

City of Karratha

Candidate Information Session

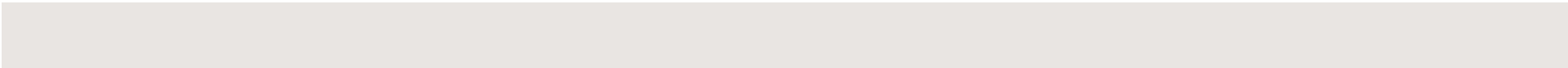


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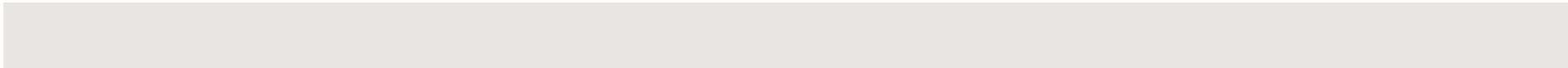


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 - Role of CEO
 - Skills Required and Expectations of Councillors
 - Rewards and Remunerations
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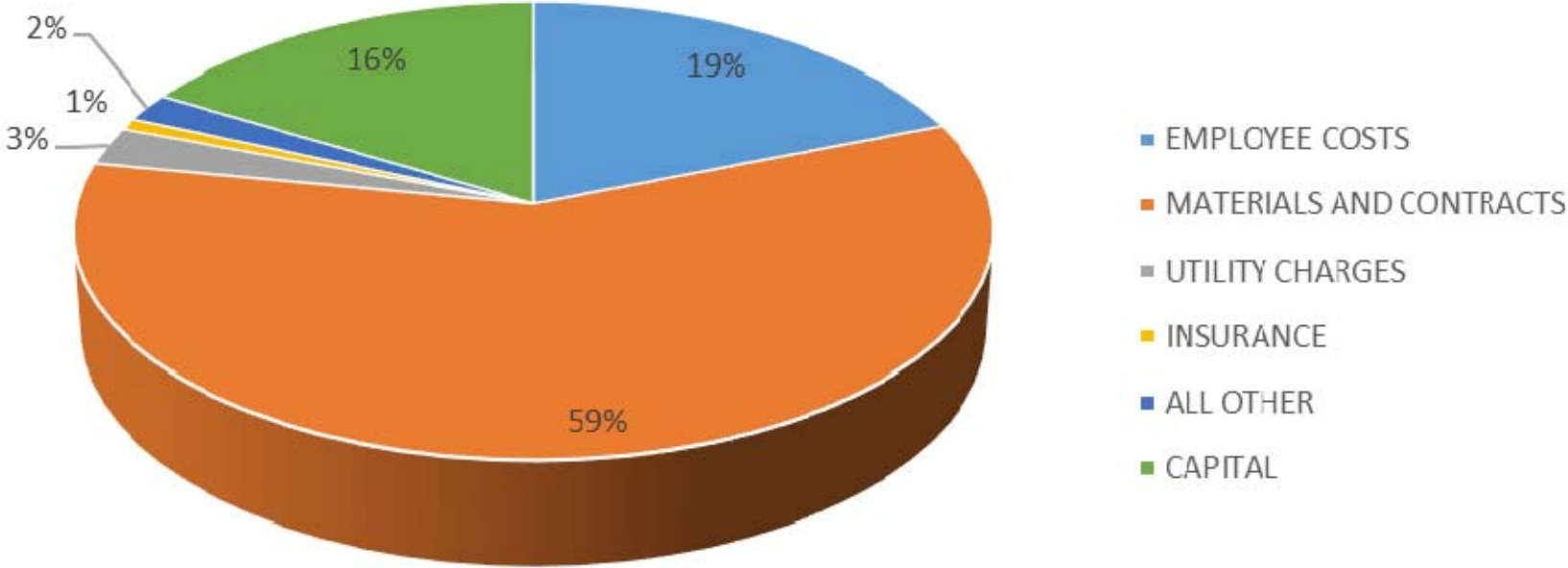
City of Karratha – Key Stats

- One of 138 LGA's
 - > 380 Staff
 - 16 different work locations
 - Multiple services
 - Two profit making businesses
 - \$895M in Nett Assets.
 - Financial Health Rating (92/100)
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Budget: Total Expenditure

\$170 Million

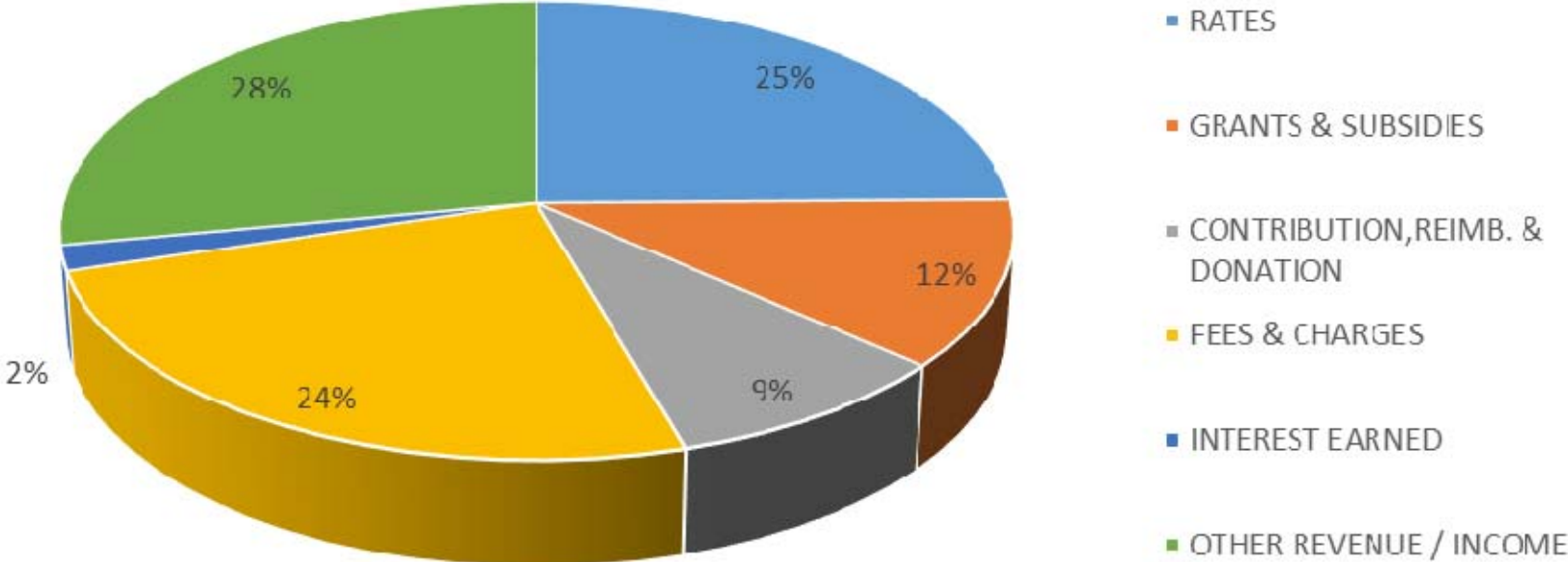
- \$99M Operating Expenditure
- \$66M Capital Expenditure
- \$25M Reserve Transfers



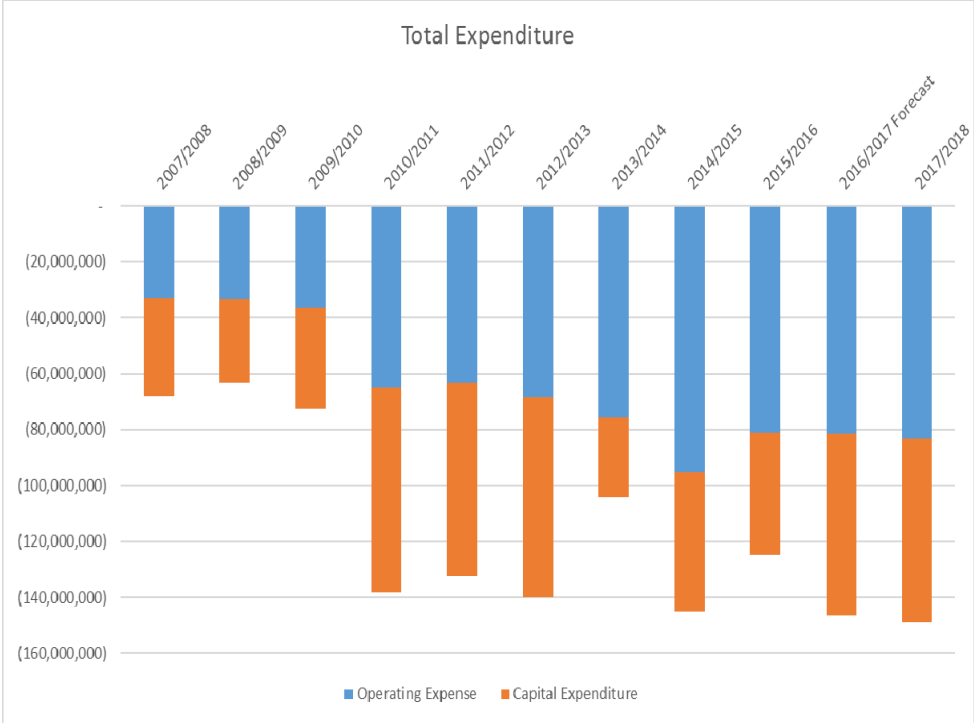
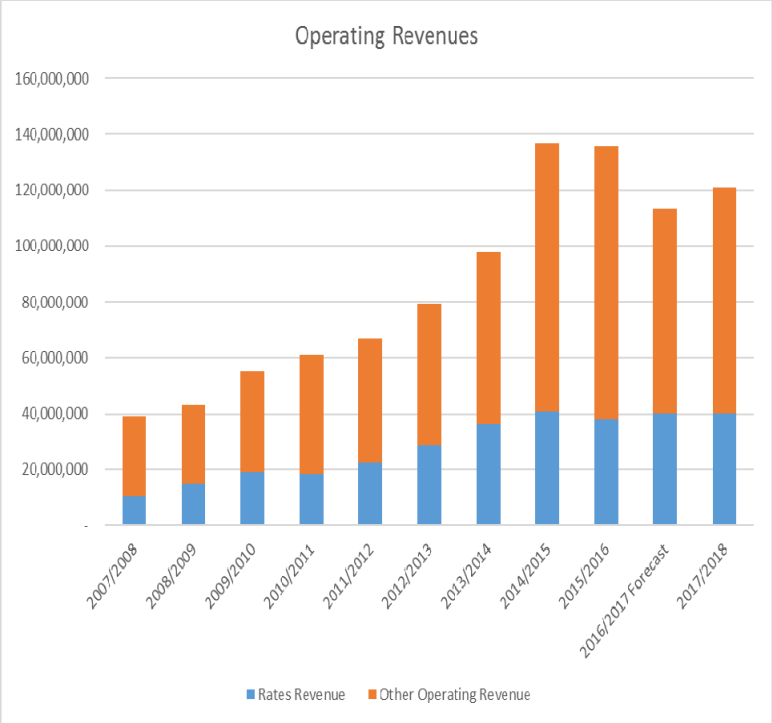
Budget: Total Income

Total: \$166,126,557

- \$122M Operating Income
- \$44M Reserve Transfers

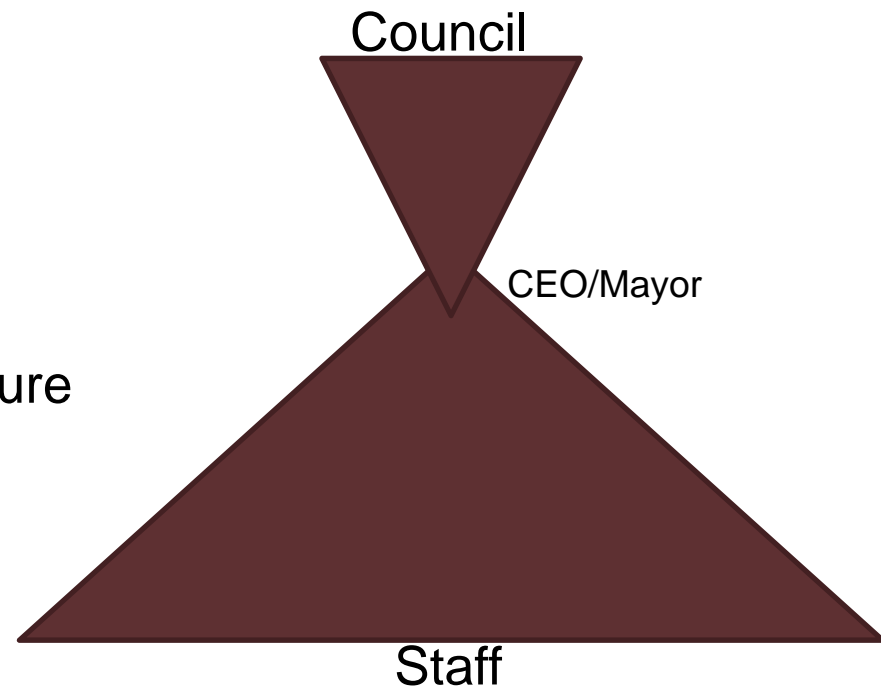


Budget Trends



Organisational Structure

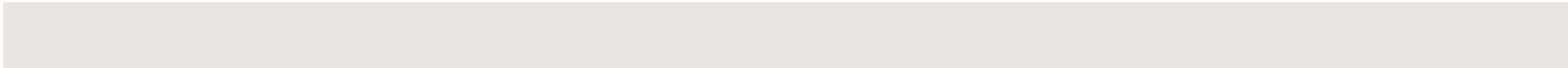
- Council
- CEO
- 4 x Directorates
 - Community Services
 - Development Services
 - Strategic Projects and Infrastructure
 - Corporate Services





Role of Council

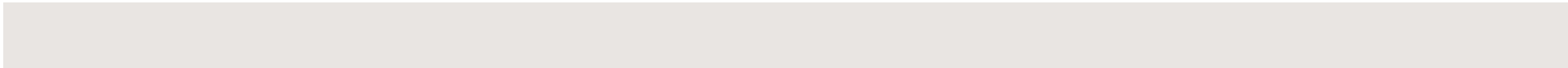
The Council —

1. Governs the local government's affairs
 2. Is responsible for the performance of the local government's functions
 3. Oversees the allocation of the local government's finances and resources; and
 4. Determines the local government's policies
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Councillors Role

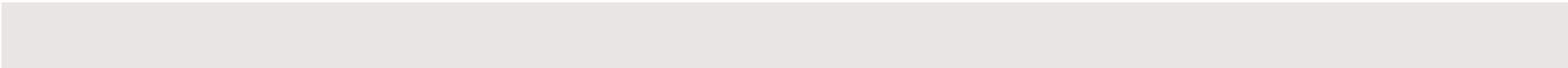
Councillors —

1. Represent **ALL** community interests
 2. Provide leadership and guidance
 3. Facilitates communication
 4. Participate in decision-making
 5. Performs other statutory functions
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Mayors Role

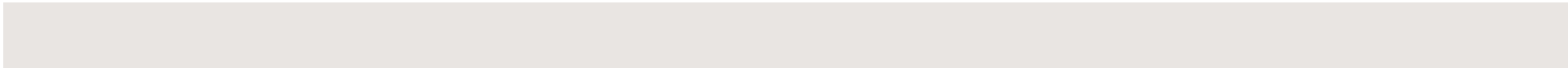
The Mayor —

1. Runs meetings
 2. Provides leadership and guidance
 3. Carries out civic and ceremonial duties
 4. Speaks on behalf of the local government
 5. Performs statutory functions/tasks
 6. Liaises with the CEO
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CEO's Role

CEO —

1. Provides information and advice to Council
 2. Implements the decisions of Council
 3. Manages the day-to-day operations of Council
 4. Liaises with Mayor
 5. Speaks on behalf of local government (with Mayor's consent)
 6. Employs staff
 7. Manages information/records
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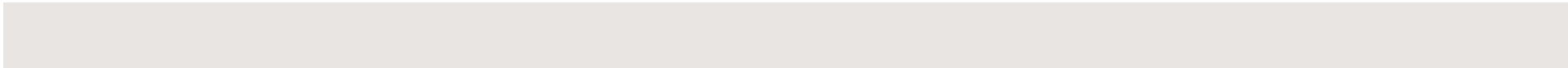


Expectations of Councillors

- Formal Meetings
 - Briefing Sessions
 - Committees
 - Advisory and Representative Groups
 - Reading and Research
 - Training and Development
 - Public Events and Functions
 - Total Commitment – Min 10hrs per week
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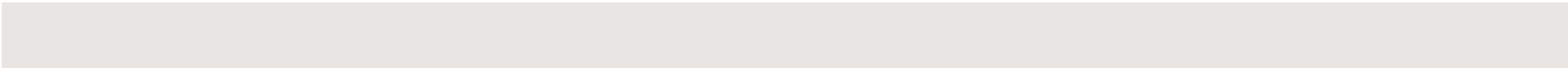


Skills Required

- Strategic thinking
 - Understanding of meeting processes
 - Understanding of statutory processes
 - Financial skills
 - Team Work
 - Negotiation
 - Public speaking
 - Read and interpret
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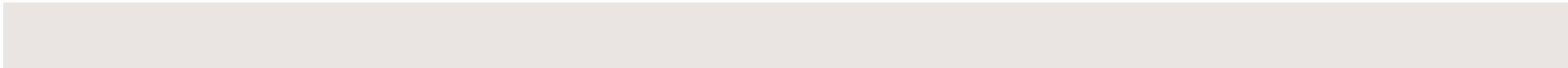


Tips and Advice

- Come willing to learn
 - Ask Questions
 - Disclosure of Interest
 - Understand roles and responsibilities
 - You won't change everything straight away
 - You become a politician – even if you don't want to!
 - Not for the faint-hearted - You will cop criticism
 - Team Game
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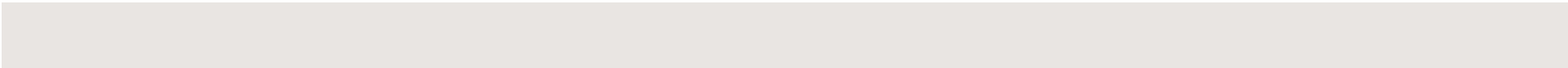


Why do it?

- You can make a real difference!
 - Rewarding to see change/improvement
 - Learn new skills
 - Meet new people
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Benefits/Remuneration

- Sitting Fees
 - Mayor \$45,000
 - Councillors \$30,000
 - Allowances
 - Mayor \$85,000
 - Deputy Mayor \$21,250
 - Other Allowances/Provisions
 - Information Technology \$3,500
 - Childcare \$25/hour or cost (whichever is lower)
 - Training \$5,000
 - Professional Development \$5,500
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Questions

