

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 30 June 2023

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Mid North Coast Joint Organisation is constituted under the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* and has its principal place of business at:

Mid North Coast Joint Organisation 17 Burrawan Street Port Macquarie NSW 2444

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For the year ended 30 June 2023

Statement by Members of the Board and Management made pursuant to Section 413(2c) of the *Local Government Act* 1993 (NSW)

The attached general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and the regulations made thereunder.
- the Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures and other pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board
- the Joint Organisations Supplement to the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting

To the best of our knowledge and belief, these statements:

- present fairly Mid North Coast Joint Organisation's operating result and financial position for the period, and
- accord with Mid North Coast Joint Organisation's accounting and other records.

We are not aware of any matter that would render this report false or misleading in any way.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Mid North Coast Joint Organisation made on 26 October 2023.

Name: Steve Allan Acting Chairperson Date: 26 October 2023

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Name: Leo Hauville Voting Representative Board Member Date: 26 October 2023

Name: Liz Fairweather Executive Officer Date: 26 October 2023

Statement of Income and Accumulated Surplus for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Income:			
Member council contributions	B1-1	75	185
Grants provided for operating purposes	B1-2	673	45
Other Income	B1-3	<u> </u>	2
Total income		748	232
Expenses			
Employee benefits and on-costs		66	55
Administrative Expenses	B2-1	495	460
Total expenses		561	515
Net operating result for the year		187	(283)
Net result for the year		187	(283)
Accumulated surplus at 1 July		741	1,024
Accumulated surplus at 30 June		928	741

The above Statement of Income and Accumulated Surplus should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2023

		2023	2022
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	C1-1	988	772
Receivables	C1-2	1	31
Total current assets		989	803
Total assets		989	803
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Payables	C3-1	58	59
Employee benefit provisions	C3-2	3	3
Total current liabilities		61	62
Total liabilities		61	62
Net assets	_	928	741
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus		928	741
Total equity		928	741

The above Statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2023

		2023	2022
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts:			
Contributions from member councils		75	185
Grants		700	18
Other income		3	(1)
Payments:			
Employees		(71)	(73)
Non-employee cash outflows		(491)	(453)
Net cash provided from (or used) in operating activities		216	(324)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		216	(324)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of reporting period		772	1,096
Cash and cash equivalents at end of reporting period	C1-1	988	772

The above Statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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A. About the Joint Organisation and these financial statementsA1. Basis of Preparation

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of the Joint Organisation on the 26 October 2023. The Board has the power to amend and reissue these financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards -Simplified Disclosures, the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)* and Regulations, and the Joint Organisation Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting. Mid North Coast Joint Organisation is a not-for-profit entity. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars and are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars.

b. New and amended standards adopted by JO

The following new standards are effective for the first time at 30 June 2023.

- AASB 2022-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Illustrative Examples for Not-for-Profit Entities accompanying AASB 15.
- AASB 2020-3 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards Annual Improvements 2018-2020 and Other Amendments.

These standards have not had a significant impact on the JO.

b. Historical cost convention

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

c. Significant accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the JO's accounting policies. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the JO and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

Mid North Coast Joint Organisation makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year include:

employee benefit provisions - refer Note C2-2

Significant judgements in applying the JO accounting policies

None are applicable at this stage.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included with other 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 that are recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority are presented as operating cash flows.

B. Financial Performance

B1. Sources of income

B1-1 Member Council contributions

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Port Macquarie Hastings Council	25	115
Kempsey Shire Council	25	45
Bellingen Shire Council	25	25
Total member council contributions	75	185

Accounting policy

Contributions by member councils are recognised as revenue at the point in time when the amount to be paid for the period has been determined and communicated to councils. The contribution may be in the form of a cash payment or non-monetary contribution (which is recorded at its fair value).

The methodology for determining the contributions is:

• equal contributions by all member councils in order to perform the principal functions of delivering on strategic regional priorities, regional leadership and intergovernmental cooperation.

• contributions by participating member councils for the functions of enhancing strategic capacity and direct service delivery.

B. Financial Performance

B1. Sources of income

B1-2 Grants

	Operatin	g	Capital	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
NSW Reconstruction Authority - Mid North Coast				
Resilience & Disaster Risk Reduction	380	-	-	-
Department of Regional NSW - Circular Economy Centre of Excellence	192	-	-	-
Office of Local Government - Increasing Resilience to Climate Change	8	-	-	-
Office of Energy & Climate Change - Net Zero Acceleration Project	93	-	-	-
Koala Hospital Port Macquarie	-	45	-	-
Total grants	673	45	-	-
Comprising:				
- Commonwealth funding	-	-	-	-
- State funding	673	-	-	-
- Other funding	-	45	-	-
	673	45	-	-
Timing of revenue recognition				
Grants recognised over time	-	-	-	-
Grants recognised at a point in time	673	45	-	-
Total grants	673	45	-	-

Accounting policy

Grants - enforceable agreement with sufficiently specific performance obligations

Grant revenue arising from an agreement which is enforceable and contains sufficiently specific performance obligations is recognised as or when control of each performance obligation is transferred.

The performance obligations are varied according to the agreement but include reaching project milestones, completion of grant acquittals, whether the grant will be refunded if performance obligations are not met.

Performance obligations may be satisfied either at a point in time or over time and this is reflected in the revenue recognition pattern. Point in time recognition occurs when the beneficiary obtains the control of the goods/services at a single time (e.g. completion of the project when a report / outcome is provided), whereas over time recognition is where the control of the services is ongoing throughout the project (e.g. provision of community health services through the year).

Where control is transferred over time, generally the input methods of costs or time are deemed to be the most appropriate methods to reflect the transfer of the benefit.

Capital grants

Capital grants received under an enforceable contract for the acquisition or construction of infrastructure, property, plant and equipment to identified specifications which will be under the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation's control on completion are recognised as revenue and when the obligation to construct or purchase is completed.

For construction projects, this is generally as the construction progresses in accordance with costs incurred since this is deemed to be the most appropriate measure of the completeness of the construction project.

For acquisition of assets, the revenue is recognised when the asset is acquired and controlled by the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation.

B. Financial Performance

B1. Sources of income

B1-2 Grants

Other grants

Assets (e.g. cash) received from other grants are recognised at fair value when the asset is received. The Mid North Coast Joint Organisation considers whether there are any related liability or equity items associated with the asset which are recognised in accordance with the relevant accounting standard.

Once the assets and liabilities have been recognised then income is recognised for any remaining asset value at the time that the asset is received.

B1-3 Other income

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Other		2
Total other income	-	2

Accounting policy

Other income is recorded when the payment is due, the value of the payment is notified, or the payment is received, whichever occurs first.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. The gain or loss on sale of an asset is determined when control of the asset has irrevocably passed to the buyer and the assets is de-recognised.

B2. Costs of providing services

B2-1 Administrative Expenses

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Contractor and consultancy costs		
- Project Manager Services	43	55
- Biodiversity Stewardship Project	24	10
- Koala Monitoring Program consultancy costs	-	188
- Circular Economy Centre of Excellence	25	-
- Community Land Trust	29	36
- Platform/Co-ordination Hub	-	10
- DRRF Regional Capability	14	-
- Scholarship Program	(5)	48
- Other	18	-
Transfer to Koala Recovery Partnership to Koala Hospital	296	-
Remuneration of auditors	16	10
Office Expenses	9	24
Other	22	69
Sitting Fees	4	7
Travelling	-	3
Total administrative expenses	495	460

Accounting policy

Employee benefit expenses

Employee benefit expenses are recorded when the service has been provided to the employee.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense as they become payable. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction of the future payments is available.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses are recorded on an accruals basis as the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation receives the goods or services.

C. Financial position

C1. Assets we manage

C1-1 Cash and cash equivalents

	2023	2022
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	988	772
	988	772
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		
External restrictions	739	609
Unrestricted	249	163
	988	772
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents		
Total cash and cash equivalents per Statement of Financial Position	988	772
Balances as per Statement of Cash Flows	988	772

Accounting policy

For Statement of Cash Flow presentation purposes, cash and cash equivalents include: cash on hand; deposits held at call with financial institutions; other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less 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 within borrowings in current liabilities on the Statement of Financial Position, however are included as cash and cash equivalents in the Statement of Cash flows.

C1-2 Receivables

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Other (GST receivable)	1	3
Other		27
Total	1	30
Net Receivables	1	30

Accounting policy

Receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. Receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days.

Impairment of receivables is assessed using the simplified expected credit loss model where lifetime credit losses are recorded on initial recognition. To measure the expected credit losses, debtors have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

The Joint Organisation has not recognised a provision for impairment at 30 June 2023 on the basis that the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation has no history of credit losses being incurred.

C2. Liabilities of the joint organisation

C2-1 Payables

2023	2022
\$'000	\$'000
45	42
13	17
58	59
	\$'000 45 13

Accounting policy

The Mid North Coast Joint Organisation measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequent financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Mid North Coast Organisation prior to the end of financial period that are unpaid. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

C2-2 Employee benefits

	2023		2022	
-	Current \$'000	Non-Current \$'000	Current \$'000	Non-Current \$'000
Employee benefits provisions				
Annual leave	3	- 3	-	-
Long service leave			3	
Total employee benefit provisions	:	3 -	3	<u> </u>
Current employee benefit provisions not expected to be settled within the next 12 months			-	

Accounting policy

Short-term obligations

Liabilities for wages and salaries (including non-monetary benefits and annual leave expected to be wholly settled within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service) are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liability for annual leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. All other short-term employee benefit obligations are presented as payables.

Other long-term employee benefit obligations

The liability for long service leave and annual leave that is not expected to be wholly settled within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method.

Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures, and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

On-costs

The employee benefit provisions include the aggregate on-cost liabilities that will arise when payment of current employee benefits is made in future periods.

These amounts include superannuation, payroll tax and workers compensation expenses which will be payable upon the future payment of certain leave liabilities which employees are entitled to at the reporting period.

The obligations are presented as current liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position if the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

D. Risks and accounting uncertainties

D1. Financial risk management

Risk management

The Mid North Coast Joint Organisation's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks including credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk.

Financial risk management is carried out by the finance team under policies approved by the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation Board.

The fair value of receivables, investments and financial liabilities approximates the carrying amount.

D2. Contingencies

The Mid North Coast Joint Organisation is a member of Statewide Mutual, a mutual pool scheme providing liability insurance to local government.

Membership includes the potential to share in either the net assets or liabilities of the fund depending on its past performance. The Mid North Coast Joint Organisation's share of the net assets or liabilities reflects the contributions to the pool and the result of insurance claims within each of the fund years.

The future realisation and finalisation of claims incurred but not reported to 30 June 2023 may result in future liabilities or benefits as a result of past events that the JO will be required to fund or share respectively.

E. People and relationships

E1. Related Party Disclosures

E1-1 Key management personnel

Key management personnel (KMP) of the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation are those persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Mid North Coast Joint Organisation, directly or indirectly.

The aggregate amount of KMP compensation included in the Income Statement and Other Comprehensive Income is \$55,196 (2022: \$61,544)

Other transactions with KMP and their related parties

There were no other transactions between the JO and the KMP and their related parties.

E1-2 Other related parties

There were no transactions between the JO and other related parties (2022:nil)

E2. Other relationships

E2-1 Audit fees

	2023 \$'000	2022 \$'000
Auditors of the JO - NSW Auditor-General:		
Audit of financial statements	16	10
Total fees paid or payable to the Auditor-General	16	10

F. Other matters

F1. Commitments

The Mid North Coast Joint Organisation does not have any commitments relating to the acquisition of property, plant and equipment that are not recognised in the financial statements as liabilities.

F2. Events occurring after reporting date

There were no events occurring after reporting date.

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