Introduction

This procedure defines the environmental principles for the allocation of the Environment Levy (Special Variation No. 2005/06) and ensures that long term funding is available for environmental management activities. The procedure also defines the reporting requirements and funding administration of the Environment Levy.

Requirements

- Expenditure of the Environment Levy will be undertaken generally in accordance with the Environment Levy application across areas of biodiversity management, waterways protection and sustainability.
- Reporting of the Environment Levy will be undertaken in accordance with the Division of Local Government Approval and the Ministers Approval and Schedule and will include a specific report on outcomes and expenditure in each Annual Report.
- Environment Levy outcomes will be maximised through partnerships and leveraging with a range of stakeholders including government and agencies as well as the community.
- Funds collected with the Environment Levy will be held as restricted income in a reserve fund and all unexpended funds raised from the Environment Levy will be reallocated in the following financial year to the Environment Levy Reserve Fund.