

FinPro Member Update – Edition 3, 2026

President's Message

Hi everyone,

As we head into a busy start to the year, this edition is all about building capability, sharing experience and staying connected as a sector.

Our most recent submission was on the Inquiry into Local Government Funding and Fiscal Sustainability and is available now [on our website](#). Thank you to John Brockway and Gabby Spiller for their work on this.

Our upcoming Professional Development Day on 27 February offers a great mix of technical updates and leadership insights, and I encourage you to come along, learn something new and reconnect with colleagues. Registrations are closing on Monday, so don't delay!

We're also hosting a webinar on *Accounting for Natural Disasters – Lessons Learned*, where councils will share practical, real-world experiences managing recovery funding - increasingly valuable knowledge for all of us.

You'll find a case study on Melton City Council's new ERP implementation, showing how the right technology can support better services and stronger governance as communities grow.

Along with job opportunities, member news and the latest TCV rates, I hope this update gives you something useful to take back into your day-to-day work and reminds you of the strength of the FinPro network.

Warm regards,

Tony Rocca

President, FinPro and Director/CFO, Maroondah CC



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FinPro Professional Development Day

Friday, 27 February 2026

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

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Our first Professional Development Day will be held on Friday, 27 February 2026 at the Melbourne Convention Centre.

The program is as follows:

9.00am - 9.45am	Registration and Morning Tea
9.45am - 9.50am	Welcome and FinPro Update: Tony Rocca, President FinPro
9.50am - 9.55am	Budgeting reimaged for Modern councils, giving organisations confidence in the decisions they make - Michelle Wise, Product Success Director, TechnologyOne
10.00am - 11.00am	Feedback Fitness: Don't take this personally, BUT... Sue Anderson, Speaker, Trainer, Author, Coach and Mentor
11.00am - 11.45am	VAGO Update: Travis Derricott, Sector Director, VAGO
11.45am - 12.15pm	Launch Model Budget and Model Financial Statements and AASB 13 Standards Update: LGV and working party
12.15pm - 12.30pm	FinPro Leadership and Mentoring Program 2026
12.30pm - 1.30pm	Lunch and networking
1.30pm - 2.00pm	Summary on rates and charges: Daniel Chafer, President, RMA
2.00pm - 3.00pm	The Path to Protopia: Tracey Spicer AM, journalist, author and broadcaster
3.00pm - 4.00pm	Networking in the Clarendon Auditorium

[Click here](#) to download the program.



Sue Anderson, Speaker, Trainer, Author, Coach and Mentor

When feedback is treated as an occasional event, saved for appraisals or avoided until a crisis, leaders miss out on one of the most powerful drivers of performance, trust, and connection.

Sue will be speaking at the PD Day on how you can improve the feedback culture in your team, and ensure your teams are empowered to give and receive feedback.

[Click here](#) to watch a video from Sue Anderson.

Following the presentations, a networking hour will be held at the venue.

We would like to thank [TechnologyOne](#) for sponsoring this event. Seats are limited – reserve your spot today!

[Register now](#)

Webinar: Accounting for Natural Disasters – Lessons learned

Date: Thursday, 5 March 2026

Time: 12.30pm – 1.30pm

FinPro's upcoming webinar *Accounting for Natural Disasters - Lessons Learned* brings together council finance professionals who have managed real disaster response and recovery funding to share practical, experience-based insights.

The session will explore what happens from the first 72 hours through to audit and financial reporting - including emergency spending approvals, documentation for reimbursement claims, managing multiple funding streams, asset impairments and working effectively with auditors.

Panellists will highlight the processes and preparations that saved time, reduced risk and improved claim success, giving members clear, practical steps they can implement before the next event. If your role involves budgeting, reporting or governance during emergencies, this is a valuable opportunity to learn what works (and what doesn't) from councils who have been through it.

Panellists include:

- Stephen Cook, Management Accountant, Campaspe Shire Council
- Lori Lee, Asset Accountant, Surf Coast Shire Council
- Kristy Aberline, Executive Officer Management Accounting, Yarra Ranges Council
- Nicole Maxwell, Finance Manager, Mitchell Shire Council

This webinar is free for FinPro members.

[Click here](#) to register.

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Case study: Melton City Council Goes Live with TechnologyOne's SaaS+ ERP

Melton City Council and TechnologyOne have achieved a major milestone, going live with phase one of its SaaS+ OneCouncil project.

As one of Australia's fastest-growing regions, Melton City Council faces increasing demand for efficient, accessible services. This move represents a significant push to deliver on time and on budget, ensuring the council can meet the needs of its rapidly growing community of more than 200,000 residents in Melbourne's west.

Melton City Council transitioned to TechnologyOne's OneCouncil SaaS+ platform to future-ready its operations and deliver tangible benefits to residents. The transformation positions Council to meet the needs of a growing population while maintaining high standards of governance and accountability.

Over 1,000 staff are now using the platform, with phase one delivering core modules including Financials, Supply Chain, Budgeting, Performance Management, HR, Payroll, and Content Management. Enterprise Asset Management and Spatial goes live later this month, followed by Property & Rating, DXP LG, and more.

Roslyn Wai, Chief Executive Officer at Melton City Council, said, "This project is about more than technology—it's about people. Our residents expect efficient, transparent services, and OneCouncil helps us deliver exactly that. It gives our staff the tools to work smarter and respond faster, which means better outcomes for the entire Melton community."



[Click here](#) to read the full case study.

Job Opportunities

- [Chair and Independent Member Audit and Risk Committee](#), Central Goldfields Shire Council – Applications close on Friday, 27 February 2026
- [Internal Audit and Risk Committee Membership](#), Mildura Rural City Council – Applications close on Friday, 27 February 2026

Membership Announcements

We are so pleased to welcome our new members:

- Chloe Smith, Finance Business Partner Future Places, Bass Coast Shire Council
- Marivic Vix, Manager of Finance, Hindmarsh Shire Council
- Megan Gough, Senior Management Accountant, Mitchell Shire Council
- Mia Ranjo, Accounting Officer, Wyndham City Council
- Subu Linla, Accounting Officer, Wyndham City Council

Have you had changes in your team? Reach out to [Lucy Scorer](#) to update your members.

TCV Loan Rates as at 11 February 2026

Maturity	Fixed Rate (Interest Only)		Fixed Rate (Principal and Interest) *		Floating Rate (margin to BBSW)	
	Quarterly	Semi	Quarterly	Maturity	Quarterly	Semi
1 year	4.4222	4.4447	4.3500	4.4200	0.2590	0.0552
3 year	4.7634	4.7890	4.6250	4.6650	0.5014	0.2799
5 year	4.9658	4.9937	4.7900	4.8250	0.6300	0.4154
7 year	5.2040	5.2347	4.9450	4.9850	0.7534	0.5516
10 year	5.5612	5.5964	5.2000	5.2400	0.9506	0.7717
12 year	5.7472	5.7850	5.3550	5.3950	1.0544	0.8859
15 year	5.9587	5.9993	5.5600	5.6000	1.1804	1.0226
11am (at Call)	4.1650				BBSW	
30 day	3.9750				1 Month	3.7900
60 day	4.0550				3 Month	3.9466
90 day	4.1350				6 Month	4.2177
180 day	4.4050					

TCV Investment rates

TCV note the current TCV 11am/At Call deposit rate is 3.80%. The 11am deposit can be easily utilised for council’s daily working capital requirements. Instructions to invest/withdraw funds are requested prior to 3pm for transactions to be processed on the same day. We encourage councils to review the rates currently paid on their at-call accounts with their transactional bank and consider this facility to maximise returns on any surplus cash balances.

Cash	3.8000		4 Month	4.0318
1 Month	3.7800		5 Month	4.1336
2 Month	3.8609		6 Month	4.2077
3 Month	3.9366		1 Year	4.1397

These loan interest rates and margins are indicative only and current as at the time of calculation. The rates and margins indicated include the TCV administration fee of 0.115%, the DTF Guarantee Fee of 0.15% and Execution of 0.03%

*Fixed rate (Principal and Interest) assumes principal balance is reduced to zero over equal instalments until maturity.

The RBA raised rates this month, as expected, but its commentary leaned much more hawkish than had been expected. The RBA has also materially lifted its forecasts for inflation across 2026. There has a material upside in funding costs for Australian government borrowers in recent months, but rates appear to have stabilised recently.

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