# Your different sub metering options



## How the different sub metering options work

#### Current billing and sub-metering



### **OPTION 1.1** Property Share Percentage billing



Each unit pays a percentage share of the total water and sewerage usage, of the entire complex, rather than being billed for usage through each

- individual meter.
  The total water usage for the complex is calculated by taking a meter reading from this large water meter, connected at the boundary of the complex.
- Unitywater will only read the large ('master') meter, not the individual water meters ('sub-meters') at each unit.
- The amount allocated to each unit is based on the percentage share, as contained in the <u>Contribution Schedule</u> of the complex's Community Management Scheme.
- The allocated water and sewerage usage costs (as determined by the property share percentage) will be included in the water and sewerage bill for each unit, along with fixed water and sewerage access and bulk water charges.

\* These numbers and percentages are an example guide only

#### **OPTION 1.2 Body Corporate All consumption billing**



- The water and sewerage usage charges for the entire complex are billed directly to the Body Corporate.
- The total water usage for the complex is calculated by taking a meter reading from this large water meter, connected at the boundary of the complex.
- Unitywater will only read the large ('master') meter, not the individual water meters ('sub-meters') at each unit.
- > Water and sewerage usage costs may be on-charged to individual unit owners this is a decision for the owners of the complex, through the Body Corporate.
- Unit owners will continue to receive a bill from Unitywater, but the bill will contain only fixed access charges for water and sewerage services.
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### **OPTION 2** Upgrading to compliant sub-metering

If the sub metering at the complex is upgraded, water and sewerage usage charges can continue to be billed to individual units based on the actual water used by that unit.

The Body Corporate and unit owners must first agree to upgrade the complex's plumbing and sub-metering to make it compliant with the <u>Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code</u> Unitywater's <u>Sub-Metering Policy and Technical Specifications</u>.

Any upgrade of sub meters, including all associated plumbing and construction costs, will be at the cost of the complex (Body Corporate and owners). If your unit complex is looking to upgrade their sub meters, Unitywater recommends that the Body Corporate contact a hydraulic engineer or licensed plumber for a quote on the work involved.