

Darwin Bus Service

Business Line	2006-07 Estimate	2007-08 Budget
	\$000	\$000
Income	7 119	6 989
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Expenses	6 736	6 714
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SURPLUS/DEFICIT BEFORE INCOME TAX	383	275

2007-08 Staffing: 55

Profile

The primary function of 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. Darwin Bus Service operates under a service level agreement with the Public Transport Branch of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. Bus services are also provided for special events and school travel in Darwin and Palmerston.

Strategic issues facing Darwin Bus Service in 2007-08 include:

- providing a safe, comfortable, reliable and cost-effective bus service; and
- continuing refinement of Darwin Bus Service's commercial business operations as a government business division.

Budget Highlights

- Purchase three new buses in 2007-08 at an estimated cost of \$1.5 million.
- Improve accessibility and comfort for all passengers through acquiring airconditioned, low-floor, easy-access vehicles.
- Ensure all new buses have contemporary passenger transport ergonomics and emission control-compliant motors.

Performance

Implementation of the November 2006 revised schedule for the Darwin bus network resulted in a reduction of kilometres travelled, affecting both income and expenses in 2007-08. Darwin Bus Service's overall result before income tax is expected to be slightly lower in 2007-08 at \$0.3 million, due to a reduction in revenue not related to core functions and a slight increase in employee expenses.

Business Line: Urban Public Bus Service

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

The outcome is a safe, comfortable, reliable and courteous bus service.

Performance Measures		2006-07 Estimate	2007-08 Estimate
<i>Quantity</i>	Kilometres travelled ¹	1.6M	1.47M
	Scheduled services ¹	81 622	74 886
<i>Quality</i>	Customer satisfaction level	> 99%	> 99%
<i>Timeliness</i>	Services on time	99%	99%
<i>Cost</i>	Average cost per kilometre ²	\$4.21	\$4.57

1 Kilometres and scheduled services reduced due to revised schedules introduced in November 2006.

2 Average cost is increasing with reduction in kilometres due to fixed cost components.

Operating Statement

	2006-07 Estimate	2007-08 Budget
	\$000	\$000
INCOME		
Grants and subsidies revenue		
Current		
Capital		
Community service obligations		
Sales of goods and services	6 560	6 575
Interest revenue	120	90
Rent and dividends		
Gain(+)/loss(-) on disposal of assets	112	60
Other revenue	327	264
TOTAL INCOME	7 119	6 989
EXPENSES		
Employee expenses	3 343	3 383
Administrative expenses		
Purchases of goods and services	2 473	2 411
Repairs and maintenance		
Depreciation and amortisation	920	920
Other administrative expenses		
Grants and subsidies expenses		
Current		
Capital		
Interest expense		
TOTAL EXPENSES	6 736	6 714
SURPLUS(+)/DEFICIT(-) BEFORE INCOME TAX	383	275
Income tax expense	115	83
NET SURPLUS(+)/DEFICIT(-)	268	192

Balance Sheet

	2006-07 Estimate	2007-08 Budget
	\$000	\$000
ASSETS		
Cash and deposits	3 955	3 407
Receivables	702	702
Prepayments	18	18
Inventories	327	327
Advances and investments		
Property, plant and equipment	4 806	5 380
Other assets		
TOTAL ASSETS	9 808	9 834
LIABILITIES		
Deposits held		
Creditors and accruals	152	152
Borrowings and advances		
Provisions	707	637
Other liabilities		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	859	789
NET ASSETS	8 949	9 045
EQUITY		
Capital		
Opening balance	347	347
Equity injections/withdrawals		
Reserves	1	1
Accumulated funds		
Opening balance	8 467	8 601
Current year surplus(+)/deficit(-)	268	192
Dividends paid/payable	- 134	- 96
Accounting policy changes and corrections		
TOTAL EQUITY	8 949	9 045

Cash Flow Statement

	2006-07 Estimate	2007-08 Budget
	\$000	\$000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating receipts		
Grants and subsidies received		
Current		
Capital		
Community service obligations		
Receipts from sales of goods and services	6 887	6 839
Interest received	120	90
Total operating receipts	7 007	6 929
Operating payments		
Payments to employees	3 343	3 383
Payments for goods and services	2 473	2 411
Grants and subsidies paid		
Current		
Capital		
Interest paid		
Income tax paid	68	115
Total operating payments	5 884	5 909
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	1 123	1 020
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Investing receipts		
Proceeds from asset sales	118	66
Repayment of advances		
Sales of investments		
Total investing receipts	118	66
Investing payments		
Purchases of assets		1 500
Advances and investing payments		
Total investing payments		1 500
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	118	- 1 434
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	79	134
Equity withdrawals		
Total financing payments	79	134
NET CASH FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	- 79	- 134
Net increase(+)/decrease(-) in cash held	1 162	- 548
Cash at beginning of financial year	2 793	3 955
CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	3 955	3 407