



Meeting Notice and Agenda

for the

Special Meeting of the Council

to be held in the

Cultural Centre, 118 Victoria Street, St George

on

Thursday 25th June 2020

Commencing at 9.00am

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Expected attendance of this meeting is as follows:

Councillors		Staff/Consultants	
Cr SC O'Toole (Mayor)	-Full Meeting	Mr Matthew Magin (Chief Executive Officer)	-Whole Meeting
Cr R Avery	-Full Meeting	Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Finance & Corporate Services)	-Whole Meeting
Cr RG Fuhrmeister	-Full Meeting	Mr Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services)	-As required for IFS
Cr R Lomman	-Full Meeting	Dr Digby Whyte (Director Environment & Regulatory Services)	-As required for ERS
Cr SS Scriven	-Full Meeting		
Cr ID Todd	-Full Meeting		
Cr W Winks	-Full Meeting		

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MEETING BUSINESS BY CORPORATE FUNCTION

(FCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Presentation of Draft Budget 2020/21 and Draft Forward Estimates from 2021/22 to 2029/30

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS1

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Presentation of Draft Budget 2020/21 and Draft Forward Estimates from 2021/22 to 2029/30

Executive Summary

In accordance with 169 of the Local Government Regulations 2012 Council must prepare a budget consistent with its Corporate and Operational plans.

Background

Every year Council produces a Budget which is consistent with the following legislative requirements:

- ✓ Prepared on an accrual basis
- ✓ Include the following statements for 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23
 - Financial Position (Balance Sheet)
 - Cash Flow
 - Income and Expenditure
 - Changes in Equity
- ✓ Include a Long-Term Financial Forecast
- ✓ Accompanied by its Revenue Statement
- ✓ Include the following financial sustainability ratios:
 - Asset sustainability ratio
 - Net financial liabilities ratio
 - Operating surplus ratio
- ✓ Include total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for 2020/21 compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget
- ✓ Consistent with the corporate plan and annual operational plan

This budget will be revised early in the new financial year as Council awaits funding agreements that will see a further injection of funds from the Queensland Construction Authority for flood damage; \$1.18m from

Queensland Works for Queensland funds and \$1.14m from the Federal Community Infrastructure & Roads fund, \$5m in Building Our Regions Fund for a new Library Innovation Hub and \$800,000 for a Country University Program.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors and Senior Leadership Group

Legal Implications

Section 107A of the Local Government Act 2009

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Financial Policies are detailed in the budget papers.

Financial and Resource Implications

The information presented incorporates the Budget for 2020/21 and forward estimates for the next 9 years. The budget details how Council will fund the provision of services, programs and projects

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to receive the Budget 2020/21 and accompanying documents and Council consider each section individually.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Operational Plan 2020/2021

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS2

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Operational Plan 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 174 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council must prepare and adopt an annual operational plan for each financial year.

Background

Council may, but need not, adopt the annual operational plan for the financial year at the same time that it adopts its budget for the year. The operational plan must be consistent with the annual budget, show how it will progress the implementation of the 5 year corporate plan during the period and manage operational risks.

The Operational Plan is structured on the key foundation areas of the Corporate Plan 2018-2023 and includes milestones consistent with the 2020/2021 budget and a range of key performance indicators to inform council of how it is performing and managing its operational risks.

A quarterly performance report will be provided to council as required by the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	High levels of accountability and compliance

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial and Resource Implications

2020/2021 Budget

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

1. Final Operational Plan 2020-21.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the 2020/2021 Balonne Shire Council Operational Plan in accordance with Section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OPERATIONAL PLAN 2020 - 21

For the People
Ralonne
Shire Council

ST GEORGE | DIRRANBANDI | BOLLON | THALLON | MUNGINDI | HEBEL | NINDIGULLY

Our Vision

Connected, innovative communities, where economies are strong and opportunities are abundant.

Our Mission

To invest in people, ignite ideas, meet our challenges and grow prosperity.

Our Values

Our Customers	Our customers are the centre of everything we do; we get things done with speed, conviction and agility.
Our People	We value teamwork and interdependence; we value each other and seek benefit from diverse people and perspectives.
Our Reputation	Our reputation is our most valuable asset; we act honestly and consistently in our behaviours, actions and decisions.

INTRODUCTION

The Balonne Shire Council's Operational Plan 2020/21 is an important element of Council's overall strategic planning framework. This plan links relevant operational activities scheduled for the 2020-21 financial year directly to the actions outlined in the five-year Corporate Plan 2018-2023. This will be the first year of the Councillor term with local government elections held in March 2020.

Council's Corporate Plan 2018-23 identifies our key program areas and a range of performance measures under the following five Foundations:

KEY FOUNDATION AREAS

The 2018 - 2023 Corporate Plan is based on five (5) Foundations.



1. Community



4. Infrastructure
& Planning



2. Economy



5. Governance



3. Environment

In accordance with S175 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the Operational Plan is required to state how Council will progress the implementation of its five-year Corporate Plan during the financial period. The focus of the Operational Plan is centred on planning, actioning and monitoring the relevant activities undertaken across the financial year to deliver on the strategies and actions articulated in the five-year Corporate Plan. This document should be read in conjunction with the 2020/21 Budget and the progress will be reported quarterly to the Council.

Council's Integrated Planning software CAMMs will allow Council to receive quarterly reports on progress of action items, performance on key performance indicators and for the Audit Committee to receive quarterly reports on the strategic and operational risks of the organisation (linked to the key foundation areas of the Corporate Plan and Operational Plan).



1. COMMUNITY

Community Goal

Pursuit of active and healthy lifestyles where cultures, traditions and the arts are celebrated, including the provision of safe and welcoming spaces to connect, engage and learn.

1.1 Community spaces to connect, engage and learn

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Continued council involvement in WORK program	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Engage with the community to contribute to Place-making and/or future community planning	Planning & Development Officer and the Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Cultural activities /initiatives implemented and/or supported	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	12
5% increase of youth participation in council initiated activities and initiatives	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	5%

1.2 Healthy and active lifestyles

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Investigate options and initiate the leasing of the St George Swimming Pool	Manager Town, Water & Sewerage	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Actively seek opportunities to pursue Beardmore Dam Recreation Area	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
90% percentage of operational projects completed within budget and on time	Director Infrastructure Services	90%
90% capital projects completed within budget and on time	Director Infrastructure Services	90%

1.3 Strong community organisations

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% of all community groups and organisations are supported by the Balonne Shire Council	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	100%
Number of community meetings attended in each township per annum	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	7
Number of forward looking initiatives/programs instigated	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	2

1.4 Vibrant creative arts, music, local history and culture

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Continue to organise, host or assist in delivering the Annual Community Events Program	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Continuation of the Digital Literacy Program	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Commence implementation of the new library innovation hub St George with Federal Government Funding	Library Hub Project Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	25%
Investigate and deliver a Bollon Library Upgrade and Relocation	Chief Executive Officer	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	
Develop Balonne Shire as a multicultural welcoming community	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	Not Started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
5% increase in library loans	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	5%
5% increase in library users	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	5%
100% of RADF monies distributed	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	100%
Maintain local artist content in pop up gallery	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	100%
Increase and diversify library function by 10%	Collective and Wellbeing Services Co-ordinator	10%
Number of initiatives that nurture cultural diversity and inclusion instigated	Collective and Wellbeing Services Coordinator	2
Working with the local community and business networks	Collective and Wellbeing Services Coordinator	4

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hold four events per annum to promote and enhance the delivery outcomes of the Welcoming Cities Standard Initiative throughout the Balonne region

1.5 Community Well-being

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Coordinate and facilitate Balonne community collective and wellbeing project outcomes	Collective & Wellbeing Services Coordinator	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
A minimum of 4 Community Safety Group meetings are held per annum	Collective and Well-being Services Coordinator	4
A minimum of 4 Balonne Community Collective meetings are held per annum	Collective and Well-being Services Coordinator	4
100% mosquito baiting programs are completed	Environmental Health Officer	100%
Number of businesses assisted through Covid-19 recovery	Environmental Health Officer	40
Proactive public health notifications (food notifications, water alerts, etc.)	Environmental Health Officer	8
Number of food premises that are non-compliant	Environmental Health Officer	0
Number of non-compliance action plans commenced in respect of non-compliant licensed food premises	Environmental Health Officer	0
Number of non-compliant water samples (E. Coli & Chem)	Environmental Health Officer	0
Number of non-compliant water samples for "Drinking Water Quality Management Plan" (Legionella, P.Fas, Naegleria)	Environmental Health Officer	0
100% compliance for all inspections for licensed premises under the council's local laws or legislation	Environmental Health Officer	100%

1.6 Disaster management

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
All Town levees are mowed and maintained in accordance with operation and maintenance manuals. Geotechnical inspection completed at least annually and corrective actions undertaken on all Town Levees	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Complete the review and update of the Local Disaster Management Plan under the South West Local Government Council project	Manager Transport & Drainage	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Plan Local Disaster Management Group meetings and coordinate Disaster Management exercise	Office of the CEO Support Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Educate public on and promote community resilience	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Revise and complete the Draft Pandemic Plan to ensure consistent with the February 2020 Business Continuity Plan	Director Finance & Corporate Services	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Adopt and implement an Information Technology Disaster Recovery Plan					

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Produce flood information publication	Chief Executive Officer	1
LDMG member training complete	Chief Executive Officer	100%





2. ECONOMY

Economy Goal

Strong economic growth where SMEs (Small to Medium Enterprises) and agriculture-related businesses thrive, with a focus on improved connectivity, skilling, diversification and innovation.

2.1 Initiatives to build the Food and Fibre Leaders Profile

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Build key and work with existing partnerships and networks	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/6/2021	100%
Promotion of the Capability of the Food and Fibre businesses	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Advocacy and support to businesses regarding key issues and opportunities	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Develop marketing collateral on behalf of the Food and Fibre businesses	Economic Development Officer	2 forms of collateral
Attendance at meetings and networking events related to food and fibre	Economic Development Officer	4 meetings / events
Procurement events and opportunities presented to the Food and Fibre businesses	Economic Development Officer	6 opportunities / events
Strategic and cost-effective Council led annual memberships and advocacy on behalf of Food and Fibre businesses	Economic Development Officer	2 organisations

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2.2 Investment attraction and partnerships

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Identify investment opportunities and facilitate development	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	31/03/2021	100%
Develop marketing collateral for inward investment purposes	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Proactively engage with industry stakeholders, key institutions, South West RED and government on regional investment attraction	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Promote Balonne Shire for inward investment opportunities	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Work with local business expansion and the priority and existing investment attraction projects and enquiries	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Number of inward investment and local expansion project enquiries	Chief Executive Officer	12 projects
Number of inward investment and local expansion projects announced	Chief Executive Officer	4 projects
Development of inward investment collateral	Economic Development Officer	4 forms of collateral

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Regional inward investment attraction projects	Economic Development Officer	2 projects
Meetings with prospective investors	Economic Development Officer	18 meetings
Presentations to prospective investors	Economic Development Officer	6 presentations
Facilitating in investor related events/activities	Economic Development Officer	4 events
Attendance at targeted events regionally and nationally	Economic Development Officer	6 events
Establishment of an Economic Development Committee	Economic Development Officer	1 group

2.3 Value-add and diversification strategies

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Advocate and identify programs and initiatives to support value-add and diversification (including adjustment and transition of reduced water from MDBP).	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Work with local business on value-add and diversification strategies	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Support to local businesses for value-add and diversification	Economic Development Officer	18 businesses
Programs identified and referred on to local businesses and agribusinesses	Economic Development Officer	24 referrals

2.4 Skilling, training and innovation

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Implement the Country University Education Facility (St George and Dirranbandi) and then incorporate into the Library Innovation hub, St George	Project Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Support the Chamber of Commerce and Progress Associations to deliver business training programs and events	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Support Bettering Balonne and other organisations providing business training to local businesses	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Identify, advocate and refer programs and services regarding skilling, training and innovation	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Number of training and skilling programs offered in the Balonne Shire	Economic Development Officer	8 events
Number of businesses referred to workforce development and training programs	Economic Development Officer	24 referrals
Number of applications made to access workforce development program funding	Economic Development Officer	6 applications

2.5 Business incubation and support

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Advocate for, and, support programs that provide business incubation (including mentoring and support)	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Number of businesses supported – start-up and existing businesses	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Support and liaise with the St George and District Chamber of Commerce, local Progress Associations	Economic Development Officer	48 businesses
Number of business support events facilitated in the Shire with partners	Economic Development Officer	8 events
Attendance at Chamber of Commerce meetings and related events	Economic Development Officer	8 meetings / events

2.6 Tourism growth and development

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Create and deliver new Tourism Branding Strategy for the Balonne Shire	Manager Tourism	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Review new Tourism & Events Strategy Action Plan	Manager Tourism	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Support Shire's Tourism Operators in COVID-19	Manager Tourism	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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Recovery & beyond					
Facilitate and manage Tourism Events Grant	Manager Tourism	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Create & deliver new tourism products for the Shire	Manager Tourism	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Market the Balonne Shire and its Tourism Products	Manager Tourism	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Delivered Council endorsed Tourism Branding Strategy	Manager Tourism	100%
Meetings with Shire's Tourism key stakeholders	Manager Tourism	4 meetings per year, 2 site visits annually
Deliver new Tourism e-newsletter for key stakeholders	Manager Tourism	4 e-newsletters per year
Implement actionable items from Tourism & Events Strategy	Manager Tourism	100%
Deliver a new marketing plan for 2021 and beyond	Manager Tourism	100%
Deliver new branded Travellers' Guide for 2021 season	Manager Tourism	100%
Deliver new tourism products for the Shire	Manager Tourism	3 shire-wide self-driving tours

2.7 Cross-regional partnerships

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Participate in regional groups including South West Local Government Association of Queensland, Border Regions of Council, South West Regional Economic Development, South West & Darling Downs Council of Mayors	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Attend or send delegate to Regional Road Group	Director of Infrastructure Services	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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meetings and advocate for funding infrastructure in the Shire					
Represent the region and advocate on behalf of local business entities	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Number of cross-regional economic growth initiatives	Chief Executive Officer	4 projects
Attendance at stakeholder meetings and events	Economic Development Officer	6 meetings / events





3. ENVIRONMENT

Environment Goal

To enhance, protect and sustain the environment, ensuring a triple bottom line approach of balancing social and economic needs with environmental goals.

3.1 Best practice waste management and recycling

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Complete and implement Waste Recycling Plan as required by legislation	Environmental Health Officer	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Complete illegal dumping project	Environmental Health Officer	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% of non-conformance issues with licensing provisions for landfill are resolved within defined timeframes	Environmental Health Officer	100%
100% kerb side waste and recycling bins collected as scheduled	Environmental Health Officer	100%
5% improved options for Waste Reduction and Recycling techniques and services	Director –Environment & Regulatory Services Environmental Health Officer	5%
1 annual shire clean-up is conducted per annum	Environmental Health Officer	1

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3.2 Effective water planning

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Dirranbandi Water Treatment Plant completed in consultation with the Dirranbandi community	Director Infrastructure Services	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Review Drinking Water Quality Management Plan annually	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Review water security for each township as part of DWQMP review	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Advocate on behalf of the community in relation to Murray Darling Basin issues	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Water restrictions are initiated in accordance with Council policy	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	100%
Scheduled inspection and maintenance undertaken on water infrastructure	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	100%

3.3 Biosecurity, pest management and stock route planning

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Participate in Regional Pest Management Planning	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Successful implementation of Wild Dog Exclusion Fence funding agreements for Round 2 of the Special Rates Scheme	Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Coordinator	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Implement the Biosecurity Plan for Balonne Shire including the formation of the Pest Working Group and Wild Dog Management Plan	Director Environment & Regulatory Services	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Effective management, implementation and construction of the Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Schemes	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Seek and implement grants for natural resource management and plant pest control	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Develop and Implement a 5 year Balonne Shire Stock Route Network Management Plan in conjunction with the Queensland Stock Route Management Strategy	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Implementation of the Feral Scan App for the compliance and monitoring of Council's Wild Dog Scalp Bounty and Retainer Policy	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Review and maintain the	Manager of Transport &	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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Balonne Shire Grid & Exclusion Fence Wing Policy	Drainage and Planning & Development Officer
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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
90% of all service requests relating to animal control are responded to within 10 business days	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	90%
1 animal inspection program is conducted per annum	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	1
Number of dangerous dogs declared	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	0
Number of baiting programs delivered within budget	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	2
Number of properties participating in strategic wild dog baiting or control programs	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	50%
Number of travelling stock permits issued	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	5
Number of Grazing/Agistment Permits Issued	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	5
Number of wild dog scalps surrendered and compliant to Council	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	500
Property area of noxious weed spraying completed within budget constraints	Manager of Rural Services & Compliance	20000 Ha
90% of Operational Projects completed within budget and on time	Director Environment & Regulatory Services	90%
90% Capital Projects completed within budget and on time	Director Environment & Regulatory Services	90%
25 % increase in WDEF fencing erected in the Shire	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	25%
Practical completion of fences within timeframes and budget	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	95%
Pest animal and weed monitoring compliance inspections undertaken within the Wild Dog Exclusion Fences	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	5
Number of Wing Exclusion Fence Applications received and implemented for the Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Scheme and Funding	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	5
95% of service requests relating to Wild Dog Exclusion Fence are responded to within 10 business days	Manager Rural Services & Compliance	95%

3.4 Investment and adoption of sustainable and renewable solutions

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Number of development applications for sustainable and renewable energy developments	Planning & Development Officer	1

3.5 Strong partnerships with stakeholder groups and government

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Evidence of collaborative approaches including partnerships and engagement	Chief Executive Officer	1
Number of strategic communication responses (written and face-to-face) to advocate for balanced environmental management laws and reform	Chief Executive Officer	5

3.6 Advocacy for a triple bottom line approach

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Maintain/collect information required to meet Council's obligations regarding Environmentally Relevant Activities and associated Annual Returns/Reporting.	Environmental Health Officer	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

3.7 Community education programs

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Promote recycling through the contract refuse collection and initiate public education regarding the benefits	Environmental Health Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Forums, attendance at meetings and other community engagement programs	Manager Rural Services & Compliance and Environmental Health Officer	4

3.8 Sewerage services that protect public health and the environment

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Maintain sewage treatment facilities in accordance with operational requirements	Manager Town, Water & Sewerage	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Schedule inspection and maintenance undertaken on sewerage infrastructure	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	100%
Sewerage related service requests responded to within timeframe	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	85%



4. INFRASTRUCTURE AND PLANNING

Infrastructure and Planning Goal

Effective town planning and infrastructure design to support the Shire's needs with a focus on visionary planning to suit changing needs into the future¹.

¹ Including alignment to the Federal Government Smart Cities Plan read more at <https://cities.infrastructure.gov.au/>

4.1 Digital connectivity for business and industry growth and social connectedness

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Roll out of Digital Connectivity across the Balonne Shire	Project Officer Director Environment & Regulatory Services	In Progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Communication and engagement with Telcos and other providers	Project Officer Director Environment & Regulatory Services	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Identification and adoption of digital connectivity related technologies for the agricultural sector	Economic Development Officer and Project Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Farmers expanding/diversifying due to digital connectivity	Economic Development Officer	5 farmers
Businesses reporting increases in productivity and/or expanding due to digital connectivity	Economic Development Officer	10 businesses
Business surveys to gauge impact from digital connectivity – improvements and challenges	Economic Development Officer	2 surveys
40% of Shire area with improved digital connectivity	Project Officer Director Environment & Regulatory Services	40%

4.2 Safe, efficient and connected transport networks

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Maintain St George and Dirranbandi Aerodrome and implement the procedures as set out in the required Aerodrome Operating Procedures/Manual	Manager Transport & Drainage	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Implement Building our Regions Project – St George General Aviation Project	Director Finance & Corporate Services and Director Infrastructure Services	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	80%
Dirranbandi Aerodrome Subdivision Planning completed	Director Infrastructure Services	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Establish and maintain Department Transport & Main Roads accreditation.	Manager of Transport & Drainage	In Progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Implement a footpath replacement /maintenance program within budget constraints	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Develop and implement an	Manager Water Sewerage &	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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Annual Street sweeping program within budget constraints	Towns				
Completion of 2020/21 road capital works projects funded by Roads to Recovery and TIDS, on time and on budget	Manager of Transport & Drainage	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Develop and implement an annual reseal program.	Manager Transport & Drainage	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% TIDs, R2R, RMPC and QRA claims are completed within defined timeframes	Manager Corporate Services	100%
Attend all 4 Regional Road Group meetings per annum	Manager of Transport and Drainage	100%
Footpath inspections are completed per annum	Manager of Water, Sewerage & Towns	100%
90% of Road user service requests are completed in acceptable timeframes within budget constraints	Manager of Transport and Drainage	90%
100% of all aerodrome inspections are completed	Manager of Transport and Drainage	100%
100% of non-conformance arising from safety and technical inspections are completed within defined timeframes	Manager of Transport and Drainage	100%

4.3 Community infrastructure for existing and future needs

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Finalise a Master Planning for Rowden Park and St George CBD	Director Infrastructure Services	Commenced	01/07/2020	31/12/2020	100%
Develop Master Plans for Bollon and Dirranbandi Showgrounds	Director of Infrastructure Services	Not started	01/07/2020	31/03/2021	100%
Finalise Master Plan for Beardmore Dam					

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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Operational projects completed within budget and on time	Director Infrastructure Services	90%
Capital projects completed within budget and on time	Director Infrastructure Services	90%
Park & Playground inspections are completed annually	Manager, Town, Water & Sewerage	100%

4.4 Protection and enhancement of water supply

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Implement a water asset replacement /maintenance program within budget constraints	Manager Town, Water & Sewerage	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Maintain a critical customer register to notify when disruption to water supply	Manager Town, Water & Sewerage	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Maintain water assets in accordance with asset management plan	Manager Town, Water & Sewerage	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Compliance with Water Safety Act	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	100%
Water related service requests responded to within timeframe	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	85%
Operational projects completed within budget and on time	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	90%
Capital projects completed within budget and on time	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	90%
Council water facilities are maintained in accordance with asset management programs and budget constraints	Manager Water Sewerage & Towns	100%

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4.5 Sustainable Planning and Development

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Review the 2019 Planning Scheme for the Balonne Shire	Planning & Development Officer	Not commenced	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% enforcement of swimming pool legislation	Environmental Health Officer	100%
Number of building applications received	Planning and Development Officer	12
Value of building applications received	Planning and Development Officer	\$1,000,000
100% of all development applications are processed within statutory timeframes.	Planning & Development Officer	100%
Number of development applications received	Planning & Development Officer	12

4.6 Technology investment for data-led change (to achieve cost savings and efficiency)

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Application of Smart Regions principles in new builds and infrastructure planning decisions	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Advocating for new technologies and investment as a result of increased connectivity	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Advocating for and leveraging regional co-	Economic Development Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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investment (i.e. SWRED) with regards to digital connectivity				
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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Leveraging additional investment from digital connectivity	Economic Development Officer	\$1 million
Leads and business enquiries with regards to digital technology either inward investment or local business expansion	Economic Development Officer	6 enquiries





5. GOVERNANCE

Governance Goal

To develop an effective governance framework that drives enhanced organisational performance through project management, financial sustainability, performance management and community engagement.

5.1 Active community and stakeholder engagement

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Ensure all new policies and/or policy reviews include reference to Council's adopted Community Engagement Framework	Governance Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	31/12/2020	100%
Develop comprehensive community and council grants list through a process of consultation and workshops including prioritization.	Director Finance & Corporate Services and Grants Officer	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2020	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% of service requests acknowledged within 3 working days	Administration Officer - Records	100%
5% increase in compliments	Administration Officer - Records	5%
90% of service requests completed within 10 working days	Administration Officer - Records	90%

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5% increase in website hits	Administration Officer – Records	5%
5% increase in social media following	Administration Officer – Records	5%
4 Community newsletters	Support Officer to CEO	100%

5.2 Effective strategic planning and partnerships

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Provide professional development opportunities to Councillors within budget constraints	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Seek support and advice from partnerships with Local Government Managers Australia, Local Government Association Queensland including State and Federal Governments	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Undertake an Information Communications and Technology Strategic Review	Director Finance & Corporate Services	Not started	01/07/2020	31/12/2020	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% of council minutes are published on council's website within 10 days	Administration Officer - Governance	100%
100% of monthly service request reports are delivered to Councillors	Administration Officer – Records	100%

5.3 Excellence in service delivery and project management

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Manage Council buildings and facilities in accordance with asset management plans	Asset Management & GIS Coordinator	In Progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Manage and Maintain records to keep Asset Management Plans current	Asset Management & GIS Coordinator	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Implementation of Plant and Fleet Asset Management Plan	Manager of Transport and Drainage	In Progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Works for Queensland COVID-19 Projects completed within defined timeframes					
Works for Queensland Projects 19-21 completed within defined timeframes	Director Infrastructure Services	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Finalization and implementation of the Project Governance Framework	Project Officer	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Finalise Phase 2 to implement new Enterprise Business Management system	Director Finance & Corporate Services and Project Manager	In progress	01/10/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Deliver and finalise Local Community Infrastructure & Roads Projects within defined timeframes	Director Infrastructure Services	Not Started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Finalise SWRRTG Joint Project for Asset Management	Director Infrastructure Services & Director Finance & Corporate Services	In Progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Number of internal requests for service – IT help desk	Information Technology Officer	0
Number of outages in computer services	Information Technology Officer	0
100% of administrative action complaints are acknowledged within 3 working days	Director Finance & Corporate Services	100%
90% of administrative action complaint investigations are completed within 30 business days	Director Finance & Corporate Services	100%
Undertake annual inspections of buildings and facilities to inform Asset Management Plan	Facilities Manager	100%

5.4 High levels of accountability and compliance

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Annual review of CEO and Directorate Delegations are completed	Administration Officer - Governance	Ongoing	01/01/2021	31/03/2021	100%
Delivery quarterly reports on Council's Enterprise Risk Management framework to the Audit & Risk Committee	Director Finance & Corporate Services	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Implement Local Government Reform recommendations, as required	Director Finance & Corporate Services	Not started	01/07/2020	31/03/2021	100%
Ensure all new policies and/or policy reviews include reference to Council's adopted Human Rights Policy where required.	Administration Officer - Governance	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Promote a dialogue about the nature, meaning and scope of human rights and provide key information	Director Finance & Corporate Services	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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sessions across the organisation.					
Develop an Information Technology Incident and problem management policy and procedure	Information Technology Officer	Not started	01/07/2020	01/09/2020	100%
Develop an Information Technology Security Policy	Information Technology Officer	Not started	01/07/2020	01/10/2020	100%
Develop a contract register consistent with Audit requirements	Procurement co-ordinator	Not started	01/07/2020	01/10/2020	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
100% of delegations register is maintained	Administration Officer - Governance	100%
100% compliance with statutory and corporate requirements	Director Finance & Corporate Services	100%
100% of Right to Information applications are completed within statutory timeframes	Administration Officer - Records	100%
100% of Human Rights complaints are resolved by Council within 45 business days.	Director Finance & Corporate Services	100%
No. of staff complaints	Director Finance & Corporate Services	0%
No. of councillor complaints	Director Finance & Corporate Services	0%

5.5 Financial management for long-term sustainability

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Accounting manual is reviewed and up to date consistent with new Finance Management IT System	Manager Finance Services	Ongoing	01/12/2020	30/06/2021	100%

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
A minimum of 4 Audit Committee meetings held per annum	Manager Finance Services	4
100% of creditors paid within 30 days	Administration Officer – Accounts Payable	100%
No more than 5% debtors in excess of 90 days	Administration Officer – Accounts Receivable	5%
No more than 5% in rate arrears outstanding at 30 June	Administration Officer - Rates	5%
90% of Operational Projects completed within budget and on time	Manager Finance Services	90%
90% Capital Projects completed within budget and on time	Manager Finance Services	90%
Asset Sustainability Ratio	Manager Finance Services	>90%
Operating Surplus Ratio	Manager Finance Services	0-10%
Net Financial Liabilities Ratio	Manager Finance Services	<60%
90% of internal and external audit recommendations are completed within defined timeframes	Director Finance & Corporate Services	90%
Deliver a 5% productivity dividend annually	Director Finance & Corporate Services	5%
Deliver a 5% productivity dividend annually	Director Environment & Regulatory Services	5%
Deliver a 5% productivity dividend annually	Director Infrastructure Services	5%

5.6 Safe and healthy workplace environment

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Ensure Hazard Inspections outstanding and Action Items are reported on a monthly basis to Senior Leadership Group	Safety Advisor	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Undertake a minimum of one audit on job sites per fortnight to ensure compliance with WHS requirements	Safety Advisor	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Update all emergency evacuation plans and	Safety Advisor	Not started	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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mapping to reflect new office refurbishments across council's assets

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
10% reduction in injuries from same period in previous year	Safety Advisor	10%
100% completion of WHS annual plan	Safety Advisor	100%
100% of all hazard inspections completed within defined timeframes	Safety Advisor	100%
Tool box – Take 5s are circulated weekly and monitored for completion	Safety Advisor	100%

5.7 Engaged employees in meaningful, productive work

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
4 staff newsletters published per annum	Chief Executive Officer	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Commence review of Enterprise Bargaining Agreement and consultation with employees	Manager Corporate Services	Not Started	01/12/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Deliver at least 1 training session in council's CAMMs planning & performance management system and risk	Administration Officer – Governance	Ongoing	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%
Senior Leadership Group develop a Workforce Planning Strategy	Chief Executive Officer	Commenced	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	100%

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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
10% improvement in staff satisfaction	Manager Corporate Services	10%
100% of all new starters receive a staff induction and meet the CEO	Manager Corporate Services	100%
5% decrease in staff turnover	Manager Corporate Services	5%
5% decrease in council's overall leave liability	Manager Corporate Services	5%
80% Performance Appraisals completed on time	Manager Corporate Services	80%
Number of disciplinary matters substantiated	Manager Corporate Services	0
Conduct fortnightly supervisor/co-ordinator and monthly team meetings	Director Finance & Corporate Services	12
Conduct fortnightly supervisor/coordinator and monthly team meetings	Director Environment & Regulatory Services	12
Conduct fortnightly supervisor/coordinator and monthly team meetings	Director Infrastructure Services	12

5.8 Effective investment programs and innovative finance approaches

MILESTONES

Action	Responsible Person	Status	Start Date	End Date	Target
Continue to seek grant funding and implement and monitor Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Schemes	Director Environment & Regulatory Services	In progress	01/07/2020	30/06/2021	6
Asset Register is monitored and reviewed annually to ensure appropriate depreciation is applied to Council's assets and WIP is capitalized in a timely manner	Director Finance & Corporate Services	In progress	01/07/2020	30/04/2021	100%

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KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR

Key performance indicators	Responsible Person	Target
Credit cards reconciliations are completed by responsible officers within agreed timeframes	Administration Officer – Creditors	100%
Fuel Cards and Fuel Sheet reconciliations are completed by responsible officers within agreed timeframes	Administration Officer – Creditors	100%
Number of successful grant applications achieved for council	Grants Officer	4

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Revenue Policy 2020/2021

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS3

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Executive Summary

Revenue Policy 2020/2021.

Background

In accordance with 169 (2) (c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the budget must include the Revenue Policy. The policy is now submitted for Council's adoption. A Revenue Policy forms part of Council's budget each year. The *Local Government Regulation 2012* identifies the matters that a local government must include in its Revenue Policy. The Revenue Policy is a statement outlining the strategic policy position of Council in relation to revenue measures to be adopted in the budget.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

169 (2) (c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

The Revenue Policy will rescind all previous versions.

Financial and Resource Implications

The policy provides the strategic framework for the levying of rates and charges and collection of revenue.

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

1. 4_RevenuePolicy2020-21.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Revenue Policy 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 169 (2) (c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services



Revenue Policy 2020/21

1.0 Legislative Authority

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

2.0 Policy Objective

The objective of this Revenue Policy is to set out the principles used by Council for:

- (i) levying rates and charges; and
- (ii) granting concessions for rates and charges; and
- (iii) recovering overdue rates and charges; and
- (iv) cost-recovery fees.

3.0 Policy Principles

3.1 The levying of rates and charges

Council levies rates and charges to fund the provision of valuable services to our community. The relevant components of Council's rates and charges are based on a combination of specific user charges, separate charges, special charges and a differential general rating system based on the value of land to provide the most equitable and rational basis for raising revenue. When adopting its annual budget, Council will set rates and charges at a level after due consideration of the following:

- a) Council's legislative obligations;
- b) The needs and expectations of the general community;
- c) The cost of maintaining existing facilities and necessary services;
- d) The need for additional facilities and services;
- e) Administering a simple and inexpensive rating regime;
- f) Equity by ensuring the fair and consistent application of lawful rating and charging principles, without bias, and taking into account the different levels of income earning potential of the land within the local government area; and
- g) Flexibility to take account of changes in the local economy, extraordinary circumstances and impacts that different industries may have on Council infrastructure.

Council will also have regard to the principles outlined in Section 4 of the Local Government Act 2009 including meeting the needs of both current and future community requirements.

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In administering rates and charges Council will seek to:-

- Make clear what is the Council's and each ratepayer's responsibility in relation to the rating system.
- Make the levying process, granting discount and any refund of rates and charges as simple and efficient to administer as possible.
- Time the levy of rates notices to take into account the financial cycle to which the ratepayers are accustomed or may adapt to.
- Effective communication by advising ratepayers of rate notice issue dates and discount dates.
- Treat all ratepayers in similar circumstances in the same manner and by having regard to their individual circumstances;
- Provide flexibility by accommodating ratepayers' needs through short term payment arrangements; and
- Make the processes used to recover outstanding rates and charges clear, simple to administer and cost effective.

3.2 Granting of Rebates and Concessions

In accordance with Chapter 4, Part 10 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may grant a concession for rates and charges. In exercising these concession powers, Council will be guided by the principles of equity and transparency by:-

- Applying the same treatment to ratepayers with similar circumstances; and
- Making clear the requirements necessary to receive concessions.
- Flexibility to allow council to respond to local economic issues

Consideration may be given by Council to granting a class concession in the event that all or part of the local government area is declared a natural disaster area by the State Government.

Eligible pensioners as defined in Schedule 8 (Dictionary) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* may be granted a concession on general rates.

In accordance with Section 120 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a concession may be granted if Council is satisfied that the application meets the eligibility criteria as defined in this section. Applications for concessions under this section will be considered and determined by Council on a case by case basis.

3.3 Recovery of rates and charges

Council requires payment of rates and charges within the specified period and it is Council policy to pursue the collection of outstanding rates and charges diligently, but with due concern for the financial hardship faced by some ratepayers.

Council will exercise its rate recovery powers pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 4, Part 12 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, in order to reduce the overall rate burden on ratepayers, and will be guided by the principles outlined in 3.1 above-

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3.4 Cost Recovery Fees

Section 97 of the *Local Government Act 2009* allows Council to set cost recovery fees.

Council recognises the validity of fully imposing the user pays principle for its cost recovery fees, unless the imposition of the fee is contrary to its express social, economic, environmental and other corporate goals. The user pays principle is considered to be the most equitable and effective charging approach, and is founded on the basis that the Council's rating base cannot subsidise the specific users or clients of Council's regulatory products and services.

In setting its' cost recovery fees, Council will be conscious of the requirement that such a fee must not be more than the cost to Council of providing the service or taking the action to which the fee applies.

3.5 The purpose of concessions

Statutory provision exists for the Council to rebate or defer rates in certain circumstances. In considering the application of concessions, Council will be guided by the principles set out in section 3.1 above.

3.6 Funding of New Development

To minimise the impact of physical and social infrastructure charges on the efficiency of the local economy Council will be guided by the principle of user pays in making of physical and social infrastructure charges for new development, to the extent permissible by law. Council may depart from applying this principle if it is determined by Council that it is in the community interest to do so.

4.0 Related Documents

Revenue Statement 2020-21
Budget 2020-21
Fees & Charges 2020-21

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Revenue Statement 2020/2021

DATE: 22.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS4

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with 169 (2) (b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the budget must include the Revenue Statement.

Background

The Revenue Statement is an explanatory statement detailing the revenue measures that will be used in the annual budget. Section 172 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* details what is required to be contained in the Revenue Statement and Section 193 (2) states the guidelines for preparing the Revenue Statement.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 172 and Section 193 (2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021.

This Revenue Statement will rescind all previous versions.

Financial and Resource Implications

The information contained in the Revenue Statement forms part of the 2020/2021 Budget.

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

1. FINAL - 5_RevenueStatement2020-21 (2).pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Revenue Statement 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 169 (2) (b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

Revenue Statement 2020/21

1.0 Background

Section 104 of the *Local Government Act, 2009* requires the Council to adopt a Revenue Statement. The Revenue Statement will be an explanatory document accompanying the Budget outlining and explaining the revenue measures adopted in the budget process. This document should be read in conjunction with the Council's Revenue Policy.

2.0 Legislative Authority

The Revenue Statement for a financial year is required by legislation to include certain information for the Financial Year: -

Local Government Act 2009 - Section 104(5) of the *Local Government Act 2009* outlines Council's requirement to have financial management documents:

104 (5) *The system of financial management established by a local government must include—*

- (a) The following financial planning documents prepared for the local government –*
 - (i) A 5 year corporate plan that incorporates community engagement;*
 - (ii) A long-term asset management plan;*
 - (iii) A long-term financial forecast;*
 - (iv) An annual budget including revenue statement;*
 - (v) An annual operational plan.*

Local Government Regulation 2012 - Section 172 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* outlines the requirements of the revenue statement:

172 Revenue statement

- (1) The revenue statement for a local government must state—*
 - (a) if the local government levies differential general rates—*
 - (i) the rating categories for rateable land in the local government area; and*
 - (ii) a description of each rating category; and*
 - (b) if the local government levies special rates or charges for a joint government activity—a summary of the terms of the joint government activity; and*
 - (c) if the local government fixes a cost-recovery fee—the criteria used to decide the amount of the cost-recovery fee; and*
 - (d) if the local government conducts a business activity on a commercial basis—the criteria used to decide the amount of the charges for the activity's goods and services.*
- (2) Also, the revenue statement for a financial year must include the following information for the financial year—*

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- (a) an outline and explanation of the measures that the local government has adopted for raising revenue, including an outline and explanation of—
- (i) the rates and charges to be levied in the financial year; and
 - (ii) the concessions for rates and charges to be granted in the financial year;
- (b) whether the local government has made a resolution limiting an increase of rates and charges.

3.0 General Rate or Differential General Rates

In the 2020-2021 financial year, differential general rates will be levied on a charging value in accordance with Sections 80 and 81 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

The following categories, descriptions and identification will be used for the levying of Differential General Rates: -

3.1 Residential

Differential Category	Description	Identification
1 - Residential <1 Ha	Land used for residential purposes having an area of less than one hectare	All land, which is not otherwise categorised, is less than 1 Ha in size and to which the following primary land use codes apply: 01 & 02 – Vacant, Single Unit Dwelling 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 06 & 08 – Outbuildings & Buildings Units 72 – Section 25 Valn 98 – General Vacant
2 - Large Residential ≥1Ha and <20Ha	Land used for residential purposes having an area of one hectare or more, but less than 20 hectares.	All land, which is not otherwise categorised, is between 1 Ha or greater and less than 20 Ha in size and to which the following primary land use codes apply: 01 & 02 – Vacant, Single Unit Dwelling 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 06 – Outbuildings 61 – 67 – Sheep and Cattle Grazing 72 – Section 25 Valn 73 – 84 – Agricultural 85 – 89 and 93 – 95 – Other Rural Uses 98 – General Vacant
3 - Multi Residential	Land used for multi residential purposes such as flats, guest houses and residential institutions.	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, which the following primary land use codes apply: 03 – Multi unit dwelling (flats) 07 – Guest House 21 – Residential Institutions (Non Medical Care) 98 – General Vacant

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3.2 Commercial and Industrial

Differential Category	Description	Identification
11 - Retail Business and Commercial	Land used for retail business, commercial purposes and other similar purposes	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 10-20 & 22-27 - Retail Businesses /Commercial 41, 44 - 46 - Special Uses
12 - Other Commercial	Land used for other commercial purposes, excluding category 11 land, such as, for example sports clubs and similar facilities	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 48 - Sports Clubs / Facilities 50 - 59 - Special Uses 96 - 97 - General
13 - Transformers	Land use for the housing of transformers	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 91 - Transformers
14 - Industrial	Land used for industrial purposes	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 28 - 34 - Transport & Storage 35 - 37 - Industrial
15 - Hotels and other Accommodation	Land used for hotels, motels, caravan parks, licensed clubs and other similar commercial and accommodation uses	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 42 & 43 - Hotel / tavern, Motel 47 & 49 - Licenced Club, Caravan Park

3.3 Intensive Industry

Differential Category	Description	Identification
21 - Commercial Bulk Grain Depots	Land used as a commercial bulk grain depot, excluding where such storage occurs as part of farm bulk storage.	All land approved for use as a commercial bulk grain depot or land that forms part of a commercial bulk grain depot which is a lawful nonconforming use. This category excludes land used for on farm bulk grain storage. This category includes but is not limited to assessments 1726/5, 1762, 1763, 2075, 2078, 2382, 1567/3, 2381/5, 2382/1, 2384/1.
22 - Cotton Gins	Land used as a Cotton Gin	All land approved for use as for Cotton Ginning and associated purposes. This category includes but is not limited to assessments 2304-8, 1840 and 1706-2.

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25 - Extractive Industry < 5,000 tonnes	Land used for the purpose of conducting an industry involving the dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for less than 5,000 tonnes production	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for the purpose of conducting an industry which may involve dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for less than 5,000 tonnes production
26 - Extractive Industry >5,000 & <100,000 Tonnes	Land used for the purpose of conducting an industry involving dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 5,000 to 100,000 tonnes production.	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for the purpose of conducting an industry which may involve dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 5,000 to 100,000 tonnes production.
27 - Extractive Industry > 100,000 tonnes	Land used for the purpose of conducting an industry involving dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 100,000 tonnes production	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for the purpose of conducting an industry which may involve dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 100,000 tonnes production
31 Petroleum Leases < 1,000 Ha	Land the subject of a Petroleum Lease having an area of less than 1000 hectares	All Petroleum Leases issued within the Council area of less than 1,000 hectares.
32 -Petroleum Leases >=1,000Ha < 10,000 Ha	Land the subject of a Petroleum Lease having area of 1000 hectares or more, but less than 10,000 hectares	All Petroleum Leases issued within the Council area of equal to and greater than 1,000 hectares but less than 10,000 hectares.

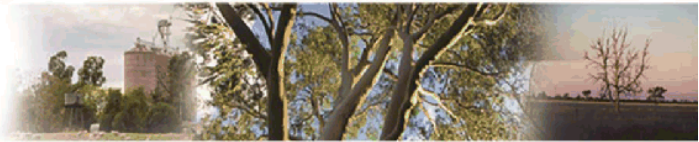
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33 - Petroleum Leases => 10,000 Ha	Land the subject of a Petroleum Lease having area of 10,000 hectares or more	All Petroleum Leases issued within the Council area of 10,000 hectares or more.
34 - Petroleum Other < 400Ha	Land used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of less than 400 hectares.	All land, within the Council, used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of less than 400 hectares.
35 - Petroleum Other => 400Ha	Land used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of 400 hectares or more.	All land, within the Council, used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of 400 hectares or more.
41 - Mining Leases < 50 FTE	Land the subject of a Mining Lease at which there are least than 50 full-time equivalent employees and/or contractors	All Mining Leases issued within the Council area that have less than 50 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees and/or contractors.
42 - Mining Leases => 50 FTE	Land the subject of a Mining Lease at which there are 50 or more full-time equivalent employees and/or contractors	All Mining Leases issued within the Council area that have 50 or more Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees and/or contractors.

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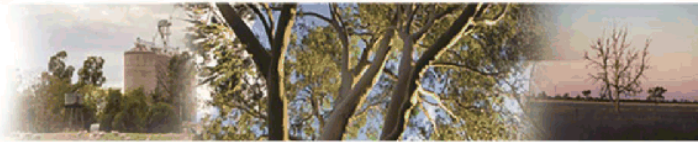
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45 - Intensive Accommodation 100+persons	Land used for providing intensive accommodation for more than 100 people (other than the ordinary travelling public or itinerant farm workers based on farms) in rooms, suites, or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose.	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for providing intensive accommodation for more than 100 people (other than the ordinary travelling public or itinerant farm workers based on farm) in rooms, suites, or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose. Land within this category is commonly known as "workers accommodation", "single persons quarters", "work camps", "accommodation village" or "barracks"
46 - Noxious Industry - Abattoirs	Land used in whole or in part for an abattoir or other similar noxious industry	Land used whole or part, within the Council area, for Noxious Industry, primarily used as an Abattoir.

3.4 Rural

Differential Category	Description	Identification
100 - Grain & Grazing	Rural land having an area of 1000 Hectares or more used for growing of grain, sheep grazing, cattle grazing or other similar activities	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, is 1000Ha or greater and has the following primary land use codes apply: 04 & 05 - Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 60 - 63 - Sheep Grazing 64 - 70 - Cattle Grazing 73 - Grain 85 - 89 and 93 - 95 - Other Rural Uses 98 - General Vacant
200 - Combined land use including cotton	Rural land used for mixed use cropping including Cotton	All Land that has or should have a land use code with a primary and secondary combination including: 77 - Cotton
300 - Sole land use Cotton	Rural land used for the growing of cotton, regardless of size	All Land that has or should have a primary land use code and no secondary combination of: 77 - Cotton

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500 – Rural and small crops	Rural land regardless of size having an area > 20 Hectares but less than 1000 Hectares used for sheep grazing, cattle grazing or similar activities and rural land used as vineyards or for small cropping	All Land, regardless of size, which is not otherwise categorised is 20Ha or greater and less than 1000Ha in size and has the following primary land use codes apply: 01 & 72 – Vacant Urban Land, Section 25 Valn 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 06 – Outbuildings 61 – 70 – Sheep and Cattle Grazing 73 – 84 – Agricultural 85 – 89 and 93 – 95 – Other Rural Uses 98 – General Vacant And All Land, regardless of size and has the following primary land use codes apply: 82 – Vineyards 83 – Small Crops & Fodder Irrigation 84 – Small Crops & Fodder Non – Irrigation
76 – Reservoirs	Land use for storage of water in reservoirs or dams, or the extraction of water via bores, or for other similar storage and/or extraction purposes	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary or secondary land use code: 95 – Reservoir, dam, bores
79 - Intensive Animal Industry Feedlot 1,001 – 5,000 SCU	Land used in whole or part for feed lotting of animals with an approved capacity of between 1,001 and 5,000 equivalent to standard cattle units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry – Feedlot requiring approval by Council, or requiring licensing as an Environmental Relevant Activity with an approved capacity of 1,001 – 5,000 equivalent Standard Cattle Units (SCU) Land having the land use code of 64, 65 or 66, or has an alternative land use with an intensive animal industry approval. Sheep 10:1 SCU; Goats 10:1 SCU
80 - Intensive Animal Industry Feedlot 5,001 - 10,000 SCU	Land used in whole or part for feed lotting of animals with an approved capacity of between 5,001 and 10,000 equivalent to standard cattle units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry – Feedlot requiring approval by Council, or requiring licensing as an Environmental Relevant Activity with an approved capacity of 5,001 - 10,000 equivalent Standard Cattle Units (SCU) Land having the land use code of 64, 65 or 66, or has an alternative land use with an intensive animal industry approval. Sheep 10:1 SCU; Goats 10:1 SCU

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81 - Intensive Animal Industry Feedlot > 10,000 SCU	Land used in whole or part for feed lotting of animals with an approved capacity of between more than 10,000 equivalent standard cattle units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry – Feedlot requiring approval by Council, or requiring licensing as an Environmental Relevant Activity with an approved capacity of > 10,000 equivalent Standard Cattle Units (SCU) Land having the land use code of 64, 65 or 66, or has an alternative land use with an intensive animal industry approval. Sheep 10:1 SCU; Goats 10:1 SCU
85 - Intensive Animal Industry Piggery > 400 SPU	Land used in whole or part for a piggery with an approved capacity of greater than 400 standard pig units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry - Piggery with an approved capacity of greater than 400 Standard Pig Units (SPU)
90 - Solar Farm <50 MW	Land used in whole or in part for as a Solar Farm with an output capacity of less than 50 megawatts.	Land used for solar power generation and transfer to the grid of <50 MW
91 - Solar Farm >= 50 MW	Land used in whole or in part for as a Solar Farm with an output capacity of 50 megawatts or more	Land used for solar power generation and transfer to the grid of >= 50 MW

The Council sets the Differential General Rates at its Budget Meeting.

4.0 Minimum General Rate

Council adopts a minimum general rate for each differential rate category in accordance with Section 77 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. The minimum general rate is specified annually in dollar terms at the Council's budget meeting.

Rateable lands which attract the minimum general rate are those lands whose charging value (V) are so low as to result in a calculated levy (L) less than the adopted minimum rate when the following formula is applied:-

$$L = V \times R$$

where R is the adopted general rate.

5.0 Separate Rates and Charges

Council does not presently levy separate rates and charges.

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6.0 Special Rates and Charges

6.1 Special Charge – Balonne Shire Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Scheme

Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council will make and levy in future budget meetings a special charge to be known as the Balonne Shire Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme Special Charge of varied amounts for certain rural properties in the local government area, to which the overall plan applies, to fund the provision of wild dog exclusion fencing. The amount of special charge shall differ according to the level of benefit that the property receives from the provision of the exclusion fencing. Once all fencing has been installed the level of benefit shall be determined according to the costs associated with borrowing, the purchase of materials and construction of fencing to be repaid over 20 years (Round 1 – 01/07/2019 – 30/06/2041) and (Round 2 – 01/07/2020 – 30/06/2042). To determine the amount of special charge it will generally be the total cost divided by the repayment years noting that the first 2 years are no repayments; the following 3 years will be interest only then principal and interest for the remaining 15 years. No discount will apply. The overall plan for the Balonne Shire Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme Special Charge was adopted by Council at its 27 June 2019 budget meeting and will be amended on 25 June 2020. Council set an administration fee of 3% of the total cost of the fencing project including loan administration fees in its 2019/20 and 2020/21 fees and charges schedule, to be paid by approved landholders in the first two years.

1. In summary, the service, facility or activity for which the plan is made is Council borrowing the funds to implement the Balonne Shire Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme;
2. Council considers that the rateable land or its occupier specially benefits from the service, facility or activity funded by the special charge because the provision of the exclusion fencing empowers a landholder or group of landholders to develop and integrated property pest management plan involving baiting, trapping and shooting to control pest animals and improve the economic viability of the grazing industry;
3. The estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan is \$8,540,987m (including capitalised interest)

The estimated time for carrying out the overall plan, is an estimated twenty one (21) years (Round 1 – 01/07/2019 – 30/06/2041) and (Round 2 – 01/07/2020 – 30/06/2042). The Annual Implementation Plan for Round 1 2020/21 financial year will include inspections and practical completion of fencing projects and for Round 2 the implementation of and execution of landholder agreements, procuring fencing materials and engaging fencing contractors to install the exclusion fencing on each property approved under the scheme will be undertaken

6.2 Thallon Rural Fire Levy

To fund the operation of the Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade, Council has resolved to levy a special charge on those rateable properties contained in the benefited area. This special charge shall be levied on the property assessment and not individual land parcels.

Properties will be classified in the same manner as that utilised by the Queensland Emergency Management Levy Scheme and detailed in the Fire and Emergency Service Act 1990 and the Fire and Emergency Service Regulation 2011

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applicable to the relevant financial year. The following table details the charging units applicable to each property classification:-

Queensland Emergency Levy Property Classification	Charging Units
Group 1	10
Group 2	37
Group 3	90
Group 4	180
Group 5	295
Group 6	531
Group 7	867
Group 8	1327
Group 9	2355

Council, at its budget meeting, will set an annual per unit charge for the Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade. Net funds (after discount) raised from the levy, less an administration charge, will be remitted to the Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade who will apply such funds towards the continued operation of their service including maintenance, administration and capital replacement. The administration charge will be set by Council in accordance with The Fire and Emergency Services Regulation 2011, Part 3 - Funding. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. See Appendix A.

6.3 Feral Animal Management Special Rate

Council will levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories Cat 100, 79,80,81 and all properties greater than or equal to 1000 Hectares in Cat 200 and Cat 300 within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual rate in the dollar on land value (a determined pursuant to the *Land Valuation Act 2010*). Funds raised from the special rate, will be applied toward the continued operation of Feral Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery.

6.4 Urban Animal Management Special Charge

Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories 1-3, within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual fixed rate charge. Funds raised from the special charge, will be applied toward the continued operation of Domestic Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery.

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7.0 Utility Charges

7.1 Water Utility Charges

7.1.1 Base Water Charge

Each premises connected to an urban or rural residential water supply (Appendix B) is categorised on the basis of land use taking into consideration the principles of equity.

A specific number of "charging units" is assessed for each category of land use and a dollar charge per unit is set by the Council annually at its budget meeting.

Details of Council's current assessment of charging units are included in the following tables:-

Water Charge Units and Water Allocations

Town of St. George

Type of Service	Units	Annual Bore Water Allocation (Kl per unit)	Annual Bore Water Allocation (Kilolitres)
Airports	45	3	135
Any Other Building	57	3	171
Any Sawmill	360	3	1080
Boarding Schools/Student Hostels	180	5	900
Bore Water Connection Only (St. George)	35	8	280
Bowling Club	264	3	792
Butcher Shop	103	3	309
Café	103	3	309
Caravan Parks/Work Camps	10 units per serviced site. 200 units minimum	3	
Rental Accommodation with shared facilities	32 units per accommodation unit	3	
Church or Meeting Room	41	5	205
Cordial Factory	103	3	309

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Type of Service	Units	Annual Bore Water Allocation (Kl per unit)	Annual Bore Water Allocation (Kilolitres)
Council Depots	45	3	135
Fire Fighting Service	15	n/a	
Flat/Unit	98	3	294
Government Department	57	3	171
Hall (Council)	100	3	300
Hospitals			
Plus Additional Charges for Residences/Units	515	3	1545
Hostel not being used as such	51	3	153
Hotels/Motels	376	3	1128
Kindergartens	45	5	225
Land used for Commercial Gardening Purposes	153	n/a	
Laundry and/or Dry Cleaning	103	3	309
Licensed Club	275	3	825
Other Business	57	3	171
Park or Camp	261	3	783
Pre-Schools	45	5	225
Public Swimming Pool	314	5	1570
Racecourse/Tennis Courts	45	3	135
Residence (Private)	98	3	294
Retirement Villages	376	5	1880
Schools	275	5	1375
Community Education Facility (Skill Centre)	275	5	1375
Showgrounds	313	3	939
Slaughter Yard	149	3	447

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Type of Service	Units	Annual Bore Water Allocation (Kl per unit)	Annual Bore Water Allocation (Kilolitres)
Sporting Ground (St. Patricks School, St. George)		n/a	
Sports Centre	205	3	615
Vacant Land (with Connection)	98	3	294
Unconnected property	21	n/a	

Water Charge Units and Water Allocations Towns of Dirranbandi, Bollon, Thallon and Hebel

Type of Service	Units	Water Allocation (kl)	
		Per unit	Per annum
Airports	45	10	450
Any Other Building	57	10	570
Any Sawmill	360	10	3600
Boarding House	121	10	1210
Bowling Club-	264	10	2640
Butcher Shop	103	10	1030
Caravan Parks/Work Camps	10 units per serviced site. 200 units minimum	10	
Rental Accommodation with shared facilities	32 units per accommodation unit	10	
Café	103	10	1030
Church or Meeting Room	41	15	615
Cordial Factory	103	10	1030
Council Depots	45	10	450
Fire Fighting Service	15	10	150
Flat/Unit	98	10	980
Government Department	57	10	570

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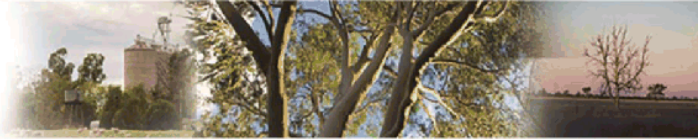


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Type of Service	Units	Water Allocation (kl)	
		Per unit	Per annum
Hall (Council)	100	10	1000
Hostel not being used as such	51	10	510
Land used for Commercial Gardening Purposes	153	10	1530
Laundry and/or Dry Cleaning	103	10	1030
Licensed Club	275	10	2750
Other Business	57	10	570
Park or Camp	261	10	2610
Private Post Office	44	10	440
Racecourse/Tennis Courts	45	10	450
Residence (Private)	98	10	980
Showgrounds	313	10	3130
Slaughter Yard	149	10	1490
Sports Centre	205	10	2050
Vacant Land (with Connection)	98	10	980
Unconnected property	21		

Thallon			
Hotels / Motels	269	10	2690
Schools (Bore Water)	191	15	2865
Railway Depot	57	10	570
Park (Bore Water)	98	10	980
Park (Raw Water)	163	30	4890
Showgrounds (Bore Water)	98	10	980
Showgrounds (Raw Water)	163	30	4890

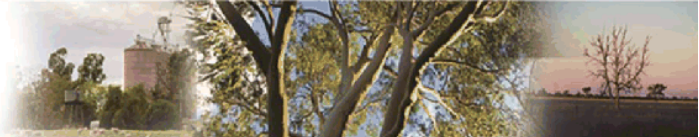
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Dirranbandi			
Hotels / Motels	376	10	3760
Kindergarten	45	15	675
Schools (Treated Water)	275	15	4125
Bowling Club (Treated Water)	98	10	980
Bowling Club (Raw Water)	166	30	4980
Hospital (Treated Water)			
Plus Additional Charges for Residences/Units	245	10	2450
Hospital (Raw Water)	146	30	4380
Swimming Pools – Public	314	15	4710
Pony Club	45	10	450
Showgrounds (Treated Water)	98	10	980
Showgrounds (Raw Water)	215	30	6450
Bollon			
Hotels / Motels	269	10	2690
Schools (Bore Water)	121	15	1815
Schools (Raw Water)	70	30	2100
Tennis Club (Bore Water)	98	10	980
Boarding House	90	15	1350
Park (Bore Water)	98	10	980
Park (Raw Water)	163	30	4890
Hebel			
Hotels / Motels	113	10	1130
Schools (Bore Water)	75	15	1125

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Water Charge Units and Water Allocations

Town of St. George Rural Residential Locality Supply

Type of Service	Units	Annual River Water Allocation(Kl unit)	Annual River Water Allocation (Kilolitres)
Rural Residential low pressure river water supply (constant flow system)	98	15	1470
Unconnected Property	21	n/a	

7.1.2 Base Water Allocation (excluding Mungindi)

Each premises in a defined water supply area which has a metered water supply is assessed on the basis of its land use and is granted a base water allocation expressed in kilolitres per year per charging unit. (Refer to above tables)

This allocation is set annually by Council at its budget meeting.

7.1.2.1 Mungindi Water Charge

The basis of the water charges for the township of Mungindi within the Balonne Shire Council boundary, shall be an annual infrastructure charge which applies to each rateable property in the defined water supply area, including properties whereby a property is not connected to the water supply but is located within the water supply area.

7.1.2.2 Mungindi Water Consumption

The basis of the water consumption for the township of Mungindi within the Balonne Shire Council boundary, shall be calculated on a bi annual basis with meters to be read on 30 June and 31 December each year.

In accordance with s102 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, it is resolved that a meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts two (2) weeks before, and ends two (2) weeks after the day on which the meter is actually read.

Consumption charges will be levied on the bi annual rate notice issued in August and February.

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7.1.3 Excess Water Charge

An excess water charge is assessed annually by Council at its budget meeting and is set at a level which will discourage excessive water usage. The excess water charge is expressed in terms of price per kilolitre of water used in excess of the base water allocation as defined in clause 7.1.2.

A separate excess water charge will apply for each of the following types of water supply:-

- Untreated bore water
- Untreated river/creek water
- Treated water
- Blended treated/untreated bore water

As a consequence of properties having access to bore water supply only, water consumption in excess the standard allocations for the towns of Bollon, Hebel and Thallon, shall not attract excess water charges.

Water usage is determined based on meter readings as recorded by the meter connected to the property. Where a meter reading is not able to be obtained, an estimate based on past readings will be used.

Water meters will be read annually on or about 30 June.

Excess water charges will be levied annually after the final meter readings for the year which will take place on or about 30 June. The excess water levy notice will be included with the first moiety rate notice.

In accordance with s102 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, it is resolved that a meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts two (2) weeks before, and ends two (2) weeks after the day on which the meter is actually read.

7.1.4 Unconnected Property Charge

For the purposes of clause 7.1.4, the term "property" means each separate parcel of land. An "Un-connected property" water charge shall apply to a property where such property is not connected to the water supply but is located within the water supply area and is able to be connected to the water supply.

The following classes of property shall be exempt from the "Un-connected property" water charge:-

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- a. Charitable, Not-for-Profit, Religious and Educational facilities including Aged and Child Care facilities, Student Hostels; and
- b. For a period of three (3) full financial years commencing after the date of registration of the survey plan, those lots of land in a development where the water supply reticulation was provided by the original developer and where such lots remain unsold by the original developer.
- c. Where a building from a neighbouring property encroaches on the unconnected property.
- d. Where the property has no legal access.
- e. Where the property is of such a small size and/or irregular shape that, in the opinion of the Council, it could not be sold and used for any purpose consistent with the area.

A specific number of "charging units" (Refer to above tables) is assessed for un-connected properties and a dollar charge per unit is set by Council annually at its budget meeting.

7.1.5 River Water Charge (St. George - unmetered)

Charging for the river water supply in the town of St. George will comprise an annual base water charge only as defined in clause 7.1.1

7.1.6 River Water Charge (St. George Rural Residential Locality - metered)

Charging for the low pressure supply of river water by Council to defined developments within the rural residential locality surrounding the town of St. George will comprise an annual base water charge as defined in clause 7.1.1 plus excess water charges as defined in clause 7.1.3.

7.2 Waste Water Utility Charge

7.2.1 Waste Water Charge

These charges apply only to the towns of St. George, Dirranbandi and Bollon (Appendix C) which are supplied by a Council provided Waste Water system. Premises in the towns of Thallon, Mungindi and Hebel have septic systems (on site Waste Water treatment systems) in use. There are no utility charges levied in respect of premises serviced by septic systems. Charges will be determined at the annual Council budget meeting.

A Waste Water charge will be levied on each rateable property, both vacant and occupied, that Council has or is able to provide with Waste Water services. The charge will be levied in those areas where construction of the service infrastructure has commenced but access is not yet available to the Waste Water service.

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A system of full cost recovery will apply to the Waste Water scheme, comprising an access cost to cover the fixed items within the Waste Water scheme, such as capital expenditure, interest and redemption, and operating costs based on pedestals and covering ongoing maintenance and operation of the schemes.

The Waste Water utility charges will be levied in accordance with the following principles:

Capital Costs– Each property within the sewered area that has the potential to be connected to the Waste Water scheme will contribute towards the capital costs of the scheme.

Operating Costs – Each pedestal (including urinal cistern) connected to the Waste Water scheme will contribute to the annual operating costs associated with the scheme.

A standard residential dwelling will incur one Connected Charge (Capital + Operating Costs), whereas multi-unit dwellings or flats will incur a Connected Charge for each dwelling.

Non-residential properties will incur an initial Connected Charge and then for each additional pedestal, grouped in blocks, the Operating Costs plus a percentage of the Capital Costs.

7.2.2 Waste Water Charge – Unconnected Property

For the purposes of clause 7.2.2, the term “property” means each separate parcel of land. An “Unconnected property” Waste Water charge shall apply to a property where such property is not connected to the Waste Water system but is located within the sewered area and is able to be connected to the waste water system.

The following classes of property shall be exempt from the “Un-connected property” Waste Water charge:-

- a. Charitable, Not-for-Profit, Religious and Educational facilities including Aged and Child Care facilities, Student Hostels; and
- b. For a period of three (3) full financial years commencing after the date of registration of the survey plan, those lots of land in a development where the Waste Water reticulation was provided by the original developer and where such lots remain unsold by the original developer.
- c. Where a building from a neighbouring property encroaches on the unconnected property.
- d. Where the property has no legal access.
- e. Where the property is of such a small size and/or irregular shape that, in the opinion of the Council, it could not be sold and used for any purpose consistent with the area.

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7.2.3 Waste Water Charge – Connected Charge

For the purposes of clause 7.2.3, a “Connected Charge” shall apply as follows:

- One (1) per annum charge for each single unit residential dwelling,
- One (1) per annum charge for each accommodation unit in Other Residential Premises;
 - Other Residential Premises may include:
 - Multi-unit dwellings (flats),
 - Guest houses;
 - Work Camps;
 - Building and Standard Format Plans;
- One (1) per annum charge for each pedestal in a Public Hospital;
- 1 charge for the initial pedestal in any other premises.

7.2.4 Waste Water Charge – Additional Non-residential Pedestal

For the purposes of clause 7.2.3, an “Additional Non-Residential Pedestal Charge” shall apply as follows:

- One Connected Charge per annum and one standard charge per additional Non-Residential pedestal. (note: A pedestal includes a urinal or bidet).

7.3 Cleansing Charge

The purpose of this Charge is to fund the collection, operation and maintenance of Council's waste disposal service. Charges will be determined at the annual Council budget meeting.

This charge is made and levied for the purposes of providing for the collection and disposal of refuse from all land in actual occupation or with a structure upon it, within the serviced area that waste collection is provided a roadside collection (Appendix D). Where there is more than one structure or land capable of separate occupation, a charge will be made for each structure. Such charge shall apply whether or not a service is utilised.

A cleansing charge shall apply to all occupied properties within the benefited boundaries of all towns (including Hebel) to recover part of the costs associated with operating refuse tips.

All towns, with the exception of Hebel, are provided with a door-to-door cleansing service. The minimum number of cleansing services provided to a particular premise is determined on the basis of an annual assessment by the Council. A door-to-door cleansing service is defined as the collection and disposal of one (1) or more standard rubbish bins per week. The owner of a premise has the right to request additional cleansing services which will be supplied at the appropriate charge depending on whether the request is for a regular or once-off service.

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Details of Council's current assessment of cleansing charge units are included in the following tables:-

Cleansing Service Methodology

Land Use	Minimum General Services St. George	Minimum Recycle Services St George	Minimum General Services Other Towns (excluding Mungindi and Hebel) (One pickup per week)	Minimum Recycle Services Other Towns (excluding Mungindi and Hebel)
01 - Vacant Land, 04 - Large Home site – Vacant, 06 – Outbuilding	0	0	0	0
02 - Residential Single Unit Dwelling, 05 - Large Home site – Dwelling 11 & 25 - Shop – Single, Offices 24 - Sales Area – Outdoor 29 & 31 - Transport Terminal, Oil Depots 34 - Cold Store/Ice Works 37 - Noxious/Offensive Industry 45 & 46 - Theatres/Cinemas 48 - Sports Clubs/Facilities 50 - Other Clubs - Non Business 51 - Special Uses – Religious 55 - Library 56 - Showgrounds/Racecourses/Airfields 57 - Parks & Gardens 82 83 & 84 – Vineyards, Small Crop - Fodder Irrigated 99 - Community Protection Centre	1	1	1	1
17 – Restaurant 28 - Transport & Storage Warehouse and Bulk Store 30 - Service Stations 33 - Builder's Yard/Contractor's Yards 35 & 36 -Industrial/General Industry, Light Industry	2	2	1	1
10 - Combined Multi Dwelling - Shops	2	2	2	2
42 - Hotel/Tavern 47 - Licensed Clubs	4	4	2	2

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Land Use	Minimum General Services St. George	Minimum Recycle Services St George	Minimum General Services Other Towns (excluding Mungindi and Hebel) (One pickup per week)	Minimum Recycle Services Other Towns (excluding Mungindi and Hebel)
03 - Multiple Dwelling (Flats)	1 per Dwelling Unit	1 per Dwelling Unit	1 per Dwelling Unit	1 per Dwelling Unit
13 - Shopping Group (2 to 6 shops)	1 per shop	1 per shop	1 per shop	1 per shop
07 - Guest House/Private Hotel 21 - Residential Institutions (Non-Medical Care) 27 - Hospitals, Aged Peoples Home, Nursing Home 43 - Motel 96 - General Public Hospital	1 per 3 rooms or part thereof	1 per 3 rooms or part thereof	1 per 3 rooms or part thereof	1 per 3 rooms or part thereof
49 - Caravan Parks / Work Camps	1 per 4 Serviced Caravan/Camp Sites	1 per 4 Serviced Caravan/Camp Sites	1 per 4 Serviced Caravan/Camp Sites	1 per 4 Serviced Caravan/Camp Sites
58 - Educational (Schools, Kindergartens, Community Education Facilities)	1 per 20 students (rounded) or Minimum of 1 service	1 per 20 students (rounded) or Minimum of 1 service	1 per 20 students (rounded) or Minimum of 1 service	1 per 20 students (rounded) or Minimum of 1 service

Council resolves to levy a cleansing charge on Residents in the town of Mungindi within the Balonne Shire Council boundary, are provided with door to door cleansing service consistent with the charge that Moree Plains Shire Council levies Balonne Shire for the provision of the service. The charge for residents of Mungindi is based upon the collection of domestic waste and recycling bins and a green organics bin.

Domestic Waste Collection + Green – Mungindi

Domestic Waste – Additional Services – Mungindi

Upgrade – Domestic Large Bin (240L)

Upgrade – Recycle Bin (360L)

Additional Service – Green Bin (240L)

Additional Service – Recycle (240L)

Additional Service – Recycle (360L)

Non Domestic Waste – Mungindi

Commercial Waste Collection

Additional Commercial General Waste (240l) - Mungindi

Mungindi Waste Management Utility Charge

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Environmental Special Charge (Landfill)
Vacant Waste Management Levy

7.4 Mungindi Waste Management Utility Charge

Council will levy a utility charge on all rateable assessments in the township of Mungindi, within the Balonne Shire Council boundary (Appendix D&E). Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual charge, based on budgetary information received from Moree Plains Shire Council. Net funds (after discount) raised from the charge, will be remitted to the Moree Plains Shire Council who will apply such funds toward the continued operation of its landfill in the Moree Plains Shire Council boundaries. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery.

7.5 Environmental Special Charge

Council will levy a utility charge on all rateable assessments as per the attached maps (Appendix F), within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual charge. Funds raised from the charge will be applied towards the continued operation of Council's landfills in St George, Dirranbandi, Bollon, Thallon, Hebel and Nindigully. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery.

8.0 Levying of Rates and Utility Charges

8.1 Rates and Utility Charges (other than Excess Water Charges)

Council levies its rates and utility charges in two (2) moieties each financial year. The first moiety will be issued in August and the second in February. The amounts levied in respect of rates and utility charges for each moiety, represent one half of the amounts to be levied for the full financial year.

Base water charges for new connections will be levied on a pro-rata basis from the date of connection.

Waste Water charges for new connections will be levied on a pro-rata basis from the date of connection to the Waste Water system.

Cleansing charges for new services / additional bins will be levied on a pro-rata basis from the date of delivery of the bin/s or the commencement of the service.

8.2 Levy Threshold

Due to the costs associated with issuing notices and receiving payments, Council will apply the following threshold minimums:-

(1) Where an account for utility charges (base water, waste water or cleansing) arises as a result of a pro-rata supply of services less than \$50.00, a levy notice will not be created.

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(2) Where a valuation changes, which results in a change to the calculated general levy of less than \$50.00, a notice will not be created.

9.0 *Discount for Prompt Payment*

It is the policy of Council that one (1) discount period will apply for each rate moiety. The discount period will commence on the date of notice and extend for a period of no less than 60 days for the rates effective 1 July 2020 (August Levy) and no less than 30 days for the rates effective 1 January 2021 (February levy). Discounts, at the rates and for the periods set by the Council at its annual budget meeting, are granted for prompt payment of:-

- Differential General Rates; and
- Water Charges incl. Consumption and Excess Water Charges; and
- Rural Residential Water Charges incl. Excess Water Charges; and
- Waste Water Charges; and
- Cleansing Charges; and
- Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade Levy.

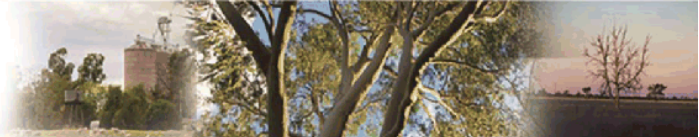
Payments received prior to 5:00 pm on the discount date (i.e. last day of discount period) for each moiety will attract a percentage discount at the full rate. Discount will not be allowed on payments received after the discount date applicable to each moiety unless the Council is satisfied that payment was not made by the due date because of circumstances outside the ratepayers control.

No discount will be allowed if, after payment of current rates / charges, overdue rates / charges remain on the land.

10.0 *Interest on Overdue Rates*

In accordance with s133 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, council can continue to apply the interest rate applicable to overdue rates and charges, as previously decided by it, for previous financial years that remain outstanding for ninety (90) days after the date of issue for the August levy and sixty days after the date of issue for the February levy. Interest will be charged daily at 8.53% effective from 1 July 2020 in accordance with the amendments to Section 133 of the Local Government Regulations 2012 for the 2020/21 financial year. Council defines an overdue rate as those rates remaining unpaid at the end of each discount period. Council defines an overdue rate as those rates remaining unpaid at the end of each discount period.

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Interest will be charged by Council on the following overdue rates/charges:

- General Rates;
- Water Charges incl. Excess Water Charges and Consumption Charges;
- Rural Residential Water Charges incl. Excess Water Charges;
- Waste Water Charges;
- Cleansing Charges;
- Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade Levy;
- Feral Animal Management Special Rate;
- Urban Animal Management Special Charge;
- Environmental Special Charge;
- Charges on Land/Legal Fees; and
- Qld Emergency Management Levy.

Compounding interest on outstanding rates and charges will be suspended subject to the following:

- a payment arrangement has been entered into and agreed to in writing;
- payments are being received as outlined in the payment arrangement

Should payment not be received in accordance with the payment arrangement interest will be charged back to the date of the last payment received in accordance with the approved payment arrangement.

11.0 Time Within which Rates must be paid

Rates and charges must be paid within sixty (60) clear days after the date of issue for the August levy and thirty (30) clear days after the date of issue for the February levy or at the expiry of any extended discount period that Council by resolution, allow. The due date for payment is to be clearly shown upon the rate notice prepared as per s104 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

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12.0 Remission for Occupancy/Ownership by Pensioners

Section 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* empowers Council, if it so desires, to remit the whole or part of unpaid rates applicable to any land within its area. Section 123 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* empowers Council to allow, if it so desires, a remission of rates on land wholly or partially occupied but not owned by pensioners. The dictionary of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* defines pensioner as "means a person who is the holder of a pensioner concession card issued by the department of the Commonwealth responsible for administering the Social Security Act 1991 (Cwlth) or the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 (Cwlth). Council grants an annual remission of rates for land owned or occupied either fully or partially by a pensioner provided that the land is the principal place of residence for the pensioner. This pensioner remission is applied as a percentage of the general rate only. The maximum allowable remission is set by Council annually at its Budget Meeting.

Partial ownership or occupancy of the land will result in a proportional remission being granted except where the co-owners are:-

- (a) an approved pensioner and his/her spouse (including defacto relationships as recognised by the Commonwealth Departments of Social Security and Veterans' Affairs); or
- (b) an approved pensioner and a bank, other financial institution, or government department where the latter hold joint title for debt security purposes and has no responsibility for rates, charges or other costs of maintaining the property.

In either of these situations, the tenure may be treated as sole ownership and the remission approved in full.

It is not a requirement for the spouse/de-facto spouse to also reside at the property but it must be established in these cases that the approved pensioner is wholly responsible for the payment of all rates and charges levied in respect of the property. The approved pensioner's responsibility for payment of all rates and charges in this circumstance must be established to the satisfaction of the Local Government by sighting and placing on file a copy of a court order or statutory declaration completed by the applicant.

Pensioner remissions are granted even if there are overdue rates on the land. This situation will be reviewed annually by the Council.

Council will also provide administrative support to the State Government Pensioner Rate Subsidy Scheme.

13.0 Payment Arrangements

Council understands that from time to time, ratepayers will request to pay accounts by instalments.

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Council will allow property owners who are unable to pay their rates by the due date to enter into an arrangement to pay by instalments according to an agreed schedule, with no recovery action being taken while the arrangement is being maintained.

As a general guide, Council will accept any 'reasonable offer' for periodic payments or limited deferral of rates awaiting sale of agricultural produce. A 'reasonable offer' for a payment arrangement will generally result in all overdue rates and charges, including the rate levy within the arrangement period, being paid in full within 26 weeks of the arrangement being made. Payment arrangements can be weekly, fortnightly or monthly. Council, through its Chief Executive Officer (or delegate) may exercise discretion to enter into payment arrangements that: -

- Single or multiple payments surrounding a payment proposal submitted by a property owner eg. sale of agricultural produce;
- Extend the period of the payment arrangement beyond 26 weeks (but not exceeding 12 months) in the circumstances of exceptional hardship.

In the event that a payment arrangement is not maintained within the agreed terms, compounding interest will be charged in accordance with clause 10.0 above and recovery action will continue. Ratepayers can request further arrangements, but a maximum of three (3) arrangements will be given before no further arrangements will be considered by Council.

14.0 Payments in Advance

Council accepts payments in advance by lump sum or periodic payment. Interest is not paid on any credit balance held. Council strongly encourages property owners to review their rate notice on receipt, to ensure that any debit balance is paid prior to the due date to be eligible to receive discount.

15.0 Refund of Rates

Refunds due as a result of sales, valuation changes or errors will be applied to the rate assessment as a credit against the next period of rating unless a request for a cash refund is made. While Council makes every effort to ensure that the services charged are correct, it is encouraged that the ratepayer review the rates notice to confirm the correct services are being charged. If there is a requirement to refund any overpayment due to incorrect services being charged, Council will refund those amounts for the current financial year only.

16.0 Payment Methods

Council offers a variety of payment options which may vary from time to time. Ratepayers are notified of all available payment options in writing at the time of receiving rate notices. Ratepayers, who enter into an agreed payment arrangement, will be offered all available payment options that Council accepts for rate payments.

17.0 Limiting Increase in Rates and Charges

For the 2020/21 financial year, Council will be passing a resolution pursuant to s116 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* limiting the increase in rates or charges.

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18.0 Cost Recovery Fees

Cost Recovery fees shall be determined according to the following criteria:

- It is not Council's intention to generate revenue from these fees greater than the costs associated with the service or work for which the charges are imposed.
- As a general principle, the Council's policy is to structure cost recovery fees so that the costs of each service, facility or activity provided are recovered.
- Fees for development approvals shall be set at a level designed to fully recover, as far as practicable, costs associated with the approval.
- Fees intended to facilitate compliance with the provisions of the local laws are set at a level that encourages voluntary participation.
- Other fees are set at a level considered to approximate the cost of providing the service, facility or activity.

19.0 Business Activity Fees

Council has the power to conduct business activities and make business activity fees for services and facilities it provides on this basis. Business activity fees are made where Council provides a service and the other party to the transaction can choose whether or not to avail itself of the service. Business activity fees are a class of charge, which are purely commercial in application and are subject to the Commonwealth's Goods and Services Tax.

Business activity fees include, but are not confined to:- rents, plant hire, private works and hire of facilities.

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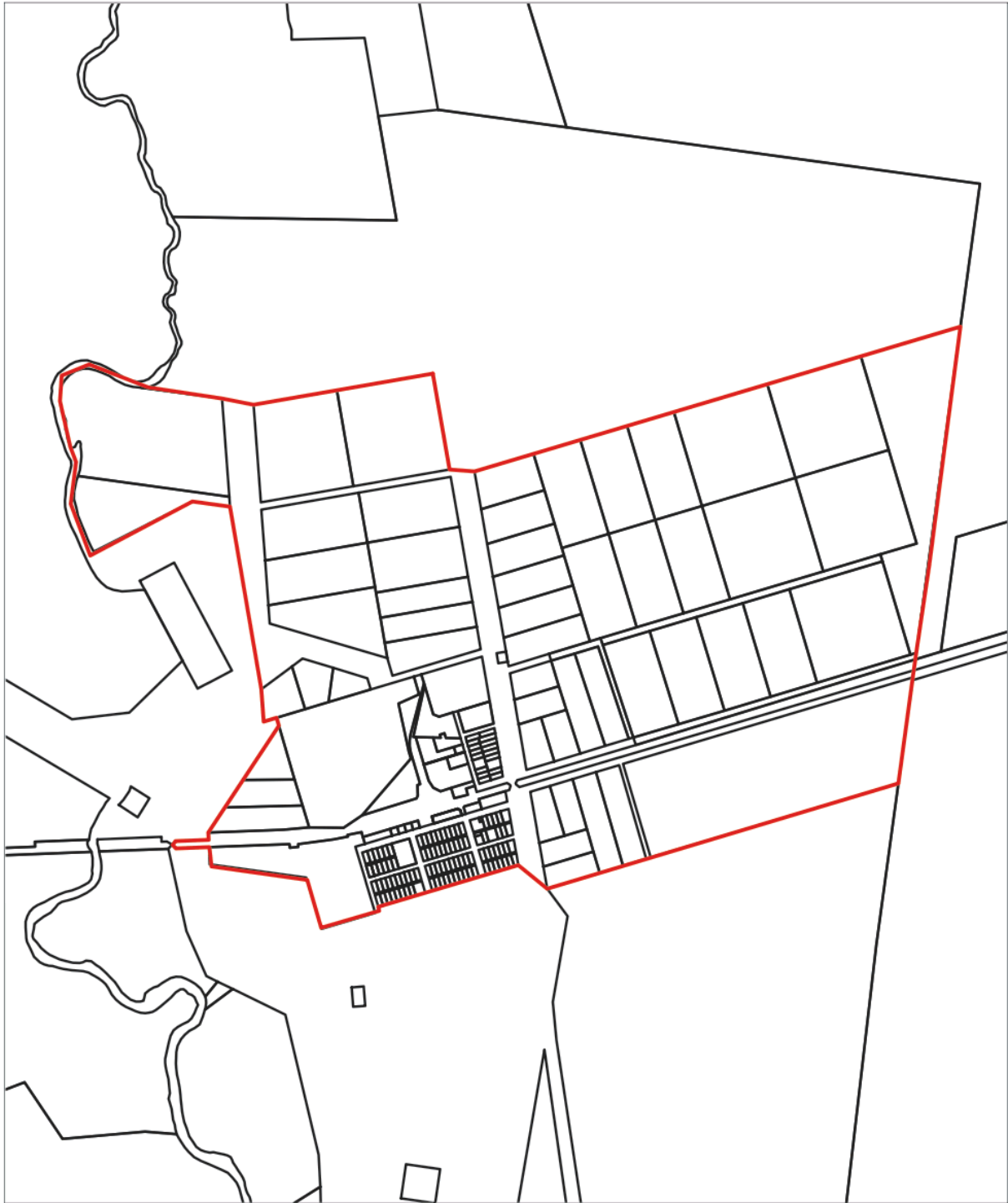


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Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade Area

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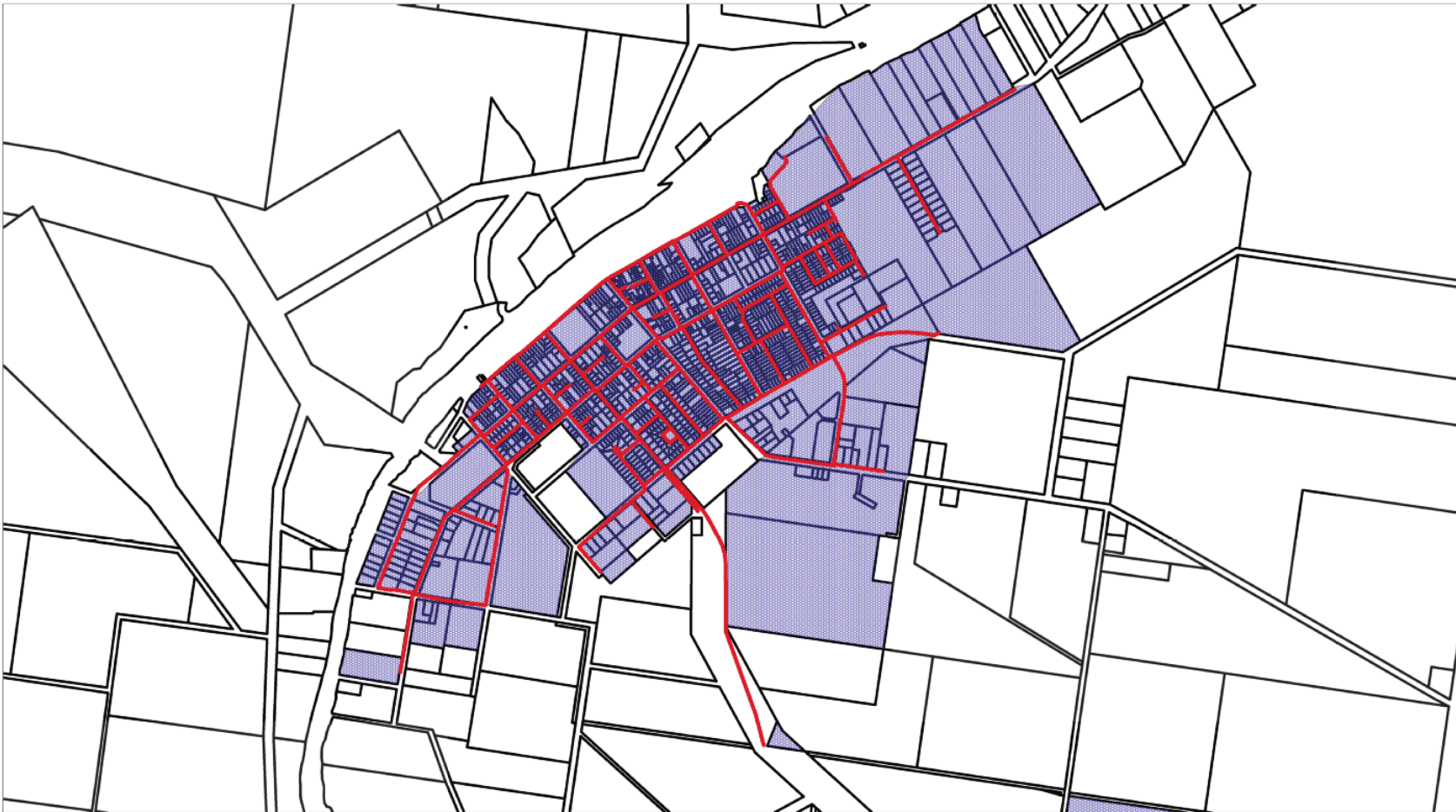


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St George Bore Water Charging Area

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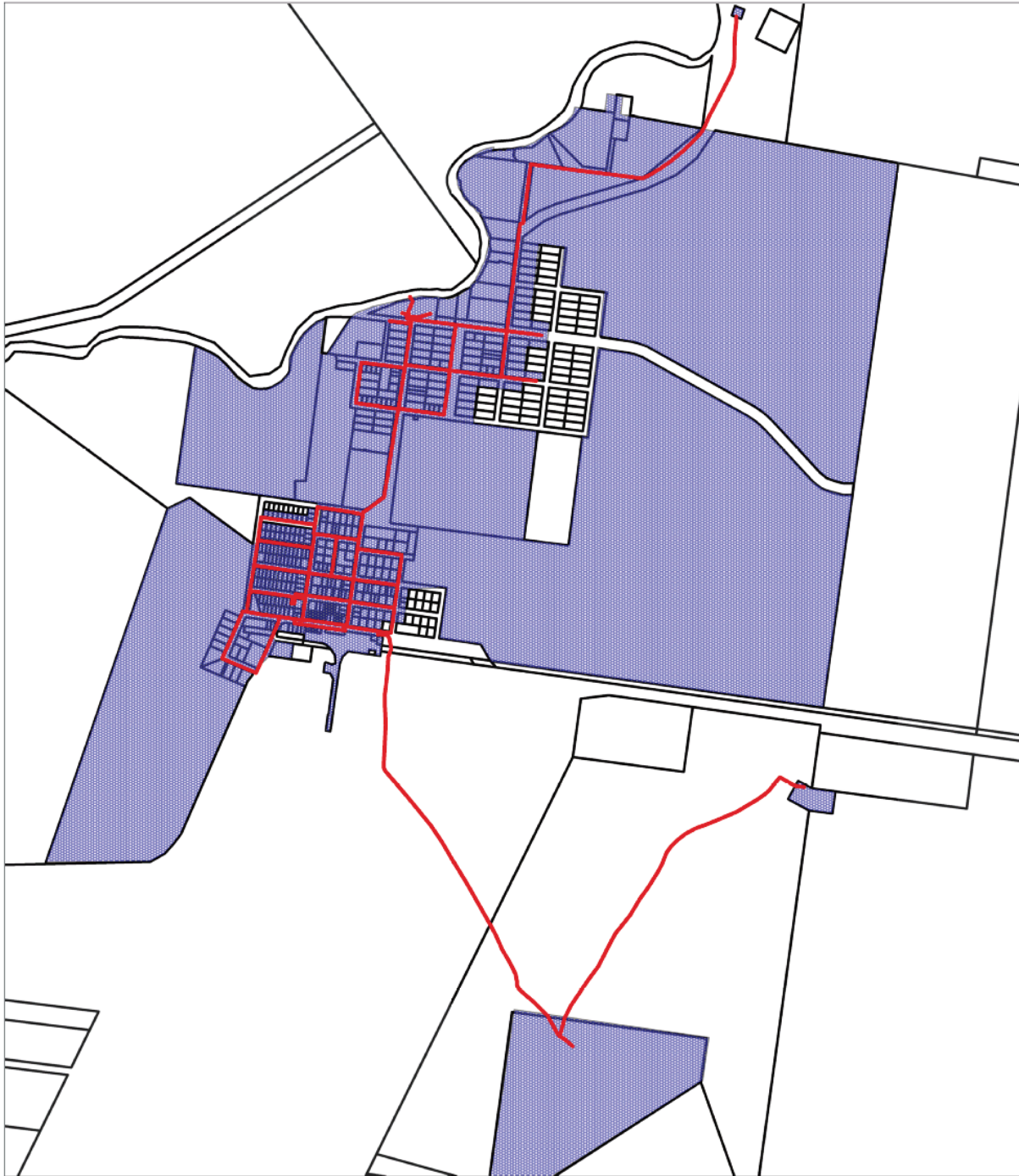
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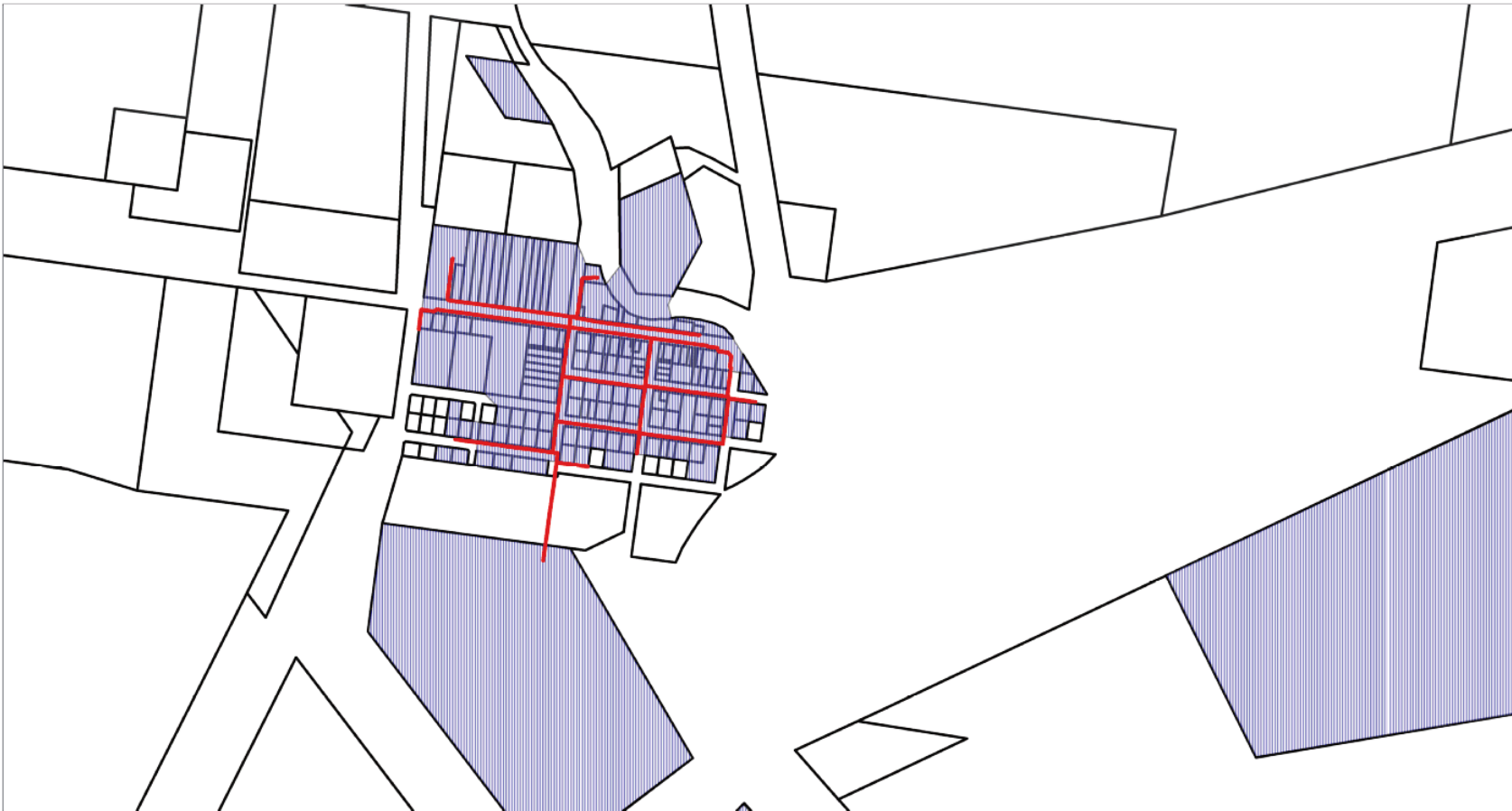
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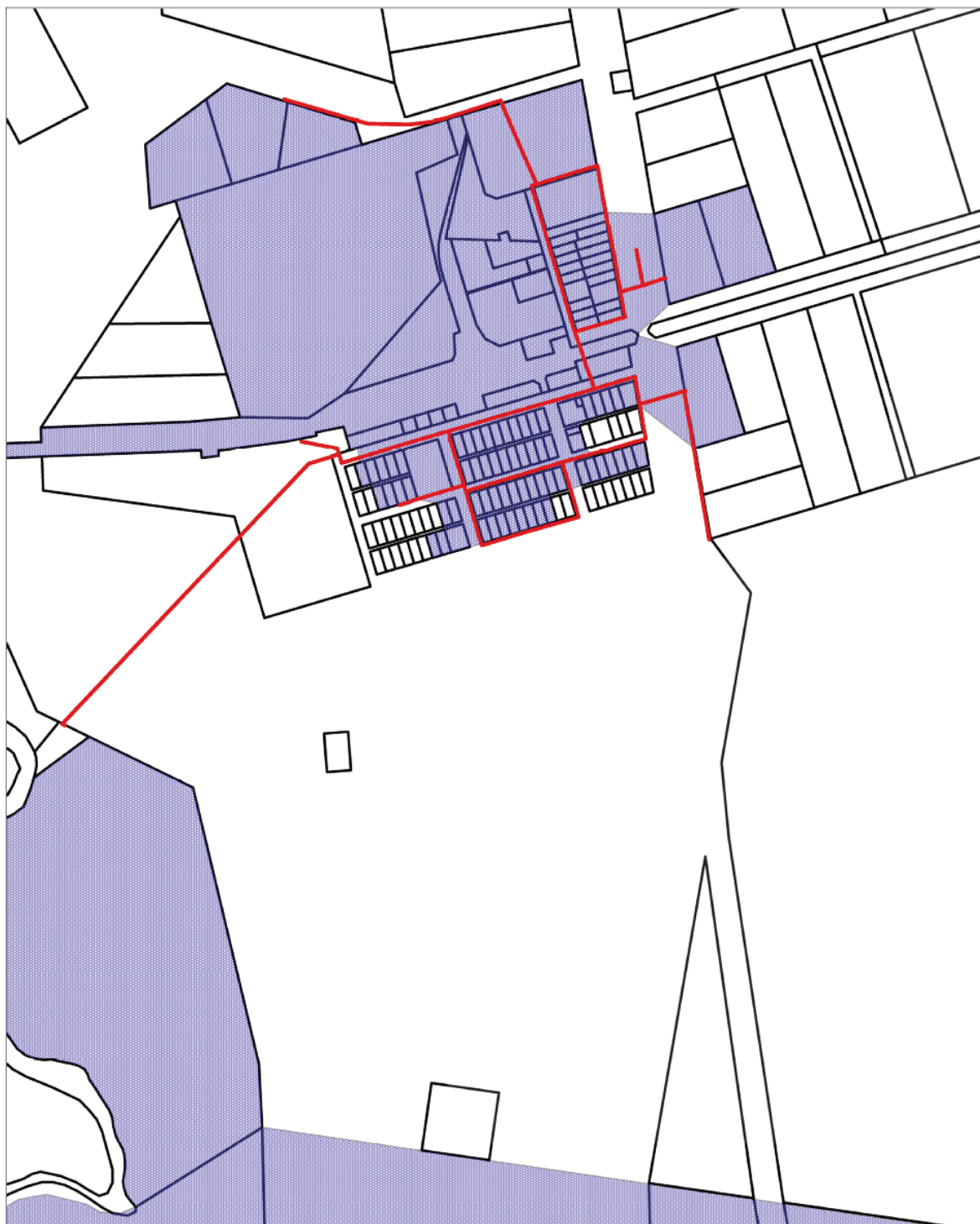
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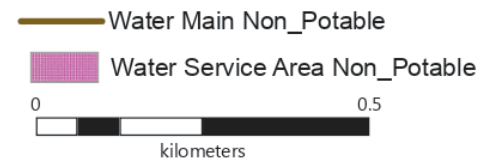
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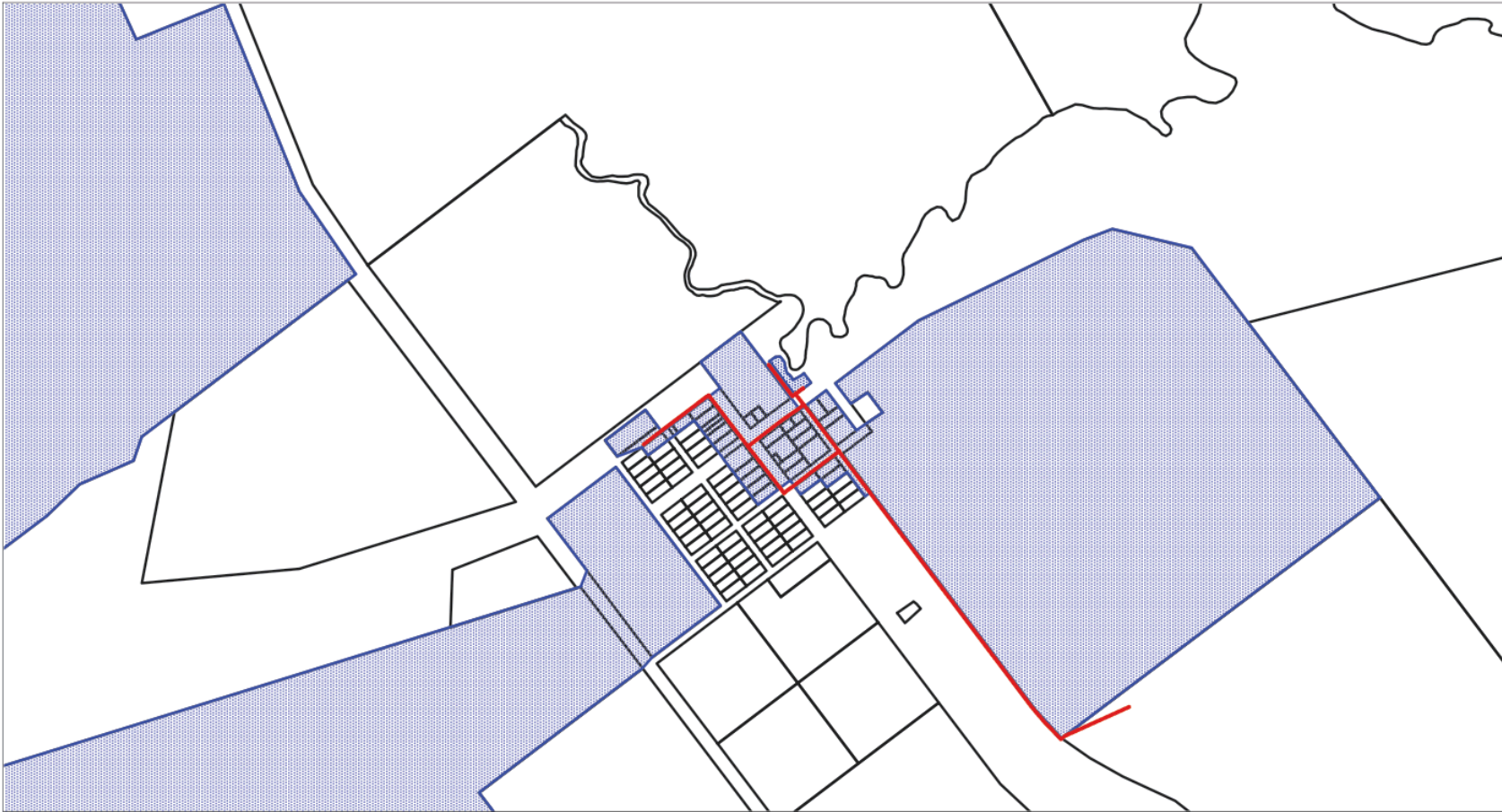




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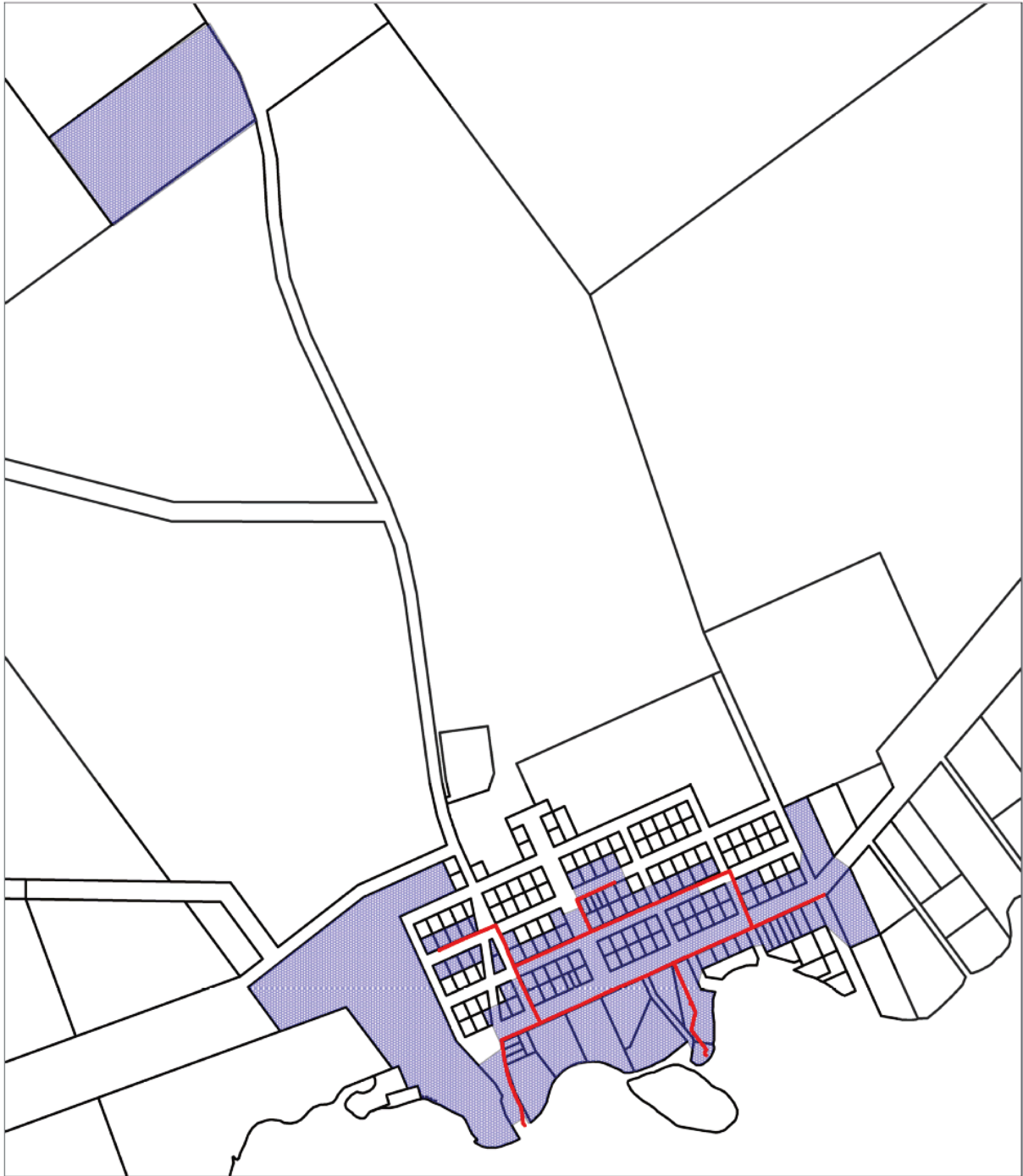
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- Sewer Rising Mains
- Sewer Gravity Mains
- Sewer_Service_Area





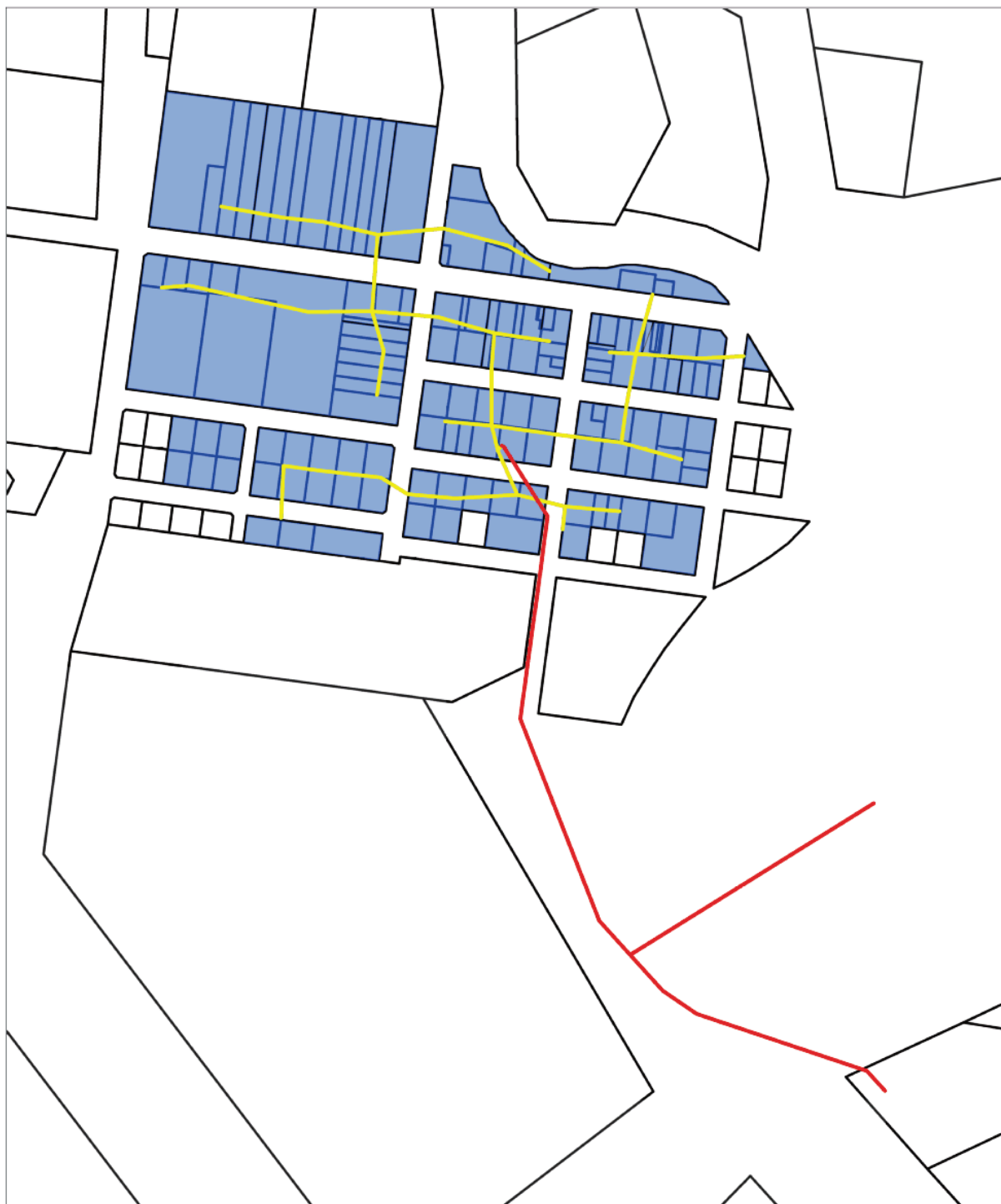
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Dirranbandi Waste Water Charging Area

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Bollon Waste Water Charging Area

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Appendix D

1. St George Garbage Collection Service Area
2. Dirranbandi Garbage Collection Service Area
3. Bollon Garbage Collection Service Area
4. Thallon Garbage Collection Service Area
5. Nindigully Garbage Collection Service Area
6. Mungindi Garbage Collection Service Area

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St George Garbage Collection Service Area





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Dirranbandi Garbage Collection Service Area



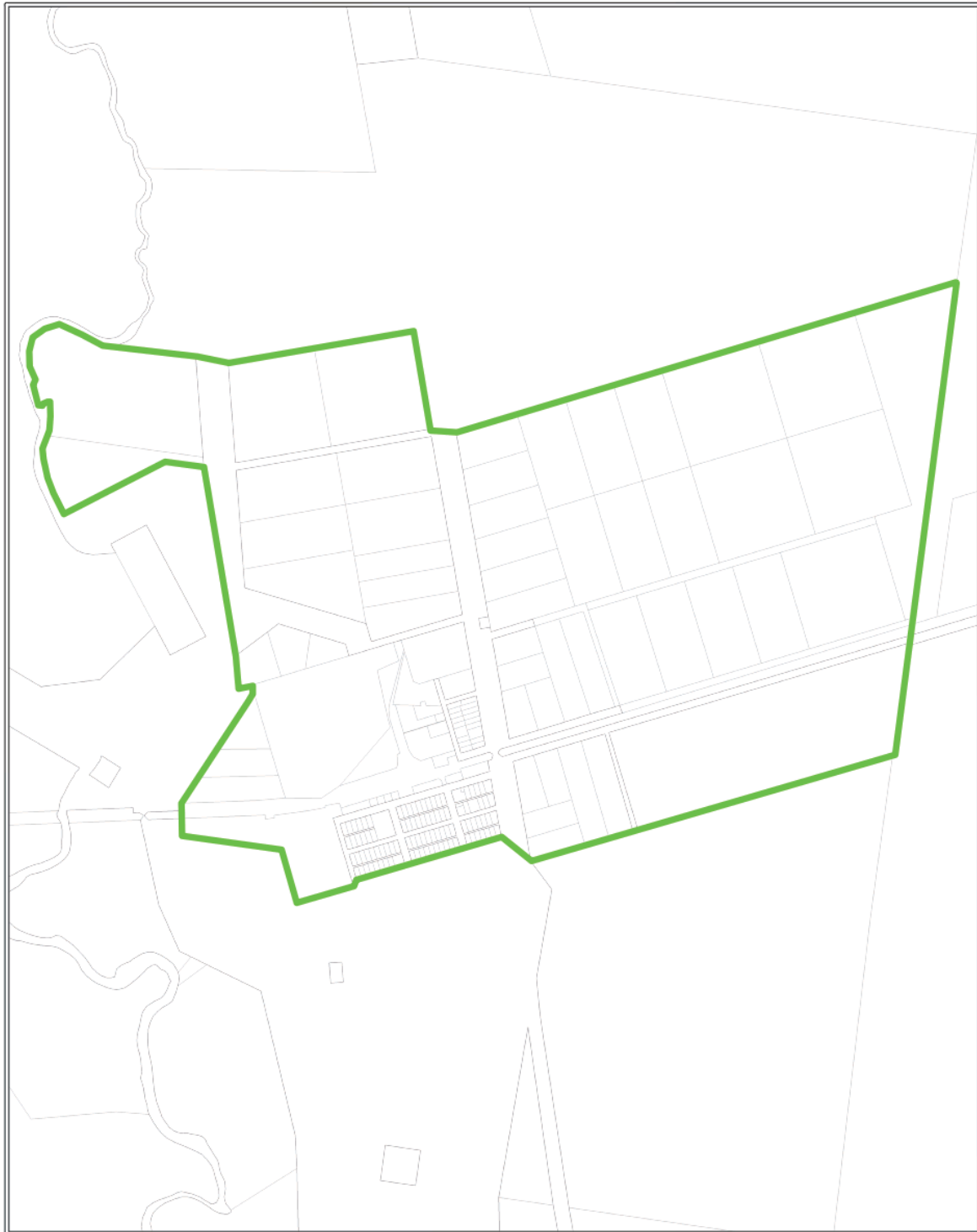


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Bollon Garbage Collection Service Area





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Thallon Garbage Collection Service Area

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Nindigully Garbage Collection Service Area





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Mungindi Garbage Collection Service Area





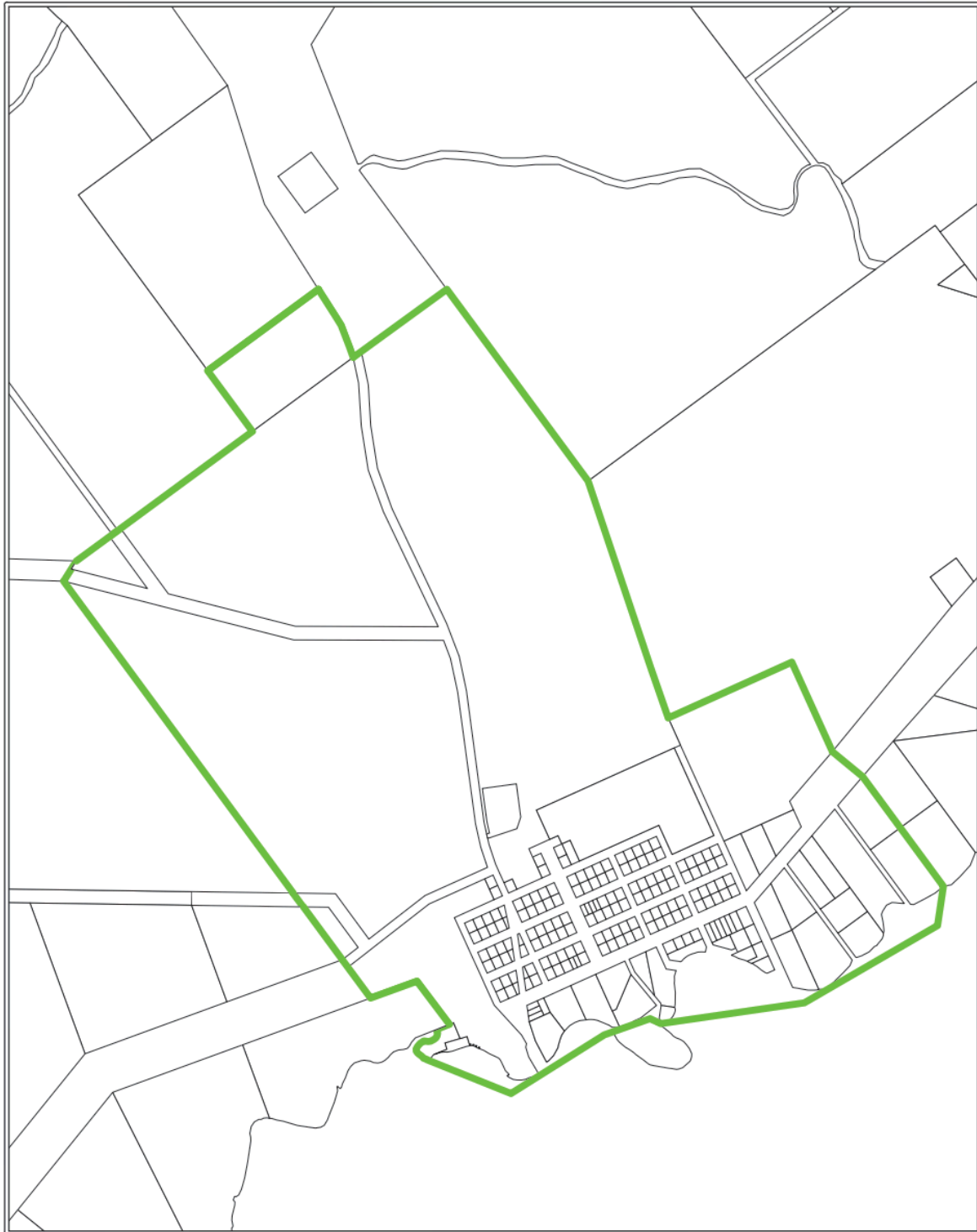
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Mungindi Waste Environmental Management Levy Area

Mungindi Vacant Waste Environmental Management Levy Area

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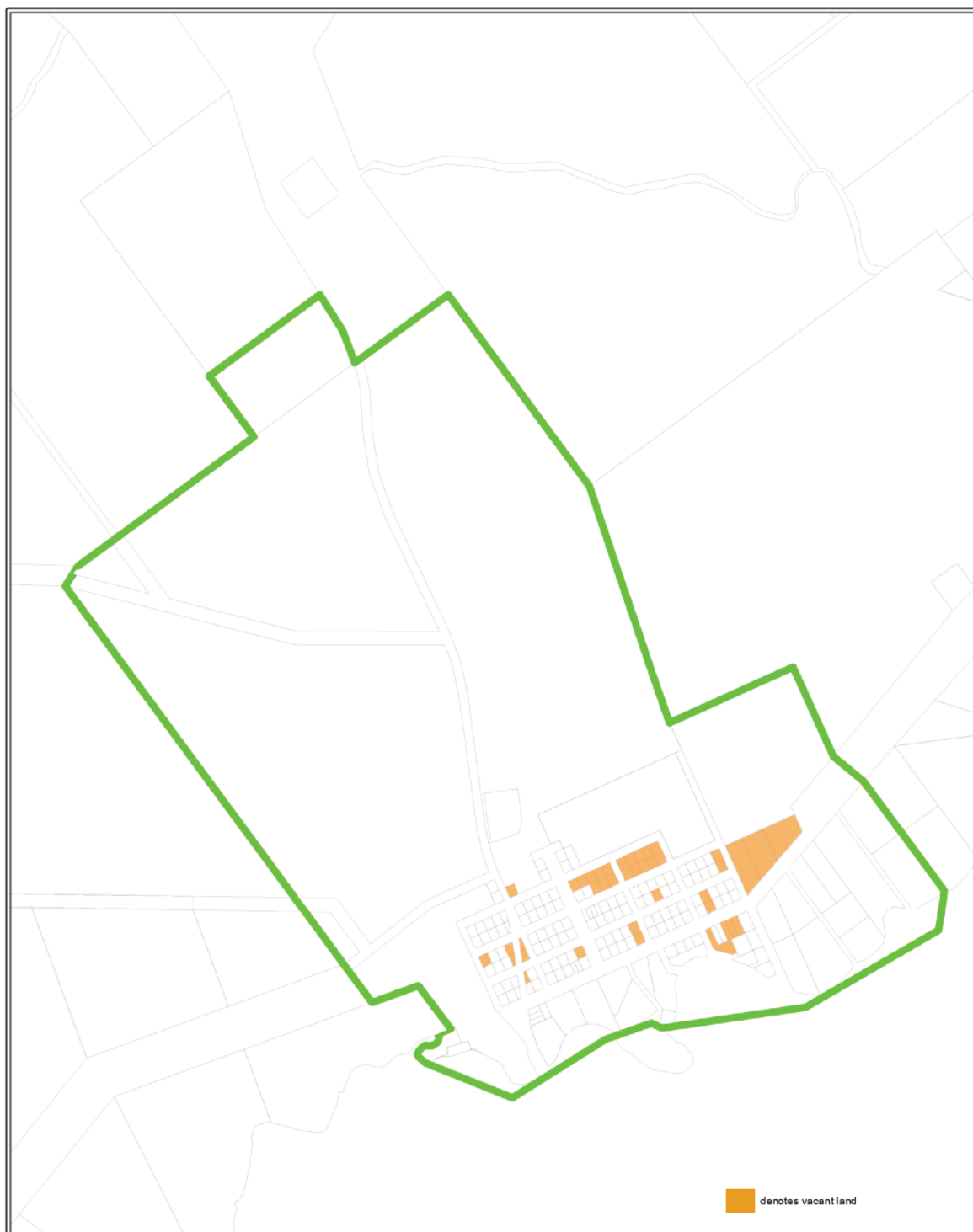
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Mungindi Environmental Vacant Waste Management Levy

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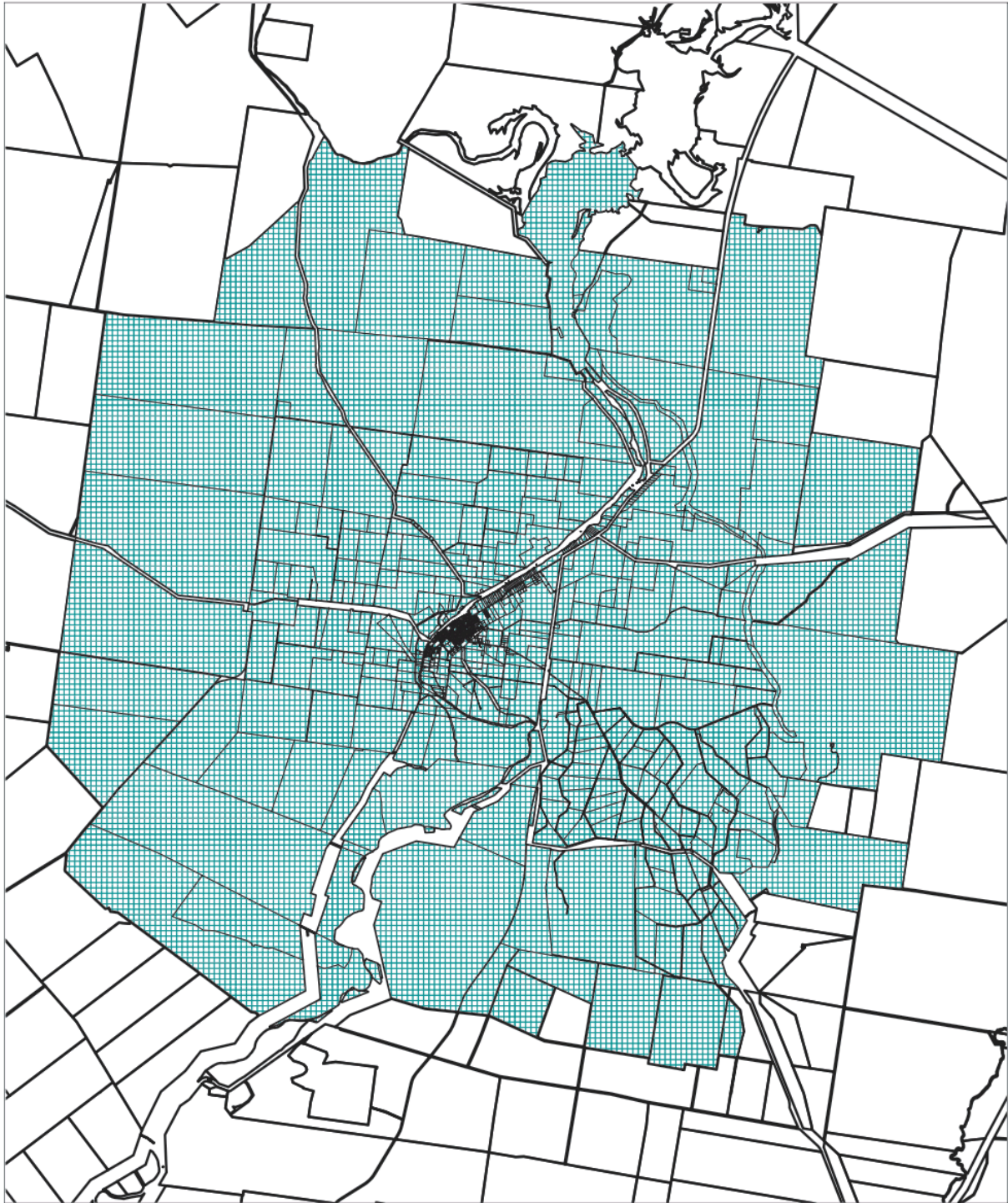


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Appendix F

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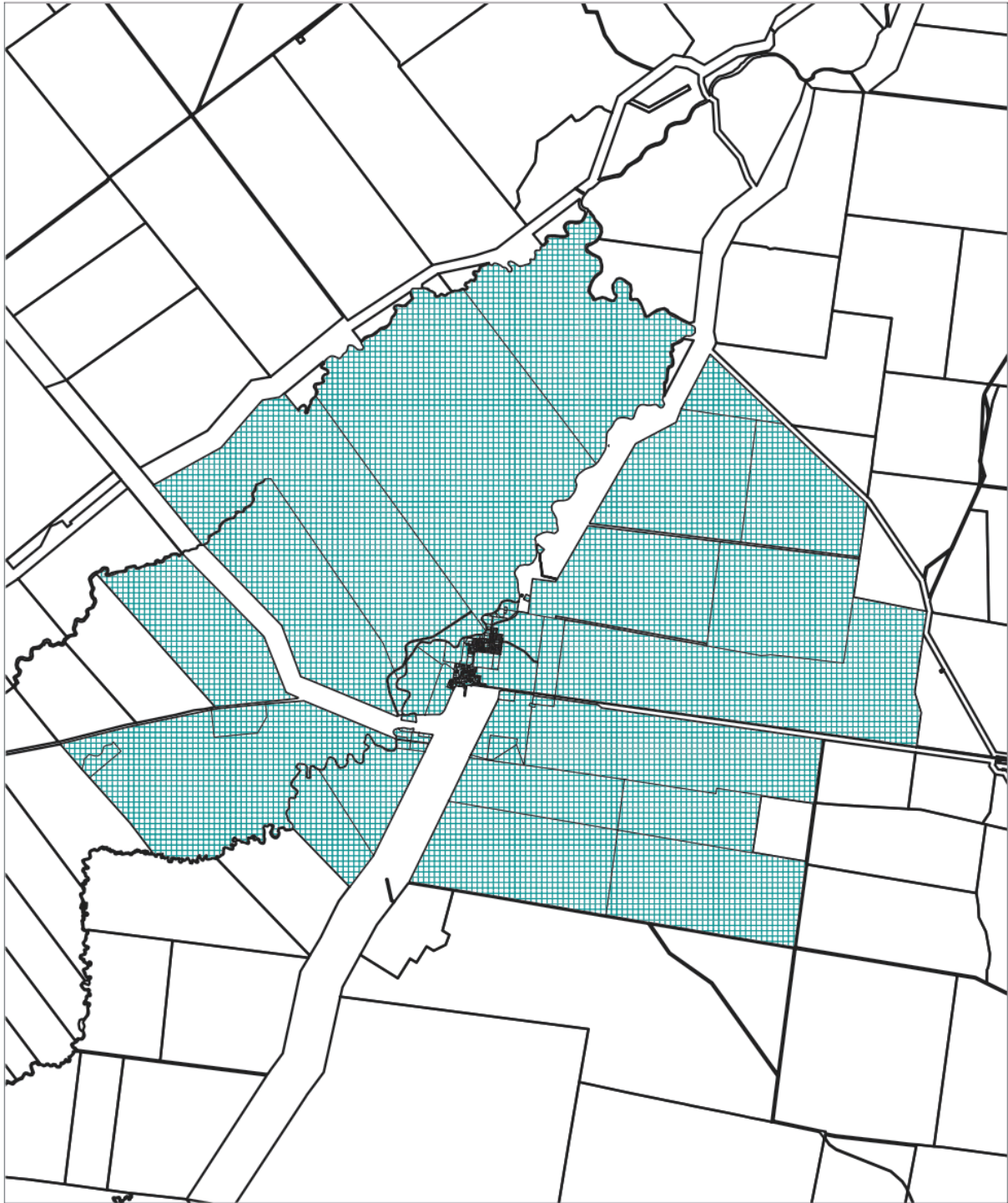
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St George Environmental Management Area

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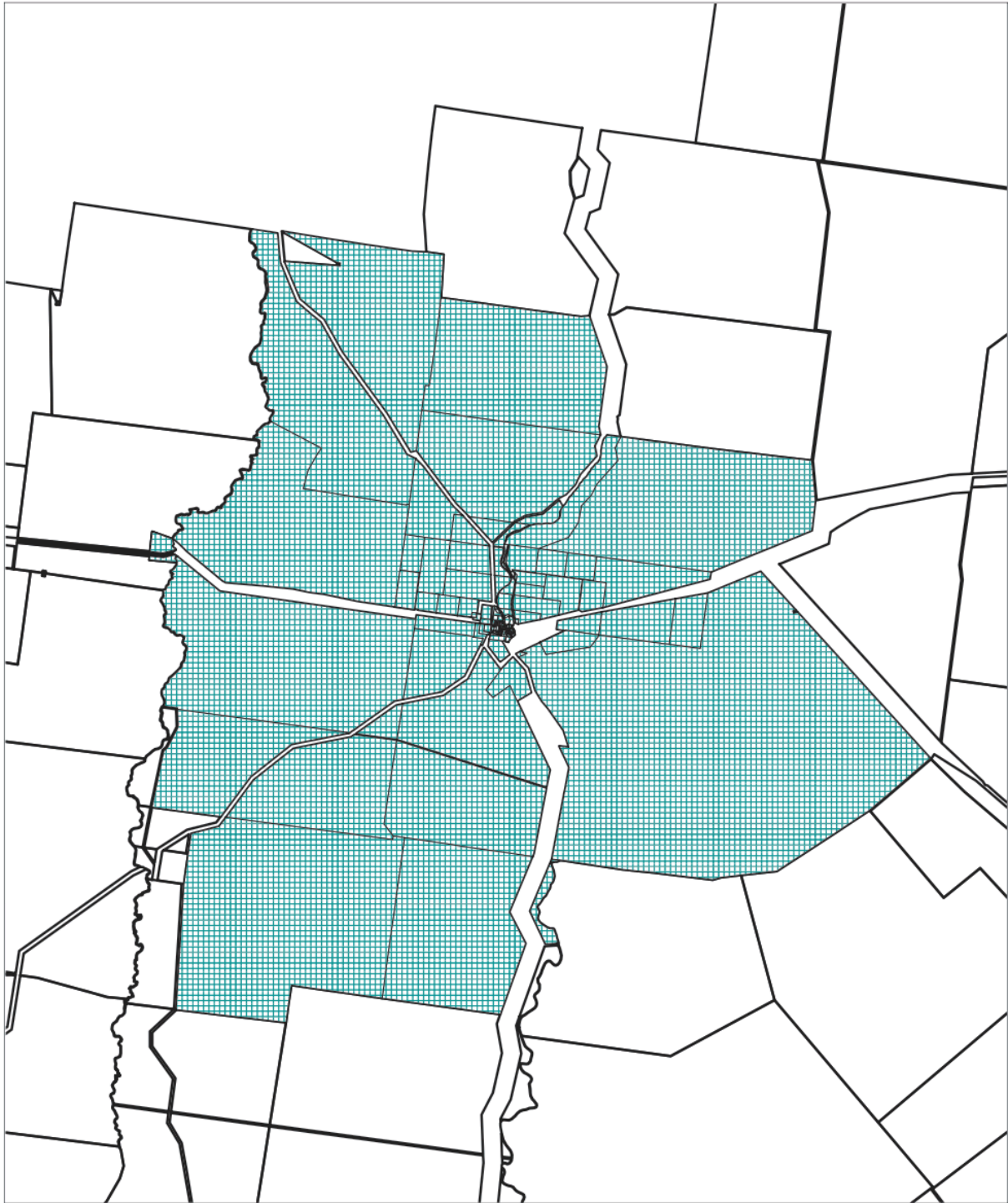
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Dirranbandi Environmental Management Area

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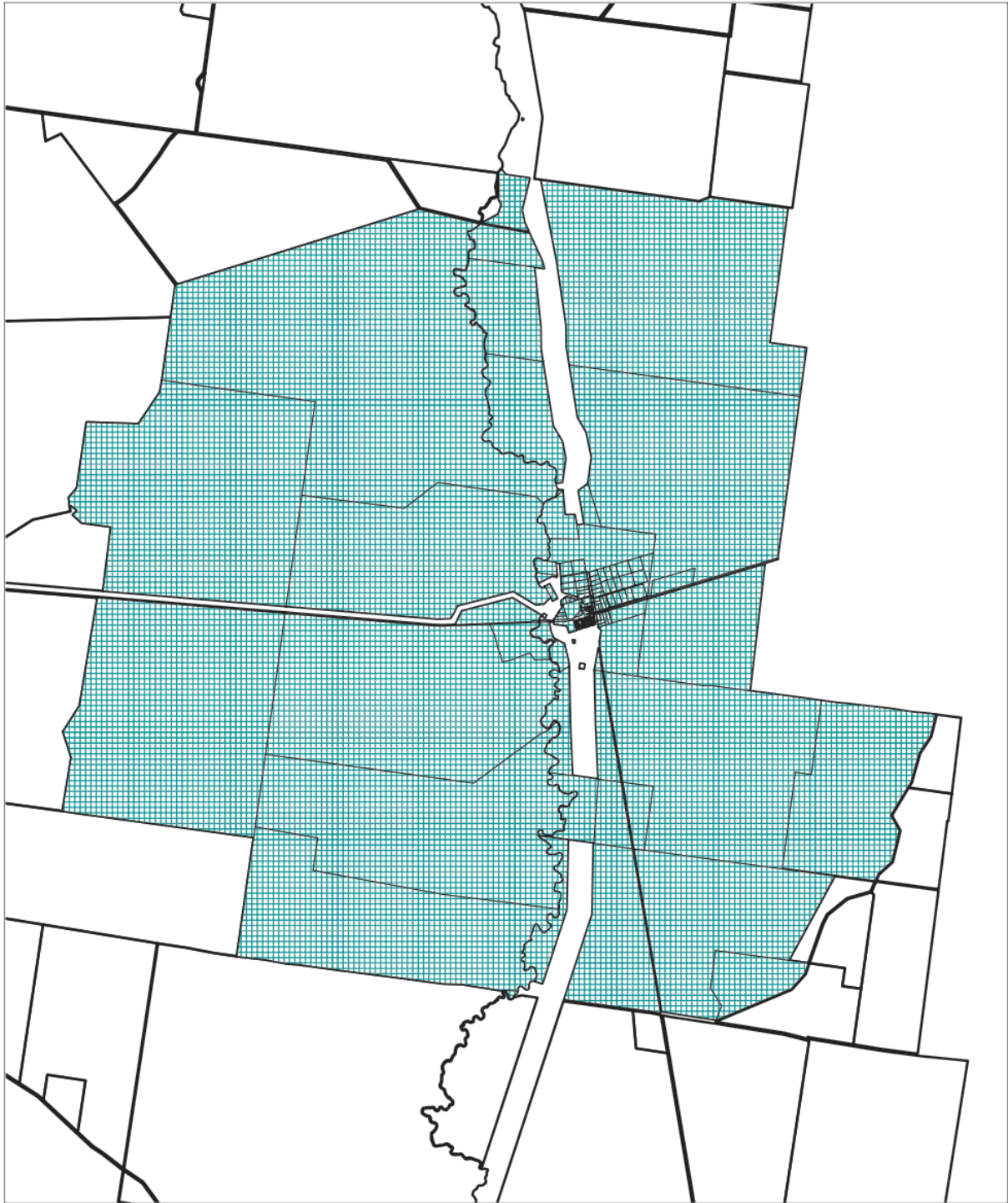
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Bollon Environmental Management Area

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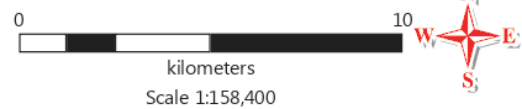


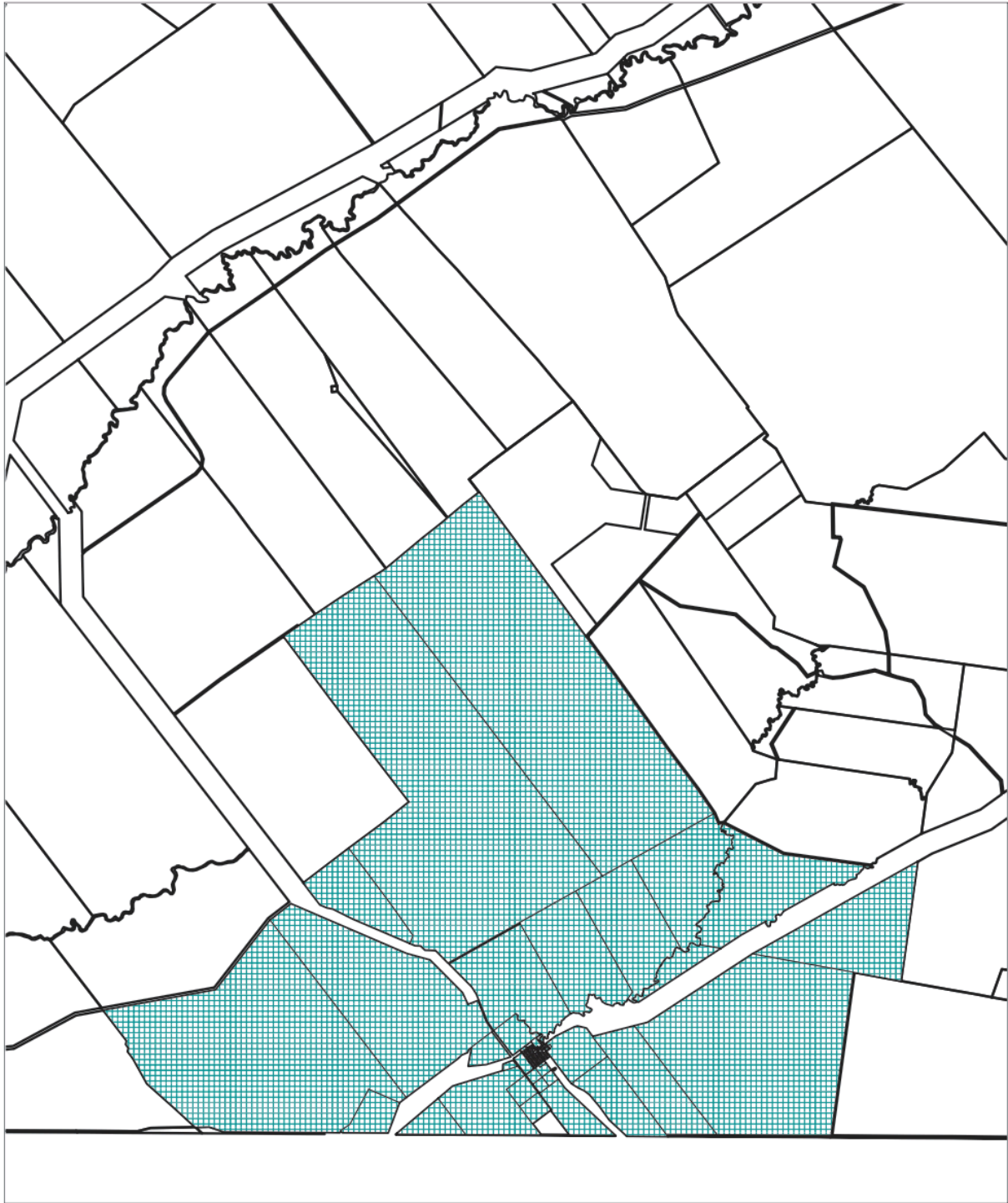


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Thallon Environmental Management Area





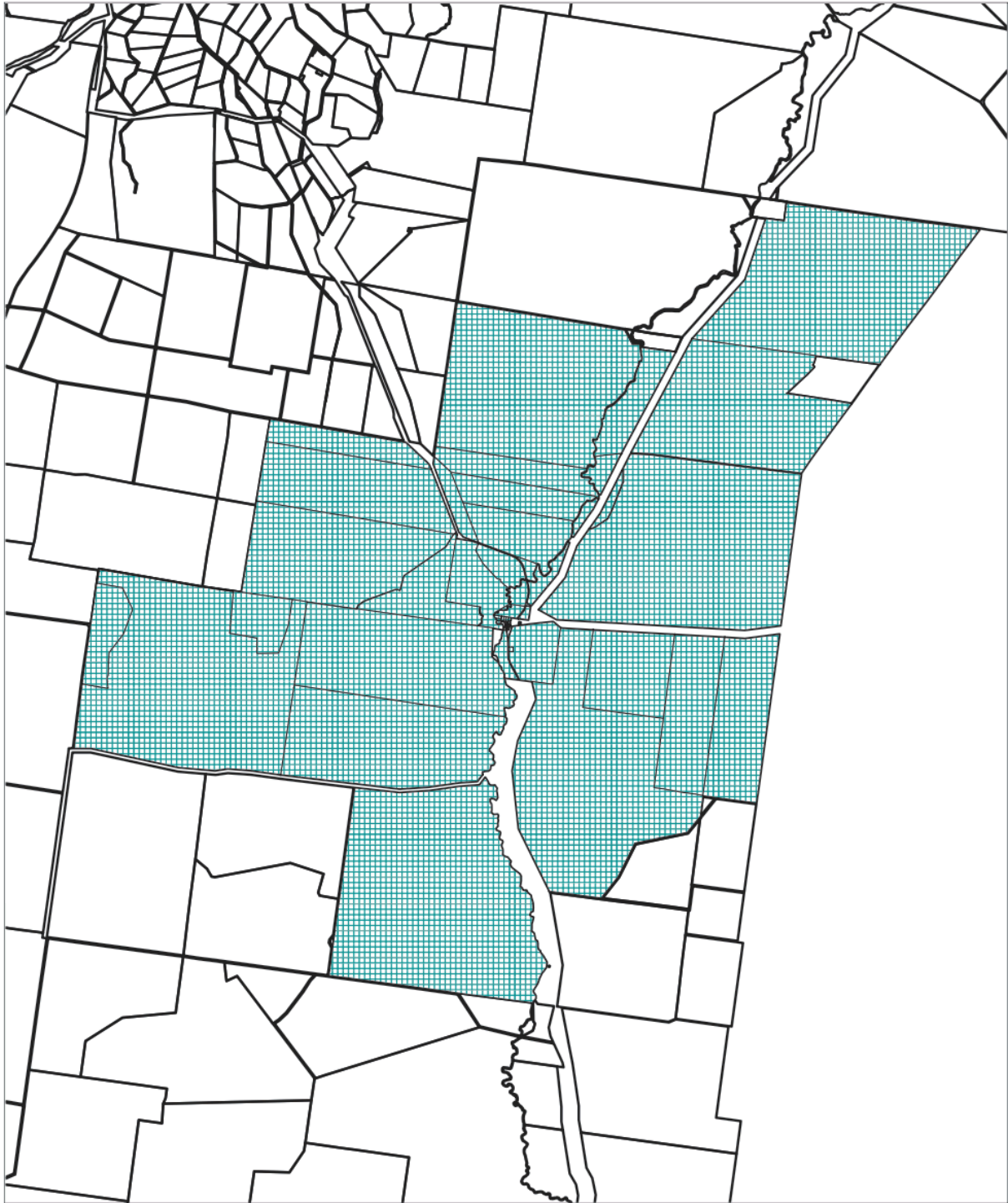
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Hebel Environmental Management Area

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Nindigully Environmental Management Area

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Investment Policy 2020/2021

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS5

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Investment Policy 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government must prepare and adopt an investment policy.

Background

The Investment Policy 2020/2021 outlines Council's investment objectives and overall risk philosophy and procedures for achieving the goals related to investment.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

The Investment Policy 2020/21 rescinds all previous versions.

Financial and Resource Implications

The Investment Policy is consistent with the Budget 2020/2021.

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

1. 3a_InvestmentPolicy2020-21.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Investment Policy 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

Investment Policy 2020/21

1.0 LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Local Government Act 2009 Section 104

Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 191

Under Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

- (1) A local government must prepare and adopt an investment policy.
- (2) The investment policy must outline—
 - (a) the local government's investment objectives and overall risk philosophy; and
 - (b) procedures for achieving the goals related to investment stated in the policy.

Investment of Council funds is to be in accordance with Council's powers to invest under the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982*, as amended and the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Regulation 2007*(SBFA).

2.0 OBJECTIVES

- To invest Council Funds not immediately required for financial commitments.
- To maximise earning from authorised investments of such surplus funds after assessing counterparty, market and liquidity risks.

3.0 SCOPE

The intent of this document is to outline Balonne Shire Council's investment policy and guidelines regarding the investment of surplus funds, with the objective to maximise earnings within approved risk guidelines and to ensure the security of funds.

Investments will be managed with the care, diligence and skill that a prudent person would exercise in managing the affairs of other persons. This includes having in place appropriate reporting requirements that ensure the investments are being reviewed and overseen regularly.

Investment officers are to manage the investment portfolios not for speculation, but for investment and in accordance with the spirit of this Investment Policy. Investment officers are to avoid any transaction that might harm confidence in Council. They will consider the safety of capital and income objectives when making an investment decision.

4.0 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Authority for the implementation of the investment policy is delegated by Council to the Chief Executive Officer. The Chief Executive Officer may delegate this authority to the Director of Finance and Corporate Services in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009*, Section 257-Delegation of local government powers and Section 259 - Delegation of Chief Executive Officer powers.

5.0 TERM OF INVESTMENT

Council's investment portfolio should be realisable, without penalty, in a reasonable time frame. The term to maturity of Council investments should not exceed one year.

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6.0 AUTHORISED INVESTMENTS (selected from permitted investments under SBFA)

- Interest Bearing Deposits with a licensed bank.
- Deposits with Queensland Treasury Corporation.
- Deposits with a building society or credit union specifically approved by Council for investment purposes.

7.0 APPROVED BUILDING SOCIETIES AND CREDIT UNIONS

Nil

8.0 QUOTATIONS ON INVESTMENTS

When investing with banks, approved building societies or credit unions, not less than three quotes shall be obtained. Quotes shall be sourced from organisations with shopfront premises within the Shire. The best quote on the day will be successful after having regard to administrative and banking costs and fair value adjustments for credit rating of the institution and term of investment.

9.0 CALCULATING FAIR VALUE

When placing investments, consideration shall be given to the effective interest rate offered, the credit rating of the institution and term of investment.

Rates will be compared using Queensland Treasury Corporation Fair Value Model.

10.0 PRIORITY OF FUNDS PLACEMENT

Investments will be placed to maximise interest income within acceptable risk standards. Consideration will be given to term to maturity and the amount Council would be compelled to hold to meet liabilities as and when they fall due, thus maximising funds available for investment.

11.0 REPORTING

A monthly report shall be provided to Council, detailing the investment portfolio in terms of performance and counterparty exposure. The report will also detail investment income earned versus budget year to date.

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TO: Council

SUBJECT: Debt Policy 2020/2021

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS6

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Debt Policy 2020/2021

Executive Summary

Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Council to prepare and adopt a debt policy for a financial year.

Background

The Debt Policy is required to state any new borrowings planned for the 2020/2021 financial year and the next 9 financial years and the period over which the local government plans to repay existing and new borrowings. The policy includes provision for Rounds 1 and 2 of the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate Scheme with new borrowings approved by the Under Treasurer up to \$8,540,987m to be drawn down no later than 30 June 2021. An extension on the loan facility will ensure that both Round 1 and 2 scheme applicants have 20 year period to repay.

Council has amended its policy from previous years to include borrowings that may be considered in future years include plant for roadworks and a special rate beautification scheme that would allow business owners to update their façade and/or introduce energy efficiency measures.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group, Queensland Treasury Corporation

Legal Implications

Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

The Debt Policy 2020/2021 rescinds all previous versions.

Financial and Resource Implications

Nil.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. Debt Policy 2020 [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Debt Policy 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services



Debt Policy 2020/21

1. **LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**

*Local Government Act 2009 Section 104
Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 192*

2. **BACKGROUND**

Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Local Governments to adopt a debt policy each year.

The debt policy must state—

- (a) the new borrowings planned for the current financial year and the next 9 financial years; and
- (b) the time over which the local government plans to repay existing and new borrowings.

3. **POLICY**

3.1 **PURPOSES FOR WHICH BORROWING IS ALLOWABLE**

Council shall, where necessary, undertake borrowing for the following purposes and is subject to the following restrictions in addition to those imposed elsewhere in this policy:-

3.1.1 **Roadworks construction / reconstruction**

Construction / Reconstruction to bitumen or equivalent standard.
Construction / Reconstruction of major road drainage works.
Plant to undertake roadworks

3.1.2 **Bridgeworks construction / reconstruction**

Construction / Reconstruction of major bridges.

3.1.3 **Water Supply Infrastructure construction / reconstruction**

Any construction / reconstruction which cannot be funded from revenue.

3.1.4 **Urban Waste Water Infrastructure construction / reconstruction**

Any construction / reconstruction which cannot be funded from revenue.

3.1.5 **Aerodrome construction / reconstruction**

Aerodrome pavement reconstruction.

3.1.6 **Building construction / reconstruction**

Major public building construction / reconstruction.

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3.1.7 Drainage works construction / reconstruction

Major storm water drainage works / flood mitigation works.

3.1.8 Community Services Infrastructure

Major Recreation / Sport / Economic Development / Cultural infrastructure construction / reconstruction which cannot be funded from revenue.

3.1.9 Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Scheme

Any debt incurred with respect to providing Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing will be recouped by a special rate over a landholders land over a 20 year period.

3.1.10 Beautification Special Rate Scheme

Council may initiate borrowings in for a beautification scheme to provide a special benefit to business houses to improve the façade and/or offer energy efficiency within the boundary of the shire. Any debt incurred with respect to provide a beautification scheme would be recouped by a special rate over a landholder's land over a max 20 year period.

3.2 FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS ON BORROWING

3.2.1 General Programmes

Borrowing shall not be undertaken if the effect of such borrowing will result in annual Interest and Redemption payments exceeding 20% of Council's general rate revenue unless specifically authorised otherwise by resolution of Council.

3.2.2 Urban Water Programme

Borrowing shall not be undertaken if the effect of such borrowing will result in annual Interest and Redemption payments exceeding 20% of Council's urban water utility charge revenue unless specifically authorised otherwise by resolution of Council.

3.2.3 Urban Waste Water Programme

Borrowing shall not be undertaken if the effect of such borrowing will result in annual Interest and Redemption payments exceeding 20% of Council's Urban Waste Water utility charge revenue unless specifically authorised otherwise by resolution of Council.

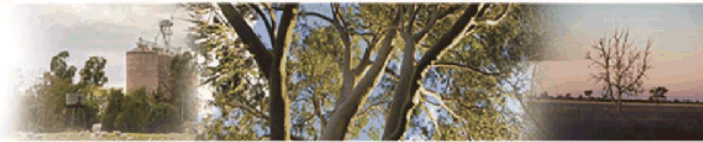
3.3 METHOD OF BORROWING

Council will borrow from the Queensland Treasury Corporation.

3.4 TERMS OF BORROWING

The repayment period of a loan shall not exceed the useful life of the asset being created. For example:-
A loan for the construction of a bitumen road with an expected life of 15 years shall not have a repayment

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period in excess of 15 years.

The Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Scheme or Beautification special rate scheme will be for a loan period of 20 years and will be recouped by a special levy over a landholders land.

3.5 BORROWING PROGRAMME

Council has approved borrowings up to \$8,540,987m (including capitalised interest) that may be drawn down by instalments from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2021 for the Wild Dog Exclusion Fence Scheme.

3.6 EXISTING BORROWINGS

Council's existing borrowings shall be redeemed over the period originally negotiated, excepting that Council may negotiate new repayment schedules which shorten the term of the loan.

Where the provisions of this borrowing policy allow, loans which fall due for conversion shall be fully redeemed at the time specified for conversion.

Loans which fall due for conversion, and are to be renegotiated, shall be renegotiated as if they are new loans under this borrowing policy.

Start Date	Amount Borrowed	Balance as at 01/06/2020	Purpose of Borrowing	Annual Repayments with Interest	Remaining (Years) Repayment Terms	Interest Rate
15/06/2012	\$ 900,000	657,337.56	Water	\$ 71,342.76	15/06/2032	4.8860
15/06/2002	\$ 570,000	110,418.73	Bridgeworks	\$ 53,227.48	15/06/2022	7.8970
15/06/2001	\$1,500,000	162,558.17	Works Depot	\$135,274.92	15/06/2021	7.3090
15/06/2012	\$2,100,000	1,533,787.49	Administration Building	\$166,466.48	15/06/2032	4.8860
15/11/2019	\$472,171.44	477,715.63	WDEF Round 1 – Drawdown 1	Nil repayments for 2 years \$10,609.60 for 3 years \$38,423.96 for 15 years	15/09/2039	2.0450
02/12/2019	\$477,642.28	482,397.89	WDEF Round 1 – Drawdown 2	Nil repayments for 2 years \$9,930.08 for 3 years \$38,296.96 for 15 years	15/09/2039	1.8910
31/01/2020	\$2,224,436.49	2,238,747.80	WDEF Round 1 – Drawdown 3	Nil repayments for 2 years \$44,888.72 for 3 years \$177,687.04 for 15 years	15/12/2039	1.8310
	TBA		WDEF Round 2			

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Overall Plan - Thallon Rural Fire Levy 2020/2021

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS7

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Overall Plan - Thallon Rural Fire Levy 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt the overall plan before, or at the same time the local government resolves to levy the special rates or charges.

Background

The Overall Plan is a document that describes the service, facility or activity; and identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; states the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; states the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan. The purpose of the Special Rates for Thallon Rural Fire is to assist fund the operations of the Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade. The estimated cost for 2020/2021 is \$7,600.00 and the estimated time for implementing the overall plan is 1 (one) year commencing 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group, Rural Fire Service at Thallon and Emergency Services Queensland

Legal Implications

The State Government Emergency Management Levy is a compulsory rate collected by Council on behalf of the State Government under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*. The *Fire and Emergency Service Act 1990* and the *Fire and Emergency Service Regulation 2011* governs the Urban Fire Levy and has applied to all properties within Queensland from 01 January 2014, to ensure a more sustainable funding base for emergency services. Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* allows council to levy a special rate on a rateable property.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

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Financial and Resource Implications

The Rural Fire Service at Thallon receive the funds towards their continued operation.

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Overall Plan – Thallon Rural Fire Levy 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

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TO: Council

SUBJECT: Thallon Rural Fire Levy

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS8

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Thallon Rural Fire Levy

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in the township of Thallon.

Background

Council has identified in the Overall Plan for Thallon Rural Fire Levy, the service, facility or activity; the rateable land to which the special rates apply; the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan and the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

Council has reviewed the rate for 2020/2021 for the Thallon Rural Fire at the Budget Workshops and will maintain the rate at \$1.60 per unit:

Queensland Emergency Levy Property Classification	Charging Units
Group 1	10
Group 2	37
Group 3	90
Group 4	180
Group 5	295
Group 6	531
Group 7	867
Group 8	1327
Group 9	2355

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

The State Government Emergency Management Levy is a compulsory rate collected by Council on behalf of the State Government under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*. The *Fire and Emergency Service Act 1990* and the *Fire and Emergency Service Regulation 2011* governs the Urban Fire Levy and has applied to all properties within Queensland from 01 January 2014, to ensure a more sustainable funding base for emergency services. Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* allows council to levy a special rate on a rateable property.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Overall Plan – Thallon Rural Fire Levy 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Levy a special rate on properties in the benefited area and remit net proceeds less administration to the Thallon Town Rural Fire Brigade.

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that:

1. Council levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in the township of Thallon within the Balonne Shire Council boundary, in accordance with Sections 92 and 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and section 128A of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*; the provisions of Council's Revenue Policy 2020/2021, Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and Overall Plan – Thallon Rural Fire Levy 2020/2021, and;

2. The Thallon Rural Fire Levy Rate for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$1.60 per charging unit:

Queensland Emergency Levy Property Classification	Charging Units
Group 1	10
Group 2	37
Group 3	90
Group 4	180
Group 5	295
Group 6	531
Group 7	867
Group 8	1327
Group 9	2355

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Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Overall Plan - Feral Animal Management Special Rate 2020/2021

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS9

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Overall Plan - Feral Animal Management Special Rate 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt the overall plan before, or at the same time the local government resolves to levy the special rates or charges.

Background

The Overall Plan is a document that describes the service, facility or activity; and identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; states the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; states the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan. Council will levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories 100, 79,80,81 and all properties > or = 1000 hectares in Cat 200 and Cat 300 within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. The purpose of the Special Rates for Feral Animal Management will be applied toward the continued operation of Feral Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. The estimated cost for Feral Animal Management in 2020/2021 is approximately \$400,000.00. The estimated time for implementing the overall plan is 1 (one) year commencing 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021. Council has adopted a Biosecurity Plan to replace its weed and pest management plans and the Feral Animal Management special rate will be reviewed as the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing projects are rolled out.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Nil.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. 6b_Overall Plan Feral Animal Management 2020-21_25062020.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Overall Plan – Feral Animal Management Special Rate 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

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Overall Plan – Feral Animal Management 2020-21

1.0 Legislative Authority

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

2.0 Background

The *Local Government Regulation 2012* imposes a requirement on Council to publish an Overall Plan which clearly establishes the principles used by Council levying Special rates or charges.

Council, by resolution to levy special rates or charges must identify:-

- The rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; and
- The overall plan for the service, facility or activity to which the special rates or charges apply.

The Overall Plan is a document that:-

- Describes the service, facility or activity; and
- Identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; and
- States the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; and
- States the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

3.0 Policy Principles

3.1 The levying of Special Rates and Charges

Feral Animal Management

Council will levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories Cat 100, 79,80,81 and all properties > or = 1000 Hectares in Cat 200 and Cat 300 within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual rate in the dollar on the land valuation. Funds raised from the special rate, will be applied toward the continued operation of Feral Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. The estimated cost for Feral Animal Management in 2020-21 is approximately \$400,000.00. The estimated time for implementing the overall plan is 1 (one) year commencing 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021. Council adopted its Biosecurity Plan to replace its weed and pest management plans. The Feral Animal Management special rate will be reviewed and monitored as Council completes the roll out of funding and special rate scheme for Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing across the Shire.

3.0 Related Documents

Revenue Statement 2020-21
Budget 2020-21

Date of Adoption >> 25 June 2020
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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Feral Animal Management Special Rate

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS10

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Feral Animal Management Special Rate

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories 100, 79,80,81 and all properties > or = 1000 hectares in Cat 200 and Cat 300 within the Balonne Shire Council boundary.

Background

Council has identified in the Overall Plan for Feral Animal Management Levy 2020/2021 the service, facility or activity; the rateable land to which the special rate applies; the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan and the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

Council has reviewed the charge for the Feral Animal Management Special Rate and propose no change in the rate in the dollar and for 2020/21 it will remain at \$0.0004263 cents in the dollar.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

2020/2021 Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Overall Plan – Feral Animal Management Special Rate 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The special rate will be applied toward the continued operation of Feral Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. The estimated cost for Feral Animal Management in 2020/2021 is approximately \$400,000.00. Council has adopted its Biosecurity Plan to replace its weed and pest management plans and this will include a review of the Feral Animal Management special rate as the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing projects are rolled out across the Shire.

Options or Alternatives

Nil

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that:

1. Council levy a special rate on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories 100, 79,80,81 and all properties > or = 1000 hectares in Cat 200 and Cat 300 within the Balonne Shire Council boundary, in accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and the provisions of Council's Revenue Policy 2020/2021, Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and Overall Plan – Feral Animal Management Special Rate 2020/2021, and
2. the Feral Animal Management Special Rate for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$0.0004263 cents in the dollar on the land valuation.

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Overall Plan - Urban Animal Management Special Charge 2020/2021

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS11

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Overall Plan – Urban Animal Management Special Charge 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt the overall plan before, or at the same time the local government resolves to levy the special rates or charges.

Background

The Overall Plan is a document that describes the service, facility or activity; and identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; states the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; states the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan. Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments in rating categories 1, 2 and 3 in the Balonne Shire Boundary. The purpose of the Special Charge for Urban Animal Management will be applied toward the continued operation of Urban Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. The estimated cost for 2020/21 Domestic Animal Control is approximately \$221,500.00. The estimated time for implementing the overall plan is 1 (one) year commencing 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 94 *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The estimated cost for 2020/21 Domestic Animal Control is approximately \$221,500.00.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. 6c_Overall Plan Urban Animal Management 2020-21-25062020.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Overall Plan- Urban Animal Management Special Charge 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

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Overall Plan – Urban Animal Management 2020-21

1.0 Legislative Authority

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

2.0 Background

The *Local Government Regulation 2012* imposes a requirement on Council to publish an Overall Plan which clearly establishes the principles used by Council levying Special rates or charges.

Council, by resolution to levy special rates or charges must identify:-

- The rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; and
- The overall plan for the service, facility or activity to which the special rates or charges apply.

The Overall Plan is a document that:-

- Describes the service, facility or activity; and
- Identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; and
- States the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; and
- States the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

3.0 Policy Principles

3.1 The levying of Special Rates and Charges

Urban Animal Management

Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments in Rating Categories 1-3, within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual fixed rate charge. Funds raised from the charge, will be applied toward the continued operation of Urban Animal Management services or activities in the Shire. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. The estimated cost for 2020-21 Domestic Animal Control is approximately \$221,500.00. The estimated time for implementing the overall plan is 1 (one) year commencing 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021.

3.0 Related Documents

Revenue Statement for 2020-21
Budget for 2020-21

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Urban Animal Management Special Charge

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS12

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Urban Animal Management Special Charge

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments in Differential Rating Categories 1-3.

Background

Council has identified in the Overall Plan for Urban Animal Management Special Charge 2020/2021, the service, facility or activity; the rateable land to which the special rates apply; the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan and the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

Council has reviewed the charge for the Urban Animal Management Levy and has determined the levy for 2020/2021 will remain at \$21.00 per assessment in the Differential Rating Categories 1-3.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Overall Plan – Urban Animal Management Special Charge 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Levy a special charge on properties in the benefited area to be applied toward the continued operation of Urban Animal Management services or activities in the Shire.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that:

1. Council levy a special charge on all rateable assessments in the Differential Rating Categories 1-3, in accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, and the provisions of Council's Revenue Policy 2020/2021, Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and Overall Plan – Urban Animal Management Special Charge 2020/2021, and
2. the Urban Animal Management Special Charge for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$21.00 per assessment in the Differential Rating Categories 1-3.

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme Special Charge

DATE: 25.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS13

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme - Special Charge.

Executive Summary

Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme - Special Charge

Background

Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will make and levy in future budget meetings a special charge to be known as the Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme Special Charge of varied amounts for certain rural properties in the local government area, to which the overall plan applies, to fund the provision of wild dog exclusion fencing. To identify the relevant properties council has utilised the assessment number which identifies the rateable land to which the special rates and charges will apply (i.e. the assessment numbers each relate to a specific parcel or parcels rateable land and where that information is available). In 2020/21 the assessment numbers will change due to the new financial management system, however they will be mapped accordingly.

The amount of special charge shall differ according to the level of benefit that the property receives from the provision of the exclusion fencing. Once all fencing has been installed the level of benefit shall be determined according to the costs associated with borrowing, the purchase of materials and construction of fencing to be repaid over 20 years. To determine the amount of special charge it will generally be the total cost divided by the repayment years noting that the first 2 years will be no interest or repayments; years 3-5 will be interest only and years 6-20 will then be principal and interest for the remaining term. No discount will apply.

There are two rounds:

Round 1 – 01/07/2019 – 30/06/2041 at an actual cost of \$3.293m (including capitalised interest).

Round 2 – 01/07/2020 – 30/06/2042 at an estimated cost of \$4.899m (including capitalised interest).

Council has approved borrowings up to \$8.541m (including capitalised interest).

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Economy</u>	Value-add and diversification strategies

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group, McInnes Wilson, Queensland Treasury Corporation and approved Landholders.

Legal Implications

Section 94 *Local Government Regulations 2012* and Section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009*.

Council may at any time, by resolution, amend an overall plan or an annual implementation plan.

The amount of the special rates or charges for the particular rateable land may be different to the amount for other rateable land because, in Council's opinion—

(a) the land or its occupier—

(i) specially benefits from the service, facility or activity; or

(ii) has or will have special access to the service, facility or activity; or

(b) the land is or will be used in a way that specially contributes to the need for the service, facility or activity; or

(c) the occupier of the land specially contributes to the need for the service, facility or activity.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Overall Implementation Plan and Annual Implementation Plan for Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing

Financial and Resource Implications

The total cost of the overall plan Round 1 is \$3.293m (including capitalised interest) and estimated for Round 2 is \$4.899m (including capitalised interest) and no more than approved borrowings approved up to \$8,540,987 (including capitalised interest).

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that

1. Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will levy in future budget meetings, a special charge to be known as the Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme Special Charge for the cost of material and the construction of exclusion fencing that controls pest animals for certain rural properties in Balonne Shire Council, as amended.
2. The overall plan for the Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme Special Charge includes:

- a) The service, facility or activity for which the plan is made is Council borrowing the necessary funds to implement the project, purchase of materials and construction of exclusion fencing that controls pest animals for the rateable land to which the special charge shall apply;
 - b) The rateable land to which the special charge shall apply are the properties listed in the Schedule of Rates Charges;
 - c) The estimated cost of carry out the overall plan for Round 1 is \$3.293m and estimated for Round 2 is \$4.899m with no more than borrowings approved up to \$8,540,987 (including capitalised interest);
 - d) The estimated time for carryout the overall plan is twenty (21) years in total;
3. The Annual Implementation Plan for 2020-21 financial year for:
- a) Round 1 will be inspecting construction and issuing notices of practical completion, where applicable and
 - b) Round 2 meeting with landholders to arrange signing of the landholder and adjoining landholder agreements; the procurement of fencing materials and engaging of fencing contractors to commence installation of exclusion fencing on each property involved in the scheme.
4. The assessment numbers for Round 1 (01/07/2019 – 30/06/2041) that the special charge will apply to and the estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20, after being given a 2 year no repayment and no interest period for are:

Assessment	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
01896-00000-000	\$1,936.68	\$35,069.65
02388-00000-000	\$10,494.55	\$207,707.62
02398-00000-000	\$5,664.87	\$112,118.73
02617-00000-000	\$19,703.27	\$389,966.11
01885-00000-000	\$4,569.26	\$90,434.67
01839-40000-000	\$14,758.56	\$292,055.71
02323-00000-000	\$10,752.74	\$212,817.58
02650-00000-000	\$12,089.09	\$239,266.69
02149-00000-000	\$22,576.07	\$446,824.48
02513-00000-000	\$8,494.15	\$168,115.72
02492-00000-000	\$7,878.07	\$151,893.94
02471-00000-000	\$4,624.70	\$91,531.84
02410-00000-000	\$7,378.70	\$146,038.77
02484-50000-000	\$6,216.05	\$119,849.23
02486-00000-000	\$18,385.26	\$354,478.93
02267-00000-000	\$18,512.11	\$335,219.87
01825-00000-000	\$8,486.41	\$153,673.20
01849-00000-000	\$3,454.66	\$68,374.56
01900-00000-000	\$4,324.86	\$85,597.52
01854-00000-000	\$5,769.07	\$114,181.09

5. The assessment numbers for Round 2 (01/07/2020 – 30/06/2042) that the special charge will apply to and the estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20, after being given a 2 year no repayment and no interest period for are:

Assessment Number	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
02616-00000-000	\$12,448.78	\$240,053.81
02105-00000-000	\$17,902.00	\$345,210.13
01896-00000-000	\$1,877.83	\$36,210.85
02307-40000-000	\$12,669.11	\$244,302.55
02258-00000-000	\$30,498.82	\$588,118.56
02520-00000-000	\$8,110.99	\$156,406.74
01737-50000-000	\$11,743.03	\$226,444.57
02288-00000-000	\$6,165.86	\$118,898.33
01734-00000-000	\$24,973.30	\$481,568.13
02254-00000-000	\$23,093.59	\$445,321.06
02156-00000-000	\$34,495.79	\$665,193.36
02097-00000-000	\$31,459.33	\$606,640.41
02274-00000-000	\$17,010.35	\$328,016.01
02240-00000-000	\$18,332.34	\$353,508.45

6. The following assessment numbers will be included in **Round 2** subject to funding being available subject to the same conditions.

Assessment Number	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
02552-00000-000	\$24,425.91	\$471,012.66
02214-00000-000	\$6,506.69	\$124,470.60
02217-00000-000	\$9,832.33	\$189,600.02
02648-20000-000	\$3,304.99	\$63,731.10

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Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Overall Plan - Balonne Wild dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate Scheme

DATE: 25.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS14

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Overall Plan - Balonne Wild dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate Scheme.

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt the overall plan before, or at the same time the local government resolves to levy the special rates and charges

Background

The Overall Plan is a document that describes the service, facility or activity; and identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; states the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; states the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

The Planned Infrastructure:

- (a) includes wild dog exclusion fencing designed and built for the purpose of protecting individual properties or "clusters" of adjoining properties from wild dogs; and
- (b) will be constructed to minimum standards stipulated by Council to appointed contractors providing always that the it must be constructed to withstand local conditions and to be suitable to keep wild dogs out of the properties involved in the project.

The estimated time for carrying out the plan for each round is over a twenty one year period. Round 1 - 01/07/2019 to 30/06/2041 and Round 2 - 01/07/2020 to 30/06/2042.

To identify the relevant properties council has utilised the assessment number which identifies the rateable land to which the special rates and charges will apply (i.e. is the assessment numbers each relate to a specific parcel or parcels rateable land and where that information is available). The assessment numbers will change in 2020/21 due to the change of financial management systems and will be mapped accordingly.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Economy</u>	Value-add and diversification strategies

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group, Queensland Treasury Corporation and approved landholders.

Legal Implications

Section 94 *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The estimated cost of carrying out the Overall Plan – borrowings, is up to \$8,540,987 (including capitalised interest). The estimated special charge calculation is based on the Queensland Treasury Corporation calculator and may vary depending on the final cost and interest rate to be applied to the individual property. Landholders will be given the final calculations that will form part of the Landholder Agreement. Any adjustments will be made upon review of the Annual Implementation Plan.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. Overall Plan v2.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to:

1. adopt the Balonne Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate Scheme for 2020/2021 in accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*; and
2. The assessment numbers that the special charge **Round 1** (01/07/2019-30/06/2041) will apply to and the estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20, after being given a 2 year no repayment and no interest period, are shown below:

Assessment	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
01896-00000-000	\$1,936.68	\$35,069.65
02388-00000-000	\$10,494.55	\$207,707.62
02398-00000-000	\$5,664.87	\$112,118.73

02617-00000-000	\$19,703.27	\$389,966.11
01885-00000-000	\$4,569.26	\$90,434.67
01839-40000-000	\$14,758.56	\$292,055.71
02323-00000-000	\$10,752.74	\$212,817.58
02650-00000-000	\$12,089.09	\$239,266.69
02149-00000-000	\$22,576.07	\$446,824.48
02513-00000-000	\$8,494.15	\$168,115.72
02492-00000-000	\$7,878.07	\$151,893.94
02471-00000-000	\$4,624.70	\$91,531.84
02410-00000-000	\$7,378.70	\$146,038.77
02484-50000-000	\$6,216.05	\$119,849.23
02486-00000-000	\$18,385.26	\$354,478.93
02267-00000-000	\$18,512.11	\$335,219.87
01825-00000-000	\$8,486.41	\$153,673.20
01849-00000-000	\$3,454.66	\$68,374.56
01900-00000-000	\$4,324.86	\$85,597.52
01854-00000-000	\$5,769.07	\$114,181.09

3. The assessment numbers that the special charge **Round 2** (01/07/2020 – 30/06/2042) will apply to and the estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20, after being given a 2 year no repayment and no interest period, are shown below:

Assessment Number	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
02616-00000-000	\$12,448.78	\$240,053.81
02105-00000-000	\$17,902.00	\$345,210.13
01896-00000-000	\$1,877.83	\$36,210.85
02307-40000-000	\$12,669.11	\$244,302.55
02258-00000-000	\$30,498.82	\$588,118.56
02520-00000-000	\$8,110.99	\$156,406.74
01737-50000-000	\$11,743.03	\$226,444.57
02288-00000-000	\$6,165.86	\$118,898.33
01734-00000-000	\$24,973.30	\$481,568.13
02254-00000-000	\$23,093.59	\$445,321.06

02156-00000-000	\$34,495.79	\$665,193.36
02097-00000-000	\$31,459.33	\$606,640.41
02274-00000-000	\$17,010.35	\$328,016.01
02240-00000-000	\$18,332.34	\$353,508.45

4. The following assessment numbers will be included in **Round 2** subject to funding being available subject to the same conditions.

Assessment Number	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
02552-00000-000	\$24,425.91	\$471,012.66
02214-00000-000	\$6,506.69	\$125,470.60
02217-00000-000	\$9,832.33	\$189,600.02
02648-20000-000	\$3,304.99	\$63,731.10

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Director Finance & Corporate Services



Overall Plan – Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing 2020-21

1. LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

- *Local Government Act 2009* (Qld) (“**Act**”)
- *Local Government Regulation 2012* (Qld) (“**Regulation**”)

(See **part 3** below for relevant provisions of the Act and Regulation)

2. BACKGROUND

Council adopted the Overall Plan for Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing at its budget meeting on 28 June 2019. Council may at any time, by resolution, amend an overall plan or the annual implementation plan. This document represents an amendment to the Overall Plan.

- (a) Over recent years wild dogs have contributed (along with other factors) reduced confidence in the rural economy of the Council’s area.
- (b) Council wishes to facilitate improved confidence in the rural economy of the Council’s area and is of the opinion that this can be achieved by facilitating the installation of wild dog exclusion fencing (as more fully described below at **part 4.1, “Planned Infrastructure”**) on certain properties within Council’s local government area.
- (c) At the Council meeting on 21 February 2019, the following governance matters were brought before Council to meet legislative requirements:
 - (i) Council’s wild dog exclusion fence scheme Business Case was presented and adopted;
 - (ii) Council has made a borrowing application to the Department of Local Government Racing & Multicultural Affairs;
 - (iii) Council sought expressions of interest from landholders to identify the properties that would benefit, and if approved, incur a special charge for its wild dog exclusion fence scheme; and
 - (iv) Council ran a procurement process to attract fencing contractors and suppliers for a preferred supplier arrangement.
- (d) Council has investigated the legislative issues in relation to the construction of infrastructure on landholders’ properties and the recovery of this cost through the levy of a special charge.
- (e) The Regulation imposes a requirement on Council to publish an “overall plan” which clearly establishes the principles used by Council levying “special rates or charges”.
- (f) Council completed these steps for Round 1 borrowing up to \$3.174m in funding for landholders to construct fencing in 2019-2021.
- (g) Council intends to implement Round 2 in 2020-21 financial year and borrow up to \$4.826M in funding.

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3. POLICY PRINCIPLES

Council has investigated the legislative issues in relation to the construction of infrastructure on landholders' properties and the recovery of this cost through the levy of a special charge:

- (a) Section 94(1)(b)(i) of the Act empowers Council to levy special rates and charges. Section 92(3) of the Act described special rates and charges as follows:

"Special rates and charges are for services, facilities and activities that have a special association with particular land because:

a. the land or its occupiers

i specially benefits from the service, facility or activity; or

ii has or will have special access to the service, facility or activity; or

b. the land is or will be used in a way that specially contributes to the need for the service, facility or activity; or

c. the occupier of the land specially contributes to the need for the service, facility or activity."

- (b) The Planned Infrastructure will create a 'special benefit' to the land or its occupier and it is on this basis that the special charges will be charged.
- (c) Section 94 of Regulation sets out the procedural requirements which must be followed when a Local government levies a special rate or charge, relevantly:
- (i) by subsection (2), the resolution levying the special charge must;
- (A) identify the rateable land to which the special rate or charge will apply; and
- (B) identify the overall plan for the service, facility or activity to which the special rate or charge will apply.
- (ii) by subsection (3), the overall plan must describe the service, facility or activity, identify rateable land to which the rate or charge will apply and state the estimated cost and time of carrying out the overall plan;
- (iii) by subsection (4), the overall plan must be adopted before, or at the same time, as when the resolution making the special rate or charge is made; and
- (iv) by subsection (5), where an overall plan is for a period of more than one (1) year, the local government must adopt an annual implementation plan for each year of the life of the overall plan.
- (d) The overall plan must be adopted before, or at the same time as, Council first resolves to levy the special charges.¹

¹ Regulation, s94(4).



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- (e) If an overall plan is for more than 1 year, Council must also adopt an “annual implementation plan” for each year of the overall plan.²
- (f) Council must adopt the annual implementation plan before or at the budget meeting for each year of the period for carrying out the overall plan.³
- (g) Council may at any time, by resolution, amend an overall plan or an annual implementation plan.⁴

4. THE OVERALL PLAN

4.1 Planned infrastructure

The Planned Infrastructure:

- (a) includes wild dog exclusion fencing designed and built for the purpose of protecting individual properties or “clusters” of adjoining properties from wild dogs; and
- (b) will be constructed to minimum standards stipulated by Council to appointed contractors providing always that the it must be constructed to withstand local conditions and to be suitable to keep wild dogs out of the properties involved in the project.

4.2 Description of the service, facility or activity

The service, facility or activity provided or facilitated by Council include:

- (a) the borrowing of the necessary funds to implement the project, subject to Treasury approval;
- (b) the purchase of materials and facilitating construction of exclusion fencing that controls pest animals for the rateable land to which the special charge shall apply; and
- (c) Council administering the delivery of the Planned Infrastructure.

4.3 Documentation

It is anticipated the following documentation will be required:

- (a) Legal agreement with the owners of the Properties (**Landholder Agreement**);
- (b) Legal agreements with owners of land adjoining the Properties (**Adjoining Landholder Deed**); and
- (c) agreements with the successful contractors for the design and construction of the Planned Infrastructure.

² Regulation, s94(6).

³ Regulation, s94(8)

⁴ Regulation, s94(9)



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4.4 Identification of the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply

- (a) The relevant rateable land is identified in Schedules A and B (**Properties**).
- (b) The levying of the special charge will commence after participants have had the benefit of 2 years of capitalised interest commencing from the date a Landholder Agreement is signed with each landholder.

Round 1 – 01/07/2019-30/06/2041

- (c) The estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20 (after being given a 2 year construction window) are as follows:
 - (i) Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to Year 5: \$196,069.13; and
 - (ii) Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to Year 20: \$3,815,215.91.

Full details for individual properties for Round 1 are shown at Schedule A.

Round 2 – 01/07/2020-30/06/2042

- (d) The estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20 (after being given a 2 year construction window) are as follows:
 - (i) Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to Year 5: \$285,793.81; and
 - (ii) Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to Year 20: \$5,511,053.95
- (e) Full details for individual properties for Round 2 are shown at Schedule C & D

4.5 Estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan

Council has approved borrowings approved up to \$8,540,987 (including capitalised interest). The total estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan therefore being no more than \$8m (excl capitalised interest).

The known cost of Round 1 is \$3.174m (excl capitalised interest)

The estimate cost of carrying out Round 2 is \$4.711m (excl capitalised interest)

(please see Schedules A-F for further details).

This figure includes all of the costs associated with administration by Council of the project, borrowing funds from Treasury, the purchase of materials and construction of the Project Infrastructure for the Properties to which the special charge applies.

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4.6 Estimated time for carrying out the overall plan

The estimated time for carrying out the Overall Plan is 20 years, concluding 30 June 2041 for Round 1 and 30 June 2042 for Round 2.

4.7 Special benefit

- a) The properties will specially benefit from the planned infrastructure. Specifically, the properties will be protected from the migration of wild dogs from other areas as well as allow landowners to cull wild dogs (and potentially other pest animals) within the areas enclosed by planned infrastructure.
- b) Adjoining landholders to the properties will not directly benefit from the planned infrastructure as it will not provide any wild dog exclusion or control benefits to areas not enclosed by the planned infrastructure.

5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Revenue Statement 2019-20
Budget 2019-20

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SCHEDULE A Round 1 Special Rate

Assessment	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
01896-00000-000	\$1,936.68	\$35,069.65
02388-00000-000	\$10,494.55	\$207,707.62
02398-00000-000	\$5,664.87	\$112,118.73
02617-00000-000	\$19,703.27	\$389,966.11
01885-00000-000	\$4,569.26	\$90,434.67
01839-40000-000	\$14,758.56	\$292,055.71
02323-00000-000	\$10,752.74	\$212,817.58
02650-00000-000	\$12,089.09	\$239,266.69
02149-00000-000	\$22,576.07	\$446,824.48
02513-00000-000	\$8,494.15	\$168,115.72
02492-00000-000	\$7,878.07	\$151,893.94
02471-00000-000	\$4,624.70	\$91,531.84
02410-00000-000	\$7,378.70	\$146,038.77
02484-50000-000	\$6,216.05	\$119,849.23
02486-00000-000	\$18,385.26	\$354,478.93
02267-00000-000	\$18,512.11	\$335,219.87
01825-00000-000	\$8,486.41	\$153,673.20
01849-00000-000	\$3,454.66	\$68,374.56
01900-00000-000	\$4,324.86	\$85,597.52
01854-00000-000	\$5,769.07	\$114,181.09

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Schedule B
Round 1 - Details of Each Project – Actuals

Assessment	Km	Loan Amount (net)
01896-00000-000	4.4	28,730.21
02388-00000-000	28.85	\$173,350.59
02398-00000-000	15.678	\$93,573.15
02617-00000-000	42.1	\$325,461.63
01885-00000-000	10.6	\$75,475.80
01839-40000-000	26.43	\$243,784.07
02323-00000-000	19.297	\$177,615.34
02650-00000-000	24.031	\$199,689.50
02149-00000-000	38.915	\$372,915.04
02513-00000-000	25.05	\$140,307.64
02492-00000-000	13.86	\$126,313.23
02471-00000-000	11.2	\$76,391.51
02410-00000-000	17	\$121,882.44
02484-50000-000	10.98	\$99,665.19
02486-00000-000	31.89	\$294,780.55
02267-00000-000	32.2	\$274,622.68
01825-00000-000	14.623	\$125,893.87
01849-00000-000	8	\$57,064.65
01900-00000-000	7	\$71,438.76
01854-00000-000	15.4	\$95,294.36

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SCHEDULE C Round 2 Special Rate Estimate (Approved applications)

Assessment Number	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
02616-00000-000	\$12,448.78	\$240,053.81
02105-00000-000	\$17,902.00	\$345,210.13
01896-00000-000	\$1,877.83	\$36,210.85
02307-40000-000	\$12,669.11	\$244,302.55
02258-00000-000	\$30,498.82	\$588,118.56
02520-00000-000	\$8,110.99	\$156,406.74
01737-50000-000	\$11,743.03	\$226,444.57
02288-00000-000	\$6,165.86	\$118,898.33
01734-00000-000	\$24,973.30	\$481,568.13
02254-00000-000	\$23,093.59	\$445,321.06
02156-00000-000	\$34,495.79	\$665,193.36
02097-00000-000	\$31,459.33	\$606,640.41
02274-00000-000	\$17,010.35	\$328,016.01
02240-00000-000	\$18,332.34	\$353,508.45

SCHEDULE D Round 2 - Applications subject to funding

Assessment Number	Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to 5	Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to 20
02552-00000-000	\$24,425.91	\$471,012.66
02214-00000-000	\$6,506.69	\$125,470.60
02217-00000-000	\$9,832.33	\$189,600.02
02648-20000-000	\$3,304.99	\$63,731.10

SCHEDULE E

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Round 2 Approved Project Detail Estimate Cost

Assessment Number	Km	Estimated cost
02616-00000-000	18.08	\$198,880
02105-00000-000	26	\$286,000
01896-00000-000	2.8	\$30,000
02307-40000-000	18.4	\$202,400
02258-00000-000	29.53	\$487,245
02520-00000-000	11.78	\$129,580
01737-50000-000	11.37	\$187,605
02288-00000-000	5.97	\$98,505
01734-00000-000	24.18	\$398,970
02254-00000-000	33.54	\$368,940
02156-00000-000	33.4	\$551,100
02097-00000-000	30.46	\$502,590
02274-00000-000	16.47	\$271,755
02240-00000-000	17.75	\$292,875

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Schedule F

Round 2 - Applications

The following assessments are subject final costs and funding:

Assessment Number	Km	Estimated cost
02552-00000-000	23.65	\$390,225
02214-00000-000	6.3	\$103,950
02217-00000-000	9.52	\$157,080
02648-20000-000	4.8	\$52,800

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Annual Implementation Plan - Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate Scheme

DATE: 25.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS15

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Annual Implementation Plan - Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate Scheme

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt an Annual Implementation Plan before, or at the same time the local government resolves to levy the special rates and charges.

Background

The annual implementation plan for a financial year is a document setting out the actions or processes that are to be carried out in the financial year for the service, facility or activity to which the special rates or charges apply.

The Planned Infrastructure:

- (a) includes wild dog exclusion fencing designed and built for the purpose of protecting individual properties or “clusters” of adjoining properties from wild dogs; and
- (b) will be constructed to minimum standards stipulated by Council to appointed contractors providing always that the it must be constructed to withstand local conditions and to be suitable to keep wild dogs out of the properties involved in the project.

The estimated time for carrying out the Overall plan for each round is over a twenty year period. Round 1 01/07/2019 to 30/06/2041 and Round 2 01/07/2020 to 30/06/2042. The Annual Implementation Plan refers to the activities and processes for the 2020/21 financial year.

To identify the relevant properties council has utilised the assessment number which identifies the rateable land to which the special rates and charges will apply (i.e. is the assessment numbers each relate to a specific parcel or parcels rateable land and where that information is available). The assessment numbers will change in 2020/21 due to the change of financial management systems and will be mapped accordingly.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Economy</u>	Value-add and diversification strategies

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group, Queensland Treasury Corporation and approved landholders.

Legal Implications

Section 94 *Local Government Regulations 2012*

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The estimated cost of carrying out the Overall Plan is up to \$8,540,987 (including capitalised interest). The confirmed borrowings for Round 1 is \$3,292,920.51 (including capitalised interest) and the estimated borrowings for Round 2 is \$4,899,485.27 (including capitalised interest).

The estimated special charge calculation is based on the Queensland Treasury Corporation calculator and may vary depending on the final cost and interest rate to be applied to the individual property. Landholders will be given the final calculations that will form part of the Landholder Agreement. Any adjustments will be made upon review of the Annual Implementation Plan.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. Final Annual Plan WDEF 2020-21-25062020.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

1. That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012* the Annual Implementation Plan for the Wild Dog Exclusion Special Rate Scheme for 2020/2021 be adopted for:

- a) Round 1 (01/07/2019 to 30/06/2041):

Assessment

01896-00000-000

02388-00000-000

02398-00000-000

02617-00000-000

01885-00000-000

01839-40000-000

02323-00000-000

02650-00000-000

02149-00000-000

02513-00000-000

02492-00000-000

02471-00000-000

02410-00000-000

02429-00000-000

02484-50000-000

02486-00000-000

02267-00000-000

01825-00000-000

01849-00000-000

01900-00000-000

01854-00000-000

b) Round 2 (01/07/2020 to 30/06/2042):

Assessment

02616-00000-000

02105-00000-000

01896-00000-000

02307-40000-000

02258-00000-000

02520-00000-000

01737-50000-000

02288-00000-000

01734-00000-000

01734-00000-000

02254-00000-000

02156-00000-000

02097-00000-000

02274-00000-000

02240-00000-000

c) Round 2, subject to funding (01/07/2020 to 30/06/2042):

Assessment

02552-00000-000

02214-00000-000

02217-00000-000

02648-20000-000

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1. LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

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2. BACKGROUND

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 - (iv) Council ran a procurement process to attract fencing contractors and suppliers for a preferred supplier arrangement.
- (d) Council has investigated the legislative issues in relation to the construction of infrastructure on landholders' properties and the recovery of this cost through the levy of a special charge.
- (e) The Regulation imposes a requirement on Council to publish an "overall plan" which clearly establishes the principles used by Council levying "special rates or charges".

Round 1 – 01/07/2019 – 30/06/2021

- (f) Round 1 borrowing of \$3.174M has been completed and landholders have either commenced or completed the construction of their fence.

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Round 2 – 01/07/2020 – 30/06/2021

- (g) Council intends to borrow up to the remaining \$4.826M and has undertaken steps to call for applications and if approved Council will arrange the procurement process.

3. POLICY PRINCIPLES

Council has investigated the legislative issues in relation to the construction of infrastructure on landholders' properties and the recovery of this cost through the levy of a special charge:

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- (d) The overall plan must be adopted before, or at the same time as, Council first resolves to levy the special charges.¹
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4.1 Planned infrastructure

The Planned Infrastructure:

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4.2 Description of the service, facility or activity

The service, facility or activity provided or facilitated by Council include:

- (a) the borrowing of the necessary funds to implement the project, subject to Treasury approval;
- (b) the purchase of materials and facilitating construction of exclusion fencing that controls pest animals for the rateable land to which the special charge shall apply; and
- (c) Council administering the delivery of the Planned Infrastructure.

4.3 Documentation

The following documentation is required to implement the special rate scheme:

- (a) Legal agreement with the owners of the Properties (**Landholder Agreement**);
- (b) Legal agreements with owners of land adjoining the Properties (**Adjoining Landholder Deed**); and

¹ Regulation, s94(4).

² Regulation, s94(6).

³ Regulation, s94(8)

⁴ Regulations, s94(9)



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- (c) agreements with the successful contractors for the design and construction of the Planned Infrastructure.

4.4 Identification of the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply

- (a) The relevant rateable land is identified in Schedule A and B (**Properties**).
- (b) The levying of the special charge will commence after participants have had the benefit of 2 years of capitalised interest commencing from the date a Landholder Agreement is signed with each landholder.

Round 1 – 01/07/2019-30/06/2041

- (c) The estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20 (after being given a 2 year construction window) are as follows:
- (i) Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to Year 5: \$196,069.13; and
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Full details for individual properties for Round 1 are shown at Schedule A.

Round 2 – 01/07/2020-30/06/2042

- (d) The estimated special charge expected in years 3 to 5 and years 6 to 20 (after being given a 2 year construction window) are as follows:
- (i) Special Charge Calculation Year 3 to Year 5: \$294,851.04; and
- (ii) Special Charge Calculation Year 6 to Year 20: \$5,684,707.34.

- (e) Full details for individual properties for Round 2 are shown at Schedule B & C

4.5 Estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan

Council has approved borrowings approved up to \$8,540,987 (including capitalised interest). The total estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan therefore being no more than \$8M (excl capitalised interest).

The known cost of Round 1 is \$3.174M (excl capitalised interest)

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This figure includes all of the costs associated with administration by Council of the project, borrowing funds from Treasury, the purchase of materials and construction of the Project Infrastructure for the Properties to which the special charge applies.

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4.6 Estimated time for carrying out the overall plan

The estimated time for carrying out the Overall Plan is 20 years, concluding 30 June 2041 for Round 1 and 20 years, concluding 30 June 2042 for Round 2; and

The Annual Implementation Plan for the 2020-21 financial year will be Council:

Round 1 – inspecting all constructions to ensure compliance with approved works and issuing certificates of practical completion where applicable; and

Round 2 – borrowing the necessary funds for to implement Round 2 of the project, arranging execution of the landholder and adjoining landholder agreements, purchasing fencing materials and engaging fencing contractors to install exclusion fencing on each property that is participating in the scheme.

4.7 Special benefit

- (a) The properties will specially benefit from the planned infrastructure. Specifically, the properties will be protected from the migration of wild dogs from other areas as well as allow landowners to cull wild dogs (and potentially other pest animals) within the areas enclosed by planned infrastructure.
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5. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Revenue Statement 2020-21

Budget 2020-21

Overall Plan for Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme

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SCHEDULE A ROUND 1 - 1/07/2019 – 30/06/2041

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02471-00000-000	11.2	\$76,391.51
02410-00000-000	17	\$121,882.44
02429-00000-000	13.86	\$126,313.23
02484-50000-000	10.98	\$99,665.19
02486-00000-000	31.89	\$294,780.55
02267-00000-000	32.2	\$274,622.68
01825-00000-000	14.623	\$125,893.87
01849-00000-000	8	\$57,064.65
01900-00000-000	7	\$71,438.76
01854-00000-000	15.4	\$95,294.36

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SCHEDULE B ROUND 2 - 1/07/2020 – 30/06/2042

Round 2 Approved Project Detail Estimate Cost

Assessment Number	Km	Estimated cost
02616-00000-000	18.08	\$198,880
02105-00000-000	26	\$286,000
01896-00000-000	2.8	\$30,000
02307-40000-000	18.4	\$202,400
02258-00000-000	29.53	\$487,245
02520-00000-000	11.78	\$129,580
01737-50000-000	11.37	\$187,605
02288-00000-000	5.97	\$98,505
01734-00000-000	10.31	\$170,115
01734-00000-000	13.87	\$228,855
02254-00000-000	33.54	\$368,940
02156-00000-000	33.4	\$551,100
02097-00000-000	30.46	\$502,590
02274-00000-000	16.47	\$271,755
02240-00000-000	17.75	\$292,875

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Schedule C

Round 2 - Applications

The following assessments are subject final costs and funding:

Assessment Number	Km	Estimated cost
02552-00000-000	23.65	\$390,225
02214-00000-000	6.3	\$103,950
02217-00000-000	9.52	\$157,080
02648-20000-000	4.8	\$52,800

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Overall Plan - Environmental Special Charge 2020-21

DATE: 17.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS16

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Overall Plan – Environmental Special Charge

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council must adopt the overall plan before, or at the same time the local government resolves to levy the special rates or charges.

Background

The Overall Plan is a document that describes the service, facility or activity; and identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; states the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; states the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan. Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments within a 20km radius of St George and a 10km radius of Thallon, Dirranbandi, Bollon, Hebel and Nindigully as indicated in maps contained in the Revenue Statement Appendix F within the Balonne Shire Boundary. The purpose of the Special Rates for Environmental Levy will be applied toward the continued operation its landfills in St George, Thallon, Dirranbandi, Bollon, Hebel and Nindigully. The estimated cost for 2020-21 is approximately \$425,000.00 and the estimated time for implementing the overall plan is 1 (one) year commencing 1 July 2020 and ending 30 June 2021.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group

Legal Implications

Section 94 of the Local Government Regulations 2012

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Overall Plan – Environmental Special Charge
Revenue Statement 2020/21

Financial and Resource Implications

The total cost of environmental services is estimated at \$425,000 per annum.

Options or Alternatives

Not applicable

Attachments

1. 6_Environmental Special Charges 2020-21.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to adopt the Overall Plan for the Environmental Special Charge 2020-21 in accordance with Section 94 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services



Environmental Special Charges 2020/21

1.0 Legislative Authority

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

2.0 Background

The *Local Government Regulation 2012* imposes a requirement on Council to publish an Overall Plan which clearly establishes the principles used by Council levying Special rates or charges.

Council, by resolution to levy special rates or charges must identify:-

- The rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; and
- The overall plan for the service, facility or activity to which the special rates or charges apply.

The Overall Plan is a document that:-

- Describes the service, facility or activity; and
- Identifies the rateable land to which the special rates or charges apply; and
- States the estimated cost of carrying out the overall plan; and
- States the estimated time for carrying out the overall plan.

3.0 Policy Principles

3.1 The levying of special charges

Environmental Special Charge

Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments as per the attached maps in Appendix F of the Revenue Statement 2020/21, within the Balonne Shire Council boundary. Council, at its budget meeting will set an annual charge. Funds raised from the charge, will be applied towards the continued operation of its landfills in St George, Thallon, Dirranbandi, Bollon, Hebel and Nindigully. Interest will be charged on overdue balances and retained by the Balonne Shire Council to offset the cost of debt recovery. The estimated cost for 2020/21 is approximately \$425,000.00.

3.0 Related Documents

Revenue Statement 2020/21
Budget 2020/21

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Environmental Special Charge

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS17

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Environmental Special Charges

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council will levy a special charge on all rateable assessments as per the maps in Appendix F of the Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

Background

Council has identified an Environmental Special Charge, on rateable land that will have access to Council's landfill facilities. They are identified in the maps in Appendix F of the Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

Council has reviewed the Environmental Special Charge and has determined the Special Charge for 2020/2021 remain at \$50.00 per assessment

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Levy a utility charge on properties in the benefited area to be applied toward the continued operation of landfills in the Shire.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to:

1. levy a special charge on all rateable assessments as per the maps in Appendix F of the Revenue Statement 2019/20, in accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and the provisions of Council's Revenue Policy 2020/2021, Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and Environmental Special Charge Plan 2020/2021, and
2. the Environmental Utility Charge for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$50.00 per all rateable assessment as per maps in Appendix F of the Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Differential Rating Categories 2020/2021

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS18

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Differential Rating Categories 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, before Council levies differential general rates, it must decide the different categories of rateable land in the local government area.

Background

The Balonne Shire Council has considered, when setting the differential rates for rateable land in the Shire, the principles of Council's Revenue Policy and recommendations of the Queensland Audit Office for councils to:

- consult with the community on its rating strategy;
- ensure that annual revenue statements on rates and charges support financial sustainability; and
- adopt a long-term rates strategy.

Council will continue with its seven year rating strategy that reduced 16 categories into four rural rating categories.

The proposed differential rating structure has been developed to ensure equity and fairness and aims to provide a similar rate revenue base for council to maintain existing facilities and necessary services and allow land valuations to take into account the inherent differences in the income-earning potential of land.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The differential rating categories are consistent with the Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. 7_2020_21 Differential General Rating Model_25062020.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that:

1. That in accordance with section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised, the description of those categories and, 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:

Residential

Differential Category	Description	Identification
1 - Residential <1 Ha	Land used for residential purposes having an area of less than one hectare	All land, which is not otherwise categorised, is less than 1 Ha in size and to which the following primary land use codes apply: 01 & 02 – Vacant, Single Unit Dwelling 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 06 & 08 – Outbuildings & Buildings Units 72 – Section 25 Valn 98 - General Vacant
2 - Large Residential >=1Ha and <20Ha	Land used for residential purposes having an area of one hectare or more, but less than 20 hectares.	All land, which is not otherwise categorised, is between 1 Ha or greater and less than 20 Ha in size and to which the following primary land use codes apply: 01 & 02 – Vacant, Single Unit Dwelling 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 06 – Outbuildings 61 – 67– Sheep and Cattle Grazing 72 – Section 25 Valn 73 – 84 – Agricultural 85 – 89 and 93 – 95 – Other Rural Uses 98 – General Vacant
3 - Multi Residential	Land used for multi residential purposes such as flats, guest houses and residential institutions.	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, which the following primary land use codes apply: 03 – Multi unit dwelling (flats) 07 – Guest House 21 – Residential Institutions (Non-Medical Care) 98 – General Vacant

Commercial and Industrial

Differential Category	Description	Identification
11 –Retail Business and Commercial	Land used for retail business, commercial purposes and other similar purposes	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 10-20 & 22-27 – Retail Businesses /Commercial 41, 44 - 46 – Special Uses
12 - Other Commercial	Land used for other commercial purposes, excluding category 11 land, such as, for example sports clubs and similar facilities	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 48 – Sports Clubs / Facilities 50 – 59 – Special Uses 96 – 97 – General

13 Transformers	- Land use for the housing of transformers	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 91 – Transformers
14 - Industrial	Land used for industrial purposes	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 28 – 34 – Transport & Storage 35 – 37 – Industrial
15 – Hotels and other Accommodation	Land used for hotels, motels, caravan parks, licensed clubs and other similar commercial and accommodation uses	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary land use codes apply: 42 & 43 – Hotel / tavern, Motel 47 & 49 – Licenced Club, Caravan Park

Intensive Industry

Differential Category	Description	Identification
21 - Commercial Bulk Grain Depots	Land used as a commercial bulk grain depot, excluding where such storage occurs as part of farm bulk storage.	All land approved for use as a commercial bulk grain depot or land that forms part of a commercial bulk grain depot which is a lawful nonconforming use. This category excludes land used for on farm bulk grain storage. This category includes but is not limited to assessments 1726/5, 1762, 1763, 2075, 2078, 2382, 1567/3, 2381/5, 2382/1, 2384/1.
22 – Cotton Gins	Land used as a Cotton Gin	All land approved for use as for Cotton Ginning and associated purposes. This category includes but is not limited to assessments 2304-8, 1840 and 1706-2.
25 - Extractive Industry < 5,000 tonnes	Land used for the purpose of conducting an industry involving the dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for less than 5,000 tonnes production	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for the purpose of conducting an industry which may involve dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for less than 5,000 tonnes production
26 - Extractive Industry >5,000 & <100,000 Tonnes	Land used for the purpose of conducting an industry involving dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for the purpose of conducting an industry which may involve dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth (other than mining) classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 5,000 to 100,000 tonnes production.

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27 - Extractive Industry > 100,000 tonnes	Land used for the purpose of conducting an industry involving dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 100,000 tonnes production	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for the purpose of conducting an industry which may involve dredging, excavating, quarrying, sluicing or other mode of winning materials from the earth classified under Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 for greater than 100,000 tonnes production
31 Petroleum Leases < 1,000 Ha	Land the subject of a Petroleum Lease having an area of less than 1000 hectares	All Petroleum Leases issued within the Council area of less than 1,000 hectares.
32 -Petroleum Leases >=1,000Ha < 10,000 Ha	Land the subject of a Petroleum Lease having area of 1000 hectares or more, but less than 10,000 hectares	All Petroleum Leases issued within the Council area of equal to and greater than 1,000 hectares but less than 10,000 hectares.
33 - Petroleum Leases => 10,000 Ha	Land the subject of a Petroleum Lease having area of 10,000 hectares or more	All Petroleum Leases issued within the Council area of 10,000 hectares or more.
34 - Petroleum Other < 400Ha	Land used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of less than 400 hectares.	All land, within the Council, used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of less than 400 hectares.
35 - Petroleum Other	Land used or intended to be used	All land, within the Council, used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for

= > 400Ha	primarily for gas and/or oil extraction and/or processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of 400 hectares or more.	purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines), excluding petroleum leases, with an area of 400 hectares or more.
41 - Mining Leases < 50 FTE	Land the subject of a Mining Lease at which there are least than 50 full-time equivalent employees and/or contractors	All Mining Leases issued within the Council area that have less than 50 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees and/or contractors.
42 - Mining Leases => 50 FTE	Land the subject of a Mining Lease at which there are 50 or more full-time equivalent employees and/or contractors	All Mining Leases issued within the Council area that have 50 or more Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employees and/or contractors.
45 - Intensive Accommodation 100+persons	Land used for providing intensive accommodation for more than 100 people (other than the ordinary travelling public or itinerant farm workers based on farms) in rooms, suites, or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose.	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, used for providing intensive accommodation for more than 100 people (other than the ordinary travelling public or itinerant farm workers based on farm) in rooms, suites, or caravan sites specifically built or provided for this purpose. Land within this category is commonly known as "workers accommodation", "single persons quarters", "work camps", "accommodation village" or "barracks"
46 - Noxious Industry - Abattoirs	Land used in whole or in part for an abattoir or other similar noxious industry	Land used whole or part, within the Council area, for Noxious Industry, primarily used as an Abattoir.

Rural

Differential Category	Description	Identification
100 – Grain & Grazing	Rural land having an area of 1000 Hectares or more used for growing of grain, sheep grazing, cattle	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised, is 1000Ha or greater and has the following primary land use codes apply: 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 60 – 63 – Sheep Grazing

	grazing or other similar activities	64 –70– Cattle Grazing 73 – Grain 85 – 89 and 93 – 95 – Other Rural Uses 98– General Vacant
200 – Combined land use including cotton	Rural land used for mixed use cropping including Cotton	All Land that has or should have a land use code with a primary and secondary combination including: 77 – Cotton
300 – Sole land use Cotton	Rural land used for the growing of cotton, regardless of size	All Land that has or should have a primary land use code and no secondary combination of: 77 – Cotton
500 – Rural and small crops	Rural land regardless of size having an area > 20 Hectares but less than 1000 Hectares used for sheep grazing, cattle grazing or similar activities and rural land used as vineyards or for small cropping	All Land, regardless of size, which is not otherwise categorised is 20Ha or greater and less than 1000Ha in size and has the following primary land use codes apply: 01 & 72 – Vacant Urban Land, Section 25 Valn 04 & 05 – Large Home Site Dwelling/Vacant 06 – Outbuildings 61 –70– Sheep and Cattle Grazing 73 – 84 – Agricultural 85 – 89 and 93 – 95 – Other Rural Uses 98 – General Vacant And All Land, regardless of size and has the following primary land use codes apply: 82 – Vineyards 83 – Small Crops & Fodder Irrigation 84 – Small Crops & Fodder Non – Irrigation
76 – Reservoirs	Land use for storage of water in reservoirs or dams, or the extraction of water via bores, or for other similar storage and/or extraction purposes	All Land, which is not otherwise categorised and has the following primary or secondary land use code: 95 – Reservoir, dam, bores
79 - Intensive Animal Industry Feedlot 1,001 – 5,000 SCU	Land used in whole or part for feed lotting of animals with an approved capacity of between 1,001 and 5,000 equivalent to standard cattle units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry – Feedlot requiring approval by Council, or requiring licensing as an Environmental Relevant Activity with an approved capacity of 1,001 – 5,000 equivalent Standard Cattle Units (SCU) Land having the land use code of 64, 65 or 66, or has an alternative land use with an intensive animal industry approval. Sheep 10:1 SCU; Goats 10:1 SCU

80 Intensive Animal Industry Feedlot 5,001 - 10,000 SCU	- Land used in whole or part for feed lotting of animals with an approved capacity of between 5,001 and 10,000 equivalent to standard cattle units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry – Feedlot requiring approval by Council, or requiring licensing as an Environmental Relevant Activity with an approved capacity of 5,001 - 10,000 equivalent Standard Cattle Units (SCU) Land having the land use code of 64, 65 or 66, or has an alternative land use with an intensive animal industry approval. Sheep 10:1 SCU; Goats 10:1 SCU
81 Intensive Animal Industry Feedlot 10,000 SCU	- Land used in whole or part for feed lotting of animals with an approved capacity of between more than 10,000 equivalent standard cattle units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry – Feedlot requiring approval by Council, or requiring licensing as an Environmental Relevant Activity with an approved capacity of > 10,000 equivalent Standard Cattle Units (SCU) Land having the land use code of 64, 65 or 66, or has an alternative land use with an intensive animal industry approval. Sheep 10:1 SCU; Goats 10:1 SCU
85 Intensive Animal Industry Piggery 400 SPU	- Land used in whole or part for a piggery with an approved capacity of greater than 400 standard pig units	Land used whole or part for Intensive Animal Industry - Piggery with an approved capacity of greater than 400 Standard Pig Units (SPU)
90 - Solar Farm <50 MW	Land used in whole or in part for as a Solar Farm with an output capacity of less than 50 megawatts.	Land used for solar power generation and transfer to the grid of <50 MW
91 - Solar Farm >= 50 MW	Land used in whole or in part for as a Solar Farm with an output capacity of 50 megawatts or more	Land used for solar power generation and transfer to the grid of >= 50 MW

2. That Council delegates, under Section 257(b) of the *Local Government Act, 2009*, 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.

Michelle Clarke
Director Finance & Corporate Services



Differential General Rating Model - 2020/21

Description	2020/21 Proposed Min General NC	2020/21 Proposed Rate (c/\$) NC	Limitation
Category 1 - Residential <1 Ha	684.58	1.300682	
Category 2 - Large Residential >=1Ha and <20Ha	707.36	1.087465	
Category 3 - Multi Residential	779.46	1.475773	
Category 11 - Commercial	807.58	1.260663	
Category 12 - Commercial - Other	668.42	1.087369	
Category 13 - Transformers	807.58	2.151123	
Category 14 - Industrial	888.24	1.373716	
Category 15 - Commercial - Hotel, Accommodation etc.	807.58	1.282670	
Category 21 - Commercial Bulk Grain Depots	8160.00	6.003128	
Category 22 - Cotton Gins	30600.00	13.767062	
Category 25 - Extractive Industry <5,000 tonnes	1415.60	1.450752	
Category 26 - Extractive Industry >5,000 & <100,000 tonnes	2830.18	1.881586	
Category 27 - Extractive Industry > 100,000 tonnes	5660.12	1.881586	
Category 31 - Petroleum Leases <1,000 Ha	8160.00	72.537792	
Category 32 - Petroleum Leases >1,000 Ha <10,000	16320.00	5.041623	
Category 33 - Petroleum Leases >10,000 Ha	32640.00	1.895229	
Category 34 - Petroleum Other <400Ha	8160.00	390.203693	
Category 35 - Petroleum Other >400Ha	16320.00	390.203693	
Category 41 - Mining Leases <50 FTE	1415.60	12.006657	
Category 42 - Mining Leases >50 FTE	11320.38	12.006657	
Category 45 - Intensive Accommodation 100 +person	11320.38	5.041748	
Category 46 - Noxious Industry	24904.70	13.766777	
Category 76 - Reservoirs	696.52	2.022631	
Category 79 - Intensive Animal Industry - Feedlot 1,001-5,000 SCU	6903.78	1.255232	30%
Category 80 - Intensive Animal Industry - Feedlot 5,001-10,000 SCU	11463.22	3.647126	
Category 81 - Intensive Animal Industry - Feedlot>10,000 SCU	15843.10	6.003128	
Category 85 - Intensive Animal Industry - Piggery >400 SPU	7083.36	1.287872	
Category 90 - Solar Farm <50 MW	30600.00	1.326000	
Category 91 - Solar Farm >= 50 MW	71400.00	1.275000	
Category 100 - Grain and Grazing > 1000 Ha	1329.98	1.183860	20%
Category 200 - Combined land use including cotton	2660.24	1.774000	20%
Category 300 - Sole land use cotton	2726.00	2.128580	20%
Category 500 Rural > 20Ha and small crops	681.76	1.267660	

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Differential General Rates 2020/2021

DATE: 22.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS19

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Differential General Rates 2020/2021

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 77 and 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may fix a minimum amount of general rates and may levy general rates that differ for different categories of rateable land in the local government area. In accordance with Section 116 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may resolve to limit the increase in the rates and charges

Background

Council will not increase its minimum general rates and rates in the dollar for a majority of rating categories for the 2020/21 financial year. Council will maintain its seven year strategy for the rural rating categories with a view to reaching a single rate in the dollar over a seven year period.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors
Kerry Phillips (Casual Accountant)

Legal Implications

Section 77 and 81 of the *Local Government Regulation*, and Section 116 relating to limitations.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Council has considered all available information and then applied the following principles and factors to setting its rating strategy:

- council's revenue policy;
- the recommendations of the Queensland Audit Office in their report to Parliament - Managing local government rates and charges - Report 17: 2017–18;
- the current and future interests of the community;
- the impact on council's budget and long term financial plan;
- provision of a similar rate revenue base for council to maintain existing facilities and necessary services; the State Land use codes as the basis for all differential rating categories and land valuations.

To set a differential rate council must also take into account:

- whether a property or group of properties are different from other land;
- the impact on Council services where it differs from other properties; and/or
- a property has an innate use of the land (usually determined through a development approval).

Financial and Resource Implications

Council's rate revenue will not increase for the 2020/21 financial year as a result of this recommendation. The 7 year rating strategy will continue into the 2020/21 financial year with no CCI or CPI increase. Individual properties will see changes in the rate in the dollar in these categories and may also still be impacted by valuation changes in 2017/18. Therefore, limitations will still apply up to 20% on categories 100, 200 and 300. Category 79 will remain on 30% limitation.

TABLE 1 – ANNUAL Rates in the Dollar proposed*

Category	Short description	RID 19/20 c/\$	RID 20/21 c/\$	RID 21/22 c/\$	RID 22/23 c/\$	RID 23/24 c/\$	RID 24/25 c/\$	RID 25/26 c/\$
100	GRAIN AND GRAZING	1.183860	1.201608	1.219632	1.240976	1.265795	1.291111	1.316864
200	MIXED USE with COTTON	1.774000	1.697811	1.621621	1.545432	1.469242	1.393053	1.316864
300	SOLE COTTON	2.128580	1.993296	1.858009	1.722723	1.587436	1.452150	1.316864
500	SMALL RURAL AND CROPPING	1.267660	1.293013	1.316864	1.316864	1.316864	1.316864	1.316864

IMPORTANT NOTE: that table 1 rates in the dollar and percentage increases/decreases are estimates only and are subject to CCI* or CPI* increases and valuation variations from year to year and will be dependent upon a council resolution to set the rates on an annual basis as required by the Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulations 2012.

CCI = council cost index CPI = consumer price index

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Sections 77, 80 and 116 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* that Council make and levy the following differential general rates and minimum general rates and limitations for the year ending 30 June 2021.

Description	2020/21 Proposed Min General NC	2020/21 Proposed Rate (c/\$) NC	Limitation
Category 1 - Residential <1 Ha	684.58	1.300682	
Category 2 - Large Residential >=1Ha and <20Ha	707.36	1.087465	
Category 3 - Multi Residential	779.46	1.475773	
Category 11 - Commercial	807.58	1.260663	
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Category 13 - Transformers	807.58	2.151123	
Category 14 - Industrial	888.24	1.373716	
Category 15 - Commercial - Hotel, Accommodation etc.	807.58	1.282670	
Category 21 - Commercial Bulk Grain Depots	8160.00	6.003128	
Category 22 - Cotton Gins	30600.00	13.767062	
Category 25 - Extractive Industry <5,000 tonnes	1415.60	1.450752	
Category 26 - Extractive Industry >5,000 & <100,000 tonnes	2830.18	1.881586	
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Category 31 - Petroleum Leases <1,000 Ha	8160.00	72.537792	
Category 32 - Petroleum Leases >1,000 Ha <10,000	16320.00	5.041623	
Category 33 - Petroleum Leases >10,000 Ha	32640.00	1.895229	
Category 34 - Petroleum Other <400Ha	8160.00	390.203693	
Category 35 - Petroleum Other >400Ha	16320.00	390.203693	
Category 41 - Mining Leases <50 FTE	1415.60	12.006657	
Category 42 - Mining Leases >50 FTE	11320.38	12.006657	
Category 45 - Intensive Accommodation 100 +person	11320.38	5.041748	
Category 46 - Noxious Industry	24904.70	13.766777	
Category 76 - Reservoirs	696.52	2.022631	
Category 79 - Intensive Animal Industry - Feedlot 1,001-5,000 SCU	6903.78	1.255232	30%
Category 80 - Intensive Animal Industry - Feedlot 5,001-10,000 SCU	11463.22	3.647126	
Category 81 - Intensive Animal Industry - Feedlot>10,000 SCU	15843.10	6.003128	
Category 85 - Intensive Animal Industry - Piggery >400 SPU	7083.36	1.287872	
Category 90 - Solar Farm <50 MW	30600.00	1.326000	
Category 91 - Solar Farm >= 50 MW	71400.00	1.275000	
Category 100 - Grain and Grazing > 1000 Ha	1350.00	1.201608	20%
Category 200 - Combined land use including cotton	2546.00	1.697811	20%
Category 300 - Sole land use cotton	2552.00	1.993296	20%
Category 500 Rural > 20Ha and small crops	695.00	1.293013	

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Water Utility Charges

DATE: 22.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS20

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Water Utility Charges

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may levy utility charges on any basis the local government considers appropriate.

Background

Council currently levies water utility charges using two methods – base water allocation for St George, Dirranbandi, Bollon, Thallon and Hebel and three-part tariff for Mungindi.

Base Water Allocation is charged on each premises in a defined water supply area which has a metered water supply and is assessed on the basis of its land use code and is granted a base water allocation expressed in kilolitres per year per charging units as per the tables within the 2020/2021 Revenue Statement.

Mungindi Water Charge for the township of Mungindi within the Balonne Shire Council boundary, shall be an annual infrastructure charge which applies to each rateable property in the defined water supply area. (Mungindi is based on Moree Plains Council charges)

Mungindi Water Consumption shall be calculated per kilolitre on a biannual basis.

Excess water will be calculated per kilolitre for excess usage above the base water allocation for all areas excluding the towns of Bollon, Hebel and Thallon.

Unconnected Water Charge will be charged for each separate parcel of land where such property is not connected to the water supply but is located within the water supply area and is able to be connected water supply.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Water utility charges will not increase and will remain the same as the previous financial year 2019/20.

The total revenue forecast for 2020/21 for water is \$1,886m (not including discount) consistent with 2019/20.

Council's water utility charges are:

2020/21 - No increase	Water	Unconnected Water
St George	\$10.60	\$10.60
Thallon	\$9.70	\$9.70
Nindigully	\$ -	
Dirranbandi	\$10.60	\$10.60
Hebel	\$9.70	\$9.70
Bollon	\$9.70	\$9.70
Rural	\$9.70	\$9.70

Mungindi Water Charges:	
Water Charge	2020-21
	BSC
Water Access Charge	\$ 320.00
Unconnected Water Access Charge	\$ 120.00
Water Consumption per kilolitre – 0 to 750kl	\$ 1.74
Water Consumption per kilolitre – above 751 kl	\$ 2.25
Water Consumption per kilolitre - above 8,000kl	\$ 1.58

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. Service Utility Charges 2020-21 [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012:

1. The Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$9.70 per charging unit and further that water usage in excess of the applicable water allocation be charged at \$0.4481 per kilolitre for the Rural Residential Bore Water Supply.
2. The Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$9.70 per charging unit and further that water usage in excess of the applicable water allocation be charged at \$0.1202 per kilolitre for the untreated river/creek water supplies to various premises in the towns of Dirranbandi, Thallon and Bollon and designated Rural Residential water supply schemes.
3. The Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$10.60 per charging unit and further that water usage in excess of the applicable water allocation be charged at \$0.4809 per kilolitre for the St George Bore Water Supply.
4. The Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$10.60 per charging unit and further that water usage in excess of the applicable water allocation be charged at \$1.2023 per kilolitre for treated water supplies in Dirranbandi.
5. The Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$9.70 per charging unit bore water supplies in Thallon, Hebel and Bollon.
6. The Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at \$320.00 access charge per rateable property plus water consumption charges of: up to 750kl \$1.74 per kl, 751-8000kl \$2.25 and above 8000kl \$1.58 for water supplies in Mungindi.
7. An Unconnected Water Access Charge for Mungindi be set at \$120.00.

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BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL - SERVICE UTILITY CHARGES 2020/21

2020/21 - No increase	Water	Urban Waste Water	Base Service Cleansing	General Waste Service	Recycling Waste Service	Extra Cleansing	Unconnected Water	Unconnected Sewer	Urban Waste Water Non Res 1+ (New Charge)	Thallon Rural Fire
St George	\$10.60	\$572.10	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72	\$10.60	\$192.90	\$250.00	
Thallon	\$9.70		\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72	\$9.70			\$1.60
Nindigully			\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72				
Dirranbandi	\$10.60	\$572.10	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34		\$10.60	\$192.90	\$250.00	
Hebel	\$9.70		\$109.26				\$9.70			
Bollon	\$9.70	\$572.10	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34		\$9.70	\$192.90	\$250.00	
Rural	\$9.70		\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72	\$9.70			

Excess Water	2020/21 No increase
Rural Residential Bore	0.4481
Untreated Water (Dirranbandi, Thallon, Bollon & Rural)	0.1202
St George Bore	0.4809
Treated Dirranbandi	1.2023

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL - SERVICE UTILITY CHARGES 2020/21

Mungindi Water Charges:	2020-21 BSC
Water Access Charge	\$320.00
Unconnected Water Access Charge	\$ 120.00
Water Consumption per kilolitre – 0 to 750kl	\$1.74
Water Consumption per kilolitre – above 751 kl	\$2.25
Water Consumption per kilolitre - above 8,000kl	\$1.58
Mungindi Waste Charges:	
<i>Domestic Waste</i>	
Domestic Waste Collection	\$484.00
<i>Domestic Waste – Additional Services</i>	
Upgrade – Domestic Large Bin (240L)	\$ 79.20
Upgrade – Recycle Bin (360L)	\$ 27.50
Additional Service – Green Bin (240L)	\$27.50
Additional Service – Recycle (240L)	\$110.00
Additional Service – Recycle (360L)	\$154.00
<i>Non-Domestic Waste</i>	
Commercial Waste Collection	\$473.00
Additional service – Waste (240)	\$165.00
<i>Other Waste Charges</i>	
Waste Management Levy	\$165.00
Vacant Waste Management Levy	\$95.00

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: **Cleansing Utility Charges**

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS21

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Cleansing Utility Charges

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation*, a local government may levy utility charges on any basis the local government considers appropriate.

Background

This charge is to fund the collection, operation and maintenance of Council's waste disposal service. This charge is levied for the purposes of providing the collection and disposal from all land in actual occupation or with a structure upon it, within the serviced area. All towns, with the exception of Hebel, are provided with a door to door cleansing service of one (1) or more general waste bins each week and one (1) or more recycle bins each fortnight. The Cleansing Service methodology is detailed in the Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

To assist with landfill maintenance at Hebel, residents are levied a cleansing charge.

	Base Service Cleansing	General Waste Service	Recycling Waste Service	Extra Cleansing
2020/21 - No increase				
St George	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72
Thallon	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72
Nindigully	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72
Dirranbandi	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	
Hebel	\$109.26			
Bollon	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	
Rural	\$450.72	\$350.90	\$100.34	\$450.72

Mungindi residents are provided a door to door cleansing service consistent with Moree Plains Shire Council. The service provided in Mungindi is based upon the collection of domestic waste, recycling and green waste collection.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Utility charges have remained the same with no increase from the 2019/20 year.

Mungindi utility charges have remained the same with no increase from the 2019/20 year.

The Environmental utility charge is set by separate resolution and applicable to properties identified in the maps at Appendix E and F of the Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Cleansing Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at

Base Cleansing Charge – (<i>weekly general & fortnightly recycle</i>) – St George, Dirranbandi, Thallon, Nindigully, Bollon, Rural Residential	\$450.72
General Cleansing Charge – (<i>weekly general waste</i>) – St George, Dirranbandi, Thallon, Nindigully, Bollon, Rural Residential	\$350.90
Recycle Cleansing Charge – (<i>fortnightly recycle</i>) – St George, Dirranbandi, Thallon, Nindigully, Bollon, Rural Residential	\$100.34
Extra Cleansing Charge - St George, Thallon, Nindigully, Rural	\$450.72
Cleansing Charge - Hebel	\$109.26
Domestic Waste Charge – (<i>general, recycle & green</i>) - Mungindi	484.00
Upgrade – Domestic Waste (240l) - Mungindi	79.20

Upgrade – Recycle (360l) - Mungindi	27.50
Additional Service – Green Bin (240l) - Mungindi	27.50
Additional Service – Recycle (240l) - Mungindi	110.00
Additional Service – Recycle (360l) - Mungindi	154.00
Commercial Waste Collection - Mungindi	473.00
Additional Commercial General Waste (240l) - Mungindi	165.00
Mungindi Waste Management Utility Charge	165.00
Mungindi Vacant Waste Management Levy	95.00

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Waste Water Utility Charge

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS22

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Waste Water Utility Charge

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 99 of the Local Government Regulation, a local government may levy utility charges on any basis the local government considers appropriate.

Background

Council currently levies wastewater utility charges to St George, Dirranbandi and Bollon which are provided a Wastewater System. A wastewater charge will be levied on each rateable property, both vacant and occupied that Council has or is able to provide with wastewater services.

Wastewater charges are charged in accordance with Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 99 of the Local Government Regulation.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Waste water utility charges will not increase and will remain the same as the previous financial year 2019/20.

Council has reviewed its pedestal charges for categories 15, 11 and 12 and will change its three tiered charges for pedestals to a flat rate of \$250.00 per pedestal.

	Urban Waste Water	Unconnected Sewer	Urban Waste Water Non Res 1+ (New Charge)
2020/21 - No increase			
St George	\$572.10	\$192.90	\$250.00
Thallon			
Nindigully			
Dirranbandi	\$572.10	\$192.90	\$250.00
Hebel			
Bollon	\$572.10	\$192.90	\$250.00
Rural			

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Waste

Water Utility Charges for the 2020/2021 financial year be set at:

Waste Water – Connected Charge	\$572.10
Waste Water – Unconnected Charge	\$192.90
Waste Water – Additional non residential	\$250.00

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OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Interest of Overdue Rates and Charges

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS23

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Interest of Overdue Rates and Charges

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, interest is payable on overdue rates and charges at the percentage, of not more than 8.53% a year, decided by the local government; and from the day the rates or charges become overdue or a later day decided by the local government

Background

From 1 July 2020, the new maximum interest rate of 8.53 per cent will apply for the 2020-21 financial year and a resolution setting the actual rate to be charged by a council will be required to be made at the budget meeting for the 2021-21 financial year.

Council has determined that an overdue rate as those rates remaining unpaid at the end of each discount period. Interest is payable on rates and charges at a rate of 8.53% compounding on daily rests that remain outstanding for:

- a) ninety (90) days after the date of issue effective from 1 July 2020 (August levy) and
- b) sixty (60) days after the day of issue effective from 1 January 2021 (February levy).

Council's Revenue Statement includes the ability to waive interest on those property owners who honour their payment plan.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* have been amended to change the way that the maximum interest rate on overdue rates and charges is calculated. The new method is based on the calculation used for the interest charged on unpaid State taxes under the *Taxation Administration Act 2001* (TAA) and the *Taxation Administration Regulation 2012* (TAR).

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs advises that from 1 July 2020, the new maximum interest rate of 8.53 per cent will apply for the 2020–21 financial year and a resolution setting the actual rate to be charged by a council will be required to be made at the budget meeting for the 2020–21 financial year.

Council may levy interest on all overdue rates and charges in accordance with Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and budget resolution.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and the Revenue Statement 2020/2021, a charge of 8.53 percent compounding interest calculated on daily is made on all rates and charges that remain outstanding for:

- a) ninety (90) days after the date of issue effective from 1 July 2020 (August Levy); and
- b) sixty (60) days after date of issue effective 1 January 2021 (February Levy).

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Discount for Prompt Payment

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS24

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Discount for Prompt payment

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may decide to allow a discount for payment of rates or charges before the end of the discount period.

Background

Council has determined that a discount period will apply for each rate period. Council has reviewed its discount period based on the economic and social impact of years of drought, a flood event and global pandemic and will extend the discount period for the August levy from the date of issue of the rate notice for a period of no less than 60 days. The discount period on the date of issue of the rate notice for the February Levy will extend for a period of no less than 30 days. Council may choose to revise the discount period for the February Levy in accordance with the recent amendments to the Local Government Act 2009 to safeguard revenue streams for Local Governments during the COVID-19 emergency.

Discount of 10% is allowed for prompt payments of: Differential General Rates; Water Utility Charges – including Consumption and Excess Water, Waste Water Charges, Cleansing Charges and Thallon Rural Fire Levy.

The discount does not apply to the Queensland Emergency Service Levy, Environmental Special Charge, Feral Animal Management Special Rate, Urban Animal Management Special Charge and the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Allow discount on all rates and charges in accordance with Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and budget resolution.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*:

- a) a discount of 10% be allowed for all current Council rates and charges (excluding Queensland Emergency Service Levy, Environmental Special Charge, Feral Animal Management Special Rate, Urban Animal Management Special Charge and the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate) if paid within 60 clear days of the August Rate Notice being issued, and that such discount be calculated as a percentage of the gross rates and charges levied and only be granted if all current and outstanding rates have been paid in full;
- b) a discount of 10% be allowed for all current Council rates and charges (excluding Queensland Emergency Service Levy, Environmental Special Charge, Feral Animal Management Special Rate, Urban Animal Management Special Charge and the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Special Rate) if paid within 30 clear days of the February Rate Notice being issued, and that such discount be calculated as a percentage of the gross rates and charges levied and only be granted if all current and outstanding rates have been paid in full;

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Pensioner Rate Concession

DATE: 19.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS25

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Pensioner Rate Concession

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may grant a concession of rates or charges to a ratepayer who is a member of a stated class of ratepayers.

Background

Council allows a concession for ratepayers that meet the eligibility criteria, ie. a person who is the holder of a pensioner concession card issued by the Federal Government Department that is responsible for administering the *Social Security Act 1991* or the *Veterans' Affairs Entitlements Act 1986* and in accordance with the Revenue Statement 2020/2021.

In the 2020/2021 financial year Council will allow a remission of up to \$170.00 per annum on the general rate for eligible ratepayers and properties. There are no proposed changes to this concession for 2020/2021. This concession is in addition to the 20% subsidy offered by the State Government (capped at \$200.00 per annum)

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021
Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The Revenue Statement 2020/2021 and budget resolutions allow a pensioner concession on rates and charges.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 122 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a Concession of Rates for properties owned or occupied by Pensioners, equal to 100% of the General Rate up to a maximum of \$170.00 per annum for qualifying premises. This concession is in addition to the 20% subsidy offered by the State Government (capped at \$200.00 per annum).

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Code of Competitive Conduct

DATE: 10.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS26

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Code of Competitive Conduct

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council must decide each financial year, by resolution, whether or not to apply the code of competitive conduct to a business activity prescribed under a regulation.

Background

A local government must apply the code of competitive conduct to the conduct of the following business activities of the local government: a building certifying activity; a roads activity, other than a roads activity for which business is conducted only through a sole supplier arrangement. Business activity fees are made where Council provides a service and the other party to the transaction can choose whether or not to avail itself of the service. Business activity fees are purely commercial in application. A local government may apply the code of competitive conduct to any other business activities such as water and waste water.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009* states a Council must apply the code of competitive conduct to the conduct of the following business activities—

- (a) a building certifying activity;
- (b) a roads activity, other than a roads activity for which business is conducted only through a sole supplier arrangement.

Council may also apply the code of competitive conduct to any other business activities.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

Nil.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that in accordance with Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the Code of Competitive Conduct shall not apply to the following identified business activities in the 2020/21 financial year, as the council is of the opinion that there is no net financial or operational benefit to its' ratepayers and customers in doing so:

- Building Certification;
- Water Program;
- Waste Water Program;
- Other Roads

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Budget 2020/2021 and Statement of Estimated Financial Position

DATE: 23.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS27

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Budget 2020/2021 and Statement of Estimated Financial Position

Executive Summary

Council must adopt its budget for the financial year after 31 May in the year before the financial year, but before 1 August in the financial year and receive the statement of estimated financial position for 2020/2021.

Background

In accordance with Sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt its budget for the financial year after 31 May in the year before the financial year, but before 1 August in the financial year. Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, states Council's budget for each financial year must be prepared on an accrual basis and include statements for the financial year for which it is prepared and the next 2 financial years. The statements that are to be included are: Financial Position, Cash Flow, Income and Expenditure and Changes in equity.

The budget must also include: a long term financial forecast, a revenue statement and a revenue policy. The income and expenditure statement must state: rates and utility charges, contributions, fees and charges, interest, grants and subsidies, depreciation, finance costs, net results, the estimated costs of significant business activities, activities of commercial business units and significant business activities.

The budget must also include the relevant measures of financial sustainability for the financial year and next 9 financial years, these include: asset sustainability ratio, net financial liabilities ratio and operating surplus ratio. The budget must include the total value of the change expressed as a percentage of rates and utility charges and must also be consistent with the corporate and operational plans.

The statement of estimated financial position stating the financial operations and financial position of Council for 2019/2020 financial year is also contained within the financial statements as required under Section 205 of the *Local Government Regulations 2012*.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Councillors, Senior Leadership Group.

Legal Implications

Sections 169, 170 and 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Recent amendments to the Local Government Act 2009 have been introduced to safeguard revenue streams for Local Governments during the COVID-19 emergency. Once assented to, these amendments provide the Government with a temporary regulation-making power which expires on 30 June 2021. This means that the Government, by Regulation, can enable all Queensland Local Governments to levy rates and charges outside of the annual budget meeting for the 2020-2021 financial year.

For example, if a local government adopts its budget in June 2020, it could make a further resolution at a later point to re-levy rates and charges for the remainder of 2020/2021 to better respond to the impact of COVID-19.

These amendments have been made in response to feedback from local governments that they may not fully realise the impact of COVID-19 for many months to come. These adjusted rates and charges can only apply after such a decision is made, so they cannot be backdated.

It is the intention of the Government to propose a Regulation later in 2020 and more information will be provided regarding the making of the Regulation when available.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/2021

Revenue Statement 2020/2021

Financial and Resource Implications

The proposed budget has deficit before capital revenue of (\$4,985,700) with an operating deficit after Capital of (\$146,400). The overall budget is Revenue of \$29,514,900 (excluding capital) and Expenditure of \$34,500,600. The Capital works program for 2020/21 is forecast at \$9,326,134.

Options or Alternatives

Nil.

Attachments

1. Introduction to Budget 2020-21 [↓](#)
2. 3 yr Budget Statements.pdf [↓](#)
3. Operational Projects Budget 2020-21 [↓](#)
4. Capital Works Budget 2020-21 [↓](#)
5. 13a_10 Year Forecast Ratios v2.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves that:

1. Pursuant to sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2020/2021 financial year, be adopted, incorporating:
 - a) The statements of financial position;
 - b) The statements of cash flow;
 - c) The statements of income and expenditure;
 - d) The statements of changes in equity;
 - e) The long-term financial forecast;
 - f) The revenue statement;
 - g) The revenue policy;
 - h) The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and
 - i) 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, and
2. Pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the statement of the Estimated financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the 2020/21 financial year (the Statement of Estimated Financial Position) be received and its contents noted.

Michelle Clarke

Director Finance & Corporate Services



Budget 2020/21

Council is pleased to present its Budget for the 2020-21 financial year. The budget will fund the strategies, projects and initiatives aligned with our Corporate Plan 2018-2023. Detailed outcomes, actions and key performance indicators can be found in the Operational Plan 2020-21. Council's elected members and senior executive team have worked together in a short space of time (since the March 2020 elections) to ensure the operating budget is 'business as usual' to service the community and ensure that all grant funded projects are delivered on time and within budget. Council recognises the need to focus on financial sustainability in the long term and the current economic conditions in the Shire following years of drought, a recent flood event and the global pandemic.

Council's Budget has been prepared in line with our vision and mission statements.

Our Vision

Connected, innovative communities, where economies are strong and opportunities are abundant.

Our Mission

To invest in people, ignite ideas, meet our challenges and grow prosperity.

Every year Council produces a Budget which is consistent with the following legislative requirements:

- ✓ Prepared on an accrual basis
- ✓ Include the following statements for 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23
 - Financial Position (Balance Sheet)
 - Cash Flow
 - Income and Expenditure
 - Changes in Equity
- ✓ Include a Long-Term Financial Forecast
- ✓ Accompanied by its Revenue Statement
- ✓ Include the following financial sustainability ratios:
 - Asset sustainability ratio
 - Net financial liabilities ratio
 - Operating surplus ratio
- ✓ Include total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for 2020/21 compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget
- ✓ Consistent with the corporate plan and annual operational plan

This budget will be revised early in the new financial year as Council awaits funding agreements that will see a further injection of funds from the Queensland Construction Authority for flood damage; \$1.18m from Queensland Works for Queensland funds and \$1.14m from the Federal Community Infrastructure & Roads fund, \$5m in Building Our Regions Fund for a new Library Innovation Hub and \$800,000 for a Country University Program.



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Our team has been working on improving our financial sustainability and received a credit rating of moderate with a neutral outlook from the Queensland Treasury Corporation in March 2019. Council has been working on asset management including the accounting treatment of its assets, project governance and assessment of the new accounting standards relevant to revenue recognition and leases. Progress is being made on our asset management plans and we will use this information to revise our long-term financial plan, treatment of assets and depreciation as we continue to look for savings through operating efficiencies. Council has been able to secure more than \$30m in grant funding in recent years and is working towards the ability to generate its own revenue through contracting for infrastructure works. \$100,000 has therefore been allocated towards achieving prequalification to meet Transport and Main Roads requirements.

Council implement a range of strategies over the coming years to improve the economic and social viability of the Shire. Programs are already underway to implement the strategic decision to borrow up to \$8m in funds for the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing Scheme. A Round 2 of the special rate scheme will commence on 1 July 2020 with approved applicants at an estimated cost of up to \$4.6m. The projects in Round 1 are valued at \$3.174m and are progressing with a number of properties now complete. The special rate terms and conditions are similar to the terms of the loan with the Queensland Treasury Corporation being 2 years interest and repayment free; years 3 to 5 interest only and years 6 to 15 interest and principal repayments. The Digital Connectivity Project that Council has partnered with the Federal Government funding and Field Solutions Group is gaining momentum and will result in an investment of more than \$2m to improve the digital connectivity across the Shire. Other projects that are continuing into 2020/21 include the \$1m redevelopment of our general aviation area at the St George aerodrome and a large asset management project with the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group (consisting of 6 member councils).

Forecast budgets for the next three years indicate continuing deficits before capital revenue. The budget for 2020/21 results in an operating deficit of just over \$146,000. Council's cash position is healthy with over \$40m reflective of the significant value of grant funding. Council may consider further borrowings in 2020/21 for plant to achieve capital work programs and a special rate beautification scheme for St George, Thallon and Bollon.

REVENUE STATEMENT 2020/21

The Revenue Statement is an explanatory statement that outlines and explains the revenue measures adopted in the Budget. The document includes the following matters:

- ✓ How rates and charges are determined
- ✓ Details on all rebates and concessions
- ✓ Details on any limitations in increases on rates and charges
- ✓ Criteria used to decide the amount of the cost-recovery fees
- ✓ Criteria for approval of early payment discount for late payments
- ✓ Details on collection of outstanding rates including the process for arrangements to pay
- ✓ Details of payment methods

The Revenue Statement will be of interest to ratepayers, community groups, government departments and other interested parties who want to understand the revenue policies and practices of the Council. We are also amending this policy to provide relief from the accrued interest on outstanding rates for those who enter and honour their payment plans. The discount period for prompt payment of rates will also increase to 60 days for the August levy.

Council will not raise the rates and utility charges by the Council Cost Index of 1.88% this financial year recognising the impact of drought, COVID-19 and recent flooding. Council will however continue the rural categories of 100, 200, 300 and 500 on the seven-year rating strategy



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that aims to achieve a single rural rate by 2025. Landholders in these rural categories will receive a letter to explain the impact on their rate notice. Many of these properties are still on limitations applied to reduce the impact of the 2017/18 valuation changes.

The seven-year rural rating strategy is:

TABLE 1 – ANNUAL Rates in the Dollar proposed*

Category	Short description	RID 19/20 c/\$	RID 20/21 c/\$	RID 21/22 c/\$	RID 22/23 c/\$	RID 23/24 c/\$	RID 24/25 c/\$	RID 25/26 c/\$
100	GRAIN AND GRAZING	1.183060	1.201608	1.219632	1.240976	1.265795	1.291111	1.316864
200	MIXED USE with COTTON	1.774000	1.697811	1.621621	1.545432	1.469242	1.393053	1.316864
300	SOLE COTTON	2.128580	1.993296	1.859009	1.722723	1.587436	1.452150	1.316864
500	SMALL RURAL AND CROPPING	1.267660	1.293013	1.316864	1.316864	1.316864	1.316864	1.316864

IMPORTANT NOTE: that table 1 rates in the dollar and percentage increases/decreases are estimates only and are subject to CCI or CPI* increases and valuation variations from year to year and will be dependent upon a council resolution to set the rates on an annual basis as required by the Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulations 2012.*

CCI = council cost index CPI = consumer price index

LONG-TERM FINANCIAL FORECAST

A Long-Term Financial Plan for the years 2020/21 to 2029/30 has been developed to assist Council in adopting its 2020/21 budget within a longer-term financial framework. The key objective of the Financial Plan is to deliver operational surpluses in the long-term by using strategies to generate or increase revenue, minimise the impact on ratepayers where possible and deliver the strategic outcomes as specified in the Corporate Plan.

It is important to note the increase in borrowings for the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing does not impact on the financial sustainability of Council as the loan will be repaid through the special rate, commensurate with the loan repayments.

Assumptions were made in preparing forecasts for the Financial Plan and are based on current knowledge available and are generally conservative in nature. These assumptions were:

- ✓ A recommended growth in rates and charges revenue with on average 4% increase from 2021/22 if council is to remain financially sustainable into the future
- ✓ General rate revenue will remain consistent with 2019/20 with no increase in the rate in the dollar and minimum general rate for all rating categories. Rating categories 100, 200, 300 and 500 will see variations as set out in the seven-year rating strategy.
- ✓ Council will not increase its utilities for the 2020/21 financial year (including Mungindi which will remain at the 2019/20 rate). Service and utility charges are set to fully fund operations and provide sufficient revenue to deliver projected capital works
- ✓ A review of the three-tier pedestal charges has been undertaken. Categories 15, 11 and 12 will see a noticeable change in their pedestal charges with a flat \$250.00 per pedestal.
- ✓ Continuation of the Thallon Rural Fire Levy



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- ✓ There will be no loan payments associated with Council's borrowings for the Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing rating scheme until 2022/23
- ✓ Special levies and charges have been retained at 2019/20 levels and have not moved for several years
- ✓ Federal Financial Assistance Grant will increase for 2020/21 by CPI, continuing into future years. Council is uncertain when the Financial Assistance Grants will be received, and this may impact on projected revenue from grants
- ✓ Federal Roads to Recovery has been brought forward and will increase in the short to medium term and is dependent on the Federal Government's commitment to continue this program in the long term
- ✓ Staffing levels are under regular review in response to external funding assistance and is currently under the approved establishment with a range of positions vacant due to a freeze on recruitment during the COVID-19 restrictions.
- ✓ Capital works have been reviewed against proposed forward plans and budgets and in line with recent grant funding approvals

The long-term forecast indicates Council's General Operations Budget continuing to operate with deficits up to 2027/28. The need to raise revenue from alternate sources and/or reduce expenditure continues to be a priority for Council.

BUDGET PREPARATION

The Budget, which is included in this report, is for the year 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021. The Budget includes an Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet), Statement of Cash Flows and Statement of Changes in Equity.

Other statements attached to this report which allow Council to make an informed decision about the adoption of the Budget include:

- ✓ Budget for capital and operational projects
- ✓ Schedule of remissions and rebates on rates
- ✓ Long-term financial forecast
- ✓ Revenue policy
- ✓ Revenue statement
- ✓ Debt policy
- ✓ Investment policy

BUDGET PROCESSES

The key steps comprising the budget process are summarised below:

- ✓ Council commenced its budget preparations early in 2020/21 prior to the local government elections held on 28 March 2020.
- ✓ Each Director was asked to consider the projected budget worksheets for their relevant areas, amending them for extra ordinary operational requirements, special operational projects or maintenance and proposed capital works with an increase no greater than the Council's cost index [CCI]
- ✓ A series of councillor workshops were held with the Mayor, Councillors and Senior Leadership Group following the election to consult and adjust as necessary to deliver a sustainable budget
- ✓ A draft budget and a number of rate model options were presented to Council over a series of workshops, providing opportunity for input, discussion and debate by Councillors



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- ✓ Community consultation was not undertaken due to the short timeframes, however council notes this will be compulsory in the lead up to the 2021/22 budget. Council has released a series of media releases in the lead up to the budget and will contact those ratepayers impacted by the continuation of the rural rating strategy that aims to achieve a single rural rate
- ✓ The Mayor is no longer required to present the Budget documents to Councillors 14 days prior to the formal Budget meeting due to recent changes to the *Local Government Act 2009*
- ✓ On 25 June 2020, the final Budget and Operational Plan will go to Council for adoption

EXTERNAL INFLUENCES

In preparing the 2020/21 Budget a number of external influences were taken into consideration because of their significant impact on Council's ability to fund the services delivered during the budget period.

- ✓ The seven year drought continues to impact the Shire despite an increase in rainfall and the February flood event
- ✓ The February flood event has impact significantly on our Shire roads and a claim is currently pending with the Queensland Reconstruction Authority
- ✓ The COVID-19 global pandemic has impacted on the ability to deliver council services, and council resources. The Local Disaster Management Group stand up for over 5 months, over 10 administrative staff worked from home during the pandemic and a range of travel restrictions and changes to our meetings to allow for social distancing were implemented. Microsoft Office teams became an important platform to maintain contact with our staff in the field and productivity was maintained (if not increased).
- ✓ Council has successfully increased the value and number of grants from State and Federal Government with our fully funded Grants Officer with over \$30m in current funding
- ✓ Council has committed to funding accreditation with Department of Transport and Main Roads with a view to increase its own revenue base
- ✓ This is the last year of the one single Enterprise Bargaining Agreement with all staff and Unions under the new *Local Government Industry Award – State 2017 and Industrial Relations Act 2017*. A new EBA will be negotiated in the later part of 2020/21 to be implemented in 2021/22.
- ✓ Council is continuing to implement the Murray Darling Basin Federal Government funds with over \$9.1m in a range of projects across the Shire.
- ✓ Council's fully funded Economic Development Officer continues to pursue economic stimulus for the Shire
- ✓ Council continues to work with our local sheep and cattle producers to increase the amount of wild dog exclusion fencing within the Shire. The combination of funding cluster fencing through grants and Council's special rates scheme will increase sheep numbers and assist in the control of feral animals. Council has obtained approval to borrow \$8,540,987m to fund the special rates scheme
- ✓ Future budgets include provision for landfill remediation, as required by the Queensland Audit Office and Accounting Standards.
- ✓ Announcements have been made on future funding including \$5m for a new library and innovation hub in St George, a country university hub \$800,000 along with Works for Queensland \$1.18m and Local Community Infrastructure & Road funds of \$1.14m that will see a wide range of community projects implemented. The 2020/21 Budgets will see the implementation of these projects once funding agreements have been executed.



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BUDGET PRINCIPLES

To produce a modest operating budget in response to these significant influences the following principles were used when preparing the Budget.

- ✓ There will be no increase in fees and charges for 2020/21 and food shop licence fees will be waived to assist those impacted by the COVID-19 restrictions
- ✓ Council aims to mitigate ongoing operating deficits by increasing revenue from as many sources as possible without significantly impacting on ratepayers. Council has applied the new Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition to have revenue match expenditure where funding agreements are significantly specific. This new accounting standard commenced on 1 July 2019
- ✓ Council undertook a fully comprehensive valuation of all assets in 2018/19 and completed its own self-assessment concluding that no indexation would be applied for 2019/20
- ✓ Grants are based on confirmed funding agreements with milestone and acquittal dates
- ✓ Overtime is to be undertaken for essential and emergency work only
- ✓ Council has supported its projects and Budget with a range of planning tools including business cases, strategic plans, project plans and whole-of-life costing analysis

Matthew Magin
Chief Executive Officer

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Income and Expenditure
For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Estimate 19/20 \$	Budget 20/21 \$	Forecast 21/22 \$	Forecast 22/23 \$
Operating Revenue				
Rates and Utility Charges	10,627,640	10,684,300	11,111,000	11,555,000
Fees and Charges	344,310	208,600	215,000	221,000
Interest	553,250	429,300	400,000	510,000
Rental Income	213,000	211,000	219,000	227,000
Recoverable Works	5,627,150	2,006,500	2,340,000	2,434,000
Other Income	150,700	1,206,300	1,242,000	1,279,000
Contributions	-	12,500	15,000	15,000
Grants and Subsidies	11,701,833	14,756,400	12,699,000	13,080,000
Total Operating Revenues	29,217,883	29,514,900	28,241,000	29,321,000
Operating Expenditure				
Employee Costs	8,803,266	6,900,000	7,073,000	7,250,000
Materials and Services	12,802,159	20,122,255	17,913,655	18,423,000
Finance Costs	193,045	193,045	193,045	137,000
Depreciation	7,417,364	7,285,300	7,285,300	7,472,000
	29,215,834	34,500,600	32,465,000	33,282,000
OPERATING RESULT	2,049	(4,985,700)	(4,224,000)	(3,961,000)
Capital Items				
Sale of Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-
Contributions	-	-	-	-
Capital Grants, and Subsidies	4,950,622	4,839,300	3,300,000	3,300,000
INCREASE IN OPERATING CAPABILITY	4,952,671	(146,400)	(924,000)	(661,000)

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Financial Position

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Estimate 19/20 \$	Budget 20/21 \$	Forecast 21/22 \$	Forecast 22/23
Current Assets				
Cash and Equivalents	42,907,941	33,749,029	29,334,754	28,356,795
Trade Receivables	1,736,730	2,311,730	3,157,962	2,765,764
Inventories	215,581	215,581	138,000	142,140
Other Current Assets	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227
Total Current Assets	44,933,479	36,349,567	32,703,943	31,337,926
Non-Current Assets				
Intangible Assets	-	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	302,846,194	311,211,594	312,157,594	313,164,594
Total Non-Current Assets	302,846,194	311,211,594	312,157,594	313,164,594
TOTAL ASSETS	347,779,673	347,561,161	344,861,537	344,502,520
Current Liabilities				
Trade and Other Payables	655,466	655,466	624,501	637,616
Loans	309,485	130,925	137,471	144,345
Provisions	1,687,011	1,728,063	128,000	132,000
Other Liabilities	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176
Total Current Liabilities	2,659,138	2,521,630	897,148	921,136
Non-Current Liabilities				
Loans	2,244,000	2,044,376	1,906,905	1,762,560
Loans - Wild Dog Fencing	3,356,000	7,356,000	7,356,000	7,466,340
Provisions	609,701	154,671	177,000	182,000
Total Non-Current Liabilities	6,209,701	9,555,047	9,439,905	9,410,900
TOTAL LIABILITIES	8,868,839	12,076,677	10,337,053	10,332,036
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS	338,910,834	335,484,484	334,524,484	334,170,484
Community Equity				
Retained Surplus	87,482,987	85,165,976	84,205,976	87,605,976
Other Reserves	9,272,675	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336
Revaluation Reserve	242,155,172	242,155,172	242,155,172	242,155,172
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	338,910,834	335,484,484	334,524,484	334,170,484

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Estimate 19/20 \$	Budget 20/21 \$	Forecast 21/22 \$	Forecast 22/23
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Receipts from customers	16,251,485	13,900,700	14,139,349	16,481,058
Payments to suppliers and employees	(20,849,204)	(26,960,216)	(26,522,699)	(26,046,545)
	(4,597,719)	(13,059,516)	(12,383,350)	(9,565,487)
Rental Income	213,000	211,000	219,000	235,000
Interest Received	553,250	429,300	400,000	557,000
Operating Grants and Contributions	11,701,833	14,768,900	12,714,000	13,487,000
Borrowing Costs	(193,045)	(137,000)	(133,000)	(129,000)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	7,677,319	2,212,684	816,650	4,584,513
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Payments for Property, Plant and Equipment	(7,521,771)	(9,326,134)	(8,500,000)	(8,925,000)
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	253,000	0	100,000	100,000
Capital Grants and Subsidies	4,950,622	4,839,300	3,300,000	3,400,000
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	(2,318,149)	(4,486,834)	(5,100,000)	(5,425,000)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Proceeds from Borrowings	3,193,529	4,000,000	-	-
Repayment of Borrowings	(125,485)	(125,485)	(130,925)	(137,471)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	3,068,044	3,874,515	(130,925)	(137,471)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	8,427,214	1,600,365	(4,414,275)	(977,959)
Cash at beginning of reporting period	31,225,064	32,148,667	33,749,029	29,334,754
Cash at end of reporting period	39,652,275	33,749,029	29,334,754	28,356,795

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 30 June 2020

Estimated 19/20	Shire Capital	Accumulated Surplus	Other Reserves	Revaluation Reserve	TOTAL
Opening Balance 2019/20	33,467,418	49,062,898	9,272,675	242,155,172	333,958,163
Net Result	-	4,952,671	-	-	4,952,671
Increase in Asset Revaluation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Capital	4,950,622	4,950,622	-	-	-
Transfers to Reserves	-	-	-	-	-
Closing Balance 30th June 2020	38,418,040	49,064,947	9,272,675	242,155,172	338,910,834
Net Result	-	(146,400)	-	-	(146,400)
Equity Adjustment	- 3,279,950	-	-	-	- 3,279,950
Increase in Asset Revaluation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Capital	4,839,300	4,839,300	-	-	-
Transfers to Reserves	-	1,109,339	- 1,109,339	-	-
Closing Balance 30th June 2021	39,977,390	45,188,586	8,163,336	242,155,172	335,484,484
Net Result	-	(924,000)	-	-	(924,000)
Equity Adjustment	- 36,000	-	-	-	- 36,000
Increase in Asset Revaluation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Capital	3,300,000	3,300,000	-	-	-
Transfers to Reserves	-	-	-	-	-
Closing Balance 30th June 2022	43,241,390	40,964,586	8,163,336	242,155,172	334,524,484
Net Result	-	(661,000)	-	-	(661,000)
Equity Adjustment	307,000	-	-	-	307,000
Increase in Asset Revaluation Reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Capital	3,300,000	3,300,000	-	-	-
Transfers to Reserves	-	-	-	-	-
Closing Balance 30th June 2023	46,848,390	37,003,586	8,163,336	242,155,172	334,170,484

Operational Projects 2020/21

2020-21 Budget						
		Total - Multi-Year Project Budget	Budget 20/21	Funding 20/21	2020-21 Council Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)
205 - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION						
	Telephone System		\$ 2,500		\$ 2,500	
	Conferencing System		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000	
	Magiq Upgrade		\$ 22,000		\$ 22,000	
	Replacement PCs (+ 1 for IS)		\$ 27,500		\$ 27,500	
	File Server Upgrade		\$ 4,500		\$ 4,500	
	WAN Upgrade to outlying depots & libraries		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000	
	Replacement Mobile phones (NB CEO Office x 27)		\$ 9,000		\$ 9,000	
	C/O ICT Strategy Review		\$ 8,000		\$ 8,000	
	C/O Levee Bank Contingencies		\$ 45,000		\$ 45,000	
	Asset Valuations		\$ 8,000		\$ 8,000	
	Corporate Services Operational Projects		\$ 191,500	\$ -	\$ 191,500	
AERODROME						
	St George Aerodrome Generator Exhaust System		\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000	
	St George Aerodrome Safety Compliance Tree Trimming OLS		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000	
	St George Aerodrome Helipad Lighting		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	
	Dirranbandi Aerodrome Subdivision Planning		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000	
	Dirranbandi Aerodrome Non Compliance Issues		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000	
	Aerodrome Operational Projects		\$ 108,000	\$ -	\$ 108,000	
340 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT						
	Subscriptions and Memberships		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000	
	C/O MDBEP Dirranbandi Beautification Scheme		\$ 462,640	\$ -	\$ 112,000	\$ 350,640
	C/O- Murray-Darling Basin Economic Development Business Mentoring	\$ 499,100	\$ 460,000	\$ 139,100		\$ 320,900
	Bettering Balonne		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	
	Consultancy - Business Case for Investment Fund		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000	
	Advocacy Program		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	
	Events and Conferences		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	
	Sponsorship		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	
	Advertising		\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000	
	Marketing & Promotion		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	
	Marketing Collateral		\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000	
	Economic Development Operational Projects	\$ 499,100	\$ 1,048,640	\$ 139,100	\$ 238,000	\$ 671,540
350 - TOURISM						
	Tourism Marketing		\$ 26,000		\$ 26,000	
	Shire Tourism Brochure		\$ 30,000		\$ 30,000	
	Shire Town Maps & Publications		\$ 5,200		\$ 5,200	
	Tourism and Events Donations/Assistance		\$ 63,000		\$ 63,000	
	C/O- Tourism & Events Strategy	\$ 55,000	\$ 17,680			\$ 17,680
	CO/- Welcome to Mate Marketing Campaign	\$ 20,000	\$ 7,260		\$ 7,260	
	Recreation Vehicle Strategy Review		\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	
	Tourism Operational Projects		\$ 169,140	\$ -	\$ 161,460	\$ 17,680
355 - VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE						
	VIC Volunteer Expenses		\$ 4,100		\$ 4,100	
	VIC Operational Projects		\$ 4,100	\$ -	\$ 4,100	\$ -
410 - ROADS						
	TMR Prequalifications		\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000	
	C/O Gravel Pit Safety Management Systems and Training		\$ 30,000		\$ 30,000	
	Roads Operational Projects		\$ 130,000	\$ -	\$ 130,000	\$ -
450 - PLANT						
	Floating Plant & Loose Tools		\$ 30,000		\$ 30,000	
	C/O Fleet GPS		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000	
	Total Plant Operational Projects (Floating Plant & Loose Tools)		\$ 80,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000	\$ -
501 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT						

Operational Projects 2020/21

2020-21 Budget						
	Total - Multi-Year Project Budget	Budget 20/21	Funding 20/21	2020-21 Council Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)	
Community Safety Group		\$ 3,000		\$ 3,000		
Community Events Programs		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000		
Balonne Community Calendar		\$ 7,500		\$ 7,500		
Community Sponsorship Donation & Grants Program (including traffic management)		\$ 60,000		\$ 60,000		
Celebrating Multicultural Queensland Program - Regional Partnerships	\$ 300,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 2,143	\$ 97,857	
Building Stronger Communities - TRAIC Grant		\$ 55,780		\$ -	\$ 55,780	
Balonne Young Leaders Bursary		\$ 11,010	\$ 4,010	\$ -	\$ 7,000	
Balonne in Step		\$ 150,000	\$ 147,900	\$ -	\$ 2,100	
Community Development Operational Projects	\$ 502,290	\$ 251,910	\$ 87,643	\$ 162,737		
250351 DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY						
C/O - MDB- EDP Digital Connectivity Project	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 910,940	\$ 80,000		\$ 830,940	
C/O BOR 4 DSDMIP Digital Connectivity Project (Grant)	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 613,166	\$ 500,000		\$ 113,166	
Total Digital Connectivity Projects	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,524,106	\$ 580,000	\$ -	\$ 944,106	
505 - LIBRARIES						
PopUp Art Gallery		\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000		
Balonne its Rocket Science		\$ 4,134	\$ 3,878		\$ 256	
Digital Literacy		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000		
General Library Programs		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000		
Hebel Library - replacement of air-conditioner		\$ 4,000		\$ 4,000		
First 5 Forever		\$ 5,655	\$ 5,655			
Library Operational Projects	\$ 35,789	\$ 9,533	\$ 26,000	\$ 256		
C/O MDB Dirran RTC E-Tech Upgrade	\$ 74,770	\$ -	\$ 74,770	\$ -		
Total Library Operation Projects	\$ 110,559	\$ 9,533	\$ 100,770	\$ 256		
520- SPORT & RECREATION						
SWIMMING POOLS						
Dirranbandi - Pool & Playground Bollards		\$ 8,000		\$ 8,000		
Sport & Recreation Operational Projects		\$8,000	\$-	\$8,000	\$-	
- INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT GOVERNANCE						
Project Governance Framework - Identify Phase		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000		
Project Governance Framework - Select phase		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000		
C/O Asset Management Strategy with SWRRTG	\$ 1,012,000	\$ 1,012,000	\$ 641,306	\$ 58,174	\$ 312,520	
Total Project Governance	\$ 1,012,000	\$ 1,072,000	\$ 641,306	\$ 118,174	\$ 312,520	
530 - INFRASTRUCTURE PARKS & GARDENS						
C/O- DCP Internal Audit		\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000			
Rowden Park - Rainwater Tank		\$ 7,500		\$ 7,500		
Tree Maintenance & Replacement of Dead Shire Trees		\$ 80,000		\$ 80,000		
Tree Planting in Arthur Street (St George)		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000		
Thallon Street Tree Replacement		\$ 4,000		\$ 4,000		
Bush Tucker Garden - Layout & Construct Finalisation		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000		
C/o St George River Foreshore Planning		\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000		
C/O St George CBD Planning		\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000		
C/O Rowden Park Master Plan		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000		
Thallon Christmas Lights		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000		
St George Christmas Lights		\$ 35,000		\$ 35,000		
Bollon Christmas Lights		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000		

Operational Projects 2020/21

2020-21 Budget						
		Total - Multi-Year Project Budget	Budget 20/21	Funding 20/21	2020-21 Council Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)
	Dirranbandi Christmas Lights		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000	
	C/O Beardmore Dam Master Plan		\$ 20,000		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
	C/O Bollon RV and Streetscaping Master Plan		\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000	
	Total Parks & Garden Operation Projects	\$ -	\$ 299,500	\$ 3,000	\$ 286,500	\$ 10,000
535 - HALLS AND CIVIC CENTRES						
	Dirranbandi Multi Purpose Sport Centre - Whiteboard & Chairs for meeting room		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	
	Halls and Civic Centres Operational Projects		\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -
555 - INFRASTRUCTURE SHOWGROUNDS						
	St George Showgrounds Amenities Bore Water Connection		\$ 4,000		\$ 4,000	
	Showgrounds Operational Projects		\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -
560 - WORK CAMP						
	WORK CAMP Program		\$ 30,000		\$ 30,000	
	WORK CAMP Program		\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ -
575 - YOUTH COUNCIL						
	Youth Council (PCYC project)		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000	
	Chappy Program		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000	
	Youth Council		\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -
635 - NATURAL ENVIRONMENT						
	Gravel pit signage Stage 2		\$ 6,000		\$ 6,000	
	Natural Environment Operational Projects		\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000	\$ -
655 - RURAL SERVICES						
	C/O Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing and Pest and Weed management activities (Grant Moonie & Maranoa River Catchment Areas Weed Management - 4-BA2D4Y2 funding received 18/19)	\$ 200,000	\$ 191,247			\$ 191,247
	C/O Wild Dog Exclusion Fencing REDP - Strategic Fencing Project 9	\$ 733,100	\$ 293,240	\$ 293,240		
	C/O Wild Dog Exclusion Fence - CCWII - Round 1	\$ 800,000	\$ 306,500			\$ 306,500
	Stock Routes - Diamond Tank - Desilt Dam and Compact with Bentonite		\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000		
	Stock Routes - Bullawarrie - Replace existing Night Yard & Asset Protection Yard		\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500		
	Stock Routes - Glencoe - Replace existing Night Yard & Asset Protection Yard		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000		
	Stock Routes - Mundalee - Requires new Asset Protection Yard		\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000		
	Stock Routes - Vincents Valley (Wild Horse) - Replacement of trough, reconnection and removal		\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500		
	Burgorah Water Facility/Reserve Stage 2		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000		
	Rural Services Operational Projects	\$ 1,733,100	\$ 858,987	\$ 361,240	\$ -	\$ 497,747
	MDB EDP - WDEF Project	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 3,580,838	\$ 1,000,000		\$ 2,580,838
	Total Rural Services Operation Projects	\$ 6,733,100	\$ 4,439,825	\$ 1,361,240	\$ -	\$ 3,078,585
6430 - WASTE/LANDFILL						
	Waste Direction Strategy for Landfills		\$50,000	\$50,000		
	C/O - Balonne Illegal Dumping Project	\$ 57,500	\$47,486	\$11,500		\$35,986
	C/O - Illegal Dumping Compliance Officer	\$ 129,460	\$ 115,362	\$ 77,676		\$ 37,686
	Total Waste/Landfill Operational Projects	\$ 186,960	\$ 212,848	\$ 139,176	\$ -	\$ 73,672
WATER						
	Bollards and Valves - Water Supply		\$15,000		\$15,000	
	Additional River Water Meter Reading		\$50,000		\$50,000	
	Dirranbandi Storm Water System Investigation		\$50,000		\$50,000	
	Murgindi Bore Business Case		\$120,000	\$120,000		
	River Meter Replacement Programme		\$50,000		\$50,000	
	Total Water Operational Projects		\$ 285,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 165,000	\$ -
SEWERAGE						
	Bollon Sewer Condition Report		\$50,000		\$50,000	
	Sewerage, Groundwater Monitoring Bores (Water Quality Testing)		\$30,000		\$30,000	
	St George Pump Station 3 Rising Main Design		\$15,000		\$15,000	
	Total Sewerage Operational Projects		\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ 95,000	\$ -
Grand Total Operational Projects		\$11,305,260	\$10,340,508	\$3,245,265	\$1,824,147	\$5,271,096

Capital Projects 2020/21

		Asset Type (New, Upgrade, Renewal)	Total - Multi- Year Project Budget	2020/21 Budget				2021/22 Project Budget	2022/23 Project Budget	2023/24 Project Budget
				Budget (total for 20/21)	Funding from external source	2020/21 Council's Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)			
205 - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION										
	Phase 2 New ERP IT Vision Project	R - PE	\$ 400,000	\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000				
	Replace Ricoh Admin Office	R - PE		\$ 17,000		\$ 17,000				
	Corporate Services Capital Projects		\$ 400,000	\$ 117,000	\$ -	\$ 117,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
355- VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE										
	Enclosed weatherproof storage room									
410 - INFRASTRUCTURE ROADS										
	TIDS, Hebel-Goodooga Road Bitumen Resheet	R		\$ 250,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000				
	TIDS, Bollon-Mitchell Road Bitumen Resheet	R		\$ 275,000	\$ 137,500	\$ 137,500				
	TIDS, Whyenbah Rd Bitumen Resheet	R		\$ 300,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000				
	TIDS, Kooroon Road Bitumen Resheet	R		\$ 75,000	\$ 37,500	\$ 37,500				
	TIDS, Bollon-Dirranbandi Road Bitumen Reseal	R		\$ 450,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000				
	TIDS, St George-Noondoo Road Bitumen Reseal	R		\$ 600,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000				
	R2R - Road Projects to be Advised	R		\$ 913,160	\$ 913,160					
	Road Capital Projects		\$ -	\$ 2,863,160	\$ 1,888,160	\$ 975,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
415 - INFRASTRUCTURE STREETS										
	Footpath and Kerb Repairs	R		\$ 80,000		\$ 80,000				
	Footpath Upgrade Alfred Street, Balonne Street, Church St along St Patrick's School	U		\$ 42,500		\$ 42,500				
	Footpath & Kerb Upgrade - Victoria Street-Rowe Street-Barlee Street	U		\$ 18,200		\$ 18,200				
	Dirranbandi Footpath Upgrades	U		\$ 86,000		\$ 86,000				
	Total Street Capital Projects		\$ -	\$ 226,700	\$ -	\$ 226,700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
425 - INFRASTRUCTURE STORM WATER DRAINAGE - U'GROUND										
	Total Storm Water Drainage Capital Projects									
425 - DIRRANBANDI STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT										
	Dirranbandi Stormwater Drainage/Culverts	U		\$ 60,000		\$ 60,000				
	Total Dirranbandi Stormwater Capital Projects		\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ -	\$ 60,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
430 - INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS DEPOT										
	Water & Sewerage Depot - Large Shed	N		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000				
	Total Works Depot Capital Projects		\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
LIBRARIES										
	Bollon Library Relocation Project	R		\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000				
440 - AERODROMES										
	St George Aerodrome Linemarking	R		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000				
	C/O BOR4 - St George General Aviation Project (\$1M over 3 years)	N	\$ 1,065,000	\$ 765,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 89,877	\$ 475,123			
	Aerodromes Capital Projects		\$ 1,065,000	\$ 780,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 104,877	\$ 475,123	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
460 - FLOOD MITIGATION										
	C/O - CRF Bollon Flood Levee Extension									

Capital Projects 2020/21

		Asset Type (New, Upgrade, Renewal)	Total - Multi-Year Project Budget	2020/21 Budget				2021/22 Project Budget	2022/23 Project Budget	2023/24 Project Budget
				Budget (total for 20/21)	Funding from external source	2020/21 Council's Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)			
	Total Flood Mitigation									
505 - LIBRARIES										
	C/O - W4Q Thallon Library Upgrade									
	C/O - W4Q Bollon Library Upgrade									
	C/O - W4Q Hebel Library Upgrade									
	Total Libraries									
521 - INFRASTRUCTURE SWIMMING POOLS										
	St George Pool CCTV Security System	R		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000				
	St George Swimming Pool Eyewash Facility	R		\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000				
	St George Swimming Pool Filter Pipework	R		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000				
	St George Swimming Pool Lane Ropes	R		\$ 6,000		\$ 6,000				
	St George Swimming Pool Repair Toilet Floors	R		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000				
	Dirranbandi Pool - Pool Cleaner									
	St George Pool - Replace Dual Chlorine Tanks & Bund									
	Swimming Pool Renovation		\$ -	\$ 36,000	\$ -	\$ 36,000	\$ -			
450 - PLANT & EQUIPMENT										
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4 (New Position)	N - PE		\$ 60,000		\$ 60,000				
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4 (Berlina)	R - PE		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4 (Colarado)	R - PE		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4	R - PE		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4	R - PE		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4	R - PE		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Toyota Hilux X/ Dual Cab 4x4	R - PE		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Toyota Landcruiser VX (CEO vehicle replacing Calais)	R - PE		\$ 90,000		\$ 90,000				
	Isuzu FRR500 - Sweeper	R - PE		\$ 300,000		\$ 300,000				
	Isuzu FRR60-Dual Cab Tipper (Crane)	R - PE		\$ 120,000		\$ 120,000				
	Ferris IS5100Z Zero-Turn Mower 72"	R - PE		\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000				
	Ferris IS5100Z Zero-Turn Mower 72"	R - PE		\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000		\$ 110,000		
	Ferris IS5100Z Zero-Turn Mower 60"	R - PE		\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000				
	Trailer - Paveline Emulsion Spraying	R - PE		\$ 75,000		\$ 75,000				
	Water & Sewerage Truck	N - PE		\$ 140,000		\$ 140,000				
	Total Plant & Equipment Capital Projects		\$ -	\$ 1,100,000	\$ -	\$ 1,100,000	\$ -	\$ 110,000	\$ -	\$ -
521 - SWIMMING POOL										
	St George Swimming Pool Chemical Shed	N		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000				
	St George Swimming Pool Recoating	R		\$ 80,000		\$ 80,000				
	Total Swimming Pool Capital Projects			\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ 95,000				
DIRRANBANDI THERMAL SPRINGS										
	C/O - Dirran Thermal Hot Baths Capital Projects	N	\$ 875,000	\$ 875,000	\$ 525,000		\$ 350,000			
530 - INFRASTRUCTURE PARKS & GARDENS										
	C/O - DCP - Bollon Showgrounds	U	\$ 48,000	\$ 48,000		\$ 48,000				
	C/O - DCP Bollon Master Plan - Implement Stage 1	U	\$ 100,000	\$ 79,587		\$ 79,587				

Capital Projects 2020/21

		Asset Type (New, Upgrade, Renewal)	Total - Multi- Year Project Budget	2020/21 Budget				2021/22 Project Budget	2022/23 Project Budget	2023/24 Project Budget
				Budget (total for 20/21)	Funding from external source	2020/21 Council's Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)			
	C/O - DCP - St George River Foreshore - Amphitheatre sleepers, Bridge at Canoe Ramp, Lighting at Murray Cod	U	\$ 256,000	\$ 225,878		\$ 225,878				
	C/O DCP - St George Showgrounds Toilet Block	U	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -				
	C/O DCP - Water Pump	R	\$ 150,000	\$ 111,248		\$ 111,248				
	C/O - DCP - Dirranbandi Recreation	N	\$ 100,000	\$ 42,876		\$ 42,876				
	C/O - DCP - Dirranbandi River and Rail	N	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000		\$ 80,000				
	C/O - DCP - Mungindi Park	N	\$ 53,000	\$ 21,985		\$ 21,985				
	C/O DCP - Thallon Park Playground fence	N	\$ 75,000	\$ 19,699		\$ 19,699				
	Total of Drought Community Program (to complete 31/12/2020)		\$ 962,000	\$ 729,273	\$ 100,000	\$ 629,273				
	Cross Border Mungindi River Park Stage 2 & 3 (Merge together)	U	\$ 460,000	\$ 460,000	\$ 414,000	\$ 46,000				
	LGGS - DLGRMA Mungindi River Park Stage 2 & 3									
	River water Pump Shed - Jack Dwyer Park - Dirranbandi	N		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000				
	C/O FRRR-TTTT Bollon Park and River Land Revitalisation Project (incl. Walter Austin Irrigation installation, funding is for electrical installation)	U	\$ 92,000	\$ 92,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 32,000				
	Total Parks & Gardens Capital Projects		\$ 552,000	\$ 567,000	\$ 474,000	\$ 93,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
555 - SHOWGROUNDS										
	C/O - Balonne Shire Showgrounds Maintenance (W4Q3 19-21)	N	\$ 50,000	\$ 38,665	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 13,665	\$ 5,000		
	Showgrounds Capital Projects		\$ 50,000	\$ 38,665	\$ 20,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 13,665	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -
580 - SAFER COMMUNITIES										
	C/O BOR - 2 CCTV Phase 2	N	\$ 53,500	\$ 13,336			\$ 13,336			
	Total Safer Communities Capital Projects		\$ 53,500	\$ 13,336	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,336	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
615 - CEMETERIES										
	2 x St George Lawn Cemetery Beams and Headstones	N		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	Thallon Cemetery Remembrance Area	N		\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000				
	Total Cemetery Capital Projects			\$ 55,000	\$ -	\$ 55,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
580 - SAFER COMMUNITIES										
	W4Q/Telstra - CCTV Upgrades									
	Total Safer Communities Capital Projects									
605 - ANIMAL CONTROL										
	Night drop off box and effluent drainage									
	Total Animal Control Projects									
615 - CEMETERY										
	St George Cemetery - 1 concrete plinth									
	Total Cemetery Capital Projects									
4410 - INFRASTRUCTURE URBAN WATER WASTE										
	C/O BOR - St George STP - Effluent Reuse									
	Total Water Waste Capital Projects									
5410 - INFRASTRUCTURE URBAN WATER SUPPLY										

Capital Projects 2020/21

		Asset Type (New, Upgrade, Renewal)	Total - Multi- Year Project Budget	2020/21 Budget				2021/22 Project Budget	2022/23 Project Budget	2023/24 Project Budget
				Budget (total for 20/21)	Funding from external source	2020/21 Council's Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)			
	C/O Water Main Replacement - Arthur Street (Barlee to Grey)									
	C/O Water Main Replacement - Barlee Street (Arthur to Wilson)									
	C/O River Water Meters - Stage 2 - Installation									
	River Main Replacement - Church Street (Arthur to Victoria)									
	River Main Replacement - Arthur Street (Grey to Church)									
	River Water Main and Hydrant Upgrades - Henry Street									
	Unlined River Water Fitting Replacement Program									
	Dirranbandi Water Tower - new access ladders									
	Dirranbandi WTP - new access ladders									
	W4Q - Dirranbandi WTP Upgrade									
	Total water Supply Capital Projects									
6430 - INFRASTRUCTURE WASTE										
	Fencing Hebel & Bollon Landfills									
4410 - SEWERAGE										
	C/O - St George STP - Screw Screen with 3.5mm Guage	R		\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000				
	C/O - St George - Service & Repair STP Primary SED Tank	U		\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000				
	C/O - St George STP - Replace Existing Downstream Manhole	R		\$ 10,000		\$ 10,000				
	C/O - Dirranbandi Rising Sewerage Main Replacement (W4Q3 19-21)	R	\$ 530,000	\$ 530,000	\$ 265,000	\$ -	\$ 265,000			
	Bollon Sewerage Treatment Plant & Rising Main	R		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000				
	Total Sewerage Capital Projects		\$ 530,000	\$ 635,000	\$ 265,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 265,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5410 - INFRASTRUCTURE URBAN WATER SUPPLY										
	River Main Fitting Program for the Balonne Shire	R		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000				
	St George Bore Water Main Replacement - Beardmore Place	R		\$ 45,000		\$ 45,000				
	St George Bore Water Main Replacement - Church Street	R		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	St George Bore Water Main Replacement - Grey Street/Thallon Road/Buchan Bypass to Rimmer Road	R		\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000				
	St George Bore Water Main Replacement - Margaret Street	R		\$ 45,000		\$ 45,000				
	St George Bore Water Main Replacement - Sandylands Road	R		\$ 50,000		\$ 50,000				
	St George Bore Water Main Replacement - St George's Terrace	R		\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - Isles Street	R		\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - McDonnell Avenue	R		\$ 55,000		\$ 55,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - St George's Terrace	R		\$ 60,000		\$ 60,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - Church Street	R		\$ 60,000		\$ 60,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - Margaret Street	R		\$ 55,000		\$ 55,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - Sandylands Road	R		\$ 55,000		\$ 55,000				
	St George River Water Main Replacement - Beardmore Place	R		\$ 55,000		\$ 55,000				

Capital Projects 2020/21

		Asset Type (New, Upgrade, Renewal)	Total - Multi-Year Project Budget	2020/21 Budget				2021/22 Project Budget	2022/23 Project Budget	2023/24 Project Budget
				Budget (total for 20/21)	Funding from external source	2020/21 Council's Expenditure	Restricted Cash (from prior years)			
	C/O - St George & Dirranbandi Water Main, Fitting and Service Replacement (W4Q3 19/21)	R	\$ 500,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 125,000	\$ -	\$ 125,000	\$ -		
	Total Water Supply Capital Projects		\$ 500,000	\$ 985,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 735,000	\$ 125,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
			\$ 4,987,500	\$ 9,326,134	\$ 3,597,160	\$ 4,486,850	\$ 1,242,124	\$ 110,000	\$ -	\$ -



10 Year Long Term Financial Plan – 2020/21

Under Section 169 the relevant measures of financial sustainability are as follows and shown in the following graphs:

- (a) asset sustainability ratio;
- (b) net financial liabilities ratio;
- (c) operating surplus ratio

Under Section 171 of the Local Government Regulations 2012, Council must include in its budget statements the long term financial forecast covering a period of at least 10 years and are attached.

Under Section 77 of the Local Government Regulations 2012, Council must include in its budget statements the long term financial forecast covering a period of at least 10 years and are attached.												
Performance Indicators	Target	Budget	Forecast									
		20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	
1. Operating Surplus Ratio												
Net Result (excluding capital items)	0 - 10%	-16.89%	-14.96%	-13.51%	-12.80%	-12.99%	-11.83%	-11.09%	-10.39%	-9.71%	-9.99%	
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)												
An indicator of which the extent to which revenues raised cover operational expenses only or are available for capital funding purposes or other purposes.												
2. Asset Sustainability Ratio												
Capital Expenditure on the Replacement of Assets (renewals)	> 90%	67.29%	68.42%	70.17%	71.93%	70.89%	72.65%	74.40%	76.14%	77.89%	76.80%	
Depreciation Expense												
An approximation of the extent to which the infrastructure assets managed are being replaced as these reach the end of their useful lives.												
3. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio												
Total Liabilities less Current Assets	< 60%	-82.24%	-79.20%	-71.64%	-66.54%	-59.51%	-52.47%	-45.42%	-38.39%	-31.18%	-30.20%	
Total Operating Revenue (excluding capital items)												
An indicator of the extent to which the net financial liabilities can be serviced by its operating revenue.												

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Income and Expenditure

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Budget 20/21 \$	Forecast 21/22 \$	Forecast 22/23	Forecast 23/24	Forecast 24/25	Forecast 25/26	Forecast 26/27	Forecast 27/28	Forecast 28/29	Forecast 29/30
Operating Revenue										
Rates and Utility Charges	11,689,600	12,157,000	12,643,000	13,149,000	13,675,000	14,222,000	14,791,000	15,383,000	15,998,000	16,638,000
Less: Discount Allowed	(1,005,300)	(1,046,000)	(1,088,000)	(1,132,000)	(1,177,000)	(1,224,000)	(1,273,000)	(1,324,000)	(1,377,000)	(1,432,000)
Rates and Utility Charges	10,684,300	11,111,000	11,555,000	12,017,000	12,498,000	12,998,000	13,518,000	14,059,000	14,621,000	15,206,000
Fees and Charges	208,600	215,000	221,000	228,000	235,000	242,000	249,000	256,000	264,000	272,000
Interest	429,300	400,000	510,000	447,000	394,000	452,000	378,000	305,000	230,000	152,000
Rental Income	211,000	219,000	227,000	235,000	244,000	253,000	262,000	272,000	282,000	292,000
Recoverable Works	2,006,500	2,340,000	2,434,000	2,531,000	2,633,000	2,738,000	2,848,000	2,963,000	3,082,000	3,206,000
Other Income	1,206,300	1,242,000	1,279,000	1,317,000	1,357,000	1,398,000	1,440,000	1,483,000	1,527,000	1,573,000
Contributions	12,500	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Grants and Subsidies	14,756,400	12,699,000	13,080,000	13,472,000	13,876,000	14,292,000	14,721,000	15,163,000	15,618,000	16,087,000
Total Operating Revenues	29,514,900	28,241,000	29,321,000	30,372,000	31,367,000	32,496,000	33,532,000	34,610,000	35,726,000	36,883,000
Operating Expenditure										
Employee Costs	6,900,000	7,073,000	7,431,000	7,617,000	7,807,000	8,002,000	8,202,000	8,407,000	8,617,000	8,832,000
Materials and Services	20,122,255	17,913,655	18,077,000	18,562,000	19,060,000	19,570,000	20,097,000	20,638,000	21,194,000	21,763,000
Finance Costs	193,045	193,045	133,000	129,000	125,000	121,000	117,000	114,000	111,000	108,000
Depreciation	7,285,300	7,285,300	7,641,000	7,818,000	8,319,000	8,515,000	8,720,000	8,936,000	9,163,000	9,749,000
	34,500,600	32,465,000	33,282,000	34,126,000	35,311,000	36,208,000	37,136,000	38,095,000	39,085,000	40,452,000
OPERATING RESULT	(4,985,700)	(4,224,000)	(3,961,000)	(3,754,000)	(3,944,000)	(3,712,000)	(3,604,000)	(3,485,000)	(3,359,000)	(3,569,000)
Capital Items										
Sale of Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Grants, and Subsidies	4,839,300	3,300,000	3,300,000	3,400,000	3,400,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
INCREASE IN OPERATING CAPABILITY	(146,400)	(924,000)	(661,000)	(354,000)	(544,000)	(212,000)	(104,000)	115,000	241,000	31,000

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL

Budgeted Operating Statement

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	Budget 20/21	Forecast 21/22	Forecast 22/23	Forecast 23/24	Forecast 24/25	Forecast 25/26	Forecast 26/27	Forecast 27/28	Forecast 28/29	Forecast 29/30
Operating Revenue										
Rates and Utility Charges	11,689,600	12,157,000	12,643,000	13,149,000	13,675,000	14,222,000	14,791,000	15,383,000	15,998,000	16,638,000
Less: Discount Allowed	(1,005,300)	(1,046,000)	(1,088,000)	(1,132,000)	(1,177,000)	(1,224,000)	(1,273,000)	(1,324,000)	(1,377,000)	(1,432,000)
	10,684,300	11,111,000	11,555,000	12,017,000	12,498,000	12,998,000	13,518,000	14,059,000	14,621,000	15,206,000
Fees and Charges	208,600	215,000	221,000	228,000	235,000	242,000	249,000	256,000	264,000	272,000
Interest	429,300	400,000	510,000	447,000	394,000	452,000	378,000	305,000	230,000	152,000
Interest - Wild Dog Loans	-	-	-	110,000	115,000	108,000	101,000	94,000	87,000	80,000
Rental Income	211,000	219,000	227,000	235,000	244,000	253,000	262,000	272,000	282,000	292,000
Recoverable Works	2,006,500	2,340,000	2,434,000	2,531,000	2,633,000	2,738,000	2,848,000	2,963,000	3,082,000	3,206,000
Other	1,206,300	1,242,000	1,279,000	1,317,000	1,357,000	1,398,000	1,440,000	1,483,000	1,527,000	1,573,000
Contributions	12,500	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Grants and Subsidies	14,756,400	12,699,000	13,080,000	13,472,000	13,876,000	14,292,000	14,721,000	15,163,000	15,618,000	16,087,000
Total Operating Revenues	29,514,900	28,241,000	29,321,000	30,372,000	31,367,000	32,496,000	33,532,000	34,610,000	35,726,000	36,883,000
Operating Expenditure										
Community Services Costs	6,325,900	6,485,000	6,648,000	6,815,000	6,986,000	7,161,000	7,341,000	7,525,000	7,714,000	7,907,000
Administration and Governance	4,926,755	5,050,000	5,177,000	5,307,000	5,440,000	5,576,000	5,716,000	5,859,000	6,006,000	6,157,000
Finance Costs	193,045	137,000	133,000	129,000	125,000	121,000	117,000	114,000	111,000	108,000
Emergency Services	214,400	220,000	226,000	232,000	238,000	244,000	251,000	258,000	265,000	272,000
Environment	6,756,700	4,426,000	4,537,000	4,651,000	4,768,000	4,888,000	5,011,000	5,137,000	5,266,000	5,398,000
Building and Development	171,500	176,000	181,000	186,000	191,000	196,000	201,000	207,000	213,000	219,000
Cleansing	1,132,700	1,162,000	1,192,000	1,222,000	1,253,000	1,285,000	1,318,000	1,351,000	1,385,000	1,420,000
Plant Operations	1,832,500	1,879,000	1,926,000	1,975,000	2,025,000	2,076,000	2,128,000	2,182,000	2,237,000	2,293,000
Recoverable Works	1,606,000	1,800,000	1,872,000	1,947,000	2,025,000	2,106,000	2,191,000	2,279,000	2,371,000	2,466,000
Roads and Streets	7,219,000	7,400,000	7,585,000	7,775,000	7,970,000	8,170,000	8,375,000	8,585,000	8,800,000	9,020,000
Urban Waste Water	420,000	431,000	442,000	454,000	466,000	478,000	490,000	503,000	516,000	529,000
Water	1,401,800	1,437,000	1,473,000	1,510,000	1,548,000	1,587,000	1,627,000	1,668,000	1,710,000	1,753,000
Depreciation	7,285,300	7,472,000	7,641,000	7,818,000	8,319,000	8,515,000	8,720,000	8,936,000	9,163,000	9,749,000
Internal Charges - Oncosts and Plant Hire	(4,985,000)	(5,610,000)	(5,751,000)	(5,895,000)	(6,043,000)	(6,195,000)	(6,350,000)	(6,509,000)	(6,672,000)	(6,839,000)
	34,500,600	32,465,000	33,282,000	34,126,000	35,311,000	36,208,000	37,136,000	38,095,000	39,085,000	40,452,000
OPERATING RESULT	(4,985,700)	(4,224,000)	(3,961,000)	(3,754,000)	(3,944,000)	(3,712,000)	(3,604,000)	(3,485,000)	(3,359,000)	(3,569,000)
Capital Items										
Sale of Non-Current Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Grants and Subsidies	4,839,300	3,300,000	3,300,000	3,400,000	3,400,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
INCREASE IN OPERATING CAPABILITY	(146,400)	(924,000)	(661,000)	(354,000)	(544,000)	(212,000)	(104,000)	115,000	241,000	31,000

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Financial Position

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Budget 20/21 \$	Forecast 21/22 \$	Forecast 22/23 \$	Forecast 23/24 \$	Forecast 24/25 \$	Forecast 25/26 \$	Forecast 26/27 \$	Forecast 27/28 \$	Forecast 28/29 \$
Current Assets									
Cash and Equivalents	33,749,029	29,334,754	28,356,795	27,567,749	25,676,031	23,692,407	21,604,190	19,302,360	16,781,851
Trade Receivables	2,311,730	3,157,962	2,765,764	2,044,586	2,162,023	2,170,714	2,179,366	2,188,977	2,199,547
Inventories	215,581	138,000	142,140	146,404	150,796	155,320	159,980	164,779	169,723
Other Current Assets	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227	73,227
Total Current Assets	36,349,567	32,703,943	31,337,926	29,831,966	28,062,077	26,091,668	24,016,762	21,729,343	19,224,347
Non-Current Assets									
Intangible Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	311,211,594	312,157,594	313,164,594	339,320,422	340,545,422	342,057,422	343,870,422	345,998,422	375,937,422
Total Non-Current Assets	311,211,594	312,157,594	313,164,594	339,320,422	340,545,422	342,057,422	343,870,422	345,998,422	375,937,422
TOTAL ASSETS	347,561,161	344,861,537	344,502,520	369,152,388	368,607,499	368,149,090	367,887,184	367,727,765	395,161,769
Current Liabilities									
Trade and Other Payables	655,466	624,501	637,616	651,005	664,677	678,635	692,886	707,437	722,293
Loans	130,925	137,471	144,345	151,562	159,140	167,097	175,452	184,225	193,436
Provisions	1,728,063	128,000	132,000	136,000	140,000	144,000	148,000	152,000	157,000
Other Liabilities	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176	7,176
Total Current Liabilities	2,521,630	897,148	921,136	1,406,763	1,438,928	1,471,862	1,505,593	1,540,147	1,576,554
Non-Current Liabilities									
Loans	2,044,376	1,906,905	1,762,560	1,610,998	1,451,858	1,284,761	1,109,309	925,084	731,648
Loans - Wild Dog Fencing	7,356,000	7,356,000	7,466,340	7,117,315	6,905,401	6,679,155	6,437,972	6,181,222	5,908,255
Provisions	154,671	177,000	182,000	187,000	193,000	199,000	205,000	211,000	217,000
Total Non-Current Liabilities	9,555,047	9,439,905	9,410,900	8,915,313	8,550,259	8,162,916	7,752,280	7,317,306	6,856,903
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,076,677	10,337,053	10,332,036	10,322,076	9,989,187	9,634,778	9,257,873	8,857,453	8,433,457
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS	335,484,484	334,524,484	334,170,484	358,830,312	358,618,312	358,514,312	358,629,312	358,870,312	386,728,312
Community Equity									
Retained Surplus	85,165,976	84,205,976	87,605,976	91,005,976	94,505,976	98,005,976	101,605,976	105,205,976	108,805,976
Other Reserves	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336	8,163,336
Revaluation Reserve	242,155,172	242,155,172	242,155,172	267,359,000	267,359,000	267,359,000	267,359,000	267,359,000	295,186,000
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	335,484,484	334,524,484	334,170,484	358,830,312	358,618,312	358,514,312	358,629,312	358,870,312	386,728,312

BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL
Budgeted Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Budget 20/21 \$	Forecast 21/22 \$	Forecast 23/24	Forecast 24/25	Forecast 25/26	Forecast 26/27	Forecast 27/28	Forecast 28/29	Forecast 29/30
Cash flows from operating activities:									
Receipts from customers	13,900,700	14,139,349	16,357,058	17,116,914	17,125,171	17,671,785	18,473,688	19,096,590	19,851,487
Payments to suppliers and employees	(26,960,216)	(26,522,699)	(25,375,545)	(26,044,615)	(27,048,327)	(27,767,269)	(28,508,808)	(29,269,968)	(30,050,771)
	(13,059,516)	(12,383,350)	(9,018,487)	(8,927,701)	(9,923,157)	(10,095,484)	(10,035,120)	(10,173,378)	(10,199,284)
Rental Income	211,000	219,000	227,000	235,000	244,000	253,000	262,000	272,000	282,000
Interest Received	429,300	400,000	510,000	557,000	509,000	560,000	479,000	399,000	317,000
Operating Grants and Contributions	14,768,900	12,714,000	13,095,000	13,487,000	13,891,000	14,307,000	14,736,000	15,178,000	15,633,000
Borrowing Costs	(137,000)	(133,000)	(129,000)	(125,000)	(121,000)	(117,000)	(114,000)	(111,000)	(108,000)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	2,212,684	816,650	4,684,513	5,226,299	4,599,843	4,907,516	5,327,880	5,564,622	5,924,716
Cash flows from investing activities:									
Payments for Property, Plant and Equipment	(9,326,134)	(8,500,000)	(8,925,000)	(9,371,000)	(9,840,000)	(10,332,000)	(10,849,000)	(11,391,000)	(11,961,000)
Proceeds from Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	0	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Capital Grants and Subsidies	4,839,300	3,300,000	3,300,000	3,400,000	3,400,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	(4,486,834)	(5,100,000)	(5,525,000)	(5,871,000)	(6,340,000)	(6,732,000)	(7,249,000)	(7,691,000)	(8,261,000)
Cash flows from financing activities:									
Proceeds from Borrowings	4,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Repayment of Borrowings	(125,485)	(130,925)	(137,471)	(144,345)	(151,562)	(159,140)	(167,097)	(175,452)	(184,225)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	3,874,515	(130,925)	(137,471)	(144,345)	(151,562)	(159,140)	(167,097)	(175,452)	(184,225)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	1,600,365	(4,414,275)	(977,959)	(789,046)	(1,891,719)	(1,983,624)	(2,088,217)	(2,301,830)	(2,520,509)
Cash at beginning of reporting period	32,148,667	33,749,029	29,334,754	28,356,795	27,567,749	25,676,031	23,692,407	21,604,190	19,302,360
Cash at end of reporting period	33,749,029	29,334,754	28,356,795	27,567,749	25,676,031	23,692,407	21,604,190	19,302,360	16,781,851

OFFICER REPORT

TO: Council

SUBJECT: Fees & Charges Schedule 2020/21

DATE: 12.06.20

AGENDA REF: FCS28

AUTHOR: Michelle Clarke - Director Finance & Corporate Services

Sub-Heading

Fees and Charges Schedule 2020-21

Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to adopt the Fees and Charges for the 2020/21 financial year. Council does not propose any increase in the fees from 2019/20. Council proposes to waive the Food Shop Licence fees as part of COVID-19 economic relief strategies.

Background

The Fees & Charges Schedule is attached for the financial year 2020/21 and the fees will not increase from the 2020/21 fees and charges. The decision to retain the existing fees and to also propose a waive of the Food Shop Licence fees is part of COVID-19 economic relief strategies.

In accordance with S97 of the Local Government Act 2009 Council may set Cost Recovery Fees and Charges for the provision of various activities that Council undertakes. Council also establishes Commercial Charges for services that may be provided by council and other private providers.

The fee schedule may be set or amended by resolution at any time. This schedule will take effect from 1 July 2020.

Link to Corporate Plan

Key Foundation Area	Key Program Area
<u>Governance</u>	Financial management for long-term sustainability

Consultation (internal/external)

Senior Leadership Group and Councillors

Legal Implications

Section 97 of the Local Government Act, 2009 allows council to fix Cost Recovery Fees by resolution. Council may also charge for a service or facility, other than a service or facility for which a cost recovery fee may be fixed under Section 262(3)(c) Local Government Act 2009.

Risk Implications

Financial Impact - Inability to achieve financial sustainability and meet current and future needs of the community.

Policy Implications

Revenue Policy 2020/21

Revenue Statement 2020/21

Financial and Resource Implications

Fees are charged to offset the cost of providing services. In a number of cases, fees will not cover the full cost of service provision. Fees and Charges represent approximately 1.2% of Councils operating revenue. Council will forgo approximately \$8500 in food shop licence fees as a result of the waiver for the 2020/21 financial year.

Options or Alternatives

Amend the fees and charges schedule for 2020/21

Attachments

1. Fees and Charges 2020_21_FINAL.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation/s

That Council resolves to:

1. Adopt the Register of Cost Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges for the 2020/21 financial year in accordance with Section 97 and Section 262(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009 with no increase from 2019/20 fees, as attached.
2. That Council waive the following fees for food shop licences for 2020/21 as part of its COVID-19 economic relief strategies:

FOOD BUSINESS				
Application - retail food shop, retail food vehicle, bed and breakfast, water carrier or manufacturer of low risk foods.,	640-1202	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006	\$175.00
Assessment of plans and inspections	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$175.00
Application - minor alterations. Assessment of application and plans.	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$405.00
Application (High Risk/Manufacturer)	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$165.00
Licence	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$270.00
Licence (High Risk/Manufacturer)	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$115.00
Application and licence (temporary facility)	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$93.00
Alteration to licence	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$175.00
Approval of Third Party Certified Food Safety Program	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$425.00
Approval of Food Safety Program	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$220.00
Review of Decision	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$40.50
Replacement of Food Business Licence (Lost or Damaged)	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$115.00
Food Business - additional Inspection	640-1202	Cost Recovery		\$155.00
Search includes inspection of premises	640-1202	Cost Recovery	Liquor Act 1992 s105	\$180.00
Liquor Licence Endorsement - Food Licence and Planning Approval for Council endorsement of application	640-1202	Cost Recovery		

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Director Finance & Corporate Services

Description	Cost Recovery or Commercial Fee	Statutory Reference	2020/21
ADMINISTRATION CHARGES			
CORPORATE SERVICES			
Binding (up to 100 pages) Binding / Folding pamphlets etc	Commercial		\$20.00
Council Meeting Minutes - Annual Subscription per year for hard copies	Cost Recovery		\$125.00
EMAIL			
Scan & Email a non bound document	Commercial		\$7.85
FAXES			
Faxes - 1st page	Commercial		\$4.50
Faxes (after 1st page) per page	Commercial		\$2.25
PHOTOCOPYING/PRINTING CHARGES			
A4 – Single sided - Black and White - per copy (own paper)	Commercial		\$0.50
A4 – Single sided - Black and White - per copy (Council paper)	Commercial		\$0.60
A4 – Double sided - Black and White (own paper)	Commercial		\$0.70
A4 – Double sided - Black and White (Council paper)	Commercial		\$0.80
A4 – Coloured - Single Sided per copy (own paper)	Commercial		\$1.10
A4 – Coloured – Single Sided per copy (Council paper)	Commercial		\$1.15
A4 – Coloured – Double per copy (own paper)	Commercial		\$1.70
A4 – Coloured – Double Sided per copy (Council paper)	Commercial		\$2.00
A3 – Single sided - Black and White– (own paper)	Commercial		\$0.60
A3 – Single sided - Black and White– (Council paper)	Commercial		\$0.70
A3 – Double sided - Black and White– (own paper)	Commercial		\$0.80
A3 – Double sided - Black and White– (Council paper)	Commercial		\$0.95
A3– Coloured – Single sided (own paper)	Commercial		\$1.70
A3– Coloured – Single sided (Council paper)	Commercial		\$2.00
A3 – Coloured – Double sided (own paper)	Commercial		\$2.30
A3 – Coloured – Double sided (Council paper)	Commercial		\$2.55
COUNCIL HOUSING			
Houses - St George, Dirranbandi, Bollon and Thallon (as per leases)	Commercial		CEO
RIGHT TO INFORMATION			

Right to Information Application (This fee cannot be waived)

	Statutory	Right to Information Act 2009 and Information Privacy Act 2009	\$50.80
Processing Charges - if council spends less than 5 hours			NIL
Processing Charges - if council spends more than 5 hours			\$7.85
if the council spends more than 5 hours processing an application, the processing charge applies to every hour. So if processing takes 6 hours, there is no free 5 hour period			
The access charges for RTI and IP applications for copies of documents provided as a black and white A4 photocopy			\$0.25
Information Privacy Application	Statutory	Information Privacy Act 2009	NIL
Council may also charge against RTI and IP applications access charges as follows:			
actual cost incurred to engage another entity to search for and retrieve a document			
the actual cost of relocating a document (for example the cost of transporting the document from Cairns to Brisbane to give access to an applicant who lives Brisbane); and			
the actual cost of transcribing a recording or preparing a written document			
<i>There are no access charges if documents are provided by email or CD</i>			
RATE SEARCHES - See Section 3 for Planning & Development			
Rate Search Comprehensive per property	Cost Recovery	LGA - s.97(2)	\$170.00
Rate Search - Urgent within 2 days	Cost Recovery	LGA - s.97(2)	\$220.00
AERODROMES			
Commercial Usage			
All commercial aircraft landing fees (per tonne)	Commercial		\$9.50
Commercial Passenger (per person)	Commercial		\$2.65
Local non commercial users and private aircraft owners	Commercial		\$0.00
RFDS and emergency services	Commercial		\$0.00
All RFDS and emergency usage	Commercial		\$0.00

Issue of Aerodrome Security Identification Cards (ASIC's) - ATSA	Cost Recovery	Aviation Transport Security Act 2004	\$210.00
ANIMALS - See Section 1			
BUILDING - See Section 3			
CEMETERY			
Columbarium (Placement of Ashes) (includes Standard Plaque with 7 lines. Extra lines, emblems etc. at cost) per cell	Commercial		\$270.00
Columbarium Reservation (Non-refundable) per cell	Commercial		\$25.50
Digging grave through double headstone - 1.8 Metre Grave	Commercial		\$830.00
Digging grave through double headstone - 2.7 Metre Grave	Commercial		\$1,130.00
Grave Site Reservation (Headstones placed on reserved grave sites are to be easily dismantled and removable.) per site	Commercial		\$25.50
Exhumations (Mon-Fri)	Commercial		\$1,880.00
Exhumations (Sat, Sun or Stat Hol)	Commercial		\$2,520.00
CEMETERY - Headstone Area			
Headstone Areas 1.8 metre Grave - Mid Week (Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave	Commercial		\$1,880.00
Headstone Areas 1.8 metre Grave - Friday/Saturday/Public Holiday (Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave site.)	Commercial		\$2,240.00
Headstone Areas 2.7 metre Grave - Mid Week (Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave	Commercial		\$2,000.00
Headstone Areas 2.7 metre Grave - Friday/Saturday/Public Holiday (Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave site.) ** Note: Actual Funeral on Saturday/Sunday or Public Holiday with Grave being dug on Friday or last working day prior to funeral	Commercial		\$2,430.00
CEMETERY - Interment of Ashes			
Interment of Ashes (existing grave site)	Commercial		\$135.00
Interment of Ashes (new grave site)	Commercial		\$155.00
CEMETERY - Lawn Cemetery			
Lawn Cemetery Areas 1.8 metre Grave (St George and Thallon) - Mid Week - (Costs include Standard Plaques extra lines, emblems, detachable plates etc at cost. Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave site.)	Commercial		\$2,000.00
Lawn Cemetery Areas 1.8 metre Grave (St George and Thallon) - Friday/Saturday/Public Holiday - Costs include Standard Plaques (extra lines, emblems, detachable plates etc at cost). Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave site.	Commercial		\$2,370.00
Lawn Cemetery Areas 2.7 metre Grave (St George and Thallon) - Mid Week - (Costs include Standard Plaques extra lines, emblems, detachable plates etc at cost. Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave site.)	Commercial		\$2,130.00

Lawn Cemetery Areas 2.7 metre Grave (St George and Thallon) - Friday/Saturday/Public Holiday - Costs include Standard Plaques (extra lines, emblems, detachable plates etc at cost). Includes the use of the lowering device, grass matting and purchase of a grave site.	Commercial		\$2,575.00
CEMETERY - Other			
Headstone Areas - Standard 381 X 216 Plaque - Extra lines, emblems, detachable plaques etc at cost.	Commercial		\$395.00
Use of Mobile Shade Structure (Pop up)	Commercial		\$85.00
Hire of matting and lowering Devices (non BSC Cemetery)	Commercial		\$85.00
Vases	Commercial		\$85.00
ENVIRONMENTAL - See Section 2			
FACILITY BOOKINGS - FOR ALL HALLS & SPORTING FACILITIES			
Minimum 2 WORKING DAYS NOTICE REQUIRED for all bookings and subject to availability, police notifications and/or liquor licensing requirements			
FEE WAIVER/CONCESSION APPLICATIONS			
Non-Profit / Charitable Organisation - Any application for special concession must be made in writing by the organisation concerned no less than four (4) weeks prior to any event in order to allow for consideration by Council.	Commercial		
SECURITY DEPOSIT - APPLIES TO ALL FACILITY BOOKINGS			
For all council facilities a security deposit must be paid as set out below. Payment will be refunded following a satisfactory inspection of the facility and can now be made by credit card refund to the payee as well as EFT or cheque - please nominate your refund preference on the relevant facility booking form. Refunds will not be processed to anyone other than the organisation/individual that paid the original deposit.			
Security deposit - furniture hire bond			
For furniture hire fees less than \$100	Commercial	LG Act	Nil
For furniture hire fees greater than \$101			\$100.00
For furniture hire fees greater than \$300 the following security deposit/s will apply:			
Security / Key Deposit -Not for profit/community groups without alcohol			\$300.00
Security / Key Deposit -Not for profit/community groups with alcohol			\$500.00
Security / Key Deposit - Organisations/Government/Individuals without alcohol			\$500.00
Security / Key Deposit - Organisations/Government/Individuals with alcohol	Commercial		\$1,000.00
Casual Hirers Public Liability Insurance (per day) - LGM QLD	Commercial		\$32.00
Cleaning Charge (per hour)	Commercial		\$130.00

BOLLON HALL			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day	Commercial		\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours	Commercial		\$55.00
DIRRANBANDI CIVIC CENTRE HALL or SUPPER ROOM			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day	Commercial		\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours	Commercial		\$55.00
DIRRANBANDI COURT SPORTS HALL (keys available from Town Supervisor)			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day	Commercial		\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours	Commercial		\$55.00
Annual access charge for small operators to hold fitness classes	Commercial		\$55.00
One-off access charge for small operators to hold fitness classes	Commercial		\$25.00
HEBEL HALL			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day	Commercial		\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours	Commercial		\$55.00
ST GEORGE (Hall, Annexe, Old Library Building and/or Disaster Training room)			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day	Commercial		\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours	Commercial		\$55.00
THALLON HALL			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day	Commercial		\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours	Commercial		\$55.00
CATERING / FURNITURE HIRE			
Crockery & Cutlery - Beer Jugs - Per Day Each	Commercial		\$2.95
Crockery & Cutlery - Bread and Butter Plates, Cups and Saucers, Teapots, Sweet Dishes, Dessertspoons, Forks Large, Forks Small, Knives Large, Knives Small, Tablespoons, Teaspoons - Per Item Per Day Each	Commercial		\$0.25
Crockery & Cutlery - Any item above - Per Day Per Dozen	Commercial		\$2.35
Crockery & Cutlery - Jugs (Milk), Salad Bowls, Salt and Pepper Shakers, Sugar Basins - Per Day Each	Commercial		\$0.30

Crockery & Cutlery -Minimum Hire Charge	Commercial		\$18.50
Furniture Hire - Plastic Chairs per day each	Commercial		\$1.25
Furniture Hire - Portable Stage (all or part)	Commercial		\$41.00
Furniture Hire - Tables per day each	Commercial		\$5.60
Lecturn	Commercial		\$5.60
Furniture Hire - Bond REFER TO ABOVE SECURITY DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS			
ST GEORGE AMPHITHEATRE			
Amphitheatre - St George - Security Deposit	Commercial		\$290.00
Amphitheatre - St George - Daily Hire Fee	Commercial		\$71.50
Amphitheatre - St George - Cleaning of Site	Commercial		\$127.50
Amphitheatre - St George - Electricity Costs	Commercial		At cost
Commercial Use - Permit to Occupy Parks and Reserves per day per vendor (Town Park and Reserves) only 9am to 5pm	Commercial		See Local Laws and Other section of this schedule subset Parks, Reserves and Gardens
SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITIES			
Use of all Council controlled Sports Grounds is subject to the relevant Conditions of Hire. School (Incl. Distant Education) and Junior Sports Organisations may use the facilities free of charge, on the understanding that they will be required to book in advance. Any other hire charges applicable will be determined by the Council separately.			
ROWDEN PARK			
Use of all Council controlled Sports Grounds is subject to the relevant Conditions of Hire. School (Incl Distant Education) and Junior Sports Organisations may use the facilities free of charge, on the understanding that they will be required to book in advance. Any other hire charges applicable will be determined by the Council separately.			
Casual Hirers - per hour plus electricity usage	Commercial		\$23.50
Rowden Park - Cricket, Rugby League (Junior), Rugby League (Senior), Rugby Union, Touch Football - Fee per match day where entrance fees are charged	Commercial		\$105.00

Rowden Park - Cricket, Rugby League (Junior), Rugby League (Senior), Rugby Union, Touch Football - per season plus electricity usage			\$670.00
Rowden Park - Replacement Keys per key (A lost key may result in all locks needing to be replaced)	Commercial		At cost
Rowden Park - Replacement Locks	Commercial		At cost
DIRRANBANDI SPORTS FACILITY (keys available from Town Supervisor)			
Dirranbandi Sport Facility - Use of the centre facility only note: no glass to be served at the premises and liquor licensing requirements to be met by the relevant hirer and note below requirements to book the oval.*	Commercial		
*Dirranbandi State School requires a booking to use the oval by completing a Sporting Oval Hire Agreement. This may include a \$100 hire fee to be paid to the school for each home game unless waived by the school Principal. Fees for the use of the oval for training sessions will be waived as per schedule supplied.			
Full-Day Function (over 6 hours) (Includes time taken for setup of facility on the day of hire (or day prior if the facility is available). Clean-up is required by 10am on the following day.) per day			\$110.00
Part-Day Function (per hour up to 6 hours) - Minimum Charge 2 hours			\$55.00
Dirranbandi Sport Facility - plus electricity usage	Commercial		At cost
Dirranbandi Sport Facility - Replacement Keys per key (A lost key may result in all locks needing to be replaced)	Commercial		At cost
Dirranbandi Sport Facility - Replacement Locks	Commercial		At cost
ALL SHOWGROUNDS			
Annual Show Camping Fees - Do not apply from the Monday in the week of the Annual Shows to the Monday after the Event. (Event Organisers / Sideshow Attractions)			
Ablution Block Hire per day (Thallon)	Commercial		\$60.00
Annual Pastoral and Agricultural Show - Rodeo - Races - Polocrosse Club - Australian Stock Horse Association (ASHA) Draft Days plus electricity (per event day or part thereof) St George	Commercial		\$250.00
Annual Pastoral and Agricultural Show - Rodeo - Races - Polocrosse Club - Australian Stock Horse Association (ASHA) Draft Days plus electricity (per set up day or part thereof) St George	Commercial		\$125.00
Annual Pastoral and Agricultural Show - Rodeo - Races - Polocrosse Club - Australian Stock Horse Association (ASHA) Draft Days plus electricity (per event day or part thereof) Excluding St George	Commercial		\$125.00
Annual Pastoral and Agricultural Show - Rodeo - Races - Polocrosse Club - Australian Stock Horse Association (ASHA) Draft Days plus electricity (per set up day or part thereof) Excluding St George	Commercial		\$60.00
ASHA Practice Sessions per day	Commercial		\$35.00
Auction Sales - (daily charge applies to set-up and clean-up days also) per day or part thereof	Commercial		\$190.00
Auction Sales - Cleaning Deposit	Commercial		\$350.00
Camping (with stock)- plus cost per person	Commercial		\$18.00

Camping (with stock) -(additional) per person per night	Commercial		\$6.00
Camping (special event)- plus cost per person	Commercial		\$18.00
Camping (special event) -additional per person per night	Commercial		\$6.00
Circuses Cleaning Deposit	Commercial		\$410.00
Circuses per performance day	Commercial		\$350.00
Coonan-Nixon Pavilion - Casual Hirers Public Liability Insurance per day	Commercial		\$30.50
Coonan-Nixon Pavilion - Cleaning Charge per hour	Commercial		\$127.50
Coonan-Nixon Pavilion - Full-Day Function (12 hours or greater duration) per day	Commercial		\$127.50
Coonan-Nixon Pavilion - Part-Day Function - Minimum Charge	Commercial		\$22.50
Coonan-Nixon Pavilion - Part-Day Function (per hour to a maximum of 11 hours)	Commercial		\$11.50
Coonan-Nixon Pavilion - Security Deposit	Commercial		\$290.00
St George Showgrounds Kitchen - Casual Hirers Public Liability Insurance per day	Commercial		\$30.50
St George Showgrounds Kitchen - Cleaning Charge per hour	Commercial		\$127.50
St George Showgrounds Kitchen - per day	Commercial		\$290.00
Showgrounds Kitchen - Security Deposit (as per above security deposit requirements for facilities)	Commercial		See above
Horses or Cattle (Stud Stock) - Minimum charge per day	Commercial		\$17.50
Horses or Cattle (Stud Stock) - per head per day or part thereof	Commercial		\$1.85
Horses or Cattle (Stud Stock) accompanying person for camping part thereof per person	Commercial		\$6.50
Horses or Cattle in Pens - Minimum charge per day	Commercial		\$17.50
Horses or Cattle in Pens per head per day	Commercial		\$1.30
Other Uses - As Determined by the Chief Executive Officer	Commercial		CEO
Polocrosse Club Practice Days per day	Commercial		\$35.00
School and Junior Sports Organisations - Advance booking required	Commercial		\$0.00
Sheep in Pens - Minimum charge per day	Commercial		\$17.00
Sheep in Pens - per head per day or part thereof	Commercial		\$0.10
St George Pony Club Annual Charge (plus electricity) – no event fee charge	Commercial		\$265.00
Working Sheepdog Trials plus electricity per day	Commercial		\$28.00
NETBALL COURTS			
Netball - per season plus electricity usage	Commercial		\$290.00
SWIMMING POOLS			
SWIMMING POOL - Dirranbandi Pool			
As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)			
Non Swimming – Entry Fee - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		As set by DPC
Adult – Entry Fee - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Casual Hirers (minimum charge) (outside public swimming hours) - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Child (up to High School age) – Entry Fee - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Hire by Schools or Swimming Club - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		

Hire for Swimming Coaching - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Lifeguard - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Lights - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Replacement Keys (A lost key may result in all locks needing to be replaced.) per key	Commercial		
Replacement locks	Commercial		
Season Ticket – Child (up to High School age) - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Season Ticket - Family - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
Season Ticket - Adult - As set by the Dirranbandi Pool Committee (DPC)	Commercial		
SWIMMING POOL - St George			
Adult – Entry Fee	Commercial		\$3.00
Adult (Non Swimming) – Entry Fee	Commercial		\$1.00
Age 2 and under – Entry Fee	Commercial		
Child (Ages 2 and under 18) – Entry Fee (includes when under school supervision)	Commercial		\$1.50
Child (Non Swimming) (Ages 2 and under 18) – Entry Fee	Commercial		\$0.50
Adult - Pension Seniors Card			\$1.50
Hire by Schools or Swimming Club for club meetings and events- Lifeguard Required per hour	Commercial		\$40.00
Hire for Swimming Coaching - during pool opening hours (maximum of 2 lanes at any one time) per hour per lane	Commercial		\$0.00
Casual Hirers (minimum charge) (outside public swimming hours) ((Not applicable to Schools or Swimming Club) - Lifeguard Required) per hour	Commercial		\$40.00
Hire for Swimming Coaching -(outside of pool opening hours) per hour	Commercial		\$0.00
Lifeguard (Ordinary Working Day) per hour	Commercial		\$40.00
Lifeguard - Saturday - (Minimum 3 Hours) fee per hour	Commercial		\$56.50
Lifeguard - Sunday - (Minimum 3 Hours) fee per hour	Commercial		\$76.50
Lights per hour	Commercial		\$11.00
Replacement Keys (A lost key may result in all locks needing to be replaced.)	Commercial		
Replacement locks	Commercial		
Season Ticket - Adult	Commercial		\$160.00
Season Ticket – Child (Ages 2 and under 18)	Commercial		\$90.00
Season Ticket - Family	Commercial		\$280.00
Season Ticket - Pension Seniors Card (including Gold)	Commercial		\$110.00
Part season tickets are not available. Debtor Accounts will not be issued for Season Passes			
ST GEORGE THERMAL SPRINGS			
Adult – Entry Fee*	Commercial		\$8.00
Adult (Non Swimming) – Entry Fee*	Commercial		\$4.00
Age 2 and under – Entry Fee*	Commercial		Free
Child (Ages 2 and under 18) – Entry Fee (includes when under school supervision) *	Commercial		\$6.00

Child (Non Swimming) (Ages 2 and under 18) – Entry Fee*	Commercial		\$2.00
Adult - Pension Seniors Card*	Commercial		\$6.00
Family – Entry Fee*	Commercial		\$25.00
Season Adult Pass*	Commercial		\$180.00
Season Child (Ages 2 and under 18) Pass*	Commercial		\$135.00
Season Family Pass*	Commercial		\$320.00
Season Pass Pensioners	Commercial		\$110.00
Event or Function Hire Cost /hr including Lifeguard*	Commercial		\$50.00
Facility Hire for exercise or learn to swim classes Cost /hr including Lifeguard*			\$50.00
*ALL THERMAL SPRING ENTRY INCLUDES ST GEORGE POOL ENTRY			
*EXISTING POOL SEASON PASS HOLDERS MAY PAY THE DIFFERENCE TO RECEIVE A THERMAL SPRINGS ENTRY			
TENNIS COURTS			
Dirranbandi - per year	Commercial		\$140.00
All tennis courts - casual hire rate (min \$10 fee) (18/07/2019 resolution)	Commercial		\$10.00
Hebel - per year	Commercial		\$62.00
St. George - per year	Commercial		\$140.00
Thallon - per year	Commercial		\$62.00
PLANNING - See Section 3			
PRIVATE PLANT HIRE			
Grader per hour	Commercial		\$280.00
Truck < 10t per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		\$108.00
Truck > 10t per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		\$134.00
Truck - Street Sweeper per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		\$190.00
Truck - Prime Mover (Water Truck) per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		\$135.00
Truck - Jetpatcher per hour PLUS KM RATE BELOW	Commercial		155.00
Truck - Jetpatcher per kilometre NOTE to be read in conjunction with per hour rate above			5.00
Loader (per hour)	Commercial		\$225.00
Backhoe per hour	Commercial		\$200.00
Terex Skid Steer	Commercial		\$190.00
Tractor < 50kw per hour	Commercial		\$125.00
Tractor > 50kw with slasher/broom per hour	Commercial		\$200.00
Tractor & Grid Roller per hour	Commercial		\$215.00
Lawn Tractor/Ride on Mower <42" cutting deck per hour	Commercial		\$85.00

Lawn Tractor/Ride on Mower 42" cutting deck per hour	Commercial		\$95.00
Lawn Tractor/Ride on Mower 61" cutting deck per hour	Commercial		\$115.00
Forklift per hour	Commercial		\$150.00
Roller per hour	Commercial		\$225.00
Vibrating Drum Roller	Commercial		\$265.00
Workshop per hour	Commercial		\$172.00
Plumbing Unit per hour	Commercial		\$110.00
Water Snorter	Commercial		\$67.00
Trench Shoring	Commercial		\$67.00
Spreader Truck	Commercial		POA
Stabiliser	Commercial		POA
Miscellaneous Plant per hour	Commercial		\$23.50
Utilities (2wd)/Sedans (plus operator) per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		11.50
Utilities (2wd)/Sedans (plus operator) per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		0.40
Four Wheel Drives (plus operator) per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		12.50
Four Wheel Drives (plus operator) per hour (plus per kilometre)	Commercial		0.50
Fuel for Department of Emergency Services from Council Bollon or Dirranbandi depot may be supplied at cost in the event of a natural disaster or emergency event plus a 2% administration fee and by prior arrangement (18/07/2019 resolution)	Commercial	S97 LG Act	
WATER			
WATER - Connection Fees			
Relocation of Water Meter	Cost Recovery	Water Act 2000 – section 572	
Replace Damaged Water Meter	Cost Recovery		
Water Connection - 20 mm service	Cost Recovery	Water Act	\$800.00
Water Connection - Larger than 20mm service	Cost Recovery	2000 – section	
WATER - Inspections			
Water Meter Reading (required for settlement on property sale) per property	Commercial		\$70.00

Water Meter Testing Fee (Refundable if meter found faulty) per meter	Commercial		\$90.00
WATER - Sales			
Water From Standpipes / Pillar Hydrant minimum charge per fill	Commercial		\$57.00
Water From Standpipes / Pillar Hydrant per kilolitre	Commercial		\$1.35
WORKS ADMINISTRATION			
Hire Temporary Roadworks Warning Signs per week (or part thereof) per sign - (If signs are not returned within four (4) weeks of hire, or are returned damaged, the hirer will be charged the full replacement cost of the sign/s. The hirer will be required to complete a private works application form prior to the release of signs on hire.)	Commercial		\$35.00
Traffic Management Plans - Basic - Signage for Road Works	Commercial		\$340.00
Traffic Management Plans - Signage for Road Works	Commercial		\$685.00
Application for a new Grid	Cost Recovery	LGA - s.97(2)	\$250.00
Rural Address - New post / number	Commercial		\$145.00
SECTION 1 - ANIMALS - FEES AND CHARGES			
RURAL SERVICES			
Stock Agistment Fees (Town Commons) - Cows - (a unit includes cow plus progeny less than 6 months of age) per unit per	Commercial	Local Law No. 2 – S42 & S43	\$7.80
Stock Agistment Fees (Town Commons) - Dry Cattle - per head per week	Commercial		\$7.00
Stock Agistment Fees (Town Commons) - Horses - (a unit includes horse plus progeny less than 6 months of age) - per unit per week	Commercial		\$7.00
Stock Impoundment Fees - Cattle or Horses less than 6 months of age per unit - Twice the prescribed rate will apply for the second or any subsequent impoundment	Commercial		\$345.00
Stock Impoundment Fees - Entire or Rig per unit - Twice the prescribed rate will apply for the second or any subsequent impoundment	Commercial		\$178.50
Stock Impoundment Fees - Sheep per unit - Twice the prescribed rate will apply for the second or any subsequent	Commercial		\$40.50
Stock Sustenance Fees - Cattle or Horses less than 6 months of age per unit per day	Commercial		\$18.50
Stock Sustenance Fees - Entire or Rig per unit per day	Commercial		\$18.50
Stock Sustenance Fees - Sheep per unit per day	Commercial		\$9.50
Inspection Service - Weeds - per vehicle	Commercial		\$155.00
Inspection Service - Weeds - per property per hour	Commercial		\$82.00
Damage to Stock Routes	Cost Recovery		At cost
Review of Decision	Commercial		\$130.00
Stock Route Travel Permit- Initial Application Fee	Commercial		\$150.00
Stock Route Travel Permit- Application Renewal or Change of Route	Commercial		\$75.00
Stock Route Travel Permit - Fee - Large Stock - per 20 head (or part of 20 head) per km	Commercial	Act, s 134(3))	\$0.02
Stock Route Travel Permit - Fee - Small Stock - per 100 head (or part of 100 head) per km	Commercial		\$0.02
Stock Route Grazing (Agistment) Permit - Initial Application Fee	Commercial		\$150.00

Stock Route Grazing (Agistment) Permit - Application Renewal or Change	Commercial		\$75.00
Stock Route Grazing (Agistment)- Large Stock- fee per head per week	Commercial		\$2.85
Stock Route Grazing (Agistment)- Small Stock- fee per head per week	Commercial		\$0.11
Stock Route Grazing (Agistment)- Small Stock- fee per head per week	Commercial		\$0.45
Inspecting Register of Water Facility Agreements	Commercial	(Act, s164(3)(a))	\$16.45
Wild Dog Exclusion Fence (WDEF) Special Rate Scheme - Application Fee	Commercial	Section 97 and Section 262(3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009;	\$1,000.00
Wild Dog Exclusion Fence (WDEF) Special Rate Scheme - Administration Fee (to be collected over the first 2 years of the WDEF Scheme)	Commercial		3% of Total Cost of fencing materials + construction
ANIMALS GENERAL INFORMATION			
Discounts - 50% for payment in July & August 2020 ONLY			
Discounts - 50% for Pensioner (additional to early payment)			
Pensioner Applies to: Age, Sole Parents, Wife's, Carer's, Disability, War Widows, Defence Widows, Service Pension War Disability. Applies to full or part pensions, on presentation of Pension Card.			
Reciprocal cat and dog registration transfer - Where a cat or dog is currently registered with another Australian local government and satisfactory proof of registration is presented, no fee will be charged for the registration of the cat or dog for the current Balonne Shire Council registration period.			
Multiple Pet Permit (annual non-refundable fee) An additional Dog application is required if more than 2 dogs are requested to be registered on a parcel of land. The fee does not imply approval as the application is subject to assessment. If approved standard registration fees apply.	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$82.50
After hours call out fee after 5pm and before 8.30am (payable by the owner)	Cost Recovery		\$205.00
Release fee after 5.00pm and before 8.30am weekday and any time on weekend and public holiday at owners request only (plus any other impoundment fees required)	Cost Recovery		\$205.00
ANIMAL SURRENDER			
Dog or cat surrendered to Council - only available subject to suitable arrangement with Local Laws Officer		Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	

Animal Identification Tag			
Domesitic Pet - Tag Cost	Cost Recovery	Commercial	\$1.55
CATS			
CATS -IMPOUNDED			
Release Fee	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$42.50
Sustenance rate per day for cats	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$15.50
DOGS			
DOGS -IMPOUNDED			
Registered dog Entire or Desexed - 1st impoundment - microchipped or not microchipped	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	Free
Unregistered Dog - Entire- 1st impoundment including registration and microchipping (and approval for desexing prior to release)	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$305.00
Unregistered Dog- Entire - 1st impoundment including registration and microchipping and returned as an entire	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$355.00
Unregistered Dog - Desexed - 1st impoundment including registration and microchipping	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$205.00

Registered Dog Entire or Desexed -2nd or 3rd impoundment in a 12 month period	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$255.00
Registered Dog - Entire- After 3rd impoundment - Entire dog will be returned with approval for desexing and microchipping prior to release	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$255.00
Registered Dog- Entire - After 3rd impoundment - Entire dog will be returned as entire dog	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$405.00
Registered Dog- Desexed -After 3rd impoundment	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$255.00
Sustenance rate per day for dogs	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$15.50
DOG REGISTRATION			
Dog - Entire (not microchipped)	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$80.00
Dog - entire (microchipped) or born prior to 2008	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$60.00
Dog - Desexed (not microchipped) born after 2008	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$50.00

Dog - Desexed (microchipped) or born prior to 2008	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$40.00
DOGS - Regulated (Pro Rata Not Applicable)			
Declared dangerous, menacing, restricted breed dog (includes collar, tag and warning sign) PLUS Sustenance per day (Initial declaration and Impoundment Release Fee)	Cost Recovery	Animal Management	\$510.00
Declared dangerous, menacing, restricted breed dog - Annual Registration	Cost Recovery	(Cats & Dogs)	\$510.00
Regulated Dog replacement collar	Cost Recovery	Act 2008	\$70.00
Regulated Dog replacement sign	Cost Recovery		\$36.50
Regulated Dog replacement identification disk	Cost Recovery		\$15.50
DOGS - Breeding			
Application fee assessment fee (non-refundable) per application	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$24.50
Premises inspection fee (annual fee)	Cost Recovery		\$82.50
Standard registration applies - refer to dog registration	Cost Recovery		
OTHER ANIMAL			
Application fee assessment fee (non-refundable) per application	Cost Recovery	Local Law No 2 (Animal Management)	\$81.50
Cattle as per Local Law	Cost Recovery		\$81.50
Emu as per Local Law	Cost Recovery		\$81.50
Goat as per Local Law	Cost Recovery		\$81.50
Horse as per Local Law	Cost Recovery		\$81.50
Poultry and birds as per Local Law	Cost Recovery		\$81.50
Sheep as per Local Law	Cost Recovery		\$81.50
OTHER ANIMAL SERVICES			
Cat trap deposit (Refundable on return of trap in good condition)	Commercial		\$55.00
Cat trap hire (Hire rates applies after 10 days from first hired date)	Commercial		\$6.00
Dog trap deposit (Refundable on return of trap in good condition)	Commercial		\$56.50
Dog trap hire (Hire rates applies after 10 days from first hired date)	Commercial		\$6.00
Replacement Registration Tag	Cost Recovery		\$1.00
Barking Collar Deposit (Refundable on return in good condition)	Commercial		\$72.50
Barking Collar hire (Hire rates applies after 5 days from first hired date)	Commercial		\$5.50
SECTION 2 - ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES			
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION			

Application for registration certificate (plus Annual Registration Fee for that AES scored ERA)	Cost Recovery	Environmental Protection Act 1994	\$105.00
Application for continuing registration certificate	Cost Recovery		\$67.50
Application for altering registration certificate (without DA)	Cost Recovery		\$67.50
Review of Decision	Cost Recovery		\$67.50
Search - licenced premises, inspection	Cost Recovery		\$105.00
FOOD BUSINESS			
Application - retail food shop, retail food vehicle, bed and breakfast, water carrier or manufacturer of low risk foods., Assessment of plans and inspections	Cost Recovery	Food Act 2006	\$175.00
Application - minor alterations. Assessment of application and plans.	Cost Recovery		\$175.00
Application (High Risk/Manufacturer)	Cost Recovery		\$405.00
Licence	Cost Recovery		\$165.00
Licence (High Risk/Manufacturer)	Cost Recovery		\$270.00
Application and licence (temporary facility)	Cost Recovery		\$115.00
Alteration to licence	Cost Recovery		\$93.00
Approval of Third Party Certified Food Safety Program	Cost Recovery		\$175.00
Approval of Food Safety Program	Cost Recovery		\$425.00
Review of Decision	Cost Recovery		\$220.00
Replacement of Food Business Licence (Lost or Damaged)	Cost Recovery		\$40.50
Food Business - additional Inspection	Cost Recovery		\$115.00
Search includes inspection of premises	Cost Recovery		\$155.00
Liquor Licence Endorsement - Food Licence and Planning Approval for Council endorsement of application	Cost Recovery	Liquor Act 1992 s105	\$180.00
LABORATORY SERVICES			
Laboratory services - drinking water bacteriological test (Colilert)	Commercial		
Laboratory services - water analysis (per lab cost plus \$10)	Commercial		\$10.00
LOCAL LAWS & OTHER			
Abandoned Vehicles - vehicle found abandoned on roadway	Cost Recovery	Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995	\$80.00
Commercial Use of Roads - application for permit and fee - Charities	Cost Recovery	Local Law 4 (Local Government Controlled	\$25.00

Commercial Use of Roads - application for permit and fee for goods on footpath (maximum of 6 months)	Cost Recovery	Controlled Areas,	\$92.00
Commercial Use of Roads - application for permit and fee for roadside vending, mobile food vending or other activity not described elsewhere (per application / annum)	Cost Recovery	Facilities & Roads) and Subordinate Local Law 1.2 (Commercial Use of Local Government Controlled Areas & Roads)	\$145.00
Overgrown, Untidy Land - mowing, slashing or clean up of overgrown or untidy allotment		Local Law No 3 (Community & Environment)	\$105.00
Parks, Reserves & Gardens - events, stalls in Council parks, reserves and gardens Charities	Cost Recovery	Law Local 17	\$42.00
Parks, Reserves & Gardens - business (Markets)	Cost Recovery	(Parks &	\$42.00
Parks, Reserves & Gardens - cleaning of site, other fees - electrical, waste etc	Commercial		\$105.00
Temporary Homes (means structure used, or intended for use as a place of residence but does not include a structure for the erection of which a development permit has been given, or is required)	Cost Recovery	Local Law 10 (Temporary Homes)	\$135.00
HAIR/BEAUTY/OTHER SERVICES			
Application Fee	Cost Recovery	Public Health	\$175.00
Licence Fee	Cost Recovery	(Infection	\$165.00
Transfer of Licence	Cost Recovery	Control for	\$91.50
Review of Decision	Cost Recovery	Personal	\$215.50
Search includes inspection of premises	Cost Recovery	Appearance	\$155.50
PUBLIC HEALTH			
Health Inspection - Residential Services	Cost Recovery	Residential Services Act 2002	\$180.00

Health Plan Assessment - Residential Services	Cost Recovery	Residential Services Act 2002	\$195.00
WASTE			
Application fee for Waste Management Approval (s369)	Cost Recovery	Environmental Protection Act 1994	\$155.00
Annual renewal fee - Waste Management Approval (s369)	Cost Recovery	Environmental Protection Act 1994	\$105.00
Waste Disposal - St George - Commercial and Industrial Waste (outside of shire)	Commercial		\$80.00
Waste Disposal Facilities - St George - Construction & Demolition Waste (excluding concrete) per m3	Commercial		\$10.50
Waste Disposal Facilities - St George - Asbestos (minor quantities only, prior consent required)	Commercial		\$155.00
Waste Disposal Facilities - Bollon, Dirranbandi, Hebel, St George, Thallon - Uncontaminated, Clean Soil (with prior consent)	Commercial		Nil
Special event garbage/recycling service per mobile garbage bin service (not including supply of bin) per collection	Commercial		\$78.50
Waste disposal - bacterial sludge (Septic Tank) - Commercial - per 1000 litres or part thereof	Commercial		\$0.05
Waste disposal - oil Interceptor sludges and grease trap - per 1000 litres or part thereof	Commercial		\$0.05
WASTE - Dead Animal Collection			
Small Animal Collection (dog, cat, poultry or similar sized) per collection	Commercial		Price on Application
Medium Animal (goat, calf, foal, sheep, kangaroo or similar sized) per collection	Commercial		Price on Application
Large Animal	Commercial		Price on Application
SECTION 3 - PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT			
GENERAL INFORMATION			
Waiver of Development Application Charges - The Chief Executive Officer or Director Community and Environmental Sustainability has delegated authority to determine to partially or wholly waive a Development Application Fee where strict application of the scheduled fee is obviously unreasonable for the type of development proposed.			
Refunds - If an application is withdrawn before it is decided by the Assessment Manager, a refund will be given depending on the processing stage at the time of withdrawal as follows: Application, Information and Referral Stage 50%, Notification Stage 30%, Compliance Stage (prior to issue of action notice) 50%. No refund is applicable once a decision and/or Action Notice has been issued by the Assessment Manager.			

Applications / Lapsed Requests - If an application/request lapses during the IDAS process, no refund of fees is applicable, except for the not property made application that lapses (s266 of the Planning Act 2016), in which case a refund of 80% is applicable.	
Fee for works constructed or commenced without Council Approval - An additional fee of 25% of the relevant application fee, with a minimum fee of \$300.00 shall be imposed on all Planning, Building and Plumbing applications where works have been constructed or a use has commenced without first obtaining the required Council approvals.	
Discount of Development Application Fees - Bona Fide Charitable or Community OrganisationsThe Chief Executive Officer has delegated authority to calculate a fee for development applications by bona fide charitable organisations where such development fulfils a significant community role. This does not apply to private clubs (with the exception of Senior Citizens Clubs) or to applications for commercial uses, lot reconfigurations or similar developments where such developments do not fulfil a significant community role which are not considered to be "not for profit" developments. A fee of 25% of the normal prescribed fee (assessment only) is payable in respect of an application by charitable or non-profit organisations including sporting and recreational organisations) which provide a service to the community and do not normally have an income stream and/or are able to demonstrate their status as non-profit to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive Officer or Director Community and Environmental Sustainability. This discount is not applicable to applications with required referral agency fees.	
Applications Involving More than One Type of Development - Fee for the application shall be the sum of those fees that would have been paid in the event of a separate application being lodged for each type.	
Preliminary Approval - Except where specifically indicated otherwise, fees shall be the same as for the application for a Development Permit. Where a Development Permit is subsequently sought for the same proposal a fee of 50% of the current fee is applicable.	
Developments - Where an application is made to Council for a development and a specialist study is required to be submitted and Council elects to have that study independently assessed by a second consultant, the applicant shall pay an additional fee. Such fee shall be the actual cost charged to Council for the review of the study by a specialist consultant. Any additional fee shall be paid prior to the determination of the application.	
Consultant's Fees - The cost of the consultant's fees in respect to any further expert advice required by Council in consideration of any application/submission will be charged to the applicant. This is likely to be the case where referral co-ordination applies. Where a development application is referred to an external consultant for processing, any additional cost of such external processing, is to be met by the applicant.	
Other Fees and Charges not listed below - Fees and Charges for other uses not mentioned below will be determined by the Chief Executive Officer or the Director Community and Environmental Sustainability upon request.	
Infrastructure Agreements - Where an application is made to Council, and an Infrastructure Agreement is required, the applicant shall pay all costs associated with the preparation and on-going management of the Infrastructure Agreement.	
Election Signs - A refundable bond per candidate is to be paid prior to the erection of election signs. The bond shall only be repaid upon notification by the applicant that all election signs have been removed within 14 days of the date of the election and following confirmation by Council's inspectors.	
BUILDING SERVICES INFORMATION	
Class 1a - Single or Detached Dwelling	
Class 1b - Boarding House, Guest House, Hostel or the like.	
Class 2 - Building containing 2 or more sole-occupancy units each being a separate dwelling.	
Class 3 - Residential Building, other than Class 1 or 2 building, which is a common place of long-term or transient living for a number of unrelated persons.	

Class 4 - Dwelling in a building that is Class 5 to 9 if it is the only dwelling in the building.			
Class 5 - Office Building, used for professional or commercial purposes, excluding Class 6, 7, or 9 buildings.			
Class 6 - Shop or other building for the sale of goods by retail or the supply of services direct to the public.			
Class 7a - Car park			
Class 7b - Building for storage or display of goods or produce for sale by wholesale			
Class 8 - Laboratory, or a building in which a handicraft or process for the production, assembling, altering, repairing, packing, finishing or cleaning of goods or produce is carried on for trade, sale or gain.			
Class 9a - Health- Care building, including those parts of the building set aside as a laboratory			
Class 9b - Assembly building, including a trade workshop, laboratory or the like in a primary or secondary school, but excluding any other parts of the building that			
Class 9c - Aged Care building			
Class 10a - non-habitable building such as private garage, carport, shed or the like.			
Class 10b - Structure being a fence, mast, antenna, retaining or free-standing wall, swimming pool or the like.			
Note 1: The planning and development fees with respect to a particular function do not necessarily include all fees that may apply to that application. Due to the nature of the application, other appropriate application fees may be required (e.g. siting variations, material change of use, plumbing application). These fees can be found in the appropriate section of this schedule, or can be quoted when the application is being submitted.			
CERTIFICATES			
Certificate of Classification	Commercial	Planning Act	\$147.50
Copy of previously issued Certifications of Classification	Commercial	2016	\$40.00
Change of classification	Commercial		\$745.00
BUILDING FEES			
Building commenced without approval may incur an addition 25% of the relevant application fee	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016	
Building - Lodgement fee for private certification	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016	\$145.50
Exemption Certificate	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2017	\$300.00
RESIDENTIAL			
Building Residential - New dwelling (single detached & removal dwelling)	Commercial	Planning Act 2016	\$1,085.00
Relocatable Dwelling Bond (to ensure completion of all works)	Cost Recovery		\$5,500.00
Site Bond	Cost Recovery		\$5,500.00
Road Bond (removal dwellings)	Cost Recovery		\$5,500.00
Dual multiple occupancy	Commercial		\$1,200.00
Multiple occupancy additional units	Commercial		\$515.00
Alterations, additions to residential buildings < 50m2	Commercial		\$365.00
Alterations, additions to residential buildings > 50m2	Commercial		\$720.00

Building Residential - Restumping	Commercial		\$515.00
Demolition of buildings	Commercial		\$515.00
Demolition clean up bond	Cost Recovery		\$5,500.00
ERECTION OF STRUCTURES/RESIDENTIAL			
Garages, carports and sheds <50m2	Commercial	Planning Act 2016	\$445.00
Garages, carports and sheds >50m2	Commercial		\$515.00
Outbuildings (sheds)	Commercial		\$250.00
Awning /Veranda/Patio/Pergola	Commercial		\$375.00
Silos, signs, aerials and fences > 2m high	Commercial		\$265.00
Swimming Pools/Pool Fencing	Commercial		\$775.00
BUDGET ACCOMMODATION - (Class 1b and Class 3)			
Application fee regardless of size	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016	\$1,130.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL SHOPS, OFFICES, WAREHOUSES AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS			
Building Commercial - New Buildings up to 299m2	Commercial	Planning Act 2016	\$1,600.00
Building Commercial - New Buildings 300m2 to 499m2	Commercial		\$2,060.00
Building Commercial - New Buildings 500m2 to 1999m2	Commercial		\$3,430.00
Building Commercial - New Buildings greater than 2000m2	Commercial		POA
Building Commercial - Alterations and additions up to 499m2	Commercial		\$855.00
Building Commercial -Alterations and additions greater than 500m2	Commercial		\$1,715.00
Building Commercial Minor miscellaneous alterations (no fire services and only one inspection required)	Commercial		\$325.50
Building Commercial - Temporary structures (tents> 500m2)	Commercial		\$350.00
Building Commercial - Demolition of building	Cost Recovery		\$675.00
Building Commercial - Demolition clean up bond	Cost Recovery		\$5,500.00
Road Bond	Cost Recovery		\$5,500.00
Other Applications not listed above	Cost Recovery		POA
BUILDING WORKS - REGULATORY			
Copy of building plans	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016	\$35.50
Search - administration building records 5 business days	Cost Recovery		\$145.50
Search - onsite inspection to verify approved buildings, 5 business days	Cost Recovery		\$225.50
Additional Building Inspections (reinspections - outside the standard inspections e.g. Footing/Slab, Frame, final) will be invoiced to the builder unless paid for prior to the inspection	Cost Recovery		\$225.50
Pool Compliant Inspection	Cost Recovery		\$310.00
Pool Safety Inspection and Pool Safety Certificate including Reinspection within 2 working days	Cost Recovery		\$430.00
PLUMBING			

Plumbing/drainage works commenced without approval may incur and addition 25% of the relevant application fee			
Residential and Commercial Structures including alterations	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002	\$370.00
Residential Minor works (max 2 fixtures & one inspection)	Cost Recovery		\$190.00
On site waste water treatment system approval (e.g. septic and other)	Cost Recovery		\$305.00
Grey water installation on the sewer area	Cost Recovery		\$190.00
Grey water installation on the sewer area (inspections)	Cost Recovery		\$250.00
Backflow Prevention Device Assessment	Cost Recovery		\$160.00
Per Device up to 5 Devices (Fee per Device)	Cost Recovery		\$55.00
Back flow device registration per property	Cost Recovery		\$35.50
Annual Registration - per Devices 5 or more (Fee per Device)	Cost Recovery		\$35.50
Plumbing - Trade waste permit	Cost Recovery		\$145.50
PLUMBING REGULATORY			
Search - plumbing administration records	Cost Recovery	Plumbing & Drainage Act 2002	\$145.50
Additional Plumbing Inspections (reinspections - outside the standard approval inspections)	Cost Recovery		\$225.50
Copy of "as constructed" Drainage Plan - no cost to property owners or plumber with an a plumbing approval.	Cost Recovery		\$47.00
PLANNING FEES			
Development commenced without approval may incur and addition 25% of the relevant application fee			
Please note the fees for planning applications do not include application costs to referral agencies			
APPLICATION FOR MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE - IMPACT ASSESSMENT			
Intensive Animal Industry (Units = No. of animals) does not include referral agency fees	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016	\$3,120.00
	Cost Recovery		\$3,120.00
	Cost Recovery		\$3,325.00
	Cost Recovery		\$5,100.00
	Cost Recovery		\$10,200.00
Residential (this is the proposal not the zoning of the proposed site)			\$2,500.00
Rural (this is the proposal not the zoning of the proposed site)			\$3,120.00

Commercial (this is the proposal not the zoning of the site)			\$3,325.00
Industrial (this is the proposal not the zoning of the site)			\$3,850.00
Minor and community uses			\$1,770.00
Major use			\$9,615.00
MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE - CODE ASSESSMENT			
Residential (this is the proposal not the zoning of the proposed site)		Planning Act	\$1,080.00
Rural (this is the proposal not the zoning of the proposed site)		2016	\$1,400.00
Commercial (this is the proposal not the zoning of the site)			\$1,895.00
Industrial (this is the proposal not the zoning of the site)			\$2,430.00
Minor and community uses			\$1,625.00
Major use			\$3,245.00
RECONFIGURING A LOT			
Boundary Realignment (no new lots)	Cost Recovery	Planning Act	\$1,245.00
Subdivision - First additional lot (one into two subdivision)	Cost Recovery	2016	\$1,245.00
Subdivision - additional lot (each additional lot thereafter)	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Request for Compliance Assessment	Cost Recovery		\$1,245.00
OPERATIONAL WORKS ASSOCIATED WITH RECONFIGURATION OF A LOT/MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE			
Roads	Cost Recovery	Planning Act	\$315.00
Drainage	Cost Recovery	2016	\$315.00
Landscaping	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Street Lighting	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Earthworks	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
OTHER OPERATIONAL WORKS			
Carring out operational work for excavation and/or filling not associated with reconfiguring a lot or a material change of use (Levees not included)		Planning Act	\$2,080.00
Advertising Devices	Cost Recovery	2016	\$315.00
OTHER PLANNING FEES			
Request to change Existing Development Approval or Compliance Permit (includes request to extend relevant period, and minor change conditions of approval)	Cost Recovery	Planning Act	\$315.00
Application to Cancel a Development Approval under Section 84 of the Planning Act 2016	Cost Recovery	2016	\$785.00
Other Applications Pursuant to <i>Planning Act</i> not detailed above	Cost Recovery		POA
Additional Compliance Inspections (i.e. the first compliance inspection does not attract a charge)	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
PLANNING CERTIFICATES			
Limited Planning & Development Certificate (SPA s.738)	Cost Recovery	Planning Act	\$110.00
Standard Planning & Development Certificate (SPA s.739)	Cost Recovery	2016	\$315.00

Full Planning & Development Certificate (SPA s.740)	Cost Recovery		\$650.00
OPERATIONAL WORKS ASSOCIATED WITH RECONFIGURATION OF A LOT/MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE			
Roads	Cost Recovery	Planning Act 2016	\$315.00
Drainage	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Landscaping	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Street Lighting	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Earthworks	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Request to change Existing Development Approval or Compliance Permit or amended conditions	Cost Recovery		\$315.00
Other Applications Pursuant to <i>Sustainable Planning Act</i> not detailed above	Cost Recovery		
VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE - LIBRARIES			
COMPUTER AND INTERNET ACCESS			
Printing - Council Paper (Libraries and Visitor Information Centre) - per page	Commercial		\$0.60
Printing - Non Council paper - but paper needs to meet Council's standard (Libraries and Visitor Information Centre) - per page	Commercial		\$0.50
Public Access Terminals (Libraries and Visitor Information Centre) - ¼ hour	Commercial		\$0.00
Public Access Terminals (Libraries and Visitor Information Centre) - ½ hour	Commercial		\$0.00
Public Access Terminals (Libraries and Visitor Information Centre) - 1 hour	Commercial		\$0.00
Public Access Terminals (Visitor Information Centre) - Minimum Charge	Commercial		\$0.00
TOURS Weekdays			
Bus tour bookings (plus bus booking charges and number of people) - first hour free	Commercial		\$105.00
If we do not have to supply bus	Commercial		\$80.00
Per Hour	Commercial		\$46.00
For 3 hour tour + booking fee	Commercial		\$125.00
If lunch supplied per person	Commercial		\$15.50
TOURS Weekends			
Bus booking fee (plus bus booking charges and number of people)	Commercial		POA
If we do not have to supply bus	Commercial		\$115.00
Per Hour	Commercial		\$60.00
3-6 hour tour	Commercial		\$255.00
If lunch supplied per person	Commercial		\$15.50
Tourism Membership Fees and Printing Costs			
Membership Fee	Commercial		\$0.00
BOOKS FOR SALE			
River Country - A History of the Balonne Shire (plus postage) per book	Commercial		\$10.50
St. George's Bridge - A Sesquicentennial History - Hardcover (plus postage) for bulk purchases of 10 or more per book	Commercial		\$21.50

St. George's Bridge - A Sesquicentennial History - Hardcover (plus postage) per book	Commercial		\$25.00
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