

## RATES RESOLUTION 2025/26

(adopted by Council on 16 June 2025)

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That Council:

- 1 In accordance with Section 82 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (as amended) ('the Act') adopts, by absolute majority, the estimates of revenue and expenditure (excluding estimated capital works) for the 2025/26 financial year as detailed in Attachment 1;
- 2 In accordance with Section 82(6) of the Act, by absolute majority, authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make minor adjustments up to \$50,000 to any individual estimate item as he deems necessary during the 2025/26 financial year provided that the total of the Estimates remains unaltered;
- 3 In accordance with Section 82(6) of the Act, by absolute majority, authorises the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to identify and deliver operational savings totalling \$200,000 across the 2025–2026 financial year, noting that there may be some impact compromising service delivery or strategic priorities. For the avoidance of doubt the total budget Estimates are the drafted budget less this savings amount. Individual budget line reductions in excess of \$50,000 to deliver these savings must be formally reported to Council for consideration and approval.
- 4 In accordance with Section 90 of the Act, makes a General Rate component for land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026 of 0.243587 cents in the dollar of capital value, in respect of all rateable land within the municipal area;
- 5 Pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, by absolute majority, hereby varies the General Rate component (as previously made) for land within the municipal area which is used or predominantly used for industrial purposes to 0.426468 cents in the dollar of capital value of such rateable land;
- 6 Pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, by absolute majority, hereby varies the General Rate component (as previously made) for land within the municipal area which is used or predominantly used for commercial purposes to 0.509263 cents in the dollar of capital value of such rateable land;
- 7 Pursuant to Section 90(4) of the Act, in making a General Rate, sets a minimum amount of \$466, in respect of all rateable land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026;
- 8 Pursuant to Section 129(4) of the Act, by absolute majority, determines that for a member of the class of ratepayers' whose liability to pay the minimum rate assessed in accordance with this Resolution Part 7 arises for more than one property in the municipal area a remission of the Minimum Rate requirement shall automatically be granted for such of that members properties which:-
  - a) only have erected upon them a boat shed, jetty, ramp or similar structure for access to littoral or riparian waters; or
  - b) do not have the qualities of a minimum lot, as defined by the *Local Government (Building and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993* (except where such land could be adhered to other lands in the same ownership so as to comprise a block which has the qualities of a minimum lot); and
  - c) the above remission may be withdrawn where the rates have not been paid in full by the due date;
- 9 Pursuant to Section 94(1) of the Act, makes the following charges for land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026:
  - a) a Garbage Collection Charge of \$230 for each residential, industrial or commercial unit that is provided with a Council garbage collection service utilising a 80-litre mobile garbage bin, whether that service is used or not;

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- 10 Pursuant to Section 94(3A) of the Act, by absolute majority determines to vary the Garbage Collection Charge as follows:
  - a) for each residential, industrial or commercial unit that is provided with a Council garbage collection service utilising a 120-litre or 140-litre mobile garbage bin the service charge is varied to \$328;
  - b) for each residential, industrial or commercial unit that is provided with a Council garbage collection service utilising a 240-litre mobile garbage bin the service charge is varied to \$526;
- 11 Pursuant to Section 94(1) of the Act, makes the following charges for land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026:
  - a) a Recycling Collection Charge of \$102 for each residential, industrial or commercial unit that is provided with a Council recycling collection service utilising a 140-litre mobile recycling bin, whether that service is used or not;
- 12 Pursuant to Section 94(3A) of the Act, by absolute majority determines to vary the Recycling Collection Charge as follows:
  - a) for each residential, industrial or commercial unit that is provided with a Council recycling collection service utilising a 240-litre mobile recycling bin the charge is varied to \$155;
- 13 Pursuant to Section 94(1) of the Act, makes the following service rates for land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026:
  - a) a Green Waste (FOGO) Collection Charge of \$129 for each residential or commercial unit that is provided with a Council Green Waste (FOGO) collection service ;
- 14 Pursuant to Section 93 of the Act, makes the following service rates for land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026;
  - a) a Stormwater Removal Rate of 0.007897 cents in the dollar of capital value of such rateable land within the municipal area.
- 15 Pursuant to Section 93(3) of the Act, in making a Stormwater Removal Rate sets a minimum amount of \$94, in respect of all rateable land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026;
- 16 Pursuant to Section 129(4) of the Act, by absolute majority, determines that for a member of the class of ratepayers' whose liability to pay the Stormwater Removal Rate assessed in accordance with this Resolution Part 14 arises for more than one property in the municipal area a remission of the Stormwater Removal Rate shall automatically be granted for such of that members properties which:-
  - a) only have erected upon them a boat shed, jetty, ramp or similar structure for access to littoral or riparian waters; or
  - b) do not have the qualities of a minimum lot, as defined by the Local Government (Building and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 (except where such land could be adhered to other lands in the same ownership so as to comprise a block which has the qualities of a minimum lot); and
  - c) the above remission may be withdrawn where the rates have not been paid in full by the due date;
- 17 Pursuant to Section 93A of the Act and the provisions of the Fire Service Act 1979 (as amended), makes the following rates for land within the municipal area for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026:

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- a) a Permanent Brigade District Fire Rate of 0.045355 cents in the dollar of capital value, subject to a minimum amount of \$50 in respect of all rateable land within the Permanent Brigade Rating District.
  - b) a Volunteer Brigade District Fire Rate of 0.014014 cents in the dollar of capital value, subject to a minimum amount of \$50 in respect of all rateable land within Volunteer Brigade Rating District.
  - c) a General Land Fire Rate of 0.012094 cents in the dollar of capital value, subject to a minimum amount of \$50 in respect of all rateable land within the municipal area, which is not within the Permanent Brigade Rating District, or the Volunteer Brigade Rating District;
- 18 Pursuant to Section 124 of the Act, resolves the rates for 2025/26 shall be payable in four instalments, the dates by which the rates are due to be paid are:
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| First Instalment  | 15 August 2025  |
| Second Instalment | 31 October 2025 |
| Third Instalment  | 30 January 2026 |
| Fourth Instalment | 30 April 2026   |
- 19 Pursuant to Section 128 of the Act, resolves where an amount of rates remains unpaid after the due date, a penalty of 5% of the unpaid amount, together with interest on the unpaid amount at a rate of 10.30% per annum calculated daily in arrears, shall be applied;
- 20 Pursuant with Sections 89A, 92 and 109N of the Act resolves:
- a) if a supplementary valuation is made of any land prior to 30 June 2026, the Chief Executive Officer may at his discretion adjust the amount payable in respect of any or all rates for that land for that financial year in line with the new valuation; and
  - b) If a rates notice is issued by the Chief Executive Officer under sub-clause (a), the amount shown as payable on that notice is due to be paid within 30 days of the date on which that notice is issued.
- 21 Pursuant to Section 82 of the Act:
- a) adopts the Capital Works Program for the 2025/26 financial year as detailed in the Annual Estimates, Attachment 2; and
  - b) in accordance with section 82(6) of the Act, by absolute majority, authorises the Chief Executive Officer to make minor adjustments up to \$150,000 to any individual estimate item as he deems necessary during the 2025/26 financial year provided that the total of the Estimates remains unaltered.