

Highlights: Previous Financial Year 2023/2024




Councillors and executive staff



Projects and Partnerships

Key Projects 2024/2025

KEY PROJECTS 2024/2025	\$ (approx.)
 Derby Airport Road Upgrade	\$500,000
 Geikie Gorge Road - Sealing and improvements to Bungardi Floodway	\$915,000
 Flood Recovery Road Works – 2023 January Flood	\$5,900,000
 Calwaynyardah Noonkanbah Road	\$995,000
 Lighting, Fencing and Seating upgrade at Derby Recreation Centre	\$1,032,950
 Lighting and Fencing at Fitzroy Crossing Town Oval	\$2,016,750
 Plant renewal	\$1,136,646
 Fitzroy Crossing Youth Precinct and Water Park	\$2,500,000
 Wharfinger House Upgrades and Toilet Installation	\$210,000
 Derby Recreation Precinct Upgrades	\$1,600,000
 Basketball Courts Resurfacing Derby	\$300,000

Shire of Derby / West Kimberley

Annual Rate Information 2024/2025

President's Address



As we embark on another year together, I am pleased to present the 2024/25 rates brochure, outlining our continued commitment to enhancing our vibrant community. Our focus remains on maintaining our assets and operations, ensuring our shire continues to improve and provide the services we all rely on.

The 2024/25 budget will enable us to continue developing projects that diversify our community, foster community connections and safeguard our environment. In this year's brochure, you will find detailed information on how your rates support essential services, infrastructure projects and community initiatives.

As a Council we remain committed to supporting residents and ratepayers through our commitment to careful planning for the future. With a general rate increase of 2.95%, Council has achieved a balanced budget without any cuts to the services provided to ratepayers, with an increase to fees falling in line with CPI. We are pleased in that we have been able to achieve this outcome despite the ongoing increases in costs across the spectrum of council services and activities. In addition, Council continues to offer a discount (1.5%) for ratepayers who pay in full by the 9 August 2024.

The Shire has maintained an emphasis on securing grant funding for major projects, further reducing the financial impact on our community. This includes \$6.3 million in Lotterywest Grants received and in the coming year, this will allow Council to undertake projects including the Fitzroy Crossing Youth Precinct and Water Park, upgrades and toilet at Wharfinger House as well as resurfacing of the basketball courts and improvements to lighting and fencing in Derby.

The Shire is focused on working with and understanding the needs of our community while continuing to strive to deliver improvements in our services to the community. As Shire President, I would like to acknowledge and thank our residents and businesses, who continue to support the Shire of Derby/West Kimberley in being *'a place where people want to live, invest, visit and return to.'*

Peter McCumstie - Shire President

Rate Payment Options & Key Dates

1 ONE FULL PAYMENT
Full Payment Due:
23 August 2024

2 TWO INSTALMENT
First instalment Due:
23 August 2024
Second instalment Due:
2 December 2024

4 FOUR INSTALMENT
First instalment Due:
23 August 2024
Second instalment Due:
22 October 2024

Third instalment Due:
30 December 2024
Fourth instalment Due:
28 February 2025

Understanding Your Rates

Rates are calculated for each property by multiplying its Gross Rental Value (GRV) or Unimproved Value (UV) which are provided by the Valuer General by the rate in the dollar. Each year Council adopts a rate in the dollar (RID) as a part of budget considerations. In 2024/2025 Council resolved to adopt the below rates in the dollar which have remained the same as advertised:

Description	Rate in the Dollar (cents)	Minimum Payment
GRV	\$0.144896	\$1,643.00
UV	\$0.90954	\$638.00

Waste Management

Waste collection fees have been increased this financial year in order to more closely match the full costs of waste management which includes the kerbside collection (once weekly during dry season and twice weekly during wet season) and cyclone season verge collections. Refer to the Shire's website for collection days and waste management site fees and charges: www.sdwk.wa.gov.au.

Emergency Services Levy (ESL)

ESL is a levy imposed by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) and collected on its behalf by local governments in WA.

Pensioner/Senior Rebate

For an application to register for a rates concession, eligible ratepayers should contact the Water Corporation on 1300 659 951 or go to www.watercorporation.com.au. Please refer to the notes on the reverse of your annual rate notice for more details.

Register for e-Rates

You can now receive your rate notices via email. To register for this service please email rates@sdwk.wa.gov.au – quoting your assessment number and email address.

Early Rates Incentive

Council offers a discount of 1.5% on general rates if all rates (including rubbish rates and ESL Levy) are paid in full on or before 21 days from date of issue.

