



SHIRE OF DUMBLEYUNG

BUDGET NEWSLETTER

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Dear Resident,

The Shire of Dumbleyung 2023/24 Budget has now been adopted by Council which reflects a 5% rate increase for the year. This increase aligns with the Shire's Long Term Financial Plan that aims to increase cash reserves to achieve financial sustainability. This year's budget includes a significant number of capital expenditure projects including bitumen resealing and kerb repairs at the Dumbleyung Caravan Park, shade cover over Kukerin Bouncy Pillow, erection of a wireless internet telecommunication mast onto the Shire Admin Building, purchase of a mobile genset (with trailer) for deployment use at either of our Dumbleyung or Kukerin Evacuation Centres (in times of an emergency), purchase of additional land for future Dumbleyung Airport runway extensions, grandstand upgrade activities to both Stubbs and Nenke Park (including Nenke Park changerooms), Dumbleyung Lake toilet facility upgrades, Dumbleyung western entry statement improvements, Dumbleyung Skatepark refurbishments, automation of Shire Depot Fuel Bowsers and upgraded night lights to both Nenke and Dumbleyung ovals. Project planning activities will also ramp up on the Dumbleyung Swimming Pool Redevelopment Project, including the preparation of grant funding submissions to both the Federal and State Governments. Based on an approved concept design, project planning will also be progressed on the proposed refurbishment of Stubbs Park pavilion and a new multi-use indoor court facility to achieve project readiness. This year's budget also intends to deliver another extensive road construction program with a significant level of investment committed as part of the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network, targeting key arterial links including Dumbleyung Nyabing Road, Kulin Dumbleyung Road, Katanning Dumbleyung Road and Adams Road. Complementing this major road investment program, the Shire also intends to replace roadworks and maintenance vehicles to improve efficiencies in project delivery. Gravel re-sheeting activities will also be targeted along Kukerin South Road, Bladendale Road and Wishbone Road. A significant heavy patching program will also be delivered targeting a number of Shire sealed roads. A gravel pit rehabilitation program will also be initiated.

Cr Julie Ramm
Shire President

Gavin Treasure
Chief Executive Officer

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Option 1: A discount of 5% off the current rates levied (excludes service charges) will be allowed to rate payers whose payment of rates arrives on or before 4.30 pm on the **11th August 2023**;

Option 2: Payment of total rates and charges including arrears by **1st September 2023**.

Option 3: Two instalments to be received on the following dates; **1st September 2023** and **1st January 2024**;

Option 4: Four instalments to be received on the following dates; **1st September 2023**, **1st November 2023**, **1st January 2024** and **1st March 2024**.

An instalment administration fee of \$15.00 per instalment applies to the 2nd, 3rd and 4th instalment notices and an interest charge of 5.5% pa applies to these payments.

Section 6.49 of the Local Government Act. A local government may accept payment of a rate or service charge due and payable by a person in accordance with an agreement made by the person. Rate payers wishing to choose the Instalment option must make the first payment on or before 1st September 2023.

Interest on overdue rates will be charged at 7% pa on a daily rate from the 4th September 2023.

PAYMENT METHODS:

EFTPOS, Online Banking, Cheque, Cash, Money Order, Direct Deposit
Account details

306-033 4697953

Please enter your assessment number as your banking reference eg. A1234

Rates are due by 4:30pm on 1st September 2023. If you would like to take advantage of the 5% discount offered, payment must be made by 4:30pm on 11th August 2023.

RATES

Rate in the Dollar

Gross Rental Value 12.6840 cents

Unimproved Value 0.6943 cents

Minimum Rate \$502

SEWERAGE RATES APPLICABLE TO DUMBLEYUNG TOWNSITE

Rate in the Dollar

GRV Specified Area 31.4725

Minimum Rate \$308.88 | Maximum Rate \$1281.51

There are not many shires in the state that run their own sewerage schemes however Dumbleyung is one of them. This year the area rate was increased 12.5% which is in line with the Water Corporation guidelines. Under legislation, the revenue raised by the rate can only be spent on either maintenance of the scheme or put into reserves for future maintenance. Currently there is \$768,675 in the reserve, however the replacement of a sewerage system runs into millions of dollars.

Non-Residential Properties

Major Fixture Charge

First \$1127.19, Second \$482.50,

Third \$644.37,

Fourth and subsequent \$700.71

Non-Rateable Properties

Class 1 Major Fixture

First \$302.85,

Each additional fixture \$133.24

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EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY

Your rate notice contains an amount calculated to collect the Emergency Services Levy for FESA, it is not a local government charge.

THE OBJECT AND REASONS FOR RATES

The object and reasons for raising general rates for the Shire of Dumbleyung is for the purpose of financing the maintenance and development of community services and facilities within the Local Government area to ensure the ongoing good government of the district. The reason for a minimum rate is to ensure that all properties pay an equitable contribution to the provision of services and facilities within the Shire of Dumbleyung.

REFUSE REMOVAL

The Shire imposes a rubbish charge for the removal of refuse within the town sites. The refuse removal charges are \$492.00 for a 240L normal bin emptied weekly and a 240L recycle bin emptied fortnightly. The Goods and Services Tax are not applicable to rubbish charges, as the fee is levied under section 112 of the Health Act 1911. The amount raised by the refuse removal charges will be applied to the cost of rubbish removal and refuse site maintenance during the Budget period.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONER RATES CONCESSION FOR 2023-24

The 50% concession allowed to eligible pensioners on local government rates is restricted to a capped amount. The pensioner capped amount for rates is \$750 and \$436.15 for sewerage for 2023/24. The senior capped amount for rates is \$100 and \$72.69 for sewerage for 2023/24 year. The Shire of Dumbleyung does not administer the laws in regards to pensioner concessions.

Road Program 2023 / 24

Regional Road Group (\$484,994 grant income, \$727,491 total expenditure)		
White Well Road	7m wide seal on 10m formation SLK 16.87-20.87	\$727,491
Roads to Recovery (\$391,805 grant income, \$455,000 total expenditure)		
Bladendale Road	Gravel resheeting	\$122,000
Kukerin South Road	Gravel resheeting	\$270,000
Wishbone Road	Gravel resheeting	\$63,000
Shire projects (\$287,955 total expenditure)		
Resealing works	Roads to be determined	\$160,000
Robson Road Resheet	Gravel resheeting	\$127,955
Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network (\$4,103,110 grant income, \$4,468,872 total expenditure)		
Adams Road	23/24 Development	\$105,000
Dumbleyung - Nyabing	23/24 Shoulder works and widen seal to 8m SLK 0-8.5	\$2,897,141
Kulin-Dumbleyung Rd (Fence Rd Nth)	23/24 Pavement reconstruction and widen seal SLK 8-12	\$1,276,316
Katanning - Dumbleyung Rd	22/23 Pavement Reseal	\$190,415