

EastWaste

**EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

WEDNESDAY 26 APRIL 2023

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Audit and Risk Management Committee of the Eastern Waste Management Authority will be held in the **Boardroom, Thomson Geer, 7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide**, on Wednesday 26 April 2023, commencing at 8:00am.



**ROB GREGORY
GENERAL MANAGER**

Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to acknowledge this land that we meet on today is the traditional lands for the Kurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their country.

We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.

EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

AGENDA AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held on Wednesday 26 April 2023
commencing at 8:00am, in the Boardroom, Thomson Geer,
7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide

1. **PRESENT**
2. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**
3. **APOLOGIES**
4. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
5. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES:**
 - 5.1 *MEETING HELD 14 FEBRUARY 2023*
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**
7. **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**
8. **PRESENTATIONS**

Nil
9. **REPORTS**
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10. **CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

Nil
11. **OTHER BUSINESS**
12. **NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE**

The next Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting is to be held on:
Tuesday 13 June 2023, commencing 8:00am, in the Boardroom, Thomson Geer,
7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide
13. **CLOSURE OF MEETING**



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
OF THE EASTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

held on Tuesday 14 February 2023 in the Boardroom, Thomson Geer,
7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide

Meeting opened at 7.58am

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2. PRESENT

Mrs E Hinchey	Independent Member/Chair
Mr F Bell	Independent Board Chair
Ms S Di Blasio	Independent Member
Ms L Green	Independent Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr J Jovicevic	Dean Newbery
Mr R Gregory	General Manager
Mr D Maywald	Manager Business Services
Ms K Vandermoer	Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects
Ms P Foy	Executive Administration Officer

3. APOLOGIES

Nil.

4. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES – 25 October 2022

Moved Mr Bell that:

1. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 25 October 2022 be received and noted.
2. That the Confidential Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 25 October 2022 be received and noted.

Seconded Mrs Hinchey

Carried

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

7. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil.

8. REPORTS

8.1 AUDIT AND RISK CHAIR APPOINTMENT

Moved Mr Bell that the Audit & Risk Management Committee appoints Mrs Hinchey as the East Waste Audit & Risk Management Committee Chair for a period of 24 months.

Seconded Ms Di Blasio

Carried

8.2 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: BUDGET REVIEW TWO

Moved Ms Green that the Committee notes and accepts the forecasted end of year FY2023 result associated with the 2022/23 Budget Review Two and recommends to the Board for endorsement.

Seconded Mr Bell

Carried

Moved Mrs Hinchey that the Committee requests Management to analyse working capital and determine an appropriate figure for working capital.

Seconded Mr Bell

Carried

8.3 REVIEW OF BUDGET FRAMEWORK POLICY

Moved Ms Di Blasio that the Committee notes and accepts the revised Budget Framework Policy as presented in Attachment A and recommends for presentation to the East Waste Board.

Seconded Ms Green

Carried

8.4 DRAFT 2023/24 ANNUAL PLAN & BUDGET

Moved Mr Bell that:

1. The Committee notes and approves the draft 2023/24 Annual Plan for presentation to the Board.
2. The draft 2023/24 Draft Budget Key Assumptions are noted and supported for presentation to the Board.

Seconded Ms Di Blasio

Carried

Mr Bell left the meeting at 9.09am

Mr Jovicevic left the meeting at 9.16am

9. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 Management to provide an Annual Work Plan for the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting scheduling the presentation of key elements as per the Committee’s Terms of Reference.

11. NEXT MEETING OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The next Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting is to be held on: Wednesday 26 April 2023, commencing 8:00am, in the Boardroom, Thomson Geer, 7/19 Gouger Street, Adelaide.

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.44am

PRESIDING MEMBER

DATE

9.1: FINANCIAL REPORT – BUDGET REVIEW THREE

REPORT AUTHOR:	General Manager
ATTACHMENTS:	A: Summary Budget Movement – Budget Review 3
	B: Budgeted Statement of Comprehensive Income FY2023
	C: Budgeted Balance Sheet FY2023
	D: Budgeted Statement of Cash Flow FY2023
	E: Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity FY2023
	F: Budgeted Uniform Presentation of Finances Statement FY2023

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Committee with an opportunity to review the third review undertaken of the budgeted statutory Financial Statements (Budget Review Three) for the financial year ending 30 June 2023 as prescribed by the Regulations.

Background

At the meeting held 26 September 2022, the East Waste Board resolved (in part):

8.1 DRAFT FY2023 ANNUAL PLAN & BUDGET (REVISED)

Moved Cr Holmes-Ross that the Board:

- 1. Endorses the revised 2022/23 Annual Business Plan and Budget, inclusive of all projects and expenditure, as presented in Attachment A, effective from 1 August 2022.*

Seconded Mr Dilena

Carried

Report

Headlining the Budget Review Three figures (refer Attachments A-F) is a projected Year end surplus of \$552k, which is \$397k above the budgeted result and an increase reported at Budget Review 2 of \$126k. Fuel prices remain a key driver for the surplus with the price remaining lower than budgeted and forecasting predicts this to carry through until financial year end.

Members will note that an amendment to the information presented in the Summary Budget Movement Table (refer Attachment A), with both BR1 & BR2 figures included, allowing for greater tracking and transparency of budget movement across the year.

As reported at BR2, a delay in the receipt of trucks has resulted in a depreciation saving against budget of \$115k. This however has been offset by an increase in Fleet Maintenance of \$120k, which is a combination of running existing trucks for longer than anticipated (and incurring greater maintenance costs) and several unanticipated mechanical failures.

Administration proposes returning surplus funds to the Member Councils in line with *Section 61* of the *East Waste Charter* and the *Member Council Rebate & Distribution Policy* (presented for review in Agenda Item 9.3) at the conclusion of the Financial Year when the full end of year position is known.

During March, Administration met with The Local Government Finance Authority (LGFA), who East Waste currently undertake all borrowings and investments with, and discussed the option of utilising a CAD Facility rather than the current approach of 100% fixed borrowings. For East Waste this approach is supported by the LGFA and a brief overview will be provided at the meeting. Further and more detailed information will be provided through the review of the Long Term Financial Plan which will be presented to the June Committee meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee notes and accepts the forecasted end of year FY2023 result associated with the 2022/23 Budget Review Two and recommends to the Board for endorsement.

ITEM 9.1 - ATTACHMENT A

EAST WASTE Summary Budget Movement Worksheet for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2023

	Actual YTD - 31 March 2023	BR2	BR1	Adopted Budget	Actual YTD / BR2	Proposed BR3	Proposed Budget Movement
Administration Fee	193,536	255,174	255,174	255,174	76%	255,174	-
Common Fleet Costing	11,654,593	15,607,203	15,607,203	15,607,203	75%	15,607,203	-
Processing Income	4,045,554	5,718,759	6,197,723	6,092,723	66%	5,418,759	(300,000)
Bin Services & Maintenance	852,274	1,008,600	1,058,600	1,058,600	81%	1,053,600	45,000
Profit / (Loss) from Disposal	7,827	100,000	200,000	200,000	4%	65,000	(35,000)
Grant Income	-	75,000	75,000	75,000	0%	75,000	-
Other Income	34,590	33,218	23,218	23,218	149%	35,468	2,250
Total	16,788,373	22,797,953	23,416,918	23,311,917		22,510,203	(287,750)
Processing Expenses	4,078,868	5,718,759	6,197,723	6,092,723	71%	5,418,759	(300,000)
Bin Service & Maintenance Expenses	857,127	1,008,600	1,058,600	1,058,600	85%	1,053,600	45,000
Employee Costs	5,243,599	7,226,270	7,164,271	7,164,271	73%	7,256,270	30,000
Fleet Maintenance	1,442,562	1,722,051	1,722,051	1,722,051	84%	1,842,563	120,511.56
Depreciation	1,558,199	2,346,000	2,346,000	2,346,000	66%	2,231,000	(115,000)
Interest	244,335	371,000	371,000	406,000	66%	371,000	-
Fuel	1,630,126	2,450,000	2,852,172	2,852,172	67%	2,150,000	(300,000)
Other Expenses	1,319,673	1,530,574	1,515,574	1,515,574	86%	1,635,566	104,992
Total	16,374,489	22,373,254	23,227,391	23,157,391		21,958,757	(414,496)
Net Surplus	413,884	424,700	189,527	154,526		551,446	126,746
Non Operating Cash Flow	Actual YTD - 31 March 2023	BR2	BR1	Adopted Budget	Actual YTD / BR2	Proposed BR3	Proposed Budget Movement
Income							
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	-	100,000	200,000	200,000	0%	65,000	(35,000)
Proceeds from Borrowings	4,525,000	4,525,000	4,525,000	4,525,000	100%	4,525,000	-
Total	4,525,000	4,625,000	4,725,000	4,725,000		4,590,000	(35,000)
Expenses							
Fleet Replacement Costs	2,418,966	4,525,000	4,525,000	4,525,000	53%	4,525,000	-
Motor Vehicle Replacement	42,765	42,765	55,000	55,000	100%	42,765	-
Office Furniture & Minor Tools	-	20,000	50,000	50,000	0%	20,000	-
Operations Office Upgrade	63,600	90,000	40,000	40,000	71%	90,000	-
Plant Replacement	5,272	25,000	25,000	25,000	21%	25,000	-
Mechanic's Van Replacement	-	70,000	70,000	70,000	0%	70,000	-
Forklift Purchase	-	55,000	55,000	55,000	0%	55,000	-
Repayment of Borrowings - LGFA	1,263,389	1,896,000	1,896,000	1,896,000	67%	1,896,000	-
Repayment of Borrowings - Leases	200,261	263,000	263,000	263,000	76%	263,000	-
Total	3,994,253	6,986,765	6,979,000	6,979,000		6,986,765	-
Net Non-Operating Cash Flow	530,747	(2,361,765)	(2,254,000)	(2,254,000)		(2,396,765)	(35,000)

ITEM 9.1 - ATTACHMENT B

EAST WASTE						
Projected Statement of Comprehensive Income (Budgeted)						
for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2023						
FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	
Audited		Adopted	BR1	BR2	Movement BR3	
Actuals		Budget			V BR2	
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
	Income					
16,579	User Charges	21,955	22,060	21,581	21,281	(300)
10	Investment income	13	13	23	25	2
81	Grants, subsidies and contributions	75	75	75	75	-
932	Other	1,069	1,069	1,019	1,064	45
17,602	Total	23,112	23,217	22,698	22,445	(253)
	Expenses					
6,386	Employee Costs	7,164	7,164	7,174	7,204	30
9,303	Materials, contracts & other expenses	13,241	13,346	12,482	12,152	(330)
2,043	Depreciation, amortisation & impairment	2,346	2,346	2,346	2,231	(115)
246	Finance costs	406	371	371	371	-
17,978	Total	23,157	23,227	22,373	21,958	(415)
(376)	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(45)	(10)	325	487	162
7	Asset disposals & fair value adjustments	200	200	100	65	(35)
(369)	Net Surplus / (Deficit)	155	190	425	552	127
-	Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	-
(369)	Total Comprehensive Income	155	190	425	552	127

ITEM 9.1- ATTACHMENT C

EAST WASTE

Projected Balance Sheet (Budgeted)

for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2023

FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR1	BR2	BR3	Movement BR3 V BR2
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Assets					
	Current					
2,001	Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,056	2,101	2,355	2,397	42
935	Trade & Other Receivables	661	935	935	935	-
50	Inventory	-	50	50	50	-
2,986	Total	2,717	3,086	3,340	3,382	42
	Non-Current					
8,542	Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	11,022	11,016	11,024	11,139	115
8,542	Total	11,022	11,016	11,024	11,139	115
11,528	Total Assets	13,739	14,102	14,364	14,521	157
	Liabilities					
	Current					
1,436	Trade & Other Payables	1,145	1,361	1,361	1,361	-
1,940	Borrowings	2,355	2,355	2,355	2,355	-
778	Provisions	787	825	838	853	15
4,154	Total	4,287	4,541	4,554	4,569	15
	Non-Current					
6,410	Borrowings	8,351	8,361	8,361	8,361	-
114	Provisions	137	160	174	189	15
6,524	Total	8,488	8,521	8,535	8,550	15
10,678	Total Liabilities	12,775	13,062	13,089	13,119	30
850	Net Assets	964	1,040	1,275	1,402	127
	Equity					
850	Accumulated Surplus	964	1,040	1,275	1,402	127
850	Total Equity	964	1,040	1,275	1,402	127

EAST WASTE						
Projected Statement of Cashflows (Budgeted)						
for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2023						
FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023
Audited		Adopted	BR1	BR2	BR3	Movement
Actuals		Budget				BR3 V BR2
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	Cash Flows from Operating Activities					
	Receipts					
17,400	Operating Receipts	23,024	23,129	22,600	22,345	(255)
9	Investment Receipts	13	13	23	25	2
	Payments					
(6,245)	Employee costs	(7,071)	(7,071)	(7,054)	(7,054)	-
(9,613)	Materials, contracts & other expenses	(13,241)	(13,346)	(12,482)	(12,152)	330
(258)	Interest Payments	(406)	(371)	(371)	(371)	-
1,293	Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	2,319	2,354	2,716	2,793	77
	Cash Flows from Investing Activities					
	Receipts					
86	Sale of Replaced Assets	200	200	100	65	(35)
	Payments					
(2,305)	Expenditure on Renewal/Replaced Assets	(2,223)	(2,223)	(2,231)	(2,231)	-
(244)	Expenditure of New/Upgraded Assets	(2,597)	(2,597)	(2,597)	(2,597)	-
(2,463)	Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(4,620)	(4,620)	(4,728)	(4,763)	(35)
	Cash Flow from Financing Activities					
	Receipts					
2,031	Proceeds from Borrowings	4,525	4,525	4,525	4,525	-
	Payments					
(237)	Repayment of Lease Liabilities	(263)	(263)	(263)	(263)	-
(1,791)	Repayment of Borrowings	(1,896)	(1,896)	(1,896)	(1,896)	-
3	Net Cash Flow from Financing Activities	2,366	2,366	2,366	2,366	-
(1,167)	Net Increase (Decrease) in cash held	65	100	354	396	42
3,168	Cash & cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,991	2,001	2,001	2,001	-
2,001	Cash & cash equivalents at end of period	2,056	2,101	2,355	2,397	42

EAST WASTE						
Projected Statement of Changes in Equity (Budgeted)						
for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2023						
FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	
Audited		Adopted	BR1	BR2	BR3	
Actuals		Budget				
\$		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
					Movement BR3 V BR2	
					\$'000	
1,219	Balance at Start of Period - 1 July	809	850	850	850	-
(369)	Net Surplus / (Deficit) for Year	155	190	425	552	127
-	Contributed Equity	-	-	-	-	-
-	Distribution to Councils	-	-	-	-	-
850	Balance at End of Period - 30 June	964	1,040	1,275	1,402	127

ITEM 9.1 - ATTACHMENT F

EAST WASTE

Projected Uniform Presentation of Finances (Budgeted)
for the Financial Year Ending 30 June 2023

FY2022		FY2023	FY2023	FY2023	FY2023
Audited Actuals		Adopted Budget	BR1	BR2	BR3
\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
17,602	Income	23,112	23,217	22,698	22,445
(17,978)	Expenses	(23,157)	(23,227)	(22,373)	(21,958)
(376)	Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(45)	(10)	325	487
Net Outlays on Existing Assets					
(2,305)	Capital Expenditure on Renewal and Replacement of Existing Assets	(2,223)	(2,223)	(2,231)	(2,231)
2,043	Depreciation, Amortisation and Impairment	2,346	2,346	2,346	2,231
86	Proceeds from Sale of Replaced Assets	200	200	100	65
(176)		323	323	215	65
Net Outlays on New and Upgraded Assets					
(244)	Capital Expenditure on New and Upgraded Assets	(2,597)	(2,597)	(2,597)	(2,597)
-	Amounts Specifically for New and Upgraded Assets	-	-	-	-
-	Proceeds from Sale of Surplus Assets	-	-	-	-
(244)		(2,597)	(2,597)	(2,597)	(2,597)
(796)	Net Lending / (Borrowing) for Financial Year	(2,319)	(2,284)	(2,057)	(2,045)

9.2: TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY REVIEW

REPORT AUTHOR: Manager Business Services
ATTACHMENTS: A: Draft Treasury Management Policy

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Audit & Risk Management Committee (the Committee) with an opportunity to review the revised *East Waste Treasury Management Policy (the Policy)*, prior to being presented to the East Waste Board for endorsement.

Background

The Policy was first developed in 2018, to provide clear direction on how required borrowings will be raised, if relevant, when and how reserves are created and maintained and how cash and investments will be managed to fund East Waste operations.

The Policy was last reviewed in April 2021 and is now due for cyclic review.

Report

The revised Policy is presented in Attachment A, with the proposed changes being highlighted in red font for ease of reference.

Administration have deemed that the Policy is still relevant and the suggested changes ensure the Policy references the current Charter and assists in providing greater clarity and/or consistency with other like policies and do not change the intent of the Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

The Audit & Risk Management Committee notes and recommends the revised *Treasury Management Policy* as presented in Attachment A, for presentation to the East Waste Board.

TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY	
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Type	Governance
Category	Finance
First Issued/Adopted	April 2018
Minutes Reference	
Review Period	24 36 Months
Last Reviewed	April 2023
Next Review	April 2026
Applicable Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Local Government Act 1999</i> • <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011</i>
Related Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Waste Charter • East Waste Strategic Plan 2030 • East Waste Long Term Financial Plan • Budget Framework Policy • Member Council Rebate & Distribution Policy
Consultation Undertaken	Audit & Risk Management Committee
Responsible Officer	Manager Business Services

SIGNED:

General Manager

Date: ___/___/___

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Chairperson

Date: ___/___/___

Purpose

The Eastern Waste Management Authority (East Waste) is committed to operating in a financially sustainable manner, at all times. The Treasury Management Policy (the Policy) sets out the key principles and criteria with regard to East Waste's treasury function and assists with provides a framework which underpins East Waste's decision-making activities relating to regarding the financial operations as included in the Annual Budget, Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) and associated projected and actual cash receipts and outlays.

The Policy outlines how the required borrowings will be raised, if relevant, when and how reserves are created and maintained and how cash and investments will be managed to fund East Waste operations.

The Policy establishes a decision framework to ensure that:

- Funds are available as, and when required to support approved outlays; and
- Risks around Interest rates and other risks are acknowledged and responsibly managed.

This policy applies to all financial assets/liabilities and reserves, including finance leases except for the following specific exclusions:

- Creditors and Provisions (liabilities); and
- Bank Guarantees.

Background

The Eastern Waste Management Authority (herein referred to as East Waste) East Waste recognises its obligation to continuously improve management systems, as an integral process in its Officers meeting due diligence requirements.

As such, the organisation is committed to implementing this process and assisting its Officers to meet due diligence requirements through the organisations long term / annual plan and budget.

This policy provides a framework relating to the treasury requirements of the organisation.

Definitions

Refer to the East Waste Charter, Budget Framework Policy and Australian Accounting Standards for definitions where required.

Principles

1. Investments

The following statement is made with consideration to, and in accordance with, the requirements of Clause 61 of the East Waste Charter – Distributions to Constituent Councils. Clause 61 states:

'The Authority must pay or credit surplus funds to the Constituent Councils in proportion to their shares to the extent the Board determines the Authority can afford to pay having regard to future expenditure the Business Plan anticipates be incurred.'

'The Authority must pay or credit surplus funds to the Constituent Councils in proportion to their Common Fleet Collection Percentages to the extent the Board determines the Authority

can afford to pay having regard to future expenditure the Business Plan anticipates be incurred.'

Any surplus funds that are not immediately required to meet ~~for~~ operational expenditure needs and which cannot be applied to either reduce existing borrowings or ~~avoid the raising of new borrowings~~ will be invested in accordance with this Policy.

Investments will be made in a prudent manner having regard for the prevailing economic climate, projected interest rate movements and future cash requirements.

Cash investments are to be limited to:

- Deposits with the Local Government Finance Authority.

Unless it is financially advantageous to do so, the maturity date for fixed term investments should not exceed a point in time where the funds could otherwise be applied cost effectively to either defer the need to raise new borrowings, access existing overdraft facilities or reduce the level of East Waste's existing borrowings.

All investments are to be made exercising care, diligence and skill taking into consideration:

- The purpose of the investment.
- The likely income return and timing of income return.
- The period in which the investment is likely to be required.
- The cost of making and maintaining the investment.
- An assessment on future interest rate movements.
- The liquidity and marketability of the proposed investment; and
- An assessment of future cash flow requirements.

2. Borrowings

Borrowings are not a form of revenue and do not replace the need for East Waste to generate sufficient operating revenue to service daily operating requirements. Borrowings are a useful and valid mechanism to:

- acquire and / or construct new long-term assets that will be used to provide services; and
- manage short-term timing differences between operating cash inflows and outflows.

East Waste manages its funds holistically within the constraints of the Annual Business Plan and adopted Budget and LTFP.

All borrowings are to be made exercising care, diligence and skill in the consideration of:

- Current risk profile.
- Current economic factors.
- The period over which the funds are likely to be required.
- Expected short and long term view of interest rate trends.
- East Waste's overall debt maturity profile and mix.
- Cost of funding.
- Cost differentials between fixed and variable facilities.
- Long term capacity of repayment of loans.
- The rationale for the borrowings; and

- The cost of making and maintaining the borrowing.

3. Authority to Borrow

In accordance with Clause 11.3 of the East Waste Charter, the Board may not delegate the power to borrow money or obtain any other form of financial accommodation unless authorised in an Annual **Business** Plan.

Budgeted borrowings that are not taken out within the financial year for which they are approved are not carried over into the following year and the delegated authority to borrow those funds lapse. A new budgeted borrowings limit is then established as part of the following year's budget.

As per the requirements of the Local Government Finance Authority, the East Waste Board must authorise all borrowings by way of resolution (typically through the endorsement of the Annual Business Plan).

4. Quotations

East Waste will utilise the Local Government Finance Authority as its **primary preferred** supplier when undertaking new borrowings or investment of surplus cash. The Local Government Finance Authority provides significant support to the industry and applies bonus return payments to Councils and Subsidiaries from its profits.

From time to time, at intervals of no more than every **two three (3)** years, **East Waste will undertake a market testing exercise for borrowings to** compare against the Local Government Finance Authority to ensure they continue to deliver the value to the community (after taking into account all relevant factors, including bonus amounts paid and bonus discounts received).

5. Maintain Sufficient Funds to Meet Liabilities

~~In order to~~ To ensure liabilities are met as and when they fall due and to maintain business continuity, East Waste shall maintain a suitable balance of funds held in any operating account on an 'at call' basis to meet current period projected financial obligations. These limits shall be considered when preparing the Annual Plan and Budget, Budget Reviews and LTFFP.

East Waste's Executive Management team will monitor the level of cash and working capital requirements on a weekly basis.

6. Reporting

On or before 30 November each year, the East Waste Board shall receive, via the Audit and Risk Management Committee, a specific report regarding treasury management performance relative to the criteria specified in this policy.

The report will highlight:

- The amount of each East Waste borrowing and investment, its interest rate, maturity date and any changes in holdings since the previous report; and
- If applicable, the proportion of fixed interest rate and variable interest rate borrowings at the end of the reporting period.

9.3: REBATE AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY REVIEW

REPORT AUTHOR: Manager Business Services

ATTACHMENTS: A: Draft Rebate & Distribution Policy (Revised)

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Audit & Risk Management Committee (the Committee) with an opportunity to review and comment on the revised East Waste Rebate & Distribution Policy (the Policy), prior to presentation to the Board for endorsement.

Background

In April 2021 a Rebate & Distribution Policy was developed to provide further clarity and consistency above and beyond the Charter on when and how any additional funds will be returned to the Constituent Councils.

The Policy has now been in place for two (2) years and is now due for cyclic review.

Report

Since the Policy was first adopted a review and amendment of the Charter has provided greater clarity on how additional funds are distributed to Constituent Councils. Previously Section 61 of the Charter stated that Surplus funds are to be returned to Council's based on their share value which is an even split between all Constituent Councils. However, the current Charter has been updated/amended to state that surplus funds must be paid or credited to Constituent Council's based on their Common fleet Percentages as per the below extract from the Charter:

'The Authority must pay or credit surplus funds to the Constituent Councils in proportion to their Common Fleet Collection Percentages to the extent the Board determines the Authority can afford to pay having regard to future expenditure the Business Plan anticipates be incurred.'

The revised Policy as presented has been updated to reflect the amended Charter along with other changes which are designed to provide additional clarity, guidance and take into consideration if a Member Council joins East Waste part way through a financial year.

For the Committee's reference changes to the Policy have been highlighted in red font (refer Attachment A – Draft Rebate & Distribution Policy).

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee notes and recommends the revised Rebate & Distribution Policy as presented in Attachment A, for presentation to the East Waste Board.

MEMBER COUNCIL REBATE & DISTRIBUTION POLICY



Type	Governance
Category	Finance
First Issued/Adopted	April 2021
Minutes Reference	
Review Period	24 36 Months
Last Reviewed	April 2023
Next reviewed	April 2026
Applicable Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Government Act 1999 • Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011
Related Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Waste Charter • East Waste Strategic Plan 2030 • East Waste Long Term Financial Plan • Budget Framework Policy • Treasury Management Policy
Consultation Undertaken	Audit & Risk Management Committee
Responsible Officer	Manager, Corporate Services Business Services

SIGNED:
General Manager

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

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Chairperson

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Purpose

This Policy establishes a framework, ~~which is to be applied~~ when issuing ~~applying~~ Rebates to Constituent Councils ~~for~~ waste management charges and/or ~~paying~~ payment of Distributions ~~from retained earning balances held by East Waste.~~

The Policy serves to provide guidance to ~~the~~ Constituent Councils, ~~the~~ Board and Administration of East Waste to ~~assist in the assessment and calculation of any~~ ~~determine on what grounds a Member Council is entitled to receive a~~ waste collection Rebates and/or Distribution of funds.

~~This Policy outlines the matters to be considered by East Waste when determining whether a rebate and/or distribution is to be applied.~~

Background

Each year, East Waste sets a budget for the following financial year in accordance with ~~the~~ East Waste's Charter, ~~the~~ requirements of the Local Government Act 1999, Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011 and the principles outlined within the Budget Framework Policy.

Despite ~~the~~ undertaking a rigorous budgeting process and ~~implementing~~ diligent financial management ~~practices~~, external factors, cost overruns and/or the implementation of efficiencies will result in end of year variations.

Section 61 of the Charter states:

61. DISTRIBUTIONS TO CONSTITUENT COUNCILS

~~The Authority must pay or credit surplus funds to the Constituent Councils in proportion to their Shares to the extent the Board determines the Authority can afford to pay having regard to future expenditure the Business Plan anticipates be incurred.~~

~~The Authority must pay or credit surplus funds to the Constituent Councils in proportion to their Common Fleet Collection Percentages to the extent the Board determines the Authority can afford to pay having regard to future expenditure the Business Plan anticipates be incurred.~~

~~As Member Councils have an equal share in the assets, liabilities and revenue of the Authority, it is appropriate that any significant distributions are done so equally.~~

Where net surpluses are derived these are to be returned on the same basis they were generated: that is the Common Fleet Percentages or the year they were generated., ~~these are provided by the Councils on their Common Fleet Costing Charge and therefore any return should be on the same basis.~~

Definitions

<p>Common Fleet Costing Charge</p>	<p>The charge to each Member Council which represents all direct and administrative costs associated with the delivery of waste collection, fleet maintenance, waste management administration, education & promotions activities, regulatory compliance and funding debt servicing obligations related to common fleet plant & equipment related activities. The actual charge is apportioned based on the Common Fleet Percentage of the Member Council.</p> <p>The Common Fleet Costing Charge also incorporates an additional charge to Member Councils to incorporate any Return on Revenue targets imposed by this Policy.</p>
<p>Common Fleet Costs</p>	<p>Common Fleet Costs represent all direct and administrative costs associated with the delivery of waste collection, fleet maintenance, waste management administration, education & promotions activities, regulatory compliance and funding debt servicing obligations related to common fleet plant & equipment related activities.</p>
<p>Common Fleet Percentage</p>	<p>Calculated from data collected from each East Waste Fleet Truck over the previous 12-month period. The Common Fleet Percentage (CFP) is the portion of time taken to undertake the 5 core services (household kerbside collections (waste, recycling & organics), street & reserve litter bins and hard rubbish) for each Member Council. This is represented as a percentage of the total time, for the previous 12 months and is used as a basis for the Common Fleet Costing Charge.</p> <p>Revised CFP allocations are applied to Common Fleet Cost charges annually or when significant variations occur (eg. new service added or new Council enters commences with East Waste).</p>
<p>Constituent Council Share</p>	<p>As detailed in <i>Section 57</i> of the <i>East Waste Charter</i>, all Member Councils hold an equal equitable ownership interest share in East Waste.</p>
<p>Distribution</p>	<p>Refers to cash payments made by East Waste to Constituent Councils which represent a return on equity. Distributions are paid to Constituent Councils based the principles set out in <i>Section 61</i> of the <i>East Waste Charter</i>.</p>
<p>Member Councils</p>	<p>Also known as Constituent Councils, are those Councils which are referred to in <i>Section 1</i> of the <i>East Waste Charter</i>.</p>
<p>Model Financial Statements</p>	<p>Refers to the Model Financial Statements described in Regulation 4(3) of the <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011</i>.</p>
<p>Net Surplus</p>	<p>Refers to the Net Surplus as calculated on the Statement of Comprehensive Income per the Model Financial Statements.</p>
<p>Non-Member Councils</p>	<p>Councils, organisations or waste related services, provided outside of existing Constituent Councils (as referred to in <i>Section 1</i> of the <i>East</i></p>

MEMBER COUNCIL REBATE & DISTRIBUTION POLICY

	<i>Waste Charter</i>). A differential rate is to be applied to activities provided to non-Member Councils.
Proposed Fees	The indicative Common Fleet Costing Charge, Corporate Administration Fee, waste and processing fees (where applicable) and any other charges which the Authority intends to charge Member Councils in the subsequent Financial Year.
Rebate	Represents a reduction in waste collection fees charged to Constituent Councils. Rebates can be represented by either a reduction in future Common Fleet Costing Charge or by a physical payment of funds. A rebate is reflected as operating expense to East Waste in the financial year it is either paid and/or applied against Common Fleet Costing Charges.

Principles

East Waste's The Board will assess at each budget review whether:

- Adopted Common Fleet Charges are appropriately set to recover all costs in accordance with the principles set in the Budget Framework Policy.
- Whether there are surplus cash funds held by East Waste for which consideration should be given to returning those funds to Member Councils.

Any/all distributions paid must conform with the requirements of the Charter **and this Policy**.

A rebate may be returned to the Member Councils in line with the most appropriate set of Member Council Common Fleet percentages. **In instances where a new Council joins East Waste, the Common Fleet Percentage will be adjusted to reflect the portion of time that they have been a member of East Waste.**

In assessing whether East Waste has a deemed surplus cash reserve which can be returned to Member Councils, the following at minimum should be considered:

1. Assessment of Projected Current & Future Working Capital Requirements

The Board will review the projected short-term and long-term working capital requirements of East Waste giving regard to the adopted budget and LTFP to ensure that at all times, East Waste has appropriate levels of cash reserves to meet all current and future financial (actual and anticipated) obligations (this includes for loan repayments and for future capital expenditure not funded via loan borrowings).

2. Compliance with East Waste Policies

Prior to any return of cash funds, assessment as to East Waste's compliance with other applicable Policies is to be considered. In particular, compliance with Treasury Management and Budget Framework Policies is to be factored in the decision-making process.

3. Adopted Budget & Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP)

In assessing whether East Waste has the financial capacity to return any surplus cash funds reserves held, consideration of the financial impact of such a payment on the adopted budget and / or the LTFP is to be assessed depending on the nature of the payment.

At minimum, the following will be considered as part of the Board's decision-making process:

- For the payment of a rebate, an assessment of the financial impact on the adopted budget will be required.

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9.4: ANNUAL REPORTING CALENDAR

REPORT AUTHOR: Coordinator Finance & Strategic Projects

ATTACHMENTS: A: Annual Reporting Calendar

Purpose of the Report

To provide the Committee with a schedule and tracking calendar that details East Waste's key Annual Reporting requirements.

Report

At the February Audit & Risk Management Committee (the Committee) meeting, a request was made for Administration to develop an Annual Work Plan schedule for the Committee's reference. In developing this, Administration identified value in expanding this to include requirements for the Board, and therefore have all annual reporting requirements combined into a single holistic document.

The attached schedule (refer to attachment A) provides a snapshot of East Waste's key agenda items for both the Audit & Risk Management Committee and Board Meetings for the calendar year. The schedule will be updated each meeting to reflect the status of items, which will provide confidence to the Audit and Risk Management Committee and the Board that all key legislative requirements are identified and met. Administration acknowledge additional actions and reporting will be required under the Risk Management section, once a separate piece of work currently being undertaken in this space is complete.

It is intended that the report will be a standing item on the Audit & Risk and Board Agendas and feedback on the Annual Reporting calendar will be sought at the meeting.

Recommendation

That the Committee supports the *East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar*, as presented in Attachment A, as a base document for tracking the key legislative and governance reporting requirements.

Attachment A – East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar

East Waste Annual Reporting Calendar Board and Audit & Risk Management Committee 2023

	Feb	Apr/May	Jun	Sep	Nov
Audit & Risk Committee Meeting	Feb 14	Apr 26	Jun 13	Sep 12	Nov 14
Board Meeting	Feb 23	May 04	Jun 22	Sep 21	Nov 23

Meeting	Financial					
B	A&R	Budget Review 2	✓			
B	A&R	Draft Annual Plan & Budget Assumptions	✓			
B	A&R	Budget Review 3				
B	A&R	Interim Audit Report				
B		Annual Plan and Budget Endorsement				
B		Review of Confidential Orders				
B	A&R	Presentation of Draft Audited Financial Statements & Meeting with Auditor				
B	A&R	Regulation 10 Financial Report				
B	A&R	Presentation of Draft Annual Report for Endorsement				
B	A&R	Budget Review 1				
B	A&R	Treasury Management Performance Report				
		Governance				
B	A&R	Board & Committee Appointments				
B		Annual Education Summary Report				
B		Lodgment of RPD, Primary, and Ordinary Returns				
B	A&R	General Manager Performance Review				
B	A&R	Risk Management Framework				
B	A&R	Policy Review Schedule				
B	A&R	Audit & Risk Management Committee Performance Evaluation				
B		Board Performance Evaluation				
B	A&R	Proposed Meeting Schedule for Proceeding Year				
		Risk				
B	A&R	Strategic Risk Register Review				