

## BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

**\$49.5 million**

Maintaining, upgrading and expanding our road network

**\$12.1 million**

Kerb and channel works over three years

**\$70 million**

Resource recovery

**\$12.9 million**

Community libraries

**\$5.3 million**

Community safety

**\$6.3 million**

Arts and cultural services

**\$11.9 million**

Environment and sustainability

## CAPITAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**\$75 million**

Flood recovery

**\$291k**

Urban greening

**\$1.6 million**

Sustainable transport

**\$9 million**

Waste trucks

**\$900k**

New kerb and channel

**\$1.4 million**

Sports facility rehab

**\$960k**

Enviroplan

**\$480k**

Renewable energy

**\$8 million**

Materials Resource Facility

**\$5.2 million**

Bridge and culvert

**\$11.7 million**

Redbank Plain Road upgrades (Stage 3 and 4)

**\$23.7 million**

Springfield Parkway and Springfield-Greenbank Arterial (Stages 1 and 3)

**\$3.8 million**

Upgrades to existing recycling and refuse centres at Rosewood and Riverview

# 2023-2024 Budget at a glance



**\$267 million** in capital works, including:



**\$83 million**

for asset rehabilitation including flood rehabilitation



**\$42 million**

for strategic transport projects



**\$53 million**

Nicholas Street - Ipswich Central Redevelopment



**\$10 million**

on parks, sport and environment

# TOTAL 2023-2024 BUDGET \$692 MILLION

Ipswich City Council has delivered a measured, responsible budget with a rate rise under inflation amid major economic pressures.

Anyone managing a household budget knows how tough it is at the supermarket checkout and at the petrol bowser this year, and council is experiencing the same challenges on a larger scale.

We have endeavoured to keep the impacts of rising construction and service costs away from ratepayers as much as possible, while still delivering these critical core business services to Ipswich.

The 2023-2024 Budget will continue to advance our economic recovery, while laying a strong foundation for future growth.

*On average council has delivered a below inflation rate rise across the past five years.*

The total rates and charges rise of 5.5 per cent and overall budget of \$692 million ensures Ipswich keeps pace with the rapid growth the city is experiencing.

This year's budget includes a critical \$267.2 million investment in capital works with a \$75 million commitment to flood recovery and more than \$70 million to deliver quality waste recovery programs for the community.



Mayor Teresa Harding

## CITY BY NUMBERS

- \$12.9m** 6 Libraries  
1 Library Pod
- \$5.2m** to maintain  
28,000+ streetlights
- \$3.5m** to maintain and  
operate 5 swim centres  
and the Orion Lagoon
- \$15.9m** to maintain 1,917ha  
of parks and reserves
- \$3.4m** to repair our  
network of 1,740km+  
of sealed roads
- \$1.5m** to maintain our  
network of 270km  
of gravel roads
- \$3.0m** to maintain  
360+ sports fields  
and courts
- \$0.2m** to design 2 new  
recycling and  
refuse centres

## AVERAGE INCREASE

The average general rate increase for residential properties is 5.5 per cent. The average increase in total rates and charges is \$1.99 per week. The standard commercial rate rise is 5 per cent.

## CONCESSIONS

Pensioners on a full pension can continue to claim the concession of up to \$245 per year for 2023-2024. Part Pensioners will also be able to claim a concession of up to \$120 per year. Discounts on early payments continue at \$132 per year.

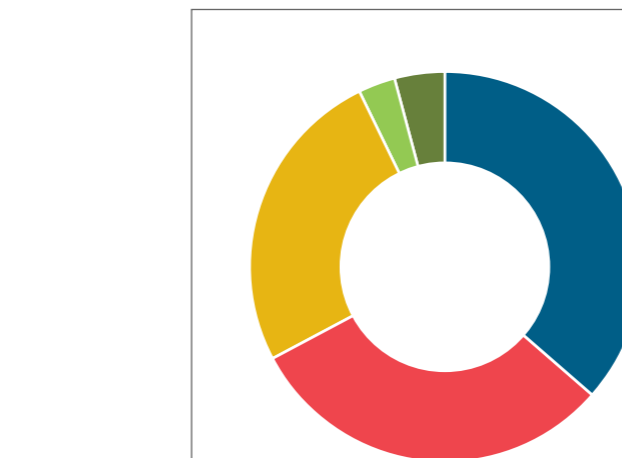
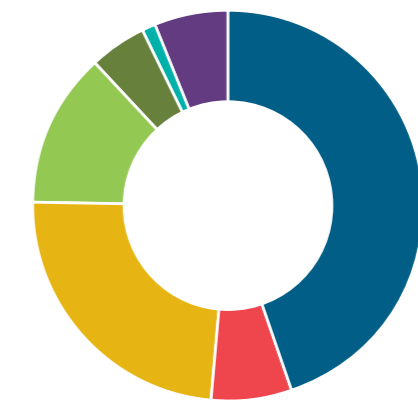
## RESIDENTIAL NET RATES AND CHARGES FOR 2023-2024\*

Average residential owner occupier general rate	\$1,548
Waste Utility Charge	\$419
FOGO Service (optional)	\$80
Enviroplan Levy	\$53
Rural Fire Levy (separate charge)	\$3
Less early payment discount	(\$132)

\*Based on average residential property

INCOME	\$'000
Net Rates and Utility Charges	255,565
Fees and Charges	38,629
Government Grants and Subsidies	130,891
Developer Donated Assets	73,666
Developer Cash Contributions	26,460
Interest Revenue	6,288
Other Revenue	37,981

Note: Includes capital and operational revenue



OPERATING EXPENSES	\$'000
Employee expenses	129,761
Materials and services	106,441
Depreciation and amortisation	90,712
Other expenses	10,639
Finance costs	14,193

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	\$'000
Corporate projects (inc. CBD)	86,578
Asset rehabilitation incl. flood recovery	83,417
Transport and traffic	44,641
Parks, sport and environment	9,718
Information technology	3,085
Fleet	16,813
Other	10,442
Local amenity	2,414
Resource recovery	10,109

