

Darwin Bus Service

EXPENSE AND REVENUE SUMMARY

Business Line	2003-04 Estimate	2004-05 Budget
	\$000	\$000
Operating Revenue	6 513	6 513
Urban Public Bus Service	6 513	6 513
Operating Expenses	6 396	6 502
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Operating Result	117	11

Total 2004-05 Staffing: 53.5

Profile

Overview

The primary function of the Darwin Bus Service is to provide an efficient, safe and reliable urban public bus service to meet the needs of the Darwin and Palmerston communities in line with its contract with the Public Transport Branch of Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Environment. Bus services are also provided for special events and school travel in Darwin and Palmerston.

Strategic Issues

- Continue refinement of Darwin Bus Service's commercial business operations in line with the principles of National Competition Policy.
- Continue conversion of the existing bus fleet to operate on a diesel/liquid petroleum gas mix in order to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases.
- Provide a safe, comfortable, reliable and cost-effective bus service.

Budget Highlights

- Continue improvements to customer service and safety.
- Improve accessibility for all members of the public by acquiring low-floor, easy-access vehicles.
- Increase passenger comfort levels by ensuring all new buses have features such as airconditioning, Euro-3 compliant motors and up-to-date passenger transport ergonomics.
- Enhance passenger and driver safety by the use of emerging surveillance technology inside the buses.
- Provide all staff with opportunities to participate in training to achieve nationally accredited qualifications in Transport Operations (Road Transport).

Performance

There are no significant performance changes anticipated between 2003-04 and 2004-05.

Urban Public Bus Service

Efficient and cost-effective management of the Government bus fleet.

Outcome

A safe, comfortable, reliable and courteous bus service.

Performance Measures	2003-04 Estimate	2004-05 Estimate
<i>Quantity</i>		
Kilometres travelled	1.74M	1.74M
Scheduled services	88 550	88 550
<i>Quality</i>		
Customer satisfaction level ¹	>99%	>99%
<i>Timeliness</i>		
Services on time	99%	99%
<i>Cost</i>		
Average cost per kilometre	\$3.68	\$3.74

¹ Less than 1 per cent of customer complaints require action.

Statement of Financial Performance

	2003-04 Estimate	2004-05 Budget
	\$000	\$000
OPERATING REVENUE		
<i>Grants and Subsidies</i>		
Current	137	137
Capital		
Community Service Obligations		
Sales of Goods and Services	6 272	6 272
Interest Revenue	90	90
Rent and Dividends		
Miscellaneous Revenue		
Profit/Loss on Disposal of Assets	14	14
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	6 513	6 513
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Employee Expenses	3 046	3 162
<i>Administrative Expenses</i>		
Purchases of Goods and Services	2 642	2 636
Repairs and Maintenance		
Depreciation and Amortisation	704	704
Other Administrative Expenses	4	
<i>Grants and Subsidies</i>		
Current		
Capital		
Interest Expense		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	6 396	6 502
OPERATING SURPLUS BEFORE INCOME TAX	117	11
Income Tax Expense	35	3
NET OPERATING SURPLUS	82	8

Statement of Financial Position

	2003-04 Estimate	2004-05 Budget
	\$000	\$000
ASSETS		
Cash and Deposits	1 748	1 543
Receivables	696	696
Prepayments	4	4
Inventories	220	220
Advances and Investments		
Land and Improvements		
Plant and Equipment	6 713	6 853
Other Assets		
TOTAL ASSETS	9 381	9 316
LIABILITIES		
Deposits Held		
Creditors and Accruals	208	208
Borrowings and Advances		
Provisions	482	413
Other Liabilities		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	690	621
NET ASSETS	8 691	8 695
EQUITY		
<i>Capital</i>		
Opening Balance	347	347
Equity Injections/Withdrawals		
Reserves		
<i>Accumulated Funds</i>		
Opening Balance	8 303	8 344
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	82	8
Dividends Paid/Payable	- 41	- 4
TOTAL EQUITY	8 691	8 695

Statement of Cash Flows

	2003-04 Estimate	2004-05 Budget
	\$000	\$000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating Receipts		
<i>Grants and Subsidies Received</i>		
Current	137	137
Capital		
Community Service Obligations		
Receipts from Sales of Goods and Services	6 273	6 272
Interest Received	90	90
Total Operating Receipts	6 500	6 499
Operating Payments		
Payments to Employees	3 047	3 162
Payments for Goods and Services	2 642	2 636
<i>Grants and Subsidies Paid</i>		
Current		
Capital		
Interest Paid		
Income Tax Paid	174	35
Total Operating Payments	5 863	5 833
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	637	666
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investing Receipts		
Proceeds from Asset Sales	35	20
Repayment of Advances		
Sales of Investments		
Total Investing Receipts	35	20
Investing Payments		
Purchases of Assets	1 550	850
Advances and Investing Payments		
Total Investing Payments	1 550	850
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	- 1 515	- 830
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Financing Receipts		
Proceeds of Borrowings		
Deposits Received		
Equity Injections		
Total Financing Receipts		
Financing Payments		
Repayment of Borrowings		
Finance Lease Payments		
Dividends Paid	203	41
Equity Withdrawals		
Total Financing Payments	203	41
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	- 203	- 41
Net Increase in Cash Held	- 1 081	- 205
Cash at Beginning of Financial Year	2 829	1 748
CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1 748	1 543