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Introduction

The South West Group, formed in November 1983, is a Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (VROC) comprising of the following Member Councils:

- » City of Cockburn
- » Town of East Fremantle
- » City of Fremantle
- » City of Kwinana
- » City of Melville
- » City of Rockingham

Collectively, the Member Councils represent the South West Metropolitan Region of Perth with a population of over 425,000 and a growth rate of almost 10% over the period 2012 to 2017.

The South West Group's Vision, taken from the 2015 to 2025 Strategic Plan, is:

South West Metropolitan Region The economic gateway to the west

We will collaborate and co-operate to achieve our vision by focusing our strategic efforts in five key focus areas that will be central to our continued regional success and viability:

- » Industry and employment, including tourism;
- » Trade, freight and logistics;
- » Liveable communities;
- » Knowledge and education; and
- » Climate change adaptation.

The Vision is supported by the South West Group's Mission

Be informed, responsive and respected as the economic gateway to the West.

The South West Group will collaborate to maximise quality of life within the region by influencing and informing future planning and infrastructure delivery.



Role and Function

The South West Group acts as a regional advocate for increased investment, sustainable development, employment creation and the future wellbeing of South West Metropolitan Region of Perth and its residents.

The South West Group seeks to position Local Government as a facilitator, leader and senior partner in the future development and decision-making processes that impact on the Region. This approach seeks to place Local Government in a more influential position in determining positive outcomes for the Region and the community it serves.

The South West Group undertakes an internal collaboration role on matters specific to the organisation and Member Councils, and an external lobbying and advocacy role involving regional stakeholders such as State and Federal Government agencies and Members of Parliament (MPs), private sector organisations, business associations and industry groups.



Board of Management

Chair's Report

2017/18 was marked by the departure of the long serving Director of the South West Group, Mick McCarthy to undertake a senior role with the City of Melville. Mick's outstanding contribution to the South West Group included initiating study tours and developing and implementing the Regional NRM Strategy. Mick was effective in the advocacy for the Region and lobbying for infrastructure commitments from Government. He put particular emphasis on progressing concepts for light rail within the Region.

I welcome Tom Griffiths as the new Director of the South West Group who was selected from a very strong field of candidates. Tom commenced as Director in June 2018.

Work continued throughout 2017/18 on strengthening relationships with Members of Parliament, both at Federal and State levels. This assisted in raising the awareness of Regional issues and gaining favour for Regional projects requiring investigation, commitment and funding support.

The South West Group continued to implement key initiatives outlined in the Strategic Plan 2015 to 2025 and associated annual work plans. The Director worked closely with Member Council Directors and other stakeholders to achieve alignment of objectives, strategies, priorities and actions.

The South West Group Board economic development tour to Singapore in April 2018 exposed Board Members and Senior Staff to an advanced planned economy including:

- I. Density developments
- 2. Public transport integration
- 3. Port development
- 4. Green sustainability initiatives

These are issues that the Region and Member Councils are currently dealing with or likely to be examined in the future.



The State Government's flagship Metronet program submitted business cases to the Federal Government for high priority projects, including the Thornlie to Cockburn Central south circle connection, a critical transport link for the South West Metropolitan Region.

Submissions and advocacy continued to focus on the importance of long term infrastructure planning to the region including close engagement with the Westport Taskforce and submissions on the formation of Infrastructure WA. This included the South West Group submitting a list of projects as input into the development of the State's 20 Year Infrastructure Strategy.

I would like to thank all the Mayors and CEOs from the Region for their support over the past twelve months in efforts to address the challenges facing a rapidly growing Region and look forward to collaborating on initiatives and opportunities over the coming years. Finally, I wish to thank Mick McCarthy for his invaluable contribution to the South West Group over a period of over six years.

Mayor Russell Aubrey Chair South West Group

Board of Management

Director's Report

Over the past twelve months the South West Group has examined a diverse range of regional issues such as synergies between integrated transport and land use planning, the Westport process, infrastructure provision, light rail, affordable housing and natural resource management.

The Group has been a strong advocate for integrated transport and land use planning, and emerging modes of mass transit such as light rail. The South West Group welcomed the updating of the draft Perth and Peel Transport Plan for 3.5 Million and Beyond and expects that it will provide greater certainty for transport planning by Local Governments.

The South West Group worked with consultants and held a workshop to assess transit route options for the South West Metropolitan Region as part of its light rail research and advocacy program, resulting in the identification of priority route options for further investigation and evaluation. These included the Murdoch train station to Fremantle, Cockburn Central to Fremantle and Rockingham train station to the Rockingham foreshore.

The Regional Natural Resource Management (NRM) Strategy is a partnership project with member Councils involving initiatives for enhancing the protection and management of natural assets in the region. More recently the South West Group was successful in gaining funding for fox and cat tracking initiatives and for improving capacity of regional environmental groups.

The Defence industry sector continues to be a major economic driver with an annual investment of about \$1 billion and support for around 5,000 jobs in the Region. Continued investment by the Federal Government on the upgrading of HMAS Stirling at Garden Island and the securing of work associated with major procurement programs, together with ongoing sustainment work, ensures the Region and precincts such as AMC in Henderson play key roles in supporting defence programs. The South West Group has long advocated for continued investment in the Defence industry.

The relocation of part of State Government Departments into a new building to be constructed in Kings Square will result in 1,500 additional jobs in the centre of Fremantle by 2021. In combination with work to the City of Fremantle's Civic Centre, the project is expected to transform the centre of the Port city. The project is well underway and due for completion in the first half of 2020.



These investments and major developments place the region in a strong position to support jobs in the retail, commercial and community service sectors, which continue to provide employment opportunities in the Region.

The South West Group estimates that the population in the Region is expected to reach over 625,000 by 2032, with much of this growth to be accommodated in the new urban developments in Rockingham, Kwinana and Cockburn and infill development in suburbs and around activity centres throughout the Region. This will increase the need for supporting infrastructure and creation of employment opportunities for future generations.

I wish to thank the various Mayors and CEOs for supporting me in my capacity as South West Group Director for over six years. I'm proud of what the Group has accomplished in this time and I look forward to seeing it continue to represent the Region effectively and to demonstrate the Member Council's ability to collaborate on key strategic issues.

Mick McCarthy Former Director South West Group





Message from incoming Director

I wish to thank the Mayors and CEOs for welcoming me to the South West Group and look forward to their support, leadership and direction. I acknowledge the strong work undertaken by Mick McCarthy in this role over several years, and would like to thank Chris Fitzhardinge for acting as Director from January to June 2018, and for his support since I took up the role.

I would also like to give a special thanks to Joanna Ong, Executive Assistant to the South West Group, who continues to provide dedicated support and uses her welldeveloped organisational skills for the smooth operation of the Group.

I am very much looking forward to the role. In my first three months I aim to prepare an updated work plan for the Board's consideration. I expect that the plan will include a strong focus on investment attraction, regional economic development, and advocacy for key infrastructure and policy needs.

Tom GriffithsDirector South West Group



South West Metropolitan Region Map



Fremantle Port

Garden Island City of Fremantle City of Melville













City of Cockburn

City of Kwinana

City of Rockingham

South West Group Board and Committee Structure 2017/18



Mayor Logan HowlettCity of Cockburn



Mayor Jim O'NeillTown of East Fremantle



Mayor Brad PettittCity of Fremantle



Mayor Carol AdamsCity of Kwinana



Mayor Russell AubreyCity of Melville



Mayor Barry SammelsCity of Rockingham



Stephen CainCEO City of Cockburn



Gary TuffinCEO Town of East Fremantle



Philip St John
CEO City of Fremantle



Joanne Abbiss
CEO City of Kwinana



Dr Shayne SilcoxCEO City of Melville



Michael Parker CEO City of Rockingham

South West Group Chair Mayor Russell Aubrey

Mayors

CEOs

SWCDeF Inc. Chair (Observer)

CEOs Forum Chair Dr Shayne Silcox

6 CEOs

SWCDeF Inc Management Committee Cr Duncan Macphail

6 Elected Members/Officers

External Members

South West Reference Group

Cr Sandra Lee

6 Elected Members/Officers

External Members

Technical Directors CommitteeMick McCarthy

6 Directors of Engineering

6 Directors of Planning

Corporate Services
Directors Group
Mr Stuart Downing

6 Corporate Services Directors

Major Priorities and Achievements in 2017/18

The key projects and achievements of the South West Group are outlined below.

Activity Centres Action Plans

The member Councils identified a number of key activity centres in the Region requiring action by State Government to advance planning and activation. The activity centres included Canning Bridge, Cockburn Central, Kwinana, Fremantle, Murdoch and Rockingham. Action plans have been developed by Member Councils for each of these activity centres.

The plans identify the key actions and enabling infrastructure required by State Government agencies to fulfil the potential of the activity centres. In an effort to improve communication and certainty around the delivery of enabling infrastructure across the region, Senior Officers from Member Councils presented to 25 senior agency representatives from State Government Departments, outlining the needs of the Region and the potential of these centres to deliver housing and employment opportunities.

These infrastructure needs continue to be a focus for the South West Group's advocacy efforts, and work is ongoing to accelerate State Government infrastructure delivery in these important activity centres.

Light Rail Investigations

The South West Group commissioned a consortium of consultants to identify and investigate priority light rail routes that could be developed in the short to medium term using a land use intensification approach and exploring value capture opportunities. Three key routes were recommended:

- » Murdoch to Fremantle
- » Rockingham city centre to foreshore, and
- » Cockburn Central to Fremantle, via Cockburn Coast.

Member Councils undertook detailed development node analysis identifying current, maximum and aspiration densities for the stops along the three light rail routes. The three routes have significant potential to deliver diverse housing, density and employment opportunities to the Region.

The South West Group continues to engage regularly with the Metronet Taskforce to advocate for greater representation of the Region within the overall Metronet planning process, based on these three key routes.

Additionally, the Director South West Group has been invited to become involved in a national light rail group of senior State Government representatives to discuss light rail operations, planning and business case development.





Input into the Westport Taskforce Process

The McGowan Government announced the formation of the Outer Harbour Taskforce and its key role in developing the Westport: Port and Environs Strategy in September 2017.

The planning and development of the Outer Harbour is arguably the most significant project for the Region in the coming decades and provides the opportunity for jobs, industrial and business development and an increased role in the WA's trade network. The new port will also have a key influence on training and skills development in the Region as people skill up for the trade related jobs of the future.

A series of industry briefings on the Outer Harbour were held involving international presenters and were successful in raising awareness on port related issues prior to the Outer Harbour Taskforce announcement.

The South West Group Board was briefed by the Outer Harbour Taskforce Chair (Nicole Lockwood) in October 2017, and has maintained regular contact with the Taskforce throughout the process.

A Westport briefing forum involving Local Governments was undertaken in the City of Kwinana in November 2017, with the South West Group providing a presentation from a regional perspective.

The South West Group prepared an overview document on the importance of the Inner Harbour and proposed Outer Harbour to economic development and transport planning in the Region.

Finally, a submission was made to the Westport Taskforce – a copy of that submission is available via the South West Group website.

Metronet Taskforce

The State Government announced the establishment of the Metronet Taskforce in late May 2017. A number of first stage priorities important to the Region includes the Cockburn Central to Thornlie Rail project and Karnup Rail Station, as well as light rail planning and business case development.

The Metronet Taskforce now employs over 100 people and has structured its activities around three core areas being:

- » Station planning and design
- » Business case development
- » Value capture

The South West Group Director has met with the Metronet Taskforce Chair (Anthony Kannis) on multiple occasions and briefed him on the activity centres action plans, light rail investigations and the planned submission to the State Infrastructure Strategy.

Ongoing contact between the South West Group and the Metronet Taskforce has been maintained in order to share information and advocate for the development of key transport connections within the Region via the Metronet process.



Defence

The South West Group has taken an active role in Defence and the importance of continued investment in Defence to support key infrastructure in the region (HMAS Stirling on Garden Island, AMC, small business development opportunities, training and skills development).

The South West Group has also been working with RDA Perth and AIDN to raise the profile of Defence in the Region.

Additionally, the City of Rockingham has been working with the State Government on the establishment of the Renaissance Technopole at the Murdoch University Rockingham Campus site.

Natural Resource Management

The South West Group continued implementation of the Regional Natural Resource Management (NRM) Strategy including regional priority projects, grant funded partnership projects and various initiatives in collaboration with Member Councils and other land management agencies.

Submissions and Advocacy

The South West Group continued its active role in lobbying and advocacy during 2017/18 with submissions on the State Infrastructure Strategy, Infrastructure WA formation, Westport and State Planning Policy 5.4 Rail and Road Noise. The South West Group also lobbied for the use of environmental levies for action to control illegal dumping as part of the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy Review.

The South West Group will continue to lodge submissions on the annual budget proposals and respond to issues that affect the region into the future, with an emphasis on the collaborative approach delivered through our stakeholder engagement activities.



Economic Development tour to Singapore

The South West Group Board has undertaken a number of economic development tours since 2012 aimed at examining best practice and innovation across a range of topics and issues.

The tours provide the opportunity for the Board, Councillors and Member Council Directors to gain first-hand knowledge on the planning, development and implementation of land use developments, major projects and other initiatives relevant to the South West Metropolitan Region.

The tours completed previously include the following key themes and locations:

- » April 2012: Activity Centres Tour of Melbourne and Sydney
- » April 2013: Economic Development Tour of South East Queensland covering health and knowledge precincts coastal/marina/foreshore developments and civic/library precincts

- » April 2014: Civic precincts and activation through events, mall redevelopment, light rail, major projects, urban renewal and redevelopment in Adelaide, South Australia
- » April 2015: Climate change adaptation tour of Melbourne and Sydney
- » April 2016: Ports, intermodal terminals, toll roads and Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS)
- » April 2017: Economic Development Tour to Sydney covering high density commercial and urban renewal projects, innovation hubs, light rail and value capture, business and commercial development investment attraction and retail and tourism centres

The Singapore Economic Development Tour was a three-day tour from 3 to 5 April 2017 inclusive and based on a detailed itinerary and background report provided to delegates.

A full report of the Singapore Tour (as well as reports from previous years) is available via the South West Group website.

South West Group Sub-Committees

The South West Group Board is supported by a number of internal standing committees that report to the CEOs' Forum. The South West Group also seeks nominations from Member Councils for committees comprising of Councillors and Officers including the South West Corridor Development Foundation Incorporated (SWCDeF Inc.) and the South West (Environmental) Reference Group.

South West Corridor Development Foundation Incorporated (SWCDeF)



2017/18 Chair:

Cr Duncan Macphail - City of Melville

Objects of the association:

- » facilitate and promote the development of the region and areas adjacent to the region;
- » enhance and promote the region's attractiveness for industry and enterprise;
- » enhance and promote the region's lifestyle;
- » enhance and promote the region's natural attractions; and
- » enhance and promote the development of skills and expertise within and for the region.



Vice-Chair:

Cr Dennis Wood - City of Kwinana

Treasurer:

Cr Lee Anne Smith - City of Cockburn

Secretary:

Mr Tom Griffiths - South West Group

The Committee meets on a quarterly basis with representation including:

- » Local Governments in the South West Metropolitan Region
- » South West Group
- » Chambers of Commerce
- » Community

The Foundation works cooperatively to promote and initiate regional economic development, employment, workforce development and environmental projects.

Key Activities 2017/18

Partnership with Conservation Volunteers Australia (CVA)

- » Collaborative project between SWCDeF Inc., Cities of Cockburn, Fremantle, Kwinana and Melville, and CVA.
- » Agreement formed to manage Beeliar Rockingham Lakes Regional Parks trust funds and enter into partnership for projects of mutual benefit involving environmental restoration and rehabilitation activities. Major proposal involving contributions from Member Councils was facilitated to undertake weed control and revegetation on Council managed reserves.
- » Project is delivering \$11 in volunteer labour for every \$1 invested by participating Councils.

Myer Foundation – Sustainability and Environment Capacity Building Grants Program

- » Collaborative project between four Councils, Myer Foundation and South East Region Centre for Urban Landcare.
- » Grant application from Myer Foundation for \$62,264 to build capacity of 33 Friends groups undertaking voluntary environmental work was successful.
- » Total value of project \$192,500 (includes in-kind).

Regional Cat Owner Education Project

- » Collaborative project between 6 Councils, State NRM Program, University of SA and Murdoch University.
- » Quantifying benefits of using cat welfare based approach to encourage cat owners to contain their cats within their properties.
- » Local newspaper advertising campaign was conducted which prompted cat owners to volunteer their cats for tracking via the National Cat Tracker Project run by the University of SA.

Fox Tracking Program

- » Collaborative project between 7 Councils, State NRM Program, University of WA and consultant ecologists.
- » Status Animal Ethics Committee and DPIRD approvals have been obtained to allow trapping and tracking of foxes.
- » Trapping and fitting of GPS collars to foxes is expected to commence late 2018.



South West (environmental) Reference Group





Chairperson

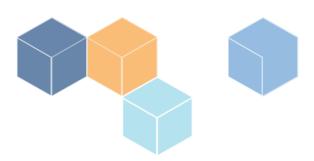
Cr Sandra Lee - City of Kwinana

The South West Reference Group (SWRG) was established as a formal committee of the South West Group in 2012 to provide a regional engagement structure for the South West Group Member Councils and other key stakeholders for environmental and natural resource management issues.

Role and Function:

- » To develop an NRM Governance Model and Business Plan that clarifies the National and State NRM context and establishes a framework for the South West Group and Member Councils to work together on Regional NRM activities and projects.
- » To develop a Regional NRM Strategy that links all of the NRM and environmental work being undertaken by the Member Councils to better share limited resources, identify priority projects and attract additional funding for NRM activities that benefit the Region and the natural environment.

- » To determine the requirements and a pathway for the South West Group and Member Councils to collectively undertake regional natural resource and environmental management activities and raise its profile in negotiations with the State and Australian Governments and other key stakeholders.
- » To identify and develop required planning layers that link to, and support, planning processes through the Metropolitan Region Scheme and Local Planning Schemes to achieve a sustainable diversity of natural land uses and public amenity for the South West Metropolitan Region.



Key Activities 2017/18

The South West Group and participating member Councils have contributed funding since 2013/14 to implement the Regional NRM Strategy, with the most recent commitment extending the Regional NRM Facilitator contract role through to 2020 (subject to annual reviews and funding).

- » Progress on Regional Priority NRM Projects and Initiatives – The Regional NRM Facilitator:
 - » Developed, obtained State Government grant funding for and commenced the Regional Scale Cat Owner Education Program project involving 6 Councils and Murdoch University and University of South Australia; and the Fox Tracking for Better Fox Trapping project involving 7 Councils.
 - » Secured a fully funded Work for the Dole team through Conservation Volunteers Australia to assist the Cities of Cockburn, Fremantle, Kwinana and Melville with their environmental works for 26 weeks.
 - » Compiled and application seeking \$237,000 from the State NRM Program Community Stewardship grants program to fund labour to undertake environmental works over 4 years in the Cities of Cockburn, Fremantle, Kwinana and Melville (successful applicants will be announced in late 2018).
 - » Coordinated the Cities of Cockburn, Kwinana and Rockingham in the development of the logo and colour palette for the Tramway Trail.
 - » Worked with DBCA, DLGSCI and WALGA to progress initiatives to better manage Off Road Vehicle impacts.





Supporting Member Councils on NRM Activities

The NRM Facilitator has provided regular advice to member Council staff on grant funding and NRM partnership project opportunities, as well as providing direct assistance in the preparation of grant funding proposals and applications and compiled a regional response to the review of State Waste Strategy.

South West Group Natural Areas Management Forum

The Regional NRM Facilitator commissioned and coordinated delivery of Visual Fuel Load Assessment training to Council officers and facilitated meetings of the Forum that focussed on bushfire risk management, feral and nuisance cat management and improving knowledge sharing and cooperation between planners and environmental officers.

Stakeholder Relationships

Maintained and enhanced strong relationships with key stakeholders including those involved in the Natural Areas Management Forum and other agencies and organisations such as the Department of Local Government, Sports and Cultural Industries, NRM WA, Perth NRM, Alcoa Australia, Birdlife Australia, Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the WA Biodiversity Science Institute.



Statement of Income and Expenditure

Financial Reports

For the year ending 30 June 2018

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CERTIFICATION BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

The Board has determined that the South West Group is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board, the financial report, as attached:

- (i) Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of South West Group as at 30 June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- (ii) At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that South West Group will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:

Signed:		Signed	Signed Millen		
Name:	Tom Griffiths	Name:	Marten Tieleman		
Place:	Melville	Place:	Melville ,		
Date:	31- Aug-2018	Date:	6-Sept-2018		



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Certified Practising Accountants INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO: THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH WEST GROUP

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of South West Group ("the entity"), which comprises the assets and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2018, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Certification by Members of the Board on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the entity.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the entity as at 30 June 2018 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the* Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report which describes the basis of accounting. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Board for the Financial Report

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report (continue)

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the
 disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and
 events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entity or business activities within the entity to express an opinion on the financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the entity audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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DATED THIS 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2018.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES STATEMENT AS AT 30 JUNE 2018

	Note	2018	2017
ASSETS		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	503,343	346,166
Trade and Other receivables	3	69,810	880
TOTAL ASSETS		573,153	347,046
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	4	189,441	120,711
		189,441	120,711
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provision for Long Service Leave		23,634	(-
		23,634	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		213,075	120,711
NET ASSETS		360,078	226,335
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Retained Surplus	5	360,078	226,335

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

	496,220	486,500
	117,500	117,500
	3,727	14,600
:	3,919	3,234
_	621,366	621,834
	195,506	253,369
6	29,244	19,287
	10,898	22,165
7	235,571	226,189
	5,000	5,000
8	11,404	15,082
	487.623	541,092
	7	3,727 3,919 621,366 195,506 6 29,244 10,898 7 235,571 5,000

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a special purpose financial report. The Board has determined that the South West Group is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non current assets.

Long Service Leave - Entitlement calculated based on 13 weeks after 10 years of service.

		2018 \$	2017 \$
NOTE 2	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	Cash at Bank	503,343	346,166
		503,343	346,166
NOTE 3	TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES CURRENT		
	Trade Debtors	69,810	880
		69,810	880
NOTE 4	TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
	CURRENT Trade Creditors GST Payable	188,5 4 3 898	120,711
		189,441	120,711
NOTE 5	RETAINED SURPLUS		
	Opening Funds	226,335	145,593
	Current year surplus/(loss)	133,743	80,742
	Closing Funds	360,078	226,335
		Equity	Share
		\$	%
	City of Cockburn	78,497	21.80%
	Town of East Fremantle	27,726	7.70%
	City of Fremantle	47,530	13.20%
	City of Kwinana	47,170	13.10%
	City of Melville	75,617	21.00%
	City of Rockingham	83,538	23.20%
		360,078	100.00%

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NOTE 6 TRAVEL EXPENSES

Travel expenses for 2017/18 include expenses relating to the South West Group Economic Development Tour to Singapore in April 2018.

NOTE 7 CONSULTANT AND MANAGEMENT FEES

	2018 \$	2017 \$
Accommodation Charge - City of Melville	5,000	5,000
Admin Service Charge - City of Melville	20,000	20,050
Lobbying and Communications Strategy	10,000	16,482
Economy ID Subscription	21,000	21,000
NRM Strategy	108,792	99,819
Economic Development Consultancy	27,367	12,161
Integrated Transport Planning Project	43,412	51,677
	235,571	226,189

NOTE 8 OTHER PROJECT COSTS

Meeting Expenses	6,468	5,462
Visual Fuel Load Assessment	4,936	9,620
	11,404	15,082







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