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## MEDIA RELEASE

**Subject: RCMB Annual Business Plan Consultation**

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THE COMMUNITY is being asked to review Council's Annual Business Plan and Budget for the next financial year, and provide feedback to ensure community expectations are met.

The draft Annual Business Plan is Council's statement of intended programs, projects and services for the coming year, while the budget is a statement of revenue, expenditure and projected financial position.

The Rural City of Murray Bridge draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2019-2020 outlines a \$43.5m spend, including \$29.9m for services and key projects and \$13.6m for new assets and significant upgrades. \$7.5m is allocated for renewal and replacement of existing assets and \$6.1m for new infrastructure investment.

There is no planned increase in the rate in the dollar for properties, however the Council will receive a moderate rates income increase due to growth and property value increases (determined by the State's Valuer-General).

Chief Executive Officer Michael Sedgman said the document provided a strong and detailed plan for delivering our community vision identified in Council's Community and Strategic Plans, while being financially responsible.

"I am confident that the programs, projects and services planned and budgeted for the coming year will not only contribute to our vision of *Thriving Communities* but will also ensure a sustainable future," he said.

"This document has been developed with consideration of the current economic environment and the consequent pressures on our communities.

"There has been considerable effort made to balance the needs of our communities with sustained investment in infrastructure and services."

The draft Annual Business Plan and Budget 2019-2020 consultation opens Tuesday 14 May and closes 5pm Tuesday 4 June 2019.

Review the plan and provide feedback at [www.letstalk.murraybridge.sa.gov.au](http://www.letstalk.murraybridge.sa.gov.au)

Hardcopies are available at the Local Government Centre and the Murray Bridge Library.

A public meeting to hear submissions will be held from 6pm Monday 3 June at the Local Government Centre, 2 Seventh Street, Murray Bridge.