



RATE RESOLUTION FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2025

1. General Rate

- 1.1. Pursuant to sections 90 and 91 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act), the Council makes the following general rate on all rateable land (excluding land which is exempt pursuant to the provisions of section 87) within the municipal area of West Coast for the period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending 30 June 2025 and which consists of two components as follows:
- (a) a rate of 18.1516 cents in the dollar on the assessed annual value of the land; and
 - (b) a fixed charge of \$315.00
- 1.2. Pursuant to section 107 of the Act, and by reason of the following factors, Council declares, by absolute majority, that component (a) of the General Rate in clause 1.1 is varied as follows:
- (a) for land used or predominantly used for residential purposes, primary production, or vacant land the rate is varied by decreasing it by 10.3518 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value to 7.7998 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land;
 - (b) for land used or predominantly used for quarrying or mining purposes in any locality within the West Coast local government area, and for land used as institutional accommodation where the locality is in Zeehan, by increasing it by 88.957 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value to 107.109 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land;
 - (c) for lands used or predominantly used for primary production of aquaculture and also where the locality of the land is at Smiths Cove, Strahan. The rate is varied by increasing it by 102.32 cents in the dollar of the assessed annual value to 120.475 cents in the dollar of the assessed annual value of the land;
 - (d) for lands used or predominantly used for windfarm operations the rate is varied by increasing it by 90.428 cents in the dollar of assessed annual value of the land to 108.58 cents in the dollar of the assessed annual value of the land.

2. Service rates – Fire Services

- 2.1. Pursuant to section 93A of the Act the Council makes the following service rates in respect of the fire service contributions it must collect under the *Fire Service Act 1979* for the rateable parcels of land within the municipal area for the period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending 30 June 2025 as follows:

<i>District</i>	<i>Cents in the dollar of assessed annual value</i>
Zeehan, Queenstown, Rosebery & Strahan Volunteer Brigade Rating Districts	0.515
General Land	0.485

2.2. Pursuant to section 93(3) of the Act, the Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of this service rate of \$49.00

3. Service Rates & Service Charges – Waste Management (Transfer Stations, Landfill Contribution, Garbage Collection & Recycling Collection)

3.1. Pursuant to section 93 makes a service rate of 0.7512 cents in the dollar for the purpose of Waste Management (Provision of Landfill) in the dollar on all ratable land within the municipal area of the West Coast (including land which is otherwise exempt from rates pursuant to section 87 but excluding land owned by the Crown to which the Council does not supply any of the following services for the period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending on 30 June 2025.

3.2. Pursuant to section 94 makes a service charge of \$167.85 for all land predominantly used for residential purposes for which a mobile garbage collection service (140L/240L) is offered. Additional bins and bins for land not predominantly used for residential purposes are charged as per Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

3.3. Pursuant to section 94, a service charge of \$440.00 for all land predominantly used for residential purposes (for the provision of Waste Transfer Stations).

3.4. Pursuant to section 94, a service charge of \$52.91 for all lands used or predominantly used for residential and commercial purposes where a mobile recycle bin service (240L) is made available. Additional bins charged as per Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.

4. Service Charge: Storm Water Removal

4.1. Pursuant to section 94 of the Act, Council makes the following service charges on all rateable land within the municipal area of West Coast (including land which is otherwise exempt from rates pursuant to section 87 but excluding land owned by the Crown to which the Council does not supply any of the following services) for the period commencing 1 July 2024 and ending on 30 June 2025 namely a service charge for storm water removal in respect of all land to which Council supplies or makes available a storm water removal service of \$168.09.

4.2. Pursuant to section 94(3) Council declares, by absolute majority, that the service charge at resolution 4.1 is varied according to the locality of land by reducing it to \$14.29 where the location of the land is not within the town boundary of any of Gormanston, Tullah, Rosebery, Zeehan, Strahan or Queenstown.

5. Separate Land

5.1. Except where it is expressly provided to the contrary, for the purposes of these resolutions the rates and charges shall apply to each parcel of land which is shown as being separately valued in the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001*.

6. Adjusted Values

6.1. For the purposes of each of these resolutions any reference to the assessed annual value includes a reference to that value as adjusted pursuant to sections 89 and 89A of the Act.

7. Payment

7.1. Pursuant to section 124 of the Act the Council:

(a) determines that if the rates and charges are payable by one payment, then the due date is 23 August 2024;

(b) If the rates and charges are not paid in one payment, then Council decides that all rates and charges are payable by all rate payers by 4 instalments of approximately equal amounts and determines that the dates by which the instalments are to be paid shall be as follows:

(i) the first instalment on or before 23 August 2024;

- (ii) the second instalment on or before 25 October 2024;
- (iii) the third instalment on or before 17 January 2025; and
- (iv) the fourth instalment on or before 28 March 2025.

7.2 If a ratepayer fails to pay any instalment within 21 days of the due date, Council may determine that the entire balance of the rates payable becomes due.

8. Maximum Percentage Increase

- 8.1. Pursuant to section 88A of the Act, Council by absolute majority, sets a maximum percentage increase for all rates payable on any rateable land within the municipal area of 50% above the amount payable in respect of that rateable land in the 2023/2024 financial year.
- 8.2. Pursuant to Section 88A(1)(b) of the Act, Council declares that the maximum percentage increase varies within the municipal area according to the following factors:
 - (a) for all rateable land used, or predominantly used, for Residential Purposes and is occupied as a principal dwelling by persons who are eligible pensioners within the meaning of the Local Government (Rates and Charges Remissions) Act 1991, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 11.5%;
 - (b) for all rateable land used or predominantly used for Residential Purposes and where the variation at sub-paragraph 5.2 (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 25%;
 - (c) for all rateable land which is used or predominantly used for Primary Production Purposes and where sub-paragraph 9.2 (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 25%;
 - (d) for all rateable land which is used or predominantly used is Vacant Land and where sub-paragraph 9.2 (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 40%;
 - (e) for all rateable land which is used or predominantly used for Commercial Purposes and Industrial Purposes, where sub-paragraph 8.2 (a) does not apply, the maximum percentage increase is varied to 40%
 - (f) A parcel of rateable land will not qualify for the maximum increase cap set in sub-paragraphs 8.2 (a) to (e);
 - i if any increase in the value of a parcel of rateable land the subject of a supplementary valuation pursuant to section 92 of the Act made after 1 July 2023 is attributable to the undertaking of capital improvements or the subdivision of land;
 - ii if the general rate was not applied in full in the 2023/2024 financial year for any reason to a parcel of rateable land including the exercise of any discretion or the grant of any remission;
 - iii if the land use code which Council relies upon to rate a parcel of rateable land for the 2024/2025 year has altered from the land use code relied upon by the Council to rate the same parcel of rateable land in the 2023/2024 year.

9. Default Penalty & Interest

- 9.1. Pursuant to section 128 of the Act, if any rate or instalment is not paid on or before the date it falls due then there is payable a daily interest charge equal to the prescribed percentage set out at section 128(2) of the Act in respect of the unpaid rate or instalment for the period during which it is unpaid.

10. Words & Expressions

10.1. Words and expressions used both in these resolutions and in the Act or the *Fire Service Act 1979* have in these resolutions the same respective meanings as they have in those Acts.