

Media Release | Fuel Subsidy

Torres Strait Island Regional Council (TSIRC) is committed to combating the cost of living challenges faced in our remote communities. TSIRC's ongoing lobbying of the State and Federal governments towards a Fuel Subsidy and its moves in conjunction with the Torres Strait Regional Authority recently, to heavily subsidize air travel out of Dauan and Ugar Islands, are two examples of TSIRC's commitment to reducing the crippling cost of living pressures.

TSIRC is proud to announce that due to considerable cost savings in other areas of its business, in 2018 it will fund a 12 month fuel and gas subsidy for all TSIRC communities at which TSIRC manage fuel, **commencing Tuesday 27 February 2018.**

As of today, this means that fuel costs across all TSIRC fuel facilities whether your serviced by a bowser or not , will be \$1.98 per litre (ULP and Diesel) we don't want any of our communities being disadvantaged. Gas prices will also be significantly reduced. Pricing will be subject to rise and fall on the cost to TSIRC of bulk fuel and gas from its supplier.

TSIRC is committed to returning value to its communities within the capacity of its budget.

The following table outlines the subsidized prices and the saving this will deliver to TSIRC communities.

Product	Subsidized Price (GST incl)+*	Usual Price (GST incl)	Community saving
ULP Fuel (Bowser)	\$1.98	\$2.20	22c p/L
ULP Fuel (Drum)	\$1.98	\$3.10	\$1.12 p/L
Diesel Fuel (Bowser)	\$1.98	\$2.40	42c p/L
Diesel Fuel (Drum)	\$1.98	\$3.20	\$1.22 p/L
Gas – 9KG	\$69^	\$86	\$17^ per bottle
Gas – 45KG	\$198.09^	\$246	\$47.91^ per bottle

* Prices subject to rise and fall of underlying fuel and gas price charged by supplier.

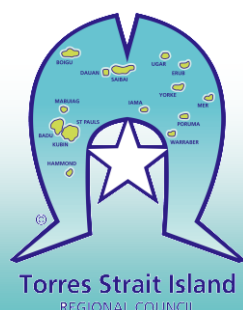
^ SWAP&GO price only. Price without empty return is 9KG - \$100 (GST incl); 45KG - \$246.90 (GST incl).

+ Subsidy amount subject to Council Budget.

TSIRC recognizes that the Torres Strait has the highest cost of living in Australia and any reduction in costs helps ease financial stress on our families.

God bless.

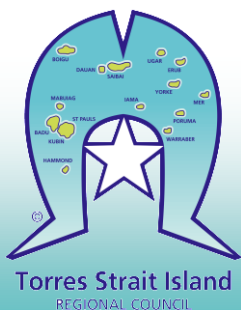
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