

16 January 2023

Your ref:

Our ref: AINT/2022/50869

Mr Edward Jenkins
Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal | NSW
Level 16, 2-24 Rawson Place
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Mr Jenkins,

Declaration as to council's compliance with the conditions specified in the SV instrument for Armidale Regional Council for 2021-22

In support of Council's application for a special rate variation for 2023-24 (Part B), question 6, I make the following declaration:

- a) The Council has used the Additional Income from the 2021-22 approved SRV for the purposes of improving its financial sustainability, reducing its infrastructure backlog, and maintaining service levels (Proposed Program), generally in accordance with Appendix B of the 2021-22 SRV Application Report.
- b) The Council has reported in its annual report for the Year 2021-22 on the following:
 - i. the program of expenditure that was actually funded by the Additional Income;
 - ii. any significant differences between the Proposed Program and the program of expenditure that was actually funded by the Additional Income and the reasons for those differences;
 - iii. the outcomes achieved as a result of the Additional Income;
 - iv. the Council's actual revenues, expenses and operating balance against the projected revenues, expenses and operating balance as outlined in the Long Term Financial Plan; and
 - v. any significant differences between the Council's actual revenues, expenses and operating balance and the projected revenues, expenses and operating balance as outlined in the Long Term Financial Plan and the reasons for those differences.

A copy of the Annual Report for 2021-22 can be found at

https://www.armidaleregional.nsw.gov.au/ArticleDocuments/278/ARC_AnnualReport2021_22%20FINAL%20combined.pdf.aspx and the relevant data has been included on pages 49 and 50.

Yours sincerely


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