



Goondiwindi Regional Council
Special Meeting

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Meeting held at the Goondiwindi Regional Council Chambers
4 McLean Street, Goondiwindi, Queensland 4390

17th June 2026

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1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor, Hon. Cr LJ (Lawrence) Springborg AM, declared the meeting open at 11.00am

2. ATTENDANCE AT COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING

Mayor: Hon. Cr LJ (Lawrence) Springborg AM

Councillors: Cr SK (Susie) Kelly
Cr RJ (Rob) Mackenzie
Cr PG (Phil) O'Shea
Cr KR (Kym) Skinner
Cr JA (Julia) Spicer OAM
Cr JN (Jason) Watts

Apology:

Council Officers: Chief Executive Officer, Mr Carl Manton
Director Corporate Services, Mr Jason Quinnell
Legal Officer/Minutes Secretary, Mrs Krista Roberts
Director Engineering Services, Mr Dion Jones
Finance Manager, Mr Bradley Pyle

3. APOLOGIES**4. CONGRATULATIONS****5. OPERATIONAL PLAN 2026/2027**

In accordance with s175 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the draft Operational Plan 2026/2027 was tabled for Council's consideration and endorsement.

RESOLUTION SM-001/26

Moved: Cr JA Spicer

Seconded: Cr SK Kelly

*That Council resolves to adopt the **Operational Plan 2026-2027**, as amended.*

Carried

6. MAYOR'S ADDRESS

The Mayor presented the 2026/2027 Budget Statements, including the Long Term Financial Forecast to Council, and made reference to his budget address attached to these minutes.

7. FINANCE REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED POSITION

Prior to adopting a budget for the next financial year, Council must consider the current financial position of Council.

RESOLUTION SM-002/26

Moved: Cr JN Watts

Seconded: Cr PG O'Shea

*That pursuant to s205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the **Statement of Estimated Financial Position** of the Council for the year ended 30 June 2026 be received and its contents noted.*

Carried

8. DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES 2026/2027

In accordance with s80 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may levy general rates that differ for different categories in the local government area. Also, in accordance with s77 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may fix a minimum general rate and general rate for each differential rating category based on a level deemed appropriate after considering the use of land in each category and a reasonable minimum rating effort expected for each category. The Differential General Rates for the 2026/2027 financial year are tabled for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION SM-003/26

Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie

Seconded: Cr SK Kelly

That pursuant to s81 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories in to which rateable land is categorised, the description of those categories and, pursuant to s81(4) and s81(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(3)(a))	Column 2 - Description (section 81(3)(b))	Column 3 - Identification Guidance Only – the power of identification is delegated to the CEO (section 81(4) and 81(5))
0. Small Rural - Silverspur	Land located in the Silverspur locality that is not included in another category.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area identified in map Number 5 having the primary land use codes 01, 02, 04, 05, 06 or 72A and not included in categories 1,2, 3, 4, 5, 6 7 8 or 9.
1. Urban – Small Town	Land located in a small town that is vacant land or used for residential purposes other than land under a community titles scheme or land that is included in another category.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area (as identified in map No's 4 – 11) having the primary land use codes 01, 02, 04, 05, 06 or 72A and not included in categories 0,2, 3, 4, 5, 6 7 8 or 9.
2. Urban – Large Town – Site Valuation (SV) less than \$205,000	Land located in a large town that is vacant land or used for residential purposes other than land under a community titles scheme or land that is included in another category and with a valuation of less than \$205,000.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's. 1 – 3) having the primary land use codes 01, 02, 06 or 72A and having a valuation of less than \$205,000.
3. Multi-Unit Dwellings – 8 or more	Land located in a large town that is used for multi- unit residential purposes with 8 or more separate dwelling units other than land that is included in another category.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 03 and with 8 or more separate dwelling units .
4. Urban - Large Town - Site Valuation (SV) of \$205,000 or greater but less than \$400,000	Land located in a large town that is vacant land or used for residential purposes other than land under a community titles scheme or land that is included in another category and with a valuation of \$205,000 or greater but less than \$400,000.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's. 1 – 3) having the primary land use codes 01, 02, 06 or 72A and with a valuation of \$205,000 or greater but less than \$400,000.
5. Urban - Large Town - Site Valuation (SV) of \$400,000 or greater	Land located in a large town that is vacant land or used for residential purposes other than land under a community titles scheme or land that is included in another category and with a valuation of \$400,000 or greater.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's. 1 – 3) having the primary land use codes 01, 02, 06 or 72A and with a valuation of \$400,000 or greater.
6. Urban – Large Homesite Residential - Site Valuation (SV) less than \$230,000	Land located in a large town, whether vacant or improved which is used for residential purposes and is identified with a Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A and has a valuation of less than \$230,000 and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's 1 – 3) having the Primary Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A, and a valuation of less than \$230,000, excluding land in categories 15 or 16.
7. Urban – Large Homesite Residential – Site Valuation (SV) of \$230,000 or greater but less than \$500,000	Land located in a large town, whether vacant or improved which is used for residential purposes and is identified with a Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A and has a valuation of \$230,000 or greater but less than \$500,000 and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's 1 – 3) having the Primary Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A, and a valuation of \$230,000 or greater but less than \$500,000, excluding land in categories 15 or 16.

8. Urban – Large Homesite Residential – Site Valuation (SV) of \$500,000 or greater but less than \$1,100,000	Land located in a large town, whether vacant or improved which is used for residential purposes and is identified with a Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A and has a valuation of \$500,000 or greater but less than \$1,100,000 and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's 1 – 3) having the Primary Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A, and a valuation of \$500,000 or greater but less than \$1,100,000, excluding land in categories 15 or 16.
9. Urban – Large Homesite Residential – Site Valuation (SV) of \$1,100,000 or greater	Land located in a large town, whether vacant or improved which is used for residential purposes and is identified with a Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A and has a valuation of \$1,100,000 or greater and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the localities of Texas, Inglewood and Goondiwindi (as identified in map No's 1 – 3) having the Primary Land Use Code of 04, 05 or 72A, and a valuation of \$1,100,000 or greater, excluding land in categories 15 or 16.
10. Community Titles Scheme – Site Valuation (SV) of less than \$100,000	Land under which a Community Titles Scheme is registered and has a valuation of less than \$100,000.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 08 and 09 and has a valuation of less than \$100,000.
11. Community Titles Scheme – Site Valuation (SV) of \$100,000 or greater	Land under which a Community Titles Scheme is registered and has a valuation of \$100,000 or greater and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 08 and 09 and has a valuation of \$100,000 or greater.
12. Multi-Unit Dwellings 2-3	Land located in a large town that is used for multi- unit residential purposes with 2 or 3 separate dwelling units other than land that is included in another category.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 03 and with 2 or 3 separate dwelling units.
13. Multi-Unit Dwellings 4-7	Land located in a large town that is used for multi- unit residential purposes with 4, 5, 6 or 7 separate dwelling units other than land that is included in another category.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 03 and with 4, 5, 6 or 7 separate dwelling units.
14. Sporting Clubs and Community Organisations	Land owned by a Not-for-Profit Community Organisation or Sporting Club used in the furtherance of that clubs activities less than 100 hectares.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 48, 50 and 57 with a land area of less than 100 hectares.
15. Commercial - Goondiwindi	Land within the town of Goondiwindi used for retail or commercial purposes but outside the designated Goondiwindi CBD area.	All land within the Goondiwindi Town Area (as identified in map No. 1) with a Primary Land Use Code of 07, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 38, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 47A 49, 51, 52, 55, 56, 57, 58, 89, 90, 91, 96, 97, 99 or all land within the Council area contained within the Goondiwindi Town Centre Zone of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, excluding land with a Primary Land Use Code of 02, 05, 08, 09 or land included in category 16.
16. Goondiwindi CBD	Land within the designated Goondiwindi CBD area.	All land within the Council area contained within the Centre Zone Central Business District Precinct of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, excluding land with a Primary Land Use Code of 02, 03, 05, 06, 08 and 09.
17. Motels – Greater than or equal to 30 Pedestals outside the Goondiwindi CBD	Land predominantly used for overnight accommodation of persons plus vehicles located outside of the designated Goondiwindi CBD area where 30 or more pedestals are in use.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use of 43, excluding land within the Centre Zone Central Business District Precinct of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, where 30 or more pedestals are in use.
18. Hotels – Goondiwindi	Land within the Goondiwindi Town area licensed by the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation as a hotel or tavern for the sale of liquor.	All land within the Council area contained within the Goondiwindi Town Area (as identified in map No. 1) with a Primary Land Use Code of 42
19. Hotels - Other	Land used for hotel purposes that is licensed by the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation as a hotel or tavern for the sale of liquor located anywhere but in the Goondiwindi Town Area.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 42, excluding land contained within the town of Goondiwindi (as identified in map No. 1).
20. Service Stations – Site Valuation less than \$530,000	Land used for the purposes of a service station and has a valuation of less than \$530,000.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 30, excluding land within the Centre Zone Central Business District Precinct of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, with a land valuation of less than \$530,000.

21. Service Stations – Site Valuation of \$530,000 or greater	Land used for the purposes of a service station and has a valuation of \$530,000 or greater and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 30, excluding land within the Centre Zone Central Business District Precinct of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, with a land valuation of \$530,000 or more.
22. Industrial – Site Valuation less than \$200,000	Land within the Town of Goondiwindi used for industrial purposes outside of the designated Goondiwindi CBD area and has a valuation of less than \$200,000.	All land within the Goondiwindi Town Area (as identified in map No. 1) with a Primary Land Use Code of 35, 36A, 36B, 37A, 37B or all land within the Goondiwindi Town Industrial Zone of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, excluding land with a Primary Land Use Code of 02, 03, 05, 08, 09 or land included in category 16 and has a land valuation of less than \$200,000.
23. Industrial – Site Valuation of \$200,000 or greater but less than \$1,000,000	Land within the Town of Goondiwindi used for industrial purposes outside of the designated Goondiwindi CBD area with a site valuation of \$200,000 or greater but less than \$1,000,000.	All land within the Goondiwindi Town Area (as identified in map No. 1) with a Primary Land Use Code of 35, 36A, 36B, 37A, 37B or all land within the Goondiwindi Town Industrial Zone of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, excluding land with a Primary Land Use Code of 02, 03, 05, 08, 09 or land included in category 16 and has a site valuation of \$200,000 or greater but less than \$1,000,000.
24. Industrial – Site Valuation of \$1,000,000 or greater	Land within the Town of Goondiwindi used for industrial purposes outside of the designated Goondiwindi CBD area with a site valuation of \$1,000,000 or greater.	All land within the Goondiwindi Town Area (as identified in map No. 1) with a Primary Land Use Code of 35, 36A, 36B, 37A, 37B or all land within the Goondiwindi Town Industrial Zone of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, excluding land with a Primary Land Use Code of 02, 03, 05, 08, 09 or land included in category 16 and has a site valuation of \$1,000,000 or greater.
25. Transport and Storage - Goondiwindi	Land within the Town of Goondiwindi used for transport depots, storage or warehousing.	All land within the Goondiwindi Town Area (as identified in map No. 1) with a Primary Land Use Code of 28, 29, 31, 33, 34 or 92.
26. Commercial, Industrial and Transport - Other	Land used for retail or commercial purposes, transport depots or storage or industrial purposes outside the designated Goondiwindi CBD area and outside of the Town of Goondiwindi.	All land within the Council area but not within the locality of Goondiwindi (as identified in map No.1), with a Primary Land Use Code of 07, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36A, 36B, 37A, 37B, 38, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 47A, 49, 51, 52, 55, 56, 57, 58, 89, 90, 91, 92, 96, 97, 99 or all land within the Council area contained within Industrial or Centre Zones of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, excluding land with a Primary Land Use Code of 02, 05, 08, 09 or land included in category 16.
27. Aerodromes	Land within the aerodrome precinct.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code 56A. (Land within aerodrome precinct leased from Council).
28. Cotton Gin – warehouse attached	Land used for Cotton Ginning and associated purposes with a co-located cotton storage facility.	All land within the Council area used for cotton ginning and associated purposes with a storage facility co-located, including but not limited to the following sites. ▪ Lot 8 RP911941.
29. Cotton Gin – no attached warehouse	Land use for Cotton Ginning and associated purposes that does not have a cotton storage facility co-located.	All land within the Council area used for cotton ginning and associated purposes that does not have a cotton storage facility located on the same parcel, including but not limited to the following sites. ▪ Lot 12 SP258478; Lot 1 PER6660.

30. Grain Storage	Land used for the purpose of a commercial grain storage depot with storage capacity of 20,000 tonnes or more.	All land within the Council area which has approval to operate a grain storage facility with a capacity of 20,000 tonnes or more, including but not limited to the following sites. - Lot 62 SP119210 - Lot 1 AP332 - Lot 19 CP84035 - Lot 13 CVN806205 - Lot 1 RP210834 - Lot 16 CVN43 - Lot 1 PER7108 - Lot 3 SP158277 - Lot 196 MH828 - Lot 305 MH888 - Lot 21 SP120170 - Lot 5 SP196484 - Lot 6 SP196484 - Lot 66 RP802674 - Lot 1 SP222807 - Lot 2 SP290094 - Lot 32 SP281672 - Lot 1 SP294956 - Lot 63 SP308130
31. Motels – Greater than or equal to 20 Pedestals but less than 30 pedestals outside the Goondiwindi CBD	Land predominantly used for overnight accommodation of persons plus vehicles located outside of the designated Goondiwindi CBD area where 20 or more but less than 30 pedestals are in use.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use of 43, excluding land within the Centre Zone Central Business District Precinct of the Goondiwindi Region Planning Scheme, where 20 or more but less than 30 pedestals are in use.
35. Cattle Feedlot - 10,000 to 19,999 SCU	Land used for a cattle feedlot with a licensed capacity of 10,000 SCU to 19,999 SCU inclusive.	All land within the Council area, which has a state registered license to operate a cattle feedlot with a capacity of 10,000 SCU to 19,999 standard cattle units (SCU) inclusive.
36. Cattle Feedlot - 20,000 to 29,999 SCU	Land used for a cattle feedlot with a licensed capacity of 20,000 SCU to 29,999 SCU inclusive.	All land within the Council area, which has a state registered license to operate a cattle feedlot with a capacity of 20,000 to 29,999 standard cattle units (SCU) inclusive.
37. Cattle Feedlot - 30,000 to 49,999 SCU	Land used for a cattle feedlot with a licensed capacity of 30,000 SCU to 49,999 SCU inclusive.	All land within the Council area, which has a state registered license to operate a cattle feedlot with a capacity of 30,000 to 49,999 standard cattle units (SCU) inclusive.
38. Cattle Feedlot - 50,000 SCU and greater	Land used for a cattle feedlot with a licensed capacity of 50,000 SCU or more.	All land within the Council area, which has a state registered license to operate a cattle feedlot with a capacity of 50,000 standard cattle units (SCU) or more.
39. Piggery - 10,000 SPU to 29,999 SPU	Land used for a piggery with a licensed capacity of 10,000 SPU to 29,999 SPU inclusive.	All land within the Council area, which has a Primary Land Use Code of 85 and has a licensed capacity of 10,000 to 29,999 Standard Pig Units (SPU) inclusive.
40. Piggery - 30,000 SPU and greater	Land used for a piggery with a licensed capacity of 30,000 SPU or more.	All land within the Council area, which has a Primary Land Use Code of 85 and has a licensed capacity of 30,000 Standard Pig Units (SPU) or more.
41. Intensive Poultry	Land used for intensive poultry farming, processing and associated uses.	All land within the Council area which has approval to operate an Intensive Poultry facility, including but not limited to the following sites - Lot 38 CLV3477 - Lot 274 CLV3477 - Lot 2 RP104728 - Lot 10 RP884466 - Lot 1 SP159975 - Lot 7 CVE140 - Lot 8 CVE140 - Lot 9 CVE140 - Lot 1 AP3333 - Lot 1 RL3799 - Lot 1 RL7783 - Lot 1 RL7784
44. Residential (within a Rural Zone) – Site Valuation less than \$425,000	Land, other than land located within a town, whether vacant or improved which is used for rural residential purposes and has a site valuation of less than \$425,000 and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 01, 04, 05, 06, 72B, 94A or 94B, (outside the urban areas as defined in map No's 1 - 10) and has a valuation of less than \$425,000.
45. Residential (within a Rural Zone) – Site Valuation of \$425,000 or greater	Land, other than land located within a town, whether vacant or improved which is used for rural residential purposes and has a site valuation of \$425,000 or greater and is not otherwise categorised.	All land within the Council area with a Primary Land Use Code of 01 04, 05, 06, 72B, 94A or 94B, (outside the urban areas as defined in map No's 1 - 10) and has a valuation of \$425,000 or greater.
46. Rural Land – Under 150 hectares	Land used predominately for primary production with an area less than 150 hectares.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is less than 150 hectares in area.

47. Rural Land – 150 hectares or greater but less than 300 hectares	Land used predominately for primary production with an area of 150 hectares or more but less than 300 hectares.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is 150 hectares or more but less than 300 hectares.
48. Rural Land – 300 hectares or greater but less than 600 hectares	Land used predominately for primary production with an area of 300 hectares or more but less than 600 hectares.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is 300 hectares or more but less than 600 hectares.
49. Rural Land – 600 hectares or greater but less than 1,500 hectares	Land used predominately for primary production with an area of 600 hectares or more but less than 1,500 hectares.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is 600 hectares or more but less than 1,500 hectares.
50. Rural Land – 1,500 hectares or greater but less than 2,500 hectares	Land used predominately for primary production with an area of 1,500 hectares or more but less than 2,500 hectares.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is 1,500 hectares or more but less than 2,500 hectares.
51. Rural Land – 2,500 hectares or greater but less than 6,000 hectares	Land used predominately for primary production with an area of 2,500 hectares or more but less than 6,000 hectares.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is 2,500 hectares or more but less than 6,000 hectares.
52. Rural Land – 6,000 hectares or greater	Land used predominately for primary production with an area of 6,000 hectares or more.	All land with a Primary Land Use Code of 40D, 48, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72B, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 93, excluding land included in categories 14 through to 41 (inclusive) which is 6,000 hectares or more.
53. Rural Land – State Lease less than 1,700 hectares	Unallocated State Land leased under a Term Lease or Special Purpose Lease not included on an assessment for rating purposes with any other land included in any other category with an area of less than 1,700 hectares.	Unallocated State Land with an area of less than 1700 hectares leased under a Term Lease or Special Purpose Lease not included on an assessment for rating purposes with any other land included in any other category. Specifically excludes Perpetual and Free-Holding Leases, Permits to Occupy, Road Licences.
54. Rural Land – State Lease 1,700 hectares or greater	Unallocated State Land leased under a Term Lease or Special Purpose Lease not included on an assessment for rating purposes with any other land included in any other category with an area of 1,700 hectares or greater.	Unallocated State Land with an area of 1700 hectares or greater, leased under a Term Lease or Special Purpose Lease not included on an assessment for rating purposes with any other land included in any other category. Specifically excludes Perpetual and Free-Holding Leases, Permits to Occupy, Road Licences.
55. Reservoir, Dam, Bores Pump Sites and Specialised State Leases – site valuation of less than \$250,000	Land classified as Reservoir, Dam, Bore, Pump Site or specialised leases on state land with a site valuation of less than \$250,000.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having the land use code 95 or 89A with a site valuation of less than \$250,000.
56. Reservoir, Dam, Bores Pump Sites and Specialised State Leases – site valuation of \$250,000 or greater	Land classified as Reservoir, Dam, Bore, Pump Site or specialised leases on state land with a site valuation of \$250,000 or greater.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having the land use code 95 or 89A with a site valuation of \$250,000 or greater.
60. Petroleum Lease - less than 1,000 hectares	Land, which is a Petroleum Lease with an area of less than 1,000 hectares.	All land that has a Primary Land Use Code of 40C or that is described in Petroleum Leases with an area of less than 1,000 hectares issued within the Goondiwindi Regional Council as shown on the relevant statutory lease register.

61. Petroleum Lease – 1,000 hectares or greater	Land, which is a Petroleum Lease with an area of 1,000 hectares or more.	All land that has a Primary Land Use Code of 40C or that is described in Petroleum Leases with an area of 1,000 hectares or more issued within the Goondiwindi Regional Council as shown on the relevant statutory lease register.
62. Petroleum Other - less than 1,000 hectares	Land used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or extraction and/or oil processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines) excluding petroleum leases, with an area of less than 1,000 hectares.	All land within the Council area used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or extraction and/or oil processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines) excluding petroleum leases, with an area of less than 1,000 hectares.
63. Petroleum Other – 1,000 hectares or greater	Land used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or extraction and/or oil processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines) excluding petroleum leases, with an area of 1,000 hectares or more.	All land within the Council area used or intended to be used primarily for gas and/or extraction and/or oil processing (or for purposes ancillary or associated with gas and/or oil extraction/processing such as water storage, pipelines) excluding petroleum leases, with an area of 1,000 hectares or more.
64. Extractive Industry – Quarry – 5,000 tonnes to 100,000 tonnes	Land upon which there is located an extractive industry with an annual output capacity of 5,000 tonnes to 100,000 tonnes per annum or approval for an Environmental Relevant Activity identified at items (2)(a) and/or (3)(a) of the table appearing in section 16(3) of Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008.	All land within the Council area that: - has a Primary Land Use Code of 40A and has an annual output capacity of 5,000 tonnes to 100,000 tonnes per annum; or - has an extractive industry operating on it with an annual output capacity of 5,000 tonnes to 100,000 tonnes per annum; or - has approval and conducts an Environmentally Relevant Activity identified at items (2)(a) and/or (3)(a) of the table appearing in section 16(3) of Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008.
65. Extractive Industry – Quarry – greater than 100,000 tonnes	Land upon which there is located an extractive industry with an annual output capacity of 100,000 tonnes per annum or more or approval for an Environmental Relevant Activity identified at items (2)(b) or (2)(c) and/or (3)(b) or (3)(c) of the table appearing in section 16(3) of Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008.	All land within the Council area that: - has a Primary Land Use Code of 40A and has an annual output capacity of 100,000 tonnes per annum or more; or - has an extractive industry operating on it with an annual output capacity of 100,000 tonnes per annum or more; or - has approval and conducts an Environmentally Relevant Activity identified at items (2)(b) or (2)(c) and/or (3)(b) or (3)(c) of the table appearing in section 16(3) of Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008.
66. Extractive Industry – Mining - 10 hectares or less	Land used for Mining located within the Council area with a mining surface area of 10 hectares or less.	All land that has a Primary Land Use Code of 40B, including land described in Mining Leases or mining licences issued within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area as shown on the relevant statutory lease register, used for mining with a mining surface area of 10 hectares or less.
67. Extractive Industry – Mining – greater than 10 hectares but less than 45 hectares	Land used for Mining located within the Council area with a mining surface area of greater than 10 hectares but less than 45 hectares.	All land that has a Primary Land Use Code of 40B, including land described in Mining Leases or mining licences issued within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area as shown on the relevant statutory lease register, used for mining with a mining surface area of greater than 10 hectares but less than 45 hectares.
68. Extractive Industry – Mining - 45 hectares or greater	Land used for Mining located within the Council area with a mining surface area of 45 hectares or more.	All land that has a Primary Land Use Code of 40B, including land described in Mining Leases or mining licences issued within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area as shown on the relevant statutory lease register, used for mining with a mining surface area of 45 hectares or more.
70. Renewable Energy Facility – Capacity greater than 1MW but less than 20MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of greater than 1MW but less than 20MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 and with development approval to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of greater than 1MW but less than 20MW.

71. Renewable Energy Facility – 20MW or greater but less than 50MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 20MW or more but less than 50MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 20MW or more but less than 50MW.
72. Renewable Energy Facility – 50MW or greater but less than 100MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 50MW or more but less than 100MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 50MW or more but less than 100MW.
73. Renewable Energy Facility – 100MW or greater but less than 200MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 100MW or more but less than 200MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 100MW or more but less than 200MW.
74. Renewable Energy Facility – 200MW or greater but less than 300MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 200MW or more but less than 300MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 200MW or more but less than 300MW.
75. Renewable Energy Facility – 300MW or greater but less than 500MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 300MW or more but less than 500MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 300MW or more but less than 500MW.
76. Renewable Energy Facility – 500MW or greater but less than 750MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 500MW or more but less than 750MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 500MW or more but less than 750MW.
77. Renewable Energy Facility – 750MW or greater but less than 1000MW	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 750MW or more but less than 1,000MW.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 750MW or more but less than 1,000MW.
78. Renewable Energy Facility – 1,000MW or greater	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the production of energy with a productive capacity of 1,000MW or more.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 90 that is used or intended to be used to operate a Renewable Energy Facility with a production capacity of 1000MW or more.
79. Transmission/ Substation Sites – 1 MVA or greater but less than 10 MVA	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the transmission or transformation of energy with a capacity of 1 MVA or more but less than 10 MVA.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 91 that is used or intended to be used to operate a transmission or sub-station with a capacity of 1 MVA or more but less than 10 MVA.
80. Transmission/ Substation Sites – 10 MVA or greater	Land used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for the transmission or transformation of energy with a capacity of 10 MVA or more.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area having a land use code 91 that is used or intended to be used to operate a transmission or sub-station with a capacity of 10 MVA or more.
81. Workforce Accommodation – 25 to 100 persons	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for Workforce Accommodation of 25 to 100 persons inclusive.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area used or intended to be used in whole or in part for workforce accommodation of 25 to 100 persons inclusive.
82. Workforce Accommodation – 101 to 300 persons	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for Workforce Accommodation of 101 to 300 persons inclusive.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area used or intended to be used in whole or in part for workforce accommodation of 101 to 300 persons inclusive.
83. Workforce Accommodation – 301 to 500 persons	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for Workforce Accommodation of 301 to 500 persons inclusive.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area used or intended to be used in whole or in part for workforce accommodation of 301 to 500 persons inclusive.
84. Workforce Accommodation – 501 to 700 persons	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for Workforce Accommodation of 501 to 700 persons inclusive.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area used or intended to be used in whole or in part for workforce accommodation of 501 to 700 persons inclusive.

85. Workforce Accommodation – 701 persons or greater	Land used, or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for Workforce Accommodation of 701 persons or more.	All land within the Goondiwindi Regional Council area used or intended to be used in whole or in part for workforce accommodation for 701 persons or more.
<u>Carried</u>		

RESOLUTION SM-004/26*Moved: Cr PG O'Shea**Seconded: Cr KR Skinner*

That Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power, pursuant to s81(4), s81(5) and s82(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, to identify the rating category to which each parcel of rateable land belongs.

Carried

RESOLUTION SM-005/26*Moved: Cr SK Kelly**Seconded: Cr RJ Mackenzie*

That pursuant to s94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and s80 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the differential general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category and, pursuant to s77 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the minimum general rate to be made and levied for each differential general rate category, is as follows:

Category	Category Description	2026/2027	
		Minimum General Rate	Cents in the \$ of Valuation
<u>Urban or Residential</u>			
0.	Small Rural - Silverspur	\$ 800.00	1.6480
1.	Urban – Small Town	\$ 800.00	1.6480
2.	Urban – Large Town – Site Valuation (SV) <\$205,000	\$ 1,102.00	1.3200
3.	Multi Units Dwellings 8 or more	\$ 2,140.00	1.3200
4.	Urban – Large Town - >=\$205,000 SV <\$400,000	\$ 2,796.00	0.8350
5.	Urban – Large Town - >=\$400,000 SV	\$ 3,796.00	0.7100
6.	Urban – Large Residential - < \$230,000 SV	\$ 1,330.00	0.7532
7.	Urban – Large Residential - >=\$230,000 SV <\$500,000	\$ 1,700.00	0.7400
8.	Urban – Large Residential - >=\$500,000 SV <\$1,100,000	\$ 3,548.00	0.4580
9.	Urban – Large Residential - >= \$1,100,000 SV	\$ 5,382.00	0.4238
10.	Community Title Scheme - <\$100,000 SV	\$ 1,028.00	1.9800
11.	Community Title Scheme - >=\$100,000	\$ 2,266.00	1.0500
12.	Multi Units Dwellings 2-3	\$ 1,220.00	1.4000
13.	Multi Units Dwellings 4-7	\$ 1,750.00	1.4000
<u>Commercial, Transport, Industrial</u>			
14.	Sporting Clubs and Community Organisations	\$ 540.00	0.5004
15.	Commercial - Goondiwindi Town	\$ 2,406.00	1.6291
16.	Goondiwindi CBD	\$ 2,166.00	2.1170
17.	Motels - >= 30 pedestals	\$ 9,340.00	1.5825
18.	Hotels – Goondiwindi Town	\$ 9,500.00	2.0393
19.	Hotels – Other	\$ 1,562.00	1.8777
20.	Service Stations - <\$530,000 SV	\$ 1,554.00	1.9218
21.	Service Stations - >=\$530,000 SV	\$ 10,678.00	1.4613
22.	Industrial - <\$200,000 SV – Goondiwindi Town	\$ 2,050.00	1.4938
23.	Industrial - >=\$200,000 SV <\$1,000,000 – Goondiwindi Town	\$ 3,066.00	1.2095
24.	Industrial - >=\$1,000,000 SV – Goondiwindi Town	\$ 12,250.00	1.4063
25.	Transport & Storage – Goondiwindi Town	\$ 2,570.00	1.4004
26.	Commercial, Industrial & Transport - Other	\$ 1,518.00	1.6249
27.	Aerodrome Leased Land	\$ 676.00	1.5378
28.	Cotton Gin – with cotton storage facility	\$ 55,584.00	2.0959
29.	Cotton Gin – without cotton storage facility	\$ 35,142.00	1.8399
30.	Grain Storage	\$ 36,440.00	3.0736
31.	Motels – >= 20 Pedestals < 30 pedestals outside the Goondiwindi CBD	\$ 7,520.00	1.4555
<u>Rural - Intensive Animals</u>			
35.	Cattle Feedlot - 10,000 to 19,999 SCU	\$ 18,880.00	0.8736
36.	Cattle Feedlot - 20,000 to 29,999 SCU	\$ 47,748.00	0.8934
37.	Cattle Feedlot - 30,000 to 49,999 SCU	\$ 64,044.00	1.0972
38.	Cattle Feedlot - 50,000 SCU and above	\$ 74,250.00	1.3385
39.	Piggery - 10,000 to 29,999 SPU	\$ 6,042.00	1.0983
40.	Piggery - 30,000 SPU and above	\$ 45,720.00	0.3271
41.	Intensive Poultry	\$ 6,700.00	0.6495
<u>Rural Land</u>			
44.	Residential (within a Rural Zone) < \$425,000 SV – Rural Area	\$ 1,362.00	0.6168

45.	Residential (within a Rural Zone) >= \$425,000 SV – Rural Area	\$ 3,262.00	0.4416
46.	Rural Land – <150ha	\$ 1,570.00	0.4171
47.	Rural Land – 150ha to <300ha	\$ 1,950.00	0.4141
48.	Rural Land – 300ha to <600ha	\$ 2,304.00	0.3818
49.	Rural Land – 600ha to <1,500ha	\$ 2,636.00	0.3546
50.	Rural Land – 1,500ha to <2,500ha	\$ 3,738.00	0.3357
51.	Rural Land – 2,500ha to <6,000ha	\$ 4,396.00	0.3126
52.	Rural Land – 6,000+ ha	\$ 5,290.00	0.2990
53.	State Lease - <1,700 ha	\$ 1,748.00	1.2955
54.	State Lease - >=1,700 ha	\$ 2,220.00	0.6867
55.	Reservoir, Dam, Bores & Specialised State Leases - < \$250,000 SV	\$ 670.00	1.9218
56.	Reservoir, Dam, Bores & Specialised State Leases- >= \$250,000 SV	\$ 988.00	0.2748
<u>Extractive Industries</u>			
60.	Petroleum lease - <1,000 ha	\$ 20,792.00	27.3957
61.	Petroleum lease - >= 1,000 ha	\$ 56,708.00	21.7374
62.	Petroleum other - <1,000 ha	\$ 20,792.00	4.3701
63.	Petroleum other - >= 1,000 ha	\$ 56,708.00	2.3130
64.	Quarry - 5,000t to 100,000t	\$ 12,450.00	3.7900
65.	Quarry - over 100,000t	\$ 17,268.00	5.2314
66.	Mining – mine area 10 ha or less	\$ 2,142.00	3.8790
67.	Mining – mine area >10 ha <45ha	\$ 4,778.00	19.8209
68.	Mining - >45 ha	\$ 5,394.00	10.4890
<u>Renewable Energy Facility</u>			
70.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of <20MW	\$ 9,238.00	3.8515
71.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 20MW - <50MW	\$ 32,324.00	3.8375
72.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 50MW - <100MW	\$ 69,270.00	3.8235
73.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 100MW - <200MW	\$ 138,552.00	3.8095
74.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 200MW - <300MW	\$ 230,918.00	3.7960
75.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 300MW - <500MW	\$ 369,458.00	3.7820
76.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 500MW - <750MW	\$ 577,280.00	3.7680
77.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of 750MW - <1000MW	\$ 808,198.00	3.7540
78.	Energy Production - Productive Capacity of >= 1000MW	\$ 1,108,376.00	3.7405
79.	Transformers / Substations of 1MVA - <10 MVA	\$ 26,888.00	3.6520
80.	Transformers / Substations >=10 MVA	\$ 70,808.00	3.7960
<u>Workforce Accommodation</u>			
81.	Workforce Accommodation – 25 to 100 persons	\$ 77,156.00	2.9183
82.	Workforce Accommodation – 101 to 300 persons	\$ 247,032.00	2.8019
83.	Workforce Accommodation – 301 to 500 persons	\$ 497,074.00	2.6854
84.	Workforce Accommodation – 501 to 700 persons	\$ 741,102.00	2.5690
85.	Workforce Accommodation – 701 persons or greater	\$ 988,144.00	2.4526

Carried

9. LIMITATION OF INCREASE IN DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES 2026/2027

In accordance with s116 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to limit the increase in rates or charges to the rates and charges for the last financial year, increased by a stated percentage.

RESOLUTION SM-006/26

Moved: Cr PG O'Shea

Seconded: Cr JN Watts

That pursuant to s116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council resolves to limit the increase in general rates for the 2026/2027 financial year to the general rates for the 2025/2026 financial year increased by no more than 20%.

Carried

10. SEWERAGE UTILITY CHARGES 2026/2027

In accordance with s99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may levy on every individual parcel in its land record a utility charge on any basis the local government considers appropriate.

RESOLUTION SM-007/26

Moved: Cr JA Spicer

Seconded: Cr RJ Mackenzie

That pursuant to s94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and s99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Goondiwindi Regional Council make and levy a sewerage utility charge for the supply of sewerage services by Council on every individual parcel in its land record, if the parcel is located within Council's declared sewerage area and where Council is currently able to provide a reticulated sewerage service or where the land is within 100 metres of a sewerage main as follows:

(1) Sewerage charges for the 2026/2027 year will be as follows:

- a) *Unless paragraph b) applies, every parcel will be levied a not connected sewerage charge in accordance with column 2 of Table 1;*
- b) *For each residential connection or the first non-residential WC pedestal or urinal, a base sewerage charge per annum will be levied in accordance with column 3 of Table 1. Each subsequent pedestal or urinal for non-residential uses will attract a charge per pedestal/urinal in accordance with column 4 of Table 1.*

Table 1			
Sewerage Scheme	Not Connected	Connected	Non-residential extra pedestals / urinal
Goondiwindi, Inglewood, Texas, Yelarbon, Talwood	\$408	\$630	\$316
CED Scheme	\$408	\$482	\$316

Where a lot contains more than one (1) dwelling unit, a connected sewerage charge for each dwelling unit will apply.

Where the number of pedestals connected to a non-residential premise is varied during the year, adjustments may be made on a pro-rata basis from the date of the change subject to the thresholds established by section 5 of the Goondiwindi Regional Council's Revenue Statement.

- (2) Such charges apply to the sewerage areas defined according to the following resolutions of Council or as otherwise amended by resolution of Council.

Sewerage Supply Area	Meeting Date
Goondiwindi	20 May 2026
Inglewood	20 May 2026
Talwood	20 May 2026
Texas	20 May 2026
Yelarbon	20 May 2026

Carried

11. WATER UTILITY CHARGES 2026/2027

In accordance with s99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may levy on every individual parcel in its land record a utility charge on any basis the local government considers appropriate.

RESOLUTION SM-008/26

Moved: Cr JA Spicer

Seconded: Cr PG O'Shea

- (1) That Council resolves to apply a 2-part utility charge for water made up of a fixed charge **"Infrastructure Utility Charge"** for using the infrastructure that supplied water to a consumer and a variable charge **"Consumption Utility Charge"** for using the water based upon the amount of water that is actually used by the consumer.
- (2) That pursuant to s94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and s99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Goondiwindi Regional Council apply the 2-part water utility charge for the supply of water services by Council on every individual parcel in its land record, if the parcel is located within Council's declared water area and where Council is prepared to supply water, together with any land already connected to the Council water supply system.
- (3) The water charges for the 2026/2027 year will be as follows:
- (a) Infrastructure and Vacant Land

Such charges apply to the water areas defined according to the following resolutions of Council or as otherwise amended by resolution of Council.

Water Supply Area	Meeting Date
Bungunya – non-potable	20 May 2026
Goondiwindi	20 May 2026
Inglewood	20 May 2026
Talwood	20 May 2026
Texas	20 May 2026
Toobeah – non-potable	20 May 2026
Yelarbon	20 May 2026

The charges are also made on the specified basis in respect of any land or other structure, building or place on land to which water is supplied that is not rateable land.

All such charges shall be used to defray the cost of constructing the water supply facilities including depreciation and the costs associated with the operation, maintenance and management of the water supply system.

The basis of the water charges shall be an annual infrastructure utility charge which applies according to the description above. The annual infrastructure utility charge for each property including vacant land capable of connection shall be in accordance with Table 2.

Table 2		
Water Supply Infrastructure Utility Charge		
	Potable	Non-Potable
20 mm connection and vacant land	\$ 518	\$ 259
25 mm connection	\$ 810	\$ 405
32 mm connection	\$ 1,324	\$ 662
40 mm connection	\$ 2,072	\$ 1,036
50 mm connection	\$ 3,232	\$ 1,616
80 mm connection	\$ 8,274	\$ 4,137
100 mm connection	\$12,940	\$ 6,470

Where the use or occupation of land alters at any time during a financial year or the number of services is varied, adjustments may be made on a pro-rata basis from the date of change subject to the thresholds established by section 5 of the Goondiwindi Regional Council's Revenue Statement.

(b) Consumption

The charges outlined in Table 3 shall apply to all users connected to the Council water reticulation system for the 2026/2027 financial year.

Table 3	
Water Supply Consumption Utility Charge	
	Per Kilolitre
Restricted Raw Water – Talwood	\$ 0.66
Non-Potable - Bungunya, Toobeah, Weengallon	\$ 1.00
Potable - Talwood, Yelarbon	\$ 1.98
Inglewood, Texas, Goondiwindi	\$ 1.98

Consumption charges will be calculated on a bi-annual basis with meters to be read for the water periods as follows:

- 1 April to 30 September; and
- 1 October to 31 March.

In accordance with section 102 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, it is resolved that a meter is taken to have been read during the period that starts two (2) weeks before, and ends two (2) weeks after, the day on which the meter is actually read.

Consumption utility charges will be levied at the rate specified above on consumption, during the one (1) year period covered by the meter readings (i.e. 30 September and 31 March), even though the period covered by the meter reading is partly in the current financial year and partly in another financial year.

Water Infrastructure and Consumption Utility charges will be levied on a separate bi-annual rate notice issued in October and April.

Carried

12. WASTE MANAGEMENT UTILITY CHARGES 2026/2027

In accordance with s99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may levy on every individual parcel in its land record a utility charge on any basis the local government considers appropriate.

RESOLUTION SM-009/26

Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie

Seconded: Cr KR Skinner

That pursuant to s94 of the *Local Government Act 2009* and s99 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Goondiwindi Regional Council make and levy Waste Collection and Disposal Utility Charges as follows:

(1) Commercial Waste Utility Charge

Table 4		
Commercial Waste Collection and Disposal Utility Charge		
Commercial Waste Utility Charge ▪ First Service*	Charge for the first service supplied to a property classified in a differential general rate category other than categories 2 through to and including 13.	\$ 514.00
Commercial Waste Utility Charge ▪ General Waste Service Second Bin and/or Second Service	Charge for each additional general waste service supplied to a property classified in a differential general rate category other than categories 2 through to and including 13.	\$ 388.00
Commercial Waste Utility Charge ▪ Recycling Service Second Bin and/or Second Service	Charge for each additional recycling service supplied to a property classified in a differential general rate category other than categories 2 through to and including 13.	\$ 274.00

This charge is made and levied for the purposes of providing for the removal and disposal of refuse from all land utilised for a commercial / industrial or similar purpose within the Council area that Council is prepared to provide a roadside collection to. The charge includes the Queensland Government Waste Levy where relevant.

*The 'First Service' of the Commercial Waste Utility Charge is based upon:

- One (1) 240-litre mobile general waste bin collected weekly, plus
- One (1) 240-litre mobile recyclable waste bin collected fortnightly.

Council will ensure a 240-litre wheelie bin for all new services and will replace lost or damaged bins on a fair wear and tear basis.

Exemption from Commercial Waste Utility Charge

Council may permit commercial premises to apply to not receive the 240-litre Commercial Waste Utility Charge on the following basis:

1. The premises must receive and maintain at all times a general waste removal service utilizing bins of a capacity greater than 240 litres from a recognised waste contractor operating in the area; and
2. The premises must receive and maintain at all times a recycling service of some form from a recognised waste contractor operating in the area; and
3. The owner of the premises must execute a statutory declaration advising of the existence of the alternative service and identifying the provider of the service.

No credits will be allowed for services not received unless they are for a period of not less than six (6) months, commencing 1 July or 1 January in any year. For a new Service the charge may be calculated on a pro rata basis from the date of delivery of the bin subject to the thresholds established by section 5 of Goondiwindi Regional Council's Revenue Statement.

Carried

RESOLUTION SM-010/26*Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie**Seconded: Cr JA Spicer*

That pursuant to s94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and s99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Goondiwindi Regional Council make and levy Waste Collection and Disposal Utility Charges as follows:

(1) Domestic Waste Utility Charge

Table 5	
Domestic Waste Collection and Disposal Utility Charge	
<i>Domestic Waste Utility Charge</i>	<i>\$ 450.00</i>
<i>Domestic Waste Utility Charge – Extra General Bin or Second Service</i>	<i>\$ 324.00</i>
<i>Domestic Waste Utility Charge – Extra Recycling Bin or Second Service</i>	<i>\$ 274.00</i>

This charge is made and levied for the purposes of providing for the removal and disposal of refuse from all land in actual occupation or with a structure upon it, within the Council area that Council is prepared to provide a roadside collection to which is not levied a Commercial Waste Utility Charge in accordance with section 4.1. Where there is more than one structure on land capable of separate occupation, a charge will be made for each structure.

The Domestic Waste Utility Charge is based upon:

- *One (1) 240 litre mobile general waste bin collected weekly, plus*
- *One (1) 240 litre mobile recyclable waste bin collected fortnightly.*

Council will ensure a 240-litre wheelie bin for all new services and will replace lost or damaged bins on a fair wear and tear basis.

No credits will be allowed for services not received unless they are for a period of not less than six (6) months, commencing 1 July or 1 January in any year. For a new Service the charge may be calculated on a pro rata basis from the date of delivery of the bin subject to the thresholds established by section 5 of Goondiwindi Regional Council's Revenue Statement.

Carried

RESOLUTION SM-011/26*Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie**Seconded: Cr PG O'Shea*

That pursuant to s94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and s99 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Goondiwindi Regional Council make and levy a General Waste Management Utility Charge for the supply of waste management services by Council as follows:

(1) *General Waste Management Utility Charge*

*A **General Waste Management Utility Charge of \$70.00** per rate assessment will be levied equally on all rateable land within the region. This charge is for the purposes of implementation of the Goondiwindi Regional Council Waste Management Strategy which includes consolidation, rationalisation and improvements to Council's waste management facilities, rehabilitation of closed landfill sites and dealing with illegal dumping and littering. The amount of the charge has been calculated on the basis of the estimated cost to Council to implement the strategy.*

Carried

13. DISCOUNT FOR PAYMENT OF RATES 2026/2027

Pursuant to s130 of *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may by resolution set a discount for the payment of rates before the end of the discount period.

RESOLUTION SM-012/26*Moved: Cr SK Kelly**Seconded: Cr JN Watts*

*That pursuant to s130 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, differential general rates made and levied for the **period July 2026 to December 2026** shall be subject to a discount of 15% if paid within the discount period of **45 clear days after the issue date of the rate notice** provided that:*

- (1) *all of the aforementioned rates and charges are paid within **45 days of the date of issue** of the rate notice; and*
- (2) *all other rates and charges appearing on the rate notice (that are not subject to a discount) are paid within **45 days after the date of issue** of the rate notice and in conjunction with or before the payment for the differential general rates; and*
- (3) *all other overdue rates and charges relating to the rateable assessment are also paid.*

Carried

RESOLUTION SM-013/26*Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie**Seconded: Cr JA Spicer*

*That pursuant to s130 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, differential general rates made and levied for the period **January 2027 to June 2027** shall be subject to a discount of 15% if paid within the discount period of **30 clear days after the issue date of the rate notice** provided that:*

- (1) all of the aforementioned rates and charges are paid within **30 days of the date of issue of the rate notice**; and*
- (2) all other rates and charges appearing on the rate notice (that are not subject to a discount) are paid within **30 days after the date of issue** of the rate notice and in conjunction with or before the payment for the differential general rates; and*
- (3) all other overdue rates and charges relating to the rateable assessment are also paid.*

Carried

14. INTEREST**RESOLUTION SM-014/26***Moved: Cr KR Skinner**Seconded: Cr RJ Mackenzie*

*That in accordance with s133 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, rates and charges levied during the 2026/2027 financial year and previous financial years and which remain outstanding for greater than 30 days, shall bear interest at an **annual rate of 11%**, compounding on daily rests.*

Carried

15. LEVY AND PAYMENT**RESOLUTION SM-015/26***Moved: Cr SK Kelly**Seconded: Cr PG O'Shea*

- (1) That pursuant to s107 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 and s114 of the Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990, Council's rates and charges, and the State Governments Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy be levied:
 - *for the half year 1 July 2026 to 31 December 2026 in August/September 2026; and*
 - *for the half year 1 January 2027 to 30 June 2027 in February/March 2027.**
- (2) That pursuant to s118 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council's rates and charges, and the State Governments Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy for the period **July 2026 to December 2026**, be paid within **45 days** of the date of issue of the rate notice.*
- (3) That pursuant to s118 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council's rates and charges, and the State Governments Emergency Management, Fire and Rescue Levy for the period **January 2027 to June 2027** be paid within **30 days** of the date of issue of the rate notice.*

Carried

16. REVENUE STATEMENT

In accordance with s169(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a Revenue Statement is required to be prepared and adopted for each financial year. The Revenue Statement is an explanatory statement outlining and explaining the revenue measures adopted in the budget. This Revenue Statement applies to the financial operations of the Goondiwindi Regional Council for the 2026/2027 financial year and is tabled for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION SM-016/26

Moved: Cr PG O'Shea

Seconded: Cr RJ Mackenzie

*That pursuant to s169(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council resolves to adopt the **Revenue Statement**, as tabled, for the 2026/2027 financial year.*

Carried

17. COST RECOVERY FEES AND COMMERCIAL CHARGES 2026/2027

In accordance with s97 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, local governments may set cost recovery fees and charges for the provision of various activities that Council undertakes in dealing with the community. The Cost Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges for the 2026/2027 financial year are tabled for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION SM-017/26

Moved: Cr JN Watts

Seconded: Cr RJ Mackenzie

*That pursuant to s97 of the Local Government Act 2009, Council resolves to adopt the **Cost Recovery Fees and Commercial Charges** for the 2026/2027 financial year, as tabled, or until such time as they are subsequently amended by resolution of Council.*

Carried

18. 2026/2027 BUDGET AND LONG-TERM FINANCIAL FORECAST

In accordance with s171 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council is required to prepare and adopt an annual budget, general-purpose financial statement and long-term financial forecast for the 2026/2027 financial year.

RESOLUTION SM-018/26

Moved: Cr RJ Mackenzie

Seconded: Cr KR Skinner

*That pursuant to s170A of the Local Government Act 2009 and s169, s170 and s171 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, **Council Budget for the 2026/2027 financial year**, incorporating:*

- 1. The statement of financial position 2026/2027 to 2035/2036;*
- 2. The statement of cash flows 2026/2027 to 2035/2036;*
- 3. The statements of comprehensive income 2026/2027 to 2035/2036;*
- 4. The statements of changes in equity 2026/2027 to 2035/2036;*
- 5. The revenue policy (adopted by Council resolution on 20 May 2026);*
- 6. The revenue statement;*
- 7. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and*
- 8. 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, be adopted.

Carried

19. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Mayor acknowledged the efforts of Staff in developing the 2026/2027 Budget and extended appreciation of the hard work and efforts that the entire workforce contributes throughout the year. At that point, there being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 11.21am.

Confirmed: _____

Date: _____

Hon Cr LJ Springborg AM
MAYOR

Unconfirmed



I present the 2026–27 Budget, which focuses on the core responsibilities of local government. It reflects careful planning, sound financial management, and a continued commitment to affordability for residents and businesses. Council proudly maintains a debt-free and stable financial position. I'm pleased to also confirm that, once again, Council's planned expenditure will be shared across every community in the region.

The average general rate increase for 2026–27 is 4.17% (after discount). The operational budget is \$56 million, with a capital works program of \$25.4 million. Importantly, Council has secured \$29.01 million in external funding, essential to reducing the cost to our community while enabling critical infrastructure investment.

Like households and businesses, Council faces rising fuel, contractor, and materials costs, impacting the delivery of essential services and infrastructure. External funding is tightening, with key Commonwealth Government programs like the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure and the Building Better Regions programs no longer available. Since the finalisation of the former Building Better Regions program, regional, remote and rural communities have largely had funding pathways for growth projects diminished, with its scaled down replacement program. Recent changes to the joint State and Australian Government Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements, has seen the Australian Government reduce its funding contribution. This shift challenges local councils' ability to deliver projects without burdening ratepayers. Whilst Council doesn't set the external policy direction and decisions of other levels of government or control international factors, we do control how we respond, including the responsible decisions we make on behalf of our community, either proactively or in response to external factors.

In recent times the Inglewood, Texas, Yelarbon and Talwood main streets have been prioritised for upgrades and improvements positively contributing to the appeal and liveability of our region. The Goondiwindi CBD is now needing attention. It has been a long journey to be able to commence the implementation of the Goondiwindi Streetscape project, and this is one such project that no longer has clear external funding options. It will take many years to complete and will need to be carefully prioritised and budgeted for. I am however proud to announce that the Council's strong financial position allows us to advance this important long-term plan. The 2026–27 budget allocates \$950,000 to start Herbert Street improvement works, including a new roundabout at the Bowen and Herbert Streets intersection. This will deliver both safety and amenity upgrades in the CBD.

Council has also decided to continue its fee waiver for residential housing applications in the 2026-27 financial year - evidence that Council is doing all we can to reduce costs and encourage new homes and growth in our region.

Roads and Transport Infrastructure

Council will invest \$24.06 million in our local road network this year, recognising that roads remain one of our most critical assets. Key projects include:

- \$1.9 million in gravel resheeting
- \$2.1 million in bitumen reseals
- \$950,000 for the Yelarbon–Keetah Road widening
- \$612,000 for the Daymar–Weengallon Road sealing

The Yelarbon-Keetah and Daymar-Weengallon Road projects will finalise upgrades to two important arterial routes that support freight movement, agricultural productivity, and regional connectivity.

Investment in our local road network remains a high priority for this Council. Council also continues to strongly advocate for investment by the State and Commonwealth Governments for their highway networks.

Water, Sewerage and Waste

Council will invest \$16.28 million in water and sewerage services, ensuring we continue to meet regulatory requirements and community expectations. Key projects include:

- \$550,000 upgrade to the Talwood Water Treatment Plant
- \$1.8 million renewal of the Inglewood sewerage pump station
- \$300,000 to connect the Apex toilets in Texas to the sewer network

As we anticipate an approaching dry cycle of weather, residents will reap the rewards of the significant investment by Council into water supply assets in every single town in the region in the past few years.

Waste management remains a substantial and rising expense, largely driven by state regulations. Council will allocate \$4.45 million, including \$525,000 for a new landfill cell extension in Inglewood.

Rural Services

Council is committed to supporting our agricultural sector, allocating \$1.23 million to rural services. This covers regional pest and weed control, repairing and replacing the wild dog fence and stock route management, strengthening local productivity.

Community Infrastructure and Lifestyle

Council continues to prioritise community infrastructure that enhances liveability across the region. This includes:

- \$250,000 for a new playground in Yelarbon
- \$30,000 for a new mountain bike track in Inglewood
- \$40,000 for replacement picnic shelters and tables at Apex Park and the free campsite in Texas
- \$40,000 to retile the toddler pool in Goondiwindi
- \$90,000 for upgrades to the accessible toilet and parents' room at the Goondiwindi Cultural Centre
- \$10,000 towards Tarawera Hall floor repairs
- \$200,000 to finalise the Inglewood Macintyre Sports Complex's new gym

In addition:

- \$1.97 million will be invested in sports fields and swimming pools
- \$1.16 million will support our cinemas, halls and museums
- \$533,000 for library services

These projects ensure our region provides a high quality of lifestyle for residents and remains appealing to visitors.

With community groups at the heart of a thriving region, our budget continues to prioritise the work by the Council team in supporting community groups like the Toobeah Campdraft Association with grant writing and capacity building. This is alongside the \$490,000 to go back to the community in the form of funding through the Regional Arts Development Fund and Council's Community Grants and Donations programs.

Council continues to invest in the visitor economy, a vital sector impacted by recent international fuel issues. Council delivers three visitor information centres across the region, supported by over 20 volunteers in Goondiwindi who provide high quality customer service and local information. Council also supports the sector by managing our regional tourism website, undertaking various marketing initiatives, and maintaining a strong partnership with Queensland Country Tourism.

Parks, Presentation and Public Spaces

Our region is consistently recognised for its cleanliness and presentation. This is no accident. Council will invest \$4.81 million to maintain our parks, gardens, and public spaces, ensuring our towns remain welcoming, functional, and well-maintained. This includes expanding Council's service level for a maintenance program in Yelarbon to address community concerns.

A Responsible and Future-Focused Budget

I thank my fellow Councillors and staff for their work on a balanced budget that maintains services, invests in key infrastructure, and manages financial pressures.

Council will continue to advocate strongly to the State and Federal Governments for fairer and more sustainable funding models for our community, that enable us to keep rate rises to a minimum.

By remaining focused on our core responsibilities and maintaining financial discipline, we continue to ensure that our region is a great place to live, work and visit.

The Honourable Cr Lawrence Springborg AM
Mayor
Goondiwindi Regional Council