

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of the Town of Vincent held at the Administration and Civic Centre, 244 Vincent Street, Leederville, on Tuesday 12 July 2005, commencing at 5.30pm.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Member, Mayor Nick Catania JP, declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

2. APOLOGIES/MEMBERS ON APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(a) Apologies:

Cr Helen Doran-Wu	North Ward
Cr Maddalena Torre	South Ward

(b) Present:

Mayor Nick Catania, JP	Presiding Member
Cr Steed Farrell (Deputy Mayor)	North Ward
Cr Simon Chester	North Ward
Cr Ian Ker	South Ward
Cr Sally Lake	South Ward
Cr Dudley Maier	North Ward
Cr Izzi Messina	South Ward
John Giorgi, JP	Chief Executive Officer
Rob Boardman	Executive Manager, Environmental and Development Services
Rick Lotznicher	Executive Manager Technical Services
Mike Rootsey	Executive Manager, Corporate Services
Annie Smith	Minutes Secretary

Nil Members of the Public

(c) Members on Leave of Absence:

Nil.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME & RECEIVING OF PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

Nil.

4. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION)

Nil.

6. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

- 6.1 Cr Maier declared a financial interest in Item 7.1 at page 6.78 relating to Community Based Projects. The nature of his interest being that his partner is employed by a group which may be a recipient of funding through this item.
- 6.2 Cr Lake declared a financial interest in Item 7.1 – Adoption of 2005/2006 Annual Budget at page 6.78 relating to Community Based Projects. The nature of her interest being that she is an employee of the Claise Brook Catchment Group which may be able to apply for funding through this Item.

Mayor Catania advised that Crs Lake and Maier had declared a financial interest in this Item at page 6.78 relating to Community Based Projects [clause (xiii) of the recommendation].

7.1 Adoption of 2005/2006 Annual Budget

Ward:	Both	Date:	5 July 2005
Precinct:	All	File Ref:	FIN0025
Attachments:	-		
Reporting Officer(s):	M Rootsey		
Checked/Endorsed by:	J Giorgi	Amended by:	

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council APPROVES BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY;

- (i) *the adoption of the Annual Budget for the year ending 30 June 2006 as distributed with this Agenda and "Laid on the Table";*
- (ii) *the Budget 2004/2005 surplus to be transferred to the Capital Reserve to fund future capital works;*
- (iii) *a general rate of 7.80 cents to be applied to all rateable property in the Town of Vincent for the year ending 30 June 2006;*
- (iv) *a minimum rate of \$480 for the year ending 30 June 2006, notwithstanding the general rate set out in (iii) above;*
- (v) *the following payment dates for payment of rates by instalments:*
 - (a) *Due Date/first instalment 6 September 2005;*
 - (b) *second instalment 7 November 2005;*
 - (c) *third instalment 5 January 2006; and*
 - (d) *fourth instalment 7 March 2006;*
- (vi) *a charge of \$4.00 per instalment for payment of rates by instalments, to apply to the second, third and fourth instalment in accordance with Section 6.45(4) of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 67 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996;*
- (vii) *an interest rate of 5.5% to be imposed on instalments, to apply to the second, third and fourth instalment in accordance with Section 6.45(3) of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 68 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996;*
- (viii) *an interest rate of 11% to be imposed on overdue rates in accordance with Section 6.51(1) of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 70 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996;*
- (ix) *an interest rate of 11% to be imposed on overdue amounts due to the Town in accordance with Section 6.13 of the Local Government Act 1995;*
- (x) *the gross rental valuations as supplied by the Valuer General totalling \$177,351,256 to be recorded in the Rate Book for use in the 2005/06 financial year;*
- (xi) *the Statutory Budget and Schedules Notes as shown in Section 4 (pages 4.1 to 4.38) of the Annual Budget;*

- (xii) *the capital works budget as shown in Section 5 (pages 5.1 to 5.9);*
- (xiii) *the detailed Operating Budgets as shown in Section 6 (pages 6.1 to 6.99) of the Annual Budget;*
- (xiv) *the Reserve Fund Budget for the financial year ending 30 June 2006 as set out on page 4.19 of the Annual Budget;*
- (xv) *the adoption of a rubbish charge of \$206 per 240 litre bin per annum for a weekly service for all non rateable property receiving the service;*
- (xvi) *the Hire Fees and Charges as set out in Section 8 (pages 8.1 to 8.19) of the Annual Budget for the financial year ending 30 June 2006; and*
- (xvii) *the creation of a new Reserve Fund known as "Hyde Park Lakes", pursuant to Section 6.11 of Division 4 of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 1995 and prescribes the purpose of the Reserve Fund to be;*
- "works associated with the investigation, maintenance, remedial works and the rehabilitation of the Hyde Park Lakes and surrounds";*
- and includes an amount of \$140,000 in this Reserve Fund (\$90,000 "carried forward" from 2004/2005 and \$50,000 has been allocated in the Annual Budget 2005/2006).*

Mayor Catania ruled that clause (xiii) would be put separately.

Crs Lake and Maier departed the Chamber at 5.35pm and did not vote or speak on the matter relating to clause (xiii).

Moved Cr Farrell, Seconded Cr Ker

That the recommendation be adopted.

Clause (xiii) page 6.78 – Community Based Projects - \$20,000 was put.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (5-0)

(Crs Doran-Wu and Torre were apologies. Crs Lake and Maier were absent from the Chamber and did not vote.)

Moved Cr Ker, Seconded Cr Messina

That Crs Lake and Maier be permitted to participate in the debate and voting of the remaining Items relating to the 2005/2006 Annual Budget.

CARRIED (5-0)

(Crs Doran-Wu and Torre were apologies. Crs Lake and Maier were absent from the Chamber and did not vote.)

Crs Lake and Maier returned to the Chamber at 5.35pm.

The Presiding Member advised Crs Lake and Maier that clause (xiii) page 6.78 – Community Based Projects - \$20,000 of the recommendation had been carried and that they had been granted approval to participate in the debate and voting of the remaining clauses relating to the 2005/2006 Annual Budget.

Clauses (i) – (xvii) (except page 6.78 – Community Based Projects - \$20,000) were put.

Moved Cr Lake, Seconded Cr Farrell

That a new clause (xviii) be added as follows:

“(xviii) to REQUEST the Chief Executive Officer to investigate the construction of a boardwalk at Robertson Park and external funding sources and provide a report the Council no later than 30 October 2005.”

Debate ensued.

AMENDMENT CARRIED (7-0)

(Crs Doran-Wu and Torre were apologies.)

MOTION AS AMENDED
CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY (7-0)*

(Crs Doran-Wu and Torre were apologies.)

*Note: Clause (xiii) page 6.78 – Community Based Projects - \$20,000 had previously been carried whilst Crs Lake and Maier were absent from the Chamber.

COUNCIL DECISION ITEM 7.1

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PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To present the Annual Budget 2005/06 to the Council for adoption.

BACKGROUND:

The Town's administration, in conjunction with the Elected members, have been preparing the Budget for 2005/2006 in keeping with the Council's Strategic Plan, Principal Activities Plan and adopted Works Programs.

An Elected Members Forum (which was open to the public) on the Draft Budget 2005/2006 was held on 12 May 2005.

The Draft Budget has been discussed at two Special Council meetings held on 17 and 31 May 2005 respectively. At the Special Council meeting of 31 May 2005 the Draft Budget 2005/06 was approved for community comment.

DETAILS:

1. Overview

The rate in the dollar has been reduced from 7.91 cents in the Draft Budget to 7.80 cents in the dollar. This is as a result of additional revaluation amounts being received from the Valuer General's Office and enabled an adjustment to be made to the rate in the dollar.

The Annual Budget 2005/06 for the Town of Vincent includes a varied program of works and projects for the Town to undertake in order to maintain its existing operations and to achieve its strategic goals, through new operational projects and capital works.

This year's Capital Works program budget includes two major redevelopment projects; these are:

- The Stage 2 Development of the Members Equity Stadium, which is to be fully funded by the State Government.
- Redevelopment of the Loftus Centre to provide:
 - The State Indoor Sports Centre, which will be funded from a combination of State Government; external contributions and the Town's reserve fund.
 - Modifications to the Loftus Centre and
 - A new Town Library and Local History Centre

This project will be funded from combinations of State Government funding, external contributions and the Town's Reserves Fund.

The Town will continue to provide an extensive capital works program from the Town's funding sources.

This year there is a proposed increase in funds for a number of the existing programs, notably the Footpath, Playground and Park Furniture Programs. The increase in the Footpath Program is as a direct response to community comments in the Community Satisfaction Survey which the Town conducted in November 2004.

Several new initiatives have been provided for in this year's Annual Budget, a number of these will relate to the senior members of our community. The new incentives include the following:

- Verge mowing for seniors and disabled
- Transport - vouchers/donations for Seniors and persons with disabilities
- Personal alarms for Seniors
- Commercial centre cleaning unit
- Heritage Grant Scheme

In addition funds have been allocated to enable preparatory work to commence on a number of longer term strategic projects for the Town, these include;

- The Leederville Masterplan;
- Economic Development Strategy; and
- Beatty Park Leisure Centre Feasibility/Redevelopment.

The format of the budget has been retained and continues to illustrate the links of the budget items to the key result areas and action plans in the Strategic Plan 2005-2010.

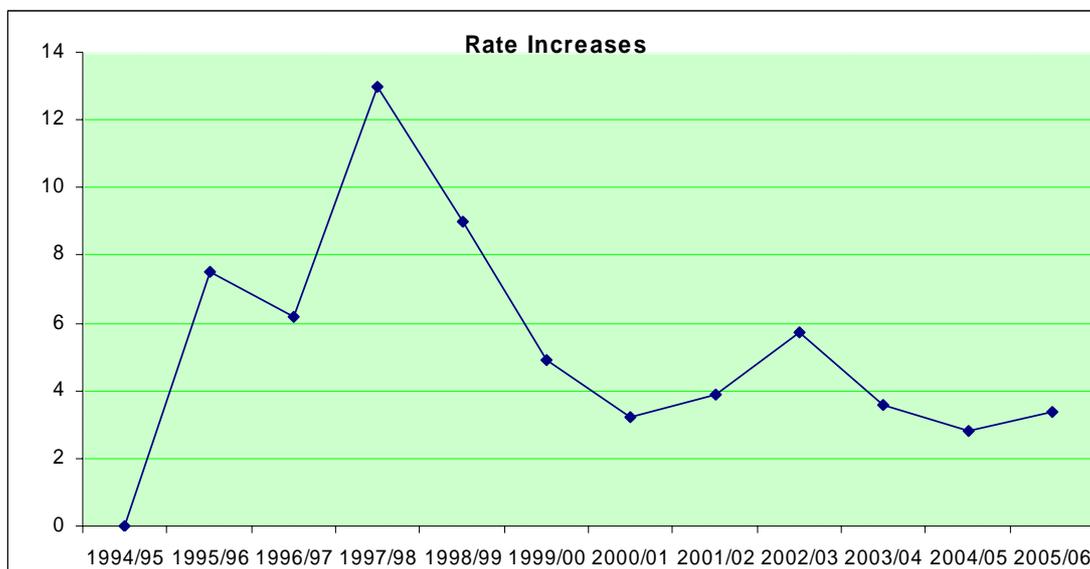
Listed below are the assumptions that have been used in the preparation of the Annual Budget 2005/06;

- The Annual Budget has been prepared with the proposed rate increase to be in line with inflationary pressures
- The inflation rate used in the preparation of this document has been 2.75%
- Salary estimates have been calculated in line with current salaries and increases in based on performance in accordance with the Local Government Award Band level increases. An allowance has been made for a flat percentage increase of 3% across the board for all full time permanent employees to maintain market parity (this increase will not apply to staff on employment contracts, including Chief Executive Officer, Executive and Operational managers).
- An increase in one permanent staff position has been requested for this year's Draft Budget, that is the position of Manager Special Projects.
- A continuation with the strategy of minimal funding of capital works program from reserve funds.
- Increase in funding for a number of the existing adopted programs.
- Reduction in the rate of the dollar for rates to take into account the triennial revaluation by the Valuer General's Office.

2. Key Financial Summary

The key financial features for the Annual Budget for 2005/06 include:

- Increase in the date in the dollar of 3.36%
- Rate revenue required \$13,930,991
- Operating revenue from other sources \$10,027,084
- Depreciation charges \$5,201,813
- New Capital Works Programme of \$36,346,233
- Reserve funding programme - \$1,325,200
- New Operating Costs - \$949,220



3. Capital Works

The significant items in the Capital Works Programme include:

Road Works - Rehabilitation	
Bulwer Street – William Street to Fitzgerald Street	\$270,000
London Street – Green Street to Gill Street	\$215,000
Walcott Street – Redfern Street to Wanneroo Road	\$104,949
Roads to Recovery Program	
Road to Recovery Program	\$153,000
Commercial Precincts Upgrade	
Mt Hawthorn Precinct	\$94,500
Beaufort Street Streetscape Improvements	
Tree planting	\$50,000
Streetscape Improvements	
Vincent Street - north of Oxford Street	\$50,000
Robertson Avenue street trees	\$15,000
Moir Street-street trees	\$15,000
Brookman Street-street trees	\$15,000

The Town of Vincent continues to provide its ongoing funding for its established Capital Works Programmes and has increased funding this year in a number of these programs.

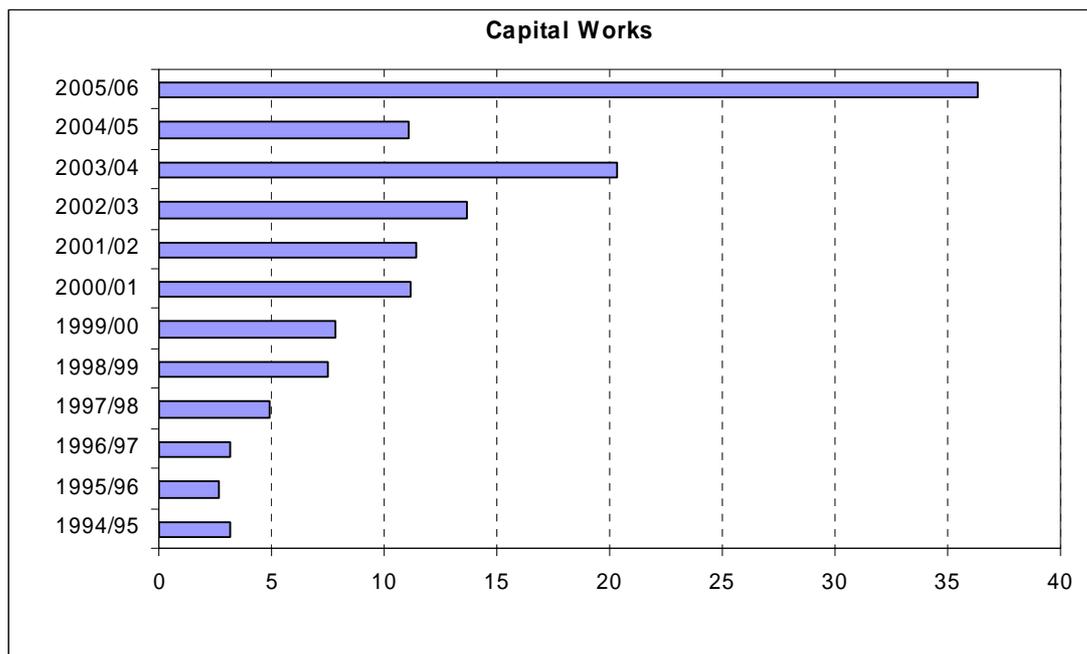
Slab Footpath Programme	\$450,000
Right of Way Programme	\$300,000
Road Resurfacing Programme	\$183,339
Car Parking Upgrade (Car Parking Strategy)	\$130,000
Playground Upgrade Programme	\$275,000
Park Furniture Upgrade	\$50,000

Other Major Capital Works will include the following:

- Funding of \$100,000 has been allowed for the installation of a number of parking ticket machines. The locations of these are yet to be determined.

Parks Development

- Funding has been included for the reticulation at Woodville Reserve - \$33,000
- The replacement of perimeter fencing at three reserves totalling \$32,000
- The establishment of a reserve for the Hyde Park Lake restorative project including a further \$50,000
- Funding for Artworks for the Wetlands Heritage trail of \$40,000
- An allocation of funds for facilities for dogs at our reserves of \$5,000



4. Rates

The Annual Budget as prepared estimates a **3.36%** increase in the rate in the dollar to fund the works as presented.

The Annual Budget proposes a single general rate of **7.80** cents in the dollar for the 2005/06 period and a minimum rate of **\$480** will apply for 2005/06 year.

Rates notices will be scheduled to be distributed by the 2 August 2005.

The **objective** of the minimum rate is to ensure that all ratepayers make at least a reasonable contribution towards the cost of services provided to ratepayers and properties within the Town. Without the minimum rate there would be wide range in rate relativities with some properties with lower gross rental values only paying a fraction of the rates paid on higher valued properties, while receiving the same level of services.

The **objective** of the rate in the dollar of **7.80** cents of gross rental value is to raise the balance of funding necessary to cover the Budget deficit after adjustment for the yield from the minimum rate.

Payment of Rates

The Local Government Act 1995 provides for ratepayers to pay rates by four instalments. The due dates for each instalment are:

First Instalment	6 September 2005
Second Instalment	7 November 2005
Third Instalment	5 January 2006
Fourth Instalment	7 March 2006

To cover the costs involved in providing the instalment programme the following charge and interest rates apply:

Instalment Administration Charge	\$4.00
(to apply to second, third and fourth instalment)	
Instalment Interest Rate	5.5% per annum
Late Payment Penalty Interest	11% per annum.

Pensioners registered with the Town for rate concessions do not incur the above interest or charge.

Rates Incentive Prize

The Town will again provide a service of rates incentive prizes to encourage payment of rates in full in the 35 day period.

- A Commonwealth Bank cash prize to the value of \$1,000.
- Overnight Refresher Accommodation Package at the Novotel Langley plus buffet breakfast for two in the Gazebo Restaurant.
- One night Breakaway Package at the Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle plus English breakfast for two in the Atrium Garden Restaurant.
- One night's accommodation for two at Hotel Northbridge in a Superior Queen Spa room.
- One night's accommodation at Hotel Grand Chancellor in a Superior room plus breakfast for two in the Seasons on Wellington Restaurant.
- One night in a standard family cabin at any Aspen Park in WA.
- Four \$50.00 vouchers to be redeemed at Siena's Pizzeria-Ristorante-Caffe.
- One \$50.00 voucher for dinner for two at The Oxford Hotel, Leederville.
- A DVD player donated by Retravision Leederville.

Rates Comparison

RATES COMPARISON 2004/2005

Municipality	Residential Rate (Cents)	General Minimum	Residential Rubbish	Other Charges	Total Account on GRV \$10440	Variation
<i>Perth</i>	5.3130	380	120		675	-21.6%
<i>Mosman Park</i>	7.2831	605	0		760	-11.6%
<i>Claremont</i>	7.3800	675	0	3	773	-10.1%
<i>Canning</i>	6.0400	390	156		787	-8.6%
<i>Cambridge</i>	7.6390	560	0		798	-7.3%
<i>Melville</i>	5.9436	431	170	36	827	-3.9%
<i>Fremantle</i>	8.0911	578	0		845	-1.8%
Vincent	8.2400	464	0		860	0.0%
<i>Stirling</i>	6.6910	505	148	18	865	0.5%
<i>Victoria Park</i>	8.4720	521	0		884	2.8%
<i>Peppermint Grove</i>	6.8040	618	175		885	2.9%
<i>East Fremantle</i>	8.5300	551	0		891	3.5%
<i>Joondalup</i>	7.0207	482	126	35	894	3.9%
<i>Wanneroo</i>	7.3877	478	127		898	4.4%
<i>Nedlands</i>	6.8170	761	198		910	5.7%
<i>Subiaco</i>	7.2403	415	180		936	8.8%
<i>South Perth</i>	7.6000	550	150		943	9.7%
<i>Rockingham</i>	7.6801	501	150		952	10.6%
<i>Cockburn</i>	6.2341	438	169	38	968	12.5%
<i>Gosnells</i>	7.9600	506	137		968	12.5%
<i>Kalamunda</i>	7.5700	435	182		972	13.0%
<i>Bayswater</i>	8.1075	491	185	3	1034	20.2%
<i>Belmont</i>	8.4040	540	168		1045	21.5%

RATES COMPARISON 2004/2005

Municipality	Residential Rate (Cents)	General Minimum	Residential Rubbish	Other Charges	Total Account on GRV \$10440	Variation
<i>Kwinana</i>	9.1092	480	134		1085	26.1%
<i>Bassendean</i>	10.6820	627	0	38	1153	34.1%
<i>Swan</i>	9.1100	500	140		1091	26.8%
<i>Mundaring</i>	10.0000	534	148	51	1243	44.5%
<i>Armadale</i>	11.0000	630	145		1293	50.4%

5. New Operating Items

An allocation of \$949,220 has been included for new operating items in this year's budget. There are a number of new initiatives and services allowed, the details of which are included below.

Additional funds to complete the Town Planning Scheme together with some extra funds to enable Stage 2 of the Beatty Park Conservation Plan to be finalised.

Money has been included on the Budget for Heritage Grants which will maintain properties that are listed on the Municipal Heritage Inventory.

Several new items have had funds allocated to them, relating to seniors in our community these include:

- Verge moving for seniors
- Transport seniors transport donation and assistance
- Finalisation of the seniors strategy

Significant funds have been allowed for the provision of a number of new software modules for our corporate system under the Information Services area, which will improve both our internal and external service provision. These are in the following areas:

- Asset Management
- Work Orders
- Budget and Performance Management
- Facilities Management

The budget has also allowed for approximately \$183,000 worth of work in the Specified Maintenance Budget, to ensure that the Council owned properties are fully maintained.

Specific funds have been allowed to enable the Town to commence on a number of long term strategic projects, these are:

- The Leederville Master Plan
- Economic Development Strategy
- Beatty Park Feasibility and Redevelopment

Finally funds have been allocated for the provision of one additional staff member and that is for the position of Special Projects Manager. This position will assist with the major projects in which the Town is currently planned to be involved in the short to medium term.

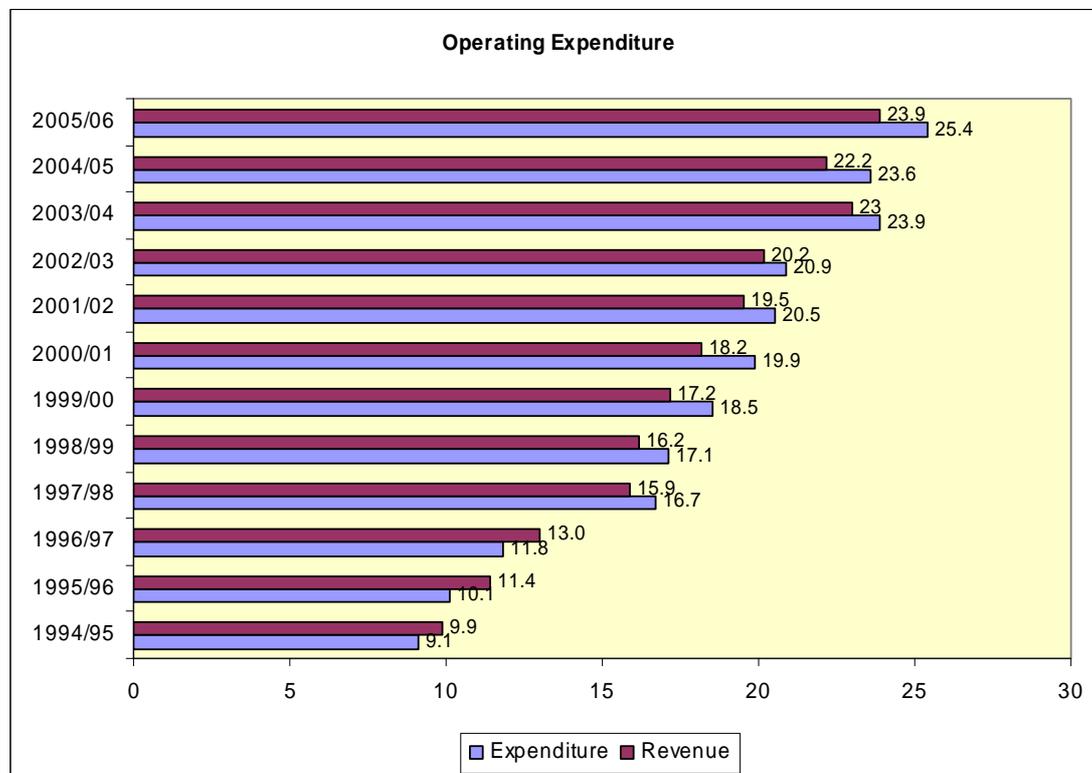
6. Operating Budget

The increase in the operating expenditure budget can be attributed to a number of factors, these include:

- Increase in tipping costs for waste disposal
- Recycling tender has accounted in an increase in the provision of this service
- New precinct cleaning unit approved by Council
- Full year loan repayment for the Department of Sport and Recreation (DSR) building
- Full year estimates for some new and redeveloped parks and reserves.

Revenue estimates for the year have increased for the following reasons:

- Significant increase in parking revenue
- Full year rent for the DSR office building
- Increase interest rates on funds invested from this years estimates



7. Interest on General Debtors

The Town of Vincent will impose a late payment interest of 11% per annum on overdue sundry debtor accounts.

8. Emergency Service Levy

The rate in the dollar to apply for the 2005/06 financial year is 0.142 cents. The levy is used to fund the State Fire and Emergency Services.

CONSULTATION/ADVERTISING:

As part of this process, this year again a community workshop was scheduled to be held on 7 April 2005 to provide information of the budget process and procedures as well as having input into the budget. However, this workshop was cancelled as only one (1) Member attended.

The Draft budget was advertised for thirty (30) days for public comment. At the close of the advertising period on 1 July 2005, one submission was received:

Warren McGrath, Chair of the Claise Brook Catchment Group.

In summary the submission commended the Council for the inclusion of \$20,000 for Community Based Environmental Projects. It also urged the Town Council to support the inclusion of a board walk at Robertson Park at an estimated cost of \$27,000 to be included in the Budget. The board walk will provide a controlled method of accessing the lake, without effecting the vegetation. It is considered important that the board walk be constructed now while the vegetation is becoming established, if it was done later the vegetation would be disturbed and also the public will make their own informal paths.

Chief Executive Officer's Comment:

This item was considered as part of the budget process. The Town's Executive Management Team did not support this item, primarily due to the significant funds that had already been spent on Robertson Park. However, it is suggested that should the Council wish to approve of this request, the Chief Executive Officer be requested to investigate the matter and possible external funding sources and provide a report to the Council.

LEGAL/POLICY:

The Local Government Act 1995 Section 6.2 requires each local government to prepare and adopt, in the form and manner prescribed, an annual budget prior to 31 August of each year.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

The preparation and adoption of the Annual Budget is in keeping with the Council's Strategic Plan 2005-2010 Key Result Area 4.1

"(a) Continue to develop a medium to long term Strategic Vision and Financial Plan to ensure the long term financial viability of the Town."

FINANCIAL/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The Annual Budget outlines the funding for works and services in the Town for the financial year ending 30 June 2006.

COMMENTS:

The Draft Budget 2005/06 includes a varied program of work and projects which will allow the Town to continue to maintain its existing operations, whilst allowing to implement new operational projects and initiatives, as well as capital works.

8. CLOSURE

The Presiding Member, Mayor Catania JP, declared the meeting closed at 5.42pm with the following persons present:

Cr Steed Farrell (Deputy Mayor)	North Ward
Cr Simon Chester	North Ward
Cr Ian Ker	South Ward
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These Minutes were confirmed by the Council as a true and accurate record of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 12 July 2005.

Signed:Presiding Member
Mayor Nick Catania, JP

Dated this day of 2005