

BUDGET SUMMARY

	4.75% GENERAL RATES INCREASE
	\$67.4M CAPITAL PROGRAM
	\$300 COUNCIL PENSIONER REBATE RETAINED
	GENERAL RATES DISCOUNT OF 5% TO REMAIN
	\$32.5M TOWARDS EMPLOYING 370 LOCALS WHO LIVE, WORK, PLAY AND INVEST IN THE CASSOWARY COAST

\$93.05 M OPERATING REVENUE **\$93.2 M** OPERATING EXPENDITURE

GENERAL RATE INCREASE

The General Rate will increase by 4.75 per cent. Utility charges and Special charges will increase by 6.8 per cent, which is below the CPI increase.

PENSION CONCESSION ELIGIBILITY

Property owners who are pension concession card holders may be eligible to receive a Council concession of up to \$300 per financial year on their rates.

DISCOUNT ELIGIBILITY

A discount of 5% of the General Rate will be applied if paid in full by the due date.



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CASSOWARY COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

2023-2024 Budget *at a glance*



CAPITAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

\$67.4 million
total capital expenditure

\$ 1.6 million

Recreation and Natural Areas including Warrina Lakes Nature play and Banyan Park Tully

\$ 18.1 million

Stage 1 of the Cardwell Sewerage Treatment Plant and Normalisation Works

\$ 8.4 million

Invested into CBD upgrades at Tully, Innisfail and Mission Beach

\$ 5.5 million

Bridge and culvert upgrades

\$ 112,000

Pool upgrades and renewal

\$ 1.5 million

Footpath connections and expansions

\$ 5.3 million

Maintaining, upgrading and expanding our road network

\$ 2 million

Stormwater drainage renewal

\$ 8.8 million

Hyatt Street Water Reservoir

OPERATIONAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

\$900K towards operational projects including:

\$ 60,000

Co-funding to support Feral Pig Coordinator position at Council

\$ 50,000

Towards economic development and supporting businesses across the region

\$ 150,000

Undertake Cassowary Coast Planning Scheme Amendment

\$ 201,000

Allocated to the Community Grants Program

\$ 150,000

Invested to undertake road condition survey

\$ 40,000

Contributed to Innisfail CBD Activation Projects

CASSOWARY COAST BY NUMBERS

\$1.5 million to operate and maintain four Libraries

\$1.8 million to maintain and fund the operation of four pool facilities and one splash pad

\$223,000 to operate 2,439 streetlights

\$400,000 to repair 2,450 potholes

\$7 million to maintain and repair 695km of our sealed road network

\$2.6 million to maintain and repair 625 km of our unsealed road network

\$1.8 million to maintain 162 bridges

\$2.5 million to operate seven Transfer Stations

\$783,000 to maintain 11 sport fields

\$1 million to maintain and operate Tully and Innisfail Showgrounds

\$2.9 million to maintain and operate three Sewerage Treatment Plants

\$5.3 million to service 814km of water mains

FUNDED PROJECTS



\$ 20.4 million

of funding received thanks to Australian Government and Queensland Government programs



WASTE FEES AND CHARGES

As of 1 July 2023, charges for domestic dry and wet waste will be in place at Council's Waste Transfer Stations in a bid to curb the region's waste to landfill.

The new charges aim to reduce the amount of waste going into landfill by encouraging residents to consider what they are throwing out to avoid additional costs.

How much will be charged?

Residents will be charged for the disposal of **domestic wet and dry waste ONLY** at Waste Transfer Stations. Where a load is split, users will pay to cover the amount being distributed into either wet or dry waste bins and this will be determined by Transfer Station Attendants.

Domestic Wet and Dry Waste charges outlined below:

Small load = \$8.00

Up to 0.5m³

Example: 2 wheelie bins



Medium load = \$16.00

From 0.5m³ to 2.0m³

Example: small ute



Large load = \$22.00

From 2.0m³ to 4.0m³

Example: Large Trailer



What items are free to dispose of?

You can dispose of the following domestic items for **FREE**:

- e-waste
- car batteries
- green waste
- ferrous and non-ferrous metal
- approved/rolled fertiliser bags
- car/motorbike bodies - drained (Stoters/Tully only)
- drumMUSTER containers (Stoters/Tully only)
- cardboard
- glass (container refund scheme only)
- plastic (container refund scheme only)
- Reuse Shop products (at staff discretion)
- solar panels
- paint (up to 20 litres)
- engine oil (20 litres)