



Supplementary Attachments

(Late Item Memo – Item 3)

General Meeting

Wednesday 10 June 2026

at 7:00 PM



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ANNUAL WASTE SERVICES CHARGE**

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10.	97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125 (Total=29)	P80	Waste Management, Domestic Services, Standard Residential Services BEROWRA WATERS RIVER PROPERTY – ACCESS TO RESIDENT WASTE SERVICES: Proposed annual waste service charge of \$360 per ratable residential dwelling for Berowra Waters on-river property owners, effective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many residents objected to the new charge being implemented as residents believe they already receive reduced local services or local infrastructure for their general contributions, which they feel inequitably subsidise services or infrastructure elsewhere in the Shire. Some residents expressed they pay significant and inequitable general rates given the local services they receive. River properties are already faced with challenges and additional costs. Others receive kerbside services. Equal charges for equal services. Council cannot charge same as kerbside services. Charge should be proportional to service provided. Service costs are not well documented or transparent. Sudden shift to user pays lacks justification. Request charge be withdrawn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed Berowra Waters River Property Annual Waste Charge is a cost-recovery charge for access to and use of waste services, enabling residents to appropriately manage their waste. The proposed \$360 charge for 2026/27 reflects the actual cost of providing these services and is separate from the \$834 Domestic Waste Management Charge (DWMC) applied to properties receiving kerbside collection. Under the Local Government Act, domestic waste services must be funded through a dedicated annual charge and cannot be subsidised through general rates. Currently, these services are effectively funded by other residents across the Shire through the DWMC, while Berowra Waters river property residents are not charged. Both resident bin stations will be secured with fencing and gated access, with entry restricted to eligible residents via access codes. Public litter bins and local business commercial waste services provided by Council are not part of the river property waste service and are funded separately.

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			from 1 July 2026, for properties without kerbside collection that access alternative waste services	<p>and current funding model maintained. Already pay DWMC on city property where I can dispose of my waste.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many residents noted the SRV increases lack of local services provided by Council, stating they were advised by Council during the SRV consultation process that they get waste services for their general rates. Request Council explains what our ordinary rates are used for in Berowra Waters. Defer waste levy until residents can absorb SRV increases. Residents already have costs imposed on them to self-transport waste and recycling to the Council provided waste drop off stations or collection events. Would prefer to transport my rubbish directly to the tip than be forced to pay such a substantial levy. Some residents noted that they only occupied their properties on weekends or 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any additional services requested by Berowra Waters residents (e.g. 24l green bins, or additional bulk green waste collection day events) would incur additional costs and result in an increase to the proposed charge. Matters relating to general rates contributions, local infrastructure, and other Council services are outside the scope of this cost-recovery waste charge. An administrative adjustment will be made so that the proposed Berowra Waters River Property Annual Waste Charge will be applied only to properties up to Coba Point, and not beyond towards the Hawksbury.

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				<p>holidays and generated little waste and requested an opt-out option. Many properties are not lived in full time and have reduced waste generation meaning they will get little value from new charge.</p> <p>Some residents note properties used as Air B&Bs generated excessive waste and should face additional charges. Aging residents need to engage contractors to remove waste and transport to drop off locations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents beyond Coba Point (towards the Hawksbury) requested to be excluded from the Berowra Waters charge as they advise they utilise waste disposal services at Brooklyn Marina, and do not utilise the Berowra Waters waste services. Properties at Fisherman’s Point are not in Berowra Waters or Berowra Creek locality and do not park cars at that location or use the waste services. 	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some residents noted they believed the general public, boaters, local businesses or trades services had access to and utilised bins at the western bin station which would be contributing to Council waste costs. Oppose charge when others, public, boaters, businesses have access to bins and contribute to cost of service. A number of residents called for a fenced compound for the western bin station. Some residents requested more transparency on Council's costs to provide Berowra Waters waste services. A number of residents were critical regarding the adoption of the charge in 2022 fees and charges (noting it was not applied) without community consultation and also of the late community consultation currently being undertaken and requested the charge be deferred. 	
				Some residents requested further	

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				<p>community consultation before the levy is introduced. Only being informed of charge as charge is about to be implemented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some residents called for a waste service review, increased or expanded waste services, including barge collections, the addition of green waste bins at the western bin station, and additional bulk green waste collection events to address fire risks. Only basic waste services being provided. Services could be more efficient. Resident believes Contractor only collecting once weekly, call to monitor contract collections. Remove western bin station and introduce green bins. Some residents expressed they were prepared to pay for local waste services and supportive of the cost recovery charge. Some requested a more modest levy. 	