



Confirmed Minutes  
Burke Shire Council Special Meeting  
Thursday 20 July 2023  
9.00am Council Chambers

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## 01. Opening of Meeting

**The Chair declared the meeting open at 9.07am.**

## 02. Record of Attendance

**Cr Ernie Camp; Mayor – Chair  
Cr Tonya Murray; Deputy Mayor  
Cr John Clarke  
Cr John Yanner  
Cr Rosita Wade**

**Dan McKinlay; Chief Executive Officer  
Stuart Holley; Director of Engineering  
Clinton Murray; Works Manager  
Kimberly Chan; Economic Development Manager  
Madison Marshall; Corporate Services and Governance Manager (Minutes)  
Shannon Moren; Community and Communications Manager  
Shaun Jorgensen; Finance and Technology Manager**

### 02.01 LGR 2012 Section 254K – Participating in meetings by audio link or visual audio link

**That Council, in accordance with section 254K of the Local Government Regulation 2012, allows the following person/s to participate in the meeting by audio link or visual audio link:**

- **Cr Tonya Murray**
- **Shaun Jorgensen, Finance and Technology Manager**

**Moved: Cr Camp**

**Seconded: Cr Yanner**

**Carried 230720.01 5/0**

## 03. Declaration of Interests

**That Council notes no declarations of interests were noted for the meeting.**

## 04. Executive Management Reports

### 04.01 Reimbursement of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Councillors Policy

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DEPARTMENT:	Office of the Chief Executive Officer
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Dan McKinlay; Chief Executive Officer
PREPARED BY:	Dan McKinlay; Chief Executive Officer
DATE REPORT PREPARED:	18 July 2023
LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN/S:	Corporate Plan 2019-24-Good governance.

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#### 1. PURPOSE

To review Council's Reimbursement of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Councillors Policy.

#### 2. BACKGROUND & PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Section 249 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 legislates that the expenses reimbursement policy is a policy providing for:

- payment of reasonable expenses, incurred or to be incurred, by Councillors for discharging their duties and responsibilities as Councillors.
- provision of facilities to the Councillors for that purpose.

Sections 250 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 covers the requirement to adopt an expenses reimbursement policy or amendment.

A local government must adopt an expenses reimbursement policy.

A local government may, by resolution, amend its expense reimbursement policy at any time.

#### 3. PROPOSAL

The proposal is to endorse the amended Reimbursement of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Councillors Policy. The policy amendment is as per the Taxation Determination 2023/03 which affects the allowance rates.

#### 4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Provision will be made in the 2023/2024 Council budget for estimated Councillor Expenses.

#### 5. RISK

It is always the aim of Council to ensure that all decisions are legal, ethical and impartial. Such principles are reflected in Section 4 of the Local Government Act 2009 (i.e., the "local government principles") and section 12 of that Act (the responsibilities of Councillors)

#### 6. POLICY & LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Modification of existing Policy.

7. CRITICAL DATES & IMPLICATIONS

It is appropriate for council to review this policy as a new budget is being implemented.

8. CONSULTATION

Councillors

9. CONCLUSION

Council's Reimbursement off Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Councillors Policy is compliant with the Local Government Regulation 2012 and allocates sufficient resourcing for Councillors to discharge all responsibilities and provides sufficient clarity to Councillors and Council staff on expectations in relation to facilities and expenses.

10. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt and implement the amended Burke Shire Council Reimbursement of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Mayor and Councillors Policy.

**04.01 Reimbursement of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Councillors Policy**

**That Council adopt and implement the amended Burke Shire Council Reimbursement of Expenses and Provision of Facilities for Mayor and Councillors Policy.**

**Moved: Cr Wade**

**Seconded: Cr Clarke**

**Carried 230720.02 5/0**

## 04.02 Review of Debt Policy 2023-2024

DEPARTMENT:	Office of the Chief Executive Officer
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Dan McKinlay; Chief Executive Officer
PREPARED BY:	Shaun Jorgensen; Finance and Technology Manager
DATE REPORT PREPARED:	16 July 2023
LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN/S:	Corporate Plan –Council develops, implements and maintains an effective and compliant governance framework (governance, finance, risk)

## 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to re-adopt the Debt Policy in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulation 2012 for the 2023-2024 financial year in accordance with Section 192 of the Local Government regulation 2012.

## 2. BACKGROUND

This policy is required and applicable to any and all consideration Council places towards the securing of Debt or Loan facilities from external financing providers (i.e. the QTC).

The policy outlines the following factors:

- The principle surrounding the acquisition of Debt for Council
- Purpose of borrowings
- Repayment term requirements
- Proposed new borrowings (10-year assessment)
- Loan drawdowns

## 3. FINANCIAL &amp; RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

No directly applicable implications, however the consideration as provided for in the 2023-2024 annual budget to drawdown on debt financing for the Water Park Capital project is directly impacted from the adoption of this report and associated policy. Additionally, Council may not legally access debt unless the above considerations have been determined to be inclusive in the Debt Policy.

## 4. POLICY &amp; LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Instrument	Reference	Details
Local Government Regulation 2012	Section 192	<p>(1) A local government must prepare and adopt a debt policy for a financial year.</p> <p>(2) The debt policy must state—</p> <p>(a) the new borrowings planned for the current financial year and the next 9 financial years; and</p> <p>(b) the period over which the local government plans to repay existing and new borrowings.</p>

## 5. RISK

The annual review of this policy is a risk mitigation activity ensuring the currency of Council policies.

## 6. CRITICAL DATES &amp; IMPLICATIONS

This policy will apply until the next respective review date as defined by either the Act, Regulation or Policy.

## 7. CONSULTATION

Councillors

Chief Executive Officer

Finance and Technology Manager

## 8. CONCLUSION

The Debt Policy be re-adopted as is required to be adopted annually under the Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 192.

## 9. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council re-adopts the Debt Policy as part of the annual review carried out by officers.

**04.02 Review of Debt Policy 2023-2024**

**THAT Council re-adopts the Debt Policy as part of the annual review carried out by officers.**

**Moved: Cr Camp**

**Seconded: Cr Murray**

**Carried 230720.03 5/0**

## 04.03 Review of Business Activities Policy

DEPARTMENT:	Office of the Chief Executive Officer
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Dan McKinlay; Chief Executive Officer
PREPARED BY:	Shaun Jorgensen; Finance and Technology Manager
DATE REPORT PREPARED:	18 July 2023
LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN/S:	Corporate Plan –Council develops, implements and maintains an effective and compliant governance framework (governance, finance, risk)

## 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to re-adopt the Business Activities Policy in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulation 2012.

## 2. BACKGROUND

This policy is applicable to all Business Activities of Council that are required by the Local Government Act and/or Local Government Regulation to have National Competitive Policy Principles applied to them, and to any business activities that Council chooses to apply the National Competition Principles.

The policy outlines the following factors:

- Activities of Council that might be identified as business activities (criteria)
- Classification and Requirements of Business Activities
- Prescribed Business Activities
- Roads Activities that might be identified as business activities
- Broad Principles for the Operation of All Business Activities
- The Competitive Neutrality Complaints Process

## 3. FINANCIAL &amp; RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable concerning adoption of this Report

## 4. POLICY &amp; LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Instrument	Reference	Details
Local Government Regulation 2012	Division 2 Section 19	<p>Thresholds for significant business activities—Act, s 43</p> <p>(1) This section prescribes, for section 43(4)(b) of the Act, the threshold that a business activity must meet to be a significant business activity for a financial year (the current financial</p>

<p>Local Government Act 2009 Section 48</p>	<p>Division 2 Section 20</p> <p>Competitive neutrality complaints</p>	<p>year).</p> <p>(1) This section states the information that a local government must use to identify significant business activities in its annual report for a financial year (the current financial year) under section 45(b) of the Act.</p> <p>(2) The local government must use the following information—</p> <p>(a) if the business activity is the provision of combined water and sewerage services—the information about the number of premises connected to a water service stated in the local government’s performance report for the financial year ending immediately before the current financial year;</p> <p>(b) for another business activity—the information presented to the local government’s budget meeting for the financial year ending immediately before the current financial year.</p> <p>(3) In this section—</p> <p>performance report, of a local government, means a performance report given to the regulator by the local government under the Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008, section 142A.</p> <p>(1) A local government must adopt a process for resolving competitive neutrality complaints.</p> <p>(2) A competitive neutrality complaint is a complaint that—</p> <p>(a) relates to the failure of a local government to conduct a business activity in accordance with the competitive neutrality principle; and</p> <p>(b) is made by an affected person.</p> <p>(3) An affected person is—</p> <p>(a) a person who—</p>
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		<p>(i) competes with the local government in relation to the business activity; and</p> <p>(ii) claims to be adversely affected by a competitive advantage that the person alleges is enjoyed by the local government; or</p> <p>(b) a person who—</p> <p>(i) wants to compete with the local government in relation to the business activity; and</p> <p>(ii) claims to be hindered from doing so by a competitive advantage that the person alleges is enjoyed by the local government.</p> <p>(4) A regulation may provide for the process for resolving competitive neutrality complaints.</p> <p>(5) A local government does not have to resolve a competitive neutrality complaint relating to a business activity prescribed under a regulation.</p>
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#### 5. RISK

The annual review of this policy is a risk mitigation activity ensuring the currency of Council policies.

#### 6. CRITICAL DATES & IMPLICATIONS

This policy will apply until the next respective review date as defined by either the Act, Regulation or Policy.

#### 7. CONSULTATION

Councillors

Chief Executive Officer

Finance and Technology Manager

#### 8. CONCLUSION

The Business Activities Policy be re-adopted as is required to be adopted annually under the Local Government Act 2009.

#### 9. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council re-adopts the Business Activities Policy as part of the annual review carried out by officers.

**04.03 Review of Business Activities Policy**

**THAT Council re-adopts the Business Activities Policy as part of the annual review carried out by officers.**

**Moved: Cr Yanner**

**Seconded: Cr Wade**

**Carried 230720.04 5/0**

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04.04 Statement of Estimated Financial Position 2022/23

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DEPARTMENT:	Office of the Chief Executive Officer
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Dan McKinlay; Chief Executive Officer
PREPARED BY:	Shaun Jorgensen; Finance and Technology Manager
DATE REPORT PREPARED:	14 July 2023
LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN/S:	Corporate Plan, Good Governance- Council decision –making promotes financial and asset sustainability.

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## 1. PURPOSE

To present a statement of estimated financial position for 2022/23 in accordance with section 205 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (the Regulation).

## 2. BACKGROUND

In accordance with the Regulation, the Chief Executive Officer must present the local government's annual budget meeting with a statement of estimated financial position for the previous financial year. The statement provides a comparison between the original budget, amended budget and the estimated actual result for the financial year.

The original budget for the 2022/23 financial year was adopted by Council on 28 July 2022.

Following adoption, three budget reviews were undertaken to allow revisions across financial categories where operational and capital expenditure variances had been identified. The result of these revisions to the original budget became Council's amended budget. This included the impacts of 2023 March major Burke region flood event in the last budget review.

The original budget forecast an operating deficit before capital income of \$5,374,087. Budget revisions through the year; ultimately saw this revised to a \$4,960,837 deficit.

**Operating Revenue**

The original budget forecast operating revenue of \$14.68M. Revisions to the original budget saw this decreased to \$14.53M. The decrease to the amount was due to changes to the scope of works for DRFA flood damage revenue due to a region wide flood disaster during March 2023 trigger Counter Disaster operations impacts.

Current forecasts estimate that operating revenue will achieve \$16.865M at 30 June 2023, \$2.327M higher than the amended budget for 30 June 2023. This is largely the result of significant changes in the methodology of the payment of the Financial Assistance Grant for 2023/2024 resulting in an early payment of a majority of the forward years grant allocation.

In accordance with the accounting standards, irrespective of the title of the early payment of \$6.33M being received in June 2023 stating the year of grant being '2023-2024'; council must recognise this grant on receipt within the 2022-2023 financial year. The impact of this matter is detailed in the below assessment which also takes into account the early payment of the 2022-2023 FA grant in the 2021-2022 financial year:

<u>Early payments in May 2021-22 relating to 2022-23</u>	\$
FA grant General	2,384,768
FA grant Roads	370,956
<b>FA Grant 2021-22 recognised in 2022-23</b>	<b>2,755,724</b>

<u>Early payments in June 2022-23 relating to 2023-24</u>	\$
FA grant General	5,406,754
FA grant Roads	923,961
<b>FA Grant 2023-24 recognised in 2022-23</b>	<b>6,330,715</b>

<u>Distortion from failure of accounting standards to accommodate reporting:</u>	
FA grant General	- 3,021,986
FA grant Roads	- 553,005
<b>FA Grant overstatement in 2022-23</b>	<b>- 3,574,991</b>

<u>Impact on Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</u>	
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) Stated in Estimated Actuals	4,472,608
Adjustment for FA Grant 2023-24 distortion	- 3,574,991
<b>Adjusted Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) - undistorted</b>	<b>897,617</b>

### **Operating Expenses**

The original budget forecast operating expenses at \$20.05M. Revisions to the budget during the year saw this amount decreased to \$19.49M. This movement largely reflected considerations made in relation to total costs for Engineering Services predominantly based on QRA works being performed by council up to 30 June 2023 (reduction due to March 2023 Flood Event resulting in major project rescoping).

Estimates to 30 June 2023, indicate that operating expenditure will likely achieve \$17.73M; \$1.769M less than the amended budget. This figure may be subject to further change pending year end accruals adjustments due to be completed by 5 September 2023.

### **Operating Result**

The original budget forecasted an operating deficit (before capital revenues) of \$5.374M. Through budget revisions, this result was revised to an amended deficit position of \$4.960M. Based on current projections for 30 June 2023, it is anticipated that the operating deficit before capital revenue will be \$865k. Note that as part of the 30 June reconciliation process, we expect to make some adjustments for items such as QRA unearned revenues that will adjust the variance further. Also note that we expect operating grant revenues not received in 2022-23 for flood damage works etc. to be received in the 2023-24 financial year at this stage.

### **Capital Revenue**

The original budget forecasted capital income of \$9.52M. This balance was revised to 10.09M during the 2022/2023 year. Based on the actual grants received, council came in \$3.99M less than anticipated. This was largely the result of delays in project completion due to the March 2023 Flood Event.

### **Council Projects Expenditure**

The original budget for council projects expenditure was \$12.96M. This balance was revised to 13.53M during the 2022/2023 year. The total expenditure that is expected to be incurred for 2023/2024 is \$4.43M.

### **Impact on Current and Future Budgets**

The original budget forecast an operating deficit (before capital revenue) of \$5.37M. Budget revisions through the year ultimately saw this amount revised to a deficit of \$4.96M. The estimated final position is currently forecast as a \$865k deficit before capital revenues, not accounting for

further year-end adjustments to be posted for 30 June 2023 as part of the council and external audit process.

Consistent with prior years, the 2023/24 budget has been established using the 2022/23 amended budget as the estimated opening balance. While the Statement of Estimated Financial Position has been prepared using the best information available at the date of compilation, the actual final position may vary. This will be presented in Burke Shire Council's Annual Financial Statements by October 2023. Variances between the 2022/23 revised budget and the actual result will be brought to account in the first budget review following receipt of the Independent Auditor's Report.

### 3. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Council's future budget estimates are based on achieving the amended budget result in the current year. Any variance between amended budget and the actual result, will impact the long-term financial forecast.

### 4. POLICY & LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Instrument	Reference	Details
Local Government Regulation.	Section 205.	Estimated financial position 2022-2023.

### 5. RISK

Risk Type	What could happen	Possible Consequences
Financial	Actual 2022/2023 result not in line with estimate.	Could impact opening 2023-2024 financial position

### 6. CRITICAL DATES & IMPLICATIONS

Must be adopted as part of 2023-2024 Budget.

### 7. CONSULTATION

Chief Executive Officer; and  
Finance and Technology Manager.

### 8. CONCLUSION

An operating deficit of \$865k (pre-capital revenue) and an operating surplus of \$4.47M (including capital revenue) is predicted for the period ended 30 June 2023, based on known information available at the time of compilation of this report excluding further year and adjustments contingent to the end of financial year review of council accounts. The Statement of Estimated Financial Position has been prepared using actual results to the end of June 2023 with some predictions made to the end of June 2023. Once the final actual result is determined, any variances will be brought to account and the impacts on future years will be recognised in the long-term financial forecast.

## 9. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

- a) THAT the Statements of Financial Position and Cashflow 2022/23 be received; and
- b) THAT the Statement of Income and Expenses 2022/23 and Council Projects Expenditure 2022/23 are noted.

**04.04 Statement of Estimated Financial Position 2022/23**

- a) THAT the Statements of Financial Position and Cashflow 2022/23 be received; and
- b) THAT the Statement of Income and Expenses 2022/23 and Council Projects Expenditure 2022/23 are noted.

Moved: Cr Camp

Seconded: Cr Wade

Carried 230720.05 5/0

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04.05 Adoption of 2023-24 Budget and Associated Documents

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DEPARTMENT:	Office of the Chief Executive Officer
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	Dan McKinlay, Chief Executive Officer
PREPARED BY:	Shaun Jorgensen, Finance and Technology Manager
DATE REPORT PREPARED:	16 July 2023
LINK TO COUNCIL PLAN/S:	Operational Plan, Corporate Plan, Revenue Policy, Revenue Statement, Borrowing Policy, Investment Policy.

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## 1. PURPOSE

To present the 2023-2024 Budget and associated documentation to Council for adoption.

## 2. BACKGROUND &amp; PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Council has undertaken a number of 2023/2024 budget workshops leading up to the adoption of the budget. This involved a rigorous review of detailed operating expenditure and income. There was also a significant review of proposed capital expenditure and sources of funding.

Operational and capital revenues have been determined by reference to executed funding agreements and best available data and information on grants that council is eligible for. Capital projects for the 2023-2024 financial year have been considered and modelled around Councils 5-year roads program, capital funding programs and asset management requirements.

Operational expenditure has been determined by reference to council's operational plan, service requirements and availability of funding.

## 3. PROPOSAL

Council considers and adopts the 2023-24 Budget, 2023-24 Revenue Statement and associated documentation.

## 4. FINANCIAL &amp; RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The Budget outlines the financial and resource implications of Council's projected capital and operational expenditure in 2023-2024 in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012.

## 5. POLICY &amp; LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Instrument	Reference	Details
Local Government Regulation 2012	Section 170	<p><b>Adoption and amendment of budget</b></p> <p>(1) A local government must adopt its budget for a financial year-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) after 31 May in the year before the financial year; but</li> <li>(b) before— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 1 August in the financial year; or</li> <li>(ii) a later day decided by the Minister.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>(2) If the budget does not comply with section 169 when it is adopted, the adoption of the budget is of no effect.</p>
Local Government Regulation 2012	Section 193(3)	<p><b>Revenue Policy</b></p> <p>A local government must review its revenue policy annually and in sufficient time to allow an annual budget that is consistent with the revenue policy to be adopted for the next financial year.</p> <p>Council adopted the Revenue Policy for the 2023-24 financial year in an ordinary council meeting on the 22th June 2023.</p>
Local Government Regulation 2012	Section 169	<p><b>Preparation and content of budget</b></p> <p>(1) A local government's budget for each financial year must—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) be prepared on an accrual basis; and</li> <li>(b) include statements of the following for the financial year for which it is prepared and the next 2 financial years— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) financial position;</li> <li>(ii) cash flow;</li> <li>(iii) income and expenditure;</li> <li>(iv) changes in equity.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>(2) The budget must also include—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a long-term financial forecast; and</li> <li>(b) a revenue statement; and</li> <li>(c) a revenue policy.</li> </ul> <p>(3) The statement of income and expenditure must state each of the following—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) rates and utility charges excluding discounts and rebates;</li> <li>(b) contributions from developers;</li> <li>(c) fees and charges;</li> <li>(d) interest;</li> </ul>



Instrument	Reference	Details
		<p>(e) grants and subsidies;</p> <p>(f) depreciation;</p> <p>(g) finance costs;</p> <p>(h) net result;</p> <p>(i) the estimated costs of—</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(I) the local government's significant business activities carried on using a full cost pricing basis; and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(ii) the activities of the local government's commercial business units; and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(iii) the local government's significant business activities.</p> <p>(4) The budget must include each of the relevant measures of financial sustainability for the financial year for which it is prepared and the next 9 financial years.</p> <p>(5) A measure of financial sustainability applies to a local government for a financial year to the extent the financial management (sustainability) guideline states the measure applies to the local government for the financial year.</p> <p>(6) The measures of financial sustainability are the following measures described in the financial management (sustainability) guideline—</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(a) council-controlled revenue ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(b) population growth ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(c) operating surplus ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(d) operating cash ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(e) unrestricted cash expense cover ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(f) asset sustainability ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(g) asset consumption ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(h) asset renewal funding ratio;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(i) leverage ratio.</p> <p>(7) The budget must include 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.</p> <p>(8) For calculating the rates and utility charges levied for a financial year, any discounts and rebates must be excluded.</p> <p>(9) The budget must be consistent with the following documents of the local government—</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(a) its 5-year corporate plan;</p>

Instrument	Reference	Details
		(b) its annual operational plan.
Local Government Regulation 2012	Section 171	<p><b>Long-term financial forecast</b></p> <p>(1) A local government's long-term financial forecast is a forecast, covering a period of at least 10 years, of the following for each year during the period of the forecast—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) income of the local government;</li> <li>(b) expenditure of the local government;</li> <li>(c) the value of assets, liabilities and equity of the local government.</li> </ul> <p>(2) The local government must—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) consider its long-term financial forecast before planning new borrowings; and</li> <li>(b) review its long-term financial forecast annually.</li> </ul>

## 6. CRITICAL DATES & IMPLICATIONS

Section 170 of the Local Government Regulation 2012

### Adoption and amendment of budget

- (1) A local government must adopt its budget for a financial year—
- (a) after 31 May in the year before the financial year; but
  - (b) before—
    - (i) 1 August in the financial year; or
    - (ii) a later day decided by the Minister.

Section 170(3) defines Council's ability to amend its budget:

The local government may, by resolution, amend the budget for a financial year at any time before the end of the financial year.

## 7. CONSULTATION

Councillors

CEO

Acting Director of Engineering

Management Team

## 8. CONCLUSION

The 2023-24 budget is compliant with the requirements of the Local Government Regulation 2012. Accordingly, its adoption by Council will be a valid exercise of Council's authority.

Sustainability is a big ongoing challenge for smaller councils like Burke Shire Council which has a limited rates base and a significant reliance on grant and subsidy funding.

## 9. OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

**Adoption of Revenue Statement, rates and associated matters 2023-24**

## 1. That Council:

- (a) Adopts, in accordance with section s169 (2) and 172 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Revenue Statement 2023-2024;
- (b) Adopts, in accordance with section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised and the description of those categories, as per the first and second columns of the table appearing at section 4.3 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024;
- (c) 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;
- (d) Adopts, in accordance with 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. This is as per the schedule below;

Residential Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Capped %
1 – Residential – Burketown <0.8 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for residential purposes within the township of Burketown which has an area of less than 0.8 Hectares.	2.16468	\$1,209.30	No Cap
2 – Residential – Gregory <0.8 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for residential purposes within the township of Gregory which has an area of less than 0.8 Hectares.	5.97572	\$1,209.30	No Cap
3 – Other Land 0.8Ha <10 Ha- (All Areas)	Land used , or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural or residential purposes with an area of between 0.8 hectares or more but less than 10 Hectares that is not otherwise categorised.	2.16617	\$1,245.20	No Cap
4 – Multi Residential (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of multi-unit dwellings, including flats or units, guest houses and private hotels.	1.93953	\$1,209.30	No Cap
Commercial and Industry Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Capped %
10 – Commercial – Burketown	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes within the township of Burketown.	2.22412	\$1,294.90	No Cap
11 – Commercial – Gregory	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes within the township of Gregory.	6.60415	\$1,294.90	No Cap
12 - Commercial - Other	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes outside the townships of Burketown and Gregory.	2.87690	\$1,294.90	No Cap
13 – Clubs and Not for Profit (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purposes of a club, sporting organisation or religious institution.	1.27318	\$1,294.90	No Cap
14 – Transformer Sites (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of a transformer.	3.47532	\$1,485.20	No Cap

15 – Commercial – Rural Tourism	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial tourism purposes located outside of a township.	10.12222	\$1,293.70	No Cap
16 – Industry – Burketown	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for industry purposes within the township of Burketown.	1.77469	\$1,294.90	No Cap
17 – Industry – Gregory	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for industry purposes within the township of Gregory.	6.73235	\$1,294.90	No Cap
<b>Rural Categories</b>				
<b>Differential Category</b>	<b>Category Description</b>	<b>Rate in the \$</b>	<b>Minimum General Rate</b>	<b>Capped %</b>
20 – Rural Land 10 - <1,000 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural residential or rural grazing purposes which is 10 Hectares or more but less than 1,000 Hectares.	1.13540	\$1,333.40	No Cap
21 – Rural Land 1000 - <300,000 Ha (Grazing Land)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 1,000 Hectares or more but less than 300,000 Hectares.	0.48119	\$1,333.40	3.5%
22 – Rural Land 300,000 - <500,000 Ha (Grazing Land)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 300,000 Hectares or more but less than 500,000 Hectares.	0.56061	\$1,333.40	No Cap
23 – Rural Land >=500,000 Ha (Grazing Land)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 500,000 Hectares or more.	0.36901	\$1,333.40	No Cap
24 – Rural Land >=10Ha (Cropping Cultivation)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural cropping purposes which is 10 Hectares or more.	3.11082	\$1,333.40	No Cap
<b>Intensive Business and Industry Categories</b>				
<b>Differential Category</b>	<b>Category Description</b>	<b>Rate in the \$</b>	<b>Minimum General Rate</b>	<b>Capped %</b>
30 – Rateable Prospecting	Land with a prospecting permit.	118.62499	\$3,231.10	No Cap
31 – Mining Lease less than 100 Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of less than 100 Hectares.	118.62499	\$3,231.10	No Cap
32 – Mining Lease 100 - <1,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 100 Hectares or more but less than 1,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$32,307.40	No Cap
33 – Mining Lease 1000 - <10,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 1,000 Hectares or more but less than 10,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$323,071.10	No Cap
34 – Mining Lease 10,000 - <20,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 10,000 Hectares or more but less than 20,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$646,142.20	No Cap

35 – Mining Lease ≥20,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 20,000 Hectares or more.	1,184.72398	\$2,840,704.90	No Cap
37 – Mining Rehabilitation 100 - <250 employees and/ or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 100 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 250 employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	118.62499	\$323,071.10	No Cap
38 – Mining Rehabilitation 250 -<500 employees and /or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 250 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 500 employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	118.62499	\$646,142.20	No Cap
39 – Mining Rehabilitation ≥ 500 employees and /or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 500 or more employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	118.62499	\$1,292,284.40	No Cap
40 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity 100 - <250 employees and /or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 100 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 250 employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	118.62499	\$376,393.20	No Cap
41 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity 250 - <500 employees and/ or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 250 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 500 employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	118.62499	\$752,786.40	No Cap
42 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity ≥ 500 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 500 or more employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	118.62499	\$1,505,574.10	No Cap
43 - Petroleum Lease < 10000Ha	Petroleum Lease issued with an area less than 10,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$25,845.30	No Cap
44 - Petroleum Lease 10000 <20000Ha	Petroleum Lease issued with an area of 10,000 hectares or more but less than 20,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$51,691.70	No Cap
45 - Petroleum Lease ≥ 20000Ha	Petroleum Lease issued with an area 20,000 Hectares or more.	118.62499	\$103,382.30	No Cap
46 - Work Camps 15 - <50	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 15 or more accommodation units but less than 50 accommodation units.	1.80300	\$7,108.00	No Cap
47 - Work Camps 50 - <100	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 50 or more accommodation units but less than 100 accommodation units.	1.80300	\$24,230.30	No Cap

48 - Work Camps 100 - <200	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 100 or more accommodation units but less than 200 accommodation units.	1.80300	\$48,460.60	No Cap
49 - Work Camps 200 +	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 200 or more accommodation units.	1.80300	\$96,921.20	No Cap

- (e) Adopts, in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the waste management utility charges to be made and levied, for the supply of waste management services by the Council, as per section 5.1 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024.
- (f) Adopts, in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and section 99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the sewerage utility charges to be made and levied, for the supply of sewerage services by the Council, as per section 5.2 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024
- (g) Adopts, in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 99 and 101 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the water utility and consumption charges to be made and levied, for the supply of water services by the Council, as per section 5.3 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024;
- (h) Resolves, pursuant to section 102(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that a water meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts 2 weeks before, and ends 2 weeks after, the day on which the meter is actually read;
- (i) Adopts, pursuant to section 130 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that the differential general rates made and levied shall be subject to a discount as specified in, and subject to the conditions stated in, section 7.3 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024;
- (j) Resolves, pursuant to section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that interest be charged on all overdue rates and charges at the rate of 8.17% per annum, calculated on daily rates as compound interest.
- (k) Resolves, pursuant to section 107 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* that, Council's rates and charges be levied:
- (i) for the half year 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023 - in August/ September 2023; and
  - (ii) for the half year 1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024 - in February/March 2024;
- (l) Resolves, pursuant to section 118 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that Council's rates and charges be paid within 30 days of the date of the issue of the rate notice; and
- (m) Adopts, pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the concessions as detailed in section 8 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024.

#### **Adoption of Budget and associated matters 2023-24**

#### **2. That Council:**

- (a) Adopt, pursuant to section 107A of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2023/2024 financial year, incorporating:
- a. The statement of Income and Expenditure;

- b. The statement of Financial Position;
- c. The statement of Cashflow;
- d. The statement of Changes in equity;
- e. Project Expenditure 2023-2024;
- f. The long-term financial forecast;
- g. Sustainability Ratios;
- h. The Revenue Statement 2023/2024 (adopted by Council resolution earlier in this meeting); and
- i. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget, as tabled.

#### 04.05 Adoption of 2023-24 Budget and Associated Documents

##### Adoption of Revenue Statement, rates and associated matters 2023-24

1. That Council:

- (a) Adopts, in accordance with section s169 (2) and 172 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Revenue Statement 2023-2024;
- (b) Adopts, in accordance with section 81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised and the description of those categories, as per the first and second columns of the table appearing at section 4.3 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024;
- (c) 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;
- (d) Adopts, in accordance with 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. This is as per the schedule below;

Residential Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Cappe d %
1 – Residential – Burketown <0.8 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for residential purposes within the township of Burketown which has an area of less than 0.8 Hectares.	2.16468	\$1,209.30	No Cap
2 – Residential – Gregory <0.8 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for residential purposes within the township of	5.97572	\$1,209.30	No Cap

	Gregory which has an area of less than 0.8 Hectares.			
3 – Other Land 0.8Ha <10 Ha- (All Areas)	Land used , or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural or residential purposes with an area of between 0.8 hectares or more but less than 10 Hectares that is not otherwise categorised.	2.16617	\$1,245.20	No Cap
4 – Multi Residential (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of multi-unit dwellings, including flats or units, guest houses and private hotels.	1.93953	\$1,209.30	No Cap
<b>Commercial and Industry Categories</b>				
<b>Differential Category</b>	<b>Category Description</b>	<b>Rate in the \$</b>	<b>Minimum General Rate</b>	<b>Cappe d %</b>
10 – Commercial – Burketown	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes within the township of Burketown.	2.22412	\$1,294.90	No Cap
11 – Commercial – Gregory	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes within the township of Gregory.	6.60415	\$1,294.90	No Cap
12 - Commercial - Other	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes outside the townships of Burketown and Gregory.	2.87690	\$1,294.90	No Cap
13 – Clubs and Not for Profit (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purposes of a club, sporting organisation or religious institution.	1.27318	\$1,294.90	No Cap
14 – Transformer Sites (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of a transformer.	3.47532	\$1,485.20	No Cap
15 – Commercial – Rural Tourism	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial tourism purposes located outside of a township.	10.12222	\$1,293.70	No Cap



<b>16 – Industry – Burketown</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for industry purposes within the township of Burketown.	<b>1.77469</b>	<b>\$1,294.90</b>	<b>No Cap</b>
<b>17 – Industry – Gregory</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for industry purposes within the township of Gregory.	<b>6.73235</b>	<b>\$1,294.90</b>	<b>No Cap</b>
<b>Rural Categories</b>				
<b>Differential Category</b>	<b>Category Description</b>	<b>Rate in the \$</b>	<b>Minimum General Rate</b>	<b>Cappe d %</b>
<b>20 – Rural Land 10 - &lt;1,000 Ha</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural residential or rural grazing purposes which is 10 Hectares or more but less than 1,000 Hectares.	<b>1.13540</b>	<b>\$1,333.40</b>	<b>No Cap</b>
<b>21 – Rural Land 1000 -&lt;300,000 Ha (Grazing Land)</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 1,000 Hectares or more but less than 300,000 Hectares.	<b>0.48119</b>	<b>\$1,333.40</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>22 – Rural Land 300,000 - &lt;500,000 Ha (Grazing Land)</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 300,000 Hectares or more but less than 500,000 Hectares.	<b>0.56061</b>	<b>\$1,333.40</b>	<b>No Cap</b>
<b>23 – Rural Land &gt;=500,000 Ha (Grazing Land)</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 500,000 Hectares or more.	<b>0.36901</b>	<b>\$1,333.40</b>	<b>No Cap</b>
<b>24 – Rural Land &gt;=10Ha (Cropping Cultivation)</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural cropping purposes which is 10 Hectares or more.	<b>3.11082</b>	<b>\$1,333.40</b>	<b>No Cap</b>
<b>Intensive Business and Industry Categories</b>				

Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Cappe d %
30 – Rateable Prospecting	Land with a prospecting permit.	118.62499	\$3,231.10	No Cap
31 – Mining Lease less than 100 Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of less than 100 Hectares.	118.62499	\$3,231.10	No Cap
32 – Mining Lease 100 - <1,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 100 Hectares or more but less than 1,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$32,307.40	No Cap
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34 – Mining Lease 10,000 - <20,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 10,000 Hectares or more but less than 20,000 Hectares.	118.62499	\$646,142.20	No Cap
35 – Mining Lease >=20,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 20,000 Hectares or more.	1,184.72398	\$2,840,704.90	No Cap
37 – Mining Rehabilitation 100 - <250 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 100 or more employees and/or	118.62499	\$323,071.10	No Cap

	contractors, but less than 250 employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.			
<b>38 – Mining Rehabilitation 250 -&lt;500 employees and /or contractors</b>	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 250 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 500 employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	118.62499	\$646,142.20	No Cap
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<b>40 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity 100 - &lt;250 employees and /or contractors</b>	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> ) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 100 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 250 employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	118.62499	\$376,393.20	No Cap
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<b>45 - Petroleum Lease &gt; 20000Ha</b>	Petroleum Lease issued with an area 20,000 Hectares or more.	118.62499	\$103,382.30	No Cap
<b>46 - Work Camps 15 - &lt;50</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 15 or more accommodation units but less than 50 accommodation units.	1.80300	\$7,108.00	No Cap
<b>47 - Work Camps 50 - &lt;100</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 50 or more accommodation units but less than 100 accommodation units.	1.80300	\$24,230.30	No Cap
<b>48 - Work Camps 100 - &lt;200</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 100 or more accommodation units but less than 200 accommodation units.	1.80300	\$48,460.60	No Cap
<b>49 - Work Camps 200 +</b>	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 200 or more accommodation units.	1.80300	\$96,921.20	No Cap
<b>(e) Adopts, in accordance with section 94 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> and section 99 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, the waste management utility charges to be</b>				

made and levied, for the supply of waste management services by the Council, as per section 5.1 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024.

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- (m) Adopts, pursuant to sections 120, 121 and 122 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the concessions as detailed in section 8 of the Revenue Statement 2023-2024.

Moved: Cr Murray

Seconded: Cr Camp

Carried 230720.06 5/0

**04.05 Adoption of 2023-24 Budget and Associated Documents****Adoption of Budget and associated matters 2023-24****2. That Council:**

- (a) Adopt, pursuant to section 107A of the *Local Government Act 2009* and sections 169 and 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council's Budget for the 2023/2024 financial year, incorporating:
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  - b. The statement of Financial Position;
  - c. The statement of Cashflow;
  - d. The statement of Changes in equity;
  - e. Project Expenditure 2023-2024;
  - f. The long-term financial forecast;
  - g. Sustainability Ratios;
  - h. The Revenue Statement 2023/2024 (adopted by Council resolution earlier in this meeting); and
  - i. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget, as tabled.

Moved: Cr Yanner

Seconded: Cr Clarke

Carried 230720.07 5/0

**05. Closed Session Reports**

**That Council notes no closed session reports were received for the meeting.**

**06. Closure of meeting**

**The Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.21am.**

I hereby certify that these pages numbered 1 to 30 – constitute the Confirmed minutes of the Special Council Meeting of Burke Shire Council held on Thursday 20 July 2023.

Mayor Cr Ernie Camp .....