



Annual Plan and Budget

2024-25

Including forward estimates
2025-26 to 2027-28

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Foreword

Challenging economic times call for sensible financial management, balanced with the need to provide the essential services our residents expect, and responding to our enviable position of being the fastest growing capital city in Australia.

This challenge has been met with Council's \$4 billion 2024-25 budget that delivers world-class infrastructure, improvements to our roads, keeping minimum residential rates to the lowest in South-East Queensland, all while ensuring residents receive cost-of-living relief.

Easing cost of living pressures

We're committed to taking the pressure off household budgets. By maintaining the lowest minimum residential rates in South-East Queensland, we're helping residents balance their budgets as cost-of-living impacts hit every household. We recognise the pressure households are under, that's why this budget prioritises keeping money in people's pockets, and even puts money back in, with a range of reduced fees and generous rebates.

The 2024-25 Council budget will ease cost-of-living pressures by:

- providing cash rebates of up to \$200 for residents who reduce their waste by purchasing composting or food waste recycling equipment for their homes
- keeping green bins less than \$1-a-week and waiving the establishment fee on larger yellow recycling bins
- making our pools affordable and accessible for all by bringing back the popular \$2 Summer Dips initiative between December and February
- helping seniors leave the car at home by offering free off-peak travel on our buses, CityCats and ferries
- offering rates discounts for on-time payment and the most generous pensioner rebate scheme in Queensland
- maintaining free and affordable activities year-round at our parks, libraries and public spaces.

Reducing congestion through better roads and transport

Our budget demonstrates Council's commitment to keeping Brisbane moving.

We are investing in congestion-busting road upgrades and infrastructure to keep our road and public transport network meeting the needs of a growing city.

Priority projects such as the Moggill Road Corridor Upgrade and the Beams Road Upgrade will complement works to enhance capacity at existing intersections across our suburbs, to help our residents get home sooner and safer.

This year will also see Brisbane Metro commence services creating better connectivity on our public transport network and reducing travel time on our roads, while the completion of the Kangaroo Point Bridge will make it easier to walk or ride between Kangaroo Point, the eastern suburbs and the CBD.

Making Brisbane's lifestyle even better

We know Brisbane is a great place to live. As our population continues to grow, we're making sure there's more for residents to see and do.

We continue to invest in our park and playground facilities, with funding allocated to planning for new parks so residents can access more green spaces.

We're upgrading iconic suburban parks like the Sherwood Arboretum and Wynnum Wading Pool Park, completing our program to shade every playground in Brisbane, and bringing the Victoria Park / Barrambin Master Plan to life.

Council's 2024-25 budget focuses on the services that matter most to Brisbane residents through sensible and careful financial management, while responding to growth and planning for the future.

Executive and Management of Brisbane City Council

The Right Honourable, the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Councillor Adrian Schrinner

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