

MINUTES

Extraordinary Council Meeting Tuesday, 29 June 2021

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MINUTES OF BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MARKET STREET BALRANALD ON TUESDAY, 29 JUNE 2021 AT 9AM

1 OPENING OF MEETING

2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

We pay our respect to the Traditional Custodians of the Lands where we hold this meeting to Elders past, present and emerging.

PRESENT:

Administrator Mike Correavy

IN ATTENDANCE:

Terri Bilske (Director Corporate & Community Services), Oliver McNuity (General Manager) day. Panchal (Finance Manager) and Carol Holmes (Senior Executive Officer).

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - Nii

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS (INCORPORATING ALL STAFF REPORTS).

PART A - ITEMS REQUIRING DECISION

5 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORTS

5.1 ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL PANEL OF CONDUCT REVIEWERS

PURPOSE OF REPORT.

This report socks Council's resolution to appoint a regional panet of conduct reviewers as selected through the Far West Joint Organisation (FWJO), in line with the Procedures for the Administration of the Model Code of Conduct (the Procedures).

RESOLUTION 2021/97

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council agrees to establish a regional panel of conduct reviewers and appoint reviewers as selected by the FWJO through an Expression of Interest (EOI) process.

CARRIED

6 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS

6.1 ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT 2021/22 OPERATIONAL PLAN, LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN, FEES AND CHARGES AND REVENUE POLICY

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to adopt the 2021-2022 Draft Operational Plan, incorporating the proposed Annual Statement of Revenue and the proposed Fees and Charges and Draft Long Term Financial Plan as placed on public exhibition. There have been no submissions made to the Draft Operational Plan or Draft Long Term Financial Plan.

RESOLUTION 2021/98

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That subject to Resolution 2021/85 (15 June 2021) Council:-

- Adopts the Balranald Shire Council Draft Operational Plan 2021-22 including the budget for 2021-22 as advertised for public exhibition inclusive of the proposed Statement of Revenue and the proposed 2021-22 Foos and Charges, having given consideration to all submissions received, and
- Adopts the Draft 10 year Long Term Financial Plan 2021-22 to 2030-31 as placed on public exhibition.

CARRIED

6.2 MAKING AND LEVYING RATES AND CHARGES - 2021/2022

PURPOSE OF REPORT

Under Section 494 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council is required to make and lavy Ordinary rates annually. The Draft Annual Statement of Revenue 2021/2022 incorporating Council's Revenue Policy and Schedule of Fees and Charges has been on public exhibition for a period of 28 days pursuant to Sections 405 and 406 of the Local Government Act, 1993 from Friday, 28th May 2021 to Friday, 25th June 2021.

RESOLUTION 2021/99

Moved: Administrator Mike Colreavy

That Council resolves to:

- Make another hire category for the Senior Citizons Building in Balranald for up to 2 hours for a cost of \$50,00 per session for net-for-profit organisations, with a once off cleaning fee deposit of \$325,00 for a series of bookings after consideration was given to three submissions received relating to the proposed fees and charges for 2021/22 as follows:-
 - Submission 1 Received from P Lister regarding hire of the Senior Citizens Building for Gospel meetings. The building has previously been rested from the Senior Citizens for \$50,00 per use for up to 2 hours on a regular basis.
 - Submission 2 Received from J Dalton regarding the hire of the Social Citizens Building suggesting that the building could be bired to not for profit organisations for meetings, but not for social events at the previous rate of \$50.00 per use for up to 2 hours.
 - Submission 3 from Rachael Williams on behalf of the Strengthening Community Access Inclusion and Wellbeing Advisory Committee with a recommendation "that Council consider a full fees and charges waiver on Council owned buildings for valid voluntary and not-for-profit community groups. That this fees and charges waiver be applied on an annual basis for the community group applicant".
- Give delegations to the General Manger to assess the not-for-profit organisations hiring Council owned buildings on a case by case basis,
- 3. Make and levy the following Ordinary rates in accordance with s.534, s535 and s.537 of the Local Government Act 1993, as amended, for the 2021/22 financial year incorporating year 4 of the Special Rate Variation of 10% per annum over the Farmland, Residential and Business categories as follows:-

RATES & CHARGES Proposed 2021/2022

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	No of Properties for 2021/22	Property Valuations 2021/22	Ad Valorem Rate 2021/22	Ad Valorem Value	Base Rate 2021/22	Base Rate Amount	Noticeal Income Yield	Base Rate %	Average Rate pe Property
	-	7447 NR 100	0.00187	5827.904	\$600	\$152,400	\$980,304	15.55%	\$3,850
Farmland - General	254	\$443,203,500 \$22,665,000	0.00640	\$145,056	\$605	\$3,630	5348,686	2.44%	\$24,781
Farmland - Imigable Horticulture Farmland - Intense	6 120	\$33,419,300	0.00714	\$238,614	5605	\$72,600	\$311,214	23.33%	\$2,599
Farmland Total	380	\$499,287,800		\$1,211,574		\$228,630	\$1,440,204		\$3,790
Residential - Balranald	510	\$23,436,000	0.00500	\$117,180	5200	\$106,400	\$223,580	47.58%	\$420
Residential - Euston	253	\$30,232,000	0.00290	558,673	5185	\$46,805	\$105,478	44.37%	\$417
Residential - Oxley	32	\$118,000	0.04500	\$5,310	\$100	53,200	\$8,510	37.60%	5796
Residential - General 0-2ha	70	\$3,383,000	0.00520	\$17,590	\$182	\$12,740	\$30,332	42.00%	5433
Residential Rural - 2-40ha	56	\$7,274,500	0.00280	\$30,369	5290	\$12,880	\$33,349	38.74%	\$584
Residential - Total	943	\$54,443,500		\$219,123		\$182,025	\$401,148		\$425
Business - Balranald	69	\$3,572,000	0.02900	\$100,016	\$450	\$31,050	\$131,066	23.69%	\$1,900
Business - Euston	16	\$2,632,000	0.01850	548,692	\$450	\$7,200	\$55,892	12.88%	\$3,483
Business - Rural	83	\$2,290,300	0.01200	527,484	\$195	\$16,185	\$43,669	37.06%	\$536
Business - Salar Farms	2	\$4,139,000	0.03300	\$136,587	\$850	\$1,700	\$138,287	1.23%	\$68,144
Business -Mining Gravel	5	570,000	0.01600	\$1,120	\$110	\$550	\$1,670	32.93%	\$334
Business - Parishes of Paida, Penarie, Woolpagerie & Majonta - Mining Gypsum	3	\$782,000	0.05300	\$40,664	\$460	\$1,380	542,044	3.28%	\$14,015
Business - Parishes of Willibah, Bidura, Selferina - Mineral Sands Mines	1	\$8,520,000	0.07290	\$621,108	\$2,050	\$2,050	\$623,158	0.33%	5623,158
Business - Parishes of Pitapungo, Crokee, Muckee & Lowrence- Mineral Sands Mines	0	\$5,000,000	0.16000	\$800,000	\$2,050	\$2,050			\$802,050
Business - Total	179	\$27,005,300		51,775,671		\$62,165	\$1,005,786		\$5,787
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GRAND TOTAL	1502	\$580,736,600		\$1,610,874		\$472,820	\$2,877,138		\$1,906

^{* \$802,050} is expected rate revenue when property assessment is provided through supplimentary, increasing the notional yield by this amount.

Proposed Rates are hereby made and set within the Rating Categories as follows:-

- a. FARMLAND GENERAL rate of zero point one eight seven (0.187) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the area which has been categorised by the Council as Farmland General with dominant use being generally cropping or grazing over significant land area pursuant to Section 515 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of six hundred dollars (\$600.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing sixteen point four one (11.80%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Farmland General rate subcategory; and
- b. FARMLAND IRRIGABLE HORTICULTURE rate of zero point six four (0.64) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the area which has been categorised by the Council as Farmland Irrigable Horticulture to include nut farms and other irrigable intensive horticulture land use and has significant and substantial commercial purpose or character pursuant to Section 515 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of six hundred and five dollars (\$605) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing two point

four four percent (2.44%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Farmland – Irrigable - Horticulture rate sub-category; and

- c. FARMLAND INTENSE rate of zero point seven one four (0.714) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the area which has been categorised by the Council as Farmland Intense to have medium to high intensity of land use and an intermediate to major economic benefit pursuant to Section 515 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of six hundred and five dollars (\$605,00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing thirteen percent (13.00%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Farmland Intense rate sub-category; and
- d. RESIDENTIAL BALRANALD rate of zero point five (0.50) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the centre of the population being the Balranald Village Zone, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Balranald Residential pursuant to Section 516 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing forty seven point five nine percent (47.59%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Residential Balranald rate sub-category; and
- e. **RESIDENTIAL EUSTON** rate of zero point two nine (0.29) cents in the collar on the land value of all rateable land in the centre of the population being the Euston Village Zone, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as **Euston Residential** pursuant to Section 516 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of one hundred and eighty five dollars (\$185.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing forty four point three seven percent (44.37%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Residential Euston rate sub-category; and
- f. RESIDENTIAL OXLEY rate of four point five (4.50) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the centre of the population being the Oxley Village Zone, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Oxley Residential pursuant to Section 516 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of one huncred dollars (\$100.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing thirty seven point six percent (37.60%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Residential Oxley rate sub-category; and
- g. RESIDENTIAL GENERAL RURAL (0-2 hoctares) rate of zero point five two (0.52) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land used for residential purposes and not located within the Balkanald and Euston or Oxley Village Zones, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Residential General Rural (0-2 hoctares) pursuant to Section 518 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of one hundred and eighty two (\$182.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing forty two percent (42.00%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Residential General Rural (0-2 hectares) rate sub-category; and

- h. RESIDENTIAL RURAL (2-40 hectares) rate of zero point two cight (0.28) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land used for residential purposes and not located within the Balranald and Euston or Oxley Village Zones, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Residential General Rural (2-40 hectares) pursuant to Section 516 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of two hundred and thirty dollars (\$230.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing thirty eight point seven four percent (38.74%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Residential General Rural (2-40 hectares) rate sub-category; and
- i. BUSINESS BALRANALD rate of two point eight (2.80) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the Balranald Business Area, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as **Business Balranald** pursuant to Section 518 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing two by three point six nine percent (23,69%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Business Balranald rate sub-category; and
- j. BUSINESS EUSTON rate of one point eight five (1.85) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the Euston Business Area, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Business Euston pursuant to Section 518 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing twelve point eight eight percent (12.88%) of the total amount of the rate tory for the Business Euston rate sub-category; and
- k. BUSINESS RURAL rate of one point two (1.20) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land outside of any of the Shires Residential Village Zones, being land which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Business Rural pursuant to Section 515 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of one hundred and mostly tive dollars (\$195.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing thirty seven point zero six percent (37.06%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Business Rural rate sub-category; and
- I. BUSINESS MINING (GRAVEL & SAND) EXTRACTION rate of one point six (1.60) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land in the area which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Business Mining (Gravel & Sand) Extraction (excluding mineral sands and gypsum extraction) pursuant to Section 515 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of one hundred and ten dollars (\$110.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount producing thirty two point nine three percent (32.93%) of the total amount of the rate lovy for the Business Mining (Gravel & Sand) Extraction sub-category; and
- m. BUSINESS PARISHES OF PAIKA, PENARIE, WOOLPAGERIE & MAJENTA + MINING GYPSUM EXTRACTION rate of five point two (05.20) cents in the deltar on the land value of all rateable land in the area which has been sub-categorised by the Council as Business Parishes of Paika, Penarie, Woolpagori & Majenta Mining Gypsum Extraction (excluding mineral sands, gravel and sand extraction) pursuant to Section 515 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of four hundred and sixty dollars (\$460.00) in respect of each

separate parcel with the base amount producing three point two eight percent (3.28%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Business – Parishes of Paika, Penarie. Weolpagerie & Majenta – Mining Gypsum Extraction sub-category; and

- n. BUSINESS -- PARISHES OF WILLILBAH, BIDURA, SOLFERINA -- MINERAL SANDS MINES rate of seven point two nine (7.29) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land within the Balranald Shize area which will be subcategorised by the Council as Business -- Parishes of Willibah, Bidura, Solferina -- Mineral Sands Mines pursuant to Section 515 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of two thousand, and fifty dollars (\$2,050,00) in respect of each separate parce; with the base amount percentage producing zero point three three percent (0.33%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Business -- Parishos of Willilbah, Bidura, Solferina -- Mineral Sands Mines sub-category; and
- o. BUSINESS PARISHES OF PITAPUNGA, CROKEE, MUCKEE & LAWRENCE MINERAL SANDS MINES rate of sixteen point zero (16,00) cents in the dollar on the land value of all rateable land within the Balranale Shire area which will be subcategorised by the Council as Business Parishos of Pitapunga, Crokee, Muckee & Lawrence Mineral Sands Mines pursuant to Section 515 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of two thousand and fifty ocliars (\$2,050.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount percentage producing point zero two percent (0.02%) of the total amount of the rate levy for the Business Parishes of Pitapunga, Crokee, Muckee & Lawrence Mineral Sands Mines sub-category; and
- p. BUSINESS PARISH OF CHADWICK SOLAR FARMS rate of three point three (3.30) cents in the dottar on the land value of all rateable land within the Salranaid Shire area which will be sub-categorised by the Council as Business Parish of Chadwick Solar Farms pursuant to Section 515 and 529 of the Local Government Act 1993, subject to a base amount of eight hundred and fifty dellars (\$850.00) in respect of each separate parcel with the base amount percentage producing one point two three percent (1.23%) of the total amount of the rate tevy for the Business Parish of Chadwick Solar Farms sub-category; and
- q. RAW WATER fixed annual access charges for each property having access to the Balranald Raw Water Supply System or a Euston Raw Water System.

All Access and Water Usage charges have been calculated in accordance with the following scale, subject to the provise that where a property has more than one connection each connection shall be charged separately:

Raw <u>Water Ac</u>	cess Charges		_	
Connection	Size	Annual Charge		
20 mm con	nection	\$ 345.00		
25 mm coal	nection	'S 539.00		
32 mm coal	nection	5 883.00		
40 mm con	nection	S 1,380.00		<u> </u>
50 mm con	nection	\$ 2,156.00		:
80 mm con	nection	\$ 5,520.00		
100 mm. cor	inection	\$ 8,625.00		

Usage Charges for Raw water will be \$1.00 per kilolitre up to 600 kilolitre usage then \$1.40 per kilolitre for usage over 600 kilolitres.

Note:- that Flats, Units, Multiple Dwellings will be charged a Connection Charge plus 50% of a connection charge for each additional dwelling thereafter.

r. FILTERED WATER fixed annual access charge for each property having access
to the Balranald Filtered Water Supply System or a Euston Filtered Water
Supply System.

All Access and Water Usage charges have been calculated in accordance with the following scale, subject to the proviso that where a property has more than one connection each connection shall be charged separately:

Filtered Water Access Charges

Connection Size	Annual Charge	
20 mm connection	\$ 345.00	
25 mm cornection	S 539.00	
32 mm connection	\$ 883.00	j
40 mm connection	\$ 1,380.00	
50 mm connection	\$ 2,156.00	
80 mm connection	\$ 5,520,00	
100 mm connection	\$ 8,625.00	

Usage Charges for Filtored water will be \$1.55 per kilolitre up to 400 kilolitre usage then \$2.30 per kilolitre for usage over 400 kilolitres.

Note: that Flats, Units, Multiple Dwellings will be charged a Connection Charge plus 50% of a connection charge for each additional dwelling thereafter.

All other Water Fees are listed in the Fees and Charges document and incorporated into Council's Operational Plan.

s. RESIDENTIAL SEWERAGE fixed annual access charge for each Residential Property having access to the Balranald Sewerage System or the Euston Sewerage System.

Such charges being calculated in accordance with the following scale based on the size of the potable (filtered) water supply connection to the property, subject to the

proviso that where a property has more than one sewer connection each connection shall be charged separately and provided further that in the event a residential property having access to the Balranald and Euston Sewerage Reticulation Mains that only has a raw water connection, the following scale of charges shall apply accordingly:

Sewer Access Charges

Connection Size	Annual Charge
20 mm connection	\$ 580.00
25 mm connection	\$ 906.00
32 mm connection	\$1,485.00
40 mm connection	\$2,320,00
50 mm connection	\$3,625.00
80 mm connection	\$9,280.00
100mm connection	\$14,500.00
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Note:- that Flats, Units, Multiple Dwellings will be charged a Connection Charge plus 50% of the Connection charge for each additional dwelling thereafter.

t. NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWERAGE fixed annual access charge for each Non-Residential Property having access to the Balranald Sewerage System or the Euston Sewerage System.

Fixed annual access charges have been calculated in accordance with the following scale based on the size of the potable (filtered) water supply connection to the property, subject to the provise that where a property has more than one sewer connection each connection shall be charged separately and provided further that in the event a con-residential property connected to the Bairanald and Buston Sewerage Reticulation mains only has a raw water connection the Non-Residential Sewerage Charge shall apply.

The Volumetric Sewer Discharge usage charges of \$2.20 per kilotitre shall also apply to which a Sewer Discharge Factor (SDF) has been applied. The SDF is determined by the Office of Water according to each type of industry.

Non-residential Sewer Access Charge

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Connection Size	Annual Charge				
20 mm connection	\$580.00				
25 mm connection	\$906.00				
32mm connection	\$1,485.00				
40 mm connection	\$2,320.00				
50 mm connection	\$3,625.00				
80 mm connection	\$9,280.00				
100 mm connection	\$14,500.00				
Üncornected	\$435.00				

A Pedestal Chargo will apply for all Non-Residential including Non-Rateable community facilities, including schools, hospitals, community halls and sporting facilities. Properties with more than two Pedestals will be levied at \$195.00 per Pedestal.

A Pedestat charge of \$200.00 per Pedestal will apply to all Accommodation Camps with the exception of the first two Pedestals.

u. A DOMESTIC WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CHARGE of three hundred and fifty five dollars (\$355.00) will apply for all assessments which are rateable occupied residential land to which the weekly collection service is available. A second bin may be added for collection weekly with an annual charge of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250).

A WASTE MANAGEMENT ACCESS CHARGE of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per assessment for all rateable, enoccupied residential land will apply to which the weekly collection service is available.

v. COMMERCIAL WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CHARGE as scheduled bereunder

Commercial & other waste management charges	Annual Charge \$ per bin
Commercial Waste Management – Balranald – two weekly pickup services.	\$550.00
Subsequent bins – Balranald - two weekly lift per bin per week	S300,00
Commercial Wasto Management – Euston – one weekly pickup available	\$355.00
Subsequent bins · Euston - one weakly lift per bin per week	\$250.00

w. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Stormwater Management will be charged as per the Act					
Per Property within the	751 Properties	: \$25.00 per property			
Levee Bank					
Per Strata	9 Propertios	\$12,50 per property			

x. INTEREST CHARGE ON OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES

INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES – Section 566, Local Government Act, 1993

In accordance with the provisions of Section 566 of the Local Government Act. 1993, the interest rate to apply to overdue rates and charges for the period 1° July 2021 to 30° June 2022 will be the maximum rate of 6% as set by the Minister of Local Government.

INTEREST ON OVERDUE DEBTORS

The interest rate to apply to overdue DEBTORS for the period 1st July 2021 to 30st June 2022, will be the maximum rate of 6% as sot by the Minister of Local Government

- Increase the Notional Yield as approved through the 10% Special Rate Variation which includes the rate pegged amount of 2.0% for 2021/22 as determined by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW (IPART).
- Increase the residential Sewer Access charge for a 20mm connection from \$510.00 to \$580.00 per annum. Larger connections will increase as listed in the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges.
- Increase Raw and Filtered water Access charges from \$315.00 to \$345.00 per annum for a 20mm connection.
- 7 Increase Raw water usage charges will increase from 90 cents to \$1.00 for the first 600 kilolitres and from \$1.30 to \$1.40 per kilolitre for usage over 600 kilolitres.
- Increase Filtered water usage charges from \$1.45 to \$1.55 per kiloftre up to 400 kilofitres and from \$2.20 to \$2.30 per kilofitre for usage over 400 kilofitres.
- Chargo water usage on Community Land such as Parks and Gardens at 40 cents per kilolitre.
- 10. Increase domestic waste collection charges from \$345.00 per annum to \$355.00 per annum and increase the domestic waste access charge for vacant land from \$55 to \$60 per annum.
- Charge Tip fees as set out in the proposed Schedule of Fees and Charges.
- 12. Fix the fees and charges schedule for the 2021/22 year as set out in the Draft Annual Schedule of Fees and Charges including the additional rate for the Senior Citizens Building for \$50.00 up to 2 neurs for not-for-profit organisations.
- 13. Charge interest on overdue Rates, Domestic Waste, Water, Sewer and Debtors at 6% being the maximum rate determined by the Minister for Local Government for 2021/22.
- 14. Increase all other Water and Sewer rates as listed in Fees and Charges.
- 15. Adopt the detailed Structure for General Rates & Charges as detailed in the Report.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 9,20em.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Council Meeting held on 20 July 2021.

GENERAL MANAGER

ADMINISTRATOR