

# Draft Revenue and Rating Plan

The Revenue and Rating Plan replaces the Rating Strategy (last reviewed in 2018).

This strategic document is a requirement of the new Local Government Act 2020, which mandates all Victorian councils prepare a Revenue and Rating Plan following a council election.

#### The Plan provides:

- a clear explanation of decisions made by Council in implementing revenue and rating practices
- information on the rating framework used by Council and justification for the basis of the framework, including the principles behind the decisions
- references to relevant policies, such as Revenue and Debt Collection Policy,
   Competitive Neutrality Policy and Investment Policy

The Revenue and Rating Plan will inform Council's budgeting process as well as other major strategic documents such as the Long Term Financial Plan and Asset Management Plan.

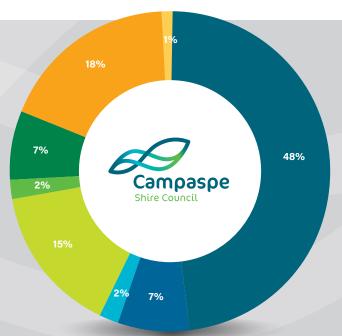
#### **Revenue streams**

Rates are the most significant revenue source for Council, and for the 2021-22 financial year, make up 48 per cent of the annual income. Council's rating structure is made up of four differential categories – general, commercial/industrial, cultural and recreation. These rates are structured in accordance with Victorian Government legislation and guidelines.

The plan does not set revenue targets, rather it outlines how Council will calculate and collect the revenue it needs in the most appropriate and affordable way. This includes how this funding will be apportioned among ratepayers, and other users of Council facilities and services.







### **Key dates**

Wednesday, 7 April
Draft document released

Friday, 14 May 5pm, Feedback closes

Wednesday, 16 June 6pm, Council meeting to consider adoption of plan

#### Your feedback

Written feedback must be received by 5pm on Friday, 14 May.

Council's webpage campaspe.vic.gov.au/revenueplan provides an online form to assist with community feedback. It also provides a short video explaining the Victorian rating system.

Feedback will be considered before Council considers adoption of the plan at its meeting on Wednesday, 16 June.

## Need more information?

The draft Revenue and Rating Plan can be downloaded from Council's website, or available to view at Customer Service Centres.

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