

**27 January 2009 SMRC Annual Report facts by Dr Mike Nahan, Member for Riverton:**

<b>Published Annual Report</b>	<b>Top Salary Range</b>	<b>Showed previous year's top salary as</b>	<b>Meeting Fees</b>	<b>Chairman and Deputy Chairman Allowances</b>	<b>Other Reimbursements</b>	<b>Losses</b>
2006-07 financial year	\$130,000 – 139,999	\$130,000 – 139,999	\$24,000	\$1,150	None	\$2.882m
2007-08 financial year	\$120,000 – 129,999	\$130,000 – 139,999	\$40,000	\$1,250	None	\$1.619m
2008-09 financial year	\$180,000 - \$189,999	\$120,000 – 129,999	\$59,000	\$12,500	\$703	\$2.885m

**SMRC's Annual Reports must be prepared and presented in accordance with:**

- Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations)
- The Local Government Act 1995 (as amended)
- The Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (as amended)

The SMRC's Annual Reports are certified in the Independent Auditor's Report under the Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996.

In 2008/09 and 2007/08 the independent auditor's report was undertaken by UHY Haines Norton, Chartered Accountants

In 2006/07 the independent auditor's report was undertaken by Macri Partners in 2006/07.

**In the 2008/09 Annual Report, the Independent Auditor's Report states: Council's Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The Council is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the above legislation. *This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report **that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error**; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.*

**The Auditor's Responsibility**

*These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report **is free from material misstatement**.* David Tomasi, Partner at UHY Haines Norton, Chartered Accountants signed off on the 2008/09 Annual Report on 16 October 2009.

**Still unresolved: Doesn't the CEO know what salary range he is on? Didn't he pick up the supposed error several years in a row? How does he justify not only the significant jump in his own salary and the significant increases in the Meeting Fees and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman Allowances while the SMRC continues to lose money and emit odours on the local community?**