



Infrastructure demand

The Hilltops LGA is in the Southern Tablelands of NSW and covers an area of 7,140 square kilometres. It is mainly rural, with many townships which include residential, commercial and industrial areas. The LGA includes pockets of mining and other extractive industries. Most of these industries use local roads to transport material to other locations.

All developments that significantly increase the movement of laden heavy vehicles along local Council roads will be required to make contributions towards the additional maintenance burden resulting from the accelerated deterioration of the roads.

The contributions of cash will provide Council with funding to provide additional maintenance.

Development this plan applies to

Heavy haulage development includes extractive industry, forestry, landscape and garden supplies, industry, mining, rural industry, timber and building supplies and any other development that involves the movement of laden heavy vehicles. In Council's opinion this use is likely to result in the reduction of the life of the local road network.

Calculating the contribution

The contribution rates are shown in Table 1. The monetary contribution will be calculated on a quarterly basis. The total monetary contribution is the sum of the total local roads travelled by each heavy vehicle. Worked examples are shown in **Appendix B**.

The contribution rates will be indexed for inflation at the time of consent and again at the time of payment in accordance with quarterly movements in the Producer Price Index (3101 Roads and bridge construction NSW), as published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Table 1: Section 7.11 contribution rates at May 2024

Road type	Contribution per ESA per km travelled by laden heavy vehicles
R1	\$0.27
R2	\$0.40

Imposing the contribution

If a contribution is required for a development under this plan, the consent authority will impose a condition in the consent requiring the contribution. The condition will specify the contribution amount payable, how the contribution amount will be indexed for inflation, when the contribution needs to be paid, and how to pay the contribution.

Paying the contribution

The condition in the development consent will specify when and how to pay the contribution. The timing for when contributions need to be paid is specified in **section 2.3**.