



DISTRICT COUNCIL OF THE COPPER COAST

Annual Report

2005/2006



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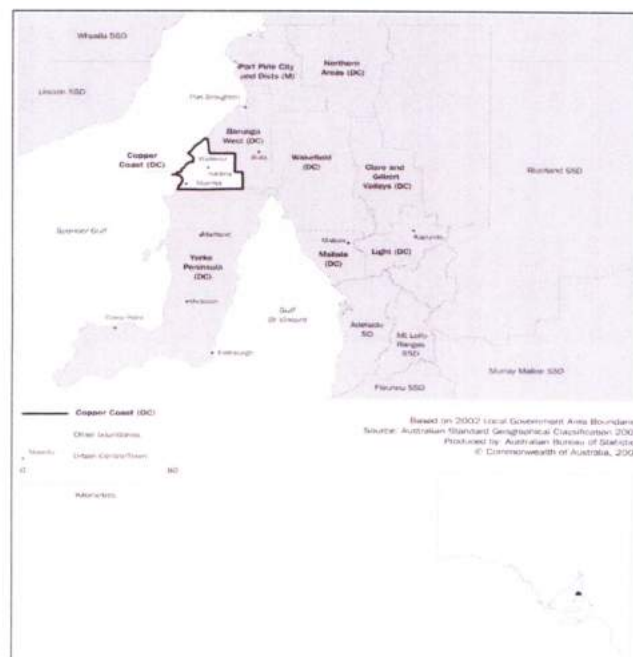
Foreword

Council is required to produce an Annual Report under the provisions of Section 131 of the Local Government Act 1999.

Annual Reports are produced by the District Council to communicate with residents and businesses in the community, ratepayers and prescribed bodies about the District Council's governance, its services, performance and achievements.

While Annual Reports are principally documents of accountability, the District Council may also use its Annual Report as a document to promote its achievements in the local communities and to attract investment into the area. Annual Reports are also a historical record of the District Council's activities during the previous financial year.

This publication, the Summary Annual Report – 2005/06 has been produced as a summarised version of the 2005/2006 Annual Report and will not contain all the information prescribed by the Act and Regulations. A full version of the Annual Report is available by contacting the District Council Offices at 51 Taylor Street, Kadina 5554 or from Council's website www.coppercoast.sa.gov.au





Message from the Mayor

As Mayor of the District Council of the Copper Coast it gives me much pleasure to report to you and reflect on what has been achieved in a very busy year. Socially, economically and environmentally the community grows and matures, the challenges for Council are to balance the growth, ensure the growth is sustainable and most importantly protect and enhance the environment.

It is absolutely clear to the Council that the current development growth that the Copper Coast is experiencing has placed an ever increasing demand on each of our communities. Our urban areas are growing and experiencing new pressures on physical infrastructure and service demands. The rural living areas are being encroached upon by the continuation of urban sprawl and the network of roads and services infrastructure are being placed under ever increasing pressures to cope with regular influxes of tourists, visitors, and absentee owners while the permanent residents keep pace with change.

These are changing times.

The Council area continues to be one of the fastest growing regional areas in the State. The close proximity to our capital city Adelaide and the fact that there is a growing demand for coastal living has positioned the area as a place to live, work and enjoy.

The number of development applications continues to be on the incline. The building industry is experiencing and enjoying a boom whilst they attempt to keep up with the demand for new residences and other developments.

With the influx of new residents we are noticing that we are gaining a more diverse demographic with families moving into the area to take advantage of the growth and economic development opportunities coupled with the lifestyle.

Following Council's adoption of its strategic plan, Council has had the opportunity to assess and review its objectives. The objectives are clear and will serve the community well for the life of the strategic plan.

Our adopted objectives are:

Social Objective – Wellbeing

Environmental Objective – Sustainability

Economic Objective – Prosperity

Cultural Objective – Opportunity

Governance Objective – Leadership

With clear directions Council has a renewed enthusiasm to facilitate and build community pride, our focus has widened and we now look to community capacity building as well as meeting the demands of renewal and maintenance of physical infrastructure.



Council continues its commitment to youth, which stems from the basic principle that “Young people are the future”.

The Copper Coast Undergraduate Scholarship has again been awarded to a student pursuing a university course. The scholarship is awarded as an encouragement to achieve a successful academic outcome and to entice our young talent back to the Copper Coast once studies and qualifications have been attained.

Planning for the future and the attraction, recruitment and retention of a skilled workforce is underpinned by our joint venture partnership with the District Council of the Yorke Peninsula and Division of General Practice.

An initiative that will in time assist in creating a “smart workforce” capable of meeting our communities growing needs.

We have reinforced our commitment to the arts and culture of our region and partnered with Country Arts SA in the employment of an Arts and Community Development Officer.

During the year Council has once again shown that it is prepared to commit itself to a task and work to achieve an outcome, this has never been more evident than with the proposed Wallaroo to Lucky Bay Ferry service.

In October 2005 The CEO and I presented a deputation to the Premier and 2 of his Ministers reinforcing the business case and economic development potential for establishing a ferry service that will join the Yorke and Eyre Peninsulas. We are confident that the service will commence in 2006 after more than 40 years of well intentioned investigations and discussion.

Of particular note this year was the devastating fire on January 14 2006 which destroyed the historic Wallaroo Primary School. A school where like many other members of the Wallaroo community I attended and which holds fond and treasured memories of our early formative years. The devastating fire did however provide the Council with an opportunity to rally its support for the students, teachers and the community and provide a temporary school in the Wallaroo Town Hall. An outcome which brought much life back into the Town Hall and great enjoyment for the students as they went about their daily classes in one of our grand civic buildings.



Message from the Chief Executive Officer

Council's achievements in 2005/06 have been built on the progress made in previous years and with sound financial management which has been accomplished through moderate rate increases and prudent expenditure.

The year was the first period where progress has been measured against the Council's new Strategic Plan "Moving Toward 2015". The Strategic Plan which is the cornerstone of Council's operations and initiatives has set the scene for further significant growth and development in the Copper Coast.

Development

Development applications in 2005/06 have exceeded 770 resulting in developments totaling more than \$50 million in value. Council's Development Assessment Panel which consisted of the 10 Elected Members and the Mayor as Presiding Member assesses the more complex development applications and has made significant improvement to the Council's planning process in terms of consistency and time frames for approvals. Demand for housing continues to drive much of the residential development and land division. This demand has required the Council to commence the process of review of its Development Plan to ensure any potential conflict between land use zoning and demand for land suitable for specific development are minimized.

The Copper Coast has also attracted significant interest for commercial development during 2005/06 particularly in the coastal townships of Wallaroo and Moonta Bay where development approvals for tourist accommodation and hotel/motel developments have been planned. As the "Community Wealth", in the form of public infrastructure grows so to does Council's role in the stewardship of these community assets. The ongoing demands of infrastructure development, for example, the maintenance of newly created roads and reserves, will add to the pressure for the Council as an organisation to grow.

Organisation

The organisation is fortunate to have skilled employees, who are proud of their achievements, working as locals to develop their Council area and provide services to fellow residents.

The organisation will continue to develop in new directions and implement measures to cost effectively meet the needs of a growing region. The District Council of the Copper Coast is committed to the delivery of sustainable, quality services to our residents and ratepayers.



Major Infrastructure Projects

During the course of the year Council's works program has again been at the forefront of infrastructure development and renewal. The largest single project embarked upon in 2005/06 was the reconstruction of Graves Street in Kadina. The resultant works required a significant amount of redesign to intersecting streets and the storm water management system. The enhancements to the road surface, kerbing and nature strips along and in the vicinity of Graves Street has been a major contributor to an improved amenity of the township.

Council has repurchased the lease of the North Beach Wallaroo Caravan Park after an extended period of the park being leased and run by private operators.

It is Council's intention to redevelop the park and return it to a tourist park facility that caters for the growing demands and needs of the many tourists who regularly visit the region. The programmed redevelopment of the park will take place over the ensuing 2 years after which Council will determine which form of management structure will best suit the park and Council's operations.

Partnerships

Council has forged many valuable partnerships in the past year, with anticipated positive outcomes both locally and regionally.

In the arts and community development area Council has partnered with Country Arts SA for the purpose of a joint funding agreement to employ an Arts and Community Development Officer. The partnership has created greater opportunities for expanded activities in arts and culture and will serve to strengthen a strong local network of community groups and individuals.

Council's commitment to youth has also seen a joint funding agreement entered into with The District Council of Yorke Peninsula and the Northern Yorke Health Services. This partnership has resulted in the employment of a Youth Development Officer working for the Yorke Peninsula Youth Initiative. The District Council of Yorke Peninsula, the Division of General Practice and Council have also embarked on a joint project to facilitate the recruitment and retention of health sector and other professionals to the Yorke Peninsula. This project while targeted at professionals is also adaptive enough to be used for generic recruitment of all streams of workforce participants.

Funding has also been received for a partnership between the District Council of Yorke Peninsula, Office for the Ageing and Council to establish the Elder Friendly Communities Project. This project will be run in conjunction with the University of South Australia and is designed to engage older people in building community capacity and active participation in assessment of the needs of older people.



District Council of the Copper Coast

The Area in Focus

The Copper Coast is famous for having some of South Australia's best holiday beaches. Located a comfortable hour and a half drive from Adelaide, this region of the Yorke Peninsula is rich in history and thriving with coastal developments. Its many attractions and accommodation make the Copper Coast an ideal tourist destination for both local and international visitors.

Located in the Copper Coast region are the Peninsula's three largest urban centres of Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo. Smaller towns and settlements are located throughout the Council area including the coastal towns of Port Hughes, North Beach and Moonta Bay and the rural settlement of Paskeville, home of the renowned Yorke Peninsula Field Days.

The Region's prosperity is largely attributed to the diversified arable farming activities based on cereal grains, oilseeds and pulses, together with livestock. The Yorke Peninsula and Wakefield Plains region encompass some of South Australia's most fertile land and with recent advances in technology and effective crop diversification; the region has consistently achieved high yields.

The agriculture sector is a major employer within the region and is well supported by significant bulk grain handling and commodity facilities at the deep-sea port of Wallaroo. Growth in the manufacturing sector has been strong, due to increased production in the agricultural sector and associated value-adding industries. Other manufacturing activities within the region include the production of transport equipment, building, construction and other related services.

The region also hosts significant extractive industries, including limestone, granite, dolomite, gypsum, copper and sand mining.

The Copper Coast has a healthy fishing industry supporting scale fish, prawn, crab and abalone fisheries. Oyster and mussel farming are fast emerging as an industry of the future as is the growing of brine shrimp in the regions many salt pans.

The region has well-developed transport and communication networks, together with a soundly established business and service infrastructure. In recent years there has been strong growth in the health and community services, clerical, sales and services, professional and associated professional occupation sectors.



Yorke Peninsula's retail sector is largely based around the Copper Coasts urban centres of Kadina, Wallaroo and Moonta. The Central Business Districts of each of these major towns offer a diversity of general and specialist stores supported by many smaller retail outlets and business services.

Extensive parklands have been established in the major townships of Kadina, Wallaroo, Moonta, Port Hughes and Paskeville that cater for a wide range of recreational and sporting activities. The Copper Coast Sport & Leisure Centre as a regional sporting venue caters for indoor and ancillary pursuits and has recently undergone an extensive refit expanding its gym facilities to include free weights and cardio equipment.

The Victoria, Queen and Davies Town Squares of Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo respectively continue to provide an important open space, reflecting the civic pride of each town community.

Generous areas of foreshore reserve, with their sandy beaches and safe swimming are set aside at Port Hughes, Moonta Bay, Wallaroo and North Beach. The Port Hughes, Moonta Bay and Wallaroo jetties provide popular recreational fishing venues. Excellent boat launching facilities are provided at Port Hughes, including a boat service pontoon, protective breakwater and extensive trailer parking. A new facility has been completed and is operational at Wallaroo as part of the Copper Cove Marina Development.

Numerous active and passive cultural pursuits are supported by the region's many facilities, including libraries, galleries, performing arts, historical buildings, local histories and museums. The Ascot Theatre in Kadina provides a modern venue for live and cinematic theatre and Art and Community Gallery display facilities have been developed in the former public library to provide a permanent home for the Kernewek Lowender Art Collection.

The Biennial Kernewek Lowender Festival of Cornish heritage is recognised as one of South Australia's leading cultural events. The annual Antique and Collectables Fair, held at Moonta, continues to grow in its reputation, since the inaugural event nine years ago.

The Wheal Hughes Tourist Mine is the only one of its type in South Australia and incorporates a staffed mine interpretive centre, guided tours and conveniences.

The Yorke Peninsula Field Days are held at Paskeville biennially in September and comprise one of Australia's largest and oldest agricultural events.

The Farm Shed Museum and Tourism Centre at Kadina provides excellent visitor information services, supporting the Region's tourism aspirations.

2006 brought the introduction of the area's first Big Rig Show and Shine which will be a biennial event on alternate years to the Kernewek Lowender. The event was brought about by a local truck company and a small group of volunteers to raise money for the



Royal Flying Doctors of Australia. The event is held over the whole weekend and incorporates Kadina, Wallaroo and Moonta with a show case of cars and prime movers in conjunction with a concert on the Saturday night.

The Copper Coast is fast emerging as a special place in which to live, conduct business and visit. Enjoying a Mediterranean ‘just right’ mild climate, the district population, both permanent and visitors, continues to grow as people seek to enjoy the relaxed lifestyle and the regions many assets.



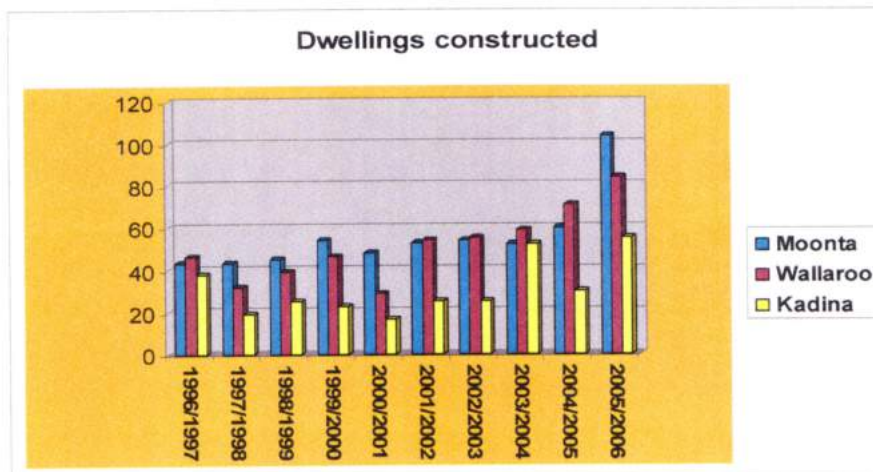
The Council

The District Council of the Copper Coast is a progressive and successful Local Government Authority, committed to further developing the community’s quality lifestyle and by making living easy. Council will continue to strive to achieve the best outcome for its community through active facilitation of social, environmental, economic, cultural and governance initiatives in a high growth region.

The District Council covers an area of some 773 square kilometres, servicing a population of approximately 11,000 people and over one hundred thousand visitors annually.

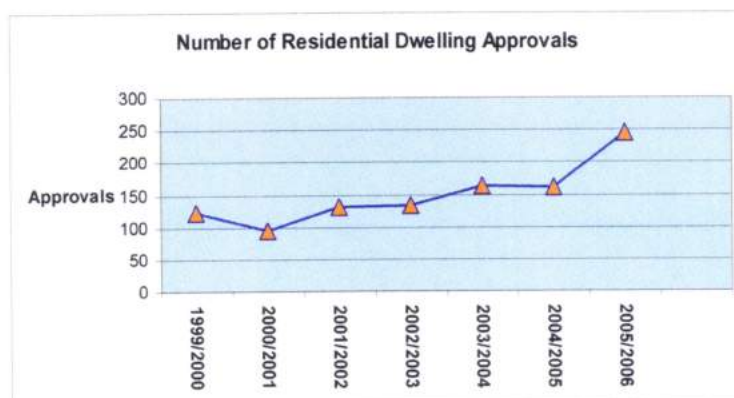
Population trends indicate a slight growth of 7% is expected over the next decade. However, the new Wallaroo Marina development will expedite this growth, with the potential to boost the District's population by up to 1,500 people over the next five years.

Further residential developments in Kadina, Port Hughes, North Beach and Moonta/Moonta Bay are further indicators for potential population growth and demographic shifts for the region.



(Moonta Bay, North Moonta and Port Hughes are included in the figures for Moonta, North Beach and surrounds are included in the figures for Wallaroo, Kadina figures include Newtown, Wallaroo Mines and surrounds)

Provisional development plan consents approved by the Council's Development Assessment Panel in 2005/06 were valued in excess of \$50 Million and included 247 new residential dwellings. Residential land divisions in the same period created in excess of 327 allotments. This development trend has seen a constant increase in residential development resulting in a corresponding growth in community wealth.





Formed in May 1997 through the amalgamation of the District Council of Northern Yorke Peninsula and the Corporation of the Town of Wallaroo, the Council area is divided into four wards and is represented by a Mayor and ten Councillors.

The Decision Making Structure of the Council

The full **Council** – the Mayor and ten Councillors, meet formally on the first Wednesday of every month at 5.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall in Kadina. The Council is the decision making body on all policy matters and is supported by standing committees established to investigate and resolve particular issues, these standing committees are:

- **Corporate and Community Services**
- **Infrastructure and Environmental Services**

These committee meet in Council to resolve the diverse range of matters referred to them. An Executive Committee, comprising the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chairs of the standing committees may also meet if the need arises.

A statutory **Development Assessment Panel** meets on the third Wednesday at 5.00 p.m. of each month also in the Council Chamber to consider Development Act applications submitted for approvals. The Development Assessment Panel comprises a membership of the full Council.

Every meeting of the Council, Council committees and Development Assessment Panel are open to the public to attend. The Council or a Council committee may, however, order that the public be excluded from attendance at so much of a meeting as is necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence certain prescribed matters. Such matters include, for example, the consideration of legal advice, commercial in-confidence information, tenders for the supply of goods and services, personnel matters etc.

Council and Council committee meeting agendas, together with the accompanying reports and correspondence, are placed on public display not less than three days prior to those meetings. Minutes of the meetings are placed on display for free public access within five days of each meeting.



Council Resources Revenue

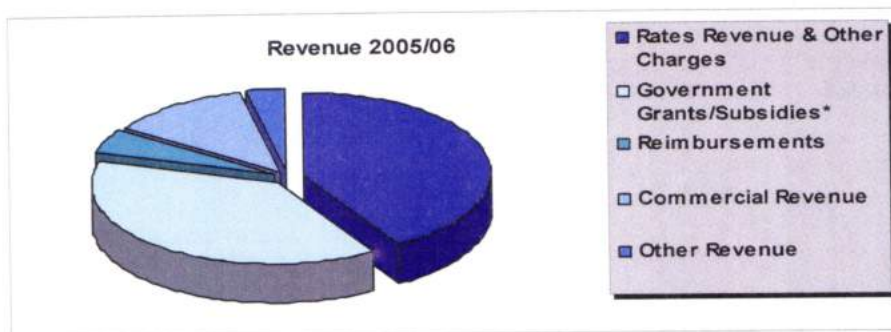
Council's Operating Statement for the year ended 30 June 2006 reveals that the Council revenue amounted to \$17.8 million for the financial year.

This amount was derived from Rates Income, Operating Grants and Subsidies, Reimbursements, Commercial Revenue and Other Revenue sources.

Revenue

Rates Revenue & Other Charges	\$ 7,404,056	41.7%
Government Grants/Subsidies*	\$ 6,803,920	38.3%
Reimbursements	\$ 861,962	4.9%
Commercial Revenue	\$ 2,147,429	12.1%
Other Revenue	\$ 528,379	3.0%
	<u>\$ 17,745,746</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

* includes capital revenue of \$4.053 mil.



Included in Government grants and subsidies is capital revenue of \$4.779 million. This is comprised of capital grants and contributions of \$0.87 million as well as \$3.910 million received in the form of physical assets transferred to Council free of charge from developers as part of private land developments.

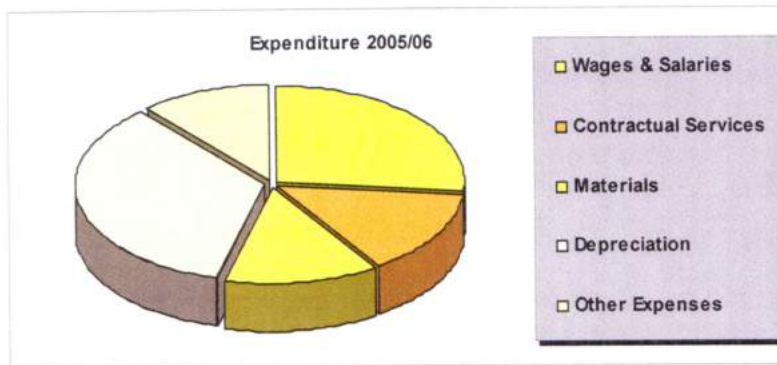
Expenditure

The expenditure for the financial year was \$13.6 million incurred in the following operational areas, Wages and Salaries, Contractual Services, Materials, Depreciation and Other Expenses.

Expenditure

Wages & Salaries	\$ 3,623,888	26.9%
Contractual Services	\$ 1,922,465	14.3%
Materials	\$ 1,810,585	13.4%
Depreciation	\$ 4,696,857	34.8%
Other Expenses	\$ 1,431,444	10.6%
	<u>\$ 13,485,239</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Surplus including Capital Revenue \$ 4,260,507



Depreciation of \$4.7 million is a non cash item included in expenditure.

Council's financial result

The operating result of \$4.261 million surplus appears on the surface to be excessive given the breakeven nature of an enterprise such as a Council however there are several factors to consider.

As mentioned this surplus can be partly explained by the receipt of \$3.910 worth of physical assets received free of charge. These are assets such as roads, footpaths, storm drainage and common effluent systems received from developers undertaking such divisions of land. Council is required to account for the receipt of these assets as capital income even though the assets received will never generate revenue and will require maintenance and replacement over the longer term.

For further information see www.coppercoast.sa.gov.au



Elected Members

Electoral Representation

The elected Council of the District Council of the Copper Coast is comprised of the Mayor and ten ward Councilors. As principal member of the Council, the Mayor is elected by the whole District Council electorate; the Deputy Mayor being appointed from within the elected Council by the Councilors themselves. For electoral purposes, the District Council area is divided into four wards. These are Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo Wards represented by three Councilors each and the Paskeville Ward with one Councilor.

Elections have been held at three yearly intervals, with all positions being declared vacant. Voting rights for electors are voluntary and not compulsory as is the case with Commonwealth and State Government elections. In May 2000, for the first time, the District Council elections were conducted by postal ballot, resulting in a significantly increased voting participation rate of 54%. The present Council was elected in May 2003 with, however, a reduced 44% voting participation rate by the 10,128 electors in the contested Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo wards. The Mayor and Paskeville ward Councilor were both elected unopposed. The next elections will be held in November 2006 for a term of four years.

The composition of the Council is reviewed periodically, in accordance with the Local Government Act, to reflect the electoral principle that each vote should have equal value. As of February 2006, the ward representation quota was 1,274 i.e. 12,740 enrolled electors represented by 10 Councillors. The actual representation was, within a 10% tolerance, thus:- Kadina ward with 3,453 electors meant that the three ward Councillors each represent 1,151 electors; Moonta ward with 4,141 electors means the three ward Councillors each represent 1,380 electors; Paskeville ward with 1,285 electors is represented by one ward Councilor; and Wallaroo ward with 3,861 electors means that the three ward Councillors represent 1,287 electors each.

With completion of the periodic review during December 2002, the next review (at least once in every six years) of electoral representation involving changes to ward boundaries will be completed not later than the year 2009. Procedures are available for electors to initiate submissions seeking boundary alterations and alterations to the composition of the Council or its representative structure.



The Members of the Council

The District Council of the Copper Coast, effective from conclusion of the May 2003 elections, created the following Council for the term ending in November 2006.

MAYOR



Paul D.K. Thomas, JP

WARD COUNCILLORS



Paul March
KADINA



Dean Rodda
KADINA



Roslyn Talbot
KADINA



Brian Bussenschutt
PASKEVILLE



Richard Davis
MOONTA



Bruce Schmidt
DEPUTY MAYOR
MOONTA



Tommy Tonkin
MOONTA



Jeff Hammond
WALLAROO



Geoff Male
WALLAROO



Judith Niotis
WALLAROO

Strategic Plan

Moving Toward 2015

The District Council of the Copper Coast Strategic Plan “Moving Toward 2015” forms part of the Councils overall strategic management plans.

The Strategic Plan is the overarching framework for Councils suite of plans, and includes the Council’s **Vision, Mission** and **Values**

Our Vision

“The District Council of the Copper Coast will provide for the social, environmental, economic and cultural needs of the Council area in partnership with our community”

Our Mission

“To Enhance Community Lifestyle”



Providing effective and affordable facilities and services



Managing and protecting our environmental assets



Encouraging growth through responsible development



Fostering community achievement

Our Values

“We Will”



Treat everyone with fairness and respect



Work together to provide the best possible services



Be open to new ideas while respecting our heritage

The Council’s Key Directions are contained in 5 objectives with complimentary goals. Key strategies and responsibility for departmental strategy delivery are also outlined and presented in the Strategic Plan.

Business Plan

Council's Business Plan links the key strategies to action statements. Council has also committed to priorities and terms for strategy delivery during the life of the plan.

Reviews

The Council will review its suite of plans to ensure alignment with key directions and strategies together with resourcing provisions and legislative compliance. Above all Council's plans will ensure Council demonstrates it is committed to providing services to the community that are responsive to current and future needs and that they are delivered efficiently and effectively.

Our Key Directions

"Council will focus on achieving objectives in five areas"

Objective:

Social Objective – Wellbeing

Goal: To enhance the quality of our community by encouraging health, wellbeing and safety.

Objective:

Environmental Objective – Sustainability

Goal: To responsibly manage the natural and built environment to ensure its sustainability and diversity to the community.

Objective:

Economic Objective – Prosperity

Goal: To facilitate economic prosperity, balanced growth and the enhancement of the Copper Coast.

Objective:

Cultural Objective - Opportunity

Goal: To promote community identity by supporting rich lifestyle experiences including arts, heritage, culture and leisure activities.

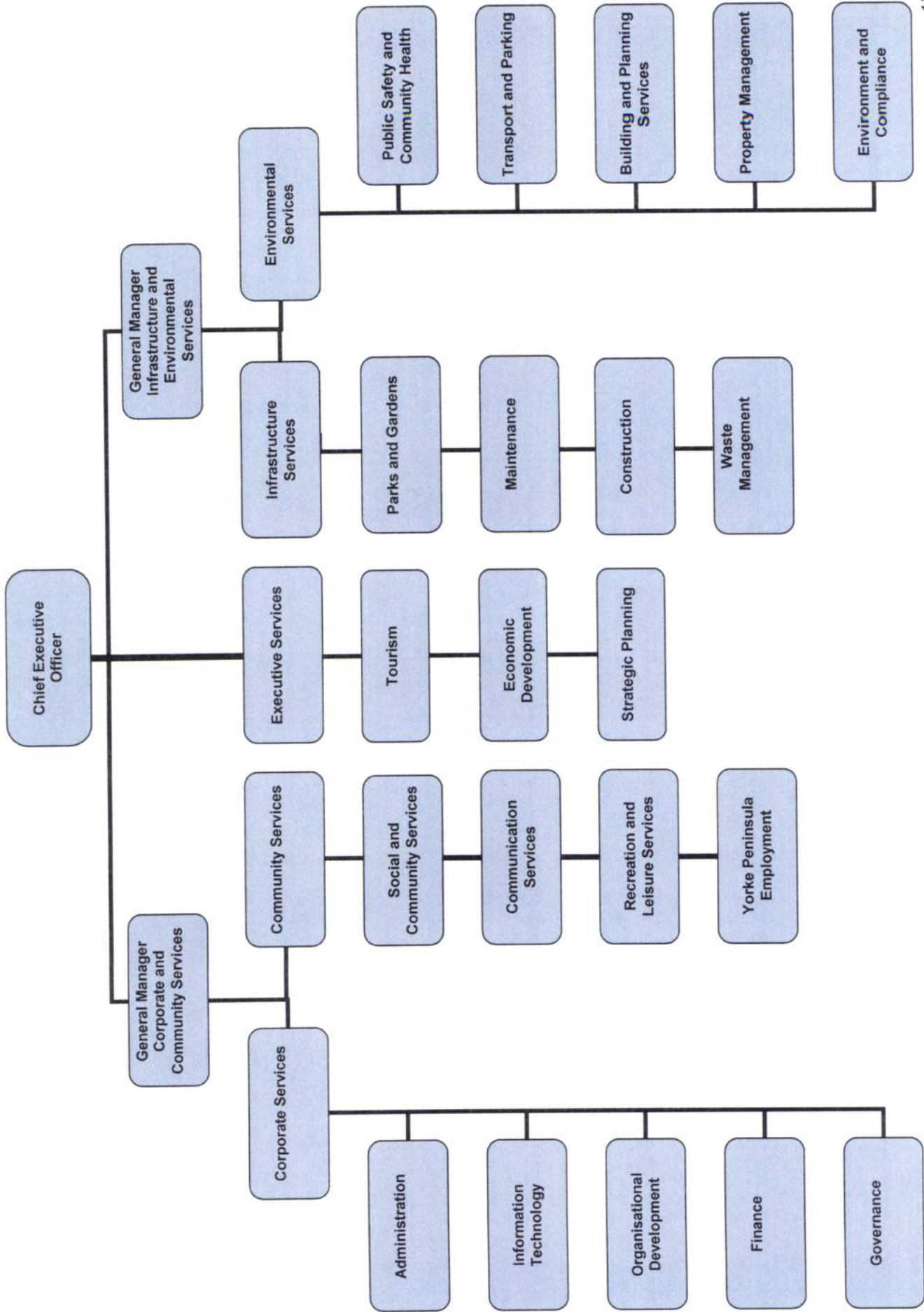
Objective:

Governance Objective - Leadership

Goal: To provide leadership and ensure community resources are managed efficiently and effectively.



District Council of the Copper Coast Organisational Structure



Functional Service Areas

CORPORATE SERVICES

Administration

- ❖ Records Management
- ❖ Customer Service
- ❖ Commercial Activities

Information Technology

- ❖ Systems Control & Development
- ❖ Hardware/Software Maintenance
- ❖ Business Information System
- ❖ GIS
- ❖ IT Strategy
- ❖ Asset Register

Organisational Development

- ❖ Human Resources
- ❖ Risk Management
- ❖ Occupational Health & Safety
- ❖ Training & Development
- ❖ Continuous Improvement
- ❖ Performance Monitoring & Reporting

Finance

- ❖ Valuations/Property Records
- ❖ Rates
- ❖ Audit
- ❖ Payroll
- ❖ Asset Accounting
- ❖ Budget Preparation
- ❖ Purchasing
- ❖ Management Accounting
- ❖ Financial Accounting
- ❖ Treasury Function
- ❖ Stores

Governance

- ❖ Emergency Response
- ❖ Compliance Reporting
- ❖ FOI
- ❖ Privacy Act
- ❖ Whistle Blowers Act
- ❖ Contracts Management
- ❖ Policy Development/Maintenance
- ❖ Executive Support to Council
- ❖ Legislative Compliance
- ❖ Elections/Returning Officer

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Social & Community Services

- ❖ Education
- ❖ Libraries
- ❖ Families & Children
- ❖ Youth Services
- ❖ Disability Services
- ❖ Child Care Services
- ❖ Ethnic Services
- ❖ Social & Indigenous Services
- ❖ Aged Care Services
- ❖ Community Development
- ❖ Volunteers

Communication Services

- ❖ Marketing
- ❖ Web Development
- ❖ Communication
- ❖ Community Engagement
- ❖ Public Relations
- ❖ Publications

Recreation & Leisure Services

- ❖ Recreation Planning & Development
- ❖ Aquatic Services
- ❖ Leisure Facilities
- ❖ Arts & Cultural Development

Yorke Peninsula Employment

- ❖ Employment Services
- ❖ Mentoring
- ❖ Community Visitors Scheme
- ❖ Driving School
- ❖ Labour Hire

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Public Safety & Community Health

- ❖ Food Safety
- ❖ Public Safety
- ❖ - Law and Order
- ❖ Community Health
- ❖ Immunisations
- ❖ Alcohol & Drug Strategy
- ❖ - Sharps
- ❖ - Liquor Licencing/Dry Areas

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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Transport & Parking

- ❖ Community Transport
- ❖ - Cars
- ❖ - Buses
- ❖ Vehicle Fleet-Administration
- ❖ Parking Management
- ❖ Parking Control

Building & Planning Services

- ❖ Building Permits & Control
- ❖ Building Regulations/Development
- ❖ Registration & Information
- ❖ Development Assessment
- ❖ Statutory Appeals
- ❖ Use and Development Policy
- ❖ PAR's
- ❖ Section 30 Reviews
- ❖ Development Compliance

Property Management

- ❖ Property & Building Maintenance
- ❖ Property & Building Contracts
- ❖ Property
- ❖ Leasing/Disposal/Acquisitions
- ❖ Property Development
- ❖ Signage
- ❖ Cemetery Administration
- ❖ Street & Road Names
- ❖ Community Land Management
- ❖ Heritage Management
- ❖ Visitor Information Centres/Farm Shed
- ❖ Wheal Hughes Mine Management

Environment & Compliance

- ❖ By-Laws/Local Administration Laws
- ❖ Animal Control
- ❖ Fire Prevention
- ❖ Pest & Plant Control
- ❖ Coastal Protection & Landcare

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

Parks And Gardens

- ❖ Plant Management - Parks and Gardens
- ❖ Parks & Gardens Management
- ❖ Arboriculture/Tree management

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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- ❖ Recreation Reserves
- ❖ Weed Control
- ❖ Open Space

Maintenance

- ❖ Plant Management – Maintenance
- ❖ Street Cleaning
- ❖ Airport Maintenance
- ❖ Infrastructure Maintenance
- ❖ Graffiti removal
- ❖ Workshops & Depot Management
- ❖ Wheal Hughes Mine Maintenance
- ❖ STED Scheme Management

Construction

- ❖ Plant Management – Construction
- ❖ Asset Management
- ❖ Stormwater Management
- ❖ Engineering Services
- ❖ Planning & Design
- ❖ Foreshore & Boatramps
- ❖ Infrastructure Construction
- ❖ STED Scheme Construction

Waste Management

- ❖ Waste Collection
- ❖ Recycling
- ❖ Rubbish Disposal
- ❖ Litter Control
- ❖ Dump Management

EXECUTIVE SERVICES

Tourism

- ❖ Tourism Marketing
- ❖ Cultural Development
- ❖ Events

Economic Development

- ❖ Business Development
- ❖ Employment Creation
- ❖ Economic Development Planning
- ❖ Investment Attraction

Strategic Planning

- ❖ Corporate Planning
- ❖ Development and Review
- ❖ Performance Measurement
- ❖ Annual Plan Monitoring

Corporate & Community Services

Library

The Library service has seen consistent usage and loans statistics over the past 12 months with a 3% increase in loan performance statistics compared to the last period, and an 8% increase in registered borrowers.

The Libraries Board of SA has encouraged the development of collaboration projects within and between communities, for which the Copper Coast Libraries received a grant to develop and initiate Learning Opportunities.

The Little Big Book Club has been established as a successful initiative to support Early Literacy and Learning. Along with other libraries across the state Kadina Library has coded relevant picture books to assist borrowers with selection and offers weekly Story time sessions to support this initiative. Staff participated in Early Childhood Literacy training and have been developing additional sessions to be offered to the younger members of our community and their parents/carers.

Support has also been given to the staff and students of the Wallaroo Primary School who lost their school library in the devastating fire in January. By the beginning of the school year a library collection supplied by the Kadina/Wallaroo Libraries was established at the Wallaroo Town Hall for use by the staff and students to assist with their learning needs.

Some 3000 books, shelving and a computer connected to the Kadina Library server for access to the circulation system and catalogue were set up for the school to use as an interim measure whilst the large task of replacing their own library continues. This service and support will continue until the end of 2006, with the school hopeful of having enough resources and a system in place to start the 2007 school year.

In the past year the Kadina Community Library has been selected to host 2 regional Big Book Club Events. Author Peter Temple was guest speaker at a dinner function in August and Peter Goldsworthy was guest speaker at an informal cocktail event in February. Both events were well attended.

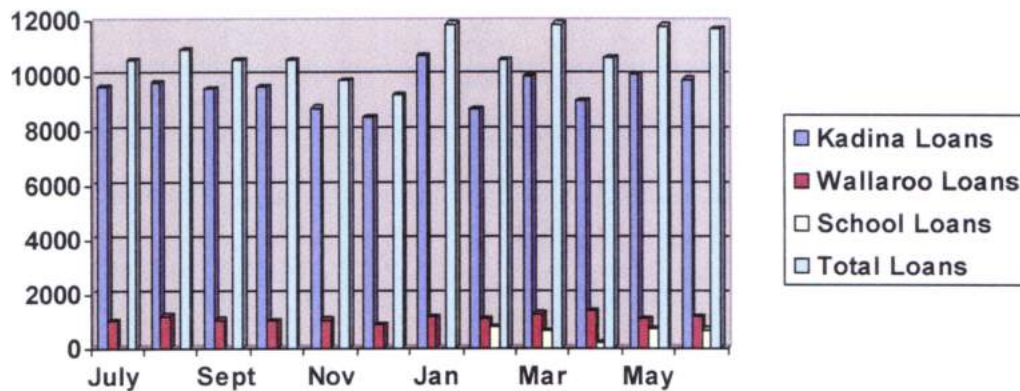
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The Kadina Community Library is now in its 7th year of operation as a joint use library facility, and the benefits of the partnership with TAFE and the location in the educational precinct continue to support its success in both the local community and also to those from outside the District Council area.

Comparative Performance Statistics – Kadina & Wallaroo

	2004/2005	2005/2006
Total Borrowers	7509	8180
Total Visits	89644	89266
Loans - Adult Books	62536	63941
Children's Books	24595	29539
Other Material	39968	36649
Total Loans	127099	130139

Performance Statistics 2005/2006



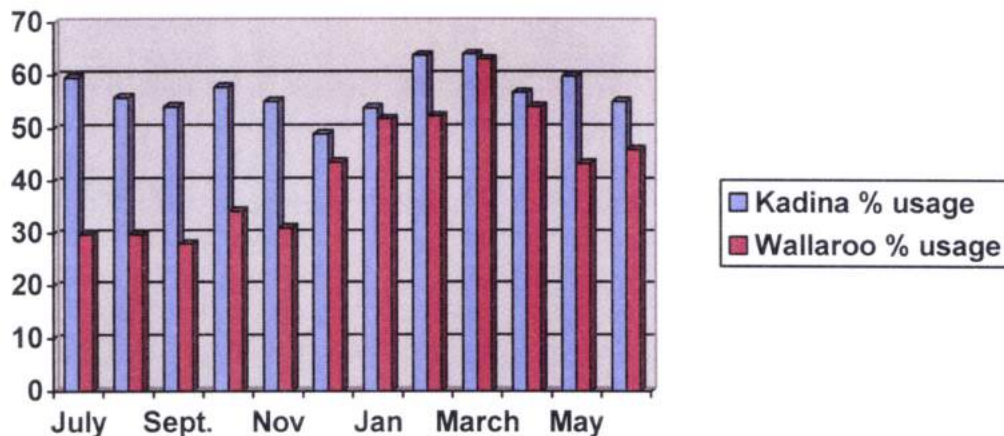
Kadina Loans	Jul05 – Jun06	114222
Wallaroo Loans	Jul05 – Jun06	12991
Wallaroo Primary Schools	Feb05-Jun06	2926
Total Loans	Jul05 – Jun06	130139



Internet Usage

Four computers were available for the public to use free of charge at the Kadina library with wireless access installed in May to increase ease of access for clients with laptops.

The three Wallaroo computers were upgraded to broadband in April to improve delivery of service to users of this branch library. With the Wallaroo Office/Library only opening 3 days per week usage of the internet and computers has increased on those days, which is reflected in the following graph. Statistics are based on the hours used within the hours available.



Staffing

The IT Trainee being hosted by the 3 Copper Coast libraries for the specific purpose of providing IT support and assistance to the clients of the District Council area completed his traineeship with us in December 2005. The traineeship was supported by Public Library Services through the Get Connected @ your library project.



Library Opening Hours

Kadina is open 48 hours/week and Wallaroo 21 hours /week.

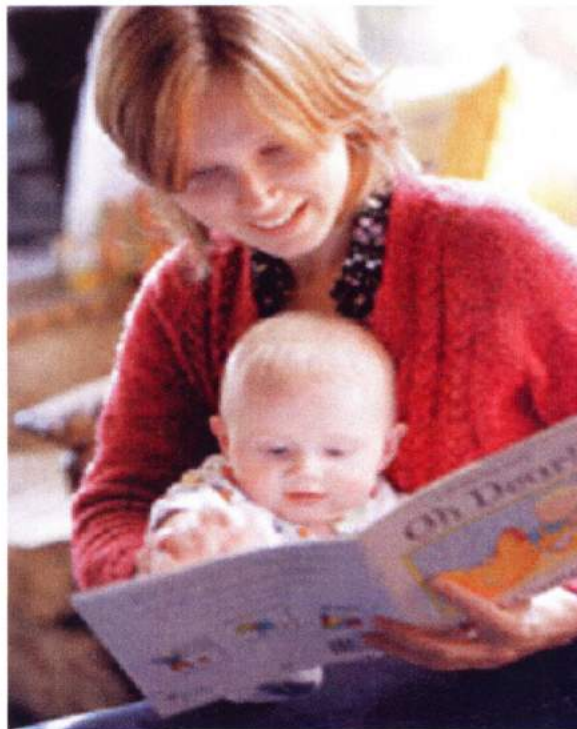
Kadina remained open between Christmas and New Year ensuring library services were available in the Copper Coast region during this time. Full staffs were required to work due to demand on services.

Additional Services and Program

In addition to standard library services and the circulation of resources, the Kadina Community Library Service has been involved in many additional programs and events.

These include:

- ❖ Summer Reading Club - Surf into Reading
- ❖ Big Book Club
- ❖ Little Big Book Club
- ❖ Premiers Reading Challenge
- ❖ National Simultaneous Story time
- ❖ Children's Book Week
- ❖ Libraries Board SA Collaboration Grant
- ❖ Family and Local History meetings/seminars/workshops
- ❖ KEP (Kadina Educational Precinct) : hosting quarterly meetings & providing support to KEP partners
- ❖ Hosting weekly Kadina Preschool visits
- ❖ Hosting school and kindergarten visits
- ❖ School Holiday Activities
- ❖ Preschool Story time
- ❖ Libraries SA program



Yorke Peninsula Employment

Yorke Peninsula Employment (YPE) manages a number of State and Commonwealth Government service contracts for our community. These contracts are directed to assist job seekers find meaningful work through various strategies tailored to their needs and the available job opportunities.

New initiatives by the Commonwealth Government require Job Network organisations to cater even more in the areas of:

Indigenous jobseekers
Mature Aged jobseekers

Parents returning to the work force
Youth

YPE has recognised the additional needs in these areas and employed staff to cater for those unique needs.

MAJOR CONTRACT SERVICES FOR THE YEAR

Job Network

Yorke Peninsula Employment has had its current Job Network contract renewed for a further 3 year period to June 30th 2009.

Job Network has a star ratings assessment linked to key performance indicators, based on a two year continuum. This star rating is released by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations six monthly, and the December 2005 release rated Yorke Peninsula Employment as 2.0 star provider, as compared to our 4 star rating in July 2004.

YPE staff has identified a number of areas requiring review to improve this rating and these changes have been implemented during the latter half of this financial year.

These identified areas include the employment of an aboriginal liaison officer, additional case management staff and opening outreach offices in Ardrossan and Wallaroo. Because of the performance continuum model, it will take up to 12 months before the flow on of these improvements will impact on the star ratings.

YPE staff is in constant contact with the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations to guide and improve the performance of our organisation to better deliver the service and outcomes to the job seekers of our community.

Services provided to jobseekers include:

- Skills assessment
- Development of Job Search plans
- Job Search training
- Career options
- Interview Techniques

Youth Pathways

Youth Pathways provides individual personal assistance to young people most at risk of not making a successful transition through school, from school to further education, training or employment and active participation in the community.

Young people are assessed and individual barriers and needs identified, with a programme developed to minimise and / or overcome those identified barriers. Regular contact is maintained to ensure the participant remains on track and is supplied with ongoing support. Youth Pathways is contracted to provide this support to up to 60 young people within its area.

Youth to Work

The Youth to Work programme is funded by the State Government under SA Works and is designed to assist participants between 15 and 24 to gain employment or full time education.

The original contract period was from August 2005 to June 2006, but has been expended to October 31st 2006. It is anticipated that SA Works will introduce a new initiative in 2006/07, similar to the current Youth to Work Programme for which YPE may again tender.

Contract Period 8/8/06 - 30/6/06	Targets	Actual
Participants Commencements	45	60
Participants in Employment	23	33
Full time Education	6	8

Participants Commencements	Location
13	Kadina
8	Moonta / Moonta Bay / Port Hughes
7	Wallaroo
8	Yorke town / Minlaton
5	Maitland / Ardrossan / Price
4	Coobowie / Wool Bay / Edithburgh
3	Stansbury / Pt Vincent / Pt Julia
1	Kulpara
4	Snowtown
7	Balaklava/Owen/Dublin

WORK FOR THE DOLE / COMMUNITY WORK

Work for the Dole is an Australian Government employment programme that provides work experience for unemployed people.

YPE has had its contract renewed to June 30th 2009.

Recent changes now enable mature aged, disabled and parents returning to the work force to participate in Work for the Dole and Community Work under their mutual obligation principle.

Many successful projects have been undertaken throughout the area, which have benefited both the participants in their skills acquisition, and the sponsors having community projects completed.



The chart below details activities undertaken during the 2005/06 year.

<u>Work for the Dole Activities Description</u>	<u>Work Undertaken</u>	<u>Funds Dispersed</u>	<u>Number of Placements</u>
Community Assistance (various hosts)	Broad range of individual placements across Yorke Peninsula	No funds dispersed to hosts	15
YP Helpers (various hosts)	Broad range of individual placements across Yorke Peninsula	No funds dispersed to hosts	13
Handy Helpers (various hosts)	Broad range of individual placements across Yorke Peninsula	No funds dispersed to hosts	5
YP & Mid North Veteran's Centre	Construction of Shed, establishing a memorial rose garden, restoration of Main building for Veteran's & Community members	Budgeted funding to the Sponsor \$11200.00	4
Yorke Volunteers (various hosts)	Broad range of individual placements across Yorke Peninsula	No funds dispersed to hosts	6
Peninsula Partners (various hosts)	Broad range of Individual placements across Yorke Peninsula	No funds dispersed to hosts	6
Moonta Hospital Goes Water Wise (Moonta Health & Aged Care)	Provision & installation of irrigation system & landscaping at Moonta Health & Aged Care Service	Budgeted funding to the Sponsor \$7955.00	3
Wallaroo Bowling Club	Laying of pavers for paths around greens, erecting shades, painting of club room	Budgeted funding to the Sponsor \$15086.00	3
National Trust of SA Moonta Branch	Restoration of horse drawn tram & building shed to house tram, making outdoor furniture, safety rails for train area & picnic area, painting, restoring blacksmith shop	Budgeted funding to the Sponsor \$10000.00	7
Linking YP (various hosts)	Broad range of individual placements across the Yorke Peninsula	No funds dispersed to the hosts	15

Community Visitor's Scheme

Funded by the State Government through the Department of Health and Ageing this project celebrated its 10th Anniversary during the year. Over 48 visitors completed a total of 1313 visits to elderly, frail isolated residents in Aged Care facilities. The region for our service has expanded to include Port Pirie and Crystal Brook and is testament to the needs experienced in our aged residents.

Risk Management

The Chief Executive Officer, General Managers and Elected Members of the District Council of the Copper Coast recognise the importance and value of risk management and the ongoing benefits to its community. Consequently, the District Council of the Copper Coast is committed to a policy of Risk Management to protect its employees, assets, liabilities and its community against potential losses, to minimise uncertainty in achieving its goals and objectives and to maximise the opportunities to achieve its Vision. Council's commitment to risk management is not only about identifying what can go wrong and being prepared should it occur but it is also about identifying and evaluating threats and opportunities that present themselves from time to time. In this regard it forms an integral part of the continuous improvement process embraced by Council. In order to achieve these objectives a Strategic Risk Management Framework has been developed for the Council within the context of its strategic directions. The aim of this framework is the development of an organisational ethos and operating culture, which achieves the integration of systematic Risk Management processes into all management activities, both at a strategic and operational level.

Occupational Health Safety and Welfare

Council is committed to Occupational Health Safety and Welfare, and Injury Management to ensure employees are provided with a healthy and safe system of work. This is achieved by staff commitment to Occupational Health and Safety and Injury Management in accordance with Council's corporate objectives and the development of programs and action plans to implement policy objectives and procedural requirements. To assist this process a committee was established in May 1997 comprising management representatives and representatives for the Administration Offices, Libraries, and Yorke Peninsula Employment Office, Tourism Office, and Works Depots & Waste Management Centres worksites. Elections are held annually in July. The Occupation Health Safety and Welfare committee meets quarterly during the year and the purpose of the committee is to:

- Implementation of individual elements defined in the program and action plans.
- Measurement and evaluation of the OH&S/Injury Management program against defined objectives, targets and performance indicators.
- Consider all matters relevant to employee safety, health, welfare and rehabilitation.
- Formulate occupational health, safety, welfare and rehabilitation policy proposals for consideration and approval by council.
- Monitor adherence to Council rules and appropriate Acts, Regulations and Legislation.

A comprehensive review of the policies and procedures has occurred during the year including the development of training programs for managers' supervisors and relevant

staff. Increased awareness to workplace hazards has occurred through quarterly workplace inspections and specific training in various OHS&W subjects including manual handling, work zone traffic management and safety awareness for supervisors. During the year there has been an increase in workplace incidents reported from 2 to 3 injuries and five days lost due to these injuries.

Tourism

Kernewek Lowender 2007

The biennial Cornish Festival will be held during 2007 with supporting and feature events between 14th and 20th May.

Kernewek Lowender is held in every odd numbered year and celebrates those intrepid Cornish mining families who left their homeland and established themselves in Australia. Their heritage of Cornish engine houses and chimneys, whitewashed cottages and large Methodist chapels are a feature of "Australia's Little Cornwall" – the towns of Wallaroo, Moonta and Kadina.

As in the past festivals the aim is to "revive the tradition of the Cornish Heritage in the Northern Yorke Peninsula" through the promotion of many Cornish experienced including food, beverage, performing arts, fine art and craft to mention just a few.

Traditional "Swanky" will return after an absence of a number of years. Thousands of Cornish pasties are enjoyed along with other traditional treats by approximately 70,000 people who come from far and wide to enjoy the celebrations.

New attractions and guest artists make the Fisherman's Wharf at Wallaroo a highlight of this festival as is the dressing of the graves, Fer Kernewek, Gala Concert and the Cavalcade of Cars and Motor Cycles.

The Cavalcade of Cars and Motor Cycles has drawn over 800 vehicles in past events, making it the largest of its kind outside of the Bay to Birdwood Classic in Adelaide.

The Farm Shed Museum and Tourism Centre

The venue continues to be popular for visitor enquiries, conferences, business and tourism workshop.

Our volunteer staffing levels have increased and we now have 10 volunteers from Kadina, Wallaroo and Moonta areas, many of whom have relocated to the Copper Coast from the metropolitan area, and are keen to promote their new home to visitors.



A total of 86 conferences and 50 community organisation meetings were held at the centre during the year.

The Centre is now part of the state wide Connect SA Booking System and can book accommodation and tours for both visitors into the area and locals for outside the area. A commissionable booking service will commence from the centre from late 2006.

The centre has been promoted in a variety of ways during the year, and these include flyers produced in the centre and sent off to clubs, bus companies and schools etc for coach tours. The Yorke Peninsula regional Guide, the new YP's Top End guide, the Messenger Press "Adelaide Matters", the Roxby Downs "Monitor" newspaper, UBD guides and maps, the Kadina Show magazine, "Caravanning Australia" magazine, The Apexian, Educare (for schools) and other varied publications primarily aimed at our target market.

The centre continues to maintain its accreditation, and its involvement with the SA Tourism Commission and the State Visitor Centre Working Party.

The visitor figures for the year 2005 – 2006 were approximately 16,000, well down on previous years, but in line with the Australia wide downturn. Statistics reveal the reasons for the downturn include high petrol prices, interest rate rises, cheap airfares and the fact that many employees are hoarding their leave entitlements.

Staff training continues to be a high priority, and staff attended local familiarisations, state and Australian tourism conferences, and in house training sessions.



Infrastructure and Environmental Services

Works Programme for 2005/2006

DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
GRAVES STREET	420,000
DIGBY STREET	45,920
GEORGE STREET	50,000
DEPOT FENCE, KADINA	15,000
CHAPPELL STREET	30,000
BAY ROAD DRAINAGE	40,000
BAY ROAD CARPARK	260,000
BLANCHE TERRACE DRAINAGE	165,000
BOAT RAMP, PT. HUGHES	50,000
FORESHORE STAIRS	30,000
FENCING MOONTA MOTORBIKE TRACK	20,000
WALLAROO MAIN STREET	20,000
BEATON STREET	34,780
HEATH STREET	45,100
SEELEY LANE (Deferred to Complete Bingo Street)	62,400
GARDINER STREET	10,000
NORTH BEACH ROAD RESEAL & SHOULDERS	70,000
DISTRICT ROADS	250,000
DISTRICT SEALS	55,000
FOOTPATHS	100,000
TOTALS	1,773,200

Contractors:

Council's Construction staff has again increased by the use of Contractors during the course of the year.

Contractors are used for stand alone projects, such as roads, drainage, plant hire, crushing contracts, kerbing, materials supply and specialist activities, such as paving and concrete work.

Road Length Data

	SEALED	FORMED	UNFORMED	TOTAL
2005/2006	Kms	Kms	Kms	Kms
BUILT UP	151.10	55.22	1.78	208.10
NON BUILT-UP	107.63	521.27	118.10	747.00
TOTAL	258.73	576.49	119.88	955.10

Major Works Projects for 2005/2006

KADINA:

Graves Street, Kadina

The Graves Street project encompassed the full reconstruction of Graves Street from Hay Street to Sixth Street in Kadina with the road surface and footpaths being hotmixed.



Sealing of footpaths near Fifth Street, Kadina

Drainage works were also included on the eastern end of the street to improve drainage around the reserve area near Sixth Street. The project comprised 8,700m of road construction and 250m of underground drainage.



Graves Street from the intersection of Waring Street

Digby Street

In Digby Street the pavement was reconstructed from Frances Terrace to Forster Street. The water main in this section of street was replaced early in 2005 and Council reconstructed the pavement and hotmixed the road as this section of road was showing severe deterioration due to water leaking into the pavement.



Digby Street from Frances Terrace intersection

Kennett Street

Council constructed 220metres of roadway in Kennett Street, Kadina, to complete the road network in the Kadina industrial estate.



Kennett Street, Kadina

The works were wholly funded by the State Government, who will be developing industrial sites within the industrial area.

MOONTA:

Bay Road Drainage

Council connected stormwater pipes, laid by developers, in Martin Street, Moonta Bay, to the existing drainage schemes on Bay Road.



Trenching for the installation of pipework for Bay Road drainage

This work involved the installation of 450 metres of 600mm diameter pipe.

The pipework will allow stormwater flows from new developments along the north side of Bay Road to be integrated into Council's existing scheme.



Pipes for drainage works to be carried out on Bay Road and Blanche Terrace

Blanche Terrace Drainage

Council constructed drainage from George Street along Blanche Terrace to an outfall drain north of Blyth Terrace to channel stormwater flows from the east of Moonta away from entering George Street and Ryan Street, causing flooding in the business area.



Blanche Terrace Drainage

450metres of pipe at approximately 2.5metre depth was installed during the 2005/2006 financial year.

Boat Ramp Port Hughes

Council installed an additional pontoon at the Port Hughes boat ramp to improve launching and retrieving times at the boat ramp.

The project involved the reshaping of some concrete on the ramp and the installation of piles to facilitate the new pontoon.

The construction cost for the project was \$56,000.

North Terrace

As part of Council's land development of 35 allotments along the northern side of North Terrace, Council has undertaken the construction of North Terrace from Haylock Road to Coast Road, the first stage of this works was commenced in 2005/2006 with the development of roads and services with road works being ongoing in the 2006/2007 financial year.

WALLAROO:

Beaton Street, Heath Street, Bingo Street, Wallaroo

These streets were sealed as part of an ongoing program to seal streets in Wallaroo. In Bingo Street kerbs were added to the existing seal to improve drainage/access issues.

North Beach Road Reseals and Shoulders

The shoulders on North Beach Road were sealed and the road surface was resealed to improve the road surface and traffic safety for vehicles using the North Beach Road.

The project involved the seal and resealing of 9,600m² of road from Pommern Way to Clayton Drive.



North Beach Road

Thrington Intersection

Council received funding from the State Government Black Spot Program to reconstruct and hotmix the Agery Road, Moonta/Thrington Road intersection. Council also used funds from the Roads to Recovery allocation as part funding for this project. The works involved redesign of the

intersection, with the addition of turning lanes to improve safety. Improved directional signage was also part of the project.

Council received \$185,656 as its allocation from the Federal Governments Roads to Recovery Program.



Thrington Road Intersection



Black Spot

Roads to Recovery Funding

Council used its 2005/2006 allocation to reseal and upgrade roads in the Kadina industrial area and reseals in Hay Street and Fifth Street Kadina as well as part funding the Moonta/Thrington intersection upgrade.

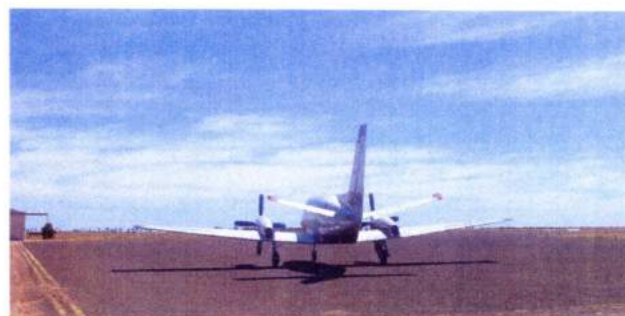
Kadina Aerodrome:

Council manages an authorised landing area known as the Kadina Aerodrome. The site is located off the Kadina/Wallaroo Road, approximately 3 kilometres from Kadina. The airstrip is a sealed 1,200 metre long by 18 metre wide tarmac with adjacent sealed apron area.



Airstrip

Pilot activated lighting is available, details of which can be obtained from the Kadina Council Office.



Council manages the aerodrome through an Airstrip Management Plan, which is reviewed annually.

Council constructed an extension to the hangar area in May/June 2006, with the construction of a new hangar and waiting area to be completed in early July.



Waiting area



Wheal Hughes Mine:

The Wheal Hughes Mine was established as a Tourist operation in 1997.

The mine manager is the Council's General Manager Infrastructure and Environmental Services and Council has a number of accredited staff who also work to maintain the structure, operation, safety and legislative requirements of the facility.

Cemeteries:

Kadina, Wallaroo, Moonta and Greens Plains:

Council's cemeteries are attractively landscaped and maintained. With the exception of Greens Plains, all have niche walls, and some have rose-gardens. Kadina has an attractive lawn area that was a joint initiative between the local Service Clubs and Council.



Niche Wall Moonta

Council is responsible for digging of graves and site and general maintenance.

Burials for 2005/2006

Kadina:	42
Wallaroo:	18
Moonta:	15
Greens Plains:	3



Mine Entrance

A regular maintenance program is incorporated into the mine management.

Main areas of the mine maintenance include 28,000 – 35,000 litres of water being pumped daily, where water is lifted from the 70 metre level to ground level. A total lift of 90 metres and then pumped to Poona Mine, approximately 1.2km from Wheal Hughes Mine.

Pump life is approximately 12 months, as the water is very salty and corrosive.

The mining structure underground is regularly bared down using a crow bar to remove loose rocks from the roof and walls. This work is required every 10-12 weeks to comply with legislative requirements.

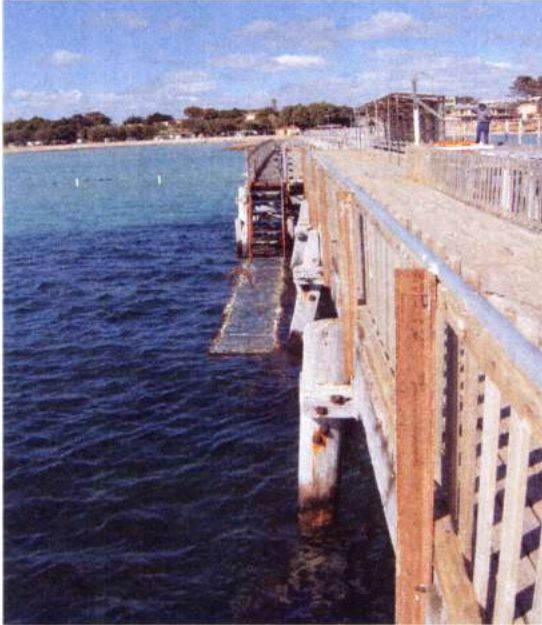
The emergency plan for the mine is reviewed annually.

The tourism aspect of the mine is managed by Council's Property and Projects Officer

and covers marketing, presentation of tours and special interest groups etc.

Jetties and Foreshore Areas:

Foreshore areas require regular attention prior to summer.



Moonta Bay Jetty

During 2005/2006 these included the repairs and maintenance to the Wallaroo swimming enclosure and foreshore.



Moonta Bay swimming enclosure

Regular maintenance was also carried out on the Moonta swimming enclosure.

Both pool areas remain a popular swimming area for locals and tourists alike, with 'Learn to Swim' closures operating during school holidays.

Council also leases and maintains Port Hughes jetty with regular maintenance carried out during the year.

Common Effluent Schemes

Kadina Effluent Scheme:

The Kadina effluent scheme was constructed in 1976/1977.

This scheme encompasses the whole of Kadina town and part of Newtown. There are some expansions of the scheme being carried out at the present time in Newtown and to the east of Kadina.

The scheme comprises of 17 pump stations, all fitted with 2 over-head pumps.

Major overhauls of the pump stations were carried out during the 1980's and some now are due for upgrade.

Effluent ponds are located behind the Kadina Cemetery and are now part of the Kadina Stormwater Re-Use Scheme, with treated effluent and stormwater being returned, for irrigation use, to the Recreation Centre oval, hockey fields and Kadina football oval.

Wallaroo Effluent Scheme:

The Wallaroo scheme was constructed in 3 stages, the last stage by the developers of the Copper Cove Marina.

The total scheme comprises 17 pump stations, with the effluent being pumped to the ponds, located on the southern side of the town, adjacent to the Golf Club. Most of the old pump stations have been upgraded; however, an ongoing program of replacement and upgrading is being pursued.

Water from the scheme is treated through a U.V. plant and returned to the Golf Club for irrigation.

Moonta Effluent Scheme Study:

Initial survey and development costs have been assessed during 2004 as part of the pre feasibility study to construct an effluent scheme to service Moonta, Moonta Bay, Port Hughes and North Moonta.

Kellogg Brown and Root Pty. Ltd. (KBR) consulting engineers were engaged to investigate preliminary design and costing of the total scheme including storage and reuse of the collected water.

Report summaries will be available to Council in November 2006, prior to Council making final assessments of the scope of the scheme and initiating public consultation.

Council Depots:

Council operates out of three depots, with Kadina being the primary depot, housing the workshop, primary plant storage and space for materials storage.

The Moonta sub-depot, houses maintenance plant, has a small workshop for the maintenance of signs and small plant. It too has storage space for materials.

The Wallaroo sub-depot also houses maintenance plant, has a small workshop for the maintenance of signs and small plant and storage space for materials.

All depots have been upgraded since Council's amalgamation. Moonta now meets Occupational Health and Safety requirements and the Wallaroo toilet facilities have been improved.

Council operates 2 Construction Gangs who carry out the Capital Works Program and other works in the district area.

Landfill Sites

Council operates 3 Recycle Centres, 1 dump and 2 hard-fill pits located in Kadina and Wallaroo.

The District Council of the Copper Coast has this year opted to hold an ongoing drumMUSTER collection (held every Thursday at the Kadina Recycling Centre).

The Council has collected a total of 2,364 drums, that would have otherwise been buried as landfill.

Each of the three recycle centres in the Copper Coast Council area is equipped with a waste oil unit; waste oil can be deposited into these units free of charge. This reduces the amount of used oil buried in landfill, Council, in conjunction with Zero Waste, provide 240 litre bins, into which empty oil containers can be deposited, also free of charge.

Kadina:

The primary dump is at Kadina. All household waste is disposed of here by landfill, the rubbish dump incorporates the hardfill pit as a separate section with no access to private persons.

Approximately 8,000 tonnes per annum are received at the site through waste management contracts.

All private access is through Recycle Centres and to hard fill only.

During 2005/2006, a review of the opening hours of each Recycle Depot was carried out and it was Council's decision to change the hours of each depot, giving ratepayers and contractors more opportunities to access these facilities.

Council staff operates all Recycle Centres.

Location: Turn right off Port Broughton Road onto the 'Old Dump Road'.

Opening Times:

Sunday	11am - 4pm
Monday	8.30am - 11.30am / 12.30pm - 4.00pm
Tuesday	8.30am - 11.30am / 12.30pm - 4.00pm
Wednesday	8.30am 11.30am / 12.30pm - 4.00pm
Thursday	8.30am - 11.30am / 12.30pm - 4.00pm
Friday	8.30am - 11.30am / 12.30pm - 4.30pm

Wallaroo:

Wallaroo Recycle Centre is located at the old Wallaroo landfill site to the north east side of Wallaroo. In addition to recyclables Council also uses the site for hard fill where approximately 4,000 tonnes per annum is received.

Location: Alford Road

Opening Times

Saturday	9am - 4pm
Sunday	9am - 4pm
Monday	9am - 4pm
Wednesday	9am - 4pm

Moonta:

All rubbish stored and sorted here, hard fill is transported to the dump 6km away.

Waste is delivered by bin system to Kadina. Approximate waste receipt is 4,000 tonnes per annum.

Location: Off Blyth Terrace, entrance on Wallaroo Road

Opening times:

Sunday	11am - 4pm
Monday	12.30pm - 4.30pm
Tuesday	12.30pm - 4.30pm
Wednesday	12.30pm - 4.30pm
Thursday	12.30pm - 4.30pm
Friday	12.30pm - 4.30pm

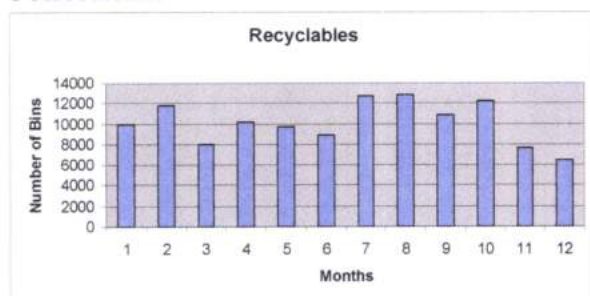
Dump Fees – From July 1st 2005

	Refuse	Recyclables	Asbestos Kadina Only
Car Boot	\$8.00	\$2.00	\$50.00
Panel Van	\$9.00	\$3.00	\$65.00
Large Van	\$10.00	\$4.00	\$90.00
Car Utility - Level	\$14.00	\$5.00	\$65.00
Car Utility - High	\$18.00	\$10.00	\$75.00
Large Utility - Level	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$200.00
Large Utility - High	\$26.00	\$12.00	\$250.00
Standard 6x4 Trailer	\$14.00	\$5.00	\$65.00
Standard 6x4 Trailer w/h	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$75.00
Standard Tandem Trailer	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$200.00
Standard Tandem Trailer w/h	\$26.00	\$12.00	\$250.00
3 tonne Truck	\$32.00	\$15.00	\$250.00
3-9 tonne Truck	\$55.00	\$20.00	\$500.00
9-15 tonne Truck	\$70.00	\$25.00	\$750.00
Semi Trailer	\$120.00	\$40.00	\$1,000.00
COST FOR TYRES		MULCH PRICES	
Car Tyre	\$3.00	Std 6x4 trailer	\$10.00
4WD/Light Truck Tyre	\$8.00	Std Tandem Trailer	\$15.00
Truck Tyre	\$12.00	Per Cubic metre	\$10.00
Tractor Tyre	\$60.00		
Earthmoving Tyre	\$75.00		
Car Tyre on Rims	\$15.00		
Light Truck on rim	\$20.00		
Truck on rim	\$40.00		
Soiled tyres extra	\$1.50		

WASTE

Kerbside waste is collected, under contract, by Wardles Garbage Contractors. Wardles have a contract to collect waste, recyclables and to operate the waste dump at Kadina.

Copper Coast Waste Management 120 litre Mobile Garbage Bin Rubbish Collections:



June 2005 (1) – July 2006 (12) 120 litre bin collection details

Beach and public reserve litter control:

Local laws are in place for the enforcement of controls to regulate discarded litter.

Collection and disposal of street bin waste: Street bins are provided at beaches, reserves and other public areas.

Non-recyclables, in a 120L bin, are collected weekly and recyclables, in a 240L, yellow-lid bin, are collected fortnightly.

	REFUSE (120L BIN) Weekly Collection	RECYCLABLES (240L BIN) Fortnightly as per Magnets
Kadina Township, Newtown, Wallaroo Mines & Jerusalem	Thursday	Wednesday
Moonta Township, Moonta Mines, Nth Yelta & Nth Moonta	Wednesday	Tuesday
Moonta Bay & Port Hughes	Tuesday	Wednesday
Wallaroo & North Beach	Monday	Tuesday
Paskeville and Cunliffe	Friday	Thursday
Kadina, Moonta & Wallaroo Business Areas	Monday & Friday	Same as each township area

RECYCLABLES

Council collects recyclables in a 240 litre bins on a fortnightly basis.

A total of 825 tonnes of recyclable materials were taken out of the waste stream in 2005/2006. This material was made up mainly of paper, cardboard, steel, plastics and glass.

Copper Coast Waste Management – 240 litre Mobile Garbage Bin Recyclables Collections:



June 2005 (1) – July 2006 (12) 240 litre bin collection details

Moonta Recycle Centre

Moonta Recycle Centre, where all of Council's recyclables are sorted, is now an established business, operating 5 days per week, from 7am to 5pm and currently employs, on a part time basis, five staff members, thus reducing transport and sorting costs and creating local employment.

The business operates in a 100m x 40m roofed facility. The recyclables are unloaded by fork-lift and placed onto the conveyer belt. The items then move along to the sorting area, where the staff remove the rubbish and distribute the items into various silos, containing the same items (paper, cardboard, plastics etc.).

The items are then baled and transported to Adelaide to be sold.

Glass bottles are the only item not to be baled, these are crushed and transported in containers.

Stormwater:

Kadina Stormwater Re-use

The second stage of the Kadina stormwater re-use dam was completed in April 2006.



Stormwater dam – Kadina East



Russell Street Drainage Reserve

Skate Parks:

Each of the larger towns – Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo now has a Council constructed skate park.

These parks were constructed by local contractors and include lighting, security fencing and surveillance cameras to monitor the facilities 24 hours per day.



Kadina Skate Park



Statutory Information

Freedom of Information

Annual Information Statement

The District Council of the Copper Coast was proclaimed in May 1997 as a local government authority, with all statutory responsibilities and powers, for an area of the northern Yorke Peninsula containing the Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo urban and rural areas – adjoining the District Councils of Yorke Peninsula and Barunga West. The principal district office of the District Council is located at 51 Taylor Street (Town Hall), Kadina, and is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. Branch offices at 71 George Street (Town Hall), Moonta and at 5 John Terrace, Wallaroo. The office at Moonta is open 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m., three days a week and the office at Wallaroo is open 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m., four days a week.

Council comprises a Mayor and ten Councillors. The ordinary meeting of Council, Corporate and Community Services Committee and Infrastructure and Environmental Services Committee meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 5.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Taylor Street, Kadina. A statutory Development Assessment Panel also meets in the Council Chamber at Kadina on the third Wednesday of every month at 5.00 p.m. to consider Development Act applications submitted for approvals.

Every meeting of the Council and of Council committees is open to the public to attend. The Council or a Council committee may, however, order that the public be excluded from attendance at so much of a meeting as is necessary to receive, discuss or consider in confidence certain prescribed matters. Such matters include, for example, the consideration of legal advice, commercial in-confidence information, tenders for the supply of goods and services, personnel matters etc.

Council and Council committee meeting agendas, together with the accompanying reports and correspondence, are placed on public display not less than three days prior to those meetings. Minutes of the meetings are placed on display for free public access within five days of each meeting.

Members of the public may participate in the formulation of District Council policy and functions generally by written submissions to Council on virtually every conceivable local government function. All draft policies are available for public consultation before final drafting and adoption; all submissions are assessed on their relative merit.

Access to Council documents is broadened by ‘freedom of information’ provisions in the *Freedom of Information Act*. Although a range of documents are restricted or not accessible, the maximum amount of information is made available to the public wherever possible.



Information Available for Inspection

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1999, Schedule 4, the following information is available for inspection at the Council Office, 51 Taylor Street, Kadina.

If any members of the public wish to have access to and view any of these documents, they may enquire at Council's customer service counter.

General Documents -

- Agendas and Minutes
- Annual Financial Reports
- Annual Report
- Assessment Record
- Auditor's Report
- Campaign Donation Returns prepared by Candidates
- Council By Laws
- Grievance Procedures
- Strategic Management Plans

Registers -

- Register of Members Allowances and Benefits
- Register of Authorised Officer
- Register of By-Laws
- Register of Community Land
- Register of Delegations
- Register of Members' Interests
- Register of Public Roads
- Register of Staff Interests
- Register of Remuneration, Salaries and Benefits
- Voters Roll

Codes -

- Code of Conduct for Employees
- Code of Conduct Members of Council
- Code of Practice for Access to Council Meetings, Council Committees and Council Documents

Policies/Procedures -

- Competitive Tendering, Contracting, Purchasing, Sale and Disposal of Land and Other Assets Policy
- Control of Election Signs Policy
- Council Building Inspection Policy
- Internal Review of Council Decisions Procedure
- Investment Policy
- Occupational Health Safety and Welfare Policy and Procedures
- Order Making Policy



- Outdoor Trading for Business Purposes Policy
- Public Consultation Policy
- Rating Policy 2005/2006
- Rates Rebate Policy
- Risk Management Policy
- The Naming of Streets, Roads and Public Places Policy
- Town Centres Car Parking Policy
- Town Street Tree Policy

Allowances and Benefits for Members of Council

The annual allowances payable during the 2005-2006 financial year are: Mayoral Allowance \$10,000 per annum; Deputy Mayor's Allowance \$2,500 per annum in addition to a councillor allowance; and Councillors Allowances \$2,500. A travel allowance is also paid, being set in accordance with the prevailing local government industrial award. A member of Council is entitled to receive reimbursement of prescribed expenses incurred in performing or discharging official functions and duties. Similarly, Council provides limited facilities and other forms of support to assist members of Council in performing or discharging official functions and duties. Additionally, the District Council is required to maintain insurance cover for every member of Council (and their spouses) against risks associated with performing or discharging official functions and duties. Members of Council do not receive additional allowances for being members of a Council Committee or as members of the Development Assessment Panel. A Register of Allowances and Benefits is kept by the District Council; the Register is available for public inspection.

Senior Executive Officers

The District Council's organisational structure provides for the Chief Executive Officer and two Executive Officers. The Chief Executive Officer, General Manager Corporate and Community Services (Deputy Chief Executive Officer) and General Manager Infrastructure and Environmental Services have salary 'packages' ranging between \$90,000 to \$140,000 that include salary, superannuation and the use of fully maintained vehicles. The Register of Remuneration, Allowances and Benefits is available for public inspection.

Staffing

As at 30 June 2006, the District Council had a total of 96 staff equating to 77.2 equivalent full time (EFT) positions. The breakdown of staff numbers by gender, employment type and department is shown in the following table:

	Full Time Equivalent 30th June 2005	Full Time Equivalent 30th June 2006				
District Council Employees:						
Offices, Libraries and Services Facilities			Males	%	Females	%
Senior Executives	3.0	3.0	3			
Administration services -general	9.6	11.8	4		7.8	
Economic services - tourism development,etc	2.5	1.5			1.5	
Economic services - YP Employment	21.0	21.8	3.8		18.0	
Engineering services - works supervision	4.0	4.0	4			
Recreation services	0.0	0.0	0			
Environmental services - building,nuisances	5.0	4.0	3		1	
Community services - libraries, community.	5.2	5.2	1		4.2	
<u>Total "inside" employees</u>	50.3	49.7	18.8	25.5%	32.5	44.0%
At Depots (construction,maintenance)		51.3				
Construction & maintenance, inc cleaning	20.0	21	20.4		0.6	
Parks,gardens and reserves	2.0	2.0	2			
Waste management (recycling centres)	1.9	1.9	1.9			
Workshop servicing	1.0	1.0	1			
<u>Total "outside" employees</u>	24.9	25.9	25.3	34.3%	0.6	0.8%
Total Employees	75.2	77.2	44.1	59.7%	31.1	41.3%

Exclusion of the Public from Meetings

Section 90(1) of the Act generally provides that a meeting of Council or its committees must be conducted in a place open to the public. However, Section 90(2) provides that a Council or its committees may order that the public be excluded from attendance at a meeting that it is considered necessary and appropriate to enable that meeting to receive, discuss or consider a matter in confidence.

Those matters are specified by Section 90(3) and include, for example, commercial information, legal advice, tenders, etc.

Council chose to invoke Section 90(2) twice during the year to consider Commercial information of a confidential nature that would if disclosed

- i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it or
- ii) confer a commercial advantage to a third party

Confidential Documents

Section 91(1)-(6) of the Act generally provides that minutes of meeting proceedings must be kept and made available for public inspection. However, Section 91(7) provides that a Council or its committees may order that confidential documents, may be excluded from general public accessibility.

Council did choose to invoke Section 91(7) in regard to the minute concerning the acquisition of land at Moonta and windjammer lane, Wallaroo imposing a time limit of 6 months.

Community Land

Community Land management plans have been prepared and contained in a Register of Community Land which is available to the public for inspection.

Freedom of Information (FOI) Applications

Applications made to the District Council under the Freedom of Information Act 1991, containing the information required by the Regulations, are reported on as follows: At the beginning of the financial year no FOI applications were in process. No applications were received during the year. The District Council endeavours to make available information as and when requested, as well as taking appropriate action where records may be in error or require amendment. If necessary, formal requests for 'freedom of information' access must be made in writing, accompanied by the prescribed fee and should be addressed to the accredited Freedom of Information Officer as follows:

Freedom of Information Officer,
District Council of the Copper Coast,
51 Taylor Street,
KADINA S.A. 5554.

Electoral Representation Quotas and Reviews

Since 1997, the elected Council has been comprised of the Mayor and ten Councillors – the urban wards of Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo being represented by three Councillors each and the rural ward Paskeville by one Councillor.

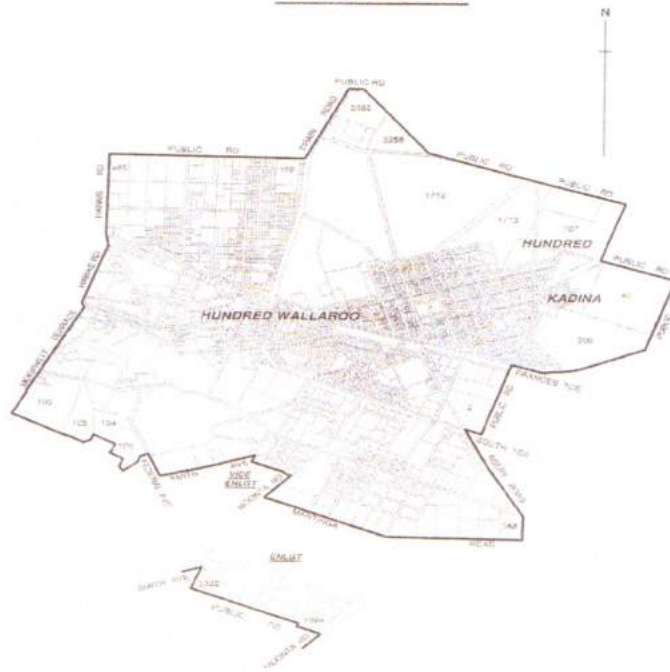
The composition of the Council is reviewed periodically to reflect the principle for electoral purposes that each vote should have equal value. Accordingly, the last review of electoral representation involving changes to ward boundaries was completed during late 2002 with a further review in 2009. As of 28th February 2006, the number of electors per ward was Kadina 3,453 (3 Councillors), Paskeville 1285 (1 Councillor), Moonta 4,141 (3 Councillors) and Wallaroo 3,861 (3 Councillors). The ward representation quota per member of Council was 1,274 – calculated as the total number of electors divided by the number of ward Councillors i.e. 12,740 enrolled electors represented by ten Councillors.

The current representation is, within a 10% tolerance and requires no adjustment.

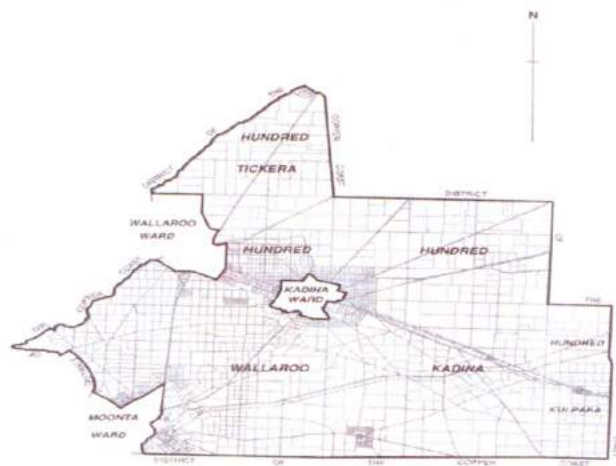
This compares favourably with the following Councils of a similar size and structure: Port Pirie Regional Council - Mayor and 12 Councillors; Number of enrolled electors 12895; electors per member 1290 and the District Council of Yorke Peninsula – Mayor and 11 Councillors; Number of enrolled electors 14334 ; 1303 electors per member.

Ward Boundaries

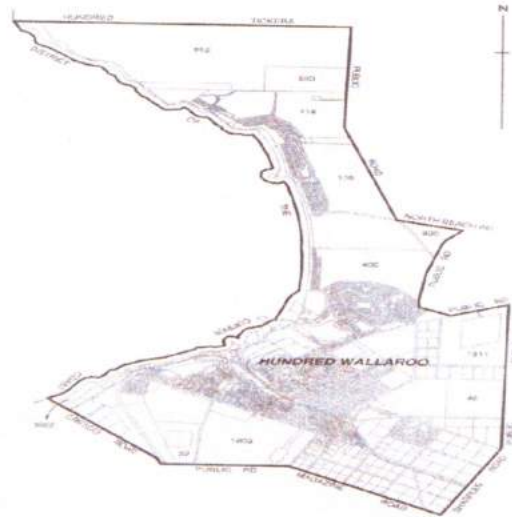
KADINA WARD



PASKEVILLE WARD



WALLAROO WARD



MOONTA WARD



Boundary Review

Procedures are available for electors to initiate submissions seeking boundary alterations and alterations to the composition of the Council or its representative structure. Public notice of the impending review is given, inviting interested persons to make written submissions to the Council on the subject of the review. Persons making submissions are also given the opportunity to appear personally before Council to be heard further. On completion of the review process, the District Council's report is made available for public inspection, with further public submission opportunity and personal hearing being also made available.

The final report of the District Council is then referred to the State Electoral Commissioner for due certification.

Equal Opportunity

The District Council of the Copper Coast is committed to the principle of equal opportunity. In all policies and practices of the Council, there shall be no discrimination relating to gender, age, disability, marital status, parenthood, lawful sexual preference, race, colour, national extraction, social or ethnic origin, religion or political affiliation. To reflect its commitment to a workplace free of discrimination Council has adopted a workplace bullying policy. The Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare Act (1986) prescribes that it is the responsibility of the employer to provide a safe workplace for all employees and that no worker should be at risk in the workplace. If a worker's health and well being is affected, or they become ill, stressed or are away from work because of bullying then there are laws to help remedy the situation. If the bullying involves physical harm or the threat of a physical attack, then there are criminal laws to help protect workers. Persons bullied on the basis of gender, race or ethnic background, disability, sexual preference, marital status, pregnancy or age, are protected by the Equal Opportunity Act. Harassment or bullying in the workplace is unacceptable and, where identified, must be regarded as a serious breach of conduct.

National Competition Policy

Council has no significant business activities.

No complaints have been received alleging any breach of competitive neutrality principles by the Council.

Current Local Laws

- By-Law No. 1 - Permits and Penalties (Govt. Gazette 29/08/2002)
- By-Law No. 2 – Boat Ramps (Govt. Gazette 29/08/2002)
- By-Law No. 3 - Local Government Land (Govt. Gazette 9/01/2003)
- By-Law No. 4 – Roads (Govt. Gazette 12/12/2002)
- By-Law No. 5 – Moveable Signs (Govt. Gazette 12/12/2002)
- By-Law Offences – Expiation Fees (Adopted by Council on 1/09/2004)

A copy of the current by-laws and expiation fees may be obtained from Councils Offices at Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo. All Council by-laws are national competition policy compliant.

Rating Policy/Statement

Introduction

This document sets out the policy of the District Council of the Copper Coast for setting and collecting rates from its community. The policy covers:

- method used to value land
- adoption of valuations
- business impact statement
- Council's revenue raising powers
- general rates
- differential general rates
- fixed charge
- service charge
- pensioner concessions
- unemployed persons concessions
- self funded retirees concessions
- payment of rates
- late payment of rates
- sale of land for non-payment of rates
- remission and postponement of rates
- rebate of rates
- disclaimer

Strategic Focus

In setting its rates for the 2005/2006 financial year the Council has considered the following:

- The District Council of the Copper Coast Strategic Plan 2005/2015.
- The current economic climate in which the major factors are: continued high levels of youth unemployment, dependence on the services industry including aged care as the major prospects for employment, CPI, increases in material and labour costs;
- The specific issues faced by our community, which are:
 - the need over the next five years for a significant capital works program to replace and upgrade infrastructure assets and plant;
 - the development of parks, sport and recreation facilities;
 - the continuation of services including collection of refuse and waste recycling
 - the continued promotion of tourism and development of facilities
- the budget for the 2005/2006 financial year;
- the impact of rates on the community, including:
 - householders, businesses and primary producers;

- the broad principle that the rate in the dollar should be the same for all properties except where there is clearly a different level of services available to ratepayers or some other circumstance which warrants variation from the broad principle (refer section on General Rates);
- continuing reduced levels of Government funding
- the need to balance the communities capacity to pay with the needs and desires of the wider interests that form our community

The Strategic Plan and the Council's budget are available for inspection at:
The District Council of the Copper Coast Office
51 Taylor Street
Kadina, 5554

Kadina Community Library
1 Doswell Terrace
Kadina, 5554

The District Council of the Copper Coast Branch Offices
5 John Terrace
Wallaroo, 5556

71 George Street
Moonta, 5558

The Council conducts public consultation on a broad range of issues relating to the future directions of the area. These meetings are always advertised in local papers. Electors and interested parties are welcome to attend. The Council also encourages feedback at anytime and such comments may be sent to:

Chief Executive Officer
District Council of the Copper Coast
51 Taylor Street
Kadina 5554

Method used to value land

The Council may adopt one of three valuation methodologies to value the properties in its area. They are:

- Capital Value – the value of the land and all of the improvements on the land.
- Site Value – the value of the land and any improvements which permanently affect the amenity or use of the land, such as drainage works, but excluding the value of buildings and other improvements.
- Annual Value – a valuation of the rental potential of the property.



The Council has decided to continue to use capital value as the basis for valuing land within the council area. The Council considers that this method of valuing land provides the fairest method of distributing the rate burden across all ratepayers on the following basis:

- the equity principle of taxation requires that ratepayers of similar wealth pay similar taxes and ratepayers of greater wealth pay more tax than ratepayers of lesser wealth;
- property value is a relatively good indicator of wealth and capital value, which closely approximates the market value of a property, provides the best indicator of overall property value.

Adoption of Values

The Council has adopted the valuations made by the Valuer-General as provided to the Council effective July 1st, 2005. If you are dissatisfied with the valuation made by the Valuer-General then you may object to the Valuer-General in writing, within 60 days of receiving this notice of the valuation, explaining the basis for the objection - provided you have not: (a) previously received a notice of this valuation under the Local Government Act, in which case the objection period is 60 days from the receipt of the first notice; or (b) previously had an objection to the valuation considered by the Valuer-General. The address of the Office of the Valuer-General is:

Office of the Valuer-General
GPO Box 1354
ADELAIDE SA 5001

and the telephone number is 1300 653 345. The Council has no role in this process. It is important to note that the lodgement of an objection does not change the due date for payment of rates.

Notional Values

Certain properties may be eligible for a notional value under the Valuation of Land Act 1971 where the property is the principal place of residence of a ratepayer. This can relate to certain primary production land or where there is State heritage recognition. A notional value is generally less than the capital value and this will result in reduced rates, unless the minimum rate already applies. Application for a notional value must be made to the Office of the Valuer-General.

Business Impact Statement

The Council has considered the impact of rates on all businesses in the Council area, including primary production. In considering the impact, Council assessed the following matters:

- The equity of the distribution of the rate burden – apart from the decision to provide a differential rate for all properties, as outlined under the heading “Differential General Rates”, the Council considers that all ratepayers receive broadly comparable services and are generally similarly impacted upon by prevailing economic conditions.
- Current local, state and national economic conditions and expected changes during the next financial year. The general economic climate is stable and appears likely to continue to be stable over the next twelve months. The major concern is the continued limited employment prospects for school leavers and other persons currently unemployed.
- Changes in the valuation to properties from the previous financial year noting that property values of a number of Commercial, Rural and Residential properties have increased in the range of 10 to 20%. The rate in the dollar is adjusted to compensate for increases in valuation.

General Rates

All land within a council area, except for land specifically exempt (e.g. crown land, council occupied land and other land prescribed in the Local Government Act – refer Section 147 of the Act), is rateable. The Local Government Act provides for a Council to raise revenue for the broad purposes of the Council through a general rate, which applies to all rateable properties.

At its meeting of 13th July 2005 the Council decided to raise rate revenue of \$6,036,110 in a total revenue budget of \$13,089,007. As a result of this decision the Council has set differential general rates as follows to raise the necessary revenue.

Differential General Rates

The Council has decided to impose differential general rates on the following properties: Land use designated as residential a rate of 0.2388 cents in the dollar. Land use designated as Commercial - Shop or Commercial - Office or Commercial - Other, but not being land comprised within the Town Centre Kadina Zone or the Town Centre: (Moonta Historic Conservation) Zone a rate of 0.43 cents in the dollar. Land use designated as Industry - Light or Industry - Other, but not being land comprised within the Town Centre Kadina Zone or the Town Centre: (Moonta Historic Conservation) Zone, a rate of 0.46 cents in the dollar. Land use, designated as Primary Production a rate of 0.155 cents in the dollar. Land use designated as Vacant Land be fixed a rate of 0.34 cents in the dollar. Land within the area of the Town Centre Kadina Zone as defined in the

township of Kadina in the Council Development Plan, (maps CoCo/15 and 16 and Fig TCe(K)/1), but not land which has a land use designated as Residential or vacant, a rate of 0.46 cents in the dollar. Land within the area of the Town Centre: (Moonta Historic Conservation) Zone as defined in the township of Moonta in the Council Development Plan, (maps CoCo 21,24,25 and 26 and Fig TCe(M)(HC)/1), but not land which has a land use designated as Residential or vacant, a rate of 0.46 cents in the dollar.

Land use is used as the factor to levy differential rates. If a ratepayer believes that the Council as to its land use has wrongly classified a particular property then they may object (to the Council) to that land use within 21 days of being notified. A ratepayer may discuss the matter with the Rates Officer, on 88211600 in the first instance. The Council will provide, on request, a copy of Section 156 of the Local Government Act, which sets out the rights, and obligations of ratepayers in respect of objections to a land use.

The objection must set out the basis for the objection and details of the land use that should be attributed to that property. The Council may then decide the objection as it sees fit and notify the ratepayer. A ratepayer also has the right to appeal against the Council's decision to the Land and Valuation Court. Objections to the Council's decision may be lodged with Mr Peter Dinning, Chief Executive Officer, District Council of the Copper Coast, 51 Taylor Street, Kadina, 5554. It is important to note that the lodgement of an objection does not change the due date for payment of rates.

Fixed Charge

The Council has decided to impose a fixed charge of \$218. The fixed charge is levied against the whole of an allotment (including land under a separate lease or licence) only one fixed charge is levied against two or more pieces of adjoining land (whether intercepted by a road or not) if they are owned by the same owner and occupied by the same occupier. The reasons for imposing a fixed charge is the Council considers it appropriate that all rateable properties make a contribution to the cost of creating and maintaining the physical infrastructure that supports each property.

Service Charge

The Council provides a septic tank effluent disposal system to residential and commercial properties in Kadina and Wallaroo. The full cost of operating and maintaining this service for this financial year is budgeted to be \$290,996 and loan repayments of \$162,827.

The Council will recover this cost through the imposition of a service charge as follows: \$98.00 on each vacant allotment and \$138.00 on each building unit or building effluent unit served by the Kadina Septic Tank Effluent Disposal Scheme (S.T.E.D. Scheme); \$107.00 on each building unit serviced by the Wallaroo Septic Tank Disposal Scheme 1 Wallaroo Hospital Section, Wallaroo Septic Tank Disposal Scheme 2 Wallaroo Owen Terrace Extension, Wallaroo Septic Tank Disposal Scheme 3 Wallaroo Church



Street Extension, Wallaroo Septic Tank Disposal Scheme Wallaroo Section 1808 Subdivision (Allotments 327-383) Extension, Wallaroo Septic Tank Disposal Scheme Wallaroo Section 500 Subdivision (Marina and Hospital) Extension, \$204.00 on each vacant allotment and \$208.00 on each building unit or building effluent unit served by the Wallaroo Septic Tank Effluent Disposal Scheme (S.T.E.D. Scheme).

Where the service is provided to non-rateable land, a service charge is levied against the land. Details on what constitutes a service charge for each Property Unit, and other information about the scheme, are available from the council office on 8821 1600.

Pensioner Concessions

If you are an eligible pensioner you may be entitled to a rebate on your rates, if you do not currently receive one. Application forms, which include information on the concessions, are available from the Council at:

The District Council of the Copper Coast
51 Taylor Street
Kadina 5554

They are also available from the SA Water Corporation and its District Offices and the State Taxation Office. An eligible pensioner must hold a Pension Card, State Concession Card or be a T.P.I. Pensioner. You must also be responsible for the payment of rates on the property for which you are claiming a concession. The State Government administers applications. Payment of rates by you should not be withheld pending assessment of your application, as penalties will apply to unpaid rates. A refund will be paid to you if Council is advised that a concession applies and the rates have already been paid.

Unemployed Persons Concessions

The Department of Family and Community Services may assist with the payment of Council rates for your principal place of residence (remissions are not available on vacant land or rental premises). Please contact your nearest Department of Family and Community Services office for details.

Self Funded Retirees Concessions

A concession is available from 1 July 2001 and is administered by Revenue SA. If you are a self-funded retiree and currently hold a State Seniors Card you may be eligible for a concession toward Council Rates. In case of couples, both must qualify, or if only one holds a State Seniors Card, the other must not be in paid employment for more than 20 hours per week. Further information is available by contacting Revenue SA Call Centre on 1300 366 150.



Payment Of Rates

The Council has decided that the payment of all rates will be by quarterly instalments, due on the 1st September 2005, 1st December 2005, 1st March 2006 and 1st June 2006.

Rates may be paid as follows:

- BPAY telephone bill-paying service for ratepayers who wish to pay their rates using the phone and belong to any of the participating banking institutions. This service is generally available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week;
- Payment through the mail by cheque/money order;
- Payment in person at the Council Offices at: 51 Taylor Street Kadina, 71 George Street Moonta and 5 John Terrace Wallaroo. Major Credit Cards are accepted for the EFTPOS facilities available at these centres;
- Payment Online, visit www.coppercoast.sa.gov.au and follow the links. Payment can be made with Bankcard, MasterCard or Visa;
- Payment by Bill EXPRESS at any participating Newsagents.

Any ratepayer who may, or is likely to, experience difficulty with meeting the standard payment arrangements is invited to contact the Council Office on 8821 1600 to discuss alternative payment arrangements. The Council treats such inquiries confidentially.

The Council has adopted a policy that where the payment of rates will cause a ratepayer demonstrable hardship, the Council is prepared to make extended payment provisions or defer the payment of rates.

Late Payment Of Rates

The Local Government Act provides that if an instalment is not paid on or before the date on which it falls due the instalment will be regarded as being in arrears and a fine of 2 per cent of the amount of the instalment is payable. A payment that continues to be late is then charged a prescribed interest rate on the expiration of each month that it continues to be late.

The Council allows a further three working days after the due date for payment as a grace period. The Council is prepared to remit penalties for late payment of rates where ratepayers can demonstrate hardship or payment is received within the three days grace period.

The Council issues a final notice for payment of rates when rates are overdue ie. unpaid by the due date. Should rates remain unpaid more than 21 days after the issue of the final notice then the Council refers the debt to a debt collection agency for collection. The debt collection agency charges collection fees to the ratepayer.



When the Council receives a payment in respect of overdue rates the Council applies the money received as follows:

- firstly - in payment of any costs awarded to, or recoverable by, the Council in any court proceedings undertaken by the Council for the recovery of the rates;
- secondly – in satisfaction of any liability for interest;
- thirdly – in payment of any fine;
- fourthly – in satisfaction of liabilities for rates in the order in which those liabilities rose.

Remission And Postponement Of Rates

Section 182 of the Local Government Act permits the Council, on the application of the ratepayer, to partially or wholly remit rates or to postpone rates, on the basis of hardship. Where a ratepayer is suffering hardship in paying rates he/she is invited to contact Phil Brand or Rex Mooney on 88211600 to discuss the matter. The Council treats such inquiries confidentially.

Rebate Of Rates

The Local Government Act requires Councils to rebate the rates payable for certain land uses. This includes a minimum rebate of 75% for land predominantly used for educational purposes (subject to some qualifications) and land predominantly used for service delivery and administration by a community service organisation. Council allows a rebate of 100% for land predominantly used for agricultural, horticultural or floricultural exhibitions. Council is also allowing a rebate on residential properties with a capital value in excess of \$550,000 to provide relief against substantial change in rates payable due to rapid changes in valuation. The residential property needs to be the principle place of residence and owned by the resident prior to 1st July 2002. An application form to claim this rebate is available at the Council Offices.

Council's Rate Rebate Policy is available for inspection at the Council Office 51 Taylor Street Kadina.

Sale Of Land For Non-Payment Of Rates

The Local Government Act provides that a Council may sell any property where the rates have been in arrears for three years or more. The Council is required to notify the owner of the land of its intention to sell the land, provide the owner with details of the outstanding amounts, and advise the owner of its intention to sell the land if payment of the outstanding amount is not received within one month.