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Agenda

Tuesday, 23 April 2024

Council Chamber - Civic Centre and via Videoconference

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COUNCIL VISION

Whether you live here or visit, you will see how much we care for country, how inclusive and connected our communities are, and how sustainable balanced growth makes this the best place in the world.

VALUE OF HISTORY

We acknowledge that history shapes our identities, engages us as citizens, creates inclusive communities, is part of our economic well-being, teaches us to think critically and creatively, inspires leaders and is the foundation of our future generations.

COUNCILLOR COMMITMENT

We'll be truthful, represent the community's needs, be positive and responsive and always strive to do better.

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YARRA RANGES COUNCIL

AGENDA FOR THE 602ND COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2024 COMMENCING AT 7.00PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, ANDERSON STREET, LILYDALE / VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

1. MEETING OPENED

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were no apologies received prior to the commencement of this meeting.

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6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held Tuesday 9 April 2024, as circulated, be confirmed.

7. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

In accordance with Chapter 7, Rule 4, of the Governance Rules developed by Council in accordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020.

The Local Government Act 2020 defines two categories of conflict of interest:

- a general conflict of interest, which is defined as "...a relevant person has a general conflict of interest in a matter if an impartial, fair-minded person would consider that the person's private interests could result in that person acting in a manner that is contrary to their public duty", and
- a material conflict of interest, which is defined as "...a relevant person has a material conflict of interest in respect of a matter if an affected person would gain a benefit or suffer a loss depending on the outcome of the matter. The benefit may arise or the loss incurred (a) directly or indirectly; or (b) in a pecuniary or non-pecuniary form."

In accordance with section 130 of the Local Government Act 2020, a conflict of interest must be disclosed in the manner required by the Governance Rules and the relevant person must exclude themselves from the decision-making process.

No Conflicts of Interest have been received prior to the Agenda being printed.

8. QUESTIONS AND SUBMISSIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

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- (b) is substantially the same as a submission made to a Council meeting in the preceding 12 months;
- (c) relates to confidential information as defined under the Act;
- (d) relates to the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer; or
- (e) relates to any other matter which the Council considers would prejudice the Council or any person.

Disability in the Yarra Ranges Council

Ivor Wolstencroft seeks to present a proposal for change, with more projects in Yarra Ranges focusing on connectivity for the disabled.

Wesburn Junior Football Club - Wesburn Park Pavilion

Wayne Morgan (President of the Wesburn Junior Football Club) seeks to present an update to Councillors regarding the current situation of the Wesburn Junior Football Club.

9. PETITIONS

In accordance with Chapter 3, Rules 60, of the Governance Rules developed by Council in accordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020.

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- a) identify a 'Lead Petitioner' who Council can correspond with;
- b) be legible and in permanent writing;
- c) be clear and state on each page the matter and action sought from Council. Every page of a petition or joint letter must be a single page of paper and not be posted, stapled, pinned or otherwise affixed or attached to any piece of paper other than another page of the petition or joint letter;
- d) not be derogatory, defamatory or objectionable in language or nature;
- e) not relate to matters outside the powers of Council; and
- f) clearly state the names and addresses of at least seven (7) people who live, work, study or do business in the Municipal district.

PETITION TO COUNCIL

Report Author: Governance Officer

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services

Ward(s) affected: Chirnside;

The author(s) of this report and the Responsible Officer consider that the report complies with the overarching governance principles and supporting principles set out in the Local Government Act 2020.

CONFIDENTIALITY

This item is to be considered at a Council meeting that is open to the public.

SUMMARY

The following petition be received:

General Petition

 Request that Yarra Ranges Council replace or upgrade the existing play equipment at the Roseman Reserve, Chirnside Park (61 Roseman Road, Chirnside Park).

161 valid signatures.

2. Residents of Beenak Road, Yellingbo, request that Yarra Ranges Council undertake a Special Charge Scheme investigation into sealing the section of Beenak Road, Yellingbo, between Smiths Road and Hansen Creek Road.

51 valid signatures.

RECOMMENDATION

That the following General Petition be received and noted and referred to the appropriate officer.

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YR-2023/636 - 8 MEADOW FAIR WAY CHIRNSIDE PARK - PLANNING REPORT

APPLICATION DETAILS

Site Address	8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park (Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 119336)			
Application No.	YR-2023-636			
Proposal	Building and works to construct a telecommunications facility (monopole) and associated vegetation removal.			
Existing Use	Largely undeveloped rural allotment, planted with a few rows of trees and some scattered vegetation.			
Applicant	Indara (formerly known as Axicom Pty Ltd)			
Zone	Clause 35.05 - Green Wedge A Zone Schedule 1 (GWAZ1)			
Overlays	Clause 42.03-Significant Landscape Overlay - Schedule 6 (SLO6)			
Permit triggers	Clause 52.19-1 - Buildings and works for telecommunications facility.			
	Clause 42.03-2 Construction of a fence that is not less than 1.8 metres in height and not a rural type (i.e. post and large space open weave wire fence).			
	Clause 42.03-2 Buildings and works exceeding 7 metres in height.			
	Clause 42.03-2- Removal of vegetation exceeding DBH > 35cm.			
Submissions	Thirty-seven (37) objections.			
Encumbrances on Title (Covenants/Section 173 Agreements/easements)	There are no covenants or s173 Agreements affecting the land.			
Reason for Council Decision	More than 10 objections received.			
Ward	Chirnside			

SUMMARY

The application is for the building and works to construct a telecommunications facility (monopole), ancillary equipment, construction of a fence around the tower within a tenby-ten metre envelope and ancillary equipment. The overall height of the facility (including antennas and equipment) is set at 38 metres above ground level.

A total of four trees are proposed for removal out of which only one tree requires planning permit permission.

The use of the land for a telecommunications facility is allowed by the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme and does not require a planning permit.

The applicant advises that the proposed facility at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park will work in conjunction with their recently approved facility at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park (YR-2023/32) to effectively service the local area, located approximately 1000 metre north from the subject site.

These two facilities are designed and intended to work together and will not function separately. The tower will support both Vodafone and Optus infrastructure. The property is a small rural allotment with an area of approximately 2.04 hectares and contains few rows of planted vegetation and some scattered vegetation throughout the site.

The eastern and western boundaries of the site contain a dense screen of planted vegetation, and apart from an old shed, does not contain any other buildings or notable infrastructure onsite. The existing access to the site is informal, located on the southwest corner of the lot. The access to the site will be upgraded as part of this application.

The application was advertised, and thirty-seven (37) objections were received. The objections raised concerns about visual amenity, inappropriate in Green Wedge A Zone and rural landscape, health and safety impact, impact on vegetation, elevated emissions, devaluation of property, impact on wildlife due to noise, proximity to residential properties, insufficient and ineffective advertising notification/period, and as to why the development location was chosen.

The proposal has been assessed against the relevant provisions of the Planning Scheme and the Yarra Ranges Council Telecommunications Facilities Policy (2012). It is consistent with the Scheme and policy. It is recommended that the application be approved and a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit, subject to conditions, be issued.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to approve Planning Application YR-2023/636 for Building and works to construct a telecommunications facility (monopole) and associated vegetation removal and associated vegetation removal and trimming at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park and issue a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit subject to the conditions in Attachment 1 to the report.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No officers and/or delegates acting on behalf of the Council through the Instrument of Delegation and involved in the preparation and/or authorisation of this report have any general or material conflict of interest as defined within the *Local Government Act* 2020.

CULTURAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The application has been checked against the requirements of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* and Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2007 (Vic) as to the need for a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP). It has been assessed that a CHMP is not required

EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY

The site is not located within 500 m of extractive industry.

HUMAN RIGHTS CONSIDERATION

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* (including the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme), reviewed by the State Government and which complies with the *Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.*

SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The subject site is located on the western side of Meadow Fair Way, in Chirnside Park. Meadow Fair Way is a Council Road, sealed and in a well-maintained condition, comprising of roadside drains and nature strip.

The site is approximately rectangular in shape and has a gradual slope of about 15 metres from west (front) to the east (rear) across a distance of 170 metres of the site.

The site area is approximately 2.04 hectares and contains few rows of planted vegetation and some scattered vegetation throughout the site. The eastern and western boundaries of the site contain a dense screen of planted vegetation. There is no dwelling on the site, the only building is a small old shed in the set amongst a group a trees setback approximately 35 metres from the front boundary.



Figure 1 – Aerial image of the site with tower location marked. (Source – Intramaps)

The site is surrounded mostly by land zoned Green Wedge A Zone and a small area to the east across Edward Road zoned Green Wedge A. Land in the immediate area is used for rural residential lifestyles. Land to the south of Switchback Road and east of Victoria Road is zoned Neighbour Residential Zone. The nearest land zoned residential is located 400 meters to the south of the site, please refer to Figure 2 below.

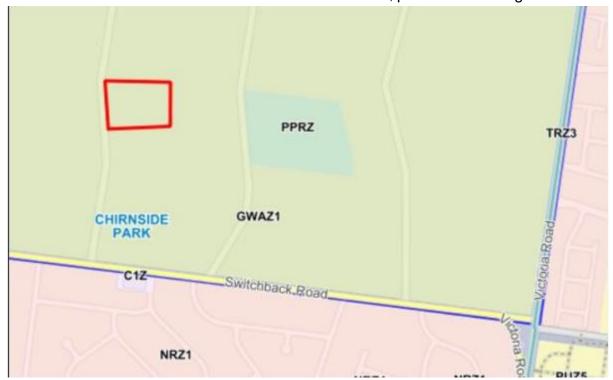


Figure 2 – Zone map of the site with the subject site marked in red.

SURROUNDING AREA

The subject site adjoins the following properties:

North:

10 Meadow Fair Way – Is a rural residential lot of approximately 2.08 hectares in area. The site contains a dwelling in the northwestern portion of the site. It also includes a number of outbuildings, dams and landscaped areas. The site is largely cleared of vegetation.

North-East:

9 Cherry Hill Way - is a rural residential lot of approximately 2.02 hectares in area. The site contains a dwelling and a few outbuildings located towards the rear of the site. The buildings are accessed via a long driveway off Cherry Hill Road. This dwelling will be located approximately 155 metres from the proposed tower. The boundaries of the site are tree lined and scattered vegetation is located all over the site.

East:

7 Cherry Hill Way - is a rural residential lot of approximately 2.08 hectares in area. The site contains an outbuilding, a dam and a dwelling is under construction. The dwelling is located approximately 65 metres from the proposed tower. The lot is mostly covered with tall dense vegetation as viewed from Cherry Hill Way.

South-East:

5 Cherry Hill Way - contains a dwelling, outbuildings, swimming pool, landscaping works and a large dam. The dwelling is located approximately 110 metres from the proposed tower. The site has an approximate area of 2.61 hectares and scattered vegetation throughout the site.

South:

6 Meadow Fair Way - has an area of 2.01 hectares, contains a dwelling and several outbuildings located mostly along the southern boundary of the site, very few vegetation when compared to adjoining allotments, and accessed via a crossover located along the southern boundary of the site. The dwelling is located approximately 125 metres from the proposed tower.

West:

5 Meadow Fair Way – is located across the road from the site. The lot contains an area of 2.03 hectares, a dwelling, few outbuildings and scattered vegetation, all located towards the front of the site. The dwelling is located approximately 190 metres from the proposed tower. The balance of the site is mostly vacant.

7 Meadow Fair Way is located across the road from the site. The lot contains an area of 2.01 hectares, a large dwelling, few outbuildings and landscaped areas. The site also comprises of few scattered trees and rows of planned vegetation.

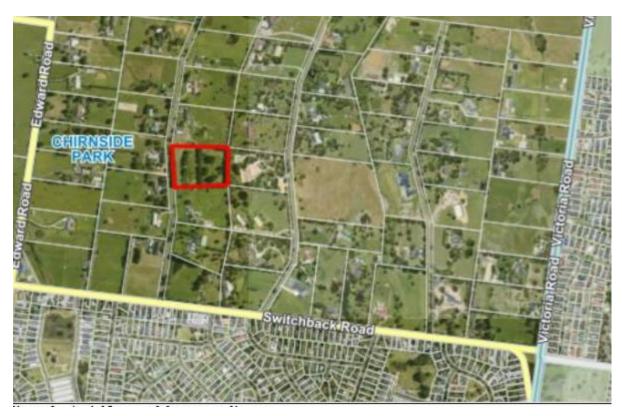


Figure 3 – Aerial image of the surrounding area.

PROPOSAL

This application seeks approval for buildings and works to construct a telecommunications facility (monopole) and associated vegetation removal on the land.

The proposed facility will be owned by Indara Infrastructure Pty Ltd (trading as Indara) and will host Vodafone and Optus telecommunications equipment, providing 4G and 5G services to southeast part of Chirnside Park and surrounding areas.

The proposed facility is located to the rear of the property in the southeast corner of the site. The monopole itself is to be setback 8.5 metres from the east boundary and 13.5 metres from the south boundary. The nearest abutting dwelling is setback 65 metres. Refer to Figure 1 to show the location of where the tower will be built on the site. Scaled development plans are in Attachment 2.

A site and surrounding aerial plan are also located in Figure 3.

The details of the proposal include as follows:

- One (1) new 35-metre-high monopole, finished in pale grey colour.
- One (1) new antenna headframe supporting fifteen (15) new panel antennas.
- One (1) six bay outdoor equipment cabinet at ground level
- New concrete culvert crossover off Meadow Fair Way
- Upgrade the existing access track to be suitable for heavy vehicle access.
- Removal and trimming of vegetation along the access track.
- Ancillary equipment associated with operation and safety of the facility, including remote radio units, elevated cable tray, cabling and antenna mounts, group meter panel, security fencing with 3m wide double access gate etc.
- Installation of a triangular headframe at the top of the new monopole.
- Vodafone and Optus telecommunications equipment on the pole and within the compound, including:
 - Three (3) 4G panel antennas, each up to 2.8 metres in length, mounted on a new headframe.
 - Twelve (12) 5G panel antennas, each up to one (1) metre in length, mounted on the new headframe.
- The overall height of the facility (including antennas and equipment) will not exceed 38 metres above ground level.

Some minor cut and fill will be required to level the site and establish the proposed compound. This will be completed with a 500 millimetres high retaining wall along the new eastern fence line and tapering down to natural ground level on north and south sides.

 The site will be accessed via a new crossover off Meadow Fair Way. This is required to formalise the existing crossover and to allow ease of access for heavy vehicles.

Fenced Compound

- The fenced compound is ten metres by ten metres.
- The fence is proposed to be 2.4 metres high and constructed of galvanised chain wire mesh and galvanised metal posts.
- There are three rows of barbed wire above the chain wire.

The plans show the proposed telecommunications tower compound fence is located on the southeastern corner of the site with the following setbacks –

- 8.50 metres from the eastern site boundary
- 13.50 metres from the southern site boundary.

Vegetation Removal

- One tree (being Tree #8 Hesperocyparis Macrocarpa) with a height of approximately ten metres is proposed for removal to accommodate vehicle access to the compound. The removal of this tree requires a permit under Significant Landscape Overlay of the Scheme.
- In addition to the above, three (3) additional trees will require removal, however these are exempt from Planning controls.

The vegetation proposed for removal are as follows -

Tree number	Species	Height	Width	DBH	Comment	Permit Required?
TG4	Malus x domestica	2.5 metres	2.5 metres	<35 cm	Exotic species, low significance, Group of four	No
TG7	Malus x domestica	5 metres	5 metres	<35 cm	Exotic species, low significance, Group of four	No
8	Hesperocyparis macrocarpa	10 metres	7 metres	>35cm	Exotic species, medium significance, Recommended appropriate for removal	Yes – permit required under SLO6
15	Crataegus	4 metres	5 metres	Weed	Weed Species	Exempt

Access

The fenced compound will be accessible by an existing gate located to the southwestern corner of site adjoining Meadow Fair Way. A new vehicle crossover is proposed to formalise this access and will be finished in concrete.

An internal accessway with an approximate length of 160 metres, is proposed along the southern boundary of the site to the compound and will be finished in compact gravel. The applicant has advised construction and maintenance vehicles will use the existing road network, driveway and carparking area to achieve access to the site.

Extracts from the plans can be seen in Figure 4 and Figure 5 below, a full copy of the plans are provided in Attachment 2.

To support the planning application, see Planning Report (Attachment 3) and Arborist Report (Attachment 4). The applicant has also submitted an Environmental Electromagnetic Energy Report with the application, see Attachment 5.

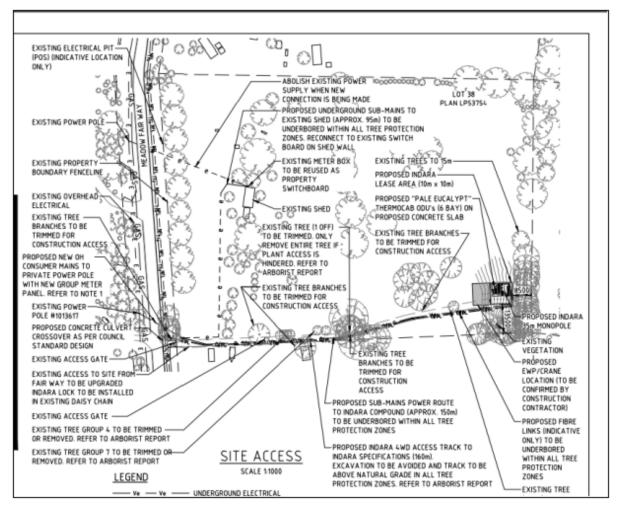


Figure 4 - Site Plan

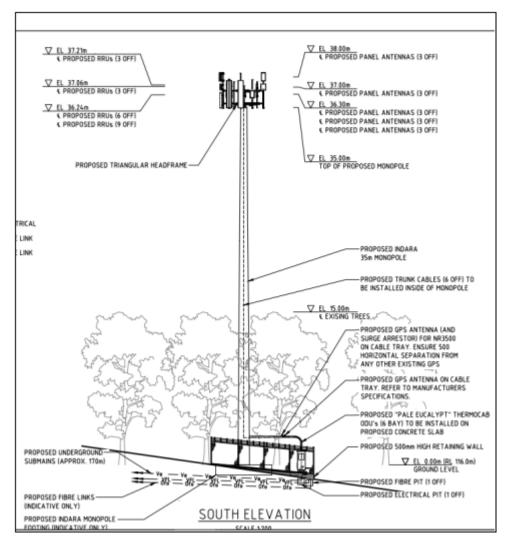


Figure 5 – Elevation Plan of Monopole.

HISTORY

Application Number and Decision Date	None
VCAT History	None
Other History	None

PLANNING CONTROLS

Zoning:	Clause 35.05 – Green Wedge A Zone Schedule 1		
Overlay:	Clause 42.03 – Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 6		
Planning Policy Framework:	Clause 12.05-2S - Landscapes Clause 13.07-1S - Land Use Compatibility Clause 19.03-4S - Telecommunications Clause 19.03-4L - Telecommunications		
Clause 51.03:	Not Applicable		
Schedule to Clause 51.03:	Not Applicable		
Particular Provisions	Clause 52.19 – Telecommunications Facility		
Other Requirements:	Clause 65 – Decision guidelines The Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria (1999) The Shire of Yarra Ranges Telecommunication Facilities Policy (2012)		

For further information on the planning controls refer to Attachment 6.

PERMIT TRIGGERS

Zoning

Under the Green Wedge A Zone Schedule 1 provisions, a permit is not required for to use land to construct a telecommunications facility (monopole) and associated vegetation removal, as proposed under this application.

Table of Uses under Clause 35.05-1 identifies "Any use listed in Clause 62.01" as a Section 1 land use, subject to the condition of "Must meet the requirements of Clause 62.01". the use of land for "telecommunication facility" is a listed use under Clause 62.01 – Uses not Requiring a Permit.

Overlays

Under Clause 42.03-2 to the Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 6, a permit is required to -

- Construct a fence that is 1.8 metres in height or more and the fence is not a rural type – (i.e. post and large space open weave wire fence).
- Buildings and works exceeding 7 metres in height.
- To remove Tree 8 under Clause 42.03-2 of Schedule 6 to the Significant Landscape Overlay.

Particular Provisions

Under Clause 52.19 (Telecommunications Facility) - A permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works for a telecommunication facility.

CONSULTATION

Internal Referrals

This application was referred to various business units or individuals within Council for advice on particular matters.

The following is a summary of the relevant advice:

Department	Summary of Response	Conditions required
Development Engineer (Traffic)	Conditional consent is given for vehicle crossing.	The conditions to be included in the Notice of Decision will require the permit holder to - • Construct a concrete vehicle crossing prior to the occupation of the development.
Arborist	Conditional consent is given for removal and protection of vegetation. Appropriate temporary fencing and replacement planting works recommended.	 The conditions to be included in the Notice of Decision will require the permit holder to – Erection of tree protection fencing works for retained trees. Underground service pipes to be diverted around the TPZ of any retained trees or bored to Councils requirements. All pits, holes, joints, etc to be located outside of TPZ. The access track within the TPZ of identified trees to be constructed to Councils standard requirements. No excavation within the TPZ

Department	Summary of Response	Conditions required
		permitted apart from 30mm deep to remove organic and/or debris. • Any pruning works must comply with Council requirements and undertaken by an arborist.
		The arborist further advised that — • Removal of Tree #8 is supported. • removal of trees #TG4, TG7, and 15 does not require a permit. • All other trees to be retained.

External Referrals

There were no external referrals required by the planning scheme.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND CONSULTATION

Notification of the application was undertaken by:

- ✓ Placing of one (1) sign on the land.
- Mailing notices to fifty-seven (57) landowners and occupiers of adjoining and/or nearby properties
- ✓ Placing a notice in a local newspaper
- ☑ Placing the proposal on Council's website for a minimum of 14 days

Number of Objections:

Thirty-seven (37) objections were received. Most objectors are located within 500 metres of the development site, there were only a few objections received beyond this distance. The application was advertised between 9 January 2024 to the 26 January 2024.

The grounds for objection can be summarised as follows:

- Visual Amenity
- Inappropriate in GWAZ and rural landscape
- Health & Safety impact
- Impact on vegetation
- Elevated emissions
- Devaluation of property
- Impact on wildlife due to noise

- Proximity to residential properties
- Insufficient and ineffective Advertising Notification/Period.
- Why the development location was chosen.

ASSESSMENT/ KEY ISSUES

The proposed telecommunications facility requires assessment against the provisions of the Planning Policy Framework, Green Wedge A Zone, Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 6, Clause 52.19 and the decision guidelines of Clause 65.

Matters to be taken into consideration include the visual impact of the structure, the suitability of the site and the relevant code of practice for telecommunications facilities.

POLICY STATE, REGIONAL AND LOCAL

Planning Policies recognise the need to facilitate the development of telecommunication infrastructure. In considering proposals for telecommunication services, a balanced approach between the provision of important telecommunications services and the need to protect the environment from adverse impacts is required. Clause 71.02-3 of the planning scheme seeks to strike a balance between competing factors and 'endeavour to integrate the range of planning policies relevant to the issues to be determined and balance conflicting objectives in favour of net community benefit and sustainable development for the benefit of present and future generations.'

Clauses 12.05-2S and Clause 12.05-2L requires a development to respond to, and to protect landscapes that have aesthetic value. Views, landmarks and vistas are required to be protected and enhanced. Clause 52.19 requires a proposed facility to have a minimal impact on the amenity of an area.

There is strong Planning Policy support for community safety, when balancing community safety with environmental (including visual) impact and other considerations, for which the proposal provides a net community benefit.

In this instance it is considered that the proposed telecommunications facility satisfactorily meets the above objective. It is considered to be an appropriate location which takes into consideration the visual impacts of telecommunications facilities as far as practicable. By nature, telecommunications facilities will have some level of visibility due to the need to cover a sufficient area to result in a viable project.

The objective of Clause 19.03-4S is to facilitate the orderly development, extension and maintenance of telecommunication infrastructure. It is considered that the proposed telecommunications facility complies with the above objective and will aid in the growth and accessibility of mobile telephone coverage in the immediate and surrounding areas and will provide increased opportunities for better communication networks whilst appropriately addressing the environmental and landscape character of the area.

Service provision and need

The Planning Scheme and relevant regulations, as part of any assessment of a telecommunications facility, require that the need for a facility be demonstrated. The challenge is to then balance any such need against the other requirements of the Planning Scheme.

The applicant is a licenced carrier for the purposes of the *Telecommunications Act* 1997 and operates as an infrastructure provider or 'neutral host', whereby new facilities are sited, designed, acquired, built and maintained by the applicant but utilised by carriers - such as mobile carriers - as part of their respective networks.

The facility has been designed as a neutral host facility, capable of supporting colocation by other carriers, government entities and wireless service providers.

The new facility is proposed specifically to improve mobile services in Chirnside Park and surrounding areas.

Yarra Ranges Council is seeing and will continue to see unprecedented residential growth and development. A lot of this growth is expected to occur in and around the Chirnside Park area given it is earmarked as a Major Activity Centre within Council's Strategic Framework Plan at Clause 02.04 of the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme. Given the expected population growth in this area, it is vital that Council recognises and facilitates the need for new infrastructure, including telecommunications facilities such as the proposed, in order to adequately service the needs of existing and future residents.

A particular focus for this new facility is to service the rural residential interface, where the existing services are either very limited or not being serviced at all, by providing improved mobile services to residents and businesses within this area catering for both current demand, and future demand as the area develops further.

It has also been submitted with the application that to effectively service the local area, the proposed tower facility will be operating in conjunction with the tower facility approved recently under Planning Permit (YR-2023/32) at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park.

Opportunities to Upgrade or Co-Locate using an existing telecommunication facility.

While there are existing base stations in the area surrounding Chirnside Park, these are generally too far away, poorly positioned or otherwise limited from a technical perspective; as advised by the Applicant, they are unable to provide the required network quality and capacity needed to accommodate existing and future residents and businesses in the area. With the population and development density of the Chirnside Park area expanding quickly, there is a significant social, economic and safety motivation to improve mobile coverage and network capacity in this location.

Existing telecommunications facilities in the area were assessed to consider if they were feasible for co-location. Attachment 7 shows the location of existing facilities in the area around the proposed site, based on information from the Radio Frequency National Site Archive database (www.rfnsa.com.au).

Additionally, the applicant undertook an investigation of potential alternative site locations. The alternative sites explored are shown below in Figure 6. These alternative sites were not progressed as the sites did not provide the best location to service the identified coverage gap, environmental impacts due to construction impacts or unable to reach an agreement with private landowners. Details of each of

these alternative sites and why they were unable to be progressed can be found in Attachment 8.



Figure 6 – Alternative sites explored but not progressed.

The ability to co-locate new infrastructure on an existing telecommunications monopole has been considered as a first preference for Council. However, the Applicant's investigations demonstrate that the existing telecommunication facilities within the area are not appropriately located to adequately service the target coverage area (north of the Chirnside Park township), therefore, the co-location of services is not an option for addressing existing gaps in service and service requirements into the future.

The applicant has stated that whilst there are existing base stations in areas surrounding Chirnside Park, these are generally too far away, poorly positioned or otherwise limited from a technical perspective; the existing sites are unable to provide the required network quality and capacity needed to accommodate existing and future residents and businesses in the area. Therefore, there is a need to expand the infrastructure.

The structure will be used for co-location by both Vodafone and Optus as required. This preference and preparation for co-location helps to minimise the number of such structures in the local area.

The proposed location of the monopole is well placed in a position where there will be interrupted views of the structure due to the undulating topography of the land in the area, and due to vegetation on site and private properties and along the road reserves. It is also noted that the siting of the proposed structure does not impact on or require the removal of any vegetation; it is proposed on a cleared location on the land to allow for new and improved coverage and services to the area, which includes residential

areas, as well as large lot rural properties and the numerous roadways surrounding the site.

The proposed monopole is considered appropriate considering the relevant legislative, environmental, technical, radio coverage and public safety requirements and is considered acceptable in social, economic, and environmental terms.

Height of the proposed monopole The telecommunications tower is proposed to have an overall height of 38 metres (monopole and antennas), A monopole design is considered to be sympathetic outcome in the landscape compared to other lattice type structures. The applicant has advised the height of the monopole is needed to address the unique geographical characteristics of the local area. The application material states ridgelines create a barrier for telecommunications facilities that are not on a ridgeline, or not near the ridgeline and at a height that allows for antennas to 'peak' over the ridgelines. Elevated antennas help to avoid any obstruction from the surrounding trees and effectively cover the target areas.

It is considered that the proposed monopole with a maximum height of 38 metres and finished in pale grey, would not be visually detrimental to the landscape significance of the site and the surrounding area. This is due to the monopole being located within a densely vegetated area and further screened by roadside vegetation along Meadow Fair Way providing screening to vehicles travelling north and south, as well as providing a visual buffer to the rural residential lots to the east, west and south. This largely reduces sightlines to the structure and supporting infrastructure. There will be no substantial detrimental impact on the amenity of the area.

The monopole will be finished in a pale grey colour. This will ensure the tower blends into the surrounding landscape and will not be highly reflective in the landscape when viewed from surrounding land and reserves.

Green Wedge A Zone

The monopole has been sited and setback from nearby dwellings and street frontages as much as practicable given the rural nature of the area. It is noted that the closest dwellings to the proposed monopole are as follows:

- 5 Meadow Fair Way 190 metres from the dwelling to west
- 6 Meadow Fair Way 125 metres from the dwelling to south-west
- 5 Cherry Hill Way 110 metres from the dwelling to south
- 7 Cherry Hill Way 65 metres from the dwelling to the south
- 9 Cherry Hill Way 155 metres from the dwelling to the north-east

Views of the monopole will be mostly screened from vehicles travelling along Meadow Fair Way to the west and Cherry Hill Way to the east due to roadside vegetation and sloping topography of the land. It is further assessed that apart from the monopole, all proposed buildings within the compound will be fully screened due to the existing vegetation along the adjoining site boundaries and vegetation located onsite.

It is also noted that vehicles travelling north along Meadow Fair Way will not fully appreciate views of the monopole, ground level ancillary equipment and compound fencing given the land rises a few metres above the level of the road before gently sloping to the east. In addition to this, there are large trees which further blocks the

view of the monopole. The compound facility will not be visible from Meadow Fair Way. Refer to Figure 7 and Figure 8 below which shows streetscape and existing screening.



Figure 7 – Existing vegetation along Fair Meadow Way looking south



Figure 8 – Existing vegetation along Cherry Hill Way looking north.

The fence around the compound is proposed for security purposes. The construction from heavy duty galvanised chain wire will achieve security objectives while being visually transparent and not a dominant visual form given the amount of vegetation in this area. Therefore, this is considered to be an acceptable outcome in this context.

Equipment within the compound will be housed in one equipment cabinet. The cabinet will be mounted at ground level at the base of the pole and will be finished in pale eucalypt which is not visually intrusive and is acceptable. This will include ancillary equipment associated with operation and safety of the facility, including remote radio units, cabling and safety equipment etc.

The compound will be accessed via an internal accessway constructed with compacted fine gravel for a length of approximately 160 metres. A new crossover is also proposed on the south western corner of the lot. It is noted that there is an existing unmade crossover and a gate providing access to the site. The plans have note provided details of the crossover width, a permit condition will require this detail to be shown on the plans.

The submitted plans note the proposed below-ground electricity cable route will traverse from an existing power pole along Meadow Fair Way to a new proposed power pit, continuing in an east direction for approximately 150 metres to the development location. There is also a new fibre pit proposed to the west of the proposed compound, with the proposed fibre route running in an east-west direction which links to the existing fibre link running along the front of the site along Meadow Fair Way. Cables can be sited to avoid tree impacts, which may include laying them outside the tree protection zones or boring underneath trees where practical. The plans submitted indicate that the proposed fibre links cable will be under bored within all tree protection zones.

On balance, it is considered that the proposal complies with the purpose and decision guidelines of the Green Wedge A Zone for the following reasons:

- Only 100 square metres of the property will be used for the proposal.
- The application does not propose the removal of protected vegetation apart from one tree.
- Minimal site construction works are proposed.
- The facility retains a large portion of the land for rural residential use.
- The topography of the land and vegetation providing reduced views of the structure and thereby reducing amenity impacts to the area.

The Applicant has considered various ways in reducing visual impact as much as possible, including:

- Use of a monopole is proposed. Monopoles are considered to be a sympathetic inclusion to the environment when compared to other structure types, such as lattice towers, because of their slimmer profile.
- To minimise visual bulk, antennas will be mounted on a single headframe, reducing visual impact compared with separate headframes at different heights.
- Due to its location, the facility will be largely screened from view when viewed from adjoining roads and reserves. Apart from the monopole structure, no other

components of the development will be visible from adjoining properties due to existing mature vegetation surrounding the development. At this distance, the proposed facility is not considered to be a focal point and will be of a similar scale to other utility infrastructure within the landscape in the area.

 The facility will be finished in a pale grey, which is considered to be the most sympathetic finish with regards to blending into the natural landscape. It will also match other existing vertical elements in the area, such as the existing light and utility poles which are present across the rural landscape and high voltage towers which is also in close proximity of the site.

It is important to note that while the top of the monopole and headframe will protrude above the landscape and will be visible from vantage points within the locality. The applicant was also required to provide photo montage of the tower from various viewpoints adjoining the site, this can be seen in Attachment 9. There is a technical requirement for telecommunications facilities to be tall enough in order to function. Nevertheless, the amenity impact of the proposal is considered to be appropriate in its context.

All mobile base stations in Australia must comply with a strict safety standard called the Standard for Limiting Exposure to Radiofrequency Fields – 100 KHz to 300 GHz (RPS S-1). An Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) Electromagnetic Energy (EME) Report has been submitted with the application to demonstrate compliance with this Australian standard (Attachment 5). This report demonstrates that the tower will be operating will within the guidelines of the relevant federal policies.

Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 6

The permit triggers under Schedule 6 to Clause 42.03 deals with the visual impact relating to vegetation impact, the height of the monopole and the height of the fence.

The landscape character objectives of Schedule 6 to the Significant Landscape Overlay are as follows:

- To maintain a comparatively open rural landscape of farmland and bushland patches in which houses, farm buildings and tourist facilities are generally inconspicuous.
- To ensure that the siting and design of new buildings complements their setting and reinforces the rural landscape character of the area.
- To retain established trees and patches of indigenous vegetation as an important element of the rural landscape and habitat for wildlife.
- To allow middle and long distance views from the valley to the surrounding ranges.
- To maintain the appearance of an uninterrupted forested backdrop to views.

The location of the proposed telecommunications facility is appropriate when assessed against the provisions of the Significant Landscape Overlay Schedule 6. The compound and the monopole have been strategically located on the site to ensure that it will receive visual relief from existing surrounding vegetation.

It is noted that the decision guidelines of Schedule 6 to the Significant Landscape Overlay encourage siting that avoids "visually prominent sites such as exposed hilltops or ridgelines" and designs which "break the skyline or ridgeline behind the building".

Any other location on this site would be more prominent, being on a more exposed with less vegetation to screen or backdrop the facility with the front of the site being the areas highest point, while the location at the rear of the site will ensure the tower sits lower in the landscape.

The 2.4-metre-high galvanised chain wire fence is an open style that allows views through but is still high enough and strong enough to provide the necessary security to the compound. The fence will only enclose the minimum area necessary to contain the monopole and associated equipment. It is considered that the fence is appropriate and given the existing vegetation, the facility will be largely hidden from view.

The 38-metre-high monopole is also considered appropriate within this location given:

- the visual buffer achieved by surrounding vegetation, including roadside vegetation along Meadow Fair Way and Cherry Hill Way Road.
- the interrupted views of the monopole by the topography of the land in the immediate and surrounding area.
- The tower facility is approximately 15 metres from Meadow Fair Way. Given the
 mature vegetation located along this road, the tower will be highly screened and
 not noticeable at all from this road, thus maintaining the rural landscape of this
 area (as shown in images above).
- In terms of the view to the facility from Cherry Hill Way, the existing vegetation continues to screen the facility and most of this facility will not be noticeable as the views from this road is to the further east, and not west where the tower will be located. Nearby dwellings are mostly over 100 metres from the site of the tower, there is one dwelling setback approximately 65 metres from the base of the tower. There is existing mature screening along the common boundary, which will filter view of the compound, equipment and lower area of the tower.

If there is any view of the monopole, then this is assessed to be transient and of short duration. Overall, the facility has been designed and sited to minimise impacts on surrounding land uses and will have no detrimental impact on adjacent land.

- Siting the monopole and compound to the east onsite is optimal in terms of providing the necessary coverage and not being on a ridgeline.
- Results in the least amount of excavation and minimum vegetation impacts.
- The site is in close proximity to supply of electricity, meaning that a power connection can be achieved without requiring unsightly above-ground power poles.
- The height of the monopole means that whilst it will be visible above the surrounding tree line, the slim-line design monopole is considered to be less visually bulky than an open-framed tower. The muted pale grey finish of the monopole will also be suitable within the rural residential landscape.
- In response to the removal of vegetation to create internal accessways and to facilitate the telecommunications tower, the following vegetation removal and some minor trimming works will be required.
- One tree (being Tree #8 Hesperocyparis Macrocarpa) with a height of approximately 10 metres is proposed for removal to accommodate vehicle access to the compound. The removal of this tree requires a permit.

- Three (3) additional trees will require removal; however, these are exempt from planning controls, due to the size of the vegetation (DBH < 35 cm) and one of the trees being classified as a weed.
- To avoid removal of further vegetation, some pruning of onsite existing trees is proposed to allow vehicle access under the supervision of a suitably qualified arborist onsite.

An Arboricultural Impact Assessment Report has been submitted with the application in response to vegetation impacts. A copy of this report is attached as Attachment 4.

Tree 8, while it does need a planning permit the tree is not considered by Council's arborist as being highly significant, it is also noted that other trees remaining on site are more significant and hold higher value then Tree 8. Tree 8 is also not considered to hold substantial outside landscape impacts. Given this the removal of Tree 8 to accommodate a development is acceptable outcome.

The conditions of approval will further ensure that appropriate tree protection measures are in place during construction phase to ensure no further impacts to existing vegetation.

No additional landscaping works are required apart from replanting trees back on the site. A landscape plan will be required as part of conditions to help facilitate the replanting back onto the site.

Clause 52.19 - Telecommunications

Pursuant to Clause 52.19-1, a permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works for a Telecommunications facility. This does not apply to buildings and works associated with a low-impact facility as described in the *Telecommunications* (Low-impact) Facilities Determination 1997. The facility cannot be classified as a low impact facility and therefore requires a permit pursuant to the particular provision.

In considering the proposal against the provisions of this clause, the responsible authority must consider the decision guidelines pursuant to Clause 52.19-5. Planning Scheme amendment VC226 (dated 04/11/2022) removed the provision for Council to consider the Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria and the effect of the proposal on adjacent land. However, for the purpose and intentions of a comprehensive assessment, this application will be assessed against the Code to ensure an appropriate assessment is made beyond the requirements of the current planning scheme.

An assessment of the compliance of the proposed telecommunications facility in accordance with the principles of Section 4.0 of the Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria, July 2004 is provided below.

Code of Practice for Telecommunication Facilities

The principles contained within the publication A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria, which is an incorporated document in the Planning Scheme, specifically relate to the issues of design, siting, construction and operation of telecommunications facilities, a copy of the Code of Practice can be found on Attachment 10. These principles are the basis for any design response, as specified with Clause 52.19-5 of the Planning Scheme and should be used in the assessment of applications for telecommunication facilities:

Principle 1- A Telecommunications Facility should be sited to minimise visual impact.

The monopole is a solid steel pole that will have non-intrusive pale grey colouring. The monopole is of a height required to provide radio access to the site. It is on a flat area which is heavily screened by existing trees onsite, on adjoining land and on vegetation on road reserves/nature strips. For these reasons, it is considered that it would be relatively inconspicuous in the landscape.

The sloping topography of the land will further assist in limiting the visual impact of the proposal from the surrounding sites. There is adequate screening within the local area and the facility does not expect to dominate the natural landscape and environment.

It must be appreciated that facilities of this nature are necessarily visible as they need to be tall enough (and consequently visible) to serve their purpose of providing the required telecommunications service. As previously discussed, due to the site context, the visual impact from the nearest road and from the surrounding sites is expected to be minimal due to established vegetation and contours of the land.

In comparison to the height of the two other towers recently approved by Council in Chirnside Park:

- The tower proposed at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park (YR-2023/32) also has a height of 35m, consists of a triangular headframe at the top of the monopole and will not exceed 38.8 metres above ground level.
- The tower proposed at 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park (YR-2023/303) has a height of 30m, consists of a triangular headframe at the top of the monopole and will not exceed 31.5 metres above ground level.

Therefore, given the sloping topography of the land, the height is considered appropriate, as the tower will need to be of a certain height to achieve required reception to be able to work efficiently.

Principle 2- Telecommunications facilities should be co-located wherever practical.

There are no existing buildings or structures in the area that would permit co-location to occur and the technical and network requirements to be met.

The long-term network objectives of a site in this area cannot be achieved by utilising existing facilities in the area, and a standalone facility ensures future network capacity and the ability to provide upgraded and co-location of services for the surrounding community.

This proposal offers the appropriate height and a structural suitability for co-location by multiple carriers.

The proposed tower facility will be working concurrently with the tower facility recently approved at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park (YR-2023/32).

Principle 3- Health standards for exposure to radio emissions will be met.

The proposed monopole will be designed to meet statutory requirements and standards relating to radio emissions.

The facility is required to operate in compliance with the mandatory standard for human exposure to EME - currently the Radio Communications (Electromagnetic Radiation Human Exposure) Standard 2003.

Principle 4 - Disturbance and risk relating to siting and construction should be minimised. Construction activity and site location should comply with State environmental protection policies and best practice environmental management guidelines.

The site has a gentle slope on the land which will require a retaining wall to be constructed to a maximum height of 500mm. The compound will have an area of 100sqm and is located on the southeastern corner of the site. There is no vegetation located in this compound which will require removal.

The existing access track will require upgrading from the crossover to the compound with compacted fine gravel for a distance of 160m to allow ease of access for 4WD vehicles.

One tree is being proposed for removal as part of this application which requires approval under the overlay (SLO6) provisions and permit conditions will require appropriate replanting works. Three other trees are proposed for removal however these are exempt from Planning controls due to its size and species.

Trees and shrubs located around the proposed monopole and compound are setback sufficiently and will not be impacted. Conditions to protect existing vegetation are included on the permit.

It is further considered that construction of the facility will have minimal disturbance to the activities on the site. Construction of the facility will also be required to be carried out in accordance with relevant Occupational Health and Safety Guidelines.

Yarra Ranges Telecommunication Facilities Policy

The Yarra Ranges Telecommunication Facilities Policy was adopted by Council in December 2012 (Attachment 11). It provides additional guidance and requirements for telecommunication facilities to reflect the special characteristics of Yarra Ranges. Policy objectives including:

- To reduce the visual impact of telecommunication facilities and ensure the type, scale, design and siting of the telecommunication facility is not detrimental to the landscape.
- To minimise disturbance to vegetation and natural features of the land.
- To ensure fire risk to the facility is considered as part of the proposal for the use and development of a proposed telecommunication facility.
- To minimise the number of telecommunication facilities by encouraging the colocation of facilities or upgrade to existing facilities; and
- To recognise the public benefits of telecommunication infrastructure.

An assessment of the proposal against the requirements of this policy is as follows:

CONSULTATION

Internal Referrals

This application was referred to various business units or individuals within Council for advice on particular matters. The following is a summary of the relevant advice:

Policy Requirement	Response	
Telecommunication facilities demonstrate that there is a need for the facility at that location.	The applicant has demonstrated that a new facility is needed to service the area to the north of the existing township of Chirnside Park to support ongoing demand on the network in what is an increasingly more populated area and to provide critical network relief to:	
	 Ensure that the increased demands for mobile network traffic on existing facilities do not critically compromise customers' ability to connect to a network. 	
	Ensure that optimal data speeds are maintained at all times during the day.	
	 Improve mobile phone coverage to local businesses. 	
Telecommunication facilities are encouraged to co-locate.	No suitable co-location options were identified. See above discussion in this report.	
Telecommunications facilities should not be located on sites of natural, historical or cultural significance.	The site is not located within the Heritage Overlay, or an area of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Significance. Landscape impacts have been minimised, with only one significant tree (permit required) to be removed and existing mature trees screening and softening the visual impact of the monopole.	
Telecommunications facilities must be sited and designed to avoid tree or vegetation removal.	The applicant has demonstrated that apart from removal of one tree, all other vegetation on the land will be retained. Appropriate revegetation works will compensate for the removed vegetation.	
Telecommunications facilities should be sited and designed to use any existing trees for visual screening.	See above.	

Policy Requirement	Response
Telecommunications facilities must not be located on land subject to landslip unless an appropriate geotechnical report is provided.	The land is not subject to landslip.
Telecommunication facilities must not be located on visually prominent sites such as ridgelines and skylines.	The proposed monopole is not located on a ridgeline. The facility would not be obvious in distant view lines due to the sloping topography of the surrounding area.
The design and height of telecommunication facilities must be compatible with the surrounding built form and natural features and avoid structures which will be visually intrusive.	The compound facility will be largely screened by the existing mature vegetation. The monopole will have a maximum height of 38.0 metres and therefore it is obvious that the upper part of this structure will be visible to some extent. While this structure will be taller than the surrounding trees, it is considered reasonable, for the reasons discussed earlier in this report. The pale grey colour will also assist with reducing the visual appearance of the structure. The site is not located within a residential area or within a township area where the pole would be highly visible. The development is proposed in a rural area and is well setback from neighbouring buildings and adjoining roads.
Telecommunication facilities should be located within industrial, business or non-residential areas wherever possible.	The site is located within a Green Wedge A Zone, on a site used for rural living purposes.
The installation of cables should be underground and co-located with other facilities where possible.	The cables would be located underground and thereby reduce the visual impact of the facility. A condition will require that cables be located outside the Tree Protection Zone of trees being retained, or bored to avoid impacts to existing vegetation.
Telecommunications facilities should only be located on Council land or reserves where the facilities will not conflict with the use of the land	The subject site is not located on Council land or reserve land.

Policy Requirement	Response
by the community, or for the purpose for which the land is reserved.	
Applications for telecommunications facilities on land owned and / or managed by a public authority must include written consent from the agency responsible for the management of the land.	The site is privately owned.

Response to submitters concerns

Reason for Objection	Officer's Response
Public safety and health issues.	The applicant has provided a response to the submissions and advises that the application material has been prepared as required by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA). ARPANSA sets the Australian Standard to which all mobile stations in Australia must comply with. The Australian government has stated the following:
	The EME standard set by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) defines the maximum exposure limit for all wireless equipment and is strictly enforced by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA). Measurements undertaken by carriers and ACMA show that mobile telecommunication sites emit a tiny fraction of maximum EME exposure limits. The exposure limits are themselves very conservative.
	Reason for Objection Officer Response As such, sites which operate at 100% of the limit are still considered safe. This standard is informed by decades of quality studies undertaken by expert Australian and international scientists which show the low levels of EME produced by telecommunications equipment have no adverse effects. This includes previous generations of mobile technology,

Reason for Objection	Officer's Response
	like 3G and 4G, and the higher, more efficient, radio waves used for 5G.
	An ARPANSA Electromagnetic Energy (EME) Report was included with the planning application which demonstrates that the proposed facility will comply with the Australian Standard. The report finds that levels from the proposed facility will represent 2.16% of the Australian Standard, where a facility operating at up to 100% of the standard is considered safe.
Environmental concerns relating to flora and fauna.	Four trees are to be removed to accommodate the facility, however only one tree requires a planning permit for removal. The remaining trees on site are to be retained and conditions will ensure vegetation protection is carried out during construction. With regards to the tower causing negative environmental impacts once constructed, the proposal will be required to comply with the legislative guidelines to the environmental effects of Electromagnetic Energy (EME). Studies have demonstrated that limited exposure on flora and fauna will have minor impacts and be within the standard of providing protection to the environment.
Noise	The only part of the facility that generates noise is the cooling fans on the equipment cabinet. Cooling equipment will only operate when required and will not operate continuously. Cooling equipment will operate at levels generally comparable to those of a domestic air conditioner. The proposal is not expected to represent a noise nuisance given that any noise emission matters are governed under relevant environmental protection regulations. The closest dwelling (under construction at the time of
	this report) is approximately 65 metres to the northeast of the equipment tower.
Proximity to residential properties.	As discussed earlier in the report, the monopole has been sited and setback from nearby dwellings and street frontages as much as practicable given the rural nature of the area. The closest dwellings to the proposed monopole are as follows:
	 5 Meadow Fair Way – 190 metres from the dwelling to west.
	6 Meadow Fair Way – 125 metres from the dwelling to south-west.

Reason for Objection	Officer's Response
	5 Cherry Hill Way – 110 metres from the dwelling to south
	 7 Cherry Hill Way – 65 metres
	9 Cherry Hill Way – 155 metres from the dwelling to the north-east
	These setbacks and dense vegetation screening are ample to ensure that amenity impacts are reduced.
Visual Amenity	By their nature, mobile towers are difficult to camouflage, as they must protrude above the surrounding environment to gain a clear line of sight to the areas they are covering.
	Whilst this is case, the proposal is appropriately sited and will not adversely impact the character of the area. The site is in a rural residential and achieves ample separation to the nearest residences. The compound will be largely shielded by surrounding vegetation and does not block any significant views or vistas. Whilst the tower itself will be partially visible from adjoining roads and surrounding properties, any visual impacts will be transient and of short duration, given the sloping topography of the land and large trees adjoining the compound. The pale grey colour will further assist with reducing the visual impact of the tower.
	The proposed facility has been designed and sited to minimise impact on surrounding land uses and will have negligible impact on adjacent land, as detailed throughout this report.
Devaluation of property	The above matters are not considerations under the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme as the matters are highly subjective. Furthermore, the matters are subject to market influence.
Insufficient and ineffective Advertising Notification/Period.	Some of the objectors have claimed that the notification period wasn't sufficient or was conducted at a time when residents were away. The application was advertised between 9 January 2024 to the 26 January 2024.
	The application was not exempt from public notification as per the applicable planning controls. Pursuant to Section 52 of the <i>Planning and Environment Act 1987</i> , the application was thus advertised to the owners and occupiers of allotments adjoining the subject site as a minimum, a noticed placed adjoining the driveway to the site and a notice placed in the local newspaper. Letters were sent to 57 adjoining landowners and occupiers

Reason for Objection	Officer's Response
	properties surrounding the subject site on which the tower is proposed. The application was advertised for a minimum period of fourteen (14) days a per section 52 of the <i>Planning & Environment Act 1987.</i>

CONCLUSION

The application has demonstrated that it meets the requirements of the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme. The application has demonstrated that that there was no viable colocation or other alternative siting options to provide the additional service upgrade for the Chirnside Park area. The telecommunications facility has been located to meet operational requirements while minimising visual and environmental impacts.

The use and development application has been assessed in accordance with Section 60(1) of 'The Act' and all relevant instruments and policies. The proposal is considered to be consistent with the objectives of State planning policies, local planning policies and the relevant zone and overlay provisions of the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme. It is also considered to meet the assessment criteria of Council's Telecommunications Policy.

As such, approval (Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit) is recommended.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Conditions.
- 2. Development Plans.
- 3. Applicant's Town Planning Report.
- 4. Arborist Report.
- 5. Environmental Electromagnetic Energy (EME) Report.
- 6. Planning Scheme Policies.
- 7. Existing Telecommunication sites in the area.
- 8. Table of Alternative Sites considered.
- 9. Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Report and Photomontage
- 10. Code of Practice for Telecommunication Facilities in Victoria
- 11. Yarra Ranges Telecommunication Policy.

CONDITIONS	
Application	YR-2023/636
Address of the land 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park	
Proposal	Development of a telecommunications facility and associated vegetation removal and trimming.

Amended Plans

- 1. Before the use and development starts, amended plans to the satisfaction of the responsible authority must be submitted to and approved by the responsible authority. When approved, the plans will be endorsed and form part of the permit. The plans must be drawn to scale with dimensions and a digital copy must be provided. The plans must be generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application (prepared by Indara Digital Infrastructure, Ref dated 07/12/2023, Revision D), but amended to showing the following:
 - a. Relevant details in accordance with the Construction Management Plan to be submitted and endorsed under Condition 2 of this permit, to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
 - b. Plans to show the width and construction material of the crossover
 - c. Plans to show access construction as per Condition 14 of this permit.
 - d. Landscape Plan in accordance with condition 3
- 2 Before the development starts, a Construction Management Plan (CMP) to the satisfaction of the responsible authority must be submitted to and approved by the responsible authority. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit. The CMP must specify how the environmental and construction issues associated with the development will be managed and must address the following as applicable:
 - a. A detailed schedule of works including a full project timing.
 - b. A traffic management plan for the site, including when or whether any access points would be required to be blocked, an outline of requests to occupy public footpaths or roads, or anticipated disruptions to local services, preferred routes for trucks delivering to the site, queuing/sequencing, excavation and swept-path diagrams.
 - c. The location for the parking of all construction vehicles and construction worker vehicles during construction.
 - d. Construction times, noise and vibration controls.
 - e. Delivery of materials including times for loading/unloading, unloading points, expected frequency and details of where materials will be stored and how concrete pours would be managed.
 - f. Proposed traffic management signage indicating any inconvenience generated by construction.
 - g. Fully detailed plan indicating where construction hoardings would be located.
 - h. A waste management plan including the containment of waste on site: disposal of waste, stormwater treatment and on-site facilities for vehicle washing.
 - i. Containment of dust, dirt and mud within the site and method and frequency of clean up procedures in the event of build-up of matter outside the site.
 - j. Site security.
 - k. Public safety measures.

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- I. Restoration of any Council assets removed and/or damaged during construction.
- m. Protection works necessary to road and other infrastructure (limited to an area reasonable proximate to the site).
- n. Remediation of any damage to road and other infrastructure (limited to an area reasonably proximate to the site).
- o. An emergency contact that is available for 24 hours per day for residents and the responsible authority in the event of relevant queries or problems experience.
- p. Traffic management measures to comply with the relevant Australia Standard.
- q. All contractors associated with the construction of the development must be made aware of the requirements of the Construction Management Plan.
- r. Details of crane activities, if any.
- s. Discharge of any polluted water.
- t. Erosion control measures.
- u. Sediment control measures.

The development must be carried out and implemented in accordance with the endorsed Construction Management Plan at all times to the satisfaction of the responsible authority. The responsible authority may amend the endorsed Construction Management Plan from time to time.

- A landscape plan prepared in accordance with Council's Landscape Guidelines must be submitted to and approved by the Responsible Authority. The landscape plan must show:
 - a. Replacement planting for two native trees from EVC 47 to be planted within 20 metres of the development within the property.
 - b. Standard landscape notes included on the Landscape Plan in relation to soil preparation, irrigation of planting beds, replacement of dead plants and planting technique.
 - c. Adequate instruction on the Landscape Plan for the protection of existing vegetation to be retained during construction and tree protection requirements outlined in condition 19.
 - d. The geographical location of the *Syzygium smithii* (Lilly Pilly) proposed in the Plant Schedule on the Landscape Plan.
 - e. The botanical name, common name, quantity, average size at maturity and intended pot size for each Lilly Pilly plant in the Plant Schedule of the Landscape Plan.
 - f. The type of irrigation listed on the Landscape Plan to be drippers or aqua hose.
 - g. A note specifying that all planted areas will to be mulched to a minimum 75 mm thickness using an appropriate timber species such as Pine or local common Eucalyptus species avoiding rare timber species such as Red Gum or Jarrah.

A 24-month maintenance plan with notes on appropriate weed control, irrigation, mulch replenishment, dead plant replacement and pruning is included on the Landscape Plan to ensure the successful establishment, and on-going health, of new planting.

Layout Not Altered

The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered or modified (unless the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme specifies a permit is not required) without the prior written consent of the responsible authority.

General Provisions

5. The external finish of the permitted development must remain muted and non-reflective to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

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- All buildings and works must be maintained in good order and appearance to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
- 7 Once the development starts, the development must be carried out and completed to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
- 8 Once development is complete, the site must be cleared of all excess and unused building materials and debris to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
- 9 Council's assets must not be altered or damaged in any way except with the prior written consent of the responsible authority.
- Prior to the occupation of the permitted development a concrete vehicle crossing must be constructed in Meadow Fair Way to serve the development to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

Landscape Conditions

- 11. Prior to the commencement of any buildings and/or works approved by this permit, temporary fencing must be erected around any tree shown for retention on the endorsed plans to define a Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority and must:
 - a. Exclude access and construction activity within the TPZs assessed in the Arborist Report (*prepared by PSY Inv, updated 24/04/2023*). If trees have not been assessed, the TPZ is a circle with a radius equal to 12x the trunk diameter measured at 1.4 metres above ground level;
 - b. Have a minimum height of 1.8 metres and comply with Australian Standard AS 4687 for temporary fencing and hoardings;
 - c. Not extend beyond the site boundaries except into roadside reserve and/or nature strip areas. Fencing within roadside reserves and/or nature strip areas must not prevent the use of a road or footpath; and
 - d. Remain in place until all buildings and/or works are completed, unless with the prior written consent of the Responsible Authority.

Temporary fencing can be modified to accommodate encroachment into the TPZ of tree(s) as per the endorsed plans. Fencing must be modified in line with the footprint of the approved works only.

- 12. The access track within the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of trees #1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, and TG#14 must be constructed above the existing grade using permeable materials to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. There must be no excavation within the TPZ, except for scraping the surface up to 30mm deep to remove surface organics and/or debris.
- 13. The pruning of any tree must comply with the Australian Standard for pruning of amenity trees 'AS 4373 2007' to the satisfaction on the Responsible Authority. Pruning must be undertaken by an arborist with a minimum AQF level 3 qualification.
- 14. This permit authorises the removal of tree #8 as shown on the arborist report (28/11/2023, TreeSpace Solutions). The proposed removal of trees #TG4, TG7, and 15 does not require a permit. All other trees must be retained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.
- 16. All underground service pipes/conduits including stormwater and sewerage must be diverted around the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of any retained tree, or bored underneath with a minimum cover of 800mm to the top of pipe/conduit from the natural ground surface to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority. All pits, holes, joints, and tees associated

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with the installation of services must be located outside the TPZ, or the project arborist must demonstrate works in the TPZ will not impact viable tree retention to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.

17. The existing street trees must not be removed or damaged to the satisfaction on the Responsible Authority.

Engineering

All vehicles must enter and exit the site in a forward direction.

General Amenity

The development must be managed so that the amenity of the area is not detrimentally affected, through the:

- a. transport of materials, goods, or commodities to or from the land
- b. appearance of any building, works or materials
- c. emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, wastewater, waste products, grit, or oil.
- d. presence of vermin
- e. others as appropriate.

All to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority

Permit Expiry

- 18. This permit will expire if:
 - a. The development is not started within two years of the date of this permit; or
 - b. The development is not completed within four years of the date of this permit.

The responsible authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires, or within six months of expiry of permit of the commencement date.

An extension of time to complete the development or a stage of the development may be requested if:

 The request for an extension of time is made within 12 months after the permit expires; and

The development or stage started lawfully before the permit expired.

NOTES:

- The granting of this permit does not obviate the necessity for compliance with the requirements of any other authority, under this or any other Act, Regulation or Local Law.
- The owner and/or developer must ensure all relevant permits have been obtained before the use and or development starts.
- Building works approved under this planning permit must not be commenced until a building permit has also been obtained under the Building Act 1993 and the Building Regulations 2006.
- Before any earthworks are undertaken, contact Dial Before You Dig.

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- For further information with regard to the Telecommunications Conditions above, please refer to Advisory Note 49 – Telecommunications Services & Facilities in Subdivisions available from the Victorian State Government.
- Prior to the commencement of any works affecting or involving Council roads or drains, Asset Protection and/or Road Reserve/Easement Works permit(s) are required. An application for a permit can be obtained at the Yarra Ranges Council Community Links.

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JOINT VENTURE NO JM5009

SITE NUMBER 340074
CHIRNSIDE PARK NORTH EAST

8 MEADOW FAIR WAY
CHIRNSIDE PARK
VIC 3116

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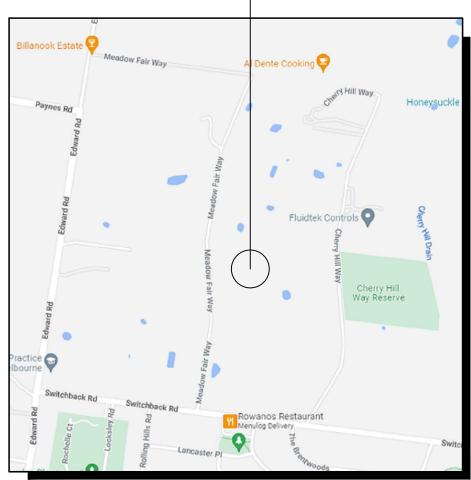
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- 2. PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESS TRACK, A SITE MEETING BETWEEN THE SITE MANAGER, PROJECT ARBORIST AND ARBORICULTURAL CONTRACTOR MUST TAKE PLACE TO DISCUSS THE EXTENT OF PRUNING WORKS TO ACCOMMODATE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ACCESS TRACK AND PLANT ACCESS.
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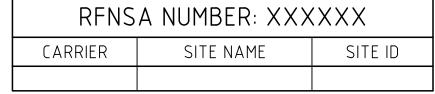
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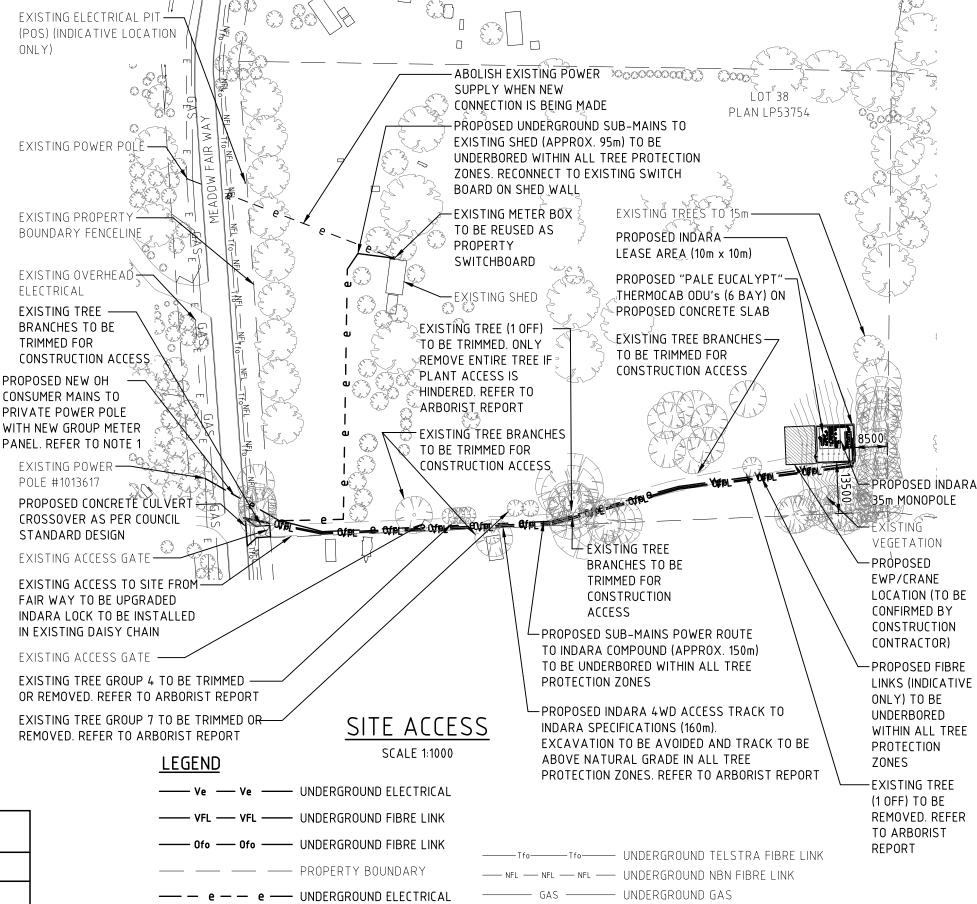


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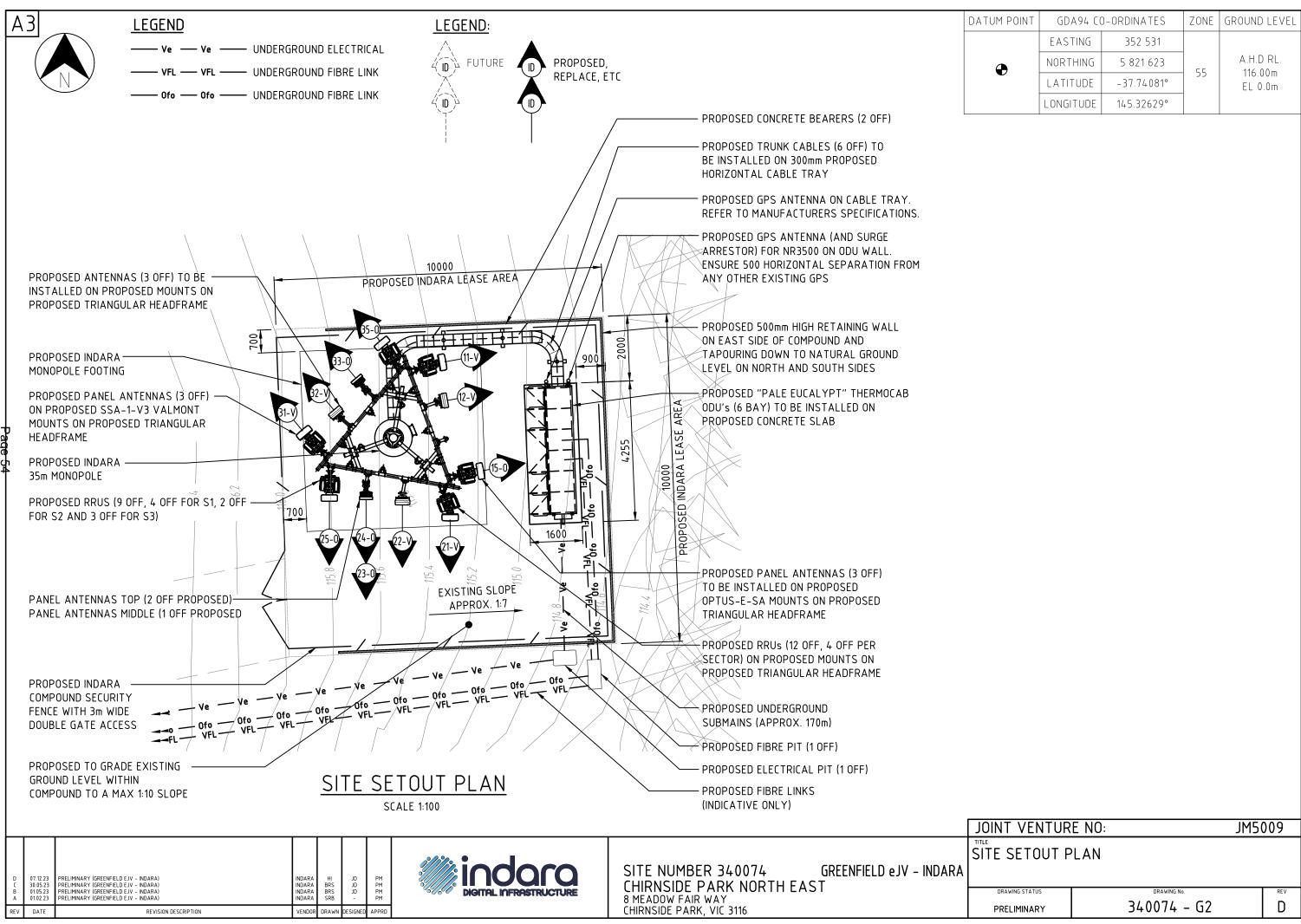
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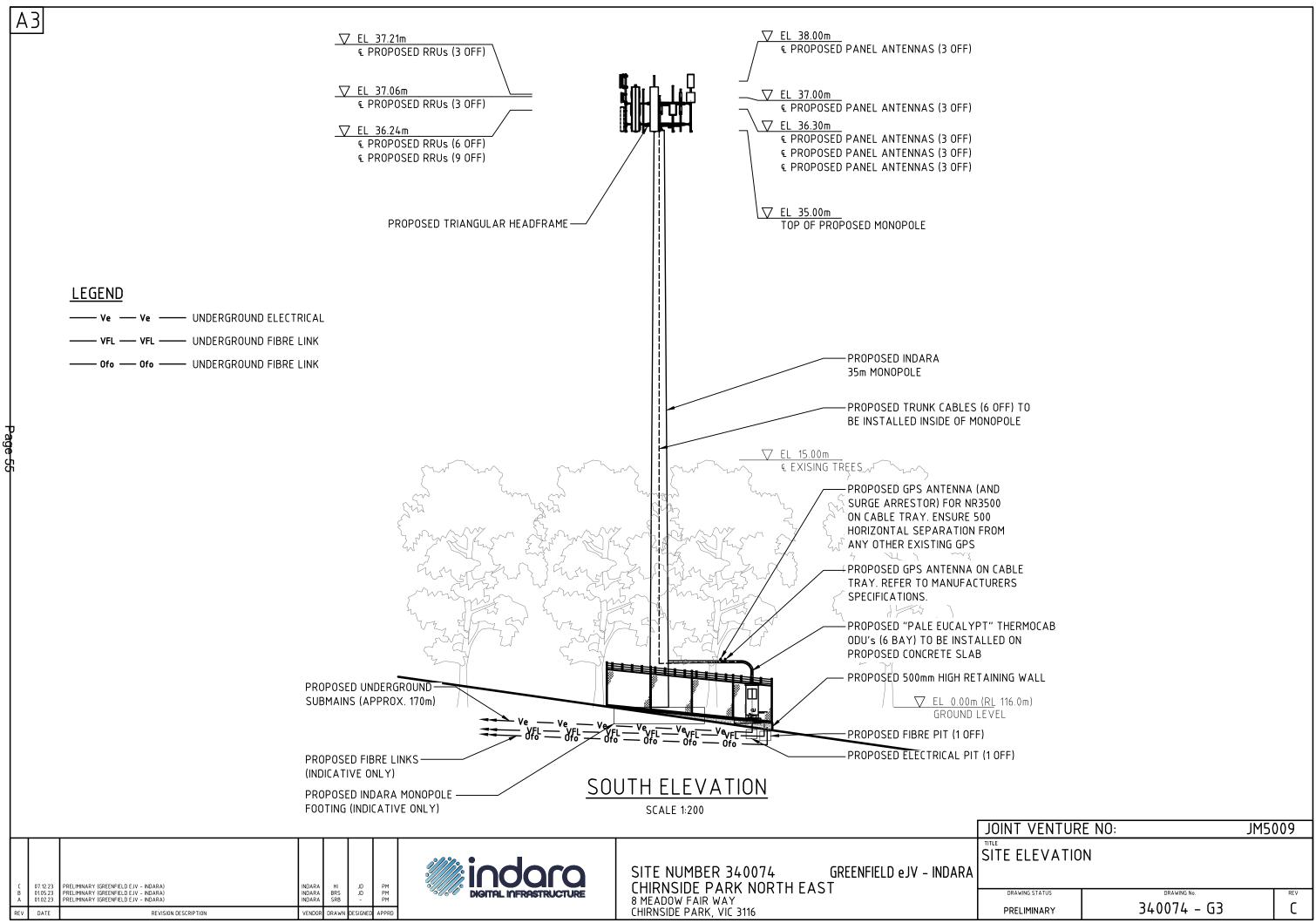
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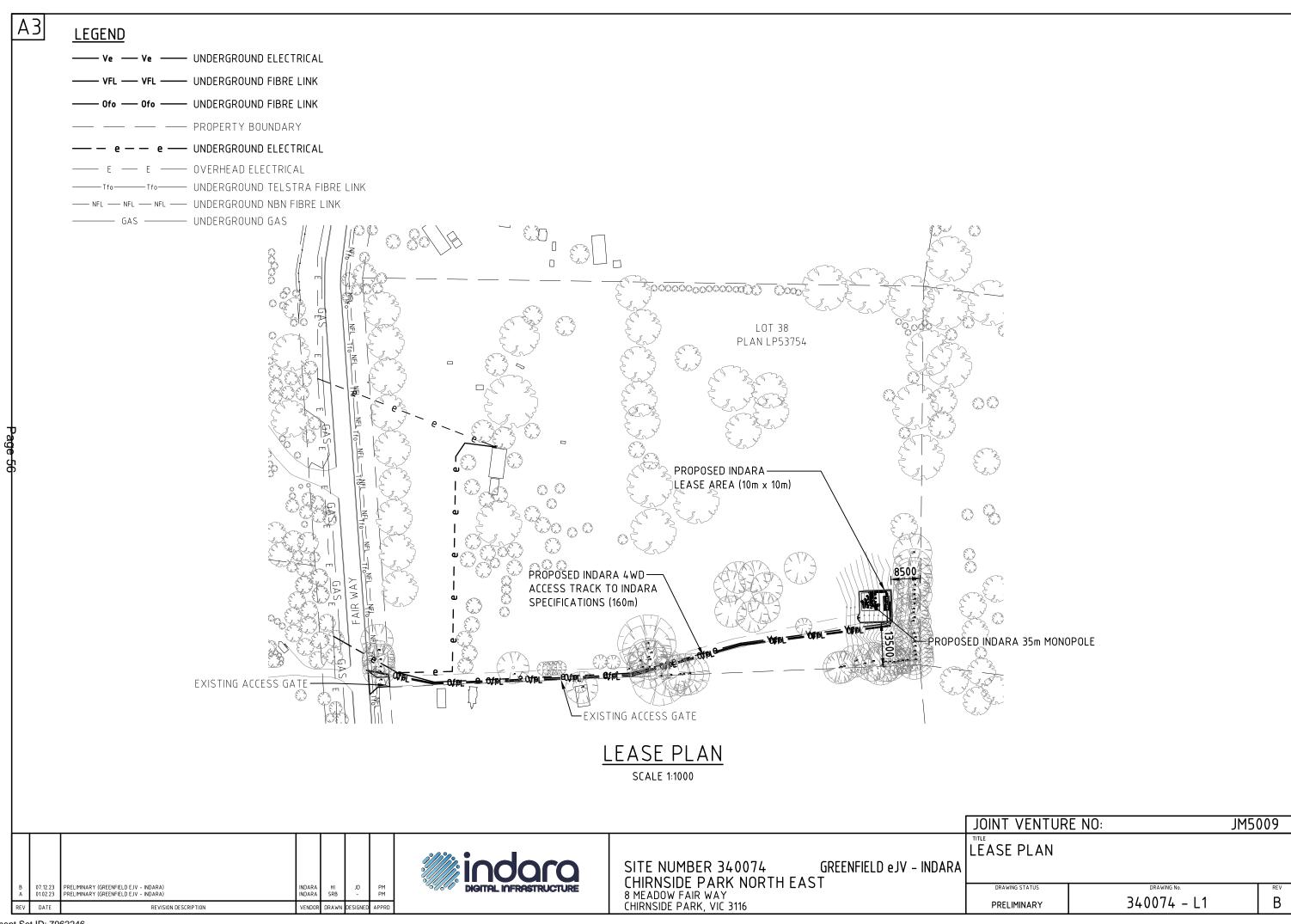
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Executive Summary

Site Information	Lot description: Lot 38 on LP53754 Physical address: 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 Coordinates: -37.74081, 145.32629	
Proposal	Indara Infrastructure Pty Ltd (Indara), part of the Indara Group, are seeking a development permit for the use and development of a new telecommunications facility at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 38 on LP53754).	
	The proposed facility will be owned by Indara and will host Vodafone and Optus telecommunication equipment, providing 4G and 5G services to the southeast part of Chirnside Park and the surrounding areas.	
	The proposal includes the following:	
	 One (1) 35m Indara monopole; One (1) new antenna headframe supporting the following equipment: Fifteen (15) new panel antennas; One (1) six bay outdoor equipment cabinet at ground level; New concrete culvert crossover, as per council standard design; Upgrade the existing access track to be suitable for heavy vehicle access; Removal and trimming of several trees along the access track; Ancillary equipment associated with operation and safety of the facility, including remote radio units, elevated cable tray, cabling and antenna mounts, group meter panel, security fencing with 3m wide double access gate etc. 	
	The monopole and associated equipment will be finished in a pale grey, while the equipment cabinet will be a pale eucalypt or beige colour. However, Indara will consider an alternative colour scheme at Council's request.	
Purpose	Indara together with Vodafone and Optus, are proposing a new telecommunications facility at Chirnside Park. The new facility will provide improved mobile and data services to Vodafone and Optus customers in the surrounding area and will work in conjunction with the proposed facility located at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (YR-2023/32), to effectively service the area.	
	The facility has been designed as a neutral host facility, capable of supporting co-location by other carriers, government entities and wireless service providers.	
Planning Considerations	LGA: Yarra Ranges Council Zoning: GWZ4 - Green Wedge Zone (Schedule 4) Overlays: Significant Landscape Overlay (Schedule 6)	
Applicant	Indara Infrastructure Pty Ltd Level 1, 110 Pacific Highway St Leonards NSW 2065	
	Contact Person: Daniel Prior Email: Daniel.prior@indara.com Our Reference: Chirnside Park North East 340074	

1. Introduction

Indara Infrastructure Pty Ltd (Indara), part of the Indara Group, are seeking development consent for a new telecommunications facility at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 38 on LP53754) (The Subject Site).

The new facility will be comprised of a 35m monopole supporting Vodafone and Optus telecommunications antennas and equipment (The Proposed Facility). The purpose of the project is to significantly improve Vodafone and Optus mobile telecommunications services, including coverage and network capacity, in the southeast part of Chirnside Park. This facility will work in conjunction with the proposed facility located at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (YR-2023/32), to effectively service the area.

This Town Planning Report provides an assessment of the project against relevant planning controls.

2. Background

2.1 Indara, Vodafone and Optus

This development application has been prepared and submitted by Indara.

Indara are Australia's leading independent owner and operator of digital infrastructure. We provide critical communications and data solutions that help support the digital transformation of our society. We're passionate about investing long term in our nation, building and designing digital infrastructure that creates long term value for our customers and the broader Australian community.

Indara owns and manages over 4300 mobile telecommunications facilities across Australia. Indara operate as a neutral host – our facilities are specifically designed to accommodate co-location by Australia's mobile carriers, government agencies and other wireless services providers.

Indara has partnered with Vodafone and Optus to expand their mobile network across Australia. This facility is being proposed to ensure the continuity of Vodafone and Optus mobile services in Chirnside Park and the surrounding areas. The proposed facility is comprised of a new a new 35m monopole and associated passive infrastructure, which will be owned and managed by Indara, and active infrastructure (antennas and telecommunications equipment) which will be owned and managed by each carrier.

Note for legal purposes, the applicant for this development application is Indara Infrastructure Pty Ltd.

2.2 Demand for Network Services

Access to high quality telecommunications services is vitally important to the community. Mobile usage continues to trend upward.

- 99% of Australians use a mobile phone; 76% of Australians do not have a landline phone and rely exclusively on a mobile phone¹.
- Mobile data usage continues to significantly increase as the network is used in different ways. Between 2020 and 2021, the amount of data downloaded by phone increased by over 29%². In the first quarter of 2022, global mobile data usage grew by 40%³. Streaming and video calling are major drivers of this increased demand.
- Covid-19 significantly changed the way that Australians live and work 61% of employed Australians worked online from home in 2021⁴. With many Australians continuing to adopt flexible or hybrid work arrangements, additional demand has been placed on the mobile network.
- Public safety is a significant driver behind improvements to mobile coverage. In 2021, around 78% of emergency calls were made from a mobile handset⁵.

More than ever, mobile telecommunications are an essential service. By extension, mobile base stations are essential infrastructure – it is important that mobile infrastructure keeps pace with this increasing demand.

2.3 Coverage Objectives

There is a high demand for network coverage in this area, for several reasons:

 As with many locations in outer Melbourne, the Yarra Ranges LGA is seeing unprecedented residential growth and development. Chirnside Park, in particular, is expected to see its population grow from 30,140 to 36992 by 2031, an increase of approximately 23%. The Yarra Ranges Precinct D: Chirnside Park and Mooroolbark Precinct Strategy identifies Chirnside Park as one of the area's best suited to accommodate this future residential growth, primarily from an influx of people leaving Melbourne, as well as the formation of new households from within the existing community.

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 $^{^{1}\ \}underline{\text{https://www.acma.gov.au/publications/2021-12/report/communications-and-media-australia-how-we-communicate}}$

 $^{^2\,\}underline{\text{https://www.acma.gov.au/publications/2021-12/report/communications-and-media-australia-how-we-use-internet}}$

³ https://www.ericsson.com/en/reports-and-papers/mobility-report/dataforecasts/mobile-traffic-update

⁴ https://www.acma.gov.au/publications/2021-12/report/communications-and-media-australia-trends-and-developments-telecommunications-2020-21

⁵ https://www.triplezero.gov.au/triple-zero/How-to-Call-000/advanced-mobile-location

- The general area is zoned as suburban residential with major connecting roads between the continuously growing suburbs. Furthermore, undulating terrain within the locality significantly limits the capacity of existing facilities to adequality service the required coverage.
- While there are existing base stations in area surrounding Chirnside Park, these are generally too far away, poorly positioned or otherwise limited from a technical perspective; they are unable to provide the required network quality and capacity needed to accommodate existing and future residents and businesses in the area. With the population and development density of the Chirnside Park area expanding quickly, there is a significant social, economic and safety impetus to improve mobile coverage and network capacity in this location. This facility will work in conjunction with the proposed facility located at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (YR-2023/32), to effectively service the area.
- Following the Covid-19 pandemic, there has been strong demand for hybrid working arrangements. The influx of people working from home (WFH) has put additional strain on the existing network, due to the increased demand for downloading data (specifically from entertainment streaming services), as well as the notable increase in data uploads, due to the adoption of online learning and productivity platforms such as Zoom, Google Classroom, Microsoft Teams and Skype etc. The proposed facility will deliver improved network coverage and capacity to the acreage properties surrounding the site, as well as the low-density residential development to the east and south.

3. Candidate Selection

3.1 Site Selection

Before proposing a new base station, mobile carriers will attempt to resolve service issues by reconfiguring or upgrading existing base stations. If upgrades do not resolve service issues, the carrier will consider any opportunities to co-locate on an existing mobile facility, building or other structure.

If there are no feasible co-location opportunities, the carrier will proceed to deploy a new 'greenfield' base station.

This facility is proposed in partnership with Vodafone and Optus, who have confirmed a new telecommunications facility will be needed in the Chirnside North area and are working with Indara to deploy the new facility.

3.2 Upgrade and Co-Location Opportunities

Existing telecommunications facilities in the area have been assessed to confirm if they are feasible for co-location.

Figure 1 shows the location of existing facilities in the area around this proposed site, based on information from the Radio Frequency National Site Archive (RFNSA) database (www.rfnsa.com.au). None of the existing sites in the area are suitable for co-location.



Figure 1: Aerial view of the existing telecommunication facilities in the surrounding locality (Nearmap 2023 and RFNSA 2023).

Existing and Proposed Communications Facilities				
RFNSA Details	Site Address	Comments		
3116006 NBN Co	285 Edward Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116	Existing 50m NBN lattice tower hosting NBN equipment, approximately 1.8km northwest of the proposed Indara facility. Because of this facility's northwest position, it cannot adequately service the rural residential interface to the southeast, due to the geographical separation.		
3140011 Telstra	130-132 Victoria Road Lilydale VIC 3140	Existing Telstra facility located to the northeast of the target coverage area. The facility at this location consists of a 35m monopole. Because of this facility's northeast position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the southwest, due to the geographical separation.		
3116001 Telstra	Chirnside Park Country Club Kingswood Drive Chirnside Park VIC 3116	Existing Telstra facility located 1km to the south of the target coverage area. The facility at this location consists of a rooftop installation on the Chirnside Park Country Club. Indara is of the		

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		understanding that Council is currently assessing a Planning Permit application by Visionstream on behalf of Amplitel for the installation of a new 30m monopole due to a requirement to relocate the existing rooftop facility. Because of this facility's northern position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the north, due to the geographical separation.
3140003 Vodafone Optus	12/122-130 Beresford Road Lilydale VIC 3140	Existing Indara facility located 2.45km to the southeast of the target coverage area. This facility has been established to service the Lilydale industrial complex and surrounding uses, including commuter coverage at Lilydale train station and along the railway corridor.
		Because of this facility's southeast position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the northwest, due to the geographical separation.
3140014 VicTrack	Lilydale Driver Depot Lilydale Railway Station Lilydale VIC 3140	Existing VicTrack facility located 2.49km to the southeast of the target coverage area.
	Enyadio VIO 01 10	Because of this facility's southeast position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the northwest, due to the geographical separation.
3116009 Vodafone Optus	275A Edward Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116	Indara has lodged a development application at this location in February 2023 (DA Reference YR-2023/32), for a new facility supporting equipment to deliver desired coverage towards the northwest along Paynes Road. However, due to the geographical separation, it is unable to deliver the coverage improvements to the southeast and a second facility is required.
		The two facilities will work in conjunction with one another to service Chirnside Park.

3.3 Alternate Candidates

A robust investigation of potential candidates has been undertaken.

The proposed facility will work in conjunction with the proposed facility located at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (YR-2023/32), to effectively service the Chirnside Park area. However, this proposed facility is intended to provide coverage to the surrounding residential development, including the residences east of Victoria Road, south of Switchback Road as well as delivering improved coverage to Lilydale Heights College and along Switchback Road itself.

In identifying a candidate, we have sought to maximise separation from residences and sensitive uses where possible, whilst also endeavouring to minimise impacts on the environment and scenic amenity as far as practicable.

A precautionary approach has been taken to site selection in accordance with sections 4.1 and 4.2 of the *C564:2020 Mobile Base Station Deployment Code*.



Figure 2: Aerial view of the investigated candidates within the Chirnside Park area (Nearmap 2023).

Table 2: Prospective Candidates		
Candidate	Site Address	Comments
Α	New 35m Monopole Lilydale Lawn Cemetery 120 Victoria Road Lilydale VIC 3140 (Lot 30\PP3988)	The Cemetery is managed by the Department of Health and Human Services. The Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust was not supportive of the proposal as it was not compatible with their master plan for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.
В	New 35m Monopole 159 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 6 on LP42995)	After initial discussions, the proposal was not compatible with the landowner's plans for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.
С	New 35m Monopole 6 Honeysuckle Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 12 on LP53754)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
D	New 35m Monopole 5 Cherry Hill Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 28 on LP53754)	Contact with the landowner was not able to be established in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.

E	New 35m Monopole	Contact with the landowner was not able to be established in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility.
	7 Cherry Hill Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 29 on LP53754)	This candidate was therefore discounted.
F	New 35m Monopole Lilydale Heights College 17-19 Nelson Road Lilydale VIC 3140 (Lot 3 on LP3068)	This candidate proposed a monopole at the Lilydale Heights College. After initial discussions, the proposal was not compatible with the landowner's plans for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.
G	New 35m Monopole Lilydale Memorial Park 126-128 Victoria Road Lilydale VIC 3140 (Lot 1~23 on PP3988)	The Lilydale Memorial Park is managed by the Department of Health and Human Services. The Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust was not supportive of the proposal as it was not compatible with their master plan for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.
Н	New 35m Monopole 167 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 2 on LP42995)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
I	New 35m Monopole 165 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 3 on LP42995)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
J	New 35m Monopole 163 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 4 on LP42995)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
К	New 35m Monopole 161 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 5 on LP42995)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
L	New 35m Monopole 157 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 7 on LP42995)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
M	New 35m Monopole 151 Victoria Road Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 10 on LP42995)	After initial discussions, the proposal was not compatible with the landowner's plans for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.
N	New 35m Monopole 8 Honeysuckle Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 11 on LP53754)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
0	New 35m Monopole	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility.

	3 Honeysuckle Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 65 on LP53754)	This candidate was therefore discounted.
P	New 35m Monopole Cherry Hill Way Reserve 8 Cherry Hill Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot RES1 on LP53754)	While Council was initially supportive of the proposal, the location was considered to have a high visual impact compared to the other candidates, due to the lack of vegetation which afforded significant screening opportunities. This candidate was therefore discounted.
Q	New 35m Monopole 6 Meadow Fair Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 11 on LP53754)	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
R	New 35m Monopole 8 Meadow Fair Way Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 38 on LP53754)	This candidate proposed a 35m monopole within a rural paddock north of Switchback Road retaining a Green Wedge zoning. The candidate was considered favourable from a service perspective, as well as having good separation from surrounding land uses, within context. Additionally, the mature vegetation surrounding the proposed site location afforded some screening opportunities compared to the other potential candidates. While some vegetation removal is required to upgrade the existing access track, these are exotic species, which are not considered to have an adverse impact on the environment. Accordingly, this candidate was considered the most appropriate location for a new facility and is the subject of this planning permit application.

4. Site Context

The proposal involves the establishment of a new telecommunications facility at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (Lot 38 on LP53754), to provide Vodafone and Optus mobile and data services to the local area. A copy of the title certificate is provided in **Appendix 1**. The subject lot is freehold land with private ownership signed owners' consent for lodgement of the planning permit application is provided in **Appendix 2**.

The subject lot has a total land area of 2.04ha and is zoned as GWZ4 Green Wedge Zone under the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme.

The lot is largely undeveloped rural lot, which has been historically cleared of native vegetation, except for a row of trees planted in a rectangle around a paddock and a few scattered trees across the property. The immediate area surrounding the subject site forms part of a wider rural precinct, consisting predominantly of acreage properties of approximately 2ha each. The wider surroundings to the south and east are comprised of established low density residential development, while the north and west are comprised of larger rural properties.

The proposed facility is located near the southeast corner of the lot, where the surrounding mature vegetation buffers will aid in screening the lower portions of the facility from surrounding vantage points.

Figures 3 to 6 show the proposed site location.



Figure 3: Aerial view of the subject lot, as outlined in blue, in relation to the general surrounding area (Nearmap 2023).



Figure 4: Aerial view of the proposed site location, as shown indicatively in red (Nearmap 2023)



Figure 5: View of the existing access gate, off Meadow Fair Way, as well as the mature vegetation lining the property boundary (Indara 2023).



Figure 6: View of the proposed compound area, on land that has historically been cleared of all vegetation (Indara 2023).

5. Proposed Works

5.1 Equipment to be Installed.

The proposed works consist of:

- One (1) 35m Indara monopole;
- One (1) new antenna headframe supporting the following equipment:
 - o Fifteen (15) new panel antennas;
- One (1) six bay outdoor equipment cabinet at ground level;
- New concrete culvert crossover, as per council standard design;
- Upgrade the existing access track to be suitable for heavy vehicle access;
- Removal and trimming of several trees along the access track;
- Ancillary equipment associated with operation and safety of the facility, including remote radio units, elevated cable tray, cabling and antenna mounts, group meter panel, security fencing with 3m wide double access gate etc.

The monopole and associated equipment will be finished in a pale grey, while the equipment cabinet will be a pale eucalypt or beige colour. However, Indara is willing to consider an alternative colour schemes at Council's request.

Refer Appendix 3 for proposal plans.

5.2 Site Access and Parking

The facility will be accessed via the existing access gate off Fair Meadow Way, as shown in **Figure 5**.

The existing access track will require upgrading to be suitable for heavy vehicle access for construction and ongoing maintenance of the proposed facility. Indara are proposing to construct a new concrete culvert crossover in accordance with Council's Standard Design Drawings. Additionally, the access track will be upgraded with compacted fine gravel.

Several trees and weeds (blackberry bushes) along the access will require trimming and removal to enable access for heavy vehicles.

Once the proposed facility is operational, it will require access approximately 2-4 times annually for routine maintenance, during which a four-wheel drive vehicle is normally used. Heavy vehicle usage is low and anticipated to occur approximately once annually. The facility will otherwise operate on an unmanned basis and will not generate significant vehicle traffic.

5.3 Power and Utilities

Indara propose to connect the facility to mains power from the existing power pole (Pole: 1013617), off Meadow Fair Street, near the proposed access point.

No works associated with stormwater drainage, or connections to reticulated water and sewerage, are proposed, or required.

5.4 Noise

The facility will not be a significant generator of noise. The only part of the facility that generates noise is the cooling fans on the equipment cabinet.

Cooling equipment will only operate when required and will not operate continuously. Cooling equipment will operate at levels generally comparable to those of a domestic air conditioner and is not expected to represent a noise nuisance.

5.5 Emissions

Operation of the facility will not result in emission of dust, heat, smoke, gaseous plumes or particulates.

To provide mobile coverage, the facility will produce electromagnetic EME emissions. These will be within the levels prescribed by ARPANSA and regulated by ACMA. An ARPANSA EME Report, demonstrating compliance with Australian safety standards, is attached. Refer Section 8 of this report.

5.6 Heritage

The subject lot has been subjected to significant disturbance historically. It is not heritage listed and searches indicate no record of European artefacts or sensitivity.

The subject site is not identified to contain any areas of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage as defined by the *Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018*. However, should any artefacts be identified during build, works will cease, and the appropriate investigations will be undertaken.

5.7 Environment and Biodiversity

The subject lot has been subjected to extensive vegetation clearing historically and has been replanted predominantly with exotic species. Additionally, invasive blackberry bushes were identified along the access track during the field investigation.

In order to provide adequate clearance for heavy vehicles to access the proposed site location, several trees will require lower branch trimming as they are encroaching on the access track. Additionally, the invasive blackberry bushes along the access track will also be removed.

Figure 7 shows the location of the existing trees on either side of the access track, at the entrance to the paddock, which will require trimming and/or removal to enable heavy vehicle access. In the first instance, Indara will endeavour to trim the trees, however, if this is insufficient, Indara will remove one of the tree as a last resort. A suitably qualified arborist will be on site to undertake any proposed vegetation trimming or removal.

As the trees are predominantly exotic species, the proposal is not considered to have an adverse environmental impact.



Figure 7: The existing trees on either side of the access track, at the entrance to the paddock, which will require trimming and/or removal to enable heavy vehicle access.

5.8 Aviation

The proposed facility is not expected to have any impact on aviation safety. The facility is not within 30km of an airport or aerodrome, and does not penetrate any Obstacle Limitation Surfaces. No specific aviation safety measures, such as lighting or obstacle paintwork, are proposed.

6. Legislative Context

6.1 Commonwealth Legislation

6.1.1 Telecommunications Act 1997 and Telecommunications (Low-Impact Facilities) Determination 2018

The *Telecommunications Act 1997* allows mobile carriers to perform certain maintenance and installation works without needing development consent. The *Telecommunications (Low-Impact Facilities) Determination 2018* also allows for certain kinds of 'Low Impact' equipment to be installed without development consent. New towers do not fall within these federal planning exemptions. Accordingly, this proposal will require Council approval.

6.1.2 Telecommunications Code of Practice 2021

The *Telecommunications Code of Practice 2021* emphasizes "best practice" for the installation of facilities, compliance with industry standards and minimisation of adverse impacts on the environment.

This proposal has been designed with consideration for the Code of Practice. All steps will be taken to do as little damage as practicable; the facility will be constructed and operated in accordance with industry standards and good engineering practice; and the design of the facility will be in accordance with industry best practice.

6.1.3 C564:2020 Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code

The Communications Alliance Limited *C564:2020 Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code* (the Deployment Code) is an industry code of practice registered by the Australian Communications and Media Authority.

The Code applies to all licenced telecommunications carriers, and sets guidelines for site selection, community consultation, design, installation and operation of telecommunications facilities.

Sections 4.1 and 4.2 of the Code are relevant to this proposal, and require a precautionary approach to site selection, infrastructure design and site operation. The proposed facility has been sited and designed in accordance with Sections 4.1 and 4.2. Checklists demonstrating compliance can be provided on request.

The Code also requires an ARPANSA EME report be prepared for all new mobile base stations, to demonstrate compliance with relevant safety standards. The report is provided in **Appendix 4**.

6.2 Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme

6.2.1 Clause 19.03 Development Infrastructure

The Victoria Planning Provisions (VPPs) are a comprehensive set of planning provisions that apply across the state of Victoria and are incorporated into all planning schemes. The VPPs recognise the importance of telecommunications networks to Victoria, while also identifying that deployment of telecommunications infrastructure must be balanced against adverse environmental impacts.

Clause 19.03-4S and 19.03-4L provides guidelines for Councils to consider in relation to deployment of telecommunications facilities. The proposal is generally compliant.

Compliance with 19.03-4S Telecommunications				
Objective	Response			
To facilitate the orderly development, extension and maintenance of telecommunications infrastructure.	Complies. This proposed facility is for the orderly development of a new telecommunications facility. This will provide additional coverage and capacity for Vodafone and Optus residential and commercial customers in Chirnside Park.			
Strategies	Comments			
Facilitate the upgrading and maintenance of telecommunications facilities.	Not applicable. The proposal is for the installation of a new telecommunications facility, not the upgrade or maintenance of existing facilities.			
Ensure that modern telecommunications facilities are widely accessible and that the telecommunications need of business, domestic, entertainment and community services are met.				
Encourage the continued deployment of telecommunications facilities that are easily accessible by: Increasing and improving access for all sectors of the community to the telecommunications network. Supporting access to transport and other public corridors for the deployment of telecommunications networks in order to encourage infrastructure investment and reduce investor risk.	Complies. The proposal will provide essential mobile and data services for commercial and residential customers in the surrounding area, as well as having a significant benefit for public safety.			
Ensure a balance between the provision of telecommunications facilities and the need to protect the environment from adverse impacts arising from telecommunications infrastructure.	Complies. The subject site has been subjected to significant disturbance historically and has been cleared of all significant vegetation. The proposal will require the trimming of several trees, removal of invasive blackberry bushes and the potential clearing of one tree as a last resort, to prevent the branches from encroaching on the access track. The vegetation trimming, and removal if required, will be to the minimum extent necessary to provide safe and clear access to the proposed facility location.			

	Indara intends to retain all vegetation, as far as practical, due to the significant screening opportunities this affords the proposal.
Co-locate telecommunications facilities wherever practical.	Complies. Refer Section 3 .
Planning should have regard to national implications of a telecommunications network and the need for consistency in infrastructure design and placement.	Complies. Refer Section 3 and 4.

Compliance with 19.03-4L Telecommunications						
Strategies	Comments					
The impact on the landscape due to height and appearance.	Complies. Refer to Section 7 .					
Disturbance to vegetation and natural features.	Complies. Refer to Section 5.7 .					
Fire risk to telecommunications facilities.	Complies. The site has not been formally assessed for bushfire risk. The proposal is for an unmanned utility structure on an industrial lot that has been cleared of all significant vegetation.					
	There are five nearby fire stations (Lilydale CFA, CFA District 13 Headquarters, Wonga Park CFA Fire Station, Mooroolbark CFA Fire Station, Coldstream CFA), which are anticipated to be within a 10-minute drive of the proposed site location. As such, the facility itself is not considered to result in additional risk of bushfire in the area (such as through emission of excessive heat or open flame).					
	While the majority of the area is subject to bushfire risk, the subject site is considered to be the most favourable location on the premises for a new telecommunications facility despite this, as it best balances technical, visual and environmental outcomes, as well as being in a position preferred by the landowner to minimise disruptions to the operation of their business. The facility will also significantly strengthen mobile coverage in the event of a natural disaster. Indara can, at Council's request, seek a bushfire assessment to assist with assessment of the project.					
The number of telecommunication facilities by colocating facilities or upgrading existing facilities.	Complies. Refer to Section 3 .					
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6.2.2 Zone Provisions

The site is zoned GWZ Green Wedge Zone - Schedule 6 and is generally compliant with the purposes of the zone.

Compliance with 35.04 Green Wedge Zone					
Purpose	Comments				
To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.	Not Applicable. This purpose relates more to Council decision making, rather than the proposal.				
To provide for the use of land for agriculture.	Complies. The proposed facility has a small footprint and has been situated in an unobtrusive corner of the property, where it will not adversely impact the use of land for agricultural purposes. However, it will provide essential supporting mobile and data services that will directly support agribusiness operating in the surrounding area.				
To protect, conserve and enhance the biodiversity, natural resources, scenic landscapes and heritage values of the area.	Complies as far as practical. The proposed facility has been situated on cleared land and the vegetation trimming and/or removal will be the minimum possible to prevent the branches from encroaching on the access track. As such, the proposal is not considered to have an adverse environmental impact, nor impact the natural resources of the land.				
	From a technical perspective, telecommunications facilities must be tall enough to protrude above the surrounding environment in order to function. Indara acknowledge the proposed facility will be visible from a number of perspectives within the area, however we consider that visual impact is appropriate in context.				
	The proposed facility is intended to service parts of Chirnside Park which are well established, and much of the land in these areas has already been developed as acreage properties or residential purposes. Indara has sought to minimise visual impact by locating the facility on non-residential land, noting there are limited options on non-residential land in this area.				
	Except for Lilydale Lawn Cemetery and the Lilydale Heights College, all of the potential candidates identified in Section 3.3 are located on land that is subject to the Significant Landscape Overlay. As such, regardless of which location was chosen, it would not have been possible to completely avoid impacts on areas that Council considers to be significant landscapes.				
	Whilst Indara has sought to locate the proposed facility away from residential areas, there were very limited opportunities to site a facility further away from residences. Given the constraints within the locality, this location represents a considerably superior option due to the surrounding vegetation, which affording significant screening opportunities.				
	As noted in Section 5.6, the subject site is not identified as holding any Aboriginal or European heritage significance.				
To encourage use and development that is consistent with sustainable land management practices.	Not applicable to this proposal.				

To encourage sustainable farming activities and provide opportunity for a variety of productive agricultural uses.	Complies. The proposal will provide essential supporting mobile and data services for commercial and residential customers in the surrounding area, which will support agribusiness, as well as having a significant benefit for public safety.	
To protect, conserve and enhance the cultural heritage significance and the character of open rural and scenic non-urban landscapes.	Complies as far as practical. As noted in Section 5.6, the subject site is not identified as holding any Aboriginal or European heritage significance.	
dibaii iailuscapes.	Regarding the character of open rural and scenic non-urban landscapes, the proposal is not considered to adversely impact the character of these landscapes, given the small scale of the proposed development.	
	The proposed facility has been positioned to provide as much separation from the surrounding residential land uses as practical, whilst still being able to meet the target coverage objectives of Vodafone and Optus	
	The skylines of rural landscapes across Australia are often interspersed with tall vertical elements, such as high voltage towers, light poles and telecommunications facilities. As such, it is not anticipated that the proposed monopole will be out of scale, context or character for the area.	
	The proposed facility is located approximately 110m from the nearest residence and is not considered to be a visual focal point. While the top of the monopole and headframe will protrude above the landscape and will be visible from vantage points within the locality, we note this is a technical requirement, which cannot be avoided. As such, the amenity impact of the proposal is considered to be appropriate in context.	
Schedule 1	Comments	
Earthworks which change the rate of flow or the discharge point of water across a property boundary.	Complies. Given the small scale of the development, the proposal is not considered to have an adverse impact on the rate of flow or the discharge point of water across a property	
Earthworks which increase the discharge of saline groundwater.	boundary, nor increase the discharge of saline groundwater.	

6.2.3 Clause 52.19 Telecommunications Facility

This application seeks approval for the Use and Development of a Telecommunications Facility. Clause 52.19 provides specific requirements for new telecommunications facilities and provides that certain kinds of telecommunications infrastructure do not require development consent.

Clause 52.19 Telecommunications Facility				
Purpose	Comments			
To ensure that telecommunications infrastructure is provided in an efficient and cost-effective manner to meet community needs.	Complies. The proposal will provide improved Vodafone and Optus 4G and establish 5G mobile and data services			
To facilitate an effective state-wide telecommunications network consistent with orderly and proper planning.	to residential and commercial customers in Chirnside Park			

To support the provision of telecommunications facilities with minimal impact on the amenity of the area.	Complies as far as practical. Refer Section 7.
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6.2.4 Overlays

Significant Landscape Overlay

The site is subject to a Significant Landscape Overlay - Schedule 6 and is generally compliant with the purpose and objectives of this overlay.

42.03 Significant Landscape Overlay					
Purpose	Comments				
To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.	Not Applicable. This purpose relates more to Council decision making, rather than the proposal.				
To identify significant landscapes.	Not Applicable. This purpose relates more to Council decision making, rather than the proposal.				
To conserve and enhance the character of significant landscapes.	Complies as far as practical. Regarding the character of significant landscapes, the proposal is not considered to adversely impact the character of these landscapes, given the small scale of the proposed development.				
	The proposed facility has been positioned to provide as much separation from the surrounding residential land uses as practical, whilst still being able to meet the target coverage objectives of Vodafone and Optus				
	The skylines of rural landscapes across Australia are often interspersed with tall vertical elements, such as high voltage towers, light poles and telecommunications facilities. As such, it is not anticipated that the proposed monopole will be out of scale, context or character for the area.				
	The proposed facility is located approximately 110m from the nearest residence and is not considered to be a visual focal point. While the top of the monopole and headframe will protrude above the landscape and will be visible from vantage points within the locality, we note this is a technical requirement, which cannot be avoided. As such, the amenity impact of the proposal is considered to be appropriate in context.				
Schedule 6	Comments				
To maintain a comparatively open rural landscape of farmland and bushland patches in which houses, farm buildings and tourist facilities are generally inconspicuous.	Complies. Due to the small scale of the development, the proposal is not considered to result in the intensification of development within the landscape.				
To ensure that the siting and design of new buildings complements their setting and	As noted previously, the skylines of rural landscapes across Australia are often interspersed with tall vertical elements, such as high voltage towers, light poles and telecommunications facilities. As such, it is not				

reinforces the rural landscape character of the area.	anticipated that the proposed monopole will be out of scale, context or character for the local area.		
To retain established trees and patches of indigenous vegetation as an important element of the rural landscape and habitat for wildlife.	Complies. The subject site has been subjected to significant disturbance historically and has been cleared of all significant vegetation. The proposal will require the trimming of several trees, removal of invasive blackberry bushes and the potential clearing of one tree as a last resort, to prevent the branches from encroaching on the access track. The vegetation trimming, and removal if required, will be to the minimum extent necessary to provide safe and clear access to the proposed facility location.		
	Indara intends to retain all vegetation, as far as practical, due to the significant screening opportunities this affords the proposal.		
To allow middle- and long-distance views from the valley to the surrounding ranges.	Complies. Due to the small scale of the development, the proposal is not considered to have an adverse impact on middle- and long-distance views from the valley to the surrounding ranges.		
To maintain the appearance of an uninterrupted forested backdrop to views.	Complies. The proposal will not interrupt the forested backdrop to views.		
	As noted previously, the skylines of rural landscapes across Australia are often interspersed with tall vertical elements, such as high voltage towers, light poles and telecommunications facilities. As such, it is not anticipated that the proposed monopole will be out of scale, context or character for the local area.		

6.2.5 Clause 65 Decision Guidelines

In making a decision, Council must consider a number of matters as appropriate. The proposed facility has been sited and designed with consideration for these matters.

Clause 65.01 Decision Guidelines					
The matters set out in section 60 of the Act.	The matters set out in Section 60 have been addressed throughout this report				
Any significant effects the environment, including the contamination of land, may have on the use or development.	Refer to Section 5 .				
The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.	Refer to Section 6 .				
The purpose of the zone, overlay or other provision. Any matter required to be considered in the zone, overlay or other provision.	Refer to Section 6.2.				
The orderly planning of the area.					
The effect on the environment, human health and amenity of the area.	Refer to Section 5, Section 7 and Section 8.				

Telecommunication facilities do not generate water Factors likely to cause or contribute to land runoff, storge or use chemicals that may be discharged degradation, salinity or reduce water quality. or impact to the existing water quality. Indara have not prepared a stormwater or drainage plan for this project. Telecommunications facilities do not generally require specific stormwater or drainage works, Whether the proposed development is designed because they have only a small footprint with minimal to maintain or improve the quality of stormwater hardstand surfacing, and thus generate minimal runoff. within and exiting the site. The tower's foundation will be below the ground surface and there will be no hardstand surfacing (paved surface/concrete etc). As a result, the facility will have negligible impact on stormwater runoff and drainage. The extent and character of native vegetation and the likelihood of its destruction. Refer to **Section 5.7**. Whether native vegetation is to be or can be protected, planted or allowed to regenerate. The degree of flood, erosion or fire hazard Flood associated with the location of the land and the The subject site is not identified as having a flood risk. use, development or management of the land so as to minimise any such hazard. **Erosion** Appropriate erosion and sediment control measures will be implemented, as required, during the construction period. **Fire Hazard** The site has not been formally assessed for bushfire risk. The proposal is for an unmanned utility structure on an industrial lot that has been cleared of all significant vegetation. There are five nearby fire stations (Lilydale CFA, CFA District 13 Headquarters, Wonga Park CFA Fire Station, Mooroolbark CFA Fire Station, Coldstream CFA), which are anticipated to be within a 10-minute drive of the proposed site location. As such, the facility itself is not considered to result in additional risk of bushfire in the area (such as through emission of excessive heat or open flame). While the majority of the area is subject to bushfire risk, the subject site is considered to be the most favourable location on the premises for a new telecommunications facility despite this, as it best balances technical, visual and environmental outcomes, as well as being in a position preferred by the landowner to minimise disruptions to the operation of their business. The facility will also significantly strengthen mobile coverage in the event of a natural disaster. Indara can, at Council's request, seek a bushfire assessment to assist with assessment of the project. The adequacy of loading and unloading facilities Not applicable to this proposal. and any associated amenity, traffic flow and road safety impacts. The impact the use or development will have on the current and future development and operation of the transport system.

7. Visual Impact

7.1 Visual Impact Assessment

There are numerous technical requirements that need to be considered by mobile carriers with regards to site selection.

Telecommunications facilities, by their nature, must be tall enough to protrude above the surrounding environment to function. At this location, a 35m monopole is required to meet the targeted coverage objectives for Vodafone; it is the smallest structure capable of achieving a feasible level of service.

Indara acknowledge the facility will be visible from a number of perspectives within the locality. However, the visual impact of this proposal is not considered inappropriate in context – the site is located near the boundary of a rural residential interface, both of which are often interspersed with tall vertical elements, such as high voltage towers and light poles, which are established features across these landscapes. Accordingly, the proposed facility is not considered to be out of scale, context or character for the area.

Additionally, certain measures have been taken to ensure that visual impact is mitigated as far as practicable, these include:

- Use of a monopole is proposed. Monopoles are considered to be a sympathetic inclusion to the environment when compared to other structure types, such as lattice towers, because of their slimmer profile.
- To minimize visual bulk, Vodafone and Optus antennas will be mounted on a single headframe, reducing visual impact compared with separate headframes at different heights.
- Indara has sought to minimise amenity impacts as far as possible by locating the proposed facility away from more sensitive land uses where possible. Additionally, the mature strands of vegetation withing the surrounding area afford significant screening opportunities to the proposed facility.
- The facility will be finished in unpainted grey, which will be of a similar appearance to other lighting and electrical infrastructure. Grey facilities also tend to blend well into the skyline in all weathers and are considered to be the most sympathetic finish with regards to blending a facility into an urban landscape. However, Indara will consider an alternate colour scheme if requested by Council.

7.2 Technical Requirements

The visual impact of the proposed facility should also be considered in light of technical requirements; there are numerous technical requirements that need to be considered by mobile carriers with regards to site selection:

- Base stations must be close to the area they are servicing. Relocating the facility, even by a small distance, could impact the site's ability to service the area effectively, particularly when an area is subject to significant constraints.
- Individual base stations are cells within a wider network, meaning they must also work in
 conjunction with surrounding base stations in the area. If sites are too close to each other,
 they may cause interference, while sites that are too far from each other, may result in
 coverage interruptions. In this instance, the subject site works in conjunction with the existing
 facilities within the broader locality, by ensuring the continuity of service, previously provided
 by the decommissioned facility.
- The coverage from a base station is impacted by terrain and environmental obstructions, like buildings and vegetation. Even a small shift can result in impacts to coverage.

The proposed facility is in a favourable location to service the local area. Even if an alternate site were available, relocating the facility may result in a substantially worse service outcome.

The surrounding area has critical need for improved network coverage to meet both the existing demand, as well as future demand, as the population and employment centres grow. Not only must coverage be strong, but network capacity must be sufficient for both the existing, as well as planned population density growth and employment growth.

In this instance, this proposed facility has been located to work in conjunction with the proposed facility located at 275 Edward Road, Chirnside Park VIC 3116 (YR-2023/32), to effectively service the area.

Views from the North

The land to the north of the proposed site location consists predominantly of rural-residential land, with properties interspersed throughout the landscape. The surrounding vista is well vegetated with established trees, which will afford either complete, or considerable screening to the facility and minimise long-distance views, as shown in **Figures 8 and 9**. As such, the proposal is not considered to have an adverse impact on the amenity of the surrounding area, nor is it considered to be a focal point in the landscape from this aspect.



Figure 8: View from the north along Meadow Fair Way, facing southeast towards the proposed facility location, approximately 550m away. From this aspect, the mature vegetation and lower topography affords full or significant screening of the facility (Indara 2023).

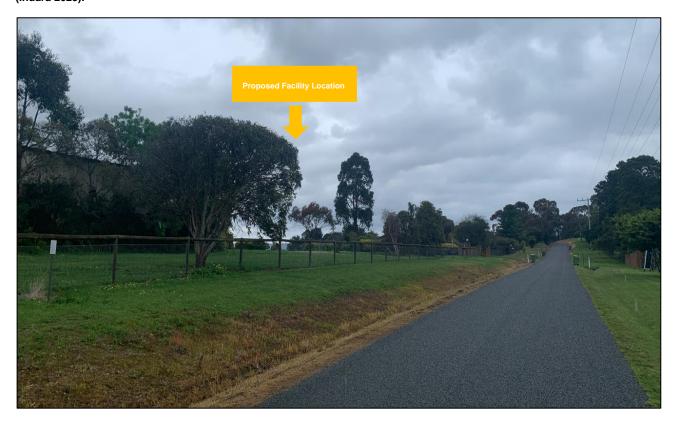


Figure 9: Closer view from the north along Meadow Fair Way, facing southeast towards the proposed facility location, approximately 350m away. From this aspect, the proposed facility is not considered to be a visual focal point, as the mature vegetation will aid in blending the facility into the surrounding landscape (Indara 2023).

Views from the South

The land to the south of the proposed site location consists predominantly of rural residential properties, north of Switchback Road and established low density residential properties to the south. The surrounding vista is well vegetated with established trees, which will similarly afford either complete, or considerable screening to the facility and minimise long-distance views, as shown in **Figure 10**. As such, the proposal is not considered to have an adverse impact on the amenity of the surrounding area, nor is it considered to be a focal point in the landscape from this aspect.



Figure 10: View from the south along Meadow Fair Way, facing northeast towards the proposed facility location, approximately 300m away. From this aspect, the mature vegetation affords significant screening of the facility (Indara 2023).

Views from the East and West

The land to the east of the proposed site location consists predominantly of acreage properties to the east and west of the proposed facility location. As with the other aspects, the surrounding vista is well vegetated with established trees and undulating topography, which afford either complete, or considerable screening to the facility and minimise long-distance views, as shown in **Figures 11 and 12**. However, there may be other vantage points which afford little in the way of screening, which will have more direct views.

Refer to **Appendix 5** for a Photomontage, which has been prepared to show the indicative views of the proposed facility through gaps in the surrounding vegetation.

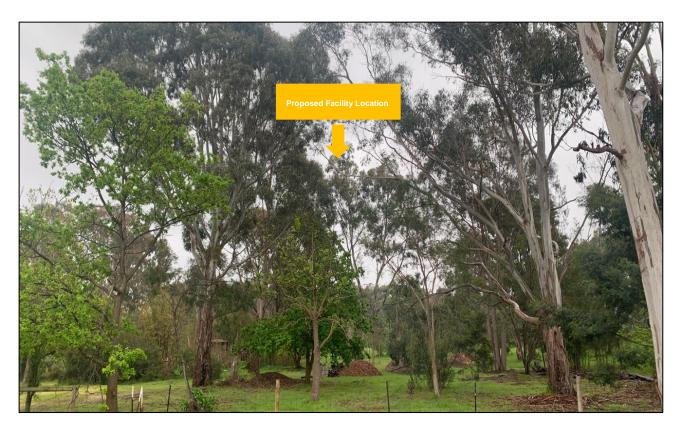


Figure 11: View from the east along Cherry Hill Way, facing west towards the proposed facility location, approximately 205m away. From this aspect, while the facility will protrude into the skyline, the mature vegetation affords significant screening of the facility (Indara 2023).



Figure 12: View from the west along Edward Road, facing east towards the proposed facility location, approximately 600m away. From this aspect, the mature vegetation and lower topography affords significant screening of the facility (Indara 2023).

8. Radiofrequency Emissions and Safety

It is the position of the Australian government, and peak health bodies like the World Health Organization (WHO), that mobile base stations are safe.

Statement from Australia's Chief Medical Officer

I'd like to reassure the community that 5G technology is safe. There is no evidence that telecommunication technologies, such as 5G, cause adverse health impacts. This position is supported by health authorities in Australia – such as the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) – and around the world, such as the World Health Organization.

Mobile phone networks and other wireless telecommunications emit low-powered radio waves also known as radiofrequency (RF) electromagnetic energy (EME). This is different to ionising radiation associated with nuclear energy or use in medicine. The radio waves to which the general public is exposed from telecommunications are not hazardous to human health.

https://www.health.gov.au/news/safety-of-5g-technology

Australian Government Advice

What do we know about EME? Answer: extensive scientific research confirms that mobile technology has no long or short term health effects; and the Australian Government is focused on capturing the benefits of advanced telecommunications while ensuring strict protections and safety standards are met.

The EME standard set by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) defines the maximum exposure limit for all wireless equipment and is strictly enforced by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA). Measurements undertaken by carriers and ACMA show that mobile telecommunication sites emit a tiny fraction of maximum EME exposure limits. The exposure limits are themselves very conservative. As such, sites which operate at 100% of the limit are still considered safe.

This standard is informed by decades of quality studies undertaken by expert Australian and international scientists which show the low levels of EME produced by telecommunications equipment have no adverse effects. This includes previous generations of mobile technology, like 3G and 4G, and the higher, more efficient, radio waves used for 5G.

https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/media-centre/5g-and-electromagnetic-energy

EME is one of the most heavily studied types of energy in the world. Decades of research shows there is no verifiable evidence that EME from telecommunications facilities pose a negative health risk, especially when emission levels are below the maximum exposure limits set out in the Standard for Limiting Exposure to Radiofrequency Fields – 100 kHz to 300 GHz (the Standard).

https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/media-technology-communications/spectrum/5g-eme

All mobile base stations in Australia must comply with a strict safety standard called the *Standard* for *Limiting Exposure to Radiofrequency Fields* – 100 KHz to 300 GHz (RPS S-1). The standard has been prepared by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA),

based on the recommendations of ICNIRP (International Commission for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection).

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) regulates compliance with the standard. The safety standard applies to all mobile frequencies currently used in Australia, including 4G and 5G.

The Standard operates by placing a limit on the strength of the signal (or RF EME) that mobile carriers can transmit to and from any network base station. The environmental standard restricts the signal strength to a level low enough to protect all people at all times. It has a significant safety margin, or precautionary approach, built into it.

An ARPANSA EME report has been prepared to demonstrate compliance with the Australian standard. This report demonstrates the maximum signal strength that a proposed telecommunications facility is capable of producing, assuming it is operating at maximum capacity.

This facility will operate at maximum EME levels representing **2.16%** of the Australian standard. Refer to **Appendix 4**.

Note that mobile base stations are designed to operate at minimum, not maximum, power levels at all times. The facility will only operate at a level necessary to accommodate the number of customers using the facility at any one time. Actual EME levels emitted by the facility will generally be much lower than those shown in the ARPANSA EME Report.

9. Conclusion

Indara is seeking development consent to install a new telecommunications facility at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park. The new facility is proposed to deliver improved mobile services to the southeast part of Chirnside Park.

The facility has been sited to minimise impact on surrounding land uses as far as practicable, generally accords with planning requirements for the site, and has as small as possible a visual impact.

Given the significant public benefit afforded by the proposal, it is requested that consent be granted to undertake the project.

Appendix 1: Certificate of Title

Appendix 2: Owner's Consent

Appendix 3: Proposal Plans

Appendix 4: ARPANSA EME Report

Appendix 5: Photomontage

ARBORICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

SITE 340074 CHIRNSIDE PARK NORTHEAST

> 8 MEADOW FAIR WAY CHIRNSIDE PARK VIC 3116

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1.1 Indara Digital Infrastructure has engaged Treespace Solutions Pty Ltd to provide an Arboricultural Impact Assessment for the proposed location of a telecommunications facility and compound at 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park, site 340074 Chirnside Park Northeast.
- 1.1.2 Scope of work:
 - Provide an impact assessment for the trees in proximity to the proposed lease site, facility location and the
 access track upgrade.
 - Provide recommendations to minimise tree impacts associated with the facility location, access track construction and the installation of services including tree pruning requirements.
- 1.1.3 The site and trees were assessed by Matthew Nees on 30 October 2023 using a TruPulse 200 / B laser height meter, Avalon 8X32 Mini HD Binoculars and a Richter 5m Fibreglass Diameter Tape. Full and direct access to the trees was available.

2.0 DISCUSSION

- 2.1.1 The proposed site for the telecommunications facility and compound is located in proximity to the south-eastern corner of the subject site 8 Meadow Fair Way, Chirnside Park adjacent to an established windrow of Monterey Cypress to the south and east.
- 2.1.2 The proposed site access track generally follows the existing track which initiates at the south-west property corner beside a stand of maturing Monterey Cypress. The track continues east along the southern boundary to a high point beside a mature Monterey Pine before descending to the aforementioned Monterey Cypress windrow. At this point, the track continues between the trees where visible evidence of the existing track disappears beneath pasture grass. From here the track will be directed toward the northeast away from the Monterey Cypress before again heading due east between a circular stand of Monterey Pine and the Monterey Cypress windrow to the lease area that's sits in an open clearing albeit approximately 5.7m from the north-south windrow of Monterey Cypress.
- 2.1.3 The assessed trees comprise of 5 groups and 12 individual trees.
- 2.1.4 Trees 5 and 6 are both positioned within the adjacent property in proximity to the south boundary and an existing metal shed. The balance of trees are positioned within the site boundaries.
- 2.1.5 The groups of trees comprise of the same species of trees with similar attributes and are generally offset from significant encroachment by the proposal. This includes the windrow's of Monterey Cypress, Monterey Pines and the small Apple trees.
- 2.1.6 The Monterey Cypress are generally well-established specimens in good health albeit with some variability within the group due to lesser specimens being out-competed for light and water resources as is typical for windrows in these circumstances.
- 2.1.7 The Monterey Pine trees are all in good general condition albeit with some variability in height and canopy spread.
- 2.1.8 The 2 groups of Apple trees comprise of one mature and one small-sized semi-mature group. These are low value specimens that have most likely self-seeded from a pre-existing orchard.

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- 2.1.9 The individual specimens comprise of Monterey Cypress and Pines, a maturing Silver-leaved Stringybark Gum, a supressed Black Sheoak, a self-seeded Desert Ash and a self-seeded Hawthorn. The trees have been assessed individually where the potential for a significant encroachment by the proposed access track exists.
- 2.1.10 The individual trees are generally in good condition with the exception of Trees 9 and 12, both of which are Monterey Cypress which have developed a poor form/structure due to competition from the adjoining windrow specimens.
- 2.1.11 Please refer to 10.0 Tree Data Table for further details.

3.0 AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, LEASE PLAN & ACCESS TRACK

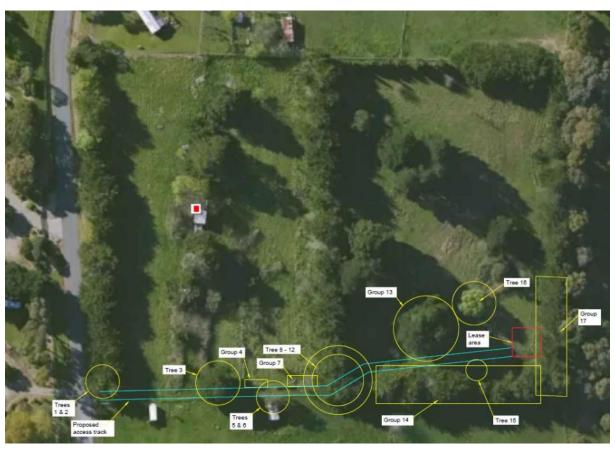


Figure 1: Aerial photograph Metromap 24 December 2022

4.0 PROPOSED ACCESS TRACK & FIBRE ROUTE

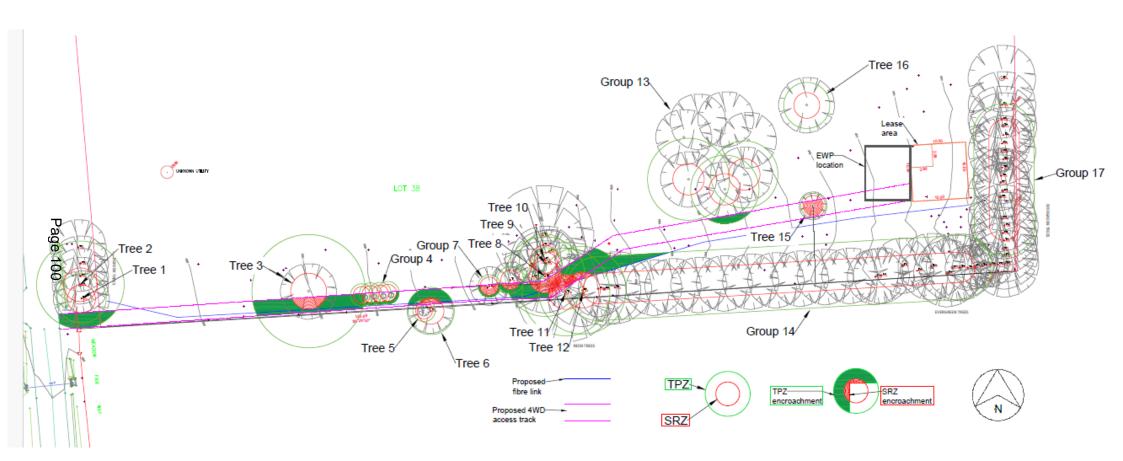


Figure 2: 340074-G1 Revision C Site & Locality Plans

5.0 TREE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1.1 The assessment has been prepared with the following drawings:
 - 340074-G1 Revision C Site & Locality Plans prepared by Indara Digital Infrastructure 24/06/2023
- 5.1.2 In accordance with AS4373-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, an encroachment up to 10% upon a TPZ is considered minor. An encroachment greater than 10% is considered major and has the potential to undermine the health and viability of the affected tree(s).
- 5.1.3 Under the current proposal the following impacts have been noted:

Table 1: Arboricultural Impact assessment

Tree	Taxon	Height	Width	Encroachment		Recommendations
		(m)	(m)	Major/Minor	Notes	About and the land and the street
	Hesperocyparis		_	Major – Access Track	Structural roots visible at ground	- Above grade track construction
1	macrocarpa	12	5		surface to be protected	- Uplift branches to accommodate plant to 4m
						- Above grade track construction within TPZ
	Hesperocyparis		_		Structural roots visible at ground	- Outreaching limbs to be reduced to accommodate
2	macrocarpa	12	8	Major – Access Track	surface	plant traffic
					Tree positioned at high point on	- Directional boring within TPZ
					access track	- Above grade track construction within TPZ
				Major – Access track	Exposed surface structural root	- Uplift branches to accommodate plant to 4m -
3	Pinus radiata	14	11	and fibre route	in access track to be protected	approximately 8/9 branches.
	Malus x				Removal may be required to	If outside of track footprint, above grade track
G4	domestica	2.5	2.5	Major – Access track	accommodate track.	construction within TPZ
	Allocasuarina			Major – Access track	Positioned beside T6 & 0.6m	
5	littoralis	4	2.5	and fibre route	from boundary fence	- Above grade track construction within TPZ
						- Directional boring within TPZ
						- Above grade track construction within TPZ
						- Outreaching limbs to be reduced to accommodate
					Responsible property owner	plant traffic
	Eucalyptus			Major – Access track	accepts that canopy reduction of	- Uplift lower branches to 4m - 1 lower scaffold & 3
6	cephalocarpa	10	8	and fibre route	canopy will be required	smaller branches within the access track space
						If outside of track footprint
						- reduce canopies to boundary
	Malus x			Major – Access track	Removal may be required to	- Directional boring within TPZ
G7	domestica	5	5	and fibre route	accommodate track	- Above grade track construction
					First in line of hedge row. O.5m	
	Hesperocyparis			Major – Access track	from adjacent internal fence and	Remove to accommodate vehicle access adjacent to
8	macrocarpa	10	8	and fibre route	5m from side boundary	Tree 11
	Hesperocyparis				Dominated by adjacent larger	
9	macrocarpa	10	3	Minor – Access track	specimens	- Remove lowest scaffold branch
	Hesperocyparis			Major – Access track		
10	macrocarpa	18	7		No pruning required.	- Above grade track construction within TPZ
						- Directional boring within TPZ
					Scaffold extending into adjoining	- Above grade track construction within TPZ
					property may need to be	- Removal of lower secondary stem to accommodate
	Hesperocyparis			Major – Access track	removed depending upon	plant.
11	macrocarpa	11	7	and fibre route	direction of access.	- Minor lower canopy to be reduced
	-				Suppressed form from T11 with	- Directional boring within TPZ
	Hesperocyparis			Major – Access track	severe leaning stem toward	- Above grade track construction within TPZ
12	macrocarpa	9	9	and fibre route	track location	- Remove low leaning stem
						- Above grade track construction within TPZ
					Circular cluster with 3 specimens	- Uplift lower canopies to accommodate plant
G13	Pinus radiata	20	9	Minor – access track	closest to access track.	movement
						- Directional boring within TPZ
					Lower branches to be pruned	- Above grade track construction within TPZ
	Hesperocyparis				back to accommodate access	- Uplift lower canopies to accommodate plant
G14	macrocarpa	11	10	Major – fibre route	track - very minor impact	movement
	Crataegus			Major – removal	Positioned 14m from side	- Low value weed species – removal required to
15	monogyna	4	5	required	boundary	accommodate access track
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Tree	Taxon	Height	Width	Encroachment		Recommendations
		(m)	(m)	Major/Minor	Notes	
	Fraxinus					No action required
	angustifolia			None	Positioned 15.5m from nearest	
16	'Raywood'	12	10		compound corner	
	Hesperocyparis					Canopy to be uplifted 3m for a 1m clearance from
G17	macrocarpa	15	12	Minor		compound fence

6.0 CONCLUSIONS

6.1.1 Under the current proposal:

- The lease area and EWP locations do no encroach the TPZ of the adjacent Group 17 however, minor pruning of the lower canopy is required to accommodate the compound fencing.
- The removal of Groups 4, 7, 8 and Trees 15 will be required to accommodate the construction of the 4WD access track. Although Tree 8 is a medium value tree, its removal will be visually obscured in part, by Tree 11.
- Groups 4, 7 and Trees 15 are low value specimens which make an insignificant contribution to the sites landscape amenity.
- The 4WD access track makes a major/significant encroachment upon the TPZ of Trees 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12 and Group 14.
- The fibre route makes a major/significant encroachment upon the TPZ of Trees 3, 5, 6, 11, 12 and Group 14.
- The canopies of Trees 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 11, 12 and Groups 13, 14 and 17.

7.0 RECOMENDATIONS

- 7.1.1 Undertake the removal of Groups 4, 7, 8 and Tree 15 to accommodate construction of the 4WD access track.
- 7.1.2 Prior to construction of the 4WD, a site meeting between the site manager, Project Arborist and arboricultural contractor must take place to discuss the extent of pruning works (as specified in Table 1) to accommodate construction of the access track and plant access.
- 7.1.3 All pruning works are to be undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced contractor in accordance with AS4373-2007 Pruning of amenity trees under the supervision of the Project Arborist.
- 7.1.4 Where within the TPZ of Trees 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12 and Group 14, exclude excavation and construct the 4WD access track above the natural grade.
- 7.1.5 Where within the TPZ of Trees 3, 5, 6, 11, 12 and Group 14, employ non-destructive excavation or boring to a minimum depth of 800mm (top of bore) for the installation of underground services/utilities.

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8.0 PHOTOGRAPHS

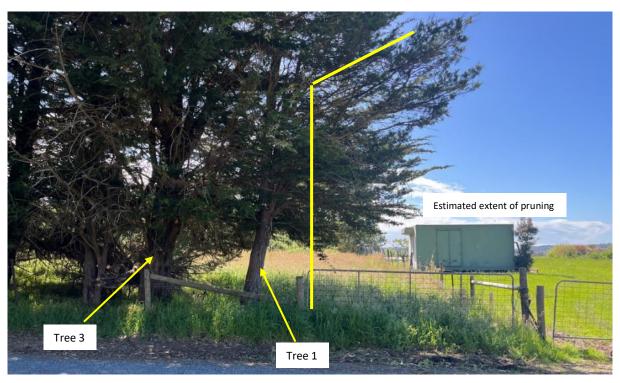


Figure 3: Viewing east toward Trees 1, 2 & access track entry gate



Figure 4: Viewing west toward Tree 3



Figure 5: Viewing east toward Group 4



Figure 6: Viewing north-east toward Tree 1 & proposed lease area



Figure 7: Viewing east toward Group 7



Figure 8: Viewing south-west toward the access route adjacent to Trees 8 &~11



Figure 9: Viewing north toward Trees 9 & 10



Figure 10: Viewing east toward Tree 11



Figure 11: Viewing east toward Tree 12



Figure 12: Viewing east toward Groups 13, 14 & Tree 15



Figure 13: Viewing east toward Groups 13



Figure 14: Viewing south toward Tree 15 - to be removed



Figure 15: Viewing north toward Tree 16

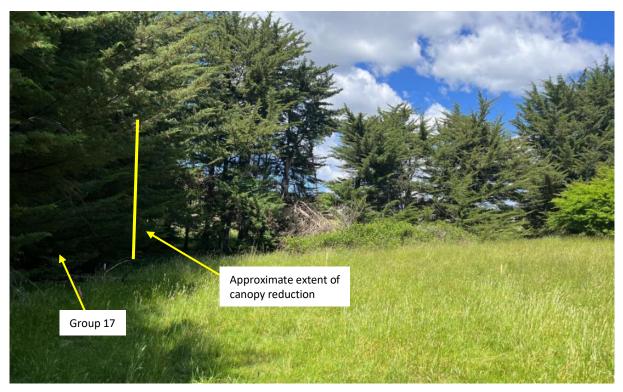


Figure 16: Viewing south toward lease area and Group 17

9.0 DESCRIPTORS

Tree Protection Zone (TPZ)

The principal means of protecting trees on development sites. The TPZ is a combination of the root arear

and crown area requiring protection. It is an area isolated from construction disturbance, so that the tree

remains viable.

Structural Root Zone (SRZ) The area required for tree stability. The SRZ is typically calculated when a major encroachment into a TPZ

is proposed.

Taxon: Botanical name of tree.

Common Name: Accepted common name of taxon

Sources for Taxon and Common Names:

Flora of Victoria online (https://vicflora.rbg.vic.gov.au/)
Horticultural Flora of South-Eastern Australia (Vols. 1-5)

Origin:

IndigenousNaturally occurring taxon within locale. Considered Native under planning scheme provisionsVictoriaNaturally occurring taxon within Victoria. Considered Native under planning scheme provisions

Australia Australian native. Occurs naturally within Australia, but outside Victoria.

Exotic. Introduced taxon to Australia.

DBH: Diameter at breast height (1.4m), in centimetres.

DAB: Diameter of trunk immediately above root buttress, in centimetres.

Height: Height of tree, in metres.

Width: Estimated width of tree, in metres.

TP2: Tree Protection Zone calculated in accordance with AS4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites.

SRZ: Structural Root Zone calculated in accordance with AS4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites.

Form Shape of tree crown

Age

Juvenile: Young, recently planted tree.

Semi-mature: Tree is developing and established.

Mature: Specimen has reached expected size in current situation, limited extension growth.

Over-mature: Specimen entering stage of decline, declining health.

Senescent Tree is in advancing decline.

Health

Good: Optimal vigour for this taxon. Crown full with good density, foliage entire, with good colour, minimal or no pathogen

 $damage.\ Good\ growth\ indicators,\ e.g.\ extension\ growth.\ No\ or\ minimal\ canopy\ dieback.\ Good\ wound-wood\ and\ property of the prop$

callus formation.

Fair: Tree is exhibiting one or more of the following:

 $\label{thm:continuous} Tree\ has\ {$<$}30\%\ deadwood.\ Or\ can\ have\ minor\ canopy\ dieback.\ Foliage\ generally\ with\ good\ colour,\ some$

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discolouration **may** be present, minor pathogen damage present. Typical growth indicators, e.g. extension growth, leaf size, canopy density for species in location may be slightly abnormal.

Poor:

Tree has >30% deadwood. Canopy dieback present. Discoloured or distorted leaves and/or excessive epicormic regrowth. Pathogen is present and/or stress symptoms that could lead to or are contributing to the decline of tree.

Dead:

Tree is dead.

Structure

Good:

Optimal structure for this taxon. Sound branch attachment and/or no minor structural defects. Trunk and scaffold branches sound or only minor damage. Good trunk and scaffold branch taper. No branch over extension. No damage to structural roots, good buttressing present. No obvious root pests or diseases.

Fair:

Some minor structural defects and/or minimal damage to trunk. Bark missing. Cavities could be present. Minimal or no damage to structural roots. Typical structure for species.

Poor:

Major structural defects and/or trunk damaged and/or missing bark. Large cavities and/or girdling or damaged roots that are problematic.

Useful Life Expectancy (ULE)

The length of time a tree can be maintained as a useful amenity specimen. Contingent on a number of factors including expected life-span of the taxon, health and structure, pest, and diseases, weed status.

Arboricultural Value

None

Tree with severe health and/or structural defects that cannot be rectified through reasonably practicable

Arboricultural works; Tree may be inter dependent with surrounding trees and will be unable to be retained once
adjacent shelter trees are removed; The tree is classed as a noxious or environmental weed species and is
detrimental to the environment.

Low

A tree that offers little in terms of contributing to the of the future landscape for reasons of poor health, structural condition, and/or species suitability, including propensity to weediness; A tree that is not significant due to its size and/or age and can be easily replaced; Tree with a ULE of under 10 years; Trees classed as having a low retention value may be able to be retained in the mid to short term if they do not require a disproportionate expenditure of resources (i.e. design modification).

Moderate

A tree with some attributes that may benefit the site in relation to botanical, horticultural, historical, or local significance but may be limited to some degree by their current health condition or future growth in relation to existing or future site conditions and/or immediate/future maintenance requirements. The tree is likely to tolerate changes in its environment and will respond to arboricultural treatments. Trees classed as having a moderate retention value should be considered for retention if reasonably practicable. Arboricultural works may be required but should remain within reasonable limits. Tree may have a ULE of over 10 years if managed appropriately.

High

A tree in good overall condition that has the potential to positively contribute to the landscape in the long-term if appropriately managed. Species is suited to its existing site conditions and can tolerate certain changes in its environment. Ideally, trees with a high retention value should be retained and incorporated into any development plans. The tree is worthy of retention wherever possible.

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10.0 TREE DATA TABLE

Tree	Taxon	Common	Origin	рвн	TPZ	DAB	SRZ	Height	Width	Age	ULE	Health	Structure	Arboricultural	
	TUXOTI	Name	O. Ig.ii	(cm)	(m)	(cm)	(m)	(m)	(m)	7.50	022	· · · cuiti	Structure	Value	Notes
	Hesperocyparis	Monterey		(0)	(,	(6)	(,	(,	(,					10.00	110100
1	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	36	4.4	47	2.5	12	5	Mature	20+years	Fair-good	Fair-good	Medium	
	Hesperocyparis	Monterey									,	. 0	. 0		
2	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	65	7.8	78	3	12	8	Mature	20+years	Fair-good	Fair-good	Medium	
	•	Monterey									,	J	J		
3	Pinus radiata	Pine	Exotic	84	10.1	86	3.2	14	11	Mature	20+years	Good	Fair-good	Medium	
	Malus x										11-20				
G4	domestica	Apple x 4	Exotic	10	2	10	1.5	2.5	2.5	Mature	years	Fair-good	Fair-good	Low	
	Allocasuarina	Black She-								Semi-		_			
5	littoralis	oak	Indigenous	9, 11	2	16	1.6	4	2.5	mature	20+years	Fair	Fair	Low	Third-party ownership
	Eucalyptus	Silver Leafed								Semi-					
6	cephalocarpa	Stringybark	Indigenous	35	4.2	40	2.36	10	8	mature	20+years	Good	Fair-good	Low	Third-party ownership
	Malus x			5, 22 &	2.0 -					Over-	6-10				
_{G7} හ	domestica	Apple	Exotic	13	2.4	28	2	5	5	mature	years	Fair-poor	Fair-good	Low	
age 1	Hesperocyparis	Monterey													
8 <u>~</u>	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	59	7.1	71	2.9	10	8	Mature	20+years	Good	Fair-good	Medium	
2	Hesperocyparis	Monterey									6-10				
910	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	23	2.8	29	2	10	3	Mature	years	Fair-poor	Fair-poor	Low	
	Hesperocyparis	Monterey													
10	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	37	4.5	48	2.5	18	7	Mature	20+years	Fair	Fair	Low	
	Hesperocyparis	Monterey													
11	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	39,51	7.8	81	3.1	11	7	Mature	20+years	Good	Fair	Medium	
4.0	Hesperocyparis	Monterey		24 24 45	7.0						11-20				
12	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	31,34,45	7.8	91	3.2	9	9	Mature	years	Fair	Fair-poor	Low	
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G13	Pinus radiata	Pine x 3	Exotic	50	6.0	65	2.8	20	9	Mature	20+years 11-20	Good	Good	High	
G14	Hesperocyparis macrocarpa	Monterey Cypress	Exotic	47	5.7	57	2.7	11	10	Mature	years	Fair-good	Fair-good	Medium	
014	Crataegus	English	EXULIC	47	5.7	3/	2.1	11	10	iviature	years	raii-good	raii-good	Medium	
15	monogyna	Hawthorn	Exotic	18	2.2	22	1.8	4	5	Mature	20+years	Good	Good	Low	
	Fraxinus	Hawaioiii	LACTIC	10	۷.۷		1.0	7	,	iviatare	201 y Car 3	3000	0000	LOW	
	angustifolia														
16	'Raywood'	Claret Ash	Exotic	34	4.1	41	2.3	12	10	Mature	20+years	Good	Fair-good	Medium	
	Hesperocyparis	Monterey									- ,		0		
G17	macrocarpa	Cypress	Exotic	45	5.4	57	2.7	15	12	Mature	20+years	Good	Fair-good	Medium	
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Environmental EME Report

Location	8 Meadow Fair Way, CHIRNSID	DE PARK VIC 31	16
Date	24/08/2023	RFNSA No.	3116010

How does this report work?

This report provides a summary of levels of radiofrequency (RF) electromagnetic energy (EME) around the wireless base station at 8 Meadow Fair Way, CHIRNSIDE PARK VIC 3116. These levels have been calculated by Nokia using methodology developed by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA). A document describing how to interpret this report is available at ARPANSA's website:

A Guide to the Environmental Report.

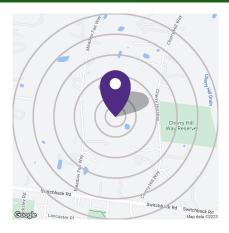
A snapshot of calculated EME levels at this site

There are currently no existing radio systems for this site.

The maximum EME level calculated for the **proposed** changes at this site is

2.16%

out of 100% of the public exposure limit, 221 m from the location.



EME levels v	EME levels with the proposed changes					
Distance from the site	Percentage of the public exposure limit					
0-50 m	0.98%					
50-100 m	1.45%					
100-200 m	1.90%					
200-300 m	2.16%					
300-400 m	1.63%					
400-500 m	0.90%					

For additional information please refer to the EME ARPANSA Report annexure for this site which can be found at http://www.rfnsa.com.au/3116010.

Radio systems at the site

This base station currently has equipment for transmitting the services listed under the existing configuration. The proposal would modify the base station to include all the services listed under the proposed configuration.

		Existing		Proposed
Carrier	Systems	Configuration	Systems	Configuration
Vodafone			5G	NR/LTE1800 (proposed), NR/LTE2100 (proposed), NR700 (proposed), NR/LTE850 (proposed), NR3500 (proposed)
Optus			4G, 5G	NR/LTE700 (proposed), NR/LTE900 (proposed), LTE1800 (proposed), NR/LTE2100 (proposed), LTE2600 (proposed), NR2300 (proposed), NR3500 (proposed)

An in-depth look at calculated EME levels at this site

This table provides calculations of RF EME at different distances from the base station for emissions from existing equipment alone and for emissions from existing equipment and proposed equipment combined. All EME levels are relative to 1.5 m above ground and all distances from the site are in 360° circular bands.

	Exis	ting configura	tion	Prop	osed configura	ation
Distance from the site	Electric field (V/m)	Power density (mW/m²)	Percentage of the public exposure limit	Electric field (V/m)	Power density (mW/m²)	Percentage of the public exposure limit
0-50m				5.04	67.44	0.98%
50-100m				6.98	129.32	1.45%
100-200m				7.49	148.83	1.90%
200-300m				7.73	158.67	2.16%
300-400m				6.71	119.26	1.63%
400-500m				4.96	65.13	0.90%

Calculated EME levels at other areas of interest

This table contains calculations of the maximum EME levels at selected areas of interest, identified through consultation requirements of the <u>Communications Alliance Ltd Deployment Code C564:2020</u> or other means. Calculations are performed over the indicated height range and include all existing and any proposed radio systems for this site.

Maximum cumulative EME level for the proposed configuration

Location	Height range	Electric field (V/m)	Power density (mW/m²)	Percentage of the public exposure limit
No locations identified				

12.05-2S Landscapes

31/07/2018 VC148

Objective

To protect and enhance significant landscapes and open spaces that contribute to character, identity and sustainable environments.

Strategies

Ensure significant landscape areas such as forests, the bays and coastlines are protected.

Ensure development does not detract from the natural qualities of significant landscape areas.

Improve the landscape qualities, open space linkages and environmental performance in significant landscapes and open spaces, including green wedges, conservation areas and non-urban areas.

Recognise the natural landscape for its aesthetic value and as a fully functioning system.

Ensure important natural features are protected and enhanced.

12.05-2L Rural landscapes 02/12/2022 C195yran Stratogies

Strategies

Design and site development sensitively having regard to the natural physical features of the land including slope, existing vegetation and view lines.

Discourage non-farm related commercial buildings that adversely impact on valued rural landscapes.

13.07-1S Land use compatibility

03/03/2023 VC215

Objective

To protect community amenity, human health and safety while facilitating appropriate commercial, industrial, infrastructure or other uses with potential adverse off-site impacts.

Strategies

- Ensure that use or development of land is compatible with adjoining and nearby land uses
- Avoid locating incompatible uses in areas that may be impacted by adverse off-site impacts from commercial, industrial and other uses.
- Avoid or otherwise minimise adverse off-site impacts from commercial, industrial and other uses through land use separation, siting, building design and operational measures.
- Protect commercial, industrial and other employment generating uses from encroachment by use or development that would compromise the ability of those uses to function safely and effectively.

Policy documents

Consider as relevant:

• Recommended separation distances for industrial residual air emissions (Publication 1518, Environment Protection Authority, March 2013).

19.03-4S Telecommunications

04/11/2022 VC226

Objective

To facilitate the orderly development, extension and maintenance of telecommunications infrastructure.

Strategies

Facilitate the upgrading and maintenance of telecommunications facilities.

Ensure that modern telecommunications facilities are widely accessible and that the telecommunications needs of business, domestic, entertainment and community services are met.

Encourage the continued deployment of telecommunications facilities that are easily accessible by:

- Increasing and improving access for all sectors of the community to the telecommunications network.
- Supporting access to transport and other public corridors for the deployment of telecommunications networks in order to encourage infrastructure investment and reduce investor risk.

Ensure a balance between the provision of telecommunications facilities and the need to protect the environment from adverse impacts arising from telecommunications infrastructure.

Co-locate telecommunications facilities wherever practical.

Planning should have regard to national implications of a telecommunications network and the need for consistency in infrastructure design and placement.

19.03-4L Telecommunications 02/12/2022

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Strategies

Site and design telecommunications facilities to minimise:

- The impact on the landscape due to height and appearance.
- Disturbance to vegetation and natural features.
- Fire risk to telecommunications facilities.
- The number of telecommunication facilities by co-locating facilities or upgrading existing facilities.

Locate telecommunications facilities to support improved coverage in areas that are subject to bushfire risk.

35.05 31/07/2018 VC148

GREEN WEDGE A ZONE

Shown on the planning scheme map as GWAZ with a number (if shown).

Purpose

To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.

To provide for the use of land for agriculture.

To protect, conserve and enhance the biodiversity, natural resources, scenic landscapes and heritage values of the area.

To ensure that use and development promotes sustainable land management practices and infrastructure provision.

To protect, conserve and enhance the cultural heritage significance and the character of rural and scenic non-urban landscapes.

To recognise and protect the amenity of existing rural living areas.

35.05-1 01/01/2024 VC250

Table of uses Section 1 - Permit not required

Use	Condition
Agriculture (other than Animal production, Apiculture, Domestic animal husbandry, Racing dog husbandry, Rice growing and Timber production)	
Bed and breakfast	No more than 10 persons may be accommodated away from their normal place of residence.
	At least 1 car parking space must be provided for each 2 persons able to be accommodated away from their normal place of residence.
	Must be located more than 500 metres from the nearest title boundary of land on which a work authority has been applied for or granted under the <i>Mineral Resources</i> (Sustainable Development) Act 1990.
Domestic animal husbandry (other than Domestic animal boarding)	Must be no more than 2 animals.
Home based business	
Informal outdoor recreation	
Poultry farm	Must be no more than 100 poultry (not including emus or ostriches).
	Must be no more than 10 emus and ostriches.
Primary produce sales	Must not be within 100 metres of a dwelling in separate ownership.
	The area used for the display and sale of primary produce must not exceed 50 square metres.

Use	Condition
Racing dog husbandry	Must be no more than 2 animals.
Railway	
Rural store	Must be used in conjunction with Agriculture.
	Must be in a building, not a dwelling and have a gross floor area of less than 100 square metres.
	Must be the only Rural store on the lot.
Tramway	
Any use listed in Clause 62.01	Must meet the requirements of Clause 62.01.
Section 2 - Permit required	
Use	Condition
Animal production (other than Intensive animal production and Poultry farm)	
Broiler farm - if the Section 1 condition to Poultry farm is not met	Must be no more than 10,000 chickens.
Camping and caravan park	
Car park	Must be used in conjunction with another use in Section 1 or 2.
Domestic animal boarding	
Dwelling (other than Bed and breakfast)	Must be the only dwelling on the lot. This does not apply to the replacement of an existing dwelling if the existing dwelling is removed or altered (so it can no longer be used as a dwelling) within one month of the occupation of the replacement dwelling.
	Must meet the requirements of Clause 35.05-2.
Exhibition centre	
Freezing and cool storage	The goods stored must be agricultural produce, or products used in agriculture.
	Must be in a building, not a dwelling, and used to store

Use	Condition
	equipment, goods, or motor vehicles used in conjunction with the occupation of a resident of a dwelling on the lot.
Function centre	Must be used in conjunction with Agriculture, Natural systems, Outdoor recreation facility, Rural industry or Winery.
	The number of patrons present at any time must not exceed the number specified in a schedule to the zone or 150 patrons, whichever is the lesser.
	The lot on which the use is conducted must be at least the minimum subdivision area specified in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, the lot must be at least 8 hectares.
Group accommodation	Must be used in conjunction with Agriculture, Natural systems, Outdoor recreation facility, Rural industry, or Winery.
	The number of dwellings must not exceed the number specified in a schedule to the zone or 40 dwellings, whichever is the lesser.
	The lot on which the use is conducted must be at least the minimum subdivision area specified in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, the lot must be at least 8 hectares.
Hall Host farm	
Indoor recreation facility	Must be for equestrian based leisure, recreation or sport.
Leisure and recreation (other than Informal outdoor recreation, Indoor recreation facility, Major sports and recreation facility and Motor racing track)	
Major sports and recreation facility	Must be for outdoor leisure, recreation or sport.
Market	
Place of worship	
Plant nursery	
Primary school	
Racing dog husbandry - if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must meet the requirements of Clause 53.12.

Use	Condition
Research centre	Must be used in conjunction with Agriculture, Natural systems, Outdoor recreation facility, Rural industry or Winery.
	The lot on which the use is conducted must be at least the minimum subdivision area specified in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, the lot must be at least 8 hectares.
Residential building (other than Residential hotel)	Must be used in conjunction with Agriculture, Natural systems, Outdoor recreation facility, Rural industry or Winery.
	Must be used to provide accommodation for persons away from their normal place of residence.
	The lot on which the use is conducted must be at least the minimum subdivision area specified in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, the lot must be at least 8 hectares.
Restaurant	Must be used in conjunction with Agriculture, Natural systems, Outdoor recreation facility, Rural industry or Winery.
	The number of patrons present must not exceed the number specified in a schedule to the zone or 150 patrons, whichever is the lesser.
	If used in conjunction with Function centre, the total number of patrons present at any time must not exceed the number specified in a schedule to the zone or 150 patrons, whichever is the lesser.
	The lot on which the use is conducted must be at least the minimum subdivision area specified in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, the lot must be at least 8 hectares.
Restricted place of assembly	Must not be used for more than 30 days in a calendar year.
Rural industry (other than Abattoir and Sawmill)	
Rice growing	
Rural store – if the Section 1 condition is not met	Must be in a building, not a dwelling, and used to store equipment, goods, or motor vehicles used in conjunction with the occupation of a resident of a dwelling on the lot.
Secondary school	
Small second dwelling	Must be no more than one dwelling existing on the lot.

Use	Condition
	Must be the only small second dwelling on the lot.
	Reticulated natural gas must not be supplied to the building, or part of a building, used for the small second dwelling.
	Must meet the requirements of Clause 35.05-2.
Timber production	Must meet the requirements of Clause 53.11.
Utility installation (other than Minor utility installation and Telecommunications facility)	
Vehicle store	Must be in a building not a dwelling and used to store motor vehicles used in conjunction with the occupation of a resident of a dwelling on the lot.
Any other use not in Section 1 or 3	

Section 3 - Prohibited

Use

Abattoir

Accommodation (other than Camping and caravan park, Dwelling, Group accommodation, Host farm, Residential building and Small second dwelling)

Display home centre

Education centre (other than Primary school and Secondary school)

Freeway service centre

Funeral parlour

Hospital

Industry (other than Rural industry)

Intensive animal production

Motor racing track

Office

Place of assembly (other than Carnival, Circus, Exhibition centre, Function centre, Hall, Place of worship and Restricted place of assembly)

Retail premises (other than Market, Plant nursery, Primary produce sales and Restaurant)

Saleyard

Sawmill

Service station

Transport terminal

Use

Warehouse (other than Freezing and cool storage, Rural store and Vehicle store)

35.05-2

Use of land for a dwelling or small second dwelling

14/12/2023 VC253

A lot used for a dwelling or small second dwelling must meet the following requirements:

- Access to the dwelling or small second dwelling must be provided via an all-weather road with dimensions adequate
 to accommodate emergency vehicles.
- The dwelling or small second dwelling must be connected to reticulated sewerage, if available. If not available, all
 wastewater must be treated and retained within the lot in accordance with the requirements of the Environment
 Protection Regulations under the Environment Protection Act 2017 for the construction, installation or alteration of
 an on-site wastewater management system.
- The dwelling or small second dwelling must be connected to a reticulated potable water supply or have an alternative potable water supply with adequate storage for domestic use as well as for fire fighting purposes.
- The dwelling or small second dwelling must be connected to a reticulated electricity supply or have an alternative energy source.

35.05-3 14/12/2023 VC253

Subdivision

A permit is required to subdivide land.

Each lot must be at least the area specified for the land in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, each lot must be at least 8 hectares.

A permit may be granted to create smaller lots if any of the following apply:

- The subdivision is the re-subdivision of existing lots, the number of lots is not increased, and the number of dwellings that the land could be used for does not increase.
- The subdivision is by a public authority or utility service provider to create a lot for a utility installation.

A permit must not be granted which would allow a separate lot to be created for land containing a small second dwelling.

VicSmart applications

Subject to Clause 71.06, an application under this clause for a development specified in Column 1 is a class of VicSmart application and must be assessed against the provision specified in Column 2.

Class of application	Information requirements and decision guidelines

Subdivide land to realign the common boundary between 2 lots where:

Clause 59.01

- Each new lot is at least the area specified for the land in the zone or the schedule to the zone.
- The area of either lot is reduced by less than 15 percent.
- The general direction of the common boundary does not change.

Class of application	Information requirements and decision guidelines
Subdivide land into 2 lots where each new lot is at least the area specified for the land in the zone or the schedule to the zone.	Clause 59.12

35.05-4 05/09/2013 VC103

Long term lease or licence for accommodation

A permit is required to lease or license a portion of a lot for a period of more than 10 years if the portion is to be leased or licensed for the purpose of Accommodation.

Each portion of a lot leased or licensed for the purpose of Accommodation must be at least the minimum subdivision area specified for the land in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, each portion of a lot leased or licensed for the purpose of Accommodation must be at least 8 hectares.

35.05-5 14/12/2023 VC253

Buildings and works

A permit is required to construct or carry out any of the following:

- A building or works associated with a use in Section 2 of Clause 35.05-1. This does not apply to:
 - An alteration or extension to an existing dwelling with a floor area of no more than the area specified in a schedule to this zone or, if no area is specified, 50 square metres.
 - An alteration or extension to a small second dwelling.
 - A rainwater tank.
- Earthworks specified in a schedule to this zone, if on land specified in a schedule.
- A building which is within any of the following setbacks:
 - 30 metres from a Transport Zone 2 or land in a Public Acquisition Overlay if the Head, Transport for Victoria is the acquiring authority and the purpose of the acquisition is for a road.
 - 20 metres from a Transport Zone 3 or land in a Public Acquisition Overlay for a road if the Head, Transport for Victoria is not the acquiring authority.
 - 10 metres from any other road.
 - 5 metres from any other boundary.
 - 30 metres from a dwelling or small second dwelling not in the same ownership.
 - 100 metres from a waterway, wetlands or designated flood plain.
- A building or works associated with accommodation located within 500 metres from the nearest title boundary of land on which a work authority has been applied for or granted under the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*.

VicSmart applications

Subject to Clause 71.06, an application under this clause for a development specified in Column 1 is a class of VicSmart application and must be assessed against the provision specified in Column 2.

Class of application	Information requirements and decision guidelines
Construct a building or construct or carry out works with an estimated cost of up to \$250,000 where:	Clause 59.13

Class of application

Information requirements and decision guidelines

- The land is not used for Domestic animal husbandry, Pig farm, Poultry farm, Poultry hatchery, Racing dog husbandry or Rural industry.
- The land is not within 30 metres of land (not a road) which is in a residential zone.
- The building or works are not associated with accommodation located within 500 metres from the nearest title boundary of land on which a work authority has been applied for or granted under the *Mineral Resources* (Sustainable Development) Act 1990.

Any works must not be earthworks specified in the schedule to the zone.

35.05-6 14/12/2023 VC253

Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application to use or subdivide land, lease or license a portion of a lot for a period of more than 10 years if the portion is to be leased or licensed for the purpose of Accommodation, construct a building or construct or carry out works, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

General issues

- The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- Any Regional Catchment Strategy and associated plan applying to the land.
- The capability of the land to accommodate the proposed use or development, addressing site quality attributes including soil type, soil fertility, soil structure, soil permeability, aspect, contour and drainage patterns.
- How the use or development relates to agricultural land use, rural diversification and natural resource management.
- Whether the site is suitable for the use or development and whether the proposal will have an adverse impact on surrounding land uses.
- The need to protect the amenity of existing residents.
- The need to minimise adverse impacts on the character and appearance of the area or features of architectural, scientific or cultural heritage significance, or of natural scenic beauty or importance.
- The potential for accommodation to be adversely affected by vehicular traffic, noise, blasting, dust and vibration from an existing or proposed extractive industry operation if it is located within 500 metres from the nearest title boundary of land on which a work authority has been applied for or granted under the *Mineral Resources* (Sustainable Development) Act 1990.

Rural issues

- The maintenance of agricultural production and the impact on the local rural economy.
- The need to prepare an integrated land management plan.
- The impact on the existing and proposed rural infrastructure.
- The potential for the future expansion of the use or development and the impact of this on adjoining and nearby agricultural and other land uses.
- Protection and retention of land for future sustainable agricultural activities.

Environmental issues

- The impact of the use or development on the flora and fauna on the site and its surrounds.
- An assessment of the likely environmental impact on the natural physical features and resources of the area and in particular any impact caused by the proposal on soil and water quality and by the emission of effluent, noise, dust and odours.
- The need to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the area, including the retention of vegetation and fauna habitat and the revegetation of land including riparian buffers along waterways, gullies, ridge lines, property boundaries and saline recharge and discharge areas.
- How the use or development relates to sustainable land management and the need to prepare a sustainable land management plan.
- The location of on site effluent disposal areas to minimise impact of nutrient loads on waterways and native vegetation.

Design and siting issues

- The need to minimise adverse impacts of the siting, design, height, bulk, colours and materials to be used on major roads, landscape features and vistas.
- The location and design of existing and proposed infrastructure services including gas, water, drainage, telecommunications and sewerage facilities which minimise the visual impact on the landscape.
- The location and design of existing and proposed roads and their impact on the landscape and whether the use or development will require traffic management programs.
- The need to locate and design buildings used for accommodation to avoid or reduce the impact from vehicular traffic, noise, blasting, dust and vibration from an existing or proposed extractive industry operation if it is located within 500 metres from the nearest title boundary of land on which a work authority has been applied for or granted under the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*.

Primary school or secondary school issues

- Access being provided via an all-weather road with dimensions adequate to accommodate emergency vehicles and not rely on local residential streets for access.
- Access by public transport, or if public transport is not available or adequate, transport may be provided by the school. Where transport is provided by the school the parking of buses should be accommodated on site.
- Connection to a reticulated sewerage system if available or if not available, the wastewater must be treated and retained on-site in accordance with the requirements of the Environment Protection Regulations under the *Environment Protection Act 2017* for an on-site waste water management system.
- In the absence of reticulated sewerage, a Land Capability Assessment on the risks to human health and the environment of an on-site wastewater management system constructed, installed or altered on the lot in accordance with the requirements of the Environment Protection Regulations under the *Environment Protection Act 2017*.
- Connection to a reticulated potable water supply or an alternative potable water supply with adequate storage for school use as well as for fire fighting purposes.
- Connection to a reticulated electricity supply or an alternative energy source.

35.05-7 31/07/2018

Signs

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Sign requirements are at Clause 52.05. This zone is in Category 3.

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SCHEDULE 1 TO CLAUSE 35.05 GREEN WEDGE A ZONE

Shown on the planning scheme map as GWAZ1.

1.0 08/07/2021 C189yran Subdivision and other requirements

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	Land	Area/Dimensions/Number
Minimum subdivision area (hectares)	All land	Except as provided for in the schedule to Clause 51.03, a minimum lot size of 1 hectare with an average lot yield not exceeding 1 lot to each 2 hectares of site area and a maximum lot size of 3 hectares
Function centre (number of patrons)	None specified	None specified
Group accommodation (number of dwellings)	None specified	None specified
Residential building (number of bedrooms)	None specified	None specified
Restaurant (number of patrons).	None specified	None specified
Minimum area for which no permit is required to alter or extend an existing dwelling (square metres)	None specified	None specified

Permit requirement for earthworks	Land
Earthworks which change the rate of flow or the discharge point of water across a property boundary.	All land if the earthworks exceed 1 metre in height or depth
Earthworks which increase the discharge of saline groundwater.	All land if the earthworks exceed 1 metre in height or depth

42.03 31/07/2018 VC148

SIGNIFICANT LANDSCAPE OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as SLO with a number.

Purpose

To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.

To identify significant landscapes.

To conserve and enhance the character of significant landscapes.

42.03-1 31/07/2018 VC148

Landscape character and objectives

A schedule to this overlay must contain:

- A statement of the nature and key elements of the landscape.
- The landscape character objectives to be achieved.

42.03-2

Permit requirement

28/10/2022 VC224

A permit is required to:

- Construct a building or construct or carry out works. This does not apply:
 - If a schedule to this overlay specifically states that a permit is not required.
 - To the conduct of agricultural activities including ploughing and fencing (but not the construction of dams) unless a specific requirement for that activity is specified in a schedule to this overlay.
- Construct a fence if specified in the schedule to this overlay.
- Remove, destroy or lop any vegetation specified in a schedule to this overlay. This does not apply:
 - If the table to Clause 42.03-3 specifically states that a permit is not required.
 - To the removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation in accordance with a native vegetation precinct plan specified in the schedule to Clause 52.16.

VicSmart applications

Subject to Clause 71.06, an application under this clause for a development specified in Column 1 is a class of VicSmart application and must be assessed against the provision specified in Column 2.

Class of application	Information requirements and decision guidelines
Construct a fence.	Clause 59.05
Remove, destroy or lop one tree provided:	Clause 59.06
 A permit has not been granted for a VicSmart application to remove, destroy or lop a tree on the same land within the last 12 months. 	
There is no other current VicSmart application to remove, destroy or lop a tree on the same land.	
Construct a building or construct or carry out works for:	Clause 59.05

Class of application

Information requirements and decision guidelines

- A carport, garage, pergola, verandah, deck, shed or similar structure.
- A rainwater tank.

The buildings and works must be associated with a dwelling.

42.03-3 17/02/2022 VC200

Table of exemptions

Emergency works	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped:		
	in an emergency by, or on behalf of, a public authority or municipal council to create an emergency access or to enable emergency works; or		
	where it presents an immediate risk of personal injury or damage to property. Only that part of the vegetation that presents the immediate risk may be removed, destroyed or lopped under this exemption.		
Extractive industry	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to enable the carrying out of extractive industry in accordance with a work plan approved under the <i>Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act</i> 1990 and authorised by a work authority granted under that Act.		
Fire protection	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to enable the carrying out of any of the following fire protection activities:		
	- fire fighting;		
	- planned burning;		
	making or maintaining of a fuelbreak or fire fighting access track (or any combination thereof) that does not exceed a combined width of 6 metres;		
	making of strategic fuelbreak up to 40 metres wide by, or on behalf of, a public authority in accordance with a strategic fuelbreak plan approved by the Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (as constituted under Part 2 of the Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987);		
	is ground fuel within 30 metres of a building and is vegetation other than native vegetation;		
	in accordance with a fire prevention notice issued under either:		
	- Section 65 of the <i>Forests Act 1958</i> ; or		
	Section 41 of the Country Fire Authority Act 1958 .		
	keeping vegetation clear of, or minimising the risk of bushfire ignition from, an electric line in accordance with a code of practice prepared under Part 8 of the Electricity Safety Act 1998;		
	minimising the risk to life and property from bushfire of a roadside of a public road managed by the relevant responsible road authority, and carried out by or		
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The requirement to obtain a permit does not apply to:		
	on behalf of that authority, in accordance with the written agreement of the Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (as constituted under Part 2 of the Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987). In this exemption, roadside, public road and responsible road authority have the same meanings as in section 3 of the Road Management Act 2004. Note: Additional permit exemptions for bushfire protection are provided at Clause 52.12.	
Geothermal energy exploration and extraction	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary in accordance with operation plan approved under the <i>Geothermal Energy Resources Act 2005</i> .	
Greenhouse gas sequestration and exploration	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary in accordance with an operation plan approved under the <i>Greenhouse Gas Geological Sequestration Act 2008</i> .	
Land management or directions notice	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to comply with a land management notice or directions notice served under the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994.	
Land use conditions	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to comply with a land use condition served under the <i>Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994</i> .	
Mineral exploration and extraction	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary by the holder of an exploration, mining, prospecting, or retention licence issued under the <i>Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990</i> :	
	that is low impact exploration within the meaning of Schedule 4A of the <i>Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990</i> ; or	
	in accordance with a work plan approved under Part 3 of the <i>Mineral Resources</i> (Sustainable Development) Act 1990 .	
	Note: Schedule 4A of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990 specifies limits on the extent of native vegetation that may be removed as part of low impact exploration.	
Noxious weeds	Vegetation that is a noxious weed subject of a declaration under section 58 or section 58A of the <i>Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994</i> . This exemption does not apply to Australian Dodder (<i>Cuscuta australis</i>).	
Pest animal burrows	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to enable the removal of pest animal burrows.	
	In the case of native vegetation the written agreement of an officer of the department responsible for administering the <i>Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988</i> is required before the vegetation can be removed, destroyed or lopped.	

The requirement to	obtain a permit does not apply to:		
Planted vegetation	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped that was either planted or grown as a result of direct seeding for Crop raising or Grazing animal production.		
Railways	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to maintain the safe and efficient function of an existing railway, or railway access road, in accordance with the written agreement of the Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (as constituted under Part 2 of the <i>Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987</i>).		
Regrowth	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped that has naturally established or regenerated on land lawfully cleared of naturally established vegetation, and is		
	 bracken (Pteridium esculentum); or within the boundary of a timber production plantation, as indicated on a Plantation Development Notice or other documented record, and has established after the plantation. 		
	This exemption does not apply to land on which vegetation has been destroyed or otherwise damaged as a result of flood, fire or other natural disaster.		
Road safety	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary by and on behalf of a public authority or municipal council to maintain the safe and efficient function of an existing public road in accordance with written agreement of the Secretary of the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (as constituted under Part 2 of the Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987).		
Stone exploration	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary to enable the carrying out of Stone exploration.		
	The maximum extent of vegetation removed, destroyed or lopped under this exemption on contiguous land in the same ownership in a five year period must not exceed any of the following:		
	1 hectare of vegetation which does not include a tree.		
	15 trees with a trunk diameter of less than 40 centimetres at a height of 1.3 metres above ground level.		
	5 trees with a trunk diameter of 40 centimetres or more at a height of 1.3 metres above ground level.		
	This exemption does not apply to costeaning and bulk sampling activities.		
Surveying	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary by, or on behalf of, a licenced surveyor (within the meaning of section 3 of the <i>Surveying Act 2004</i>) using hand-held tools to establish a sightline for the measurement of land.		
Traditional owners	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped by a person acting under, and in accordance with:		

The requirement to obtain a permit does not apply to:		
	a natural resources agreement under Part 6 of the <i>Traditional Owners Settlement Act 2010</i> ; or	
	an authorisation order made under sections 82 or 84 of the <i>Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010</i> as those sections were in force immediately before the commencement of section 24 of the <i>Traditional owners Settlement Amendment Act</i> in 2016 (1 May 2017).	
Tram stops	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary by or on behalf of the Head, Transport for Victoria to construct a tram stop, including a tram stop shelter.	
Transport land	Vegetation that is to be removed, destroyed or lopped to the minimum extent necessary by or on behalf of the Head, Transport for Victoria on land in a Transport Zone, or in a Public Acquisition Overlay if the Head, Transport for Victoria is the acquiring authority, to construct or maintain transport system infrastructure.	

42.03-4 31/07/2018 VC148

Application requirements

An application must be accompanied by any information specified in a schedule to this overlay.

42.03-5 31/07/2018 VC148

Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- The statement of the nature and key elements of the landscape and the landscape character objective contained in a schedule to this overlay.
- The conservation and enhancement of the landscape values of the area.
- The need to remove, destroy or lop vegetation to create a defendable space to reduce the risk of bushfire to life and property.
- The impact of the proposed buildings and works on the landscape due to height, bulk, colour, general appearance or the need to remove vegetation.
- The extent to which the buildings and works are designed to enhance or promote the landscape character objectives of the area.
- The impact of buildings and works on significant views.
- Any other matters specified in a schedule to this overlay.

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SCHEDULE 6 TO CLAUSE 42.03 SIGNIFICANT LANDSCAPE OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as SLO6.

ROLLING HILLS AND BUSHY AGRICULTURE LANDSCAPE

1.0 09/03/2023 C215yran

Statement of nature and key elements of landscape

The Rolling Hills and Bushy Agricultural Landscape covers broad areas of pleasantly undulating land with a mountain backdrop. It includes the lower foothills of the Great Dividing Range north of the Yarra River and the elevated areas south of the river extending from the Warramate Hills through Seville and Wandin towards Macclesfield and Yellingbo in the south. Two significant State Parks contribute to the landscape:

- Yellingbo Nature Conservation Reserve a series of linear riparian vegetation areas along the Woori Yallock, Cockatoo and Sheep Station Creek - (habitat for the endangered Helmeted Honeyeater).
- Yarra Yarraloch Conservation Reserve (Warramate Hills) a prominent isolated range of forested hills flanked by the flood plain of the Yarra River.

This landscape comprises mostly farmland although it includes many patches of remnant vegetation. It generally has a coarse grain of subdivision with lot sizes mostly between 10 and 20 hectares. Lots are divided into an irregular grid network with lot boundaries often being based on natural features. Properties are generally clearly defined by rural post and wire fencing or windrows. The road pattern is irregular.

Much of the landscape is managed as grazing pasture although there are substantial areas of vineyards, pockets of orchards, and some other more intensively cultivated areas. Crop protection structures such as hail netting and igloos are prevalent in some of these areas.

Most houses are well set back from major roads. Building architecture within this landscape is from a range of styles and eras. Farm houses are often large sprawling structures with rural design elements such as verandahs. Houses are often clustered with farm sheds and partly screened by trees. Winery complexes, often adopting contemporary design styles are a feature of the winegrowing areas.

Views are commonly to a mid range of rolling hills with the Great Dividing Range frequently silhouetted across the horizon as a backdrop to longer distance views.

2.0 01/12/2022 C148yran

Landscape character objectives to be achieved

- To maintain a comparatively open rural landscape of farmland and bushland patches in which houses, farm buildings and tourist facilities are generally inconspicuous.
- To ensure that the siting and design of new buildings complements their setting and reinforces the rural landscape character of the area.
- To retain established trees and patches of indigenous vegetation as an important element of the rural landscape and habitat for wildlife.
- To allow middle and long distance views from the valley to the surrounding ranges.
- To maintain the appearance of an uninterrupted forested backdrop to views.

3.0 09/03/2023 C215vran

Permit requirement

Fences

A permit is required to construct a fence.

This does not apply if the fence is both:

- a rural type post and large space open weave wire fence
- less than 1.8 metres high.

Vegetation

A permit is required to remove, destroy or lop

- Any native vegetation that occurs naturally in Yarra Ranges
- A substantial tree having a trunk circumference greater than 1.1 metres (0.35 metre diameter) at one 1.3 metres above the ground.

This does not apply to any of the following:

- The pruning of vegetation that is undertaken to assist its health or structural soundness. No more than one third of the foliage may be removed from any individual plant.
- The removal of vegetation that is dead
- The pruning of branches directly overhanging a lawfully existing building so that they are not overhanging or within 4 metres of the building
- The removal of vegetation where the base of the plant to be removed is within 4 metres of a lawfully existing building
- The removal of planted windrows, woodlots or landscaping consistent with the implementation of a property management plan prepared to the satisfaction of the responsible authority
- The removal of vegetation that is one of the species listed in the Incorporated Document *Yarra Ranges Council List of Environmental Weeds 2019.*

Buildings and Works

A permit is not required to construct or carry out works except for following:

- A new building or extensions to an existing building if the floor area of the construction is more than 100 square metres
- Buildings or works with a height above natural ground level of more than 7 metres
- Buildings or works within 4 metres of the trunk of any substantial tree protected under this planning scheme.

Crop protection structures

The permit requirements of this clause do not apply to the construction of plastic covered igloos.

4.0 01/12/2022 C148yran

Application requirements

None specified.

5.0 01/12/2022 C148yran

Decision guidelines

The following decision guidelines apply to an application for a permit under Clause 42.03 in addition to those specified in Clause 42.03 and elsewhere in the Scheme which must be considered appropriate by the responsible authority. The guidelines are derived from *Vision 2020 by Design – A Built Environment Framework for Yarra Ranges* (Shire of Yarra Ranges May 2008).

Building siting

- The visual impact on views from adjoining roads and other publicly accessible viewing points.
- Whether buildings and associated works are sited to avoid visually prominent sites such as exposed hilltops or ridgelines.
- The impact of the siting of large buildings on their visual bulk, particularly if close to roads or in open settings where

there are no other buildings or mature trees nearby.

- Whether buildings are designed to reflect the topography of the site and minimise the extent of earthworks.
- Whether farm buildings and related structures are clustered with existing buildings on the same land.

Building appearance

- Whether the profile of buildings do not break the skyline or ridgeline behind the building as seen from nearby roads or other publicly accessible viewpoints.
- How the height of buildings relates to the heights of any surrounding tree canopy and nearby development.
- Whether external finishes of buildings use muted tones and non-reflective surfaces and incorporate natural elements such as timber and stone.
- The visual impact of new development on the landscape having regard to the size of frontage setbacks of buildings.
- Whether farm buildings such as storage sheds, water tanks, wine storage tanks and related infrastructure are a visual
 intrusion in the rural setting and whether they are finished in muted colours, screened by planting or otherwise
 merged into the landscape.
- Whether the design and materials of large buildings such as storage and equipment sheds reflect the rural environment and the traditions of farm buildings.
- The building mass and form of larger buildings used for visitor accommodation or other tourist related activities.
- Whether the development includes large signage and advertising, including internally illuminated signs.

Dwellings and outbuildings

- How far dwellings and associated outbuildings are set back from the road.
- The height of dwellings and whether it responds to the topography of the site.
- How the design of dwellings addresses factors such as views and outlook and protection from sun, rain and wind.

Vegetation

- The retention of established trees and patches of indigenous vegetation.
- The extent of vegetation removal and proposed land management improvements such as replacement vegetation.
- The use of indigenous species and including canopy trees in landscaping and screening of new buildings.
- The integration of landscaping with the design of the development and whether it complements the vegetation on any adjoining public land.

Fence and boundary treatments

- Whether the front fence and boundary treatments avoid formal landscape design (such as geometrically aligned/spaced tree avenues or garden beds) and hard surfaces and hard edges in landscaping.
- The appearance of entrance gates and adjacent walls or fences and how they relate to the character of the remainder of the property boundary fence and the landscape.

Other buildings and works

- Whether earthworks will remove the option of future use of the soil resource for productive agriculture.
- Whether the proposal includes urban style road infrastructure such as concrete kerbing, paved footpaths and roundabouts.

52.19

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY

04/11/2022 VC226

Purpose

To ensure that telecommunications infrastructure is provided in an efficient and cost-effective manner to meet community needs.

To facilitate an effective state-wide telecommunications network consistent with proper and orderly planning.

To support the provision of telecommunications facilities with minimal impact on the amenity of the area.

52.19-1 04/11/2022 VC226

Permit requirement

A permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works for a telecommunications facility. This does not apply to the construction of a building or the construction or carrying out of works for any of the following:

- A low-impact facility specified in the *Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 2018* (Cth).
- The inspection and maintenance of a facility as defined in the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Cth).
- A facility authorised by a facility installation permit issued under the Telecommunications Act 1997 (Cth).
- An activity authorised under clause 6(2) of Division 3 of Schedule 3 of the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Cth).
- An activity carried out by a body listed in sections 46 to 51 (inclusive) of the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Cth) pursuant to legislation applying to that body.
- A temporary defence facility.
- A telecommunications facility equipment shelter.
- A telecommunications line forming part of a telecommunications network connected to a building, caravan or mobile home.
- An optical fibre ground wire that replaces an electricity ground wire on a high-voltage transmission tower that supports powerlines designed to operate at 222,000 volts or greater.
- A telecommunications facility located underground if any ground disturbed in constructing or installing the facility is reinstated.
- A telecommunications dish with a diameter of 1.2 metres or less.
- A telecommunications dish with a diameter of more than 1.2 metres and less than or equal to 2.4 metres if the following requirements are met:
 - If the dish is in a Heritage Overlay, it must not be visible from a street (other than a lane) or public park.
 - If the dish is in a residential zone, it must:
 - Be set back from the side or rear boundary 1 metre, plus 0.3 metres for every metre of height over 3.6 metres up to 6.9 metres, plus 1 metre for every metre of height over 6.9 metres.
 - Be set back at least 3 metres from a boundary opposite an existing habitable room window.
 - Not be visible from the street (other than a lane) or a public park.
- A telecommunications tower that replaces an existing light pole on public land if the following requirements are met:
 - The public land manager must be a municipal council.
 - The tower must not be more than 8 metres higher than the light pole.
- A telecommunications tower that replaces an existing telecommunications tower on the same land if the following requirements are met:
 - The tower must not be in a residential zone, or a Significant Landscape Overlay, Heritage Overlay or Neighbourhood Character Overlay.
 - The tower must not be more than 8 metres higher than the existing tower.
 - The tower must not be a lattice tower.

- The tower must be located within 20 metres of the existing tower.
- The existing tower must be removed within 60 days of the new tower commencing operation.
- The extension of an existing telecommunications tower if the following requirements are met:
 - The tower must not be in a residential zone.
 - The height of the extension must not exceed 8 metres.
 - The tower must not have been previously extended without a permit.
 - The tower must have been constructed for 12 months before the extension.
- A telecommunications facility on a building if the following requirements are met:
 - If the building is in a residential zone, the height of the facility must not be more than 1 metre higher than the building height of the building.
 - If the building is in a zone other than a residential zone, the height of the facility must not be more than 8 metres higher than the building height of the building.
- A telecommunications facility that provides service coverage during routine or emergency maintenance of an existing facility, construction or installation of a new facility, or additional service coverage for an event, if the following requirements are met:
 - The height of the facility must not exceed 25 metres above its base or the height of the existing facility, whichever
 is the greater.
 - The facility must not be located on the land for more than a total of 4 months in any 12 month period.

52.19-2 Land in public ownership

04/11/2022 VC226

An application affecting land in a public land zone must be accompanied by written confirmation from the public land manager that the public land manager consents generally or conditionally:

- To the application being made; or
- To the application being made and to the proposed development.

This requirement does not apply if the applicant is the public land manager.

52.19-3 Exemptions from notice and review

04/11/2022 VC226

An application under any provision of this planning scheme to construct a building or construct or carry out works for a telecommunications facility is exempt from the notice requirements of section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of section 82(1) of the Act. This exemption does not apply to:

- An application under a Significant Landscape Overlay, a Heritage Overlay, or Neighbourhood Character Overlay.
- An application under a public land zone if the responsible authority is not the public land manager.
- An application for any of the following:
 - A telecommunications dish.
 - A telecommunications facility on a building within 100 metres of a residential zone.
 - A telecommunications facility on a building within 100 metres of a dwelling not on the same land or land in contiguous ownership.
 - A telecommunications tower in a residential zone.
 - A telecommunications tower within 100 metres of a residential zone.
 - · A telecommunications tower within 100 metres of a dwelling not on the same land or land in contiguous

ownership.

An application under any provision of this planning scheme to use or develop land for a telecommunications facility is exempt from the notice requirements of section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of section 82(1) of the Act if the telecommunications facility is funded, or partly funded, by the Commonwealth through the Mobile Black Spot Program or the State of Victoria.

52.19-4 Application requirements

04/11/2022 VC226

An application must be accompanied by the following information as appropriate:

- A site analysis and design response explaining the design, siting, construction and operation of the telecommunications facility.
- Site boundaries and dimensions.
- The purpose and location of all buildings and works required in the construction of the facility.
- The location of all existing buildings and works to be retained and demolished.
- The location of all proposed buildings and works including dimensions, elevations, materials, colours and finishes.
- The location and use of all buildings on adjoining properties.
- The location of all adjoining streets and access ways.
- · Australian Height Datum levels.
- Natural drainage lines, watercourses, coastal dunes, beach systems and wetlands.
- Proposals for the rehabilitation of the land on which development is to occur.
- Roads and parking areas.
- Materials, landscaping, external lighting, colour and reflectivity.

52.19-5 Decision guidelines

04/11/2022 VC226

Before deciding on an application, in addition to the decision guidelines of clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The design, siting, construction and operation of the telecommunications facility.
- The effect of the telecommunications facility on adjacent land.

65.01 09/12/2021 VC204

APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION OR PLAN

Before deciding on an application or approval of a plan, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The matters set out in section 60 of the Act.
- Any significant effects the environment, including the contamination of land, may have on the use or development.
- The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- The purpose of the zone, overlay or other provision.
- Any matter required to be considered in the zone, overlay or other provision.
- The orderly planning of the area.
- The effect on the environment, human health and amenity of the area.
- The proximity of the land to any public land.
- Factors likely to cause or contribute to land degradation, salinity or reduce water quality.
- Whether the proposed development is designed to maintain or improve the quality of stormwater within and exiting
 the site.
- The extent and character of native vegetation and the likelihood of its destruction.
- Whether native vegetation is to be or can be protected, planted or allowed to regenerate.
- The degree of flood, erosion or fire hazard associated with the location of the land and the use, development or management of the land so as to minimise any such hazard.
- The adequacy of loading and unloading facilities and any associated amenity, traffic flow and road safety impacts.
- The impact the use or development will have on the current and future development and operation of the transport system.

This clause does not apply to a VicSmart application.

Attachment 13 – Existing Telecommunication sites in the area

Existing and Proposed Communications Facilities		
Number on Aerial Map	Site Address	Comments
1	285 Edward Road, Chirnside Park	Existing 50m NBN lattice tower hosting NBN equipment, approximately 1.8km northwest of the proposed Indara facility.
		Because of this facility's northwest position, it cannot adequately service the rural residential interface to the southeast, due to the geographical separation.
2	130-132 Victoria Road	Existing Telstra facility located to the northeast of the target coverage area. The facility at this location consists of a 35m monopole.
	Lilydale VIC 3140	Because of this facility's northeast position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the southwest, due to the geographical separation
3	Chirnside Park Country Club Kingswood Drive Chirnside Park	Existing Telstra facility located 1km to the south of the target coverage area. The facility at this location consists of a rooftop installation on the Chirnside Park Country Club.
	Chimistae Park	Indara is of the understanding that Council is currently assessing a Planning Permit application by Visionstream on behalf of Amplitel for the installation of a new 30m monopole due to a requirement to relocate the existing rooftop facility.
		Because of this facility's northern position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the north, due to the geographical separation.
4	Beresford Road Lilydale	Existing Indara facility located 2.45km to the southeast of the target coverage area. This facility has been established to service the Lilydale industrial complex and surrounding uses, including commuter coverage at Lilydale train station and along the railway corridor.
		Because of this facility's southeast position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the northwest, due to the geographical separation.
5	Lilydale Driver Depot Lilydale Railway Station	Existing VicTrack facility located 2.49km to the southeast of the target coverage area.

		Because of this facility's southeast position, it cannot adequately service the area of Chirnside Park to the northwest, due to the geographical separation.
6	275A Edward Road Chirnside Park	Indara has lodged a development application at this location in February 2023 (DA Reference YR-2023/32), for a new facility supporting equipment to deliver desired coverage towards the northwest along Paynes Road.
		However, due to the geographical separation, it is unable to deliver the coverage improvements to the southeast and a second facility is required.
		The two facilities will work in conjunction with one another to service Chirnside Park.

These are shown in detail in the aerial image in Attachment 3 (Figure 4) and table below.

Option on Aerial Map	Site Address	Comments			
A	New 35m Monopole Lilydale Lawn Cemetery 120 Victoria Road Lilydale	The Cemetery is managed by the Department of Health and Human Services. The Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust was not supportive of the proposal as it was not compatible with their master plan for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.			
В	New 35m Monopole 159 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	After initial discussions, the proposal was not compatible with the landowner's plans for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.			
С	New 35m Monopole 6 Honeysuckle Way Chirnside Park	This candidate was therefore discounted. Contact with the landowner was not able to be established in order to enter into a lease agreement			
D	New 35m Monopole 5 Cherry Hill Way Chirnside Park				
E	New 35m Monopole 7 Cherry Hill Way Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner was not able to be established in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted. This candidate proposed a monopole at the Lilydale Heights College. After initial discussions, the proposal was not compatible with the landowner's plans for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted. The Lilydale Memorial Park is managed by the Department of Health and Human Services. The Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust was not supportive of the proposal as it was not compatible with their master plan for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.			
F	New 35m Monopole Lilydale Heights College 17-19 Nelson Road				
G	New 35m Monopole Lilydale Memorial Park 126-128 Victoria Road				

Н	New 35m Monopole	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease
	167 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
		This candidate was therefore discounted.
I	New 35m Monopole 165 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
J	New 35m Monopole 163 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
К	New 35m Monopole 161 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
L	New 35m Monopole 157 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
М	New 35m Monopole 151 Victoria Road Chirnside Park	After initial discussions, the proposal was not compatible with the landowner's plans for the property. This candidate was therefore discounted.
N	New 35m Monopole 8 Honeysuckle Way Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
0	New 35m Monopole	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.
Р	New 35m Monopole	While Council was initially supportive of the proposal, the location was considered to have a high visual impact compared to the other candidates, due to the lack of vegetation which

	Cherry Hill Way Reserve 8 Cherry Hill Way Chirnside Park	afforded significant screening opportunities. This candidate was therefore discounted.		
Q	New 35m Monopole 6 Meadow Fair Way Chirnside Park	Contact with the landowner could not be established, in order to enter into a lease agreement for the proposed facility. This candidate was therefore discounted.		
R	New 35m Monopole 8 Meadow Fair Way Chirnside Park	This candidate proposed a 35m monopole within a rural paddock north of Switchback Road retaining a Green Wedge zoning. The candidate was considered favorable from a service perspective, as well as having good separation from surrounding land uses, within context. Additionally, the mature vegetation surrounding the proposed site location afforded some screening opportunities compared to the other potential candidates. While some vegetation removal is required to upgrade the existing access track, these are exotic species, which are not considered to have an adverse impact on the environment. Accordingly, this candidate was considered the most appropriate location for a new facility and is the subject of this planning permit application.		





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1. Introduction

This Preliminary Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (PLVIA) has been prepared by Peter Haack Consulting (refer to *Appendix A*) for Indara Digital Infrastructure (Indara) in response to a request for further information (RFI) from Yarra Ranges Council (Council).

In their RFI dated the 6th October 2023, Council has requested:

B 2) – Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Report

A Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Report is required with images from the points in blue below (these are low points in the topography where the development will be most prominent as viewed from the ridge. It is to include photomontages as appropriate.

The following must be taken into account in the preparation of the assessment report:

- The development post construction in the context of all trees and vegetation that are to be retained (i.e., not include those that will be removed) and the planting proposed as part of the landscaping plan as planted not the expected future outcome at full maturity.
- The Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA) must include, at a minimum, an assessment from the locations identified below (refer to *Figure 1*).
- Arrows are indicative in direction and direction of view should be towards proposed development.
- Photo points should be selected from within the road reserve to ensure that immediate roadside vegetation and vehicles do not block views of the site, as much as is practicable.
 LVIA methodology may identify additional locations and should not be limited to these locations only.



Figure 1 – Required viewpoint assessment locations (Source: Council RFI)



2. The Proposal

Indara proposes to construct a mobile telecommunications facility at 8 Meadow Fair Way (refer to *Figure 1*). The proposal comprises (refer to *Figure 2* and *Figure 3*):

- A six bay equipment cabinet, "Pale Eucalypt" in colour.
- A 35 metre (m) high monopole topped with a triangular headframe mounted with 15 panel type antennae, and 21 smaller radio remote units installed in line with the panel antennas. The overall structure height is approximately 38m.
- A barbed wire topped chainmesh security fence.

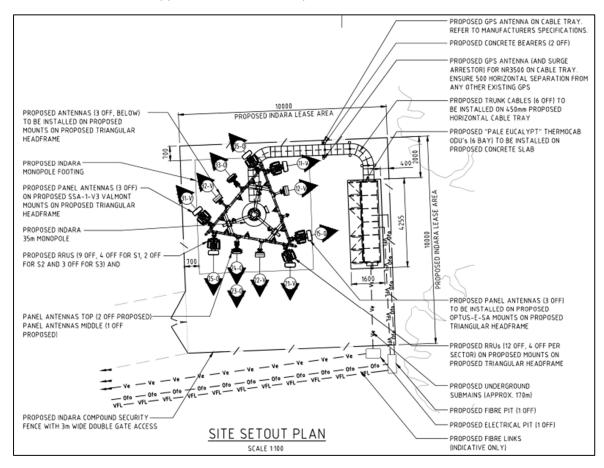


Figure 2 – Proposal - Site setout plan (Source: Indara).



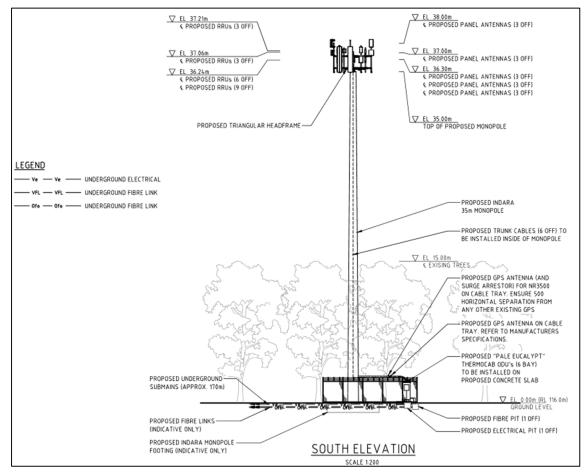


Figure 3 – Proposal – South elevation (Source: Indara).



3. The Landscape Setting of the Proposal

The proposal is located in the southeastern corner of the subject property, approximately 200m from Cherry Hills Way and 150m from Meadow Fair Way (refer to *Figure 4*).

The landscape of the site and surrounding area is undulating with elevation ranging between 135m AHD, at a high point approximately 200m to the west northwest of the proposal, and approximately 90m AHD at Cherry Hill and Paynes Road drains. Slopes are typically in the order of 6%, and at their steepest 13%.

The landscape character is rural residential and most residences in the surrounding area, which are primarily single storey, have large footprints and are typically surrounded by vegetation which will filter or screen outward views (refer to *Figure 5* and *Figure 6*). Rural residential property boundaries adjacent to roads are mostly lined by vegetation.

The subject property is well treed, with bands of mature canopy vegetation lining the boundaries as well as running north to south inside the property (refer to *Figure 7, Figure 8, Figure 9 and Figure 10*). Grassed areas fill the spaces between the trees, however, the grassed area immediately adjacent to the north of the proposal also contains large, scattered trees.

The proposal is located in the context of existing power poles and overhead wires located along the sides of Edward Road, Meadow Fair Way and Cherry Wills Way (refer to *Figure 11*). These power poles, to 12m in height, would appear as tall as the proposal when viewed from the road with perspective effect taken into account, and would be far more numerous in occurrence.



Figure 4 - Topography of the subject site and surrounding area – 10m intervals (Source: mapshare.vic.gov.au).

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Figure 5 – Residence at 8 Cherry Hill Way, approximately 320m to the east of the proposal showing typical vegetation surrounding residences in the area (Source: Google Earth – 2018 imagery).



Figure 6 – Residence at 5 Meadow Fair Way, approximately 190m to the west of the proposal, showing dense surrounding vegetation.





Figure 7 – Vegetation coverage of the subject property (Source: Google Earth – 2018 imagery).



Figure 8 - View east southeast along the southern boundary of the subject property towards the location of the proposal.





Figure 9 - View east northeast along the northern boundary of the subject property.



Figure 10 – View south along the subject site's western boundary to meadow Fair Way.





Figure 11 - Existing infrastructure – Existing power infrastructure and lighting poles along Edwards Road. Both Meadow Fair Way and Cherry Hill Way have overhead power infrastructure.



Planning Considerations Relevant to Landscape and Visual Matters

Green Wedge A Zone – Schedule 1 (GWAZ1)

Of relevance to landscape and visual matters are planning policies that seek to protect attributes that individually, or combined, contribute to landscape character and scenic quality.

The proposal is located within GWZ1. The purpose of the zone is:

- To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- To provide for the use of land for agriculture.
- To recognise, protect and conserve green wedge land for its agricultural, environmental, historic, landscape, recreational and tourism opportunities, and mineral and stone resources.
- To encourage use and development that is consistent with sustainable land management practices.
- To encourage sustainable farming activities and provide opportunity for a variety of productive agricultural uses.
- To protect, conserve and enhance the cultural heritage significance and the character of open rural and scenic non-urban landscapes.
- To protect and enhance the biodiversity of the area.

Significant Landscape Overlay 6 (SLO6)

The proposal is subject to SLO6. The Landscape character objectives to be achieved are:

- To maintain a comparatively open rural landscape of farmland and bushland patches in which houses, farm buildings and tourist facilities are generally inconspicuous.
- To ensure that the siting and design of new buildings complements their setting and reinforces the rural landscape character of the area.
- To retain established trees and patches of indigenous vegetation as an important element of the rural landscape and habitat for wildlife.
- To allow middle and long distance views from the valley to the surrounding ranges.
- To maintain the appearance of an uninterrupted forested backdrop to views.

Compliance with GWZ1 and SLO6

The siting of the facility immediately adjacent to, and surrounded by tall vegetation (approximately 15m in height), is consistent with best practice for the minimisation of visual impact of vertical infrastructure.

- The proposal is consistent with the objectives of GWZ1 as it has been sited and designed to minimise impacts on scenic landscapes and the amenity of rural living areas.
- The proposal is consistent with the objective of SLO6 in that it has been sited and designed to minimise impact on visual and landscape amenity, particularly long views to forested backdrops and ranges.

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5. Preliminary Viewpoint Assessment

The following preliminary viewpoint assessment was undertaken to identify the viewshed of the proposal and to assess the potential visual impact on four sensitive locations identified within Council's RFI.

Viewshed/TZVI Analysis

The viewshed, or theoretical zone of visual influence (TZVI), is the area from which views of a proposed development may be possible.

Figure 12 indicates the theoretical viewshed of the Project. It should be noted that the TZVI is based on topography only and does not consider the screening effects of vegetation. As a result, it is essentially demonstrating a theoretical or worst-case scenario. In reality, bands of vegetation throughout the landscape and surrounding residential areas will further contribute to the screening of views towards the proposal from most viewpoints.

The green shading indicates locations from which the proposal may be theoretically visible. The dark, or unshaded areas indicate locations where views will not be possible due to the screening effects of topography. *Figure 13* demonstrates the profile of the landform that screens views from the west.



Figure 12 – TZVI analysis of the proposal and location of assessed viewpoints (Source: Google Earth).





Figure 13 - Oblique aerial view from Google Earth highlighting the elevated topography to the west of the proposal which provides varying degrees of screening of views.

Viewpoint Assessment

The viewpoint locations identified by Council in their RFI are typical of surrounding views in that they represent commonly occurring topography form and vegetation coverage. These viewpoints are shown in *Figure 14*.

Although the assessment and photo simulations have been undertaken from publicly accessible locations, potential impacts on views from the associated residences has also been undertaken based on interpolation of the results, as well as professional experience.



Figure 14 – Viewpoint locations identified in Council's RFI (Source: Google Earth).



The following viewpoint assessments should be read in conjunction with the photo simulations which were prepared by Mr Ashley Poon, Senior Visual Technologies Consultant of Urbis Pty Ltd (refer to *Appendix A* and *Appendix B*).

Vertically exaggerated elevation profiles or sections were also prepared to demonstrate how topography effects visibility.

Viewpoint A (VPA) – 190 Edward Road

VPA is located on Edward Road, approximately 140m to the west of the residence at 190 Edward Road, and approximately 660m from the proposal (refer to *Figure 14*).

The proposal is located approximately 500m to the east of the residence.

This residence represents the minority in the rural residential area surrounding the proposal that are not surrounded by dense vegetation.

This viewpoint is representative of others along the southern portion of Edward Road with the lower part of the proposal being blocked from view by topography, and the upper part of the proposal being either screened or filtered by vegetation (refer to *Figures 15* and *16*).

The visual impact for this viewpoint is considered to be non-apparent to very low.

Potential impact on adjacent residential viewpoint

Intervening rising topography is likely to block the lower half of the proposal from view (refer to *Figure 16*).

Tall vegetation of approximately 15m in height surrounding the western and southern boundaries of the subject site is likely to further screen views of the upper part of the proposal. If views are possible, through or over vegetation, they are likely to be of the upper monopole and antennae only. Additionally, foreground vegetation proximate to the residence is likely to be highly effective at screening views.

The visual impact for the residential viewpoint is considered very low to low.





Figure 15 - VPA — Photo simulation of view east northeast from Edward Road, to the residence at 190 Edward Road and towards the proposal in the distance.



Figure 16 - VPA — Elevation profile from viewpoint to proposal showing elevated topography that will block views of the lower part of the proposal (Source: Google Earth).

Viewpoint B (VP) – 230 Edward Road

VPB is located on Edward Road, approximately 100m to the west northwest of the residence at 230 Edward Road, and approximately 650m from the proposal (refer to *Figure 14*).

The proposal is located approximately 530m to the northeast of the residence.

This residence represents the majority in the rural residential area surrounding the proposal that are surrounded by relatively dense vegetation.

This viewpoint is representative of others along the northern portion of Edward Road where most of the proposal would be blocked from view by topography. Where the upper parts of the monopole or antennae do protrude above the landform, they will be typically screened or filtered by vegetation (refer to *Figures 17* and *18*).

The visual impact for this viewpoint is considered non-apparent.



Potential impact on adjacent residential viewpoint

Intervening rising topography is likely to block a large proportion of the proposal from view (refer to *Figure 14*).

Tall vegetation of approximately 15m in height surrounding the western and northern boundaries of the subject site is likely to further screen views of the upper part of the proposal. If views are possible, through or over vegetation, they are likely to be of the most upper monopole and antennae only. Additionally, vegetation between the residence and the proposal is likely to be highly effective at screening views.

The visual impact for the residential viewpoint is considered very low.



Figure 17 - VPB — Photo simulation of view east southeast from Edward Road, to the residence at 230 Edward Road and towards the proposal in the distance.



Figure 18 - VPB – Elevation profile from viewpoint to proposal showing elevated topography that will block views of most of the proposal (Source: Google Earth).



Viewpoint C (VPC) – 5 Cherry Hill Way

VPC is located on Cherry Tree Way, approximately 160m to the east of the residence at 5 Cherry Tree Way, and approximately 280m from the proposal (refer to *Figure 14*).

The proposal is located approximately 110m to the northeast of the residence.

This residence represents the majority in the rural residential area surrounding the proposal that are surrounded by relatively dense vegetation.

This viewpoint is representative of others along the southern portion of Cherry Hill Way where the proposal will extend above the landform and, for many locations, will be screened or filtered to varying degrees by vegetation (refer to *Figures 19* and *20*).

Figure 19 shows the proposal rising above vegetation near the boundary of the subject site. **Figure 21** shows that relocating the viewpoint only a few metres to the north or south results in the proposal being obscured by vegetation. This is typical of the majority views from surrounding areas to the east.

The visual impact for this viewpoint is considered low.

Potential impact on adjacent residential viewpoint

Tall vegetation of approximately 15m in height surrounding the southern and eastern boundaries of the subject site will screen views of the lower part of the proposal. Tall vegetation to the north of the residence, between the proposal and the outdoor living area, is likely to be highly effective at screening views of any components of the proposal that protrude above the subject site's perimeter vegetation (refer to *Figure 22*).

The visual impact for the residential viewpoint is considered low.



Figure 19 - VPC – Photo simulation of view west northwest from Cherry Tree Way, to the property at 5 Cherry Tree Way and towards the proposal.





Figure 20 - VPC – Elevation profile from viewpoint to proposal showing that elevated topography does not block views of the proposal (Source: Google Earth).



Figure 21 – VPC - Relocation of the viewpoint only a few metres to the north or south results in the proposal being obscured by vegetation. This is typical of all views from surrounding areas.





Figure 22 – Residence adjacent to VPC – Aerial image of tall vegetation located directly between the proposal and the outdoor living area to the east of the residence (Source: Google Earth - 2018 imagery).

Viewpoint D (VPD) - 9 Cherry Hill Way

VPD is located on Cherry Hill Way, approximately 140m to the west of the residence at 9 Cherry Tree Way, and approximately 290m from the proposal (refer to *Figure 14*).

The proposal is located approximately 150m to the southwest of the residence.

This residence has relatively dense vegetation around the property boundaries with scattered vegetation surrounding the house itself.

This viewpoint is representative of others along the northern portion of Cherry Hill Way where relatively dense and continuous vegetation lines property boundaries adjacent to the road reserve.

Where not screened by foreground vegetation, the proposal will occasionally extend above the rising intervening landform and the tall vegetation surrounding the subject site's boundaries (refer to *Figure 23* and *24*).

However, where it does protrude above the dense perimeter vegetation, the upper parts of the proposal will often be screened or filtered to varying degrees by vegetation throughout the landscape.

The visual impact for this viewpoint is considered very low.

Potential impact on adjacent residential viewpoint

Tall vegetation of approximately 15m in height surrounding the northern and eastern boundaries of the subject site will screen views of most of the proposal. Additionally, a large expanse of tall, scattered vegetation on the property immediately to the south of the residence, and to the east of the subject site, will provide foreground screening vegetation to the south of the residence which is



likely to be highly effective at screening views of any components of the proposal that protrude above the subject site's perimeter vegetation (refer to *Figure 51*).

The visual impact for the residential viewpoint is considered very low.



Figure 23 - VPD - Photo simulation of view southwest from Cherry Hill Way, to the property at 9 Cherry Tree Way and towards the proposal.

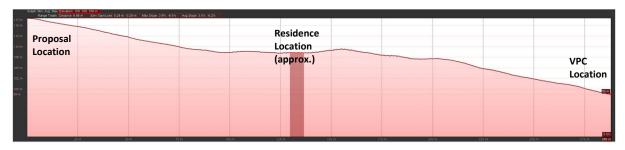


Figure 24 - VPD— Elevation profile from viewpoint to proposal showing slightly elevated intervening topography that will block views of the lower part of the proposal (Source: Google Earth).





Figure 25 – Residence adjacent to VPD – Aerial image of tall vegetation located directly between the proposal and the residence (Source: Google Earth - 2018 imagery).



6. Amelioration

Given the position of the proposal within a band of dense and tall surrounding vegetation, landscape amelioration is not required, as only the upper part of the monopole, headframe and antennae will be visible, backdropped against the sky. The lower part of the monopole, the equipment compound and fencing will be screened from view from surrounding residences.

Colour and Materiality of Facility Equipment

Where back dropped by the sky, colours such as pale greys provide improved visual amelioration under a range of atmospheric and lighting conditions. This approach has been borne out through numerous studies into the colouration of wind turbines that are usually painted with RAL Colour 7035 - Pale Grey).

RAL 7035 is actually very similar in colour to standard concrete poles (refer to Figure 26).

If the monopole is to be constructed of steel, consideration should be given to colouring the monopole and antennae with a similar colour. Another similar colour used by telco providers is Colorbond Surfmist® (refer to *Figure 27*).



Figure 26 – Sample of colour RAL 7035 – Light Grey



Figure 27 – Sample of Colorbond colour "Surfmist"



7. Summary

As is apparent from the viewpoint analysis, there are few locations from where the proposal will dominate the setting or look out of place with typical peri-urban or rural infrastructure.

To serve their function, telecommunications facilities need to be elevated which invariably can make them noticeable within the landscape. However, the assessment finds that the proposal is not of a scale or level of visual dominance to significantly impact the setting.

The assessment has found that siting has been well considered, with the proposal being located immediately adjacent to existing, tall and dense vegetation. Views towards it from surrounding roads and residences will be mostly well screened by existing vegetation, or topography in conjunction with vegetation to the west.

The assessment has found that, where visible, the upper part of the monopole and antennae will be backdropped by sky. As a result, amelioration should focus on the selection and application of an appropriate colour for these elements, such as "Surfmist".

In conclusion, the assessment finds that the proposal would not have any unreasonable visual impacts and that it strikes an appropriate balance between the provision of expected community infrastructure and the need to minimise visual intrusion and impact on landscape values.



APPENDIX A – Company Profile and CVs



Independent Thought

After over 30 years working in some of Australia's leading planning and design consultancies, Peter Haack Consulting has been established to provide independent and expert advice for clients in a wide range of sectors with projects requiring specialist Urban Design and Landscape Architecture support.

Peter Haack Consulting has significant experience throughout Australia, New Zealand and PNG on a wide range of projects including some of Victoria's largest infrastructure projects.

Our Expert Team

The team is led by Peter Haack, an Urban Designer and Landscape Architect with over 30 years experience with Urbis, EDAW and Loder and Bayly.

Peter's career has included significant collaboration with both internal allied disciplines, as well as external consultants. Additionally, engagement with stakeholders and the community has been critical to project outcomes.

Peter also works collaboratively with highly skilled, independent consultant Josie Alvaro. Peter and Josie are supported by other independent consultants as required.

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- Guidelines
- Landscape and visual impact assessment
- CPTED review and assessment
- Landscape planning and management

Sectors and Key Projects

Public Realm

- Rosebud Streetscape
- Lyndarum town centre
- Epping Town Centre placemaking
- Village Street Docklands

Transport

- Chandler Highway Upgrade
- Melbourne Metro Project
- Burke and Greater North LXRs
- Western Road Upgrade

Mixed Use and Infill

- 299 Pascoe Vale Road
- 105 Punt Road Winsor
- 2 Neilson Place Footscray
- Melbourne Square CPTED

Infrastructure

- North East Link Project Early Works
- Optus and Telstra mobile roll-out
- Brunswick Terminal Station

Residential Development

- Dalestone Estate
- Chatsworth Park Estate
- Norvel Estate
- Ravenswood Run Estate

Sport and Recreation

- Maddingley Park Masterplan
- Monash Highway Reserve ISP
- Wallan Recreation Reserve Masterplan

Page 173 Yawa (Rosebud) Aquatic Centre
Richmond Oval Redevelopment CPTED



Urban Design & Landscape Architecture

Peter Haack – Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment CV

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Qualifications

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Professional Experience

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After over 30 years working in some of Australia's leading planning and design consultancies, I have established my own practice, focussing on advisory and expert evidence.

My projects have positioned me to be one of the country's most experienced landscape architects and urban designers. I have a passion for highly creative design solutions that improve functional, aesthetic, social and environmental outcomes.

I have led private and public sector landscape architecture, urban design and landscape planning projects – including transport, energy infrastructure and major renewal projects, conducting visual assessments of wind farms, and developing open space strategies and park master plans.

I led the urban and public realm reference design for the Melbourne Metro Rail project, one of Victoria's largest public transport projects; the urban design and landscape architecture for the Peninsula Link Freeway and the preparation of a master plan for Living Links, an environmental and recreational corridor in the Dandenong Creek catchment, which received an award from the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects.

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Relevant Projects Renewable Energy

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Infrastructure

Optus and Telstra Mobile Deployment, NSW, VIC, QLD Brunswick Terminal Station, VIC Nowingi Long Term Waste Facility EES, VIC SNI Interconnector Powerline, SA, NSW, VIC

Eastern Gas Pipeline EES, VIC and NSW
Northern Tasmanian Gas Pipeline, TAS
Waverley Park HV Powerline
Undergrounding, VIC
Energy from Waste Facility, NSW
Brunswick Terminal Station, VIC
Golden Plains Peak Power Station, VIC
Lilydale Treatment Facility, VIC
Cape Jervis to Yankalilla Powerline, SA
Maryvale Mine - Morwell River Diversion,
VIC

Emerald - Cockatoo Pipeline, VIC Apollo Bay Treatment Plant, VIC OneWeb Satellite Base Station, QLD OZ Minerals Powerline, SA Port Campbell to Corio Gas Pipeline, VIC

Urban and Other Development

Northern Beaches Hospital, NSW Biasin Flinders Estate, VIC Smith's Beach Estate, WA Iwasaki Resort, QLD Campbells Stores Redevelopment, NSW 12 Coppin Grove, Hawthorn, VIC Portsea Inclinator, VIC Barwon Prison, VIC Ravenhall Prison, VIC 329 Point Nepean Road, Rosebud, VIC 101 Miller Street, North Sydney, NSW JC Decaux Signage Rollout, NSW RMIT University Signage, Melbourne, VIC City of Sydney Art Project, NSW 11A Welfare Street, Portarlington -Viewline Assessment, VIC 269 Autumn Street, Geelong - Viewline Assessment, VIC

Relevant Projects cont'

Energy and Resources PNG LNG Project, PNG Fingerboards Mineral Sands, VIC Wimmera Mineral Sands, VIC Wafi Golpu Project, PNG Kanmantoo Copper, SA Port Campbell Gas Storage, VIC Minerva Offshore Gas, VIC Northern Murray Basin Project Mineral Sands, VIC Jimblebar Mining Project, WA Williams United Gold Mining Project, VIC Big Hill Mine Project, VIC Carshalton Gold Mine, VIC Fosterville Gold Expansion, VIC Yandera Copper Mine, PNG Fosterville Gold Mine, VIC Cowal Gold Mine, VIC Gorgon LNG, WA WIM150 Mineral Sands, VIC Area C Mine, WA Donald Mineral Sands, VIC Sepon Mine, Laos Mt Arthur Coal, NSW McPhillamys Gold Project, NSW Wambo Coal Mine, NSW

Transport

Melbourne Metro Rail Project, VIC West Gate Tunnel Project, VIC Frankston Bypass Project, VIC State Highway 19, NZ Inland Rail Project, NSW Scoresby Freeway (Eastlink), VIC

Vickery Coal Mine, NSW

Other Sectors

Portarlington Safe Harbour, VIC
Tasmanian Hydro Lakes Assessment, TAS
Webb Dock Extension, VIC
Southern Fertilizer Facility, VIC
Moura Urea Facility, QLD
Eulie Piggery, NSW
Wallacia Memorial Park, NSW
Wanless Recycling Park, QLD



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Ashley combines his in-depth knowledge of computer graphics and related visual technologies with GIS and photography knowledge to continually develop methodologies for creating visualisation that is accurate and verifiable.

Ashley also applies his technical direction and software knowledge skills to assist designers in establishing workflows and projection processes through various methods of automation, data extraction and verification.

PROJECTS

WIM150 Mineral Sands Project - Visual Assessment

Waubra Wind Farm -Comparative Visual Assessment

Wafi-Golpu – Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment

Jupiters Casino Redevelopment (Various projects)

Bells Creek Arterial, Caloundra (Pedestrian Bridge and Freeway Signage design)

Telstra - Communications Infrastructure (various projects including for tribunal)

Bay Street, Brighton (Tribunal - VCAT)

Gladstone East Shores Redevelopment -3D Model and Animation

Ipswich City Council - Interactive City & Master Plan 3D model

Waverley Park Photo simulations/Analysis, Visual Assessment

Eastlink - Portal Lighting analysis - Community Consultation





APPENDIX B – Photo Simulations

CHIRNSIDE PARK NE

VISUAL ASSESSMENT | PHOTOMONTAGES

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PHOTOMONTAGE – VIEW OF FACILITY FROM MEADOW FAIR WAY

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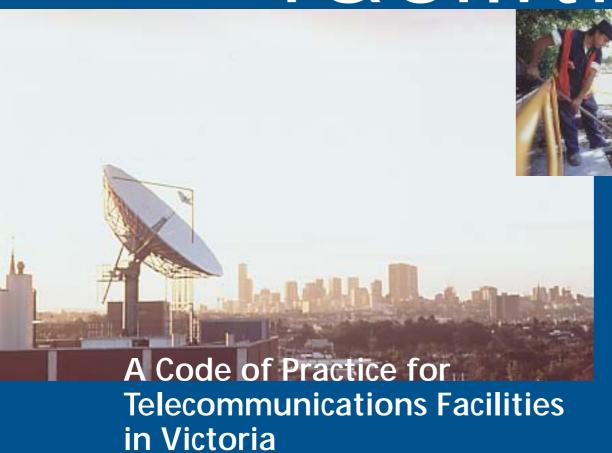
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telecommunications facilities in Victoria

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1 The purpose of this code

A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria is an incorporated document in all planning schemes in Victoria.

The purpose of this code is to:

- Set out the circumstances and requirements under which land may be developed for a telecommunications facility without the need for a planning permit.
- Set out principles for the design, siting, construction and operation of a telecommunications facility which a responsible authority must consider when deciding on an application for a planning permit.

It aims to:

- Ensure that telecommunications infrastructure and services are provided in an efficient and cost effective manner to meet community needs.
- Ensure the application of consistent provisions for telecommunications facilities.
- Encourage an effective statewide telecommunications network in a manner consistent with the economic, environmental and social objectives of planning in Victoria as set out in section 4 of the *Planning and Environment* Act 1987.
- Encourage the provision of telecommunications facilities with minimal impact on the amenity of the area.

What is a telecommunications facility?

A telecommunications facility is defined in planning schemes as:

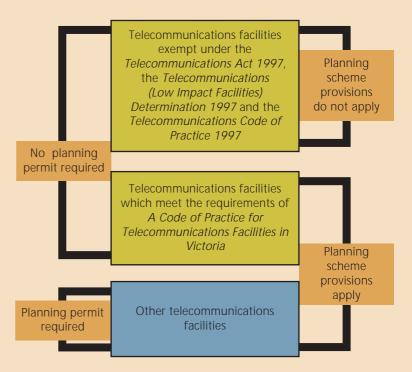
Any part of the infrastructure of a telecommunications network; or any line, equipment, apparatus, tower, mast, antenna, tunnel, duct, hole, pit, pole or other structure or thing used, or for use, in or in connection with a telecommunications network.

2 The relationship between this code, Commonwealth legislation and planning schemes

The Commonwealth *Telecommunications Act 1997*, exempts certain telecommunications facilities from most requirements under State legislation. These facilities are described in the *Telecommunications Act 1997*, the *Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997*, and the *Telecommunications Code of Practice 1997*.

Planning schemes also specify a range of telecommunications facilities that do not require a planning permit if the requirements of this code are met. These requirements do not apply to any telecommunications facility already exempt under the Act or the Determination. A telecommunications facility that is not exempt under the Act or the Determination and which does not meet the requirements of this code, requires a planning permit.

Where there is any inconsistency, the Commonwealth legislation prevails.



Notice to landowners

Where a telecommunications facility is exempt from state legislation under the *Telecommunications Act* 1997, that Act requires carriers to give notice to the owner of the land before a facility is constructed.

Where a telecommunications facility is not exempt from state legislation under the *Telecommunications Act* 1997 but meets the requirements of this code, carriers will consult and negotiate directly with landowners.

Where a planning permit is required, the relevant provisions of section 52 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* apply.

3 How to use this code

This code must be read in conjunction with the planning scheme which applies to the land on which the telecommunications facility is located.

Clause 52.19 of the planning scheme sets out the requirements which apply to a telecommunications facility. (Appendix). Clause 52.19-2 provides that a permit is required for a telecommunications facility, including any facility described in this code if the requirements of the code are not met.

To determine whether a proposed telecommunications facility may be constructed without the need for a planning permit:

- determine if the type of telecommunications facility proposed corresponds with a description in section 5
- determine whether the listed requirements are met.

If the facility corresponds with a description in section 5 and the relevant requirements are met, no planning permit is required. If the requirements of the code are not met, a permit is required.

Where a permit is not required, carriers should notify the relevant local government authority of any proposed buildings and works associated with telecommunications facilities.

4 Principles for the design, siting, construction and operation of telecommunications facilities

The following four principles must be applied where relevant to the design, siting, construction and operation of any telecommunications facility which is not exempt under Commonwealth legislation.

4.1 Principle 1

A Telecommunications facility should be sited to minimise visual impact.

Application of principle

- On, or in the vicinity of a heritage place, a telecommunications facility should be sited and designed with external colours, finishes and scale sympathetic to those of the heritage place. A heritage place is a heritage place listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme.
- A telecommunications facility mounted on a building should be integrated with the design and appearance of the building.
- Equipment associated with the telecommunications facility should be screened or housed to reduce its visibility.
- The relevant officer of the responsible authority should be consulted before any street tree is pruned, lopped, destroyed or removed.
- A telecommunications facility should be located so as to minimise any interruption to a significant view of a heritage place, a landmark, a streetscape, vista or a panorama, whether viewed from public or private land.

4.2 Principle 2

Telecommunications facilities should be colocated wherever practical.

Application of principle

- Wherever practical, telecommunications lines should be located within an existing underground conduit or duct.
- Overhead lines and antennae should be attached to existing utility poles, towers or other radiocommunications equipment to minimise unnecessary clutter.

4.3 Principle 3

Health standards for exposure to radio emissions will be met.

Application of principle

A telecommunications facility must be designed and installed so that the maximum human exposure levels to radio frequency emissions comply with Radiation Protection Standard – Maximum Exposure Levels to Radiofrequency Fields - 3kHz to 300 GHz, Arpansa, May 2002.

4.4 Principle 4

Disturbance and risk relating to siting and construction should be minimised.

Construction activity and site location should comply with State environment protection policies and best practice environmental management guidelines.

Application of principle

- Soil erosion during construction and soil instability during operation should be minimised in accordance with any relevant policy or guideline issued by the Environment Protection Authority.
- Construction should be carried out in a safe and effective manner in accordance with relevant requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1985.
- Obstruction or danger to pedestrians or vehicles caused by the location of the facility, construction activity or materials used in construction should be minimised.
- Where practical, construction should be carried out during times that cause minimum disruption to adjoining properties and public access.
- Traffic control measures should be taken during construction in accordance with Australian Standard AS1742.3 – 2002 Manual of uniform traffic control devices - Traffic control devices on roads.
- Open trenching should be guarded in accordance with Australian Standard Section 93.080 - Road Engineering AS 1165 - 1982 - Traffic hazard warning lamps.
- Disturbance to flora and fauna should be minimised during construction and vegetation replaced to the satisfaction of the land owner or responsible authority at the conclusion of work.
- Street furniture, paving or other existing facilities removed or damaged during construction should be reinstated (at the telecommunication carrier's expense) to at least the same condition as that which existed prior to the telecommunications facility being installed.

5 Telecommunications facilities which may be developed without the need for a planning permit

A telecommunications facility listed in this section may be constructed without the need for a planning permit provided the specified requirements of this section are met.

If the specified requirements are not met, a planning permit is required.

In considering an application for a telecommunications facility where the requirements are not met, the responsible authority will consider the principles and requirements of this code in addition to any other requirements of the planning scheme.

If a telecommunications facility falls into more than one type described in this section, for example a microcell (section 5.1) that is located on a roof (section 5.10), the facility complies with the code if it meets the requirements of at least one type.



Requirements for specific telecommunications facilities

5.1 A microcell

A microcell is an antenna and associated box which supplements the mobile network in heavy usage areas.

A microcell may minimise the need for a larger facility.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The microcell must not be attached to a building or structure listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme.
- 3 The combined volume of the cabinet or cabinets for the microcell must not exceed the following dimensions when mounted in an elevated position on an existing utility pole or when mounted on the wall of a building:

 (Height) 800mm x (Width) 550mm x (Depth) 300mm.

Cabinet housings located elsewhere must conform with the provisions for an above ground housing in section 5.2.

- 4 The antenna must be either:
 - An omni whip antenna no longer than 1000mm and outrigged not more than 500mm from the support structure.
 - A panel antenna not more than 1200mm x 350mm x 150mm flush mounted and colour matched to the support structure.
- 5 There must be no aerial cabling. All other cabling or cabling trays must be either located internally in the support structure or colour matched to the support structure.

5.2 An above ground housing

An above ground housing is an above ground equipment shelter housing telecommunication infrastructure. An above ground housing includes:

- a pillar
- a cabinet
- a pedestal
- an elevated joint
- minor street furnishings
- marker posts
- a remote integrated multiplexer

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 A remote integrated multiplexer must not be located on a heritage place listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme.







5.3 A temporary facility

A temporary facility is a telecommunications facility that does not exist on the land for more than a total of 4 months in any 12 month period.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The temporary facility must be for one or more of the following purposes:
 - Providing service coverage during either routine or emergency maintenance of an existing facility.
 - Providing service coverage during the construction or installation of a new facility.
 - Providing additional service coverage at events such as sporting carnivals or cultural festivals.
- 3 The establishment of a temporary facility must not permanently alter any building or site so that upon removal, the building or site is in a substantially different condition than it was prior to the establishment of the facility.
- 4 The height must not exceed 25m above its base or the height of the existing facility, whichever is the greater.

5.4 Underground cable or duct

An underground cable or duct is placed into the ground by trenching or direct burial. Once in the ground, the ground is reinstated and the cable cannot be seen.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The underground cable or duct must not be located in a Road Zone Category 1.
- 3 If an underground cable or duct is located on public land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment or another government agency or manager, a consent, lease or licence must be obtained if required by the relevant legislation.
- 4 The underground cable or duct must not be located on private land within an Environmental Significance Overlay, a Vegetation Protection Overlay, a Significant Landscape Overlay, a Heritage Overlay, a Design and Development Overlay or an Erosion Management Overlay.
- 5 The underground cable or duct must not be located on land if a permit is required for the removal of native vegetation under Clause 52.17 of the planning scheme.
- 6 A trench in which a cable or duct is to be installed must not exceed a nominal width of 450mm, or if it is to be immediately used by more than one carrier, must not exceed a nominal width of 650mm.
- 7 Access to the frontage of a premises in a business zone must not be restricted.
- 8 If the land is located in or adjacent to a residential zone, not more than 100m of excavation may be left open at any time.
- 9 A resident must not lose vehicle access to their property for more than 12 hours at a time.
- 10 The land in which the cable or duct is laid must be reinstated in accordance with a reinstatement plan agreed, prior to construction, with the owner or if on public land, the public land manager. The reinstatement plan must include (as appropriate):
 - Management and protection measures, and remedial works for significant vegetation.
 - Relaying of the existing road or pavement.
 - Replanting of grass, trees and foliage.
 - Replacement or removal of material removed.
 - Reinstatement of existing contours.

5.5 Boring cable

Boring cable is a process whereby new cable is run through ducts which already exist or is bored predominantly underground from one end point to the other.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The boring must take place at a minimum depth of 600mm or 1200mm where the cable is located in a Road Zone Category 1.
- 3 If an underground cable or duct is located on public land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment or another government agency or manager, a consent, lease or licence must be obtained if required by the relevant legislation.
- 4 The underground cable or duct must not be located on private land within an Environmental Significance Overlay, a Vegetation Protection Overlay, a Significant Landscape Overlay, a Heritage Overlay, or an Erosion Management Overlay.



5.6 A radio communications dish

A radio communications dish is a circular dish antenna used to send and receive radio frequency communications.

A radio communications dish includes a dish for satellite TV reception.

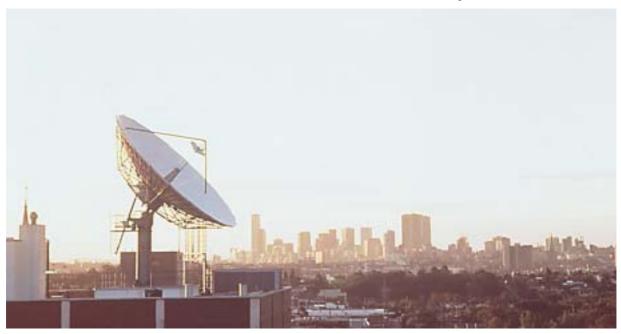
Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The radio communications dish must not be attached to a building or structure listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme.
- 3 A radio communications dish in a residential zone must not be greater than 1.2m in diameter unless the facility is not visible from an adjoining property and the maximum diameter of the dish does not exceed 2.4m.

- 4 A radio communications dish in a business zone:
 - may be greater than 1.2m, but not greater than 1.8m in diameter if:
 - the dish is located on an existing roof or structure.
 - the highest point of the dish does not exceed 4m above the roof to which its base is attached.
 - any dish on the street facade is flush mounted.
 - if the dish is not flush mounted and the highest part of the dish is more than 3m above the roof, then the dish must be set back at least 2m from the outermost wall of the building.
 - may be greater than 1.8m, but not greater than 2.4m in diameter if the facility is not visible from outside the property.

Note: It is desirable (but not a requirement) that:

- A radio communications dish should not be installed on a pitched roof.
- A dish 1.8m or greater in diameter should not be installed where the scale of the dish is disproportionate to the scale of the building on which it is proposed to be mounted.
- A dish 1.8m or greater in diameter should be flush mounted to a rooftop plant room below the overall height, where possible.



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5.7 Replacement of a tower or a facility associated with a tower to enable colocation

For the purposes of this provision, a tower includes any similar structure supporting antennas.

This provision also applies to any shelter housing a base station transceiver and associated transmission equipment and to cable connections between the base station equipment and the tower.

Basis for this provision

Carriers are encouraged to co-locate facilities wherever practical, including on structures associated with radio communications networks operated by non-carriers, such as two way radio operators and community radio stations.

This provision encourages co-location where a new structure is required to support the combined equipment of more than one carrier or the combined equipment of a carrier(s) and an operator of a radio communications network because the existing structure does not have the structural capacity to cope with the combined equipment.

The replacement process requires a second structure to be built and the equipment transferred to the new structure. After installation activities are complete, the original structure is removed.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The replacement facility must be for the purpose of co-locating a carrier.
- 3 The facility being replaced must not be located in a residential zone.
- 4 The replacement structure must be similar in appearance to the structure being replaced, except that a lattice tower can be replaced by a monopole tower.
- 5 The replacement structure must not be more than 5m higher than the structure being replaced.
- 6 The tower must not have previously been extended under this provision.
- 7 The replacement structure must be located within 20m of the structure being replaced and must not be on land within an Environment Significant Overlay, a Vegetation Protection Overlay, a Significant Landscape Overlay, a Heritage Overlay, or an Erosion Management Overlay.

8 The structure being replaced must be decommissioned and removed within eight weeks of the equipment on the new structure being commissioned. The location of the structure which has been removed must be made good and landscaped as appropriate.

5.8 Co-location of a facility on an existing tower

For the purposes of this provision, a tower includes any similar structure supporting antennas.

This provision also applies to any shelter housing a base station transceiver and associated transmission equipment and to cable connections between the base station equipment and the tower.

Basis for this provision

Carriers are encouraged to co-locate facilities wherever practical. This provision encourages co-location where an existing structure has the capacity to cope with the additional requirements and combined equipment of more than one carrier or the combined equipment of a carrier(s) and the operator of a radio communications network, such as two way radio operators and community radio stations.



Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The facility must be for the purpose of co-locating a carrier.
- 3 The facility must not be located in a residential zone.
- 4 New equipment must not protrude from the face of the tower more than the existing facility.
- 5 The new structure must not be more than 5m higher than the existing tower.
- 6 The tower must not have been previously extended under this provision.

5.9 A telecommunications facility located inside a building, structure or tunnel

A telecommunications facility located inside a building, structure or tunnel is a facility located so that it is not visible from outside the building, structure or tunnel or which is included in or integrated with the building, structure or tunnel in such a way as to have the appearance of being part of the building, structure or tunnel.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The facility must be located wholly within the building, structure or tunnel or must be integrated with the building, structure or tunnel in such a way as to have the appearance of being part of

the structure.



Note: New buildings or works or alterations to existing buildings or works may require a planning permit under other provisions of the planning scheme.

5.10 A telecommunications facility located on a roof

This provision applies to a tower, antenna, ancillary equipment or housing located on a roof of a building or on a similar structure (such as a water tank).

Basis for this provision

The utilisation of roof tops of appropriate height avoids the need for a tower or similar structure to be built. A facility on the roof of a building is generally less intrusive than a new tower and is therefore encouraged as a design solution to minimise visual impact.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The telecommunications facility must not be attached to a building or structure listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme.
- 3 An antenna support structure on a roof must not exceed 5m above the building height. Associated equipment must be screened or housed in an appropriate structure to minimise visual impact.
- 4 The telecommunications facility must not be located in a residential zone.
- 5 A radio communications dish must comply with the requirement No. 4 in section 5.6 – A radio communications dish.



5.11 A repeater installation

A repeater installation is used in situations where signal is required to be improved within a small area inside a building. Repeaters may be used inside retail outlets, shopping centres or commercial buildings to improve coverage to those buildings. A repeater installation consists of an external antenna, a small internal antenna and a small equipment box.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The repeater installation must consist only of an external yagi antenna no longer than 1.8m, located on the roof of the building with ancillary equipment located inside the building or structure. Any ancillary equipment located on the roof of the building or structure, must not be more than 450mm x 550mm x 250mm.

5.12 A telecommunications facility attached to infrastructure within a Road Zone – Category 1

Basis for this provision

Carriers are encouraged to use existing or proposed infrastructure along major highways, arterial roads and freeways to support telecommunications facilities providing coverage along these roads to avoid the need for additional structures.

The Road Zone – Category 1 applies to all roads declared under the *Transport Act 1983*.

Requirements

- 1 The design, location, installation and operation must be in accordance with the principles set out in section 4 of this code.
- 2 The telecommunications facility must not be attached to a building or structure listed in the schedule to the Heritage Overlay in the planning scheme.
- 3 The telecommunications facility must be located within a Road Zone Category 1.
- 4 An antenna mounted on a road overpass must not exceed 2.8m in length.

- 5 A panel antenna incorporated into or mounted on an advertising sign, street lighting pole, directional sign or similar structure must not exceed 2.8m in length and must be coloured to minimise visual impact.
- 6 An omni-directional antenna incorporated into or mounted on an advertising sign, street lighting pole, directional sign or similar structure must not exceed 4.5m in length.
- 7 A transmission dish must not exceed 1.2m in diameter and must be coloured to match the background.
- 8 An internal or external equipment shelter must be appropriately sited out of trafficked areas and coloured to match the background.

5.13 An optical fibre ground wire on high voltage transmission towers

An optical fibre ground wire (OPGW) on high voltage transmission towers is an electricity ground wire with an optical fibre core located in the ground wire position of high voltage electricity towers.

Requirements

- 1 The OPGW cable must replace an existing electricity ground wire.
- 2 The OPGW cable must be located on a tower supporting power lines designed to operate at 220,000 volts or greater.

Ground wire



6 Some common questions

1. Where are the requirements for a telecommunications facility found in planning schemes?

The following provisions in planning schemes apply to telecommunications facilities:

The State planning policy for telecommunications facilities is set out in Clause 18-13. The provisions which apply to a telecommunications facility are set out in Clause 52.19.

As well as other matters, Clause 52.19 provides that no planning permit is required if a telecommunications facility is described in the Code and the specified requirements are met. Clause 52.19 also sets out decision guidelines which apply when a permit is required.

Clause 62.02 provides that no permit is required for buildings and works associated with a telecommunications facility which meets the requirements of the Code.

2. Is a planning permit required for new aerial telecommunications cables in a street?

Yes. Since 1 July 1997 planning requirements have generally applied to most telecommunications facilities. The *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Part 1 of Schedule 3) outlines exceptions to this rule, but does not exempt new aerial telecommunications cables unless they are a subscriber connection (see below).

3. Is a permit required to connect a dwelling or other buildings to the telecommunication lines in the street (a subscriber connection)?

No. The connection of a building, structure, caravan or mobile home to a telecommunications line forming part of a telecommunications network does not require a permit.

 Where can I find the Telecommunications Act 1997, the Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997 and the Telecommunications Code of Practice 1997?

At the Australian Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts internet site at: http://www.dcita.gov.au.

5. Can a Council include a local policy in a planning scheme which provides more stringent requirements than those set out in this Code?

No. Clause 52.19 of planning schemes and this Code, provide consistent provisions for telecommunications facilities in Victoria.

6. How is the issue of electromagnetic energy dealt with by planning schemes?

The Radiation Protection Standard – Maximum Exposure Levels to Radiofrequency Fields – 3kHz to 300 GHz, Arpansa, May 2002 provides restrictions for public exposure to radiofrequencies consistent with current world standards.

Before deciding an application for a telecommunications facility, Clause 52.19 of planning schemes requires the responsible authority to consider the principles and requirements set out in *A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria*. Principle 3 of this Code requires telecommunications facilities to be consistent with this standard.

7. What is a 'site analysis and design response' required by the planning scheme?

The planning scheme requires an application for permit to be accompanied by a site analysis and design response explaining how the proposed facility addresses the principles for the design, siting, construction and operation of telecommunications facilities and the requirements in *A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria*.

The site analysis should include a site context plan, drawn to scale and identify and explain the design constraints and opportunities presented by the site and how the proposed facility will relate to the site and to the surrounding area. The site analysis should influence the siting and design of the facility consistent with the purpose and aims of the code.

The design response to the site analysis should explain how the proposed siting and design derives from the site analysis, how it relates to other buildings and works on the site and on surrounding land and how it achieves the aims and principles of the code.

Appendix

Clause 52.19 of all planning schemes in Victoria

52.19 Telecommunications facility

Purpose

To ensure that telecommunications infrastructure and services are provided in an efficient and cost effective manner to meet community needs.

To ensure the application of consistent provisions for telecommunications facilities.

To encourage an effective statewide telecommunications network in a manner consistent with the economic, environmental and social objectives of planning in Victoria as set out in section 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

To encourage the provision of telecommunications facilities with minimal impact on the amenity of the area.

52.19-1 Application

These provisions apply to the construction of a building or the construction or carrying out of works associated with the use of land for a Telecommunications facility. They apply to the extent permitted under the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Cwth) and determinations made under that Act by the Commonwealth Minister for Communications and the Arts, including the *Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997*.

52.19-2 Permit requirement

A permit is required to construct a building or construct or carry out works for a Telecommunications facility.

This does not apply to:

- Buildings and works associated with:
 - A low-impact facility as described in the Telecommunications (Low-impact) Facilities Determination 1997.
 - The inspection and maintenance of a Telecommunications facility as defined in the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Cwth).
 - A facility authorised by a Facilities Installation Permit issued under the Telecommunications Act 1997 (Cwth).
 - A temporary defence facility.
 - The connection of a building, structure, caravan or mobile home to a Telecommunications line forming part of a Telecommunications network.
 - Any Telecommunications facility described in A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria which complies with the requirements of the Code.
- Buildings and works associated with activities which are:
 - Authorised under Clause 6(2) of Division 3 of Schedule 3 of the *Telecommunications Act* 1997 (Cwth).
 - Carried out by bodies listed in sections 46 to 51 (inclusive) of the *Telecommunications Act* 1997 (Cwth) pursuant to legislation applying to those bodies.

52.19-3 Land in public ownership

An application for a permit on land in a public land zone by a person other than the relevant public land manager, must be accompanied by the written consent of the public land manager, indicating that the public land manager consents generally or conditionally either:

- To the application for permit being made.
- To the application for permit being made and to the proposed use or development.

52.19-4 Exemption from notice and appeal

An application for a permit is exempt from the notice requirements of section 52(1)(a), (b) and (d), the decision requirements of section 64(1), (2) and (3) and the review rights of section 82(1) of the Act unless:

- The Telecommunications facility is:
 - A radio communications dish greater than 1.2 metres in diameter or
 - A Telecommunications tower (other than a low-impact facility described in the Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 1997).
- The land is located in an Environmental Significance Overlay, a Vegetation Protection Overlay, a Significant Landscape Overlay, a Heritage Overlay, a Design and Development Overlay or an Erosion Management Overlay.
- The land is public land not in a public land zone and the responsible authority is not the public land manager.

52.19-5 Application requirements

An application for permit must be accompanied by the following information as appropriate to the proposal and the location:

- A site analysis and design response explaining how the proposed facility addresses the principles for the design, siting, construction and operation of telecommunications facilities and the requirements in A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria.
- Site boundaries and dimensions.
- The purpose and location of all buildings and works required in the construction of the facility.
- The location of all existing buildings and works to be retained and demolished.
- The location of all proposed buildings and works including dimensions, elevations, materials, colours and finishes.

- The location and use of all buildings on adjoining properties.
- The location of all adjoining streets and access ways.
- Australian Height Datum levels.
- Natural drainage lines, watercourses, coastal dunes, beach systems and wetlands.
- Proposals for the rehabilitation of the land on which development is to occur.
- Roads and parking areas.
- Materials, landscaping, external lighting, colour and reflectivity.

52.19-6 Decision guidelines

Before deciding on an application, in addition to the decision guidelines of Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

- The principles for the design, siting, construction and operation of a Telecommunications facility set out in A Code of Practice for Telecommunications Facilities in Victoria.
- The effect of the proposal on adjacent land.
- If the Telecommunications facility is located in an Environmental Significance Overlay, a Vegetation Protection Overlay, a Significant Landscape Overlay, a Heritage Overlay, a Design and Development Overlay or an Erosion Management Overlay, the decision guidelines in those overlays and the schedules to those overlays.

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This policy applies to proposals for telecommunication facilities.









Policy

Telecommunications is an important service for recreation, business and emergency management. The infrastructure required to support this service can have an adverse impact on the landscape due to its height and incompatibility with the surrounding natural and built environment. Careful consideration must therefore be given to the siting and design of telecommunication facilities.

The policy provides guidance and specific requirements to ensure telecommunication facilities are appropriately sited and designed to protect the unique landscape of Yarra Ranges.

The Telecommunication Facilities Policy has been adopted by Council for purposes of Section 60(1A) (g) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and facilitates consistency between the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme and Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Regional Strategy Plan in relation to telecommunication towers.

Policy objectives

- To reduce the visual impact of telecommunication facilities and ensure the type, scale, design and siting of the telecommunication facility is not detrimental to the landscape
- To minimise disturbance to vegetation and natural features of the land
- To ensure fire risk to the facility is considered as part of the proposal for the use and development of a proposed telecommunication facility
- To minimise the number of telecommunication facilities by encouraging the co-location of facilities or upgrade to existing facilities.
- To recognise the public benefits of telecommunication infrastructure.

Policy

It is policy that when considering proposals for telecommunication facilities Council give preference to proposals which:

- Demonstrate a need for the facility
- Comprise the upgrading of existing facilities
- Comprise the co-location of new facilities with existing facilities
- Propose a facility that will be used by more than one telecommunication provider
- Demonstrate consistency with the design objectives of any Significant Landscape Overlay and Design and Development Overlay that applies to the site
- Minimise the visual impact on the landscape by
 - o Siting facilities away from visually exposed sites, hilltops, ridgelines, identified significant landscapes and or areas of environmental value
 - o Disguising and designing facilities into the surrounding built form landscape.
- Avoid the need for native vegetation and habitat removal to construct the facility
- Avoid sites where vegetation removal will be required to protect the facility from bushfire risk

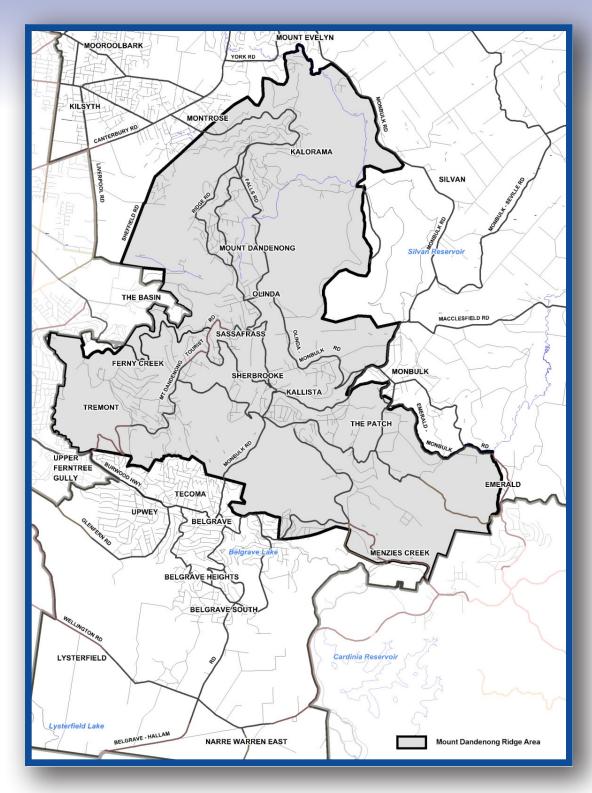
In accordance with the Upper Yarra Valley and Dandenong Ranges Regional Strategy Plan and consideration of Section 60 (1A)(g) of the Planning and Environment Act no additional towers or masts should be constructed within the Mount Dandenong Ridge Area (as shown on the attached map) unless the proposal replaces an existing tower or mast.

Proposal requirements

Proposals for a telecommunication facility are to be accompanied by the following information:

- Written explanation of why the facility is required, including an identification of the area that the facility will serve and a demand analysis
- How the facility will reduce areas that have no emergency service coverage from any provider
- Steps already taken to improve existing facilities and consideration of options for co-location
- A written assessment of at least three other feasible alternative sites on different properties for the establishment of the facility and the rationale for the preferred site
- Indicative photomontage illustrations, 3D modeling of long range and short range views of the proposed facility from key vantage points
- An analysis of the site and surrounding area including:
 - o Location of the proposed development and associated buildings or structures, and any existing buildings and features on the site
 - Topography of the land, including contours and identification of any features including ridgelines, hilltops and vegetation
 - o Location of vehicular access
 - o Identification of gateways and main roads
 - o Identification of any other telecommunication facilities in the area.
- Details of any vegetation that requires removal, including that required to mitigate fire risk and an explanation of how vegetation removal will be minimised
- A written explanation of how the facility has been designed in order to minimise the visual impact
- A written description of how new and existing landscaping will assist in screening the facility from short and long range views.

Mount Dandenong Ridge Area





FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-2025 DRAFT BUDGET ENDORSEMENT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Report Author: Manager Financial Services (CFO)

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Ward(s) affected: (All Wards);

The author(s) of this report and the Responsible Officer consider that the report complies with the overarching governance principles and supporting principles set out in the Local Government Act 2020.

CONFIDENTIALITY

This item is to be considered at a Council meeting that is open to the public.

SUMMARY

A draft budget 2024-25 (and subsequent three years to 2027-28) including the 2024-25 to 2033-34 Capital Expenditure Program has been prepared following the outcome of extensive internal consultation and development. These documents articulate Council's focus for the next four years and outline the financial and resource strategies to fund the activities planned to support the community through this period.

The documents have been prepared in draft form to provide an opportunity for community comment as required under the *Local Government Act 2020* and Council's Community Engagement Policy. This report seeks Council's endorsement to release the draft budget for a period of community consultation.

Submissions received from community members (written or verbal presentations) will be considered at a Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting on 28 May 2024.

It is planned that Council will consider the adoption of the final Budget (incorporating any changes following community consultation) at the Council meeting being held on 25 June 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That

- 1. The draft 2024-2025 Budget (including the draft 2024-2025 to 2033-2034 Capital Expenditure Program) prepared in accordance with section 96 of the Local Government Act 2020 be approved for the purpose of giving public notice and undertaking consultation with the community.
- 2. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to:
 - (a) Give public notice in accordance with section 96 of the Local Government Act 2020 and Council's Community Engagement Policy of Council's intention to adopt the 2024-2025 budget (including the 2024-2025 to 2033-2034 Capital Expenditure Program) at the Council meeting to be held on 25 June 2024.
 - (b) Undertake any and all administrative procedures necessary to enable Council to carry out its functions in accordance with its Community Engagement Policy.
- 3. In accordance with Rule 12 of the Governance Rules, the Chief Executive Officer make all arrangements for a meeting of the Hearing of Submissions Committee to be held on Tuesday 28 May 2024 to consider presentations to be heard in support of written submissions received on any matter contained in the draft Budget and that the Committee subsequently provide a report on its proceedings, including a summary of hearings, to Council.

RELATED COUNCIL DECISIONS

Council is required to consider and adopt an annual budget each year.

DISCUSSION

Purpose and Background

The 2024-25 draft Budget (and the supporting Capital Expenditure Program) captures how Council proposes to fund the initiatives in the Council Plan over the next four years to achieve the strategic objectives and strategies of Council.

In a challenging environment of increasing costs and significant reductions in State and Federal Government funding, the budget has a focus on maintaining and improving existing assets, continuing several significant multi-year projects, and delivering vital community services and support, whilst also being mindful of the rising cost of living pressures to our residents.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Council's draft budget document provides the financial roadmap for the future sustainable operations of Council.

APPLICABLE PLANS AND POLICIES

The development of the 2024-25 budget contributes to the delivery of strategic financial information on the current and future projections of Council to the community, as outlined in the strategic objective of 'High Performing Organisation' in the Council Plan.

RELEVANT LAW

Council must prepare and adopt a budget for each financial year and the subsequent three financial years by 30 June each year, in accordance with section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2020.*

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The draft Budget includes funding for a number of key environmental initiatives outlined in the Council Plan that enable the delivery of key goals in the Environment Strategy, the Liveable Climate Plan and the Nature Plan to improve the health and biodiversity of our natural environment. These initiatives aim to reduce resources and energy consumption through environmental best practice.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community feedback has been sought on an ongoing basis throughout the year through regular community pop ups, community engagement campaigns and council meetings.

In accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 2020*, Council is required to give public notice that it intends to adopt the Budget, including the Capital Expenditure Program. These draft documents will be made available for inspection at Council offices and on its website for a period of 26 days and invite submissions of feedback from members of the community as per the requirements of Council's Community Engagement Policy.

Submissions will be able to be made at any of our Community Links and online via Council's website from 24 April 2024 and will close at midnight on 19 May 2024.

A delegated Hearing of Submissions Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 28 May 2024 to hear a verbal presentation from any submitters who wish to speak to their submission, and to consider all of the submissions received.

COLLABORATION, INNOVATION AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

Not applicable.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The annual budget must be in the format outlined in the model prescribed by the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020. Council's Community Engagement Policy 2021 sets out how Council will engage with the community for feedback and participation through the process of adopting its annual budget.

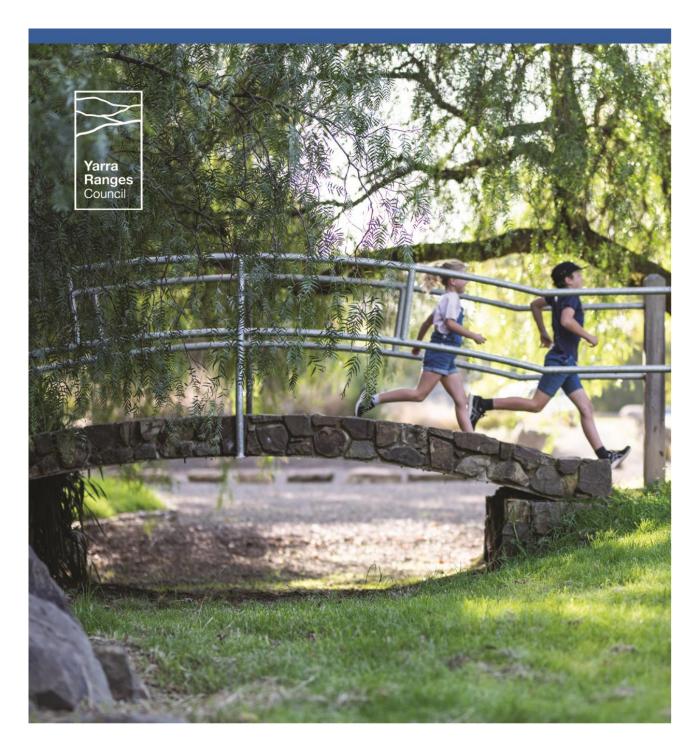
There is inherent risk in developing a budget based on assumptions that are unknown or uncertain. Further, a constrained financial environment adds additional financial risk to the operations of the organisation. These risks have been considered and the development of the draft budget and supporting documents are considered to be appropriate and responsible.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No officers and/or delegates acting on behalf of the Council through the Instrument of Delegation and involved in the preparation and/or authorisation of this report have any general or material conflict of interest as defined within the *Local Government Act 2020*.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE REPORT

- 1. 2024-2025 Draft Budget
- 2. 2024-2025 Draft Fees & Charges schedule (Appendix A)
- 3. 2024-2025 to 2033-34 Draft Capital Expenditure Program



Yarra Ranges Council

Draft Budget 2024-25

Including projection 1 July 2025 - 30 June 2028

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Acknowledgement of Country

Yarra Ranges Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri and other Kulin Nations as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of these lands and waterways. We pay our respects to all Elders, past, present, and emerging, who have been, and always will be, integral to the story of our region. We proudly share custodianship to care for Country together.







Mayor and CEO introduction

Welcome to the 2024-25 Council Budget.

Our annual budget is one of the most important things we do in Local Government. This document outlines everything we plan to do in the coming year, and how we'll manage our financial position over the next 4 years to improve our communities while delivering value-for-money for the people who live, work and play here.

From playgrounds to planning, community grants to developing our suburbs with footpaths and roadworks, to nature and sustainability work, everything we do has to be accounted for in this budget – along with the goals outlined in our Council Plan, our Health and Wellbeing and Liveable Climate Plan and other key strategies.

In a year where finances are strained in household budgets across the community, as well as in government, this year's budget has a focus on maintaining and improving existing assets, continuing several significant multi-year projects, and delivering vital community services and support.

Of our total capital expenditure budget of \$68.3 million a sizeable amount of funds will be allocated to drainage issues which we know is causing great concern to some members of our community. We have made a commitment to spend \$16.2 million over the next six years in capital investment for significant drainage, and related infrastructure upgrades across the municipality.

This is in addition to \$23.0 million of operating expenditure on infrastructure maintenance, including drainage maintenance in the 2024-25 budget year.

Some of the budget highlights for this year include:

- \$6.9 million on drainage improvements/upgrade (over the next two years)
- \$8.2 million on Warburton Mountain Bike Destination *
- \$4.2 million on upgrading Pinks Reserve Stadium in Kilsyth *
- \$2.9 million on upgrades to Mount Evelyn's Morrison Reserve *
- \$2.3 million on Yarra Valley Trail, Northern Loop, Yarra Glen *
- \$2.7 million on making our buildings more climate resilient *
- \$2.1 million on a new Chirnside Park Playspace *
- \$1.7 million on road renewals in Gruyere *
- \$384,000 on upgrades to Borthwick Park, Belgrave
- \$275,000 for constructing a footpath on One Tree Hill Road in Ferny Creek
- \$253,000 for constructing a footpath on York Rd between Gear Ave and Tramway Rd in Mt Evelyn.
- \$160,000 on netball facility upgrades in Mount Evelyn
 - * Note these capital projects include external funding sources

The Essential Services Commission and the Victorian State Government have set the final rate cap for 2024-25 at 2.75%, which we will apply to our overall rates revenue. This increase, which is below the rate of inflation, seeks to keep rates as affordable as possible in an environment of rising costs of living while still enabling Council's requirement to deliver essential services.

Yarra Ranges Council has been significantly impacted in the last year by major funding cuts – including more than \$100 million cut from the Federal Government previously promised for sealing roads. These funding cuts have unfortunately impacted on anticipated services to the community.

Alongside these funding cuts are extreme increases in construction and insurance costs, of about 30% in the last year.

Simply put, the increasing costs in delivering services is rapidly outpacing the capped growth of rates revenue, and having funding cut from the State and Federal Governments means we need to continue to do more with less.

This means that we need to continue to find efficiencies and reductions where we can, and to find new sources of income, to make sure we're fiscally responsible. A direct result is that Council is simply unable to invest in as many larger projects as we would like while we work on covering our business-as-usual services, maintenance of existing assets, and continue delivering services and strategies that Council is legislated to provide.

We've had to make many difficult decisions that we know impact people in our community. We understand that in delivering a financially responsible budget, we are not always in full alignment with community expectations, however we believe this budget represents a balanced position that is reflective to the current economic environment.

Over the coming year we'll also be investigating ways we can generate additional revenue to cover our funding shortfalls, such as improving the way we hire out Council facilities.

One of the biggest changes we saw last year was the way our waste is collected across our municipality, including a new FOGO waste service, which resulted in an increased waste charge for many residents. As a result, we have already seen a dramatic reduction in volumes of waste going to landfill. We would like to thank the community for the huge part they are playing in helping to leave a better earth for future generations.

In March 2024 new State Government Guidelines were introduced which detail what can be included in the waste charge. We have already made some adjustments to align the activities captured in the waste charge to residents from 1 July 2024 and we are working on implementing the remaining guidelines over the coming years.

Overall, while our financial position remains sound, sources of revenue are increasingly tight so this budget is notably modest compared to previous years as we navigate changing circumstances and shift our focus to improving what we have.

Our budget has been carefully compiled with the goal of delivering more than 120 services to benefit our 55 towns, in one of the most diverse municipalities in Victoria. Our goal is to ensure value-formoney for our community, while still meeting community members' needs now and into the future.

We believe this budget strikes that balance, helping to keep this region as one of the best places in Australia to live, work and visit.

Cr Sophie Todorov Mayor of Yarra Ranges

Tammi Rose CEO, Yarra Ranges Council

Executive summary

Yarra Ranges Council's 2024-25 Budget (and the following three years to 2027-28) seeks to provide a solid framework to enable the delivery of high-quality services, projects and infrastructure that are valued by our community, while ensuring Council remains financially sustainable in the long-term to continue to invest in the future generations of our people and communities.

Key statistics of the 2024-25 budget

- Total Revenue \$253.6 million
- Total Expenditure \$235.8 million
- Adjusted underlying operating result \$3.5 million deficit

Adjusted underlying operating result is an important measure of financial sustainability. This measure demonstrates Council's ability to self-fund its operations, and excludes funding related to Council's capital works program. A negative result means Council must rely on its reserves to make up the shortfall. Alternatively, a positive result means Council has excess funds to invest back into service delivery or additional capital works projects in future years.

Council acknowledges that the 2024-25 budget is allowing for a small underlying operating deficit. However, future financial projections indicate that this will only apply to the short term, with Council's longer term financial sustainability returning to positive assuming the local government sector continues to receive the fair and necessary external funding required from industry partners.

(Refer Comprehensive Income Statement in Section 3.1)

• Total Comprehensive Result – \$17.8 million surplus

This is calculated based on total revenue of \$253.6 million less total expenditure of \$235.8 million. This result includes funding related to Council's capital works program, but not the capital expenditure of that program. This is a notional accounting measure but doesn't reflect actual cash performance of Council.

(Refer Comprehensive Income Statement in Section 3.1)

• Cash balance - \$78.7 million

This is the cash and cash equivalent budgeted balance at end of June 2025.

(Refer Statement of Cash Flows in Section 3.4)

- Capital Works Program of \$68.3 million which includes \$2.3 million carried forward projects from 2023-24. The capital works program will be funded through:
 - \$25.1 million from Council operations (rates funded);
 - \$20.4 million sourced from borrowings
 - \$1.6 million from contributions from various sporting clubs, etc; and
 - \$21.1 million from external grants

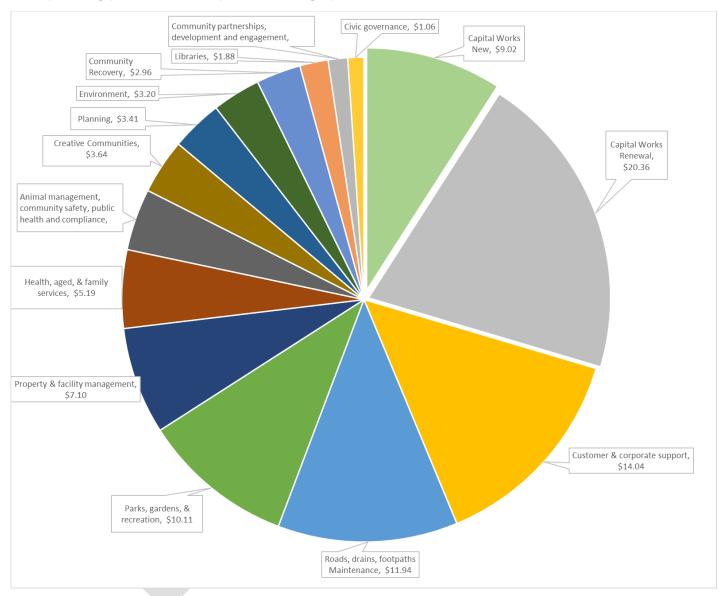
(Refer Statement of Capital Works in Section 4.5).



Where Council spends your rates

The chart below provides an indication of how Council allocates its budgeted expenditure across the main services that it delivers. It shows how much is allocated to each service area for every \$100 that Council receives in rates income in 2024-25.

Net Spending per \$100 Rates (2024-25 Budget)



Historical context

Several important factors have influenced Council's financial performance over the last few years. Significantly, rate capping for Victorian councils (in place since 2016) has restricted revenue growth while the costs and volume of services and investment by Council in our community have continued to grow at a faster pace. This has had a cumulative impact placing downward pressure on Council's financial position over those years.

Setting a local council budget is always a challenging task, this year is no exception. We are operating in a post-pandemic world with our community still recovering from its deep impacts, compounded by the lasting effects of several severe weather events across the region. Our community's need for support and critical services has never been greater.

We are all facing rising cost of living pressures which are also impacting the cost of delivering the business of Council. Many of Council's assets are ageing and in need of repair and upgrade, and in some cases no longer able to meet current demands. Our state and federal governments are facing similar financial constraints, which is already seeing reduced funding available to local councils to maintain services and infrastructure – and this is expected to continue. This puts added pressure on Council's own internal sources of revenue.

The reality for Yarra Ranges is that we have 55 townships across the municipality that all greatly value their own infrastructure and facilities, which places significant financial pressure on Council to maintain and/or replace. We are focussed on important strategic work that assesses needs and rationalises the level of infrastructure investment, however we do understand the impacts of this which may be felt by individual organisations and communities.

In this context, Yarra Ranges Council's 2024-25 Budget has been developed to provide the resources for delivering the key support and services our community needs while ensuring the ongoing financial sustainability of Council into the future. Through careful financial management, we can maintain Council's stable financial position. We have worked hard to review all parts of our organisation to ensure services and infrastructure are delivered for maximum benefit whilst identifying service innovations and improvements, operational efficiencies, and savings across many areas.

In developing the 2024-25 to 2027-28 Budget, Council has determined that our community response must remain our highest priority, and as such a careful and strategic approach to budget management is required to produce a budget that is responsive and responsible. In the 2024-25 Budget (and future years), Council has made provisions for the continued recovery from the major storm events of 2021, 2022 and 2023 and has also made provision for a range of cost control measures (operational savings, efficiency targets, and some service and capital program reductions) to ensure Council maintains a positive, stable, and sustainable financial position. Some examples of this include:

- Reduced telecommunications costs through targeted negotiations.
- Savings resulting from Council's street lighting upgrades.
- Changes in some services to deliver outcomes in a more streamlined or sustainable way.
- Reduced expenditure on external consultants, with upskilling internal resources.

Over the coming years, Council will continue our work to maintain financial sustainability in a rate capped environment. Council has reviewed its 10-year long-term financial plan, which was adopted in October 2021, to ensure it reflects the changes that have occurred since its adoption, that our community is kept informed on how this will be achieved and confirm the principles by which it will be maintained.

Budget influences

This section sets out the key budget influences arising from the internal and external environment within which Council operates.

Municipal data

As a result of Yarra Ranges' demographic profile there are several budget implications in the short and long term as follows:

- Yarra Ranges covers approximately 2,500 km2, being home to over 55 suburbs, townships, and small communities in a mixture of rural and urban areas, which has a significant impact on the costs of providing programs and services across one of the most diverse and unique municipalities in Victoria.
- Approximately 18% of ratepayers can access the pensioner rebate. As pensioners often have
 low incomes, the adoption of rate increases has an impact on the disposable income of this
 large proportion of our community. Council does have hardship provisions in place for all
 ratepayers who need assistance.
- Compared to the Australian average, Yarra Ranges has a low level of disadvantage and a high level of advantage (as of the 2021 Census). It is in the top 20% of scores for both the Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage (IRSD) and the Index of Relative Socio-economic Advantage (IRSAD), with scores of 1041 and 1054 respectively. The national benchmark score is 1000, higher scores reflect higher advantage and lower disadvantage. Despite these scores we are working closely with some parts of the community that are experiencing levels of disadvantage.
- While the municipality is not substantially developed, it is experiencing very low growth in rateable properties, in comparison to other councils. Rates received from the low level of new dwellings do not offset the significant costs required to replace infrastructure including roads and drains.

External influences

In preparing the 2024-25 Budget, the following external influences have been taken into consideration:

- The Victorian State Government introduced a cap on rate increases in 2016-17. The cap for 2024-25 has been set at 2.75% (a significant reduction on the expected target increase of 3.5%).
- The continuing impact of the pandemic on Council and community services and facilities, as well as on the wider business community with programs and services to support the recovery effort.
- The impact of supporting the community as it recovers and rebuilds from the significant storm events of 2021-2024 combined with the escalating costs of living more broadly for residents.
- Cost escalations and supply issues for materials and services across both operational and capital programs.
- As a result of changes in the recycling industry there has been a rise in the cost of the processing of recyclable material.
- Increased Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) requirements for managing Council's landfill sites.

- Funds received through funding agreements from the State and Commonwealth Governments often do not increase over time in line with real cost increases, which adds pressure to meet service obligations within financial constraints. Council will continually review its service levels to ensure that we are meeting community needs within financially sustainable limits.
- The withdrawal of Commonwealth Funding in relation to the Roads for the Community Initiative.
- Council will continue to collect the Fire Services Property Levy through its rates collection process on behalf of the State Government.
- The current reform agenda of the State Government, and the flow on impacts onto the Local Government sector.
- Council has an ongoing obligation to fund any investment shortfalls in the Defined Benefits Superannuation Scheme. The last call on Local Government was in 2012-13 where Council was required to pay \$12.1 million to top up its share in the Defined Benefits Scheme. The amount and timing of any liability is dependent on the global investment market. At present the actuarial ratios are at a level such that additional calls from the sector are not expected in the next 12 months.

Budget principles

In response to these influences, guidelines have been prepared that set out the key budget principles which informed the preparation of the budget and also provide a framework for the review and update of the long-term financial plan.

Rates & charges

- Council will apply an annual rate increase in line with the estimated rate cap over the life of the long-term financial plan, with 2.75% being applied in year 1 and 2.5% for the remainder of the long-term financial plan.
- Waste management to be charged to ratepayers as a full cost recovery service.
- Differential rates to be applied to ensure appropriate allocation of rates (no change from 2023-24 refer Section 0 (n) for further details):
 - Residential (100% of the rate in the dollar)
 - Commercial (150%)
 - Industrial (150%)
 - Farming (70%)
 - Recreational/Cultural (60%)
 - Vacant land (100%)
- No municipal charge.

Government funding

- All recurrent and non-recurrent funding based on confirmed agreements is included in the budget.
- In later years of the long-term financial plan, where confirmed capital funding is unknown, an estimated percentage of capital expenditure has been used based on historical activity.

Fees & charges

- Fees & charges are reviewed annually for appropriateness, fairness and equity. Thirty one percent (31%) of fees and charges are increasing at a similar rate to the 2.75% rate cap, with 13% of fees and charges having no increase (or being decreased) to ease the burden on the community due to cost of living pressures. Forty eight percent (48%) of fees and charges have had market corrections applied. In many cases these fees were held flat in prior years due to pandemic and pandemic recovery considerations. Note that 8% of fees and charges have been discontinued due to closures or changed services.
- See attached Appendix A Schedule of Fees & Charges from 1 July 2024.

Loan borrowings

- Overall borrowings are set at a financially sustainable level.
- Council is taking a strategic position to slightly increase its level of indebtedness to support community recovery and support the delivery of capital projects.
- Maintain indebtedness ratio below 60% over the long-term period (medium risk indicator). This measure indicates Council's ability to service its debts with its own sourced revenue.

Cash

- Cash will be managed and invested in accordance with operational peaks and troughs, being mindful of short-term cash requirements of Council.
- Assist in funding the capital works program to the extent possible without compromising Council's cash position.
- Maintain a stable cash position with a liquidity ratio being managed to at least 1.1 (minimum, VAGO indicator). This measure determines Council's ability to meet its short-term financial obligations with unrestricted assets (i.e. cash holdings) and will maintain a small cash excess to cover for any unforeseen circumstances.

Recurrent operating expenditure

- In some targeted areas, operational expenditure in 2024-25 will be held at the same or reduced levels, except for costs subject to existing contracts or where external market pressures apply.
- Salaries and wages have been calculated according to Council's full establishment staff
 roster which includes currently vacant positions and flexible working arrangements and
 increases in line with Council's Enterprise Agreement 2021.
- Future years expenditure in the long-term financial plan to be increased in line with the Victorian Department of Treasury and Finance CPI projections.
- Areas of discretionary cost will be reviewed each year as part of setting the annual budget.
- Service levels will continue to be reviewed considering community expectations, shifting
 demand for services and legislative requirements. The aim is to continue to be efficient with
 resources and an emphasis on innovation to achieve savings and efficiencies. Council
 further acknowledges that some services are likely to be impacted as additional operational
 savings are required to be identified in future years.

New initiatives & cost pressures

• Funding of cost pressures and new initiatives will be sourced from within the organisation through efficiencies, reallocation of resources or external grant funding sources, subject to approval by Management.

Capital works

- The asset renewal gap will be managed through the dedication and allocation of enough resources to renew the existing asset base over the long term as a priority in the Capital Works Program.
- Maintain the size of the Council's baseline contribution to the Capital Expenditure Program budget, whilst still maintaining financial sustainability.
- Increase the size of Capital Expenditure Program through third party funding such as Grant funding, Land sales, Public Open Space Funding and Special Charge Schemes.
- Longer term grant funding projections based on estimated percentage of total Capital Expenditure Program, outside of the Roads for the Community Initiative.
- Savings achieved during delivery of works will be returned to future years of the Capital Expenditure Program to fund additional work.
- Asset realisation, rationalisation and de-commissioning will be considered as a method of reducing recurrent investment needs and funding required for improvements and new assets, particularly relating to community facilities.
- The impact of new and improved assets on the ongoing operating budget will be identified and considered when assessing proposals for funding new assets and improvements. Example whole of life costs on maintaining a new trail.
- Application for external funding for both new and renewal projects will be undertaken for all
 capital projects where available, however if matching funding is required, budget
 considerations will need to be considered.

Community engagement

Throughout the year we hear from the community in a variety of ways whether that be at one of the many roadshows held across the municipality, our online feedback portal 'Shaping Yarra Ranges', via Councillors, at Council meetings or from customer feedback.

The information we receive from the community has provided valuable input to the 2024-25 Draft Budget development process, helping ensure resources are being allocated to priority areas identified by the community, while also ensuring Council can continue to meet its legislative obligations.

Community engagement activities undertaken over the past 12 months have included:

 Approximately 30 pop-up activities were held across the Yarra Ranges to give community members a chance to speak face to face with Council staff.

The Budget has been developed in light of this feedback and other items raised via Councillors and the Council meeting process, noting the competing tensions for scarce resources and the diverse views and needs of approximately 156,000 residents across 55 townships.

It is no surprise that improving and maintaining drains to reduce flooding was identified by the community as one of the top priorities following recent heavy rainfall events over the past two years:

- Improving/updating drainage infrastructure
- Maintaining our roads, footpaths, and trails
- Improving and maintaining sporting facilities, open spaces, and reserves
- Caring for the environment and responding to climate change; and
- Facilities to support the community through all stages of life.

What we are funding in 2024-25

Delivery of ongoing services

Council has allocated \$140.0 million in direct service delivery to the Yarra Ranges community. These services are summarised in Section 2 together with Council's major initiatives, actions, and measures of success.

Council's 2024-25 Budget will also support several exciting key projects. These are outlined as follows.

Capital works program

This Budget allocates \$68.3 million towards capital works projects. Of this, \$47.3 million is allocated for asset renewals, upgrades, and expansions, while \$21.0 million will help fund the construction of new assets. In response to advocacy from Council, the program is supported by \$21.1 million in external funding from the State and Federal Governments.

Highlights of the capital works program include:

- Roads (\$18.9 million) including resealing and resurfacing; rehabilitation and renewals; upgrades and improvements; and special charge schemes. Works include construction of roundabout at intersection of Edward Road and Paynes Road, Chirnside Park; and extensive rehabilitation works along Victoria Road, Coldstream and Swales Road, Macclesfield.
- Drainage (\$3.7 million) including rehabilitation and new drainage works including Maroondah Parade, Healesville, Schoolhouse Road, Woori Yallock and Fernhill Road, Mt Evelyn.
- Footpaths and cycleways (\$2.0 million) footpath improvements to One Tree Hill Road, Ferny Creek; York Road, Mt Evelyn and Glenfern Road, Upwey and footpath renewals for Greeves Drive, Kilsyth and McKenzie King Drive, Millgrove.
- Recreational, leisure and community facilities (\$5.2 million) including renewal of tennis facilities in Belgrave; netball facilities in Mt Evelyn; play spaces in Badger Creek and Millgrove and new improved facilities for Chirnside Urban Park and Morrison Recreation Reserve play space in Mt Evelyn.
- Parks, open space, and streetscapes (\$13.4 million) major trail projects including ngurrak barring / Ridge walk; Yarra Valley Trail; Warburton Mountain Bike Destination and various township improvements; Indigenous Heritage Visibility; stockyard renewal and upgrade; park furniture renewal and improvements; retaining wall and step renewal; and trail rehabilitation projects.
- Buildings (\$13.9 million) Climate Resilient Buildings for our Community; Pinks Reserve stadium improvements; energy resilient upgrades to Community Sports Pavilion in Monbulk; Advanced Design Program for Early years infrastructure and renewal of Public Toilet facilities in Sassafras and Wandin North.

The Statement of Capital Works can be found in Section 3.5 and further details on the capital works program can be found in Section 4.5

Caring for the environment and responding to climate change

In 2024-25 Council will continue to support our community to prepare for climate change and care for our environment.

Key actions and programs that will be delivered include:

- Commence implementation of all activities envisaged as part of year 1 in the Nature Plan 2024-2034, with \$500k included to contribute to the vision of a healthy, resilient, and connected natural living landscape.
- Review the Integrated Water Management Plan which will enable our waterways and catchments to be protected.
- Continue the Ribbons of Green program, planting native plants on larger properties and at local schools. The program supports local community nurseries, provides education programs and biodiversity extension advice.
- Weed management program on almost 460 sites is programmed for 2024-25, which
 includes treatment of noxious species such as ivy and blackberries. Also including woody
 weed removal to address weed infestation along approximately 10 kilometres of roadsides.
- Fire slashing program, which includes slashing and brush cutting along 830 roadsides and fire access tracks.
- Complete Stage 3 of Council's streetlighting program, which will see the remaining street lights upgraded to energy efficient lighting.
- Deliver the grant funded program to protect the platypus in the Monbulk Creek catchment.
- Through the Climate Resilient Buildings Program, continue to upgrade community facilities to be climate ready and operate at a lower cost. Works include solar and battery systems and energy efficient lighting.
- Continue the transformation of Council's fleet, plant, and equipment to zero emissions technology.

Review of Council's Financial Plan

Following the preparation of the draft 2024-25 Budget, Council has reviewed the impact the budget has on the long-term projections contained in its Financial Plan to ensure Council's financial sustainability is being maintained. The budget principles outlined above are reviewed annually and the principles and Financial Plan are adjusted as necessary to respond to the changing environment to ensure the ongoing financial sustainability of Council.

Council's long term financial sustainability remains sound, as shown in the financial performance indicators in Section 5.2.

Commonwealth and State Government advocacy

Council's advocacy to the State and Commonwealth Governments continues to play a critical role in supporting delivery of core services, flagship projects, and civil infrastructure. Notably, over the past year, Council has secured \$4.9 million for the delivery of Yarra Valley Trail Stage 2A, funding for solar on community facilities, and attracted investment in telecommunications resilience projects and a new Adult Mental Health Local.

Yarra Ranges Council continues to advocate strongly, in line with the 2021-2025 Council Plan and the guidelines set out in Council's Advocacy Framework.

A 2023 review of Council's Advocacy Agenda has delivered a strengthened focus on seven key priorities areas, being: Vibrant Townships, Housing and Homelessness, Integrated Transport, Resilience and Sustainability, Health and Wellbeing, Housing and Homelessness, and Tourism and Sustainable Economic Growth. The refreshed agenda identifies key areas for investment and policy change to enable delivery of better roads and drainage, community and cultural infrastructure, community and environmental resilience initiatives, more housing and more sustainable support for Council to deliver community services.

Notably, the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments have announced changes to regional funding programs, which impact opportunities for Council, local businesses, and community groups to access support for critical projects and initiatives. Council will continue to raise concerns around these changes and advocate for reinstated access to relevant funding sources.

Population growth

How are we travelling against population projections?

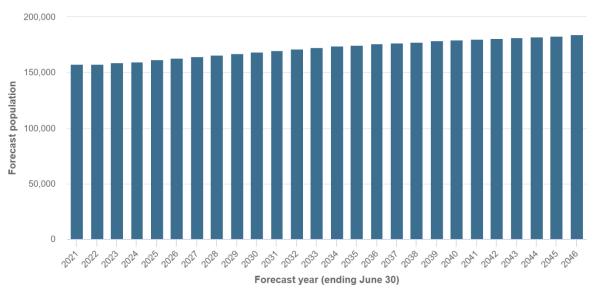
Population for Yarra Ranges was 156,068 at the 2021 Census.

The population forecasts predict that Yarra Ranges' population will grow to 184,010 by 2046. This translates to a net gain of 27,942 between 2021 and 2046, or 17.9% growth. Yarra Ranges' urban areas of Lilydale, Mooroolbark, Chirnside Park and Kilsyth are projected to have the highest population growth over the next twenty years, with local increases ranging from 18.4% in Kilsyth to a very high 66.4% in Lilydale (more than 12,000 new residents in Lilydale primarily due to the development of the Kinley Estate).

The full set of projections to 2046 can be accessed here: http://forecast.id.com.au/yarra-ranges

Forecast population

Yarra Ranges Council



Source: Population and household forecasts, 2021 to 2046, prepared by .id(opens a new window) (informed decisions), November 2023



Budget reports

The following reports include all statutory disclosures of information and are supported by the analyses contained in Section 4.1 of this report.

This section includes the following reports and statements in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* and the Local Government Model Financial Report.

- 1. Link to Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework
- 2. Services and service performance indicators
- 3. Financial statements
- 4. Notes to financial statements
- 5. Financial performance indicators
- 6. Schedule of Fees and charges



1. Link to the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework

This section describes how the Budget links to the achievement of the Community Vision and Council Plan within an overall integrated strategic planning and reporting framework. This framework guides the Council in identifying community needs and aspirations over the long term (Community Vision and long-term Financial Plan), medium term (Council Plan, Workforce Plan, and Revenue and Rating Plan) and short term (Budget) and then holding itself accountable (Annual Report).

Legislative planning and accountability framework

The Budget is a rolling four-year plan that outlines the financial and non-financial resources that Council requires to achieve the strategic objectives described in the Council Plan. The diagram below depicts the integrated planning and reporting framework that applies to local government in Victoria. At each stage of the integrated planning and reporting framework there are opportunities for community and stakeholder input. This is important to ensure transparency and accountability to both residents and ratepayers.



The timing of each component of the integrated planning and reporting framework is critical to the successful achievement of the planned outcomes.

LGPRF – Local Government Planning Reporting Framework

MPHWP - Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan

MPS - Municipal Planning Strategy

Key planning considerations

Service level planning

Although councils have a legal obligation to provide certain services - such as animal management, local roads, food safety and statutory planning - most council services are not legally mandated, including some services closely associated with councils, such as libraries, building permits and sporting facilities. Further, over time, the needs and expectations of communities can change. Therefore, councils need to have robust processes for service planning and review to ensure all services continue to provide value for money and are in line with community expectations.

Our purpose

Our vision

Whether you live here or visit, you will see how much we care for Country, how inclusive and connected our communities are, and how balanced growth makes this the best place in the world.

Our commitment

We'll be truthful, represent the community's needs, be positive and responsive and always strive to do better.

Our values

The organisation's values guide our behaviour and underpin everything we do. Our values help us achieve the organisation's vision and mission and improve the quality of the services we offer to our community.



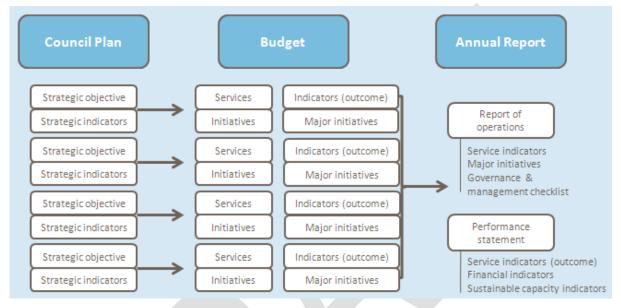
Strategic objectives

Council delivers services and initiatives in over 58 major service categories. Each contributes to the achievement of one of the five Strategic Objectives as set out in the Council Plan. The following table lists the five Strategic Objectives as described in the Council Plan.

Strategic Objective	Description
Connected and healthy communities	Communities are safe, resilient, healthy, inclusive, and socially well connected. Quality services are accessible to everyone.
Quality infrastructure and liveable places	Quality facilities and infrastructure meet current and future needs. Places are well planned hubs of activity that foster wellbeing, creativity, and innovation.
Protected and enhanced natural environment	A healthier environment for future generations.
Vibrant economy, agriculture, and tourism	Our tourism, agriculture, health, manufacturing, and other industries are leading and dynamic. Strong investment and attraction underpin sustainable economic growth and job creation.
High performing organisation	An innovative, responsive organisation that listens and delivers quality, value for money services to our community.

2. Services and service performance indicators

This section provides a description of the services and initiatives to be funded in the Budget for the 2024-25 year and how these will contribute to achieving the strategic objectives outlined in the Council Plan. It also describes several initiatives and service performance outcome indicators for key areas of Council's operations. Council is required by legislation to identify major initiatives, Council Plan actions and service performance outcome indicators in the Budget and report against them in its Annual Report to support transparency and accountability. The relationship between these accountability requirements in the Council Plan, the Budget and the Annual Report is shown below.



Source: Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions

Strategic Objective 1: Connected and Healthy Communities

To achieve our objective of Connected and Healthy Communities, we will continue to ensure that our communities are safe, resilient, healthy, inclusive, and socially well connected. We will also ensure that quality services are accessible to everyone. The services, major initiatives, Council Plan actions, and key strategies to achieve objectives for each business area are described below.

Services

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23 Actual \$'000	2023/24 Forecast \$'000	2024/25 Budget \$'000
	ctive 1: Connected and Healthy Communities				
Social planning and policy	This service contributes to building strong and resilient communities by:	Expenditure	701	806	1,115
development	-Planning, researching and developing relevant	(Income)	(0)	(0)	(0)
	social policies and actions -Providing advice, referral and advocacy	Net Cost	701	806	1,115
	-Delivering selected community development projects.				
2. Primary health	Council's Health and Wellbeing Strategy guides this				
planning and coordination	legislated requirement to promote good health and wellbeing. Using data about the health of our	Expenditure	363	519	435
	community, Council works with its partners and the	·			
	community to improve health. An Advisory Group overseeing the work is resourced by this service.	(Income)	(289)	(282)	(238)
	The service has a primary prevention approach –	Net Cost	74	237	197
	keeping people well through Council's many roles in creating healthy communities and environments.	1101 0001			
3. Food, health,	This service works with owners, operators and	Expenditure	1,684	1,799	1,873
and environment inspections and	applicants to ensure that appropriate health standards are achieved for the health and wellbeing	(Income)	(1212)	(873)	(1,170)
protection	of all.	Net Cost	472	926	703
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4. Library	Council works in partnership with Eastern Regional	Expenditure	4,005	4,372	4,372
services in partnership with	Libraries to enhance learning and cultural development in the municipality through the	(Income)	-	-	-
Eastern Regional Library	provision of library services.	Net Cost	4,005	4,372	4,372
Corporation					
5. Maternal and	Council provides a universal and enhanced	Expenditure	3,980	3,760	4,570
child health and immunisation	Maternal and Child Health Service to provide universal and targeted services for children and	(Income)	(2,455)	(2,420)	(2,533)
services	their families. Families can attend centres across	Net Cost	1,524	1,341	2,037
	the Yarra Ranges and receive services in their homes, or at other community locations.	-			
6. Youth mental	Council provides a range of universal and targeted	Expenditure	1,065	962	956
health and counselling,	services for young people and their families, enabling them to receive individual support and/or	(Income)	(420)	(378)	(336)
participation and engagement	participate in a range of activities.	Net Cost	645	584	620
crigagoment					
7. Early years	Council provides a range of services that enable	Expenditure	4,864	5,430	5,033
development and early childhood	children to develop and for those with additional needs to be included in a range of Early Childhood	(Income)	(4,334)	(4,412)	(4,726)
education and care	Education settings. Council also provides Child Care and Preschool Services.	Net Cost	530	1,018	308
8. School	This service provides supervision for school	Expenditure	1,737	1,810	1,790
crossing	crossings in both the morning and afternoon to	(Income)	(746)	(769)	(750)
supervision	improve community safety and encourage healthy habits of walking to school.	Net Cost	991	1,041	1,040
	nabits of walking to school.	1101 0031	331	1,041	1,040

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
			Actual	Forecast	Budget
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
9. Animal Management	This service seeks to manage animals, both domestic and farm, to improve community safety.	Expenditure	1,887	1,964	2,155
	,,,	(Income)	(1,249)	(1,936)	(1,575)
		Net Cost	638	28	580
10. Fire	This service works to build an empowered resilient	Expenditure	15,824	11,141	6,879
prevention and emergency	community that can mitigate, prepare, respond and recover from emergencies.	(Income)	(11,398)	(7,951)	(3,395)
management	recover from emergencies.	Net Cost	4,427	3,190	3,484
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11. Positive	This service provides a comprehensive range of	Expenditure	3,643	4,470	940
ageing services	services as part of the Home and Community Care (HACC) program. The HACC program provides a	(Income)	(1,928)	(3,039)	(127)
	range of coordinated and integrated service approaches which assist HACC eligible people to	Net Cost	1,714	1,432	813
	maximise their independence to remain living at				
	home, stay connected to their community and adapt to changing life circumstances. The majority of this				
	program is externally funded by State Government.				
12. Supporting people with	This service works across the Council to improve access, equity and inclusion of people with a	Expenditure	118	116	127
disabilities	disability. Metro Access works to increase	(Income)	(0)	(0)	(0)
	participation of people with a disability in the life of their community.	Net Cost	118	116	127
	aren community.				
13. Community engagement and	This service supports - Community engagement and place based Community Planning - Life long learning and building resilient organisations through the community grants program, community planning and community	Expenditure	481	510	423
development		(Income)	(26)	(77)	(52)
programs		Net Cost	455	434	371
	capacity building -Community skill development and working				
	collaboratively with local community and local				
	groups, networks, leaders and service organisations				
14. Services and programs to	Creative Communities provides a framework to use arts and heritage to engage our local communities.	Expenditure	3,565	3,948	3,919
increase	This is achieved through the provision and funding	(Income)	(238)	(149)	(93)
participation in arts, culture and	of: - high quality Cultural Facilities with paid staff and	Net Cost	3,326	3,799	3,826
heritage	technical expertise				
	 the management and delivery of arts and heritage programs in the community 				
	- partnerships with community through grants				
	programs - facilitation of community festivals and events				
15. Development of cultural	Creative Communities is responsible for the development of the Cultural Plan which includes	Expenditure	3,743	4,668	4,545
facilities	planning for the development of cultural facilities	(Income)	(364)	(444)	(455)
	across the municipality. This includes engagement and consultation with community and funding	Net Cost	3,379	4,224	4,090
	bodies, involvement in the project planning and				
	involvement in delivery of the project working with the Capital Works and Planning area.				
	This service provides Local Laws compliance for				
	This service provides Local Laws compliance for	Expenditure	567	341	450
16. General Local Laws Compliance	This service provides Local Laws compliance for the safety and wellbeing of our communities.	Expenditure (Income)	567 (229)	341 (593)	450 (1,060)

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23 Actual \$'000	2023/24 Forecast \$'000	2024/25 Budget \$'000
17. Community	This service provides support from Yarra Ranges	Expenditure	192	63	79
support to reduce impact and prepare for climate change	Environment Stewardship team for residents to take steps towards sustainable living and preparing for climate change, including education in schools.	(Income)	(178)	(61)	(61)
		Net Cost	15	2	(18)
Connected and Healthy Communities Total		Expenditure	48,418	46,680	39,660
		(Income)	(25,067)	(23,382)	(16,570)
		Net Cost	23,351	23,298	23,090

Major initiatives

- Improve mental health outcomes for the community, strengthen social connections, and advocate for equitable and accessible mental health services across the municipality.
- Build community resilience by working together to achieve greater emergency planning and preparedness with a focus on building community capacity as well as traditional cultural burning practices. This will include the development a firestick program across public, private land and local training hubs.

Council Plan actions

- Implement priority actions arising from the Health and Wellbeing Plan including:
 - Mental health
 - Physical activity
 - Social Recovery
 - Climate change and impacts on health
 - Reduce harm from alcohol
 - Health impacts of emergencies
 - Gender Equity.
- Implement Council's Healthy and Active Ageing Plan to increase the age and demential friendliness of the municipality and improve social connection.
- Implement the Yarra Ranges Aquatics and Leisure Strategy to plan and provide aquatic facilities across the municipality that are inclusive, sustainable, well designed and positioned to improve community health and wellness.
- Revise and implement key actions of the Recreation and Open Space Strategy to increase community access, support community connections and activate Council's community facilities and open space network.
- Implement key actions in the Integrated Transport Strategy 2040 with a focus on people's movement in place and advocating for a cohesive public transport network that connects people with services, employment and to each other.

Strategic objective 2: Quality infrastructure and liveable places

To achieve our objective of Quality Infrastructure and Liveable Places, we will ensure that quality facilities and infrastructure meets current and future needs. Places are well planned hubs of activity that foster wellbeing, creativity, and innovation. The services, major initiatives, Council Plan actions and key strategies to achieve objectives for each business area are described below.

Services

Services 2.2 Strategic Obje	Description of services provided ctive 2: Quality Infrastructure and Liveable Places		2022/23 Actual \$'000	2023/24 Forecast \$'000	2024/25 Budget \$'000
Maintenance	This service is responsible for maintenance of	Expenditure	9,281	9,494	10,276
and renewal of buildings	Council's buildings, facilities, public amenities and building security.	(Income)	(0)	(0)	(6)
2 aage	Salitating Coostinity.	Net Cost	9,281	9,494	10,270
Management of facilities	This service manages lease and licence arrangements with sporting clubs, user groups and	Expenditure	1,589	1,552	1,811
or racilities	individuals for a range of Council facilities and	(Income)	(1,097)	(1,148)	(1,085)
	properties, ensuring that the needs of occupants are provided for in a viable and sustainable way.	Net Cost	491	404	726
Road, footpath and bike path	This service maintains and manages Council's civil infrastructure (roads, drainage, footpaths,	Expenditure	6,048	5,430	7,106
construction and	etc.). The area also manages the implementation of the annual local road resurfacing program and	(Income)	(311)	(212)	(212)
maintenance	provides after hours emergency response service.	Net Cost	5,737	5,218	6,894
4. Major Council building projects	This service is responsible for coordinating the design and development of major building assets for the Council.	Expenditure (Income)	938	1,360	1,437
	Tot the Godnon.	Net Cost	938	1,360	1,437
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5. Urban design	The service is responsible for developing and	Expenditure	1,545	2,096	1,834
including masterplanning,	implementing proposals for township improvements across the municipality and	(Income)	(504)	(190)	(0)
township and streetscape	supporting the development of high quality infrastructure in the private environment through	Net Cost	1,040	1,906	1,834
improvements	strategic and statutory planning processes.				
6. Aquatics	This service provides for the maintenance of	Expenditure	2,661	2,149	2,677
facilities	Council's aquatic facilities.	(Income)	-	-	-
		Net Cost	2,661	2,149	2,677
7. Strategic land use policy	This service continues to review and maintain Council's planning scheme and sets the direction	Expenditure	1,292	1,460	1,777
development	for land use planning within Yarra Ranges. This	(Income)	(130)	(90)	(91)
	includes planning for the Kinley Estate.	Net Cost	1,162	1,370	1,686
8. Statutory Building Services	Our building team ensures all buildings, both existing and proposed, comply with the Building	Expenditure	2,540	3,015	2,995
Danaing Oct vioes	Act and regulations. They can also assist with	(Income)	(912)	(772)	(804)
	information about pool fencing, maintenance of fire safety equipment, general and technical advice, property information, copies of plans, landslip	Net Cost	1,629	2,243	2,190
	certificates, building complaints and Council Consent applications.				

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
			Actual	Forecast	Budget
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
9. Capital works	This service contributes to the management of	Expenditure	15,324	17,038	16,905
and strategic asset	Council's capital works program and management of Council's infrastructure assets across all	(Income)	(107)	(0)	(0)
management	infrastructure categories.	Net Cost	15,217	17,038	16,905
10. Maintenance	This contine provides support to procuring				
10. Maintenance This service provides support to procuring, and renewal of servicing and disposal of vehicles and both large		Expenditure	6,752	6,930	7,101
plant and and small plant that the organisation's services equipment to require to undertake their businesses effectively.	(Income)	(65)	(258)	(105)	
	Net Cost	6,687	6,672	6,995	
of the organisation					
11. Drainage	This service performs various tasks related to managing water flow and drainage systems.	Expenditure	3,411	3,211	3,680
Works		(Income)	(372)	(533)	(533)
		Net Cost	3,040	2,678	3,147
12. Planning	Assesses and provides advice and enforcement in	Expenditure	5,441	6,251	6,158
permits, approvals, and	relation to planning application approvals under the Yarra Ranges Planning Scheme and the related legislation.	(Income)	(2,016)	(1,764)	(2,187)
advice		Net Cost	3,425	4,487	3,971
Quality Infrastructure and Liveable Places Total		Expenditure	56,824	59,987	63,757
		(Income)	(5,515)	(4,968)	(5,024)
		Net Cost	51,309	55,019	58,733

Major initiatives

 Undertake and deliver integrated place planning for priority activity centres and town centres to achieve a coordinated community outcome across Yarra Ranges, in accordance with the Living Places Framework.

Council Plan actions

- Improve our social infrastructure planning by working across council to integrate place, service, and infrastructure planning to meet the needs of our diverse communities and improve the unique places they live.
- Develop and implement a strategic approach for activating and providing functional and affordable community assets and spaces that are welcoming to all and support the wellbeing and connectedness of the community.
- Continue to evolve the maturity and sophistication of Council's Asset Management planning to ensure existing community infrastructure is renewed and maintained for the benefit of future generations.
- Activate, develop, and construct significant community facility projects across the municipality to respond to current and future community and social needs.
- Seal gravel roads in townships across the municipality enabled through funding provided by the Federal Government combined with landowner contributions to improve local amenity and liveability for the community.
- Complete the Lilydale Structure Plan and incorporate key actions into the Planning Scheme through an amendment to provide clear direction of the future land use, urban design, transport and access and landscaping forms for Lilydale.

- Integrate and strengthen the planning, maintenance, and management of community assets to ensure the needs and priorities of current and future communities are balanced against investment requirements and Council's ability to pay for them.
- Amend the planning scheme by using the outcomes of the reviewed Housing Strategy to ensure
 housing needs of the community are met, new housing is well designed, it provides for housing
 choice and improves neighbourhood character outcomes in residential areas.
- Plan, facilitate and develop urban renewal projects, including Lilydale Revitalisation project, Kinley re-development and Level Crossing Removal to facilitate the revitalisation of Lilydale. Ensuring alignment with Council's place making objectives of encouraging a vibrant, attractive, sustainable, healthy, and connected community.



Strategic objective 3: Protected and enhanced natural environment

To achieve our objective of Protected and Enhanced Natural Environment, we will continue to strive for a healthier environment for future generations. The services, major initiatives, Council Plan actions, and key strategies to achieve objectives for each business area are described below.

Services

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
			Actual	Forecast	Budget
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2.3 Strategic Object	tive 3: Protected and Enhanced Natural Environment				
1. Environmental	This service provides environmental education	Expenditure	350	349	360
education programs including	programs to our community, as well the Council's extensive school network.	(Income)	(335)	(327)	(235)
a focus on schools		Net Cost	15	22	125
2. Weed reduction	Council has an active weed reduction and replanting	Expenditure	973	1,144	1,252
and replanting programs	service, in addition to running an ongoing weed removal program called Weed Wipeout, to help	(Income)	(555)	(698)	(647)
1 0	residents remove and dispose of weeds on their	Net Cost	418	446	606
	property.	=			
3. Biodiversity	The Biodiversity Conservation Unit has responsibility	Expenditure	1,533	2,314	1,964
conservation	for the protection and enhancement of the region's biodiversity values in line with National, State and	(Income)	(496)	(614)	(301)
	Regional requirements. Conducts environmental assessments for planning permit applications (Council	Net Cost	1,037	1,699	1,663
	and community). Manages a system for biodiversity	=			
	offsets and provides advice to landholders to enhance biodiversity.				
4. Support for	This service provides grants and support for 'Friends	Control Character	700	4.004	
friends and land	of groups and 'Land Care' groups across Council's parks, reserves and natural habitats.	Expenditure	726	1,691	669
care groups		(Income)	(423)	(325)	(258)
		Net Cost	303	1,366	411
5. Waste management	This service provides waste services to 59,708 general properties consisting of a weekly garbage	Expenditure	24,581	30,083	33,526
services	collection, fortnightly recycling and green and hard	(Income)	(25,265)	(30,487)	(33,430)
	waste collections for general properties only. We also provide services to over 2,751 commercial properties	Net Cost	(684)	(404)	96
	across the municipality which consist of twice weekly	-			
	garbage collection, and fortnightly recycling collections. A core priority includes minimising the				
	volume of material going to landfills through the coordination of education and management programs.				
Maintenance of bushland and	This service provides for the maintenance of Council's bushland and natural open spaces.	Expenditure	8,513	7,958	8,087
natural open space		(Income)	(41)	(17)	(17)
		Net Cost	8,472	7,941	8,070
7. Maintenance	This service provides for the maintenance and	F 22	40.070	40.070	44.000
and	redevelopment of Council's sports fields, playspaces,	Expenditure	10,672	10,978	11,023
redevelopment of and par sports fields,	and parks and reserves.	(Income)	(279)	(332)	(285)
playspaces, parks and reserves		Net Cost =	10,393	10,646	10,739
Environmental sustainability	This service provides the management and administrative support for the environment and	Expenditure	1,204	1,784	1,588
management	sustainability teams.	(Income)	(0)	(397)	(408)
		Net Cost	1,204	1,388	1,180

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
			Actual	Forecast	Budget
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
9. Landfill	This work typically involves reshaping, contouring and	Expenditure	3,985	95	1,595
Rehabilitation	capping of the landfill, in association with ongoing management and regular monitoring of Leachate,	(Income)	-	-	-
Landfill Gas and Stormwater. This also includes the establishment of infrastructure to minimise and mitigate any potential onsite and offsite impacts to soil, ground and surface water and the atmosphere. The length of the process is indeterminable and may take many years, dependant on the nature of the site and material that was placed in the landfill and when the EPA determines no further rehabilitation is required.	Net Cost	3,985	95	1,595	
	soil, ground and surface water and the atmosphere. The length of the process is indeterminable and may take many years, dependant on the nature of the site and material that was placed in the landfill and when the EPA determines no further rehabilitation is				
Protected and En	Protected and Enhanced Natural Environment Total		52,537	56,396	60,065
		(Income)	(27,394)	(33,198)	(35,580)
		Net Cost	25,143	23,198	24,485

Major initiatives

- Ensure the plants, animals, and ecologies of Yarra Ranges that our community value so much, are supported and retained alongside us, in healthy landscapes by implementing the Nature Plan.
- Reduce our ecological footprint through our commitment to sourcing 100% renewable energy and help our communities to thrive in a changing climate through adaptive, resilient, and regenerative programs and projects.

Council Plan actions

- Implement actions of the Liveable Climate Plan and shift to low carbon and renewable energy sources across all facilities, buildings, plant, and fleet to reduce Council's climate impact.
- Deliver actions of the Urban Tree Canopy Strategy and its implementation plan. Deliver the parks and reserves improvement program to enhance amenity, access and participation in public spaces and places.
- Implementation of the Community Waste & Resource Recovery Plan, develop education programs and pursue innovative waste processing technologies to maximise waste resource recovery for a more sustainable future.
- Continue to develop and support the capability of Environmental Volunteer Groups including seeking funding support to invest in our shared environment.
- Improve our green corridors to enable native wildlife movement across the landscape by investing in restoration and revegetation works on private and council land.

Strategic objective 4: Vibrant economy, agriculture, and tourism

To achieve our objective of Vibrant Economy, Agriculture and Tourism, we will continue to ensure that our tourism, agriculture, health, manufacturing, and other industries are leading and dynamic. Strong investment and attraction underpin sustainable economic growth and job creation. The services, major initiatives, Council Plan actions, and key strategies to achieve objectives for each business area are described below.

Services

Description of services provided		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
		Actual	Forecast	Budget
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
ive 4: Vibrant Economy, Agriculture, and Tourism				
This service offers work across the tourism sector –	Expenditure	539	491	518
promote and develop the benefits that flow from	(Income)	-	=	-
tourism. Advocacy on developing latent tourism	Net Cost	539	491	518
develop our tourism offer and deliver benefits to local	_			
communities. Yarra Ranges Tourism is a major				
Partnership Agreement with the Board.	^			
Forums, industry networks, advocacy, training	Expenditure	1,147	1,533	1,158
	(Income)	(218)	(465)	(24)
vital to our communities and the service works to	Net Cost	930	1,067	1,134
facilitate vibrant local economies through relationship brokerage and networking.	_			
Vibrant Economy, Agriculture & Tourism Total		1,687	2,024	1,676
	(Income)	(218)	(465)	(24)
	Net Cost	1,469	1,558	1,652
	This service offers work across the tourism sector — a key segment of the Yarra Ranges economy to promote and develop the benefits that flow from tourism. Advocacy on developing latent tourism potential through eco and heritage tourism seeks to develop our tourism offer and deliver benefits to local communities. Yarra Ranges Tourism is a major partner and the service manages Council's Partnership Agreement with the Board. Forums, industry networks, advocacy, training programs and investment attraction are promoted by this service. Strong employment opportunities are vital to our communities and the service works to facilitate vibrant local economies through relationship brokerage and networking.	This service offers work across the tourism sector – a key segment of the Yarra Ranges economy to promote and develop the benefits that flow from tourism. Advocacy on developing latent tourism potential through eco and heritage tourism seeks to develop our tourism offer and deliver benefits to local communities. Yarra Ranges Tourism is a major partner and the service manages Council's Partnership Agreement with the Board. Forums, industry networks, advocacy, training programs and investment attraction are promoted by this service. Strong employment opportunities are vital to our communities and the service works to facilitate vibrant local economies through relationship brokerage and networking. Expenditure (Income) Net Cost Expenditure (Income) Net Cost Expenditure (Income)	Actual \$'000 ive 4: Vibrant Economy, Agriculture, and Tourism This service offers work across the tourism sector – a key segment of the Yarra Ranges economy to promote and develop the benefits that flow from tourism. Advocacy on developing latent tourism potential through eco and heritage tourism seeks to develop our tourism offer and deliver benefits to local communities. Yarra Ranges Tourism is a major partner and the service manages Council's Partnership Agreement with the Board. Forums, industry networks, advocacy, training programs and investment attraction are promoted by this service. Strong employment opportunities are vital to our communities and the service works to facilitate vibrant local economies through relationship brokerage and networking. Griculture & Tourism Total Expenditure (Income) (218) Expenditure (Income) (218)	Actual Forecast \$'000 \$'0000 ive 4: Vibrant Economy, Agriculture, and Tourism This service offers work across the tourism sector – a key segment of the Yarra Ranges economy to promote and develop the benefits that flow from tourism. Advocacy on developing latent tourism potential through eco and heritage tourism seeks to develop our tourism offer and deliver benefits to local communities. Yarra Ranges Tourism is a major partner and the service manages Council's Partnership Agreement with the Board. Forums, industry networks, advocacy, training programs and investment attraction are promoted by this service. Strong employment opportunities are vital to our communities and the service works to facilitate vibrant local economies through relationship brokerage and networking. Griculture & Tourism Total Expenditure (Income) (218) (465) Net Cost 930 1,067

Major initiatives

- Become a world class trails and eco-tourism destination through project development, delivery, advocacy and partnerships, including the delivery of the Ridges and Rivers projects.
- Implementing a "build back better" approach by actively promoting regenerative principles in economic recovery and adaptation efforts. Advocating for strategies that enhance community well-being and business sustainability.

Council Plan actions

- Implement a plan that improves employment opportunities and mental health outcomes for everyone.
- Develop and deliver improvements to Council's network of recreational trails across the municipality to support improved recreational, health, social, and economic needs of the community and become a world class trails, agritourism and eco-tourism destination.
- Ongoing implementation of the Economic Development Strategy and finalisation and implementation of the Investment Attraction Plan, to create local jobs, business, and investment to deliver positive and sustainable economic community outcomes.
- Deliver key initiatives outlined in the Bayswater Business Precinct Transformation Strategy that create jobs, attracts future investment, and progresses the revitalisation of the Precinct, in association with Knox and Maroondah Councils.

- Raise the cultural profile of Yarra Ranges to drive creative industry development and cultural tourism spend via attracting and retaining new creative professionals and businesses and supporting existing creative professionals and businesses.
- Implement the relevant actions as indicated in Yarra Ranges Destination Management Plan to promote sustainable eco-tourism and infrastructure development while protecting our natural environment.



Strategic objective 5: High performing organisation

To achieve our objective of High Performing Organisation, we will continue to strive towards an innovative and responsive organisation that listens and delivers quality and value for money services to our community. The services, major initiatives, Council Plan actions and key strategies to achieve objectives for each business area are described below.

Services

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
			Actual	Forecast	Budget
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2.5 Strategic Object	tive 5: High Performing Organisation				
1. Communications & Engagement	Keeping our community informed around local opportunities, services and initiatives and engaging	Expenditure	1,658	1,919	1,470
& Engagement	with the community to help inform Council decision	(Income)	-	-	-
	making and planning.	Net Cost	1,658	1,919	1,470
2. Customer	This service leads the provision of front-line service,	Expenditure	3,681	3,284	3,912
Experience	including delivery of five geographically dispersed Community Links across the municipality and	(Income)	(157)	(64)	(64)
	Council's Contact Centre.	Net Cost	3,524	3,220	3,848
3. Financial	This service provides financial management and	Expenditure	1,577	1,790	1,317
management and reporting	reporting functions for Council, including the preparation of the Budget and the Annual Financial	(Income)	(3)	=	-
, 0	Statements.	Net Cost	1,574	1,790	1,317
		=			
4. Procurement,	This service provides best practice procurement	Expenditure	1,140	1,407	1,353
contracts and tendering	support to the organisation including tendering and collaborative procurement initiatives.	(Income)	-	=	-
		Net Cost	1,140	1,407	1,353
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5. Strategy and Transformation	This service provides business support to Councillors for the development and reporting of the Council Plan, in addition to business plans across the organisation. It also leads our Business Excellence Program, a program of coordinated process improvement and innovation aligned to the nationally recognised business excellence framework. Also includes Council's advocacy program.	Expenditure	3,146	3,705	3,360
		(Income)	-	-	-
		Net Cost	3,146	3,705	3,360
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6. Information services	This service provides a range of different services and solutions related to the Information	Expenditure	9,524	11,024	9,548
	Management requirements of the Council including	(Income)	(17)	(309)	(40)
	information technology, geographic information systems, records management, archives	Net Cost	9,507	10,715	9,508
	management, courier services, FOI, information				
	privacy and an Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).				
7. Rating and	This service provides the generation of rate notices,	Expenditure	1,619	1,188	1,235
valuation services	management of the rates database, including the fire services levy, and liaison and support of	(Income)	(780)	(396)	(387)
	Council's Valuers.	Net Cost	839	792	848
		-			
3. Council	This service provides leadership of Council's	Expenditure	1,452	1,555	2,275
governance & neeting	governance framework, including administration and operational support for Council and executive	(Income)	(54)	(105)	(105)
procedures	meetings, advice and guidance on legislative	Net Cost	1,397	1,450	2,170
	changes and requirements focusing on good governance initiatives. It also provides executive	-			
	support to the CEO and Councillors ensuring a				
	seamless approach to interactions within the organisation and the community.				

Services	Description of services provided		2022/23 Actual \$'000	2023/24 Forecast \$'000	2024/25 Budget \$'000
Occupational health and safety	This service provides support to the organisation in meeting requirements under the Occupational Health and Safety Act. Protecting the health and safety of employees, councillors, volunteers, contractors and visitors.	Expenditure (Income)	177 -	178 -	156 -
		Net Cost	177	178	156
10. Human resources,	This service provides leadership and coordination of Council's human resources, workplace relations, payroll, and organisational development functions.	Expenditure (Income)	3,678	4,527	4,255
employee relations and organisational development		Net Cost	3,678	4,527	4,255
11. Digital	This service supports Council to harness the opportunities that digital technology presents and to improve the way services are delivered to our community. This service also plays a vital role in improving and enhancing the way in which the organisation manages, shares and uses data to	Expenditure (Income) Net Cost	375 - 375	453 - 453	612 - 612
12. Risk management	ensure Council's decisions are evidence-based. This service provides risk management and insurance services to the organisation.	Expenditure (Income) Net Cost	2,243 (23) 2,221	3,032 (40) 2,992	3,234 (16) 3,219
High Performing O	rganisation Total	Expenditure (Income) Net Cost	30,268 (1,032) 29,236	34,063 (915) 33,148	32,728 (611) 32,117

Council Plan actions

- Ensure Council's workforce reflects the community it serves by embedding the principles of total diversity and inclusion in our day-to-day leadership and share our experience and knowledge with the community.
- Improve trust and connection with Council through better community engagement and innovative approaches to communication.
- Develop and grow an organisational culture committed to delivering exceptional customer experience.
- Streamline internal Council processes and improve software systems to deliver more efficient services to our community.
- Increase the community's visibility, understanding of and access to Council's information and performance to improve accountability to the community.
- Provide additional digital platforms that the community can use to interact with increased accessibility and flexibility for our community.
- Consolidate and strengthen advocacy through evidence and stronger relationships to ensure other levels of government are effectively and efficiently engaged to support local services and programs.
- Adapt and improve our service delivery to ensure the measurable provision of both effective and
 efficient services that are supporting our municipality to rebuild resilience.
- Strengthen relationships and networks to support local community groups and build their capacity to be active in achieving community outcomes.

2.1 Reconciliation with budgeted operating result

	Surplus/ (Deficit)	Expenditure	Revenue
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Connected and healthy communities	(23,090)	39,660	16,570
Quality infrastructure and liveable places	(58,733)	63,757	5,024
Protected and enhanced natural environment	(24,485)	60,065	35,580
Vibrant economy, agriculture and tourism	(1,652)	1,676	24
High performing organisation	(32,117)	32,728	611
Total	(140,077)	197,886	57,809

Expenses added in:	
Depreciation and amortisation	39,587
Finance costs	2,314
Other expenses/adjustments	601
Surplus/(Deficit) before funding sources	(182,579)
Funding sources added in:	
Rates and charges revenue	147.298
Grants commission funding	16,892
Capital grants	21,129
Interest revenue	3,094
Contributions – cash & non-monetary	6,113
Other revenue	5,821
Total funding sources	200,347
Operating surplus/(deficit) for the year	17,768

2.2 Service performance outcome indicators

The following table outlines the prescribed indicators of service performance and prescribed measures that must be included under the *Local Government Act 2020*. These are required to be reported against in the annual Performance Statement.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Governance	Consultation and engagement	Satisfaction with community consultation and engagement. (Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with the consultation and engagement efforts of Council)	Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how Council has performed on community consultation and engagement
Statutory planning	Service standard	Planning applications decided within required timeframes (percentage of regular and VicSmart planning application decisions made within legislated timeframes)	[Number of planning application decisions made within 60 days for regular permits and 10 days for VicSmart permits / Number of planning application decisions made] x100
Roads	Condition	Sealed local roads below the intervention level (percentage of sealed local roads that are below the renewal intervention level set by Council and not requiring renewal)	[Number of kilometres of sealed local roads below the renewal intervention level set by Council / Kilometres of sealed local roads] x100
Libraries	Participation	Library membership (percentage of the population that are registered library members)	[Number of registered library members / Population] x100
Waste management	Waste diversion	Kerbside collection waste diverted from landfill. (Percentage of recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins that is diverted from landfill)	[Weight of recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins / Weight of garbage, recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins] x100
Aquatic Facilities	Utilisation	Utilisation of aquatic facilities. (Number of visits to aquatic facilities per head of population)	Number of visits to aquatic facilities / Population
Animal Management	Health and safety	Animal management prosecutions. (Percentage of animal management prosecutions which are successful)	Number of successful animal management prosecutions / Total number of animal management prosecutions
Food safety	Health and safety	Critical and major non-compliance outcome notifications. (Percentage of critical and major non-compliance outcome notifications that are followed up by Council)	[Number of critical non-compliance outcome notifications and major non-compliance outcome notifications about a food premises followed up / Number of critical non-compliance outcome notifications and major non-compliance outcome notifications about food premises] x100
Maternal and Child Health	Participation	Participation in the MCH service. (Percentage of children enrolled who participate in the MCH service)	[Number of children who attend the MCH service at least once (in the financial year) / Number of children enrolled in the MCH service] x100
		Participation in MCH service by Aboriginal children	Percentage of Aboriginal children enrolled who participate in the MCH service

3. Financial statements

This section presents information regarding the Financial Statements and Statement of Human Resources. The budget information for the financial year 2024-25 has been supplemented with projections to 2027-28.

This section includes the following financial statements prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) and the *Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020* (the Regulations).

- 3.1 Comprehensive income statement
- 3.2 Balance sheet
- 3.3 Statement of changes in equity
- 3.4 Statement of cash flows
- 3.5 Statement of capital works
- 3.6 Statement of human resources

Pending accounting standards

The 2024-25 budget has been prepared based on the accounting standards applicable at the date of preparation. Pending accounting standards that will be in effect from the 2024-25 financial year have not been considered in the development of the budget.

3.1 Comprehensive income statement

		Forecast	Budget		Projections	
		2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	NOTES	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Income / Revenue						
Rates and charges	4.1.1	175,916	182,151	186,852	193,063	199,380
Statutory fees and fines	4.1.2	2,922	3,761	3,911	4,029	4,150
User fees	4.1.3	6,587	6,394	9,650	11,940	12,298
Grants – operating	4.1.4	39,604	29,250	28,874	29,740	32,164
Grants – capital	4.1.4	34,109	21,129	11,078	5,802	6,582
Contributions - monetary	4.1.5	3,231	3,113	3,710	3,235	3,332
Contributions - non-monetary	4.1.5	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Other income	4.1.6	4,724	4,810	4,471	4,354	4,042
Total income / revenue		270,093	253,608	251,546	255,163	264,948
Expenses						
Employee costs	4.1.7	82,819	80,230	81,682	83,724	85,817
Materials and services	4.1.8	102.412	104,814	106,350	109,541	112,827
Depreciation	4.1.9	35.883	36,675	38,297	40,861	42,591
Amortisation - intangible assets	4.1.10	346	335	353	371	391
Depreciation - right of use assets	4.1.11	2,441	2,577	2,521	2,566	2,515
Bad and doubtful debts - allowance for impairment losses		68	64	66	68	70
Borrowing costs		130	1,365	1,084	813	731
Finance costs – leases		739	874	823	728	1,254
Other expenses	4.1.12	9,075	8,905	9,261	9,539	9,825
Total expenses		233,913	235,839	240,437	248,211	256,021
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Surplus/(deficit) for the year		36,180	17,769	11,109	6,952	8,927
Total other comprehensive income		(1,932)	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive result		34,248	17,769	11,109	6,952	8,927
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Adjusted underlying result (deficit)		(592)	(3,453)	(538)	1,150	2,345

3.2 Balance sheet

		Forecast	Budget		Projections	
		2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	NOTES	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents		78,242	78,659	66,229	63,989	62,202
Trade and other receivables		42,403	41,833	42,265	43,321	44,778
Prepayments		-				
Other assets		12,561	13,970	13,844	13,757	13,803
Total current assets	4.2.1	133,206	134,462	122,338	121,067	120,783
Non-current assets						
Trade and other receivables		2,383	2,383	2,383	2,383	2,383
Investments in associates, joint arrangement, and subsidiaries		2,550	2,550	2,550	2,550	2,550
Property, infrastructure, plant & equipment		1,393,039	1,429,997	1,452,405	1,460,247	1,469,038
Right-of-use assets	4.2.4	17,404	15,617	14,258	11,948	9,689
Intangible assets		3,175	2,840	2,487	2,116	1,725
Total non-current assets	4.2.1	1,418,551	1,453,387	1,474,083	1,479,244	1,485,385
Total assets		1,551,757	1,587,849	1,596,421	1,600,311	1,606,168
Liabilities						
Current liabilities						
Trade and other payables		30,518	31,061	31,559	32,472	33,321
Trust funds and deposits		14,802	14,802	14,802	14,802	14,802
Contract and other liabilities		46,000	46,000	46,000	46,000	46,000
Provisions		16,500	15,056	15,319	15,589	15,866
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	4.2.3	643	2,045	2,045	2,045	2,045
Lease liabilities	4.2.4	2,207	1,958	2,313	2,074	2,074
Total current liabilities	4.2.2	110,670	110,922	112,038	112,982	114,108
Non-current liabilities						
Provisions		6,844	8,647	8,752	8,861	8,969
Interest-bearing loans and borrowings	4.2.3	-	17,807	15,762	13,717	11,672
Lease liabilities	4.2.4	15,197	13,659	11,945	9,874	7,615
Total non-current liabilities	4.2.2	22,041	40,112	36,459	32,453	28,257
Total liabilities		132,211	151,034	148,497	145,435	142,365
Net assets		1,419,046	1,436,815	1,447,924	1,454,876	1,463,803
Equity						
Accumulated surplus		672,789	690,558	701,667	708,619	717,546
Reserves		746,257	746,257	746,257	746,257	746,257
Total equity		1,419,046	1,436,815	1,447,924	1,454,876	1,463,803

3.3 Statement of changes in equity

		Total	Accumulated Surplus	Revaluation Reserve	Other Reserves
	NOTES	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2023-24 Forecast					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		1,384,798	638,541	733,256	13,001
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		34,748	34,248	-	-
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)		-	-	-	-
Transfers to/from other reserves	_	-	-	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year	_	1,419,046	672,789	733,256	13,001
2024-25 Budget					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		1,419,046	672,789	733,256	13,001
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		17,769	17,769	-	-
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)		-	-	-	•
Fransfers to/from other reserves	4.3.1	-	-	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year	4.3.2	1,436,815	690,558	733,256	13,001
2025-26					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		1,436,815	690,558	733,256	13,001
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		11,109	11,109	-	-
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)		-	-	-	=
Transfers to/from other reserves	_	-	-	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year	_	1,447,924	701,667	733,256	13,001
2026-27					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		1,447,924	701,667	733,256	13,001
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		6,952	6,952	-	-
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)		-	-	-	-
Transfers to/from other reserves		=			=
Balance at end of the financial year	_	1,454,876	708,619	733,256	13,001
2027-28					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		1,454,876	708,619	733,256	13,001
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		8,927	8,927	· -	- -
Net asset revaluation increment/(decrement)		-	- -	-	-
Fransfers to/from other reserves		-		-	-
Balance at end of the financial year	_	1,463,803	717,546	733,256	13,001

3.4 Statement of cash flows

		Forecast	Budget		Projections	
		0000/04		2025/20		2027/20
,	lotes	2023/24 \$'000	2024/25 \$'000	2025/26 \$'000	2026/27 \$'000	2027/28 \$'000
	10103	Inflows	Inflows	Inflows	Inflows	Inflows
		(Outflows)	(Outflows)	(Outflows)	(Outflows)	(Outflows)
Cash flows from operating activities						
Rates and charges		170,326	182,616	185,901	191,792	198,195
Statutory fees and fines		2,922	4,141	4,288	4,421	4,554
User fees		7,246	7,040	10,320	12,925	13,497
Grants - operating		39,604	29,279	28,901	29,666	31,968
Grants - capital		34,109	21,150	11,902	6,234	6,519
Contributions - monetary		2,500	3,020	3,141	3,235	3,332
Interest received		3,041	3,095	2,687	2,517	2,150
Trust funds and deposits taken		7,698	-	_,	_,	_,
Other receipts		2,582	2,296	2,841	2,382	2,401
Net GST refund / payment		14,801	15,502	15,525	14,434	14,861
Employee costs		(82,819)	(79,756)	(81,195)	(83,179)	(85,278)
Materials and services		(112,653)	(114,882)	(116,638)	(119,774)	(123,437)
Other payments		(8411)	(9,781)	(10,155)	(10,468)	(10,784)
	1.4.1	80,946	63,720	57,518	54,185	57,978
Cash flows from investing activities						
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment		(89,773)	(77,696)	(63,475)	(50,273)	(53,220)
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment		64	-	-	-	-
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment		-	-	-	-	-
Payments for investment property		-		-	-	-
Proceeds from investment property		1,011	•	-	-	-
Payments for intangible assets		-		-	-	-
Proceeds from intangible assets		-		-	-	-
Payments for investments	1.4.2	(00,000)	(77.000)	(00.475)	(50.070)	(50,000)
Net cash provided by/ (used in) investing activities	1.4.2	(88,698)	(77,696)	(63,475)	(50,273)	(53,220)
Cash flows from financing activities						
Finance costs		(130)	(1,365)	(1,084)	(813)	(731)
Proceeds from borrowings		-	20,448	-	-	· ,
Repayment of borrowings		(1,846)	(1,239)	(2,045)	(2,045)	(2,045)
Interest paid - lease liability		(739)	(874)	(823)	(728)	(1,254)
Repayment of lease liabilities		(2,441)	(2,577)	(2,521)	(2,565)	(2,515)
	1.4.3	(5,156)	14,393	(6,473)	(6,152)	(6,545)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents		(12,908)	417	(12,430)	(2,240)	(1,787)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial	year	91,150	78,242	78,659	66,229	63,989
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial ye	ar	78,242	78,659	66,229	63,989	62,202

3.5 Statement of capital works

		Forecast	Budget		Projections	
		2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	NOTES	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property						
Land		697	-	-	-	-
Total land		697	-	-	-	-
Buildings		13,357	7,413	-	-	296
Building improvements		3,926	6,501	3,091	3,175	3,313
Total buildings		17,283	13,914	3,091	3,175	3,609
Total property		17,980	13,914	3,091	3,175	3,609
Plant and equipment						
Plant, machinery and equipment		3,627	2,282	3,122	2,735	2,810
Fixtures, fittings, and furniture		18	19	19	2,733	20
Computers and telecommunications		2,171	2,488	374	385	573
Total plant and equipment		5,816	4,789	3,515	3,140	3,403
Total plant and equipment		5,616	4,709	3,313	3,140	3,403
Infrastructure						
		25,054	18.934	15,336	10,080	10,064
Roads Bridges				262	•	277
ŭ		1,986	466		269	
Footpaths and cycleways		1,078	1,982	3,307	2,647	2,699
Drainage		1,714	3.738	3,491	2,743	2,629
Recreational, leisure and community facilities		8,222	5.194	2,330	1,847	1,802
Parks, open space and streetscapes		14,005	13.413	12,795	3,888	1,359
Off street car parks		467	380	390	401	412
Other infrastructure Total infrastructure		5,291 57,817	5,509 49.616	13,188 51,099	17,513 39,388	22,128 41,370
Total capital works expenditure	4.5.1	81.613	68,319	57,705	45,703	48,382
Represented by:	:					
New asset expenditure		23,914	20,970	17,028	7,317	4,458
Asset renewal expenditure		25,718	27,873	35,588	35,427	39,382
Asset expansion expenditure		5,979	569	1,001	1,015	929
Asset upgrade expenditure		26,002	18,907	4,088	3,944	3,491
Total capital works expenditure	4.5.1	81,613	68,319	57,705	45,703	48,382
Funding sources represented by:	;					
Grants		34,109	21,129	8,761	4,096	2,146
Contributions		4,915	1,609	590	-	-
Council cash		42,589	25,134	48,354	41,607	46,236
Borrowings			20,448	-		
Total capital works expenditure	4.5.1	81,613	68,319	57,705	45,703	48,382
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3.6 Statement of human resources

For the four years ending 30 June 2028

	Forecast	Budget		Projections	
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Staff expenditure					
Employee costs – operating *	82,819	80,230	81,682	83,724	85,817
Employee costs – capital	6,789	7,023	7,199	7,379	7,563
Total staff expenditure	89,608	87,253	88,881	91,103	93,380
	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE
Staff numbers					
Employees	772	745	739	739	739
Total staff numbers	772	745	739	739	739

^{*} Note: included in Budget 2024-25 and future years is an allowance for vacancies and conclusion of fixed term positions

A summary of human resources expenditure categorised according to the organisational structure of Council is included below:

Department		Comprises					
	Budget	Permanent		Casual	Temporary		
	2024/25	Full Time	Part time				
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000		
Communities	21,370	11,758	6,346	907	2,360		
Corporate Services	16,488	12,186	1,934	225	2,143		
Built Environment and Infrastructure	22,794	18,713	501	0	3,580		
Office of the CEO	2,574	2,342	106	0	126		
Planning and Sustainable Futures	16,383	11,790	1,333	0	3,261		
Recovery & Response	621				621		
Total permanent staff expenditure	80,230	56,788	10,220	1,132	12,090		
Other employee related expenditure	-						
Capitalised labour costs	7,023						
Total expenditure	87,253						

A summary of the number of full time equivalent (FTE) Council staff in relation to the above expenditure is included below:

Department		Comprises			
	Budget	Budget Permanent		Casual	Temporary
	2024/25	Full Time	Part time		
Communities	204	105	66	10	23
Corporate Services	150	106	21	3	21
Built Environment and Infrastructure	218	179	5	-	34
Office of the CEO	18	16	1	-	1
Planning and Sustainable Futures	148	101	12	-	35
Recovery & Response	6	-	-	-	6
Total staff	745	507	105	13	120

Summary of planned human resources

Expenditure for the four years ending 30 June 2028

	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Communities				
Permanent - Full time	11,758	12,129	12,653	13,074
Women	9,519	9,635	9,875	10,122
Men	2,239	2,495	2,659	2,830
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	118	12
Permanent - Part time	6,346	6,576	6,691	6,819
Women	5,514	5,652	5,570	5,59
Men	832	924	1,020	1,12
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	101	10
Total Communities	18,103	18,705	19,344	19,89
Built Environment & Infrastructure				
Permanent - Full time	18,718	19,406	19,785	19,93
Women	5,587	5,838	5,984	6,13
Men	13,131	13,569	13,689	13,57
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	112	23
Permanent - Part time	501	514	526	54
Women	440	451	463	47
Men	61	62	64	6
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	-	· ·
Total Built Environment & Infrastructure	19,219	19,920	20,312	20,47
		10,020	20,012	20,17
Corporate Services				
Permanent - Full time	12,186	12,471	12,762	13,05
Women	8,715	8,805	8,893	8,84
Men	3,471	3,666	3,869	4,07
Persons of self-described gender		-	-	12
Permanent - Part time	1,934	2,082	2,134	2,18
Women	1,753	1,896	1,944	1,99
Men	181	186	191	19
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	-	
Total Corporate Services	14,120	14,553	14,896	15,23
Office of the CEO				
Permanent - Full time	2,342	2,365	2,387	2,40
Women	1,893	1,781	1,661	1,53
Men	449	584	726	1,33
Persons of self-described gender	- -	-	.20	01
Permanent - Part time	106	109	111	11
Women	106	109	111	11
Men	-	-	-	
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	_ _	
Total Office of the CEO	2,448	2,473	2,498	2,52
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Planning & Sustainable Futures	44.700	40.040	40.405	4465
Permanent - Full time	11,790	12,316	13,185	14,20
Women	6,107	6,373	6,971	7,58
Men	5,683	5,944	6,214	6,49
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	-	12
Permanent - Part time	1,333	1,459	1,591	1,92
Women	960	886	807	72
Men	373	574	784	1,20
Persons of self-described gender	<u> </u>	=	-	
Total Planning & Sustainable Futures	13,123	13,776	14,776	16,13

	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Casuals, temporary and other expenditure	13,222	12,316	11,821	11,422
Capitalised labour costs	7,023	7,199	7,379	7,563
Total staff expenditure	87,253	88,881	91,102	93,380



Staff numbers for the four years ending 30 June 2028

	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE
Communities				
Permanent - Full time	105	105	108	109
Women	81	80	81	81
Men	24	25	26	27
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	1	1
Permanent - Part time	67	68	68	68
Women	53	53	51	50
Men	13	14	15	16
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	1	1
Total Communities	172	173	176	177
Corporate Services				
Permanent - Full time	106	106	106	106
Women	72	71	70	68
Men	34	35	36	37
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	-	1
Permanent - Part time	21	21	21	21
Women	18	19	19	19
Men	2	2	2	2
Persons of self-described gender	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	-	-
Total Corporate Services	127	127	127	127
Built Environment & Infrastructure				
Permanent - Full time	119	121	123	125
Women	35	36	36	36
Men	84	85	86	87
Persons of self-described gender			1	2
Permanent - Part time	5	5	5	5
Women	4	4	4	4
Men	1	i	1	1
Persons of self-described gender			-	-
Total Environment & Infrastructure	124	126	128	130
Office of the CEO				
Permanent - Full time	16	16	16	16
Women	12	11	10	9
Men	4	5	6	9 7
Persons of self-described gender	4	J J	υ	1
Permanent - Part time	1	1	<u>-</u> 1	<u>-</u> 1
Women	1	1	1	1
Men	<u> </u>	I	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1
Persons of self-described gender		-	- -	-
Total Office of the CEO	17	- 17	17	17
Planning & Sustainable Futures			,	
Permanent - Full time	101	103	104	106
Women	52	53	53	53
Men	49	50	51	52
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	-	1
Permanent - Part time	12	12	12	13
Women	10	9	8	7
Men	2	3	4	6
Persons of self-described gender	-	-	-	-
Total Planning & Sustainable Futures	113	115	116	119
Casuals and temporary staff	133	121	115	109
Capitalised labour	60	60	60	60
Total staff numbers	745	739	739	739
	143	133	133	139

4.1 Notes to the financial statements

This section presents analysis on material components of the financial statements.

- 4.1 Comprehensive income statement
- 4.2 Balance sheet
- 4.3 Statement of changes in equity
- 4.4 Statement of cash flows
- 4.5 Statement of capital works



4.1 Comprehensive income statement

Rates and charges

Rates and charges are required by the *Local Government Act 2020* (the Act) and the Regulations to be disclosed in Council's budget.

As per the Act, Council is required to have a Revenue and Rating Plan which is a four-year plan for how Council will generate income to deliver the Council Plan, program and services and capital works commitments over a four-year period.

In developing the Budget, rates and charges were identified as an important source of revenue. Planning for future rate increases has therefore been an important component of the financial planning process. The Fair Go Rates System (FGRS) sets out the maximum amount councils may increase rates in a year. For 2024-25 the FGRS cap has been set at 2.75%. The cap applies to both general rates and municipal charges and is calculated on the basis of Council's average rates and charges.

The level of required rates and charges has been considered in this context, with reference to Council's other sources of income and the planned expenditure on services and works to be undertaken for the community.

To achieve these objectives while maintaining service levels and a strong capital expenditure program, the average general rate will increase by 2.75% in line with the rate cap. The change from 2023-24 of 3.9% includes additional supplementary rates charged during the year in excess of the forecasted amount of \$757k. For increases in average rates paid per property, refer to section 4.1.1 (I).

This will raise total rates and charges for 2024-25 to \$183.3 million.

4.1.1(a) The reconciliation of the total rates and charges to the Comprehensive Income Statement is as follows:

	2023/24 2024/25 Forecast Budget		Change	%
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
General Rates *	141,101	146,595	5,494	3.9%
Supplementary Rates	757	782	25	3.3%
Garbage and service charges	29,742	33,336	3,594	12.1%
Special Rates and charges	4,173	1,438	(2,735)	-65.5%
Sub total before interest on rates and charges	175,916	182,151	6,378	3.6%
Interest on rates and charges (included in other income)	643	1,156	513	79.7%
Total rates and charges	176,416	183,307	6,891	3.9%

^{*}These items are subject to the rate cap established under the FGRS

4.1.1(b) The rate in the dollar to be levied as general rates under Section 158 of the Act for each type or class of land compared with the previous financial year.

Type or class of land	2023/24 cents/\$CIV*	2024/25 cents/\$CIV*	Change
General rate for rateable residential properties	0.25069	0.25862	3.16%
General rate for rateable commercial properties	0.37604	0.38792	3.16%
General rate for rateable industrial properties	0.37604	0.38792	3.16%
General rate for rateable farming properties	0.17548	0.18103	3.16%
General rate for rateable recreational/cultural properties	0.15041	0.15517	3.16%
General rate for rateable vacant properties	0.25069	0.25862	3.16%

4.1.1(c) The estimated total amount to be raised by general rates in relation to each type or class of land, and the estimated total amount to be raised by general rates, compared with the previous financial year.

Time or along of land	2023/24	2024/25	Change	
Type or class of land	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Residential	122,759	128,914	6,155	5.01%
Commercial	8,446	8,275	(171)	(2.0%)
Industrial	4,341	4,031	(310)	(7.1%)
Farming	5,443	5,261	(182)	(3.3%)
Recreational / Cultural	78	80	2	3.16%
Vacant Land	34	34	0	0%
Total amount to be raised by general rates	141,101	146,595	5,494	3.89%

4.1.1(d) The number of assessments in relation to each type or class of land, and the total number of assessments, compared with the previous financial year.

	2023/24	2024/25	Change	
Type or class of land	Number	Number	Number	%
Residential	62,451	62,451	431	0.69%
Commercial	2,348	2,348	16	0.69%
Industrial	1,080	1,080	5	0.47%
Farming	1,609	1,609	(10)	(0.6%)
Recreational /Cultural	13	13	-	0.0%
Vacant Land	329	331	2	0.61%
Total number of assessments	67,388	67,832	444	0.66%

4.1.1(e) The basis of valuation to be used is the Capital Improved Value (CIV).

4.1.1(f) The estimated total value of each type or class of land, and the estimated total value of land, compared with the previous financial year.

Time or along of land	2023/24	2024/25	Chang	е
Type or class of land	s'000		\$'000	%
Residential	48,985,830	49,848,008	862,178	1.76%
Commercial	2,245,993	2,133,085	(112,908)	(5.0%)
Industrial	1,154,490	1,039,229	(115,261)	(10.0%
Farming	3,101,623	2,906,252	(195,371)	(6.5%)
Recreational /Cultural	52,500	53,943	1,443	2.75%
Vacant Land	13,427	13,248	(179)	(1.3%)
Total value of land	55,553,863	55,992,322	438,459	0.79%

Property valuations for rating purposes will be as per general valuations dated 1 January 2024.

Valuation data is based on preliminary valuations received from the Valuer General in March 2023. This will be reviewed and updated, if required, following confirmation of true and correct valuation data, which is expected by 31 May 2024. Any changes may have an impact on rate in the dollar calculations.

4.1.1(g) The municipal charge under Section 159 of the Act compared with the previous financial year.

Yarra Ranges Council does not apply a municipal charge.

4.1.1(h) The estimated total amount to be raised by municipal charges compared with the previous financial year.

Yarra Ranges Council does not apply a municipal charge.

4.1.1(i) The rate or unit amount to be levied for each type of service rate or charge under Section 162 of the Act compared with the previous financial year.

The waste service charges are not included in the Essential Services Commission's rate capping framework and has been calculated based on a full cost recovery model.

In March 2024 new State Government Guidelines were introduced which detail what can and cannot be included in the waste charge. We have already made some adjustments to reduce our waste charge to residents from 1 July 2024 and we will consider other changes in the coming years.

The Victorian State Government introduced new legislation for local councils to move to a circular economy plan by introducing changes to the way we collect kerbside waste, with the introduction of FOGO bins (Food Organics, Garden Organics) and the introduction of glass recycling. Yarra Ranges Council's adoption of FOGO was part of our ongoing commitment to reducing waste and greenhouse gases. Reducing the amount sent to landfill helps minimise future landfill charges for the disposal of organic waste, for a cleaner, greener community. The FOGO transition commenced 1 October 2023, and the 2024-25 year includes a full year of FOGO, whereas 2023-24 included 9 months of the new initiative.

	Per Rateable Property	Per Rateable Property		
Type of Charge	2023/24	2024/25		
	\$	\$	\$	%
Additional FOGO 120L (Inc Full Year FOGO)	125.00	175.00	50	40%
Additional FOGO 240L (Inc Full Year FOGO)	140.00	190.00	50	35.7%
Additional Recycling 240L	79.00	80.00	1	1.3%
Additional Rubbish 120L	168.00	135.00	(33)	(19.6%)
Minimal Waste Charge Non-Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc Full Year FOGO)-240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	96.00 385.00	112.00 419.00	16 34	16.7% 8.83%
Non-Residential Waste Service 2 (Inc Full Year FOGO) 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin	370.00	404.00	34	9.2%
Non-Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc Full Year FOGO)- 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	370.00	394.00	24	6.5%
Non-Residential Waste Service 4 (Inc Full Year FOGO) 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin	355.00	389.00	34	9.6%
Non-Residential Waste Service 5 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	340.00	374.00	34	10.0%
Non-Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	355.00	389.00	34	9.6%
Non-Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	355.00	389.00	34	9.6%
Non-Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	370.00	404.00	34	9.2%
Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc Full Year FOGO)- 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	459.00	507.00	48	10.5%
Residential Waste Service 2 (Inc Full Year FOGO)- 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	444.00	492.00	48	10.8%
Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc Full Year FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	444.00	492.00	48	10.8%
Residential Waste Service 4 (Inc Full Year FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	429.00	477.00	48	11.2%
Residential Waste Service 5 -(Retirement Village) (Inc Full Year FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	414.00	462.00	48	11.6%
Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc Full Year FOGO) - 120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	429.00	477.00	48	11.2%
Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	429.00	477.00	48	11.2%
Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	444.00	492.00	48	10.8%

4.1.1(j) The estimated total amount to be raised by each type of service rate or charge, and the estimated total amount to be raised by service rates and charges, compared with the previous financial year.

T (0)	2022/23	2023/24	Chang	le e
Type of Charge	\$	\$	\$	%
Additional FOGO 240L(Inc Full Year FOGO)	446	557	111	24.9%
Additional Recycling 240L	508	474	(34)	(6.7%)
Additional Rubbish 120L	768	736	(32)	(4.2%)
Minimal Waste Charge	17	31	14	82.3%
Non-Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc Full Year FOGO)-240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	1,312	974	(338)	(25.8%)
Non-Residential Waste Service 2 (Inc Full Year Organic) 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin	420	5	(415)	(98.8%)
Non-Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc Full Year Organic) 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	3	18	15	500.0%
Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc Full Year FOGO)- 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	19,345	23,327	3,982	20.6%
Residential Waste Service 2(Inc Full Year FOGO)- 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc Full Year FOGO)-	3,118	3,481	363	11.6%
120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection Residential Waste Service 4 (Inc Full Year FOGO)-	2,158	2,571	413	19.1%
120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection Residential Waste Service 5 -(Retirement Village) (Inc.	763	897	134	17.6%
Full Year FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	83	160	77	92.8%
Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc Full Year FOGO) - 120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	17	62	45	264.7%
Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc Full Year FOGO) - 240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	3	19	16	533.3%
Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc Full Year FOGO) - 240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	4	24	20	500.0%
Total	28,968	33,336	4,368	15.1%

4.1.1(k) The estimated total amount to be raised by all rates and charges compared with the previous financial year.

	2023/24	2023/24 2024/25		2023/24 2024/25 Change		
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%		
General Rates	141,101	146,595	5,494	3.9%		
Waste Service Charges	29,902	33,336	3,434	11.5%		
Total Rates and charges	117,003	179,931	8,928	5.2%		

4.1.1(I) Fair Go Rates System Compliance

Yarra Ranges Shire Council is required to comply with the State Government's Fair Go Rates System (FGRS). The table below details the budget assumptions consistent with the requirements of the Fair Go Rates System.

	2023/24	2024/25
Total Rates	\$ 141,066,138	\$ 146,516,256
Number of rateable properties	67,408	67,832
Base Average Rate	\$ 2,092.70	2,102.58
Maximum Rate Increase (set by the State Government)	3.50%	2.75%
Capped Average Rate	\$ 2,093.12	2,160.40
Maximum General Rates and Municipal Charges Revenue	\$ 141,077,577	146,516,256
Budgeted General Rates and Municipal Charges Revenue	\$ 141,066,138	146,516,256
Budgeted Cultural and Recreational Rates	\$ 78,965	81,136
Budgeted Supplementary Rates	\$ 799,020	820,993
Budgeted Total Rates and Municipal Charges Revenue	\$ 141,944,123	\$ 146,516,256

4.1.1(m) Any significant changes that may affect the estimated amounts to be raised by rates and charges.

There are no known significant changes which may affect the estimated amounts to be raised by rates and charges. However, the total amount to be raised by rates and charges may be affected by:

- the making of supplementary valuations (2024-25: estimated \$782k and 2023-24 \$757k)
- the variation of returned levels of value (e.g. valuation appeals)
- changes of use of land such that rateable land becomes non-rateable land and vice versa
- changes of use of land such that residential land becomes business land and vice versa.

4.1.1(n) Differential rates

The rate and amount of rates payable in relation to each category of differential are:

Type or class of land	2022/23	2023/24	Chango
Type of class of failu	cents/\$CIV*	cents/\$CIV*	Change
General rate for rateable residential properties	0.23790	0.25069	5.4%
General rate for rateable commercial properties	0.35690	0.37604	5.4%
General rate for rateable industrial properties	0.35690	0.37604	5.4%
General rate for rateable farming properties	0.16650	0.17548	5.4%
General rate for rateable recreational/cultural properties	0.14270	0.15041	5.4%
General rate for rateable vacant properties	0.23790	0.25069	5.4%

Each differential rate will be determined by multiplying the CIV of rateable land (categorised by the characteristics described below) by the applicable rate as outlined below.

Council believes each differential rate will contribute to the equitable and efficient carrying out of Council functions. Details of the objectives of each differential rate, the types of classes of land which are subject to each differential rate and the uses of each differential rate are set out below.

Residential land

Definition: Residential Land is any land which does not have the characteristics of Vacant Sub-Standard Land, Farm Land, Commercial Land or Industrial Land, and which is:

- used, designed, or adapted to be used primarily for residential purposes; or
- vacant land but which, by reason of its locality and zoning under the relevant Planning Scheme would, if developed, be or be likely to be used primarily for residential purposes; or
- any other land which does not have the characteristics of Vacant Sub-Standard Land, Farm Land, Commercial Land, or Industrial Land.

Objectives: The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that such rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land makes on Council's infrastructure. Those functions include the:

- implementation of good governance and sound financial stewardship
- construction, renewal, upgrade, expansion, and maintenance of infrastructure assets
- development and provision of health, environmental, conservation, leisure, recreation, youth, and family community services
- provision of strategic and economic management, town planning and general support services and
- promotion of cultural, heritage and tourism aspects of Council's municipal district.

Characteristics: The types and classes of rateable land within this category are those having the relevant characteristics described above (see definition).

Use of Rate: The differential rate will be used to fund items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Level of Rate: 100% of Residential Rate.

Use of Land: Any use permitted under the Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Geographic Location: The geographic location of the land within this category is wherever it is located within the municipal district, without reference to ward boundaries.

Planning Scheme Zoning: The zoning applicable to each ratable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings: All buildings which are already constructed on the land, or which are constructed prior to the expiry of the financial year.

Vacant substandard land

Definition: Vacant Sub-Standard Land is any land which does not have the characteristics of Residential Land, Farmland, Commercial Land or Industrial Land, and which is vacant land on which, by reason of its locality and zoning under the relevant Planning Scheme, no building can be erected except in accordance with an adopted restructure plan.

Objectives: The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land makes on Council's infrastructure. Those functions include the:

- implementation of good governance and sound financial stewardship
- construction, renewal, upgrade, expansion, and maintenance of infrastructure assets

- development and provision of health, environmental, conservation, leisure, recreation, youth, and family community services
- provision of strategic and economic management, town planning and general support services and
- promotion of cultural, heritage and tourism aspects of Council's municipal district.

Characteristics: The types and classes of rateable land within this category are those having the relevant characteristics described above.

Use of Rate: The differential rate will be used to fund items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Level of Rate: 100% of the Residential Rate.

Use of Land: Any use permitted under the Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Geographic Location: The geographic location of the land within this category is wherever it is located within the municipal district, without reference to ward boundaries.

Planning Scheme Zoning: The zoning applicable to each ratable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings: All buildings which are already constructed on the land, or which are constructed prior to the expiry of the financial year.

Commercial land

Definition: Commercial Land is any land which does not have the characteristics of Residential Land, Vacant Sub-Standard Land, Farmland or Industrial Land, and which is:

- used, designed, or adapted to be used primarily for the sale of goods or services or other commercial purposes or
- vacant land but which, by reason of its locality and zoning under the relevant Planning Scheme, would, if developed, be or be likely to be used primarily for the sale of goods or services or other commercial purposes.

Objectives: The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land makes on Council's infrastructure. Those functions include the:

- implementation of good governance and sound financial stewardship
- construction, renewal, upgrade, expansion, and maintenance of infrastructure assets
- development and provision of health, environmental, conservation, leisure, recreation, youth, and family community services
- provision of strategic and economic management, town planning and general support services and
- promotion of cultural, heritage and tourism aspects of Council's municipal district.

The commercial rate is set at 150% of the residential rate and the reasons for the use and level of this differential rate are:

- to reduce the rate distribution to Residential Land by applying a higher differential to Commercial Land in recognition of the tax deductibility of rates that is not available to owners of most Residential Land
- in recognition of the extra services, when compared to Residential Land, that Commercial Land derives from Council, which include but are not limited to economic development activities for businesses, the impact that heavy vehicles (servicing businesses) have on road infrastructure, street cleaning and local laws monitoring car park overstays.

Characteristics: The types and classes of rateable land within this category are those having the relevant characteristics described above.

Use of Rate: The differential rate will be used to fund items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Level of Rate: 150% of the Residential Rate.

Use of Land: Any use permitted under the Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Geographic Location: The geographic location of the land within this category is wherever it is located within the municipal district, without reference to ward boundaries.

Industrial land

Definition: Industrial Land is any land which does not have the characteristics of Residential Land, Vacant Sub-Standard Land, Farmland, or Industrial Land, and which is:

- used, designed, or adapted to be used primarily for the sale of goods or services or other commercial purposes or
- vacant land but which, by reason of its locality and zoning under the relevant Planning Scheme, would, if developed, be or be likely to be used primarily for the sale of goods or services or other commercial purposes.

Objectives: The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land makes on Council's infrastructure. Those functions include the:

- implementation of good governance and sound financial stewardship
- construction, renewal, upgrade, expansion, and maintenance of infrastructure assets
- development and provision of health, environmental, conservation, leisure, recreation, youth, and family community services
- provision of strategic and economic management, town planning and general support services and
- promotion of cultural, heritage and tourism aspects of Council's municipal district.

The industrial rate is set at 150% of the residential rate and the reasons for the use and level of this differential rate are:

 to reduce the rate distribution to residential land by applying a higher differential to Industrial Land in recognition of the tax deductibility of rates that is not available to owners of most Residential Land in recognition of the extra services, when compared to Residential Land, that Industrial Land derives from Council, which include but are not limited to economic development activities for businesses, the impact that heavy vehicles (servicing businesses) have on road infrastructure, street cleaning and local laws monitoring car park overstays.

Characteristics: The types and classes of rateable land within this category are those having the relevant characteristics described above.

Use of Rate: The differential rate will be used to fund items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Level of Rate: 150% of the Residential Rate.

Use of Land: Any use permitted under the Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Geographic Location: The geographic location of the land within this category is wherever it is located within the municipal district, without reference to ward boundaries.

Planning Scheme Zoning: The zoning applicable to each ratable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings: All buildings which are already constructed on the land, or which are constructed prior to the end of the financial year.

Farm land

Definition: Farmland is any land which does not have the characteristics of Residential Land, Vacant Sub-Standard Land, Commercial Land, or Industrial Land, and which is:

- 'Farm land' within the meaning of Section 2(1) of the Valuation of Land Act 1960 and
- approved by Council as farm land, following the receipt of an application by an owner of land in accordance with the rules and application process detailed on Council's website.

Objectives: The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land makes on Council's infrastructure. Those functions include the:

- implementation of good governance and sound financial stewardship
- construction, renewal, upgrade, expansion, and maintenance of infrastructure assets
- development and provision of health, environmental, conservation, leisure, recreation, youth, and family community services
- provision of strategic and economic management, town planning and general support services and
- promotion of cultural, heritage and tourism aspects of Council's municipal district.

The farm rate is set at 70% of the residential rate and the reasons for the use and level of this differential rate are:

- to encourage the continuation of farming pursuits on rural land in support of the strategic objective to support the economic development of the agricultural sector.
- in recognition that the size of the landholding required to conduct a farm business is far greater than other non-farm businesses with similar turnover and (pre-tax) profitability. Therefore, farms in comparison have a higher valuation and would pay higher rates if a lower differential rate was not applied.

 in recognition that farm businesses' profitability is affected by weather, which means that their income is more susceptible and fragile than many other businesses.

Characteristics: The types and classes of rateable land within this category are those having the relevant characteristics described above.

Use of Rate: The differential rate will be used to fund items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Level of Rate: 70% of the Residential Rate.

Use of Land: Any use permitted under the Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Geographic Location: The geographic location of the land within this category is wherever it is located within the municipal district, without reference to ward boundaries.

Planning Scheme Zoning: The zoning applicable to each ratable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings: All buildings which are already constructed on the land, or which are constructed prior to the end of the financial year.

Cultural and recreational land

Definition – Under the *Cultural and Recreational Lands Act 1963* Section 2a Recreational land is considered land that is:

- vested in or occupied by anybody corporate or unincorporate which exists for the purpose of providing or promoting cultural or sporting recreational or similar facilities or objectives and which applies its profits in promoting its objects; and
- used for out-door sporting recreational or cultural purposes or similar out-door activities; or
- · lands which are used primarily as agricultural showgrounds; or
- lands (whether or not otherwise rateable) which are declared by Order of the Governor in Council under Section 2a to be recreational lands.

Objectives: The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council having regard to the capacity of such land to be used to yield income and the demands such land makes on Council's infrastructure. Those functions include the:

- implementation of good governance and sound financial stewardship
- construction, renewal, upgrade, expansion, and maintenance of infrastructure assets
- development and provision of health, environmental, conservation, leisure, recreation, youth, and family community services
- provision of strategic and economic management, town planning and general support services and
- promotion of cultural, heritage and tourism aspects of Council's municipal district.

Characteristics: The types and classes of rateable land within this category are those having the relevant characteristics described above.

Use of Rate: The Cultural and Recreational rate will be used to fund items of expenditure described in the Budget adopted by Council. The level of the differential rate is the level which Council considers is necessary to achieve the objectives specified above.

Level of Rate: 60% of the Residential Rate.

Use of Land: Any use permitted under the Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Geographic Location: The geographic location of the land within this category is wherever it is located within the municipal district, without reference to ward boundaries.

Planning Scheme Zoning: The zoning applicable to each ratable land within this category, as determined by consulting maps referred to in the relevant Yarra Ranges Council Planning Scheme.

Types of Buildings: All buildings which are already constructed on the land, or which are constructed prior to the end of the financial year.



4.1.2 Statutory fees and fines

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Infringements and costs	935	1,560	625	66.9%
Court Recoveries	1,375	1,662	287	20.9%
Town planning fees	485	438	(47)	-9.69%
Other Recoveries	127	101	(28)	-21.71%
Total statutory fees and fines	2,922	3,761	839	28.6%

Statutory fees relate mainly to fees and fines levied in accordance with legislation and include animal registrations, *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* registrations and parking fines. Increases in statutory fees are made in accordance with legislative requirements. Statutory fees and fines are predicted to increase compared to 2023-24 Forecast, driven by reinforcing infringements and court recoveries, post Covid and implementing new initiatives (paid parking program).

The Department of Treasury and Finance sets the value of a penalty unit annually. A detailed listing of statutory fees and fines is included in Appendix A – Fees and Charges Schedule.

4.1.3 User fees

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Chan	ge
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Aged and health services	25	2	(23)	-92.0%
Leisure centre and recreation	952	706	(246)	-25.9%
Childcare/children's programs	963	1,215	252	26.2%
Registration and other permits	2,148	2,180	32	1.5%
Animal control	1,400	1,350	(50)	-3.6%
Building services	434	540	106	24.3%
Other fees and charges	665	401	(264)	-39.7%
Total fees and charges	6,587	6,394	(193)	-2.9%

User fees, charges and fines relate to the recovery of costs to deliver services by charging the users of Council's services. These include separate rating schemes, use of leisure, entertainment and other community facilities, and the provision of human services such as childcare and community services. In setting the budget, the key principle for determining the level of user fees has been to keep fees at the current level or restrict the increase of fees for most services to 2.75% to reduce the burden of increased fees to the community, a review of services was undertaken to align with current market rates. This community-focused pricing model remains the main driver in setting Fees. Across Council, user fees budgeted income is expected to decrease due to exiting Health Ageing from 30 June 2024, a reduction in Venue and Public Hall Hire services, and a reduction on Biodiversity Offset Project.

4.1.4 Grants

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Summary of grants				
Commonwealth funded grants	43,184	33,767	(9,417)	-22%
State funded grants	30,529	16,612	(13,917)	-46%
Total grants received	73,713	50,379	(23,334)	-32%

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
(a) Operating Grants				
Recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Aged care	1,649	53	(1,596)	-97%
Family and children	2,078	2,274	196	9%
Financial assistance grants	19,183	16,892	(2,291)	-12%
Recurrent - State Government				
Aged care	864	130	(734)	-85%
Community health	47	0	(47)	-100%
Community safety	443	432	(11)	-2%
Environmental planning	1,024	866	(158)	-15%
Family and children	993	1,003	10	1%
Maternal and child health	2,333	2,402	69	3%
School Crossing supervisors	769	750	(19)	-2%
Recreation	623	84	(539)	-87%
Total recurrent grants	30,006	24,886	(5,120)	-17%
Non-recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Environmental planning	441	433	(8)	-2%
Non-recurrent - State Government				
Community health	828	178	(650)	-79%
Community safety	77	52	(25)	-32%
Environmental planning	860	385	(475)	-55%
Family and children	650	517	(133)	-20%
Natural disaster events	6,742	2,799	(3,943)	-58%
Recreation	0	0	0	0%
Total non-recurrent grants	9,598	4,364	(5,234)	-55%
Total operating grants	39,604	29,250	(10,354)	-26%

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	e
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
(b) Capital Grants				
Recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Roads	2,435	2,146	(289)	-12%
Recurrent - State Government				
Total recurrent grants	2,435	2,146	(289)	-12%
Non-recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Bridges	635	0	(635)	-100%
Buildings	2,089	2,828	739	35.%
Off-street Car Parks	100	0	(100)	-100%
Open Space	3,699	1,222	(2,477)	-67%
Community and Recreation	970	0	(970)	-100%
Roads	9,905	7,919	(1,986)	-20%
Non-recurrent - State Government				
Bridges	887	0	(887)	-100%
Buildings	7,082	1,414	(5,668)	-80%
Footpaths and Cycleways	57	0	(57)	100.0%
Open Space	2,818	2,770	(48)	-2%
Plant and Machinery	125	0	(125)	-100.0%
Community and Recreation	3,214	2,830	(384)	-12%
Roads	93	0	(93)	-100.0%
Total non-recurrent grants	31,674	18,983	(12,691)	-40%
Total capital grants	34,109	21,129	(12,980)	-38%
Total Grants	73,713	50,379	(23,334)	-32%

Operating grants include monies from State and Federal government sources for the purposes of funding the delivery of Council's services to residents. The level of operating grants is projected to decrease by \$10.4 million across all funding streams compared to the 2023-2024 Forecast. Mainly from Natural Disaster and Events - storms, and Council's exit from Healthy Ageing (aged care) services from 30 June 2024. The decision was prompted by the planned introduction of the Federal Government's new Support at Home (SAH) program, which is part of National Reforms to Aged Care. From July 1 2024, the SAH program will be a new, integrated program that will combine a range of aged care programs. As a result, Council has changed its future role in aged care service delivery.

Capital Grants income is anticipated to decrease \$12.98 million (-38%) due to a reduction in building funding from the state government (down \$5.7 million) and a reduction in parks, open space and streetscapes funding from the federal government (down \$2.5 million).

4.1.5 Contributions

	Forecast	Budget	Channa	
	2023/24	2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Contributions - Monetary	3,321	3,113	(118)	-3.7%
Contributions - Non-Monetary	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%
Total contributions	6,231	6,113	(118)	-1.9%

Monetary contributions relate mainly to monies paid by developers for public recreation, footpaths, drainage, and car parking in accordance with planning permits issued for property development with the decrease relating to easing building development activity in 2024-25.

Also included are contributions towards capital projects and contributions from the State Revenue Office in relation to the administration of the Fire Services Levy.

Non-monetary asset contributions in the main relate to the construction of infrastructure assets by developers in accordance with planning permits issued for property development.

4.1.6 Other income

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Chanç	je
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Interest	3,001	3,095	94	3.1%
Rent	1,045	1,125	80	7.6%
Cost recovery and reimbursements	678	590	(88)	-13%
Total other income	4,724	4,810	86	1.8%

Other income is expected to have minimal change. Interest revenue increasing in line with higher commercial investment rates.

4.1.7 Employee costs

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Chang	е
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Wages and salaries	78,789	76,354	(2,438)	-3%
Work Cover	692	706	14	2%
Superannuation	8,459	8,781	322	4%
Fringe Benefits Tax	351	85	(266)	-76%
Other Employee Costs	(5,472)	(5,696)	(224)	4%
Total employee costs	82,818	80,230	(2,589)	-3%

Employee costs include all labour related expenditure such as wages and salaries, and on-costs such as allowances, leave entitlements and employer superannuation.

Employee costs are budgeted to decrease by 3% or \$2.6 million in 2024-25 compared to the forecast in 2023-24. The decrease is attributed to the following key factors:

- Council's exit from Healthy Ageing (aged care) services from 30 June 2024 \$2.1 million reduction.
- Natural disaster reduction in staffing \$1.5 million reduction, with permanent roles allocated and dependent on our unpredictable natural environment.

Other employee costs are in credit due to the capitalisation of Operational wages to capital works projects. In Forecast 2023-24 these are \$6.8 million and in Budget 2024-25 \$7.0 million.

The salaries and wages budget for 2024-25 has been calculated based on Council's employee establishment register, which includes budgeted costs for all positions across Council (including vacant positions which are expected to be filled).

Salaries and wages for employees in 2024-25 are budgeted to increase by 2.75% (inclusive of 0.5% increase in statutory superannuation contribution) in line with Council's negotiated Enterprise Agreement.

Full-time equivalents (FTE) reduce from 772 in 2023-24 to 745 in 2024-25, mainly due to exit from Aged Care services.

Council is the largest employer in the Yarra Ranges and much of its staff live in the local community – we are pleased to be able to continue to support local employment in a significant way.

4.1.8 Materials and services

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Chan	ige
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Contract Payments (see details below for major contract payments)	46,496	50,537	4,039	8.7%
Building maintenance	6,026	6,799	773	12.8%
General Maintenance	3,644	3,881	237	6.5%
Utilities	2,978	2,512	(466)	-15.6%
Office Administration	6,693	6,347	(346)	-5.2%
Information technology	6,793	6,127	(666)	-9.8%
Consultants	4,780	4,824	44	0.9%
Other Material and Services	383	429	46	12.0%
Other Contract Payments	16,556	18,032	1,476	8.9%
Community Seminars and Programs	3,189	3,695	506	15.9%
Storm recovery	4,872	1,631	(3,241)	-66.5%
Total materials and services	102,412	104,814	2,402	2.4%

Materials and services include the purchases of consumables, payments to contractors for the provision of services, and utility costs.

Materials and services are budgeted to increase by 2.4% or \$2.4 million. The increase in Council's major contracts of \$4.0 million is detailed below. The remaining \$1.6 million reduction is the result of the following major movements:

- Storm Recovery reduction of \$3.2 million due to anticipated reduced events.
- Other Contract Payments increase of \$1.4 million mainly due to infrastructure maintenance cost increases for drainage and road works \$1.6 million.

List of major contract payments

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	•
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Garbage collection/disposal	8,883	8,274	(609)	-6.8%
Green waste collection/disposal (FOGO)	8,428	11,723	3,295	39.1%
Street Litter Bin Clearance/Disposal	5,718	6,514	796	13.9%
General recycling service	4,928	5,149	221	4.4%
Aquatic facility management	1,254	955	(299)	-23.8%
Building Maintenance – Minor works	2,978	2,835	(143)	-4.8%
Trees reactive maintenance	3,765	4,104	339	9.0%
Bushfire prevention	1,020	1,207	187	18.3%
Contracted services for programmed maintenance	7,640	7,680	40	0.5%
Insurance	1,884	2,096	130	5.3%
Total major contract payments	46,498	50,537	4,039	8.7%

Major contract payments are expected to increase by 8.7% or \$4.0 million in 2024-25.

Garbage and green waste collection/disposal is the main driver for the increase (net \$2.7 million increase). This includes \$3.3 million increase in FOGO due to a full year of service in 2024-25 (compared to 8 months of FOGO service in 2023-24). These increases are in part offset by reductions in the cost of garbage collection and disposal as food and garden organic waste is moved into FOGO services.

'FOGO' bins (Food Organics, Garden Organics) introduction was a result of State Government reform and introduction of the Circular Economy Policy, which introduces a four-bin waste stream requiring local councils to introduce 'FOGO' bins. Council's adoption of FOGO is part of our ongoing commitment to reducing waste and greenhouse gases. Reducing the amount of waste sent to landfill will also help minimise future landfill charges for the disposal of organic waste, for a cleaner, greener community.

4.1.9 Depreciation

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	•
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Property	9,920	10,012	92	0.9%
Plant and Equipment	1,883	2,065	182	9.7%
Infrastructure	24,080	24,598	518	2.2%
Total depreciation	35,883	36,675	792	2.2%

Depreciation is an accounting measure which attempts to allocate the value of an asset over its useful life for Council's property, plant and equipment and infrastructure assets, such as roads and drains. The increase of \$0.8 million for 2024-25 is mainly due to the completion of new assets.

Refer to the Statement of Capital Works for a more detailed analysis of Council's capital works program for the 2024-25 year.

4.1.10 Amortisation – intangible assets

Council's intangible assets with finite lives (for example certain software) are amortised as an expense on a systematic basis over the asset's useful life.

	Forecast	Budget	Change	
	2023/24 2024/25		Onlange	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Intangible assets	346	335	(11)	-3.1%
Total amortisation - intangible assets	346	335	(11)	-3.1%

4.1.11 Depreciation – right of use assets

Right of use assets represent the Council's right to use an asset over the course of the lease. Depreciation of the Council's right of use assets relates to the depreciable amount of the assets over their useful life.

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Right of use assets	2,441	2,577	133	5.4%
Total depreciation - right of use assets	2,441	2,577	133	5.4%

4.1.12 Other expenses

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Chang	e
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Council contributions and grants	8,198	7,828	(370)	-4.5%
Operating lease rentals	262	369	107	40.8%
Councillor allowances	391	483	92	23.5%
Councillor other expenses and reimbursements	86	94	8	9.3%
Auditor remuneration – internal	78	70	(8)	-10.3%
Auditor remuneration - VAGO - financial statements, performance statement, grant acquittals	60	61	2	1.7%
Total other expenses	9,075	8,905	(170)	-1.9%



4.2 Balance sheet

This section analyses the movements in assets, liabilities, and equity between 2023-24 and 2024-25.

Key assumptions

In preparing the budgeted Balance Sheet for the year ending 30 June 2025 it was necessary to make several assumptions about assets, liabilities, and equity balances. The key assumptions are as follows:

A total of 88% of total rates and charges raised will be collected in the 2024-25 year (2023-24: 88% forecast actual). It has been assumed that a decline in the value of rates outstanding is being impacted by the number of rate payers on financial hardship.

Trade creditors to be based on total capital and operating expenditure. Payment cycle is 30 days from date of invoice.

Other debtors and creditors to remain consistent with 2023-24 levels.

4.2.1 Current assets and non-current assets

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	78,242	78,659	417	.5%
Trade and other receivables	42,403	41,833	(570)	-1.3%
Other current assets	12,561	13,970	1,409	11.2%
Total current assets	133,206	134,462	1,256	.9%
Non-current assets				
Trade and other receivables	2,383	2,383	0	0
Investments in associates, joint arrangement and subsidiaries	2,550	2,550	0	(0)
Property, infrastructure, plant & equipment	1,393,039	1,429,997	36,958	2.7%
Right-of-use assets	17,404	15,617	(1,787)	-10.3%
Intangible assets	3,175	2,840	(335)	-10.6%
Total non-current assets	1,418,551	1,453,387	34,836	2.5%
Total assets	1,551,757	1,587,849	36,092	2.3%

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and investments, such as cash held in the bank and in petty cash, and the value of investments in deposits or other highly liquid investments with short term maturities of three months or less.

For a detailed analysis of cash flows, please see Section 4.4.

Property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment is the largest component of Council's worth and represents the value of all land, buildings, plant and equipment, and infrastructure assets such as roads, footpath, drainage, and open space assets etc. which have been built up by Council over many years.

Intangible assets represent Council's software assets.

Right of use assets are where Council is required to recognise a right of use asset and associated liability for leases longer than 12 months, except those considered to be of low value.

4.2.2 Current liabilities and non-current liabilities

	Forecast 2023/24	Budget 2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
Liabilities				
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	30,518	31,061	543	1.8%
Trust funds and deposits	14,802	14,802	0	0
Contract and other liabilities	46,000	46,000	0	0
Provisions	16,500	15,056	(1,444)	-8.8%
Interest-bearing liabilities	643	2,045	1,402	218.0%
Lease liabilities	2,207	1,958	(249)	11.3%
Total current liabilities	110,670	110,922	252	0.2%
Non-current liabilities				
Provisions	6.344	8,647	1,803	26.3%
Interest-bearing liabilities	0	17,807	17,807	0
Lease liabilities	15,197	13,658	(1,539)	-10.1%
Total non-current liabilities	21,541	40,112	18,071	82.0%
Total liabilities	132,211	151,034	18,323	13.8%

Trade and other payables are those to whom Council owes money as of 30 June each year.

Provisions include accrued long service leave and annual leave owing to employees and provision for landfill remediation.

Interest-bearing loans and borrowings represent funds borrowed by Council.

Lease Liabilities are where Council is required to recognise a right of use asset and associated liability for leases longer than 12 months, except those considered to be of low value.

4.2.3 Borrowings

The table below shows information on borrowings specifically required by the Regulations.

	Forecast Budget			Projections	
	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Amount borrowed as at 30 June of the prior year	3,112	643	18,952	17,809	15,762
Amount proposed to be borrowed	0	20,448	0	0	0
Amount projected to be redeemed	(2,469)	(2,139)	(1,143)	(2,047)	(2,045)
Amount of borrowings as at 30 June	643	18,952	17,809	15,762	13,717

4.2.4 Leases by category

Following the introduction of AASB 16 Leases, right of use assets and lease liabilities have been recognised as outlined in the table below:

	Forecast	Budget
	2023/24	2024/25
	\$	\$
Right-of-use assets		
Property	596	598
Vehicles	16,758	14,689
Other	50	330
Total right-of-use assets	17,404	15,617
Lease liabilities		
Current lease Liabilities		
Property	60	98
Vehicles	2,094	1,780
Other	53	1,958
Total current lease liabilities	2,207	1,958
Non-current lease liabilities		
Property	573	548
Vehicles	14,624	12,860
Other	-	251
Total non-current lease liabilities	15,197	13,659
Total lease liabilities	17,404	15,617

Where the interest rate applicable to a lease is not expressed in the lease agreement, Council applies the average incremental borrowing rate in the calculation of lease liabilities. The current incremental borrowing rate is 5%.

4.3 Statement of changes in equity

4.3.1 Reserves

Total reserves are made up of the asset revaluation reserve and other reserves. Asset revaluation reserve represents the difference between the previously recorded value of assets and their current valuations.

Other reserves are the Public Open Space Reserve that Council has set aside to meet a specific purpose in the future and for which there is no existing liability. These amounts are transferred from the accumulated surplus of the Council to be separately disclosed.

4.3.2 Equity

Equity is accumulated surplus which is the value of all net assets less reserves that have accumulated over time. Increase in accumulated surplus results directly from the budgeted accounting result for the year (\$17.8 million).



4.4 Statement of cash flows

This section analyses the expected cash flows from the operating, investing, and financing activities of Council for the 2024-25 year. Budgeting cash flows for Council is a key factor in setting the level of rates and providing a guide to the level of capital expenditure that can be sustained with or without using existing cash reserves.

The analysis is based on three main categories of cash flows:

operating activities - Refers to the cash generated or used in the normal service delivery functions of Council. Cash remaining after paying for the provision of services to the community may be available for investment in capital works, or repayment of debt.

investing activities - Refers to cash generated or used in the enhancement or creation of infrastructure and other assets. These activities also include the acquisition and sale of other assets such as vehicles, property, and equipment.

financing activities - Refers to cash generated or used in the financing of Council functions and include borrowings from financial institutions. These activities also include repayment of the principal component of loan repayments for the year.

4.4.1 Net cash flows provided by/used in operating activities.

	Forecast	Budget		
	2023/24	2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
	Inflows	Inflows		
	(Outflows)	(Outflows)		
Cash flows from operating activities				
Rates and charges	170,326	182,616	12,290	7.2%
Statutory fees and fines	2,922	4,141	1,219	41.7%
User fees	7,246	7,040	(206)	-2.8%
Grants – operating	39,604	29,279	(10,325)	-26.1%
Grants – capital	34,109	21,150	(12,959)	-38.0%
Contributions – monetary	2,500	3,020	520	20.8%
Interest received	3,041	3,095	54	1.8%
Dividends received	-	-	-	
Trust funds and deposits taken	7,698	-	(7,698)	-100.0%
Other receipts	2,582	2,296	(286)	-11.1%
Net GST refund / payment	14,801	15,502	701	4.7%
Employee costs	(82,819)	(79,756)	3,063	-3.7%
Materials and services	(112,653)	(114,882)	(2,229)	2.0%
Short-term, low value and variable lease payments	-	-	-	
Trust funds and deposits repaid	-	-	-	
Other payments	(8,411)	(9,781)	(1,370)	16.3%
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	80,946	63,720	(17,226)	-21.3%

The net cash flows from operating activities does not equal the surplus (deficit) for the year as the expected revenues and expenses of the Council include non-cash items which are excluded from the Cash Flow Statement.

4.4.2 Net cash flows provided by/used in investing activities.

	Forecast	Budget		
	2023/24	2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
	Inflows	Inflows		
	(Outflows)	(Outflows)		
Cash flows from investing activities				
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment	(89,774)	(77,696)	12,078	-13.5%
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant, and equipment	64	-	(64)	-100%
Payments for investments	1,011	-	(1,011)	-100%
Proceeds from sale of investments	=	-	-	0.0%
Loans and advances made	=	-	-	0.0%
Payments of loans and advances	-	-	-	0.0%
Net cash provided by/ (used in) investing activities	(88,699)	(77,696)	11,003	-12.4%

4.4.3 Net cash flows provided by/used in financing activities.

	Forecast	Budget		
	2023/24	2024/25	Change	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	%
	Inflows	Inflows		
	(Outflows)	(Outflows)		
Cash flows from financing activities				
Finance costs	(130)	(1,365)	(1,235)	950%
Proceeds from borrowings	-	20,448	20,448	0.0%
Repayment of borrowings	(1,845)	(1,239)	606	-32.9%
Interest paid - lease liability	(739)	(874)	(135)	18.3%
Repayment of lease liabilities	(2,441)	(2,577)	(136)	5.6%
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	(3,009)	14,393	19,549	-379.2%

4.5 Statement of capital works

This section presents a listing of the capital works projects that will be undertaken for the 2023-24 year, classified by expenditure type and funding source. Works are also disclosed as current budget or carried forward from prior year.

4.5.1 Summary

	Forecast	Budget	Change	
	2023/24	2024/25		%
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Property	17,980	13,914	(4,066)	-22.61%
Plant and equipment	5,816	4,789	(1,027)	-17.66%
Infrastructure	57,817	49,615	(8,202)	-14.19%
Total	81,613	68,319	(13,294)	-16.29%

			Asset expen	diture types		Summary of Funding Sources					
	Project Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings		
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000		
Property	13,914	908	7,528	6,039	(561)	4,242	-	6,742	2,930		
Plant and equipment	4,789	(37)	2,748	2,078	-	-	-	2,415	2,374		
Infrastructure	49,616	20,099	17,597	10,789	1,130	16,886	1,609	15,976	15,144		
Total	68,319	20,971	27,873	18,907	569	21,129	1,609	25,133	20,448		

Property (\$13.9 million)

The property class comprises land, buildings and building improvements including community facilities, municipal offices, sports facilities, and pavilions.

In the 2024-25 year, \$13.9 million will be expended on building and building improvement projects. The more significant projects include Pinks Reserve Stadium Improvements (\$4.2 million); Council Building Minor Works (\$3.3 million); and Climate Resilient Buildings for our Community (\$2.8 million).

Plant and equipment (\$4.8 million)

Plant and Equipment includes plant, machinery and equipment, fixtures, fittings and furniture, and computers and telecommunications.

In the 2024-25 year, \$4.8 million will be expended on new plant, equipment, and other projects. The more significant projects include ongoing cyclical replacement of the plant and vehicle fleet (\$2.4 million); and upgrade/replacement of information technology (\$2.4 million).

Infrastructure (\$49.6 million)

Infrastructure includes roads, bridges, footpaths and cycleways, drainage, recreation, leisure and community facilities, parks, open space, and streetscapes, off-street car parks and other infrastructure.

In the 2024-25 year, \$49.6 million will be expended on Infrastructure projects. The more significant road projects include local road reseals and resurfacing (\$6.3 million); Alfred Street and John Street, Wandin North (\$1.5 million) and Mt Morton Road, Hood Street, Belgrave Heights (\$1.3 million). \$3.5 million will be expended on drainage projects, of which \$0.3 million will go towards drainage rehabilitation projects.

The footpath and cycleways program expenditure will be \$1.9 million, of which \$0.9 million will go towards footpath rehabilitation works and \$1.0 million will go towards footpath new and improvement works.

\$15.1 million will be expended on parks, open space, and streetscape projects and \$6.7 million will be spent on recreational, leisure and community facilities projects.

Asset renewal (\$25.3 million), new assets (\$17.1 million), upgrade (\$30.0 million) and expansion (\$4.2 million)

A distinction is made between expenditure on new assets, asset renewal, upgrade, and expansion. Expenditure on asset renewal is expenditure on an existing asset, or on replacing an existing asset that returns the service of the asset to its original capability. Expenditure on new assets does not have any element of expansion or upgrade of existing assets but will result in a new asset with an additional burden for future operation, maintenance, and capital renewal.

Many projects comprise of a blend of new, renewal, upgrade, and expansion elements. For 2023-24, expenditure on new assets will include Chirnside Urban Park (\$2 million); Warburton Mountain Bike Destination (\$0.8 million); Yarra Valley Trail - Stage 2A (\$0.5 million); Morrison Recreation Reserve playspace (\$0.5 million) and Commercial Road, Mount Evelyn - drainage (\$0.4 million).

4.5.2 Current budget

	Project		Asset expen	diture types			Summary of Funding Sources			
Capital Works Area	Project Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
PROPERTY										
Buildings										
Advanced Design Program - Early Years	250	-	-	63	187	115	-	-	135	
Climate Resilient Buildings for our Community	2,776	-	-	2,776	-	2,500	-	-	276	
Community Sports Pavilion, Monbulk	161	161	-	-	-	161	-	=	-	
Community Sports Pavilion, Powelltown	52	-	-	26	26	-	-	=	52	
Kilsyth Recreation Reserve Pavilion	12	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	12	
Monbulk Aquatic Centre	250	-	-	250	-	-	-	=	250	
Pinks Reserve Stadium Improvements	4,190	_	2,190	2,000	-	2,000	-	-	2,190	
Yarra Ranges Regional Museum Feature Lighting	15	_	-	15	-	-	-	-	15	
Building Improvements										
Aquatic Facilities Minor Works	2,230	-	2,081	149	-	-	-	2,230	-	
Council Building Minor Works	3,276	-	2,324	952	-	-	-	3,276	-	
Council Buildings Statutory Compliance	95	-	48	47	-	-	-	95	-	
Public Toilets Sassafras	500	-	500	-	-	-	-	500	-	
Public Toilets Wandin North	250	_	250	-	-	-	-	250	-	
Upwey Men's Shed	50	-	35	15	-	-	-	50	-	
TOTAL PROPERTY	14,107	161	7,428	6,305	213	4,776	0	6,401	2,930	
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT										
Plant, Machinery and Equipment										
Plant Replacement	2,447	-	2,447	-	-	-	-	2,447	-	
Fixtures, Fittings and Furniture										
Hall Furniture and Equipment	19	-	19	-	-	-	-	19	-	
Computers and Telecommunications										
Information technology upgrade - hardware	430	_	430	-	-	-	-	-	430	
Information technology upgrade - software	1,944	_	-	1,944	-	-	-	_	1,944	
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	4,840	0	2,896	1,944	0	0	0	2,466	2,374	

	Duningt		Asset expen	diture types		Summary of Funding Sources			
Capital Works Area	Project Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Edward Road and Coldstream West Road Intersection, Chirnside Park	150	-	-	150	-	150	-	-	-
Edward Road and Paynes Road, Chirnside Park	768	768	_	-	-	768	-	-	-
Local Roads Design Costs	74	-	-	37	37	-	-	74	-
Manchester Road and Proposed East Ridge Drive extension, Chirnside Park	200	200	-		-	200	-	-	-
Alfred Street and John Street, Wandin North	1,493	-	-	1,493	-	999	494	-	-
Alpine Street Group, Warburton	130	-	-	130	-	130	-	-	-
Bell Street Group, Seville	135	-	-	135	-	135	-	-	-
Cedar Court, Burns Way (includes Harvest Close), Loch Avenue, Mayview Drive, Monbulk	919	-	-	919	-	495	424	-	-
Mt Morton Road, Hood Street, Belgrave Heights	1,336	- \	-	1,336	-	1,336	-	-	-
Nation Road, Selby	270	-	-	270	-	270	-	-	-
Station Road Group, Seville	75	-	-	75	-	75	-	-	-
Tainton Street and Railway Parade, Wandin North	1,148	-	-	1,148	-	808	340	-	-
Victoria Road Group, Seville	740	-		740	-	740	-	-	-
Gruyere Road, Gruyere (Harvey Close to Darling Road)	363		363	-	-	-	-	363	-
Kerb and Channel Rehabilitation	137	-	137	-	-	-	-	137	-
Local Roads Rehabilitation	218	-	218	-	-	-	-	218	-
Maddens Lane, Gruyere (Maroondah Highway to Medhurst Road)	1,388	-	1,388	-	-	962	-	426	-
Retaining Wall Rehabilitation	300	-	300	-	=	-	-	300	-
Reseal & Resurfacing Local Roads	6,291	-	6,291	-	-	-	-	6,291	-
Road Pavement Rehabilitation	105	-	105	_	-	-	-	105	-
Swales Road, Macclesfield	516	-	516	-	-	516	-	-	-
Victoria Road, Coldstream	1,238	-	1,238	-	-	1,238	-	-	-
Traffic Works & Improvements	222	-	-	111	111	-	-	222	-
Bridges									
Bridge Rehabilitation Works	50	8	25	12	5	-	-	50	-

	Dusing		Asset expen	diture types		Summary of Funding Sources			
Capital Works Area	Project Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Mayer Bridge, Warburton	223	-	223	-	-	-	-	223	-
Wilson Street, Healesville	193	49	144	-	-	-	-	193	-
Footpaths and Cycleways				· ·					
Footpath Minor Improvements	19	-	-	4	15	-	-	-	19
Glenfern Road, Upwey	214	214		-	-	-	-	-	214
One Tree Hill Road, Ferny Creek	275	275	- /	-	-	-	-	-	275
Southern Cross, Chirnside Park	73	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	73
Stephens Road, Healesville	70	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	70
The Brentwood's, Chirnside Park	103	103	-	-	-	-	-	-	103
York Road, Mount Evelyn	253	253	-	-	-	-	-	-	253
Burwood Highway, Upwey	211	-	211	-	-	-	-	211	-
Cameron Court, Kilsyth	46	-	46	-	-	-	-	46	-
Clegg Road, Mt Evelyn	28	- `	28	-	-	-	-	28	-
Greeves Drive, Kilsyth	281	-	281		-	-	-	281	-
Lena Grove, Kilsyth	81	-	81	_	-	-	-	81	-
Maroondah Highway, Lilydale	37	-	37	-	-	-	-	37	-
McKenzie King Drive, Millgrove	201	-	201	-	-	-	-	201	-
Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Kalorama	20	-	20	-	-	-	-	20	-
Drainage									
Belle Vue, Lilydale	200	200		-	-	-	-	-	200
Britton Road, Seville	339	339	-	-	-	-	-	-	339
Carmen Reserve - Lilydale	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	200
Dalkeith Crescent, Belgrave	50	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
David Hill Road, Monbulk	80	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
Drainage Improvement Works	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	200
Fernhill Road, Mount Evelyn	445	445	-	-	-	-	-	-	445
Main Street, Upwey Stage 1	100	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Maroondah Parade, Healesville	225	-	-	-	225	-	-	225	-
Nimblefoot Way/Delta Close, Lilydale	150	150	-	-	-	-	-	-	150
North Avenue, Mount Evelyn	415	415	-	-	-	-	-	-	415
Schoolhouse Road, Woori Yallock	316	316	-	-	-	-	-	-	316

	Dusings		Asset expen	diture types			Summary of Fund	ding Sources	
Capital Works Area	Project Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Station Street, Coldstream	420	-	-	420	-	-	-	406	14
Wilsons Lane, Lilydale Stage 1	50	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Drainage Rehabilitation	263	-	263	-	-	-	-	263	-
Recreational, Leisure & Community Facilities									
Chirnside Urban Park Play space	2,116	2,116	-	-	-	973	-	-	1,143
Morrison Recreation Reserve, Mount Evelyn Play space	2,924	2,924	-	-	-	2,220	<u>-</u>	-	704
Blue gum Reserve, Badger Creek	102	-	102	-	-	50	-	52	-
McKenzie King Drive Reserve, Millgrove	102	-	102	-	-	50	-	52	-
Capital Development Grants Program	364	-	-	364	-	-	-	-	364
Borthwick Park, Belgrave Renewal & Community Space	384	-	374	10	-	-	-	384	-
Mount Evelyn Netball Facility	160	-	160	-	-	-	-	160	-
Sports Courts Rehabilitation Program	123	-	100	23	-	-	-	123	-
Sportsfield Rehabilitation Program	200	-	40	160	-	-	-	40	160
Sportsfield Synthetic surface renewal	176	-	123	53	-	-	-	176	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes									
Park Signage	59	59	-	-	-	-	-	26	33
Indigenous Heritage Visibility	36	36	-	-	-	-	-	36	-
Barriers/Fencing/Gate Renewal	194	-	194	-	-	-	-	194	-
Council Properties Fencing	135	-	135	-	=	-	-	135	-
Culvert Renewal	24	-	24	-	=	-	-	24	-
Park Signage Renewal	53	-	53	-	=	-	-	53	-
Park Furniture Renewal	119	-	119	-	=	-	-	119	-
Park Power Supply and Lighting Renewals	60	-	60	-	-	-	-	60	-
Retaining Walls and Steps Renewal	56	-	56	-	-	-	-	56	-
Stockyard Renewal and Upgrade	265	-	265	-	-	-	-	265	-
Lilydale Revitalisation: Lions Park	25	-	13	12	-	25	-	(37)	37
Township Improvements, Healesville	49	-	-	49	-	-	-	-	49
Townships Renewal & Improvements	450	-	135	225	90	-	-	135	315
Warburton Urban Design Framework	47	14	23	5	5	-	-	-	47
Northern Loop, Yarra Valley Trail	2,250	2,250	-	-	-	2,250	-	-	-

	Business		Asset expen	diture types			Summary of Fun	ding Sources	;
Capital Works Area	Project Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Park Trails Improvements/Connectivity	64	64	=	-	-	=	-	-	64
ngurrak barring / RidgeWalk	1,612	1,612	-	-	-	1,217	-	-	395
Warburton Mountain Bike Destination	8,210	8,210	-	-	-	-	93	-	8,117
Yarra Valley Trail, Stage 1	150	150	-	-	-	-	-	-	150
Yarra Valley Trail, Stage 2A	500	500	-	-	-	500	-	-	-
Lilydale - Warburton Trail Rehabilitation Projects	171	-	137	34	-	-	-	171	-
Trail Rehabilitation Projects	570	-	570	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	570	-
Off Street Car Parks						, and the second			
Car Park Rehabilitation	380	-	380	-	-	-	-	380	-
Other Infrastructure									
Advanced Design Program	300	300	-	-	-	-	-	300	-
Asset Improvement Fund	500	100	-	300	100	-	-	500	-
Project Management	4,709	471	3,061	706	471	-	-	4,709	-
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	51,686	23,364	18,342	8,921	1,059	16,107	1,351	19,084	15,144
TOTAL NEW CAPITAL WORKS	70,633	23,525	28,666	17,170	1,272	20,883	1,351	27,951	20,448

4.5.3 Works carried forward from the 2023-24 year

* Negative values denote an adjustment to the timing of funds from future years

	Project		Asset expen	diture types		Summary of Funding Sources			
Capital Works Area	Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Carbon Management Improvements	65	-	-	65	-	-	-	65	-
Oonah Belonging Place, Healesville	10	10	-	_	-	-	-	10	-
Solar Landfill Feasibility Study	54	54	-	-	-	-	-	54	-
Pinks Reserve Stadium Improvements	(1,105)	_	-	(331)	(774)	(1,201)	-	96	-
PAC Climate Resilient Buildings for our Community	183	183	-	-	=	167	-	16	-
GSF Climate Resilient Buildings for our Community	500	500	-	-	-	500	-	-	-
Building Improvements									
Council Building Minor Works	100	-	100	-	-	-	-	100	-
TOTAL PROPERTY	(193)	747	100	(266)	(774)	(534)	0	341	0
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT									
Plant, Machinery and Equipment									
Biochar Facility - Stage 2	40	-	20	20	-	-	-	40	-
Plant Replacement	(205)	(37)	(168)	-	-	-	-	(205)	-
Computers and Telecommunications									
Information technology upgrade - software	114	-	-	114	-	-	-	114	-
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	(51)	(37)	(148)	134	0	0	0	(51)	0
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Nation Road, Selby	305	-	-	305	-	305	-	-	-
Alpine Street Group, Warburton	341	-	-	341	-	341	-	-	-
Campbell Road Group, Healesville	44	-	-	44	-	44	-	-	-
School Road and Valley Road, Seville	70	-	-	70	-	70	-	-	-
Station Road Group, Seville	90	-	-	90	-	90	-	-	-
Gruyere Road, Gruyere (Harvey Close to Darling Rd)	(363)	-	(363)	-	-	-	-	(363)	-

	Project		Asset expend	diture types			Summary of Fun	ding Sources	
Capital Works Area	Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Maddens Lane, Gruyere (Maroondah Highway to Medhurst Road)	(405)	-	(405)	-	-	-	-	(405)	-
Swales Road, Macclesfield	(127)	-	(127)	-	-	-	-	(127)	-
Bailey Grove Road Group, Wandin North	19	-	-	19	-	19	-	-	-
Cedar Court Road Group, Monbulk	282	-	-	282	-	282	-	-	-
Dorothy Road Group, Mount Evelyn	25	-	-	25	-	25	-	-	-
Falls Road Group, Mount Evelyn	43	-	-	43	-	43	-	-	-
Haynes Street Road Group, Silvan	9	-	_	9	-	9	-	-	-
Oak Grove and Wilkilla Road, Mount Evelyn	15	-	-	15	-	15	-	-	-
Arthurs Road, Chum Creek	350	-	-	350	-	-	258	92	-
South Avenue, Mt Evelyn	20	-	15	5	-	-	-	20	-
Footpaths and Cycleways									
One Tree Hill Road, Ferny Creek	30	30		-	-	-	-	30	-
Stephens Road, Healesville	20	20			-	-	-	20	-
Gear Avenue, Mt Evelyn	20	-	-	20	-	-	-	20	-
Drainage									
Fernhill Road, Mount Evelyn	28	28	-	-	-	-	-	28	-
Maroondah Parade, Healesville	11	-	-	-	11	-	-	11	-
Childs Road, Kalorama	43	43	-	-	-	-	-	43	-
Schoolhouse Road, Woori Yallock	24	24	-	-	-	-	-	24	-
Water Sensitive Urban Design Catchment Solutions Program	48	48	-	-	-	-	-	48	-
Station Street, Coldstream	131	131	-	_	-	-	-	131	-
Recreational, Leisure & Community Facilities									
Chirnside Urban Park play space	(1,866)	(1,866)	-	-	-	(723)		(1,143)	-
Pinks Reserve Park Improvements	260	-	-	260	-	260	-	-	-
Morrison Recreation Reserve District plays pace, Mt Evelyn	149	149	-	-	-	-	-	149	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes									
Township Improvements, Belgrave	300	105	135	-	60	-	-	300	-
Warburton Mountain Bike Destination	(2,228)	(2,228)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,228)	-
Yarra Valley Trail	(150)	(150)	-	=	=	-	-	(150)	-

	Project		Asset expen	diture types			Summary of Fun	ding Sources	
Capital Works Area	Cost	New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contributions	Council cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Indigenous Heritage Visibility	(36)	(36)	-	-	-	-	-	(36)	-
Township Master Plan Development, Upwey	20	20	-	-	-	-	-	20	-
Master Plan Program	32	32	-	-	-	-	-	32	-
Township Improvements Healesville	(9)	-	-	(9)	-	-	-	(9)	-
Yarra Valley Trail - Stage 2A	160	160	-	-	-	-	-	160	-
Wandin North Township Improvements	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	200	-
Urban Park Plan, Kilsyth	25	25	-	-	-	-	-	25	-
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	(2,070)	(3,265)	(745)	1,869	71	780	258	(3,108)	-
TOTAL CARRIED FORWARD CAPITAL WORKS 2023/24	(2,314)	(2,555)	(793)	1,737	(703)	246	258	(2,818)	-

4.5.4 Summary of planned capital works for the years ending 30 June 2026, 2027 & 2028

			Asset Exp	enditure Types				Fundi	ng Sources	
2025/26	Total	New	Renewal	Expansion	Upgrade	Total	Grants	Contributions	Council Cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property										
Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Building improvements	3,091	0	2,273	0	818	3,091	0	0	3,091	0
Total Buildings	3,091	0	2,273	0	818	3,091	0	0	3,091	0
Total Property	3,091	0	2,273	0	818	3,091	0	0	3,091	0
Plant and Equipment								Y		
Plant, machinery and equipment	3,122	0	3,122	0	0	3,122	0	0	3,122	0
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	19	0	19	0	0	19	0	0	19	0
Computers and telecommunications	374	0	329	0	45	374	0	0	374	0
Total Plant and Equipment	3,515	0	3,470	0	45	3,515	0	0	3,515	0
	0,010		0,			3,0.10		<u>_</u>	0,0.0	
Infrastructure										
Roads	15,336	732	14,299	152	153	15,336	2,596	450	12,290	0
Bridges	262	39	131	26	66	262	0	0	262	0
Footpaths and cycleways	3,770	1,789	1,962	15	4	3,770	0	0	3,770	0
Drainage	3,491	3,097	271	0	123	3,491	0	0	3,491	0
Recreational, leisure and community facilities	2,330	0	1,633	0	697	2,330	0	0	2,330	0
Parks, open space and streetscapes	12,795	10,763	920	157	955	12,795	6,165	140	6,490	0
Off street car parks	390	0	390	0	0	390	0	0	390	0
Other infrastructure	13,188	1,071	10,239	651	1,227	13,188	0	0	13,188	0
Total Infrastructure	51,562	17,491	29,845	1,001	3,225	51,562	8,761	590	42,211	0
Total Capital Works Expenditure	58,168	17,491	35,588	1,001	4,088	58,168	8,761	590	48,817	0

			Asset Exp	enditure Types				Fundi	ng Sources	
2026/27	Total	New	Renewal	Expansion	Upgrade	Total	Grants	Contributions	Council Cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property										
Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Building improvements	3,175	0	2,335	0	840	3,175	0	0	3,175	0
Total Buildings	3,175	0	2,335	0	840	3,175	0	0	3,175	0
Total Property	3,175	0	2,335	0	840	3,175	0	0	3,175	0
Plant and Equipment										
Plant, machinery and equipment	2,735	0	2,735	0	0	2,735	0	0	2,735	0
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	20	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	0
Computers and telecommunications	385	0	339	0	46	385	0	0	385	0
Total Plant and Equipment	3,140	0	3,094	0	46	3,140	0	0	3,140	0
Infrastructure										
Roads	10,080	0	9,767	156	157	10,080	2,146	0	7,934	0
Bridges	269	40	135	27	67	269	0	0	269	0
Footpaths and cycleways	3,232	1,746	1,466	16	4	3,232	0	0	3,232	0
Drainage	2,743	2,465	278	0	0	2,743	0	0	2,743	0
Recreational, leisure and community facilities	1,847	0	707	0	1,140	1,847	0	0	1,847	0
Parks, open space and streetscapes	4,530	2,565	918	290	757	4,530	1,950	0	2,580	0
Off street car parks	401	0	401	0	0	401	0	0	401	0
Other infrastructure	19,625	1,086	16,631	654	1,254	19,625	0	0	19,625	0
Total Infrastructure	42,727	7,902	30,303	1,143	3,379	42,727	4,096	0	38,631	0
Total Capital Works Expenditure	49,042	7,902	35,732	1,143	4,265	49,042	4,096	0	44,946	0

			Asset Exp	enditure Types				Fundi	ng Sources	
2027/28	Total	New	Renewal	Expansion	Upgrade	Total	Grants	Contributions	Council Cash	Borrowings
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Property										
Buildings	296	0	148	0	148	296	0	0	296	0
Building improvements	3,313	0	2,451	0	862	3,313	0	0	3,313	0
Total Buildings	3,609	0	2,599	0	1,010	3,609	0	0	3,609	0
Total Property	3,609	0	2,599	0	1,010	3,609	0	0	3,609	0
Plant and Equipment										
Plant, machinery and equipment	2,810	0	2,810	0	0	2,810	0	0	2,810	0
Fixtures, fittings and furniture	20	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	0
Computers and telecommunications	573	0	348	0	225	573	0	0	573	0
Total Plant and Equipment	3,403	0	3,178	0	225	3,403	0	0	3,403	0
Infrastructure										
Roads	10,064	0	9,743	160	161	10,064	2,146	0	7,918	0
Bridges	277	42	139	28	68	277	0	0	277	0
Footpaths and cycleways	3,019	1,513	1,485	17	4	3,019	0	0	3,019	0
Drainage	2,629	2,343	286	0	0	2,629	0	0	2,629	0
Recreational, leisure and community facilities	1,802	0	1,254	0	548	1,802	0	0	1,802	0
Parks, open space and streetscapes	1,963	0	926	287	750	1,963	0	0	1,963	0
Off street car parks	412	0	412	0	0	412	0	0	412	0
Other infrastructure	24,298	1,002	21,711	558	1,027	24,298	0	0	24,298	0
Total Infrastructure	44,464	4,900	35,956	1,050	2,558	44,464	2,146	0	42,318	0
Total Capital Works Expenditure	51,476	4,900	41,733	1,050	3,793	51,476	2,146	0	49,330	0

5 Performance indicators

The following tables highlight Council's current and projected performance across a selection of targeted service and financial performance indicators. These indicators provide a useful analysis of Council's intentions and performance and should be interpreted in the context of the organisation's objectives.

The targeted performance indicators below are the prescribed performance indicators contained in Schedule 4 of the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020. Results against these indicators and targets will be reported in Council's Performance Statement included in the Annual Report.

Targeted performance indicators - Service

la diserce		es	Actual	Forecast	Target	Tai	get Project	tions	Trend
Indicator	Measure	Notes	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	+/0/-
Governance									
Satisfaction with community consultation and engagement	Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with the consultation and engagement efforts of Council	1	51	51	54	51	51	51	0
Roads									
Sealed local roads below the intervention level	Number of kms of sealed local roads below the renewal intervention level set by Council / Kms of sealed local roads	2	97.6%	99.0%	98.5%	98.5%	98.5%	98.5%	+
Statutory planning	ng								
Planning applications decided within the relevant required time	Number of planning application decisions made within the relevant required time / Number of decisions made	3	53.3%	54.4%	58.0%	60.0%	62.8%	70.3%	+
Waste manageme	ent								
Kerbside collection waste diverted from landfill	Weight of recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins / Weight of garbage, recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins	4	50.2%	52.0%	56.0%	61.0%	62.0%	63.0%	+

Targeted performance indicators - Financial

Indicator	Measure	Notes	Actual	Forecast	Target	Tai	rget Projectio	ons	Trend
mulcator	Measure	8	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2026728	+/0/-
Liquidity									
Working Capital	Current assets / current liabilities	5	123%	120%	121%	109%	107%	106%	-
Obligations									
Asset renewal	Asset renewal and upgrade expense / Asset depreciation	6	139%	154%	99%	104%	92%	101%	+
Stability									
Rates concentration	Rate revenue / adjusted underlying revenue	7	78%	79%	83%	84%	84%	84%	+
Efficiency									
Expenditure level	Total expenses / no. of property assessments	8	\$3,220.16	\$3,116.20	\$3,371.80	\$3,143.43	\$3,485.79	\$3,549.24	+

5.1 Financial performance indicators

The following table highlights Council's current and projected performance across a range of key financial performance indicators. These indicators provide a useful analysis of Council's financial position and performance and should be interpreted in the context of the organisation's objectives.

The financial performance indicators below are the prescribed financial performance indicators contained in Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020. Results against these indicators will be reported in Council's Performance Statement included in the Annual Report.

		S	Actual	Forecast	Budget		Projections	5	Trend
Indicator	Measure	Notes	2022/23	2024/25	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	+/o/-
Operating position									
Adjusted underlying result	Adjusted underlying surplus (deficit) / Adjusted underlying revenue	9	2.5%	-1.6%	-2.8%	-1.5%	-0.7%	-0.2%	-
Liquidity									
Unrestricted cash	Unrestricted cash / current liabilities	10	61.9%	57.3%	57.6%	46.0%	43.7%	41.7%	-
Obligations									
Loans and borrowings	Interest bearing loans and borrowings / rate revenue	11	1.9%	0.4%	10.9%	9.6%	8.2%	6.9%	+
Loans and borrowings	Interest and principal repayments on interest bearing loans and borrowings / rate revenue		2.1%	1.1%	1.5%	1.7%	1.5%	1.4%	o
Indebtedness	Non-current liabilities / own source revenue		6.0%	11.3%	18.3%	14.4%	10.6%	7.1%	+
Stability									
Rates effort	Rate revenue / CIV of rateable properties in the municipality	12	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	o
Efficiency									
Revenue level	General rates and municipal charges / no. of property assessments	13	\$2,370	\$2,461	\$2,575	\$2,718	\$2,794	\$2,916	+

Notes to indicators

- 1. **Satisfaction with community consultation and engagement** Council has an ongoing commitment to deliver effective and meaningful engagement, focusing on building internal capacity to deliver consistent engagement.
- 2. **Sealed local roads below the intervention level** Existing condition and funding levels indicate that the sealed road network will continue to meet the required performance levels that ensure long term sustainability.

- 3. Planning applications decided within the relevant required time Attracting and retaining qualified planners is a critical issue for the sector. Medium and long-term projects are currently underway to deliver process improvements over the next three (3) years. This will enhance the quality of our planning service, improve efficiencies, and expand our information sources for owners, applicants and the community.
- 4. **Kerbside collection waste diverted from landfill** The increase of 4% additional recovery relates to the introduction of the new Food Organic and Garden Organic (FOGO) service that commenced in October 2023. This will see a reduction in waste to landfill and an increase in organic material recovery.
- 5. **Working capital** Slight increase in working capital from 2022 reflects increases in both cash from anticipated increase in collection activity as well as increase in lease liabilities due to projected increase in leased assets.
- 6. **Asset renewal** Decrease reflects reduction in overall capital program, due to constraints in capacity to deliver and maintaining longer term financial sustainability.
- 7. **Rates concentration** Increased reliance on rates revenue reflects decreased projections on externally sourced grant income.
- 8. **Expenditure level** Increased expenses due to cost escalations and pressures having a significant impact on overall expenditure levels.
- 9. **Adjusted underlying result** is the net surplus or deficit for the year (per Australian Accounting Standards) adjusted for non-recurrent grants used to fund capital expenditure, non-monetary asset contributions, and contributions to fund capital expenditure other than grants and non-monetary asset contributions. It is an indicator of the sustainable operating result required to enable Council to continue to provide core services and meet its objectives.
 - A short-term period of operational deficits is acceptable to support Council's approach to current cost pressures, with operational efficiencies being identified in future years to bring underlying results back into sustainable surplus.
- 10. Unrestricted cash means all cash and cash equivalents other than restricted cash, including cash that will be used to fund capital expenditure from the previous financial year. Restricted cash means cash and cash equivalents, within the meaning of Accounting Standard AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows, that are not available for use other than for a purpose for which it is restricted.
- 11. **Interest bearing loans and borrowings –** This indicator is trending upward due to the additional borrowings that have been factored into the budget to deliver the capital works program.
- 12. **Rates effort** Rates effort, which is intended to examine the community's capacity to pay, presents rate revenue as a percentage of the capital improved value of rateable properties in the municipality. The trend is relatively steady for rates effort.
- 13. **Revenue level** Revenue level presents the residential rate revenue per residential property assessment. The trend shows a small annual increase.

Appendix A

Fees and charges schedule

This attached schedule presents the fees and charges which will be charged in respect to various goods and services during the financial year 2024-25.

Note that this schedule only includes fees set by Council. There are other fees in addition to this listing that are set in accordance with legislative requirements and charged by Council. These fees are updated as of 1 July 2024 and will be reflected on Council's website.



End of Yarra Ranges Council Budget Report





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YARRA RANGES COUNCIL

PLANNING, DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

WRITTEN ADVICE - CONFIRMATION OF PERMIT REQUIREMENT ETC.

General	N	Υ	\$168.19	\$172.82	2.75%	\$4.62	
Archive retrieval fee (1st box)	N	Υ	\$59.00	\$60.62	2.75%	\$1.62	
Archive retrieval fee (each additional box)	N	Υ	\$5.18	\$5.32	2.70%	\$0.14	

COPIES OF PERMITS & PLANS

Category 1 permits - permit only	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$60.50	∞	\$60.50	
Category 2 permit - (permit only)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$60.50	∞	\$60.50	
Category 2 permits - additional permits (for the same property) - per permit	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$300.00	00	\$300.00	
Category 1 permits & plans (max 2 permits & plans)	N	Υ	\$168.19	\$173.00	2.86%	\$4.81	
Category 1 permits – additional permits (for the same property) – per permit	N	Υ	\$59.00	\$60.50	2.54%	\$1.50	
Category 2 permits & plans – per permit & plan	N	Υ	\$168.19	\$300.00	78.37%	\$131.81	

PHOTOCOPYING FEES

A4 – 1st 5 pages	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
A4 – each page >5	N	Υ	\$0.63	\$0.64	1.59%	\$0.02	
A3 – per page	N	Υ	\$1.14	\$1.18	3.51%	\$0.04	
A1 – per sheet	N	Υ	\$5.69	\$5.85	2.81%	\$0.16	

PLANNING SERVICES

PLANNING SERVICE

Plans for endorsement resubmission fee (Category 2 applications)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$200.00	∞	\$200.00	
Reinspection Fee (Residential Subdivisions 11 lots & over, and any other subdivision type)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$300.00	∞	\$300.00	
Reinspection Fee (Residential Subdivisions up to and including 10 lots, and other use / development)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$150.00	СО	\$150.00	
Secondary Consent Category 2 applications	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$558.50	00	\$558.50	
Planning Application Fees	Υ	N			\$192.00) – \$55,372.70	
Pre-application fee	N	Υ	\$266.51	\$273.84	2.75%	\$7.33	
Secondary Consent Category 1 applications	N	Υ	\$348.79	\$358.50	2.78%	\$9.71	

	Ctatutani		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Fee (incl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
ADVERTISING FEES							
1-10 notices	N	Υ	\$107.12	\$110.06	2.74%	\$2.94	
11+ (base fee + per notice fee) – each additional notice (to max \$1,500)	N	Y	\$6.73	\$6.92	2.82%	\$0.19	
Each additional notice (to max \$1,500)	N	Υ	\$6.73	\$6.92	2.82%	\$0.19	
Advertising Sign – A1	N	Υ	\$212.17	\$218.00	2.75%	\$5.83	
Advertising Sign – 1.2m x 1.8m	N	Υ	\$348.28	\$357.86	2.75%	\$9.58	
Newspaper Advertising	N	Υ			\$577.	.00 – \$988.00	
Valuations and revaluation for open space valuation for subdivisions	N	Y	\$430.56	\$442.40	2.75%	\$11.84	
First Extension of Time (Category 2 applications)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$457.00	∞	\$457.00	
Second Extension of Time (Category 2 applications)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$557.00	œ	\$557.00	
Third (and beyond) Extension of Time (Category 2 applications)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$657.00	o	\$657.00	
Extension of Time (Category 1 applications)	N	Υ	\$347.24	\$357.00	2.81%	\$9.76	
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O CONSIDER AN AME	ENDMEN	T REC	QUEST (ST	AGE 1)			

TO CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS WHICH SEEK A CHANGE TO THE AMENDMENT (STAGE 2)

Up to and including 10 submissions	Υ	N	\$16,157.49	\$16,668.23	3.16%	\$510.74	
11-20 submissions	Υ	N	\$32,283.31	\$33,323.79	3.22%	\$1,040.49	
Anything over 20 submissions	Υ	N	\$43,155.15	\$44,546.07	3.22%	\$1,390.91	

OTHER STRATEGIC PLANNING FEES

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To meet all direct fees and costs charged by the Panel in relation to its hearing of submissions	Y	Y				As required	
To adopt an amendment or a part of an amendment (stage 3)	Υ	N	\$514.29	\$530.94	3.24%	\$16.65	

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Fee	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
			(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

OTHER STRATEGIC PLANNING FEES [continued]

To submit the amendment for approval (service included in amendment approval submission) (stage 4)	Y	N	\$514.29	\$530.94	3.24%	\$16.65	
Request under Section 29A of the Building Act 1993 for report and consent on proposed demolition	Y	N	\$90.98	\$93.90	3.21%	\$2.93	

BUILDING SERVICES

BUILDING SERVICE

Standard of Habitation Fee - additional inspection fee	N	Y	\$0.00	\$202.00	∞	\$202.00		
Standard of Habitation Fee - Including one inspection	N	Y	\$0.00	\$691.00	∞	\$691.00		
Transfer of function Documentation Fee for PBS - (to obtain all documents for Category 1 permits)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$173.00	co	\$173.00		
Transfer of function Documentation Fee for PBS - (to obtain all documents for Category 2 permits)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$300.00	∞	\$300.00		
Sale of Property Information (Form 10)	Υ	N	\$50.60	\$52.00	2.77%	\$1.40		
Information Requests (Private Building Surveyors)	Υ	N	\$50.60	\$52.00	2.77%	\$1.40		
Lodgement Fee (Private Building Surveyors)	Υ	N	\$129.90	\$133.50	2.77%	\$3.60		
Council consent applications	Υ	N	\$310.30	\$318.80	2.74%	\$8.50		
Council consent Hoarding	Υ	N	\$315.00	\$323.70	2.76%	\$8.70		
Building surveying services per hour	N	Y		\$13	9.50per hour/\$	209.50min fee		
Transfer of Function' role from Private Building Surveyors to Municipal Building Surveyor	N	Y	\$5,375 min fee					
Temporary Occupancy Permits	N	Υ				\$620 min fee		

BUILDING PERMIT SERVICES

Building permit Dwelling	N	Υ	\$3,638.54	\$3,738.61	2.75%	\$100.06				
Building permit Demolition	N	Υ	\$1,474.36	\$1,514.91	2.75%	\$40.55				
Building permit Units	N	Y		\$4000 minimum fee Min. Fee excl. GST: \$4,000.00 Last year fee						
					\$3,7	14.50 min fee				
Building permit Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc.	N	Y	\$2,729.29	\$2,804.34	2.75%	\$75.05				
Building permit Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools	N	Y	\$1,755.36	\$1,803.63	2.75%	\$48.27				

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Fee	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
	. 00		(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

RE-ACTIVATE LAPSED BUILDING PERMITS – DWELLINGS

Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings < \$100,000	N	Υ	\$644.80	\$662.53	2.75%	\$17.73	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings \$100,001 – \$175,000	N	Y	\$716.22	\$735.92	2.75%	\$19.70	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings \$175,001 – \$250,000	N	Y	\$786.08	\$807.70	2.75%	\$21.62	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings \$250,001 – \$350,000	N	Y	\$964.62	\$991.14	2.75%	\$26.52	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings \$350,001 – \$500,000	N	Υ	\$1,360.00	\$1,397.40	2.75%	\$37.40	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings > \$500,001	N	Υ			Cost	divided by 334	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwellings Demolition	N	Υ	\$716.22	\$735.92	2.75%	\$19.70	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Units	N	Υ			Cost	divided by 334	

RE-ACTIVATE LAPSED BUILDING PERMITS – DWELLING ADDITIONS, DECKS, ETC.

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Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. < \$10,000	N	Y	\$363.81	\$373.81	2.75%	\$10.00	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. \$10,001 – \$50,000	N	Y	\$533.02	\$547.69	2.75%	\$14.66	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. \$50,001 – \$100,000	N	Υ	\$575.98	\$591.82	2.75%	\$15.84	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. \$100,001 – \$175,000	N	Υ	\$701.73	\$721.02	2.75%	\$19.29	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. \$175,001 – \$250,000	N	Y	\$785.05	\$806.64	2.75%	\$21.58	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. \$250,000 – \$350,000	N	Y	\$964.62	\$991.14	2.75%	\$26.52	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Dwelling Additions, Decks, etc. > \$350,001	N	Υ			Cost	divided by 334	

RE-ACTIVATE LAPSED BUILDING PERMITS – OUTBUILDINGS/SWIMMING POOLS

Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools < \$10,000	N	Y	\$364.83	\$374.87	2.75%	\$10.04	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools \$10,001 – \$25,000	N	Y	\$434.18	\$446.12	2.75%	\$11.94	

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
			(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

RE-ACTIVATE LAPSED BUILDING PERMITS – OUTBUILDINGS/SWIMMING POOLS [continued]

Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools \$25,001 – \$50,000	N	Υ	\$504.05	\$517.91	2.75%	\$13.87	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools \$50,001 – \$100,000	N	Y	\$560.45	\$575.86	2.75%	\$15.41	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools \$100,001 – \$250,000	N	Υ	\$618.41	\$635.42	2.75%	\$17.00	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Outbuildings/ Swimming Pools > \$250,001	N	Y			Cost	divided by 167	

RE-ACTIVATE LAPSED BUILDING PERMITS - COMMERCIAL/PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings < \$10,000	N	Y	\$504.05	\$517.91	2.75%	\$13.87	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings \$10,001 – \$50,000	N	Y	\$575.98	\$591.82	2.75%	\$15.84	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings \$50,001 – \$100,000	N	Y	\$993.08	\$1,020.39	2.75%	\$27.31	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings \$100,001 – \$175,000	N	Y	\$1,385.86	\$1,423.97	2.75%	\$38.11	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings \$175,001 – \$250,000	N	Υ	\$1,777.10	\$1,825.96	2.75%	\$48.87	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings > \$250,001	N	Y	\$2,350.49	\$2,415.13	2.75%	\$64.64	
Re-Activate Lapsed Building Permits – Commercial/Public Buildings – Additional Inspection Fee	N	Υ	\$183.71	\$202.00	9.96%	\$18.29	
Extension of Time	N	Υ	\$317.23	\$325.95	2.75%	\$8.72	

RETRIEVAL OF PLAN AND FINAL INSPECTION

Building permit issued after July 1994	N	Υ	\$326.02	\$334.98	2.75%	\$8.96	
Building permit issued prior July 1994	N	Υ	\$489.04	\$502.49	2.75%	\$13.44	
Checking amendments / variations to Permits	N	Υ			\$134per hou	r/\$203 min fee	
Modification Fee	N	Υ	\$460.58	\$473.25	2.75%	\$12.67	

PERMIT FOR PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT FEES

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^{*}Late Fee is applicable to any application made less than 10 business days before the commencement of the event

PERMIT FOR PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT FEES [continued]

500m2 – 1,000m2 (including 2 inspections)	N	Υ	\$598.75	\$615.22	2.75%	\$16.47	
500m2 - 1,000m2 - Late Fee*	N	N	\$272.21	\$279.70	2.75%	\$7.49	
1,001m2 – 5,000m2 (including 2 inspections)	N	Υ	\$1,198.53	\$1,231.50	2.75%	\$32.96	
1,001m2 - 5,000m2 - Late Fee*	N	N	\$544.93	\$559.92	2.75%	\$14.99	
5,001m2 – 10,000m2 (including 2 inspections)	N	Υ	\$1,798.32	\$1,847.77	2.75%	\$49.45	
5,001m2 - 10,000m2 - Late Fee*	N	N	\$817.13	\$839.60	2.75%	\$22.47	
Greater than 10,001m2 (including 2 inspections)	N	Υ	\$2,398.09	\$2,464.04	2.75%	\$65.94	
Greater than 10,001m2 – Late Fee*	N	N	\$1,089.86	\$1,119.83	2.75%	\$29.98	
Additional Inspections – Per Inspection	N	Υ	\$196.65	\$202.07	2.76%	\$5.41	

POOL REGISTRATIONS

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Registration pool or spa	Υ	N	\$34.00	\$34.90	2.65%	\$0.90	
Information search fee pool or spa	Y	N	\$50.50	\$51.90	2.77%	\$1.40	
Lodgement fee for certificate of pool or spa barrier compliance	Υ	N	\$21.80	\$22.40	2.75%	\$0.60	
Lodgement of certificate of pool or spa barrier non-compliance	N	N	\$411.40	\$422.70	2.75%	\$11.30	

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Fire Hazard Clearance Admin Charge	N	N	\$238.00	\$244.50	2.73%	\$6.50	
Fire Hazard Infringement Notice – Legislated fine under the CFA Act	N	N	\$1,849.00	\$1,923.00	4.00%	\$74.00	

PET REGISTRATIONS

DOG REGISTRATION

DOG REGISTRATION - DANGEROUS, MENACING & RESTRICTED BREEDS FEES

Dangerous Dog	N	N	\$261.00	\$320.00	22.61%	\$59.00	
Restricted Breed Dog	N	N	\$261.00	\$320.00	22.61%	\$59.00	
Menacing Dog	N	N	\$261.00	\$320.00	22.61%	\$59.00	

DOG REGISTRATION - MAXIMUM FEES

Fertile (Non Desexed) Dog	N	N	\$149.00	\$165.00	10.74%	\$16.00	
Fertile (Non Desexed) Dog – Pensioner Concession	N	N	\$58.00	\$58.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
DOG REGISTRATION – MA	XIMUM FE	ES [c	continued]				
Dangerous Dog as Guard Dog – for Non Residential Premises	N	N	\$261.00	\$320.00	22.61%	\$59.00	
Dangerous Dog that has undergone Protective Training	N	N	\$261.00	\$320.00	22.61%	\$59.00	
DOG REGISTRATION - RE	DUCED FE	ES					
Dog Kept in Foster care by Registered Foster carer	N	N	\$0.00	\$8.00	œ	\$8.00	
Desexed Dog	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Dog over 10 years old	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Farm Working Dog	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Breeding Dog associated with a registered DAB	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Obedience Trained Dog	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Dog and owner registered with the same applicable organisation	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Hound registered with the GMA that is microchipped	N	N	\$50.00	\$55.00	10.00%	\$5.00	
Dog Registration – Reduced Fees – Pensioner Concession	N	N	\$19.00	\$19.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
DOG REGISTRATION – LEG	GISLATED	DISC	OUNT FEES				
Approved Assistance Dog	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Dog (not dangerous) in care of VEFC (first 12 months)	N	N	\$8.00	\$8.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Guide Dog	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Government Authority Working Dog	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
CAT REGISTRATION							
CAT REGISTRATION - MAX	KIMUM FE	ES					
Fertile (Non Desexed) Cat – with Vet Exemption	N	N	\$129.00	\$150.00	16.28%	\$21.00	
Fertile (Non Desexed) Cat – with Vet Exemption – Pensioner Concession	N	N	\$52.00	\$52.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
CAT REGISTRATION - RED	UCED FE	ES					
Cat Kept in Foster care by Registered Foster carer	N	N	\$0.00	\$8.00	œ	\$8.00	
Desexed Cat	N	N	\$45.00	\$50.00	11.11%	\$5.00	
Cat over 10 years old	N	N	\$45.00	\$50.00	11.11%	\$5.00	
Breeding Cat associated with a registered DAB	N	N	\$45.00	\$50.00	11.11%	\$5.00	
Cat and owner registered with the same applicable organisation	N	N	\$45.00	\$50.00	11.11%	\$5.00	
Cat Registration – Reduced Fees – Pensioner Concession	N	N	\$16.00	\$16.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

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CAT REGISTRATION – LEG	SISLATED	DISCO	OUNT FEES				
Cat in care of VEFC (first 12 months)	N	N	\$8.00	\$8.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
ANIMAL OTHER							
Accessing Pet Register Information	N	N	\$0.00	\$15.00	∞	\$15.00	
DOMESTIC ANIMAL E	BUSINE	SS RI	EGISTRAT	ION			
Domestic Animal Business Registration – Catteries, Boarding Kennels, Shelters, Pounds, Pet Shops, Breeding establishments with more than 3 fertile females	N	N	\$380.00	\$400.00	5.26%	\$20.00	
Domestic Animal Business Registration – Dog Training Establishments	N	N	\$200.00	\$250.00	25.00%	\$50.00	
Cows (per animal) Horses (per animal)	N N	Y	\$214.00 \$214.00	\$220.00 \$220.00	2.80% 2.80%	\$6.00 \$6.00	
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Pigs (per animal)	N	Υ	\$137.00	\$145.00	5.84%	\$8.00	
Alpacas (per animal)	N	Υ	\$137.00	\$145.00	5.84%	\$8.00	
Llamas (per animal)	N	Υ	\$137.00	\$145.00	5.84%	\$8.00	
Sheep (per animal)	N	Y	\$137.00	\$145.00	5.84%	\$8.00	
Goats (per animal)	N	Υ	\$137.00	\$145.00	5.84%	\$8.00	
Any animal exceeding 14 days of being held in Council's Stock Pound	N	Y	\$163.00	\$170.00	4.29%	\$7.00	
MPOUND & RELEASE	FEES						
Skip bin / Bulk waste container / Shipping container / Clothing recycling bin / or other large item	N	N	\$0.00	\$800.00	∞	\$800.00	
Vehicles	N	N	\$695.00	\$800.00	15.11%	\$105.00	
Other	N	Υ	\$58.50	\$60.00	2.56%	\$1.50	
LOCAL LAWS SERVI							
Animal Permit – Application	N	N	\$197.50	\$205.00	3.80%	\$7.50	
Animal Permit – Application – Pensioner Concession	N	N	\$90.00	\$90.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Animal Permit – Renewal	N	N	\$151.50	\$155.00	2.31%	\$3.50	
Animal Permit – Renewal – Pensioner Concession	N	N	\$47.00	\$47.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
ROADSIDE TRADING							
Roadside Trading Permit – 1 Day Trading – Application	N	N	\$159.00	\$159.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Roadside Trading Permit – 1 Day Trading – Application – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$78.00	\$78.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Roadside Trading Permit – Application	N	N	\$1,906.00	\$1,975.00	3.62%	\$69.00	
Roadside Trading Permit – Application – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$953.00	\$980.00	2.83%	\$27.00	
Roadside Trading Permit – Renewal	N	N	\$1,906.00	\$1,975.00	3.62%	\$69.00	
Roadside Trading Permit – Renewal – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$953.00	\$980.00	2.83%	\$27.00	
FOOTPATH TRADING							
Footpath Trading Permit – Application	N	N	\$198.00	\$205.00	3.54%	\$7.00	
Footpath Trading Permit – Application – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$99.00	\$105.00	6.06%	\$6.00	
Footpath Trading Permit – Renewal	N	N	\$154.50	\$160.00	3.56%	\$5.50	
Footpath Trading Permit – Renewal – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$77.00	\$80.00	3.90%	\$3.00	
CLOTHING BINS							
Clothing Bins Permit – Application – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$97.50	\$100.00	2.56%	\$2.50	
Clothing Bins Permit – Renewal – Not for Profit Group	N	N	\$76.00	\$80.00	5.26%	\$4.00	
OPEN AIR BURNING O	FF						
Open Air Burning/Burning Off Permit	N	N	\$197.50	\$205.00	3.80%	\$7.50	
Open Air Burning/Burning Off Permit – Pension Concession	N	N	\$94.00	\$94.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Open Air Burning Change of Category	N	N	\$291.50	\$300.00	2.92%	\$8.50	
Open Air Burning Change of Category – Pension Concession	N	N	\$138.50	\$138.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
ADVERTISING BOARD	S						
Real Estate Advertising Board	N	N	\$197.50	\$205.00	3.80%	\$7.50	
Community Advertising Board	N	N	\$97.50	\$100.00	2.56%	\$2.50	
Electoral Signage Board	N	N	\$197.50	\$205.00	3.80%	\$7.50	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
OTHER LOCAL LAWS	SERVICE	ES				
Bulk Rubbish Container/Skip Bin Permit	N	N	\$66.00	\$70.00	6.06%	\$4.00
Storage/Shipping Container Permit	N	N	\$197.50	\$205.00	3.80%	\$7.50
Fireworks Display Permit	N	N	\$197.50	\$205.00	3.80%	\$7.50
HEALTH SERVICES						
REGISTERED PREMI	ISES EN	QUIR	RIES			
Pre-Purchase Inspection & Report (per premises)	N	N	\$246.50	\$255.00	3.45%	\$8.50
Registered Premises – Plans Assessment	N	N	\$165.50	\$170.00	2.72%	\$4.50
IXED FOOD PREMIS	SES					
STABLISHMENT FEE	S					
Establishment Fee (per registration)	N	N	\$256.50	\$265.00	3.31%	\$8.50
Establishment Fee – Not for Profit Groups (per registration)	N	N	\$126.50	\$265.00	109.49%	\$138.50
FIXED FOOD PREMISE	ES – CLA	SS 1				
Class 1 – Food Registration & Renewal	N	N	\$650.00	\$680.00	4.62%	\$30.00
IXED FOOD PREMISE	ES – CLA	SS 2				
Class 2 – Supermarket Food Registration & Renewal	N	N	\$2,370.00	\$2,500.00	5.49%	\$130.00
Class 2 – Food Registration & Renewal	N	N	\$660.00	\$680.00	3.03%	\$20.00
Class 2 – Food Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups	N	N	\$330.00	\$340.00	3.03%	\$10.00
FIXED FOOD PREMISE	ES – CLA	SS 3				
Class 3 – Large Convenience Store – Food Registration & Renewal	N	N	\$1,200.00	\$1,250.00	4.17%	\$50.00
Class 3A – Food Registration & Renewal	N	N	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00
Class 3A – Food Registration – Not for Profit Groups	N	N	\$240.00	\$250.00	4.17%	\$10.00
Class 3 – Food Registration & Renewal	N	N	\$400.00	\$420.00	5.00%	\$20.00
Class 3 – Food Registration – Not for Profit Groups	N	N	\$190.00	\$210.00	10.53%	\$20.00
FIXED FOOD PREMISE	ES – CLA	SS 4				
Class 4 – Notifications	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00

STREATRADER (TEMPORARY) FOOD PREMISES

STREATRADER - ESTABLISHMENT FEES

Streatrader Establishment Fee (per registration)	N	N	\$128.50	\$265.00	106.23%	\$136.50	
Streatrader Establishment Fee – Not for Profit Groups (per registration)	N	N	\$63.00	\$265.00	320.63%	\$202.00	

STREATRADER - CLASS 2

Class 2 – Mobile Premises – Registration & Renewal (per mobile premises)	N	N	\$310.00	\$340.00	9.68%	\$30.00	
Class 2 – Mobile Premises – Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups (per mobile premises)	N	N	\$160.00	\$170.00	6.25%	\$10.00	
Class 2 – Temporary Premises – Registration & Renewal (per registration)	N	N	\$315.00	\$340.00	7.94%	\$25.00	
Class 2 – Temporary Premises – Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups (per registration)	N	N	\$160.00	\$170.00	6.25%	\$10.00	
Class 2 – Vending Machine – Registration & Renewal (per machine)	N	N	\$307.50	\$320.00	4.07%	\$12.50	
Class 2 – Vending Machine – Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups (per machine) - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$151.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$151.00	

STREATRADER - CLASS 3

Class 3 – Mobile Premises – Registration & Renewal (per mobile premises)	N	N	\$190.00	\$210.00	10.53%	\$20.00	
Class 3 – Mobile Premises – Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups (per mobile premises)	N	N	\$92.00	\$105.00	14.13%	\$13.00	
Class 3 – Temporary Premises – Registration & Renewal (per registration)	N	N	\$190.00	\$210.00	10.53%	\$20.00	
Class 3 – Temporary Premises – Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups (per registration)	N	N	\$93.00	\$105.00	12.90%	\$12.00	
Class 3 – Vending Machine – Registration & Renewal (per machine)	N	N	\$166.00	\$210.00	26.51%	\$44.00	
Class 3 – Vending Machine – Registration & Renewal – Not for Profit Groups (per machine) - Discontinued	N	Y	\$82.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$82.00	
Class 3 – Water Carter – Registration & Renewal (per water vehicle)	N	N	\$187.50	\$210.00	12.00%	\$22.50	

Statutory Fee GST Fee (Incl. GST) Increase Increase STREATRADER - CLASS 3 (Continued) STREATRADER - CLASS 4 Streatrader Class 4 -	Gl
Class 3 - Water Carter - Registration & Renewal - Not for Profit Groups (per water vehicle)	
Registration & Renewal - Not for Profit Groups (per water vehicle)	
Streatrader Class 4 -	
Notifications	
Additional Inspection Fee N Y \$154.50 \$160.00 3.56% \$5.50 Change of Food Class or Proprietor Details N Y \$154.50 \$160.00 3.56% \$5.50 HEALTH PREMISES REGISTRATIONS Establishment Fee – PHWB Act Premises N N \$158.00 \$210.00 32.91% \$52.00 High Risk Activities – Health Registration & Renewal N N \$300.00 \$310.00 3.33% \$10.00 Medium Risk Activities – Health Registration & Renewal N N \$250.00 \$260.00 4.00% \$10.00 Low Risk Activities – Ongoing Registration N N \$300.00 \$310.00 3.33% \$10.00 PRESCRIBED ACCOMMODATION PREMISES REGISTRATIONS	
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HEALTH & BEAUTY PREMISES REGISTRATIONS	
Premises High Risk Activities – Health Registration & Renewal Medium Risk Activities – Health Registration & Renewal Low Risk Activities – Ongoing Registration N N \$300.00 \$310.00 \$10.00 \$10.00 Registration N N \$300.00 \$310.00 \$310.00 PRESCRIBED ACCOMMODATION PREMISES REGISTRATIONS	
Registration & Renewal Medium Risk Activities – Health N N \$250.00 \$260.00 4.00% \$10.00 Registration & Renewal Low Risk Activities – Ongoing N N \$300.00 \$310.00 3.33% \$10.00 Registration PRESCRIBED ACCOMMODATION PREMISES REGISTRATIONS	
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PRESCRIBED ACCOMMODATION PREMISES REGISTRATIONS	
Accommodation (4 – 20 N N \$330.00 \$350.00 6.06% \$20.00	
Persons) – Health Registration & Renewal	
Accommodation (21 – 40 N N \$514.00 \$530.00 3.11% \$16.00 Persons) – Health Registration & Renewal	
Accommodation (41+ Persons) N N \$674.00 \$700.00 3.86% \$26.00 – Health Registration & Renewal	
CARAVAN PARK REGISTRATIONS	
Additional Inspection Fee (new) N N \$0.00 \$160.00 ∞ \$160.00	
Caravan Park – Registration & N Y Renewal (3 yearly)	
Caravan Park – Transfer N Y Set by Formula	
AQUATIC REGISTRATIONS	
Aquatic (1 – 2 systems) – N N \$250.50 \$300.00 19.76% \$49.50 Registration & Renewal	
Aquatic (3+ systems) – N N \$375.50 \$390.00 3.86% \$14.50 Registration & Renewal ***	

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Fee GST	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
			(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

HEALTH PREMISES - OTHER FEES

Additional Inspection Fee	N	Υ	\$117.50	\$125.00	6.38%	\$7.50	
Change of Health Class or Proprietor Details	N	Υ	\$117.50	\$125.00	6.38%	\$7.50	
Transfer of Health Registration	N	Υ	\$200.00	\$210.00	5.00%	\$10.00	

SEPTIC TANK PERMITS AND SERVICES

Additional Assessment Time for Exemption fee	N	N							
Additional Assessment Time Major Alteration fee	N	N		100 per hour over 8.2					
Additional Assessment Time Minor Alteration fee	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00			
Wastewater Written Advice (new)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$80.00	∞	\$80.00			
Permit to Install a Septic System	N	N	\$725.00	\$750.00	3.45%	\$25.00			
Permit to Alter (Major) a Septic System	N	N	\$725.00	\$750.00	3.45%	\$25.00			
Permit to Alter (Minor) a Septic System	N	N	\$551.71	\$580.00	5.13%	\$28.30			
Transfer a Permit to Install/Alter a Septic System	N	N	\$147.10	\$155.00	5.37%	\$7.90			
Amend a Permit to Install/Alter a Septic System	N	N	\$153.70	\$160.00	4.10%	\$6.30			
Renew a Permit to Install/Alter a Septic System	N	N	\$123.10	\$130.00	5.61%	\$6.90			
Exemption	N	N	\$217.31	\$202.98	-6.59%	-\$14.32			
Additional inspection fee	N	N	\$94.00	\$100.00	6.38%	\$6.00			
Pre Application Site Consultation	N	Υ	\$94.00	\$100.00	6.38%	\$6.00			
File Search and Copy of Plans	N	Υ	\$69.50	\$75.00	7.91%	\$5.50			

SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND FACILITIES

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT / RECREATION – AQUATIC OPERATIONS

BELGRAVE POOL

BELGRAVE POOL ADMISSION

Belgrave Pool Adult admission	N	Υ	\$6.00	\$6.50	8.33%	\$0.50	
Belgrave Pool Concession	N	Υ	\$4.50	\$4.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Belgrave Pool Child	N	Υ	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Belgrave Pool Pensioner	N	Υ	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Belgrave Pool Adult 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$51.50	\$54.00	4.85%	\$2.50	
Belgrave Pool Concession 10- use pass	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00	
Belgrave Pool Child 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$36.00	\$38.00	5.56%	\$2.00	

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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
BELGRAVE POOL ADMISS	SION [contin	nued]					
Belgrave Pool Pensioner 10- use pass	N	Υ	\$34.50	\$36.00	4.35%	\$1.50	
BELGRAVE POOL SCHOO	L GROUPS	6					
Belgrave Pool School groups – School Groups (per head)	N	Υ	\$3.00	\$3.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Belgrave Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 30min	N	Υ	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50	
Belgrave Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 45min	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00	
Belgrave Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 60min	N	Υ	\$53.50	\$56.00	4.67%	\$2.50	
Belgrave Pool School groups – Lane Hire – Operating hours + entry	N	Υ	\$54.00	\$56.50	4.63%	\$2.50	
Belgrave Pool School groups – Pool Hire – half pool per hour + entry	N	Υ	\$106.00	\$111.50	5.19%	\$5.50	
Belgrave Pool School groups – Pool Hire – whole pool per hour	N	Υ	\$228.00	\$239.50	5.04%	\$11.50	
BELGRAVE POOL SMALL Belgrave Pool Pool Hire (Small Group or Community Benefit	GROUP O	R COM	\$123.00	\$129.00	JP 4.88%	\$6.00	
Group) – Whole pool per hour							
BELGRAVE POOL SEASO	N PASSES	- EAR	RLY BIRD				
Belgrave Pool Season Passes – early bird Adult Single	N	Υ	\$171.50	\$180.00	4.96%	\$8.50	
Belgrave Pool Season Passes – early bird Concession Single	N	Υ	\$132.50	\$139.00	4.91%	\$6.50	
Belgrave Pool Season Passes – early bird Family	N	Υ	\$344.50	\$361.50	4.93%	\$17.00	
BELGRAVE POOL SEASO	N PASSES	- STA	NDARD				
Belgrave Pool Season Passes – standard Adult Single	N	Υ	\$180.00	\$189.00	5.00%	\$9.00	
Belgrave Pool Season Passes – standard Concession Single	N	Υ	\$140.00	\$147.00	5.00%	\$7.00	
Belgrave Pool Season Passes – standard Family	N	Υ	\$364.50	\$382.50	4.94%	\$18.00	
HEALESVILLE POOL							
HEALESVILLE POOL ADM	ISSION						
Healesville Pool Adult admission	N	Υ	\$5.50	\$6.00	9.09%	\$0.50	
damission						40.00	
Healesville Pool Concession	N	Υ	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
	N N	Y	\$4.00 \$3.50	\$4.00 \$3.50	0.00%	\$0.00	

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HEALESVILLE POOL ADMISSION [continued]												
Healesville Pool Adult 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$46.50	\$49.00	5.38%	\$2.50						
Healesville Pool Concession 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$36.00	\$38.00	5.56%	\$2.00						
Healesville Pool Child 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$32.50	\$34.00	4.62%	\$1.50						
Healesville Pool Pensioner 10- use pass	N	Υ	\$29.50	\$31.00	5.08%	\$1.50						
HEALESVILLE POOL SCHO	OOL GROU	JPS										
Healesville Pool – School Groups (per head)	N	Υ	\$3.00	\$3.00	0.00%	\$0.00						
Healesville Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 30min	N	Υ	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50						
Healesville Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 45min	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00						
Healesville Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 60min	N	Υ	\$53.50	\$56.00	4.67%	\$2.50						
Healesville Pool School groups Lane Hire – Operating hours + entry	N	Υ	\$54.00	\$56.50	4.63%	\$2.50						
Healesville Pool School groups Pool Hire – half pool per hour + entry	N	Y	\$106.00	\$111.50	5.19%	\$5.50						
Healesville Pool School groups Pool Hire – whole pool per hour	N	Υ	\$228.00	\$239.50	5.04%	\$11.50						
HEALESVILLE POOL SMA	LL GROUF	OR C	OMMUNITY	BENEFIT GR	ROUP							
Healesville Pool Pool Hire (Small Group) – Whole pool per hour	N	Υ	\$123.00	\$129.00	4.88%	\$6.00						
HEALESVILLE POOL SEAS	SON PASS	ES – E	ARLY BIRD									
Healesville Pool Season Passes – early bird Adult Single	N	Υ	\$79.50	\$83.50	5.03%	\$4.00						
Healesville Pool Season Passes – early bird Concession Single	N	Υ	\$63.50	\$66.50	4.72%	\$3.00						
Healesville Pool Season Passes – early bird Family	N	Υ	\$185.50	\$195.00	5.12%	\$9.50						
HEALESVILLE POOL SEAS	SON PASS	ES – S	TANDARD									
Healesville Pool Season Passes – standard Adult Single	N	Υ	\$90.00	\$94.50	5.00%	\$4.50						
Healesville Pool Season Passes – standard Concession Single	N	Υ	\$69.00	\$72.50	5.07%	\$3.50						
Healesville Pool Season Passes – standard Family	N	Υ	\$206.50	\$217.00	5.08%	\$10.50						

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LILYDALE POOL							
LILYDALE POOL ADMISSION	ON						
Lilydale Pool Admission Adult admission	N	Y	\$5.50	\$6.00	9.09%	\$0.50	
Lilydale Pool Admission Concession	N	Υ	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Lilydale Pool Admission Child	N	Υ	\$3.50	\$3.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Lilydale Pool Admission Pensioner	N	Υ	\$3.50	\$3.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Lilydale Pool Admission Adult 10-use pass	N	Y	\$46.50	\$49.00	5.38%	\$2.50	
Lilydale Pool Admission Concession 10-use pass	N	Y	\$36.00	\$38.00	5.56%	\$2.00	
Lilydale Pool Admission Child 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$32.50	\$34.00	4.62%	\$1.50	
Lilydale Pool Admission Pensioner 10-use pass	N	Υ	\$29.50	\$31.00	5.08%	\$1.50	
LILYDALE POOL SCHOOL	GROUPS						
Lilydale Pool School groups – School Groups (per head)	N	Υ	\$3.00	\$3.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Lilydale Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 30min	N	Υ	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50	
Lilydale Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 45min	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00	
Lilydale Pool School groups – Swim Teacher 60min	N	Υ	\$53.50	\$56.00	4.67%	\$2.50	
Lilydale Pool School groups Lane Hire – Operating hours + entry	N	Y	\$54.00	\$56.50	4.63%	\$2.50	
Lilydale Pool School groups Pool Hire – half pool per hour + entry	N	Y	\$106.00	\$111.50	5.19%	\$5.50	
Lilydale Pool School groups Pool Hire – whole pool per hour	N	Υ	\$228.00	\$239.50	5.04%	\$11.50	
LILYDALE POOL SMALL G	ROUP OR	COM	MUNITY BENE	EFIT GROUP	•		
Lilydale Pool Pool Hire (Small Group) – whole pool per hour	N	Y	\$123.00	\$129.00	4.88%	\$6.00	
LILYDALE POOL SEASON	PASSES -	EARL	Y BIRD				
Lilydale Pool Season Passes – early bird Adult Single	N	Υ	\$79.50	\$83.50	5.03%	\$4.00	
Lilydale Pool Season Passes – early bird Concession Single	N	Y	\$63.50	\$66.50	4.72%	\$3.00	
Lilydale Pool Season Passes – early bird Family	N	Y	\$185.50	\$195.00	5.12%	\$9.50	
LILYDALE POOL SEASON	PASSES -	STAN	IDARD				
Lilydale Pool Season Passes – standard Adult Single	N	Y	\$90.00	\$94.50	5.00%	\$4.50	

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LILYDALE POOL SEASON	PASSES -	STAN	DARD [contin	ued]			
Lilydale Pool Season Passes – standard Concession Single	N	Υ	\$69.00	\$72.50	5.07%	\$3.50	
Lilydale Pool Season Passes – standard Family	N	Υ	\$206.50	\$217.00	5.08%	\$10.50	
MONBULK POOL							
MONBULK POOL ADMISS	ION						
Monbulk Pool Admission Adult Swim	N	Υ	\$7.50	\$8.00	6.67%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Admission Concession	N	Υ	\$5.50	\$6.00	9.09%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Admission Pensioner	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Admission Child swim (2 – 15 years)	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Admission Family	N	Υ	\$20.00	\$21.00	5.00%	\$1.00	
Monbulk Pool Admission Swim Club	Ν	Υ	\$3.00	\$3.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
MONBULK POOL SWIM TI	CKETS						
Monbulk Pool Swim Tickets Adult 20 visit	N	Υ	\$129.50	\$136.00	5.02%	\$6.50	
Monbulk Pool Swim Tickets Family 20 visit	N	Υ	\$357.00	\$375.00	5.04%	\$18.00	
Monbulk Pool Swim Tickets Child 20 visit	N	Υ	\$93.50	\$98.00	4.81%	\$4.50	
Monbulk Pool Swim Tickets Concession 20 visit	N	Υ	\$99.00	\$104.00	5.05%	\$5.00	
Monbulk Pool Swim Tickets Pensioner 20 visit	N	Υ	\$88.00	\$92.50	5.11%	\$4.50	
MONBULK POOL SWIM MI	EMBERSH	IPS					
Monbulk Pool Swim Memberships Start-up Fee	N	Υ	\$59.00	\$62.00	5.08%	\$3.00	
Monbulk Pool Swim Memberships Start-up Concession	N	Y	\$45.50	\$48.00	5.49%	\$2.50	
Monbulk Pool Swim Memberships DD Monthly Aquatic – Adult	N	Υ	\$45.50	\$48.00	5.49%	\$2.50	
Monbulk Pool Swim Memberships DD Monthly Aquatic – Concession	N	Y	\$33.50	\$35.00	4.48%	\$1.50	
Monbulk Pool Swim Memberships 12 months	N	Υ	\$612.50	\$643.00	4.98%	\$30.50	
Monbulk Pool Swim Memberships Swim Club monthly	N	Y	\$46.00	\$48.50	5.43%	\$2.50	

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MONBULK POOL GROUP ENTRY												
Monbulk Pool Group Entry Junior 14 years & under	N	Υ	\$4.50	\$4.50	0.00%	\$0.00						
Monbulk Pool Group Entry Senior 15 years & over	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50						
Monbulk Pool Group Entry Leaders	N	Υ	\$3.00	\$3.00	0.00%	\$0.00						
MONBULK POOL SCHOOL	SWIM LE	SSONS	5									
Monbulk Pool School Swim Lessons – School Groups (per head)	N	Y	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00						
Monbulk Pool School Swim Lessons Swim teachers 30min	N	Y	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50						
Monbulk Pool School Swim Lessons Swim teachers 45min	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00						
Monbulk Pool School Swim Lessons Swim teachers 60min	N	Υ	\$53.50	\$56.00	4.67%	\$2.50						
MONBULK POOL SWIM LE	SSONS											
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons SAWS – Swim & Water Safety	N	Υ	\$20.00	\$21.00	5.00%	\$1.00						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Baby Play – 12mth – 3years	N	Υ	\$13.50	\$14.00	3.70%	\$0.50						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Pre & After School	N	Υ	\$17.00	\$18.00	5.88%	\$1.00						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Squad	N	Υ	\$16.50	\$17.50	6.06%	\$1.00						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Adults (15years +)	N	Υ	\$16.00	\$17.00	6.25%	\$1.00						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Private – PWD (30 min)	N	Y	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Private	N	Υ	\$65.00	\$68.00	4.62%	\$3.00						
Monbulk Pool Swim Lessons Bronze	N	Υ	\$25.50	\$27.00	5.88%	\$1.50						
MONBULK POOL AQUA CI	LASSES											
Monbulk Pool Aqua Classes Casual	N	Υ	\$17.00	\$18.00	5.88%	\$1.00						
Monbulk Pool Aqua Classes Concession	N	Υ	\$13.00	\$13.50	3.85%	\$0.50						
Monbulk Pool Aqua Classes Pension	N	Υ	\$11.50	\$12.00	4.35%	\$0.50						
Monbulk Pool Aqua Classes Aqua Adult – 10 visit	N	Υ	\$152.50	\$160.00	4.92%	\$7.50						
Monbulk Pool Aqua Classes Aqua Concession – 10 visit	N	Υ	\$117.50	\$123.50	5.11%	\$6.00						
Monbulk Pool Aqua Classes Aqua Pension- 10 visit	N	Y	\$102.00	\$107.00	4.90%	\$5.00						

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MONBULK POOL GYMNAS	SIUM						
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Casual Gym – Adult	N	Υ	\$17.50	\$18.50	5.71%	\$1.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Start-up Fee	N	Y	\$98.00	\$103.00	5.10%	\$5.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Start-up Fee – Concession/ Pension	N	Υ	\$56.00	\$59.00	5.36%	\$3.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium DD Monthly Fee	N	Υ	\$93.50	\$98.00	4.81%	\$4.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium DD Monthly Fee Concession/ Pension	N	Υ	\$73.50	\$77.00	4.76%	\$3.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium DD Monthly Fee – Corporate	N	Y	\$76.50	\$80.50	5.23%	\$4.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium DD Monthly Fee – Seniors	N	Υ	\$72.50	\$76.00	4.83%	\$3.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Personal Training – 1/2 hour Session	N	Y	\$48.00	\$50.50	5.21%	\$2.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Fitness Classes – Casual	N	Y	\$17.00	\$18.00	5.88%	\$1.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Fitness Classes – Concession	N	Y	\$12.00	\$12.50	4.17%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium Older exercise group	N	Y	\$7.50	\$8.00	6.67%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium WorkCover Rehab Membership	N	Y	\$424.00	\$445.00	4.95%	\$21.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium 12 Month – Gold	N	Υ	\$1,229.50	\$1,291.00	5.00%	\$61.50	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium 12 Month – Gold Concession/ Pension	N	Y	\$938.00	\$985.00	5.01%	\$47.00	
Monbulk Pool Gymnasium 3 Term – Gold	N	Y	\$312.50	\$328.00	4.96%	\$15.50	
MONBULK POOL BIRTHDA	AY PARTIE	S					
Monbulk Pool Birthday Parties General x 10	N	Υ	\$235.50	\$247.50	5.10%	\$12.00	
Monbulk Pool Birthday Parties Add Children	N	Y	\$23.50	\$24.50	4.26%	\$1.00	
Monbulk Pool Birthday Parties Games only x10	N	Y	\$143.00	\$150.00	4.90%	\$7.00	
Monbulk Pool Birthday Parties Games Add Children	N	Y	\$14.50	\$15.00	3.45%	\$0.50	
MONBULK POOL FUN DAY	'S						
Monbulk Pool Fun Days Adult	N	Υ	\$8.50	\$9.00	5.88%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Fun Days Concession	N	Y	\$6.50	\$7.00	7.69%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Fun Days Child	N	Υ	\$6.00	\$6.50	8.33%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Fun Days Pool hire (per hour)	N	Y	\$244.00	\$256.00	4.92%	\$12.00	

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MONBULK POOL FUN DAY	'S [continue	d]					
Monbulk Pool Fun Days Pool Hire (Small Group) – Whole pool per hour	N	Y	\$123.00	\$129.00	4.88%	\$6.00	
MONBULK POOL CRECHE							
Monbulk Pool Creche Casual	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50	
Monbulk Pool Creche Members	N	Υ	\$4.50	\$4.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
YARRA RECREATION	CENTRE						
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE DRY	PROG	RAMS				
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Court hire – peak	N	Υ	\$47.00	\$49.50	5.32%	\$2.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Court hire – off peak	N	Y	\$35.50	\$37.50	5.63%	\$2.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Badminton – court hire	N	Y	\$24.50	\$25.50	4.08%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Badminton – per person	N	Y	\$7.50	\$8.00	6.67%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Group Fitness – casual	N	Y	\$17.00	\$18.00	5.88%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Group Fitness – concession	N	Y	\$12.00	\$12.50	4.17%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Prime Movers	N	Υ	\$7.50	\$8.00	6.67%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Gym – casual	N	Y	\$17.50	\$18.50	5.71%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Teen Gym	N	Υ	\$8.50	\$9.00	5.88%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Multi purpose room (per hour)	N	Y	\$33.00	\$34.50	4.55%	\$1.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Schools – court hire off peak	N	Y	\$32.50	\$34.00	4.62%	\$1.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Dry programs Schools – court hire peak	N	Y	\$47.00	\$49.50	5.32%	\$2.50	
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE GOLI) MEN	IBERSHIPS				
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships Start-up Fee	N	Y	\$98.00	\$103.00	5.10%	\$5.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships Start-up Fee – Concession/Pension	N	Y	\$56.00	\$59.00	5.36%	\$3.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships DD Monthly Fee	N	Y	\$93.50	\$98.00	4.81%	\$4.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships DD Monthly Fee Concession/Pension	N	Y	\$73.50	\$77.00	4.76%	\$3.50	

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Name	Fee	GST	Fee (incl. GST)	Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL						
YARRA RECREATION CEN	ARRA RECREATION CENTRE GOLD MEMBERSHIPS [continued]												
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships DD Monthly Fee – Seniors	N	Υ	\$72.50	\$76.00	4.83%	\$3.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships 12 Term – Gold	N	Υ	\$1,229.50	\$1,291.00	5.00%	\$61.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships 12 Term – Concession/Pension	N	Y	\$938.00	\$985.00	5.01%	\$47.00							
Yarra Recreation Centre Gold Memberships 3 Term – Gold	N	Υ	\$312.50	\$328.00	4.96%	\$15.50							
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE WET	PROG	RAMS ADMI	SSION									
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs admission Adult (16+) admission	N	Υ	\$7.50	\$8.00	6.67%	\$0.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs admission Concession (15+)	N	Υ	\$5.50	\$6.00	9.09%	\$0.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs admission Child (3 – 15years)	N	Y	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs admission Pensioner	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs admission Family	N	Υ	\$20.00	\$21.00	5.00%	\$1.00							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs admission Locker hire	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00							
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE WET	PROG	RAMS GROU	JP ENTRY -	10 OR MORE	.							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs Group entry – 10 or more Junior 14 years & under	N	Υ	\$4.50	\$4.50	0.00%	\$0.00							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs Group entry – 10 or more Senior 15 years & over	N	Y	\$5.50	\$6.00	9.09%	\$0.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre Wet programs Group entry – 10 or more Leaders and spectators	N	Y	\$3.00	\$3.00	0.00%	\$0.00							
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE GENE	ERAL N	MEMBERSHI	PS 20 VISIT	PASS								
Yarra Recreation Centre General Memberships 20 visit pass Adult	N	Y	\$131.50	\$138.00	4.94%	\$6.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre General Memberships 20 visit pass Concession	N	Υ	\$101.00	\$106.00	4.95%	\$5.00							
Yarra Recreation Centre General Memberships 20 visit pass Child	N	Υ	\$93.50	\$98.00	4.81%	\$4.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre General Memberships 20 visit pass Pensioner	N	Y	\$89.50	\$94.00	5.03%	\$4.50							
Yarra Recreation Centre General Memberships 20 visit pass Family	N	Y	\$360.50	\$378.50	4.99%	\$18.00							

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(ARRA RECREATION CEN							
Yarra Recreation Centre Aquatic Memberships Start-up Fee	N	Y	\$59.00	\$62.00	5.08%	\$3.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aquatic Memberships Start-up Fee Concessions	N	Y	\$34.00	\$35.50	4.41%	\$1.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aquatic Memberships DD Monthly Fee	N	Υ	\$51.50	\$54.00	4.85%	\$2.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aquatic Memberships DD Monthly Fee Concession/Child	N	Y	\$39.50	\$41.50	5.06%	\$2.00	
ARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE SCHO	OOL G	ROUPS				
Yarra Recreation Centre School Groups – School Groups (per head)	N	Y	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre School Groups – Swim Teacher 30min	N	Υ	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre School Groups – Swim Teacher 45min	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre School Groups – Swim Teacher 60min	N	Υ	\$53.50	\$56.00	4.67%	\$2.50	
/ARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE SWIM	LESS	SONS				
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons SAWS – Swim & Water Safety	N	Y	\$20.00	\$21.00	5.00%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Baby Play – 12mth – 3years	N	Y	\$13.50	\$14.00	3.70%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Pre & After School	N	Υ	\$17.00	\$18.00	5.88%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Squad	N	Υ	\$16.50	\$17.50	6.06%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Private PWD (30 min)	N	Υ	\$40.00	\$42.00	5.00%	\$2.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Private (30 min)	N	Υ	\$63.50	\$66.50	4.72%	\$3.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Bronze	N	Υ	\$25.50	\$27.00	5.88%	\$1.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Swim Lessons Junior Lifeguard	N	Υ	\$21.00	\$22.00	4.76%	\$1.00	
/ARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE AQUA	A CLA	SSES				
Yarra Recreation Centre Aqua Lessons Casual	N	Υ	\$17.00	\$18.00	5.88%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aqua Lessons Concession	N	Υ	\$13.00	\$13.50	3.85%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aqua Lessons Pension	N	Υ	\$11.50	\$12.00	4.35%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aqua Lessons Adult x 10 pass	N	Υ	\$152.50	\$160.00	4.92%	\$7.50	

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YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE AQU	A CLAS	SSES [continue	ed]			
Yarra Recreation Centre Aqua Lessons Concession x 10 pass	N	Υ	\$117.50	\$123.50	5.11%	\$6.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Aqua Lessons Pension x 10 pass	N	Υ	\$102.00	\$107.00	4.90%	\$5.00	
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE BIRT	HDAY	PARTIES				
Yarra Recreation Centre Birthday Parties General x 10	N	Υ	\$235.50	\$247.50	5.10%	\$12.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Birthday Parties Add Children	N	Υ	\$23.50	\$24.50	4.26%	\$1.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Birthday Parties Games only x10	N	Υ	\$143.00	\$150.00	4.90%	\$7.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Birthday Parties Games Extra Children per head	N	Y	\$14.50	\$15.00	3.45%	\$0.50	
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE FUN	DAYS					
Yarra Recreation Centre Fun Days Adult	N	Υ	\$8.50	\$9.00	5.88%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Fun Days Concession	N	Υ	\$7.50	\$8.00	6.67%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Fun Days Child	N	Υ	\$6.00	\$6.50	8.33%	\$0.50	
ARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE CREC	CHE					
Yarra Recreation Centre Creche Casual	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.50	10.00%	\$0.50	
Yarra Recreation Centre Creche Members	N	Υ	\$4.50	\$4.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
ARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE LANE	HIRE	(PER HOUR	, PLUS ENTI	RY FEE)		
Yarra Recreation Centre Lane Hire (per hour, plus entry fee) Normal Hours	N	Υ	\$24.50	\$25.50	4.08%	\$1.00	
YARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE POOI	_ HIRE	(CONDITION	NS APPLY)			
Yarra Recreation Centre Pool Hire (conditions apply) Whole indoor pool per hour	N	Y	\$265.00	\$278.00	4.91%	\$13.00	
Yarra Recreation Centre Pool Hire (conditions apply) Pool Hire (Small Group) – Whole pool per hour	N	Y	\$123.00	\$129.00	4.88%	\$6.00	
ARRA RECREATION CEN	TRE ACCE	ESS AN	ND INCLUSIO	N (AVAILAE	SLE FOR CA	RE GROUPS	5)
Yarra Recreation Centre Access and Inclusion (available for care groups) 1 month membership	N	Υ	\$52.50	\$55.00	4.76%	\$2.50	

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Fee	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
	. 55		(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

OLINDA POOL

OLINDA POOL ADMISSION

Olinda Pool Admission Family (2 adults, 4 children)	N	Y	\$13.00	\$13.50	3.85%	\$0.50	
Olinda Pool Admission Adult admission	N	Y	\$4.50	\$5.00	11.11%	\$0.50	
Olinda Pool Admission Concession	N	Υ	\$3.50	\$4.00	14.29%	\$0.50	
Olinda Pool Admission Child	N	Υ	\$3.50	\$3.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Pensioner	N	Y	\$3.50	\$3.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Spectator	N	Y	\$2.50	\$2.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Olinda Pool Admission School Groups (per head)	N	Υ	\$2.50	\$2.50	0.00%	\$0.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Family 10-use pass (2 adults, 4 children)	N	Y	\$178.50	\$187.50	5.04%	\$9.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Adult 10- use pass	N	Υ	\$39.00	\$41.00	5.13%	\$2.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Concession 10-use pass	N	Y	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50	
Olinda Pool Admission Pensioner 10-use pass	N	Y	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50	
Olinda Pool Admission Child 10-use pass	N	Y	\$27.50	\$29.00	5.45%	\$1.50	
Olinda Pool Admission Pool Hire – half pool per hour + entry	N	Y	\$97.50	\$102.50	5.13%	\$5.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Parties – 10 children	N	Y	\$178.50	\$187.50	5.04%	\$9.00	
Olinda Pool Admission Pool Hire – whole pool per hour	N	Y	\$200.50	\$210.50	4.99%	\$10.00	

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP CHARGES

Environmental Volunteer	N	Υ	\$10 to \$50	
Support (courses & events)				

BIODIVERSITY OFFSET

Biodiversity Equivalent Unit (GBEU) Offset	N	Υ	\$384,158.50	\$371,167.50	-3.38%	-\$12,991.00	
Habitat Hectare (remnant vegetation protected and improved)	N	Y	\$126,772.50	\$122,485.50	-3.38%	-\$4,287.00	
per recruit (plant successfully established)	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$48.40	-3.20%	-\$1.60	
Large Old Tree protected	N	Υ	\$2,561.00	\$2,474.50	-3.38%	-\$86.50	
Very Large Old Tree protected	N	Υ	\$2,945.50	\$2,845.50	-3.40%	-\$100.00	
General Habitat Units (GHU) offsets	N	Υ	\$153,697.50	\$148,500.00	-3.38%	-\$5,197.50	

BIODIVERSITY OFFSET [continued]

Species Habitat Units (SHU)	N	Υ	\$166,221.00	\$160,600.00	-3.38%	-\$5,621.00	
offsets							

WASTE MANAGEMENT

GARBAGE/RECYCLING COLLECTION

Additional FOGO 120I (Inc 9 Month FOGO) - Discontinued	N	N	\$93.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$93.00	
Additional FOGO 120I (Inc Full Year FOGO)	N	N	\$125.00	\$175.00	40.00%	\$50.00	
Additional FOGO 240I (Inc 9 Month FOGO) - Discontinued	N	N	\$108.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$108.00	
Additional FOGO 240I (Inc Full Year FOGO)	N	N	\$140.00	\$190.00	35.71%	\$50.00	
Additional Recycling 240l	N	N	\$79.00	\$80.00	1.27%	\$1.00	
Additional Rubbish 120l	N	N	\$168.00	\$135.00	-19.64%	-\$33.00	
Minimal Waste Charge	N	N	\$96.00	\$112.00	16.67%	\$16.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)-240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$383.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$383.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc Full Year FOGO)240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$385.00	\$419.00	8.83%	\$34.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 2 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)-240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$338.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$338.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 2 (Inc Full Year FOGO) 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$370.00	\$404.00	9.19%	\$34.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)- 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$338.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$338.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc Full Year FOGO) 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$370.00	\$394.00	6.49%	\$24.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 4 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)- 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$323.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$323.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 4 (Inc Full Year FOGO) 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$355.00	\$389.00	9.58%	\$34.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 5 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$308.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$308.00	

GARBAGE/RECYCLING COLLECTION [continued]

GARBAGE/RECTCLING	G COLLL	.CTIC	id [continuet	ı]			
Non-Residential Waste Service 5 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$340.00	\$374.00	10.00%	\$34.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$323.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$323.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$355.00	\$389.00	9.58%	\$34.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$323.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$323.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$355.00	\$389.00	9.58%	\$34.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$338.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$338.00	
Non-Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$370.00	\$404.00	9.19%	\$34.00	
Residential Waste Service 1 - (Incl Full Year FOGO) - 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection,	N	N	\$459.00	\$507.00	10.46%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 1 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)- 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection - Discontinued	N	N	\$427.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$427.00	
Residential Waste Service 2 - (Incl Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 240 Recycling, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$444.00	\$492.00	10.81%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 2(Inc 9 Month FOGO)- 240L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection - Discontinued	N	N	\$412.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$412.00	
Residential Waste Service 3 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection - Discontinued	N	N	\$412.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$412.00	

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
			(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

GARBAGE/RECYCLING COLLECTION [continued]

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Residential Waste Service 3 - (Incl Full Year FOGO) -120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$444.00	\$492.00	10.81%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 4 (Inc 9 Month FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection - Discontinued	N	N	\$397.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$397.00	
Residential Waste Service 4 - (Incl Full Year FOGO)- 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$429.00	\$477.00	11.19%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 5 - (Retirement Village) (Inc 9 Month FOGO)-120L FOGO bin, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection - Discontinued	N	N	\$382.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$382.00	
Residential Waste Service 5 (Retirement Village) (Inc Full Year FOGO) -120L FOGO bin, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$414.00	\$462.00	11.59%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$397.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$397.00	
Residential Waste Service 6 (Inc Full Year FOGO) - 120L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$429.00	\$477.00	11.19%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$397.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$397.00	
Residential Waste Service 7 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,80L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$429.00	\$477.00	11.19%	\$48.00	
Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc 9 Month FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin - Discontinued	N	N	\$412.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$412.00	
Residential Waste Service 8 (Inc Full Year FOGO) -240L FOGO, 120L Recycling bin,120L Rubbish bin	N	N	\$444.00	\$492.00	10.81%	\$48.00	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
RECREATION, PRO	JECTS .	AND	PARKS			
RECREATION - PRO	PERTY I	MAN	AGEMENT			
GROUND MAINTENAN	ICE CON	TRIB	UTION FEE	S - CLASS	S 1 SPORT	S FIELD
CLASS 1 ADULT USE						
Class 1 Adult use Australian Rules	N	Υ	\$2,319.50	\$2,383.50	2.76%	\$64.00
Class 1 Adult use Cricket	N	Υ	\$1,154.00	\$1,185.50	2.73%	\$31.50
Class 1 Adult use Soccer	N	Υ	\$1,613.50	\$1,658.00	2.76%	\$44.50
CLASS 1 JUNIOR/CONCES	SSION USE					
Class 1 Junior/concession use Junior Australian Rules	N	Y	\$1,154.00	\$1,185.50	2.73%	\$31.50
Class 1 Junior/concession use Junior Cricket	N	Y	\$577.00	\$593.00	2.77%	\$16.00
Class 1 Junior/concession use Junior Soccer	N	Υ	\$811.50	\$834.00	2.77%	\$22.50
LASS 1 FINALS GROUND	MAINTEN	IANCE	E FEES			
Class 1 Finals ground maintenance fees Australian Rules	N	Y	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50
Class 1 Finals ground maintenance fees Soccer	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50
LASS 1 CASUAL USER G	ROUND M	AINTI	ENANCE FEES	S – COMME	RCIAL USE	
Class 1 Casual user ground naintenance fees – commercial se 1 Hour	N	Y	\$227.50	\$234.00	2.86%	\$6.50
Class 1 Casual user ground maintenance fees – commercial use Half Day	N	Y	\$1,154.00	\$1,185.50	2.73%	\$31.50
Class 1 Casual user ground maintenance fees – commercial use Full Day	N	Y	\$2,319.50	\$2,383.50	2.76%	\$64.00
CLASS 1 CASUAL USER G	ROUND M	AINTI	ENANCE FEE	S – COMMU	NITY USE	
Class 1 Casual user ground maintenance fees – community use 1 Hour	N	Y	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
Class 1 Casual user ground maintenance fees – community use Half Day	N	Y	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00
Class 1 Casual user ground maintenance fees – community use Full Day	N	Y	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50
GROUND MAINTENAN	ICE CON	TRIB	UTION FEE	S – CLASS	S 2 SPORT	S FIELD
CLASS 2 ADULT USE						
Class 2 Adult use Australian Rules	N	Υ	\$1,859.50	\$1,910.50	2.74%	\$51.00
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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
CLASS 2 ADULT USE [conf	tinued]						
Class 2 Adult use Cricket	N	Υ	\$929.50	\$955.00	2.74%	\$25.50	
Class 2 Adult use Soccer	N	Υ	\$1,389.50	\$1,427.50	2.73%	\$38.00	
CLASS 2 JUNIOR/CONCES	SSION USE						
Class 2 Junior/concession use Junior Australian Rules	N	Υ	\$929.50	\$955.00	2.74%	\$25.50	
Class 2 Junior/concession use Junior Cricket	N	Υ	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00	
Class 2 Junior/concession use Junior Soccer	N	Υ	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50	
CLASS 2 FINALS GROUND	MAINTEN	IANCE	FEES				
Class 2 Finals ground maintenance fees Australian Rules	N	Y	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00	
Class 2 Finals ground maintenance fees Soccer	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50	
CLASS 2 CASUAL USER G	ROUND N	IAINTE	NANCE FEE	S – COMME	RCIAL USE		
Class 2 Casual user ground maintenance fees – commercial use 1 Hour	N	Y	\$192.00	\$197.50	2.86%	\$5.50	
Class 2 Casual user ground maintenance fees – commercial use Half Day	N	Y	\$918.50	\$944.00	2.78%	\$25.50	
Class 2 Casual user ground maintenance fees – commercial use Full Day	N	Y	\$1,859.50	\$1,910.50	2.74%	\$51.00	
CLASS 2 CASUAL USER G	ROUND N	IAINTE	NANCE FEE	S – COMMU	NITY USE		
Class 2 Casual user ground maintenance fees – community use 1 Hour	N	Υ	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00	
Class 2 Casual user ground maintenance fees – community use Half Day	N	Y	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50	
Class 2 Casual user ground maintenance fees – community use Full Day	N	Y	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00	
GROUND MAINTENAN	ICE CON	TRIBU	JTION FEE	S – CLASS	S 3 SPORT	S FIELD	
CLASS 3 ADULT USE Class 3 Adult use Australian	N	Υ	\$1,389.50	\$1,427.50	2.73%	\$38.00	
Rules							
Class 3 Adult use Cricket	N	Υ	\$694.50	\$713.50	2.74%	\$19.00	
Class 3 Adult use Soccer	N	Υ	\$918.50	\$944.00	2.78%	\$25.50	
CLASS 3 JUNIOR/CONCES	SSION USE						
Class 3 Junior/concession use	N	Υ	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50	

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Junior Australian Rules

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
LASS 3 JUNIOR/CONCES	SSION USE	[contin	nued]			
Class 3 Junior/concession use Junior Cricket	N	Υ	\$352.00	\$361.50	2.70%	\$9.50
Class 3 Junior/concession use Junior Soccer	N	Υ	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00
LASS 3 FINALS GROUND	MAINTEN	IANCE	FEES			
Class 3 Finals ground naintenance fees Australian Rules	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50
Class 3 Finals ground naintenance fees Soccer	N	Y	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
LASS 3 CASUAL USER G	ROUND M	IAINTE	NANCE FEE	S - COMME	RCIAL USE	
Class 3 Casual user ground naintenance fees – commercial use 1 Hour	N	Υ	\$138.00	\$142.00	2.90%	\$4.00
Class 3 Casual user ground maintenance fees – commercial use Half Day	N	Y	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50
Class 3 Casual user ground naintenance fees – commercial use Full Day	N	Υ	\$1,389.50	\$1,427.50	2.73%	\$38.00
LASS 3 CASUAL USER G	ROUND M	IAINTE	NANCE FEE	S – COMMU	NITY USE	
lass 3 Casual user ground aintenance fees – community se 1 Hour	N	Y	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00
Class 3 Casual user ground naintenance fees – community use Half Day	N	Y	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
Class 3 Casual user ground naintenance fees – community ise Full Day	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50
Class 3 Casual user ground naintenance fees – community ise Auskick groups-flat rate	N	Y	\$363.50	\$373.50	2.75%	\$10.00
CHOOL GROUND MA	INTENA	NCE F	EES			
School ground maintenance ees 1 hour	N	Υ	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00
School ground maintenance ees 2 hours	N	Υ	\$85.00	\$87.50	2.94%	\$2.50
School ground maintenance ees 3 hours	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
chool ground maintenance ees Half day	N	Υ	\$170.50	\$175.00	2.64%	\$4.50
chool ground maintenance ees Full day	N	Y	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50
AVILION MAINTENAN	ICE CON	TRIB	JTION FEE	S		
Pavilion Maintenance Contribution Fees A Grade Pavilion	N	Υ	\$1,154.00	\$1,185.50	2.73%	\$31.50
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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
PAVILION MAINTENAN	ICE CON	TRIB	UTION FEE	S [continued	d]	
Pavilion Maintenance Contribution Fees B Grade Pavilion	N	Y	\$929.50	\$955.00	2.74%	\$25.50
Pavilion Maintenance Contribution Fees C Grade Pavilion	N	Y	\$694.50	\$713.50	2.74%	\$19.00
FINALS PAVILION USE						
Finals Pavilion use A Grade	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50
Finals Pavilion use B Grade Pavilion	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50
Finals Pavilion use C Grade Pavilion	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
SCHOOL PAVILION US	E					
School pavilion use 1 hour	N	Υ	\$20.50	\$21.00	2.44%	\$0.50
School pavilion use 2 hours	N	Y	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00
School pavilion use 3 hours	N	Υ	\$53.00	\$54.50	2.83%	\$1.50
School pavilion use Half day	N	Υ	\$85.00	\$87.50	2.94%	\$2.50
School pavilion use Full day	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
CASUAL USE – PAVILI COMMERCIAL USE A GRA			ERCIAL			
Commercial Use A Grade Pavilion 1 hour	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00
Commercial Use A Grade Pavilion Half day	N	Υ	\$577.00	\$593.00	2.77%	\$16.00
Commercial Use A Grade Pavilion Full day	N	Υ	\$1,164.50	\$1,196.50	2.75%	\$32.00
COMMERCIAL USE B GRA	DE PAVILI	ON				
Commercial Use B Grade Pavilion 1 hour	N	Υ	\$95.50	\$98.00	2.62%	\$2.50
Commercial Use B Grade Pavilion Half day	N	Υ	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00
Commercial Use B Grade Pavilion Full day	N	Υ	\$929.50	\$955.00	2.74%	\$25.50
COMMERCIAL USE C GRA	DE PAVILI	ON				
Commercial Use C Grade Pavilion 1 hour	N	Υ	\$74.50	\$76.50	2.68%	\$2.00
Commercial Use C Grade Pavilion Half day	N	Υ	\$341.50	\$351.00	2.78%	\$9.50
Commercial Use C Grade Pavilion Full day	N	Υ	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	G
CASUAL USE – PAVILI	ONS – C	ОММ	UNITY				
COMMUNITY USE A GRAD	E PAVILIO	N					
Community Use A Grade Pavilion 1 hour	N	Υ	\$95.50	\$98.00	2.62%	\$2.50	
Community Use A Grade Pavilion Half day	N	Υ	\$470.00	\$483.00	2.77%	\$13.00	
Community Use A Grade Pavilion Full day	N	Υ	\$918.50	\$944.00	2.78%	\$25.50	
COMMUNITY USE B GRAD	E PAVILIO	N					
Community Use B Grade Pavilion 1 hour	N	Υ	\$53.00	\$54.50	2.83%	\$1.50	
Community Use B Grade Pavilion Half day	N	Υ	\$170.50	\$175.00	2.64%	\$4.50	
Community Use B Grade Pavilion Full day	N	Υ	\$341.50	\$351.00	2.78%	\$9.50	
COMMUNITY USE C GRAD	E PAVILIO	N					
Community Use C Grade Pavilion 1 hour	N	Υ	\$20.50	\$21.00	2.44%	\$0.50	
Community Use C Grade Pavilion Half day	N	Υ	\$53.00	\$54.50	2.83%	\$1.50	
Community Use C Grade Pavilion Full day	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00	
RESERVES							
Reserves School Use (hourly rate)	N	Υ	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00	
Reserves School Use (2 hours)	N	Υ	\$85.00	\$87.50	2.94%	\$2.50	
Reserves School Use (3 hours)	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00	
Reserves School Use (half day)	N	Υ	\$170.50	\$175.00	2.64%	\$4.50	
Reserves School Use (full day)	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50	
MINOR OVAL							
Minor Oval Community Rate (per hour)	N	Υ	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00	
Minor Oval Community Rate (half day)	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00	
Minor Oval Community Rate (full day)	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50	
Minor Oval Commercial Rate (per hour)	N	Υ	\$138.00	\$142.00	2.90%	\$4.00	
Minor Oval Commercial Rate (half day)	N	Y	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50	
Minor Oval Commercial Rate (full day)	N	Υ	\$1,389.50	\$1,427.50	2.73%	\$38.00	
SECONDARY OVAL							
Secondary Oval Community Rate (per hour)	N	Υ	\$42.50	\$43.50	2.35%	\$1.00	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee	Year 24/25 Fee	Increase	Increase	
	100		(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	
ECONDARY OVAL [c	ontinued]						
Secondary Oval Community Rate (half day)	N	Υ	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50	
Secondary Oval Community Rate (full day)	N	Υ	\$459.00	\$471.50	2.72%	\$12.50	
Secondary Oval Commercial Rate (per hour)	N	Y	\$192.00	\$197.50	2.86%	\$5.50	
Secondary Oval Commercial Rate (half day)	N	Υ	\$918.50	\$944.00	2.78%	\$25.50	
Secondary Oval Commercial Rate (full day)	N	Y	\$1,838.00	\$1,888.50	2.75%	\$50.50	
OWNSHIP OVAL							
Township Oval Community Rate per hour)	N	Υ	\$117.00	\$120.00	2.56%	\$3.00	
Fownship Oval Community Rate (half day)	N	Y	\$459.00	\$471.50	2.72%	\$12.50	
Township Oval Community Rate (full day)	N	Y	\$705.00	\$724.50	2.77%	\$19.50	
Fownship Oval Commercial Rate (per hour)	N	Y	\$234.50	\$241.00	2.77%	\$6.50	
Township Oval Commercial Rate (half day)	N	Y	\$1,154.00	\$1,185.50	2.73%	\$31.50	
Township Oval Commercial Rate (full day)	N	Y	\$2,319.50	\$2,383.50	2.76%	\$64.00	
MALL EVENTS - BON	ND						
Small events – Bond	N	N	\$277.50	\$285.00	2.70%	\$7.50	
ARGE EVENTS							
arge events (Agricultural shows, Bike Rallies etc.) – Fee	N	Υ				Various	
_arge events (Agricultural shows, Bike Rallies etc.) – 3ond	N	N			\$1,	000 – \$2,000	
IEW COMMUNITY BAS	SED LEA	SES	FEE FOR C	OUNCIL B	UILDINGS		
New Community Based Leases dee for Council Buildings per annum	N	Υ	\$325.50	\$334.50	2.76%	\$9.00	
COMMUNITY TENNIS	CLUB LE	ASE	FEE				
Community Tennis Club Lease Fee per Court	N	Y	\$92.00	\$94.50	2.72%	\$2.50	
OMMUNITY BOWLING	G CLUB	FEE					
Community Bowling Club Fee per bowling green	N	Υ	\$491.00	\$504.50	2.75%	\$13.50	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
ONY CLUB LEASE FE	EΕ					
Pony Club Lease Fee Small Capacity Club	N	Υ	\$739.00	\$835.00	12.99%	\$96.00
Pony Club Lease Fee Large Capacity Club	N	Y	\$985.00	\$1,113.50	13.05%	\$128.50
PARKS AND BUSHLA	AND					
ARWARRA GARDEN						
LANTS						
15 cm pots	N	Υ			\$	55.10 – \$21.00
ubes	N	Υ				\$2.10 - \$4.50
IRDSLAND FACILITY						
Birdsland – horse agistment (monthly)	N	Υ	\$118.00	\$121.00	2.54%	\$3.00
ARWARRA GARDEN						
Commercial – Room per hour & minimum charge	N	Υ	\$47.50	\$49.00	3.16%	\$1.50
Community Use – Room per nour & minimum charge	N	Υ	\$23.50	\$24.00	2.13%	\$0.50
Public Liability Insurance fee for asual bookings	N	Υ	\$28.50	\$29.50	3.51%	\$1.00
Karwarra Garden Bonds	N	N				\$0 - \$1,000
arwarra Garden Parkland hire	N	Υ				\$0 – \$1,025
DUCATION CENTRE ROC	M HIRE					
Education Centre Room hire Commercial – Room per hour	N	Υ	\$34.00	\$35.00	2.94%	\$1.00
Education Centre Room hire Community Use – Room per nour	N	Y	\$18.00	\$18.50	2.78%	\$0.50
Education Centre Room hire nternal / Council use – Room per hour	N	Y	\$18.00	\$18.50	2.78%	\$0.50
Education Centre Room hire Bonds	N	N				\$0 - \$1,000
Education Centre Room hire Parkland hire	N	Υ			\$10)2.50 – \$1,025
NFRASTRUCTURE						
OAD OPENING PER	RMITS					
VORKS IN ROAD RES	ERVES					
ROSSOVERS, MINOR WO	ORKS & UT	ILITIE	S - INCLUDI	NG TRENCH	IING UP TO	30 METRES
Crossovers, minor works & utilities – including trenching up to 30 metres – 1 permit	N	N	\$273.00	\$326.00	19.41%	\$53.00

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
CROSSOVERS, MINOR WO	ORKS & UT	ILITIE	S – INCLUDI	NG TRENCH	ING UP TO	30 METRES	[continued]
Crossovers, minor works & utilities – including trenching up to 30 metres – combination of 2 permits	N	N	\$498.00	\$595.00	19.48%	\$97.00	
Crossovers, minor works & utilities – including trenching up to 30 metres – combination of 3 permits	N	N	\$725.00	\$866.00	19.45%	\$141.00	
Crossovers, minor works & utilities – including trenching up to 30 metres – combination of 4 permits	N	N	\$950.50	\$1,135.00	19.41%	\$184.50	
TRENCHING OVER 30 MET	TRES – AD	DITIO	NAL CHARG	E/METRE			
Crossovers, minor works & utilities – including trenching up to 30 metres Trenching over 30 metres – additional charge/ metre	N	N	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
BOND - TRENCHING OVER	R 30 METR	ES					
Bond	N	N	Min of \$1,5	500 or value bas	ed on potential	asset damage	
			Min of \$1,0	000 or value bas	ed on potential	Last year fee asset damage	
BOND - MAXIMUM (SUBJE	ECT TO WO	ORKS)					
Bond	N	N	Min of \$1,5	500 or value bas	ed on potential	asset damage	
			Min of \$1,0	000 or value bas	ed on potential	Last year fee asset damage	
ASSET PROTECTION	J						
ASSET PROTECTION -	- COMME	RCIA	AL				
Asset Protection – Commercial FEE – Sealed Road	N	N	\$522.50	\$537.00	2.78%	\$14.50	
Asset Protection – Commercial BOND – Sealed Road	N	N	Min of \$2,5	500 or value bas	ed on potential	asset damage	
2.12 2.5000 1.000			Min of \$2,0	000 or value bas	ed on potential	Last year fee asset damage	
Asset Protection – Commercial FEE – Unsealed Road	N	N	\$522.50	\$537.00	2.78%	\$14.50	
Asset Protection – Commercial BOND – Unsealed Road	N	N	Min of \$2,5	500 or value bas	ed on potential	asset damage	
			Min of \$2,0	000 or value bas	ed on potential	Last year fee asset damage	
ASSET PROTECTION -	- RESIDE	NTIA	L				
Asset Protection – Residential FEE – Sealed Road	N	N	\$273.00	\$326.00	19.41%	\$53.00	
Asset Protection – Residential BOND – Sealed Road	N	N	Min of \$1,5	500 or value bas	ed on potential	asset damage	
(Minimum)			Min of \$1,0	000 or value bas	ed on potential	Last year fee asset damage	
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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	Gl
ASSET PROTECTION -	- RESIDE	NTIA	L [continued]				
Asset Protection – Residential FEE – Unsealed Road	N	N	\$273.00	\$326.00	19.41%	\$53.00	
Asset Protection – Residential BOND – Unsealed Road (Minimum)	N	N			ed on potential a	Last year fee	
SIGNAGE							
Tourism Signage Application Fee (one sign)	N	N	\$117.00	\$150.00	28.21%	\$33.00	
Tourism Signage Application Fee (Council Roads)	N	N	\$117.00	\$150.00	28.21%	\$33.00	
Tourism Signage Application Fee (Arterial Roads)	N	N	\$117.00	\$150.00	28.21%	\$33.00	
Installation of New Tourism Signage	N	N			Cost plus 1	5% admin fee	
Approved discharge points (Fee subject to change upon a change in relevant Regulations)	N N	RMAT N	\$152.15	\$157.00	3.19%	\$4.86	
SALE OF MAPS & PLA	NS						
Scanned reprints at A3/A4 size	N	N	\$2.00	\$2.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Individual plans SET OF PLANS	N	N	\$6.00	\$6.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Set of plans First plan	N	N	\$6.00	\$6.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Set of plans Additional plans (up to 5)	N	N	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Set of plans Additional plans (6 or more)	N	N	\$2.00	\$2.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Set of plans LP/CP plans	N	N	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
REPRINTS AT A1 (OR I	LARGER	VIA	INKJET PL	OTTER			
Reprints at A1 (or larger) via inkjet plotter First plan	N	N	\$24.50	\$25.00	2.04%	\$0.50	
Reprints at A1 (or larger) via inkjet plotter Additional plans	N	N	\$24.50	\$25.00	2.04%	\$0.50	
RETRIEVAL OF ARCHI	VED ORI	GINA	L PLANS				
Retrieval of archived original plans First plan or set of plans	N	N	\$24.50	\$25.00	2.04%	\$0.50	
Retrieval of archived original plans Additional individual plans or set of plans	N	N	\$6.00	\$6.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	C
RETRIEVAL OF ARCHI	VED ORI	GINA	L PLANS	[continued]			
Retrieval of archived original plans A3/A4 photocopies of original plans	N	N	\$4.00	\$4.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Retrieval of archived original plans A1 reprint of original plan	N	N	\$6.00	\$6.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
PLAN PRINTING (OFFI	CE STOF	RED P	LANS)				
Plan Printing (office stored plans) A1/B1 reprints	N	N	\$6.00	\$6.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Plan Printing (office stored plans) Standard drawings / specifications	N	N	\$66.00	\$68.00	3.03%	\$2.00	
DEVELOPMENT STOR	MWATEF	R DRA	INAGE				
Development Stormwater Drainage Up to 2 dwellings	N	Y	\$370.50	\$381.00	2.83%	\$10.50	
Development Stormwater Drainage 3 – 5 dwellings	N	Y	\$516.98	\$531.00	2.71%	\$14.02	
Development Stormwater Drainage 6 – 10 dwellings	N	Y	\$716.74	\$737.00	2.83%	\$20.26	
Development Stormwater Drainage 10 – 20 dwellings	N	Y	\$917.00	\$942.00	2.73%	\$25.00	
Development Stormwater Drainage 21 or more dwellings	N	Y	\$1,278.00	\$1,313.00	2.74%	\$35.00	
Development Stormwater Drainage Industrial development	N	Y	\$716.74	\$900.00	25.57%	\$183.26	
Development Stormwater Drainage Mixed use development	N	Y	\$716.74	\$900.00	25.57%	\$183.26	
Development Stormwater Drainage Commercial Development	N	Y	\$809.50	\$900.00	11.18%	\$90.50	
Development Stormwater Drainage Build over Easement	N	N	\$291.35	\$300.00	2.97%	\$8.65	
CHECKING FEES - DE	VELOPN	IENTS	6				
Checking Fees – Developments Maintenance Bond	N	N	5% of es	timated cost of a	all Council works	s or \$5,000.00	
Checking Fees – Developments Surveillance Fee	N	N	2.5% of 6	estimated cost o	f all Council wor	ks or \$500.00	
Checking Fees – Developments Special Charge Schemes – Landowner contribution ceiling for domestic properties involved in road construction projects	N	N	\$17,335.00	\$17,812.00	2.75%	\$477.00	

	Statutory		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
Name	Fee	GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
	. 55		(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

HEALTHY AGEING

Discontinued: Community Transport (per one way trip) - CHSP - Discontinued	N	N	\$3.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$3.50	
Discontinued: Community Transport (per one way trip) - Private Business (Packages) - Discontinued	N	N	\$12.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$12.00	
Discontinued: Community Transport (per one way trip) - Self Funded - Discontinued	N	N	\$5.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$5.00	
Discontinued: Food Services - Self Funded - Discontinued	N	N	\$12.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$12.00	
Discontinued: Individual Transport (per one way trip) - Self Funded - Discontinued	N	N	\$8.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$8.00	
Discontinued: Social Support Programs - Self Funded - Discontinued	N	N	\$10.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$10.00	
Discontinued: Social Support Programs - CHSP - Discontinued	N	N					
Discontinued:Social Support Programs - Private Business (Packages) - Discontinued	N	N		Dis	scontinued as at \$2	30 June 2024 Last year fee 23.00 – \$61.90	
Discontinued: Food Services - CHSP & HACCPYP - Discontinued	N	N		Dis	scontinued as at \$1	30 June 2024 Last year fee .0.85 – \$20.50	
Emergency meal - Discontinued	N	N	\$8.80	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$8.80	
Food Services - Private Business (Packages) - Discontinued	N	N	\$16.25	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$16.25	
Individual Transport (per one way trip) - CHSP - Discontinued	N	N	\$6.80	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$6.80	
Individual Transport (per one way trip) - Private Business (Packages) - Discontinued	N	N	\$21.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$21.50	
Discontinued:Private Business per Kilometre - Discontinued	N	N	\$1.80	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$1.80	

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

CHILDREN SERVICES - SHERBROOKE CHILDREN CENTRE

Daily Fee Children 0-5 years	N	N	\$133.50	\$137.00	2.62%	\$3.50	
inclusive							

SHERBROOKE FAMILY & CHILDREN CENTRE HIRE (INCLUDES UPWEY COMMUNITY HALL)

COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE HIRE

Upwey Community Hall (incl Community Kitchen) – hourly	N	Y	\$64.50	\$66.50	3.10%	\$2.00	
Community kitchen only – hourly	N	Y	\$31.50	\$32.50	3.17%	\$1.00	
Sun Court – hourly	N	Υ	\$51.50	\$53.00	2.91%	\$1.50	
Large Multi-purpose Room – hourly	N	Y	\$64.50	\$66.50	3.10%	\$2.00	
Consulting Room – hourly	N	Υ	\$25.50	\$26.00	1.96%	\$0.50	
Upwey Community Hall (incl Community Kitchen) – sessional	N	Y	\$226.00	\$232.00	2.65%	\$6.00	
Community kitchen only – sessional	N	Y	\$113.00	\$116.00	2.65%	\$3.00	
Sun Court – sessional	N	Υ	\$180.50	\$185.50	2.77%	\$5.00	
Large Multi-purpose Room – sessional	N	Υ	\$226.00	\$232.00	2.65%	\$6.00	
Consulting Room – sessional	N	Υ	\$90.50	\$93.00	2.76%	\$2.50	
Upwey Community Hall (incl Community Kitchen) - Weekday Daily	N	Y	\$386.00	\$396.50	2.72%	\$10.50	
Community kitchen only - Weekday Daily	N	Y	\$194.00	\$199.50	2.84%	\$5.50	
Sun Court - Weekday Daily	N	Υ	\$310.00	\$318.50	2.74%	\$8.50	
Large Multi-purpose Room - Weekday Daily	N	Y	\$386.00	\$396.50	2.72%	\$10.50	
Consulting Room - Weekday Daily	N	Υ	\$154.00	\$158.00	2.60%	\$4.00	
Upwey Community Hall (incl Community Kitchen) - Sat or Sun Daily	N	Y	\$517.00	\$531.00	2.71%	\$14.00	
Sun Court - Sat or Sun Daily	N	Υ	\$412.50	\$424.00	2.79%	\$11.50	
Large Multi-purpose Room - Sat or Sun Daily	N	Y	\$517.00	\$531.00	2.71%	\$14.00	
Consulting Room - Sat or Sun Daily	N	Y	\$207.00	\$212.50	2.66%	\$5.50	

COMMUNITY, ORGANISATION AND LICENSED/PARTNER HIRE

Organisation hire - Rate for organisation hire are 50% of the rates specified for commercial and private hire as above Community hire - Rate for community hire are 15% of the rates specified for commercial and private hire as above Licensee or Partner hire - Rate for licensee or partner hire are 15% of the rates specified for commercial and private hire as above (a discount of 20% on applicable rates is available to licensees / partners making 10 or more weekly bookings)

Organisation hire – Rate for organisation hire are 50% of the rates specified for commercial and private hire as above - Discontinued	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
COMMUNITY, ORGAN	ISATION .	AND	LICENSED	PARTNER	HIRE [cor	ntinued]
Community hire – Rate for community hire are 15% of the rates specified for commercial and private hire as above - Discontinued	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Licensee or Partner hire – Rate for licensee or partner hire are 15% of the rates specified for commercial and private hire as above (a discount of 20% on applicable rates is available to licensees / partners making 10 or more weekly bookings) - Discontinued	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
FUNCTION PACKAGE	S					
Upwey Community Hall and Community Kitchen – Individual hire	N	Υ	\$477.00	\$490.00	2.73%	\$13.00
Sun Court – Individual hire	N	Υ	\$381.50	\$392.00	2.75%	\$10.50
Upwey Community Hall, Community Kitchen and Sun Court	N	Υ	\$596.50	\$613.00	2.77%	\$16.50
Sun Court and Kitchen hire	N	Υ	\$447.00	\$459.50	2.80%	\$12.50
Community Group Function Rate	N	Y	\$328.00	\$337.00	2.74%	\$9.00
BOND						
Bond - Function hire of Upwey Community Hall, Kitchen an Sun Court	N	N	\$1,164.50	\$1,196.50	2.75%	\$32.00
Bond - General hire of Upwey Community Hall, Kitchen an Sun Court	N	N	\$350.00	\$359.50	2.71%	\$9.50
Bond - Large Multi purpose room Function hire	N	N	\$582.00	\$598.00	2.75%	\$16.00
OTHER CHARGES						
Induction and security fee (one off)	N	Υ	\$24.00	\$24.50	2.08%	\$0.50
Lost security card fee	N	Υ	\$119.00	\$122.50	2.94%	\$3.50
Out of hours call out fee (minimum)	N	Υ	\$119.00	\$122.50	2.94%	\$3.50
ROLLING HILLS EAF	RLY YEA	RS C	ENTRE			
COMMEDCIAL BATE						

COMMERCIAL RATE

COMMERCIAL PLAYGROUP ROOM 1

Commercial Playgroup Room 1 hourly	N	Y	\$51.00	\$52.50	2.94%	\$1.50	
Commercial Playgroup Room 1 sessional	N	Y	\$177.00	\$182.00	2.82%	\$5.00	

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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
COMMERCIAL PLAYGROU	P ROOM 1	[conti	nued]				
Commercial Playgroup Room 1 full day	N	Υ	\$306.00	\$314.50	2.78%	\$8.50	
COMMERCIAL PLAYGROU	P ROOM 2						
Commercial Playgroup Room 2 hourly	N	Υ	\$51.00	\$52.50	2.94%	\$1.50	
Commercial Playgroup Room 2 sessional	N	Υ	\$177.00	\$182.00	2.82%	\$5.00	
Commercial Playgroup Room 2 full day	N	Υ	\$306.00	\$314.50	2.78%	\$8.50	
ORGANISATION RATE							
ORGANISATION PLAYGRO	UP ROOM	1					
Organisation Playgroup Room 1 hourly	N	Υ	\$25.50	\$26.00	1.96%	\$0.50	
Organisation Playgroup Room 1 sessional	N	Υ	\$89.00	\$91.50	2.81%	\$2.50	
Organisation Playgroup Room 1 full day	N	Υ	\$151.50	\$155.50	2.64%	\$4.00	
ORGANISATION PLAYGRO	UP ROOM	2					
Organisation Playgroup Room 2 hourly	N	Υ	\$25.50	\$26.00	1.96%	\$0.50	
Organisation Playgroup Room 2 sessional	N	Υ	\$89.50	\$92.00	2.79%	\$2.50	
Organisation Playgroup Room 2 full day	N	Υ	\$151.50	\$155.50	2.64%	\$4.00	
COMMUNITY RATE							
COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP	ROOM 1						
Community Playgroup Room 1 hourly	N	Υ	\$7.00	\$7.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Community Playgroup Room 1 sessional	N	Υ	\$26.50	\$27.00	1.89%	\$0.50	
Community Playgroup Room 1 full day	N	Υ	\$46.50	\$48.00	3.23%	\$1.50	
COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP	ROOM 2						
Community Playgroup Room 2 hourly	N	Υ	\$7.00	\$7.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Community Playgroup Room 2 sessional	N	Υ	\$26.50	\$27.00	1.89%	\$0.50	
Community Playgroup Room 2 full day	N	Υ	\$46.50	\$48.00	3.23%	\$1.50	
IMMUNISATION							
Flu immunisation services to private businesses	N	N	\$26.00	\$27.00	3.85%	\$1.00	
Meningococcal B Vaccine	N	Ν	\$140.00	\$142.00	1.43%	\$2.00	

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Name	Statutory Fee		Year 23/24	Year 24/25			
		GST	Fee	Fee	Increase	Increase	GL
			(incl. GST)	(incl. GST)	%	\$	

IMMUNISATION [continued]

Community Sale of Boostrix Vaccine	N	N	\$61.00	\$61.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Community Sale of Flu vaccine	N	N	\$26.00	\$26.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Community Sale of Chicken Pox Vaccine	N	N	\$79.00	\$80.00	1.27%	\$1.00	
Community Sale of Meningococcal ACWY	N	N	\$85.00	\$85.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES

CULTURAL FACILITIES

Staff costs apply to all Cultural Facilities venues, where applicable.

Minimum of one staff member costed for each hour of hire. Additional staff costed as required.

Staff costs are based on relevant Band 4C pay rate with 25% added to cover on costs.

These fees & charges apply by calendar year and will be effective as of 1st January 2023 pending any changes from a review of all cultural facilities fees & charges which is currently underway and expected to be completed by September 2022.

CULTURAL FACILITIES STAFF COSTS

Support Staff – within operating hours (per hour)	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$51.00	2.00%	\$1.00	
Support Staff – outside operating hours T1/2 (per hour)	N	Y	\$75.00	\$76.50	2.00%	\$1.50	
Support Staff – outside operating hours DT (per hour)	N	Y	\$100.50	\$103.00	2.49%	\$2.50	

MOOROOLBARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

Auditorium – MCC (per hour)	N	Υ	\$87.00	\$89.50	2.87%	\$2.50	
Front Auditorium (per hour)	N	Υ	\$41.50	\$42.50	2.41%	\$1.00	
Back Auditorium (per hour)	N	Υ	\$41.50	\$42.50	2.41%	\$1.00	
Stage (per hour)	N	Υ	\$36.50	\$37.50	2.74%	\$1.00	
Dressing Rooms (per hour)	N	Υ	\$25.00	\$25.50	2.00%	\$0.50	
Red Earth Gallery Floor (per hour)	N	Υ	\$36.50	\$37.50	2.74%	\$1.00	
Art Studio (per hour)	N	Υ	\$21.00	\$21.50	2.38%	\$0.50	
Pottery Studio (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Red Earth Gallery Walls (4-6 week exhibition)	N	Υ	\$538.00	\$553.00	2.79%	\$15.00	
Mooroolbark Community Centre Kitchen (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Mooroolbark Community Centre Foyer (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

MONTROSE TOWN CENTRE

Auditorium – MTC (per hour)	N	Υ	\$139.50	\$143.50	2.87%	\$4.00	
Montrose Town Centre Meeting Room (per hour)	N	Υ	\$45.00	\$46.00	2.22%	\$1.00	
Community Room (per hour)	N	Υ	\$71.50	\$73.50	2.80%	\$2.00	

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Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	G
MONTROSE TOWN CE	NTRE [continue	d]				
MCH Room (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Kitchen (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Foyer 1 (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Foyer 2 (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Montrose Town Centre Forecourt (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Library (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
THE MEMO, HEALESVI	LLE						
Auditorium – Memo (per hour)	N	Υ	\$105.50	\$108.50	2.84%	\$3.00	
Nan Francis Room (per hour)	N	Υ	\$46.00	\$47.50	3.26%	\$1.50	
Billiard Room (per hour)	N	Υ	\$46.00	\$47.50	3.26%	\$1.50	
Meeting Room (per hour)	N	Υ	\$46.00	\$47.50	3.26%	\$1.50	
Gallery Floor (per hour)	N	Y	\$30.00	\$31.00	3.33%	\$1.00	
The Memo Foyer (per hour)	N	Υ	\$11.00	\$11.50	4.55%	\$0.50	
The Memo Dressing Room (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
The Memo Kitchen (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Gallery Walls (4-6 week exhibition)	N	Y	\$761.00	\$782.00	2.76%	\$21.00	
ART CENTRE, WARBU	RTON						
Mecca Theatre (per hour)	N	Υ	\$75.00	\$77.00	2.67%	\$2.00	
Mechanics Hall (per hour)	N	Y	\$75.00	\$77.00	2.67%	\$2.00	
Studio Floor (per hour)	N	Y	\$47.00	\$48.50	3.19%	\$1.50	
Library Room (per hour)	N	Y	\$30.00	\$31.00	3.19%	\$1.00	
Supper Room (per hour)	N	Y	\$34.50	\$35.50	2.90%	\$1.00	
Foyer (per hour)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Dressing Rooms (space included in hire at no additional cost)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Studio Walls (4-6 week exhibition)	N	Y	\$387.50	\$398.00	2.71%	\$10.50	
ARRA RANGES REGI	ONAL M	USEU	M				
Resource Room (per hour)	N	Υ	\$34.50	\$35.50	2.90%	\$1.00	
The Chambers Floor (per hour)	N	Y	\$45.00	\$46.00	2.22%	\$1.00	
The Chambers Floor (per floor) The Chambers Walls (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$
YARRA RANGES REGI	ONAL M	USEU	M [continued]]		
Box Gallery Walls (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Box Gallery Floor (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Connections Gallery Floor (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Foyer (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
The Bridge (programmable only, not for hire)	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00
TECHNICAL EQUIPME	NT					
LX House (per hire)	N	Υ	\$14.50	\$15.00	3.45%	\$0.50
LX Standard (per hire)	N	Υ	\$61.50	\$63.00	2.44%	\$1.50
LX Performance (per hire)	N	Υ	\$183.50	\$188.50	2.72%	\$5.00
PA House (per hire)	N	Υ	\$30.00	\$31.00	3.33%	\$1.00
PA Standard (per hire)	N	Υ	\$30.00	\$31.00	3.33%	\$1.00
PA Performance (per hire)	N	Υ	\$61.50	\$63.00	2.44%	\$1.50
Cinema Projector (per hire)	N	Υ	\$45.00	\$46.00	2.22%	\$1.00
EVENT SET UP						
Seating Pit – set up (per hire)	N	Υ	\$75.50	\$77.50	2.65%	\$2.00
Flat Floor – set up (per hire)	N	Υ	\$45.00	\$46.00	2.22%	\$1.00
Table Hire – banquet tables (per unit)	N	Υ	\$9.00	\$9.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Table Hire – trestle (per unit)	N	Υ	\$3.50	\$3.50	0.00%	\$0.00
Chair Hire (per unit)	N	Υ	\$1.50	\$1.50	0.00%	\$0.00
Table cloths (per unit)	N	Υ	\$12.50	\$13.00	4.00%	\$0.50
Supply Tea and Coffee (per head)	N	Υ	\$2.50	\$2.50	0.00%	\$0.00
Ticketing Fee (per ticket sold)	N	Υ	\$2.60	\$2.70	3.85%	\$0.10
Ticketing Fee – Free event (per ticket sold)	N	Υ	\$1.00	\$1.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Photocopying B&W (per page)	N	Υ	\$0.10	\$0.10	0.00%	\$0.00
Photocopying Colour (per page)	N	Υ	\$0.20	\$0.20	0.00%	\$0.00
COMMUNITY HALLS						
Basic Hall	N	Υ	\$21.50	\$22.10	2.79%	\$0.60
Basic Hall Bond	N	N	\$300.00	\$308.20	2.73%	\$8.20
Premium Hall	N	Υ	\$41.50	\$41.50	0.00%	\$0.00
Premium Hall Bond	N	N	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00%	\$0.00
Standard Hall	N	Υ	\$31.50	\$31.50	0.00%	\$0.00
Standard Hall Bond	N	N	\$400.00	\$400.00	0.00%	\$0.00

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INFORMATION SER	VICES						
RECORD SERVICES							
RECORD SERVICE							
FOI Application fee	N	N	\$31.15	\$31.80	2.09%	\$0.64	
POI Application lee	IN	IN	φ31.13	φ31.60	2.09%	φ0.04	
FOI SEARCH FEES							
1 Hour	N	N	\$22.98	\$23.85	3.79%	\$0.88	
2 Hours	N	N	\$45.95	\$47.70	3.81%	\$1.75	
3 Hours	N	N	\$68.93	\$71.55	3.80%	\$2.61	
FOI Photocopying fees	N	N	\$0.21	\$0.22	4.76%	\$0.01	
FOI SUPERVISION							
1 Hour	N	N	\$0.00	\$23.85	œ	\$23.85	
Up to 15 minutes	N	N	\$5.28	\$5.96	12.88%	\$0.68	
15 – 30 minutes	N	N	\$11.49	\$11.88	3.39%	\$0.39	
45 minutes – 1 Hour	N	N	\$22.98	\$17.88	-22.19%	-\$5.10	
RATING SERVICES							
Land Information Certificates	N	N	\$27.95	\$28.72	2.75%	\$0.77	
CUSTOMER AND COMMUNITY LINKS OF THE PROPERTY O	& CUSTO	OMER	R SERVICE		LTI PURPO	SE ROOM	11&2
Healesville Hub Commercial Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$44.00	\$45.00	2.27%	\$1.01	
Healesville Hub Commercial Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$132.00	\$135.50	2.65%	\$3.50	
Healesville Hub Commercial Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$264.00	\$271.50	2.84%	\$7.50	
HEALESVILLE HUB ORGA	NISATION						
Healesville Hub Organisation Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$22.00	\$22.50	2.27%	\$0.50	
Healesville Hub Organisation Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$66.00	\$68.00	3.03%	\$2.00	
Healesville Hub Organisation Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$132.00	\$135.50	2.65%	\$3.50	

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HEALESVILLE HUB COMM	IUNITY						
Healesville Hub Community Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$11.00	\$11.50	4.55%	\$0.50	
Healesville Hub Community Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$33.00	\$34.00	3.03%	\$1.00	
Healesville Hub Community Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$66.00	\$68.00	3.03%	\$2.00	
HEALESVILLE HUB LICEN	SEE RATE						
Healesville Hub Licensee Rate Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$11.00	\$11.50	4.55%	\$0.50	
Healesville Hub Licensee Rate Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$33.00	\$34.00	3.03%	\$1.00	
Healesville Hub Licensee Rate Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$66.00	\$68.00	3.03%	\$2.00	
HEALESVILLE HUB MEETI	NG ROOM	12					
Healesville Hub Meeting Room 2 Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$5.00	\$5.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
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MLLH MP1 Commercial Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$51.50	3.00%	\$1.50	
MLLH MP1 Commercial Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$150.00	\$154.00	2.67%	\$4.00	
MLLH MP1 Commercial Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$300.00	\$308.00	2.67%	\$8.00	
MLLH MP1 ORGANISATION	V						
MLLH MP1 Organisation Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$25.00	\$25.50	2.00%	\$0.50	
MLLH MP1 Organisation Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$75.00	\$77.00	2.67%	\$2.00	
MLLH MP1 Organisation Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$150.00	\$154.00	2.67%	\$4.00	
MLLH MP1 COMMUNITY							
MLLH MP1 Community Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$12.50	\$13.00	4.00%	\$0.50	
MLLH MP1 Community Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$37.50	\$38.50	2.67%	\$1.00	
MLLH MP1 Community Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$75.00	\$77.00	2.67%	\$2.00	

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ALLH MULTI PURPOSE RO	DOMS 3 &	4 (SEA	TS 50)				
ALLH MP3&4 COMMERCIA	4 <i>L</i>						
MLLH MP3&4 Commercial Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$60.00	\$61.50	2.50%	\$1.50	
MLLH MP3&4 Commercial Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$180.00	\$185.00	2.78%	\$5.00	
MLLH MP3&4 Commercial Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$360.00	\$370.00	2.78%	\$10.00	
MLLH MP3&4 ORGANISAT	TON						
MLLH MP3&4 Organisation Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$30.00	\$31.00	3.33%	\$1.00	
MLLH MP3&4 Organisation Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$90.00	\$92.50	2.78%	\$2.50	
MLLH MP3&4 Organisation Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$180.00	\$185.00	2.78%	\$5.00	
MLLH MP3&4 COMMUNITY	/						
MLLH MP3&4 Community Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$15.00	\$15.50	3.33%	\$0.50	
MLLH MP3&4 Community Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$45.00	\$46.00	2.22%	\$1.00	
MLLH MP3&4 Community Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$90.00	\$92.50	2.78%	\$2.50	
MLLH MULTI PURPOSE RO	OOM 5 (SE	ATS 1	5 TO 18)				
MLLH MP5 COMMERCIAL							
MLLH MP5 Commercial Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$51.50	3.00%	\$1.50	
MLLH MP5 Commercial Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$150.00	\$154.00	2.67%	\$4.00	
MLLH MP5 Commercial Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$300.00	\$308.00	2.67%	\$8.00	
MLLH MP5 ORGANISATIO	N						
MLLH MP5 Organisation Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$25.00	\$25.50	2.00%	\$0.50	
MLLH MP5 Organisation Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$75.00	\$77.00	2.67%	\$2.00	
MLLH MP5 Organisation Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$150.00	\$154.00	2.67%	\$4.00	
MLLH MP5 COMMUNITY							
MLLH MP5 Community Hourly	N	Υ	\$12.50	\$13.00	4.00%	\$0.50	

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MLLH MP5 COMMUNITY	[continued]						
MLLH MP5 Community Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Y	\$37.50	\$38.50	2.67%	\$1.00	
MLLH MP5 Community Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$75.00	\$77.00	2.67%	\$2.00	
MLLH OTHER FEES							
After hours & weekends additional hourly rate	N	Υ	\$35.00	\$36.00	2.86%	\$1.00	
Short term storage area – casual users (rate per week)	N	Υ	\$35.00	\$36.00	2.86%	\$1.00	
Exhibition space-gallery (2 weeks maximum) hourly rate	N	Υ	\$35.00	\$36.00	2.86%	\$1.00	
Cleaning (if required – minimum 3 hours) hourly rate	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$51.50	3.00%	\$1.50	
Removal of excess rubbish	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$51.50	3.00%	\$1.50	
Security after hours callout	N	Υ	\$100.00	\$103.00	3.00%	\$3.00	
Loss of key/access card	N	Υ	\$100.00	\$103.00	3.00%	\$3.00	
Improper use of centre (loss of full bond)	N	Y	\$500.00	\$514.00	2.80%	\$14.00	
Damage to centre and/or furnishings	N	Υ			As	per Quotation	
Bond (parties for 21 to 30 year old)	N	N	\$1,000.00	\$1,027.50	2.75%	\$27.50	
Bond	N	N	\$500.00	\$514.00	2.80%	\$14.00	
Operations Officer hourly fee	N	Υ	\$50.00	\$51.50	3.00%	\$1.50	

MLLH MAIN KITCHEN (NOT AVAILABLE AFTER HOURS OR WEEKENDS UNLESS BOOKED WITH ANOTHER ROOM)

Main kitchen not available after hours or weekends unless booked with another room

Hourly rate	N	Υ	\$36.00	\$37.00	2.78%	\$1.00	
Half day – 9.00am to 1.00pm or 1.00pm to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$108.00	\$111.00	2.78%	\$3.00	
Full day – 9.00am to 5.00pm	N	Υ	\$216.00	\$222.00	2.78%	\$6.00	
Main kitchen not available after hours or weekends unless booked with another room	N	Y	NOT SURE				
Data projector & screen, electronic white board, microphone, PA system, lectern and CD player – included with booking fee	N	Υ	\$16.00	\$16.50	3.13%	\$0.50	
Tea & coffee per head	N	Υ	\$1.00	\$1.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Tea, coffee & biscuits per head	N	Υ	\$2.00	\$2.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

MLLH PHOTOCOPYING PER SHEET (BLACK & WHITE)

A4 1st 5 pages free	N	Υ	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
A4 > 5 pages per page	N	Y	\$0.60	\$0.60	0.00%	\$0.00	
A3 per page	N	Υ	\$1.20	\$1.20	0.00%	\$0.00	

Year 23/24 Year 24/25 Statutory Name **GST** GL Fee Fee Increase Increase Fee (incl. GST) (incl. GST) **UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE - COMMERCIAL AND PRIVATE HIRE** UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM (INCLUDING KITCHEN) \$66.00 \$2.00 Upper Yarra Family Centre N Υ \$64.00 3.13% **Community Meeting Room** (including kitchen) hourly Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$192.00 \$197.50 2.86% \$5.50 Community Meeting Room (including kitchen) sessional Upper Yarra Family Centre Υ \$394.50 2.73% Ν \$384.00 \$10.50 Community Meeting Room (including kitchen) full day **UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE MEETING ROOMS 1-3** \$33.50 3.08% \$1.00 Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν \$32.50 Meeting Rooms 1-3 hourly Upper Yarra Family Centre \$100.00 2.56% \$2.50 Ν \$97.50 Meeting Rooms 1-3 sessional Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$195.00 \$200.50 2.82% \$5.50 Meeting Rooms 1-3 full day **UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE CONSULTING ROOMS 1-5** \$33.00 3.13% \$1.00 Upper Yarra Family Centre Υ \$32.00 N Consulting Rooms 1-5 hourly Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$96.00 \$98.50 2.60% \$2.50 Consulting Rooms 1-5 sessional Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$192.00 \$197.50 2.86% \$5.50 Consulting Rooms 1-5 full day UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE OCCASIONAL CARE ROOM \$66.00 \$64.00 3.13% \$2.00 Upper Yarra Family Centre N Υ Occasional Care Room hourly Upper Yarra Family Centre Υ \$192.00 \$197.50 2.86% \$5.50 N Occasional Care Room sessional Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$384.00 \$394.50 2.73% \$10.50 Occasional Care Room full day UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE LARGE EARLY CHILDHOOD ROOM Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$80.00 \$82.00 2.50% \$2.00 Large Early Childhood Room hourly Upper Yarra Family Centre Ν Υ \$240.00 \$246.50 2.71% \$6.50 Large Early Childhood Room sessional Upper Yarra Family Centre Υ \$493.00 Ν \$480.00 2.71% \$13.00 Large Early Childhood Room full day **UPPER YARRA FAMILY CENTRE MCH OFFICE** Upper Yarra Family Centre \$32.00 \$33.00 3.13% \$1.00 Ν MCH Office hourly

Name	Statutory Fee	GST	Year 23/24 Fee (incl. GST)	Year 24/25 Fee (incl. GST)	Increase %	Increase \$	GL
JPPER YARRA FAMILY CE	ENTRE MC	H OFFI	CE [continued]				
Upper Yarra Family Centre MCH Office sessional	N	Υ	\$96.00	\$98.50	2.60%	\$2.50	
Upper Yarra Family Centre MCH Office full day	N	Υ	\$192.00	\$197.50	2.86%	\$5.50	
JPPER YARRA FAMILY CE	ENTRE MC	H GRO	UP ROOM				
Upper Yarra Family Centre MCH Group Room hourly	N	Υ	\$38.00	\$39.00	2.63%	\$1.00	
Upper Yarra Family Centre MCH Group Room sessional	N	Υ	\$114.00	\$117.00	2.63%	\$3.00	
Upper Yarra Family Centre MCH Group Room full day	N	Υ	\$228.00	\$234.50	2.85%	\$6.50	
JPPER YARRA FAMILY CE	ENTRE COI	MMUNI	ITY KITCHEN	I			
Upper Yarra Family Centre Community Kitchen hourly	N	Υ	\$17.00	\$17.50	2.94%	\$0.50	
Upper Yarra Family Centre Community Kitchen sessional	N	Υ	\$51.00	\$52.50	2.94%	\$1.50	
Upper Yarra Family Centre Community Kitchen full day	N	Υ	\$102.00	\$104.50	2.45%	\$2.50	

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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Youth Holiday Program	N	Υ	\$5.00 – \$20.00	
			Min. Fee excl. GST: \$5.00	
			Last year fee \$5.00 – \$20.00	
Freeza Program	N	Y	\$5.00 – \$25.00	
			Last year fee \$5.00 – \$25.00	

DISCONTINUED FEES

Additional Assessment Time for Exemption fee	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Additional Assessment Time Major Alteration fee	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Additional Assessment Time Minor Alteration fee	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
DELETED: Residential Waste 2 -(Incl Full Year Organic) -240L FOGO, 240 Recycling, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	

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DELETED: Residential Waste Service 3 -(Incl Full Year Organic) -120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 120L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
DELETED: Residential Waste Service 4 -(Incl Full Year Organic)- 120L FOGO bin, 240L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
DELETED: Residential Waste Service 5 -(Retirement Village) (Inc Full Year Organic) -120L FOGO bin, 120L Recycling bin, 80L Rubbish bin, Hard & Green Waste Collection	N	N	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
Building Permit Services	N	Υ			PLE	ASE DELETE	
Kilsyth Pool Group entry – 10 or more Junior 14 years & under - Discontinued	N	Y	\$4.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$4.50	
Kilsyth Pool Group entry – 10 or more Senior 15 years & over - Discontinued	N	Y	\$5.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$5.50	
Kilsyth Pool Group entry – 10 or more Leaders and spectators - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$3.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$3.00	
Kilsyth Pool 20 Visit Passes Adult - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$131.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$131.50	
Kilsyth Pool 20 Visit Passes Concession - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$103.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$103.00	
Kilsyth Pool 20 Visit Passes Child - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$93.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$93.50	
Kilsyth Pool 20 Visit Passes Pensioner - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$89.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$89.50	
Kilsyth Pool 20 Visit Passes Family - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$358.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$358.50	
Kilsyth Pool 20 Visit Passes Swim and spa - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$187.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$187.00	
Kilsyth Pool Boot camps casual - Discontinued	N	Y	\$16.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$16.00	
Kilsyth Pool Boot camps 10 Passes - Discontinued	N	Υ	\$143.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$143.00	
Kilsyth Pool Aquatic Memberships – Monthly Start- up fee – adult - Discontinued	N	Y	\$59.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$59.00	
Kilsyth Pool Aquatic Memberships – Monthly Start- up fee – concession - Discontinued	N	Y	\$45.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$45.50	
Kilsyth Pool Aquatic Memberships – Monthly Adults - Discontinued	N	Y	\$60.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$60.00	
Kilsyth Pool Aquatic Memberships – Monthly Concession / Pensioner - Discontinued	N	Y	\$39.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$39.50	

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Kilsyth Pool – School Groups (per head) - Discontinued	N	Y	\$4.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$4.00	
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Kilsyth Pool – Swim Teacher 45min - Discontinued	N	Y	\$40.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$40.00	
Kilsyth Pool – Swim Teacher 60min - Discontinued	N	Y	\$53.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$53.50	
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Kilsyth Pool Pre and After School - Discontinued	N	Y	\$17.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$17.00	
Kilsyth Pool Squad - Discontinued	N	Y	\$16.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$16.50	
Kilsyth Pool Training - Discontinued	N	Y	\$64.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$64.00	
Kilsyth Pool Private – PWD (30 min) - Discontinued	N	Y	\$40.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$40.00	
Kilsyth Pool Bronze - Discontinued	N	Y	\$25.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$25.50	
Kilsyth Pool Junior Lifeguard - Discontinued	N	Y	\$21.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$21.00	
Kilsyth Pool Casual - Discontinued	N	Y	\$17.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$17.00	
Kilsyth Pool Aqua Class Concession - Discontinued	N	Y	\$13.00	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$13.00	
Kilsyth Pool Pension - Discontinued	N	Y	\$11.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$11.50	
Kilsyth Pool Adult x 10 pass - Discontinued	N	Y	\$152.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$152.50	
Kilsyth Pool Concession x 10 pass - Discontinued	N	Y	\$117.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$117.50	
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Kilsyth Pool Fun days Concession - Discontinued	N	Y	\$6.50	\$0.00	-100.00%	-\$6.50	

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DISCONTINUED: Belgrave South Community Hall – Commercial	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
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DISCONTINUED: Lilydale Senior Citizens Centre – Function Fee	N	Y	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$0.00	
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5	INFRASTRUCTURE																
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	Bridges Rehabilitation & Renewal	Drainata to be determined from bridge guidite	50,000	262,000	260,000	277 000	294 000	292,000	300,000	200 000	217 000	225 000	E0 000		2 694 000		
35 36	Bridge Rehabilitation Works Mayer Bridge, Warburton	Projects to be determined from bridge audits Steel beam treatment	50,000 223,000	202,000	269,000	277,000	284,000	292,000	300,000	308,000	317,000	325,000	50,000		2,684,000 223,000	!	
38	Wilson Street, Healesville	Bridge upgrade including pedestrian walkway	193,000										193,000		193,000	<u> </u>	
40	Total Bridges Rehabilitation & Renewal	bridge apgrade including pedestrian walkway	466,000	262,000	269,000	277,000	284,000	292,000	300,000	308,000	317,000	325,000	466,000		3,100,000		
45	TOTAL BRIDGES		466,000	262,000	269,000	277,000	284,000	292,000	300,000	308,000	317,000	325,000	466,000		3,100,000		
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55	Drainage New Works & Improvements																
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59	Belle Vue, Lilydale	Design and construction of drainage upgrade works to reduce flooding impacts on Hermitage Street	200,000										200,000		200,000		
60	Britton Road, Seville	Easement creation to improve drainage due to development	339,000										339,000		339,000		
62	Carmen Reserve, Lilydale	Design and construction of detention basin and associated drainage works to alleviate flooding downstream	200,000										200,000		200,000		
65	Cobden Crescent, Lilydale	Construction of drainage works to improve capture of stormwater run-off		552,000											552,000		
70	Dalkeith Crescent, Belgrave	Design of new drainage outfall pipe and associated drainage works	50,000										50,000		50,000		
72	David Hill Road, Monbulk	Construction of drainage improvements, including easement creation, to address erosion issues	80,000										80,000		80,000		
74Page	Drainage Improvement Works	Design and delivery of projects identified in Stormwater Management Plan	200,000	1,850,000	2,465,000	2,343,000	2,341,000	1,019,000					200,000		10,218,000		
75%	Edinburgh Road, Lilydale	Investigation and design of drainage improvements to address flooding issues		51,000											51,000		
76	Fernhill Road, Mount Evelyn	Construction of drainage improvements due to development	445,000										445,000		445,000		
80	George Road and Lalor Road, Healesville	Construction of drainage improvements to address flooding and erosion issues		314,000											314,000		
81	Main Street, Upwey Stage 1	Investigation and design of drainage improvements to address flooding issues	100,000										100,000		100,000		
86	Maroondah Parade, Healesville	Construction of drainage improvements to address flooding and erosion issues	225,000										225,000		225,000		
88	Morrisons Reserve	Design and construction of drainage improvements to address flooding and erosion issues		123,000											123,000		
89	Nimblefoot Way/Delta Close, Lilydale	Design and construction of drainage improvements to address flooding issues	150,000										150,000		150,000		
90	North Avenue, Mount Evelyn	Construction of drainage improvements, including easement creation, to address flooding issues	415,000										415,000		415,000		
92	Schoolhouse Road, Woori Yallock	Construction of drainage improvements to address flooding and erosion issues	316,000										316,000		316,000		
93	Station Street, Coldstream	Drainage improvements to address flooding and erosion issues	420,000										420,000		420,000		
94	Wilsons Lane, Lilydale Stage 1	Design of drainage upgrade to address flooding issues	50,000	2.000.000	0.405.000	0.040.000	0.044.000	4.040.000					50,000		50,000		
	Total Drainage New Works & Improveme Drainage Rehabilitation & Renewal	nts	3,190,000	3,220,000	2,465,000	2,343,000	2,341,000	1,019,000					3,190,000		14,578,000		
	Drainage Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation works	263,000	271,000	278,000	286,000	294,000	302,000	310,000	319,000	327,000	336,000	263,000		2,986,000		
	Total Drainage Rehabilitation & Renewal		263,000	271,000	278,000	286,000	294,000	302,000	310,000	319,000	327,000	336,000	263,000		2,986,000		
	TOTAL DRAINAGE		3,453,000	3,491,000	2,743,000	2,629,000	2,635,000	1,321,000	310,000	319,000	327,000	336,000	•		17,564,000		

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	FOOTPATHS & CYCLEWAYS																
125	Footpaths New Works & Improvements	Linday \$40,000 at various locations	10,000	10.000	20,000	24 000	24 000	22.000	22.000	22.000	24.000	24.000	10,000		245 000	<u> </u>	
140	Footpath Minor Improvements	Under \$10,000 at various locations	19,000	19,000	20,000	21,000	21,000	22,000	22,000	23,000	24,000	24,000	19,000		215,000	1	
143	Glenfern Road, Upwey	Construct a concrete path from Morris Rd to entrance of Glenfern Valley Bushland Reserve	214,000										214,000		214,000		
170	New Footpath Program	New footpath works		1,130,000	1,161,000	1,193,000	1,382,000	1,420,000	1,459,000	1,499,000	1,540,000	1,583,000			12,367,000)	
173	One Tree Hill Road, Ferny Creek	Construct a path to connect existing path with One Tree Hill Car Park	275,000										275,000		275,000)	
176	Southern Cross, Chirnside Park	Construct a concrete path between The Brentwoods and Rolling Hills Rd	73,000										73,000		73,000)	
179	Stephens Road, Healesville	Construct a concrete path between Newgrove Rd and Blannin St	70,000										70,000		70,000)	
185	The Brentwoods, Chirnside Park	Construct a concrete path between Switchback Rd and Rolling Hills Rd	103,000										103,000		103,000)	
188	Yarra Street, Yarra Junction Stage 2	Construct a concrete path from the end of Stage 1 to Little Yarra Rd		196,000											196,000)	
191	York Road, Mount Evelyn	Construct a concrete path between Gear Ave and Tramway Rd	253,000										253,000		253,000)	
200	Total Footpaths New Works & Improvement	ents	1,007,000	1,345,000	1,181,000	1,214,000	1,403,000	1,442,000	1,481,000	1,522,000	1,564,000	1,607,000	1,007,000		13,766,000		
205	Footpaths Rehabilitation & Renewal																
207	Badger Creek Road, Healesville	Footpath rehabilitation		91,000											91,000)	
211	Belgrave-Gembrook Road, Belgrave	Footpath rehabilitation		247,000											247,000		
219	Buckmaster Drive, Mount Evelyn	Footpath rehabilitation		71,000											71,000		
220	Burwood Highway, Belgrave Part 1	Footpath rehabilitation		213,000											213,000		
221	Burwood Highway, Belgrave Part 2	Footpath rehabilitation		185,000											185,000		
224	Burwood Highway, Upwey	Footpath rehabilitation	211,000										211,000		211,000		
228	Cambridge Road, Mooroolbark	Footpath rehabilitation		243,000											243,000		
23ట్ల	Cameron Court, Kilsyth	Footpath rehabilitation	46,000										46,000		46,000		
2469	Clegg Road, Mt Evelyn	Footpath rehabilitation	28,000										28,000		28,000		
260	Footpath Rehabilitation	Various locations			1,466,000	1,485,000	1,526,000	1,568,000	1,611,000	1,655,000	1,701,000	1,748,000			12,760,000		
262	Greeves Drive, Kilsyth	Footpath rehabilitation	281,000										281,000		281,000		
264	Harker Street, Healesville	Footpath rehabilitation		113,000											113,000		
269	Lena Grove, Kilsyth	Footpath rehabilitation	81,000										81,000		81,000		
271	Monbulk Road, Kallista	Footpath rehabilitation		118,000											118,000)	
278	Maroondah Highway, Lilydale	Footpath rehabilitation	37,000										37,000		37,000		
279	McKenzie King Drive, Millgrove	Footpath rehabilitation	201,000										201,000		201,000		
281	Morris Road, Upwey	Footpath rehabilitation		82,000											82,000		
282	Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Kalorama	Footpath rehabilitation	20,000										20,000		20,000		
287	Ross Street, Tecoma	Footpath rehabilitation		51,000											51,000		
288	Tombolo Court, Mooroolbark	Footpath rehabilitation		56,000											56,000		
290	Upper Blackwood Avenue, Warburton	Footpath rehabilitation		31,000											31,000)	
291	Walhalla Court, Mooroolbark	Footpath rehabilitation		31,000											31,000		
296	Walmsley Estate Courts	Footpath rehabilitation		170,000											170,000		
298	Yarra Junction Noojee Road, Yarra Junction	Footpath rehabilitation		260,000											260,000		
305	Total Footpaths Rehabilitation & Renewa		905,000	1,962,000	1,466,000	1,485,000	1,526,000	1,568,000	1,611,000	1,655,000	1,701,000	1,748,000	905,000		15,627,000		
	TOTAL FOOTPATHS & CYCLEWAYS		1,912,000	3,307,000	2,647,000		2,929,000	3,010,000	3,092,000		3,265,000	3,355,000			29,393,000		
	OFF-STREET CAR PARKS																
335	Off-street Car Parks Rehabilitation & Ren	ewal															
340	Car Park Rehabilitation	Renewal works to Car Parks	380,000	390,000	401,000	412,000	423,000	435,000	447,000	459,000	471,000	484,000	380,000		4,302,000		
345	Total Off-street Car Parks Rehabilitation	& Renewal	380,000	390,000	401,000	412,000	423,000	435,000	447,000	459,000	471,000	484,000	380,000		4,302,000		
350	TOTAL OFF-STREET CAR PARKS		380,000	390,000	401,000	412,000	423,000	435,000	447,000	459,000	471,000	484,000	380,000		4,302,000		

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	Open Space New Works & Improvements																
	Park Signage	Various dog off-leash sites in Healesville, Kilsyth and Mooroolbark	59,000										59,000		59,000		
362	Indigenous Heritage Visibility	Infrastructure to create visibility for Indigenous cultural heritage in culturally significant council reserves	36,000	37,000	38,000								36,000		111,000		
375	Total Open Space New Works & Improver	nents	95,000	37,000	38,000								95,000		170,000		
	Open Space Rehabilitation & Renewal		23,223	51,511	55,555								33,333				
380		As per asset condition survey	194,000										194,000		194,000		
385	Ţ .	Council contribution to common boundary fencing	135,000	139,000	142,000	146,000	150,000	154,000	159,000	163,000	167,000	172,000			1,527,000		
390	Culvert Renewal	As per asset condition survey	24,000	·	·	,	·	,	· ·	,	·	,	24,000		24,000		
393	Park Signage Renewal	Various locations	53,000										53,000		53,000		
396	Park Furniture Renewal	Various locations	119,000	115,000	118,000	121,000	124,000	128,000	131,000	135,000	138,000	142,000			1,271,000		
		Wandin East Recreation Reserve & Lillydale		,	7.70,000	121,000	,,,,,,,,		,	100,000	,	,					
400	Park Power Supply and Lighting Renewals	Showgrounds as per condition survey	60,000										60,000		60,000		
403	Retaining Walls and Steps Renewal	As per asset condition survey	56,000										56,000		56,000		
		Standard and electric fence renewal and upgrade;															
404	Stockyard Renewal and Upgrade	rehabilitation of animal pens and shelters.	265,000										265,000		265,000		
405	Total Open Space Rehabilitation & Renew	val	906,000	254,000	260,000	267,000	274,000	282,000	290,000	298,000	305,000	314,000	906,000		3,450,000		
430	Townships New Works & Improvements																
435	Belgrave Township Improvements	Township improvements identified in the Urban Design Framework, including principle pedestrian networks and streetscape improvements.		386,000											386,000		
476 TD	Lilydale Revitalisation: Lions Park	Neighbourhood Activity Centre Renewal	25,000											25,000		25,000 S	State
age	Township Improvements, Healesville	Township improvements identified in the Urban Design Framework including streetscape and public realm improvements	49,000	319,000									49,000		368,000		
490	Townships Renewal & Improvements	A combination of renewal and improvement projects	450,000	786,000	808,000	830,000	1,127,000	1,158,000	1,190,000	1,222,000	1,256,000	1,291,000	450,000		10,118,000		
493	IVVarnurron i irnan Desion Framework	Develop and action Warburton Urban Design framework in conjunction with Place Plan	47,000										47,000		47,000		
495	Total Townships New Works & Improvem	ents	571,000	1,491,000	808,000	830,000	1,127,000	1,158,000	1,190,000	1,222,000	1,256,000	1,291,000	546,000	25,000	10,919,000	25,000	
500	Trails New Works & Improvements																
506	Extension to the Olinda Creek Trail	Swansea Rd, Montrose to York Rd, Mt Evelyn			577,000										577,000		
508	Northern Loop, Yarra Valley Trail	Development of a 10.7km trail circuit north of Yarra Glen, connecting the Yarra Valley Trail to the Yarra Glen Station Trail Node	2,250,000											2,250,000		2,250,000	State
511	IPark Trails Improvements/Connectivity	Belgrave Lake, Chirnside Park, Warburton Rail Trail access trails	64,000	76,000									64,000		140,000		
514	ngurrak barring / RidgeWalk	39km trail through the Dandenong Ranges that will establish new spaces for education, cultural expression and social gathering	1,612,000	2,101,000									395,000	1,217,000	395,000	3 3 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1	Fed. \$2m State \$1.4m
520	Warburton Mountain Bike Destination	Development of over 100km of mountain bike trails in the hills surrounding Warburton	8,210,000	2,478,000									8,117,000	93,000	9,899,000		State \$556k Other \$233k
526	Yarra Valley Trail, Stage 1	Stage 1 of over 40km of trail to link Lilydale, Yarra Glen, Healesville and join into the Lilydale to Warburton Rail Trail	150,000	3,735,000									150,000		2,327,000	1,558,000 S	State
	Yarra Valley Trail, Stage 2A	Stage 2A of over 40km of trail to link Lilydale, Yarra Glen, Healesville and join into the Lilydale to Warburton Rail Trail	500,000	1,950,000	1,950,000									500,000		4,400,000 F	ed.
530	Total Trails New Works & Improvements		12,786,000	10,340,000	2,527,000								8,726,000	4,060,000	13,338,000	12,315,000	

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535	Trails Rehabilitation & Renewal																
540	Lilydale - Warburton Trail Rehabilitation Projects	Rail trail renewal and minor works	171,000	157,000	161,000	166,000	170,000	175,000	180,000	185,000	190,000	195,000	171,000		1,750,000		
542	Shared Use Path Rehabilitation	Renewal and upgrade of existing identified shared use paths		425,000											425,000		
543	Trail Rehabilitation Projects	Minor works and renewal, various locations	570,000	91,000	94,000	96,000	99,000	102,000	105,000	108,000	111,000	114,000	570,000		1,490,000		
550	Total Trails Rehabilitation & Renewal		741,000	673,000	255,000	262,000	269,000	277,000	285,000	293,000	301,000	309,000	741,000		3,665,000		
555	TOTAL PARKS, OPEN SPACE AND STR	REET SCAPES	15,099,000	12,795,000	3,888,000	1,359,000	1,670,000	1,717,000	1,765,000	1,813,000	1,862,000	1,914,000	11,014,000	4,085,000	31,542,000	12,340,000	
560	RECREATIONAL, LEISURE AND COMM	UNITY FACILITIES															
565	Playspace New Works & Improvements																
573	Chirnside Urban Park Playspace	Construct the Chirnside Urban Park Regional Playspace at Belsay Reserve	2,116,000										1,143,000	973,000	1,143,000	973,000	State
576	Monbulk District Playspace	Construction of District Playspace					181,000								181,000		
578	Morrison Recreation Reserve, Mount Evelyn Playspace	Upgrade Playspace, construct bike tracks, toilets and community infrastructure	2,924,000										704,000	2,220,000	704,000	2,220,000	State
580	Yarra Junction Recreation Reserve Playspace	Upgrade to District level Playspace			632,000										632,000		
585	Total Playspace New Works & Improven	nents	5,040,000		632,000		181,000						1,847,000	3,193,000	2,660,000	3,193,000	
590	Playspace Rehabilitation & Renewal																
601	Bimbadeen Reserve, Mooroolbark	Local Playspace renewal		277,000											277,000		<u> </u>
604	Bluegum Reserve, Badger Creek	Local Playspace renewal	102,000										52,000	50,000	52,000	50,000	State
627	Kemp Reserve, Mount Evelyn	Local Playspace renewal		275,000											275,000		
632	Koonaburra Reserve, Wandin North	Local Playspace renewal				217,000									217,000		
638	McKenzie King Drive Reserve, Millgrove	Local Playspace renewal	102,000										52,000	50,000	52,000	50,000	State
645	Mount Evelyn Recreation Reserve	Local Playspace renewal		281,000											281,000		
_~	Playspace Renewal	Various locations				280,000	1,086,000	754,000	1,068,000	1,750,000	1,798,000	1,848,000			8,584,000		
65	Stuart Reserve, Lilydale	Local Playspace renewal			244.222	217,000									217,000		
6588	The Parkway Reserve, Chirnside Park	Local Playspace renewal			211,000										211,000		
660	Williams Reserve, Mooroolbark	Local Playspace renewal			218,000	000 000									218,000		
665	Yarra View Park, Woori Yallock	Local Playspace renewal	004.000	000 000	400.000	280,000	4 000 000	754.000	4 000 000	4 750 000	4 700 000	4 0 40 000	404.000	400.000	280,000		
670	Total Playspace Rehabilitation & Renew		204,000	833,000	429,000	994,000	1,086,000	754,000	1,068,000	1,750,000	1,798,000	1,848,000	104,000	100,000	10,664,000	100,000	
6/5	Sports Reserves New Works & Improve	Financial assistance for the development of sporting,													<u> </u>		
680	Capital Development Grants Program	recreation and cultural facilities	364,000	185,000	190,000	196,000	201,000	206,000	212,000	218,000	224,000	230,000			2,226,000		
700	Total Sports Reserves New Works & Imp		364,000	185,000	190,000	196,000	201,000	206,000	212,000	218,000	224,000	230,000	364,000		2,226,000		
705	Sports Reserves Rehabilitation & Renew Belgrave Tennis and Community Space	Renew fencing and lighting for two courts, renew	384,000										384,000		384,000		
	Renewal Mount Evelyn Netball Facility	upper court surfaces for broader community use Renewal of surrounding fencing, court surfaces and	160,000										160,000		160,000		
	Sports Reserves Fence Replacement	lighting Replacement of fences around sports fields,	100,000	195,000	75,000	77,000	79,000	81,000	84,000	86,000	88,000	91,000			856,000		
	<u>'</u>	playspaces and pavilions Renewal of sports courts including netball, tennis and	402.000									,					
	Sports Courts Rehabilitation Program	other recreational surfaces Renewal of sportsfield lighting at regional facilities to	123,000	119,000	123,000	126,000	130,000	133,000	137,000	141,000	144,000	148,000	123,000		1,324,000		
	Sportsfield Lighting Renewal	meet current standards To refurbish sports fields: resurfacing (soil, grass),		319,000											319,000		
731	Sportsfield Rehabilitation Program	drainage, irrigation and design	200,000	569,000 110,000	398,000	409,000	420,000	432,000	444,000	456,000	469,000	481,000	200,000 176,000		4,278,000 286,000		
750	Sportsfield Synthetic surface renewal Total Sports Reserves Rehabilitation &	To refurbish synthetic sportsfield surfaces	176,000 1,043,000	1,312,000	596,000	612,000	629,000	646,000	665,000	683,000	701,000	720,000	1,043,000		7,607,000		
755	TOTAL RECREATIONAL, LEISURE AND		6,651,000	2,330,000	1,847,000	1,802,000	2,097,000	1,606,000	1,945,000	2,651,000		2,798,000	3,358,000				
760	ROADS	COMMONITYTACIETIEC	0,001,000	2,330,000	1,047,000	1,002,000	2,031,000	1,000,000	1,040,000	2,001,000	2,123,000	2,130,000	3,330,000	3,233,000	23,137,000	3,233,000	
762	Roads New Works & Improvements																
781	Edward Road and Coldstream West Road Intersection, Chirnside Park	Widening of intersection	150,000											150,000		150,000	R2R
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/8/	Edward Road and Paynes Road, Chirnside Park	Roundabout construction	768,000	732,000										768,000		1,500,000	Fed \$900k R2R \$600k
783	Local Roads Design Costs	Design costs for future works	74,000	76,000	78,000	80,000	82,000	84,000	87,000	89,000	91,000	94,000	74,000		835,000		
788	Manchester Road and Proposed East Ridge Drive extension, Chirnside Park	Signalised intersection	200,000											200,000		200,000) R2R
	Total Roads New Works & Improvement	S	1,192,000	808,000	78,000	80,000	82,000	84,000	87,000	89,000	91,000	94,000	74,000	1,118,000	835,000	1,850,000)
835	Alfred Street and John Street, Wandin	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction	1,493,000											1,493,000		1,493,000	Fed. \$1m
	North Alpine Street Group, Warburton	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction. Includes Cecil St and Glenbrook Rd, Warburton	130,000											130,000	,	130,000	
990	Bell Street Group, Seville	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction. Includes Winifred St and Read Rd, Seville	135,000											135,000	1	135,000) Fed.
1180	Cedar Court, Burns Way (includes Harvest Close), Loch Avenue, Mayview Drive, Monbulk	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction. Includes Burns Way, Harvest Cl, Loch Ave, Mayview Dr, Monbulk	919,000											919,000		919,000	Fed. \$495k SCS \$424k
1400	Mt Morton Road, Hood Street, Belgrave Heights	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction	1,336,000											1,336,000	,	1,336,000) Fed.
1490	Nation Road, Selby	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction	270,000											270,000		270,000) Fed.
	Station Road Group, Seville	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction. Includes Seymour St and Britton Rd, Seville	75,000											75,000		75,000	
15.55	Tainton Street and Railway Parade, Wandir North	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction	1,148,000											1,148,000		1,148,000	Fed. \$668k SCS \$340k
	Victoria Road Group, Seville	Roads for the Community Initiative Construction. Includes Railway Rd and English St, Seville	740,000											740,000		740,000	
	Total Roads for the Community Initiative Roads Rehabilitation & Renewal		6,246,000											6,246,000		6,246,000	<u>) </u>
(1)	Cambridge Road, Mooroolbark	Pavement rehabilitation work to address pavement deficiency		1,175,000											1,175,000		
1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Edward Road, Chirnside Park (Switchback Road to Coldstream West)	,		1,808,000											1,808,000		
Inui	Gruyere Road, Gruyere (Harvey Close to Darling Road)	Pavement rehabilitation work to address pavement deficiency	363,000										363,000		363,000		
	Kerb and Channel Rehabilitation	Kerb & Channel rehabilitation to address deficiencies	137,000	141,000	145,000	149,000	153,000	157,000	161,000	166,000	170,000	175,000	137,000		1,554,000		
1614	Local Roads Rehabilitation	Various locations	218,000	224,000	230,000	237,000	243,000	250,000	257,000	264,000	271,000	279,000	218,000		2,473,000		
	Lower Homestead Road, Wonga Park	Pavement rehabilitation to address pavement strength deficiency		912,000											462,000	450,000) Contribution
Inia	Maddens Lane, Gruyere (Maroondah Highway to Medhurst Road)	Pavement rehabilitation to address pavement strength deficiency	1,388,000										426,000	962,000	426,000	962,000) R2R
	Melba Avenue, Lilydale	Pavement rehabilitation to address pavement strength deficiency	202.000		587,000								200.000		229,000	358,000) R2R
	Retaining Wall Rehabilitation Reseal & Resurfacing Local Roads	Rehabilitation of eroding retaining wall assets Various locations	300,000 6,291,000	5,323,000	5,997,000	6,162,000	6,332,000	6,506,000	6,685,000	6,869,000	7,058,000	7,252,000	300,000 6,291,000		300,000 64,475,000		+
	Road Pavement Rehabilitation	Local road condition survey priorities, various locations	105,000	1,512,000	1,020,000	1,049,000	1,077,000	1,107,000	1,137,000	1,169,000	1,201,000	1,234,000			10,611,000		
1629	Roads To Recovery Projects	Various locations		1,864,000	1,788,000	2,146,000	2,146,000	2,146,000	2,146,000	2,146,000	2,146,000	2,146,000				18,674,000) R2R
1631	Swales Road, Macclesfield	Pavement rehabilitation work to address pavement deficiency	516,000	1,340,000										516,000	1,340,000	516,000) R2R
	Victoria Road, Coldstream	Drainage improvement works and road rehabilitation to address pavement deficiency	1,238,000											1,238,000		1,238,000	
	Total Roads Rehabilitation & Renewal		10,556,000	14,299,000	9,767,000	9,743,000	9,951,000	10,166,000	10,386,000	10,614,000	10,846,000	11,086,000	7,840,000	2,716,000	85,216,000	22,198,000	/
	Roads Traffic Management and Other W Traffic Works & Improvements	Orks	222,000	229,000	235,000	241,000	248,000	255,000	262,000	269,000	276,000	284,000	222,000		2,521,000		
1655	Total Roads Traffic Management and Other Works		222,000	229,000	235,000	241,000	248,000	255,000 255,000	262,000	269,000	276,000	284,000			2,521,000		
	TOTAL ROADS		18,216,000	15,336,000	10,080,000	10,064,000	10,281,000	10,505,000	10,735,000	10,972,000	11,213,000	11 464 000	8 136 000	10,080,000	88 572 000	30 204 000	b l
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	BUILDINGS																
1680	Buildings New Works & Improvements																
1681	Advanced Design Program - Early Years	Design of building projects associated with early years infrastructure planning	250,000										135,000	115,000	135,000	115,000	State
1691	Carbon Management Improvements	Carbon management program improvements upgrades				296,000	304,000	312,000	321,000	330,000	339,000	348,000			2,250,000		
1090	Climate Resilient Buildings for our Community	Climate resilience upgrades to various community buildings	2,776,000										276,000	2,500,000	276,000	2,500,000	Fed.
1700	Community Sports Pavilion, Monbulk	Energy Resilience Upgrades including solar PV system	161,000											161,000		161,000	Fed
1718	Community Sports Pavilion, Powelltown	Construction of a new community sports pavilion	52,000										52,000		52,000		
1719	Kilsyth Recreation Reserve Pavilion	Public toilet accessibility	12,000										12,000		12,000		
1720	Monbulk Aquatic Centre	Electrifying Monbulk Aquatic Centre Stage 1 - planning and design	250,000										250,000		250,000		
1733	Pinks Reserve Stadium Improvements	Additional basketball court, improved amenities and wall insulation	4,190,000										2,190,000	2,000,000	2,190,000	2,000,000	State
1734	Yarra Ranges Regional Museum Feature Lighting	Upgrade external feature lighting at Yarra Ranges Regional Museum	15,000										15,000		15,000		
1740	Total Buildings New Works & Improvement	ents	7,706,000			296,000	304,000	312,000	321,000	330,000	339,000	348,000	2,930,000	4,776,000	5,180,000	4,776,000	
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1750	Aquatic Facilities Minor Works	Aquatic facilities buildings minor works	2,230,000	711,000	731,000	802,000	184,000	189,000	195,000	200,000	205,000	211,000	2,230,000		5,658,000		l
1756	Council Building Minor Works	Building renewal and minor works to Council facilities	3,276,000	2,283,000	2,344,000	2,408,000	2,474,000	2,424,000	2,491,000	2,559,000	2,629,000	2,702,000	3,276,000		25,590,000		
175 9	Council Buildings Statutory Compliance	Essential safety measures, safe working on roofs as per compliance assessments and access	95,000	97,000	100,000	103,000	106,000	109,000	112,000	115,000	118,000	121,000	95,000		1,076,000		
1760	Public Toilets	Renewal of public toilet facilities Sassafras	500,000										500,000		500,000		
1761	Public Toilets	Renewal of public toilet facilities, PJ Mould Reserve, Wandin North	250,000										250,000		250,000		
	Upwey Men's Shed	Prior written commitment for support toward Men's Shed	50,000										50,000		50,000		
	Total Buildings Rehabilitation & Renewa	al	6,401,000	3,091,000	3,175,000	3,313,000	2,764,000	2,722,000	2,798,000	2,874,000	2,952,000	3,034,000	6,401,000		33,124,000		
	TOTAL BUILDINGS		14,107,000	3,091,000	3,175,000	3,609,000	3,068,000	3,034,000	3,119,000	3,204,000	3,291,000	3,382,000	9,331,000	4,776,000		4,776,000	
	TOTAL PROPERTY		14,107,000	3,091,000	3,175,000	3,609,000	3,068,000	3,034,000	3,119,000	3,204,000	3,291,000	3,382,000	9,331,000	4,776,000	38,304,000	4,776,000	
	PLANT & EQUIPMENT																
	COMPUTERS & TELECOMMUNICATION ICT (Information & Communication Tech																
	Information technology upgrade - hardware		430,000	329,000	339,000	348,000	479,000	367,000	377,000	388,000	534,000	409,000	430,000		4,000,000		
1803	Information technology upgrade - software	Systems development and upgrade	1,944,000	45,000	46,000	225,000	49,000	425,000	51,000	53,000	257,000	56,000	1,944,000		3,151,000		
	Total ICT New & Improvements	- J. Starrio & C. S. Sprinont and apgrado	2,374,000	374,000	385,000	573,000	528,000	792,000	428,000		791,000	465,000	2,374,000		7,151,000		
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	Hall Furniture and Equipment	Replacement of furniture and equipment in halls	19,000	19,000	20,000	20,000	21,000	22,000	22,000	23,000	23,000	24,000	19,000		213,000		
	Total FFF Rehabilitation & Renewal		19,000	19,000	20,000	20,000	21,000	22,000	22,000	23,000	23,000	24,000	19,000		213,000		
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	PLANT, MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT																
	Plant & Equipment Renewal																
	Plant Replacement	Plant replacement	2,447,000	3,122,000	2,735,000	2,810,000	2,887,000	2,966,000	3,048,000	3,132,000	3,218,000	3,306,000	2,447,000		29,671,000		
	Total Plant & Equipment Renewal		2,447,000	3,122,000	2,735,000	2,810,000	2,887,000	2,966,000	3,048,000		3,218,000	3,306,000	2,447,000		29,671,000		
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1880	TOTAL PLANT & EQUIPMENT		4,840,000	3,515,000	3,140,000	3,403,000	3,436,000	3,780,000	3,498,000	3,596,000	4,032,000	3,795,000	4,840,000		37,035,000		

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1885	ASSET MANAGEMENT																
1890	ASSET RENEWAL FUND																
1895	5 Asset Renewal Fund																
1900	Asset Renewal Fund	Renewal of aged infrastructure assets	1	7,094,000	11,454,000	16,735,000	20,139,000	20,611,000	20,438,000	20,948,000	21,050,000	14,278,000	7		152,747,000		
1905	Total Asset Renewal Fund			7,094,000	11,454,000	16,735,000	20,139,000	20,611,000	20,438,000	20,948,000	21,050,000	14,278,000			152,747,000		
1910	TOTAL ASSET RENEWAL FUND			7,094,000	11,454,000	16,735,000	20,139,000	20,611,000	20,438,000	20,948,000	21,050,000	14,278,000			152,747,000		
1915	ASSET IMPROVEMENT FUND																
1920	Asset Improvement Fund																
1922	Advanced Design Program	Design of building, infrastructure or trail projects	300,000	420,000	432,000	444,000	456,000	468,000	481,000	495,000	508,000	522,000	300,000		4,526,000		1
1925	Asset Improvement Fund	Delivery of new and improvement works	500,000	836,000	912,000	632,000	136,000	3,623,000	3,794,000	3,052,000	3,097,000	12,139,000	500,000		28,721,000	1	
1930	Total Asset Improvement Fund		800,000	1,256,000	1,344,000	1,076,000	592,000	4,091,000	4,275,000	3,547,000	3,605,000	12,661,000	800,000		33,247,000		
1935	TOTAL ASSET IMPROVEMENT FUND		800,000	1,256,000	1,344,000	1,076,000	592,000	4,091,000	4,275,000	3,547,000	3,605,000	12,661,000	800,000		33,247,000		
1940	PROJECT MANAGEMENT																
1945	Project Management																
1950	Project Management	Recognition of salary component of asset delivery	4,709,000	4,838,000	4,715,000	4,317,000	4,436,000	4,557,000	4,683,000	4,812,000	4,944,000	5,080,000	4,709,000		47,091,000	<u> </u>	
1955	Total Project Management		4,709,000	4,838,000	4,715,000	4,317,000	4,436,000	4,557,000	4,683,000	4,812,000	4,944,000	5,080,000	4,709,000		47,091,000		
1960	TOTAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT		4,709,000	4,838,000	4,715,000	4,317,000	4,436,000	4,557,000	4,683,000	4,812,000	4,944,000	5,080,000	4,709,000		47,091,000		
1965	TOTAL ASSET MANAGEMENT		5,509,000	13,188,000	17,513,000	22,128,000	25,167,000	29,259,000	29,396,000	29,307,000	29,599,000	32,019,000	5,509,000		233,085,000		
1970	1970 TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM		70,633,000	57,705,000	45,703,000	48,382,000	51,990,000	54,959,000	54,607,000	55,806,000	57,100,000	59,872,000	48,399,000	22,234,000	506,054,000	50,703,000	

COUNCILLOR EXPENDITURE POLICY - REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR CR EASTHAM AND CR COX

Report Author: Executive Assistant, Mayor & Councillors

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services

Ward(s) affected: Chandler; Walling

The author(s) of this report and the Responsible Officer consider that the report complies with the overarching governance principles and supporting principles set out in the Local Government Act 2020.

CONFIDENTIALITY

This item is to be considered at a Council meeting that is open to the public.

SUMMARY

The Local Government Act 2020 (the Act) governs the reimbursement of expenses for Councillors and members of a delegated committee. This requires Council to reimburse reasonable, bona fide out-of-pocket expenses incurred while performing their respective roles.

The Councillor Expenditure Policy (the Policy) requires all claims for the reimbursement of expenses to be made within three months of the date an expense has been incurred.

Claims submitted outside this three-month period must be considered by Council.

In accordance with the Policy, approval is sought to reimburse out-of-pocket expenses as follows:

- \$790.89 travel expenses incurred by Cr Eastham during the period 1 November 2023 to 20 December 2023; and
- \$1,173.42 travel expenses incurred by Cr Cox during the period 27 July 2023 to 30 November 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses of \$790.89 incurred by Cr Eastham during the period 1 November 2023 to 20 December 2023 and for \$1,173.42 incurred by Cr Cox during the period 27 July 2023 to 30 November 2023

RELATED COUNCIL DECISIONS

There are no related Council decisions relevant to this item.

BACKGROUND

Section 40 of the Act covers the reimbursement of expenses of Councillors and members of a delegated committee. Council must reimburse a Councillor or a member of a delegated committee for out-of-pocket expenses which the Council is satisfied:

- (a) are bona fide expenses;
- (b) have been reasonably incurred in the performance of the role of Councillor or member of a delegated committee; and
- (c) are reasonably necessary for the Councillor or member of a delegated committee to perform that role.

The following information is required to support any request for reimbursement:

- a tax invoice or a receipt clearly identifying the nature of the expense, the date
 it was incurred and ABN where applicable. If receipts cannot be produced,
 Councillors may be required to provide a statutory declaration;
- the appropriate claim form, fully completed; and
- documentation outlining the nature of the event and breakdown of costs if the claim relates to travel or a conference, seminar or training session.

Claims for reimbursement will not be considered until all of the necessary documentation is provided. Once submitted, claims are then forwarded to the Director Corporate Services for authorisation.

In cases where expenses have been incurred more than three months prior to the claim being submitted, the Policy requires that these be referred to Council for consideration.

The claims submitted by Cr Eastham and Cr Cox are for the reimbursement of expenses incurred more than three months prior to their individual claim being submitted and has therefore been referred to Council for consideration.

With the exception of the three month submission requirement, Officers have determined that the claims for reimbursement relate to Cr Eastham and Cr Cox performing their role of a Councillor and are in accordance with the provisions of both the Act and the Policy.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The reimbursement of the expenses claimed by Cr Eastham and Cr Cox can be met from the 2023-2024 approved budget.

APPLICABLE PLANS AND POLICIES

The Councillor Expenditure Policy sets out the circumstances under which Councillors may incur and seek reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses.

RELEVANT LAW

The Local Government Act 2020 (the Act) requires Council to reimburse reasonable, bona fide out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Councillors while performing their duties as a Councillor.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no economic, social or environmental impacts arising from this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

As the report is operational and administrative in nature, community engagement was not undertaken on this matter.

COLLABORATION, INNOVATION AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

No collaboration with other Councils, Governments or statutory bodies was sought.

RISK ASSESSMENT

There are no known or foreseeable risks. Provision is made within the Policy for Council to consider the reimbursement of expenses incurred more than three months prior to the claim being submitted.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No officers and/or delegates acting on behalf of the Council through the Instrument of Delegation and involved in the preparation and/or authorisation of this report have any general or material conflict of interest as defined within the *Local Government Act 2020*.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE REPORT

Nil

RIDGEWALK LAND ART - CENTRE PIECE ART, TRAILS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE

Report Author: Phil Murton, Anna Nguyen

Responsible Officer: Director Built Environment & Infrastructure

Ward(s) affected: Chandler; Lyster; Streeton;

The author(s) of this report and the Responsible Officer consider that the report complies with the overarching governance principles and supporting principles set out in the Local Government Act 2020.

CONFIDENTIALITY

This item is to be considered at a Council meeting that is open to the public. The item has been included in the public agenda to facilitate openness and transparency in Council's decision making.

Confidential information is contained in Attachment 1. This information relates to contractual matters and contains commercially sensitive information including, but not limited to, the name of tendering parties, the evaluation panel members, the tendered prices, and the evaluation of the tenders received against the published evaluation criteria.

Any disclosure of the information included within the confidential attachment to this report could be prejudicial to the interests of the Council or other parties. If discussion of this information is required, the Council is recommended to resolve that the item be deferred to the confidential section of the agenda when the meeting is closed to members of the public in accordance with Section 3(1)(g)(i)(g)(ii) of the Local Government Act 2020.

SUMMARY

This report summarises the evaluation process and seeks Council approval for the award of the contract **EOI7330 7453 Land Art Trail Construction works** located at Kalorama Park Picnic Ground, Kalorama VIC 3766.

This contract will deliver part of the ngurrak barring | RidgeWalk project, an art and cultural walking experience, which occurs across 39km of walking track throughout the Dandenong Ranges.

Through community engagements and pop-ups to date, the ngurrak barring team have received feedback highlighting the strong need for access and inclusive connections and pathways throughout the hills. This has led to the focus of using the centrepiece "Regeneration" as a trail that can experienced by all.

The proposed centre piece will include works such as new trails, seating areas, civil infrastructure and landscaping which all combine as part of the 'Regeneration' Land Art designed by TARRMAC Studio, FOOKS Studio and Aspect Studio. The

works have been well-considered with the complex sloping site accommodating a 40m drop over the total length of 750m walking path. The Land Art trail is the key public artwork piece for ngurrak barring, providing connection for the trail from Montrose to Karwarra Australian Plant Garden and Nursery (Experience 01). The top section of the park incorporates a DDA path allowing for all-abilities access to the new Listening and Harmonic sculptures, slowly transforming into a gravel trail meandering down towards the lower picnic area. The project provides vital connections and amenities as part of ngurrak barring.

The Evaluation panel recommend the tender from R & J Kent & CO PTY LTD to be accepted for a lump sum contract amount of \$1,755,081.00 Excl. GST.

RECOMMENDATION

That

- 1. Council awards the tender from R & J Kent & CO PTY LTD for EOI7330 7453 Land Art Trail Construction for a total lump sum of \$1,755,081.00 Excl. GST.
- 2. The Director Built Environment & Infrastructure be delegated the authority to sign the contract documents.
- 3. The confidential attachment to this report remains confidential indefinitely as it relates to matters specified under section 3(1)(g)(i)(g)(ii) of the Local Government Act 2020.

RELATED COUNCIL DECISIONS

There are no related council decisions relevant to this item.

DISCUSSION

Purpose and Background

The Land Art, 'Regeneration' works intricately with the site. Responding to the topography, it will be located in the foreground of an iconic viewpoint for the Dandenong Ranges and is the centre piece for ngurrak barring. The project will deliver part of the 'RidgeWalk (ngurrak barring) Master Plan' that will see use of this unique site providing new and engaging social areas for people to gather and connect in a safe and natural environment.

The Land Art Trail Construction is to commence in the 2023/2024 financial year.

To support efficient procurement processes, Council sought Expression of Interest from contractors to establish a panel of sixteen (16) pre-qualified Landscape Construction and Associated Works contractors to EOI7330. From this list Council now seek quotations for Landscape Construction and associated works, as and when funding allows.

Under the terms and conditions of the panel arrangement, any contracts valued over \$1 million require a formal declaration report indicating the estimated cost and budget be accepted by Council before the project can proceed to construction.

On 29/02/2024, Council invited the pre-qualified suppliers from the Landscape Construction and Associated Works Panel to submit their pricing for the Land Art Trail Construction.

The tender process remained open for 15-days business working days, which included a 5-day extension for the clarifications period closing on 05/04/2024, and four (4) Submissions were received.

Options considered

This tender process has been carried out in accordance with the requirements of Council's Procurement Policy.

Tenderer's submissions were assessed for conformity with the tender documents and no tenders were eliminated from further evaluation as a result of any non-conformances.

The Evaluation Panel scored tenders against pre-established evaluation criteria. A summary of the evaluation criteria follows.

Evaluation Criteria	Weighting
Price	40%
Methodology and experience	20%
Timeframes with detailed	40%
program and availability	
Total	100%

A summary of the evaluation and results are contained within Confidential Attachment 1.

Recommended option and justification

Following a detailed evaluation process, as outlined in Confidential Attachment 1. The evaluation panel are unanimous in their decision to recommend R & J Kent & CO PTY LTD for the construction of EOI7330 7453. R & J Kent & CO PTY LTD offer the best value outcome for council. The evaluation panel request that Council adopts the recommendations within this report.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The entire ngurrak barring art, culture and trail project is jointly funded to \$10 million through the Federal Government's Regional Growth Fund and Community

Development Grant Programs, the State Government's Growing Suburbs Fund and Yarra Ranges Council.

The recommended tender award amount is \$1,755,081.00 Excl. GST is within the allocated project budget which includes funding as noted above. Council funds have been allocated to this project as part of Yarra Ranges Council 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 Capital Expenditure Program.

Confidential attachment 1 provides further details of the budget breakdown and anticipated expenditure for the project.

APPLICABLE PLANS AND POLICIES

This report contributes to the following strategic objective(s) in the Council Plan:

Yarra Ranges Council Plan: 2021-2025

- Quality Infrastructure and Liveable Places: Quality facilities and infrastructure meets current and future needs. Places are well planned hubs of activity that foster wellbeing, creativity and innovation.
- Vibrant Economy, Agriculture and Tourism: Ensure tourism, agriculture, health
 and other industries are leading, dynamic and thriving, with strong investment
 and attraction to underpin sustainable economic growth.

Creative Communities strategy

- 'Create a community active in shaping extraordinary cultural experiences and 'putting culture and creativity at the heart of our places'.
- 'Regeneration' Land Art meets the curatorial principles developed for ngurrak barring in that it is transformational, environmental, inclusive and dynamic.

RELEVANT LAW

This report seeks council approval to award a contract that complies with section 108 of the local government act 2020.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Economic Implications

This has been considered as part of the project specification and evaluation process. The recommended tenderer has committed to source goods, services and materials proposed for this contract from within Yarra Ranges Shire as well as employing locally.

Social Implications

This has been considered as part of the project specification and evaluation process. The design team and recommended tenderer have committed to provide a high-quality landscaped area for the community to enjoy. The recommended tenderer is seeking to purchase and utilise major materials items and recycled fallen trees where required within the Yarra Ranges Shire for the construction of the project as well as employing locally.

Environmental Implications

The Land Art is installed in an open space within Kalorama Park where no native vegetation will be removed, lopped or destroyed during its construction.

The ngurrak barring team has worked with internal and external ecologists and the Friends of Kalorama in the development of the native plantings which are all endemic to the site. This native vegetation aims to improve the biodiversity of the area whilst also adhering to fire management recommendations from Forest Fire Management Victoria.

This has been considered as part of the project specification and evaluation process as the works will be constructed on Parks Victoria managed land (Dandenong Ranges National Park). As part of the contract, the successful tenderer will be required to adhere to a construction environmental management plan for the duration of the project.

The recommended tenderer has an Environmental Management System and Quality Management System in place and seeks to follow the Parks Victoria Environmental Guidelines and Cultural Heritage Management Plan.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Consultation for this artwork began through the extensive engagement with the community to development the 'RidgeWalk (ngurrak barring) Master Plan'. This engagement included collaboration with Traditional owners and local history groups and helped outline curatorial guidelines with recommendations for design parameters and the thematic foundation for the project.

The curatorial framework was then finalised for the project providing detail around decision making and curatorial principles to be applied to creative aspects of ngurrak barring. From this, the RidgeWalk Creative Advisory Panel (RWCAP) and more recently, the Public Art Working Group (PAWG) were formed to provide expert guidance and advice ensuring that creative components are consistent with project objectives. The PAWG is a knowledge-based group made up of internal and external experts who participated in assessing and shortlisting submissions for the Land Art (awarded mid 2023).

ngurrak barring is guided by and regularly consults with the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, a subgroup, the Wurundjeri Indigenous Project Advisory Network, and an Indigenous Project Advisory Network made up of Indigenous people living locally.

Parks Victoria, as Land Manager for Kalorama Park, have been closely consulted for the length of the project and at every stage of development for the Land Art. As too, have Forest Fire Management Victoria. To date, they are satisfied that the artwork complements the character of the site, is not damaging to the environment and are supportive of its positive outcomes for community and visitors.

The 'Friends of Kalorama Park' have been involved on a number of occasions during design development of the Land Art. They have been engaged in relation to the selection of Native Vegetation for the artwork and are excited with this opportunity to improve the local ecosystem.

As both the Land Art site and the Five Ways Intersection are within the planning Heritage Overlays, internal and external reviews were undertaken. Extent Heritage provided external heritage advice including materials and finishes recommendations to ensure the proposed works do not cause any detrimental effects to the heritage protected sites.

There was feedback from early community engagements identifying the need to have aspects of the trail more accessible for those with disability where possible. Through consulting with the artists and designers, we were able to include the DDA path to allow the Land Art to be more accessible and therefore inclusive – a rarity to the Dandenong Ranges.

The Planning team did not request an advertising period for the Land Art application, acknowledging and confirming the extensive community engagement had satisfactorily met the statutory requirements.

COLLABORATION, INNOVATION AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

The design of the Land Art has been through an extensive consultation process with multiple approval gateways prior to tender. Stakeholder consultation has included both external and internal stakeholders throughout the process.

The specification and tender documentation have been prepared in collaboration with an external consultant team, Planning & Building team, Design & Place team, Biodiversity team, Infrastructure Services team, Recreation Parks & Facilities team and has been developed in consultation with Council's Procurement team.

RISK ASSESSMENT

This has been considered as part of project design, contract terms and conditions and within the evaluation process. A project risk register has been developed, maintained, and monitored for this project.

The recommended contractor is considered an expert in their field and highly qualified to deliver a successful result. They are also registered within the Rapid Global system and meet councils' compliance requirements for this size and type of contract.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No officers and/or delegates acting on behalf of the Council through the Instrument of Delegation and involved in the preparation and/or authorisation of this report have any general or material conflict of interest as defined within the *Local Government Act 2020*.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE REPORT

- 1. Confidential Attachment EOI 7330 7453 Land art trail construction tender evaluation
- 2. Land Art Cultural Framework and Guidance
- 3. Land Art scope of works and connections

Confidentiality Clauses: Section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 2020

Confidential Item

ngurrak barring I RidgeWalk is a cultural walking experience examining the human connection to Country and the expression and exploration of that relationship in the Dandenong Ranges over time. It is considered a major Victorian cultural tourism project, attracting funding from all levels of government.

Some of Australia's most significant artists and creatives, both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal, have drawn inspiration from the Dandenongs, including William Barak, Arthur Streeton, Tom Roberts, Edna Walling, Lin Onus and Fred Williams. Today, the area continues to thrive as a creative hub.

Following extensive consultation and creative and cultural guidance* five themes were established for the project. They are; Ways of Seeing, Community, Resilience, Activism and Country. All creative and cultural content and design, expressed via the architectural nodes, the artwork, the interpretive signage and programming of the trail is curated according to these themes.

Jon Tarry and James Morton (TARRMACstudio), Marti Fooks, (FOOKS Studio), Kirsten Bauer (ASPECT Studio), Regeneration, 2024. Stainless steel, brass, bronze, timber, plants.

Regeneration will be a large-scale, site-specific, integrated land artwork. It will create a unique and iconic destination for local residents and visitors and is considered a key public art project for ngurrak barring. Regeneration will be positioned along an extensive system of walking trails. Here Artscape and landscape will purposefully combine to create a place where culture, nature, and our senses meet.

Regeneration will complement the form and character of the site and its surrounds and convey a concept that is deeply considered and reflective of the environment and cultural and historical context of the immediate area and/or the wider Dandenong Ranges.

As a land artwork *Regeneration* will be integrated with the landscape and made using mostly natural materials. It will reflect the *ngurrak barring* Vision, particularly by being environmentally responsive.

Regeneration is inspired by William Barak's paintings and drawings of the area, and on Edna Walling's celebrated environmental design. William Barak's depictions of life in the region provide moving insights. His drawings of the Lyrebird render the intricacy of the feathers and the creature's unique ability to mimic sounds of other wildlife that echo through the valleys. Edna Walling's celebrated influential environmental design steered changes to gardening practices that now emphasise the importance of sustainability.

The artwork's form and function is responsive to the sounds of the site and features an interactive element for people to explore and to make connections between past and present moments. This is introduced through the resonant sound elements of the sculptural works.

In harmony with natures geometry, the sculptured forms will utilise some of the fallen timbers from the area. Subtle sculpting of the land with paths and plantings will combine, creating a place to expand the senses.

Regeneration will be experienced from the Kalorama Park lookout as well as a dedicated path running through the site. The path is designed to echo the shape of the Lyrebird feather. The lower section of the path will frame a perfect alternate view into the distance and links to the May Moon path. Along the way planting beds will radiate from the central space in a repeated pattern to the central sculptural space, creating a 'convergence', of growth and 'Regeneration'.

Artwork selection process

Following an open expression of interest process earlier this year, forty-two submissions were received of which six parties were shortlisted by the Public Art Working Group, consisting of local arts practitioners, business owners and public art professionals', to progress to the second stage. These six parties were invited to tender and create a concept proposal.

The Regeneration concept proposal by Jon Tarry (TARRMACstudio), Marti Fooks (FOOKS Studio), James Morton and Kirsten Bauer (ASPECT Studio) was recommended by the Public Art Working Group and approved by the Director, Communities, Yarra Ranges Council.

*Community Research and Consultation

RidgeWalk was first conceived in 2017 by the Yarra Ranges Council Creative Communities team. Yarra Ranges Council led the project in partnership with State and Federal Government, Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, Parks Victoria, residents, artists, businesses, schools, cultural and community organisations. Indigenous culture, the environment, heritage and creativity were the key local values identified during this early conceptual phase, and they continue to underpin all subsequent project activities.

Two cultural studies, commissioned by Yarra Ranges Council, provide the thematic foundation for the project. The reports were produced in collaboration with Traditional Owners and local history groups. Studies examining opportunities around transportation and economic impact were produced, along with a Cultural Heritage Management Plan and Curatorial Framework.

Between 2017-2019, more than 1200 community members participated in drop-in sessions, online forums, workshops, and guided walks. Additionally, project staff worked with Yarra Ranges Council's Disability Advisory Committee, Indigenous Advisory Committee and attended local environmental, business and heritage network meetings. As ngurrak barring progresses, community groups, residents and the public will be invited to give feedback in a variety of ways on many projects. Council, including the ngurrak barring team regularly hold in person pop-ups in towns across the Dandenong Ranges and have stalls at community events. Regularly updates, opportunities to be involved, to have your say or to join our mailing list can be found online here. A quarterly digital report is distributed to the ngurrak barring mailing list. An annual paper update report is also distributed to all the residents who live in the Dandenong Ranges. ngurrak barring social media posts also feature regularly on Council's social media channels.

Parks Victoria (PV) and Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMV) are key stakeholders and partners. Council consults with PV and FFMV ongoingly to ensure all fire safety standards are met and asset maintenance is planned and implemented appropriately.

Creative Guidance

The RidgeWalk Creative Advisory Panel (RWCAP) was formed to work alongside industry leaders in providing creative oversight for the development and delivery of the ngurrak barring | RidgeWalk's creative program. Consisting of local arts practitioners and public art professionals' advice was given by the group guided by the RidgeWalk Curatorial Framework and RidgeWalk Masterplan 2020.

In March 2023, as the ngurrak barring | RidgeWalk project progressed the RWCAP transitioned from a strategic focus to a delivery focus and so a Public Art Working Group was formed. Members of the RWCAP became members of the Public Art Working Group

and were joined by expert Council staff from the Design and Place and Creative Communities' teams. Now the Public Art Working Group provides high quality creative advice for the development of art and creative projects for ngurrak barring | RidgeWalk. The group draws on experts from relevant Council departments and from external organisations, groups and individuals.

Cultural Guidance

ngurrak barring | RidgeWalk is guided by and regularly consults with the Wurundjeri Woi wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, a subgroup, the Wurundjeri Indigenous Project Advisory Network, and an Indigenous Project Advisory Network made up of Indigenous people living locally.

ngurrak barring draws upon principles and best practice approaches outlined in the Australian Indigenous Design Charter: Communication Design (AIDC:CD). The AIDC:CD aims to help facilitate accurate and respectful representation of Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture in design and associated media.

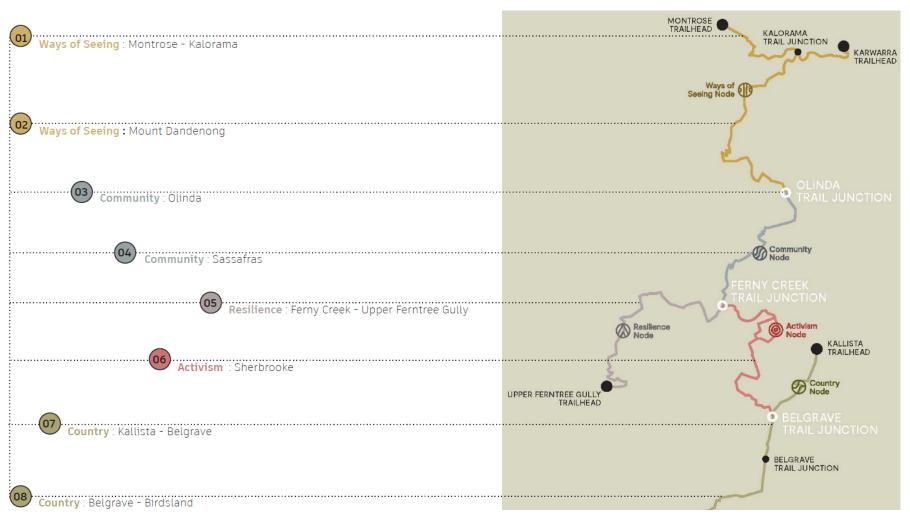
All content referencing Indigenous people or culture included as part of ngurrak barring | RidgeWalk is guided by these groups and by the Australian Indigenous Design Charter.



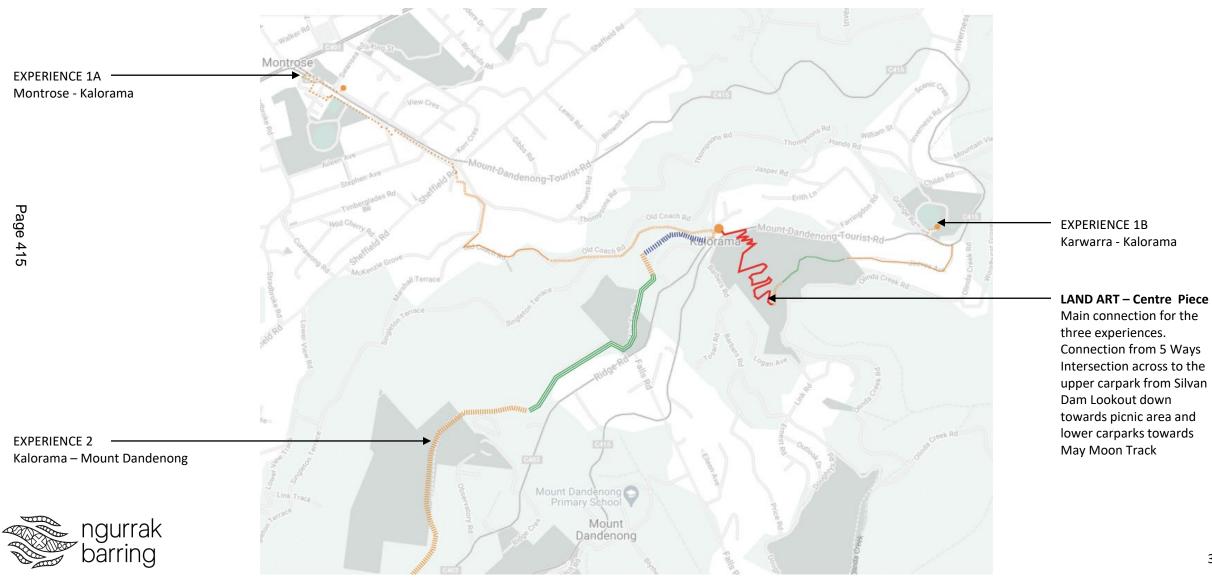


ngurrak barring











Existing Site – Kalorama Park



Proposed Site – Kalorama Park



Centrepiece Elements	% of works
Trails (650m) and DDA path (150m)	60%
Landscaping	15%
Artwork	5%
Associated infrastructure (civil works)	20%

Centerpiece artwork, trails and associated infrastructure | Scope of works breakdown











11. COUNCILLOR MOTIONS

In accordance with Chapter 3 Division 4 of the Governance Rules developed by Council in accordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020.

There were no Councillor motions received prior to the Agenda being printed.

12. ITEMS THROUGH THE CHAIR

13. REPORTS FROM DELEGATES

14. DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNING AND SEALING

In accordance with Clause 87 of the Meeting Procedures and Use of Common Seal Local Law 2015, as prescribed by Section 14(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 2020.

There were no Documents for Signing and Sealing listed for this meeting prior to the Agenda being printed.

15. INFORMAL MEETINGS OF COUNCILLORS

Report Author: Governance Officer

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate Services

Ward(s) affected: All Wards

The author(s) of this report and the Responsible Officer consider that the report complies with the overarching governance principles and supporting principles set out in the Local Government Act 2020.

CONFIDENTIALITY

This item is to be considered at a Council meeting that is open to the public

SUMMARY

Chapter 8, Rule 1, of the Governance Rules requires that records of informal meetings of Councillors must be kept and that the Chief Executive Officer must ensure that a summary of the matters discussed at the meeting tabled at the next convenient Council meeting and recorded in the Minutes of that Council meeting.

An 'informal meeting of Councillors' is defined in the Governance Rules as a meeting of Councillors that:

- is scheduled or planned for the purpose of discussing the business of Council or briefing Councillors;
- is attended by at least one member of Council staff; and
- is not a Council meeting, Delegated Committee meeting or Community Asset Committee meeting.

The records for informal meetings of Councillors are attached to the report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the records of the Informal Meetings of Councillors, copies of which are attached to the report, be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE REPORT

- 1. 2 April 2024 Council Briefing
- 2. 2 April 2024 Council Forum

Informal Meeting of Councillors Public Record



Meeting Name:	Council Briefing			
Date:	02 April 2024 Start Time: 6.08pm Finish Time:6.31pm			
Venue:	Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Anderson Street, Lilydale and via videoconference			
Attendees:	Councillors	Sophie Todorov (Chair), David Eastham (Deputy Chair) Jim Child, Len Cox, Andrew Fullagar, Richard Higgins, and Johanna Skelton		
	CEO/Directors: Tammi Rose, Andrew Hilson, Kath McClusky, Leanne Hurst and Hjalmar Philipp			
	Officers:	Sarah Candeland, Gina Walter, Ben Waterhouse and Joanne Hammond		
	Externals:	Nil		
Apologies:	Fiona McCAllister and Tim Heenan			
Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest:	Nil			
Matter/s Discussed:	This briefing covered the following items of business to be considered at the 9 April 2024 Council Meeting.			
	9.1	9.1 Petition to Council – Upgrade Existing Play Equipment at the Roseman Reserve, Chirnside Park		
	10.1	Financial Year 2024-2025 Draft Budget Endorsement for Public Consultation		
	10.2	Review of Delegations Made to Council Staff		
	10.3			
	10.4	Aquatics and Leisure Strategy Community Consultation Outcomes and Adoption		
	10.5	Birmingham Road Mount Evelyn Traffic Management		
	10.6	EOI6105 7125 Alpine Street, Cecil Street and Glenbrook Road Warburton – Road Improvement Works Special Charge Scheme		
	14	Documents for Signing and Sealing - Deed of Release - Yarra Ranges Shire Council and Akira Matsumoto and Gillian Cromie		
Completed By:	Gina Walter			

Informal Meeting of Councillors Public Record



Meeting Name:	Council Forum		
Date:	02 April 20	02 April 2024 Start Time: 5.32pm Finish Time:10.20pm	
Venue:	Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Anderson Street, Lilydale and via videoconference		
Attendees:	Councillor	s: Cr S Todorov (Chair), Cr D Eastham (Deputy Mayor), Cr A Fullagar, Cr J Skelton(From 5.33pm), Cr R Higgins(From 5.39pm), Cr J Child and Cr L Cox	
	Via Zoom:	Cr T Heenan(From 7.03pm)	
	CEO/Directors: Tammi Rose, Andrew Hilson, Leanne Hurst, Kath McClu and Hjalmar Philipp		
	Officers:	Gina Walter, Sarah Candeland, Ben Waterhouse, Joanne Hammond, Kim O'Connor, Bumeke Jayasinghe, Maria Stevens, Catherine Bennett, Ellie Ingwersen, Paul Mechelen, Nick Magree, Sarah Bond, and Liam Routledge	
	Via Zoom:	Marco D'Amico, Abby McCarthy, and Alanna Ford	
	Externals:	Externals: Nil	
Apologies	Cr F McAllister		
Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest:	Nil		
	1.2	Paid Parking Update and Next Steps	
Matter/s Discussed:	2.1	Action and Agreement Record	
	2.2	Fair Access Policy	
	2.3	Tree Canopy Strategy	
	2.4	Monbulk Aquatic Centre Electrification Grant Application	
	2.5	Consider Public Release of Draft Budget Financial Year 2024-2025	
	3.0	For Noting	
	3.1	Indicative Forum & Council Meeting Schedule	
	4	Mayor & CEO Update	
	5	General Business	

Assembly of Councillors Public Record



	6	Late Items and Urgent Business
Completed By:	Gina Walter	

16. URGENT BUSINESS

In accordance with Chapter 3 Rule 24 of the Governance Rules developed by Council in accordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020.

17. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In accordance with Chapter 3 Rule 24 of the Governance Rules developed by Council in accordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020.

There were no Confidential Items listed on the agenda for this meeting.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 14 May 2024 commencing at 7.00pm, at Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Anderson Street, Lilydale and via videoconference.



In providing for the good governance of its community, Councillors are reminded of their obligation to abide by the provisions as set within the Local Government Act 2020 and the Code of Conduct for Councillors.

When attending a Council Meeting, Councillors should adhere to the procedures set out in the Governance Rules developed by Council in accordance with section 60 of the Local Government Act 2020.

The following is a guide for all Councillors to ensure they act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of Yarra Ranges as a whole.

- Councillors will respect the personal views of other Councillors and the decisions of Council.
- 2. Councillors may publicly express their own opinions on Council matters but not so as to undermine the standing of Council in the community.
- 3. The Mayor is the official spokesperson for Council.
- 4. Councillors will incur expenditure in a responsible manner and in accordance with the Councillor Expenditure and Policy.
- 5. Councillors will avoid conflicts of interest and will always openly disclose any direct and indirect interests where they exist.
- 6. Councillors will act with integrity and respect when interacting with Council staff and members of the public.
- 7. Councillors will demonstrate fairness in all dealings and conduct and be open with and accountable to the community at all times.
- 8. Councillors will conduct themselves in a manner that does not cause detriment to Council or the Yarra Ranges community.