

28 June 2018

10.00 am

Present:

Cr JM Dempsey (Mayor - Chairman), Cr WR Trevor OAM (Deputy Mayor), Cr JP Bartels, Cr WA Honor, Cr HL Blackburn, Cr GR Barnes, Cr SA Rowleson, Cr CR Sommerfeld, Cr SA Cooper, and Cr JD Learmonth

Apologies: Moved by Cr HL Blackburn , seconded by Cr WA Honor, that Cr JA Peters' apology for today's meeting be accepted. Carried

Officers:

Mr SD Johnston, Chief Executive Officer Mr SJ Randle, General Manager Infrastructure Mr GJ Steele, General Manager Community & Environment Mrs AK Pafumi, General Manager Organisational Services Mr B Artup, Executive Director Strategic Projects and Economic Development Mrs A Sapolu, Chief Legal Officer Mr M Gorey, Executive Officer Communications Mrs MT Jenner, Executive Assistant to Councillors Mrs WE Saunders, Executive Services Co-ordinator

Cr JM Dempsey acknowledged the traditional custodian owners of the land and their Elders past, present and emerging.

Declaration of Interests - Conflict of Interest/Material Personal Interest

Nil declared.



Portfolio:

Organisational Services

Subject:

2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan

Confidential Reason:

Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 275(c) the local governments budget.

Resolutions

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1. ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to section 107A of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 169, 170 and 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2018/2019 financial year, incorporating:

- (a) The statement of income and expenditure, incorporating
 - i. the statement of estimated financial position (operations) for the previous financial year;
 - ii. 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.
- (b) The statement of financial position, incorporating
 - i. the statement of estimated financial position (financial) for the previous financial year.
- (c) The statement of cash flow;
- (d) The statement of changes in equity;
- (e) The long-term financial forecast;
- (f) The relevant measures of financial sustainability;
- (g) Estimated Activity Statement for Business Activities to which Council applies Full Cost Pricing principles, including the estimated Community Service Obligations;
- (h) The Revenue Statement; and
- (i) The Revenue Policy (adopted by Council resolution on 24 April 2018).

As tabled, be adopted.

Seconded by Cr SR Cooper.

Cr JM Dempsey delivered his Budget speech:-

The Australian Local Government Association's "State of the Regions" report was released earlier this month in Canberra.

It highlights the inequality that exists between metropolitan Australia and regions such as Wide Bay-Burnett.

I've advocated for a long time there needs to be a coordinated response between all levels of government to build infrastructure, stimulate the private sector and create jobs.

Local Government is the smallest in financial terms and collects the lowest amount of revenue, but we are closest to the people we serve.

Council is the only level of government that invests every dollar collected from the local community back into the local community.

This valuable contribution assists to maintain our unique way of life.

Council also understands that many residents and businesses in the Bundaberg Region are doing it tough.

That's why we have limited this year's rate rise to 1.9 per cent, which is equivalent to the national inflation rate. This is the lowest rate rise in the Council's history and reflects our determination to minimise cost-of-living pressures.

Water access and household waste charges have been frozen at the 2017-18 level.

Council is living within its means and we're being prudent in our spending decisions.

The budget commits \$90 million to capital projects, including nearly \$20 million for roads, \$6.57 million for stormwater drainage, \$3.25 million for parks and sporting facilities, and \$2.67 million for footpaths.

These works build better communities and stimulate the local economy.

Many of these projects will be undertaken by local contractors, delivering flow-on benefits to the regional economy.

The capital works plan will deliver tangible improvements to neighbourhoods across the region.

From picnic shelters to footpaths, playgrounds and better drainage, most people will see changes that improve the amenity of where they live.

There is a strong focus on maintaining the condition of existing facilities, with \$22.5 million allocated to renewing assets.

Council is also taking a long-term view of major projects such as the CBD revitalisation, recognising the need for careful design work, extensive consultation and partnerships with the state and federal governments.

I'd like to thank staff and Councillors for their work in preparing this budget.

By working together we can build Australia's best regional community.

The motion was put - and carried unanimously.

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2. DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

(a) Pursuant to section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories into 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:

Column 1 – Category (section 81)	Column 2 – Description (section 81)	Column 3 – Identification (sections 81(4) and 81(5))
1 - Urban Residential Land	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used, for urban residential purposes, other than land included in Category 5	 1001 - Vacant Land 1002 - Single Use Dwelling 1003 - Multi Unit Dwellings – Flats/Dual Occupancy 1006 - Outbuilding 1009 - Strata Title Residential Use 1021 - Residential Institution Non-Medical 1072 - Section 49-51 Valuation
2 - Rural Residential Land	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used, for rural residential purposes	 1003 - Multi Unit Dwellings – Flats/Dual Occupancy 1004 - Vacant Large Homesite 1005 - Dwelling Large Homesite 1006 - Outbuilding 1009 - Strata Title Residential Use 1021 - Residential Institution Non-Medical 1072 - Section 49-51 Valuation 1094 - Other Rural Land
5 - Coastal Towns	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used, for residential purposes and is located within the townships or areas of Bargara, Burnett Heads, Buxton, Coonarr, Coral Cove, Elliott Heads, Innes Park, Moore Park Beach, Walkers Point, Winfield and Woodgate Beach, and does not have frontage to the Pacific Ocean or frontage to a road which, in turn, has frontage to the Pacific Ocean. *Refer differential rating maps 1-10	 1001 - Vacant Land 1002 - Single Unit Dwelling 1003 - Multi-Unit Dwelling, Flats, Dual Occupancy 1004 - Vacant Large Homesite 1005 - Dwelling Large Homesite 1006 - Outbuildings 1009 - Strata Title Residential Use 1021 - Residential Institution – Non Medical 1072 - Section 49-51 Valuation

7 - Urban Oceanfront	Land that is used, for residential purposes and is located within the townships or areas of Bargara, Burnett Heads, Coonarr, Coral Cove, Elliott Heads, Innes Park, Moore Park Beach, Winfield and Woodgate Beach, and has frontage to the Pacific Ocean, or has frontage to a road which, in turn, has frontage to the Pacific Ocean *Refer to differential rating maps 1-10.	 1001 - Vacant Land 1002 - Single Unit Dwelling 1003 - Multi Unit Dwelling, Flats, Dual Occupancy 1004 - Vacant Large Homesite 1005 - Dwelling Large Homesite 1006 - Outbuildings 1009 - Strata Title Residential Use 1021 - Residential Non-Medical 1072 - Section 49-51 Valuation
9 - Agricultural Land	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used, for agricultural purposes.	1060 - Sheep Grazing 1061 - Sheep Breeding 1064 - Cattle Grazing & Breeding 1065 - Cattle Breeding & Fattening 1066 - Cattle Fattening 1067 - Goats 1068 - Milk Quota 1069 - Milk No Quota 1070 - Cream 1071 - Oil Seeds 1073 - Grains 1074 - Turf Farms 1075 - Sugar Cane 1076 - Tobacco 1077 - Cotton 1078 - Rice 1079 - Orchards 1080 - Tropical Fruits 1081 - Pineapple 1082 - Vineyards 1083 - Small Crops & Fodder Irrigation 1084 - Small Crops & Fodder Inrigation 1085 - Pigs 1086 - Horses 1089 - Animals – Special 1090 - Stratum 1093 - Peanuts

12 - Bundaberg Commercial Land	Land located within the area of Bundaberg City that is used, or has the potential to be used, for commercial purposes, other than land included in Category 15.	 1007 - Guest House/Private Hotel 1008 - Strata Title Non Residential Use 1010 - Combines Multi Dwelling & Shops 1011 - Shop Single 1012 - Shop Group (more than 6 shops) 1013 - Shopping Group (2 to 6 shops) 1014 - Shopping Secondary (Fringe CBD) 1015 - Shopping Secondary (Fringe CBD) 1016 - Drive in Shopping Centre 1017 - Restaurant 1020 - Marina 1022-1 - Car Park Commercial 1023 - Retail Warehouse 1024 - Sales Area (Outdoor) 1025 - Offices 1026 - Funeral Parlour 1027 - Private Hospital/Convalescent Home (Medical Private) 1028-1 - Warehouse & Bulk Stores 1030 - Service Station 1038 - Advertising Hoarding 1041 - Child Care excluding Kindergarten 1042 - Tavern/Hotel 1043 - Motel 1044 - Nursery (Plants) 1045 - Theatres and Cinemas 1046 - Drive-In Theatre 1047 - Club - Sport (run as a business) 1049 - Caravan Park 1053 - Employment Agency/Training 1054 - Marketplace
14 - Other Commercial Land	Land located outside the area of Bundaberg City that is used, or has the potential to be used, for commercial purposes.	 1007 - Guest House/Private Hotel 1008 - Strata Title Non Residential Use 1010 - Combines Multi Dwelling & Shops 1011 - Shop Single 1012 - Shop Group (more than 6 shops) 1013 - Shopping Group (2 to 6 shops) 1014 - Shopping Main Retail (CBD) 1015 - Shopping Secondary (Fringe CBD) 1016 - Drive in Shopping Centre 1017 - Restaurant 1020 - Marina 1022-1 - Car Park Commercial 1023 - Retail Warehouse 1024 - Sales Area (Outdoor) 1025 - Offices 1026 - Funeral Parlour 1027 - Private Hospital/Convalescent Home (Medical Private) 1028-1 - Warehouse & Bulk Stores 1030 - Service Station 1038 - Advertising Hoarding 1041 - Child Care excluding Kindergarten 1042 - Tavern/Hotel 1043 - Motel 1044 - Nursery (Plants) 1045 - Theatres and Cinemas 1046 - Drive-In Theatre 1047 - Club - Sport (run as a business) 1049 - Caravan Park 1053 - Employment Agency/Training 1054 - Marketplace

15 - Major Shopping Centre	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used for the purposes of a shopping centre with a gross floor area of more than 20,000m2	1016-16 - Drive In Shopping Centre with more than 20,000 m2 gross floor area.	
16 - Industrial Land	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used for industrial purposes and which is not included in Category 18 or 19.	ustrial 1034 - Cold Stores – Iceworks 1035 - General Industry	
18 - Extractive Industry	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used, for extractive industry	1040 - Extractive Industry	
19 - Heavy Industry	Land that is used, or has the potential to be used, for a sugar mill, co-generation plant or any heavy industrial purpose.	1251 - Co-generation plant 1252 - Sugar Cane/Sugar Mill 1253 - Heavy Industry Purpose	
20 - Other Land	Land that is not included in any other rating category	 1019 - Walkway 1022-2 - Car Parks – Ancillary Use 1050 - Other Clubs (Non Business) 1051 - Religious 1052 - Cemetery 1055 - Library 1056 - Showgrounds, Racecourse, Airfield 1057 - Parks, Gardens 1058 - Educational – including Kindergarten 1059 - Local Authority (secondary use only) 1092 - Defence Force Establishments 1095 - Reservoirs, Dams, Bores, Channels 1097 - Welfare Homes/ Institutions 1099 - Community Purposes 1100 - Driver Education Centre 	

- (b) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 81(4) and 81(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, to identify the differential rating category to which each parcel of rateable land is included by using relevant land information from Council's land record and any other information which identifies the use of rateable land.
- (c) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 80 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the differential general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category and, pursuant to section 77 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the minimum general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category, is as follows:

Column 1 – Category	Column 2 – Rate in the Dollar	Column 3 – Minimum Differential General Rate
1 Urban Residential Land	1.2891	\$1,103
2 Rural Residential Land	1.1089	\$1,107
5 Coastal Towns	1.0517	\$1,225
7 Urban Oceanfront	0.9909	\$1,388
9 Agricultural Land	1.5167	\$1,225
12 Bundaberg Commercial Land	2.4138	\$1,457
14 Other Commercial Land	1.5628	\$1,457
15 Major Shopping Centre	4.1331	\$591,890
16 Industrial Land	1.8450	\$1,769
18 Extractive Industry	2.4728	\$2,774
19 Heavy Industry	2.1305	\$118,496
20 Other Land	1.1905	\$1107

Seconded by Cr HL Blackburn

The motion was put and carried.

For Cr WR Trevor Cr WA Honor Cr HL Blackburn Cr GR Barnes Cr SA Rowleson Cr CR Sommerfeld Cr SR Cooper Cr JD Learmonth Cr JM Dempsey

Against

Cr JP Bartels

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3. SEPARATE CHARGE

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

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 Community and Environment Charge, in the sum of \$50.00 per rateable assessment, to be levied equally on all rateable land in the region as set out in the Revenue Statement, for the purposes of assisting with the maintenance and improvements of community facilities, upgrades and enhancements of parks, reserves and natural areas.

Seconded by Cr SR Cooper

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4. SPECIAL CHARGE

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

- a) Pursuant to section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 94 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council make and levy a special charge, to be known as the "Rural Fire Services Special Charge" of \$30.00 on each rateable assessment in the local government area to which the overall plan applies, and as set out in the Revenue Policy. Multiple Charges will apply on one (1) rateable assessment if it comprises multiple rural fire brigade areas, with one (1) charge of \$30.00 per rural fire brigade area.
- b) The overall plan for the Rural Fire Services Special Charge is as follows:
 - i. The special charge shall fund the ongoing provision and maintenance of rural firefighting equipment for the rural fire brigades that operate throughout Class E Levy areas under the *Fire and Emergency Services Regulation 2011.*
 - ii. The rateable land to which the plan applies is each rateable assessment in the local government area which is situated within a Class E Levy area under the *Fire and Emergency Services Regulation 2011.*
 - iii. The estimated cost of implementing the overall plan is \$390,000.
 - iv. The estimated time for implementing the overall plan is one (1) year.

The rateable land or its occupier especially benefits from the service, facility or activity funded by the special charge because it funds the ongoing provision and maintenance of rural firefighting in the specific area in which the rateable land is situated.

Seconded by Cr WA Honor.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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5. WATER UTILITY CHARGES

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

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

i. Water access charge

Water Access Charge Description	Potable Water Unrestricted Flow	Non–potable Water /Restricted Flow
Vacant and non-metered	\$416	\$333
20mm meter connection	\$416	\$333
25mm meter connection	\$649	\$519
32mm meter connection	\$936	\$749
40mm meter connection	\$1,664	\$1,331
50mm meter connection	\$2,600	\$2,080
80mm meter connection	\$6,656	\$5,325
100mm meter connection	\$10,400	\$8,320
150mm meter connection	\$23,296	\$18,637

- ii. Water consumption charge:
 - (1) Charge per Kilolitre

Step 1: \$1.16 per kilolitre – for the first 150 kilolitres of consumption per half year;

Step 2: \$1.90 per kilolitre – for each kilolitre of consumption above 150 kilolitres per half year.

(2) Charge per kilolitre for the Burnett Downs Yard water supply reticulation group or service area, Sylvan Woods non-potable supply:

Step 1: \$0.93 per kilolitre – for the first 150 kilolitres of consumption per half year;

Step 2: \$1.52 per kilolitre – for each kilolitre of consumption above 150 kilolitres per half year.

- (3) Standpipes will be charged \$5.00 per kilolitre of recorded consumption.
- (b) The application of the above levied water charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's Revenue Statement as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan.

Seconded by Cr GR Barnes

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6. <u>SEWERAGE UTILITY CHARGES</u>

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

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

Sewerage Utility Charge: \$744.00

(b) The application of the above levied sewerage charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's Revenue Statement as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan.

Seconded by Cr HL Blackburn

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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7. TRADE WASTE UTILITY CHARGES

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

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

Trade Waste connection/ Capacity of Pre- treatment Device Liters	Category 0 Minor =150kls	Category 1 (Low Strength/Low Volume <=500 Kilolitres Per Financial Year)	Category 2 (Low Strength/High Volume >500 Kilolitres Per Financial Year)	Category 3 (High Strength/Any Volume Per Financial Year)
Nil Required or Best Practice	\$237 1.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Best Practice <=1000	N/A	\$500 1.1	\$1,000 2.1	\$1,500 3.1
<=1000	N/A	\$1000 1.2	\$1,500 2.2	\$2,000 3.2
<=1500	N/A	\$1,500 1.3	\$2,000 2.3	\$2,500 3.3

<=2000	N/A	\$2,000		\$2,500	\$3,000
			1.4	2.4	3.4
<=2500	N/A	\$2,500		\$3,000	\$3,500
			1.5	2.5	3.5
<=3000	N/A	\$3,000		\$3,500	\$4,000
			1.6	2.6	3.6

(b) The application of the above levied trade waste charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's Revenue Statement as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan.

Seconded by Cr WR Trevor

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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8. WASTE MANAGEMENT UTILITY CHARGES

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

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

Service level – Removal, transport and disposal of waste	2018/2019
Residential Properties	
240 litre refuse weekly / 240 litre recycling fortnightly (minimum service)	\$342
Additional Services	
240 litre refuse weekly / 240 litre recycling fortnightly	\$342
240 litre refuse weekly – only available if in receipt of a minimum service	\$247
240 litre recycling fortnightly – only available if in receipt of a minimum service	\$50
Non-Residential Properties	
240 litre refuse / 240 litre recycling (minimum service)	\$342
240 litre refuse weekly service	\$247
240 litre recycling fortnightly service	\$95

(b) The application of the above levied waste management charges be in accordance with the further detail provided in Council's Revenue Statement as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan.

Seconded by Cr SA Rowleson

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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9. <u>DISCOUNT</u>

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the differential general rates made and levied shall be subject to a discount of 10% of the current year's Council general rates, conditional on the payment of current rates, service charges and all arrears within 35 days of the date of issue of the rate notice, and as set out in the Revenue Statement contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan.

Seconded by Cr HL Blackburn

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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10. INTEREST

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012,* compound interest on daily rests at the rate of eleven percent (11%) per annum will be charged on all overdue rates or charges, calculated from the seventh day following the due date stated on the rate notice.

Seconded by Cr JD Learmonth

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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11. LEVY AND PAYMENT

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

(a) Pursuant to section 107 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and section 114 of the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*, Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be levied:

- for the half year 1 July 2018 to 31 December 2018 in July/August 2018; and
- for the half year 1 January 2019 to 30 June 2019 in February/March 2019.
- (b) Pursuant to section 118 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council's rates and charges, and the State Government's Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy, be paid within 35 days of the date of issue of the rate notice.

Seconded by Cr SA Rowleson.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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12. RATES CONCESSIONS

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to section 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council grants concessions to Pensioners as set out in the Revenue Statement contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan, as follows.

Pensioners rebate of up to \$140 per annum on rates and charges for approved pensioners.

Seconded by Cr WA Honor.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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13. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

That a document referred to in any part of this meeting's resolutions is incorporated by reference as if the document had been included in full.

Seconded by Cr CR Sommerfeld.

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14. 2018/2019 DEBT POLICY

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Debt Policy as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan be adopted.

Seconded by Cr CR Sommerfeld.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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15. INVESTMENT POLICY

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Investment Policy as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan be adopted.

Seconded by Cr SA Rowleson.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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16. CODE OF COMPETITIVE CONDUCT

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

- (a) In accordance with Section 47(7) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolves to apply the Code of Competitive Conduct to the following business activities:
 - i. the Bundaberg Airport; and
 - ii. Council's Holiday Parks.
- (b) In accordance with Section 47(8) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council resolves not to apply the Code of Competitive Conduct to:
 - i. Its Roads activity as it does not construct or maintain roads under competitive tender, nor does it undertake activities on a commercial basis or in competition with the private sector.

Seconded by Cr WA Honor

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

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17. 2018/2019 OPERATIONAL PLAN

Cr JM Dempsey moved:-

Pursuant to Section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 174 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the 2018/2019 Operational Plan, as contained in the 2018/2019 Budget and Operational Plan be adopted.

Seconded by Cr HL Blackburn.



Item Number:	File Number:	Part:
V1		Meeting Close

Subject:

Meeting Close

There being no further business – the Mayor declared this Special Meeting closed at 10.28am.

Confirmed on 24 July 2018.

Mayor