

Rates Payments

The Shire provides three options for payment of your rates:

Option 1 - Due 21 August 2026
Payment in Full, less any entitled discount.

Option 2 - Due 4 September 2026
Payment in Full

Option 3
Payment in four instalments.
1st Instalment due date - 04/09/2026
2nd Instalment due date - 06/11/2026
3rd Instalment due date - 08/01/2027
4th Instalment due date - 12/03/2027

Payment of rates via Option 3 will incur the following charges:

Administration charge - \$5 per instalment
Instalment interest - 5.5% per annum

Pensioner Concessions

Do you receive or hold a:

- Pension and hold a current Pensioner Concession Card or,
- State Seniors Card and a Commonwealth Seniors Health Card or,
- State Seniors Card only?

You may be eligible to receive a concession on your rates.

Please contact the Shire for more information.

Ph: (08) 9681 1166
Email: general@wyalkatchem.wa.gov.au

Penalty Interest Charges on Overdue

Under the *Local Government Act 1995*, interest is charged on overdue amounts. Council has set the charge at 7% per annum which will be applied to all amounts outstanding after 35 days from the issue date of the rate notice. Penalty interest accrues daily until all overdue rates and charges are paid in full.

Eligible pensioners are exempt from interest charges.

2026/27 Rates

The 2026/27 budget saw an adjustment to the rate in the dollar for properties valued on both a UV and GRV basis to deliver an average 5.0% increase in rate revenue.

Rates make up approximately 44% of the Shire's revenue to fund local community infrastructure and services. Other sources of funds include government grants, fees and charges and interest on investments.

How Rates are calculated?

Rates are calculated based on the value of rateable properties within the Shire and are independently valued by Landgate using two methods: Unimproved Valuation (UV) and Gross Rental Value (GRV).

Landgate undertake a valuation of UV rated properties on an annual basis. GRV rated properties are valued every three to six years depending on the region. GRV properties were last revalued in the 2024/25 year.

Valuations are then multiplied by the rate-in-the-dollar set by Council to determine the amount of rates payable. If the total calculation is less than Council's minimum rate, the minimum rate applies.



SHIRE OF WYALKATCHEM

2026/27

Rate Notice Supplementary Information



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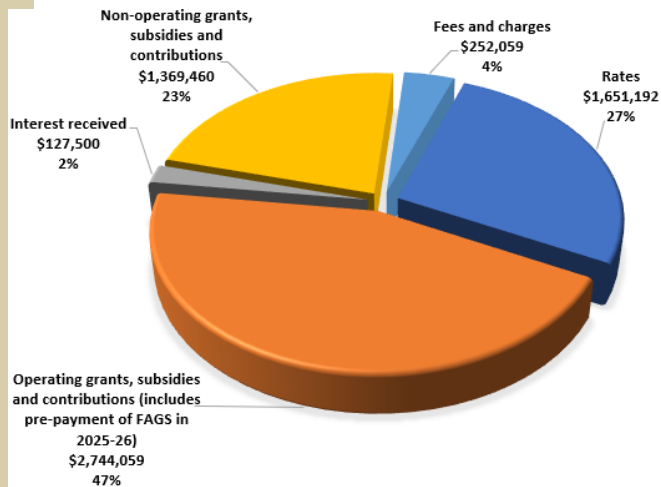
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Revenue

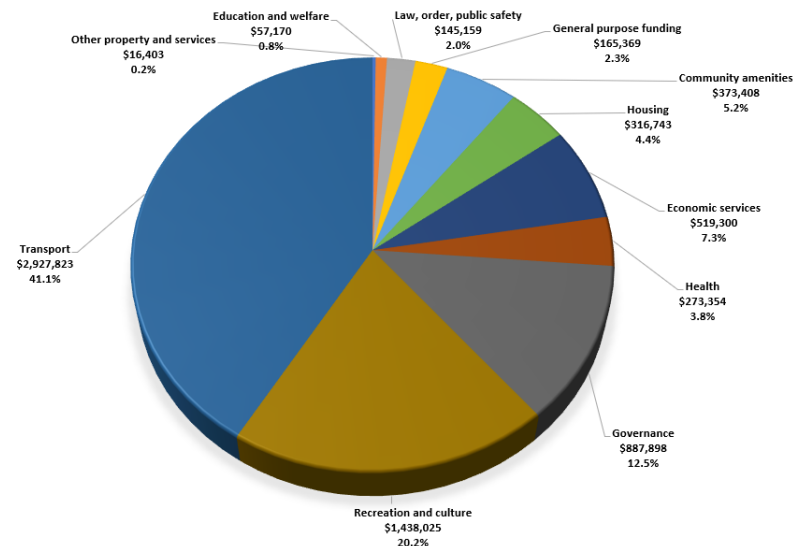
The Shire will generate income of \$3.99 million and when combined with grants paid in advance (\$2.17 million) and carry over, is planning to deliver a balanced budget in 2026/27.

Income sources consists of rates, grants, fees and charges, and interest earnings.



Operating Expenditure 2026/27

The cost of providing services estimated at \$7.1 million dollars. The following provides an indication of where funds will be spent in 2026/27.



Other Highlights

The following are some of the highlights included in the 2026/27 capital expenditure budget:

- Further drainage works to bathrooms at the Swimming Pool
- The Wyalkatchem North Rd will be reconstructed and widened on a 1.56km section
- New footpath installed from Riches St to the Swimming Pool*
- Drainage works at the intersection of Railway Tce and Thurston St
- Roadworks on Benjaberring South Rd and Tilbrook Rd
- Roadworks on the laneway between Wilson St and Railway Tce (from Riches St to Gamble St)
- Contribution to four more CEACA units being built
- Fixing guttering at the Town Hall
- Installation of water tanks at the Recreation Centre and Depot*
- Purchase of a mobile water tanker for emergency use*
- Replacement of the Community Bus*
- Replacement of a grader
- Purchase of a skid steer mounted mulcher
- Continued contribution to the Wheatbelt Way Rail Trail project

* Dependent on successful grant applications

How is the money spent

The Shire provides a diverse range of services to the community including:

- Roads, Transport and Infrastructure
- Parks Gardens and Playgrounds
- Street Cleaning and Lighting
- Waste Management
- Emergency Management
- Health Services
- Sport and Leisure
- Animal Control
- Community Services
- Tourism, Culture and Heritage
- Public Health and Safety
- Environmental Management
- Welfare
- Library

Capital Investment - Roads

The Shire's roads program for 2026/27 includes upgrades to the following:

Investment	Description of Works	Budget
Roads 2 Recovery	Reconstruction	\$539,000
Wyalkatchem North Rd	Reconstruction	\$615,000
Total		\$1,154,000