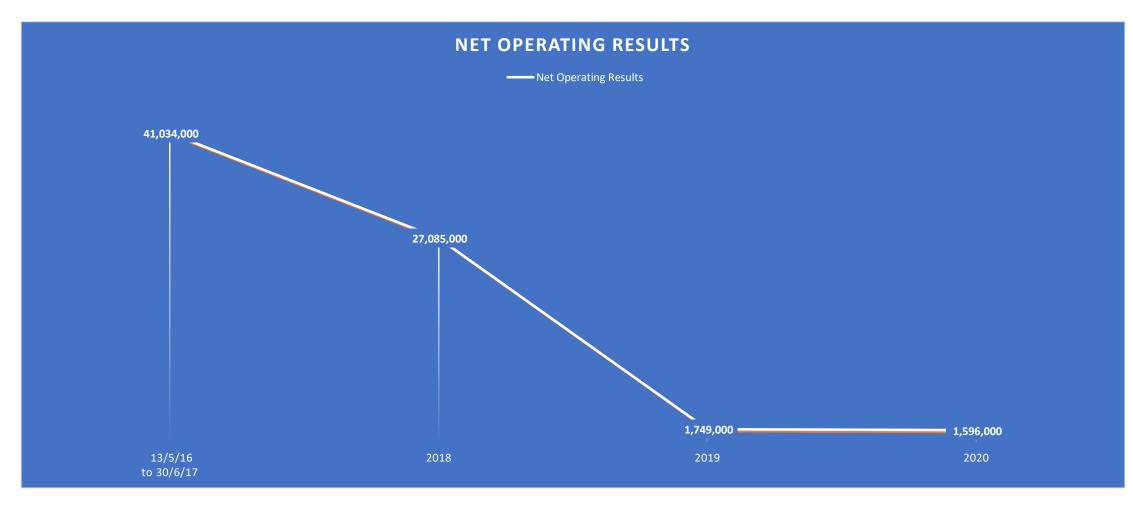
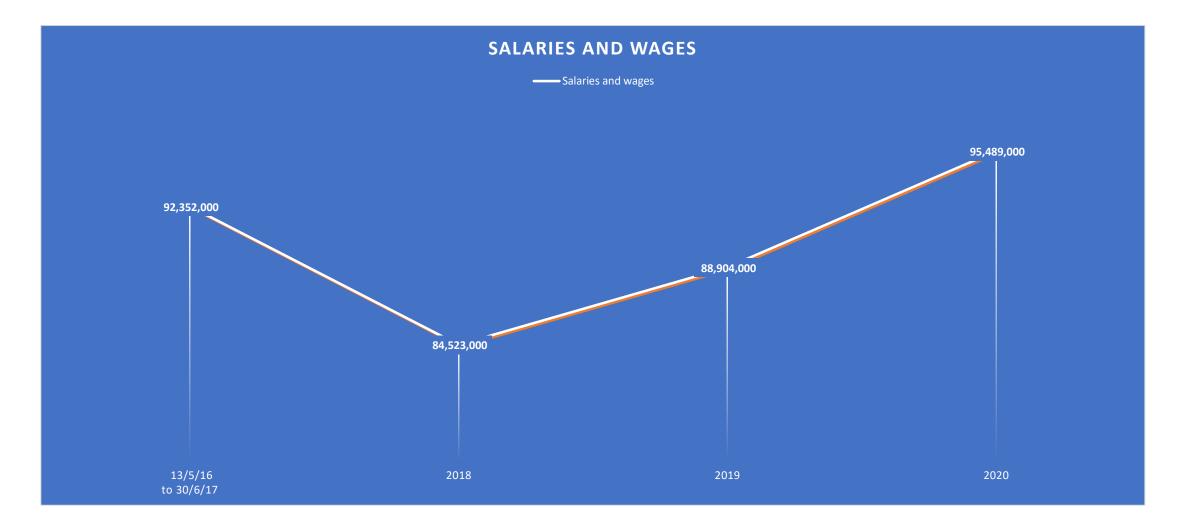
- I strongly requesting IPART to reject the SRV proposal by Canterbury-Bankstown Council. Since the amalgamation of the two councils, ratepayers of the Canterbury-Bankstown LGA has not received the level of service that this mega council can provide to its ratepayers. Pre amalgamation, both councils delivered to their budgets. This Council has had enough time to derive efficiencies, apply cost synergies and advocate to its 7 state MPs to get access to grants. IPART, this council is not working for the people of Canterbury-Bankstown, especially for the former Canterbury ratepayers. As you can see from the graphs below, the administration of Canterbury-Bankstown council has not utilised ratepayers money in an efferent way. Administrational costs are sky rocketing, and this council is requesting ratepayers to pick up the bill. If I am to pay such a large SRV operating expenses need to be cut by 50% in 2022 and outer years.
- Furthermore, Belmore 2192 and SSCH is strongly requesting IPART to reject the harmonisation levy. As it was the state government that merged the two councils not the ratepayers. This levy needs to be paid by the state government, not its ratepayers. The premier, Ms Berejiklian, did not give the opportunity for the rate payers of Canterbury-Bankstown to apply for the stronger community fund grant therefore accepting responsibility to this levy. The state government should absorb this cost in their budget.

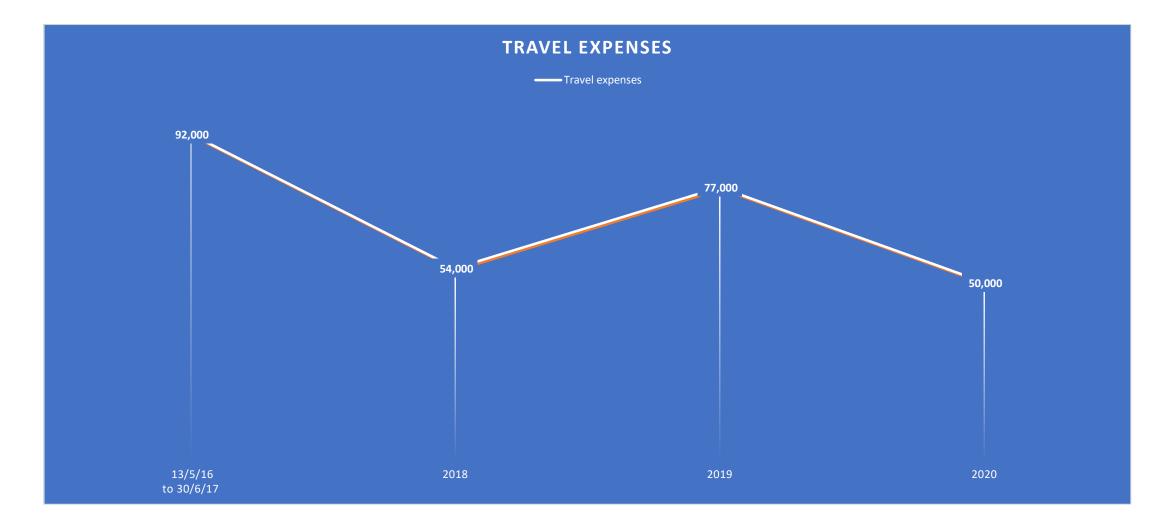
- 1. Net Operating Results has fallen dramatically from \$41m to \$1.6m since the merger of Canterbury and Bankstown Councils.
- 2. Covid-19 has only had a 9.6% impact to net operating results.



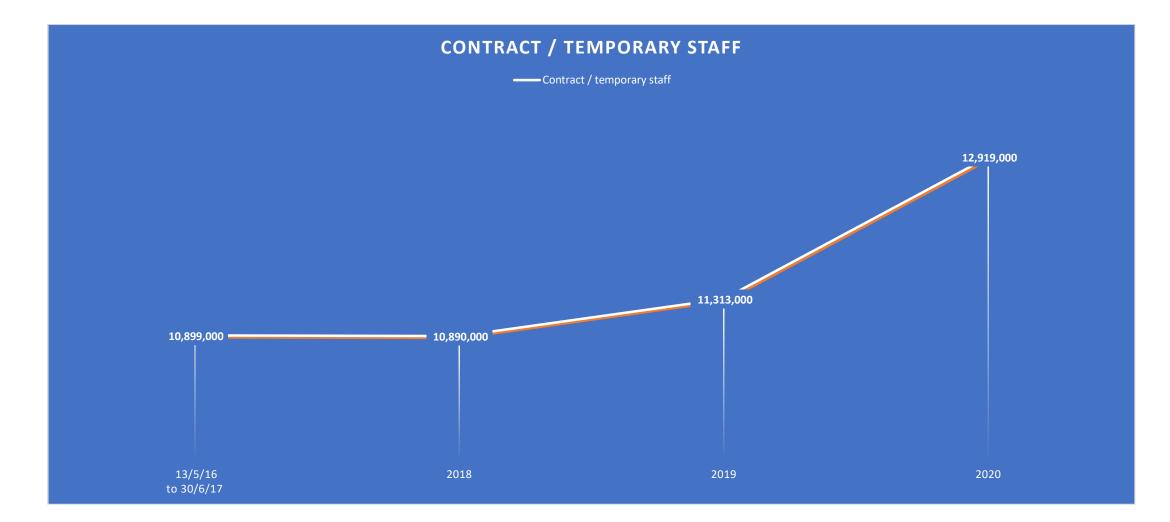
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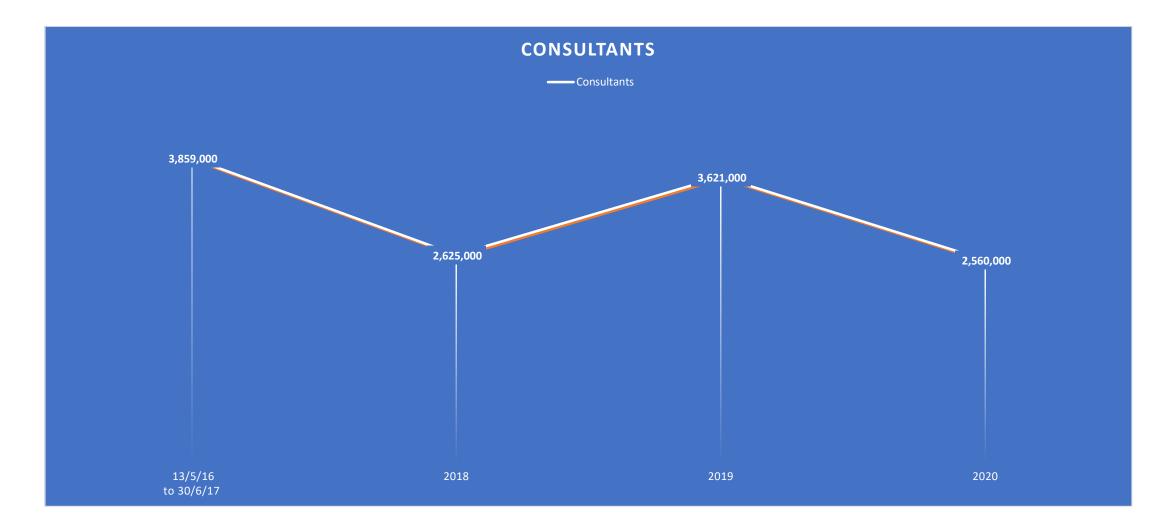
1. Travel expenses has increased by \$23k since 2018. Covid-19 has seen a decrease in travel expenses in 2020 due to borders being closed.



1. Contract/ Temporary Staff has increased significantly since the merger of Canterbury and Bankstown Councils.



1. Consultants has increased by \$1M since 2018.



1. Councillor expenses Councillors fees has increased by \$448k since the merger of Canterbury and Bankstown Councils.

