               |                         |                         |
| Goods & Services                    | 1,592,936               | 690,559                 |
| Accrued Expenses                    | 984,554                 | 330,965                 |
| Deposits, Retentions & Bonds        | 111,198                 | 52,016                  |
| Unearned Income                     | 323,482                 | 214,156                 |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | <u>3,012,170</u>        | <u>1,287,696</u>        |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>      |                         |                         |
| Goods & Services                    | 194,278                 | 100,925                 |
| Accrued Expenses                    | 3,052                   | 1,009                   |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | <u>197,330</u>          | <u>101,934</u>          |
| <b>Total Payables</b>               | <u><u>3,209,500</u></u> | <u><u>1,389,630</u></u> |
| <b>b) Borrowings</b>                |                         |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>               |                         |                         |
| Westpac Loan - Civic Centre *       | 289,207                 | 270,101                 |
| <b>Total Borrowings</b>             | <u><u>289,207</u></u>   | <u><u>270,101</u></u>   |
| <b>c) Provisions</b>                |                         |                         |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>               |                         |                         |
| Airfares                            | 14,194                  | 16,403                  |
| Annual Leave                        | 890,462                 | 863,024                 |
| Long Service Leave                  | 440,825                 | 382,168                 |
| Rostered Days Off                   | 60,146                  | 48,169                  |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>          | <u>1,405,627</u>        | <u>1,309,764</u>        |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>      |                         |                         |
| Annual Leave                        | 62,840                  | 34,181                  |
| Long Service Leave                  | 27,703                  | 3,911                   |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b> | <u>90,543</u>           | <u>38,092</u>           |
| <b>Total Provisions</b>             | <u><u>1,496,170</u></u> | <u><u>1,347,856</u></u> |
| <b>Total Current Liabilities</b>    | <u><u>4,994,877</u></u> | <u><u>3,007,587</u></u> |

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#### Note 10 - PAYABLES, PROVISIONS AND BORROWINGS (Cont'd)

|                                      | 2010<br>\$       | 2009<br>\$       |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>       |                  |                  |
| <b>d) Borrowings</b>                 |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                |                  |                  |
| Westpac Loan - Civic Centre *        | 3,427,524        | 3,716,643        |
| <b>Total Borrowings</b>              | <u>3,427,524</u> | <u>3,716,643</u> |
| <b>e) Provisions</b>                 |                  |                  |
| <b><u>Council</u></b>                |                  |                  |
| Long Service Leave                   | 247,741          | 207,130          |
| Restoration of the Landfill Site     | 2,222,088        | 2,197,608        |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Council</b>           | <u>2,469,829</u> | <u>2,404,738</u> |
| <b><u>Alice Solar City</u></b>       |                  |                  |
| Long Service Leave                   | 3,878            | 20,306           |
| <b>Sub-Total:- Alice Solar City</b>  | <u>3,878</u>     | <u>20,306</u>    |
| <b>Total Provisions</b>              | <u>2,473,707</u> | <u>2,425,044</u> |
| <b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b> | <u>5,901,231</u> | <u>6,141,687</u> |

\* All Council's interest bearing liabilities are secured over the future revenues of the Council.

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#### Note 11 - RECONCILIATION OF CASH FLOW STATEMENT

|  | 2010<br>\$          | 2009<br>\$          |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>a) Reconciliation of Cash</b>   |                     |                     |
| For the purposes of the Cash Flow Statement, the Council considers cash to include cash on hand and in the bank and short term deposits. Cash at the end of the reporting period as shown in the Cash Flow Statement is reconciled to the related items in the Balance Sheet as follows: |                     |                     |
| Cash on Hand and at Bank   | 2,279,728           | 2,067,274           |
| Short Term Deposits  | 21,526,251          | 22,084,071          |
| <b>Balances as per Cash Flow Statement</b>   | <u>23,805,979</u>   | <u>24,151,345</u>   |
| <b>b) Reconciliation of Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year to Cash from Operating Activities</b>   |                     |                     |
| <b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the Year</b>  | <b>3,417,635</b>    | <b>8,564,230</b>    |
| <b><u>Add:</u></b>   |                     |                     |
| Depreciation, Amortisation & Impairment  | 8,153,450           | 8,068,414           |
| Increase in Provision for Doubtful Debts   | 21,178              | -                   |
| Increase in Employee Leave Provisions  | 172,497             | 67,869              |
| Increase in Other Provisions   | 24,480              | 52,608              |
| Decrease in Receivables  | -                   | 276,669             |
| Decrease in Inventories  | 92,202              | 38,586              |
| Increase in Payables   | 1,835,982           | -                   |
| Loss on Disposal of Assets   | 18,563              | 235,004             |
|  | <u>10,318,352</u>   | <u>8,739,150</u>    |
| <b><u>Less:</u></b>  |                     |                     |
| Decrease in Provision for Doubtful Debts   | -                   | ( 18,725)           |
| Increase in Receivables  | ( 1,215,267)        | -                   |
| Increase in Other Current Assets   | ( 101,110)          | ( 51,473)           |
| Decrease in Payables   | -                   | ( 133,977)          |
| Decrease in Payroll Creditors  | ( 16,112)           | ( 230,469)          |
| Donated Assets Received  | -                   | ( 3,633,000)        |
| Written to Profit & Loss on Revaluation of Assets  | -                   | ( 1,310,201)        |
|  | <u>( 1,332,489)</u> | <u>( 5,377,845)</u> |
| <b>Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities</b>   | <u>12,403,498</u>   | <u>11,925,535</u>   |

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### Note 12 - COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE

|  | 2010<br>\$              | 2009<br>\$               |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Capital Commitments</b>   |                         |                          |
| Capital expenditure committed for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities: |                         |                          |
| Buildings  | 34,201                  | 61,812                   |
| - Aquatic Centre   | 6,946,476               | 15,330,199               |
| Land   | 7,889                   | -                        |
| Land Improvements  | 62,947                  | 550,700                  |
| Plant and Equipment  | 298,354                 | 1,128,242                |
| Roads  | 98,638                  | 346,127                  |
| <b>Total Capital Commitments</b>   | <u><u>7,448,505</u></u> | <u><u>17,417,080</u></u> |

These expenditures are payable as follows:

|   |                         |                          |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Not later than 1 year                         | 7,448,505               | 15,884,060               |
| Later than 1 year and not later than 2 years  | -                       | 1,533,020                |
| Later than 2 years and not later than 5 years | -                       | -                        |
| Later than 5 years                            | -                       | -                        |
|   | <u><u>7,448,505</u></u> | <u><u>17,417,080</u></u> |

#### Other Expenditure Commitments

Expenditure other than Capital committed for at the reporting date but not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities:

|  |                       |                         |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Materials & Contracts                      | 194,733               | 1,006,066               |
| Training                                   | -                     | -                       |
| Other                                      | -                     | 15,451                  |
| <b>Total Other Expenditure Commitments</b> | <u><u>194,733</u></u> | <u><u>1,021,517</u></u> |

These expenditures are payable as follows:

|   |                       |                         |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Not later than 1 year                         | 194,733               | 1,021,517               |
| Later than 1 year and not later than 2 years  | -                     | -                       |
| Later than 2 years and not later than 5 years | -                     | -                       |
| Later than 5 years                            | -                     | -                       |
|   | <u><u>194,733</u></u> | <u><u>1,021,517</u></u> |

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#N/A

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### Note 13 - STATEMENT OF PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

|   | 2010     | 2009     | 2008     | 2007     | 2006     |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|   | \$       | \$       | \$       | \$       | \$       |
| <b>a) Current Ratio</b>   |          |          |          |          |          |
| <u>Current Assets</u><br>Current Liabilities  | 5.37:1   | 8.63:1   | 5.88:1   | 5.59:1   | 4.72:1   |
| <b>b) Debt Service Ratio</b>  |          |          |          |          |          |
| <u>Net Debt Service Cost</u><br>Total Operating Revenue                             | 0.0072:1 | 0.0076:1 | 0.0125:1 | 0.0167:1 | 0.0120:1 |
| <b>c) Rate Coverage Ratio</b>   |          |          |          |          |          |
| <u>Rates &amp; Annual Charges</u><br>Total Revenue                                  | 46.15%   | 40.22%   | 56.06%   | 65.37%   | 42.24%   |
| <b>d) Rates &amp; Annual Charges Outstanding Percentage</b>                         |          |          |          |          |          |
| <u>Rates &amp; Annual Charges Outstanding</u><br>Rates & Annual Charges Collectible | 7.23%    | 8.05%    | 7.33%    | 6.92%    | 6.58%    |

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#### Note 14 - CONDITIONS OVER GRANTS & CONTRIBUTIONS

|  | 2010         |                     | 2009         |                     |
|--|--------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------|
|  | \$<br>Grants | \$<br>Contributions | \$<br>Grants | \$<br>Contributions |
| Grants and contributions that were obtained on the condition that they be expended on specified purposes or in a future period but which are not yet expended in accordance with those conditions, are as follows: |              |                     |              |                     |
| Unexpended at the close of the previous reporting period   | 14,948,559   | 534,067             | 11,684,940   | 506,988             |
| <b><u>Less:</u></b>  |              |                     |              |                     |
| Expended during the current reporting period from revenues recognised in previous reporting periods  | 9,967,075    | 141,382             | 2,344,288    | 384,796             |
| <b><u>Plus:</u></b>  |              |                     |              |                     |
| Amounts recognised as revenues in current reporting period but not yet expended in accordance with the conditions  | 5,992,844    | 753,996             | 5,607,907    | 411,875             |
| Unexpended at the close of the current reporting period and held as restricted assets  | 10,974,328   | 1,146,681           | 14,948,559   | 534,067             |
| Net increase (decrease) in restricted assets in the current reporting period   | ( 3,974,231) | 612,614             | 3,263,619    | 27,079              |



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#### Note 15 - STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions made by developers (as a condition of planning consent) for the future provision or enhancement of public services impacted by the development are recognised as income when Council gains control over the cash or other assets contributed.

| <b>PURPOSE</b>  | <b>2010</b><br><b>\$</b> | <b>2009</b><br><b>\$</b> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>a) Parking</b>                                     |                          |                          |
| Opening Balance                                       | 52,192                   | 52,192                   |
| Contributions Received During Year                    | -                        | -                        |
| <b>Total Parking</b>                                  | <u>52,192</u>            | <u>52,192</u>            |
| <b>b) Roads</b>                                       |                          |                          |
| Opening Balance                                       | 70,000                   | 70,000                   |
| Contributions Received During Year                    | -                        | -                        |
| <b>Total Roads</b>                                    | <u>70,000</u>            | <u>70,000</u>            |
| <b>Total Contributions Held as a Restricted Asset</b> | <u>122,192</u>           | <u>122,192</u>           |

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#### Note 16 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

##### Interest Rate Risk Exposure

The Council's exposure to interest rate risk consists of:

|                                       | Floating<br>Interest Rate | Fixed Interest Maturing In |                             |                  | Non-Interest<br>Bearing | Total             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
|                                       | \$                        | ≤ 1 year<br>\$             | ≥ 1 year<br>< 5 years<br>\$ | ≥ 5 years<br>\$  |                         |                   |
| <b>2010</b>                           |                           |                            |                             |                  |                         |                   |
| <b>Financial Assets</b>               |                           |                            |                             |                  |                         |                   |
| Cash Assets                           | 2,279,728                 | 21,526,251                 | -                           | -                | -                       | 23,805,979        |
| Receivables                           | -                         | 936,939                    | 12,386                      | -                | 1,855,255               | 2,804,580         |
| <b>Total Financial Assets</b>         | <b>2,279,728</b>          | <b>22,463,190</b>          | <b>12,386</b>               | <b>-</b>         | <b>1,855,255</b>        | <b>26,610,559</b> |
| <i>Weighted Average Interest Rate</i> | <i>3.74%</i>              | <i>6.24%</i>               | <i>19.00%</i>               |                  | <i>0.00%</i>            | <i>7.25%</i>      |
| <b>Financial Liabilities</b>          |                           |                            |                             |                  |                         |                   |
| Payables                              | -                         | -                          | -                           | -                | 1,898,412               | 1,898,412         |
| Westpac Loan - Civic Centre           | -                         | 289,207                    | 1,371,359                   | 2,056,165        | -                       | 3,716,731         |
| <b>Total Financial Liabilities</b>    | <b>-</b>                  | <b>289,207</b>             | <b>1,371,359</b>            | <b>2,056,165</b> | <b>1,898,412</b>        | <b>5,615,143</b>  |
| <i>Weighted Average Interest Rate</i> |                           | <i>6.75%</i>               | <i>6.75%</i>                | <i>6.75%</i>     |                         | <i>6.75%</i>      |
| <b>2009</b>                           |                           |                            |                             |                  |                         |                   |
| <b>Financial Assets</b>               |                           |                            |                             |                  |                         |                   |
| Cash Assets                           | 2,067,274                 | 22,084,071                 | -                           | -                | -                       | 24,151,345        |
| Receivables                           | -                         | 924,094                    | 40,294                      | -                | 656,271                 | 1,620,659         |
| <b>Total Financial Assets</b>         | <b>2,067,274</b>          | <b>23,008,165</b>          | <b>40,294</b>               | <b>-</b>         | <b>656,271</b>          | <b>25,772,004</b> |
| <i>Weighted Average Interest Rate</i> | <i>1.54%</i>              | <i>4.75%</i>               | <i>19.00%</i>               |                  | <i>0.00%</i>            | <i>6.32%</i>      |
| <b>Financial Liabilities</b>          |                           |                            |                             |                  |                         |                   |
| Payables                              | -                         | -                          | -                           | -                | 843,500                 | 843,500           |
| Westpac Loan - Civic Centre           | -                         | 270,101                    | 1,282,029                   | 2,434,614        | -                       | 3,986,744         |
| <b>Total Financial Liabilities</b>    | <b>-</b>                  | <b>270,101</b>             | <b>1,282,029</b>            | <b>2,434,614</b> | <b>843,500</b>          | <b>4,830,244</b>  |
| <i>Weighted Average Interest Rate</i> |                           | <i>6.75%</i>               | <i>6.75%</i>                | <i>6.75%</i>     |                         | <i>6.75%</i>      |

##### Credit Risk Exposure

Credit Risk represents the loss that would be recognised if counter parties fail to perform as contracted. The maximum credit risk on financial assets of the Council is the carrying amount, net of any provision for doubtful debts. The Council does not have any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty.

##### Net Fair Value

All carrying values approximate fair value for all recognised financial instruments.

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#### Note 16 - FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Cont'd)

| <u>Reconciliation of Financial Assets of Liabilities</u> | 2010<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$        |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Net Financial Assets</b>                              |                   |                   |
| Financial Assets   | 26,610,559        | 25,772,004        |
| Financial Liabilities                                    | ( 5,615,143)      | ( 4,830,244)      |
|  | <hr/> 20,995,416  | <hr/> 20,941,760  |
| <b>Non-Financial Assets and Liabilities</b>              |                   |                   |
| Accrued Income   | 138,106           | 106,760           |
| Prepayments  | 152,583           | 51,473            |
| Provision for Doubtful Debts                             | ( 122,494)        | ( 101,316)        |
| Inventories  | 78,844            | 171,046           |
| Work in Progress   | 9,682,400         | 1,201,792         |
| Property, Plant & Equipment                              | 174,833,959       | 162,417,329       |
| Accrued Expenses   | ( 987,606)        | ( 331,974)        |
| Unearned Income  | ( 323,482)        | ( 214,156)        |
| Provisions   | ( 3,969,877)      | ( 3,772,900)      |
| <b>Net Assets</b>  | <hr/> 200,477,849 | <hr/> 180,469,814 |
| <b>Net Assets per Balance Sheet</b>                      | 200,477,849       | 180,469,814       |

# **Alice Springs Town Council**

## **Notes to and Forming Part of the General Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June 2010**

### **Note 17 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

Council is currently defending a claim in relation to the validity of Charges raised within the 2009/10 financial year. Council is further defending proceedings issued by a contractor under a contract, in defence of which Council is counter claiming for damages against the contractor.

Council believes, based on legal advice, that both actions are capable of successful defence. Both legal claims are expected to be determined or settled in the course of the next twelve months.

The Council has not included here any further detail in relation to these contingent liabilities as it may prejudice Council's position.