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To:

The Hon Lucy Hood MP

Minister for Climate, Environment and Water

This annual report will be presented to Parliament to meet the statutory reporting requirements of *Landscape South Australia Act 2019 and Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020* and the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular *PC013 Annual Reporting*.

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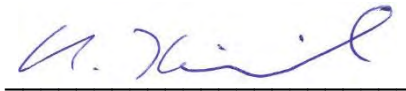
Submitted on behalf of the KANGAROO ISLAND LANDSCAPE BOARD by:

Mr Andrew Heinrich

Presiding Member

Date: 26 November 2025

Signature

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## **Reconciliation statement / Engagement with First Nations Australians**

The Ngarrindjeri, Kurna and Narungga Nations are the traditional owners of Kangaroo Island, connected to its lands and waters via ancient storylines and ancestral occupation. The three Nations acknowledge and respect the interests that each group hold to Kangaroo Island, including their storylines, spiritual and cultural connections, and histories. The three Nations work together to protect and preserve the cultural values of the Island for current and future generations. The three Nations also acknowledge the interests of other Aboriginal groups who have historic connections to the Island.

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board acknowledge the deep, ongoing spiritual connection that Ngarrindjeri, Kurna and Narungga Nations hold to Kangaroo Island, and commit to working together to protect and preserve the cultural values of the Island for current and future generations.

The Board have made a strong commitment to reconciliation and to strengthening partnerships with First Nations across the state by signing an historic [Statement of Commitment](#).

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board values the opportunity to achieve stronger relationships with Aboriginal people and organisations in South Australia, support greater economic prosperity and wellbeing for Aboriginal people and communities, and look after our country and sea better, together.

## From the Presiding Member



On behalf of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board, I am pleased to present our 2024-25 Annual Report. This report outlines the outcomes we have achieved together with our community to support and protect Kangaroo Island's unique landscapes, and I would like to sincerely thank our dedicated staff whose hard work and commitment make these achievements possible.

This year has seen major progress in our feral cat eradication program, with the lowest cat detection index recorded since the project began. These successes are recognised by our community, with overwhelming support for the project, both on the island and the mainland.

Our biodiversity programs have delivered important results island-wide, providing habitat and protection for glossy black-cockatoos, woodland birds, hooded plovers and bandicoots. Working alongside our landholders, we continue to support threatened species through on-ground actions, particularly threatened plants within the KI Narrow-leaved Mallee Woodland community. This revegetation is supported by the Kangaroo Island Native Plant Nursery, which produced more than 42,000 native plants grown from local seed for local projects across the island.

The Board has also remained focused on supporting our farmers to achieve productivity gains through sustainable practices. This included providing information and assistance during dry conditions and working with landholders to identify new opportunities that build resilience. Water continues to be an issue for the island, and we continue to work to ensure long term water security for the island.

Partnerships with the community have been integral to all of our work. The establishment of a new environmental program in collaboration with the school has been rewarding for staff, students and teachers alike, strengthening the next generation's connection to the island's landscapes.

I hope you enjoy reading this Annual Report, which celebrates a year of significant achievements delivered through collaboration, dedication and shared commitment to the future of Kangaroo Island.

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Andrew Heinrich  
**Presiding Member**  
Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

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## Overview: about the landscape board

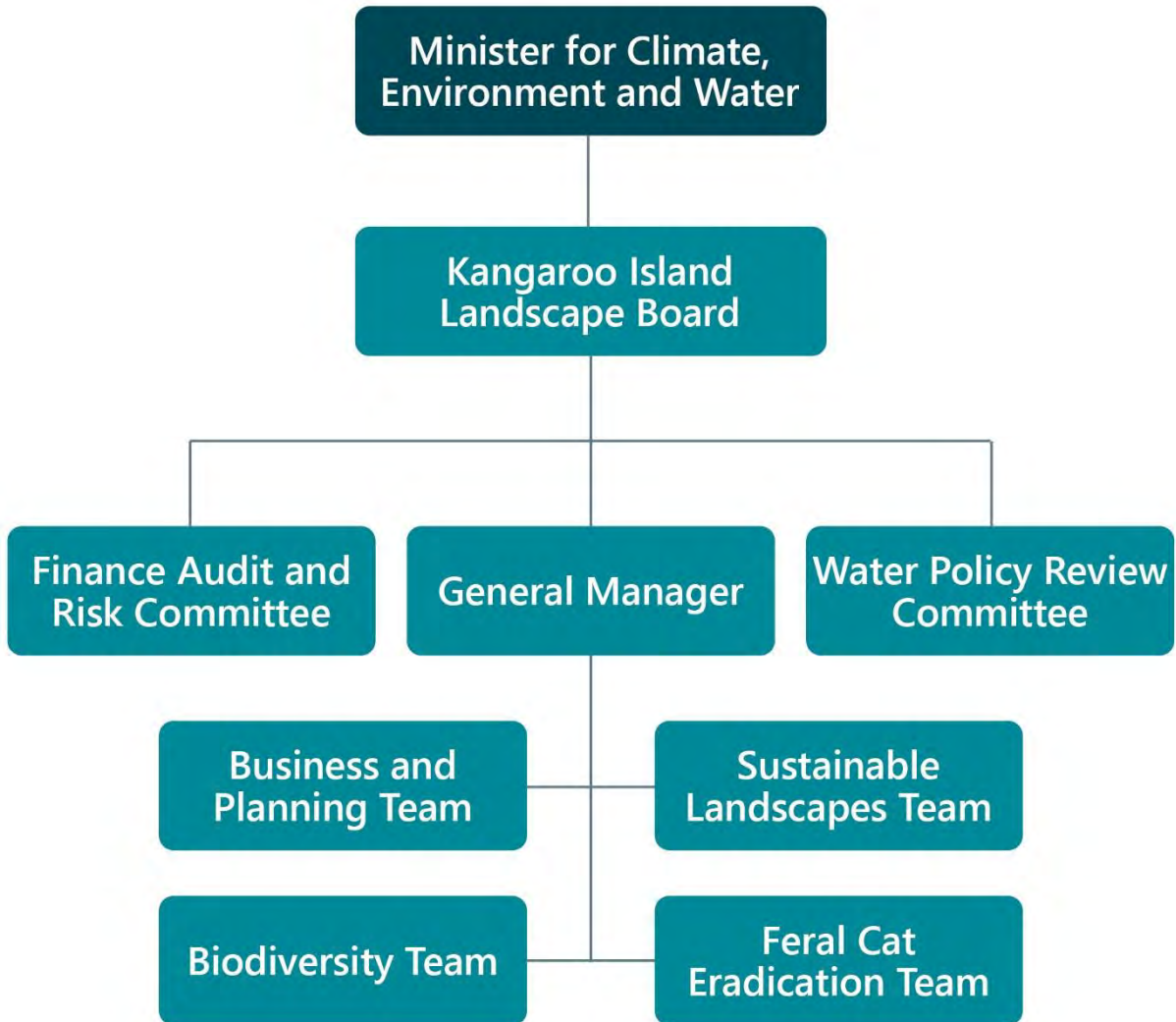
### Our strategic focus

<p><b>Our Purpose</b></p>	<p>The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board was established on 9 January 2020 under the provisions of the <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>. The Board undertakes an active role in managing South Australia’s landscapes through the preparation and implementation of a regional landscape plan which is the principal document guiding the management of the State’s landscape in the Kangaroo Island Region.</p>
<p><b>Our Vision</b></p>	<p>Nurturing Kangaroo Island’s landscapes together to create a thriving, sustainable future</p>
<p><b>Our Priorities and Focus Areas</b></p>	<p><b>A connected community at the centre of decision making</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working with all sectors of the community to improve the island’s landscapes</li> <li>• Making decisions based on the best available scientific, local and traditional knowledge</li> <li>• Understanding, valuing and taking care of the natural environment and cultural heritage</li> </ul> <p><b>Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safeguarding the structure and function of habitats and ecosystems</li> <li>• Protecting biodiversity to minimise species loss</li> <li>• Improving our understanding of the environment and the beneficial role it plays</li> </ul> <p><b>Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving the health of the soil, water and biodiversity that supports our economy</li> <li>• Strengthening the viability of primary production through sustainable practices</li> <li>• Working in partnership with industry to ensure the island’s economy continues to prosper</li> </ul> <p><b>Effective water management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Managing water resources sustainably and equitably for all users</li> <li>• Improving water quality in the island’s catchments and wetlands</li> <li>• Protecting aquatic biodiversity and ecosystems</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Effective terrestrial and marine pest management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Controlling and, where possible, eradicating weeds, pests and diseases</li><li>• Strengthening KI’s biosecurity arrangements</li><li>• Managing the impact of overabundant native species</li></ul>
<p><b>Our functions, objectives and deliverables</b></p>	<p>The functions of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board as described in the <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>: Part 2, Division 2, Subdivision 5, Section 25 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To undertake, promote and integrate the management of natural resources within its region, with particular reference to land management, water resource management and pest animal and plant control, to build resilience in the face of change and to facilitate integrated landscape management and biodiversity conservation.</li><li>• To prepare, implement and monitor a regional landscape plan and control policies.</li><li>• To promote awareness, understanding and uptake of integrated, sustainable natural resources management within the region, and undertake or support educational initiatives.</li><li>• To facilitate an understanding of and to provide information to landowners on land and water management and pest animal and plant control.</li><li>• To assist in the management of native animals adversely affecting environments, people or primary production.</li></ul>

**Our organisational structure**










Section 15 of the *Landscape SA Act 2019* provides for the appointment of the Board. The Board comprises of at least five and not more than nine members all appointed by the Minister for Environment and Water. Each of the appointed members of the Board is a person who, in the opinion of the Minister, meets requirements of section 16 of *the Landscape SA Act 2019*.



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**The Board**

<p><b>Presiding Member:</b> Andrew Heinrich</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 11/02/2020–30/01/2027</p>		<p><b>Board Member:</b> Barbara Cooper</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 31/01/2023–30/01/2027</p>	
<p><b>Board Member:</b> Peter Davis</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 01/05/2020–30/01/2027</p>		<p><b>Board Member:</b> Grant Flanagan</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 31/01/2023–31/01/2029</p>	
<p><b>Board Member:</b> Jeanette Gellard</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 31/01/2023–31/01/2029</p>		<p><b>Board Member:</b> Drew Laslett</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 31/01/2023–31/01/2029</p>	
<p><b>Board Member:</b> Heidi Groffen</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 31/01/2025- 30/01/2027</p>		<p><b>Board Member:</b> Peggy Rismiller OAM</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 01/05/2020–30/01/2027</p>	
<p><b>Board Member:</b> Daniel Pledge</p> <p><b>Term dates:</b> 02/09/2021 – 20/05/2025</p>			

## Changes to the Board

During 2024-25 there were no changes to the Board's structure and objectives as a result of internal reviews or machinery of government changes.

## Our Minister



The Hon Dr Susan Close MP was the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water for the duration of this 2024-25 reporting period.

## Our Management Team

A General Manager has been appointed to act as the employing authority for the Board and to ensure the organisation delivers against the regional landscape plan and other priorities identified by the State Government.

Operations of the Board were directed by a Management Team made up of the following members:

- Will Durack, General Manager

Responsible to the board for managing its business efficiently and effectively. Responsible for staffing matters and supports the operations and activities of the landscape board.

- Joseph Sullivan, Sustainable Landscapes Manager

Provides regional leadership to support the design and implementation of successful sustainable landscapes, agriculture, water resources management, pest plant and animal and compliance-based projects.

- Karleah Berris, Biodiversity Team Leader

Provides regional leadership to ensure the Board's terrestrial and marine biodiversity programs address the priorities and focus areas identified in the Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan through the design and implementation of successful threatened species, community recovery and landscape-based restoration projects.

- Paul Jennings, Feral Cat Eradication Team Leader

Provides leadership to support the design and implementation of the Feral Cat Eradication Project. The project aims to eradicate feral cats from the Dudley Peninsula.

- Danny Male, Business and Planning Manager

Provides corporate and customer service functions to the Board, including planning, reporting, finance, procurement and human resources.

As per section 35 of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, staff who undertake the work of the Board are employed through the General Manager as the employing authority.

### **Legislation administered by the Board**

*Landscape South Australia Act 2019*

*Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020*

### **Other related agencies (within the Minister's area/s of responsibility)**

- Department for Environment and Water
- Alinytjara Wilurara Landscape Board
- Eyre Peninsula Landscape Board
- Green Adelaide
- Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board
- Limestone Coast Landscape Board
- Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board
- Northern and Yorke Landscape Board
- South Australian Arid Lands Landscape Board
- Environment Protection Authority
- Green Industries SA
- SA Water

# The Board's performance

## Performance at a glance

Throughout 2024-25 the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board worked in partnership with the local community, government agencies, non-government organisations and industry groups to deliver landscape management across the island. This work was guided by the Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan 2021-2026. Key highlights from 2024-2025 include:

KANGAROO ISLAND LANDSCAPE BOARD PRIORITIES				
COMMUNITY	BIODIVERSITY	ECONOMY	WATER	PESTS
<i>A connected community at the centre of decision making</i>	<i>Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity</i>	<i>Sustainable primary production and the island's economy</i>	<i>Effective water management</i>	<i>Effective terrestrial and marine pest management</i>
KANGAROO ISLAND LANDSCAPE BOARD ACHIEVEMENTS				
 People helped with landscape management advice 963 times	11,701 weeds removed from priority threatened plant habitat 	 19 farmers supported to implement property management plans	42 landholders assisted to apply for water affecting activity permits 	 20 declared, WoNS and priority weeds controlled over 766 ha
 Environmental Education Program established to support local school students	30 glossy black-cockatoo chicks banded 	 Videos, case studies and web-pages made to help farmers manage drought	2 water security field days delivered with local agricultural industry group 	 346 feral cats removed over 95,924 trap nights
 10 landholders and community groups landscape projects supported	21 underground bunkers built to protect threatened mammals from fire 	 Farmers supported to trial sustainable agriculture at 16 demonstration sites	Water quality monitored at 43 sites 	 1,328 ha Tasmanian blue gum wildlings removed
 42,600 KI native plants grown for 125 landholders and community groups	20 hooded plover shelters built at 19 priority breeding sites 	 5 carbon farming workshops presented to 50 landholders	91 people supported with advice on water management 	 3 pest incursions to KI investigated

Updates on our performance and progress in delivering the Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan are provided quarterly to the community through progress reports lodged on the board’s website: <https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/about-us/our-regions-progress>

**Meetings of the Board**

Under section 8(b) of the *Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020* the Board’s annual report must include information on the number of meetings (if any) that each member of the Board has failed to attend during the relevant year and the reason given by each member for the failure.

In 2024-25 a total of 8 meetings were held, with members failing to attend meetings for the following reasons:

<b>Board member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>No. of meetings not attended</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Andrew Heinrich	Presiding Member	0	Not applicable
Barbara Cooper	Board member	0	Not applicable
Peter Davis	Board member	3	Personal commitments
Grant Flanagan	Board member	1	Personal commitments
Jeanette Gellard	Board member	4	Personal commitments
Heidi Groffen	Board member	1	Personal commitments
Drew Laslett	Board member	2	Personal commitments
Daniel Pledge	Board member	3	Personal commitments
Peggy Rismiller	Board member	2	Personal commitments

### Kangaroo Island Landscape Board specific objectives and performance

The following images and tables contain a summary of the Board's activities conducted during 2024-25 and how they relate to delivering the priorities and outcomes contained in the Board's regional landscape plan:



Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p> <p>The Board has continued to make decisions based on scientific, local and traditional knowledge about KI.</p> <p>Accurate and usable data relating to managing KI’s landscapes has been collected, stored, and shared with the local and wider community.</p>	<p><b>Water Management Program</b></p> <p>This program supports the Kangaroo Island (KI) community to manage their water resources in line with the Landscape South Australia Act 2019 (the Act).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administered the Kangaroo Island Water Affecting Activity Control Policy in line with the <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>. Received and processed 42 Water Affecting Activities permits, including 71 new dams and 81 dam enlargements. Received and processed 2 Development Application referrals.</li> <li>• Continued to monitor Kangaroo Island’s water resources to inform resource management decisions. This involved measuring water quality at 43 sites across the island.</li> <li>• Continued to review the Kangaroo Island Water Affecting Activities policy, including assessing the environmental risk under various scenarios using the Kangaroo Island Ecologically Sustainable Water Take Limits hydro-ecological response model.</li> <li>• Undertook a desktop analysis of aerial imagery to identify unauthorised dams constructed between 2016-2020, and support compliance activities.</li> <li>• Advised 91 people about water resources (e.g. property hydrology, forestry transition, creek crossings, and erosion control and the water affecting activities permitting process).</li> <li>• Supported the delivery of two water security field days and developed water security factsheets and case studies in partnership with Agriculture Kangaroo Island.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/water">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/water</a></p>
<p>Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the number of primary producers improving water management on their properties.</p>	
<p>Effective water management</p>	<p>The Board has continued to work to ensure that KI’s water resources meet the needs of the environment, the economy and society.</p> <p>Water affecting activities have continued to be regulated as stated in the KI Water Affecting Activity Control Policy under the Act.</p> <p>A hydro-ecological response model for KI has been developed and used to improve how the Board’s Water Affecting Activity Control policy is implemented.</p> <p>Improving water quality in the island’s catchments and wetlands.</p> <p>The Board has continued to maintain a longitudinal dataset of water quality in the Cygnet River to inform resource management decisions.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>Understanding, valuing and taking care of the natural environment and cultural heritage</p>	<p><b>Sustainable Agriculture Program</b></p> <p>This program promotes and supports the adoption of evidence based sustainable land management practices that generate productivity gains and positive environmental outcomes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 19 KI farmers developed Property Management Plans to improve drought resilience. 9 facilitators, extension workers and local experts supported the farmers to develop their plans through 8 topic-specific modules, 4 group training events, and 72 one-on-one training sessions. 19 of the farmers received funding to support on-ground works identified in their plans and 6 demonstration sites were established.</li> <li>• The Soil Extension Officer supported farmers to establish 10 new demonstration sites and held five workshops focussed on Integrated Pest Management, assessing soil health and biofertilisers. Factsheets, 'how to guides' and one-on-one support was provided to landholders on how to assess, monitor and improve soil and plant health.</li> <li>• The Carbon Outreach Officer presented five workshops to 50 land managers about the challenges and opportunities of low emissions farming practices and technologies, and the carbon market.</li> <li>• Worked with partners to develop two containment feeding videos for KI, and produced two case studies for KI farmers about how to set up containment feeding on their property. Produced a 'Managing for dry times' webpage with information on how to develop a drought management plan and links to resources.</li> <li>• A Growing Ki e-newsletter was produced and distributed to 558 people from the farming community to inform them of the Board's activities and opportunities including workshops and drought support.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="http://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/land-management-support">www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/land-management-support</a></p>
<p>Sustainable primary production and the island's economy</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the area of agricultural land managed to improve soil acidity.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the number of primary producers implementing practices to manage soil fertility.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the area of native vegetation planted or protected on-farm.</p> <p>There has been an increase in collaboration between the Board and other local industry groups, agencies and non-government organisations.</p> <p>The Board has continued to work with partners to identify emerging threats, opportunities and priorities for sustainable agriculture on the island.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
A connected community at the centre of decision making	The Board has continued to support landholders recovering from the impacts of the 2019/20 bushfires.	<p><b>Invasive Species Control Program</b> This program manages declared weed and pest animal species in accordance with risk assessment priorities and regional management plans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Weeds of National Significance (WoNS) were controlled over more than 524 ha, removing over 127,339 individual plants from across KI.</li> <li>• A further 11 declared weeds were controlled over more than 242 ha across KI, with 222,040 individual plants removed. A further 3 priority environmental and agricultural weeds were controlled across KI.</li> <li>• 1,328 ha of Tasmanian bluegum wildlings were cleared from private lands and roadsides.</li> <li>• 83 land managers were supported with technical advice to identify and control priority invasive plants, animals and diseases.</li> <li>• 3 landholders were supported to control declared weeds through loaning weed control equipment.</li> <li>• Reports of 3 pest animal and declared species incursions to KI were investigated.</li> <li>• Supported owners of domestic pigs and goats to ensure their properties comply with the <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>.</li> <li>• Continued to support the Department of Primary Industries and Regions to eradicate feral pigs and develop and implement a proof of freedom plan.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/pest-management">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/pest-management</a></p>
1 Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity	The Board has continued to support the recovery of threatened plant species, including populations impacted by the 2019-20 bushfires.	
Effective terrestrial and marine pest management	<p>There has been an increase in the number of landholders who are fulfilling their responsibilities for priority declared species.</p> <p>The Board has continued to implement management actions for priority established and emerging weeds on KI.</p> <p>The Board has continued to support the delivery of the Kangaroo Island Biosecurity Strategy 2017-2027.</p> <p>The Board has continued to ensure that all landholders with domestic goats, ferrets, and deer are abiding by conditions of their permits.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
A connected community at the centre of decision making	There has been an increase in the number of KI residents participating in events run by the Board.	<p><b>Dudley Peninsula Feral Cat Eradication Program</b>                      This program is working to eradicate feral cats from the Dudley Peninsula, and will help to determine if it is feasible to eradicate feral cats from the rest of Kangaroo Island.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The program used innovative technologies to deliver major progress this year. The feral cat detection index reached its lowest level since the project began, with reduced recruitment and smaller areas of occupancy.</li> <li>• 280 4G-enabled cameras linked to the eVorta AI platform provided real-time monitoring, processing on-average 32,000 images each day.</li> <li>• More than 1,000 traps were integrated through the Celium monitoring network. Across 95,924 trap nights, 346 feral cats were removed.</li> <li>• An integrated GIS dashboard improved decision-making by bringing together data from across the project including eVorta, Celium, thermal detection, and detection dog results.</li> <li>• A feasibility report was produced that highlighted the results of using an Eradication Feasibility Decision Support Tool to identify the most cost-effective tools and techniques for full eradication.</li> <li>• Community engagement remains strong with 99% landholder support for the project and 35 landholders contributing to a trapping blitz that removed 202 feral cats over 3,100 trap nights.</li> <li>• Trials of new control methods showed strong results, including new cage trap designs, vehicle-mounted thermal cameras, and the use of feral cat detection dogs.</li> <li>• The program also shared knowledge at the Island Arks Symposium VIII, and through hosting a week-long field trip with Ronald Boland and four Indigenous Rangers from Tracks in the Sand to explore the tools and technology used in the eradication.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/managing-pests/kangaroo-island-feral-cat-eradication-program">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/managing-pests/kangaroo-island-feral-cat-eradication-program</a></p>
Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity	There has been a reduction in the threat posed to native fauna by feral cats.	
Effective terrestrial and marine pest management	Feral cats have been eradicated from the Dudley Peninsula.	

Board Priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the adoption of land management practices that protect or improve natural and cultural assets.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community that understands their rights and obligations to manage native vegetation, including through prescribed burning.</p>	<p><b>Kangaroo Island Habitat Recovery Project</b>                      This project supported landholders to improve the condition of KI’s natural environment through native vegetation protection and restoration works with a focus on threatened ecological communities and critical habitats. Activities included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advising 13 landholders participating in the KI Narrow-leaved Mallee On-ground Works devolved grant incentive scheme about revegetation and native vegetation protection, and visiting each project site.</li> <li>• Supporting 12 other landholders with site visits and technical advice relating to general property management, revegetation planning, erosion management, pollarding of KI narrow-leaved mallee and fencing.</li> <li>• Producing 8 management plans to assist landholders with pollarding aging KI narrow-leaved mallee, salinity management and revegetation projects.</li> <li>• Conducting priority woody-weed control in threatened species habitat, with 11,701 individual weeds from 23 different species controlled.</li> <li>• Completing flora and fauna surveys at ten sites as part of a monitoring project to assess the effectiveness of our habitat restoration, compared with existing equivalent remnant native vegetation.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/ki-narrow-leaved-mallee-project">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/ki-narrow-leaved-mallee-project</a></p>
<p>Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the extent and connectivity of native vegetation communities, particularly those providing habitat for threatened species.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the area of native vegetation protected from stock, including areas regenerating after the 2019-20 bushfires.</p>	
<p>Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the area of native vegetation planted or protected on-farm.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>Management actions for priority threatened species have been refined based on updated ecological information.</p>	<p><b>Kangaroo Island Woodland Bird Recovery Project</b></p> <p>This project delivers strategic on-ground management actions to assist the recovery of key woodland bird species post-fire.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 2024 annual glossy black-cockatoos census found a minimum population count of 422 birds.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» It appears the population is no longer increasing, as it was before the 2019–20 bushfires. However, the population appears to be mostly stable.</li> <li>» From a regional perspective, the number of glossies within the population from the fire-affected north-west region of KI appears to have declined. However, regional glossy population sizes in other areas of KI were found to be similar to what was recorded in 2020 immediately after the bushfires</li> <li>» 39 volunteers contributed 270 hours to the annual census and 62 property owners provided access to survey sites.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Thirty Glossy black-cockatoo nestlings were banded and 18 nest sites for Glossy black-cockatoos were maintained including tree collar repair and removal of feral honey bee hives. Over 40 nest boxes were closed between August and December to exclude little corellas and galahs.</li> <li>• Thirty surveys were conducted to collect baseline data on the distribution of threatened KI woodland birds, with 652 birds from 46 species recorded.</li> <li>• A survey was conducted to determine the abundance of the feral European honeybees within KI’s dry sclerophyll forests and assess the proportion of hollow-bearing trees with bee hives.</li> <li>• Habitat augmentation activities for threatened woodland birds were conducted at 12 sites, this included installing nest boxes and drilled hollow logs for crimson rosellas and pardalotes.</li> <li>• A KI woodland birds workshop was delivered to 269 reception to year six students to celebrate National Science Week.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/glossy-black-cockatoo-recovery-program">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/glossy-black-cockatoo-recovery-program</a></p>
<p>Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the extent and connectivity of native vegetation communities, particularly those providing habitat for threatened species.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the amount of feeding habitat and the number of safe nesting sites for glossy black-cockatoos.</p> <p>There has been an improvement in our understanding of glossy black-cockatoo populations, movements, breeding success, and the use of, and carrying capacity of, their feeding habitat.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>The Board has continued to support landholders recovering from the impacts of the 2019/20 bushfires.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p> <p>Management actions for priority threatened species have been refined based on updated ecological information.</p>	<p><b>Kangaroo Island Habitat for Biodiversity Project</b></p> <p>This project synthesised baseline and post-fire recovery biodiversity project datasets collected as part of the KI Dunnart Recovery Program whilst continuing to build on those datasets for target species through re-surveying long-term monitoring sites seasonally during spring and autumn.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twenty-one underground bunkers were installed, aimed at protecting endangered southern brown bandicoots during bushfires and providing shelter from predators post-fire. Motion-activated cameras at each bunker monitor species visitation and use. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Volunteers from Burnside Rotary Club assisted with the design, construction and installation of the bunkers, and 25 KICE students who belong to the Young Environmental Leaders group attended a field day to learn about the project and assist with installation.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Camera trap images from all long-term monitoring sites from 2020-2024 were processed using AI to categorise images and ExifPro to tag them to species level.</li> <li>• 70 long-term monitoring sites across western KI were surveyed over 100 nights for KI dunnarts, southern brown bandicoots, KI echidnas, Rosenberg’s goannas, pygmy possums and threatened birds to detect trends in fauna recovery following the 2019-20 KI bushfires.</li> <li>• Presented to KICE Parndana reception and year 1 students about endangered species living in bushland surrounding the school, using camera traps and a bushwalk to identify signs of bandicoot activity.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/ki-dunnart-recovery-program">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/ki-dunnart-recovery-program</a></p>
<p>Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity</p>	<p>There has been a reduction in the threat posed to native fauna by feral cats.</p> <p>There has been an improvement in our understanding of the distribution, ecology and post-fire recovery of the Kangaroo Island dunnart.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p>	<p><b>Improving Coastal Habitats Project</b></p> <p>This project monitors key coastal habitats and threatened species to direct management actions on the Board’s newly constructed native flat oyster (<i>Ostrea angasi</i>) reefs and little penguin (<i>Eudyptula minor</i>) colonies. This will inform future coastal habitat actions to enhance KI’s coastal ecosystems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A whole-of-island little penguin census was completed in October with support from DEW. Results were consistent with censuses taken in spring of 2023 and autumn 2024</li> <li>• A metric survey of native flat oysters at the Board’s American River reef restoration site was conducted. Results showed increasing densities of <i>Ostrea angasi</i> spat have settled on the artificial reef over the past two years since the reef was completed.</li> <li>• Continued hooded plover monitoring, completed access control activities, and constructed 20 chick shelters to protect adults, chicks and eggs at 19 key breeding locations.</li> <li>• Presented to KICE’s Penneshaw reception class about little penguins, gave a classroom presentation about coastal birds and conducted a field trip with year 4 and 5 students and engaged with a year 7/8 class to construct shelters for hooded plover chicks.</li> <li>• Target coastal weeds were controlled over 30 ha of critical seabird and shorebird breeding habitat at Emu Bay on Kangaroo Island’s north coast, including the Emu Bay Creek mouth.</li> </ul> <p>See links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/oyster-reef-restoration">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/native-plants-and-animals/supporting-biodiversity/oyster-reef-restoration</a></li> <li>• <a href="https://cdn.environment.sa.gov.au/landscape/docs/ki/programs-coast-penguins-survey-rpt-24.pdf">https://cdn.environment.sa.gov.au/landscape/docs/ki/programs-coast-penguins-survey-rpt-24.pdf</a></li> </ul>
<p>Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity</p>	<p>There has been an improvement in the health of coast and marine habitats around Kangaroo Island, through habitat augmentation and pest control.</p>	
<p>Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy</p>	<p>There has been an increase in collaboration between the Board and other local industry groups, agencies and non-government organisations.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
A connected community at the centre of decision making	<p>The Board has continued to support landholders recovering from the impacts of the 2019/20 bushfires.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p>	<p><b>Kangaroo Island Native Plant Nursery</b></p> <p>The Kangaroo Island Native Plant Nursery grows over 150 different species of KI native plants, which can be used for revegetating land, windbreaks, coastal plantings and home garden use. The Nursery Manager is available for native vegetation management advice to assist landholders with their projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The KI Native Plant Nursery propagated 42,600 plants as tubestock for the 2024-25 growing season. 34,600 plants were grown for orders for 151 individuals and community groups.</li> <li>• 124 KI native plant species were grown via seed germination and cuttings from local KI material. Many of these species are listed as threatened at either the national, state or regional level.</li> <li>• Volunteers donated 200 hours to assist with seed cleaning, transplanting and thinning seedlings.</li> <li>• The Nursery Manager supported the local school KI Community Education through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Assisting KICE students with plantings to improve penguin habitat</li> <li>» visiting students at the school to assist with school plantings to create butterfly habitat.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Nursery Manager assisted KI landholders and businesses, via phone calls, emails, site visits and clients visiting the nursery, to plan their revegetation and garden projects. Advice included the best KI native plants to use on their property and the best methods to use for successful growth.</li> </ul>
Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity	<p>There has been an increase in the extent and connectivity of native vegetation communities, particularly those providing habitat for threatened species.</p> <p>60,000 plants have been grown annually at the Kangaroo Island Native Plant Nursery to support native plant revegetation.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the amount of feeding habitat and the number of safe nesting sites for glossy black-cockatoos.</p> <p>The Board has continued to support the recovery of threatened plant species, including populations impacted by the 2019-20 bushfires.</p>	
Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy	<p>There has been an increase in the area of native vegetation planted or protected on-farm.</p>	
Effective water management	<p>There has been an increase in the area of riparian vegetation planted and protected to improve water quality.</p>	<p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/ki-native-plant-nursery">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/ki-native-plant-nursery</a></p>

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
A connected community at the centre of decision making	<p>The Board has continued to support landholders recovering from the impacts of the 2019/20 bushfires.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p>	<p><b>Community Grants Program</b></p> <p>A Grassroots Grants program supported KI individuals, volunteers, community groups and other not-for-profit organisations, with local landscape management projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applications opened on 1 April 2024 and closed on 6 May 2024</li> <li>• The 2024 KI Grassroots Grants received 24 applications ranging in value from \$1,021 to \$21,500 (the minimum and maximum amounts being offered was \$1,000 and \$8,000 respectively) seeking \$165,712 of funding.</li> <li>• Three community groups and seven individual landholders and were awarded \$55,997 to:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ install a weather station at KICE Parndana campus</li> <li>○ protect and rejuvenate old growth narrow leaved mallee and revegetate the understorey with native species</li> <li>○ help manage an array of 50 4G cameras connected to the eVorta artificial intelligence system</li> <li>○ fence native shelterbelts and revegetate with native plants</li> <li>○ protect riparian vegetation along a creek</li> <li>○ install a large-scale vermicomposting system to improve soils</li> <li>○ fence off remnant patches of old growth sugar gum and stringybark and revegetate</li> <li>○ host a field day demonstrating revegetation success on private land</li> <li>○ fence the Parndana Community Garden</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/ki-native-plant-nursery">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/land-and-farming/ki-native-plant-nursery</a></p>
Healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity	<p>There has been an increase in the extent and connectivity of native vegetation communities, particularly those providing habitat for threatened species.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the area of native vegetation protected from stock, including areas regenerating after the 2019-20 bushfires.</p>	
Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy	<p>There has been an increase in the area of native vegetation planted or protected on-farm.</p>	
Effective terrestrial and marine pest management	<p>The board has continued to implement management actions for priority established and emerging weeds on KI.</p>	

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Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the proportion of the community receiving support from the Board to understand and manage the island’s landscapes.</p> <p>There has been an increase in the number of KI residents participating in events run by the Board.</p>	<p><b>Communication Program</b></p> <p>The Communications Program supports all projects and creates board level opportunities to deliver communications, engagement and media activities. Achievements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing a suite of media articles including 22 articles for state and national media and 41 articles for local media.</li> <li>• Coordinating visits and interviews with media outlets including 12 radio interviews.</li> <li>• Developing four videos about the Board’s project work and posting these on the KI Landscape Board’s YouTube channel with over 3,330 views.</li> <li>• Managing the KI Landscape Board website and posting 129 social media articles relating to project work and information relating to landscape management which reached over 204,000 people.</li> <li>• Publishing community information about what to do if dead birds are found in relation to the H5N1 strain of bird influenza and a series of Facebook posts about the algal bloom with updates and sources of reliable information.</li> <li>• Supporting the planning and delivery of the Island Arks Symposium VIII. 131 delegates attended from 24 islands from August 26–28.</li> </ul> <p>See links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki</a></li> <li>• <a href="https://www.facebook.com/KILandscapeSA">https://www.facebook.com/KILandscapeSA</a></li> <li>• <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdfEauH_fqWyJlvuAF0fD4w">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdfEauH_fqWyJlvuAF0fD4w</a></li> </ul>
<p>Sustainable primary production and the island’s economy</p>	<p>There has been an increase in collaboration between the Board and other local industry groups, agencies and non-government organisations.</p>	

Board priorities	Outcomes	Performance
<p>A connected community at the centre of decision making</p>	<p>There has been an increase in the number of students participating in and learning about projects run by the Board.</p>	<p><b>Environmental Education Program</b></p> <p>This project is partnering with the local school KI Community Education (KICE), to develop and implement a free environmental education program embedded in the Australian (R-10) and SA (11-12) curriculum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed and coordinated a ‘sustainable science session’ across the three campuses for 269 students from reception to year 6 as part of National Science Week.</li> <li>• Coordinated an inter-campus Twitchathon to complement the KI Twitchathon. 176 KICE students participated across three school campuses over the week.</li> <li>• Hosted the first KI Young Environmental Leaders (YEL) Forum at Flinders Chase National Park for all year 4 and 5 students from KICE. Following the forum student representatives presented the Board with their future visions for KI. 25 year 5 students were then selected to participate in the Young Environmental Leaders Program, attending a hands-on YEL forum each term focused on local natural resource management issues including the installation of bandicoot bunkers, the feral cat eradication program, principles of sustainable agriculture and learning about cave invertebrates.</li> <li>• Supported five KICE secondary students to become members of the Youth Environment Council and attend a Welcome Forum in Belair National Park and a 2-day camp at Arbury Park Outdoor Education.</li> <li>• Two Environmental Education Program newsletters and a 2025 Environmental Education Program Guide were distributed to KICE staff. 2 professional development sessions were provided at staff training days.</li> </ul> <p>See link: <a href="https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/education">https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ki/education</a></p>

**Corporate performance summary**

The Board’s corporate, governance and administrative support services are provided by the Business and Planning Team, reporting to the General Manager as per section 35 of *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*. The Department for Environment and Water provide additional corporate, governance and administrative support services to the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board on a fee for service basis in accordance with a Service Level Agreement (SLA).

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board have jointly signed a Statement of Commitment outlining the Board’s commitment to achieving stronger relationships with Aboriginal people and organisations. The Board is also working closely with the Ngarrindjeri, Kurna and Narungga Nations to improve the way that First Nations people are included in the planning and delivery of natural resource management on Kangaroo Island.

**Employment opportunity programs**

<b>Program name</b>	<b>Performance</b>
Nil	The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board did not implement any formal employment opportunity programs in 2024-25.

**Board performance management and development systems**

<b>Performance management and development system</b>	<b>Performance</b>
Board performance self assessment	The Board undertakes annual performance reviews to identify areas of strength and improvement.
Australian Government Performance Framework	Quarterly, six monthly and annual reporting requirements met for all Regional Land Partnership projects and core services
Landscape Priorities Fund	Six monthly, annual and acquittal reporting requirements met for Landscape Priorities Fund project grants.
General Manager	Twice yearly reviews were conducted for the General Manager

**Work health, safety and return to work programs**

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board is committed to ensuring the health, safety and wellbeing of all staff, volunteers and others in the workplace. The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board meet the requirements under the *Work Health and Safety*

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Act (SA) 2012 and Return to Work Act 2014 and meet whole of Government requirements. This includes contractor safety arrangements.

<b>Program name</b>	<b>Performance</b>
Work Health and Safety Consultative Forum	The Board conducts monthly Work Health and Safety Consultative Forums for all staff with the General Manager. A total of 10 forums were held in 2024-25.
Hazard and incident reporting	There was 1 hazard and incident reported, a decrease from 4 in 2023-24.
Employee Assistance Program	All members of staff can access free, confidential support and assistance on a wide range of issues through the Board's Employee Assistance Program.

<b>Workplace injury claims</b>	Current year 2024-25	Past year 2023-24	% Change (+ / -)
Total new workplace injury claims	0	0	0%
Fatalities	0	0	0%
Seriously injured workers*	0	0	0%
Significant injuries (where lost time exceeds a working week, expressed as frequency rate per 1000 FTE)	0	0	0%

\*number of claimants assessed during the reporting period as having a whole person impairment meeting the relevant threshold under the Return to Work Act 2014 (Part 2 Division 5)

<b>Work health and safety regulations</b>	Current year 2024-25	Past year 2023-24	% Change (+ / -)
Number of notifiable incidents ( <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2012, Part 3</i> )	0	0	0%
Number of provisional improvement, improvement and prohibition notices ( <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2012 Sections 90, 191 and 195</i> )	0	0	0%

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<b>Return to work costs**</b>	<b>Current year 2024-25</b>	<b>Past year 2023-24</b>	<b>% Change (+ / -)</b>
Total gross workers compensation expenditure (\$)	0	0	0%
Income support payments – gross (\$)	0	0	0%

*\*\*before third party recovery*

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**Executive employment in the agency**

<b>Executive classification</b>	<b>Number of executives</b>
The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board does not employ any executive staff.	0

Data for previous years is available at: [Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Annual Report 2023-24](#)

The [Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment](#) has a [workforce information](#) page that provides further information on the breakdown of executive gender, salary and tenure by agency.

## Financial performance

### Financial performance at a glance

The financial performance and position as at 30 June 2025 are contained within the audited financial statements. Appendix: Audited financial statements 2024-25.

Under section 39(2) of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, a regional landscape board must report on actual expenditure of amounts raised by levies against the Board's budget.

### Levy expenditure against the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board budget

Revenue / Expenditure details	2024-25 Budget \$000s	2024-25 Actual \$000s
Revenue – water levies	Nil	Nil
Revenue – levies collected by local councils	473	473
<i>Total income raised by levies</i>		
<i>Actual expenditure on amounts raised by levies *</i>	473	473

*\*Expenditure includes carryover budget.*

The following is a brief summary of the overall financial position of the Board. The information is unaudited. For full audited financial statements refer to Appendix: Audited financial statements 2024-25.

Statement of Comprehensive Income	2024-25 Budget \$000s	2024-25 Actual \$000s	Variation \$000s	2023-24 Actual \$000s
Total Income	7 144	6 998	(146)	6 181
Total Expense	7 958	6 776	(1 182)	7 167
<b>Net Result</b>	<b>(814)</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>1 036</b>	<b>(986)</b>
<b>Total Comprehensive Result</b>	<b>(814)</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>1 036</b>	<b>(986)</b>

Statement of Financial Position	2024-25 Budget \$000s	2024-25 Actual \$000s	Variation \$000s	2023-24 Actual \$000s
Current assets	-	4 663	-	5 270
Non-current assets	-	308	-	524
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4 971</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5 794</b>
Current liabilities	-	504	-	1 426
Non-current liabilities	-	453	-	576
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 002</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4 014</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 792</b>
<b>Equity</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4 014</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 792</b>

*\*The Board does not prepare a budget for the Statement of Financial Position.*

**Consultants disclosure**

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged by the Board, the nature of work undertaken, and the actual payments made for the work undertaken during the financial year.

Consultant disclosures are not required to be reported by landscape boards as they are Tier 2 reporting entities and are not required to disclose consultants in their financial statements.

**Consultancies with a contract value below \$10,000 each**

<b>Consultancies</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
All consultancies below \$10,000 each - combined	N/A	\$0

**Consultancies with a contract value above \$10,000 each**

<b>Consultancies</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
Nil Report	N/A	\$0
	Total	N/A

Data for previous years is available at: [Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Annual Report 2023-24](#)

See also the [Consolidated Financial Report of the Department of Treasury and Finance](#) for total value of consultancy contracts across the South Australian Public Sector.

**Contractors disclosure**

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged by the Board, the nature of work undertaken, and the actual payments made for work undertaken during the financial year.

**Contractors with a contract value below \$10,000**

<b>Contractors</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
All contractors below \$10,000 each - combined	Various	\$617,174

**Contractors with a contract value above \$10,000 each**

<b>Contractors</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>\$ Actual payment</b>
Primary Industries & Regions	Vertebrate pest management	\$380,000
The Green Man Enterprises	Weed control	\$192,804
Evorta Pty Ltd	Scientific services	\$72,938
Soil Science Australia	Soils guide	\$10,000
Taylor And Taylor Holdings P/L	Scientific services	\$38,765
Gildera Forestry Services	Weed control	\$30,950
Smart Future Creative	First Nations engagement	\$30,473
Nature Foundation Ltd	Commission	\$26,728
Bill Wilson Consulting	First Nations engagement	\$22,700
NRM Regions Australia Ltd	Carbon outreach support	\$15,000
Better Life Group Pty Ltd	Mobile data plans	\$13,363
Strategy Road Pty Ltd	PMP Participant	\$13,020
Tracks in the Sand Pty Ltd	Vertebrate pest management	\$10,200
	Total	\$856,941

*\*Non-disclosure of contractor names approved by General Manager*

Data for previous years is available at: [Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Annual Report 2023-24](#)

The details of South Australian Government-awarded contracts for goods, services, and works are displayed on the SA Tenders and Contracts website. [View the agency list of contracts.](#)

The website also provides details of [across government contracts.](#)

**Other financial information**

Grassroots grants program

Each year the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board runs an annual Grassroots Grants program to support local individuals, volunteers, community groups and other not-for-profit organisations with local landscape management projects.

Under section 28(6) of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* the Board must ensure that a report on any grants provided under this program are included in its annual report. Projects funded by the Board through the Grassroots grants program in 2024-25 were:

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<b>Project title</b>	<b>Recipient type</b>	<b>Amount</b>
KICE Weather Station	School	\$3,000
Shelterbelt protection, rejuvenation and understorey vegetation	Individual	\$8,000
Native Vegetation Shelterbelt	Individual	\$7,033
Livestock Proof Fencing for Native Vegetation Protection	Individual	\$7,999
Livestock exclusion fencing riparian vegetation	Individual	\$8,000
Vermin proof fencing around the Parndana Community Garden	Community group	\$2,444
Sustainable agriculture for community, soils and economy	Individual	\$6,500
Bringing back the bush, the birds ....and the bees	Individual	\$1,021
Protecting old growth woodlands for threatened species habitat in the Black Summer firescar	Individual	\$8,000
KI Land for Wildlife feral cat monitoring (4G camera array)	Not-for-profit	\$4,000
	Total	<b>\$55,997</b>

Other funding support provided by the Board in 2024-2025:

Under section 27(3) and section 28(6) of the Landscape South Australia Act funding support including the Grassroots Grants Program can be made to third parties such as community groups, land owners, industry, state government and individuals for various projects and programs that contribute to delivering the landscape plan.

In 2024/25 the Board provided \$167,242 in funding support. This included \$55,997 to various groups and landholders through Grassroots Grants.

In addition, the board provided \$111,245 funding to the following:

- \$83,614 to landholders for on-ground works for Kangaroo Island Narrow-Leaved Mallee Recovery Program.
- \$27,631 to landholders for on-ground works through the Property Management Planning Program.

## Risk management

### Risk and audit at a glance

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board is committed to integrating effective risk management into all aspects of planning and delivery to ensure best practice management of uncertainty. The Board have adopted and implemented a risk management framework that promotes accountability through good corporate governance and effective risk management practices. Under this framework a risk management plan and risk register are maintained and reviewed regularly by the General Manager and the Board.

### Fraud detected in the Board

Category/nature of fraud	Number of instances
There were no instances of fraud detected in the activities undertaken by the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board in this reporting period 2024-25	0

*NB: Fraud reported includes actual and reasonably suspected incidents of fraud.*

### Strategies implemented to control and prevent fraud

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board have adopted the Department for Environment and Water’s Fraud and Corruption Control Policy, Procedure and Program which sets out the control measures for preventing fraud and the mechanisms for reporting and investigation. The risk of fraud is identified on the Board’s risk register, along with the controls to manage the risk to an acceptable level. The Board has also adopted the DEW Procurement Framework and has approved Financial Authorisations in place that are commensurate with role classifications and responsibilities. Further, all procurement panel members must complete a conflict of interest declaration to ameliorate the risk of preferential contracting of goods and services.

Data for previous years is available at [Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Annual Report 2023-24](#).

### Public interest disclosure

Number of occasions on which public interest information has been disclosed to a responsible officer of the agency under the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018*:

Zero

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Note: Disclosure of public interest information was previously reported under the *Whistleblowers Protection Act 1993* and repealed by the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2018* on 1/7/2019.

## Reporting required under any other act or regulation

Act or Regulation	Requirement
Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020	8(c) The persons or bodies to whom or to which the board has delegated functions or powers under section 37 of the Act, and the nature of the functions or powers delegated to each person or body

The Board has approved financial delegations in accordance with Treasurer's Instruction 8 - Financial Authorisations as follows:

Title	Corporate	Contract Execution	Purchase Card	Disposal	Witness, Affix Common Seal	Landscape Act
General Manager	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Business and Planning Manager	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Biodiversity Manager	✓		✓			
Manager Sustainable Landscapes	✓	✓	✓			✓
Landscape Operations and Compliance Team Leader	✓		✓			✓
Team Leader Business Services	✓		✓			
Feral Animal Control Officer			✓			
Coasts Project Officer			✓			
Communications and Media Coordinator	✓					
Board Support Officer	✓		✓			
Feral Cat Field Officer			✓			
Project Officer Feral Cat Spatial Networks			✓			
Project Officer Feral Cat Monitoring and Detection			✓			
Finance Officer	✓		✓	✓		
Glossy Black-cockatoo Project Officer			✓			
Hunan Resources and Business Support Officer	✓		✓			
Biodiversity Project Officer			✓			
Narrow-leaved Mallee Project Officer			✓			
Manager KI Native Plant Nursery			✓			
Program Support Project Officer			✓			
Project Leader-Feral Cat Eradication	✓		✓			
Sustainable Agriculture Project Officer	✓		✓			
Landscapes Officer - Soils	✓		✓			
Tasmanian Bluegum Project Officer			✓			
Water Officer	✓		✓			
Animal and Plant Control Officer			✓			
Education Coordinator			✓			

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Senior Finance Officer	✓	✓
Project Manager KI Dunnarts	✓	

In addition to the financial delegations, the General Manager has been delegated to exercise certain powers and functions of the board under the Landscape South Australia Act 2019, as prescribed by the relevant Instrument of Delegation.

Act or Regulation	Requirement
<i>Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020</i>	8(d) a report on any functions assigned to the board by the Minister

The Minister did not assign any functions to the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board during 2024-25.

### Number of public complaints reported

Complaint categories	Sub-categories	Example	Number of Complaints 2024-25
Professional behaviour	Staff attitude	Failure to demonstrate values such as empathy, respect, fairness, courtesy, extra mile; cultural competency	0
Professional behaviour	Staff competency	Failure to action service request; poorly informed decisions; incorrect or incomplete service provided	0
Professional behaviour	Staff knowledge	Lack of service specific knowledge; incomplete or out-of-date knowledge	0
Communication	Communication quality	Inadequate, delayed or absent communication with customer	1
Communication	Confidentiality	Customer’s confidentiality or privacy not respected; information shared incorrectly	0
Service delivery	Systems/technology	System offline; inaccessible to customer; incorrect result/information provided; poor system design	0

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<b>Complaint categories</b>	<b>Sub-categories</b>	<b>Example</b>	<b>Number of Complaints 2024-25</b>
Service delivery	Access to services	Service difficult to find; location poor; facilities/ environment poor standard; not accessible to customers with disabilities	0
Service delivery	Process	Processing error; incorrect process used; delay in processing application; process not customer responsive	0
Policy	Policy application	Incorrect policy interpretation; incorrect policy applied; conflicting policy advice given	0
Policy	Policy content	Policy content difficult to understand; policy unreasonable or disadvantages customer	0
Service quality	Information	Incorrect, incomplete, out-dated or inadequate information; not fit for purpose	0
Service quality	Access to information	Information difficult to understand, hard to find or difficult to use; not plain English	0
Service quality	Timeliness	Lack of staff punctuality; excessive waiting times (outside of service standard); timelines not met	0
Service quality	Safety	Maintenance; personal or family safety; duty of care not shown; poor security service/ premises; poor cleanliness	0
Service quality	Service responsiveness	Service design doesn't meet customer needs; poor service fit with customer expectations	0
No case to answer	No case to answer	Third party; customer misunderstanding; redirected to another agency; insufficient information to investigate	0

<b>Complaint categories</b>	<b>Sub-categories</b>	<b>Example</b>	<b>Number of Complaints 2024-25</b>
		<b>Total</b>	1

<b>Additional Metrics</b>	<b>Total</b>
Number of positive feedback comments	0
Number of negative feedback comments	3
Total number of feedback comments	3
% complaints resolved within policy timeframes	100%

Data for previous years is available at: [Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Annual Report 2023-24](#)

**Service Improvements**

As required by Premier and Cabinet Circular 039 - Complaint management in the South Australian public sector, the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board assessed the performance of their current Complaint Management System in 2024-25 and no required improvements were identified.

**Compliance Statement**

Kangaroo Island Landscape Board is compliant with Premier and Cabinet Circular 039 – complaint management in the South Australian public sector	Yes
Kangaroo Island Landscape Board has communicated the content of PC 039 and the agency’s related complaints policies and procedures to employees.	Yes

## **Appendix: Financial Statements 2024-25**

### **Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**

For the year ended 30 June 2025



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Presiding Member  
Kangaroo Island Landscape Board  
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Dear Mr Heinrich

## **Audit of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board for the year to 30 June 2025**

We have completed the audit of your accounts for the year ended 30 June 2025. Two key outcomes from the audit are the:

- 1 Independent Auditor's Report on your agency's financial report
- 2 audit management letters.

### **1 Independent Auditor's Report**

We are returning the financial report for the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board, with the Independent Auditor's Report. This report is unmodified.

The *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* allows me to publish documents on the Audit Office of South Australia website. The enclosed Independent Auditor's Report and accompanying financial report will be published on that website on Tuesday 9 December 2025.

### **2 Audit management letters**

As the audit did not identify any significant matters requiring management attention, we will not issue any audit management letters.

### **What the audit covered**

Our audits meet statutory audit responsibilities under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and the Australian Auditing Standards.

Our audit covered the principal areas of the agency's financial operations and included test reviews of systems, processes, internal controls and financial transactions. Some notable areas were:

- revenue
- accounts payable
- cash
- property, plant and equipment
- financial accounting – general ledger.

I would like to thank the staff and management of your agency for their assistance during this year's audit.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan O'Donohue', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Daniel O'Donohue  
**Deputy Auditor-General**

28 November 2025

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## To the Presiding Member Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

### Opinion

I have audited the financial report of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board (the Board) for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Board as at 30 June 2025, its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures.

The financial report comprises:

- a Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2025
- a Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2025
- a Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2025
- a Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2025
- notes, comprising material accounting policy information and other explanatory information
- a Certificate from the Presiding Member and the General Manager.

### Basis for opinion

I conducted the audit in accordance with the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report' section of my report. I am independent of the Board. The *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* establishes the independence of the Auditor-General. In conducting the audit, the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* have been met.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

### **Responsibilities of the General Manager and the Board for the financial report**

The General Manager is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with relevant Treasurer's Instructions issued under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and the Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the General Manager is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting, unless the assessment indicates that it is not appropriate.

The Board is responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report**

As required by section 31(1)(b) of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and section 38(2) of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, I have audited the financial report of the Board for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

My 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 my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I 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 my 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 Board's internal control
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the General Manager
- conclude on the appropriateness of the General Manager'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 I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the opinion. My conclusion is based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of the auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause an 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.

My report refers only to the financial report described above and does not provide assurance over the integrity of electronic publication by the entity on any website nor does it provide an opinion on other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the report.

I communicate with the General Manager and the Presiding Member about, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during the audit.



Daniel O'Donohue  
**Deputy Auditor-General**

28 November 2025

# **Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**

## **Financial Statements**

For the year ended 30 June 2025

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
**Certification of the Financial Statements**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2025*

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We certify that the:

- financial statements for the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board (the Board):
  - are in accordance with the accounts and records of the Board;
  - comply with relevant Treasurer's Instructions;
  - comply with relevant accounting standards; and
  - present a true and fair view of the financial position of the Board at the end of the financial year and the result of its operation and cash flows for the financial year.
- internal controls employed by the Board for the financial year over its financial reporting and its preparation of financial statements have been effective.



Andrew Heinrich  
**Presiding Member**  
26 November 2025



Will Durack  
**General Manager**  
Kangaroo Island Landscape Board  
26 November 2025

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
**Statement of Comprehensive Income**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2025*

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	Note	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
<b>Income</b>			
Landscape Levies	3.1	473	446
Intra-government transfers	3.2	1 325	1 893
Grants and subsidies	3.3	4 743	3 544
Interest revenues		183	202
Other income	3.4	274	96
<b>Total income</b>		<b>6 998</b>	<b>6 181</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Employee related expenses	4.1	3 485	2 862
Supplies and services	4.2	2 800	3 727
Grants and subsidies	4.3	245	334
Depreciation	5.4	184	182
Borrowing Costs		15	16
Other expenses	4.4	47	46
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>6 776</b>	<b>7 167</b>
<b>Net result</b>		<b>222</b>	<b>(986)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. The net result and total comprehensive result are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
*as at 30 June 2025*

	Note	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	5.1	3 870	3 651
Receivables	5.2	793	1 619
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>4 663</b>	<b>5 270</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Receivables	5.2	-	1
Property, plant and equipment	5.4	308	523
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>308</b>	<b>524</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>4 971</b>	<b>5 794</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Payables	6.1	170	972
Other financial liabilities	6.2	84	159
Employee related liabilities	6.3	246	260
Provisions	6.4	5	7
Other liabilities	6.5	-	28
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>504</b>	<b>1 426</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Other financial liabilities	6.2	118	302
Employee related liabilities	6.3	311	246
Provisions	6.4	24	28
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>453</b>	<b>576</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>957</b>	<b>2 002</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>4 014</b>	<b>3 792</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Retained earnings		4 014	3 792
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>4 014</b>	<b>3 792</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. The total equity is attributable to the SA Government as owner.

## Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

### Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2025

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	Retained earnings	Total equity
Note	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2023	4 778	4 778
Net loss for 2023-24	(986)	(986)
<b>Total comprehensive result for 2023-24</b>	<b>(986)</b>	<b>(986)</b>
Balance at 30 June 2024	3 792	3 792
Net loss for 2024-25	222	222
<b>Total comprehensive result for 2024-25</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>222</b>
Balance at 30 June 2025	<b>4 014</b>	<b>4 014</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. All changes in equity are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

## Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

### Statement of Cash flows

for the year ended 30 June 2025

	Note	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
<i>Cash inflows</i>			
Landscape levies		536	272
Intra-government transfers		1 325	1 893
Grants		5 506	3 860
Interest received		183	205
GST recovered from DEW		201	163
Other receipts		285	112
<i>Cash outflows</i>			
Employee related payments		(3 440)	(2 949)
Supplies and services		(3 814)	(3 605)
Grants and subsidies		(270)	(367)
Interest paid		(15)	(16)
Other payments		(50)	(45)
<b>Net cash from/(used in) operating activities</b>		<b>447</b>	<b>(477)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
<i>Cash outflows</i>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(63)	-
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>(63)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
<i>Cash outflows</i>			
Repayment of leases		(185)	(167)
<b>Cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>(185)</b>	<b>(167)</b>
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>(185)</b>	<b>(167)</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>219</b>	<b>(644)</b>
Cash at the beginning of the period		3 651	4 295
<b>Cash at the end of the period</b>	5.1	<b>3 870</b>	<b>3 651</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

## Notes to and forming part of the financial statements

### for the year ended 30 June 2025

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#### 1. About the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board (the Board) was established 1 July 2020 as a not for profit statutory authority pursuant to the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* (The Landscape Act).

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan 2021-2026 was adopted by the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water under section 50 of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* in June 2021. The Board operates under an annual Business Plan which aligns to the Landscape Plan for implementation in each financial year. The Business Plan identifies the board's expected revenue and investment in priorities for management of landscapes in the region as detailed in note 1.2.

In 2023, the Board entered into a three-year Service Level Agreement (SLA) with the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2026. This facilitated the delivery of corporate support services to the Board to ensure it is able to meet its governance and financial management statutory requirements in delivering its business.

The financial statements and accompanying notes include all the controlled activities of the Board.

#### 1.1. Basis of preparation

These financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with:

- section 23 of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*;
- Treasurer's Instructions and Accounting Policy Statements issued by the Treasurer under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*; and
- relevant Australian Accounting Standards applying simplified disclosures.

The financial statements have been prepared based on a 12 month period and presented in Australian currency. All amounts in the financial statements and accompanying notes have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$'000). The historical cost convention is used unless a different measurement basis is specifically disclosed in the note associated with the item measured.

Assets that are to be sold, consumed or realised as part of the normal 12 month operating cycle have been classified as current assets. Liabilities that are due to be settled within 12 months after the end of the reporting period or for which the Board has no right to defer the settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period are classified as current liabilities. All other assets and liabilities are classified as non-current.

Material accounting policies are set out throughout the notes.

Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST except:

- when the GST incurred on a purchase of goods or services is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), in which case GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item applicable;
- receivables and payables, which are stated with the amount of GST included.

The Board is grouped with the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) for GST purposes, and accordingly DEW prepares the Business Activity Statement on behalf of the Board via the grouping provisions of the GST legislation. Notwithstanding the use of these grouping provisions, intercompany cash alignment occurs to ensure the Board either recovers the net amount of GST recoverable from or disburses the amount payable to the ATO from DEW.

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is classified as part of operating cash flows.

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
**Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2025*

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**1.2. Objectives and priorities**

**Board's objectives**

The functions of the Board under section 25(1) of the Landscape Act include to:

- a) Undertake and promote the management of natural resources within its region
- b) Prepare a regional landscape plan and water allocation plans, landscapes affecting activities control policies and water affecting activities control policies, and
- c) Promote public awareness and understanding of the importance of integrated and sustainable natural resources management within its region

**Board priorities**

The Kangaroo Island Business Plan 2024-25 sets out the Board's investment in five priorities:

**Community**

- This priority focuses on a connected community at the centre of decision making

**Biodiversity**

- This priority focuses on healthy terrestrial and marine ecosystems and biodiversity

**Economy**

- This priority focuses on sustainable primary production and the island's economy

**Water**

- This priority focuses on effective water management

**Pests**

- This priority focuses on effective terrestrial and marine pest management

The Board invests in and delivers a suite of programs across the region to achieve the priorities and focus areas. The table on the following page presents expenses and income attributable to each priority.

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
**Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**  
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**1.2. Objectives and priorities (continued)**  
**Expenses and income by priorities**

	Community		Biodiversity		Economy		Water		Pests		Total	
	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Income</b>												
Landscape Levies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	473	446	473	446
Intra-government transfers	1 325	1 293	-	-	-	50	-	-	-	550	1 325	1 893
Grants and subsidies	539	608	664	592	849	588	-	6	2 598	1 750	4 650	3 544
Interest*	36	40	36	40	37	40	37	41	37	41	183	202
Other income	14	5	113	90	60	-	5	1	175	-	367	96
<b>Total income</b>	<b>1 914</b>	<b>1 946</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>3 283</b>	<b>2 787</b>	<b>6 998</b>	<b>6 181</b>
<b>Expenses</b>												
Employee related expenses*	1 270	1 459	693	520	365	172	116	132	1 041	579	3 485	2 862
Supplies and services*	442	783	238	511	531	637	31	45	1 558	1 751	2 800	3 727
Grants and subsidies	51	84	84	-	85	176	-	-	25	74	245	334
Depreciation*	86	79	47	46	17	19	17	19	17	19	184	182
Borrowing costs*	6	7	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	16
Other expenses	47	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	46
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>1 902</b>	<b>2 458</b>	<b>1 068</b>	<b>1 083</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>1 005</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>2 642</b>	<b>2 424</b>	<b>6 776</b>	<b>7 167</b>
<b>Net result</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>(512)</b>	<b>(255)</b>	<b>(361)</b>	<b>(53)</b>	<b>(327)</b>	<b>(123)</b>	<b>(149)</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>(886)</b>

\*A portion of employee related expenses, supplies and services, depreciation, borrowing costs and interest are allocated equally to each priority.  
The Board has determined that assets and liabilities cannot be reliably attributed to individual priorities.

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
**Notes to and forming part of the financial statements**  
*for the year ended 30 June 2025*

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**2. Board and committees**

**2.1. Key management personnel**

Key management personnel of the Board includes the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water, the Presiding Member, members and the General Manager who have responsibility for the strategic direction and management of the Board.

The total compensation for the Board's key management personnel was \$259 000 in 2024-25 and \$227 000 in 2023-24.

The compensation disclosed in this note excludes salaries and other benefits the Minister receives. The Minister's remuneration and allowances are set by the *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990* and the Remuneration Tribunal of SA respectively and are payable from the Consolidated Account under section 8 of the *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990*.

**Transactions with key management personnel and other related parties**

Apart from the remuneration for key management personnel, the Board does not have material transactions with key management personnel, their close family members and/or their controlled or jointly controlled entities.

**2.2. Board and committee members**

Members during the 2024-25 financial year were:

**The Board**

A Heinrich (Presiding Member)  
B J Cooper  
P K Davis  
G J Flanagan  
J A Gellard  
D L Laslett  
D Pledge  
P D Rismiller  
H Groffen

**Water Policy Committee**

G J Flanagan  
D L Laslett  
P D Rismiller  
M Pengilly  
P Cooper  
C Pratt  
A Childs  
A Heinrich (ex-officio)

**Finance, Audit & Risk Committee**

J A Gellard  
G J Flanagan  
D J Male

**Kangaroo Island Landscape Board**  
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*for the year ended 30 June 2025*

**2.2. Board and committee members (continued)**

**Board and committee remuneration**

The number of members whose remuneration received or receivable falls within the following bands:

	2025	2024
	No.	No.
\$0	5	4
\$1 - \$19 999	8	7
\$20 000 - \$39 999	1	1
<b>Total number of members</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>

The total remuneration received or receivable by members was \$56 000 (2024: \$52 000). Remuneration of members reflects all costs of performing Board, Group and Committee member duties including sitting fees, superannuation contributions, salary sacrifice benefits and fringe benefits, and any related FBT paid or payable in respect of those benefits.

For the purpose of this table, travel allowances and other out-of-pocket expenses paid to members have not been included as remuneration as it is considered to be reimbursement of direct out-of-pocket expenses incurred by relevant members. These expenses, in addition to the payroll tax amount to \$11 000 (2024: \$9 000).

**3. Income**

**3.1. Landscape levies**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Landscape Levy collected within council areas	473	446
<b>Total Landscape Levies</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>446</b>

Landscape levies are collected under Part 5 of the Landscape Act and are received into the Landscape Administration Fund (LAF). The LAF is administered by DEW and funds are transferred to the Board from DEW.

The Board declares contributions by councils under Section 66 of the Landscape Act for the relevant financial year by notice in the Board Annual Business Plan. Revenue is recognised when the invoice is raised at the beginning of the levy period to which they relate.

**3.2. Intra-government transfers**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
State Government recurrent funding	1 325	1 893
<b>Total Intra-government transfers</b>	<b>1 325</b>	<b>1 893</b>

DEW receives recurrent funding, which is administered through the Landscape Administration fund and provided to regional landscape Boards to support business operation and the administration of the Landscape Act. The funding is subsequently paid to regional landscape boards pursuant to subsection 90(4) of the Landscape Act.

Intra-government transfers are recognised as income when the Board obtains control of the asset which is on receipt.

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**3.3. Grants and subsidies**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Commonwealth-sourced grants</b>		
Regional Delivery Partnerships Program *	2 679	1 419
Carbon Farming Outreach Program	500	344
Regional Land Partnerships Program **	-	500
Other Commonwealth grants	-	242
<b>Total Commonwealth-sourced grants</b>	<u>3 179</u>	<u>2 505</u>
<b>SA Government grants and subsidies</b>		
Landscape Priorities Fund	807	428
Other SA Government grants	119	-
Department for Infrastructure and Transport	34	17
<b>Total SA Government grants and subsidies</b>	<u>960</u>	<u>443</u>
Sundry grants	604	596
<b>Total grants and subsidies</b>	<u><u>4 743</u></u>	<u><u>3 544</u></u>

The Board has determined that the grant income included in the table above under AASB 1058 has been earned under arrangements that are either not enforceable and/or not linked to sufficiently specific performance obligations.

Income from grants without any sufficiently specific performance obligations, or that are not enforceable, is recognised when the Board has an unconditional right to receive cash. For SA Government grants and subsidies, this usually coincides with receipt of cash.

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>* Regional Delivery Partnerships Program funding consists of the following components</b>		
Feral pig eradication	400	400
Regional Capacity Services	310	301
Improving the condition of Kangaroo Island	1 382	290
Emergency Response Plan	-	250
Feral cat eradication	297	175
Sustainable Agriculture Facilitator	202	3
Farming towards the future	88	-
<b>Total Regional Delivery Partnerships funding</b>	<u><u>2 679</u></u>	<u><u>1 419</u></u>

From 1 July 2023, the Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water under a panel agreement, appointed regional delivery partners to deliver on-ground environmental protection, sustainable agriculture and natural resource management activities across Australia. Funding for these services is provided from the Natural Heritage Trust. The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board was appointed as a delivery partner administering approved programs and projects under the agreement within the Kangaroo Island region.

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**3.3. Grants and subsidies (continued)**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
** Regional Land Partnerships Program funding consists of the following components		
Feral cat eradication	-	500
<b>Total Regional Land Partnerships funding</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>500</b>

The Regional Land Partnership was funded by the Australian Government over five years from 2019 to 2023. The funding was provided to support vital on-ground environment and agriculture projects that offer benefits to the environment, farms and communities. However, in 2023-24, the Board received additional funds from the Australian Government for the Feral cat eradication project. This project concluded in 2023-24.

The Board has determined that the Commonwealth funding included in the tables above are accounted for under AASB 1058. Commonwealth funding is generally paid in arrears, subject to an approved declaration of claim by the Board. The Board has determined that it has an unconditional contractual right to receive a portion of the funding under AASB 9 when a claim is submitted, as it has satisfied the eligibility criteria and expects that the claim will be accepted. Accordingly, revenue and a receivable are recognised when the claim is submitted. When Commonwealth funding is paid in advance it is recognised on receipt.

**3.4. Other income**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Sponsorship	151	5
Sale of goods	112	90
Other revenue	11	1
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>96</b>

Other income includes revenue generated from the sales of goods such as native plants and associated equipment. The revenue is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customer, which is in arrears, therefore no contract liability is recognised.

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**4. Expenses**

**4.1. Employee related expenses**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Salaries and wages	2 602	2 159
Superannuation	335	266
Annual leave	255	203
Other employee related expenses	170	141
Long service leave	69	54
Board and committee fees	52	47
Skills and experience retention leave	7	4
Workers compensation	(5)	(12)
<b>Total employee benefits expense</b>	<b>3 485</b>	<b>2 862</b>

**Employee remuneration**

The number of employees whose remuneration received or receivable falls within the following bands:

	2025	2024
	No	No
\$171 001 – \$191 000	–	1
\$191 001 – \$211 000	1	–
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

The total remuneration received by those employees for the year was \$202 000 (\$175 000).

The table includes all employees who received remuneration equal to or greater than the base executive remuneration level during the year. Remuneration of employees reflects all costs of employment including salaries and wages, payments in lieu of leave, superannuation contributions, salary sacrifice benefits and fringe benefits and any related fringe benefits tax.

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#### 4.2. Supplies and services

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Fee for service	1 475	2 259
Fee for service - Corporate services fee to DEW	465	394
Other supplies and services	241	314
Minor works, maintenance and equipment	120	273
Fee for service - Shared Services SA fee	116	114
Motor vehicles	89	180
General administration	71	45
Travel and accommodation	56	34
Information technology and communication expenses	56	49
Contracted staff development	52	23
Accommodation and property management	37	38
Transport	2	4
<b>Total supplies and services</b>	<b>2 800</b>	<b>3 727</b>

#### 4.3. Grants and subsidies

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Recurrent grants	245	334
<b>Total grants and subsidies</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>334</b>

The Board provided financial assistance to private bodies during the year. Funds are paid by way of grants and all recipients are required to comply with conditions relevant to each grant.

For contributions payable, the contribution will be recognised as a liability and expense when the Board has a present obligation to pay the contribution and the expense recognition criteria are met.

#### 4.4. Other expenses

Audit fees paid/payable to the Audit Office of South Australia relating to work performed under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* were \$47 000 (2024: \$46 000). No other services were provided by the Audit Office of South Australia.

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**5. Assets**

All financial assets are measured at amortised cost.

**5.1. Cash and cash equivalents**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Deposits with the Treasurer	3 870	3 651
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>3 870</b>	<b>3 651</b>

The Kangaroo Island Landscape fund was established in accordance with section 96 of the Landscape Act. The account is an interest bearing deposit account with the Department of Treasury and Finance (DTF) pursuant to section 21 of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987*.

Deposits at call and with the Treasurer earn a floating interest rate, based on daily bank deposit rates.

**5.2. Receivables**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Current</b>		
<b>Contractual receivables</b>		
Debtors	658	863
Accrued revenues	130	756
<b>Total contractual receivables</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>1 619</b>
<b>Statutory receivables</b>		
GST recoverable from DEW	5	-
<b>Total statutory receivables</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total current receivables</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>1 619</b>
<b>Non-current</b>		
<b>Statutory receivables</b>		
Workers compensation recoveries	-	1
<b>Total statutory receivables</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total non-current receivables</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total receivables</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>1 620</b>

**Contractual receivables**

Contractual receivables arise in the normal course of selling goods and services to other government agencies and to the public. Contractual receivables are normally settled within 30 days after the issue of an invoice or the goods/services have been provided under a contractual arrangement.

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#### 5.2. Receivables (continued)

##### *Statutory receivables*

Statutory receivables do not arise from contracts with customers. They are related to taxes and tax equivalents as well as statutory fees and charges. Statutory receivables are recognised and measured similarly to contractual receivables. Statutory receivables are not financial assets.

Workers compensation recoveries are related to the interim benefits receivable from employees pursuant to Section 32(3) of Return to Work Act 2014. This receivable is recognised when the relevant employees' claims are rejected.

No impairment loss was recognised in relation to statutory receivables.

The net amount of GST receivable from the ATO (via DEW) is included as part of receivables.

#### 5.3. Useful life and depreciation of non-financial assets

##### *Useful life*

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the following classes of assets as follows:

<b>Class of asset</b>	<b>Useful life (years)</b>
Plant and equipment	5-10
Park infrastructure	15
Right-of-use vehicles	Life of lease
Right-of-use buildings	Life of lease

##### *Review of accounting estimates*

Assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, on an annual basis. Changes in the expected life or the expected pattern of consumption of future economic benefits embodied in the asset are accounted for prospectively by changing the time period or method, as appropriate.

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**5.4. Property, plant and equipment by asset class**

Property, plant and equipment comprises tangible assets owned by the Board and right-of-use (leased) assets. The assets presented below do not meet the definition of investment property.

**Reconciliation 2024-25**

	Plant and equipment	Park infrastructure	work in progress	Capital ROU buildings	ROU vehicles	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	27	40	1	276	179	523
Additions	63	-	-	-	159	222
Depreciation	(14)	(3)	-	(82)	(85)	(184)
Derecognition	-	-	-	-	(190)	(190)
Other changes	-	-	-	-	(63)	(63)
<b>Carrying amount at the end of the period</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>308</b>
<b>Gross carrying amount</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>716</b>
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>(232)</b>	<b>(12)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(164)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(408)</b>
<b>Carrying amount at the end of the period</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>308</b>

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#### 5.5. Property, plant and equipment owned by the Board

Property, plant and equipment owned by the Board with a value equal to or in excess of \$10 000 is capitalised, otherwise it is expensed. Property, plant and equipment owned by the Board is recorded at fair value.

All non-current assets, having a limited useful life, are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner that reflects the consumption of their service potential.

#### 5.6. Property, plant and equipment leased by the Board

Right-of-use assets for property, plant and equipment leased by the Board as lessee are measured at cost.

Short-term leases of 12 months or less and low value leases where the underlying asset value is less than \$15,000 are not recognised as right-of-use assets. The associated lease payments are recognised as an expense and are disclosed in note 4.2.

Effective 1 April 2025, motor vehicle lease contractual arrangements with SAFA Fleet are no longer accounted for under AASB 16 Leases. From 1 April 2025, SAFA Fleet motor vehicle lease payments were recorded directly in the Income Statement. All related right-of-use assets (ROU) and liabilities up to 31 March 2025 were derecognised in accordance with the charges.

The Board has two leases held directly between the Board and landlords, one for office accommodation in Kingscote and the other is for the Nursery and Seedbank facility, operations include propagation and sales of seedlings and plants. Rent is payable in advance. The Office accommodation is leased from J Berden and M Berden and is in place up to 30 June 2027 and the Nursery facility is leased from Cajetan and Giannina Amadio in place up to 30 June 2028. Lease payments are reviewed annually in line with CPI indexation.

## 6. Liabilities

All financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost.

### 6.1. Payables

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Contractual payables	103	892
Accrued expenses	20	17
GST payable to DEW	-	17
Statutory payables	47	46
<b>Total current payables</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>972</b>
<b>Total payables</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>972</b>

Payables and accrued expenses are recognised for all amounts owing but unpaid. All payables are non-interest bearing.

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**6.1. Payables (continued)**

**Contractual payables**

Contractual payables are normally settled within 15 days from the date the invoice is received.

**Statutory payables**

Statutory payables do not arise from contracts. Statutory payables include government taxes and equivalents as well as statutory fees and charges.

The net amount of GST payable to the ATO (via DEW) is included as part of payables.

Statutory payables are carried at cost. They are not financial liabilities.

**6.2. Other financial liabilities**

**Lease liabilities**

Lease liabilities are related to property, plant and equipment lease arrangements disclosed in note 5.6.

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Future lease payment maturity analysis</b>		
Not later than one year	90	172
Later than one year but not later than five years	121	314
<b>Total future lease payments</b>	<u>211</u>	<u>486</u>

The future lease payments are presented at nominal amounts.

**6.3. Employee related liabilities**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Annual leave	166	155
Accrued salaries and wages	13	1
Long service leave	9	45
Skills and experience retention leave	11	7
Employment on-costs	46	52
<b>Total current employee related liabilities</b>	<u>245</u>	<u>260</u>
<b>Non-current</b>		
Long service leave	281	223
Employment on-costs	30	23
<b>Total non-current employee related liabilities</b>	<u>311</u>	<u>246</u>
<b>Total employee related liabilities</b>	<u>556</u>	<u>506</u>

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**6.3. Employee related liabilities (continued)**

Employee benefits accrue as a result of services provided up to the reporting date that remain unpaid. Non-current employee benefits are measured at present value and current employee benefits are measured at nominal amounts.

***Long service leave liability***

The liability for long service leave is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method.

The expected timing and amount of long service leave payment is determined through whole-of-government actuarial calculations, which are based on actuarial assumptions on expected future salary and wage levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. These assumptions are based on employee data over SA Government entities.

The discount rate is reflective of long-term Commonwealth Government bonds. The yield on long-term Commonwealth Government bonds has remained the same as 2024 (4.25%) at 2025 (4.25%).

The current portion of employee related liabilities reflects the amount for which the Board does not have right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after reporting date. For long service leave, the amount relates to leave approved before year end that will be taken within 12 months, expected amount of leave to be approved and taken by eligible employees within 12 months, and expected amount of leave to be paid on termination to eligible employees within 12 months.

***Employment on-costs liabilities***

Employment on-costs include payroll tax, ReturnToWorkSA levies and superannuation contributions and are settled when the respective employee benefits that they relate to are discharged. These on-costs primarily relate to the balance of leave owing to employees. Estimates as to the proportion of long service leave estimated to be taken as leave, rather than paid on termination, affects whether certain on-costs are recognised as a consequence of long service leave liabilities.

The Board makes contributions to several State Government and externally managed superannuation schemes. These contributions are treated as an expense when they occur. There is no liability for payments to beneficiaries as they have been assumed by the respective superannuation schemes. The only liability outstanding at reporting date relates to any contributions due but not yet paid to the South Australian Superannuation Board and externally managed superannuation schemes.

As a result of an actuarial assessment performed by DTF, the proportion of long service leave taken as leave has not changed from the 2024 rate (44%). The average factor for the calculation of employer superannuation cost on-costs has increased from the 2024 rate (11.5%) to 2025 (12%). These rates are used in the employment on-cost calculation. The net financial effect of the changes in the current financial year are immaterial.

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**6.4. Provisions**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	35	47
Remeasurement	(11)	(12)
Additions	5	-
<b>Carrying amount at the end of the period</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>35</b>

A provision has been reported to reflect unsettled workers compensation claims. The workers compensation provision is based on an actuarial assessment of the outstanding liability as at 30 June 2025 provided by a consulting actuary engaged through the Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment. The provision is for the estimated cost of ongoing payments to employees as required under current legislation.

The Board is responsible for the payment of workers compensation claims.

**6.5. Other liabilities**

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Unearned revenue	-	28
<b>Total current other liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Total other liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28</b>

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**7. Outlook**

**7.1. Unrecognised contractual commitments**

Commitments arising from contractual sources are disclosed at their nominal value.

***Other contractual commitments***

The Board's expenditure contracted for at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows:

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>\$'000</b>	<b>\$'000</b>
No later than one year	1 259	447
Later than one year but not later than five years	52	460
<b>Total expenditure commitments</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>907</b>

The Board's commitments relate to non-cancellable contracts at the reporting date which have not been recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and Statement of Financial Position.

The Board's expenditure commitments comprise of

- Memoranda of Administrative Arrangements with Landscape SA regarding the Carbon Outreach Program and provision of Executive Officer services.
- Service level agreement with Department of Environment and Water for the provision of corporate services.
- Contracts with external entities in implementation of Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan 2026-2031 and Feral Cat Eradication Program

**7.2. Contingent assets and liabilities**

The Board is not aware of any contingent assets or liabilities.

**7.3. Events after the reporting period**

There are no known events after balance date that affect these financial statements in a material manner.