



COUNCIL MEETING **AGENDA**

20 JANUARY 2026

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION
CENTRE (CAC)

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Sorell Council will be held at the Community Administration Centre (CAC), 47 Cole Street, Sorell on Tuesday, 20 January 2026 commencing at 6.00 pm.

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, Robert Higgins, Chief Executive Officer of the Sorell Council, hereby certify that in accordance with Section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the reports in this Agenda have been prepared by persons who have the qualifications and experience necessary to give such information, recommendation or advice.

Council or a Council Committee is not to decide on any matter which requires the advice of a qualified person without considering such advice unless –

- (a) the General Manager certifies, in writing –
 - (i) that such advice was obtained; and
 - (ii) that the General Manager took the advice into account in providing general advice to the Council or Council Committee; and
- (b) a copy of that advice or, if the advice was given orally, a written transcript or summary of that advice is provided to the Council or Council Committee with the General Manager's certificate.

Notices of Motion and supporting documentation from Councillors are exempted from this certification.

ROBERT HIGGINS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
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FOR THE COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE
COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION CENTRE (CAC), 47 COLE STREET,
SORELL ON 20 JANUARY 2026

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1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY – MAYOR GATEHOUSE



I would like to begin by paying respect to the traditional and original owners of this land the Mumirimina people, to pay respect to those that have passed before us and to acknowledge today's Tasmanian Aboriginal community who are custodians of this land.

2.0 ATTENDANCE



Mayor J Gatehouse
Deputy Mayor M Larkins
Councillor S Campbell
Councillor M Miró Quesada Le Roux
Councillor B Nichols
Councillor M Reed
Councillor N Reynolds
Councillor B Shaw
Councillor C Torenus
Chief Executive Officer R Higgins
Corporate Administration Officer J Cooper

3.0 APOLOGIES



4.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST



5.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 9 DECEMBER 2025



RECOMMENDATION

"That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 9th December 2025 be confirmed."

6.0 MAYOR'S REPORT



RECOMMENDATION

"That the Mayor's communication report as listed be received."

This communication is provided as a courtesy, any items that require Council action and/or decision will be listed as separate agenda items. Any Councillor requiring information on any matter contained in the communication report please contact the Mayor at any time.

- End of Year School Awards Presentations - Sorell School, Dodges Ferry, Sorell Secondary School.
- Service Providers Meeting.
- Eating with Friends Primrose Sands Christmas Lunch.
- Okines Eating with Friends Christmas Lunch.
- Teams meeting for the Sorell School Development Commissioned Artwork, review of draft brief for artists.
- Invitation from Blue Hills Gun Club member to visit the facilities and site of relocation within the Blue Hills Property.
- Sorell Christmas Carols. All day volunteering and cooking for the Sorell School Association.
- Opening of the Sorell Memorial Hall extension, new history rooms and green room.
- Senior Advisory Group meeting.
- Unveiling of the TasNetworks Signal Box Art Work Collaboration Project - 16 boxes vinyl wrapped with Sorell children's artwork along Gordon Street.
- Urgent Care Clinic opening.
- Unveiling of Bill Yaxleys Painting "Firestorm" at Dunalley Hall. A donation of artwork to the Hall as an acknowledgment of the past event and the resilience and re-growth shown by the community to be in the position it is today.
- BEST Board meeting. First look at Governance and Structure review Dec 25. No other comments available at the moment on this review.



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- Rethink Waste workshop Sorell Library.
- Visit to Forcett Lakes Restaurant and Golf Course. The restaurant is open now and part of the building will be the golf club rooms. The 9-hole golf course is a couple of months away from opening.
- Mayor and Management meetings.
- Sorell Times article.
- Communication with residents and businesses.

7.0 SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS



RECOMMENDATION

"That the Council resolve by absolute majority to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*."

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 10 (7) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*, the Council by absolute majority may approve the consideration of a matter not appearing on the agenda, where the General Manager has reported:

- a) The reason it was not possible to include the matter on the agenda; and
- b) That the matter is urgent; and
- c) That advice has been provided under section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.



8.0 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS REPORT



The following Council Workshop was held:

Date	Purpose	Councillor Attendance	Councillor Apologies
No Council workshops were scheduled during the reporting period.			

9.0 COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS ON NOTICE



Nil.

10.0 COUNCILLOR MOTIONS ON NOTICE



Nil.

11.0 WORKGROUP REPORTS



RECOMMENDATION

"That the workgroup reports as listed be received."

11.1 OFFICE OF THE CEO – ROBERT HIGGINS



- Met with NRM South re: Rivers to Ramsar project and necessary adjustment to scope to replace a private property with western extremity of Miena Park – 9th Dec
- Attended Sorell Memorial Hall extension opening – 15th Dec
- Kick off meeting of Southern Tas Councils Network (replacement for STCA) – 17th Dec
- Attended opening of Sorell Power Boxes Artwork project with TasNetworks – 17th Dec
- Meeting with Federal Housing Minister, Federal Labor member Bec White, Housing Australia staff, DSG Secretary, Minister for Planning, Infrastructure etc chief of staff and planning, housing advisors, Brighton and Meander Valley GM's and Sorell Planning Manager to discuss \$20bn Federal Housing programs and how the 3 Lyons councils can / should partner with DSG and be included in their submission – 18th Dec



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- Meeting with Engineering consultant and Infrastructure & Assets Manager re: various stormwater modelling / upgrade projects – SE Sporting Complex at Pembroke Park, Tarbook Court – 23rd Dec
- Met with Tas Irrigation CEO to discuss Greater South East Irrigation Scheme – 8th January
- Staff meetings, Leadership Team meeting, weekly Greater Hobart councils GM/CEO Teams meeting, workshops and SPA meetings.

11.2

COMMUNITY RELATIONS – STACEY GADD, MANAGER



COMMUNICATIONS & ENGAGEMENT

- Sorell Community Cultural Precinct Reference Committee – EOI's now closed, expression received and will be compiled for the committee to review.
- We Stand Together Against Racism – joint initiative, continue to work with other councils to raise awareness that everyone has a role to play in stamping out racism in our communities. Walk planned for Friday 20th March, Hobart Waterfront.
- Ferry Hall – commenced planning for community engagement activities for February 2026.
- FOGO – Southern Waste Solutions have appointed a Project Officer who will support our roll out, communication and engagement activities, planning to commence in February 2026.

YOUTH

Work is progressing on the development of the Youth Hub Operating Model. Key safeguarding documentation is being finalised, including the Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy, Child Safe Action Plan, and Code of Conduct, to ensure compliance with child safety requirements.

Preparation of the Youth Hub space is underway, with furnishing and decoration being completed to support a welcoming and functional environment for young people.

Planning is also underway for a Youth Hub drop-in Pizza Day scheduled for 30 January, aimed at encouraging engagement and participation.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Access and Inclusion

Council is progressing the Department of Premier and Cabinet's *Towards a Tasmanian Disability Inclusion Plan* consultation process in partnership with the



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Access and Inclusion Committee. This work will inform Council's approach to accessibility and inclusive service delivery.

Emergency Management

Emergency management activities have continued throughout January, with ongoing updates and communication provided to the community as required.

Events and Programs

Coordinated the organisation of the Australia Day Awards event, including the collation of nominations, event catering, and venue decorations.

Planning is also underway for a geocaching event, with a focus on community participation and activation of public spaces.

Men's Shed Relocation

Continue to work closely with the Men's Shed and the Lions Club to support the relocation to the new premises at Shark Point Road, Penna. Coordination has focused on ensuring a smooth transition, including site readiness, access arrangements, and ongoing operational considerations.

Further liaison will continue to support the establishment of the Men's Shed at the new location and to minimise disruption to members during the relocation period. Including a skip bin on site to start rubbish removal.

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

Community Grants

- Nil.

Quick Response

- Nil.

Individual Achievement

- Anneke Kleywegt - Lifesaving



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11.4 PLANNING – SHANE WELLS, MANAGER



Planning Decisions

Planning Determinations – December 2025			
Description	Type	Decision	Property Address
Minor Amendment - Site Coverage, Setbacks, Parking, Private open space & Width of Carport Opening	Discretionary	Delegation	24 Penna Road, Midway Point
Change of Use - Dwelling to Visitor Accommodation	Permitted	Delegation	53 Spoonbill Loop, Sorell
Dwelling	Discretionary	Delegation	71 Federation Drive, Sorell
Two Multiple Dwellings	Discretionary	Delegation	4 Sunningdale Close, Midway Point
Dwelling & Outbuilding	Discretionary	Delegation	53 Friendship Drive, Sorell
Dwelling	Discretionary	Delegation	Lot 48 Oakmont Road, Midway Point - Adjoining 24 Sunningdale Close, Midway Point
Dwelling	Discretionary	Delegation	9 Sunningdale Close, Midway Point
Strata Title - Staged Unit 2		CEO	U2 20 Whitelea Court, Sorell
Petition to Amend Sealed Plan	No Permit Required	CEO	9 Valleyfield Road, Sorell
Dwelling	Discretionary	Delegation	12 Stanford Court, Sorell
Outbuilding	Discretionary	Delegation	6 Sandy Point Avenue, Dodges Ferry
Outbuilding	Discretionary	Delegation	117 Weston Hill Road, Sorell
Dwelling	Discretionary	Delegation	1 Sunningdale Close, Midway Point
Dwelling	Discretionary	SPA	5 Spotswood Road, Dunalley
STAGE 1 - Strata Units 1-4	Discretionary	CEO	24 Clifton Drive, Sorell
Two Outbuildings	NPR	Delegation	8 Convoy Road, Carlton
Boundary Adjustment	Discretionary	Delegation	175 Carlton River Road, Carlton
Final Survey Plan - Sixteen Lot Subdivision including works within the road reserve	Discretionary	CEO	9 Valleyfield Road, Sorell
Minor Boundary Adjustment	Permitted	Delegation	492 Delmore Road, Wattle Hill



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Final Survey Plan - Boundary Adjustment	Discretionary	CEO	130 Josephs Road, Carlton
Final Survey Plan - Boundary Adjustment	Discretionary	CEO	695 Fulham Road, Connellys Marsh & 5 Beach Road, Connellys Marsh
Final Survey Plan - One Lot Subdivision	Discretionary	CEO	3208 Tasman Highway, Orielton
Minor Amendment - Staging	Discretionary	Delegation	8 Cole Street, Sorell & Cole Street, Sorell
One Lot Subdivision	Discretionary	Delegation	13 Lake Vue Parade, Midway Point
Final Survey Plan X11 Lots (Lots 30, 36, 46, 49, 53, 75, 123, 132, 153, 155, 175)	Discretionary	CEO	195-227 Penna Road, Midway Point



12.0 PETITIONS STILL BEING ACTIONED



Petition	Tabled at Council Meeting	Status
Withdrawal of the Blue Lagoon Draft Management Plan	18 th July 2023 ordinary Council meeting – S.58(2) LGA 1993.	<p>Council laid the matter on the table for further consultancy on review and options assessment for stormwater management at Blue Lagoon. Variation to the operating budget approved at August 2023 Council meeting to facilitate this - \$50k.</p> <p>Final consultant reports received April 2024.</p> <p>Council staff continue to progress matters with Red Handfish research team (NHRT) in first instance through exchange of consultant reports, development of an interim water level management SOP and ongoing engagement prior to determining further actions.</p> <p>Exchange of all project materials expanded to relevant state and federal agencies.</p> <p>Engagement with NRM EAG has also occurred.</p> <p>Alternative permanent outfall design exiting at Boat Ramp underway. Detailed LIDAR survey and tidal level data indicate drain grade and tidal inundation limitations. Alternate approaches being investigated between Council and consultant. Two options completed. Original concept via Kannah and Boat Park to ramp most feasible / least cost. Revised PM Plan required to finalise planning, required budget and impacts of associated maintenance works of lagoon as per mechanical cumbungi removal.</p> <p>Preferred design concept to be distributed for community engagement then Reserve Management Plan update and completion and revised DA process to be undertaken concurrently to meet CERMP project funding timing commitment.</p>



13.0 PETITIONS RECEIVED

At the time of preparation of this agenda no petitions had been received.

14.0 LAND USE PLANNING

The Mayor advised in accordance with the provisions of Part 2 Regulation 29 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, the intention of the Council to act as a planning authority pursuant to the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* is to be noted.

In accordance with Regulation 29, the Council will act as a planning authority in respect to those matters appearing under item 14 on this agenda, inclusive of any supplementary items.

14.1 SORELL PLANNING AUTHORITY MINUTES**RECOMMENDATION**

"That the minutes of the Sorell Planning Authority ("SPA") Meeting of 9th December 2025 be noted."

15.0 GOVERNANCE

Nil reports.

16.0 INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS

Nil reports.

17.0 COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Nil reports.



18.0 FINANCE



18.1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 2025 YTD

RECOMMENDATION

"That the Executive Summary – FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 2025 YEAR-TO-DATE be received and noted by Council."

Note: variances are only reported and discussed below if they are greater than \$10k and have a variance percentage of greater than 10%.

FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 2025 YEAR-TO-DATE

The operating surplus for the period ended 31 December 2025 of \$14.322m is above the budget of \$12.816m by \$1.506m. The main drivers of this position are:

- Recurrent income year to date is \$23.151m and is above budget by \$794k.
- Operating expenses year to date are \$12.313m, which is below budget by \$709k.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. RATES AND CHARGES

This category is above budget by \$13k to the end of December with no significant variances noted.

2. STATUTORY FEES AND CHARGES

This category is above budget by \$58k to the end of December. The following significant variances are noted:

- 132 & 337 Certificate Fees is above budget by \$35k as a result of increased activity.

3. USER FEES

This category is below budget by \$35k to the end of December. The following significant variances are noted:

- Engineering Inspections & 1% Approval Fee is below budget by \$14k as a result of less than expected activity.
- Food Licences is above budget by \$14k as a result of delays in the payment of annual food licences following the issue of the renewals in June 2025.



- Plumbing Application Fees is below budget by \$20k due to less than expected activity.
- Plumbing Inspection Fees is below budget by \$21k due to less than expected activity.

4. GRANTS OPERATING

Refer to attachment (g) Grants Operating and Capital Variance Analysis for a detailed explanation of the variances.

5. CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

This category is above budget by \$181k to the end of December. The following significant variances are noted:

- Public Open Space Contributions is above budget by \$129k primarily as a result of subdivisional development activities at Spoonbill Loop and Valleyfield Road being more than expected.
- Stormwater Contributions of \$22k were received which were not budgeted in the 2025-26 financial year as it was too difficult to estimate.
- Contributions Received Other is \$22k following receipt of a contribution of \$22k from Lady Gowrie Tasmania in relation to a kitchen upgrade at 17-19 Penna Road, Midway Point, originally budgeted in 2024-25.

6. INTEREST

This category is above budget by \$39k to the end of December. The following significant variance is noted:

- Interest Received Banks & Other is above budget by \$36k due to higher-than-expected balances and interest rates.

7. OTHER INCOME

This category is below budget by \$2k to the end of December. The following significant variances are noted:

- Lease/Rent Fees Received is \$16k below budget, primarily due to delays in the completion and full tenanting of the new Hub building. The revenue was budgeted to commence in July 2025 but did not start until August 2025. In addition, occupancy levels are not yet at capacity, resulting in lower-than-budgeted monthly rental income and delays in charging on-cost recoveries.
- Other Facility Hire is \$11k below budget primarily due to a reduced level of activity at the Pembroke Park Stadium than originally planned due to replacement of the stadium flooring.



8. INVESTMENT INCOME

This category is in line with budget to the end of December.

9. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Total Employee Benefits is below budget by \$407k to the end of December. The following significant underspend variances are noted:

- Workers Compensation Insurance is below budget by \$78k due to the budgeted insurance amount being higher than the calculated estimate provided to the insurance company and a prior year credit received in the current FY relating to a claim experience discount of \$45k.
- ADO Expense is below budget by \$28k with the expense budgeted in December but processed in January 2026.

The following underspends are primarily due to a number of vacant positions:

- Payroll Tax is below budget by \$11k.
- Salaries are below budget by \$237k.
- Superannuation is below budget by \$48k.

These Employee Benefits underspends are offset by overspends in the following areas:

- Long Service Leave is above budget by \$13k primarily due to the recognition of prior service following the employment of a staff member from another Council.
- Temporary Staff Employed Through Agency is above budget by \$14k primarily due to Roads crews staff member vacancies being filled by temporary staff.

10. MATERIALS AND SERVICES

Materials and services are \$656k below budget to the end of December.

The following significant variances are noted:

- Advertising is below budget by \$10k primarily due to reduced expenditure for Council roadside banners.
- Consultants Other is below budget by \$210k primarily due to project timing:
 - Councillors \$9k due to delays in progressing a reconciliation and engagement project.
 - Human Resources \$10k due to less than expected systems services requests.
 - Engagement & Events \$8k due to less demand than planned for indigenous advisory services.



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- Engineering Operations \$41k due to delays in various projects including deflectograph testing on Sugarloaf and Brinktop Roads \$16k, Traffic Impact DA provision \$10k, Road pavement \$10k and Street Dining advice \$5k.
- Assets & GIS \$20k due to delays in the Asset Management and Road Hierarchy Review and a Stormwater CCTV condition survey charged to Contractors.
- Land Improvements \$20k due to delays in progressing park development plans.
- Town Planning \$120k due to delays in progressing Southern Beaches Structure Plan and South East Area Planning for Country.
- Environmental Health \$11k due to delays in finalising the Southern Beaches stormwater strategy and Primrose Beach wastewater investigations.
- IT \$5k due to delays in the Cyber Security insurance review.

These Consultants Other underspends are offset by overspends in the following areas:

- Finance \$16k due to the implementation of an expense management project and the implementation of additional task automation and security features in the Finance system.
- Waste Management \$7k for FOGO implementation advice budgeted for later in the financial year.
- Contractors is below budget by \$83k primarily due to project timing:
 - IT - \$11k with delays in the production server and \$5k for the hyperconvergence projects.
 - NRM - Net underspend of \$93k, primarily driven by delays in the delivery of the Blue Lagoon cumbungi removal \$90k, weeds management implementation plan \$6k, and NRMEAG Weed Management Plan \$15k, partially offset by fencing works (\$15k overspend) originally budgeted for 2024–25 and a contribution \$9k to NRM South for improvement to the catchment and wetland health at Pitt Water – Orielton Lagoon.
 - Engineering Operations \$30k with delays in the completion and delivery of an updated Entura Stormwater model.

These Contractor underspends are offset by overspends in the following areas:

- Assets & GIS - \$18k with a Stormwater CCTV survey \$7k budgeted in Consultants and additional SSA/GIS contracted project support hours of \$5k budgeted in January.



- Town Planning – \$29k above budget due to higher-than-expected planning assistance due to staff Long Service Leave and vacancies.
- Plumbing Services - \$8k above budget due to unplanned contracted assistance following a staff vacancy.
- Electricity is above budget by \$13k primarily due to air blower usage at Pembroke Park Stadium following the November remedial works on the flooring water ingress event.
- Greenwaste Mobile Garbage Bin Collection is under budget by \$20k primarily due to delays in processing the December invoice.
- Greenwaste Mobile Garbage Bin Disposal is over budget by \$15k primarily due to the processing of the December invoice budgeted in January and unbudgeted Waste Levy costs.
- Legal Fees is under budget by \$19k primarily due to less than expected Town Planning appeal costs.
- Line Marking – Transport Infrastructure is below budget by \$14k due to weather related delays in linemarking activities.
- Mobile Garbage Bin Replacement is below budget by \$65k with the annual expenditure budgeted for December rather than a monthly bin replacement expenditure profile.
- Operating Capital is below budget by \$28k primarily due to delays in the commencement of the Youth program.
- Plant Hire – External is below budget by \$34k due to Community Facilities \$16k Porta Loos hire for Maddison Lyden Park being less than expected and Stormwater \$14k planned excavator hire required at a later date.
- Repairs and Maintenance is below budget by \$167k predominately as a result of underspends to date in Community Facilities \$25k, Roads – Sealed \$68k, Stormwater \$28k, Land Improvements \$32k and Bridges \$47k.

These underspends are somewhat offset by a small number of overspends totalling \$33k, primarily Roads – Unsealed \$23k due to an unplanned major repair. Repairs and maintenance costs are difficult to estimate, due to the often reactive and unpredictable nature of these activities. However, most of these underspends are due to scheduling.

- Kerbside Hard Waste Collection is over budget by \$21K with a higher-than-expected cost.
- Kerbside Hard Waste Disposal is over budget by \$10k with a higher-than-expected cost.
- Kerbside Recycling Disposal is below budget by \$37k primarily due to delays in processing of the December invoice and the commencement of the unbudgeted Recycle Rewards scheme for eligible drink containers



(\$26k YTD). Council expects to receive further savings from the scheme over the course of this financial year.

- Street Bin Collection Contract is over budget by \$11k primarily due to increases in collections costs and unbudgeted disposal costs and waste levies.
- Tyres expenditure is above budget by \$17k, which is materially higher than anticipated. The heavy fleet allocation of \$3k per quarter (annual \$13k) is insufficient given actual requirements this year. A review of future budgets will be necessary to ensure adequacy. Current spend also includes some minor light fleet tyre purchases, which were unbudgeted.
- Valuation Expenses are below budget by \$51k primarily due to ongoing delays in receipt of invoices for the Council Property Roll revaluation project (\$42k) and Supplementary revaluation expenses of \$21k being less than the budgeted \$30k.

11. DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION

This category is above budget by \$256k to the end of December, with no significant variances noted.

12. FINANCE COSTS

This category is in line with budget to the end of December.

13. OTHER EXPENSES

This category is above budget by \$97k to the end of December. The following significant variances are noted:

- Government Fire Contributions is above budget \$172k due to the processing in December of the second quarter Fire Service Levy payment budgeted in January.

The overspend is partially offset by an underspend in the following areas:

- Audit expenses is below budget by \$13k due to a delay in the progression of internal audit projects.
- Donations and Section 77 Expenses is below budget by \$16k, primarily due to delays in a contribution to the Sorell Tennis Club \$10k and less than expected demand for donations.
- Functions and Programs is below budget by \$29k primarily due to delays and underspends in Engagement and Events projects of \$16k and delays in the commencement of the Youth Program of \$12.5k.
- NRM expenses is below budget by \$22k primarily due to delays in the progression of cats projects of \$8k and the backyard biodiversity and nestboxes projects \$12k.



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14. GRANTS CAPITAL

Refer to attachment (g) Grants Operating and Capital Variance Analysis for a detailed explanation of the variances.

15. CONTRIBUTIONS – NON-MONETARY ASSETS

Developer contributions were over budget by \$182k to the end of December. This relates to donated assets which have been capitalised in Assetic in the first half of the financial year. Donated assets generally relate to subdivision assets, which become a Council asset once the development is complete.

16. NET GAIN / (LOSS) ON DISPOSAL

This category is under budget by \$393k with the budgeted sale of Amelia Court land parcel now planned for later in the financial year.

17. SHARE OF INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURES

This category is in line with budget to the end of December.

CASH & INVESTMENTS

The Council maintains deposits with four major banks (Commonwealth (CBA), Westpac, Bendigo Bank and MyState).

Council's cash position decreased by \$1.488m during the month of December, predominantly due to capital expenditure. In comparison with the 2024/2025 financial year, the current cash balance of \$25.650m is \$4.163m greater than the balance at the same time last year. Sorell Council continues to hold \$1.303m in grant income received in advance as reported in the Balance Sheet, this is \$142k less than the balance at the same time last year. Overall, the current cash balance movement is a result of less year-to-date capital expenditure than expected.

CASH RESERVES

As at 31 December 2025, cash reserves being held by Council are as follows;

Land Sales	\$1,114,726
Public Open Space Contributions	\$1,943,176
Car Parking Cash in Lieu	\$ 89,504
Subdivision Traffic Management Contributions	\$ 150,790
Stormwater	\$ 31,334
Interest	<u>\$ 389,136</u>
	\$3,718,666



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RATES OUTSTANDING

Attached is a graph showing unpaid rates by month, for both the current and previous four years. The graph declines each month as rates are progressively paid throughout the financial year. The second graph reflects the percentage of rates debt outstanding at the end of each month, with four comparative financial years' data as well.

At the end of December, 60.8% of rates had been paid, compared to 60.4% at the same time last year. Rate collections are ahead on the previous year, with rates staff maintaining their standard rates debtor follow-up and collection processes throughout the month.

Supplementary valuations were received from the Office of the Valuer-General, year to date totalling \$47.6k in general rates, \$21.6k in waste charges and \$2k in fire levy income.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

During the month of December, the following key financial management tasks were completed:

- Finance staff completed all end-of-month (EOM) procedures for November, including the completion of EOM processing and balance sheet reconciliations and the submission of Council's monthly Business Activity Statement (BAS) to the Australian Tax Office (ATO).
- Finance staff continued to work on the Mid-Year Budget Review (MYBR) for the operating budget.
- Finance staff completed South East Region Development Association (SERDA) ad-hoc and monthly financial tasks.
- Finance staff completed and lodged Phase 2 of the 2024/2025 Consolidated Data Collection Survey.
- Finance staff completed the following grant related reports:
 - Assisted with Final reporting in relation to the Federal Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and Arts funding of the South East Jobs Hub.

AUDIT

- Nil

GRANTS & FUNDING

During the month of December, the following grant was received:



- An amount of \$93k (excluding GST) was received for the Memorial Hall from the Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and Arts.
- An amount of \$150k (excluding GST) was received for the South East Jobs Hub from the Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and Arts.
- An amount of \$50k (excluding GST) was received for Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Roads to Recovery from the Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and Arts.

INSURANCE

- Nil

MEETINGS

- Nil

ATTACHMENTS

MONTHLY DASHBOARD REPORT (Pages 7)

- a) Statement of Income and Expenditure for the period ending 31 December 2025 (Pages 1)
- b) Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2025 (Pages 1)
- c) Statement of Cash Position as at 31 December 2025 (Pages 1)
- d) Detailed Statement of Income and Expenditure for the period ending 31 December 2025 (Pages 5)
- e) Investments and Borrowings as at 31 December 2025 and Graph 1 – Total Cash Available (Pages 4)
- f) Graph 2 - Rates Outstanding (Pages 2)
- g) Grants Variance Analysis (Pages 1)

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ACTING MANAGER FINANCE

SALLY FANG
ACCOUNTANT

MARK PATMORE
ACCOUNTANT

Date: 12 January 2026
Attachments (22 pages)



AGENDA
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
20 JANUARY 2026

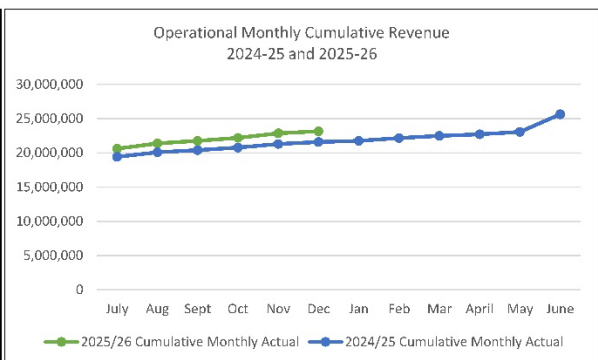
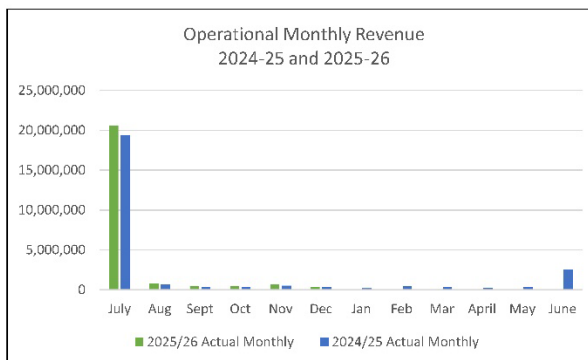
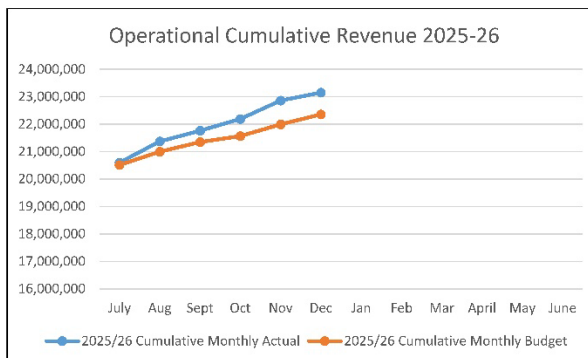
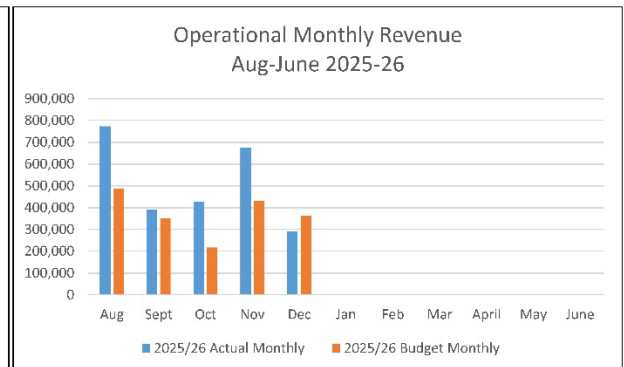
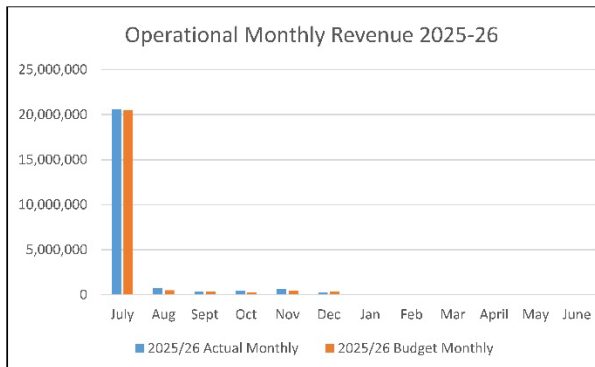
SORELL COUNCIL – MONTHLY DASHBOARD REPORT DECEMBER 2025

DESCRIPTION: The following contains graphical information on the financial performance of Council's Operating Budget.

REVENUE - OPERATIONAL

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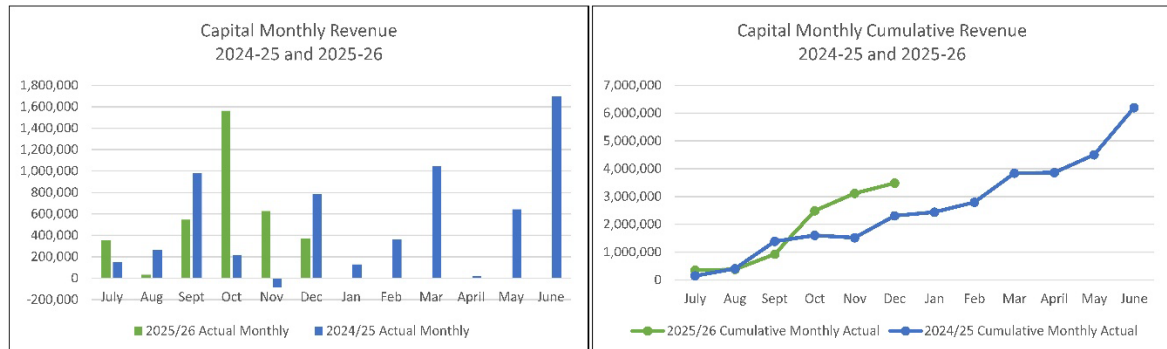
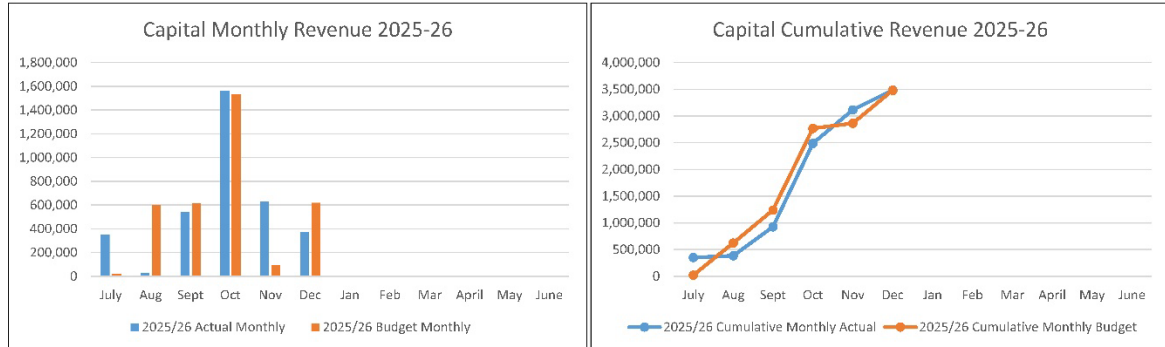
The most significant graphical variances displayed below relate to Grants Operating and Contributions received. Grants Operating is above budget by \$540k and disclosed in further detail in the Grants Variance Analysis report for the month (g). Contributions received is above budget by \$181k, mainly as a result of subdivisional development activities at Spoonbill Loop and Valleyfield Road which were more than expected.



AGENDA
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
20 JANUARY 2026

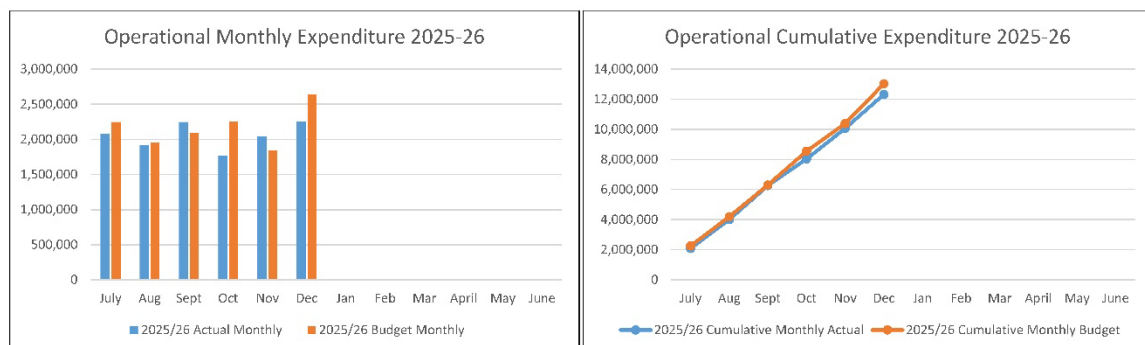
REVENUE - CAPITAL

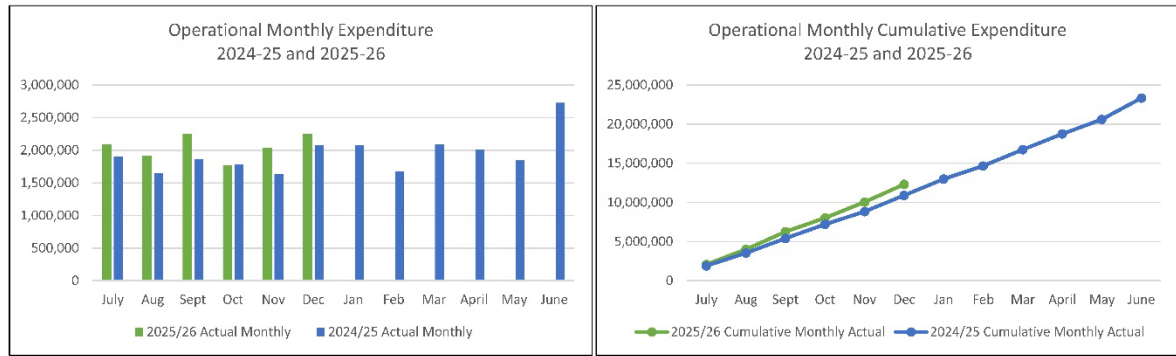
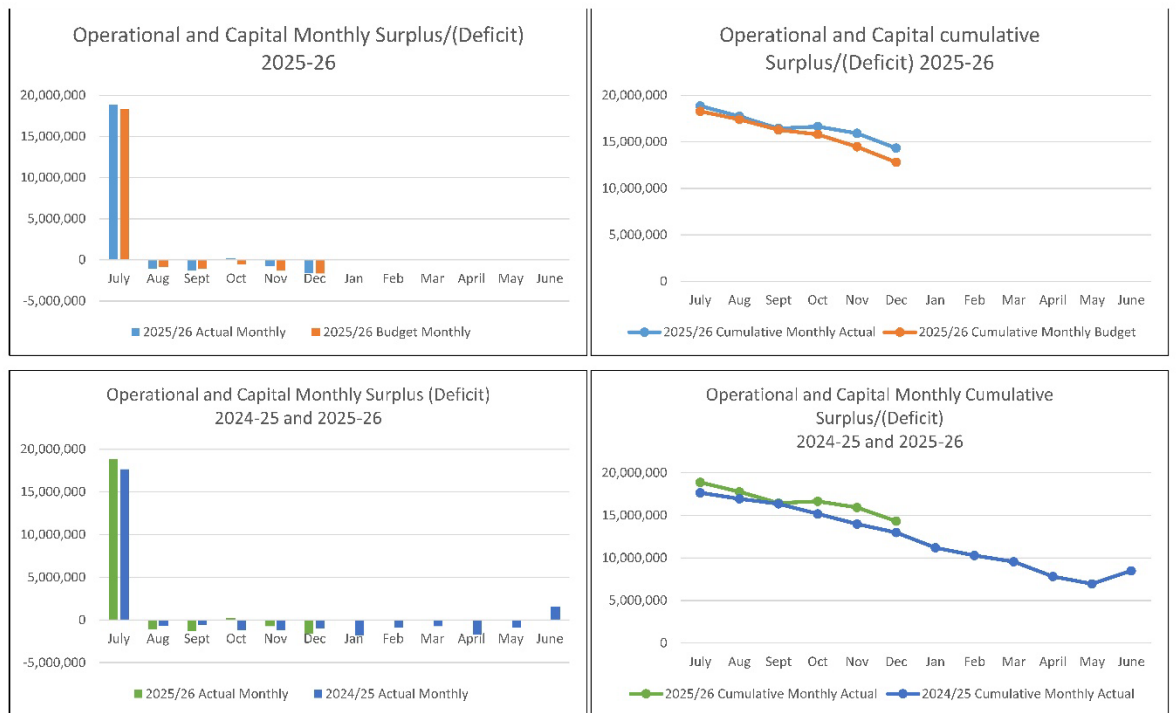
The most significant graphical variances displayed below relate to Grants Capital, Contributions – Non-monetary Assets and Net gain/loss on disposal. Grants Capital is above budget by \$214k and disclosed in further detail in the Grants Variance Analysis report for the month (g). Contributions – Non-monetary Assets is above budget by \$182k, as a result of greater than planned activity. Net gain/loss on disposal is under budget by \$393k with the budgeted sale of Amelia Court land parcel now planned for later in the financial year.



EXPENDITURE

The most significant graphical variances displayed below relate to Employee benefits and Materials & services. Employee benefits is below budget by \$407k, primarily due to a number of vacant positions. Materials & services is below budget by \$656k. These underspends are not expected to be permanent variances, as they are a result of delays in work and project schedules which are still expected to be completed before the end of the financial year.



**SURPLUS/DEFICIT**

SORELL COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
For the period December 2025

	NOTES	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD	VAR	FULL YEAR BUDGET
INCOME					
RECURRENT INCOME					
Rates and Charges	1	20,654,845	20,642,019	12,826	20,635,594
Statutory fees and fines	2	378,722	320,791	57,930	605,914
User Fees	3	267,234	302,389	(35,155)	690,906
Grants Operating	4	746,805	207,190	539,615	426,952
Contributions received	5	263,605	82,400	181,205	150,000
Interest	6	332,255	292,816	39,439	945,895
Other income	7	329,458	331,816	(2,357)	673,989
Investment income from TasWater	8	178,200	177,552	648	419,904
		23,151,124	22,356,973	794,151	24,549,153
EXPENSES					
Employee benefits	9	3,996,190	4,403,123	406,933	8,532,640
Materials and services	10	3,446,330	4,102,113	655,783	8,276,743
Depreciation and amortisation	11	3,575,371	3,319,443	(255,929)	6,636,430
Finance costs	12	38,602	38,602	0	94,693
Other expenses	13	1,256,763	1,159,272	(97,491)	2,011,303
TOTAL EXPENSES		12,313,257	13,022,553	709,296	25,551,809
OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		10,837,866	9,334,420	1,503,447	(1,002,655)
CAPITAL INCOME					
Grants Capital	14	3,021,703	2,807,870	213,833	4,303,982
Contributions - non-monetary assets	15	455,763	273,750	182,013	1,095,000
Net gain/(loss) on disposal	16	7,099	400,000	(392,901)	400,000
Share of Interests in JVs	17	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME		3,484,565	3,481,620	2,945	5,798,982
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		14,322,431	12,816,040	1,506,392	4,796,327



SORELL COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As At December 2025

	Actual 2025/2026	Actual 30 June 2025	Movement
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	18,910,809	17,171,986	1,738,824
Investments	6,739,304	3,645,325	3,093,979
Trade and Other Receivables	9,272,438	1,701,576	7,570,862
Inventories	38,703	38,703	-
Other Assets	61,070	481,450	(420,380)
Total Current Assets	35,022,323	23,039,040	11,983,284
Non-Current Assets			
Trade and Other Receivables	2,250	2,550	(300)
Assets Held for Sale	0	0	-
Intangible Assets	238,228	242,710	(4,482)
Property, Infrastructure, Plant and Equipment	422,844,542	425,810,877	(2,966,335)
Work in Progress	9,028,378	4,595,709	4,432,669
Investments	36,200,377	36,200,377	-
Other Non-Current Assets	4,761	4,761	-
Total Non-Current Assets	468,318,536	466,856,984	1,461,552
TOTAL ASSETS	503,340,859	489,896,024	13,444,836
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	690,176	986,309	(296,133)
Trust Funds and Deposits	501,361	566,631	(65,270)
Interest Bearing Loans & Borrowings	109,446	217,109	(107,663)
Provisions	1,357,688	1,337,061	20,627
Contract Liabilities	1,210,298	1,639,455	(429,157)
Other Current Liabilities	3,249	3,249	-
Total Current Liabilities	3,872,219	4,749,814	(877,596)
Non-Current Liabilities			
Interest Bearing Loans & Borrowings	2,259,376	2,259,376	-
Provisions	412,943	412,943	-
Contract Liabilities	-	-	-
Other Current Liabilities	1,722	1,722	-
Total Non-Current Liabilities	2,674,041	2,674,041	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,546,260	7,423,856	(877,596)
Net Assets	496,794,599	482,472,169	14,322,431
EQUITY			
Accumulated Surplus	171,409,539	157,087,108	14,322,431
Reserves	325,385,060	325,385,060	-
Total Equity	496,794,599	482,472,169	14,322,431



**SORELL COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION
As At December 2025**

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Opening Balance Cash at Bank & Investments	20,817,311
Closing Balance Cash at Bank & Investments	25,650,113
Cash Movement Year to Date	4,832,802
<i>Represented by:</i>	
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	14,322,431
Add: Depreciation	3,575,371
Net Cash Surplus / (Deficit)	17,897,803
Loan Repayments	(107,663)
Capital Expenditure (per capital report)	(4,432,669)
Capital Expenditure - Asset (Purchases) / Disposals	(609,037)
Balance Sheet Movements	(7,915,633)
Cash Movement Year to Date	4,832,802



SORELL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENTAL PROFIT & LOSS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 2025
FOR COST CENTRE - All Cost Centres

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VAR	FULL YEAR BUDGET
0100 Profit & Loss				
0500 INCOME				
1000 RECURRENT INCOME				
1100 Rates and Charges				
1105 Rates - General/Ordinary/Residential	(16,007,752)	(15,989,930)	17,821	(15,989,930)
1110 Rates General Written Off	1,900	4,300	2,400	8,600
1115 State Grant Rates Remission	(996,933)	(979,071)	17,862	(979,071)
1120 Rates Pensioner Concession	1,002,200	979,071	(23,129)	979,071
1125 Domestic Waste Annual Charge	(3,947,185)	(3,955,452)	(8,267)	(3,955,452)
1130 Fire Rates Levy Income	(719,872)	(717,912)	1,960	(717,912)
1150 Other Remissions	12,797	18,032	5,235	21,214
1160 AWTs Maintenance Fee Received	0	(1,057)	(1,057)	(2,114)
1199 Rates and Charges Total	(20,654,845)	(20,642,019)	12,826	(20,635,594)
1200 Statutory Fees and Charges				
1210 132 & 337 Certificate Fees	(108,764)	(74,188)	34,576	(148,376)
1220 Town Planning Fees	(257,558)	(235,391)	22,167	(434,929)
1225 Animal Infringements & Fines	(520)	(2,996)	(2,476)	(5,993)
1230 Other Infringements Fines & Penalties	(6,230)	(5,000)	1,230	(12,000)
1235 Licences & Permits	(4,967)	(2,316)	2,651	(2,816)
1240 Street Stall Permit Fee	(682)	(900)	(218)	(1,800)
1299 Statutory Fees and Charges Total	(378,722)	(320,791)	57,930	(605,914)
1300 User Fees				
1303 Animal Management Sundry Income -collars,signs etc	0	0	0	0
1306 Building Assessment Fees	(41,773)	(51,000)	(9,227)	(102,000)
1318 Caravan Licences	(8)	(6,861)	(6,853)	(21,197)
1327 Dog Impounding & Release Fees	(646)	(500)	146	(1,000)
1330 Dog Registration & Renewal	(48,316)	(41,500)	6,816	(112,000)
1331 Kennel Licences	112	(1,500)	(1,612)	(1,500)
1333 Driveway Approval and Inspection Fees	(2,373)	(5,484)	(3,111)	(10,968)
1335 Engineering Inspections & 1% Approval Fee	(1,470)	(15,095)	(13,625)	(30,191)
1336 Fire Abatement Charges	0	0	0	(15,000)
1342 Food Licences	(25,657)	(11,219)	14,438	(46,685)
1351 Photocopy Charges	0	0	0	0
1354 Plumbing Application Fees	(62,833)	(82,500)	(19,667)	(165,000)
1357 Plumbing Inspection	(56,864)	(77,500)	(20,636)	(155,000)
1360 Amended Plan Fees	(2,741)	(1,500)	1,241	(3,000)
1363 Recreational Vehicle Income	(11,564)	(7,730)	3,834	(27,366)
1369 Building Administration Fee (0.1%)	(4,367)	0	4,367	0
1372 TBCITB Training Levy (0.2%)	(8,735)	0	8,735	0
1399 User Fees Total	(267,234)	(302,389)	(35,155)	(690,906)
1400 Grants Operating				
1405 Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grant	(746,799)	(205,762)	541,037	(411,524)
1410 Comm'th Grants & Subsidies	(6)	0	6	0
1415 State Grants & Subsidies	0	(1,428)	(1,428)	(15,428)
1420 Other Grants & Subsidies	0	0	0	0
1430 Training Incentive Payment	0	0	0	0
1499 Grants Operating Total	(746,805)	(207,190)	539,615	(426,952)
1500 Contributions Received				



SORELL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENTAL PROFIT & LOSS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 2025
FOR COST CENTRE - All Cost Centres

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VAR	FULL YEAR BUDGET
1505 Public Open Space Contributions	(211,350)	(82,400)	128,950	(150,000)
1506 Car Parking Cash in Lieu Contributions	(8,564)	0	8,564	0
1507 Subdiv Traffic Management Treatment Contributions	0	0	0	0
1508 Stormwater Contributions	(21,798)	0	21,798	0
1510 Contributions Received Other	(21,893)	0	21,893	0
1549 Contributions Received Total	(263,605)	(82,400)	181,205	(150,000)
1550 Interest				
1560 Rates Interest Penalty	(79,305)	(73,921)	5,384	(147,963)
1565 Rates Interest Written Off	1,011	160	(851)	400
1570 Rates Legal Costs Recovered	(2,026)	(2,861)	(836)	(5,723)
1575 Interest Received Banks & Other	(251,936)	(216,193)	35,742	(792,609)
1599 Interest Total	(332,255)	(292,816)	39,439	(945,895)
1600 Other Income				
1605 Bad Debts Recovered	0	0	0	0
1610 Diesel Fuel Rebate	(13,782)	(13,763)	20	(33,030)
1615 Donations Received	(100)	0	100	0
1620 Hall Hire	(31,545)	(33,480)	(1,935)	(77,038)
1625 Lease/Rent Fees Received	(76,381)	(92,755)	(16,374)	(229,989)
1627 Lease Fees - Copping Tip	(88,997)	(88,383)	614	(129,790)
1630 Other Facility Hire	(49,588)	(60,360)	(10,771)	(134,577)
1635 Other Sundry Income	(23,654)	(16,490)	7,164	(17,980)
1637 Insurance Recoveries	(5,836)	0	5,836	0
1645 Vehicle FBT Recoveries	(22,440)	(24,998)	(2,558)	(49,997)
1655 Workers Compensation - Reimbursement	(7,205)	0	7,205	0
1656 Copping Public Cemetery Trust Net Income	(6,047)	0	6,047	0
1660 Dunalley Public Cemetery Trust Net Income	(2,090)	0	2,090	0
1662 Wheelie Bin Stabiliser Income	(1,793)	(1,588)	205	(1,588)
1689 Other Income Total	(329,458)	(331,816)	(2,357)	(673,989)
1690 Investment Income				
1694 TasWater Interim Dividend	(178,200)	(177,552)	648	(419,904)
1695 SWS Interim Dividend	0	0	0	0
1699 Investment Income Total	(178,200)	(177,552)	648	(419,904)
1999 Recurrent Income Total	(23,151,124)	(22,356,973)	794,151	(24,549,153)
2000 Capital Income				
2100 Grants Capital				
2105 Roads to Recovery Funding	(72,453)	(154,919)	(82,466)	(619,676)
2110 Comm'th Grants new or upgraded assets	(1,266,499)	(910,000)	356,499	(1,060,000)
2115 State Grants for new or upgraded assets	(1,682,752)	(1,601,651)	81,101	(2,341,706)
2120 Other Grants for new or upgraded assets	0	(141,300)	(141,300)	(282,600)
2199 Grants Capital Total	(3,021,703)	(2,807,870)	213,833	(4,303,982)
2200 Contributions - Non-monetary Assets				
2205 Developer Contributions for assets	(455,763)	(273,750)	182,013	(1,095,000)
2299 Contributions - Non-monetary Assets Total	(455,763)	(273,750)	182,013	(1,095,000)
2300 Net Gain/(Loss) on Disposal				
2305 (Profit) / Loss on Disposal of Assets	(7,099)	(400,000)	(392,901)	(400,000)
2320 Recognition / De-recognition of Assets	0	0	0	0
2399 Net (Gain) / Loss on Disposal Total	(7,099)	(400,000)	(392,901)	(400,000)
2400 Share of Interests in Joint Ventures				



SORELL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENTAL PROFIT & LOSS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 2025
FOR COST CENTRE - All Cost Centres

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VAR	FULL YEAR BUDGET
2410 Fair value adjustment - Investment in Associate	0	0	0	0
2420 Revenue from Investment in Associates	0	0	0	0
2499 Share of Interests in Joint Ventures Total	0	0	0	0
2899 CAPITAL INCOME TOTAL	(3,484,565)	(3,481,620)	2,945	(5,798,982)
2999 TOTAL INCOME	(26,635,689)	(25,838,593)	797,096	(30,348,135)
3000 Expenses				
3100 Employee Benefits				
3102 ADO Expense	3,351	31,098	27,747	171
3103 Annual Leave	292,014	317,069	25,054	618,362
3109 Conferences	3,638	2,700	(938)	7,960
3111 Drug and Alcohol Testing	1,140	1,200	60	3,000
3112 FBT Expenses - Gift Cards / Gifts	683	1,000	317	2,500
3114 Entertainment	4,923	1,850	(3,073)	5,700
3115 Fringe Benefit Taxes	9,676	9,116	(560)	36,464
3118 Health and Well Being	1,987	3,320	1,333	4,920
3124 Long Service Leave	137,850	125,212	(12,638)	209,078
3127 Medicals	2,250	1,980	(270)	3,960
3139 Overheads Recovered	(50,295)	(47,135)	3,160	(105,487)
3145 Payroll Tax	187,372	198,375	11,003	398,556
3148 Protective Clothing & Accessories	22,067	21,627	(440)	35,910
3151 Recruitment Costs	1,500	2,000	500	2,000
3154 Salaries	2,834,869	3,072,362	237,494	6,189,720
3156 Salaries transferred to WIP	(140,856)	(129,041)	11,815	(307,598)
3163 Staff Training	34,171	27,716	(6,455)	62,361
3166 Superannuation - Council Contribution	467,336	515,830	48,494	1,036,521
3169 Temp Staff Employed Through Agency	79,385	64,934	(14,451)	78,462
3172 Travel and Accommodation	0	750	750	1,500
3175 Uniforms / Clothes Purchased	5,700	5,400	(300)	14,400
3181 Workers Compensation Expense Claims	0	500	500	500
3184 Workers Compensation Insurance	97,428	175,259	77,831	233,679
3199 Employee Benefits Total	3,996,190	4,403,123	406,933	8,532,640
3200 Materials and Services				
3201 Abandoned Cars & Dumped Rubbish Disposal Costs	8,282	3,500	(4,782)	7,000
3202 Advertising	35,663	45,921	10,259	104,528
3204 AWTs Maintenance Charge	345	793	448	1,585
3206 Cleaning	144,531	151,339	6,808	363,214
3208 Computer Hardware / Hardware Maintenance	1,506	7,750	6,244	12,000
3212 Computer Software Maint and Licenses	220,822	207,658	(13,164)	317,699
3214 Consultants Other	127,038	336,821	209,782	453,491
3216 Contractors	232,326	315,425	83,099	534,597
3220 Mornington Park transfer station disposal costs	48,211	45,630	(2,581)	109,512
3222 Electricity	123,615	110,462	(13,153)	250,670
3223 Emergency Management	268	1,000	732	2,000
3224 Fire Hazard Reduction (Private Land)	0	0	0	12,000
3226 Fuel	96,964	103,968	7,004	248,765
3227 Greenwaste Mobile Garbage Bin Collection	81,831	102,187	20,356	204,374
3228 Greenwaste Mobile Garbage Bin Disposal	42,004	27,013	(14,991)	64,831
3232 Internet, Telephone & Other Communication Charges	34,558	27,718	(6,840)	58,257



SORELL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENTAL PROFIT & LOSS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 2025
FOR COST CENTRE - All Cost Centres

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VAR	FULL YEAR BUDGET
3234 Land Survey Costs	1,600	6,250	4,650	12,500
3236 Legal Fees (Advice etc)	54,168	73,426	19,258	149,184
3237 Line Marking - Transport Infrastructure	6,329	20,000	13,671	40,000
3239 Mobile Garbage Bin Replacement	31,721	96,269	64,548	223,882
3241 Operating Capital	30,762	59,250	28,488	127,074
3244 Plant & Motor Vehicle Repairs & Services	71,896	71,823	(73)	142,646
3246 Plant Hire - External	5,732	40,007	34,275	78,260
3248 Plant Hire - Internal Usage	10,419	8,755	(1,664)	17,600
3250 Plant Hire Recovered	(44,722)	(46,258)	(1,536)	(67,410)
3252 Plant Registration Fees	41,839	40,852	(986)	40,852
3254 Printing	19,961	23,881	3,920	45,026
3256 Recycling Centres	73,540	77,083	3,544	185,000
3257 Recycling Hub	2,279	1,420	(859)	2,839
3258 Registrations, Licenses and Permits	4,669	5,176	507	5,176
3260 Repairs and Maintenance	836,961	1,004,389	167,428	2,010,189
3261 Road Kill Collection Fees	924	1,901	978	4,563
3262 Kerbside Green Waste Collection	16,259	17,692	1,433	73,718
3263 Kerbside Green Waste Disposal	2,253	2,500	247	10,000
3264 Kerbside Hard Waste Collection	72,020	51,041	(20,979)	132,000
3265 Kerbside Hard Waste Disposal	19,292	9,502	(9,790)	38,000
3266 Kerbside Recycling Collection	164,188	161,301	(2,887)	348,845
3267 Kerbside Recycling Disposal	58,060	94,625	36,565	232,000
3268 Kerbside Garbage Collection	314,254	301,501	(12,753)	648,714
3269 Kerbside Garbage Disposal	145,502	145,680	178	349,632
3270 Security	10,600	9,749	(851)	23,273
3273 Signage & Guide Posts	41,811	43,550	1,739	69,100
3276 Settlement Costs ONLY	0	0	0	5,000
3278 Stationery & Office Consumables	19,677	21,269	1,591	40,908
3279 Street Bin Collection Contract	117,761	106,396	(11,365)	255,350
3280 Tools/Equipment Expensed (under \$1,000)	4,255	8,401	4,146	17,900
3282 Tyres	23,637	6,283	(17,354)	12,565
3284 Valuation Expenses	21,300	72,250	50,950	92,750
3290 Water Charges (Works Order)	69,419	78,964	9,545	165,082
3292 Wheelie Bin Stabiliser Expenses	0	0	0	0
3299 Materials and Services Total	3,446,330	4,102,113	655,783	8,276,743
3390 Impairment of Debts				
3399 Impairment of Debts Total	0	0	0	0
3400 Depreciation and Amortisation				
3405 Depreciation Expense	3,570,889	3,314,961	(255,928)	6,624,356
3410 Amortisation Expense	4,482	4,482	(0)	8,965
3415 Amortisation Expense (Right of Use Asset)	0	0	0	3,109
3499 Depreciation and Amortisation Total	3,575,371	3,319,443	(255,929)	6,636,430
3500 Finance Costs				
3505 Interest on Loans	38,602	38,602	0	94,622
3515 Interest on Overdue Accounts	0	0	0	0
3521 Interest Expense (Lease Liability)	0	0	0	71
3599 Finance Costs Total	38,602	38,602	0	94,693
3600 Other Expenses				



SORELL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENTAL PROFIT & LOSS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED December 2025
FOR COST CENTRE - All Cost Centres

	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VAR	FULL YEAR BUDGET
3604 Audit Fees	42,000	55,200	13,200	74,400
3606 Audit Panel Expenses	4,900	4,900	0	9,800
3608 Bad & Doubtful Debts	0	0	0	0
3612 Bank Fees & Charges	21,680	20,305	(1,376)	40,609
3616 Bank Fees Recovered	(2,210)	(2,885)	(676)	(5,771)
3620 Cashiers Rounding Adjustments	2	6	4	12
3624 Commissions Paid	16,666	7,021	(9,645)	16,851
3636 Councillor Allowances	84,346	82,427	(1,919)	165,620
3640 Councillor Expenses	0	1,000	1,000	2,000
3644 Councillor Vehicle Allowance	3,086	3,700	614	7,400
3656 Deputy Mayors Allowance	7,489	8,699	1,211	17,480
3660 Dog Pound & Other Animal Management Expenses	5,607	4,000	(1,607)	6,000
3661 Dog Home & Vet Fees	1,788	400	(1,388)	800
3664 Donations and Section 77 Expenses	24,101	40,284	16,183	70,000
3668 Election Expenses	14,196	12,860	(1,337)	12,860
3672 Employee Sub, Licences and Memberships	80,298	84,439	4,142	94,653
3676 Functions & Programs	15,461	44,300	28,839	82,600
3680 Insurance Claims Related Expenses	16,031	7,500	(8,531)	15,000
3688 Food & Beverages	1,487	3,641	2,154	8,282
3692 General Insurance	201,207	200,891	(316)	200,891
3704 Government Fire Contributions	344,598	172,299	(172,299)	689,196
3712 Immunisations	377	411	34	3,838
3720 Land Tax	106,237	104,115	(2,122)	104,115
3724 Mayor's Allowance	23,657	22,895	(762)	46,002
3731 NRM Expenses	11,624	33,750	22,126	46,250
3732 Motor Vehicle Insurance	48,668	46,258	(2,410)	46,258
3736 Other roundings	3	12	9	25
3740 Other Sundry Expenses	1,746	2,389	643	7,064
3744 Photocopier Leases & Operating Costs	11,465	10,683	(782)	13,720
3748 Postage	24,783	27,099	2,317	64,334
3752 Public Liability Insurance	117,217	125,183	7,966	125,183
3768 Sampling, Testing and Monitoring	1,199	5,193	3,994	13,500
3770 Storage Costs	555	555	0	1,339
3784 Contributions (SES)	26,500	28,243	1,743	28,243
3799 Other Expenses Total	1,256,763	1,159,272	(97,491)	2,011,303
3990 EXPENSES TOTAL	12,313,257	13,022,553	709,296	25,551,809
3995 (SURPLUS)/DEFICIT	(14,322,431)	(12,816,040)	1,506,392	(4,796,327)



Sorell Council - Investments as at 31/12/2025						
Financial Institution	Product	Deposit Date	Maturity Date	Value	Interest rate	Credit Rating S&P Short Term
Bendigo Bank Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	6/06/2025	6/06/2026	\$ 999,996	3.65%	A2
MyState Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	8/08/2025	7/08/2026	\$ 1,727,595	4.10%	F2
MyState Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	27/06/2025	25/06/2026	\$ 1,000,000	4.25%	F2
MyState Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	22/08/2025	21/08/2026	\$ 1,656,458	4.10%	F2
MyState Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	16/07/2025	16/07/2026	\$ 1,011,712	4.21%	F2
Westpac Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	31/01/2025	30/01/2026	\$ 1,000,000	4.70%	A1+
Westpac Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	18/02/2025	18/02/2026	\$ 2,000,000	4.71%	A1+
Westpac Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	28/08/2025	28/08/2026	\$ 2,000,000	4.15%	A1+
Westpac Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	28/02/2025	27/02/2026	\$ 2,000,000	4.61%	A1+
Westpac Term Deposit	6 Month Term Deposit	22/08/2025	23/02/2026	\$ 1,500,000	4.14%	A1+
CBA Term Deposit	12 Month Term Deposit	28/07/2025	28/07/2026	\$ 3,000,000	4.09%	A1+
CBA Special Purpose Account	At Call			\$ 3,718,666	3.60%	A1+
CBA Operating Account	Current			\$ 4,006,445	3.60%	A1+
Various Petty Cash and Floats	In house			\$ 1,100	N/A	A1+
Various Halls Bank Balances				\$ 28,140	N/A	A1+
Total Investments				\$ 25,650,113		

The above investments have been made in accordance with Sorell Council's Treasury Management Policy.

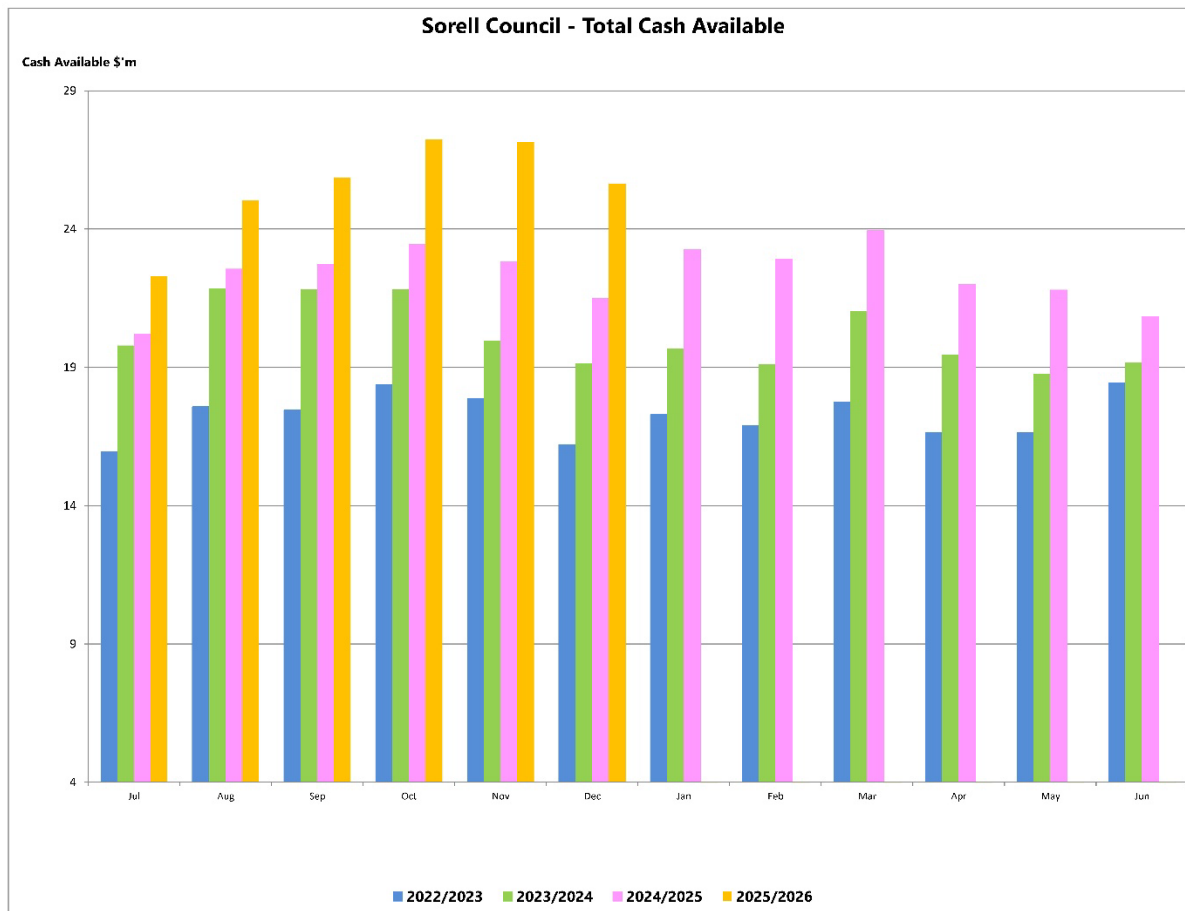
Short Term Credit Rating Percentage of Total Investment			Benchmarks
A1+	19,254,352	75%	100%
A1	\$ -	0%	50%
A2	\$ 6,395,761	25%	30%
	\$ 25,650,113	100%	

Financial Institution Percentage of Total Investment			Benchmarks
CBA (A1+)	\$ 10,754,352	42%	50%
Westpac (A1+)	\$ 8,500,000	33%	50%
Bendigo Bank (A2)	\$ 999,996	4%	30%
MyState (A2)	\$ 5,395,765	21%	30%
	\$ 25,650,113	100%	

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**SORELL COUNCIL
TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE**



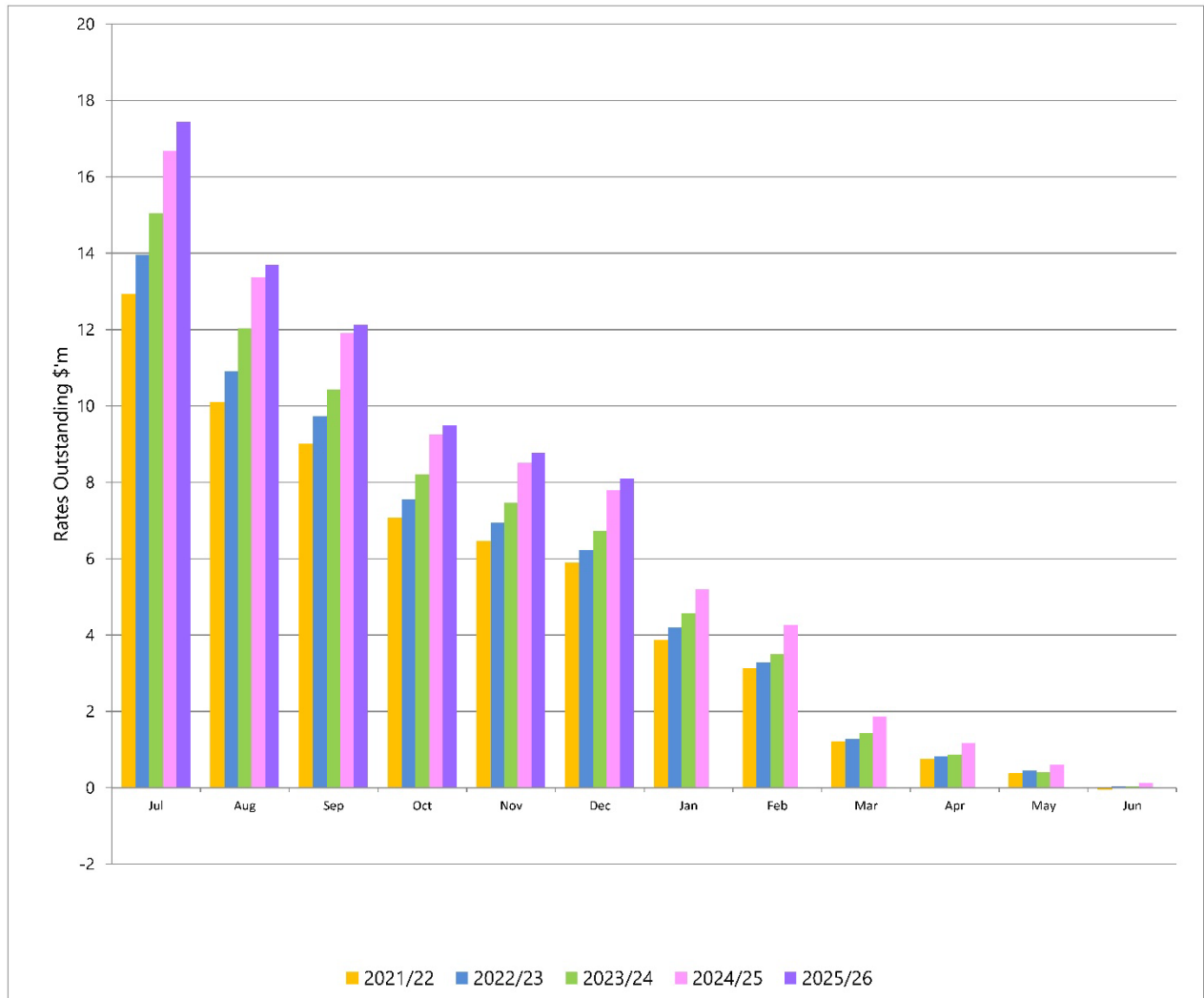
Sorell Council - Borrowings as at 31/12/2025							
Financial Institution	Product	Borrowing Date	Maturity Date	Face Value	Interest rate	Principle Repayments YTD	Interest Payments YTD
TASCORP	Fixed Term Loan	29/06/2021	29/06/2031	\$ 719,977	2.12%	\$ 61,405.70	\$ 8,282.65
TASCORP	Fixed Term Loan	18/05/2022	18/05/2032	\$ 1,080,906	4.41%	\$ 22,126.99	\$ 24,321.89
TASCORP	Fixed Term Loan	28/06/2024	28/06/2034	\$ 231,510	5.53%	\$ 10,559.51	\$ 6,693.23
TASCORP	Fixed Term Loan	7/04/2025	7/04/2035	\$ 336,429	5.19%	\$ 13,570.96	\$ 9,082.50
Total Borrowings				\$ 2,368,822			

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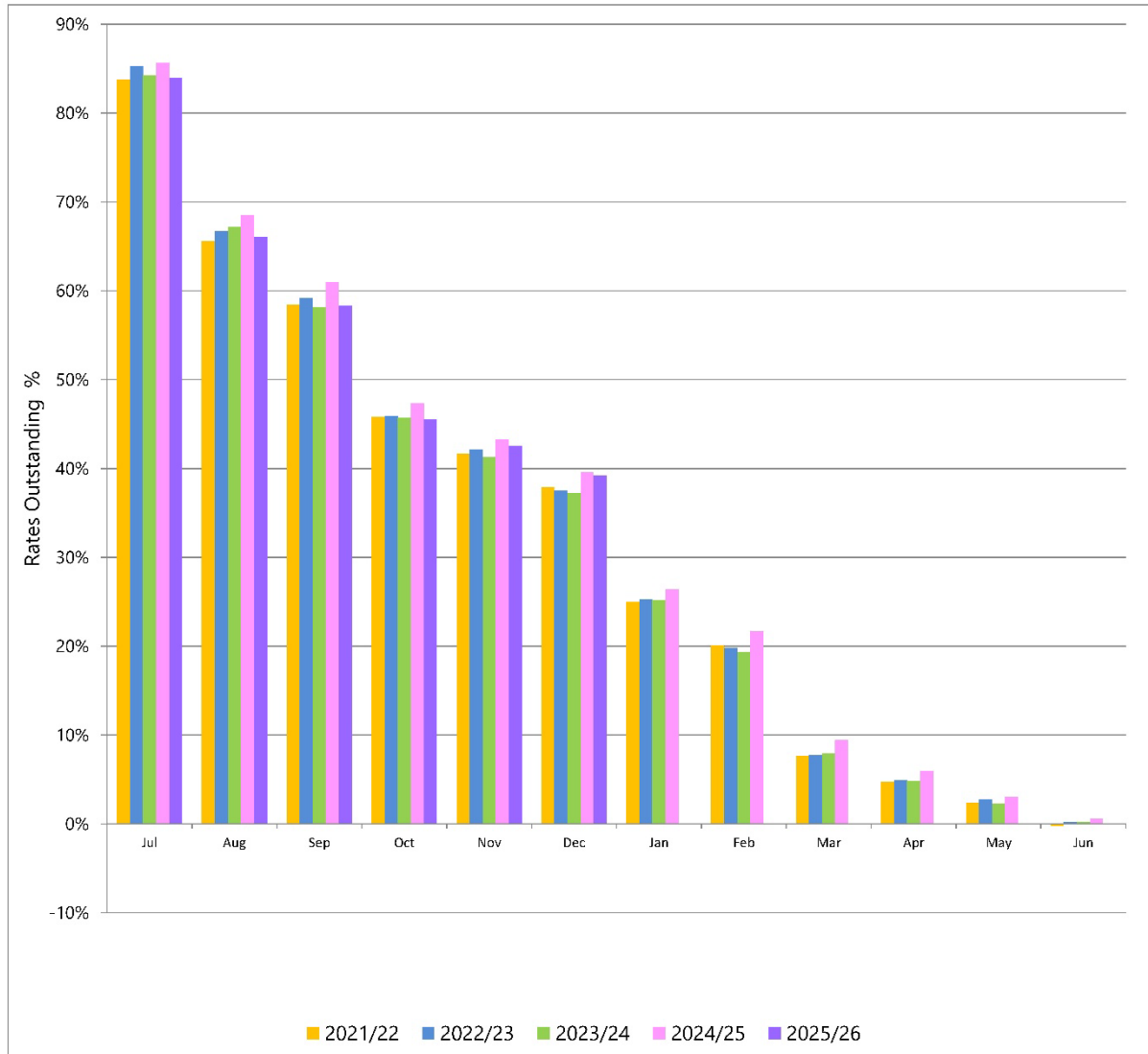


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**SORELL COUNCIL
OUTSTANDING RATES BY MONTH \$'m**



**SORELL COUNCIL
OUTSTANDING RATES BY MONTH %**



GRANT VARIANCE ANALYSIS - 31 DECEMBER 2025

Grant Details	Actual	Budget	Variance	Comments
GL 1405 Grants Operating - Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grant (FAG)				
FAG	\$ 746,799	\$ 205,762	\$ 541,037	Higher than budgeted receipt due to a smaller than expected 2025-26 contribution prepaid in the 2024-25.
GL 1410 Grants Operating - Commonwealth Grants & Subsidies				
Immunisation grant	\$ 6	\$ -	\$ 6	Unbudgeted immunisation payment.
GL 1415 Grants Operating - State Grants & Subsidies				
Immunisations	\$ -	\$ 1,428	\$ 1,428	Nil funds received to date.
	<u>\$ 746,805</u>	<u>\$ 207,190</u>	<u>\$ 539,615</u>	
GL 2105 Grants Capital - Roads to Recovery Funding				
Roads to Recovery Funding	\$ 72,453	\$ 154,919	\$ 82,466	Unbudgeted work from 2024-25 was carried over to 2025-26 with this project not yet completed. The 2025-26 project has started with \$50k of revenue being recognised and is planned to be completed within the 2025-26, this project is running behind schedule.
GL 2110 Grants Capital - Commonwealth Grants				
C-24-B-002 Memorial Hall	\$ 310,000	\$ 310,000	\$ -	Work is largely completed.
C-23-B-002 BEST/SE Jobs Hub & Training Facility	\$ 956,499	\$ 600,000	\$ 356,499	Buildings works have been completed. Further landscaping work and street furniture installation is continuing with full site completion planned for later in the financial year. Revenue is higher than budgeted due to the recognition in the current FY of unbudgeted revenue carried forward from 2024-25.
	<u>\$ 1,266,499</u>	<u>\$ 910,000</u>	<u>\$ 356,499</u>	
GL 2115 Grants Capital - State Grants				
C-24-S-CERMP-A/B/C Southern Beaches, Coastal & Estuarine Risk Mitigation Project	\$ 1,151,480	\$ 651,480	\$ 500,000	Work continues on this project with revenue of \$500,000 received early than forecast.
C-26-B-004 Sorell Men's Shed and Sorell Lion's Club dual purpose facility	\$ 12,558	\$ -	\$ 12,558	Works are progressing, with a planned completion date later in the financial year.
C-23-B-002 BEST/SE Jobs Hub & Training Facility	\$ 419,247	\$ 450,000	\$ 30,753	Buildings works have been completed. Further landscaping work and street furniture installation is continuing with full site completion planned for later in the calendar year.
C-25-LI-016 Shelters at the South East Sports Complex	\$ 22,320	\$ 22,320	\$ -	Complete.
C-25-T-016 Dodges Ferry 35 Carlton Beach Rd - bus stop upgrades	\$ 32,718	\$ 51,475	\$ 18,757	Work is progressing, with a planned completion date of June 2026.
C-25-T-017 Sorell Park & Ride - bus stop upgrades	\$ 23,900	\$ 51,475	\$ 27,575	Work is progressing, with a planned completion date of June 2026.
C-26-T-019 Park & Ride - bus stop upgrades	\$ 614	\$ -	\$ 614	Planning works have commenced, with a planned completion date later in the financial year.

GRANT VARIANCE ANALYSIS - 31 DECEMBER 2025

Grant Details	Actual	Budget	Variance	Comments
GL 2115 Grants Capital - State Grants Cont.				
C-26-LI-003/004 Carlton Beach & Park Beach viewing platforms	\$ -	\$ 144,000	\$ 144,000	The Project has been rescheduled for later in the financial year.
C-25-LI-009 Pembroke Park and Dodges Ferry Goal Nets	\$ 19,915	\$ 130,901	\$ 110,986	Although not forecasted a majority of these works were completed in 2024-25. The project is now completed.
C-26-B-003 BMX Facilities	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	The Project has been rescheduled for later in the financial year.
	<u>\$ 1,682,752</u>	<u>\$ 1,601,651</u>	<u>\$ 81,101</u>	
GL 2120 Grants Capital - Other Grants				
Modular Bike Track at Midway Point	\$ -	\$ 141,300	\$ 141,300	The Project has been rescheduled for later in the financial year.
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 141,300</u>	<u>\$ 141,300</u>	
	<u>\$ 3,021,703</u>	<u>\$ 2,807,870</u>	<u>\$ 213,833</u>	



18.2 2025-2026 CAPITAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

RECOMMENDATION

"That Council resolve pursuant to Section 82 of the Local Government Act 1993 to accept and adopt the below adjustments to the 2025/2026 Capital Budget estimates."

Capital expenditure to the end of December 2025 is \$5,065,136 (as per Capital Works Budget run on 7 January 2026).

The following Capital Budget adjustments have been requested in January 2026.

Below is a summary of the requested adjustments.

Original Budget approved in June 2025 Council meeting	\$16,063,134
Budget approved in December 2025 Council meeting	\$16,317,196
Budget adjustments requested for approval in January 2026 Council meeting:	
Total adjustments on capital jobs with variances of over 10%	\$0
Total adjustments on completed capital jobs with variances of over 10%	-\$48,319
Total adjustments on new capital jobs	\$2,850
Budget requested for approval in January 2026 Council meeting	\$16,271,727

Below is a detailed explanation of the requested adjustments.

The following capital jobs adjustments have been requested because the jobs are completed and have variances of 10% or greater in the 2025/2026 financial year:

Job Name and No.	Approved Budget	Adjusted Budget	Adjustment
C-25-LI-010 South East Sports Complex Southern End Goal Net			-\$7,933
C-26-B-005 Dunalley Hall Acoustic Treatment			-\$4,097
C-26-P-005 Trailer Mounted Chipper			-\$22,671



C-23-IT-001 Flyway Island CCTV Fix			-\$2,000
C-26-T-017 Midway Point Penna Road Footpath			-\$11,618
Total Adjustments	\$179,933	\$131,614	-\$48,319

- C-25-LI-010 South East Sports Complex Southern End Goal Net – This has been completed as part of other projects.
- C-26-B-005 Dunalley Hall Acoustic Treatment – Sufficient improvements have been achieved with acoustic curtains, ceiling panels and acoustic dividers. Carpet is not required.
- C-26-P-005 Tractor Mounted Chipper – Actual cost is lower than originally anticipated by sourcing a suitable chipper. Contingency included in the original budget is not needed.
- C-23-IT-001 Flyway Island CCTV Fix – The extra camera was funded by LGAT. Council contribution is limited to civil labour component only.
- C-26-T-017 Midway Point Penna Road Footpath – Quotes received from contractors varied significantly in price. The original budget was prepared as an estimate within this range. Actual cost is closer to the lower-priced quotes.

The following capital job adjustment has been requested because the job does not have an approved budget but has expected expenditure in the 2025/2026 financial year:

Job Name and No.	Approved Budget	Adjusted Budget	Adjustment
C-26-PRELIM-016 Sorell Football Club Building Upgrade - Design			\$2,850
Total Adjustments	\$0	\$2,850	\$2,850

- C-26-PRELIM-016 Sorell Football Club Building Upgrade - Design – Architectural services for concept plans are required for scoping of Sorell Football Clubroom building upgrade.

ATTACHMENTS

- a) Capital Works Budget for the period ending 31 December 2025 (Pages 11)

SCOTT NICOL
ACTING MANAGER FINANCE

SALLY FANG
ACCOUNTANT

Date: 12 January 2026
Attachments (11 pages)



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7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
CARRY OVERS - LAND					
Pawleena, Pawleena Road and Arthur Highway Roundabout	Land acquisition costs.			\$ 31,000	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Land		\$ 32,054	\$ 32,054		
LAND IMPROVEMENTS (PARKS & RESERVES)					
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Bench seating - prefab with slab. Plus tiered, covered seating for soccer ground @ 112 capacity.			\$ -	\$ -
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Portable seating x 6 bays = 100 capacity. As per prior purchase type - can be used indoors or outdoors.			\$ -	\$ -
SLSC Viewing Platform, Carlton Beach	SLSC viewing platform at northern end of carpark			\$ -	\$ -
Park Beach Viewing Platform, Dodges Ferry	Park Beach viewing platform at carpark			\$ -	\$ -
Pump Track, Vancouver Park, Midway Point	Vancouver Park Pump Track			\$ -	\$ -
Municipality - Various	Minor capital jobs for ad hoc renewals (e.g. shade sail, seating or bins).			\$ -	\$ -
Dodges Ferry	Bin Stands for bins located behind the Dodges Ferry Football Club.			\$ 11,340	\$ -
Rapriner St Reserve, Carlton Beach	Carlton Beach Reserve Fencing			\$ 4,273	\$ -
St Georges Square and/or Gordon St, Sorell	Provision for tree lighting x 6			\$ 253	\$ -
Old Forcett Road Quarry	Fencing for land at Old Forcett Road Quarry.			\$ -	\$ -
Sorell	Sorell Streetscape upgrades			\$ 13,508	\$ -
Boat Park	Boat Park additional wastewater disposal area			\$ 2,200	\$ -
South East Stadium	South East Stadium Additional Seating			\$ 7,980	\$ 71,819
Dodges Ferry Oval	Dodges Ferry Oval Cricket Pitch Cover Replacement			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Land Improvements (Parks & Reserves) 2025/26		\$ 881,780	\$ 973,780		



7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
CARRY OVERS - LAND IMPROVEMENTS (PARKS & RESERVES)					
South East Sports Complex, Sorell & Dodges Ferry Rec Reserve	Goal nets behind senior oval x 2 & DF ground x 2 - 25m x 9m.			\$ 38,952	\$ -
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Goal net behind soccer oval x 1 - southern end - 70m x 9m.			-\$ 363	\$ -
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Soccer perimeter fence - 480m long x 1.2m high.			\$ -	\$ -
Lyden Park, Pawleena Road, Sorell	Carpark for POS / Lyden Park off Pawleena Rd frontage.			\$ 91,480	\$ -
Lyden Park, Pawleena Road, Sorell	Irrigation for Lyden Park - was originally divided into 3 x Open Space areas and to be done over two stages/years. Project proceeding as one stage.			\$ -	\$ -
Dunalley, Imaly Street Park	Replacement of Dunalley Water Pump (piece of play equipment at Imlay St park)			\$ 7,000	\$ -
Sorell, South East Sports Complex	Soccer seating shelters at the South East Sports Complex			\$ 23,131	\$ -
Red Ochre Beach, Dodges Ferry	Foreshore access steps.			\$ 211	\$ -
12 Tarbook Court. Sorell	Boundary adjustment and new fence.			-\$ 497	\$ -
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Irrigation. TW conformance upgrade required - new backflow prevention device - high hazard.			\$ 14,577	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Land Improvements (Parks & Reserves)		\$ 491,395	\$ 464,295		
BUILDINGS					
11 Fitzroy St, Sorell	Upgrade / fitout to youth space to create an appropriate indoor / outdoor area at rear of building			\$ 8,315	\$ -
Carriage Shed, Sorell	Remaining components to enable shed opening to coincide with SMH extension completion. Opening Date TBC.			\$ 32,243	\$ -
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	BMX permanent storage / timing / sign on facility - may include some sealing works ie. ramp to start line & connection from finish line, plus consideration of replacement grandstand.			\$ -	\$ -
Men's Shed, Sorell	Sorell Men's Shed and Sorell Lion's Club Dual-purpose Facility			\$ 12,558	\$ -
Dunalley Hall	Dunalley Hall Acoustic Treatment			\$ 22,903	\$ -
TOTAL Buildings 2025/26		\$ 185,000	\$ 762,000		



7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
CARRY OVERS - BUILDINGS					
Dunalley Canal	BBQ shelter - cost based on RC			\$ -	\$ -
Depot, Sorell	Depot Toilet Block			\$ 17,987	\$ 63,908
Lyden Park, Pawleena Road, Sorell	Toilet for POS / Lyden Park - triple cubicle DDA & change table.			\$ 36,321	\$ -
Midway Point, Malunna / LGT child care centre	Kitchen renewal / replacement to comply with food standards.			\$ 44,287	\$ -
BEST / SE Jobs Hub & Training Facility, Sorell	BEST / SE Jobs Hub & Training Facility			\$ 961,182	\$ 214,596
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Scope and design to re-purpose old football change rooms plus netball concrete toilets / change room.			\$ 4,950	\$ -
Sorell Memorial Hall, Sorell	Extension for Historical Society storage, including change rooms and toilets.			\$ 492,142	\$ 9,364
Total Carry Overs - Buildings		\$ 2,169,091	\$ 1,985,913		
CARRY OVERS - LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS					
Copping, 20 Marion Bay Road	Land easement costs (survey, AC fees, land title fees, valuation) for already completed works.			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Leasehold Improvements 2025/26		\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500		
PLANT & EQUIPMENT					
CAC & Depot	Light fleet replacement.			\$ 60,629	\$ 204,541
Depot, Sorell	Zero turn mower with catcher			\$ -	\$ 43,800
Depot, Sorell	Multi purpose tractor with cabin			\$ -	\$ -
Depot, Sorell	Replacement truck for the twin steer (not fit for purpose for large water tank due to weight distribution fault with chassis type).			\$ -	\$ 338,280
Depot, Sorell	Trailer mounted chipper - vermeer brand. This would prevent burning of greenwaste - wood chips needed for soil replenishment.			\$ 57,329	\$ -
CAC, Sorell	Council Chambers Audio Visual Equipment			\$ 32,534	\$ -
TOTAL Plant & Equipment 2025/26		\$ 811,136	\$ 843,670		



7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
CARRY OVERS - PLANT & EQUIPMENT					
Depot, Sorell	Fleet management GPS tracking and dashcam deployment			\$ 10,742	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Plant & Equipment		\$ 61,450	\$ 10,742		
FIXTURES, FITTINGS & FURNITURE					
CAC & Depot, Sorell	Renewal of office desk chairs			\$ -	\$ -
CAC, Sorell	CAC desks and seating for new area.			\$ 7,705	\$ -
TOTAL Fixtures, Fittings & Furniture 2025/26		\$ 40,760	\$ 40,760		
COMPUTERS & TELECOMMUNICATIONS					
CAC, Sorell	Renewal of Original Gen 5 ipads (14)			\$ 14,463	\$ -
CAC, Sorell	Additional PC & Monitors			\$ 13,976	\$ -
TOTAL Computers & Telecommunications 2025/26		\$ 15,400	\$ 29,139		
CARRY OVERS - COMPUTERS & TELECOMMUNICATIONS					
CAC, Sorell	Fix CCTV for Flyway Island			\$ 3,000	\$ -
CAC, Depot, & Midway Point	Security system integration renewal - scoping and design only.			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Computers & Telecommunications		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		
RECONSTRUCTION (ROADS)					
Franklin Street , Dunalley	Reconstruction with chip seal surface			\$ 2,529	\$ -
Pearl Court, Dodges Ferry	Chip seal and lime stabilisation and stormwater culvert.			\$ 4,810	\$ -
Shark Point Road, Penna	Road recon from Wolstenholme Dr to new bridge.			\$ 5,910	\$ 4,400
Penna Road, Penna	Road recon from Olympic Av to Kirabati Rd plus footpath and drainage.			\$ 16,176	\$ 4,400
Three Street, Dodges Ferry	Three Street drainage upgrade and recon / seal.			-\$ 0	\$ -
479 Sugarloaf Road, Carlton River	Turning circle needs to be done.			\$ 30,866	\$ -
TOTAL Reconstruction (ROADS) 2025/26		\$ 2,919,900	\$ 2,936,376		



7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
CARRY OVERS - RECONSTRUCTION (ROADS)					
Delmore Road / White Hill intersection, Forcett	Partial reconstruction and reseal.			\$ 329	\$ -
Allambie Road, Orielton	Reconstruction with chip seal surface			\$ 22,453	\$ 235,525
BEST / SE Jobs Hub & Training Facility, Sorell	Dubs & Co Drive on street parking x 20 spaces.			\$ 102,594	\$ -
Payeena Street, Dodges Ferry	Project has become café to beaches with various components installed across different asset classes ie. bike racks, seating, fencing, line marking, wheel stops etc.			\$ 14,340	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Reconstruction (Roads)		\$ 842,239	\$ 647,865		
RESHEETING					
Valleyfield Road, Sorell	Segments 1,2,5,6			\$ 498,629	\$ 284,109
Pawleena Road, Pawleena	Segments 16-22				
Shrub End Road, Pawleena	Segments 11- 13				
Copping - various minor roads	Bryans, Browns & Dransfield				
Boathouse Rise, Lewisham	Segments 1 & 2				
Gillingbrook Road, Lewisham	Segments 2 - 9				
White Hill Road, Forcett	Segments 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, & 20 - 23				
Delmore Road, Forcett	Segment 9				
Inala Road, Forcett	Segments 1-3				
TOTAL Resheeting 2025/26		\$ 809,412	\$ 809,412		



7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
RESEALS					
Kellevie Road, Kellevie	Segments 9-11			\$ 191,565	\$ -
Nugent Road, Sorell	Segments 5 & 6				
Nugent Road & Delmore Road Intersection, Wattle Hill	Nugent Road Segments 16-24 Delmore Road Segments 29 & 30				
Pawleena Road, Sorell	Segments 5 & 6				
Walker Street, Sorell	Segments 1-7				
Bay Road, Boomer Bay	Segments 5-10 + Boomer Road Intersection				
Giblin Drive, Sorell	4 segments				
PREP WORK for all the above spread evenly for budget forecasting	PREP done by Depot				
White Hill Road, Forcett	Considerable drainage including culverts then reinforce seals.			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Reseals 2025/26		\$ 1,162,437	\$ 1,162,437		



7/01/2026	SORELL COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026				
Location	Detailed Description	Original Approved Budget 2025/2026	Adjusted Budget Approved by Council	This Financial year	Commitments
FOOTPATHS & CYCLEWAYS					
Tasman Highway, Sorell	Corner of Devenish Drive and Tasman highway up to Sorell Mews			\$ 15,688	\$ -
Gatehouse Drive & Weston Hill Road, Sorell	Gatehouse Drive - Weston Hill Dve to #38 concrete path @ 1.80m wide x 430m. Weston Hill Rd - missing link Gatehouse Dve concrete path @ 1.80m wide x 100m & 2 x ramps			\$ 665	\$ 371,232
Carlton Beach Road, Dodges Ferry	Carlton Beach Rd - East St to Raprinner St asphalt path @ 1.8m wide x 1800m - no design / provision for wet areas or restricted width from #129 to #137. Propose southern side from #149 to Raprinner, northern side from East to Taranna, ped crossing at #125/127 then along frontages of #129 to 137.			\$ 506	\$ 438,007
Tamarix Road, Primrose Sands	Stage 2 continuation of Tamarix Rd gravel loop to Petrel St access to beach via Grebe - 250m & 80m across Crown land.			\$ 52,096	\$ -
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Gravel path @ 2.0m wide x 290m - connecting recently finished n/s track across top of PP to Tasman Hwy at western end of PW 116185 - also need to connect to PW 102330.			\$ 53,990	\$ -
Gordon Street, Sorell	Banjoes to Sorell School.			\$ 501	\$ 58,700
Carlton River Road, Carlton	Between Dodges Hill Road and Convoy Road			\$ 506	\$ 160,954
Penna Road, Midway Point	Concrete footpath renewal Toongabbie to McKinly St			\$ 48,382	\$ -
Lewisham Scenic Drive, Lewisham	Asphalt 45m @ \$20k 'missing' piece from #96 - 100 Lewisham Scenic Dve			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Footpaths & Cycleways 2025/26		\$ 2,109,800	\$ 2,122,691		
CARRY OVERS - FOOTPATHS & CYCLEWAYS					
BEST / SE Jobs Hub & Training Facility, Sorell	Surrounding works, including landscaping.			\$ 311,970	\$ -
Midway Point, Penna Road	Penna Road pedestrian footpath and refuges.			\$ 764	\$ -
Sorell, Sorell Memorial Hall	Footpath/carpark modification.			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Footpaths & Cycleways		\$ 329,919	\$ 312,205		



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STORMWATER					
Moomere Street, Carlton Beach	Replacement of SP109944 & SD108047			\$ -	\$ -
Kuneeamee Street, Dodges Ferry	Kuneeamee St 25m x 300dia & grated pit @ \$27.5k			\$ -	\$ -
5 Jacobs Court, Dodges Ferry	5 Jacobs Court - Solution required to drain natural floodway into approved subdivision. Project Concept Approval Form required. Prelim sum only.			\$ -	\$ -
Municipality - Various	Minor capital works			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Stormwater 2025/26		\$ 132,500	\$ 132,500		
CARRY OVERS - STORMWATER					
South East Sports Complex, Sorell	Between cricket nets and stadium carpark - connect to SP109860.			\$ -	\$ -
Gatehouse Detention Basin, Sorell	Upgrade pipe above Gatehouse Detention Basin (headworks upgrade).			\$ -	\$ -
Municipality - Various	Grate replacement - various roads.			\$ -	\$ -
Main Road, Sorell	Stormwater pipe and pit			\$ -	\$ -
Lewisham, Whitlam Court	Stormwater upgrade design and construction.			\$ -	\$ -
Southern Beaches, Coastal Outfalls	Coastal & Estuarine Risk Mitigation Project (CERMP Grant). Upgrade stormwater and outfalls, rehabilitation, protection coastal estuary, weed control, improve ecological and hydrological study.			\$ 1,533,007	\$ 92,234
Southern Beaches, Blue Lagoon				\$ 87	\$ -
Southern Beaches, Carlton Estuary				\$ 1,332	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Stormwater		\$ 2,289,374	\$ 2,235,870		



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OTHER TRANSPORT					
Carlton Beach Road and Old Forcett Road, Dodges Ferry	All Access, All Weather Bus Stop Upgrade outside 17 Carlton Beach Road (existing bus stop at #21) & 550-552 Old Forcett Road, Dodges Ferry.			\$ 614	\$ 86,122
TOTAL Other Transport 2025/26		\$ 84,000	\$ 120,000		
CARRY OVERS - OTHER TRANSPORT					
Carlton Beach Road, Dodges Ferry	Bus stop upgrade at 35 Carlton Beach Road.			\$ 56,490	\$ 515
Park & Ride, Sorell	Bus stop upgrade.			\$ 127	\$ -
Municipality - Various	Replacement signs for rural towns / districts / areas.			\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL Carry Overs - Other Transport		\$ 305,470	\$ 305,470		



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PRELIMINARY WORK		-			
Nugent Road, Wattle Hill	Nugent Road and further boundary survey to cover actual road casement. Survey, site investigation, geotech & design for approach to transition curve.			\$ 2,028	\$ 17,580
Pawleena Road, Sorell	Flooding issue and reconstruction. Survey, geotech and design for corner improvements including widening without land acquisition.			\$ 2,429	\$ 17,179
Delmore Road, Forcett	Sealed corner west of Bankton Road. Survey, geotech & design.			\$ 108	\$ -
Hurst Street, Lewisham	200m reconstruction			\$ 2,193	\$ 15,915
Mary Street, Lewisham	Reconstruction at intersection with Franklin Street and construct top end that is currently unsealed.			\$ 2,193	\$ 15,915
Parnella Road, Dodges Ferry	Stage 2. Address SW pipe capacity (under capacity) between 19 Parnella - 5 Parnella Rd			\$ 502	\$ 9,606
Hobart Vintage Machinery Club site at Penna	Men's shed facility incl. trailer storage facility for Lions - prelim to allow design / site investigations & DA			\$ -	\$ -
Tasman Highway, Sorell	Corner Tasman Highway and Devenish upgrade Pipe and intake headwall (Headworks upgrade)			\$ 783	\$ 9,325
Brady Foreshore, Midway Point	Toongabbie to Brady foreshore gravel path @ 2.0m wide x 605m - past eastern side of scout hall to Brady St			\$ -	\$ -
Pitt Street, Dodges Ferry	Design / survey / scope provision for discharge option with SC122177			\$ 502	\$ 9,606
Primrose Sands Rd, Primrose Sands	Upgrade of gravel path from RSL to Tamarix Rd - principally to widen it and ideally do in concrete.			\$ 987	\$ -
Bally Park Road (Rotuli to East St)	Land survey costs			\$ 382	\$ -
CAC, Sorell	Community Precinct - Inspiring Place Aug 24 concept. Also, contingent on Men's Shed relocation occurring first so a 26/27 job. Prelim for tender issue subject to scope/plan/delivery confirmation of Men's Shed project at HVMC site @ Penna instead of Miena Park opposite Depot.			\$ -	\$ -
Shark Point Road, Penna	Risk treatment plan for landslip stormwater drainage risk. Design & scope only.			\$ -	\$ -
Sorell Football Club	Scoping of Sorell Football Club Building Upgrade			\$ 2,850	\$ -
TOTAL PRELIMINARY WORK 2025/26		\$ 290,000	\$ 290,000		



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CARRY OVERS - PRELIMINARY WORK					
Valleyview Close, Sorell	5 Valleyview Close Detention basin.			\$ 614	\$ 9,494
Jacobs Court, Dodges Ferry	SW design.			\$ 445	\$ 9,663
Carlton River Road, Carlton	Reconstruction - design only.			\$ 2,020	\$ 17,588
Edith Close, Forcett	Potential reconstruction - further investigation (survey & design) required to determine treatment.			\$ 1,863	\$ 13,245
TOTAL Carry Overs - Preliminary Work		\$ 79,517	\$ 79,517		
	Total Capital Jobs Carried Over to 2025/2026	\$ 6,621,009	\$ 6,094,431		
	Total 2025/2026 New Jobs	\$ 9,442,125	\$ 10,222,765		
	TOTAL 2025/26 CAPITAL BUDGET	\$ 16,063,134	\$ 16,317,196	\$ 5,065,136	\$ 2,827,620



19.0 PLANNING

Nil reports.

20.0 HEALTH AND COMPLIANCE

Nil reports.

21.0 ROADS AND STORMWATER

Nil reports.

22.0 FACILITIES AND RECREATION

Nil reports.



23.0 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC



In accordance with Regulation 36 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, Council will conduct a Public Question Time.

At each meeting the Mayor will invite those members of the public present to ask questions. When requested please:

- Stand up; and
- State clearly your name and address.

This time is allocated for questions from the public. Questions are to be kept brief and specific to the topic to which they relate.

Members of the public are reminded that questions and any answers to such questions are not to be debated.

Questions may be submitted to Council in writing at least seven (7) days before an ordinary Council meeting.

24.0 CLOSED MEETING



The Chief Executive Officer advised that in his opinion the listing of agenda item/s:

Reference	Item
24.1	Confirmation of the Closed Council Minutes of the Council Meeting of 9 December 2025– <i>Regulation 40(3)</i>
24.2	Disclosure of confidential information – <i>Regulation 17(7)</i>
24.3	Tender – Madison Lyden Park Amenities Block – <i>Regulation 17(2)(e)</i>

As prescribed items in accordance with Regulations 17 and 40 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, and therefore Council may by absolute majority determine to close the meeting to the general public.

RECOMMENDATION

"That the meeting be closed to the public to enable Council to consider agenda items 24.1 - 24.3 which are confidential matters as prescribed in Regulations 40 and 17 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025."



CLOSED MEETING

Members are advised that items listed below in the CLOSED SESSION AGENDA are classified as CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

A Councillor must not discuss any item listed in a CLOSED SESSION AGENDA with any person (except another elected member, the General Manager or the author of a report to the closed session of Council or a Council Committee) without a specific resolution of the Council or a Council Committee that considered the report.

Section 338A (1) of the *Local Government Act 1993* states that a Councillor must not disclose information:

- (a) seen or heard by the Councillor at a meeting or part of a meeting of a council or council committee that is closed to the public that is not authorised by the council or council committee to be disclosed; or*
- (b) given to the Councillor by the mayor, deputy mayor, chairperson of a meeting of the council or council committee or the general manager on the condition that it be kept confidential.*

Section 338A (3) states that a member must not disclose information acquired as such a member on the condition that it be kept confidential.

Additionally, Section 339 of the *Local Government Act 1993* states that:

- (1) A councillor or a member must not make improper use of any information acquired as a councillor or member.*
- (3) Improper use of information includes using the information –*
 - (a) to gain, directly or indirectly, an advantage or to avoid, directly or indirectly, a disadvantage for oneself, a member of one's family or a close associate; or*
 - (b) to cause any loss or damage to any council, controlling authority, single authority, joint authority or person.*



- 24.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE CLOSED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF 9 DECEMBER 2025
- 24.2 AUTHORISATION TO DISCLOSE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
- 24.3 TENDER C-25-B-003 – MADISON LYDEN PARK AMENITIES BLOCK



25.0 ACRONYMS



AGM	Annual General Meeting
AFL	Australian Football League
AIR	Australian Immunisation Register
ASU	Australian Services Union
ATO	Australian Taxation Office
AWTS	Aerated Wastewater Treatment Systems
BEST	Business and Employment Southeast Tasmania
CAC	Community Administration Centre
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CLRS	Councillors
CRM	Customer Request Management
CRDSJA	Copping Refuse Disposal Site Joint Authority
DEDTA	Department Economic Development, Tourism & The Arts
DECYP	Department for Education, Children and Young People
DPAC	Department of Premier & Cabinet
DPFEM	Department of Police, Fire and Emergency Management
DSG	Department of State Growth
DST	Destination Southern Tasmania
EBA	Enterprise Bargaining Agreement
EOI	Expressions of Interest
EOFY	End of Financial Year
EPA	Environment Permit Authority
EWaste	Electronic Waste
FMAC	Fire Management Assessment Committee
GM	General Manager
LGAT	Local Government Association of Tasmania
LPS	Local Provisions Schedule
LTFP	Long Term Financial Plan
MAST	Marine & Safety Tasmania
MEMC	Municipal Emergency Management Committee
NRE	Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania
NRM	Natural Resource Management
PWS	Parks and Wildlife Service
RDA	Regional Development Australia
RTI	Right to Information
SBIP	School Based Immunisation Program
SEI	South East Irrigation
SERDA	South East Region Development Association
SES	State Emergency Service
SPA	Sorell Planning Authority
STCA	Southern Tasmanian Councils Association
STRWA	Southern Tasmanian Regional Waste Authority
STRLUS	Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy
SWSA	Southern Waste Strategy Association
SWS	Southern Waste Solutions
TasCAT	Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal
TAO	Tasmanian Audit Office



AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
20 JANUARY 2026