

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993

INSTRUMENT UNDER SECTION 508(2)

KU-RING-GAI COUNCIL

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART), delegate of the Minister for Local Government, pursuant to the delegation dated 6 September 2010, by this Order:

1. Under section 508(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) determines that the percentage by which Ku-ring-gai Council may increase its general income for the year 2011/2012 is 7.8%.

2. The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- I. The council uses the Additional Income for the purposes of funding the environmental projects consistent with the council's application. The environmental projects are listed in Appendix A of IPART's determination dated June 2011 of the council's application under section 508(2) of the Act (IPART's Determination).

Additional Income means:

- a) the additional general income raised in accordance with clause 1 of this Order, less
- b) the additional general income that would otherwise be available to the council under section 506 of the Act.

- II. The council reports in its annual report for each rating year over the period from 2011/2012 to 2018/2019 on:

- a) the environmental projects as listed in Appendix A of IPART's Determination;
- b) the outcomes achieved as a result of the special variation;
- c) its asset renewal and maintenance expenditure;
- d) its actual productivity savings achieved; and
- e) any significant variations from its financial results as forecast in its Long Term Financial Plan and any corrective action taken or to be taken.

- III. The council reduces its general income for the 2019/2020 rating year by:

- a) \$2,423,525 (Initial Reduction Amount); and
- b) the cumulative additional income derived for the 2012/2013 to 2018/2019 rating years on the application of:
 - 1) any special variation percentage approved under section 508(2) or 508A of the Act for the council for each rating year during the period 2012/2013 to 2018/2019; and
 - 2) any general variation percentage approved under section 506 of the Act for the council for each rating year during the period 2012/2013 to 2018/2019, to the Reduction Amount.

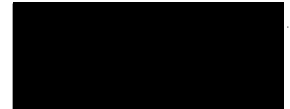
Reduction Amount means:

The Initial Reduction Amount as increased by the additional income derived for each previous rating year relating to the Initial Reduction Amount.

[Note: the purpose of this clause is to reduce the council's general income to the amount of general income that the council would have had in 2019/2020 without this special variation.]

This instrument supersedes the instrument issued to Ku-ring-gai Council on 10 June 2005 under section 508(2) of the Act.

Dated this *24th* day of *June*, 2011



Rod Sims
Chairperson, Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal

A Ku-ring-gai Council's Program of Environmental Works

The following table lists the environmental works that Ku-ring-gai Council intends to carry out over the period 2012/13 to 2018/19 using the funds raised by the requested special variation.

Year	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Total
2012/13	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
2013/14	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
2014/15	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
2015/16	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
2016/17	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
2017/18	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
2018/19	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
Total	700	700	700	700	700	700	700	4900

Table A.1 Ku-ring-gai Council's program of environmental works (\$000)

Projects	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Total
<i>Energy</i>									
Energy-efficient park lights installation		60	0	56	0	60	60	60	296
Sustainable lighting for sports field and tennis courts			100		100		100		300
Solar panel installation at community facilities		100					100		200
Solar panel installation at council facility – Pymble	120								120
Geothermal and chill beams/heat coils for air conditioning at town centres and public buildings				100			100		200
Co-generation plants at key council facilities	420				100	500			1,020
Establish National Australian Built Environment Rating System (NABERS) controls on public buildings		25	25	25	25	25	25	25	175
Lighting upgrades at council facilities	78		50	50	50	50	50		328
Building management systems	50								50
Real-time energy monitoring of council facilities (smart metering)		10	10	10	10	10	10	10	70
Subtotal	668	195	185	241	285	645	445	95	2,759
<i>Biodiversity</i>									
Maintenance of EEC sites regenerated under Environmental Levy One	59	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	759
Riparian weed control	85	80	80	80	80	80	80		565
Maintain green websites	69	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	209
Bushfire mitigation program – Commonwealth bushfire mitigation program [supply 1/3 of funding with RFS]		30	30	30	30	30	30	30	210
Feral animal and noxious weed control	16								16
Bush regeneration on conservation agreement land		80	80	80	80	80	80	80	560
Maintenance of existing and construction of new fire breaks and trails		200	0	0	0	0	200	200	600
Monitoring and inspections	41.5	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	461.5
Ecological burns, pre- and post-fire weeding and maintain high-profile sites	21	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	609
Subtotal	291.5	654	454	454	454	454	654	574	3,989.5
<i>Water</i>									
Stormwater harvesting St Ives Village Green	110								110

Stormwater harvesting at Kent Oval	266								266
Stormwater harvesting at Bannockburn Oval		200							200
Stormwater harvesting at Norman Griffiths Oval			200						200
Stormwater harvesting at Turramurra Oval				200					200
Stormwater harvesting at Warrimoo Oval							200		200
Stormwater harvesting at Primula Oval								0	0
Stormwater harvesting at Wellington Oval								200	200
Catchment-based best practice collaborative projects; monitoring and analysis	200	108.9	111	113.4	116	118	120	105.7	993
Maintenance of levy one stormwater projects		60	60	60	60	60	60	60	420
WSUD around urban environment APZ zones. Behind residential properties in flat areas to reduce impacts of water and nutrients on bushland eg, Koloona		40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280
Bio-filter systems to reduce nutrients to bushland and walkways	193	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	613
Upgrade water saving fixtures on council facilities		25	25	25	25	25	25	25	175
Real-time water monitoring of council facilities (smart metering)		10	10	10	10	10	10	10	70
Install water tanks on council buildings	180	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	390
Engineer design salaries		123	127	132	136	141	145	150	954
Subtotal	949	656.9	663	670.4	477	484	690	680.7	5,271
<i>Sustainable transport</i>									
Develop, maintain and promote walkways; identify and rectify missing links in bushland recreation trails		40	10	40	10	20	30	40	190
Develop and promote sustainable commuter transport alternatives				40			40		80
Actions derived from Integrated Transport Strategy, Bike Plan and Pedestrian Access Management Plan (examples include parking at sports fields, recreation and neighbourhood centres; increased frequency of community shuttle bus; car-sharing and promotion; and development of trails where missing links are identified on cycleways)		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	700
Subtotal	0	140	110	180	110	120	170	140	970
<i>Community engagement and environmental education</i>									
Street care support		35	35	35	35	35	35	35	245
Park care support	17	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	262
Bush care additional site regeneration	33	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	278

Wild Things (neighbourhood native fauna program)	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	70
Community Garden support	5	10	10	20	10	10	10	10	85
Bushfire education	8	10	10	20	0	0	0	10	58
Community environmental education – Green style, Tanks a Million, Climate Clever, Better Business Partnership	39	37.8	39.2	40.4	42	43	44.6	46.2	332.2
Environmental levy community small grants	85	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	435
Static and electronic displays and promotion of sustainable behaviour and technologies		42	32	32	20	20	35	45	226
Technical workshops ie, energy saving in the home		30	30	30	30	30	30	30	210
Community environmental events	42	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	147
Electronic news, YouTube		6	6	6	6	6	6	6	42
Environmental art installations		20	20					20	60
New residents kit		30	30	30	30	30	25	25	200
Education salaries	69	312.9	326	339.1	353.6	366.7	379.8	395.4	2,542.5
Interpretive signs for natural spaces, including Braille		20	20	20	10	20	15	15	120
Subtotal	308	698.7	703.2	717.5	671.6	705.7	725.4	782.6	5,312.7
<i>Cultural Centre</i>									
St Ives Cultural Centre			50	150	420	280	680	420	2,000
<i>Administration</i>									
Co-ordination of levy projects	94	94.2	67.1	69.4	71.9	74.2	76.5	79.2	626.5
Levy reporting and auditing	63		20				20		103
Subtotal	157	94.2	87.1	69.4	71.9	74.2	96.5	79.2	729.5
Total	2,374	2,439	2,252	2,482	2,490	2,763	3,461	2,772	21,032

Source: Ku-ring-gai Council, Section 508(2) Special Variation Application Form – Part B, 24 March 2011, Attachment A.