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Glamorgan Spring Bay Council Sustainability

Council sustainability was a significant topic for Glamorgan Spring Bay Council and residents of the municipality during 2021 resulting in rate increases and a change to the rating system.

Mayor Robert Young said: “Council has heard from the people of the district that there was a lack of consultation over the changes.”

“Council resolved in November to get on the front foot with providing information to its ratepayers about the need for rate increases and the way forward as set out in our long term financial plan and strategy which were developed during 2021.”

“Council has developed a series of strategic plans which are available on its website but these are not easy, or particularly interesting, for many people to wade through.”

“Council has taken the initiative at recent Community Connect sessions to provide information directly to attendees on three key measures of sustainability.”

“Simply explained, this information provides a good background for the decisions council will have to continue to grapple with in coming years to get to a position of sustainability for levels of service and management of assets such as roads and parks.” said Mayor Robert Young.

The content of the community connect presentations have been recorded and are available to view on council’s website under the header: Financial Plan Consultation 2022-23:

<https://gsbc.tas.gov.au/community-projects/community-consultation/>

There are 3 individual short presentations that provide background information to inform community consultation on the 2022-23 budget development.

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