SETTING OF RATES FOR THE 2025/26 FINANCIAL YEAR (CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER) (209900)

Following the adoption of the Long Term Plan 2025 -2034, Council is required to set the rates for the 2025/26 financial year.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Council sets the following rates under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on the rating units in the district for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2025 and ending on 30 June 2026.

(a) Uniform Annual General Charge

A uniform annual general charge of **\$900.00** (including GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit, set under section 15 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on every rateable rating unit within the district.

(b) General Rate

A General Rate set under section 13 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on every rateable rating unit within the district, assessed on a differential basis as described below:

- A rate of **0.4884** cents in the dollar (including GST) of capital value on every rateable rating unit zoned "residential", "rural lifestyle" and "reserve" in terms of Council's operative District Plan.
- A rate of **2.9885** cents in the dollar (including GST) of capital value on every rateable rating unit zoned "Commercial" and "Industrial" in terms of Council's operative District Plan.

(c) Water Supply Rates

A targeted rate for water supply, set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of **\$129.60** (including GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit to which water is connected (excluding those properties that are supplied by water meter).

A targeted rate for water supply, set under section 19 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of **\$0.41** (including GST) per cubic metre of water supplied to any rating unit on metered water supply.

(d) Wastewater Disposal Rate

A targeted rate for wastewater disposal, set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of **\$219.40** (including GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit that is connected to Council's wastewater disposal network.

(e) Refuse Collection Rate

Targeted rates for refuse collection set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 for rating units to which refuse collection services are provided and assessed as described below:

- A rate of **\$301.70** (including GST) per 60 or 80 litre residual waste bin.
- A rate of **\$361.70** (including GST) per 120 litre residual waste bin.

DUE DATES FOR PAYMENT OF RATES

2. That all rates (except metered water) will be payable in four equal instalments due on:

Instalment 1	22 August 2025
Instalment 2	21 November 2025
Instalment 3	20 February 2026
Instalment 4	22 May 2026

The due dates for metered water are as follows:

	Reading Date	<u>Payment Due Date</u>
1.	30 September 2025	22 October 2025
2.	31 December 2025	21 January 2026
3.	31 March 2026	22 April 2026
4.	30 June 2026	22 July 2026

PENALTIES

- 3. That Council, applies penalties to unpaid rates (apart from metered water) as follows:
 - (i) A penalty of 5 percent on the amount of any instalment assessed between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026 and which is unpaid after the due date for that instalment, to be added on the following dates:

Instalment 1 penalty added – 25 August 2025 Instalment 2 penalty added – 24 November 2025 Instalment 3 penalty added – 23 February 2026 Instalment 4 penalty added – 25 May 2026

- (ii) A further penalty of 3 percent on any rates assessed before 1 July 2025 including previously applied penalties, which remain unpaid on 2 July 2025 to be added on the 3 July 2025.
- (iii) A further penalty of 3 percent on any rates to which a penalty has been added under (ii) above if the rates remain unpaid on 5 January 2026 to be added 6 January 2026. and delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to add the penalties.

PAYMENT OF RATES

4. That rates shall be payable at the Offices of the Kawerau District Council, Ranfurly Court, Kawerau between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.