



Community Events



Projects and Partnerships



Council Meeting in Fitzroy Crossing



KEY PROJECTS 2023-2024	\$ (approx.)
 Fitzroy Swimming Pool Reinstatement of Amenities building following fire	\$407,000
 Geikie Gorge Road - Sealing and improvements to Bungardi floodway	\$450,000
 Fairfield Leopold Downs Road Reconstruct improve drainage and gravel sheet	\$915,000
 Wharfinger Safety and Maintenance	\$285,000
 Security Upgrades Derby and Fitzroy Crossing	\$3,000,000
 Staff Housing Project	\$6,000,000
 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
 Continuing emergency works as a result of Ex TC Ellie flooding	\$9,845,800
 Fitzroy Crossing Airstrip Reconstruction	\$3,000,000

Annual Rate Information 2023/2024

President's Address



The 2023/24 budget will continue the momentum of the past year. Our focus is on maintaining our assets by ensuring our much-loved places and spaces can be enjoyed for years to come.

We are preparing for and investing in our future by delivering and supporting projects, events, programs and initiatives that diversify our economy, connect our community, protect our environment and support a healthy-active Shire.

With a reworked capital works program, prioritising the most important and impactful projects, and a Budget that supports resilient and sustainable operations, it gives me great pleasure to present the Shire of Derby/West Kimberley Budget for the 2023-2024 financial year.

As a Council we remain committed to supporting residents and ratepayers through our commitment to careful planning for the future. The Budget has been prepared in a financially responsible way that delivers services to the community.

Accordingly, Council has committed to a 5% rate increase in GRV and UV rates. Council continues to offer a discount (1.5%) for ratepayers who pay in full by the 22nd September 2023.

As in previous years, the 2023-2024 Budget includes funding for local Youth and Crime Prevention and support programs with over \$1M committed across Derby and Fitzroy Crossing.

We continue to commit extensive resources by lobbying on behalf of the communities in the areas of Juvenile Justice, safe spaces for young people, alternative education opportunities and job pathways. These are areas that our community tell us are important to them and have been identified as priorities.

Approximately \$30M has been budgeted for the infrastructure capital works program for community facilities, parks, environment, streetscapes, roads, footpaths and drainage. The Budget ensures we continue our activities in community and economic development, as well as the creative arts and place making activities.

As your Council, we are focused on communicating well, and delivering excellence in our services to the community. With the support of our residents and businesses, the Shire of Derby/West Kimberley continues to be "a place where people want to live, invest, visit and return to"!


Geoff Haerewa

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. The Council applies differential rating on the various rating categories to ensure an equitable rating level for all rate payers. In 2023/2024 Council resolved to adopt the below rates in the dollar which have remained the same as advertised:

Description	RID (Expressed)	Min Payment
GRV General	\$0.140744	\$1,596.00
UV General	\$0.83473	\$620.00

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.

