

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING NO. 1/24 HELD IN THE FRASER COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HERVEY BAY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 77 TAVISTOCK STREET, HERVEY BAY ON WEDNESDAY, 19 JUNE 2024 COMMENCING AT 9:00AM

PRESENT:

Mayor George Seymour (Chairperson)

Councillor Michelle Byrne
Councillor Phil Truscott
Councillor Paul Truscott
Councillor Daniel Sanderson
Councillor Michelle Govers
Councillor Lachlan Cosgrove
Councillor John Weiland
Councillor Denis Chapman
Councillor Sara Faraj
Councillor Zane O'Keefe

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** 

Chief Executive Officer, Mr Ken Diehm

Director Strategy, Community & Development, Mr Gerard Carlyon

Director Organisational Services, Mr Keith Parsons Director Infrastructure Services, Mr Davendra Naidu Director Water & Waste Services, Mr Mark Vanner

Meeting Secretary, Mrs Chaye Selby

Mayor George Seymour acknowledged the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet today, the Butchulla people and paid respects to the elders past, present and emerging.

SPEC 1

**APOLOGIES** 

Nil

#### SPEC 2 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

 Councillor Daniel Sanderson informed the meeting of a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to item 3.4.2 - Concessions for Religious Entities, Community & Welfare, Care Facilities for Aged Persons and Persons with Disabilities and Emergency Services.<sup>1</sup>

#### SPEC 3 OFFICERS' REPORTS

#### SPEC 3.1 Adoption of 2024/25 Operational Plan

**RESOLUTION** (Sara Faraj/Michelle Byrne)

That Council:

- 1. Adopts the 2024/25 Operational Plan (Attachment 1), including the Annual Performance Plan for Wide Bay Water in accordance with Section 174 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.
- Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to make minor grammatical and formatting changes to the Operational Plan, if required, after its adoption by Council and prior to publishing the document for public access.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### SPEC 3.2 Adoption of 2024/25 Budget Policies

**RESOLUTION** (Lachlan Cosgrove/Phil Truscott)

- That pursuant to section 191 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council adopts the Investment Policy as detailed in Attachment 1. DOCS#5016427- 2024/25 Budget Supporting Policies (pages 2-10 inclusive).
- That pursuant to section 192 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council adopts the Debt Policy as detailed in Attachment 1. DOCS#5016427 - 2024/25 Budget Supporting Policies (pages 11-14 inclusive).
- 3. That pursuant to section 193 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the Revenue Policy as detailed in Attachment 1. DOCS#5016427 2024/25 Budget Supporting Policies (pages 15-17 inclusive).
- 4. That pursuant to section 172 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council adopts the Revenue Statement as detailed in Attachment 1. DOCS#5016427 2024/25 Budget Supporting Policies (pages 18-33 inclusive).

**Carried (10/1)** 

<sup>1</sup> See Page 3 for Councillor Daniel Sanderson's disclosure of interest.

FOR:

Councillor Michelle Byrne
Councillor Phil Truscott
Councillor Paul Truscott
Councillor Daniel Sanderson
Councillor Michelle Govers
Councillor Lachlan Cosgrove
Councillor John Weiland
Councillor Denis Chapman
Councillor Sara Faraj
Councillor Zane O'Keefe

**AGAINST:** 

**Mayor George Seymour** 

Councillor Daniel Sanderson informed the meeting of a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to item 3.4.2 - Concessions for Religious Entities, Community & Welfare, Care Facilities for Aged Persons and Persons with Disabilities and Emergency Services.

- a. The nature of Councillor Daniel Sanderson's conflict is that he is the treasurer of Reach Church Fraser Coast who would benefit from this concession.
- b. Councillor Daniel Sanderson advised the Council that he would leave the meeting during discussion and voting on the matter.

#### SPEC 3.3 Adoption of 2024/25 Fees and Charges

**RESOLUTION** (Daniel Sanderson/Paul Truscott)

- That pursuant to section 97 of the Local Government Act 2009 and Section 262 (3)(c) of the Local Government Act 2009, Council adopts the Fees and Charges as detailed in Attachment 1. DOCS#5009139 – 2024-25 Schedule of Fees and Charges.pdf.
- 2. That pursuant to section 97(3) of the Local Government Act 2009, Council resolves that wherever a cost-recovery fee is fixed pursuant to section 97(2)(d) or (e) of the Local Government Act 2009, as adopted within the Schedule of Fees and Charges (Attachment 1. DOCS#5009139 2024-25 Schedule of Fees and Charges.pdf):-
  - the fee or charge is payable by the person who makes application to Council for the performance of that function to which the fee or charge relates; and
  - b. payment of the fee needs to occur at the time of lodgement of the application.

#### SPEC 3.4 Adoption of 2024/25 Budget

**RESOLUTION** (Paul Truscott/Daniel Sanderson)

#### 3.1 DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES

(a) That pursuant to section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories within which rateable land is categorised and the description of those categories is as follows:

#### RESIDENTIAL

#### Category: Category 1a - Residential Owner Occupier - Urban

**Description:** Land used solely for a single residential dwelling or home unit, which is the principal place of residence of the owner/s. The single residential dwelling or home unit may also be used as a home based business or bed and breakfast.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 1b - Residential Owner Occupier - Non-Urban

**Description:** Land used solely for a single residential dwelling or home unit, which is the principal place of residence of the owner/s. The single residential dwelling or home unit may also be used as a home based business or bed and breakfast.

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

#### Category: Category 2a - Residential Non-Owner Occupier - Urban

**Description:** Land used solely for a single residential dwelling or home unit, which is not the principal place of residence of the owner/s. The single residential dwelling or home unit may also be used as a home based business or bed and breakfast.

Where more than one property is owned by the same person/s, residing in the Fraser Coast Regional Council boundary, only one (1) property can have the principal place of residence status.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 2b - Residential Non-Owner Occupier - Non-Urban

**Description:** Land used solely for a single residential dwelling or home unit, which is not the principal place of residence of the owner/s. The single residential dwelling or home unit may also be used as a home-based business or bed and breakfast.

Where more than one property is owned by the same person/s, residing in the Fraser Coast Regional Council boundary, only one (1) property can have the

principal place of residence status.

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

#### **VACANT LAND**

#### Category: Category 3a - Residential Vacant Land/Other - Urban

**Description:** Vacant land and other land other than the land as defined in Category 1a to 2b or 3b to 9s.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 3b - Residential Vacant Land/Other - Non-Urban

**Description:** Vacant land and other land other than the land as defined in Category 1a to 3a or 4a to 9s.

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

### Category: Category 3c - Limited Development (Constrained Land) Vacant Land - Urban

**Description:** Vacant Land zoned Limited Development (Constrained Land) in Council's Planning Scheme 2014. The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

# Category: Category 3d – Limited Development (Constrained Land) Vacant Land – Non-Urban

**Description:** Vacant Land zoned Limited Development (Constrained Land) in Council's Planning Scheme 2014.

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

#### Category: Category 4a - Concessional Subdivided Land - Urban

**Description:** Vacant land receiving a subdivider discounted valuation for the discounted valuation period, denoted by the Primary Land Use Code 72 as Subdivided land – (LG rates valuation discount).

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 4b - Concessional Subdivided Land - Non-Urban

**Description:** Vacant land receiving a subdivider discounted valuation for the discounted valuation period, denoted by the Primary Land Use Code 72 as Subdivided land – (LG rates valuation discount).

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

#### Category: Category 5a - Commercial Vacant Land - Urban

**Description:** Vacant land zoned high impact industry, medium impact industry, low impact industry, principal centre, district centre or specialised centre in Council's planning scheme.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 5b - Commercial Vacant Land - Non-Urban

**Description:** Vacant land zoned high impact industry, medium impact industry, low impact industry, principal centre, district centre or specialised centre in Council's planning scheme.

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

#### **COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL**

#### Category: Category 6a - Commercial/Industrial - Urban

**Description:** Land used for commercial, business, or industrial purposes, Accredited Nursing Care facilities that do not provide independent living as part of the complex, or other similar purposes not included in any other category. The land may also contain a single residential dwelling.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 6b - Commercial/Industrial - Non-Urban

**Description:** Land used for commercial, business, or industrial purposes, Accredited Nursing Care facilities that do not provide independent living as part of the complex, or other similar purposes not included in any other category. The land may also contain a single residential dwelling.

The Land must either be outside of the water area or be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class E.

#### Category: Category 6c - Commercial - Large Retail - Urban

**Description:** Land used as a Large Shopping Centre with a minimum land area of 2.5 hectares with a rateable valuation that is equal to or less than \$20,000,000.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### Category: Category 6d - Commercial - Large Retail - Urban

**Description:** Land used as a Large Shopping Centre with a minimum land area of 2.5 hectares with a rateable valuation that is greater than \$20,000,000.

The Land must be within the water area and also be within the State Government Emergency Management Levy district class A.

#### PRIMARY PRODUCTION

#### Category: Category 7a - Primary Production

**Description:** Land being used for primary production purposes denoted by primary land use codes 60 to 71 inclusive, 73 to 89 inclusive or 93, excluding land exclusively zoned high impact industry, medium impact industry, low impact industry, principal centre, district centre or specialised centre in Council's planning scheme.

#### MULTI-RESIDENTIAL - FLATS, RESIDENTIAL RESORTS, OTHER

#### Category: Category 8a - 2-10 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts, or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 2 to 10 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8b - 11-19 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 11 to 19 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8c - 20-39 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 20 to 39 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8d - 40-59 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 40 to 59 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8e-60-79 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 60 to 79 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8f - 80-99 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 80 to 99 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8g - 100-119 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 100 to 119 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8h - 120-139 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 120 to 139 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8i - 140-159 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 140 to 159 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8j - 160-179 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 160 to 179 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8k - 180-199 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 180 to 199 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8I - 200-219 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 200 to 219 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8m - 220-239 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 220 to 239 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8n - 240-259 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 240 to 259 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 80 - 260-279 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 260 to 279 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8p - 280-299 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 280 to 299 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8q - 300-319 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 300 to 319 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8r - 320-339 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 320 to 339 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 8s - 340-359 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Flats, Residential Resorts or other similar purposes not included in any other category.

The Land in this category contains 340 to 359 Independent Living Units.

# MULTI-RESIDENTIAL – RETIREMENT VILLAGES/RESIDENTIAL PARKS/RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

#### Category: Category 9a – 2-10 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

The Land in this category contains 2 to 10 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 9b - 11-19 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

The Land in this category contains 11 to 19 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 9c - 20-39 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

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**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

The Land in this category contains 40 to 59 Independent Living Units.

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**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

The Land in this category contains 60 to 79 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 9f - 80-99 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

The Land in this category contains 80 to 99 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 9g - 100-119 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

The Land in this category contains 100 to 119 Independent Living Units.

#### Category: Category 9h - 120-139 ILUs

**Description:** Land used for Retirement Villages, Residential Parks, or Residential Services.

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The Land in this category contains 320 to 339 Independent Living Units.

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The Land in this category contains 340 to 359 Independent Living Units.

#### **RESOLUTION** (Paul Truscott/Michelle Govers)

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

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### **RESOLUTION** (Paul Truscott/Lachlan Cosgrove)

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

Category	Differential category	Differential rate	
No	Description	cents in \$	Minimum
RESIDENT	ALTERNATION OF THE STREET		
1a	Residential Owner Occupier – Urban	0.8366	\$1,362.00
1b	Residential Owner Occupier – Non-Urban	0.8366	\$1,089.00
2a	Residential Non-Owner Occupier – Urban	0.9620	\$1,566.00
2b	Residential Non-Owner Occupier – Non- Urban	0.9620	\$1,251.00
VACANT L	AND		
3a	Residential Vacant Land/Other – Urban	0.8366	\$1,362.00
3b	Residential Vacant Land/Other – Non-Urban	0.8366	\$1,089.00
3c	Vacant - Limited Development (Constrained Land) - Urban	0.8366	n.a.
3d	Vacant - Limited Development (Constrained Land) - Non-Urban	0.8366	n.a.
4a	Concessional Subdivided Land – Urban	0.8366	n.a.
4b	Concessional Subdivided Land – Non-Urban	0.8366	n.a.
5a	Commercial Vacant Land - Urban	1.4222	\$1,566.00
5b	Commercial Vacant Land - Non-Urban	1.4222	\$1,251.00
COMMER	Cial/industrial		
6a	Commercial/Industrial – Urban	1.4222	\$1,566.00
6b	Commercial/Industrial - Non-Urban	1.4222	\$1,251.00
6c	Commercial - Large Retail	1.8405	n.a.
6d	Commercial - Large Retail	1.6732	n.a.
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7a	Primary Production	0.7111	\$1,089.00
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8a	2-10 ILUs	1.4222	\$2,043.00
8b	11-19 ILUs	1.4222	\$11,235.00
8c	20-39 ILUs	1.4222	\$20,430.00
8d	40-59 ILUs	1.4222	\$40,860.00
8e	60-79 ILUs	1.4222	\$61,290.00
8f	80-99 ILUs	1.4222	\$81,720.00
8g	100-119 ILUs	1.4222	\$102,150.00
8h	120-139 ILUs	1.4222	\$122,580.00
8i	140-159 ILUs	1.4222	\$143,010.00
8j	160-179 ILUs	1.4222	\$163,440.00
8k	180-199 ILUs	1.4222	\$183,870.00
81	200-219 ILUs	1.4222	\$204,300.00
8m	220-239 ILUs	1.4222	\$224,730.00
8n	240-259 ILUs	1.4222	\$245,160.00
80	260-279 ILUs	1.4222	\$265,590.00
8p	280-299 ILUs	1.4222	\$286,020.00
8q	300-319 ILUs	1.4222	\$306,450.00
8r	320-339 ILUs	1.4222	\$326,880.00
8s	340-359ILUs	1.4222	\$347,310.00
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#### **RESOLUTION** (Paul Truscott/John Weiland)

(d) That pursuant to section 116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the amount of the differential general rate to be levied for the 2024/25 financial year on the categories of land identified below, be limited to an amount no more than an amount equal to the amount of general rate levied on that land in the previous financial year increased by the percentage identified below.

However, for land to which this limitation applies, this limitation will cease to apply effective from the start of the billing period following;

- a. the transfer of ownership of the land, or
- b. the change to the characteristics of the land which results in a change to the differential general rate category applicable to the land, or
- c. increases resulting from a property inspection or internal audit, or
- d. changes to Principal Place of Residence status, or
- e. changes to the configuration of the Land Area which results in an increase to the valuation.

Category	Differential category	Limitation	
No	Description	on increase	
RESIDENT	IAL		
1a	Residential Owner Occupier – Urban	10.5	
1b	Residential Owner Occupier – Non-Urban	10.5	
2a	Residential Non-Owner Occupier – Urban	10.5	
2b	Residential Non-Owner Occupier – Non-Urban	10.5	
VACANT L	AND		
3a	Residential Vacant Land/Other – Urban	20.0	
3b	Residential Vacant Land/Other – Non-Urban	20.0	
3c	Vacant - Limited Development (Constrained Land) - Urban	10.5	
3d	Vacant - Limited Development (Constrained Land) - Non- Urban	10.5	
4a	Concessional Subdivided Land – Urban	20.0	
4b	Concessional Subdivided Land – Non-Urban	20.0	
5a	Commercial Vacant Land - Urban	20.0	
5b	Commercial Vacant Land - Non-Urban	20.0	
COMMER	CIAL/INDUSTRIAL		
6a	Commercial/Industrial – Urban	20.0	
6b	Commercial/Industrial – Non-Urban	20.0	
6c	Commercial - Large Retail	20.0	
6d	Commercial - Large Retail	20.0	
PRIMARY	PRODUCTION		
7a	Primary Production	20.0	

8a	2-10 ILUs	10.5%
8b	11-19 ILUs	10.5%
8c	20-39 ILUs	10.5%
8d	40-59 ILUs	10.5%
8e	60-79 ILUs	10.5%
8f	80-99 ILUs	10.5%
8g	100-119 ILUs	10.5%
8h	120-139 ILUs	10.5%
8i	140-159 ILUs	10.5%
8j	160-179 ILUs	10.5%
8k	180-199 ILUs	10.5%
81	200-219 ILUs	10.5%
8m	220-239 ILUs	10.5%
8n	240-259 ILUs	10.5%
80	260-279 ILUs	10.5%
8p	280-299 ILUs	10.5%
8q	300-319 ILUs	10.5%
8r	320-339 ILUs	10.5%
8s	340-359ILUs	10.5%
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#### **3.2 SEPARATE CHARGES**

#### 3.2.1 DISASTER MANAGEMENT LEVY

#### **RESOLUTION** (Phil Truscott/Denis Chapman)

That pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 103 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy a separate charge (to be known as the "Disaster Management Levy"), in the sum of \$27.90 per rateable assessment, to be levied equally on all rateable land in the region, for the purposes of developing and maintaining a capacity for disaster management planning and operations as outlined in Council's Disaster Management Levy Policy.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.3 UTILITY CHARGES

#### 3.3.1 WASTEWATER CHARGES

#### **RESOLUTION** (Michelle Byrne/Sara Faraj)

That pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy wastewater utility charges, for the supply of wastewater services by the Council, as follows:

#### **Basis of charge**

Wastewater charges are determined to recover the cost of Council providing the infrastructure and the cost of operating and maintaining the wastewater system, including a commercial return on Council's commercial business unit in respect of all land and premises in the Local Government wastewater service area.

A wastewater charge will be levied on land, both vacant and occupied, that Council has or is able to provide with wastewater services, whether occupied or not.

Where two or more contiguous lots have a Structure Over Boundary, one access charge will be levied per tenancy.

A charge will be set for each residential dwelling and residential unit (under the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997* (QLD), or another Community Titles Act), that are connected to Council. Where wastewater services are provided to the common property of scheme land within the meaning of the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997* (QLD), and the services are available to the public, the body corporate shall be levied a charge on each service or each lot to be levied by lot entitlement.

Land Use  Residential and Vacant land						
				Residential/Vacant land (Connected)	\$961.20	per residence/per lot
				Vacant land (Unconnected)	\$914.70	per lot

Manufactured Home Parks, Retirement Villages, Residential Home Parks	\$894.90	per residence
Non-Residential/Other (*minimum 1 per lot)	-	
General Commercial/Industrial	\$961.20	per pedestal
	\$480.30	per urinal (or per 0.6m of each urinal stall)
Marina	\$961.20	per pedestal
	\$480.30	per urinal (or per 0.6m of each urinal stall)
Accredited Nursing Care and Hospitals	\$961.20	per pedestal
	\$480.30	per urinal (or per 0.6m of each urinal stall)
	\$961.20	per slop hopper (or equivalent)
Caravan Parks	\$961.20	per communal pedestal
	\$480.30	per urinal (or per 0.6m of each urinal stall)
	\$768.60	per non-communal pedestal
	\$768.60	per cabin/unit/residence
Motels	\$768.60	per unit/room
Hotels	\$961.20	per communal pedestal
	\$480.30	per urinal (or per 0.6m of each urinal stall)
	\$768.60	per unit/room
Backpacker Accommodation	\$961.20	per pedestal
	\$480.30	per urinal (or per 0.6m of each urinal stall)
Multiple Land Uses		
For land with multiple land uses, the land will be ch	narged for e	each land use in line with the

\*For avoidance of doubt, for properties that do not contain a pedestal within the lot

\*For avoidance of doubt, for properties that do not contain a pedestal within the lot boundary, a minimum of 1 pedestal charge per lot will be set. Should the lot be part of a body corporate or community title scheme and pedestals exist on the common property of the scheme land, a minimum pedestal charge of 1 will be set for each lot (excluding common property) within the scheme, and should the total number of pedestals exceed the total number of lots (excluding common property) within the scheme, each lot shall be levied an additional charge in relation to the total number of additional pedestals, to be apportioned and levied in accordance with the lot entitlement of each lot within the scheme.

The following will be exempt from wastewater charges if no connection to Council's wastewater system exists.

- (a) land in the differential general rate Category 7a Primary production;
- (b) balance areas under stage development until subdivision occurs or the subdivision proposal expires; and
- (c) land in the differential general rate categories 3c and 3d Vacant Limited Development (Constrained Land).

#### Wastewater trade waste charges

Wastewater trade waste charges are listed below in accordance with Council's Trade Waste Environmental Management Plan and Technical Specifications.

Wastewater trade waste charges			
Category	Description	Charge	
1	Flat fee	\$475.80 per annum	
2	Flat fee	\$620.10 per annum	
2	Volume	\$2.34 per kL	
	Flat fee	\$985.20 per annum	
	Volume	\$2.34 per kL	
	BOD5	\$1.71 per kg	
	Suspended solids	\$1.71 per kg	
3	Chemical Oxygen Demand	\$1.71 per kg	
	Total oil & grease	\$1.71 per kg	
	Total kjeldahl nitrogen	\$1.71 per kg	
	Total Phosphorus	\$1.71 per kg	
	Ammonia (as nitrogen)	\$1.71 per kg	
Equivalent Arrestor	500-999L pre-treatment device	\$1,494.30 per annum	
Charges for non- compliant wastewater	1000 – 1999L pre-treatment device	\$2,521.20 per annum	
trade waste systems	2000L pre-treatment device	\$4,698.00 per annum	

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.3.2 WATER CHARGES

#### **RESOLUTION** (John Weiland/Zane O'Keefe)

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

#### **Basis of charge**

Water charges are determined on a user pays basis to recover the cost of Council providing the infrastructure and the cost of operating and maintaining the water supply system, including a commercial return on Council's investment, in respect of all land and premises in the water area of the Local Government area.

The charges will apply to land within the Water Area in the Local Government area, including but not limited to residential and commercial users, and individual 'lots' and the body corporate within the meaning of the *Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997*. Water access charges will apply to properties whether occupied or not.

The two part charging structure consists of an annual access charge and a water consumption charge.

- an access charge for all land within the Water Area; and
- a charge for each kilolitre of water consumed.

An access charge for vacant land is also applied to each separately subdivided parcel of vacant land within the water area which is not currently connected to the reticulated water supply system and where a connection is able to be provided.

Where two or more contiguous lots have a Structure Over Boundary, one access charge will be levied per tenancy.

#### Large commercial/Industrial

This charge applies to large commercial and industrial developments being large shopping centres, major industry and State Government properties, excluding schools.

A water access charge in this category shall be levied according to the access size of each water supply service generally in proportion to the flow capacity of each water connection. The charge shall consist of whichever is the greater of:

- (i) the sum of the water access charges that apply to each of the individual pipe access size connections to the property; or
- (ii) a water access charge, for each separate occupation, tenancy or commercial activity.

The amount of the water access charge calculated for pipe size shall be that which applies to the actual pipe access size of the water service connection to the property. If the actual pipe access size of the water service connection to the property is not specified in the table of water access charges, the water access charge for the next lowest pipe access size shall apply.

Where the pipe access size or the number of the water service connection/s is/are in excess of the capacity required at a property as a result of changed circumstances or use at that property, the water access charge/s will continue to apply until the pipe access size or the number of the water service connection/s is/are reduced as approved by Council at the property owner's expense.

Water charges		
Land Use		
Residential and Vacant land		
Residential/Vacant land	\$612.60	per residence/ per lot
Manufactured Home Parks, Retirement Villages, Residential Home Parks	\$547.20	per residence
Non-Residential and Other		
General Commercial/Industrial	\$612.60	per tenancy
Large Commercial/Industrial	\$612.60	per 20/25mm
	\$1,570.50	per 32mm
	\$2,452.50	per 40mm
	\$3,832.80	per 50mm

	\$9,812.10	per 80mm	
	\$15,332.10	per 100mm	
	\$34,497.90	per 150mm	
	\$61,323.60	per 200mm	
Marina Berths	\$612.60	per 7 berths	
Accredited Nursing Care	\$612.60	per 5 beds	
Motels	\$612.60	per 5 units/roo ms	
Caravan Park Cabins	\$612.60	per 5 cabins	
Caravan Park Sites	\$612.60	per 5 sites	
Hotels	\$612.60	per 5 rooms	
Backpacker Accommodation	\$612.60	per 5 beds	
Multiple Land Uses			
For land with multiple land uses, the land will be charged for each land use in line with the above charges.			
Water Consumption Charges			
Billing Period 1 July 2024 to 31 October 2024	\$2.23	per kL	
Billing Period 1 November 2024 to 30 June 2025	\$2.39	per kL	

<sup>\*</sup>The water consumption charge is applied based on the rate notice billing date, not when the water was consumed.

The following will be exempt from water charges if no connection to Council's water supply system exists.

- (a) land in the differential general rate Category 7a Primary production;
- (b) balance areas under stage development until subdivision occurs or the subdivision proposal expires; and
- (c) land in the differential general rate categories 3c and 3d Vacant Limited Development (Constrained Land).

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### **3.3.3 WASTE CHARGES**

#### **RESOLUTION** (Michelle Govers/Michelle Byrne)

That pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy waste charges, for the supply of waste services by Council, as follows:

#### **Basis of charge**

Waste charges are levied each financial year for the purpose of defraying the costs of operating, maintaining and managing the collection and disposal of waste in respect of all land and premises in the defined waste collection area.

The costs incurred in the operation and maintenance of all of the waste management functions of Council arising from the provision of waste services will primarily be funded by waste charges. The proceeds from the charges will fund the acquisition, operation and maintenance of Council landfill's and transfer stations, its recycling activities, and waste transportation costs.

Council will levy a waste charge on each rateable property. Where there are one or more structures on land capable of separate occupation, a charge will be made for each tenancy.

Waste services not provided by Council are not included in the calculations for the charges to be applied.

In respect to land within the defined waste collection area, one or more of the following charges will apply:

- Standard waste service charge
- Additional waste service charge
- Combined waste service charge
- Individual waste service charge
- Commercial waste service charge

#### **Waste charges**

a) A **Standard Waste Service Charge** per residential unit or a **Combined Waste Service Charge** (whichever is the greater) will apply to all rateable properties within the general rate category groups of Residential, Primary Production, and Multi-Residential – Flats/Residential Resorts/Other that are able to be provided with an equivalent number of waste services. If the removal of a waste service is requested the charge will continue to apply.

Additional Waste Service Charges will apply where additional services are requested.

- b) An **Individual Waste Service Charge** will apply to all rateable properties within the general rate category groups of Vacant Land and Multi-Residential Retirement Villages/Residential Parks/Residential Services that are provided with a waste service.
- c) A Commercial Waste Service Charge will apply to all rateable properties within the general rate category group Commercial/Industrial and all non-rateable commercial properties that are provided with a waste service.

The following commercial properties are excluded from the commercial waste service charge and will be levied an Individual Waste Service Charge:

- Nursing homes and private aged care
- Boarding houses

- Purpose Built Student Accommodations off campus, rooming accommodations
- Caravan parks
- A mixed-use flat/apartment e.g. a combination of holiday units for rent, or businesses and residential units
- And other properties as determined by The Department of Environment and Science
- d) One off service charge additional charges will be made for any extra waste service provided by Council (refer to the Fees and Charges Schedule).
- e) Where a bin service is provided for part of a financial year, the service charges will be levied on a pro-rata basis.

Waste Charges			
Standard Waste Service Charge			
240 litre waste bin serviced w bin serviced fortnightly	reekly and a 240 litre recycling	\$456.60 per annum	
Additional Waste Service Cha	arge		
Additional waste bins service	d weekly and recycling bins service	ed fortnightly	
240 litre waste bin		\$210.60 per annum	
1 cubic metre waste bin		\$1,194.60 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre waste bin		\$1,819.80 per annum	
2 cubic metre waste bin		\$2,449.20 per annum	
3 cubic metre waste bin		\$3,704.70 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre waste bin		\$5,585.10 per annum	
20 cubic metre waste bin		\$58,826.10 per annum	
240 litre recycle bin		\$111.00 per annum	
1 cubic metre recycle bin		\$616.50 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre recycle bin		\$935.40 per annum	
2 cubic metre recycle bin		\$1,246.20 per annum	
3 cubic metre recycle bin		\$1,875.60 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre recycle bin	\$2,823.60 per annum		
Combined Waste Service Cha	arge		
A combined bulk bin/s serviced weekly and recycling wheelie bins or bulk bin serviced fortnightly			
1 cubic metre waste bin	plus a 1 cubic metre recycle bin	\$1,947.60 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre waste bin	plus a 1.5 cubic metre recycle bin	\$2,891.40 per annum	
2 cubic metre waste bin	plus a 2 cubic metre recycle bin	\$3,831.90 per annum	
3 cubic metre waste bin	plus a 3 cubic metre recycle bin	\$5,716.50 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre waste bin	plus a 4.5 cubic metre recycle bin	\$8,545.20 per annum	
Individual Waste Service Cha	rge		

Individual waste bins serviced weekly and recycling bins serviced fortnightly		
240 litre waste bin \$210.60 per an		
1 cubic metre waste bin	\$1,194.60 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre waste bin	\$1,819.80 per annum	
2 cubic metre waste bin	\$2,449.20 per annum	
3 cubic metre waste bin	\$3,704.70 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre waste bin	\$5,585.10 per annum	
20 cubic metre waste bin	\$58,826.10 per annum	
240 litre recycle bin	\$111.00 per annum	
1 cubic metre recycle bin	\$616.50 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre recycle bin	\$935.40 per annum	
2 cubic metre recycle bin	\$1,246.20 per annum	
3 cubic metre recycle bin	\$1,875.60 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre recycle bin \$2,823.60 per annu		

Commercial Waste Service Charge		
Commercial waste bins serviced weekly and recycling bins serviced fortnightly		
240 litre waste bin	\$284.70 per annum	
1 cubic metre waste bin	\$1,582.50 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre waste bin	\$2,401.50 per annum	
2 cubic metre waste bin	\$3,224.10 per annum	
3 cubic metre waste bin	\$4,865.70 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre waste bin	\$7,325.40 per annum	
20 cubic metre waste bin	\$74,415.30 per annum	
240 litre recycle bin	\$111.00 per annum	
1 cubic metre recycle bin	\$616.50 per annum	
1.5 cubic metre recycle bin	\$935.40 per annum	
2 cubic metre recycle bin	\$1,246.20 per annum	
3 cubic metre recycle bin	\$1,875.60 per annum	
4.5 cubic metre recycle bin	\$2,823.60 per annum	

#### **Waste Management Utility Charge**

The Waste Management Utility Charge for 2024/25 will be \$135.00, and will be used for the purposes of raising revenue for Council to provide waste infrastructure across the region to facilitate waste operations in an environmentally acceptable manner whilst being economically responsible, to be levied as follows:

- (a) the Waste Management Utility Charge is included within the standard waste service charge and combined waste service charge for all properties within the general rate category groups of Residential, Primary Production, and Multi-Residential Flats/Residential Resorts/Other which are within the defined waste collection area, unless the property is deemed to be unserviceable;
- (b) the Waste Management Utility Charge will be levied per residential unit for all

properties within the general rate category group of Multi-Residential – Retirement Villages/Residential Parks/Residential Services, whether or not provided with a waste service (excluding land which is levied the K'gari Garbage Charge);

(c) the Waste Management Utility Charge will be levied for all properties within the general rate category group of Commercial/Industrial, whether or not provided with a waste service, excluding land which is levied the K'gari Garbage Charge, in accordance with the below table;

#### Type

<u>Commercial properties</u> — a charge for each separate occupation, tenancy or commercial activity

Marina berths – a charge for every 7 or part thereof marina berths

<u>Accredited nursing care</u> – a charge for every 5 or part thereof beds in an accredited nursing care facility

<u>Caravan park sites / cabins</u> — a charge for every 5 or part thereof caravan park sites/cabins

Motels - a charge for every 5 or part thereof motel units

<u>Hotel rooms</u> — a charge for every 5 or part thereof Hotel accommodation rooms (hotel rooms not self-contained and may only contain a vanity basin)

<u>Backpacker accommodation</u> – a charge for every 5 or part thereof beds in backpackers accommodation

- (d) the Waste Management Utility Charge will be levied per assessment for all properties within the general rate category group of Vacant Land, whether or not provided with a waste service; except balance areas under stage development until subdivision occurs or the subdivision proposal expires and
- (e) the Waste Management Utility Charge will be levied to all occupied land outside the defined waste collection area per residential/commercial unit/tenancy, excluding land which is levied the K'gari Garbage Charge.

#### K'gari Garbage Charge

A K'gari Garbage Charge for 2024/25 of \$456.60, will be levied to residential properties for each residential unit and will be used to provide waste services on K'gari and mainland landfill sites for disposal of waste.

A Commercial K'gari Garbage Charge for 2024/25 of \$530.70, will apply to all rateable properties within the general rate category group Commercial/Industrial and all non-rateable commercial properties in accordance with the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011*.

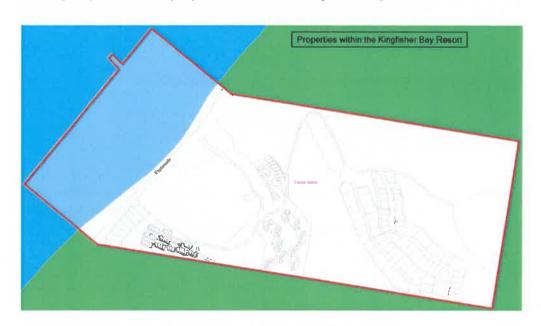
The Commercial K'gari Garbage Charge will be levied in accordance with the below table.

# Commercial properties — a charge for each separate occupation, tenancy or commercial activity Marina berths — a charge for every 7 or part thereof marina berths Caravan park sites / cabins — a charge for every 5 or part thereof caravan park sites/cabins Motels — a charge for every 5 or part thereof motel units Hotel rooms — a charge for every 5 or part thereof Hotel accommodation rooms (hotel rooms not self-contained and may only contain a vanity basin)

The rateable land to which the charge applies is all rateable land on K'gari, excluding rateable land which forms part of the Kingfisher Bay Resort complex. For clarity, the following map defines the properties within the Kingfisher Bay Resort:

**Backpacker accommodation** – a charge for every 5 or part thereof beds

in backpackers accommodation



#### 3.4 CONCESSIONS ON RATES AND CHARGES

#### 3.4.1 CONCESSIONS FOR PENSIONERS

#### **RESOLUTION** (Denis Chapman/Phil Truscott)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a rebate of the differential general rate of up to \$200.00 per annum be granted to all ratepayers who are pensioners and who are eligible for the State Government pensioner rates subsidy.

The concession for pensioners will be granted in accordance with Council's Pensioner Concession Policy.

**Carried Unanimously** 

Councillor Daniel Sanderson left the meeting at 9:05am and was not present during discussion of and voting on the below matter.

# 3.4.2 CONCESSIONS FOR RELIGIOUS ENTITIES, COMMUNITY & WELFARE, CARE FACILITIES FOR AGED PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

#### **RESOLUTION** (Sara Faraj/Paul Truscott)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a rebate of rates and charges will be granted to eligible ratepayers in accordance with Council's Community Groups Concession Policy.

**Carried Unanimously** 

Councillor Daniel Sanderson returned to the meeting at 9:06am.

#### 3.4.3 CONSERVATION AREAS CONCESSION

#### **RESOLUTION** (Lachlan Cosgrove/Daniel Sanderson)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a rebate of rates and charges will be granted to eligible ratepayers in accordance with Council's Conservation Areas Rates Rebate Policy.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.4.4 FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

#### **RESOLUTION** (Daniel Sanderson/Michelle Govers)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a concession for rates and charges will be granted to eligible ratepayers in accordance with Council's Financial Hardship policy.

#### 3.4.5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

#### **RESOLUTION** (Phil Truscott/Lachlan Cosgrove)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a concession for rates and charges may be granted to ratepayers on a case-by-case basis as adopted by Council resolution to encourage the economic development of all or part of the local government area.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.4.6 REFURBISHMENT CONCESSION

#### **RESOLUTION** (Michelle Byrne/John Weiland)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a concession for rates and charges may be granted to eligible ratepayers in accordance with Council's Refurbishment Concession Policy.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.4.7 LIMIT INCREASES IN WATER AND WASTEWATER CHARGES

#### **RESOLUTION** (John Weiland/Denis Chapman)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a concession will be granted to all ratepayers whose combined water and wastewater utility charges, excluding water consumption and trade waste charges, levied by Council for the 2024/25 financial year are more than 20% higher than the equivalent charges levied during the 2023/24 financial year. A rebate will be granted to limit increases in the combined water and wastewater utility charges, excluding water consumption and trade waste charges, levied on those ratepayers in the previous financial year to a maximum of 20%. Council grants this concession on the basis that requiring ratepayers to pay an increase in the combined water and wastewater charges, excluding water consumption and trade waste charges, of more than 20% will cause hardship.

For land to which this limitation applies, this limitation will cease to apply effective from the start of the billing period following;

- (a) the transfer of ownership of the land, or
- (b) the change to the characteristics of the land which results in a change to the water or wastewater category or services applicable to the land, or
- (c) increases resulting from a property inspection or internal audit.

#### 3.4.8 WATER CHARGE RELIEF

#### **RESOLUTION** (Michelle Govers/Sara Faraj)

That pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a concession will be granted to eligible ratepayers for water consumption charges under Council's Water Charge Relief Policy.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.5 INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES

**RESOLUTION** (Denis Chapman/Zane O'Keefe)

That pursuant to section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, compound interest on daily rests at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum is to be charged on all overdue rates or charges from the day the rates or charges become overdue.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.6 LEVY AND PAYMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES

**RESOLUTION** (Sara Faraj/Michelle Byrne)

- (a) That pursuant to section 107 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 and section 114 of the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990, Council's rates and charges and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy are to be levied as follows:
  - for the period 1 July 2024 to 31 October 2024 in July 2024;
  - for the period 1 November 2024 to 28 February 2025 in November 2024; and
  - for the period 1 March 2025 to 30 June 2025 in March 2025.
- (b) That pursuant to section 118 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be paid on the date that is:
  - 30 clear days after the date of the issue of the July 2024, November 2024 and March 2025 rate notices.

#### 3.7 PRESCRIBED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES AND CODE OF COMPETITIVE CONDUCT

#### **RESOLUTION** (Lachlan Cosgrove/Phil Truscott)

- (a) That pursuant to section 39 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the following are prescribed business activities which are to be conducted by Council for the 2024/25 financial year:
  - Wide Bay Water;
  - Fraser Coast Waste;
  - Fraser Coast Caravan Parks;
  - Hervey Bay Airport;
  - Brolga Theatre;
  - Fraser Coast Sports and Recreation Precinct; and
  - Fraser Coast Aquatic Centres.
- (b) That pursuant to section 43 of the Local Government Act 2009, the identified significant business activities of Council which are subject to the National Competition Policy (NCP) for the 2024/25 financial year are:
  - Wide Bay Water; and
  - Fraser Coast Waste.
- (c) That pursuant to section 47(7) of the Local Government Act 2009, that the following prescribed business activities apply the code of competitive conduct for the 2024/25 financial year:
  - Wide Bay Water commercialisation; and
  - Fraser Coast Waste full cost pricing.
- (d) That pursuant to section 47(7) of the Local Government Act 2009, that the following prescribed business activities do not apply the code of competitive conduct for the 2024/25 financial year:
  - Fraser Coast Caravan Parks;
  - Hervey Bay Airport;
  - Brolga Theatre;
  - Fraser Coast Sports and Recreation Precinct; and
  - Fraser Coast Aquatic Centres.

The code will not be applied because their purpose includes increasing community access to services and social benefits and the activities have significant non-commercial objectives. In addition, applying the code would result in unnecessary administration costs which would outweigh any benefit gained from applying the code.

#### 3.8 STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION

**RESOLUTION** (Daniel Sanderson/Michelle Govers)

That pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the statement of the financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the previous financial year ("the Statement of Estimated Financial Position"), as presented by the Chief Executive Officer and as detailed in:

Attachment 1. DOCS#5018208 – 2024/25 Budget Adoption Attachments (pages 36-38 inclusive), be received and its contents noted as presented.

**Carried Unanimously** 

#### 3.9 ADOPTION OF BUDGET

**RESOLUTION** (Paul Truscott/Lachlan Cosgrove)

That pursuant to sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2024/25 financial year, incorporating:

- i. The statements of financial position;
- ii. The statements of cash flow;
- iii. The statements of income and expenditure;
- iv. The statements of changes in equity;
- v. The long-term financial forecast;
- vi. The revenue statement;
- vii. The revenue policy (adopted by Council resolution on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024);
- viii. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and
- ix. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget,

as detailed in Attachment 1. DOCS#5018208 – 2024/25 Budget Adoption Attachments be adopted (pages 2-38 inclusive).

**Carried (10/1)** 

FOR: Councillor Michelle Byrne

Councillor Phil Truscott
Councillor Paul Truscott
Councillor Daniel Sanderson
Councillor Michelle Govers
Councillor Lachlan Cosgrove
Councillor John Weiland
Councillor Denis Chapman
Councillor Sara Faraj
Councillor Zane O'Keefe

AGAINST: Mayor George Seymour

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 9:18am.

Confirmed at Ordinary Meeting No. 7/24 of the Fraser Coast Regional Council at Hervey Bay held on 24 July 2024.

MAYOR