



City of Nedlands

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## REPORT FROM MAYOR



Max Hipkins, Mayor

### Mayor's message

Throughout the financial year of 2011/2012, your Council continued to develop and implement strategies to improve the delivery of service to its community. Council focussed upon efficiencies and core functions, and as a result many important projects were completed.

### Strategic Community Plan

In the month of September, the draft strategic community plan was released and this is a fantastic result of several months' work on the major issues facing Nedlands. We have built on "Our Vision 2030" and engaged with the community to refine the vision and establish our highest priorities for the next ten years.

This is our first Strategic Community Plan under the government's new Integrated Planning and Reporting framework. The City of Nedlands was already implementing integrated planning so the new requirements were a logical progression.

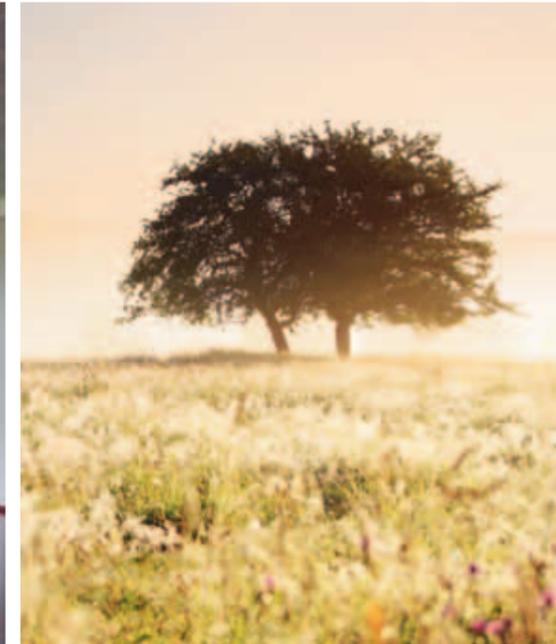
We determined from the outset to create a robust and implementable plan. This meant facing some tough decisions. In the process we gained a much better appreciation of the state of our assets now and in the future under various expenditure scenarios.

Our roads, footpaths, storm water drainage, parks and community facilities are at a stage in their life cycle where significant investment is needed to renew those assets. The warning signs are clearly evident - at current expenditure levels, before the end of ten years, we will be faced with run-down buildings and driving through potholed roads unless corrective action is taken.

Therefore, the major thrust of our proposed strategic direction is increasing our investment in the renewal of the assets that are such a vital part of the community's vision for a liveable, thriving Nedlands. In the draft Plan, you will see what this means on the ground and the implications for rates. We also outline what the community response has been through the engagement process to date.

In the new financial year 2012/2013 year we ask the community for their feedback.

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families to work, visit and play.**



### Sustainability

In June, the City of Nedlands, along with other local government took the opportunity to sign up to a Local Government Climate Change Declaration. This declaration demonstrates a political commitment to locally appropriate climate change management and to participate in a sector wide leadership approach.

By signing the declaration, the City committed to set an appropriate energy consumption reduction target and work towards achieving this into the future. To reach this target your local council will work directly with state and federal government. It seeks to implement key actions and activities for climate change management at a local level.

The City will endeavour to assess any specific risks associated with climate change and identify appropriate mitigation strategies. An internal Climate Change Action Plan is to be developed across all local government functions and progress will be monitored. It will also encourage local businesses to adapt to the impacts of climate change as well as communities.

The City of Nedlands acknowledges that climate change is occurring and will continue to have a significant effect on the nation, and also the Local Government sector.

### Summer concerts

This year, once again the City was proud to present its annual Summer Concerts in the Park series which was again a great success. The concerts are an opportunity for families, friends and neighbours to gather in a relaxed atmosphere in our beautiful parks.

### Thank you

As your Mayor of the City of Nedlands, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to my fellow councillors, the CEO and City staff who have contributed to the operations of the City and used their professionalism and expertise to make the City what it is today.

The City of Nedlands contributes to making Perth a city of choice for individuals and families to work, visit and play.

We all look forward to an even more successful year in 2013.

Max Hipkins  
Mayor

# COUNCIL



Mayor  
Max Hipkins



Cr. Nikola Horley  
Coastal Districts Ward



Cr. Kenneth Collins  
Coastal Districts Ward



Cr. Leo McManus  
Coastal Districts Ward



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Dalkeith Ward



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Dalkeith Ward



Cr. Ian Argyle  
Dalkeith Ward



Cr. Nigel Warren Shaw  
Melvista Ward

## The Strategic Plan 2008/2013

The City of Nedlands Strategic Plan 2008/2013 is a plan for the future and sets the strategic direction and key focus areas for Council and elected members. It also becomes the foundation for how the City develops its annual plans, service schedules and future budgets.

The strategic plan has been developed by elected members, City staff and members of the community. The goals and strategies represent the type of City we want to become and what we need to do to get there.

## Our Vision

The City of Nedlands is an attractive City with residential amenity and a strong sense of community and place.

The draft Strategic Community Plan for the next 10 years is due to be presented to Council for adoption in December 2012.

## Council Achievements Highlights for 2011/12

- Council finally put to an end the previous processes to explore the potential for an amalgamation with the City of Subiaco;
- Removal of the unpopular speed humps in Carrington Street;
- Departure of former CEO led to internal appointment of the Acting CEO and a comprehensive process involving professional help with recruiting a new permanent CEO;
- Two major recruitments of professional personnel to fill vacancies and which have brought stability and a higher level of qualification to key positions;
- Continuation of professional work to update the heritage register in Nedlands, with Council conscious of some conflicting issues with heritage;
- Final resolution of the basic planning rules for Old Swanbourne Hospital to allow the private owners to proceed with development;
- Initiation of action for a 'Place making' Strategy for Dalkeith Village;
- A very vigorous approach to budgeting and budget outcomes, with a realignment of priorities to ensure the proper maintenance of City infrastructure, especially roads and footpaths;
- Initiation of action to establish a comprehensive City-wide register of public trees to enhance their protection and preservation;
- Work on the Strategic Community Plan as required by the State Government;
- Work on the parking problems of Nedlands and extension of time limitation areas in response to the needs of residents;
- Progress towards adoption of a new local law relating to parking, with a firm decision not to introduce provision for pay-for-use parking in Nedlands;
- Engagement of an additional parking ranger to respond to the need for effective parking control, especially in the sensitive areas near the university and the hospitals sites.
- Progress on the adoption of a new Dog local law.

## REPORT FROM CEO



Michael Cole, A/Chief Executive Officer

### CEO's message

The 2011/2012 reporting period was one of great change for the City of Nedlands where there was much transformation in regards to restructure and reorganisation.

I would like to thank the Mayor, Councillors, the City's directors, managers and staff for their contribution to the City's development during this period of transition. This year has seen significant achievements due to the commitment and dedication of all involved over the past twelve months.

As a Council, we work closely with the community to solve issues and to make the changes that the community want – a more sustainable city and making sure the City of Nedlands keeps its vibrancy and builds a better place to live and work.

Many people who work for Council live in this City and ensure the delivery of highly efficient services. People working in all departments, collectively and individually, contribute daily to building a dynamic and financially sound organisation, and the skills and expertise they bring to this City are moving Nedlands forward. I thank them for their continuing efforts to serve and improve this City.

### Metropolitan Local Government Review

On 24 June 2011, a review of Perth metropolitan local government and broader governance structures was announced by the Minister for Local Government, the Honorable John Castrilli MLA.

The Metropolitan Local Government Review Panel was appointed to examine the social, economic and environmental challenges facing metropolitan Perth. This independent Panel has been given the responsibility for recommending appropriate boundaries and governance models for local governments in the Perth metropolitan area.

In April 2012, Western Australian councils received a report of draft findings which indicated a panel's thoughts on the future of local government in metropolitan Perth. This was to be seen as a progress report and not a final position. As we progress into the new financial year the Perth Metropolitan councils look for the State Governments response to the report.\*

\*The final report has been tabled by the minutes in State Parliament on 25 October 2012 and is available for comment until April 2013, after the next State Election.

### Strategic Community Plan

A significant undertaking during 2011/12 was the draft Strategic Community Plan. This involved many workshops with our community and a combined effort of Council and staff.

The draft Strategic Community Plan was considered by Council in September and has been released to the public for community feedback. The draft plan was an enormous effort which looked at refining the vision and establishing the City's highest priorities for the next decade.

Once these results have been collated from the community in the month of October, community comments will be taken into consideration for the final plan which is to be adopted by Council in December. This will then be the City of Nedlands strategic direction for the next ten years.

We look forward to working with you, our community, and for a successful 2013.

Michael Cole  
A/Chief Executive Officer

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## ABOUT THE CITY OF NEDLANDS

Just 7 kilometres from Perth, the City of Nedlands stretches from the banks of the beautiful Swan River to the shores of the Indian Ocean.

The City is divided into four wards each represented by three councillors who are available to discuss and assist with any matters concerning your quality of life within the City.

### People

- Population: 22 144
- Electors: 14 108
- Suburbs: Dalkeith, Nedlands, Karakatta, Mount Claremont, Swanbourne and parts of Floreat and Shenton Park

### Environment

- Area: 21 square kilometres
- Fourteen major parks and reserves
- Area of parks, gardens, reserves and golf courses: 46 parks, gardens, reserves and bushlands totalling 314 ha

### Other facts of interest

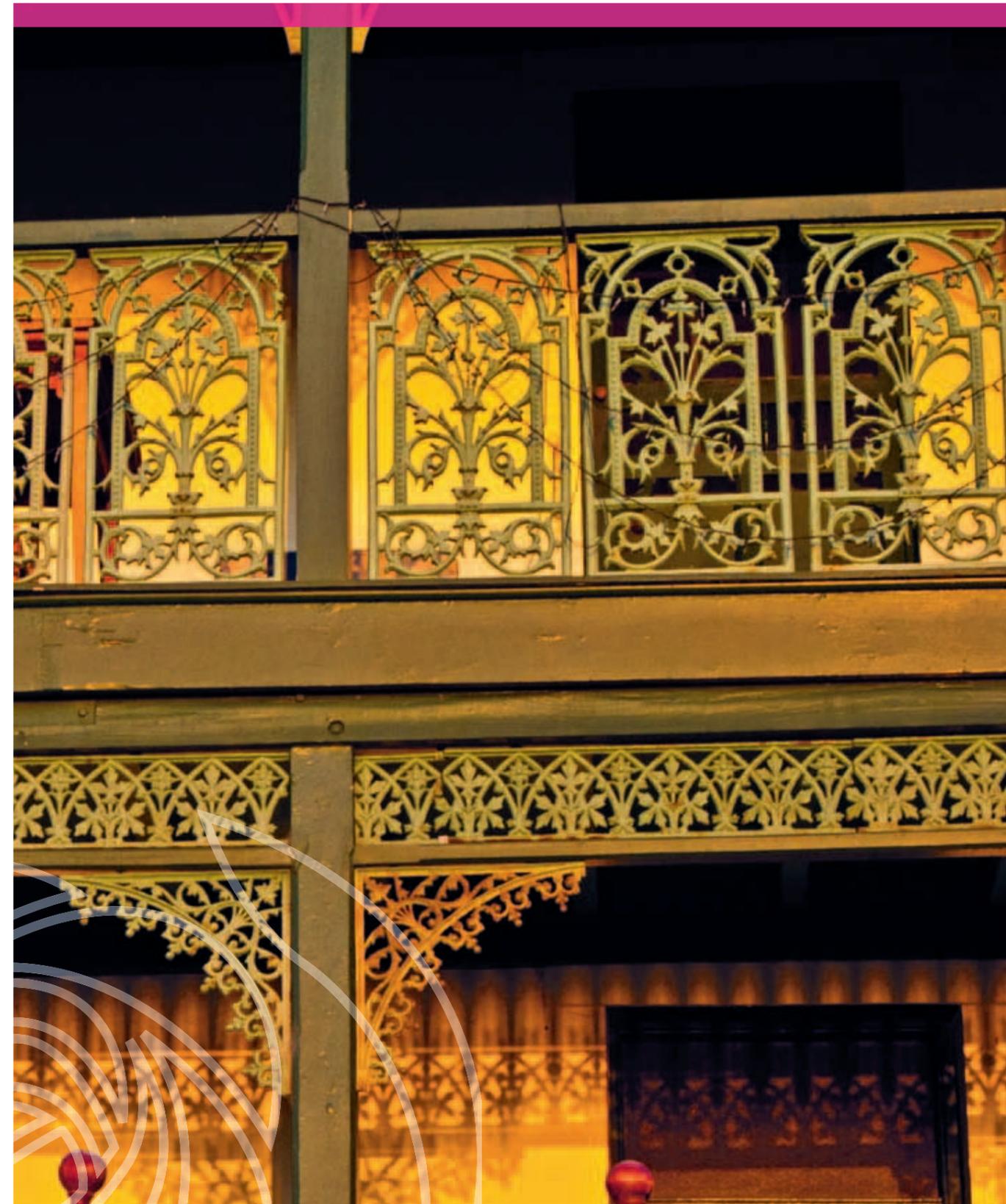
- Council established in 1893
- Proclaimed as a City 1 July 1959
- Tourist attractions: river foreshore, water sports, Swanbourne Beach, Allen Park heritage area

### Community events

- Summer Concerts in the Park series
- Premier's Australia Day Awards Ceremony
- Citizenship Ceremonies
- Remembrance Day Ceremony

### The built form

- Two libraries
- One senior citizens centre
- One child health centre
- Eight primary schools
- Two secondary colleges
- Two community centres



# INFRASTRUCTURE

## Engineering Services

The City's Engineering Services has improved the City's road and footpath infrastructure networks by providing 6142 linear metres of road rehabilitation / resurfacing, 440 linear metres of new footpaths and 480 linear metres of rehabilitated footpaths during the 2011/2012 financial year. These works ensure that the community receives a high quality of asset management that links the public with the safest infrastructure that the City can allocate funding towards and is on track to complete our five year plan on schedule, improving our major assets.

The City's five year forward works plan for road and footpath works is currently due for review, a full road pavement analysis will be undertaken including asset pick up from kerb to property boundary and is due to be undertaken in 2012. This data will then be used to create an up to date forward works program for the next 5 years to ensure projects are on schedule and allowance is made for new priorities to be scheduled into the works program.

The City's fleet of vehicles, plant and equipment is replaced on a three year rotation to ensure these resources remain in good working order.

## Road resurfacing and rehabilitation

All roads in the City, whether resurfaced or rehabilitated, involved extensive drainage improvements that aim to reduce the impact of flooding, improve road traffic safety and recharge the ground water system.

Roads rehabilitated/resurfaced included:

- Underwood Avenue south carriageway (MRWA partly funded)
- Bruce Street (between Princess Road & Melvista Road)
- Alfred Road (Jacaranda Avenue to Strickland Street)
- North Street
- Circe Circle (North) Curlew Road to Carrroll Street
- Railway Road (Aberdare Road – 180 metres south)
- Gordon Street (Hampden Road to Clifton Road)
- Archdeacon Street
- Loch Street ( 3 sections between Stirling Hwy and Railway Road)

## Footpath improvement and rehabilitation

The City's annual footpath replacement plan involved replacing slab pavements in order to accelerate the network in the medium to long term, to achieve in situ concrete footpaths.

Footpath rehabilitation included:

- Swansea Street
- Lemnos Street
- Hooley Street

## New Footpaths

- Beatrice Road/Alexander Road Stage 2 works are currently being designed and will be out for consultation in the 2012/2013 financial year.

## Right of Way

- Acacia lane (Asquith Street to Kennedia Lane)
- This section is currently being designed and is proposed for construction in 2012/2013

## Black Spot funding

Black Spot funding, available through the Department of Main Roads, allows the City to apply for funds to upgrade roads and intersections that address commuter safety issues. The City of Nedlands has one of the highest rates of successfully attracting funding in the western suburbs under this program. Funds were secured to improve the following intersections:

- Florence Road & Princess Road (Median Islands)
- Florence Road & Stirling Highway (Median Islands)
- Elizabeth Street & Bruce Street (Traffic calming device)
- Elizabeth Street & Tyrell Street (Median Islands)
- Carrington Street & Broome Street (Improved lighting)
- Monash Avenue & Hampden Road (Improved Lighting)
- Princess Road & Bruce Street (Improved lighting)

## River wall

Repairs to the City's river wall were undertaken along the foreshore area and Beaton Park. A large section of old walling had collapsed and was rebuilt using reinforced in-situ concrete and capping.

The repairs were funded from a joint venture between the City of Nedlands and the Swan River Trust.

## Principal Shared Pathway

The design phase of the Principal Shared Path (PSP) between Shenton Station and Loch Street was awarded to Shawmac Consultants after a request for tender. The purpose of the PSP is to provide a safe pathway for bike riders and pedestrians with limited crossover interruptions. The passenger railway line reserve and adjoining road verge are the perfect locations for the path.

The ultimate aim is to provide a PSP from Fremantle to Perth allowing residents to walk and cycle to the city with few vehicular interruptions. The Department of Transport's Bikewest Branch, the Public Transport Authority and Main Roads WA are working with the City of Nedlands towards achieving this aim. The design works have now been completed and the proposed options ready to go to community consultation in September 2012.

## Beecham Road wall

Works commenced in March on Stages 1 & 2 of the replacement of the retaining wall. Civil works are well under way and are estimated to be completed by the end of October 2012.

Landscaping will follow completion of civil works (subject to optimal planting conditions).

## Traffic management

- Lisle Street – Red asphalt treatment at the intersection of Lisle Street & Cleland Street



## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Bus shelter upgrades (DDA compliance)

- Modifications to the footpaths and pram ramps along Princess Road and Vincent Street
- Upgrade to bus shelter on Princess Road

### On-street parking

- Esplanade – 22 x 45 degree parking bays as part of Steve's Hotel development

### Drainage improvements & storm management

Following the 1–100 year storm event of March 2010 the City has committed funds annually to upgrade and improve the drainage network throughout the City. This is in addition to drainage upgraded as part of road resurfacing works. Drainage was upgraded in the following locations:

- Belinda Road, Taylor Rd, Marita Road, Doonan Road – 14 new soak wells
- Waroonga Road – Upgrade to existing SEP's – 3 new upgrades
- Hollywood Precinct – 20 new soak wells

### Loftus Street & Napier Street

- Earthworks to the sites to reinstate them to storm water storage sumps
- Additional drainage
- Modifications to footpath and driveways to properties adjacent the sumps

### Jenkins Avenue

- Upgrade of existing pipe network from Jenkins Avenue to Bulimba Road storage sump
- Additional Side Entry Pits x 4

## PARKS SERVICES

### Operations

### Maintenance Programs

During 2011/2012, the City completed 352 parks maintenance Programs on time and within budget.

Maintenance Programs included cleaning and rubbish removal, landscape maintenance, fertilising grounds, planting trees, turf renovations weed control, watering and general maintenance.

### Water Conservation

The City has used 20% less bore water as metered for the financial year 2011/2012 as compared to 2010/2011.

The Department of Water allocates 709,300 KL of groundwater for irrigation purposes to the City each year. The actual use last financial year was 564,494 KL which is 144,806 KL less than its allocation and a saving of 142,610 KL over the previous year. The average size of an Olympic swimming pool is 2,500 KL. Therefore, the City has saved water that is equivalent to 57 Olympic swimming pools.

**The City of Nedlands has significantly reduced its groundwater usage over the last year, delivering substantial cost savings and helping to conserve one of our most valued environmental resources.**

## Capital Works

### Irrigation

- Irrigations upgrades Mossvale Gardens Floreat, Campsie Park Nedlands, Asquith & Strickland Street Reserves and Tressilian Community Centre in Nedlands.
- Groundwater bore installations at Beatrice Road Reserve Dalkeith, Campsie Park Nedlands, Mossvale Gardens Floreat and Zamia Park Mount Claremont.

### Sports Facilities

- Installation of soccer goals for two fields at Mount Claremont Oval

### Fences and Walls

- Installation of a perimeter safety fence at Mount Claremont Oval along Alfred Road.
- Installation of bollards along Stephenson Avenue Mount Claremont from Challenge Stadium to Houston Place Mount Claremont.

### Paths and Paving

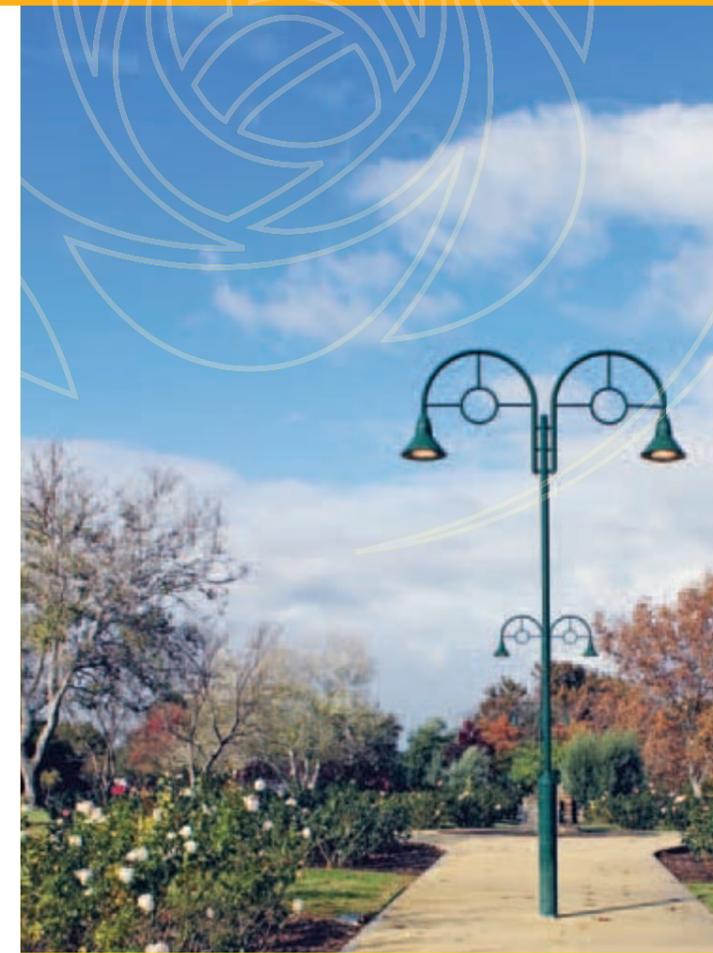
- Replace the brick paved path with a cream coloured concrete path at Directors Gardens Mount Claremont.
- Competition of the circuit path at Mount Claremont oval.

### Planting and Landscapes

- Installation of a rose garden landscape at New Court Gardens Mount Claremont.
- Installation of a Waterwise Garden at the end of Prince Albert Court Mount Claremont.
- Renovation of four garden beds at Peace Memorial Rose Garden Nedlands.

### Playgrounds

- Upgrade playground at Jones Park, Swanbourne to Australian Standard, with shade and equal access provisions.
- Installation of Spida™ playground at Masons Gardens in Dalkeith.



## NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

### To enhance and protect the City's environmental assets to ensure:

- Management of natural resources and habitats.
- Environmental sustainability.

### Bushcare

The City's bushcare program for 2011/2012 involved the ongoing implementation of its Natural Area Management Plans. This entailed carrying out activities such as control of priority and declared weed species (using a combination of physical, chemical and biological controls); re-vegetation of degraded bushland areas and greenways using locally occurring native species (approximately 22,000 seedlings planted); implementing erosion control measures; undertaking fire management and feral animal control in the City's bushland reserves and greenways with the aim of conserving and enhancing biodiversity.

The project 'Protection and Restoration of Swanbourne Dunes' commenced in conjunction with the Swanbourne Coastal Alliance with \$25,806 received through the Department of Planning's Coastwest Grant Program. This project involved planting 7000 coastal seedlings, installing tree guards and repair and installation of beach fencing.

The project 'Point Resolution Western Foreshore and Embankment Restoration' was completed in conjunction with the City of Nedlands, the Friends of Point Resolution and the Swan River Trust. This project undertook stabilisation and restoration of eroded sections of the western foreshore and embankment at Point Resolution with \$74,250 received through the Swan River Trusts Riverbank Program.

Swanbourne Primary school planted 650 seedlings in the Swanbourne Dunes as part of National Tree Day 2011. The Friends of Hollywood Reserve joined with Hollywood Primary School during the winter of 2012 and planted approximately 600 locally occurring native seedlings in Hollywood Reserve.

Stage 1 of a path upgrade was completed at Allen Park. Approximately 140m of an eroded limestone pathway was upgraded to red asphalt with limestone spillways installed at 20m intervals to channel water off the path. Stage 2 is due to be completed in 2012/2013.

The City undertook sampling and treatment of declining Jarrah's, Marri's and Peppermint Trees in our bushland and greenway reserves. The survey found that many trees were declining or dying as a result of the plant diseases such as phytophthora dieback and fungal canker pathogens. In addition, drought and stem – boring insects were impacting the trees. The City undertook some initial treatments in order to lessen the trees' decline and improve their health. Initial results have shown that the majority of trees treated have responded well with improved health. The treatments are expected to last up to three years.

### Sustainability

The City completed all actions contained in the Sustainability Strategy 2009-2012. This strategy will be replaced by a Resource Efficiency Strategy which will be developed in the coming year, in consultation with the Sustainable Nedlands Committee.

Milestone 5 of the ICLEI Water Campaign was attained in June, with the award received by the Mayor at ICLEI's awards breakfast in August. Milestone 5 saw us assess our progress since 2003/2004. Some key achievements from this program include a 30% reduction in scheme water use through council operations, improved monitoring of bore water use, and installation of Waterwise demonstration gardens on Stirling Highway.

The City's inaugural Waterwise Garden Competition received more than 20 entries. The competition finished with a Beyond Gardens seminar, which had 50 attendees. Ten free "verge makeovers" were given out by the Beyond Gardens team. These makeovers were implemented at the beginning of 2012.

The Native Plant Subsidy Scheme saw 1600 plants being purchased by City of Nedlands' residents.

WALGA's Greensense Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting platform allowed the City to prepare its Carbon Inventory and Management Report 2010/2011. This was a great achievement for the City, as this data can now be used to develop a Resource Efficiency strategy.

The rehabilitation of the turtles at Masons Gardens was completed by the relocation of 15 turtles from Masons Gardens to Bruce Cresswell Reserve in Mandurah. This reduced the overpopulation that existed in the ponds and improved water quality. The lake at Bruce Cresswell Reserve had no existing turtle population. The lake was chosen as it has adequate food sources and shelter. A PhD student from Murdoch University is monitoring the progress of the relocated turtles.

The City's sustainability message was promoted at a number of community events which included:

- UWA Sunfair
- Waterwise Garden Competition
- BeyondGardens workshop
- Perry Lakes Garden Week
- Local Native Plant Subsidy Scheme for residents
- National Tree Day
- World Environment Day at Charles Gairdiner Hospital
- Composting Week (Hollywood Primary School)
- CHOG-fest at Nedlands Primary School



## NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

#### Food surveillance

2011/2012 saw the second year following implementation of the state-wide food legislation which came into effect in October 2009. The change to an outcomes based legislation has allowed food businesses (especially new food businesses) greater flexibility in meeting safe food outcomes. The City also submitted its second year of food surveillance reporting to the Department of Health WA. Aside from annual surveillance activities of food businesses, the City's Environmental Health Officers have continued working with those food businesses required to have implemented food safety programs under the Food Standards Code.

Environmental Health Officers have developed a number of resources for use by food businesses to improve the food handling knowledge of food handlers. It is hoped these resources will be available on the City's website by late 2012. This will make it easier for food businesses (including temporary ones) and the public to access information on the food legislation and food safety. Further to these written resources the City has also made available during 2011/2012, an interactive online food safety training program available via its website. The comprehensive training program is free of charge and provides a great opportunity to food businesses. Approximately 450 persons have participated in the training program.

The City received 31 food recall notifications from the Department of Health WA in 2011/2012 for reasons including incorrect labelling, undeclared allergens, incorrect identification of product, microbial contamination, choking hazards, foreign object and packaging faults. Relevant food businesses were notified of recalled products.

Overall, the efforts of Environmental Health Officers through a largely educational approach have seen to improvements among food business compliance with the Food Standards Code.

#### Swimming pools and recreational waters

Public swimming pools were tested monthly as required by the aquatic facilities legislation to ensure a high water quality and safety of bathers. In conjunction with the Department of Health WA, the City continues to participate in the annual Ocean Sampling Program for metropolitan recreational waters. The City has over the past few years performed water sampling at Swanbourne Beach and submitted information to the Department of Health WA. Sampling was completed between the months of November 2011 to March 2012. It is expected that the Department of Health WA will produce a report for the results of the program in the near future.

Once again a number of residential properties were found to be illegally discharging their swimming pool water into the street and stormwater drains. This method of discharge contravenes the City's Health Local Laws 1997 for the disposal of liquid refuse. The City will continue to pay close attention to this matter whilst compiling strategies to address the issue.

#### Environmental

The City continued its annual groundwater monitoring of the contaminated groundwater plume associated with the former Brockway Landfill site in Mount Claremont, with results remaining consistent with previous years.

2011/2012 saw the City's Environmental Health Officers being consulted on a number of development applications addressing such matters as noise, odour, waste disposal and construction management aspects.

The City received a number of complaints from householders experiencing mosquitoes. This number was significantly less than for 2010/2011 which was a particularly bad year for mosquitoes for south west WA. Although complaints had decreased, the number of cases of persons acquiring Ross River Virus across Western Australia was significantly higher in 2011/2012. The Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco,

through their joint mosquito control program, actively carried out mosquito control treatments for Pelican Point Reserve. Pelican Point Reserve in Crawley, is a known breeding ground for mosquitoes including a summer salt marsh mosquito which bite during the day. The success of mosquito management within the City is reliant on the combination of the periodic treatment of this site, residents managing their own backyard mosquito breeding and weather conditions which may be favourable to mosquito breeding. Both the Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco will be continuing larvicide treatment for the 2012/2013 mosquito control season for Pelican Point.

Environmental Health Officers dealt with a number of asbestos queries and investigations in 2011/2012. These saw officers ensuring that the Health (Asbestos) Regulations 1992 and Codes of Practice relating to asbestos were being adhered to.

#### Noise

The City received 87 noise complaints in 2011/2012. An indication of the varied and complex sorts of noise people were concerned with included issues relating to music and parties, delivery vehicles, construction, air conditioners and swimming pool pumps.

#### Waste Minimisation

In 2009 the City published its Waste Minimisation Strategic Plan 2009-2013 objectives and actions. The strategic plan highlights the long term strategy for continuous improvement of the City's waste services, waste avoidance and resource recovery. This was benchmarked against best practice and set targets for waste reduction, resource recovery and the diversion of waste from landfill disposal.

As a result of the City's ongoing commitment to promote the resource recovery and diversion of household hazardous waste going to landfill, the City have designed and built three portable custom made recycling stations for used and unwanted fluorescent tubes, printer cartridges, batteries, mobile phones

and household fluorescent light globes. These recycling stations have been installed at the City's Administration, Nedlands Library and Mount Claremont Community Centre.

City of Nedlands is the first West Australian Local Government authority to design and introduce new custom made recycling stations where this year residents have recycled 1332 kilograms of material using these facilities. This represents an increase of 60% on the previous year. Furthermore, in 2011 at the Waste Awards Ceremony the City received an Honorable Mention award for Local Government Waste Reduction initiative.

During this year the City collected 5 950 tonnes of general waste, 3 340 tonnes of greenwaste, 2 542 tonnes of recyclable material and 6.5 tonnes of e-waste and 2 tonnes of metals from the City's waste service.

While over 85 per cent of residents are currently utilising the 120L litre rubbish bin service and over 30 per cent of households are utilising the second recycling bin service. The material diverted to resource recovery has increased by 1.7 per cent compared with 5 553 tonnes of resource recovery reported in last financial year.

Despite the increase the City will continue to work closely with residents to reduce household waste going to landfill.

The purchase of compost bins and the subsidised worm farms remains high and the City will continue to support these programs.



## THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

**To provide a built environment and land use planning framework which offers diversity in housing choice, is environmentally responsible, provides a high level of amenity, consists of a variety of neighbourhoods with community identity, encourages economic activity in harmony with local amenity and enables appropriate facilities for community groups.**

### Services provided under this key focus area:

- property services
- statutory planning
- strategic planning
- building control services

### Property services

In 2011/2012 the City undertook significant projects to improve built facility infrastructure within the municipality.

### Community facility upgrades

The City has substantially completed the redevelopment of the John Leckie Pavilion. The City's Strategic Recreation Plan nominated this location as one of the four main centres for community recreation to be centralised within the City. The other locations are Allen Park, Highview Park and Charles Court Reserve. Refurbishments to the pavilion are expected to be completed by September 2012.

Refurbishment of the John Leckie Memorial Pavilion commenced in September 2011. On completion the building will now offer a band practice room, community room with kitchen facilities, additional store rooms for user groups and four generous sized team change rooms with individual shower facilities. The sporting clubroom has been repositioned and fitted out with a kitchen, and an external serving area

for catering. Accessibility was a major factor in the renovations with significant upgrades to the pathways and all toilet facilities throughout the building. In addition three separate toilet areas with additional fixtures were added to the main hall allowing a greater capacity. Remodelling of the kitchen will also help with any catering requirements. Internal alarm and electronic access control was introduced offering greater security, as were timed automated locking devices fitted to the public toilets.

### Building maintenance

Refurbishment work of the Maisonettes was completed in October 2011. The building is now an example of a place of heritage significance that has been restored and refurbished to a high standard, which will permit the City to derive a higher market rental return.

In addition, several maintenance projects were completed across the City. These occurred at Drabble House, the City's Community Development building, the Council works depot, Point Resolution Childcare Centre, Nedlands Community Care and Dalkeith Hall.

### Built facility asset management

The City has commenced the progression towards complying with the Built Facility Asset Management Policy which was adopted by Council last year. The completion of the Maisonettes renovations and the final stages of John Leckie Pavillion refurbishment were a significant and positive improvement to this plan. This will ensure that the City delivers on the directives of the Strategic Plan 2008/2013.

### Swimming pool inspections

In an effort to increase the compliance rate of pool barriers the frequency of inspections by the City was increased to a three-year cycle in 2002/03. The City inspected 808 properties during the year, of which over 60% were inspected more than once before becoming compliant.

### Building control

Building control statistics	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012
Applications received	660	746	671	538
Licences issued	515	580	506	458
New residences	69	59	55	64
Demolition licences	55	58	46	41
Swimming pool licences	75	50	70	47
Sign licences	11	8	1	9
Verge material licences	26	35	41	25
Amended building licences	30	33	30	33
Residential strata titles approved	4	0	1	1
Acknowledgements	7	2	1	No longer in use
Building approval certificates	29	27	26	31
Value of fees collected	\$400 908	\$558 354	\$481 088	\$432 149
Value of all works	\$98 113 410	\$89 600 198	\$86 660 975	\$90 902 819



## THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

In May 2011, a new requirement for the provision of universal access to buildings was introduced. The Access to Premises Standards 2010 requires all commercial buildings to provide significant fixtures and access to buildings for all people, so as to not discriminate against individuals that have mobility or vision impairment. This new standard bridges the gap between the overarching legislation of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the requirements of the Building Code of Australia and Australian Standard. These new requirements will place design and cost implications for the construction of new buildings, which the City has no jurisdiction to vary.

New building control legislation was adopted by Parliament with the new Building Act 2011. The new Act will enable building designers and owners the opportunity to have their building permit applications certified by private building surveyors or the relevant local government. The flexibility of the new legislation may provide many new commercial opportunities the current legislation does not cater for.

### Planning

#### Key facts

Number of applications determined in 2011/2012 for planning applications were:

Determined by Council	502
Determined under delegation	32
Total Development Applications	534
Average days to process	37

Total fees received for planning applications was approximately \$492 000, which includes all funds received for development applications, scheme amendments, outline development plans etc.

Subdivisions – 16 proposals. The City supported 8 of the proposals. Of the remaining 8 which the City did not support, the WAPC approved 5 of the proposals, refused one and has not yet determined 2 proposals.

#### State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) reviews

- 5 reviews determined
- 2 determined by SAT – Councils decision upheld
- 3 determined by Council under reconsideration following mediation

### Achievements 2011/2012

#### Prepare and implement management plans for natural areas

- Work is ongoing to ensure that Foreshore Management Plan for the river foreshore reserves remains current.

#### Develop and implement a new planning scheme for the City

- The Local Planning Strategy was amended to reflect the changes that the WAPC required and returned to the WAPC early in 2012.

#### Encourage the development of diverse residential and commercial areas to meet the future needs of the whole City

- Scheme amendment 192, which provides for the design guidelines for the Waratah commercial areas has been finalised after the City was ordered by the Minister to make changes to the provisions.
- Scheme amendment 193 has been finalised. This amendment seeks to streamline a number of anomalies in Town Planning Scheme 2 such as the zoning of the design guideline areas of Karella Street and Dalkeith, and introduces parking restrictions on residential properties.

#### Develop and implement precinct plans for key areas in the City

- Hampden/Broadway: As part of the objective to provide housing diversity areas in Nedlands and to align with state government visions, the study to determine the future of the Broadway and Hampden Road areas was progressed. The work has focussed on research and consultation in order to enable develop Built Form Design Guidelines, and the relevant strategies for the public realm and movement within the area. Work for these areas will continue through 2012/2013.
- North Hollywood: The study has been completed for the North Hollywood area and is expected to be made available for public consultation shortly.



## THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT



### **Provide efficient and integrated approvals system**

- Local Planning Policies to address the following matters have been progressed and will be available for public consultation in due course:
  - to identify preferred uses within the buffer zone for the Subiaco Waste Water Treatment Plant has been progressed;
  - to establish a biodiversity corridor between the conservation areas of Lot 4 and Shenton Bushland;
  - to establish the preferred form of development at the Hollywood Aged Care site in Monash Avenue.
- Outline development plans for:
  - the Old Swanbourne Hospital site has been finalised;
  - the Paraquad Centre site in Selby Street is being progressed.
- A limited Outline Development Plan that affects only the UWA Hockey club area has been finalised.
- The City has commenced the review of the City's Heritage List.

### **Provide and facilitate access to services and facilities required by the broader community, clubs and community groups.**

- The process to formulate a masterplan for the DC Cruickshank reserve has been commenced and is expected to be finalised at the end of 2012.

### **Develop and implement an integrated transport strategy for the City which promotes access to safe and integrated transport options.**

- Review of the Local Law for Parking and Parking Facilities has sufficiently been progressed to be finalised by the end of 2012.
- Work has commenced on creating:
  - an integrated transport strategy; and
  - a parking strategy for the City;
  - a Bike Plan.

### **Challenges ahead**

#### **Prepare and implement management plans for natural areas**

- Finalise the Swanbourne Master Plan for the Swanbourne Open space and natural areas.

#### **Develop and implement a new planning scheme for the city**

- Approval being obtained from the WAPC to allow public consultation of the Local Planning Strategy.
- On advice of the WAPC undertake the next steps in regard to draft Town Planning Scheme 3, which will include updating the accompanying maps given the time delay the City has experienced at the WAPC with the processing of draft TPS3.

#### **Encourage the development of diverse residential and commercial areas to meet the future needs of the whole City**

- Commence work on the Waratah Avenue Placemaking Strategy to direct work on the public land in the area affected by Scheme Amendment 192.
- Progress scheme amendment 197 which provides for changes in the zoning of the Captain Stirling site and five surrounding residential properties.

#### **Develop and implement precinct plans for key areas in the City**

- Provide design guidelines for the Broadway and Hampden Road areas.

#### **Provide efficient and integrated approvals system**

- Progressing applications the City receives to initiate scheme amendments of TPS 2.
- Progressing any other outlined development plan received by the City.
- Progressing the review of the City's municipal heritage List.
- Progressing the City's Telecommunication's Strategy and work collaboratively with telecommunications carriers towards better outcomes.

- Progressing local planning policies for various areas within the City.

#### **Develop and implement an integrated transport strategy for the City which promotes access to safe and integrated transport options.**

- Finalise the outcomes of recent and ongoing parking trials to inform progress on work to create
  - an integrated transport strategy; and
  - a parking strategy for the City.

#### **Other challenges in the year ahead**

- Work collaboratively with the State Government in relation to its proposal to redevelop the Royal Perth site in Selby Street particularly in relation to addressing the questions of biodiversity in the Shenton Park area.
- Meeting the demands of the State Government to implement the objectives of Directions 2031.
- Making necessary changes to Town Planning Scheme No 2 to ensure that the document remains current and able to fulfil its function until the new scheme becomes operative.
- Processing Development Assessment applications (DAP's) within statutory timeframes.



## COMMUNITY WELLBEING

To provide a community where people have an opportunity to interact and enjoy a sense of belonging in order to promote:

- healthy lifestyles
- a safe and secure community
- quality of life.

### Library Services

The Nedlands Library Service offers two libraries, one in Nedlands on Stirling Highway and one in Mount Claremont on Montgomery Avenue. Membership stands at 10 374 members, which includes 3 194 members from outside the City's local government boundary. Loans and renewals of books and other materials exceeded 240 000 transactions for the year and more than 3 500 people participated in events.

Loans and Renewals	240 664
Event participation	3 623
% of residents as members	33%



**National  
Year of  
Reading  
2012**

### National Year of Reading

2012 is the National year of Reading and to help celebrate the City's libraries have hosted a variety of events for the community. The 'Subjects of Note' series aims to provide educational and entertainment value on assorted topics at both Nedlands and Mount Claremont libraries. Some of the hot topics for the year included:

- The History of Government House;
- I was Organised,
- Stroke Safe, and
- Bridging Foods.

### Local Studies

The Local Studies Collection continues to build up its resources on the history of the City of Nedlands. It is used by students of all ages for projects ranging from school assignments to history books for publication.

Volunteers are busy making digital copies of resources so that photographs and other information become readily available. The methods used to make photographic and scanned images are demonstrated to the attendees of the Memoirs for your family workshops. Many hours have been spent, with the help of volunteers from the WA Genealogical Society, interrogating the Library's databases to build family trees. Illustrated talks on the History of Nedlands and the Monuments and Sites of the City have proved very popular. Some stories from long time residents have been produced in large print formats and made available in the library for the convenience and pleasure of readers.

### Other services

The Nedlands Library Book Club meets at Nedlands Library on the second Thursday of each month at 1pm. This is a great way for library members to meet new people and discuss books. Afternoon tea is served and discussions are lively.

Another outreach service provided by the libraries is our fortnightly Books on Wheels service for customers that are house-bound. Our weekly Monday bus service is offered to senior library members that are able bodied but don't have their own transport. They come to the library to choose their own materials and socialise over morning tea. Volunteers contribute to these outreach services.

### Meet the authors

The Nedlands Library Service hosted a variety of local and interstate authors this year. In September as part of the Western Suburbs libraries' Reading Festival the West Australian author Alan Carter spoke about his debut novel Prime Cut.

### Online Resources

The libraries added a variety of new online resources for library members this year. These included online adult education and language learning courses, genealogy databases, and downloadable audiobooks. One of the most popular was OneClick Digital, which allows library members to download audiobooks from home and load them onto their portable device, such as an iPhone, iPod or Android device.

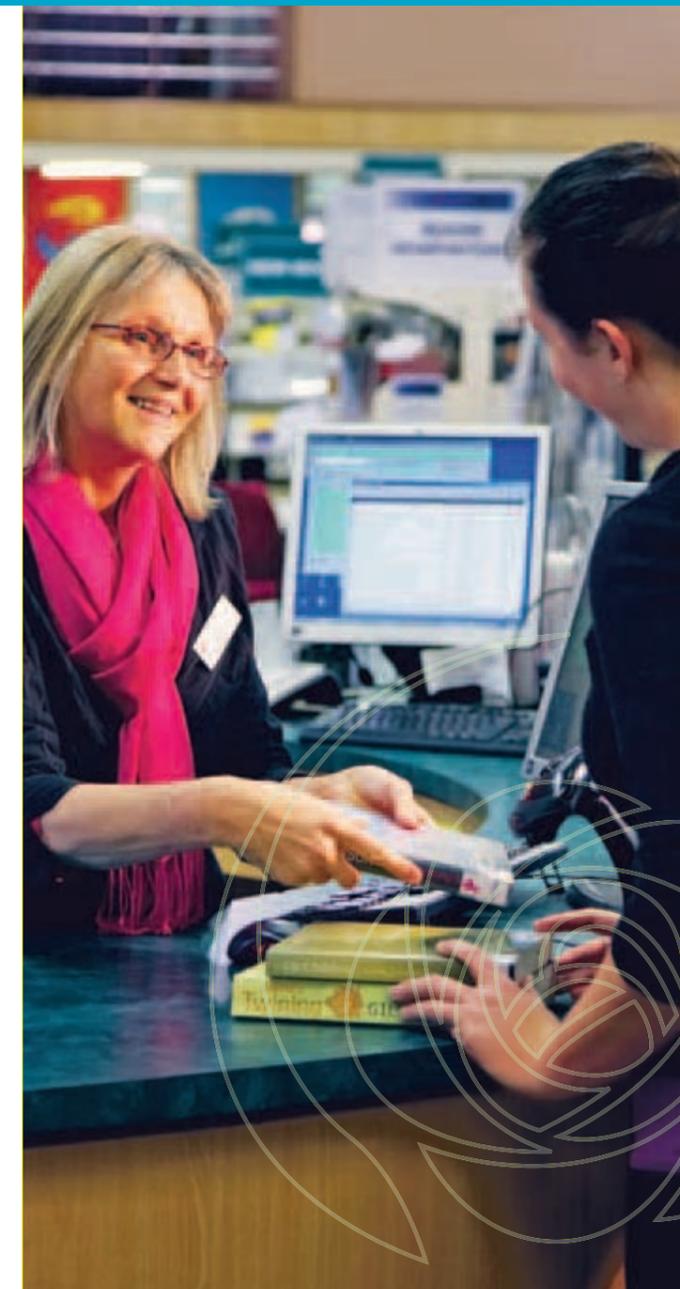
### Services for young people

Weekly Storytime sessions continue to be a great success with 1 582 children and parents attending this year. Nedlands and Mount Claremont Libraries joined hundreds of other libraries around the country for National Simultaneous Storytime in May during Library and Information Week. This is a national event coordinated by the Australian Library and Information Association to highlight the importance of reading and literacy and promote Australian authors and publishers around the country.

The popular Pyjama Storytime sessions continue to be held and are currently run monthly on the second Wednesday night of each month.

Baby Rhyme Time sessions are held fortnightly during school term throughout the year at Nedlands library, with 198 participants attending last year. As part of The State Library's Better Beginnings Program, Baby Rhyme Time supports children's early literacy development through sharing songs, stories and action rhymes with babies from 0–12 months old, and introduces parents to techniques for sharing books with their babies.

There was a plethora of exciting school holiday activities at the libraries this year. Library staff member, Clare, led the children in song for a special story time during the July school holidays. The kids were amazed by the magic tricks of Ola the Magician during the October school holidays. During the Christmas holidays children made Christmas decorations and sang Christmas songs. Drippy the Dragon and Pirate



## COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Penelope entertained our younger patrons during the Easter holidays. In January children decorated their own library bags.

Students from local schools were invited to special events held in the libraries during Children's Book Week in August. The children were entertained by Clare Stace, a storyteller who wove magical tales inspired by the children's book illustrators James Foley and Gabriel Evans.

The library also held a session showcasing YourTutor, an online homework help service provided by the Western Suburbs libraries. Students from years 4 to 12 were shown how to login from home to receive one-on-one help from dedicated tutors. YourTutor is offered from Monday to Friday, 4pm to 8pm during school term.

### Nedlands Community Care

Nedlands Community Care provides support for residents in the City of Nedlands who are assessed as either frail aged, a younger person with a disability, or their carer.

Nedlands Community Care provides quality in-home care support as well as many other services including activities for Dementia-specific clients, respite for carers, social support activities and transport to appointments.

As well as the Nedlands Community Care staff, there are more than 50 valuable volunteers who assist with providing transport to clients and assisting with other activities to the 220 plus clients.

### Some highlights during the year included:

- Continuation of collaborative meetings between aged care staff at Nedlands Community Care, and the Town of Cambridge to network and exchange ideas and develop programs to improve delivery of aged care services and Day Centre programs.

- Increased activities for social support services including:
  - Computer classes
  - Out and About Tours
  - Waratah Dinner Club
  - Book Clubs
  - Men's Group
- Day Respite Centre (Waratah Club) activities include:
  - A 100th Birthday Celebration with the CEO and Mayor attending.
  - Intergenerational program with PROCC – NCC clients visiting PROCC and interacting with the children by reading stories, singing and sharing a visit with the travelling farm.
  - Clients making peg bags and stuffed owls to raise money for the Save the Bears Fund and have the pleasure of sponsoring a Sun bear which they have named BoBo.
  - Regular indoor sports and quiz competitions with the City of Subiaco and Town of Cambridge clients
- New Affinity Club started for the Well Aged members of our community which includes activities such as:
  - Ballroom Dancing
  - Mahjong
  - Porcelain Painting
  - Internet Cafe
  - Movie Club
  - Laughter Club
  - Yoga

### Point Resolution Occasional Child Care Centre

The Point Resolution Occasional Child Care Centre (PROCC) provides occasional child care to residents of the City. Many families enjoy the bright, comfortable environment at PROCC and centre staff continue to develop programs which are designed to stimulate and engage children with age appropriate activities including:

- multicultural events
- intergenerational activities with seniors from Nedlands Community Care
- interactive events with parents and siblings
- Awareness of our environment.

Utilisation rates have continued to be high with an average of 96%. Enquiries from hopeful families to attend PROCC are received daily and the waiting list for vacancies is ongoing.

Child care centres are now required to apply the Early Years Learning Framework and PROCC staff have successfully planned and implemented programs which incorporate a combination of:

1. "Child initiated interest" which is a result of observations or conversations with children, and;
2. "Intentional teaching" which includes your typical ABC, Number awareness and other kindergarten topics.

Staff also works in partnership with families to create a program that provides meaningful learning experiences for all children.

Under the Education and Care Services National Regulations, our educational program contributes to the following outcomes for each child:

- a) Children have strong sense of identity
- b) Children are connected to and contribute to their world
- c) Children have a strong sense of well being
- d) Children are confident and involved learners
- e) Children are effective communicators

The centre provides a relaxed and happy environment where children feel safe and secure to play and interact with staff and other children. The learning program always includes the following play areas:

- Music and movement
- Construction/manipulative play
- Puzzles and cognitive games
- Language and literacy (Books are regularly sourced from Nedlands Library)
- Drawing and writing materials
- Art and craft
- Dramatic play/home corner
- Sensory play with sand and water
- Nature



## GOVERNANCE



**To ensure that the processes of local government are delivered responsibly and in a transparent, consistent and an accountable manner.**

### Records Services

In the 2011/2012 financial year the Records Services team processed 35 538 pieces of incoming correspondence. The City registered 18 500 pieces of internal/outgoing correspondence into the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).

On a strategic level the records team have:

- Upgraded the TRIM Electronic Document Management System;
- Implemented New and Improved Business Process Workflows;
- Conducted Corporate Training using TRIM Electronic Document System.

### Record Keeping Plan

The City's current Record Keeping Plan, 2010069, is approved to April 2016.

### Freedom of Information

The City of Nedlands complies with the Freedom of Information Act 1992 by making information about our operations available in the form of our Information Statement. This document is available on request.

Persons wishing to apply for access to additional information held by the City may submit a Freedom

of Information (FOI) Application. The City aims to make information available promptly and at the lowest reasonable cost.

The City received eight Freedom of Information applications in the 2011/2012 financial year.

### Our People

The City is committed to providing an environment that engages and encourages employees. A Staff Climate Survey provided valuable employee feedback that helped identify strategies to continue to build a productive and satisfied workforce.

Feedback from the survey has contributed to the City's effective employee management approaches. Ongoing surveys and feedback will continue to be used to refine and improve employee engagement and reduce staff turnover. Staff are also actively encouraged to contribute their ideas in workshops and staff meetings and with a management approach that is "open door".

### Recognition of Employees

Employees are recognised for a commendable contribution through recognition of long and continuous employment with the City. Employees who have completed 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30+ years are acknowledged.

The Customer Service Champions program was introduced this year. It recognises those employees who go the "extra mile" in customer service. Nominations for Customer Service Champion of the

Month are voted on by the Customer Service Champions Group. This highlights the City's values and encourages continuous improvement in customer service and has proved popular.

### Learning and Development

Employees look for means to learn and develop in an ongoing manner. Lifelong learning is a popular concept and the City continues to provide training opportunities that enhance the ability of employees to effectively do their job and develop a meaningful career. Performance management and a training needs analysis identified training needs. A wide variety of training opportunities are available both on the job and with training partners. A learning environment is encouraged.

### Occupational Safety and Health

The City values a safe working environment. The City is preparing for proposed "harmonisation" of legislation across the States and has actively engaged with WorkSafe in preparing for the changes.

### Employee Assistance and Wellbeing

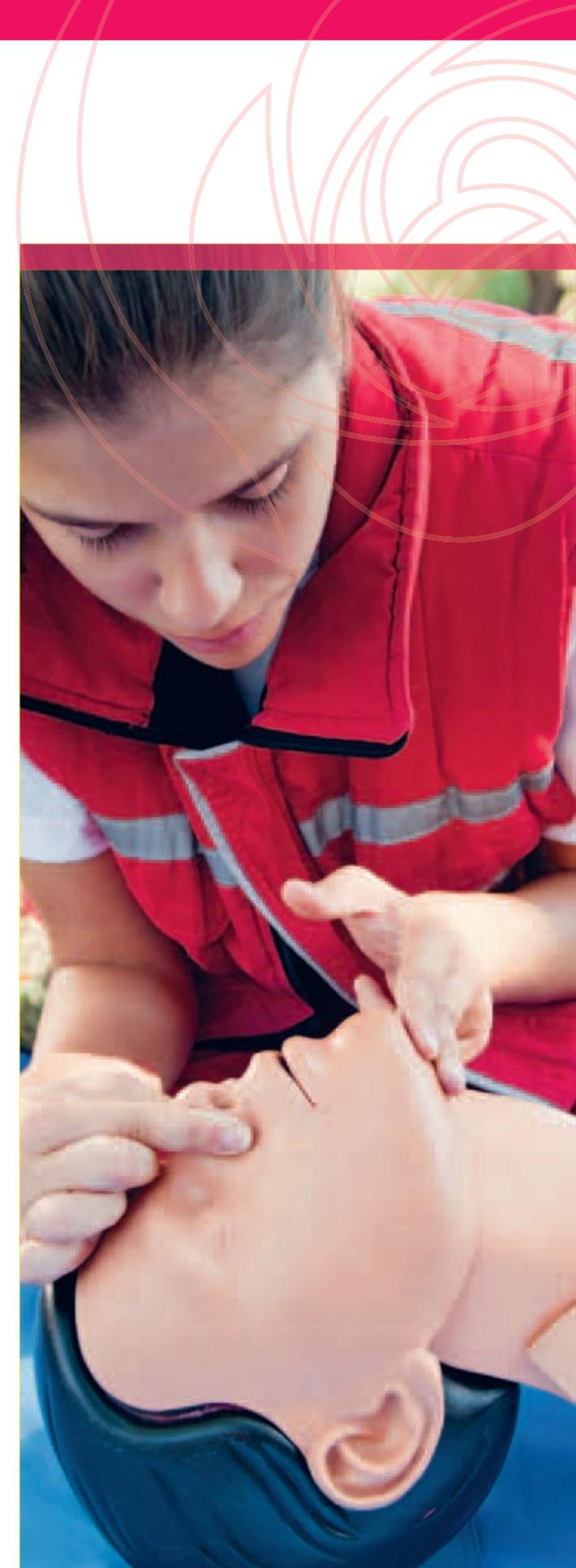
A program of Employee Assistance that provides free, confidential counselling is available to staff and their families during times of need. The professional service provided by PPC Worldwide continues to be popular with many staff.

The City also provides general health assessments, skin cancer screening and a winter flu vaccination program.

### Employee's remuneration

The number of employees of the City entitled to an annual salary of \$100 000 or more were in the following categories:

Salary range	2010	2011	2012
\$100 000 to \$109 999	0	0	1
\$110 000 to \$119 999	1	1	1
\$120 000 to \$129 999	3	0	2
\$130 000 to \$139 999	0	3	0
\$140 000 to \$149 999	0	0	0
\$150 000 to \$159 999	0	0	0
\$160 000 to \$169 999	1	0	1
\$170 000 to \$179 999	0	1	0



# GOVERNANCE

## Risk management and business continuity planning

The City's activities expose it to a variety of risks. To ensure these risk exposures don't adversely impact on the operations of the City, a risk management framework has been developed to ensure that risks are managed across the organisation. The City continues the development of a business continuity plan that will assist the City to continue to deliver its critical services in the event of an emergency.

## Finance Services

Finance Services supports the operations of the City through the provision of budgeting services, financial management reporting, accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, accounting and reporting of FBT and GST. Finance Services is also responsible for managing the City's rating system.

Key projects undertaken each year are the preparations of the annual budget for the upcoming financial year, the annual issue of rates notices and the completion of annual financial statements. For the past two years the annual budget for the coming year has been adopted in June allowing the earlier issue of annual rates notices with resulting improvements in cash flow and interest earnings. Finance Services also rolled out electronic requisitioning across the City during the financial year. This has enabled the streamlining of procurement processes resulting in increased efficiencies and improvements in internal controls across the organisation.

Activity	2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012
Number of dogs impounded	59	50	48	69
Number of complaints about barking	132	85	60	68
Number of inspections on vacant blocks for fire breaks (non-compliant blocks)	55	92	62	146
Number of abandoned vehicles dealt with (impounded)	32	21	17	14

## Compliance audit

The City achieved a rating of 98.7% for the annual Compliance Audit Return for 2011, and the one compliance issue was that three primary returns from newly elected members were not submitted within the time frame set out in the Local Government Act 1995 Section 5.75 (1). This non-compliance issue was reported to Council at their meeting of 27 March 2012.

While not meeting 100 per cent compliance, the completion of the Compliance Audit Return for 2011 demonstrated a high level of compliance by the City of Nedlands in all areas. The City has an internal culture of compliance and commitment towards best practice, and the the management of the City is based on good governance.

The completion of the annual return is based on self-assessment. The City, however, engages the services of an independent consultant to assist with the completion of its Return. A high level of compliance was achieved, assessed by an independent body, which demonstrates the City's high level of compliance. Such an assessment also provides the CEO and Council with additional elements of awareness and compliance and accountability by staff.

## Ranger Services

The City's Rangers Services team covers a wide range of issues, from parking enforcement, animal control, fire breaks and building compliance on behalf of the Development Services team. A summary of some of their activities is as follows:

## STATUTORY INFORMATION

### National Competition Policy

The Competition Principles Agreement is an agreement between the Commonwealth and State Governments that stipulates the manner in which governments will apply competition policy principles to public sector organisations under their jurisdiction. While local governments are not a signatory to the Agreement, they are bound to apply the same competition principles to their activities and functions by virtue of Clause 7 of the Agreement.

Clause 7 obliges the state government, in consultation with local government, to apply competition principles to local government activities and functions. These principles are:

- Competitive Neutrality
- Structural Reform of Public Monopolies
- Legislation Review.

### Competitive Neutrality

With respect to Competitive Neutrality, the City of Nedlands reports as follows:

- No business enterprise of the City of Nedlands has been classified by the Australian Bureau of Statistics as either a public trading enterprise, or a public financial enterprise.
- No City of Nedlands activities have been identified to which the principles of Competitive Neutrality apply in this reporting period.
- No allegations of non-compliance with the Competitive Neutrality principles have been made by any private entity.

### Structural Review of Public Monopolies

The City of Nedlands does not operate any public monopolies that pursue commercial functions. Any activities of the City of Nedlands that are conducted as a monopoly are regulatory only, and are directed to the public benefit. No further action is required in this area.

## LEGISLATION REVIEW

### Disabled services

The City has developed a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP). The DAIP is a legislative requirement of the Disability Services Act 2006, which outlines how public authorities will make their services, information and buildings accessible for people with disabilities. The City continues to meet its obligations outlined within the DAIP. See page 34 for more details on City's DAIP.

### Record keeping

Government legislation and regulations mandate the City's roles and functions. The City creates and maintains proper and adequate records of these activities to ensure sufficient evidence of the City's performance of these functions. The City's records are consistent with any written law to which the City of Nedlands is subject when performing its functions.

The City continues to provide training to all staff to ensure they are advised of their record keeping obligations and responsibilities. The City offers:

- Record keeping inductions – focussing on record keeping processes at the City;
- record keeping awareness training – focussing on obligations under the State Records Act, 2000; and
- Record keeping systems training – focussing on how to use the TRIM system to manage records.

As per the City's approved Record Keeping Plan, the record keeping induction and online training are mandatory courses for all new staff.

No Record Keeping Audits were conducted. This was largely due to issues with system upgrades and extracting relevant data from the record-keeping system.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Summer Concerts in the Parks series

Each year, the City holds the Summer Concerts in the Park series on Sunday evenings throughout February. These concerts are an opportunity for families, friends and neighbours to gather in a relaxed atmosphere in one of the City's beautiful parks.

The 2012 Summer Concerts in the Park series attracted its largest crowd ever with over 3 400 people attending all four concerts. Each concert had a great band and children's activities. The four concerts were held at Lawler Park, Masons Gardens, Allen Park and Dot Bennett Reserve. This year the concerts also attracted local business sponsorship from Westcare Inc and Kitchen Choice which helped the City provide the extra children's activities.

### Community Tours

Nedlands Going Places Tours give residents an opportunity to enjoy a day out while getting to know other community members and neighbours. The City hosted two tours this year. These tours were:

- Wildflower Tour, 22 September – 66 community members enjoyed a wildflower tour to York, where they also got to have time to meander around the town and enjoy a two-course lunch.
- Christmas Lights Tour, 22 December – 44 community members enjoyed a tour to see the Christmas lights in the northern suburbs of Perth, along with lunch at Hillarys along the way.

### Community Grants Fund

The purpose of the Community Grants Fund is to provide financial support for events and projects that contribute to community spirit and help build a more inclusive community in the City of Nedlands. The project to be funded must show a direct benefit to the local community and support the building of local relationships and networks.

This year the City provided thirteen funding grants totalling \$9 350 for a wide range of local community events. These are shown below:

Recipient	Event
Dalkeith Road Church of Christ	Christmas Carol event
Christian City Church Crawley	Christmas Carol event
Westcare Incorporated	Breakfast for National Week for People with disabilities
Swanbourne Community	Community Christmas Party
St Peters Square	Street Party
Redemption Church	Christmas Carol event
Kingsway street	Street Party
Minora Road	Street Party
Joyce Street	Street Party
Minora Road	Street Party
Rotary Club of Freshwater Bay	Community barbeque
Art Deco Society of WA INC	Community information brochure
Carine Marshall	Street Party

### Community Halls & Pavilions

The City's community facilities include halls, pavilions and community centres that can be booked from 7am to midnight on any day of the year. The City has four facilities that are bookable including:

- Drabble House
- Allen Park Lower Pavilion
- Dalkeith Hall
- Mount Claremont Community Centre

The City has a further six groups that it has groups on a management licence, including:

- College Park Family Centre
- Hackett Playcentre
- Mount Claremont Play Centre
- Allen Park Lower Pavilion

In the annual satisfaction survey, hall users expressed a high level of satisfaction (76%) with services provided by the City. Community groups that are not hall users also expressed a high level of satisfaction with City services at 78%.

### Grants received for community events

The City received the following grants for community events:

- \$18 668 from Lotterywest for the Summer Concerts in the Park series
- \$1 000 from the Injury Control Council of WA for the Stay on Your Feet week project
- \$1 000 from the Department for Communities for a film screening of Red Dog in National Youth week
- \$1 000 from Neighbourhood watch towards joint WESROC activities for Halloween.

### Community Event Approvals

The City approves events held at public locations or for the community. The City's approval role aims to minimise any potential negative impact, while still ensuring the community enjoys a wide range of local events.

In 2011–12 the events approved by the City included 25 weddings, 6 private sport events, 13 public sport events, 5 large scale community events and 2 large private events.

The major events approved included the City to Surf Fun Ride, Tadpole Triathlon, the Challenge Fun Run and the Bike Ride for MS. These events increased social interaction and added to the wellbeing of the local community.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



### Our Vision 2030

In February 2012, following the results of the 2030 imagine, engage, create project in 2010/2011, the City prepared the community's plan. This was prepared as a document called 'Our Vision 2030'.

2030 imagine, engage, create was a community project was designed to create community conversation opportunities that would bring individuals and groups together, with the aim of creating a shared vision that both community and the City could work together towards.

Approximately 2 100 participants provided over 8 500 separate items of information through public workshops, on-line and hard copy surveys, face to face interviews, vox box interviews, messages left on the wishing tree, comments placed on the 'sticky wall' at community events and drawings in a children's art competition. Each of these responses were coded and collated into four vision statements and the key elements of the four vision statements were collated into a meta vision.

In February 2011, the City held 'Our 2030 Conference' where attendees' main task was to come up with strategies for achieving the community's vision for 2030.

The 'Our Vision 2030' the community's plan is owned by the people of the City of Nedlands. It will be reviewed every two to four years to ensure to reflects the changing needs and vision for the City and it may be used to inform the City's Strategic Community Plan.

### Access Working Group

The City's Access Working Group continued to provide advice on improving access and inclusion within the Nedlands community. The group currently consists of 4 local residents with extensive experience relating to access and inclusion. The City acknowledges the contributions of Greg Madson, Kerry Revell, Robyn Tsapazi and Eric Moxham, along with retired member Janet Shaw, who volunteer their time and expertise as members of this advisory body.

### Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP)

The City's DAIP outlines how the City will ensure that its services, buildings information and consultations are accessible to the whole community, including people with disabilities as is required by legislation.

Access improvements to the City's buildings, services and infrastructure include:

- John Leckie Pavilion, College Park – Inclusion of a new accessible unisex toilet on the 1st floor, upgrade of the ground floor toilets to meet accessible unisex toilet requirements. A further showering facility has also been included, along with pathways and entry points to specified areas of the building have been re-designed to improve accessibility
- Mount Claremont Oval Changing Rooms – Public toilets have been upgraded to meet accessible unisex specifications

### All Abilities Play Space

The All Abilities Play Space is planned to be an innovative and state of the art play space that the whole community, including people with disabilities, can access and enjoy. It will provide a unique opportunity for the people of Perth to connect and play in an inclusive environment, regardless of their ability, age and interests.

This is a partnership project between the Rotary Clubs of Nedlands, Subiaco and West Perth and the City of Nedlands. The City has provided the location (Beaton Park on the Nedlands foreshore) and contracted a designer, and Rotary is committed to working with the community of Perth to raise the funds to build the facility.

In March 2012, Fiona Robbe Landscape Architects were appointed as the Play Space designer. An on-site community consultation was held on 25 March 2012 to gain community input into the design. In May 2012 Fiona Robbe with staff from the City, met with students from Dalkeith Primary and Shenton College Deaf Education College/Education Support Unit and a number of disability support service organisation to gain their comments and ideas.

The design for the play space will be completed in 2012/2013. Once the design is completed, it is intended that the fundraising campaign will begin.

### Fostering Safe Communities

The City undertakes a number of activities to support crime prevention. The City developed a Business Beat Kit, in partnership with the Cities of Perth, Subiaco and Vincent and the Towns of Claremont, Cottesloe and Mosman Park and the Shire of Peppermint Grove with the support of the Office of Crime Prevention and local police. The Business Beat kit is aimed at businesses and contains practical community safety and crime prevention information.

The City provides two organisations to enable them to provide safety and crime prevention information to children in local primary schools. These are:

- \$250 to the Safety House Association
- \$2 500 to the Constable Care Child Safety Foundation



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



### Youth Development Program

The City of Nedlands' youth program encourages local young people to get involved in their community, by providing opportunities, events, workshops and activities that are constructive and engaging. The aim of the Youth Development Program is to provide a range of healthy activities that build local relationships and engage local young people with the community.

This year the City provided a wide range of activities for children and young people including a movie screening during National Youth Week, the 4Sure Music & Skate Festival, skateboarding workshops, a Halloween event, and school holiday activities. Overall, more than 3100 children and young people took part in City run programs throughout the year.

### Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

The Youth Advisory Council consists of a group of local young people aged 12 to 21 years who advise the City on youth issues, plan and deliver activities for local young people and encourage youth participation in the community. This year the YAC ran the 4Sure Music & Skate Festival, as well as Youth Week events, and advised on the 2030 community plan.

### The Buzz

The Buzz provides information on activities and events provided by the City for children, youth and families. It comes out quarterly; just in time for each school holiday period. Now well into its second year, The Buzz is becoming an increasingly popular publication in the community with many parents requesting to be added to the distribution list for new publications.

### Skate Workshops

In 2011/2012 the City held two skate workshops at the Nedlands Skate Park at Charles Court Reserve in partnership with YMCA. These workshops provide children and young people with expert coaching and training, giving them skills and confidence. The City provided two beginner and two intermediate sessions, with 64 young people taking part over the course of the workshops.

### Schools

The City continued to build its relationships with its local schools through the implementation of the Engagement with Local Schools Strategy, which outlines the City's approach to a more pro-active relationship with the 11 local schools within its boundaries. The Principals of all 11 schools were once again invited to meet with Mayor in June, and were given the opportunity to bring to the City's attention as issues that they were facing in the community.

### National Youth Week

National Youth Week brings young people together to celebrate youth achievements and to focus on youth issues. The Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco, Towns of Claremont and Mosman Park and the Shire of Peppermint Grove jointly provided activities during National Youth Week in April of 2012. The theme for this year was "Imagine, Create and Inspire". The activities provided were chosen to inspire young people to create opportunities for themselves and their communities. The City of Nedlands provided a screening of Red Dog at Windsor Cinema, with more than 80 young people attending. This was just one of a series of events run over the week for all Western Suburbs young people.

### Halloween at 'The Grove'

In 2011/2012 the City of Nedlands, along with the City of Subiaco, Towns of Mosman Park and Claremont and Shire of Peppermint Grove, provided an evening of Halloween fun and activities at The Grove Library. This event was partly funded by Neighbourhood Watch, with the aim of providing a safe and inclusive event where children and their families could take part in Halloween celebrations. Around 450 people took part in the event, hosted by the Shire of Peppermint Grove.

# "Imagine, Create and Inspire"



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### 4Sure Festival

The City's Youth Advisory Council once again ran the 4Sure Music & Skate Festival, at Charles Court Reserve on the Esplanade. This is a free event incorporating live bands, a skate competition and various activities over the course of the afternoon, with approximately 500 people in attendance throughout the day. This was the second year the City has run this event, with the event itself shaping up to be a significant occasion on the City's calendar.

### Sponsorships provided by the City

This year the City provided the following donations and subsidies:

- \$10 800 to the Shenton Christian Council to assist with the provision of Chaplains at Shenton College, Mount Claremont and Swanbourne Primary Schools.
- Subiaco Business Association – Awards – Best Not for Profit
- Thirty-two grants of \$250 each to individual young people for initiatives that connected them to their community, under the Sponsorship of Youth Initiatives Fund. Applications that received support this year included sporting trips and events, volunteering tours and international student exchanges.

### Nedlands Volunteer Resource Centre (NVRC)

The City received an annual grant of \$29 448 from the Department for Communities to operate the Nedlands Volunteer Resource Centre (NVRC). NVRC promotes volunteering, strengthens the capacity of the volunteer sector and matches volunteers with volunteer opportunities. The NVRC is located upstairs in the Nedlands Library and is open Monday to Friday 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

The City's Volunteer Resource Centre helped with information about:

- Volunteer positions in up to 100 local community organisations
- 12 502 volunteer positions available state wide
- Current volunteering trends and sector development



### Volunteers in the Community

In 2011/2012, 259 volunteer referrals were made to organisations. The City provided two free training workshops were organised with 25 participants attending each on topics: Grant Writing and 7 Steps to a High Performing NFP Organisation. The City further allocated additional staff time to support local sporting clubs and organisations with their volunteer needs in this year's budget.

### National Volunteer Week Celebration

The invaluable contribution of volunteers within the community was recognised during National Volunteer Week in May 2012. The City held a celebratory sundowner event in recognition of volunteers and organisations assisted by volunteers, for the contribution they make to the community. Over 60 volunteers attended and were acknowledged for their important contribution within the community and City of Nedlands in a speech by the Mayor.

### Volunteers within the Organisation

The City's Volunteer Service places volunteers in positions throughout the organisation. These areas include:

- Nedlands Community Care
- Tresillian Community Centre
- Nedlands Library
- Access Working Group
- Bushland groups
- Nedlands Volunteer Resource Centre
- Youth Advisory Service.

Volunteers working in the City's service divisions and outstations donated an estimated 10,200 hours to the organisation during 2011/2012. This equates to a dollar value of \$295 800.

### Tresillian Community Centre

Tresillian brings people together by providing art, craft and leisure courses, art exhibitions, a crèche and café, all with an interesting variety of studio artists working on site.

### Tresillian Courses

Tresillian offered 286 art, craft and language courses, including 90 children's school holiday courses. Income from courses this year was a record \$220 665, compared to \$182 675 in 2010/2011.

The table below shows a consistent service delivery while maintaining a high level of customer satisfaction over 3 years:

Year	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Number of courses provided	274	297	286
Room hire income	\$22,545	\$33,065	\$25,611
Customer satisfaction level	94%	94%	95%

### Exhibitions

A total of 14 exhibitions were held at Tresillian during 2011/2012. Of these, six were curated by Tresillian and eight were provided by organisations or artists hiring Tresillian's facilities. The exhibitions curated by Tresillian were:

115 <sup>th</sup> WA Society of Artists
116 <sup>th</sup> WA Society of Artists
Tresillian Studio Artists 2011
True Colours
Brian Simmonds Art Auction
Tresillian Student and Tutor Exhibition 2012

Total revenue for exhibitions this year was \$32 223.

The Annual Studio Artists' Exhibition opened on Friday 22 October with 120 works by the nine Tresillian studio artists. It generated sales of \$10 063 with 19 pieces sold. The 2012 Annual Student and Tutor Exhibition opened on Friday 13 June 2012 Students and tutors exhibited 277 items with 20 pieces sold & sales of \$4 512.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



### **Brian Simmonds Art Auction**

For the eleventh consecutive year, the Tresillian Centre held an auction of demonstration artworks created by Brian Simmonds in his popular Tresillian art classes. The auction, held on 7 November, saw Chris Shellabear, local real estate agent and auctioneer, donate his time and expertise to conduct the auction. Sales at auction totalled \$4 841.

### **The Annual Tresillian Playcentre Garage Sale**

Once again a very successful event held 20 May, saw sales generated totalling \$3 015.

### **New Flooring**

Tresillian has had a boost by having its old carpet and much of its vinyl flooring replaced. Both verandas were replaced with new Jarrah boards. This will improve the safety of the building by preventing trip hazards caused by worn floor coverings.

## **RECREATION SERVICES**

### **Stay on Your Feet Week**

The City promoted a week of 'Walking and Healthy eating for a Happier You' activities in September as part of a successful grant linked to the National Stay on Your Feet Week Initiative. The week involved free sessions aimed at Over 50's, along with information on healthy eating, managing your health, foot care and improving your balance. Activities included: Croquet, Bowls, Walking, Yoga and Dance.

### **Walking Groups**

The City has continued to support walking groups and has two groups that meet weekly in Dalkeith and Hollywood. In August 2011, representatives from each group donned red hats and walked this year's City to Surf event.

### **Sports link Program**

In 2011/2012 the City of Nedlands continued to partner

with the Towns of Claremont and Mosman Park and Shire of Peppermint Grove to promote the Sportslink program at Presbyterian Ladies' College.

This program has been developed by the Recreation and Sport Network and is aimed at increasing participation in physical activity by children who are less likely to participate. It is an inclusive program that teaches basic sports skills and confidence to children experiencing difficulty with motor skills or with disabilities. 12 to 15 children per term were involved in the programme in 2011/2012.

### **Club Development Support**

In September 2011, a joint Sport and Recreation Club Development Forum was organised by the Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco, Towns of Claremont, Mosman Park and Cottesloe and the Shire of Peppermint Grove. The Clubs shared discussion on key topics of Funding and Sponsorship, and information on the Department of Sport and Recreation, Community Sport & Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF).

In March 2012, the City of Nedlands joined with the City of Subiaco to host a joint Sport and Recreation Club Development Workshop at Nedlands Yacht Club. Topics included: Working with Children Checks, Legislation affecting sports clubs and the Department of Sport and Recreation's new Kidsport programme. Kidsport was then officially launched in the two cities.

### **Kidsport**

In January, the Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco were successful in gaining funding for 3 years from the Department for Sport and Recreation to administer the Kidsport program. KidSport provides eligible children and young people aged 5-18 years with financial assistance to contribute towards membership fees in clubs. The fees go directly to the registered KidSport clubs participating in the project and enable more children to participate in community sport and recreation, no matter their financial circumstances. Presently 15 clubs have signed up.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### SUBSIDISED PROGRAMMES

#### School Swimming Pools

The City provided a subsidy of \$7 000 to the Parents and Citizens Association at Hollywood and Nedlands Primary Schools. The subsidy ensures their swimming pools are made available to the public on a regular basis during the swimming season, November to April.

#### Turf Wicket

In 2011/2012, Claremont Nedlands Cricket Club was paid \$48 242 by the City to maintain the two turf wickets at Melvista and College Park Oval. Swanbourne Cricket Club was paid \$23 703 to maintain the turf wicket at Allen Park. These amounts have been agreed after the City asked organisations to express an interest to maintain the Council turf wickets and reduce the maintenance to the Council.

#### Surf Lifesaving

Swanbourne Nedlands Surf Life Saving Club received an annual grant of \$38 139. This is based on the Council decision on 13 December 2005 that the club would gain a grant of \$34 000, plus CPI, for loss of income from the kiosk.

#### Sporting Club Satisfaction

In 2011/2012, Sporting clubs within the City expressed a satisfaction rate of 74 per cent with services.

#### Sports Facilities Improvements Grants

The City has provided financial support to sporting clubs who have been successful with further funds from the Department for Sport & Recreation, Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF). Funding is provided to projects that make a huge contribution to the health and wellbeing of the local community. The following is a list of the clubs who have worked with us to access funding:

#### Grants Approved

- Western Suburbs Cricket Club – Received a CSRFF grant of \$41 433 and a grant from the City of \$42 278 for the installation of two synthetic cricket practice wickets, a block of turf and netting for College Park.
- UWA Nedlands Football Club – Received a CSRFF grant of \$30 713 and a grant from the City of also \$30 713 for the second stage of installation of floodlighting on Mount Claremont Oval.
- Nedlands Croquet Club – Received a CSRFF grant of \$32 833 and a grant from the City of \$32 952 to install floodlighting.
- UWA Hockey Club – Received a CSRFF grant of \$45 454 and endorsement from the City for the installation of floodlighting to training standards at UWA Sports Park.

#### Projects undertaken:

- Nedlands Rugby Club – A major upgrade of the clubhouse, changing rooms, toilets and outdoor area.
- Dalkeith Tennis Club – Grant for an upgrade of tennis courts from grass to clay deferred a year to fall in line with the masterplan on DC Cruickshank.

#### Community Facility Upgrade

John Leckie Pavilion

Mount Claremont Oval Changing Rooms

DC Cruickshank

#### Sports Clubs City Building Leases

The City has continued to support clubs by providing City owned buildings for clubs to lease at no cost. These include:

- Allen Park Tennis Club
- Claremont Junior Football Club
- Collegians Amateur Football Club
- Cottesloe Golf Club
- Nedlands Bridge Club
- Nedlands Croquet Club
- Nedlands Golf Club
- Nedlands Yacht Club
- Riverside Lions Hockey Club
- Suburban Nedlands City Hockey Club.
- Dalkeith Nedlands Bowling Club
- Dalkeith Tennis Club
- Hollywood Subiaco Bowling Club
- Nedlands Rugby Union Football Club
- Nedlands Tennis Club
- Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club
- Swanbourne Nedlands Surf Lifesaving Club
- Associates Rugby Union Football Club
- WA Bridge Club
- West Coast Futsal Association

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to health and  
wellbeing



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



### Local Businesses

The City is committed to maintaining positive relationships with local businesses. A business sundowner was held in Council Chambers in October 2011, with approximately 20 businesses taking the opportunity to meet the Mayor and Councillors in a relaxed and enjoyable setting.

The City supported the Subiaco Business Associations 2012 Subiz Award by the sponsoring of the City of Nedlands Best Not For Profit Award.

In 2012 the Subiz Awards were open to all business, not for profit organisations and volunteers in the City's of Subiaco and Nedlands. The Awards provided a very beneficial conduit between the City of Subiaco and the City of Nedlands business community and the Subiaco Business Association.

### Grants Received 2011/2012

Grant	Amount	Funding body
Revegetation of Point Resolution	\$67 500	Swan River Trust
UWA Nedlands Bike Breakfast	\$2 000	Department of Transport
River Wall Repairs	\$250 000	Swan River Trust
2012 Summer Concerts	\$20 000	Lotterywest
Tresillian Open Day	\$5 000	Department Training and Workforce Development (WA)
Walking and Healthy Eating for a happier you	\$1 000	Injury Control Council of WA
Halloween Safety Balloons	\$500	WA Police
Bush to Beach Stage I	\$47 644	Lotterywest
Western Suburbs Youth Film Night	\$1 000	Department for Communities
Nedlands Volunteer Referral Centre	\$32 393	Department for Communities
Financial Assistance Grants	\$554 507	Department of Local Government
Kid Sport	\$30 000	Department of Sport and Recreation
Protection/Restoration Swanbourne Dunes	\$23 460	Coastwest Grants
Slow Down in Nedlands	\$166 050	WALGA/Roadwise
Blackspot - Stirling Hwy/Broadway/Hampden	\$315 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Elizabeth St/Tyrell St	\$22 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Stirling Hwy/Florence Rd	\$20 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Princess Rd/Florence Rd	\$22 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Carrington St/Broome	\$20 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Princess Rd/Bruce St	\$14 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Monash Ave/Hampden Rd	\$8 000	Main Roads WA
Blackspot - Bruce St/Elizabeth St	\$130 000	Main Roads WA
Underwood Ave	\$353 500	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
Bruce St	\$85 500	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
Alfred Rd	\$155 300	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
North St	\$109 200	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
Railway Rd	\$33 400	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
Smyth Rd	\$17 200	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
Loch St	\$32 400	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group
Gordon St	\$22 400	Metropolitan Regional Roads Group

## COMPLAINTS REGISTER

Section S.121 of the Local Government Act 1995

The following is a summary of entries in the register of complaint for the financial year.

Council member about whom the complaint is made	Person making the complaint	Local government complaint no.	Description of minor breach	Action taken	Date the complaint was referred to the standards panel	Outcome of the standards panel consideration of the minor complaint
Cr N Horley Cr J Bell Cr M Somerville-Brown Cr B Hodsdon Cr M Negus Cr I Tan	Mr K Eastman	SP21 of 2011	Breach alleged to have occurred under the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007: Regulation 7(1)(b) – Securing personal advantage or disadvantaging others	1. Reported to Standards Panel.	14 October 2011	Notice of Finding – 10 January 2012 Councillors Horley, Hodsdon, & Somerville-Brown did not commit a breach of Regulation 7 of the Regulations as alleged in the complaint. Mr Negus, Mr Bell & Ms Tan were not re-elected - accordingly it would not be appropriate for the Standards Panel to give consideration to the conduct of a person who is not currently a Council Member; however if these person again became members of a Local Government the Standards Panel could resume consideration.
Cr B Hodsdon	Mr C Latchem	Ref E1212837	Breach alleged to have occurred under the City of Nedlands Code of Conduct	1. Reported to Standards Panel.	12 December 2011	Notice of Finding – 8 May 2012 Complaint does not refer to any allegation of a breach of the Regulations. Similarly as the City's Code of Conduct does not appear to be a Local Law, the Standards Panel is unable to deal with any allegations of a contravention of that Code of Conduct. It is returned to the City of Nedlands as a non conforming complaint to be dealt with by the City in accordance with the complaints procedure as documented in the City's Code of Conduct.



## ELECTED MEMBERS ATTENDANCE

Councillor attendance at Council and Committee Meetings - 1 July 2011 – 15 October 2011

Elected Member	Council (3)	Special Council (1)	Council Committee (4)	Audit and Risk Committee (2)	Budget Committee (0)	CEO Performance Review Committee (3)	Sustainable Nedlands Committee (0)	Traffic Management (2)
Her Worship the Mayor, S.A. Froese	3	1	2	1		2	1	1
Cr. I.S.Argyle	2	1	4	1				
Cr. J.D. Bell	3	1	3					1
Cr. R.M. Binks	3	1	4					2
Cr. K.E. Collins	2	1	3	1				
Cr. R.M. Hipkins	3	1	5					
Cr. B.G. Hodsdon	3	1	4	1		2		
Cr. N.B.J. Horley	3	1	3			1		
Cr. M.S. Negus	3	1	2			3		
Cr. K.A. Smyth	3	1	3			2		2
Cr. M.L. Somerville-Brown	3	1	3	1		3		2
Cr. I. Tan	3	1	3					
Cr. B. Tyson	2	1	4			3		1

( ) Number of meetings held | \* Deputy Delegate | ■ Councillor not required to attend meeting

Councillor attendance at Council and Committee Meetings - 17 October 2011 – 30 June 2012

Elected Member	Council (8)	Special Council (6)	Council Committee (7)	Audit and Risk Committee (1)	Budget Committee (1)	CEO Performance Review Committee (1)	Sustainable Nedlands Committee (1)	CEO Recruitment & Selection Committee (1)
His Worship the Mayor, R.M. C. Hipkins	7	5	7	1	1	1		1
Cr. I.S.Argyle	8	4	7	1				
Cr. R.M. Binks	8	5	7	1	1			
Cr. K.E. Collins	4	5	6		1			
Cr. B. Hassell	7	4	6	1	1			
Cr. B.G. Hodsdon	7	4	6	1	1			
Cr. N.B.J. Horley	6	2	4		1			
Cr. T. James	6	4	5		1	1		
Cr. L.J. McManus	8	5	7	1	1	1		1
Cr. S.J. Porter	7	4	7	1	1	1		1
Cr. N.W. Shaw	7	5	6					1
Cr. M.L. Somerville-Brown	7	5	6		1			
Cr. K. Walker	8	4	6			1		1

( ) Number of meetings held | \* Deputy Delegate | ■ Councillor not required to attend meeting

CITY OF NEDLANDS  
FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 1996

STATEMENT BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The attached financial report of the City of Nedlands being the annual financial report and other information for the financial year ended 30th June 2012 are in my opinion properly drawn up to present fairly the financial position of the City of Nedlands at 30th June 2012 and the results of the operations for the financial year then ended in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and comply with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and the regulations under that Act.

Signed on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012



Michael Cole  
Acting Chief Executive Officer

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**CITY OF NEDLANDS**  
**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**BY NATURE OR TYPE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

	NOTE	2012 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
<b>Revenue</b>				
Rates	22	16,673,692	16,510,300	15,437,483
Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	27	2,110,895	1,594,300	2,209,034
Fees and Charges	26	6,333,547	6,145,900	5,981,652
Interest Earnings	2(a)	1,214,001	918,800	1,055,723
Other Revenue		125,764	72,600	498,358
		<u>26,457,900</u>	<u>25,241,900</u>	<u>25,182,250</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Employee Costs		(9,062,398)	(9,222,100)	(8,525,104)
Materials and Contracts		(9,624,063)	(10,473,400)	(10,061,983)
Utility Charges		(711,933)	(695,000)	(694,691)
Depreciation on Non-Current Assets	2(a)	(5,956,406)	(5,917,000)	(5,667,375)
Interest Expenses	2(a)	(384,167)	(369,100)	(255,576)
Insurance Expenses		(388,059)	(333,800)	(291,474)
Other Expenditure		(440,096)	(662,300)	(540,271)
		<u>(26,567,122)</u>	<u>(27,672,700)</u>	<u>(26,036,474)</u>
		(109,223)	(2,430,800)	(854,224)
Non-Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	27	1,468,030	2,393,200	1,184,449
Profit on Asset Disposals	20	67,596	69,000	145,769
Loss on Asset Disposal	20	(8,098)	(30,000)	(11,707)
<b>Net Result</b>		<b>1,418,305</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>464,287</b>
<b>Other Comprehensive Income</b>				
Changes on Revaluation of Non-Current Assets		(12,681,698)	-	21,683,357
<b>Total Other Comprehensive Income</b>		<b>(12,681,698)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,683,357</b>
<b>Total Comprehensive Income</b>		<b>(11,263,393)</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>22,147,644</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS**  
**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**BY PROGRAM**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

	NOTE	2012 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
<b>Revenue</b>				
Governance		187,334	175,000	503,124
General Purpose Funding		18,912,010	18,039,000	17,286,517
Law, Order, Public Safety		70,179	50,400	51,636
Health		45,240	75,000	64,408
Education and Welfare		1,271,194	1,251,600	1,220,627
Community Amenities		4,035,577	4,044,200	3,947,839
Recreation and Culture		684,620	650,200	1,000,774
Transport		435,684	274,700	374,342
Economic Services		801,370	669,800	718,490
Other Property and Services		14,692	12,000	14,492
	2(a)	<u>26,457,900</u>	<u>25,241,900</u>	<u>25,182,249</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Governance		(1,740,294)	(1,761,000)	(1,597,520)
General Purpose Funding		(189,891)	(206,300)	(467,075)
Law, Order, Public Safety		(769,801)	(773,400)	(804,761)
Health		(371,971)	(449,700)	(195,082)
Education and Welfare		(2,303,440)	(2,483,500)	(2,228,963)
Community Amenities		(4,787,780)	(5,230,900)	(4,365,197)
Recreation and Culture		(6,567,144)	(6,992,300)	(6,559,503)
Transport		(5,953,874)	(5,683,100)	(5,705,847)
Economic Services		(3,442,230)	(3,038,000)	(3,013,785)
Other Property and Services		(56,531)	(685,400)	(843,165)
	2(a)	<u>(26,182,956)</u>	<u>(27,303,600)</u>	<u>(25,780,898)</u>
<b>Finance Costs</b>				
Transport		-	-	(272)
General Purpose Funding		(384,167)	(369,100)	(255,304)
	2(a)	<u>(384,167)</u>	<u>(369,100)</u>	<u>(255,576)</u>
<b>Non-Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions</b>				
Education & Welfare		143,170	166,500	-
Recreation & Culture		520,000	850,000	9,223
Transport		804,860	1,376,700	1,175,226
		<u>1,468,030</u>	<u>2,393,200</u>	<u>1,184,449</u>
<b>Profit/(Loss) on Disposal of Assets</b>				
Transport		59,498	39,000	145,769
Governance		-	-	(11,707)
		<u>59,498</u>	<u>39,000</u>	<u>134,062</u>
<b>Net Result</b>		<b>1,418,305</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>464,287</b>
<b>Other Comprehensive Income</b>				
Changes on Revaluation of Non-current Assets		(12,681,698)	-	21,683,357
<b>Total Other Comprehensive Income</b>		<b>(12,681,698)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,683,357</b>
<b>Total Comprehensive Income</b>		<b>(11,263,393)</b>	<b>1,400</b>	<b>22,147,644</b>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
AS AT 30TH JUNE 2012**

	NOTE	2012 \$	2011 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3	11,567,629	11,649,263
Trade and Other Receivables	4	893,331	954,182
Inventories	5	31,611	12,539
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>12,492,571</u>	<u>12,615,984</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Other Receivables	4	305,828	261,190
Property, Plant and Equipment	6	57,950,670	56,108,872
Infrastructure	7	73,048,446	85,461,277
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>131,304,944</u>	<u>141,831,339</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>143,797,514</u>	<u>154,447,323</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	8	2,344,195	2,904,545
Long Term Borrowings	9	1,152,827	917,010
Provisions	10	1,257,100	1,251,732
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>4,754,122</u>	<u>5,073,287</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Long Term Borrowings	9	6,009,279	5,049,549
Provisions	10	133,310	160,291
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>6,142,589</u>	<u>5,209,840</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>10,896,711</u>	<u>10,283,127</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>132,900,803</u>	<u>144,164,196</u>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Surplus		60,255,735	59,122,960
Reserves - Cash Backed	11	5,214,390	4,928,860
Reserves - Asset Revaluation	12	67,430,678	80,112,375
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<u>132,900,803</u>	<u>144,164,196</u>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

	NOTE	RETAINED SURPLUS \$	RESERVES CASH BACKED \$	ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE \$	TOTAL EQUITY \$
Balance as at 1 July 2010		59,816,711	3,770,822	58,429,019	122,016,552
Net Result		464,287	-	-	464,287
Total Other Comprehensive Income		-	-	21,683,357	21,683,357
Reserve Transfers		(1,158,038)	1,158,038	-	-
<b>Balance as at 30 June 2011</b>		<u>59,122,960</u>	<u>4,928,860</u>	<u>80,112,376</u>	<u>144,164,196</u>
Net Result		1,418,305	-	-	1,418,305
Total Other Comprehensive Expense		-	-	(12,681,698)	(12,681,698)
Reserve Transfers		(285,530)	285,530	-	-
<b>Balance as at 30 June 2012</b>		<u>60,255,735</u>	<u>5,214,390</u>	<u>67,430,678</u>	<u>132,900,803</u>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS  
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

**CITY OF NEDLANDS  
RATE SETTING STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

	NOTE	2012 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>				
<b>Receipts</b>				
Rates		16,506,073	16,410,300	15,489,781
Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions		2,110,895	1,594,300	1,880,434
Fees and Charges		6,041,865	5,995,900	5,912,565
Interest Earnings		1,214,001	918,800	1,055,723
Other Revenue		639,237	72,600	448,748
		<u>26,512,071</u>	<u>24,991,900</u>	<u>24,787,251</u>
<b>Payments</b>				
Employee Costs		(9,038,796)	(9,222,100)	(8,382,752)
Materials and Contracts		(10,245,020)	(9,923,400)	(10,395,321)
Utility Charges		(711,934)	(695,000)	(694,691)
Insurance Expenses		(388,059)	(333,800)	(291,474)
Interest expenses		(387,848)	(369,100)	(301,602)
Goods and Services Tax		(37,961)	-	(29,718)
Other Expenditure		(440,096)	(662,300)	(540,271)
		<u>(21,249,714)</u>	<u>(21,205,700)</u>	<u>(20,635,829)</u>
<b>Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Operating Activities</b>	13(b)	<u>5,262,361</u>	<u>3,786,200</u>	<u>4,151,422</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>				
Payments for Purchase of Property, Plant & Equipment		(3,607,456)	(4,310,100)	(2,557,845)
Payments for Construction of Infrastructure		(4,763,790)	(5,822,700)	(3,514,447)
Non-Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions used for the Development of Assets		1,468,030	2,393,200	1,184,449
Proceeds from Sale of Plant & Equipment		363,676	286,000	493,450
<b>Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Investing Activities</b>		<u>(6,539,540)</u>	<u>(7,453,600)</u>	<u>(4,394,393)</u>
<b>Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>				
Repayment of Debentures		(1,004,455)	(917,000)	(127,971)
Repayment of Finance Leases		-	-	(7,504)
Proceeds from New Debentures		2,200,000	2,200,000	2,000,000
<b>Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Financing Activities</b>		<u>1,195,545</u>	<u>1,283,000</u>	<u>1,864,525</u>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held</b>		<u>(81,634)</u>	<u>(2,384,400)</u>	<u>1,621,554</u>
Cash at Beginning of Year		11,649,263	11,025,500	10,027,708
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Year</b>	13(a)	<u>11,567,629</u>	<u>8,641,100</u>	<u>11,649,262</u>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

	NOTE	2012 Actual \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 Actual \$
<b>Revenue</b>				
Governance		187,334	175,000	503,124
General Purpose Funding		2,238,318	1,528,700	1,849,034
Law, Order, Public Safety		70,179	50,400	51,636
Health		45,240	75,000	64,408
Education and Welfare		1,414,364	1,418,100	1,220,627
Community Amenities		4,035,577	4,044,200	3,947,839
Recreation and Culture		1,204,620	1,500,200	1,009,997
Transport		1,240,544	1,651,400	1,549,568
Economic Services		801,370	669,800	718,490
Other Property and Services		14,692	12,000	14,492
		<u>11,252,238</u>	<u>11,124,800</u>	<u>10,929,215</u>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Governance		(1,740,294)	(1,761,000)	(1,597,520)
General Purpose Funding		(574,058)	(575,400)	(722,379)
Law, Order, Public Safety		(769,801)	(773,400)	(804,761)
Health		(371,971)	(449,700)	(195,082)
Education and Welfare		(2,303,440)	(2,483,500)	(2,228,963)
Community Amenities		(4,787,780)	(5,230,900)	(4,365,197)
Recreation and Culture		(6,567,144)	(6,992,300)	(6,559,503)
Transport		(5,953,874)	(5,683,100)	(5,706,119)
Economic Services		(3,442,230)	(3,038,000)	(3,013,785)
Other Property and Services		(56,531)	(685,400)	(843,165)
		<u>(26,567,123)</u>	<u>(27,672,700)</u>	<u>(26,036,474)</u>
<b>Net Result Excluding Rates</b>		<u>(15,314,885)</u>	<u>(16,547,900)</u>	<u>(15,107,259)</u>
<b>Adjustments for Cash Budget Requirements:</b>				
<b>Non-Cash Expenditure and Revenue</b>				
Movement in Deferred Pensioner Rates (Non-Current)		(44,638)	-	52,298
Movement in Employee Benefit Provisions (Non-Current)		(26,981)	-	49,797
Depreciation and Amortisation on Assets	2(a)	5,956,406	5,917,000	5,667,375
<b>Capital Expenditure and Revenue</b>				
Purchase Land and Buildings		(2,618,188)	(3,260,500)	(1,364,134)
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Roads		(2,685,895)	(4,786,500)	(2,720,892)
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Parks & Reserves		(2,077,895)	(1,036,200)	(793,555)
Purchase Plant and Equipment		(630,279)	(724,300)	(980,599)
Purchase Furniture and Equipment		(358,989)	(325,300)	(213,113)
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets	20	363,676	286,000	493,450
Repayment of Debentures	21(a)	(1,004,455)	(917,000)	(135,475)
Proceeds from New Debentures	21	2,200,000	2,200,000	2,000,000
Transfers to Reserves (Restricted Assets)	11	(285,530)	(800,000)	(1,873,026)
Transfers from Reserves (Restricted Assets)	11	-	1,600,000	715,000
<b>ADD</b> Estimated Surplus/(Deficit) July 1 B/Fwd	22(b)	3,530,847	1,920,900	2,303,497
<b>LESS</b> Estimated Surplus/(Deficit) June 30 C/Fwd	22(b)	3,676,886	36,500	3,530,847
<b>Amount Required to be Raised from Rates</b>	22(a)	<u>(16,673,692)</u>	<u>(16,510,300)</u>	<u>(15,437,483)</u>

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The significant accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report are:

**(a) Basis of Preparation**

The financial report is a general purpose financial statement which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities), Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the local Government Act 1995 and accompanying regulations.

Except for cash flow and rate setting information, the report has also been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of the selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

**Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that effect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

**(b) The Local Government Reporting Entity**

All Funds through which the Council controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

In the process of reporting on the local government as a single unit, all transactions and balances between those funds (for example, loans and transfers between Funds) have been eliminated.

All monies held in the Trust Fund are excluded from the financial statements, but a separate statement of those monies appears at Note 19 to these financial statements.

**(c) Goods and Services Tax**

Revenues, expenses and assets capitalised are stated net of any GST recoverable.

Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are stated inclusive of applicable GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to the ATO, is included with receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the ATO, are presented as operating cash flows.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(d) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits held at call with banks, other short term highly liquid investments with maturities that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and bank overdrafts.

Bank overdrafts are shown as short term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

**(e) Trade and Other Receivables**

Collectibility of trade and other receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts that are known to be uncollectible are written off when identified. An allowance for doubtful debts is raised when there is objective evidence that they will not be collectible.

**(f) Inventories**

***General***

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

***Land Held for Resale***

Land purchased for development and/or resale is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes the cost of acquisition, development, borrowing costs and holding costs until Finance costs and holding charges incurred after development is completed are expensed.

Revenue arising from the sale of property is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as at the time of signing an unconditional contract of sale.

Land held for resale is classified as current except where it is held as non-current based on Council's intention to release for sale.

**(g) Fixed Assets**

Each class of fixed assets is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation or impairment losses.

***Initial Recognition***

All assets are initially recognised at cost. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Council includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Council and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised as expenses in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they are incurred.

CITY OF NEDLANDS  
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT  
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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Fixed Assets (Continued)

**Revaluation**

Certain asset classes may be revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. For infrastructure and other asset classes where no active market exists, fair value is determined to be the current replacement cost of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated on the basis of such cost to reflect the already consumed or expired future economic benefits of the asset.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of assets are credited to a revaluation surplus in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases in the same asset are recognised against revaluation surplus directly in equity. All other decreases are recognised as profit or loss.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

Those assets carried at a revalued amount, being their fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, are to be revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure the carrying amount does not differ materially from that determined using fair value at reporting date.

**Land under Roads**

In Western Australia, all land under roads is Crown Land, the responsibility for managing which, is vested in the local government.

Effective as at 1 July 2008, Council elected not to recognise any value for land under roads acquired on or before 30 June 2008. This accords with the treatment available in Australian Accounting Standard AASB1051 - Land Under Roads and the fact Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 16(a)(i) prohibits local governments from recognising such land as an asset.

In respect of land under roads acquired on or after 1 July 2008, as detailed above, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 16(a)(i) prohibits local governments from recognising such land as an asset.

Whilst such treatment is inconsistent with the requirements of AASB 1051, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 4(2) provides, in the event of such an inconsistency, the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations prevail.

Consequently, any land under roads acquired on or after 1 July 2008 is not included as an asset of the Council.

**Depreciation of Non-Current Assets**

All non-current assets having a limited useful life (excluding freehold land) are separately and systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in those assets.

Assets are depreciated from the date of acquisition or, in respect of internally constructed assets, from the time the asset is completed and held ready for use.

CITY OF NEDLANDS  
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Fixed Assets (Continued)

**Depreciation of Non-Current Assets (Continued)**

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis, using rates which are reviewed each reporting period. Major depreciation periods are:

Buildings	40 years
Furniture and Equipment	4 to 10 years
Plant and Equipment	5 to 15 years
Sealed roads and streets formation	not depreciated
pavement	50 years
seal	
- bituminous seals	20 years
- asphalt surfaces	20 years
Gravel roads formation	not depreciated
pavement	50 years
gravel sheet	12 years
Formed roads formation	not depreciated
pavement	50 years
Footpaths - slab	20 years
Sewerage piping	100 years
Water supply piping and drainage systems	75 years

The assets residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

**Capitalisation Threshold**

Expenditure on items of equipment under \$1,000 is not capitalised. Rather, it is recorded on an asset inventory listing.

(h) Financial Instruments

**Initial Recognition and Measurement**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Council becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the Council commits itself to either the purchase or sale of the asset (ie trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss', in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

CITY OF NEDLANDS  
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT  
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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(h) Financial Instruments (Continued)

**Classification and Subsequent Measurement**

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or at cost.

Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- (a) the amount in which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- (b) less principal repayments;
- (c) plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest rate method; and
- (d) less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest rate method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

**(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss**

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are financial assets held for trading. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term. Derivatives are classified as held for trading unless they are designated as hedges. Assets in this category are classified as current assets.

**(ii) Loans and receivables**

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Loans and receivables are included in current assets where they are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

**(iii) Held-to-maturity investments**

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets with fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturities that the Council's management has the positive intention and ability to hold to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Held-to-maturity investments are included in current assets where they are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. All other investments are classified as non-current.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(h) Financial Instruments (Continued)

**Classification and Subsequent Measurement (Continued)**

**(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets**

Available-for-sale financial assets, are non-derivative financial assets that are either not suitable to be classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable.

They are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in such fair value (ie gains or losses) recognised in other comprehensive income (except for impairment losses). When the financial asset is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss pertaining to the asset previously recognised in other comprehensive income, is reclassified into profit or loss.

Available-for-sale financial assets are included in current assets where they are expected to be sold within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. All other financial assets are classified as non-current.

**(v) Financial liabilities**

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

**Impairment**

At the end of each reporting period, the Council assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Also, any cumulative decline in fair value previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified into profit or loss at this point.

**Derecognition**

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expire or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the Council no longer has any significant continued involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset.

Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of the consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2012**

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(i) Impairment**

In accordance with Australian Accounting Standards the Council's assets, other than inventories, are assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication they may be impaired.

Where such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount.

Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount in accordance with another standard (eg AASB 116). Any impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with that other standard.

For non-cash generating assets such as roads, drains, public buildings and the like, value in use is represented by the depreciated replacement cost of the asset.

**(j) Trade and Other Payables**

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Council prior to the end of the financial year that are unpaid and arise when the Council becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

**(k) Employee Benefits**

Provision is made for the Council's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for the benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to the employee wage increases and the probability the employee may not satisfy vesting requirements. Those cash flows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity matching the expected timing of cash flows.

**(l) Borrowing Costs**

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense when incurred except where they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. Where this is the case, they are capitalised as part of the cost of the particular asset.

**(m) Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when:

- a) the Council has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events;
- b) for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result; and
- c) that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(n) Leases**

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not legal ownership, are transferred to the Council, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised recording an asset and a liability at the lower amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight line basis over the life of the lease term.

**(o) Joint Venture**

The Council's interest in a joint venture has been recognised in the financial statements by including its share of any assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the joint venture within the appropriate line items of the financial statement. The Council has no joint ventures.

**(p) Rates, Grants, Donations and Other Contributions**

Rates, grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenues when the local government obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control over assets acquired from rates is obtained at the commencement of the rating period or, where earlier, upon receipt of the rates.

Where contributions recognised as revenues during the reporting period were obtained on the condition that they be expended in a particular manner or used over a particular period, and those conditions were undischarged as at the reporting date, the nature of and amounts pertaining to those undischarged conditions are disclosed in Note 2(c). That note also discloses the amount of contributions recognised as revenues in a previous reporting period which were obtained in respect of the local government's operation for the current reporting period.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(q) Superannuation**

The Council contributes to a number of superannuation funds on behalf of employees. All funds to which the Council contributes are defined contribution plans.

**(r) Events after the Reporting Period**

The Australian Government passed the Clean Energy Act 2011 on 8 November 2011 introducing a carbon pricing mechanism from 1 July 2012.

The Council does not have a direct carbon price liability as it does not fall within the "Major Polluters" as defined by the Australian Government. It will be impacted by the indirect flow-through of the carbon price via increased costs on its operations largely from costs increases in electricity, materials and waste disposal in landfills.

**(s) Current and Non-Current Classification**

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. The asset or liability is classified as current if it is expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Council's operational cycle. In the case of liabilities where the Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, such as vested long service leave, the liability is classified as current even if not expected to be settled within the next 12 months. Inventories held for trading are classified as current even if not expected to be realised in the next 12 months except for land held for resale where it is held as non-current based on Council's intentions to release for sale.

**(t) Rounding Off Figures**

All figures shown in this annual financial report, other than a rate in the dollar, are rounded to the nearest dollar.

**(u) Comparative Figures**

Where required, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

**(v) Budget Comparative Figures**

Unless otherwise stated, the budget comparative figures shown in this annual financial report relate to the original budget estimate for the relevant item of disclosure.

**CITY OF NEDLANDS**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**  
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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods**

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet effective have not been adopted by the Council for the annual reporting period ending 30 June 2012.

Council's assessment of these new and amended standards and interpretations is set out below:

	Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(i)	AASB 9 – Financial Instruments	December 2009	01 January 2013	Nil – The objective of this Standard is to improve and simplify the approach for classification and measurement of financial assets compared with the requirements of AASB 139. Given the nature of the financial assets of the Council, it is not anticipated the standard will have any material effect.
(ii)	AASB 1053 - Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards	June 2010	01 July 2013	Nil - Due to its nature and statutory requirements the Council will be deemed a Tier 1 entity and will continue to prepare general purpose financial statements.
(iii)	AASB 2009– 11 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 108, 112, 118, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 139, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 10 & 12]	December 2009	01 January 2013	Nil – The revisions embodied in this standard give effect to the consequential changes arising from the issuance of AASB 9 which is not anticipated to have any material

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(iv) AASB 2010 - 2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements [AASB 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 101, 102, 107, 108, 110, 111, 112, 116, 117, 119, 121, 123, 124, 127, 128, 131, 133, 134, 136, 137, 138, 140, 141, 1050, & 1052 and Interpretations 2, 4, 5, 15, 17, 127, 129 & 1052]	June 2010	01 July 2013	Nil - None of these amendments will have any effect on the financial report as the standard does not apply in the case of general purpose financial statements.
(v) AASB 2010 - 7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9 (December 2010) [AASB 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 101, 102, 108, 112, 118, 120, 121, 127, 128, 131, 132, 136, 137, 139, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 2, 5, 10, 12, 19 & 127]	December 2010	01 January 2013	Nil - The revisions embodied in this standard give effect to the consequential changes arising from the issuance of AASB 9 which is not anticipated to have any material effect on the Council (refer (i) above).
(vi) AASB 2010 - 8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets [AASB 112]	December 2010	01 January 2012	Nil - None of these amendments will have any effect on the financial report as none of the topics are relevant to the operations of the Council.

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1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(vii) AASB 2010 - 10 Further Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Removal of Fixed Dates for First-time Adopters [AASB 2009 - 11 & 2010 - 7]	December 2010	01 January 2013	Nil - None of these amendments will have any effect on the financial report as none of the topics are relevant to the operations of the Council.
AASB 2011 - 2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Arising from the Trans-Tasman Consequence Project - Reduced Disclosure Requirements. [AASB 101 & 1054]	May 2011	01 July 2013	
AASB 2011 - 3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Orderly Adoption of Changes to ABS GFS manual and related Amendments. [AASB 1049]	May 2011	01 July 2012	
AASB 2011 - 6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Extending Relief from Consolidation, the Equity Method and Proportionate Consolidation - Reduced Disclosure Requirements [AASB 127, 128 & 131]	July 2011	01 July 2013	

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)**

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(viii) AASB 10 - Consolidated Financial Statements, AASB 11 - Joint Arrangements, AASB 12 - Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities, AASB 127 - Separate Financial Statements, AASB 128 - Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures, AASB 2011 - 7 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the Consolidation and Joint Arrangement Standards [AASB 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 2009-11, 101, 107, 112, 118, 121, 124, 132, 133, 136, 138, 139, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 5, 9, 16 & 17]	August 2011	01 January 2013	Nil - None of these, except for AASB 128, as Council has no joint ventures.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)**

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(ix) AASB 13 - Fair Value Measurement, AASB 2011 - 8 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 13 [AASB 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 2009-11, 2010-7, 101, 102, 108, 110, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 128, 131, 132, 133, 134, 136, 138, 139, 140, 141, 1004, 1023 & 1038 and Interpretations 2, 4, 12, 13, 14, 17, 19, 131 & 132]	September 2011	01 January 2013	AASB 13 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires disclosures about fair value measurements. AASB 13 requires inputs to all fair value measurements to be categorised in accordance with fair value hierarchy. AASB 13 also requires enhanced disclosures regarding all assets and liabilities (including, but not limited to, financial assets and financial liabilities) measured at fair value. AASB 13 will have particular relevance to the process of the Council adopting fair value methodology in relation to its fixed assets as mandated from 1 July 2012. Apart from the changes in value in relation to assets to be revalued (which are mandated by legislation and not changes to the standard) it is not expected to significantly impact the Council as the framework embodied in AASB 13 does not differ significantly from that which is present in existing standards. The amendments to the legislation requires the phasing in of fair value in relation to fixed assets over the three years from 1 July 2012. It is not possible to estimate the likely amount of any revaluations.
(x) AASB 2011 - 9 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Presentation of Items of Other Comprehensive Income [AASB 1, 5, 7, 101, 112, 120, 121, 132, 133, 134, 1039 & 1049]	September 2011	01 July 2013	The main change embodied in this standard is the requirement to group items presented in other comprehensive income on the basis of whether they are potentially reclassifiable to profit or loss subsequently. It effects presentation only and is not expected to significantly impact the Council.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(w) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations for Application in Future Periods (Continued)**

Title and Topic	Issued	Applicable (*)	Impact
(xi) AASB 119 - Employee Benefits, AASB 2011 - 10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 119 [AASB 1, 8, 101, 124, 134, 1049 & 2011-8 and Interpretation 14]	September 2011	01 January 2013	The changes in relation to defined benefit plans contained in this standard are not expected to significantly impact the Council nor are the changes to AASBs in relation to termination benefits.
(xii) AASB 2011-11 Amendments to AASB 119 (September 2011) arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements	September 2011	01 July 2013	Nil – None of these amendments will have any effect on the financial report as none of the topics are relevant to the operations of the Council.
AASB 2011 – 12 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Interpretation 20 [AASB 1]	November 2011	01 January 2013	
AASB 2011 – 13 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Improvements to AASB 1049	December 2011	01 July 2012	

Notes:

(\*) Applicable to reporting periods commencing on or after the given date.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(x) Adoption of New and Revised Accounting Standards**

During the current year, the Council adopted all of the new and revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations which became mandatory and which were applicable to its operations.

These new and revised standards were:

AASB 124  
AASB 1054  
AASB 2009 - 12  
AASB 2009 - 14  
AASB 2010 - 4  
AASB 2010 - 5  
AASB 2010 - 6  
AASB 2010 - 9  
AASB 2011 - 1

The standards adopted had a minimal effect on the accounting and reporting practices of the Council as they were either largely editorial in nature, were revisions to help ensure consistency with presentation, recognition and measurement criteria of IFRSs or related to topics not relevant to operations.

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2. REVENUE AND EXPENSES	2012	2011
	\$	\$
<b>(a) Net Result</b>		
The Net Result includes:		
(i) Charging as an Expense:		
<b>Auditors Remuneration</b>		
- Audit	12,400	17,140
<b>Depreciation</b>		
Buildings	567,479	378,309
Furniture and Equipment	242,836	306,425
Plant and Equipment	651,165	651,178
Roads	3,390,438	3,306,904
Footpaths	417,157	392,573
Drainage	197,536	194,170
Parks, Gardens & Reserves	477,494	437,816
Street Furniture	12,301	-
	<u>5,956,406</u>	<u>5,667,375</u>
<b>Interest Expenses (Finance Costs)</b>		
Debentures (refer Note 21(a))	<u>384,167</u>	<u>255,576</u>
	<u>384,167</u>	<u>255,576</u>
<b>Rental Charges</b>		
- Operating Leases	<u>98,425</u>	<u>39,358</u>
(ii) Crediting as Revenue:		
	2012	2011
	\$	\$
<b>Interest Earnings</b>		
Investments		
- Reserve Funds	285,529	230,000
- Other Funds	754,189	530,800
Other Interest Revenue (refer note 25)	174,283	171,583
	<u>1,214,001</u>	<u>918,800</u>
	<u>918,800</u>	<u>1,055,723</u>

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**2. REVENUE AND EXPENSES (Continued)**

**(b) Statement of Objective**

In order to discharge its responsibilities to the community, the City of Nedlands has developed operational and financial objectives. These objectives have been established both on an overall basis and for each of its broad activities/programs.

Council operations as disclosed in this report encompass the following service orientated activities/programs:

**GOVERNANCE**

**Objective:** To provide a decision making process for the efficient allocation of scarce resources.

**Activities:** Includes the activities of members of council, the administrative support available to the

**GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDING**

**Objective:** To collect revenue to allow for the provision of services.

**Activities:** Rates, general purpose government grants, and interest revenue.

**LAW, ORDER, PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Objective:** To provide services to help ensure a safer and environmentally conscious community.

**Activities:** Supervision and enforcement of various local laws relating to fire prevention, animal

**HEALTH**

**Objective:** To provide services that will ensure a healthy environment.

**Activities:** Regulation and monitoring of food premises, and management of pest control.

**EDUCATION AND WELFARE**

**Objective:** To provide services that will assist the elderly to enjoy meaningful, independent living

**Activities:** Home and Community Care (HACC) services, Meals on Wheels, Seniors' activities and

**COMMUNITY AMENITIES**

**Objective:** To provide services required by the community.

**Activities:** Rubbish collection services, operation of rubbish disposal sites, litter control,

**REVENUE AND EXPENSES (Continued)**

**Statement of Objective (Continued)**

**RECREATION AND CULTURE**

**Objective:** To establish and effectively manage infrastructure and resources which will help the

**Activities:** Maintenance of public halls, civic centre, beaches, recreation centres and various Operation of library, and facilitating of cultural activities.

**TRANSPORT**

**Objective:** To provide safe, effective and efficient transport services to the community.

**Activities:** Construction and maintenance of roads, streets, footpaths, depots, cycleways, parking

**ECONOMIC SERVICES**

**Objective:** To help promote the City and it's economic wellbeing.

**Activities:** Maintenance of the City's buildings and natural areas. Building control.

**OTHER PROPERTY AND SERVICES**

**Objective:** To monitor and control council's overheads operating accounts.

**Activities:** Private works operation, plant repair and operation costs and infrastructure services

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**2. REVENUE AND EXPENSES (Continued)**

(c) Conditions Over Grants/Contributions	Opening Balance (*)		Received (+)		Expended (#)		Closing Balance (*)	
	1-Jul-10	1-Jul-10	2010/11	2010/11	2010/11	2010/11	30-Jun-11	30-Jun-11
Grant/Contribution	Function/Activity		Received (+)		Expended (#)		Closing Balance (*)	
			\$		\$		\$	
Community Development		Grants Operation	34,046	(29,546)	-	(4,500)	4,500	-
Natural Areas	35,030	Bushcare	103,948	(134,219)	-	(4,759)	4,759	-
Office of Crime Prevention	-	Graffiti	15,386	-	-	(15,386)	15,386	-
Swan River Trust	-	River Wall	250,000	-	-	(250,000)	250,000	-
Dept of Sports	-	Sports for Kids	-	-	30,000	(4,400)	-	25,600
Office of Crime Prevention	-	Boatsafe	-	-	2,500	-	-	2,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,030</b>		<b>403,380</b>	<b>(163,765)</b>	<b>32,500</b>	<b>(279,045)</b>	<b>274,645</b>	<b>28,100</b>

**Notes:**

- (\*) - Grants/contributions recognised as revenue in a previous reporting period which were not expended at the close of the previous reporting period.
- (+) - New grants/contributions which were recognised as revenues during the reporting period and which had not yet been fully expended in the manner specified by the contributor.
- (#) - Grants/contributions which had been recognised as revenues in a previous reporting period or received in the current reporting period and which were expended in the current reporting period in the manner specified by the contributor.

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	2012	2011
	\$	\$
<b>3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>		
Unrestricted	5,679,139	5,182,836
Restricted	5,888,490	6,466,427
	<u>11,567,629</u>	<u>11,649,263</u>
The following restrictions have been imposed by regulations or other externally imposed requirements:		
Plant Replacement Reserve	219,815	207,488
City Development Reserve	1,488,358	1,405,919
North St Reserve	1,073,224	1,014,393
Welfare Reserve	392,435	370,047
Services Reserve	1,201,202	1,137,417
Insurance Reserve	51,745	48,843
Waste Management Infrastructure Reserve	139,999	131,942
Building Replacement Reserve	541,074	512,405
Swanbourne Reserve	106,539	100,407
Adelma Account	-	101,481
Bonds and Deposits	-	1,161,440
Unspent Loans	646,000	-
Unspent Grants	28,100	274,645
	<u>5,888,490</u>	<u>6,466,427</u>
<b>4. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Rates Outstanding	341,200	218,220
Sundry Debtors	308,389	497,199
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts	(11,473)	(11,473)
Other Receivables	-	32,981
GST Receivable	255,215	217,255
	<u>893,331</u>	<u>954,182</u>
<b>Non-Current</b>		
Rates Outstanding - Pensioners	305,828	261,190
	<u>305,828</u>	<u>261,190</u>
<b>5. INVENTORIES</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Fuel and Oil	31,611	12,539
	<u>31,611</u>	<u>12,539</u>

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	2012	2011
	\$	\$
<b>6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>		
Land - Fair Value	29,344,000	29,344,000
Buildings - Fair Value	25,308,188	22,690,000
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(567,479)</u>	<u>-</u>
	24,740,709	22,690,000
Furniture and Equipment - Cost	3,963,782	3,604,793
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(3,040,400)</u>	<u>(2,797,564)</u>
	923,382	807,229
Plant and Equipment - Cost	5,353,637	5,289,888
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(2,411,058)</u>	<u>(2,022,245)</u>
	2,942,579	3,267,643
	<u>57,950,670</u>	<u>56,108,872</u>

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6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

**Movements in Carrying Amounts**

Movement in the carrying amounts of each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.

	Land	Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Plant & Equipment	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at the beginning of the year	29,344,000	22,690,000	807,229	3,267,643	56,108,872
Additions	-	2,618,188	358,989	630,279	3,607,456
(Disposals)	-	-	-	(304,178)	(304,178)
Depreciation (Expense)	-	(567,479)	(242,836)	(651,165)	(1,461,480)
<b>Carrying amount at the end of year</b>	<b><u>29,344,000</u></b>	<b><u>24,740,709</u></b>	<b><u>923,382</u></b>	<b><u>2,942,579</u></b>	<b><u>57,950,670</u></b>

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7. INFRASTRUCTURE

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Roads - Fair Value	50,693,331	68,125,312
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,363,328)</u>
	50,693,331	64,761,984
Footpaths - Cost	8,504,455	8,343,155
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(2,465,579)</u>	<u>(2,048,422)</u>
	6,038,876	6,294,733
Drainage - Fair Value	7,567,491	7,048,341
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(391,705)</u>	<u>(194,170)</u>
	7,175,786	6,854,171
Parks - Cost	9,332,734	7,254,839
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(1,806,422)</u>	<u>(1,443,680)</u>
	7,526,312	5,811,159
Reticulation - Cost	2,295,040	2,295,040
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(793,566)</u>	<u>(678,814)</u>
	1,501,474	1,616,226
Street Furniture - Cost	242,799	240,836
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(130,132)</u>	<u>(117,832)</u>
	112,667	123,004
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b><u>73,048,446</u></b>	<b><u>85,461,277</u></b>

Council have adopted a policy of re-valuing with sufficient regularity to ensure the carrying amount of each road asset is fairly stated at reporting date. The valuation was last carried out at 30 June 2012.

This policy also accords with AASB 116.

Rights of Ways have been classified with Roads to be consistent with the valuation carried out.

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7. INFRASTRUCTURE (Continued)

Movements in Carrying Amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts of each class of infrastructure between the beginning and the end of the current financial year.

	Roads \$	Footpaths \$	Drainage \$	Parks \$	Reticulation \$	Street Furniture \$	Total \$
Balance at the beginning of the year	64,761,984	6,294,734	6,854,172	5,811,159	1,616,226	123,005	85,461,280
Additions	2,003,483	161,299	519,150	2,077,895	-	1,963	4,763,790
Revaluation - (Decrements)	(12,681,698)	-	-	-	-	-	(12,681,698)
Depreciation (Expense)	(3,390,438)	(417,157)	(197,536)	(362,742)	(114,752)	(12,301)	(4,494,926)
<b>Carrying amount at the end of year</b>	<b>50,693,331</b>	<b>6,038,876</b>	<b>7,175,786</b>	<b>7,526,312</b>	<b>1,501,474</b>	<b>112,667</b>	<b>73,048,446</b>

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	2012 \$	2011 \$
<b>8. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Sundry Creditors	1,966,154	1,406,598
Bonds and Deposits	-	1,161,440
Accrued Interest on Debentures	47,976	51,657
Accrued Salaries and Wages	330,065	284,850
	<u>2,344,195</u>	<u>2,904,545</u>
<b>9. LONG-TERM BORROWINGS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Secured by Floating Charge Debentures	<u>1,152,827</u>	<u>917,010</u>
	<u>1,152,827</u>	<u>917,010</u>
<b>Non-Current</b>		
Secured by Floating Charge Debentures	<u>6,009,279</u>	<u>5,049,549</u>
	<u>6,009,279</u>	<u>5,049,549</u>
Additional detail on borrowings is provided in Note 21.		
<b>10. PROVISIONS</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Provision for Annual Leave	613,648	670,632
Provision for Long Service Leave	643,452	581,100
	<u>1,257,100</u>	<u>1,251,732</u>
<b>Non-Current</b>		
Provision for Long Service Leave	<u>133,310</u>	<u>160,291</u>
	<u>133,310</u>	<u>160,291</u>

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	2012 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
<b>11. RESERVES - CASH BACKED</b>			
<b>(a) Plant Replacement Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	207,488	208,330	197,130
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	12,327	411,700	410,358
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	(400,000)	(400,000)
	<u>219,815</u>	<u>220,030</u>	<u>207,488</u>
<b>(b) City Development Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	1,405,918	1,403,500	1,387,205
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	82,440	78,600	83,713
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	(400,000)	(65,000)
	<u>1,488,358</u>	<u>1,082,100</u>	<u>1,405,918</u>
<b>(c) North Street Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	1,014,393	677,860	638,356
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	58,831	38,000	376,037
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	-	-
	<u>1,073,224</u>	<u>715,860</u>	<u>1,014,393</u>
<b>(d) Welfare Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	370,047	368,530	348,130
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	22,388	20,600	21,917
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	-	-
	<u>392,435</u>	<u>389,130</u>	<u>370,047</u>
<b>(e) Services Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	1,137,417	1,136,720	268,218
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	63,785	206,600	919,199
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	(600,000)	(50,000)
	<u>1,201,202</u>	<u>743,320</u>	<u>1,137,417</u>
<b>(g) Insurance Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	48,843	48,880	46,179
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	2,902	2,700	2,664
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	-	-
	<u>51,745</u>	<u>51,580</u>	<u>48,843</u>
<b>(i) Waste Management Infrastructure Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	131,942	131,870	124,066
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	8,056	7,400	7,876
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	-	-
	<u>139,999</u>	<u>139,270</u>	<u>131,942</u>
<b>(j) Building Replacement Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	512,405	507,890	666,886
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	28,669	28,400	45,519
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	(200,000)	(200,000)
	<u>541,074</u>	<u>336,290</u>	<u>512,405</u>
<b>(l) Swanbourne Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance	100,407	100,350	94,650
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	6,132	6,000	5,757
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	-	-	-
	<u>106,539</u>	<u>106,350</u>	<u>100,407</u>
<b>TOTAL CASH BACKED RESERVES</b>	<u>5,214,390</u>	<u>3,783,930</u>	<u>4,928,861</u>

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**RESERVES - CASH BACKED (Continued)**

All of the reserve accounts are supported by money held in financial institutions and match the amounts shown as restricted cash of this financial report.

In accordance with council resolutions in relation to each reserve account, the purpose for which the funds are set aside are as follows:

**Plant Replacement Reserve**

To provide for the replacement of Council's plant and equipment so that the cost is spread over a number of years. The use of funds in this reserve is ongoing.

**City Development Reserve**

To fund the improvement of Property, Plant and Equipment. The use of funds in this reserve is ongoing.

**North Street Reserve**

To fund the operational and capital costs of community facilities in Mt Claremont, community and recreation facilities in Swanbourne and infrastructure generally. Use of this reserve is ongoing.

**Welfare Reserve**

To fund the operational and capital costs of welfare services. The use of funds in this reserve is ongoing.

**Services Reserve**

To provide funds for the purchase of land for parking areas, streets, depots etc. town planning schemes, valuation and legal expenses, items of works of an urgent nature such as drainage, street works, provision of street lighting and buildings maintenance. The use of funds in this reserve is ongoing.

**Swanbourne Reserve**

Set-up during the year with proceeds of the insurance claim arising from the fire of Council property in Swanbourne, for future development in that suburb.

**Insurance Reserve**

To cover any excess that may arise from having a performance based workers compensation premium.

**Waste Management Infrastructure Reserve**

To provide for the replacement of Council's Rubbish Bin stock so that the cost is spread over a number of years. The use of funds in this reserve is ongoing.

**Building Replacement Reserve**

To fund the upgrade and/or replacement of Council's buildings. The use of this reserve is ongoing.

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**12. RESERVES - ASSET REVALUATION**

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Asset revaluation reserves have arisen on revaluation of the following classes of non-current assets:		
Revaluations prior to 30th June 2001	17,366,794	17,366,794
<b>(a) Land</b>		
Opening balance	12,354,000	-
Revaluation Increment	-	12,354,000
Revaluation Decrement	-	-
	<u>12,354,000</u>	<u>12,354,000</u>
<b>(b) Buildings</b>		
Opening Balance	9,297,909	-
Revaluation Increment	-	9,297,909
Revaluation Decrement	-	-
	<u>9,297,909</u>	<u>9,297,909</u>
<b>(c) Roads</b>		
Opening Balance	39,126,980	39,126,980
Revaluation Increment	-	-
Revaluation Decrement	(12,681,698)	-
	<u>26,445,282</u>	<u>39,126,980</u>
<b>(d) Drainage</b>		
Opening Balance	1,966,692	1,966,692
Revaluation Increment	-	-
Revaluation Decrement	-	-
	<u>1,966,692</u>	<u>1,966,692</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSET REVALUATION RESERVES</b>	<u>67,430,677</u>	<u>80,112,375</u>

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**13. NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**(a) Reconciliation of Cash**

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash and cash equivalents, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash at the end of the reporting period is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2012 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>11,567,629</u>	<u>8,641,100</u>	<u>11,649,263</u>
<b>(b) Reconciliation of Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities to Net Result</b>			
Net Result	1,418,305	1,400	464,287
Depreciation	5,956,406	5,917,000	5,667,375
(Profit)/Loss on Sale of Asset	(59,498)	(39,000)	(134,063)
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables	16,213	100,000	(79,487)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(19,072)	-	4,544
Increase/(Decrease) in Payables	(560,350)	180,000	(716,081)
Increase/(Decrease) in Employee Provisions	(21,613)	20,000	129,296
Grants/Contributions for the Development of Assets	(1,468,030)	(2,393,200)	(1,184,449)
Net Cash from Operating Activities	<u>5,262,361</u>	<u>3,786,200</u>	<u>4,151,422</u>
<b>(c) Undrawn Borrowing Facilities</b>			
<b>Credit Standby Arrangements</b>			
Bank Overdraft limit	500,000	500,000	500,000
Bank Overdraft at Balance Date	-	-	-
Credit Card limit	25,000	28,000	25,000
Credit Card Balance at Balance Date	-	8,000	8,281
<b>Total Amount of Credit Unused</b>	<u>525,000</u>	<u>536,000</u>	<u>533,281</u>
<b>Loan Facilities</b>			
Loan Facilities - Current	1,152,827	917,000	917,010
Loan Facilities - Non-Current	6,009,279	6,460,500	5,049,549
<b>Total Facilities in Use at Balance Date</b>	<u>7,162,106</u>	<u>7,377,500</u>	<u>5,966,559</u>
<b>Unused Loan Facilities at Balance Date</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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**16. JOINT VENTURE**

The City has not entered into any joint venture agreements.

<b>17. TOTAL ASSETS CLASSIFIED BY FUNCTION AND ACTIVITY</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Governance	32,244,617	32,161,188
General Purpose Funding	-	-
Law, Order, Public Safety	1,459,727	1,422,326
Health	532,651	621,478
Education and Welfare	3,067,706	2,899,752
Community Amenities	72,291	82,429
Recreation and Culture	25,472,778	21,735,033
Transport	66,905,936	81,578,611
Economic Services	15,835	20,332
Other Property and Services	14,025,974	13,926,174
	<u>143,797,515</u>	<u>154,447,323</u>

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**18. FINANCIAL RATIOS**

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Current Ratio	1.39 : 1.00	1.53 : 1.0	1.59 : 1.0
Untied Cash to Unpaid Trade Creditors Ratio	3.19 : 1.00	3.82 : 1.0	2.47 : 1.0
Debt Ratio	7.6%	6.7%	6.9%
Debt Service Ratio	5.2%	1.5%	6.3%
Gross Debt to Revenue Ratio	27.1%	23.6%	17.2%
Gross Debt to Economically Realisable Assets Ratio	10.1%	8.6%	9.2%
Rate Coverage Ratio	63.8%	59.1%	59.3%
Outstanding Rates Ratio	2.0%	1.4%	2.2%

The above ratios are calculated as follows:

Current Ratio	$\frac{\text{current assets minus restricted assets}}{\text{current liabilities minus liabilities associated with restricted assets}}$
Untied Cash to Unpaid Trade Creditors Ratio	$\frac{\text{untied cash}}{\text{unpaid trade creditors}}$
Debt Ratio	$\frac{\text{total liabilities}}{\text{total assets}}$
Debt Service Ratio	$\frac{\text{debt service cost}}{\text{available operating revenue}}$
Gross Debt to Revenue Ratio	$\frac{\text{gross debt}}{\text{total revenue}}$
Gross Debt to Economically Realisable Assets Ratio	$\frac{\text{gross debt}}{\text{economically realisable assets}}$
Rate Coverage Ratio	$\frac{\text{net rate revenue}}{\text{operating revenue}}$
Outstanding Rates Ratio	$\frac{\text{rates outstanding}}{\text{rates collectable}}$

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**19. TRUST FUNDS**

Funds held at balance date over which the Council has no control and which are not included in the financial statements are as follows:

	Balance 1-Jul-11 \$	Amounts Received \$	Amounts Paid (\$)	Balance 30-Jun-12 \$
Bonds and Deposits	1,161,440	1,390,203	(1,283,829)	1,267,814
Unclaimed Monies	18,431	42	-	18,473
Charity donation by staff	6,711	2,015	(7,323)	1,403
	<u>1,186,582</u>			<u>1,287,690</u>

**20. DISPOSALS OF ASSETS - 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR**

The following assets were disposed of during the year.

	Net Book Value		Sale Price		Profit (Loss)	
	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$
Plant and Equipment	304,178	247,000	363,676	286,000	59,498	39,000
	304,178	247,000	363,676	286,000	59,498	39,000

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**21. INFORMATION ON BORROWINGS**

(a) Repayments - Debentures

Particulars	Principal 1-Jul-11 \$	New Loans \$	Principal Repayments		Principal 30-Jun-12		Interest Repayments	
			Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$	Actual \$	Budget \$
New Bin Stock - Loan 178**	597,636		65,107	65,080	532,529	593,025	34,027	34,951
Roads Infrastructure - Loan 179**	1,368,924		71,673	71,673	1,297,251	1,364,753	81,402	81,958
Buildings & Roads - Loan 180**	2,000,000		628,796	628,796	1,371,204	1,371,204	98,041	103,468
Building & Infrastructure - Loan 181**	2,000,000		151,435	151,435	1,848,565	1,848,565	114,888	116,007
Building & Infrastructure - Loan 182**	5,966,560	2,200,000	87,444	-	2,112,556	2,200,000	55,810	32,704
		2,200,000	1,004,455	916,984	7,162,105	7,377,547	384,167	369,088

All other loan repayments were financed by general purpose revenue.

(b) New Debentures - 2011/12

Particulars/Purpose	Amount Borrowed		Institution	Loan Type	Term (Years)	Total Interest & Charges \$	Interest Rate %	Amount Used		Balance Unspent \$
	Actual \$	Budget \$						Actual \$	Budget \$	
Building & Infrastructure - Loan 182** (John Leckie Pavillion and other building works)	2,200,000	2,200,000	Treasury Corp	Fixed Interest	10 years	578,250	4.73% pa	1,554,000	2,200,000	646,000

(c) Unspent Debentures

Particulars	Date Borrowed	Balance 1-Jul-11 \$	Borrowed During Year \$	Expended During Year \$	Balance 30-Jun-12 \$
		-	2,200,000	1,554,000	646,000

(d) Overdraft

Council established an overdraft facility of \$150,000 in 2008 to assist with short term liquidity requirements. The balance of the bank overdraft at 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012 was \$Nil.

22. RATING INFORMATION - 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR

(a) Rates

RATE TYPE	Rate in \$	Number of Properties	Rateable Value \$	Rate Revenue \$	Interim Rates \$	Total Revenue \$	Budget Rate Revenue \$	Budget Interim Rate \$	Budget Back Rate \$	Budget Total Revenue \$
<b>Differential General Rate</b>										
GRV - Residential	0.0503	6,048	228,900,440	11,513,692	131,856	11,645,548	11,494,000	30,000	-	11,524,000
GRV - Vacant Residential	0.0653	195	8,740,648	570,764	(44,891)	525,873	507,900	4,100	-	512,000
GRV - Non Residential	0.0554	383	44,106,042	2,444,357	12,080	2,456,437	2,404,400	-	-	2,404,400
<b>Sub-Totals</b>		6,626	281,747,130	14,528,813	99,045	14,627,859	14,406,300	34,100	-	14,440,400
<b>Minimum Rates</b>										
GRV - Residential	1060	1,619	28,245,558	1,716,140	(17,968)	1,698,172	1,721,400	-	-	1,721,400
GRV - Vacant Residential	1400	103	1,872,660	144,200	3,714	147,914	148,400	-	-	148,400
GRV - Non Residential	1450	140	2,486,190	203,000	(3,253)	199,747	200,100	-	-	200,100
<b>Sub-Totals</b>		1,862	32,604,408	2,063,340	(17,506)	2,045,834	2,069,900	-	-	2,069,900
<b>Discounts (refer note 24)</b>						16,673,692				16,510,300
<b>Totals</b>						16,673,692				16,510,300

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22. RATING INFORMATION - 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR

(b) Information on Surplus/(Deficit) Brought Forward

	2012 (1 July 2011 Brought Forward) \$	2011 (30 June 2011 Carried Forward) \$
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) 1 July 2011 Brought Forward</b>	<u>3,256,202</u>	<u>3,256,202</u>
<b>Comprises:</b>		
Cash - Unrestricted	5,022,545	5,022,545
Cash - Restricted	6,626,718	6,626,718
Investments - Restricted	-	-
Rates - Current	218,220	218,220
Sundry Debtors	518,708	518,708
GST Receivable	217,255	217,255
Inventories		
- Fuel and Materials	12,539	12,539
<b>Less:</b>		
Reserves (Restricted)	(4,928,861)	(4,928,861)
Unspent Grant	-	(274,645)
Sundry Creditors	(2,475,640)	(2,475,640)
Accrued Interest on Debentures	(144,055)	(144,055)
Accrued Salaries and Wages	(284,850)	(284,850)
Current Employee Benefits Provision	(1,251,732)	(1,251,732)
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<u>3,530,847</u>	<u>3,256,202</u>

**Difference:**

The Carried Forward position disclosed in the 2011 audited financial report was arrived at after deducting the Unspent Grant. This is not required, and has been rectified in the Brought Forward position used in the 2012 audited financial report.

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**23. SPECIFIED AREA RATE - 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR**

The City of Nedlands did not levy any Special Area Rate in 2011/12 financial year.

**24. DISCOUNTS, INCENTIVES, CONCESSIONS, & WRITE-OFFS - 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR**

There were no discounts, incentives, concessions or write-offs during the 2011/12 financial year.

**25. INTEREST CHARGES AND INSTALMENTS - 2011/12 FINANCIAL YEAR**

	Interest Rate %	Admin. Charge \$	Revenue \$	Budgeted Revenue \$
Interest on Unpaid Rates	11.00%		69,033	45,000
Interest on Instalments Plan	5.00%		99,658	75,000
Deferred Rates Interest			-	16,000
ESL Interest Income			5,593	22,000
<b>Total Interest income</b>			<b>174,283</b>	<b>158,000</b>
Charges on Instalment Plan		21	46,935	40,000

Ratepayers had the option of paying rates in four equal instalments, due on 15 August 2011, 17 October 2011, 19 December 2011 and 20 February 2012. Administration charges and interest applied for the final three instalments.

**26. FEES & CHARGES**

	2012 \$	2011 \$
Governance	94,536	74,844
General Purpose Funding	56,033	56,662
Law, Order, Public Safety	49,358	34,311
Health	45,240	63,542
Education and Welfare	366,793	349,794
Sanitation Services	3,517,284	3,348,796
Other Community Amenities	517,657	564,785
Recreation and Culture	587,191	567,091
Transport	386,604	318,480
Economic Services	698,159	588,855
Other Property and Services	14,692	14,492
	<b>6,333,547</b>	<b>5,981,652</b>

There were no changes during the year to the amount of the fees or charges detailed in the original budget.

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**27. GRANT REVENUE**

Grants, subsidies and contributions are included as operating revenues in the Statement of Comprehensive Income:

	2012 \$	2011 \$
<b>By Nature and Type:</b>		
Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	2,110,895	2,209,034
Non-Operating Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	1,468,030	1,184,449
	<b>3,578,925</b>	<b>3,393,483</b>
<b>By Program:</b>		
Governance	-	-
General Purpose Funding	956,243	736,444
Law, Order, Public Safety	20,821	17,222
Health	-	-
Education and Welfare	1,047,571	933,247
Community Amenities	84,337	103,948
Recreation and Culture	617,429	375,920
Transport	852,524	1,226,702
Economic Services	-	-
Other Property and Services	-	-
	<b>3,578,925</b>	<b>3,393,483</b>

**28. ELECTED MEMBERS REMUNERATION**

The following fees, expenses and allowances were paid to council members and/or the president.

	2012 \$	2012 Budget \$	2011 \$
Meeting Fees	97,323	98,000	98,447
Mayor's Allowance	40,915	41,000	39,730
Deputy Mayor's Allowance	10,225	10,200	9,930
Information Technology Allowance	10,890	10,700	10,394
Travelling Expenses	-	-	300
Telecommunications Allowance	12,250	12,400	12,147
	<b>171,603</b>	<b>172,300</b>	<b>170,948</b>

**29. EMPLOYEE NUMBERS**

The number of full-time equivalent employees at balance date

	2012	2011
	<b>146</b>	<b>139</b>

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**30. MAJOR LAND TRANSACTIONS**

The City did not undertake any major land transaction during the 2011/12 financial year.

**31. TRADING UNDERTAKINGS AND MAJOR TRADING UNDERTAKINGS**

The City did not participate in any trading undertakings or major trading undertakings during the 2011/12 financial year.



Certified Practising Accountants

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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**TO: RATEPAYERS OF CITY OF NEDLANDS**

We have audited the financial report of the City of Nedlands, which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2012 and the Statement of Comprehensive Income by Nature or Type, Statement of Comprehensive Income by Program, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and Rate Setting Statement for the year ended on that date and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

**Council's Responsibility for the Financial Report**

Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Local Government Act 1995 (as amended) and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (as amended). This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

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

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

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

**Independence**

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

**Auditor's Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial report of the City of Nedlands:

- (i) gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the City of Nedlands as at 30 June 2012 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complies with the Local Government Act 1995 (as amended), the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (as amended) and the Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations).

**Statutory Compliance**

We did not during the course of our audit become aware of any instances where the Council did not comply with the requirements of the Local Government Act 1995 (as amended) and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (as amended).

**Matters Relating to the Electronic Publication of the Audited Financial Report**

This auditor's report relates to the financial report of City of Nedlands for the year ended 30 June 2012 included on the City of Nedlands's website. The Council is responsible for the integrity of the City of Nedlands's website. The auditor's report refers only to the subject matter described above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements. If users of the financial report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial report to confirm the information contained in this website version of the financial report.

  
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