

Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council



Cover photograph: Aerial shot of the Pormpuraaw Township

ANNUAL REPORT 2015-2016



Visitors to Pormpuraaw are often privileged to see colourful sunsets and sunrises.

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PREPARATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

The *Local Government Act 2009* (Qld) requires that an Annual Report be prepared annually. The Annual Report includes the preparation and adoption of financial budgets and annual Operation Plans that are consistent with the Corporate Plan.

The development of the 2013-2018 Corporate Plan has been guided by the issues identified in the Community Plan 2011-2021 and the strategies described in it to address those issues.

Council acknowledges that issues internal to Council operations are separate to community based issues. Whilst these issues are less

consequential to the community these issues may still impact on outcomes for the community.

Each financial year Council is required to prepare an Annual Budget and Operational Plan. The latest Operational Plan (2015-2016) outlines the services and projects Council intends to undertake for the benefit of the community which contribute to achieving the strategic vision of the Corporate Plan. It includes 35 Key Performance Indicators that are relevant and specific in nature.

The Annual Budget identifies the resources that will be used to achieve the Operational Plan objectives and subsequent goals in the Corporate Plan.

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR RALPH KENDALL



This will be my 1st Annual Report as Mayor after the 19 March 2016 Council Elections and covers the 3 months to 30 June 2016.

I thank the previous Mayor, Richard Tarpencha for his stewardship over the last 4 terms of Council. I also thank the new Council members (Cr Keith Barney, Cr George Conrad, Cr Bert Edwards & Cr Tim Koo-Aga) who will hold rotating Deputy Mayor roles over the next 4 years. Together we will continue to build upon the foundations laid by the previous elected members to make Pormpuraaw a progressive, well-being and contributing community where everyone plays a part no matter how small.

We undertook our induction in early April & our Elected Members Update training where we were made aware that Pormpuraaw was a dependent funded community and we will strive to start economic activity within our current term.

I stood on a platform of No DV, No misuse of Alcohol, Safe Children's future, Safe Elders & Family environment & Family & Community Events. It is only by addressing the above that we can start to move forward with every community member having & input & making that difference.

We will continue implementation & roll out of physical development within community and will continue to work in the true spirit of co-operation & partnership with the company undertaking the CDP program (Jobfind), PPAC, Education, Hospital, Police & other NGO's in community for the betterment & wellbeing of our community.

Major projects moving forward to June 2017 will be:

- Continued to upgrade Pormpuraaw access road along Strathgordon to Musgrave in partnership with Transport & Main Roads.
- Continued upgrade & repairs and maintenance to social homes.
- ILUA Agreement & rollout.
- New lot for new homes at identified blocks by Dec 2016.
- Paving of town streets (7th stage, balance to do = 8374 m2).
- WIP: Baas Yard refurbishment (collectively with other community NGO's).
- WIP: Sports Field (jointly with Jobfind).
- WIP: Men's Shed (jointly with Jobfind & PPAC).

Again, I would like to acknowledge the hard work of Council's management team, the staff, other NGO's & all State & Federal departments who have assisted us in our efforts for Council & Community.

Ralph Kendall.
Mayor



Mayor Ralph Kendall on Oath Day: April, 2016

STATEMENT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Council had movements in Senior Management with the Governance & Admin Manager's position becoming vacant in late Dec 2015 and currently being carried by the Finance Manager & CEO and the Operation Manager's position in late Jan 2016 and which was still vacant at 30 June 2016. We continue our efforts to fill these positions moving forward.

We continue to address the many statutory governance compliance & governance issues pertaining to Local Government Legislative and further reducing Audit Issues.

Our updated Website is nearing completion and Local Laws, Fraud & Corporate Plan will be addressed in the New Year as we continue to build staff experienced in HR, Admin & Governance & make inroads with our WHS issues.

Financial Management continues to remain a very strong focal priority for us. We expect that the 2015-2016 annual audits will see our continued march towards another

“Unqualified Audit” that we have worked tirelessly towards and our thanks & appreciation goes to our very capable & committed Finance Manager & her team.

Our efforts in team building and a change in Staff work attitudes continues throughout Councils various divisions supported by our own Work Policy & the CDEP host provider, Jobfind whom we continue to liaise very closely with. We continue with our endeavours to build local capacity within Council's work force & and to educate the importance to staff of coming to work for Council & Community.

I again thank the newly elected members of Council headed by Mayor Ralph Kendall, our Management team, State & Australian governments, all the NGO's and in particular our Community Champions, Mr Dave Stewart, DG Premier and Ms Tammy O'Shea, DG National Parks, Sports & Racing without whose support we could not have met the challenges of the 2015-2016 year and in many small ways have assisted us in our attempts to “close the gap” and make a contribution for Council, Community & above all, Country.

Thank you.

Edward A Natera.
Chief Executive Officer.



Above: Pormpuraaw Elected Members & CEO with DG Tamara O'Shea & DG Dave Stewart



Left: Community Christmas Celebrations 2015.



Right: Closing the Gap Event – March 2016.

HISTORY

Pormpuraaw is on the west coast of Cape York about 500 kilometres from the tip of Australia, just south of the Edward River. It is the home of the *Thaayore, Wik, Bakanh* and *Yir Yoront* People.

Pormpuraaw (formerly Edward River) was established as an Anglican Mission in 1983. The Anglicans had established Kowanyama in 1905 but realised that there were conflicts arising as a result of bringing many tribes together from such a large area. The Anglican Missionaries then sought to establish a number of smaller missions in the area. The first mission was located at the present Pormpuraaw site and took hold.

Like all cape missions, government rationed subsidies for aboriginal people at Pormpuraaw was about one third of what was required to exist, so most of the men and boys were sent out to work on the cattle stations in the region. This enabled them to stay close to their traditional country.

At the same time the Anglicans removed women and children from the cattle stations in the Gulf of Carpentaria. Dormitories were established to contain the women and children and provide schooling. Erratic rationing meant that most people were still required to hunt and collect food from the surrounding bush which helped maintain cultural connection with the land. The reliance on bush food was especially critical during the war periods when rationing of fuel prevented the mission boat from going to Normanton for supplies.

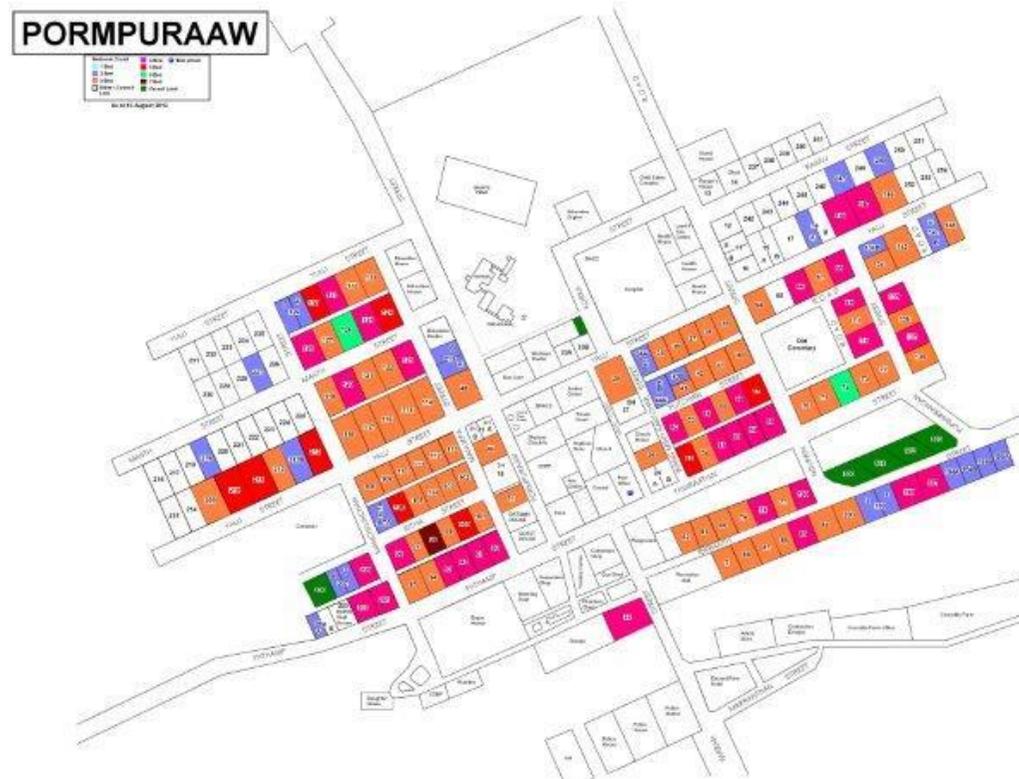
In 1986 the Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Community Council gained title to the area by way of a Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT). This enabled the council to have full local government authority over the trust area of 466,198 hectares. In 2004 Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Community Council became a Shire Council incorporated under the *Local Government (Community Government Areas) Act 2004*.

PORMPURA AW TOWNSHIP

Pormpuraaw Township consists of two neighbourhoods known locally as *Mungkan* side and *Thaayorre* side. They are united by schools, shops, administrative buildings and a number of shire council staff housing. The neighbourhoods originated at the time of mission settlement and reflect traditional linguistic and territorial affiliations. The majority of residents on the *Mungkan* side originate from along or north of the Edward River. The *Thaayorre* side

accommodate speakers of *Thaayorre*, *Yir Yoront* and other dialects that lie along or south of the Edward River.

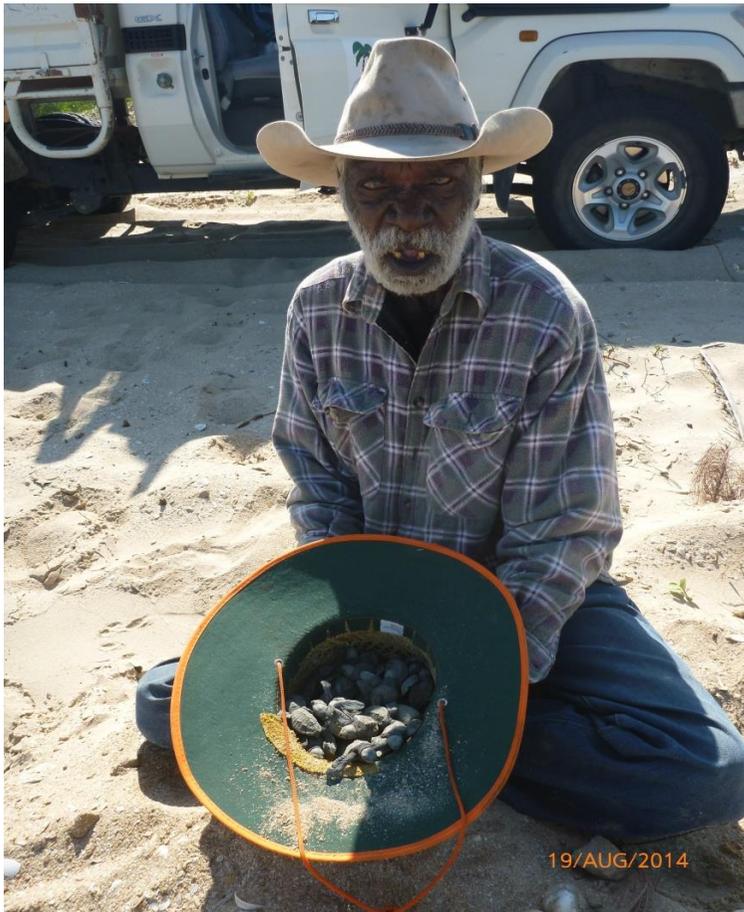
The neighbourhoods of Pormpuraaw broadly reproduce the geographic distribution of clan estates. The entirety of the Pormpuraaw DOGIT boundary encompassing 466 198 hectares and the two neighbourhoods is divided by the Edward River which broadly divides the *Wik* speaking clans from those to the south.



VISION AND MISSION

Our Vision – What We Are Trying To Achieve

A strong, engaged community creating a dynamic future.



Our Mission – Why We Are Here

To meet the needs and aspirations of community members by delivering strong leadership together with strategic planning to construct new infrastructure that will deliver new and improved services and facilities.

COMMUNITY VALUES

Our Values – What We Stand For

A Strong Community

Council will strengthen the capacity and resilience of Pormpuraaw Community through partnerships with the Community, business, government and non-government sector groups in pursuing positive social, economic and environmental outcomes.

Excellence

Council and staff will strive for innovation, continuous improvement and long term success in management and leadership practice, strategic planning and the performance of Council systems.

Accountability

Council is accountable to the Community and will conduct its affairs openly with integrity in consultation with Community, at the same time reflecting the highest level of democratic governance and public administration.

Fairness and Equity

Council recognises and values the needs of different sectors and groups within its community and works in partnership with it valued volunteers, community based agencies, State and Commonwealth departments to ensure needs are addressed in a planned and timely manner.

Welcoming Ideas

Council will actively encourage and seek the exchange of ideas and knowledge in finding creative solutions.

Investing In the Future

Council will take a long term view as a responsible steward of community assets and finances.

OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES - 5 KEY AREAS

1. Community - The Way We Want To Live Together

To promote outcomes, which encourage a healthy, supportive, contributing and proactive community, where appropriate services and facilities are available and accessible by all.

2. Built Environment - Shaping Our Surroundings

To plan for the future development of the community in ways which actively value the heritage and the character of our community with access for all.

3. Natural Environment - It Begins With Each Of Us

To ensure the natural environment is protected in a way that is not compromised for future generations and is managed so as to minimise our impact on non-renewable resources.

4. Economy - Creating Our Future

To facilitate a vibrant local economy that enjoys sustainable business investments and the benefits of a skilled and diverse workforce.

5. Organisation - Developing Our Capacity

To strengthen the capacity of the council organisation and its people to serve our community and to pursue positive outcomes in partnership with community business and government bodies.

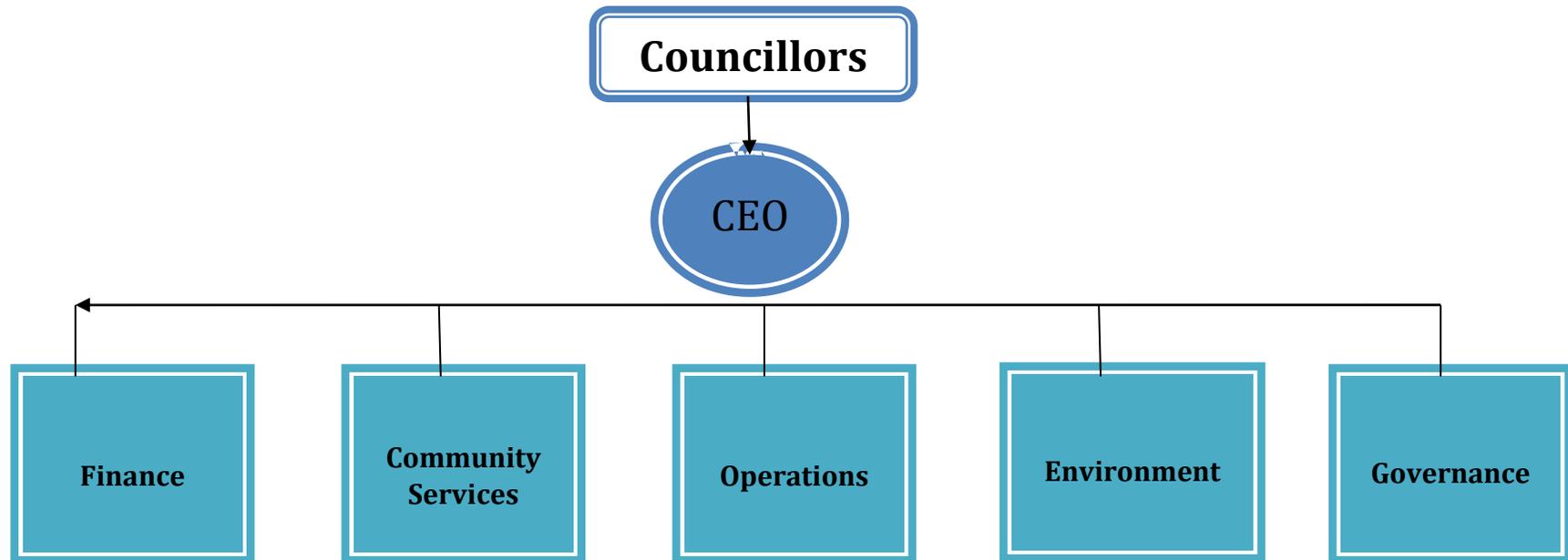
CORPORATE STRUCTURE

Accountability

All Council management staff take direction from and report to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council. The CEO is responsible for all operational management and co-ordination of community workplaces including the on-going delivery of services to shire council residents.

Staff Code of Conduct

All Council staff are required to adhere to the Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council Code of Conduct, Policies and confidentiality agreements. Councillors and staff must also avoid any inappropriate involvement in community activities, business and politics.



COUNCIL SERVICES

- Council operated Post Office and Bank Agency
- Community Bus
- Community BRACS
- Indigenous Knowledge Centre/Community Library
- Community SES
- Community Aged Care Packages (CAPS)
- Community Care Support
- Home and Community Care Program (HACC)
- Environmental Health
- Ranger Services
- Sport and Recreation
- Built Environment
- Staff Housing
- Property Leases and other Buildings
- All weather 24/7 Airport
- Workshop & Plant hire
- Fuel Depot
- Concrete Batching
- Roads and Drainage Maintenance
- Parks Gardens and Ovals
- Water Supply
- Waste Management
- Sewerage
- Turtle Monitoring and Ghost Net Programs
- Camping Grounds
- Guesthouses
- Contractors Dongas
- Administration Store
- Finance
- Governance and Administration
- Disaster Management

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The 2015/16 financial year saw Council achieve another unqualified audit opinion (4th unqualified audit consecutively). Council has for the first time met all 3 measures of financial sustainability. It was a great achievement for Council to finally achieve the operating surplus ratio for the first time ever.

Council had a full comprehensive revaluation of all of its assets undertaken by external valuers in the 2015/16 financial year. Council also made the shift to incorporate their asset register into an asset accounting module of Synergy to ensure accuracy and completeness of Council's asset register along with allowing for depreciation accounting to be undertaken on a monthly basis.

Sound financial practices underpin the foundations of the way Council conducts business. Council manages its financial affairs in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* (Qld) and the Regulations made under that Act. Council will maintain a capability to perform all necessary functions to properly collect funds owed to it, to pay monies owed to employees and suppliers and to maintain proper

accounting records of all financial transactions undertaken by Council.

Council prepares its annual financial statements in accordance with statutory requirements and to a standard that meets requirements for Council to receive an unqualified audit report at the end of the financial year.

Council is focused on long-term financial and asset management planning process while developing strategies to maintain service levels over the long-term.

Council emphasis on long-term planning for infrastructure assets will strengthen the ability for services, service levels and associated costs.

Council receives untied funding to support its overall operations and these funds are accounted for under this function. Council continues to explore opportunities that work towards a business model of income generating enterprises with the intent of reducing grant reliance.

Services provided through the finance team include the Post Office which provides a full range of banking facilities along with ATM services, Admin Store which provides goods to

Council and community members and Guesthouses/Contractors Accommodation Facilities.

Major council priorities identified in the Corporate and Operational Plans form the focus of financial management strategies.

Below: Pormpuraaw Office Staff with CEO Edward Natera
Back Row Left to Right: Grace Morris, Heather Tyore, Grace Millinda & Kira Tsao
Front Row Left to Right: Marjorie Chillagoe, Dawn Lakay, Elizabeth Norman & Edward Natera



Above: Finance Manager Tracey Bru with Skytrans Partner & All Time NRL Great Jonathon Thurston at the Skytrans 1st Birthday Celebration.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FUNDING BODIES

Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council would like to acknowledge the following funding bodies for activities funded in the 2015/16 financial year:

- Department of Infrastructure, Local Government & Planning
- Queensland Reconstruction Authority
- Department of Health
- Department of Health & Ageing
- Department of Environment & Heritage Protection
- Department of Transport & Main Roads
- Department of Infrastructure & Regional Development
- Department of Education & Training
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Communities
- Cape York Natural Resource Management
- State Library of Queensland
- Department of Human Services
- Department of Emergency Services
- Department of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Partnerships
- Department of Justice & Attorney General
- Queensland Remote Aboriginal Media Association

COMMUNITY SERVICES

AGED CARE AND DISABILITY

Council managed aged care services continue to go through a period of rapid change as services align with Commonwealth requirements to transition services to a consumer centered approach to service delivery.

Council receives funding for the Commonwealth Home Support Program, Home Care Packages, Queensland Community Care and National Jobs Creation Packages.

Improvements to the nutritional outcomes of community members and clients is provided through a Meals on Wheels service which employs a trained Cook and apprentice.

Additionally Council provides on country activities to clients through beach, fishing and outstations trips.

Issues of family violence have become a focal point for the community and frequently impact on staff and clients at the Aged Care Centre. Council has adopted a Say No to Violence campaign to raise awareness around issues of elder abuse and will look at building more networks and support for victims of abuse.

CENTRELINK

Services are provided to the public 5 days a week and Council is increasing employment opportunities for this position as local community members are offered training and support in this very important community role.

LIBRARY

The Indigenous Knowledge Centre (IKC) provides an educational space for all ages of the community to enjoy. The library operates 5 days per week and provides complimentary access to computers for community members.

PCYC

Council continues to support sport and recreational activities throughout Pormpuraaw, working with community organisations to provide a safe environment for community members to engage in activities. Future upgrades to the PCYC hall are planned to extend the current services available.

AIRPORT

Council has seen this function develop with 2 airlines now offering daily services to our community. Hinterland Aviation offers daily flights across each weekday with charter flights also available. Skytrans/WestWing Airlines offer services across 4 weekdays (No flights Wednesday).

The 2015/16 year saw a 400m² concrete airport car park area constructed to compliment the modern airport building. This provided local training opportunity on the preparation, set up and finish of concrete work.

Wet season access is by air travel only to Pormpuraaw with emergent supplies being transported in by air during the wet season period.

Council is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the airport to a standard that meet Civil Aviation Safety Authority requirements.

The local fare scheme was activated in late 2015 and has made air travel affordable for many community members, who otherwise cannot afford to travel out of community.



Photos on Right: Airport Car Park Project under Construction

JUSTICE GROUP

The Community Justice Group Program provides essential support and services within Pormpuraaw to victims and offenders within the criminal justice system. The Department of Justice & Attorney-General funds the program that develops strategies for dealing with justice related issues and to decrease Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples contact with the criminal justice system.

The CJG Program provides community members with the opportunity to work collaboratively with the courts, police and staff from other government agencies to address criminal behavior and provide support and assistance to victims of crime.

AMP

Council and community remain committed to the Alcohol Management Plan currently in place within community. Currently alcohol may only be purchased at the Pormpuraaw United Brothers Club during specified hours. The successful operation of the Club provides a quality area for community members to socialise and develop a responsible approach to the consumption of alcohol. It also provides a significant distraction from the need to access “Sly Grog” which in turn causes serious community disruption. Serious penalties exist for breaches of the AMP and Council endorses rigorous prosecution of those

offences. A review of the current AMP has occurred over the previous year with extensive consultation between community members. The results of that review are expected in the near future.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Council continues to make improvements to its disaster management functions and capability. Council experiences considerable challenges in maintaining a volunteer base for its services and is working closely with community members to motivate and encourage local residents to participate in this area of service to their community.

Due to small population it is necessary to combine the service approach to SES and Rural Fires. Both units are well equipped and the community participates in all regional preparations in respect to fire, wet and cyclone seasons.



Above: Mock Disaster Exercise being undertaken

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

WORKSHOP AND PLANT HIRE

Council owns a fleet of passenger vehicles and other items of heavy plant. The workshop is responsible for the maintenance of the fleet and keeping all vehicles in good working order and roadworthy condition.

Council has a fully equipped workshop to carry out ongoing maintenance with major overhaul work being contracted out when and as required. The workshop has a target of maintaining fleet availability at 95% of the time. All plant is issued to jobs on a hire basis. Rates for the hire of equipment are established at the commencement of the year. Operating costs such as repairs and maintenance, fuel, registration and insurance are also charged to this function on a job by job basis. Plant is hired to external parties.

CONCRETE BATCHING

Council operates a concrete batching plant to provide concrete for its own use and to sell to external parties. The capacity of the plant is 2.4 cubic metres per hour.

PARKS, GARDENS AND OVALS

Council maintains 2 hectares of parklands and gardens throughout the township area of Pormpuraaw. Council mows grass, maintains planting, clears rubbish and

generally maintains all parks in a safe condition for the enjoyment of the community.

ROADS TO RECOVERY

During the year Council undertook Stages 8 & 9 of Paving Works. Throughout 2015/16 there was 2,500m² of paving completed around the Pormpuraaw township. Funding for Roads to Recovery is provided by Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development. Local workers were also used for this project to build employment and skill capacity.

Below: Preparation works for paving of Manth St



ATSI TIDS

Council prioritised the Missing Link project to progressively develop safe, trafficable, all-year access to essential services and the community. The project construction was a sealed roadway including drainage structures from Yulu St to bitumen causeway CH180-1845. This project was funded by Department of Transport & Main Roads. Council will continue to undertake road development work to the DOGIT boundary with the Department of Transport & Main Roads. Logistic work started in June 2016 at Station Creek Road to make it passable during the “wet”.

Below: Missing Link Road Works under Construction. This project was funded by Dept of Transport & Main Roads through the ATSI TIDS Funding.



ROADS AND DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE

Council is responsible for the maintenance of approximately 20 kilometres of town roads and approximately 500 kilometres of urban and rural roads within the DOGIT area. At all times roads are maintained in a trafficable condition.

In addition to roads, Council carries out required drainage and other civil construction works throughout the Council area which are required for various projects. Funding for some road works is received as an identified portion of the Financial Assistance Grant. Council will also use Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRAA) funding for roads damaged in recent cyclone and weather events which includes damage to the airport runway and sewage pond walls.

WATER SUPPLY

Council sources its domestic water from two bores that are located outside the township. Water is chlorinated at the bore site and pumped to two high level tanks located in the town which is then reticulated throughout the town. It is expected that one of bore submersible pumps will need to be replaced this year. A full water reticulation system upgrade was carried out within the latter half of the 2015 year. Council received \$2.7M of donated water assets from the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government & Planning.

SEWERAGE

Council operates an evaporative sewerage disposal system. Drains are pumped from the southern side of town to the northern side. A second pump station pumps the effluent to the evaporation ponds north of the town. Treatment of the sewage is limited to enzyme treatment administered by hand dosing through manholes and pump stations to reduce the fats in the sewage.

Council is licensed by the Environment Protection Authority to operate the system and must comply with all licensing conditions.

Maintenance and further investigative work was carried out on the evaporative ponds bund wall system and along with some rectification to the pond liner.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Council collects garbage from 160 residential properties twice per week. Street bins and bins in public places are collected two times per week. Council also maintains all 240 litre garbage bins within the community in an operational condition. The waste disposal facility is located on the edge of the urban area. Council sourced some

funding to complete surveillance works, fencing of facility and bunting stalls were installed for waste segregation. Council aims to operate this facility in accordance with the requirements of the *Health Act 1937* (Qld) and the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* (Qld).

Below: Aerial photo of Pormpuraaw Waste Facility which had some improvement works undertaken in 2015



ENVIRONMENT

RANGER PROGRAM – 2015/16

WEST COAST TURTLE ABATEMENT ALLIANCE

Overall success Of Sea Turtle threat abatement/monitoring Program - Ranger staff began preparations for the 2015 sea turtle nesting season in March, the coordinator designed a nest protection cage and personally oversaw the prototype construction at a Cairns aluminum sheet metal fabrication business, the design was based on actual field experience of feral pig (*Sus Scrofa*) and goanna (*Varanus Panoptes Panoptes*) predation of Olive Ridley nests in the 2013 and 2014 monitoring programs, experts had recommended the use of plastic trellis mesh but the 2014 trials had very limited success with this method, rangers initially purchased 20 of the aluminum cages and began installing in early June, a further 20 cages were purchased in August after trail cam images revealed numerous attempts by a very large boar pig failed to dislodge the cage and predate the eggs, by the end of the 16 week nesting season Rangers had achieved a 400% increase in endangered Olive Ridley hatchling success (12,465 for 2015 - 2,190 for 2014) and the can be directly attributed to the installation of the new cages and an increase of monitoring/protection effort. (10 cages supplied by EHP for trials were unsuccessful) Rangers are planning an expansion in protective operations for the 2016 season

WCTTAA

The West Coast Turtle Threat Abatement Alliance continues to strengthen with the addition of Kowanyama to the alliance in 2015, some serious commitment was demonstrated by the WCTTAA partners in the 2015 nesting season with extensive monitoring/predation control/data collection completed by a very dedicated group of Indigenous Rangers, the BIG winners were the threatened turtle species reproducing on Western Cape York

CONTROL OF HYMENACHNE INFESTATION

Rangers have conducted a very successful control program of the Hymenachne infestation located on the Holroyd floodplain, despite concerns by all ranger staff of the rapid spread of the infestation in the 2014 year, two rounds of aerial control conducted in May/July 2015 followed up by two rounds of vehicle/quick spray control in late 2015 has resulted in a 75 % decrease in infestation size was revealed in a further round of aerial control completed in late January 2016.

PLASM FERAL CULL CAPABILITY

Senior Ranger Eddie Kendall coordinated the final 2015 feral culling operation in November, all aspects of the cull from pre booking choppers, ordering/purchasing avgas and ammunition, consulting all relevant TO,s, coordinating marksmen schedules, managing data collection, daily brief to pilots, weapons safety drills, risk assessments were completed in a professional and efficient manner, the 1 1/2 day cull tally was 941 pigs destroyed with a reporting period final figure of 1,915 pigs removed, PLASM now has 4 fully qualified aerial control indigenous staff (Cat D qualified).

INVITATION TO CULL AT KOWANYAMA

PLASM rangers have finalised arrangements with the Kowanyama Shire Council and Land Management office of commence aerial culling within Kowanyama lands in May 2016, these arrangements are ongoing and funded by the Nest to Ocean program. Applications for a change of conditions (999) to the Pormpuraaw group license have been submitted and approved by QLD weapons licensing, PLASM Ranger staff can now legally operate within Kowanyama lands.

CARBON ABATEMENT PROGRAM

PLASM Rangers have completed controlled burning operations within Pormpuraaw DOGIT lands, 2,980 incendiaries were deployed from choppers, vehicles and quad bikes initially focusing on the eastern boundary and then mosaic burning westwards, total area burnt was 256,500 ha equaling 57% of Pormpuraaw DOGIT, only 9.2 % of the total was outside of the targets set by the Clean Energy Regulator (after August) which is an extremely good result and mirrors the considerable effort invested by PLASM Ranger staff.

AQIS BIOSECURITY

PLASM Rangers have brokered two new fee for service arrangement with Federal Govt Agriculture/Biosecurity (DAF), PLASM staff organise all aspects of animal health/disease detection culling operation (choppers, weapons, marksmen, avgas, ammunition etc) and assist the single DAF vet in collecting bloods/tissue samples in the biannual biosecurity surveys, an ongoing marine pest survey pilot program was also negotiated, this will be an ongoing arrangement with the Federal Govt.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT/TRAINING

Rangers completed an engineering qualification in May 2015 and received further TIG welding training in Cairns December 2015, PASC Environmental Health Officer attained a LGAQ Diploma of Environmental Health and three junior staff have completed 10 of the 16 units towards CALM Cert III.

JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAM

Ranger staff completed 8 school visits do deliver biology lessons/presentations on native wildlife and the turtle threat abatement program with emphasis on the importance of aerial culling of feral to reduce impacts on all native flora and fauna. A three day Junior Ranger camp out at the Chillagoe Pocket Ranger base completed in July 2015, five natural resource management activities with students were undertaken over the three days.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Ranger staff facilitated the formation of a Pormpuraaw DOGIT Traditional Owner Indigenous Corporation (Nganchin Raak Mela incorporation) with registration accepted by ORIC, the formation of the corporation was considered by Traditional Owner Ranger staff to be very important for future land tenure/land management aspirations of Pormpuraaw Traditional Land Owners

WATER AND WASTE – 2015/16

REFUSE AREA

PASC is now compliant with essential legislative requirements following a major renovation of the refuse area including, all weather access, fully fenced with 24 hour surveillance to minimise illegal dumping and improper use of facility, schedule of fees for facility use, reduction of environmental impacts through hazardous goods storage facility, refuse truck wash down point within site and the removal of the remaining 227 car bodies crushed in 2014 2015

WATER SUPPLY

PASC is now compliant with essential legislative requirements following the installation of a complete new community potable water supply system including, variable speed pressure pumps, SCADA electronic monitoring and control, chlorine gas injection disinfection system, new laboratory for localised E Coli testing. Benefits of the new system are Analysis of data from various collection points, centralise the data and report on several water variables, improve the water quality testing, control and administration of water collection data to ensure compliance with state legislation and best practice data collection and scrutiny, A key feature of the

introduction of the system is the ability to train local staff in the use of state of the art technology. All staff will undergo training in the use of the SCADA system and localized E. Coli testing within the laboratory, with the goal of all staff achieving a level of independent competency in the use of the system, PASC will have considerable reductions in operational costs by localized testing, SCARDA/Laboratory installation aligns with the current development of the Customer Service Standards that PASC will uphold in relation to water supply and quality of water within the community, SCARDA provides PASC staff the ability to monitor faults/alarms/resets of the water/waste water systems remotely (out of community) with two iPads configured for remote access

Robbie Morris - Environmental Manager

One of the river systems significant to the community of Pormpuraaw.



COUNCILLOR PROFILES



Mayor - Ralph Kendall

Elected in 2016 Ralph Kendall holds the position of Mayor of Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council.

Mayor Ralph will assist, partake and have oversight on all portfolios.

Deputy Mayor

Each Councillor will serve a quarter of each year conducting the Deputy Mayor role. This is to ensure the experience is shared amongst the elected members.



Councillor - Keith Barney

Elected in 2016 Keith Barney is responsible for the portfolios of: Training & Employment and Youth. He will also share the portfolio of: Education with Cr Tim Koo-Aga.



Councillor - George Conrad

Elected in 2016 George Conrad is responsible for the portfolios of: Housing, Land & Sea Rangers, Land Development and Sports & Recreation.



Councillor - Bert Edwards

Elected in 2016 Bert Edwards is responsible for the portfolios of: Arts & Culture, Enterprise, Essential Services, Men's Group, Planning & Infrastructure and Roads & Transport.



Councillor - Tim Koo-Aga

Elected in 2016 Tim Koo-Aga is responsible for the portfolios of: Elders, Health and Women's Group. He will also share the portfolio of: Education with Cr Keith Barney.



Photo - Left to Right: Cr George CONRAD, Cr Keith BARNEY, Cr Bert EDWARDS, Mayor Ralph KENDALL & Cr Tim KOO_AGA.
The 4 Councillors will take on a rotating Deputy Mayor role over their 4 year term to provide optimal experience as an elected member.

COUNCILLOR FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

Chapter 5, Part 3 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires the Annual Report to detail the remuneration, including superannuation contributions and expenses incurred paid to each Councillor for the financial year. The total remuneration including superannuation paid to each Councillor in the period 2015/2016 is as follows:

Name	Position	Councillor Fees	Superannuation	Total Remuneration	Expenses
KENDALL, Ralph (Current)	Mayor	\$23,669.60	\$2,705.10	\$26,374.70	\$0
BARNEY, Keith (Current)	Councillor	\$11,960.63	\$1,136.27	\$13,096.90	\$0
CONRAD, George (Current)	Councillor	\$11,960.63	\$1,136.27	\$13,096.90	\$0
EDWARDS, Bert (Current)	Councillor	\$13,655.50	\$1,297.29	\$14,952.79	\$0
KOO-AGA, Tim (Current)	Councillor	\$11,960.63	\$1,136.27	\$13,096.90	\$0
TAPENCHA, Richard (Former)	Mayor	\$74,765.90	\$7,102.72	\$81,868.62	\$0
MICHAEL, Dennis (Former)	Deputy Mayor	\$4,335.08	\$520.20	\$4,855.28	\$0
BARNEY, Toby (Former)	Councillor	\$37,380.32	\$4,485.69	\$41,866.01	\$0
GIBUMA, Patrick (Former)	Councillor	\$36,692.13	\$4,403.14	\$41,095.27	\$0
FOOTE, Lucy (Former)	Councillor	\$35,335.25	\$4,240.31	\$39,575.56	\$0
HOLROYD, Deborah (Former)	Councillor	\$21,549.40	\$1,680.35	\$23,229.75	\$0
TOTAL		\$283,265.07	\$29,843.61	\$313,108.68	\$0

Current Councillors are serving a rotating role, where each elected Councillor will conduct the Deputy Mayor Role for a quarter of each year. The Councillor fees reported are inclusive of the Deputy Mayor fees payable to each Councillor whilst serving their quarter in this role. The remaining 3 quarters of the year is paid at the standard Councillor rate.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT REMUNERATION DISCLOSURE

Five Senior Managers are currently employed by Council to carry out its statutory functions. There is one senior position vacant (Governance). This function is currently being overseen by the CEO and Finance Manager.

3 Senior Management Employees are in the \$100,000 - \$200,000 remuneration bracket and 2 Senior Management Employees are in the <\$100,000 remuneration bracket.

The vacant Governance position is also in the <\$100,000 remuneration bracket.

Position	Remuneration Bracket
CEO	\$100,000 - \$200,000
Finance Manager	\$100,000 - \$200,000
Environment Manager	\$100,000 - \$200,000
Community Services Manager	< \$100,000
Operations Manager	< \$100,000
Governance Manager	< \$100,000

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings are scheduled to be held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Twelve Council meetings were held in 2015/2016. Councillors attendance (present and former) are as listed in the table below:

Name	Position	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended
KENDALL, Ralph	Mayor (Current)	4	4
BARNEY, Keith	Councillor (Current)	4	4
CONRAD, George	Councillor (Current)	4	4
EDWARDS, Bert	Councillor (Current)	4	4
KOO-AGA, Tim	Councillor (Current)	4	4
TAPENCHA, Richard	Mayor (Former)	8	8
MICHAEL, Dennis	Deputy Mayor (Former – Vacated July, 2015)	8	0
BARNEY, Toby	Councillor (Former)	8	8
GIBUMA, Patrick	Councillor (Former)	8	8
FOOTE, Lucy	Councillor (Former)	8	8
HOLROYD, Deborah	Councillor (Former – Appointed Nov, 2015)	4	4



STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Resolutions s185 – LG Reg 2012

A copy of the Resolutions made during the 2015/16 financial year under section 250 (1) and section 206 (2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* are attached to this annual report and labelled “Annexure B”.

Administrative Action Complaints s187 – LG Reg 2012

Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council is committed to dealing fairly with administrative action complaints. In the previous financial year no administrative action complaints were made to Council. As a result no management process was required and there are no unresolved complaints at the end of the financial year.

Overseas Travel – s188 – LG Reg 2012

No overseas travel in an official capacity was made by any Councillor during the reporting period as per s188 – LG Reg 2012.

Expenditure on grants to community organisations s189 – LG Reg 2012

Council made no expenditure to community organisations during the reporting period.

Controlled Roads and Reserves

Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council controls 550 kilometres of road are controlled by Council and has no reserve land under the *Land Act 1994*.

Significant Business Activities s45 – The LG Act

Council did not conduct any business activities during the reporting period that fall under section 45 of the Act.

Beneficial Enterprises and Business Activities

Council did not conduct any Beneficial Enterprises or Business Activities as defined under the Act for the current reporting period.

Operations and Performance - Other Issues s190

Implementing the Community Plan

The Community Plan continues to inform Council decision making and guide medium term strategies to meet community needs and expectations that are contained in the Corporate Plan and the Operational Plan. Council is currently on track to meet the major outcomes that are outlined in the Community Plan.

Implementing the 5 year Corporate Plan

Council has engaged in several consultative processes to align the Corporate Plan more closely with the Community Plan objectives. A revised Corporate Plan is expected to be adopted by resolution in 2017.

Implementing the Operational Plan

Council is very satisfied with its planning and achievements in the previous financial year. All outcomes detailed in the Operational Plan are expected to be achieved in the coming year.

Other Issues relevant to making an informed assessment of council operations and performance.

No other issues impact on the informed assessment of council operations and performance.

Details of any action taken for and expenditure on a service, facility or activity supplied by another council.

Council has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council for the shared employment of a Senior Finance Officer to support the Finance Managers in each Council. Council has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Transport & Main Roads for project management of our NDRRA and TIDS works under that agreement.

Number of invitations to change tenders under s228 (7).

No resolutions were posted by council during the reporting period in relation to tender changes under s228 (7).

Summary of concessions by rates/charges granted by Council

The Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council Local Government area is the land described as Lot/Plan: Lot 5 Crown Plan LK2, Title Reference: 21345063, County: Koolatah, Parish: Battersea.

The Council is located on land assigned to the Pormpuraaw Land Trustees under a Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) signed by the Governor of Queensland on 28 July, 1987 pursuant to section 334 of the *Land Act 1962*. It comprises an area of about 466,198 hectares. Pormpuraaw was officially recognised as a DOGIT entity in March 1998, and awarded Local Government status in November 1999, held its first elections in March 2000. Accordingly Council has no rateable base at this time. Council operates with a Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) and does not collect rates. Council is in support of moves toward private home ownership and further infrastructure development within a defined Town Plan area and we are planning to develop a policy on all rates levied and particulars of all rebates and concessions allowed following the development of an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) with local Traditional Owner Groups.

LIST OF REGISTERS KEPT BY COUNCIL

REGISTER	PURPOSE	ACCESS
Material Personal Interest Of Councillors s247	To record certain financial and other personal interests of the Councillors	Available to any person upon written application to the CEO. Relevant Councillors must be informed of the application
Material Personal Interest Of Councillor related persons s247	To record certain financial and other personal interests of specified persons to Councillors	Restricted to Councillors of PASC and persons permitted by law upon application in writing to the CEO
Minutes of Council meetings s 468	To record all the resolutions made by council at Ordinary council and Special meetings	Available for inspection by any person 10 days after the meeting of for purchase after confirmation. Available for inspection by any person on application to the CEO
Policy Register	To record all policies adopted by the Council.	Available to any person via free download from Council website.
Register of Delegations by Council s472 and s1132	To record the delegations of authority to the CEO	Available for inspection by any person on application to the CEO.
Register of Delegations by CEO	To record the delegations of authority by the CEO to other Council staff	Available for inspection by any person on application to the CEO.
Registers of Interests of relevant employees and related persons s1140	To record certain financial & other personal interests of relevant employees & related persons.	Available only to Councillors, the CEO or a person permitted by law or their agent.
Corporate plan S513	To document the goals, strategies & performance indicators set by Council for a 5 year period	Available for inspection by any person on application to the CEO, available for free download from the council website.
Operational Plan s513	To document the activities, goals & performance indicators set by Council for the year.	Available for inspection by any person on application to the CEO. Available for free download from the council website.
Annual Report	To document the financial position and the performance of Council for the year.	Available to any person. Available for free download from the council website.
Budget s524	To record the proposed revenues and expenditures required to implement the Council's strategies and goals for the year.	Available to any person. Available for inspection by any person on application to the Council office.
Register of Contracts	To records contracts undertaken by Council.	Available to any person or for inspection by any person on application to the Council.
Register of legal documents	To document all legal documents held by Council.	Available to any person or for inspection by any person on application to the Council.

REPORT ON INTERNAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR

Council's internal audit function is undertaken by Altius Advisors (Chartered Accountants) with two (2) reports undertaken during the year. The focus of the internal audit plan for 2015/16 was as follows:

DETAILED REVIEW OF THE ASSET UPLOAD INTO SYNERGY – INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN ITEM # 1

Initial Review

- Council discussed the upload process with the Synergy support team to ensure that the correct process was followed.
- Our initial review confirmed that the asset balances for all categories agreed to the audited excel register as at 30 June 2015.
- Detailed review of the upload revealed a number of concerns, as follows:
 1. Treatment of assets with both short life and long life components
 2. Proposed treatment of residual values for buildings included in the register
 3. Proposed treatment of residual values for infrastructure assets included in the register

Discussions were held between internal audit, Council's Finance Manager and a representative from AssetVal, the valuers engaged to perform the 2016 revaluation exercise on 19 April 2016. The concerns were discussed and resolved as follows:

Treatment of assets with both short life and long life components

During our review of the initial upload of the asset register in Synergy we identified a number of infrastructure assets which included both short and long life components. In excel, this had not created an issue as separate columns had been used to split the asset, attributing the correct useful life and therefore correct depreciation charge for the year, with a total column combining the different elements. However, when the excel register had been uploaded into Synergy, the system did not have a capability to accurately reflect the different components of the assets and a 'blended' estimated useful life and depreciation rate had been incorporated into the register. Whilst the depreciation charge actually ended up correct based on the blended rate, the data driving the calculation (the remaining useful life) was meaningless as it did not relate specifically to either element of the asset. We stressed that moving forward this would create risks for the valuation of infrastructure assets and problems would arise during the audit in demonstrating the accuracy of the calculations. During our discussions with the valuer, internal audit explained our concerns with the short and long life assets currently being on the same line in the spreadsheet. The valuer agreed that the best approach was to present this as two separate lines for all assets with both a short and long life component. He confirmed that AssetVal would adopt this approach for the 2015/16 valuation to ensure that the valuation would be in the same format as the uploaded Council asset register.

Conclusion

- Detailed review of the revised asset register confirmed that:
- Opening balances are in agreement to the audited financial statements as at 30 June 2015
- All long life and short life assets have been correctly split out and reflect the correct useful lives for each component of the asset
- We can conclude that the Council assets register has been successfully uploaded from excel into Synergy and reflects the correct base data information for each asset.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS/DISCLOSURE – INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN ITEM # 2

Initial Review

The internal audit review aimed to establish related party transaction and disclosure policy and define applicability of the following key concepts to Council:

- Purpose of the Policy
- Related party
- Recording of related parties
- Process to identify and manage related parties
- Financial benefit
- Process to monitor and approve related party benefit
- Application of materiality principle for related party disclosure purposes
- Financial statement disclosures

Conclusion

As a result of this internal audit review, Council has given consideration to the requirements contained within AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures. Adequate systems have been put in place to identify, record and report related party transactions from 1 July 2016.

COMMUNITY FINANCIAL REPORT 2015/16 – S184

The Community Financial Report is a plain English summary of Council's Financial Statements prepared in accordance with section 179 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

1. 2015/2016 Snapshot

Key Highlights of the 2015/2016 financial year include:

- Unqualified Audit
- Met all 3 Financial Measures of Sustainability (1st year of having met the Operating Surplus Ratio)
- Increased Our Operating Surplus by \$3.7M from prior year
- Increased Our Net Result by \$10.7M from prior year

2. About Council's End of Year Financial Statements

What you will find in the Financial Statements:

The Audited Financial Statements of Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council set out the financial performance, financial position, cash flows and the new wealth of Council for the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

About the Management Certificate:

The Financial Statements must be certified by both the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer as presently fairly. Pormpuraaw Council's financial results for the year and are required to be adopted by the Council – ensuring both responsibility for and ownership of the Financial Statements by management and elected representatives.

The financial statements incorporate 4 primary financial statements and accompanying notes:

- A Statement of Comprehensive Income - A summary of Councils financial performance for the year ending 30 June 2016, listing both regular income and expenses and other comprehensive income which records items such as changes in the fair value of Council's assets and investments.
- A Balance Sheet - A 30 June 2016 snapshot of Council's Financial Position including its Assets and Liabilities.
- A Statement of Changes in Equity - This the overall change for the year (in dollars) of Council's "net wealth".
- A Statement of Cash Flows - Indicates where Council's cash came from and where it was spent.
- Notes to the Financial Statements - These provide greater detail to the line numbers of the 4 primary financial statements.

Pormpuraaw Shire Council's Financial Statements are required to be audited by the Queensland Audit office. The audit of all Queensland Councils is contracted to Audit firms that specialise in Local Government. The Auditor provides an audit report which gives an opinion on whether the Financial Statements present the Councils' financial performance and position fairly.

A complete version of Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Councils 2015-2016 Financial Statements including the sustainability ratios can be found at Council's website: www.pormpuraaw.qld.gov.au or at Council's administrative offices at:

24 Thinraathin St, Pormpuraaw QLD 4892 or Office 4/161 Aumuller St, Bungalow QLD 4870

If you have any questions regarding the financial statements please contact Tracey Bru on Phone: (07) 4032 8200 or

Email: finance@pormpuraaw.qld.gov.au.

AN OVERVIEW OF THIS YEAR'S FINANCIAL RESULT AND FINANCIAL POSITION

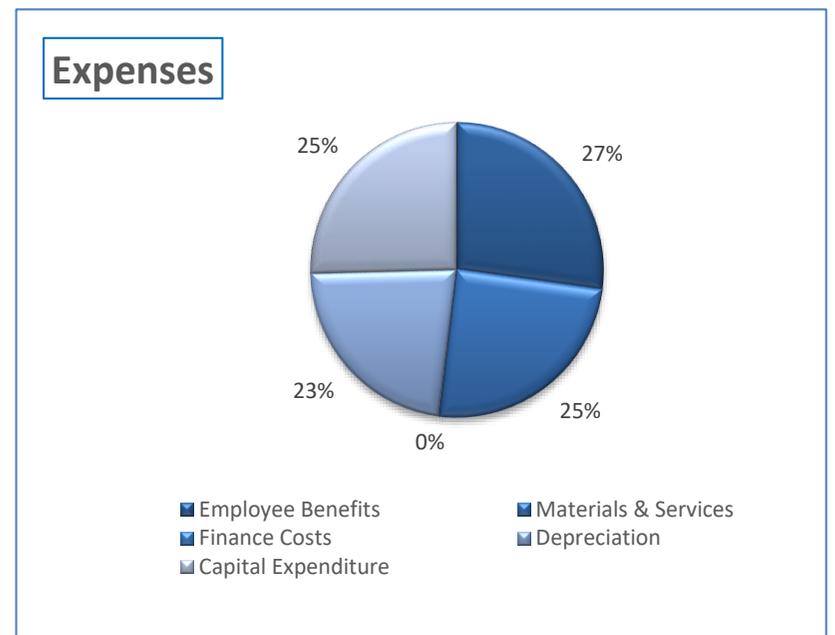
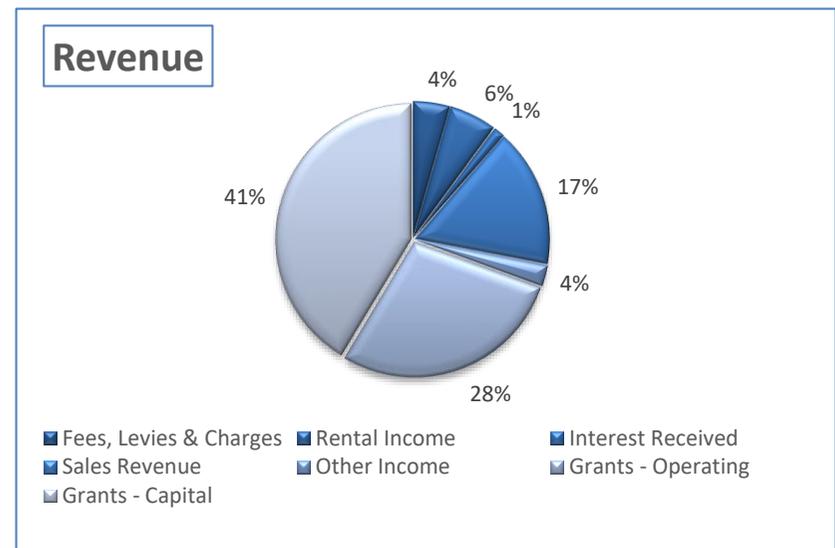
PORMPURAAW ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (PROFIT & LOSS) 2015/16:

	Actual 2016 \$,000	Actual 2015 \$,000	Actual 2014 \$,000
Operating Revenue	\$11,561	\$11,670	\$10,600
Capital Revenue	\$8,159	\$4,730	\$6,013
TOTAL REVENUE	\$19,720	\$16,400	\$16,613
Recurrent Expenditure	\$11,595	\$12,887	\$12,961
Capital Expenditure	\$3,947	\$3,930	\$3,834
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$15,542	\$16,817	\$16,795
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$4,178	(\$417)	(\$182)
Other Comprehensive Income	\$6,577	\$468	\$6,634
Net Result	\$10,755	\$51	\$6,452

PORMPURAAW ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL'S REVENUE & EXPENDITURE SOURCES FOR 2015/16:

Revenue	Actual 2016 \$,000	%
Fees, Levies & Charges	\$874	4.43%
Rental Income	\$1,120	5.68%
Interest Received	\$267	1.35%
Sales Revenue	\$3,256	16.51%
Other Income	\$492	2.50%
Grants & Contributions - Operating	\$5,551	28.15%
Grants & Contributions - Capital	\$8,159	41.38%
TOTAL INCOME	\$19,719	100%
Expenses	Actual 2016 \$,000	%
Employee Benefits	\$4,225	27.18%
Materials & Services	\$3,841	24.71%
Finance Costs	\$11	0.07%
Depreciation	\$3,519	22.64%
Capital Expenditure	\$3,947	25.40%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$15,543	100%

OPERATING SURPLUS **\$4,176**



PORMPURA AW ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(BALANCE SHEET) FOR 2015/2016:

Major Items that Make Up Pormpuraaw's Community Wealth:	Actual 2016 \$,000	Actual 2015 \$,000
Available Cash & Investments	\$10,812	\$7,832
Debtors	\$987	\$1,877
Inventories	\$383	\$460
Other Financial Assets	\$11,599	\$11,468
ASSETS:		
Buildings	\$32,584	\$35,247
Furniture & Fittings	\$136	\$212
Plant & Equipment	\$2,857	\$3,157
Water Infrastructure	\$4,762	\$2,963
Sewerage Infrastructure	\$9,279	\$9,851
Other Infrastructure (Roads)	\$51,503	\$41,115
Capital Work in Progress	\$147	\$100
Less Liabilities	(\$1,286)	(\$1,273)
NET COMMUNITY EQUITY	\$123,763	\$113,009

**PORMPURAAW ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCILS KEY FINANCIAL FIGURES – A SNAPSHOT OF THE PAST
5 YEARS LETS YOU SEE SOME OVERALL TRENDS:**

Financial Performance \$,000	Year Ended 30.6.16	Year Ended 30.6.15	Year Ended 30.6.14	Year Ended 30.6.13	Year Ended 30.6.12	Year Ended 30.6.11
INFLOWS:						
Levies and Charges	235	192	132	67	67	70
Fees and Charges	639	212	250	224	248	242
Rental Income	1,120	1,223	1,110	1,358	1,324	408
Interest Received	267	202	177	176	203	102
Sales Revenue	3,256	2,350	2,937	2,990	3,365	2,028
Other Income	492	844	1,146	74	25	288
Grants, Subsidies, Contributions & Donations	13,710	11,377	10,859	11,916	16,786	12,770
TOTAL INCOME:	19,719	16,400	16,611	16,805	22,018	15,908
OUTFLOWS:						
Employee Benefits	4,225	4,755	4,545	4,399	4,465	4,268
Materials & Services	3,841	4,480	5,023	4,613	10,082	7,088
Finance Costs	11	30	14	119	293	43
Depreciation	3,519	3,622	3,377	4,114	2,627	3,229
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0	298	6
Capital Expenditure	3,947	3,929	3,833	16,542	490	207
TOTAL EXPENSES:	15,543	16,816	16,792	29,787	18,255	14,841
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT):	4,176	(416)	(181)	(13)	3,763	1,067
Increase in Asset Revaluation:	6,577	468	6,634	1,425	25,035	3,645
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME:	10,754	51	6,453	1,412	28,798	4,712

Financial Position \$,000	Year Ended 30.6.16	Year Ended 30.6.15	Year Ended 30.6.14	Year Ended 30.6.13	Year Ended 30.6.12	Year Ended 30.6.11
Current Assets	12,181	10,168	9,611	7,854	14,514	5,286
Current Liabilities	1,285	1,214	1,903	1,224	8,007	1,736
Net Current Assets	10,896	8,954	7,708	6,630	6,507	4,090
Cash & Cash Equivalents	10,446	7,468	5,570	5,570	6,639	4,288
Total Value of PP&E	101,268	92,645	103,706	144,038	183,757	128,990
Total Accumulated Depreciation	48,468	43,516	43,994	44,934	62,700	34,236

MEASURES OF FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY S112

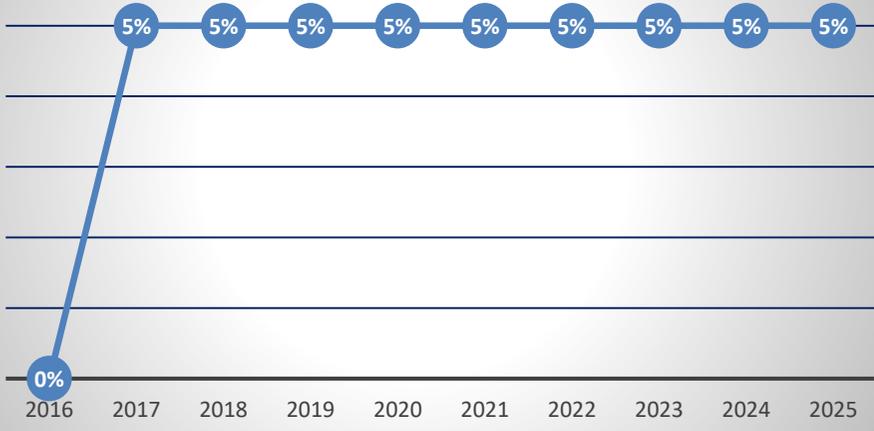
The Financial Sustainability of Councils continues to be a cornerstone of the Local Government Act and a core responsibility of individual Councils across Queensland.

The Financial Sustainability indicators (in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012) that Council must publish are as follows:

1. Operating Surplus Ratio – Net Result divided by Total Operating Revenue
2. Asset Sustainability Ratio – Capital Expenditure on Asset Renewals divided by Depreciation Expense
3. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio – Total Liabilities less Current Assets divided by Total Operating Revenue

Ratio	Target	Actuals at 30 June 2016	30 June 2017	30 June 2018	30 June 2019	30 June 2020	30 June 2021	30 June 2022	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2025
Operating surplus ratio	Between 0% and 10%	0%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Asset sustainability ratio	greater than 90%	167%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%	95%
Net financial liabilities ratio	not greater than 60%	-94%	-45%	-25%	-25%	-25%	-20%	-20%	20%	20%	20%

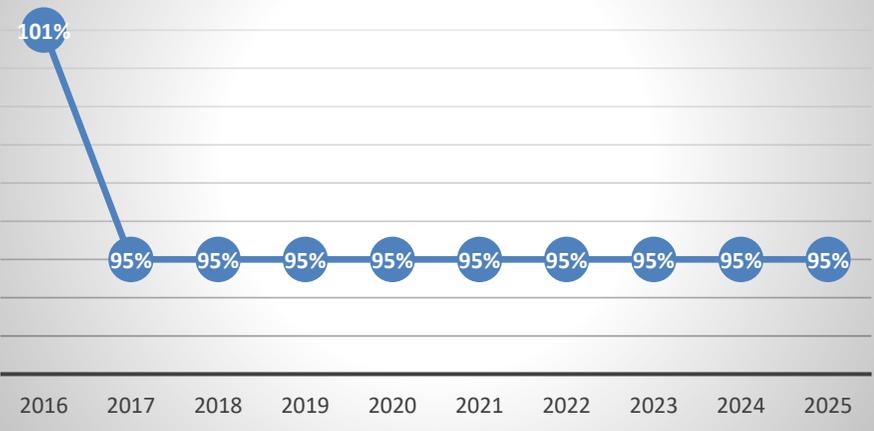
Operating surplus ratio



Net financial liabilities ratio



Asset sustainability ratio



AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS s183

A copy of the signed Auditor-General's Audit Report can be found as Annexure A of the Annual Report.

PARTICULAR RESOLUTIONS s185

A copy of the Resolutions made during the 2015/16 financial year under section 250 (1) and section 206 (2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* can be found as Annexure B of the annual report.



Above: Oath Day for Council – April, 2016



Right: Where better to end a busy day than on the beach front of Pormpuraaw, fishing as the sun sets in the west.

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