

CANBERRA CEMETERIES TRUST

Objectives

The Canberra Cemeteries Trust operates under the *Cemeteries Act 1933*. It manages and operates public cemeteries in the ACT at Gungahlin, Woden and Hall. The Trust aims to operate the cemeteries sustainably and on a user pays principle, to minimise the cost to the Government and community.

The Trust aims to continue to provide a wide range of burial options in all cemeteries to meet the needs of cultural and other groups that use cemetery services. This includes encouraging the placement of ashes in designated areas or family graves. The Trust also actively promotes the pre-purchase of cemetery services, which allows for people to arrange their affairs prior to death.

2002-03 Highlights

Strategic and operational issues to be pursued in 2002-03 include:

- extending the usable area of Hall Cemetery to provide a section that is low maintenance, reduced cost and ‘environmentally friendly’;
- marketing the Woden Mausoleum which was completed in 2001-02; and
- managing the proposed change from a Trust to a Board during 2002-03.

Canberra Cemeteries Trust Statement of Financial Performance

2001-02 Budget \$'000		2001-02 Est.Outcome \$'000	2002-03 Budget \$'000	Var %	2003-04 Estimate \$'000	2004-05 Estimate \$'000	2005-06 Estimate \$'000
Revenue							
1 296	User Charges - Non ACT Government	1 150	1 227	7	1 255	1 289	1 306
25	Interest	55	65	18	90	105	120
1 321	Total Ordinary Revenue	1 205	1 292	7	1 345	1 394	1 426
Expenses							
375	Employee Expenses	410	402	-2	410	415	421
54	Superannuation Expenses	54	56	4	58	59	61
524	Administrative Expenses	585	601	3	617	634	652
292	Depreciation and Amortisation	150	134	-11	140	140	140
1 245	Total Ordinary Expenses	1 199	1 193	-1	1 225	1 248	1 274
76	Operating Result	6	99	#	120	146	152
4 017	Total Equity From Start of Period	4 046	4 051	..	4 149	4 269	4 415
4 093	Total Equity At The End of Period	4 052	4 150	2	4 269	4 415	4 567

Canberra Cemeteries Trust Statement of Financial Position

Budget as at 30/6/02 \$'000		Est.Outcome as at 30/6/02 \$'000	Planned as at 30/6/03 \$'000	Var %	Planned as at 30/6/04 \$'000	Planned as at 30/6/05 \$'000	Planned as at 30/6/06 \$'000
Current Assets							
175	Cash	1 026	489	-52	481	510	536
72	Receivables	50	53	6	53	53	55
796	Investments	884	1 682	90	1 990	2 308	2 633
7	Other	0	0	-	0	0	0
1 050	Total Current Assets	1 960	2 224	13	2 524	2 871	3 224
Non Current Assets							
4 994	Property, Plant and Equipment	4 996	4 928	-1	4 868	4 788	4 708
4 994	Total Non Current Assets	4 996	4 928	-1	4 868	4 788	4 708
6 044	TOTAL ASSETS	6 956	7 152	3	7 392	7 659	7 932
Current Liabilities							
56	Payables	90	72	-20	73	75	76
62	Employee Entitlements	40	45	13	50	55	60
190	Other Provisions	274	300	9	310	320	330
308	Total Current Liabilities	404	417	3	433	450	466
Non Current Liabilities							
73	Employee Entitlements	80	85	6	90	95	100
1 570	Other Provisions	2 420	2 499	3	2 599	2 699	2 799
1 643	Total Non Current Liabilities	2 500	2 584	3	2 689	2 794	2 899
1 951	TOTAL LIABILITIES	2 904	3 001	3	3 122	3 244	3 365
4 093	NET ASSETS	4 052	4 151	2	4 270	4 415	4 567
REPRESENTED BY FUNDS EMPLOYED							
45	Accumulated Funds	4	102	#	221	367	519
4 048	Reserves	4 048	4 048	-	4 048	4 048	4 048
4 093	TOTAL FUNDS EMPLOYED	4 052	4 150	2	4 269	4 415	4 567

Canberra Cemeteries Trust Cashflow Statement

2001-02 Budget \$'000		2001-02 Est.Outcome \$'000	2002-03 Budget \$'000	Var %	2003-04 Estimate \$'000	2004-05 Estimate \$'000	2005-06 Estimate \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
Receipts							
1 300	User Charges	1 977	1 332	-33	1 365	1 399	1 416
25	Interest Received	55	63	15	90	105	120
182	Other Revenue	447	185	-59	189	193	192
1 507	Operating Receipts	2 479	1 580	-36	1 644	1 697	1 728
Payments							
432	Related to Employees	436	448	3	458	464	472
548	Related to Administration	594	601	1	617	634	652
183	Other	395	204	-48	189	192	193
1 163	Operating Payments	1 425	1 253	-12	1 264	1 290	1 317
344	NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1 054	327	-69	380	407	411
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Payments							
292	Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment	315	66	-79	80	60	60
34	Purchase of Investments	28	798	#	308	318	325
326	Investing Payments	343	864	152	388	378	385
-326	NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	-343	-864	-152	-388	-378	-385
18	NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	711	-537	-176	-8	29	26
157	CASH AT BEGINNING OF REPORTING PERIOD	315	1 026	226	489	481	510
175	CASH AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD	1 026	489	-52	481	510	536

Notes to the Budget Statements

Significant variations are as follows:

Statement of Financial Performance

- user charges – non ACT Government: the decrease of \$0.146 in 2001-02 from the original budget is due to fewer than expected burials during the year; and
- depreciation and amortisation: the decrease of \$0.142m in 2001-02 from the original budget is due to revised depreciation rates. The revised rates are reflected in the outyears.

Statement of Financial Position

- cash and investments: the increase of \$0.939m in 2001-02 from the original budget is due to a larger than anticipated number of vault reservations following the opening of the Woden Mausoleum; and
- non-current other provisions: the increase of \$0.850m in 2001-02 from the original budget is due to a larger than anticipated number of vault reservations following the opening of the Woden Mausoleum in August 2001.

Cashflow Statement

Due to the completion of the Mausoleum in August 2001 the following variations occur between the 2001-02 estimated outcome and the original budget, with 25% of the places available being sold in the past year. This level of activity is not expected in 2002-03 and this is reflected in the estimate aligning closer to the original 2001-02 budget:

- user charges: the increase of \$0.677m in 2001-02 from the original budget is due to the opening of the Woden Mausoleum;
- other revenue operating receipts: the increase of \$0.265m in 2001-02 from the original budget is due to increased GST receipts;
- other operating payments: the increase of \$0.212m in 2001-02 from the original budget due to increased GST payments;
- purchase of property, plant and equipment: the decrease of \$0.249m in the 2002-03 budget from the 2001-02 estimated outcome reflects the completion of the Woden Mausoleum in August 2001; and
- purchase of investments: the increase of \$0.770m in the 2002-03 budget from the 2001-02 estimated outcome reflects the investment of funds received from the reservations of vaults during 2001-02.

