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Section 1- Financial Performance Statement

For the period 1 July 2021 to 31 March 2022

	Note	YTD ACTUAL \$'000	YTD FORECAST \$'000	YTD VARIANCE \$'000	PROPOSED ANNUAL FORECAST \$'000	QUARTER 2 FORECAST \$'000	ANNUAL ORIGINAL BUDGET \$'000
INCOME	A1						
Rates and charges		35,105	34,926	179	46,727	46,654	46,777
Statutory fees and fines		786	759	27	1,144	1,035	1,006
User fees		3,010	2,969	41	4,653	4,653	4,955
Grants - operating		9,266	7,009	2,257	16,627	8,765	6,947
Grants - capital		6,246	7,401	(1,155)	12,624	12,624	10,883
Contributions							
- monetary		367	863	(496)	996	996	535
Contributions							
- non monetary		1,502	490	1,012	903	903	413
Net gain on disposal of PIPE		113	145	(32)	456	413	177
Other income		1,079	903	176	1,168	1,167	1,694
Total Income		57,474	55,465	2,009	85,298	77,210	73,387
EXPENSES	A2						
Employee costs		21,655	22,743	1,088	30,257	30,074	28,317
Materials and consumables		20,306	18,713	(1,593)	27,249	25,437	23,440
Depreciation		9,761	10,085	324	12,078	13,448	14,599
Borrowing costs		11	16	5	37	27	71
Other expenses		2,178	2,490	312	3,233	3,133	3,090
Total Expenses		53,911	54,047	136	72,854	72,119	69,517
Net Surplus / (Deficit)		3,563	1,418	2,145	12,444	5,091	3,870

1.1 Overview

The operating surplus as at 31 March 2022 is favourable to forecast by \$2.2M which is largely due to grants received for the June 2021 Storm event, which is fully offset by expenditure for this event. Capital works expenditure is tracking at \$16.15M as compared to the year to date forecast of \$21.24M, mainly due to timing of plant and machinery purchases and infrastructure works.

1.2 Budget Information

- The Annual Original Budget referred to in the report is the budget adopted by Council at the meeting on 23 June 2021
- The Quarter 2 Forecast was endorsed by Council 16 March 2022.
- The Proposed Annual Forecast includes any adjustments identified as at the end of March 2022.

1.3 Proposed Forecast Changes

Proposed operating forecast changes for Quarter 3 mainly relate to:

- Brought forward allocation for Federal Assistance Grants Victoria Grants Commission \$5.5M
- Grant funding (and equal expenditure) for 2021 Storm Event \$2.2M
- Deferred (carry forward to 2022/23) expenditure related to Boat ramps \$0.2M

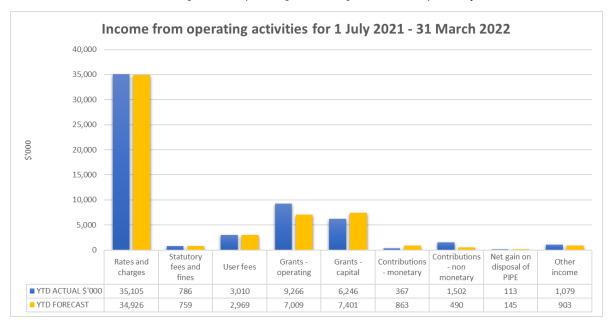
Proposed capital forecast changes for Quarter 3 mainly relate to:

- Savings in IT expenditure \$0.3M
- Works to be carried forward to 2022/23 for the main office refurbishment \$0.6M
- Plant and Fleet budgets to be carried forward to 2022/23 \$0.6M

1.4 Notes to the Financial Performance Statement

A1. Operating Income

The chart below shows the categories of operating income against their respective year to date forecasts.

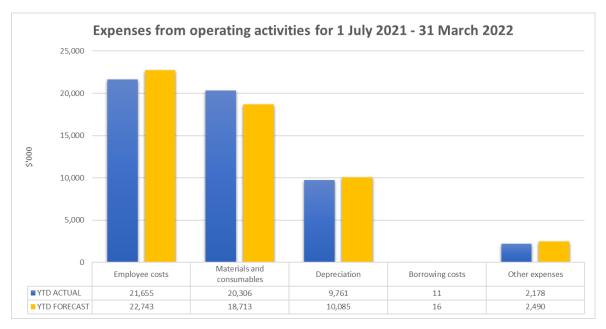


Income for the period ended 31 March 2022 is favourable against the budget. This is primarily due to the following:

- Favourable Grants operating \$2.3M: Due to receiving grants not budgeted for storm events (\$2.2M). This variance will be resolved upon adoption of the Quarter 3 proposed forecast. Offset by costs for storm events with a minimal impact on the net result.
- Unfavourable Grants capital (\$1.2M): Due to phasing of grant payments too early for Leongatha Business Precinct Project (\$1.2M) and Flood Event - August 2019 - Capital - AGRN 873 (\$3M). The payment for Leongatha Business Precinct Project is expected soon as the project is undergoing final completion reporting. The Flood Event is also in the claims process. This is offset by \$2.9M of previously deferred grants revenue recognized as milestones have been met through-out the year.
- Unfavourable Contributions monetary (\$496K): Due to Leongatha developer contributions not yet received (\$205K) and an adjustment required to remove a duplicate open space contribution forecast (\$176K)
- **Favourable Contributions non-monetary \$1M:** Due to recognition of found infrastructure assets, which are not budgeted for due to their nature.
- Favourable Other income \$176K: Due to higher work cover reimbursements than forecast (\$128K), these are offset by higher work cover claims than forecast.

A.2 Operating Expenses

The chart below shows the categories of operating expenses against their respective year to date forecasts.



Operating expenses for the period ended 31 March 2022 is overall consistent with the forecast. Significant variances within operating expenses include:

- Unfavourable Materials and consumables (\$1.6M): Due to costs for Storm Events (\$2.2M). The storm event variance will be resolved upon adoption of the Quarter 3 proposed forecast. Partially offset by an underspend across the rest of the organisation.
- Favourable Other expenses \$312K: Largely due to incorrect phasing of community grants (\$105K) and the year-end audit fee (\$63K). These will be resolved by the end of the financial year.

1.5 Capital Works Statement

As at 31 December 2021

		YTD ACTUAL	YTD FORECAST	YTD Variance	PROPOSED ANNUAL FORECAST	QUARTER 2 FORECAST	ANNUAL ORIGINAL BUDGET
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property	B1						
Buildings		6,250	8,360	2,110	13,503	13,969	15,175
Total Property		6,250	8,360	2,110	13,503	13,969	15,175
Plant and equipment	B2						
Plant, machinery and equipment		1,579	1,291	(288)	2,147	2,738	2,919
Computers and telecommunications		686	1,572	886	1,756	2,044	956
Total Plant and Equipment		2,265	2,863	598	3,903	4,782	3,875
Infrastructure	В3						
Roads		3,903	4,632	729	9,770	9,770	12,189
Bridges		(8)	0	8	0	0	0
Major culverts		514	754	240	754	754	256
Footpaths and cycleways		1,666	2,392	726	3,338	3,338	5,530
Drainage		38	18	(20)	110	110	475
Car parks		5	0	(5)	455	455	215
Land stabilisation		4	0	(4)	0	0	0
Waste		103	102	(1)	457	457	109
Other infrastructure		1,413	2,118	705	5,643	5,743	6,459
Total Infrastructure		7,638	10,016	2,378	20,527	20,627	25,233
Total Capital Works Expenditure		16,153	21,239	5,086	37,933	39,378	44,283

Notes to the Capital Works Statement:

B1 Property

• Under budget – Buildings \$2.1M: Due to numerous projects behind schedule. Most notable variances being the Main Office refurbishment (\$874K), Early Years Renewal Program (\$718K) and Foster – Power Street Depot Building & Yard (\$321K).

B2 Plant and equipment

• Under budget – Computers and telecommunications \$886K: Due to delayed roll-out of the IT strategy.

B3 Infrastructure

- Under budget Roads \$729K: Due to Korumburra Commercial Streetscape (\$304K). Behind schedule, works in Little Commercial Street progressing well after delayed start due to material supply issues. Carpark works in railway yard are pending issue of a planning permit. Federal Blackspot Program (\$369K) behind schedule. The Federal Blackspot Program is at the tender stage.
- **Under budget Major culverts \$240K**: Due to phasing, works expected to be completed in April 2022.
- Under budget Footpaths and cycleways \$726K: Due to Footpaths Extension Program (\$310k), contract works behind schedule, expect take-up over the coming quarter. Also, Great Southern Rail Trail (\$407K), the Leongatha to Korumburra section recently opened, but the bridges remain behind schedule in Korumburra to Nyora section.
- Under budget Other infrastructure \$705K: Due to Leongatha & Korumburra Railway Station
 Precincts (\$238K). Contract awarded for Leongatha carpark works following a significant delay
 whilst waiting for funding confirmation through Regional Infrastructure Fund. Port Welshpool Boat

Ramp Car Park Enhancement (\$205K) projects behind schedule. Contract awarded with works to start in April 2022. Project will be delayed by material supply issues.

1.6 Treasury

1.5.1 Cash Position

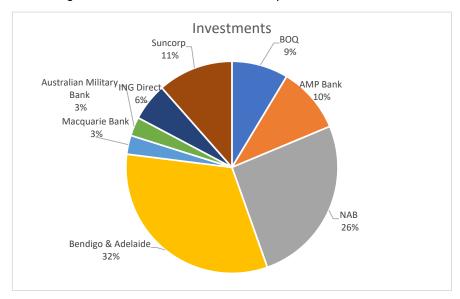
Cash and investment holdings total \$43M as of 31 March 2022, no overall change since 30 June 2021 balance of \$43M. Total cash flows for the period ended 31 March 2022 was a negative result of \$2.3M.

Total cash and investment holdings are made up of operating cash of \$26.73M and restricted cash of \$16.27M.

Restricted cash includes:

- Carry forward projects \$14.93M
- Trust funds and deposits \$0.80M
- Reserves \$0.54M

The average current interest rate on the term-deposits held is 0.56%.

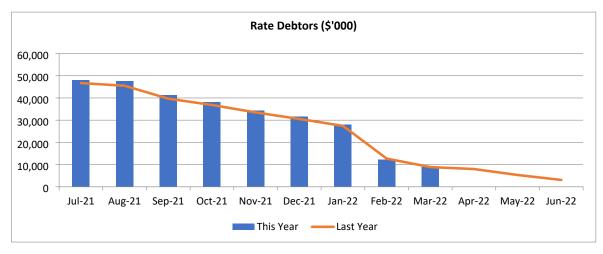


1.5.2 Debtors

Rates Debtors

The outstanding rates balance as at 31 March 2022 is \$9.0M, compared to \$8.9M as at 31 March 2021.

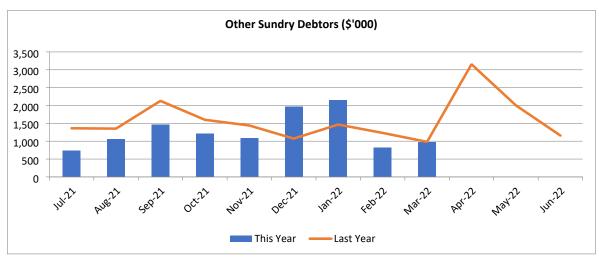
The outstanding rates balance has increased by \$0.1M (1.1%) from the same period last year. The slight increase is consistent with the increase in rates raised for 2021/22.



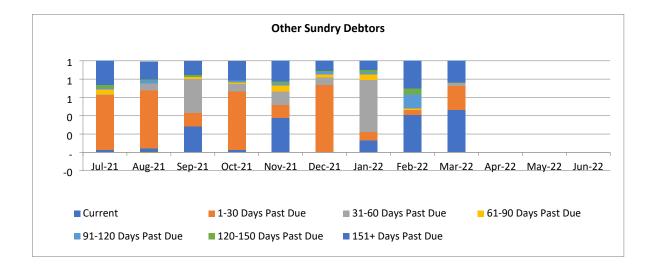
Other Sundry Debtors

The outstanding other sundry debtors balance as at 31 March 2022 is \$1.0M, compared to \$1.0M as at 31 March 2021.

The outstanding other sundry debtors balance has remained consistent with the same period last year.



Approximately 72% of other sundry debtors outstanding are current or less than 30 Days Past Due. \$242K of other sundry debtors have been outstanding greater than 151 Days Past Due. Over 70% of the greater than 151 Days Past Due relate to Caravan Park permits, other large invoices outstanding include \$29K from Ausnet Electrical Services relating to the Leongatha Business Precinct Project. 80% of these debts greater than 151 Days Past due have already been allowed for in the provision for doubtful debts.



Section 2 – Financial Statements

2.1 Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022

				Year over		Original	Proposed Annual
		YTD Actual	YTD Actual	Year over Year		Budget June	Forecast
	Notes	March 2022	March 2021	Variance		2022	June 2022
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000
Current Assets	C1	Ş 000	ŷ 000	Ş 000	76	Ş 000	ŷ 000
Cash and cash equivalents	-	8,234	12,518	(4,284)	-34.2%	2,088	17,260
Trade and other receivables		12,133	12,029	104	0.9%	7,155	5,739
Other financial assets		34,769	32,280	2.489	7.7%	12,000	17,000
Inventories		248	219	2,403	13.2%	208	210
mventones		240	213	23	13.270	200	210
Non-current assets classified as held for sale		1,691	1,542	149	9.7%	1,541	1,691
Other assets		40	10	30	300.0%	218	240
Total Current Assets		57,115	58,598	(1,483)	-2.5%	23,210	42,140
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Non-Current Assets	C2						
Property, infrastructure, plant and		594,758	567,294	27,464	4.8%	606,328	613,967
Right-of-use-assets		16	109	(93)	-85.3%	85	C
Investment property		615	619	(4)	-0.6%	620	615
Intangible asset		114	300	(186)	-62.0%	0	54
Total Non-Current Assets		595,503	568,322	27,181	4.8%	607,033	614,636
TOTAL ASSETS		652,618	626,920	25,698	4.1%	630,243	656,776
Current Liabilities	C3						
Trade and other payables		4,210	3,041	(1,169)	-38.4%	2,762	4,161
Unearned income		2,149	4,558	2,409	52.9%	2,585	4,951
Trust funds and deposits		804	920	116	12.6%	1,332	1,527
Provisions		6,819	6,225	(594)	-9.5%	5,999	6,534
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings		349	347	(2)	-0.6%	1,333	713
Lease liabilities		24	38	14	37%	85	C
Unearned rates revenue		11,574	11,195	(379)	-3.4%	0	С
Total Current Liabilities		25,929	26,324	395	1.5%	14,096	17,886
Non-Current Liabilities	C4	4.520	4 202	(4.45)	20/	4.444	4.700
Provisions		4,539	4,393	(146)	-3%	4,411	4,728
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings		3,516	3,138	(378)	-12%	6,759	6,653
Lease liabilities		0	79	79	100%	0	
Total Non-Current Liabilities		8,055	7,610	(445)	-5.8%	11,170	11,381
TOTAL LIABILITIES		33,984	33,934	(50)	-0.1%	25,266	29,267
NET ASSETS		618,634	592,986	25,648	4.3%	604,977	627,509
Equity	C5						
Accumulated Surplus	Co	246,907	224 727	12,170	5.2%	247 562	255,356
•		371,184	234,737 357,976	13,208	3.7%	247,562 357,105	•
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Asset Revaluation Reserve Other Reserves		543	273	270	98.9%	310	971

2.2 Statement of Cash flows for the period 1 July 2020 to 31 March 2022

			Proposed Annual	Annual Original	Full Year Forecast	
		YTD Actual	Forecast	Budget	Variance	
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	D1	40 54 4	46 622	46 777	(454)	00/
Rates and charges		40,514	46,623	46,777	(154)	0%
Statutory fees and fines		786	1,146	1,006	140	14%
User fees		3,406	4,661	4,955	(294)	-6%
Grants - operating		6,279	16,656	6,947	9,709	140%
Grants - capital		6,246	12,646	10,883	1,763	16%
Contributions - monetary		367	997	535	462	86%
Interest received		247	150	550	(400)	-73%
Other receipts		965	1,206	1,144	62	5%
Employee costs		(21,540)	(29,652)	(28,207)	(1,445)	5%
Materials and services		(20,043)	(26,704)	(23,441)	(3,263)	14%
Other payments		(2,046)	(3,168)	(3,090)	(78)	3%
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		15,181	24,561	18,059	6,502	36%
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	D2					
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant & equipment		(16,154)	(37,933)	(44,283)	6,350	-14%
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant & equipment		741	947	668	279	42%
Payments for / from Other Financial Assets		(2,491)	15,279	4,000	11,279	282%
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(17,904)	(21,707)	(39,615)	17,908	-45%
CASHFLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	D3					
Finance costs		(9)	(35)	(71)	36	-51%
Proceeds from borrowings		700	4,500	6,000	(1,500)	-25%
Repayment of borrowings		(232)	(532)	(1,245)	713	-57%
Repayment of leases		(69)	(94)	(83)	(11)	13%
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		390	3,839	4,601	(762)	-120%
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(2,333)	6,693	(16,955)	23,648	-139%
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	D4	10,567	10,567	19,043	(8,476)	-45%
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period		8,234	17,260	2,088	15,172	727%

2.3 Notes to the Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

Council's net assets are valued at \$619M as at the end of March 2022.

Year over Year variances

C1 Current Assets

- Unfavourable Cash and cash equivalents (\$4.3M): Higher net cash outflows compared to same period in 2020-21.
- **Favourable Other financial assets \$2.5M:** Higher amounts invested compared to same period in 2020-21. Refer to unfavourable Cash and cash equivalents position.
- Favourable Non-current assets classified as held for sale \$149K: Due to recognizing Council's
 portion of the West Gippsland Regional Library's income for the year-ended 30 June 2021. The West
 Gippsland Regional Library Corporation is due to be wound-up and assets gifted to My Community
 Library as of 30 June 2022.

C2 Non-Current Assets

• **Unfavourable – Intangible asset (\$186K):** Due to recognizing amortisation for the period since 31 March 2021.

C3 Current Liabilities

- Unfavourable Trade and other payables (\$1.2M): Increase due to increase in creditors control of \$543K due to timing, as well as \$424K in year-end accruals made as of 30 June 2021 to be reversed at year-end.
- **Favourable Unearned income \$2.4M:** Due to previously deferred grants revenue recognized as milestones have been met through-out the period since 31 March 2021.
- Favourable Trust funds and deposits \$116K: Due to payment of retention amounts held upon completion of jobs during the period since 31 March 2022.
- **Unfavourable Current Provisions (\$594K):** Both current and non-current provisions have increased as a result of more leave being accrued than taken.

C4 Non-Current Liabilities

Unfavourable – Non-current Interest-bearing loans and borrowings (\$378K): Due to \$700K drawings on the TCV loan for the Korumburra Community Hub. This is net of payment of the Mirboo North Pool loan over the period up to 31 March 2022.

C5 Equity

- Favourable Accumulated Surplus \$12.2M: Due to surplus earned from the period since 31 March 2022
- Favourable Other Reserves \$270K: Due to an increase in the Public Open Space reserve recognized as of 30 June 2021.

Cash flow Statement

Forecast variances to budget

D1 Cash flows from operating activities

• **Favourable \$6.5M**: Due to an increase in operating and capital grants of \$11.5M. This is offset largely by an increase in employee costs of \$1.5M and materials and services of \$3.3M.

D2 Cash flows from investing activities

Favourable \$17.9M: Due to increasing forecasted redemptions of Other Financial Assets to fund the
capital asset program by \$11.3M, as well as a decrease in the forecasted capital works outlays for
2021/22 by \$6.4M

D3 Cash flows from financing activities:

• **Unfavourable (\$762K):** Due to a delay in the proceeds from borrowings for the Korumburra Commercial Streetscape construction drawdown loan, due to carrying forward some of the project expenditures to 2022/23.

D4 Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year

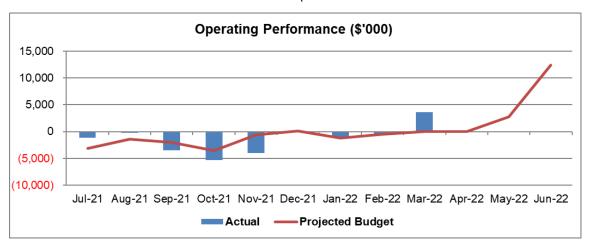
• Unfavourable (\$8.5M): Due to updating the forecast based on the actual cash and cash equivalents balance as of 30 June 2021. This was due to not redeeming as much Other Financial Assets as originally expected in 2020/21 as cash flows were sufficient to fund operating and capital works.

Section 3 - Annual Year to Date Financial Analysis

This section analyses the implications of the year to date performance and the projected outcome for the financial year.

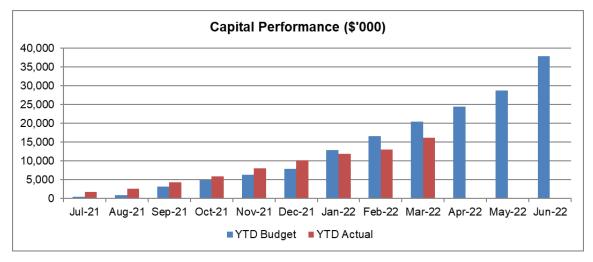
3.1 Operating Performance

The operating result is a \$3.6M surplus for the period July 2021 to March 2022. This is a favourable variation of \$2.2M compared to the forecast deficit of \$1.4 for the period July 2021 to March 2022. Further detail can be found on the Income Statement for the period ended 31 March 2022.



3.2 Capital Performance

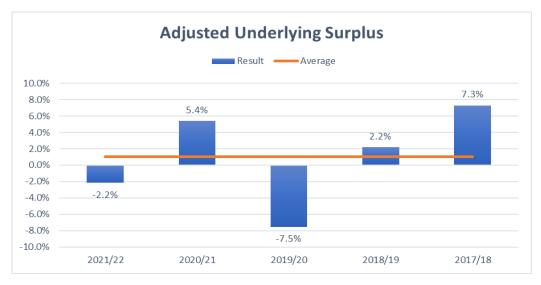
The capital expenditure is \$16.2M for the period July 2021 to March 2022. This is \$5.1M behind the forecast of \$21.3M for the period July 2021 to March 2022. Further detail can be found on the Statement of Capital Works for the period ended 31 March 2022.



3.3 Financial Ratios

Operating position

Council proposed forecast result is an \$1.5M adjusted underlying deficit for the year ended 30 June 2022. This variance is due to carried forward operating expenditure from 2020/21 and timing of the Financial Assistance Grants from the Federal Government.

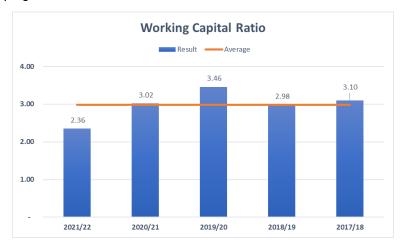


The adjusted underlying result demonstrates Council's ability to generate a surplus in its ordinary course of business, excluding non-recurrent capital grants, non-monetary asset contributions and other contributions to fund capital works from its net result. A surplus or increasing surplus suggest an improvement in operations. The overall average adjusted underlying surplus is a positive result of 1.0%.

Liquidity

The Working Capital Ratio, which assesses Council's ability to meet current commitments, is calculated by measuring Council's current assets as a percentage of current liabilities.

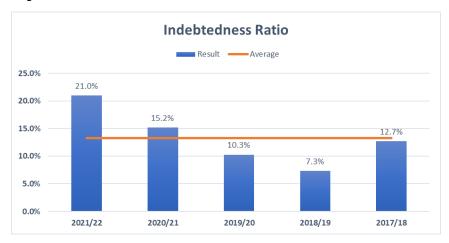
Council's proposed forecast as of 30 June 2022 has a Working Capital Ratio of 2.36. This is within the targeted range above 1.5. The decrease in the forecast compared to previous years is due to a decline in cash and cash equivalents and other financial assets (expected to be \$34.3M as of 30 June 2022), to fund the capital works program.



Obligations

The Indebtedness Ratio Percentage measures Council's ability to pay the principal and interest on borrowings when they are due from the funds it generates. Own-sourced revenue is used in the calculation, not including any grants or contributions.

Council's proposed forecast Indebtedness Ratio as of 30 June 2022 is 21%, and is well within the target of 40% or lower. The increase over the previous years is due to additional construction drawdown facilities though TCV during 2021/22.



Asset Renewal

Council aims to ensure that it is able to maintain its infrastructure assets at the expected levels, while at the same time continuing to deliver the services needed by the community. The investment in asset renewal for the 2021/22 year is forecasted to be \$27.8M.

The Capital Replacement Ratio compares the total rate of spending on new infrastructure, property, plant and equipment with its depreciation. Ratios of higher than 1:1 indicate that spending is faster than the depreciation rate.

Council's proposed forecast Capital Replacement Ratio of 3.14 for the year ending 30 June 2022, which is well above the target of 1.5.

