

Single Farm Enterprise

Where two or more pieces of rateable land, within the area of the Council, constitute a Single Farm Enterprise (SFE), only one fixed charge may be imposed against the whole of the land.

Primary Producers should examine their rates notices annually to ensure that they are receiving their full entitlement for this provision and advise Council of any changes in circumstances.

Further information on Single Farm Enterprise provisions and an application form can be obtained by contacting a Rates Officer at Council's Minlaton Branch Office phone (08) 8853 3800.

Please note that applications cannot be processed retrospectively.

Rate Capping

This opportunity provides relief when a ratepayer is levied an increase in rates greater than 17.5% (after considering other rebates) and ensures no ratepayer pays any more than a 17.5% increase on the previous year in rates. This rebate does not apply where:

- The increase is due to an increase in valuation as a result of improvements valued at greater than \$15,000 or due to a rectification of an "error of fact";
- The increase is a result of a change in land use;
- Ownership of the property has changed since 30 June 2011;
- The increase is applicable to land use categories of commercial, industrial, vacant land and other.

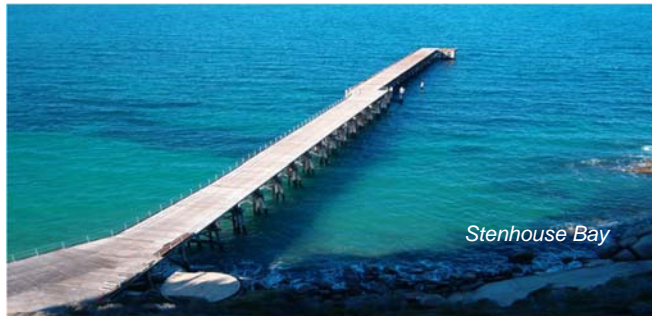
Postponement of Rates

In accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1999 (the Act), persons who hold a current Seniors Card will be eligible to postpone any amount in excess of \$500 (\$125 per quarter), less any concession entitlement. Interest will accrue on postponed balances as per Section 182A (12) of the Act (i.e. with a premium of 1% over the cash advance debenture rate).

In addition, Council has adopted a Rates Postponement Scheme to provide relief to ratepayers for whom the payment of rates on the principal place of residence would cause extreme hardship.



Ardrossan



Stenhouse Bay



Hardwicke Bay

A complete copy of the Annual Business Plan is available on Council's website www.yorke.sa.gov.au

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District Council of Yorke Peninsula ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN SUMMARY 2013-2014



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Introduction

Council's Annual Business Plan (ABP) is an important part of our ongoing planning process. The plan has been developed around Council's long term strategic goals and in close consultation with the community. The ABP positions Council on a well structured path towards long term financial sustainability.

While the key focus for the 2013-14 financial year is financial sustainability, the business plan also looks to provide the best possible mix of services, renewal of existing infrastructure and facilities for our community.

The adopted Long Term Financial Plan proposes the gradual reduction of Council's operating deficit over the next 10 years culminating in a small operating surplus in year 10, along with increased spending on renewal of existing assets.

Major Capital Projects

Council has committed a total of \$7.5 million in capital expenditure, including:

- \$2.426 million for unsealed road renewal;
- \$1.387 million for sealed road construction;
- \$1.131 million in plant & machinery purchases;
- \$400,000 towards the upgrade of Black Point boat ramp subject to 50% SABFAC funding;
- \$334,500 for stage 2 of the Ardrossan storm water project;
- \$309,600 for essential fire, power, accommodation and road upgrades at Council owned caravan parks;
- \$293,500 in upgrading the Community Wastewater Management Scheme infrastructure;
- \$163,000 for renovation of Town Halls and other Council buildings;
- \$120,000 for the Yorketown stormwater renewal project.

Council Expenditure

Main Areas of Council Spending (Operating & Capital)

12.9%	Council Road Maintenance
10.2%	Renewal of Unsealed & Sealed Roads
5.2%	Sealing of Unsealed Roads
9.6%	Refuse Collection & Disposal
8.7%	Renewal of Existing Assets
8.5%	Community Asset Maintenance
5.5%	Caravan Parks Operation
4.3%	Purchase of New Assets
4.1%	Development Services
4.1%	Community Support
4.0%	Finance & Corporate Services
3.6%	CWMS & Water Schemes
2.9%	Governance
2.8%	NRM Levy
2.8%	Information Services

Rates

When determining the rates for this financial year, Council has considered its Strategic Plan, Long Term Financial Plan, the current economic climate, imposed legislative change and the need to manage and maintain the community's physical infrastructure and assets at a level expected by the Community.

To enable us to do this, **general rates will increase** by an average of 8.9% plus natural growth.

Council's **Fixed Charge** has been increased from \$360 p.a. to \$400 p.a.

Waste and Recycling Service Charge

Note: Service not available for properties more than 5 km from a collection point unless negotiated separately with Council.

In 2013/2014 the annual Waste and Recycling service charge

Service	Distance from collection point	Amount
3 Bins		\$240.00
2 Bins	Within 500m	\$218.00
2 Bins	500m to 2km	\$163.50
2 Bins	2km to 5km	\$109.00

will be:

Community Wastewater Management Schemes

Property	Amount
Occupied	\$425.00
Vacant	\$320.00

Water Supply Schemes

Location	Amount
Black Point	\$150.00
Hardwicke Bay	\$365.00
Balgowan	\$130.00

Natural Resource Management Levy

All Councils across the state, are required under legislation to act as a collection agent for the NRM Levy (tax) on behalf of the NRM Board within their region. This levy is used to fund the operations of the board.

This state government levy is imposed as a separate rate and included on rates notices, for all properties within the area of the board and is forwarded in it's entirety to the NYNRM board following collection.

The amount of the levy is calculated from the total amount required to be raised (\$) divided by the number of properties.