

Media Release

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NEW PHONE SYSTEM - IMPROVE YOUR CUSTOMER SERVICE

Due to the huge increase in telephone traffic to Council in the past few years, a new phone system has now been installed to enhance your customer service experience and ensure you are able to speak to the right department to have your issue solved more quickly.

Next time you phone Council's main switchboard number of (02) 6736 6000 you will now be given the following options to choose from:

- 1. For general enquiries, including paying your rates or water bill, or getting an account balance press 1.
- 2. For rates and water billing payment plans and 603 Certificate enquiries press 2.
- 3. For planning and building enquires, certificates or to book an appointment to lodge a Development Application or arrange an inspection press 3.
- 4. For road and bridge enquiries, including new or upgraded driveways press 4.
- 5. For water, waste or sewer infrastructure enquiries including waste collection, new bin services and new water or sewer connections press 5.
- 6. For vehicle inspection appointments press 6.
- 7. For enquiries relating to the hire of halls and parks, stallholder or street permits press 7.
- 8. For regulatory issues (including animal control and registration) press 8.
- 9. To hear these options again press 9.

It is understood that these new options may cause some initial confusion, so please keep these instructions near your phone to assist when next you call Council.

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