

Item No: 12.2
Subject: **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ON A PROPOSED SPECIAL RATE VARIATION FROM 2023-24**

Author: Sue Meekin, Director Corporate Performance
Approver: Craig Swift-McNair, General Manager
File No: 22/149568
Purpose of the Report: To seek Council's approval to commence community engagement on a proposed Special Rate Variation from 2023-24
Alignment to Delivery Program: Strategy 11.4: Maintain Council's strong financial position.

Note: Councillor Swan attended the meeting at 7.23pm.

(Grieve/Cavanagh)

(84/22) Resolved:

THAT Council:

- A. Endorse Council staff commencing broad community engagement from 22 August 2022 to 2 October 2022, on the need for and extent of a proposed Special Rate Variation application.
- B. Note that the community engagement on a proposed Special Rate Variation as detailed in Part A above, will include three potential rating scenario options being:

Scenario	Potential Rating Scenario
Scenario One	Rate Peg 2.5% only
Scenario Two	2023/24 - 10.0% SRV + Rate Peg 2.5% 2024/25 - 5.0% SRV + Rate Peg 2.5%
Scenario Three	2023/24 - 15% + Rate Peg 2.5% 2024/25 - 9% + Rate Peg 2.5% 2025/26 - 3.5% + Rate Peg 2.5%

- C. Note that potential rating scenarios two and three as detailed in Part B above, will assist in securing Council's long-term financial sustainability and provide additional funding to address identified community priority areas.
- D. Note that a further report to consider the community feedback on the proposed SRV and next steps will be tabled at Strategic & Corporate Committee meeting of Council on 17 October 2022.

Note: *In accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice a Division of votes is recorded on this matter.*

For the Motion

Councillor Carmichael
Councillor Cavanagh
Councillor Grieve
Councillor Price
Councillor Regan
Councillor Robertson
Councillor Shields
Councillor Silcocks
Councillor Swan
Councillor Witt
Councillor Wynne
Councillor Zeltzer

Against the Motion

Councillor Elsing