



SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

4 JULY 2023

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**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON
ON TUESDAY, 4 JULY 2023 COMMENCING AT 9:00AM**

1 OPENING

- 1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson)
Deputy Mayor, Councillor N K Fisher
Councillor S Latcham
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
Councillor M D Wickerson
Councillor D Kirkland
Councillor G D Mathers

In Attendance:

Mr R Cheesman – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr P Kofod – General Manager Regional Services
Ms A Cutler – General Manager Community Services (via video-link)
Ms M Taylor – Chief Financial Officer
Mr J Kann – Manager Office of the Mayor
Ms A Brennan – Coordinator Legal and Governance
Mr M Clerc – Coordinator Accounting Services (via video-link)
Ms J Barrett – Senior Communications Officer (via video-link)
Ms T Conrad – Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Ms K Walsh – Committee Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

5 OFFICERS' REPORTS

5.1 2023-2024 OPERATIONAL PLAN AND PERFORMANCE PLANS

File No: 8320
Authorising Officer: Damon Morrison - Manager Workforce and Governance
Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Allysa Brennan - Coordinator Legal and Governance

SUMMARY

The following documents are presented for Council adoption:

- 1. 2023-2024 Operational Plan;*
- 2. 2023-2024 Performance Plan – Fitzroy River Water;*
- 3. 2023-2024 Performance Plan – Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling; and*
- 4. 2023-2024 Performance Plan – Rockhampton Airport.*

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Rockhampton Regional Council's 2023-2024 Operational Plan and the 2023-2024 Performance Plans for Fitzroy River Water, Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling and Rockhampton Airport be adopted.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 REVENUE POLICY 2023/2024

File No: 5237
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

Chief Financial Officer presenting the 2023/2024 Revenue Policy to Council for adoption.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Council adopts the Revenue Policy set out in the attachment to this report for the 2023/2024 financial year in accordance with section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
2. THAT Council approves a review timeline of the Revenue Policy as part of the 2024/2025 budget adoption process, to be carried out between 31 May 2024 and 1 August 2024.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.3 RATES CONCESSION POLICY 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Council adopts the Rates Concession Policy set out in the attachment to this report, in accordance with Chapter 4, Part 10 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
2. THAT Council approves a review timeline of the Rates Concession Policy as part of the 2024/2025 budget adoption process, to be carried out between 31 May 2024 – 1 August 2024.
3. THAT Council grants a rates concession under section 122 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to any ratepayers considered eligible for support under the Rates Concession Policy.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Latcham

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 DEBT (BORROWINGS) POLICY 2023/2024

File No: 5237
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

Chief Financial Officer presenting the Debt (Borrowings) Policy to Council for adoption.

9:06AM Acting Chief Executive Officer left the meeting room.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Council adopts the Debt (Borrowings) Policy set out in the attachment to this report for the 2023/2024 financial year in accordance with section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
2. THAT Council approves a review timeline of the Debt (Borrowings) Policy as part of the 2024/2025 budget adoption process, to be carried out between 31 May 2024 – 1 August 2024.

Moved by: Councillor Latcham

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9:07AM Acting Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting room.

5.5 RATES RELIEF (HARDSHIP) POLICY

File No: 5237
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

Chief Financial Officer presenting the Rates Relief (Hardship) Policy to Council for adoption.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Council adopts the Rates Relief (Hardship) Policy set out in the attachment to this report.
2. THAT Council approve a review timeline of the Rates Relief (Hardship) Policy of two years, or when any of the following occur:
 - a. The related information is amended or replaced; or
 - b. Other circumstances as determined from time to time by the Council.
3. THAT Council grants a Rates Relief (Hardship) concession under section 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to any ratepayers considered eligible for support under the Rates Relief (Hardship) Policy.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson
Seconded by: Councillor Smith
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.6 LAND USE CODES

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

Chief Financial Officer presents Primary Land Use Codes for 2023/2024.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT the Primary Land Use Codes be adopted for use by the Rockhampton Regional Council as a reference in the annual Revenue Statement.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Mathers
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.7 REVENUE STATEMENT 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Pursuant to sections 169(2) and 172 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the Revenue Statement 2023/2024 as tabled.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.8 DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES - 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

- (a) Pursuant to section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised, the description of those categories, pursuant to sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the method by which land is to be identified and included in its appropriate category is as follows:

No.	Category	Description	Identifiers (Land Use Codes)
1	Commercial	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for commercial/service purposes, other than land included in categories 2.1 2.2, 2.3. Including a lot in a community title scheme or building unit.	01, 04, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26A, 27, 28, 29B, 30A, 32, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49,
2.1	Major shopping centres with a floor area 0 – 10,000m ²	Land used, or intended to be used, as a shopping centre with a gross floor area up to 10,000m ² and a value greater than or equal to \$2,100,000.	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23 with a rateable valuation =>\$2,100,000
2.2	Major shopping centres with a floor area 10,001 - 50,000 m ²	Land used, or intended to be used, as a shopping centre with a gross floor area between 10,001m ² and 50,000m ² and a value greater than or equal to \$2,100,000.	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23 with a rateable valuation =>\$2,100,000
2.3	Major shopping centres with a floor area >50,000m ²	Land used, or intended to be used, as a shopping centre with a gross floor area greater than 50,000m ² and a value greater than or equal to \$2,100,000.	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23, with a rateable valuation =>\$2,100,000

3.1	Light/Low Impact Industry	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for Light/low impact industrial purposes, other than land included in categories 3.2 & 3.3. Including a lot in a community title scheme or building unit	01, 30B, 33, 34, 36
3.2	General Industry	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for general industrial purposes, other than land included in categories 3.1 and 3.3. Including a lot in a community title scheme or building unit	29A, 35
3.3	High Impact and/ or noxious industry	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part for High Impact and /or Noxious industrial purposes for example: - (a) a fuel dump; (b) fuel storage; (c) an oil refinery; (d) heavy industry; (e) special industry (f) concrete batching and or manufacturing of large form concrete products (g) noxious industry which emanates excessive noise, odour or dust, including an abattoir (h) other than land included in categories 3.1 and 3.2. Including a lot in a community title scheme or building unit	26B, 31, 37
4.1	Power Generation Coal	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for or ancillary to the generation of electricity from a facility by the means of a coal fired power station (excluding transformers/substations).	90
4.2	Power Generation Solar	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for or ancillary to the generation of electricity from a large scale solar farm facility. (excluding transformers/substations).	90

4.3	Power Generation Wind Farm	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or part to produce electricity by the means of one or a cluster of wind turbines for which the purpose is to drive electrical generators for the generation of electricity. (excluding transformers/substations).	90
4.4	Power Generation Battery Storage	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or part for or/ancillary to the generation and/or storage of electricity via a large scale battery. (excluding transformers/substations).	90
5.1	Extractive Industries - Quarry	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for extractive industry purposes other than category 5.2, 5.3 & 5.4.	40A
5.2	Extractive Industries - Salt Manufacturing	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part and incidental to the making and extraction of salt.	40D
5.3	Extractive Industries - Mining	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the purpose of and incidental to a gold or other metal mining operation or any purpose associated with an integrated mining operation. With a valuation less than \$80,001	40B
5.4	Extractive Industries - Mining	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the purpose of and incidental to a gold or other metal mining operation or any purpose associated with an integrated mining operation. With a valuation greater than \$80,000	40C
6.1	Agriculture, farming and other rural	Land used, or intended to be used, for non-residential rural, agricultural or farming purposes.	60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 94, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 93. (excl. 63 & 72 excl. lands in any other category).
6.2	Agriculture - Intensive	Land used for intensive agricultural purposes or associated activities.	62 & 63

8.1	Residential Other	Land with a value of less than \$105,001 used, or intended to be used, for:- (a) residential purposes that is not the owner's principal place of residence (NPPR); or (b) two or more self-contained dwellings (including flats)	02, 03, 05, 08 & 09
8.2	Residential Other	Land with a value of \$105,001 or more used, or intended to be used, for:- (a) residential purposes, that is not the owner's principal place of residence (NPPR); or (b) two or more self-contained dwellings (including flats)	02, 03, 05, 08 & 09
9	Residential 1	Land which is used or intended to be used for residential purposes by means of a single residence that is not part of a community title scheme and is: (a) used by the property owner or at least one of the property owners as their principal place of residence (PPR); and (b) otherwise occupied only by members of a single household that includes the resident property owner or owners with a value of less than \$105,001.	01, 02, 04, 05, 06 and 94 with a rateable valuation <\$105,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
10	Residential 2	Land which is used or intended to be used for residential purposes by means of a single residence that is not part of a community title scheme and is: (a) used by the property owner or at least one of the property owners as their principal place of residence (PPR); and (b) otherwise occupied only by members of a single household that includes the resident property	01, 02, 04, 05,06 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$105,000 but <\$170,001 (excl. lands in any other category).

		owner or owners with a value of between \$105,001 and \$170,000.	
11	Residential 3	Land which is used or intended to be used for residential purposes by means of a single residence that is not part of a community title scheme and is: (a) used by the property owner or at least one of the property owners as their principal place of residence (PPR); and otherwise occupied only by members of a single household that includes the resident property owner or owners with a value of between \$170,001 and \$250,000.	01, 02, 04, 05, 06 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$170,000 but <\$250,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
12	Residential 4	Land which is used or intended to be used for residential purposes by means of a single residence that is not part of a community title scheme and is: (a) used by the property owner or at least one of the property owners as their principal place of residence (PPR); and (b) otherwise occupied only by members of a single household that includes the resident property owner or owners with a value between \$250,001 and \$500,000	01, 02, 04, 05, 06 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$250,000 but <\$500,001 (excl. lands in any other category).
13	Residential 5	Land which is used or intended to be used for residential purposes by means of a single residence that is not part of a community title scheme and is: (a) used by the property owner or at least one of the property owners as their principal place of residence (PPR); and (b) otherwise occupied only by members of a single household that includes the resident property	01, 02, 04, 05, 06 and 94 with a rateable valuation >\$500,000 (excl. lands in any other category).

		owner or owners with a value more than \$500,000.	
21	Strata (residential)	Land, which is a lot in a community title scheme or residential group title, used as the owner's principal place of residence (PPR).	08 and 09 (excl. lands in any other category).
24	Vacant urban/rural land >\$430,000	Vacant land intended for use for development purposes with a value of more than \$430,000.	01 and 04 with a rateable valuation >\$430,000
25	Developer concession	Land, which qualifies for a discounted valuation pursuant to section 50 of the <i>Land Valuation Act</i> .	72
26	Special uses	Land, used, or intended to be used, for non-commercial purposes such as social and community welfare, defence or education purposes or land not covered by any other land use code.	00, 21, 50, 51, 52, 55, 56, 57, 58, 92, 96, 97A, 97B, 99
27 .1	Other \$0 - \$60,000	Land, with a value of \$60,000 or less, which is not otherwise categorized.	01, 04, 91, 95, with a rateable valuation <\$60,001
27 .2	Other - >\$60,000	Land, with a value of more than \$60,000, which is not otherwise categorized.	01, 04, 91, 95, with a rateable valuation >\$60,000

(b) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power, pursuant to sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, to identify the rating category to which each parcel of rateable land belongs.

(c) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 80 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the differential general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category and, pursuant to section 77 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the minimum general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category, is as follows:

Category No.	Category	General Rate (cents in the Dollar of Rateable Value)	Minimum General Rate (\$)
1	Commercial	2.7084	1,818
2 1	Major shopping centres with a floor area 0 – 10,000 sqm	3.0296	24,981
2 2	Major shopping centres with a floor area 10,001 - 50,000 sqm	4.5945	285,279

2 3	Major shopping centres with a floor area >50,000 sqm	8.7741	2,155,494
3.1	Light/Low Impact Industry	2.7498	1,818
3.2	General Industry	3.0125	2,450
3.3	High Impact and/ or noxious industry	4.2529	3,792
4 1	Power Generation Coal	11.0052	37,379
4 2	Power Generation Solar	8.5135	26,684
4.3	Power Generation Wind Farm	8.5135	26,684
4.4	Power Generation Battery Storage	8.5135	26,684
5.1	Extractive Industries - Quarry	7.9328	3,095
5.2	Extractive Industries - Salt Manufacturing	7.8194	5,080
5.3	Extractive Industries – Mining, \$0 - \$80,000	7.9328	3,095
5.4	Extractive Industries – Mining, >\$80,000	10.4654	34,839
6.1	Agriculture, farming and other rural	0.8884	1,689
6.2	Agriculture - Intensive	1.5810	14,706
8.1	Residential Other, \$ 0 - \$105,000	1.6575	1,188
8.2	Residential Other, >\$105,000	1.5137	1,741
9	Residential 1, \$ 0 - \$105,000	1.4308	907
10	Residential 2, \$105,001 - \$170,000	1.2763	1,503
11	Residential 3, \$170,001 - \$250,000	1.2248	2,170
12	Residential 4, \$250,001 - \$500,000	1.1506	3,062
13	Residential 5, > \$500,000	1.0358	5,753
21	Strata (residential)	1.7029	907
24	Vacant urban/rural land >\$430,000	2.5662	1,792
25	Developer concession	1.6343	0
26	Special uses	1.8230	2,912

27.1	Other \$0 - \$60,000	2.2314	772
27.2	Other >\$60,001	3.1694	1,792

(d) For the 2023/2024 financial year Council will not be resolving to limit any increases in rates and charges.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson

Seconded by: Councillor Latcham

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.9 ROAD NETWORK SEPARATE CHARGE 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 103 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy a separate charge to be known as the Road Network Separate Charge, in the sum of \$460.00 per rateable assessment, to be levied equally on all rateable land in the region, for the defraying part of the cost of maintaining the road network within the region.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Latcham

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.10 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT SEPARATE CHARGE 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

1. THAT Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 103 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy a separate charge to be known as the Natural Environment Separate Charge, in the sum of \$55.00 per rateable assessment, to be levied equally on all rateable land in the region, for the defraying part of formulating and implementing initiative for environmental protection, enhancement and conservation, including the many varied initiatives that contribute to these outcomes within the region.
2. THAT the discount for the prompt payment of rates and charges, granted in accordance with section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, will not apply to the Natural Environment Separate Charge.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.11 SPECIAL CHARGES 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

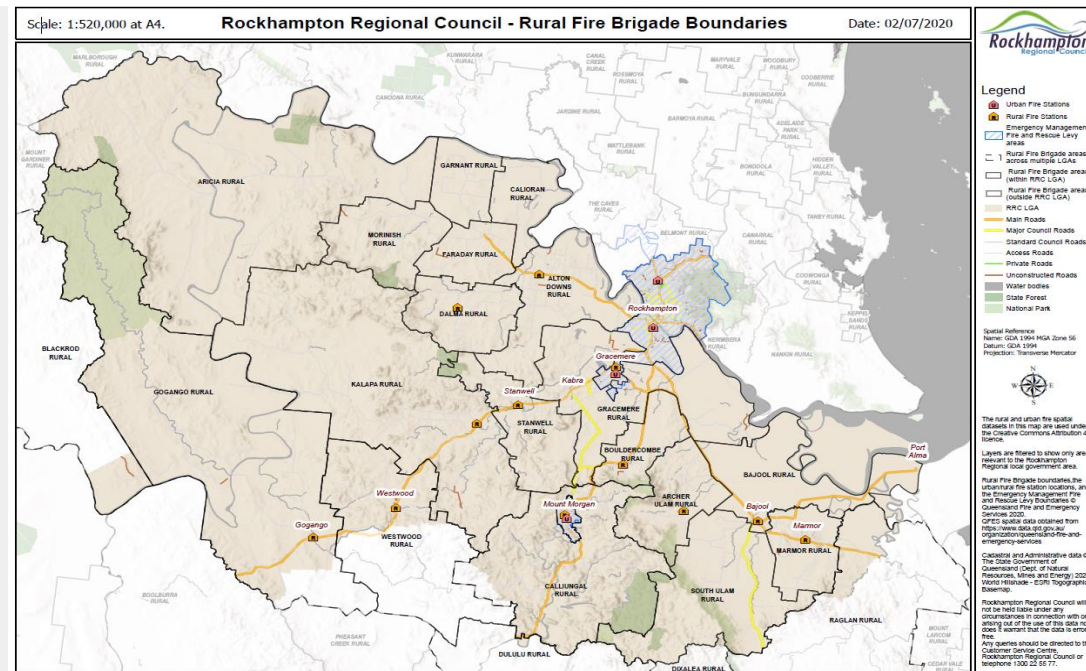
COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Pursuant to section 128A of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990* and section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, make and levy special charges for the provision of rural fire fighting services to certain parts of the Region. The charges shall be levied on all land which specifically benefits from the provision of rural fire - fighting services.

For 2023/2024, the Council shall make a special charge, in the following amounts, for each of the following Rural Fire Brigades.

Rural Fire Brigade	Levy 2023/2024	Rural Fire Brigade	Levy 2023/2024
Alton Downs	\$50.00	Garnant	-
Archer Ulam	-	Gogango	\$5.00
Aricia	-	Gracemere	\$20.00
Bajool	\$25.00	Kalapa	\$20.00
Bouldercombe	\$50.00	Marmor	\$20.00
Calioran	-	Morinish	-
Calliungal	\$50.00	Stanwell	-
Dalma	\$10.00	South Ulam	-
Faraday	-	Westwood	\$50.00

The rateable land to which each of the special charges will apply is land within the areas separately described on a map titled "ROCKHAMPTON REGIONAL COUNCIL – RURAL FIRE BRIGADES BOUNDARIES" as appears at Map 1 below.



MAP 1

The discount for the prompt payment of rates and charges, granted in accordance with section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, will not apply to these charges.

Overall Plan

The Overall Plan for each of the special charges is as follows:

1. The service, facility or activity for which each special charge is levied is to fund the provision of fire prevention and firefighting services, equipment and activities by the rural fire brigades identified in the special charge table in the defined benefit areas.
2. The time for implementing the overall plan is one (1) year ending 30 June 2024. However, provision of fire-fighting services is an ongoing activity, and further special charges are expected to be made in future years.
3. The works and services specified in the overall plan will be carried out or provided during the year ending on 30 June 2024.
4. The estimated cost of implementing the overall plan is approximately \$89,395.00.
5. The special charge is intended to raise all funds necessary to carry out the overall plan. Primarily to supply operational and fire prevention services and activities within the defined area.

The rateable land or its occupier specifically benefits, or will specifically benefit, from the implementation of the overall plan, comprising fire-fighting services, because rural fire brigades are charged with fire-fighting and fire prevention under *the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990* and whose services could not be provided or maintained without the imposition of the special charge.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.12 SEWERAGE UTILITY CHARGES 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

- (a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy sewerage utility charges, for the supply of sewerage services by the Council, as follows:

<u>Declared Sewered Area</u>	<u>Amount of Charge</u>	<u>Amount of Vacant Land Charge</u>
Gracemere	\$ 1024.00	\$ 973.00
Mount Morgan	\$ 964.00	\$ 916.00
Rockhampton	\$ 796.00	\$ 756.00

- (b) The application of the above levied sewerage utility charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's adopted Revenue Statement 2023/2024.

Moved by: Councillor Kirkland

Seconded by: Councillor Mathers

MOTION CARRIED

5.13 WATER UTILITY CHARGES 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

- (a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 99 and 101 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy water utility charges, for the supply of water services by the Council, as follows:

Gracemere Water Supply – Access Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
20mm	\$ 551.00
25mm	\$ 820.00
32mm	\$ 1,343.00
40mm	\$ 2,097.00
50mm	\$ 3,276.00
Special 60mm	\$ 4,781.00
65mm	\$ 5,537.00
75mm	\$ 7,370.00
80mm	\$ 8,386.00
100mm	\$ 12,994.00
150mm	\$ 29,478.00
200mm	\$ 52,409.00
Vacant Land	\$ 551.00

Gracemere Water Supply Scheme – Non Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Charge per Kilotitre</u>
All consumption	\$2.30/kl

Gracemere Water Supply Scheme – Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier (Per Meter)</u>	<u>Charge per Kilotitre</u>
<=75kl per quarter	\$1.00/kl
> 75kl <=150kl per quarter	\$1.56/kl
>150kl per quarter	\$3.07/kl

Mount Morgan Water Supply – Access Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
20mm	\$ 568.00
25mm	\$ 845.00
32mm	\$ 1,385.00
40mm	\$ 2,161.00
50mm	\$ 3,375.00
65mm	\$ 5,706.00
75mm	\$ 7,593.00
80mm	\$ 8,527.00
100mm	\$ 13,501.00
150mm	\$ 30 449.00
200mm	\$ 54,007.00
Vacant Land	\$ 568.00

Mount Morgan Water Supply Scheme – Non Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Charge per Kilotitre</u>
All consumption	\$2.30/kl

Mount Morgan Water Supply Scheme – Residential Consumption Charges

<u>Tier (Per Meter)</u>	<u>Charge per Kilotitre</u>
<=75kl per quarter	\$1.00/kl
> 75kl <=150kl per quarter	\$1.56/kl
>150kl per quarter	\$3.07/kl

Rockhampton Water Supply – Access Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
20mm	\$ 523.00
25mm	\$ 770.00
32mm	\$ 1,262.00
40mm	\$ 1,969.00
50mm	\$ 3,076.00
65mm	\$ 5,198.00
75mm	\$ 6,923.00
80mm	\$ 7,875.00
100mm	\$ 12,304.00
150mm	\$ 27,679.00
200mm	\$ 49,209.00
Vacant Land	\$ 523.00

Rockhampton Water Supply Scheme – Non Residential Water Consumption Charges

<u>Tier</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
All consumption	\$2.30/kl

Rockhampton Water Supply Scheme – Residential Water Consumption Charges

<u>Tier (Per Meter)</u>	<u>Charge per Kilolitre</u>
<=75kl per quarter	\$1.00/kl
> 75kl <=150kl per quarter	\$1.56/kl
>150kl per quarter	\$3.07/kl

- (b) The application of the above levied water utility charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's adopted Revenue Statement 2023/2024.
- (c) Pursuant to section 102(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a water meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts 2 weeks before, and ends 2 weeks after, the day on which the meter is actually read.

Moved by: Councillor Kirkland

Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.14 WASTE MANAGEMENT UTILITY CHARGES 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

- (a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy waste management utility charges, for the supply of waste management services by the Council, as follows:

<u>Schedule of Waste Collection and Recycling Charges</u>	
<u>Service</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
Domestic Services	
Combined General Waste/Recycling Service	\$ 519.00
Additional General Waste Service – same day service as nominated	\$ 400.00
Additional Recycling Service – same day service as nominated	\$ 231.00
Bulk bin service are subject to assessment. Available bin sizes - (660L, 1100L, 1.0 m ³ , 1.5m ³ , 2.0m ³ and 3.0m ³ (subject to availability)	Annual Utility Charge per Domestic Premises
Commercial Services	
General Waste Service - 240L	\$ 515.00
Recycling Service – 240L	\$ 276.00
Commercial Residential General Waste Service	\$437.00

- (b) The application of the above levied waste management utility charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's adopted Revenue Statement 2023/2024.

Moved by: Councillor Latcham

Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.15 RATES AND CHARGES DISCOUNT 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Pursuant to section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*:

- the differential general rates,
- separate charges (excluding Natural Environment Separate Charge),
- sewerage utility charges,
- water utility charges excluding water consumption charges, and
- waste management utility charges

made and levied shall be subject to a discount of ten percent (10%) if paid within the discount period of 30 clear days of the date of issue of the rate notice provided that:

- (a) all of the aforementioned rates and charges are paid within 30 clear days of the date of issue of the rate notice;
- (b) all other rates and charges appearing on the rate notice (that are not subject to a discount) are paid within 30 clear days after the date of issue of the rate notice; and
- (c) all other overdue rates and charges relating to the rateable assessment are paid within 30 clear days of the date of issue of the rate notice.

Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.16 RATES AND CHARGES INTEREST 2023/2024

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Pursuant to section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, compound interest on daily rests at the rate of 11.64% per annum, applicable from 1 July 2023, is to be charged on the balance of all rates and charges remaining outstanding 30 clear days after the due date.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**5.17 STATE GOVERNMENT'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, FIRE AND RESCUE
LEVY AND PAYMENT 2023/2024**

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

- (a) Pursuant to section 107 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and section 114 of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*, Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be levied:
- a. for the half year 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023 - in August/September 2023; and
 - b. for the half year 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 - in February/March 2024.
- (b) Pursuant to section 118 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy, be paid on the day that is 30 clear days after the date of the issue of the rate notice.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson

Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.18 STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION 2022/2023

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year, a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the statement of estimated financial position be received and its contents noted as presented by the Chief Executive Officer in respect of the previous financial year (“the Statement of Estimated Financial Position”).

Moved by: Councillor Mathers
Seconded by: Councillor Kirkland

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.19 ADOPTION OF 2023/2024 BUDGET

File No: 8785
Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author: Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

In accordance with Chapter 5, Part 2, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt, for each financial year a budget for its operations prior to 1 August in the financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT:

(a) Pursuant to section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, and sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2023/2024 financial year, incorporating:

- i. The statements of financial position;
- ii. The statements of cash flow;
- iii. The statements of income and expenditure;
- iv. The statements of changes in equity;
- v. The long-term financial forecast;
- vi. The revenue statement;
- vii. The revenue policy (adopted by Council resolution on 04 July 2023).
- viii. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and
- ix. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget;

as tabled, be adopted.

(b) Council receives the remainder of the documentation as working papers to support the 2023/2024 adopted budget.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

DIVISION:

Councillors Williams, Fisher, Mathers, Wickerson, Rutherford, Smith and Latcham voted in the affirmative.

Councillor Kirkland voted in the negative.

MOTION CARRIED

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:32am.

SIGNATURE

CHAIRPERSON

DATE