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- NOTE:
- a) The Council Committee Minutes Item numbers may be out of sequence. Please refer to Section 10 of the Agenda – Information Report - Committee Decisions Under Delegated Authority for these items.
 - b) Declaration of Councillors and Officers Interest is made at the time the item is discussed.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 6 PATERSON STREET MUNDIJONG ON FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST, 2007. THE PRESIDING MEMBER DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 4.08PM AND WELCOMED MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT IN THE GALLERY, COUNCILLORS AND STAFF.

1. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES:

IN ATTENDANCE:

COUNCILLORS: DL Needham Presiding Member
JE Price
AW Wigg
K Murphy
JC Star
JA Scott
MJ Geurds
M Harris
WJ Kirkpatrick
EE Brown

OFFICERS: Ms J Abbiss Chief Executive Officer
Mr D Long Director Corporate Services
Mr B Gleeson Executive Manager Planning & Regulatory Services
Ms S van Aswegen Executive Manager Strategic Community Planning
Mrs S Langmair Minute Secretary

APOLOGIES: Nil

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2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Nil

3. PUBLIC STATEMENT TIME:

Nil

4. PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS:

Nil

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Nil

6. DECLARATION OF COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS INTEREST:

Nil

7. RECEIPTS OF MINUTES OR REPORTS AND CONSIDERATION FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

SCM05/08/07		ADOPTION OF 2007/2008 STATUTORY BUDGET (A1430)
Proponent:	Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire	In Brief Council adopt the proposed 2007/2008 statutory budget.
Officer:	Darren Long – Director Corporate Services	
Signatures Author:		
Senior Officer:		
Date of Report	15/08/06	
Previously		
Disclosure of Interest	No officer involved in the preparation of this report is required to declare an interest in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995	
Delegation	Council	

Background

Section 6.2 of the Local Government Act 1995 requires local governments to prepare an annual budget not later than 31st August in each financial year. The local government is to prepare and adopt the budget in the form and manner prescribed and by absolute majority.

In the preparation of the budget the local government is to have regard to the contents of the plan for the future/forward financial plan accepted under section 5.58 and is to prepare a detailed estimate for the current year of:

1. The expenditure by the local government,
2. The revenue and income, independent of general rates, and
3. The amount required to make up the deficiency, if any, shown by comparing the estimated expenditure with the estimated revenue.

The budget is to incorporate:

1. Particulars of the estimated expenditure to be incurred by the local government;
2. Detailed information relating to the rate and service charges which will apply to land within the district, including the estimated amount to be yielded by the rate and the rate of interest to be charged by the local government on unpaid rates and service charges;
3. The fees and charges proposed to be imposed;
4. The particulars of borrowings and other financial accommodation proposed;
5. Details of the amounts to be set aside in, or used from, reserve accounts and the purpose for which they are to be used;
6. Particulars of proposed land transactions and trading undertakings; and
7. Such other matters as prescribed.

Sustainability Statement

This budget aims to achieve a balance between required services and infrastructure improvement projects for the community. It demonstrates the allocation of scarce resources in an efficient and effective manner to provide the outcomes expected by the community and considers the Forward Financial Plan 2006 – 2016 adopted by Council in July 2006 and reviewed in June 2007.

Statutory Environment:

Section 6.2 of the Local Government Act 1995 requires local governments to adopt a budget prior to 31 August each financial year.

Policy/Work Procedure Implications:

There is no work procedures/policy implications directly related to this application/issue.

Financial Implications:

The proposed budget is presented as a balanced budget. The rates increase provides the minimum requirement from the community to fund all of the services provided within the document.

Strategic Implications:

This proposal relates to the following Key Sustainability Result Areas:-

1. People and Community

Objective 1: Good quality of life for all residents

Strategies:

1. Provide recreational opportunities.
2. Develop good services for health and well being.
3. Retain seniors and youth within the community.
4. Respect diversity within the community.
5. Value and enhance the heritage character, arts and culture of the Shire.

Objective 3: High level of social commitment

Strategies:

1. Encourage social commitment and self determination by the SJ community.
2. Build key community partnerships.

2. Environment

Objective 1: Protect and repair natural resources and processes throughout the Shire

Strategies:

1. Increase awareness of the value of environmental requirements towards sustainability.

Objective 2: Strive for sustainable use and management of natural resources

Strategies:

1. Implement known best practice sustainable natural resource management.
3. Reduce waste and improve recycling processes

3. Economic

Objective 1: A vibrant local community

Strategies:

1. Attract and facilitate appropriate industries, commercial activities and employment.
3. Develop tourism potential.

Objective 2: Well developed and maintained infrastructure to support economic growth

Strategies:

1. Improved freight, private and public transport networks.
2. Consider specific sites appropriate for industry /commercial development.

4. Governance

Objective 1: An effective continuous improvement program

Strategies:

1. Identify and implement best practice in all areas of operation.
2. Promote best practice through demonstration and innovation.
3. Regularly update information services and IT capacity to support programs and projects.
4. Balance resource allocation to support sustainable outcomes.

Objective 3: Compliance to necessary legislation

Strategies:

1. Ensure development and use of infrastructure and land complies with required standards.
2. Develop a risk management plan.
3. Comply with State and Federal policies and Legislation and the Local Government Act in the most cost-effective way.

Community Consultation:

Differential Rate Submissions

A twenty-one (21) day community consultation period was undertaken on the proposed differential rate strategy to be imposed for the 2007/2008 rating year. One (1) submission was received on the differential rating strategy during the consultation period. This submission will need to be dealt with by Council prior to the adoption of the differential rates in the dollar and minimums.

A copy of the submission is included with the attachments and marked SCM05.1/08/07. (IN07/10178).

Comment:

The budget has been developed in accordance with the Forward Financial Plan adopted by Council in July 2006 and reviewed in June 2007. The proposed budget presented this year has been based on a 12% general rate increase and provides for a surplus budget of \$8,900.

A hard copy of the draft 2007/2008 Budget has been sent out under separate cover.

To provide Councillors with a more incisive view of the budget content, two new documents have been prepared. A 'budget overview' document has been compiled which provides Councillors with a snapshot of the budget and some interesting and revealing charts on specific areas of financial performance. The second is the 'Annual Budget Details' document, which delves into more detail regarding the specifics of operating revenues and expenses as well as analysing the capital budget and rating strategy.

A hard copy of the draft Schedule of Fees and Charges (E07/3936), is included with the attachments and marked SCM05.2/08/07.

A hard copy of the Budget Overview document is included with the attachments and marked SCM05.3/08/07 (E07/3940).

A hard copy of the Annual Budget Detailed Information document is included with the attachments and marked SCM05.4/08/07 (E07/3941).

Council has had two (2) DVD players donated for use as prizes for an early payment incentive draw. It is proposed that the two (2) prizes will be offered through an incentive draw process. Eligible applicants will need to pay their rates, either in full, or make the first instalment payment within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice.

A small incentive draw form will be included with the rate notice and will be required to be sent in by mail. Staff will confirm eligibility by ensuring a valid payment has been made (not dishonoured or rejected) by the specified time. All valid entries will be placed in a barrel, with the winning entry drawn by the Chief Executive Officer at the close of business on the due date. It is hoped that the incentive prize draw may encourage ratepayers in the prompt payment of their rates account.

Differential Rate Submissions

The advertising period for submissions relating to the Differential Rating Strategy closed on Friday 10 August, 2007. One (1) submission was received objecting to the proposed rate increase of 12%. The submitter, Ms N Simmons, objects as follows: *“I am appalled at the recent revelation that the shire is imposing a rate increase of 12% on the local community under the guise of this being necessary due to increased development. With interest rates set to rise again to a 10 yr high and the increased cost of living I would have thought that the local council would have been trying to ease the burden on their local community members not increasing the financial pressure that many may feel with this added rate hike. The development argument in itself I feel is flawed in the fact that increased development sees more families moving into the area which in turn means more rate paying families and in turn more money flowing into the shire to cover the cost of shire works etc”*.

It is acknowledged that Council does receive additional rate revenue from subdivision development. However, to simply assume that the rate revenue from the lots created will cover the increase in operating expenditure to maintain additional public open space and other infrastructure being transferred by developers is incorrect. It is well documented that along with the rate revenue from subdivision of land, also comes added costs of maintaining the extra public open space and other infrastructure, which requires additional staffing and equipment to meet this demand. Coupled with the increase in infrastructure, it is well recognised that the demand for services also increases as the population increases, adding to the financial burden of the local government.

The 2007/2008 draft budget, with a 12% rate increase, aims to maintain 2006/2007 service levels, meet growth pressures and deliver a robust capital expenditure program for the benefit of the wider community.

Voting Requirements: **ABSOLUTE MAJORITY**

SCM05/08/07 Officer Recommended Resolution:

**Moved Cr Geurds seconded Cr Harris
That Council:**

- 1. In accordance with Sections 6.32 and 6.33 Local Government Act 1995 imposes differential rates for the 2007/2008 financial year;**
- 2. Acknowledges the submission made by Ms Neryl Simmons in relation the 12% proposed rate increase, but dismisses the submission on the following grounds:**
 - (i) Rates is the only major source of revenue that Council has control over and the revenue generated allows Council to maintain service levels, meet growth pressures and deliver robust capital expenditure programs for the benefit of the wider community;**
 - (ii) Subdivision development, whilst generating revenue for the Council, actually creates additional expenditure costs in the form of extra public open space and other infrastructure that Council has to maintain once transferred by the land developer.**

3. In accordance with Sections 6.32, 6.35 and 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995, and subject to Ministerial approval being granted, imposes the following differential rates in the 2007/2008 statutory budget:

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Residential/Vacant		19.4988	773
Commercial		11.8153	773
Public Purpose	0..5789		773
Special Use		11.8153	1,076
Special Residential		11.1187	773
Special Residential/Vacant		19.4988	773
Light Industry/Residential Composite		18.4041	701
Units-Rowley Road		9.7494	538
Caravan Parks		11.8153	773
Intensive Farming	0.9720		773
Farmland	0.2160		773
Conservation	0.1565		773
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4. Specified Area Rate – Chestnuts

In accordance with Section 6.37 of the Local Government Act 1995 levy a Specified Area Rate on properties within the Chestnuts Subdivision to cover the cost of drainage maintenance and the rate in the dollar be set at \$0.3525.

5. Discount on Rates

In accordance with Section 6.46 of the Local Government Act 1995 grant a 3% discount on rate payments fully paid within thirty (30) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice.

6. Payment Incentives

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.46 of the Local Government Act 1995, offer the following incentives for the payment of rates and charges:

- (i) Full Payment:–

Full payment of all current and arrears of rates, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) within thirty-five (35) days of the issue date on the annual rate notice:–

- Eligibility to enter the incentive draw

- (ii) Two Instalments:–

The first instalment of 50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and

instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice:-

- Eligibility to enter the incentive draw

(iii) Four Instalments:-

The first instalment of 25% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice:-

- Eligibility to enter the incentive draw

7. Payment Options

In accordance with Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995, offer the following instalment options for the payment of rates:-

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The second, third and fourth instalments each of 25% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, payable as follows:

- **Second instalment sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment;**
- **Third instalment sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the second instalment;**
- **Fourth instalment sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the third instalment.**

8. Late Payment Interest

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.13 and 6.51 of the Local Government Act 1995, impose interest on all arrears and current charges in

respect of general rates, domestic refuse charges and private swimming pool inspection fees (including GST where applicable) at a rate of 11% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on arrears amounts that remain unpaid and current amounts that remain unpaid after thirty-five (35) days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice, or the due date of the instalment and continues until the instalment is paid in full.

Excluded are deferred rates, instalment current amounts not yet due under the four (4) instalment payment option, registered pensioner portions and current government pensioner rebate amounts.

9. Instalment and arrangement Administration fees and interest charges

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995, for the 2007/2008 financial year, impose the following administration fees and charges for payment of rates, domestic refuse charges and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST):-

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An administration fee of \$10 for instalment two (2), together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on 50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated thirty-five (35) days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment.

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An administration fee of \$10 for each of instalments two (2), three (3) and four (4), together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on:-

- 75% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated thirty-five (35) days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment;
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Apply a penalty interest of 11% per annum to overdue debtors in the 2007/2008 financial year.

12. 2007/2008 Municipal Fund Budget

Adopt the 2007/2008 Municipal Budget, in the form of the Operating Statement, Cash Flow Statement, Rate Setting Statement and notes thereto, as presented.

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Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to invite tenders for works and services in the statutory 2007/2008 budget, where required, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.

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Adopt the revised Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2007/2008, as presented.

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Pursuant to the provisions of Division 5 of Part IV of the Health Act (as amended), impose a charge of \$195.00 for the collection of domestic refuse for the 2007/2008 financial year.

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SCM05/08/07 AMENDMENT

Moved Cr Price Seconded Cr Wigg that the following words be added to part 12 after the word thereto “subject to the following amendments:

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After debate the presiding person then put the amendment which was
CARRIED 10/0

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SCM05/08/07 FORESHADOWED MOTION

During debate Cr Star foreshadowed that she would move a motion based on a 10% increase in rates if the motion under debate is defeated.

SCM05/08/07 COUNCIL DECISION

Moved Cr Star seconded Cr Murphy

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In accordance with Section 6.37 of the Local Government Act 1995 levy a Specified Area Rate on properties within the Chestnuts Subdivision to cover the cost of drainage maintenance and the rate in the dollar be set at \$0.3525.

5. Discount on Rates

In accordance with Section 6.46 of the Local Government Act 1995 grant a 3% discount on rate payments fully paid within thirty (30) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice.

6. Payment Incentives

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.46 of the Local Government Act 1995, offer the following incentives for the payment of rates and charges:

- (i) Full Payment:–

Full payment of all current and arrears of rates, domestic refuse charge and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) within thirty-five (35) days of the issue date on the annual rate notice:-

- Eligibility to enter the incentive draw

(ii) Two Instalments:-

The first instalment of 50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice:-

- Eligibility to enter the incentive draw

(iii) Four Instalments:-

The first instalment of 25% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice:-

- Eligibility to enter the incentive draw

7. Payment Options

In accordance with Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995, offer the following instalment options for the payment of rates:-

(i) One Instalment

Payment in full within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice.

(ii) Two Instalments

The first instalment of 50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice.

The second instalment of 50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment.

(iii) Four Instalments

The first instalment of 25% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, plus the total outstanding arrears payable within thirty-five (35) days of the date of issue of the annual rate notice.

The second, third and fourth instalments each of 25% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) and instalment charge, payable as follows:

- **Second instalment sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment;**

- **Third instalment sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the second instalment;**
- **Fourth instalment sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the third instalment.**

8. Late Payment Interest

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.13 and 6.51 of the Local Government Act 1995, impose interest on all arrears and current charges in respect of general rates, domestic refuse charges and private swimming pool inspection fees (including GST where applicable) at a rate of 11% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on arrears amounts that remain unpaid and current amounts that remain unpaid after thirty-five (35) days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice, or the due date of the instalment and continues until the instalment is paid in full.

Excluded are deferred rates, instalment current amounts not yet due under the four (4) instalment payment option, registered pensioner portions and current government pensioner rebate amounts.

9. Instalment and arrangement Administration fees and interest charges

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995, for the 2007/2008 financial year, impose the following administration fees and charges for payment of rates, domestic refuse charges and private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST):-

(i) Two Instalment option

An administration fee of \$10 for instalment two (2), together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on 50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated thirty-five (35) days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment.

(ii) Four Instalment option

An administration fee of \$10 for each of instalments two (2), three (3) and four (4), together with an interest charge of 5.5% per annum, calculated on a simple interest basis on:-

- **75% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated thirty-five (35) days from the date of issue of the annual rate notice to sixty-three (63) days after the due date of the first instalment;**
- **50% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated from the due date of the second instalment to the due date of the third instalment;**
- **25% of the total current rates, domestic refuse charge, private swimming pool inspection fees (inclusive of GST) calculated from the due date of the third instalment to the due date of the fourth instalment;**

10. Accrual of interest on overdue rates

Apply a penalty interest of 11% per annum to overdue rates in the 2007/2008 rating year.

11. Accrual of interest on outstanding debtors

Apply a penalty interest of 11% per annum to overdue debtors in the 2007/2008 financial year.

12. 2007/2008 Municipal Fund Budget

Adopt the 2007/2008 Municipal Budget, in the form of the Operating Statement, Cash Flow Statement, Rate Setting Statement and notes thereto, subject to the following amendments:

- Deletion of Tuart Road and Jarrah Road totalling \$224,500;
- Increase the proceeds from the sale Lot 196 Atkins Street, Jarrahdale by \$135,000;
- Increase the Hopkinson Road project by \$100,000;
- Any surplus funds being transferred into a new infrastructure reserve; and
- Establish an infrastructure reserve for the purposes of providing for the provision of constructing and maintaining infrastructure.

13. Authority to call tenders

Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to invite tenders for works and services in the statutory 2007/2008 budget, where required, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1995.

14. Fees and Charges

Adopt the revised Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2007/2008, as presented.

15. Domestic Refuse Charges

Pursuant to the provisions of Division 5 of Part IV of the Health Act (as amended), impose a charge of \$195.00 for the collection of domestic refuse for the 2007/2008 financial year.

(i)	Per existing service	\$195.00
(ii)	Rowley Road Units per service	\$ 73.15
(iii)	New refuse service (pro-rata)	\$195.00

16. Monthly Financial Report

- a) In accordance with Section 6.4 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, adopt the material variance of 10% or greater.
- b) Applies the 10% or greater material variance to total revenue and expenditure of each program in the statement of financial activity, forming part of the monthly financial report.

CARRIED 6/4 ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

SCM05/08/07 FORESHADOWED MOTION

During debate Cr Harris foreshadowed that she would move a motion that the rate in the dollar be increased by 11% if the motion under debate was defeated.

Council Note: The Officer's Recommended Resolution was defeated and the Council Decision was based on a 10% increase in the rate in the dollar.

8. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Nil

10. URGENT BUSINESS:

Nil

11. COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN:

Nil

12. CLOSURE:

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 5.16pm.

I certify that these minutes were confirmed at the
ordinary council meeting held on 27th August, 2007

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Presiding Member

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Date