

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Council has approached this year's Annual Business Plan (ABP) with the community front of mind, opting to keep rate rises to 2.5% with an additional 2.5% for Primary Production land. The good news is our primary producers are still paying significantly lower rates than their neighbours in nearby Council regions, and 1% of this year's Primary Production rate increase will be used specifically for upgrading our rural roads.

This rate rise was chosen in an attempt to strike a balance between Council continuing to deliver services the community expects, and renewing community assets, without placing financial pressure on ratepayers. We understand that despite certain sectors booming at this time, for instance real estate and tourism, many locals still face cost-of-living pressures.

Council has been successful in winning numerous grants to complete projects and improve our region without spending ratepayer money. In the past financial year alone Council has secured \$7.6m in State and Federal grant funding. This success is headlined by a Black Summer Bushfire Recovery grant of \$2.25m to build a childcare facility in Minlaton, a project that will have immense and lasting social and economic benefits.

Mayor Darren Braund

CAPITAL WORKS OVERVIEW



Transport Infrastructure	\$8,167,034	68%
Grant Funded One-Off Projects	\$1,512,000	12.6%
Plant and Equipment	\$1,517,027	12.6%
Caravan Parks	\$310,863	3%
Land, Building and Structures	\$60,400	0.5%
CWMS	\$181,788	1.5%
Other	\$14,000	0.1%
Information Technology	\$109,116	0.9%
Stormwater Drainage	\$155,000	1.3%
Furniture and Fittings	\$7,724	0.1%

YOUR RATES EXPLAINED

Council uses a differential rating system with a fixed charge. Differential rates are applied depending on the use to which the land is put, whether it be residential, commercial, primary production etc. The fixed charge is a declared amount all ratepayers contribute in addition to differential rates which are applied directly against the property capital value.

The rate-in-the-dollar to be applied each year is determined during the annual budget process. Put simply, the differential rate is calculated by dividing the required rates revenue by the total rateable capital value for the Council area, after accounting for the total fixed charge contribution from all properties.

Based on the principal use of each property, Council rates properties in six different land use categories. The key components of the rating model for 2022-23 are:

- To raise \$20.26m in total general rates (before rebates and remissions) excluding the Landscape levy, waste management, CWMS and water service charges;
- No change to the fixed charge of \$410;
- Compared to 2021-22, total rate contribution by ratepayers in the residential land use category to decrease by 1.3% while primary production will increase by 1.5%, with all other land use categories to remain almost unchanged;
- Adjustments to the 2021-22 differential rates to accommodate the variances in capital values to ensure the required amount of general rate revenue is raised;
- While rate increases for individual ratepayers will vary due to differing capital values, compared to 2021-22 residential properties can expect to pay on average an extra \$30 (58 cents/week) per assessment, primary production an extra \$230 (\$4.42/week) per assessment, vacant land an extra \$23 (44 cents/week) per assessment and other land use an extra \$46 (88 cents/week) per assessment. Commercial and industrial properties are likely to see either a very small increase or a decrease per assessment;
- Differential rate of 0.277166 cents in the dollar (2.33% less than 2021-22) for residential, commercial, industrial, vacant land and other land use categories;
- Differential rate of 0.122610 cents in the dollar (8.51% less than 2021-22) for primary production;
- 14,119 total rateable assessments of which 12,008 pay the fixed charge.

Service Charges for 2022-23

Waste Collection & Recycling: \$235 (3 bin) or \$187 (2 bin)

CWMS: \$547 Occupied Land or \$406 Vacant Land

YOUR RATES AT WORK



**\$12.56m
Roads**



**\$0.59m
Community Support**



**\$2.63m
Waste Operations**



**\$1.24m
CWMS & Water Schemes**



**\$0.29m
Street Lighting**



**\$0.64m
Footpaths & Stormwater**



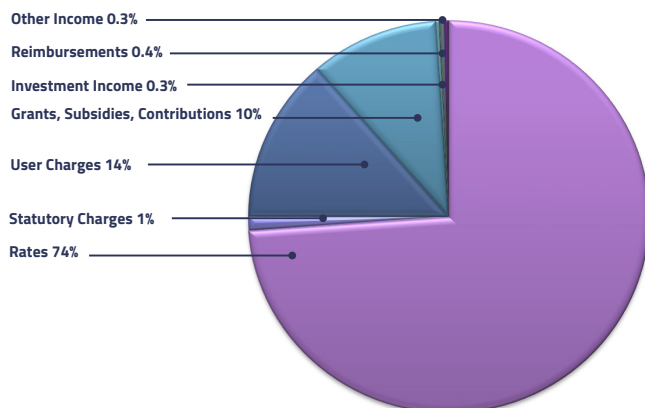
**\$0.57m
Foreshore Maintenance**



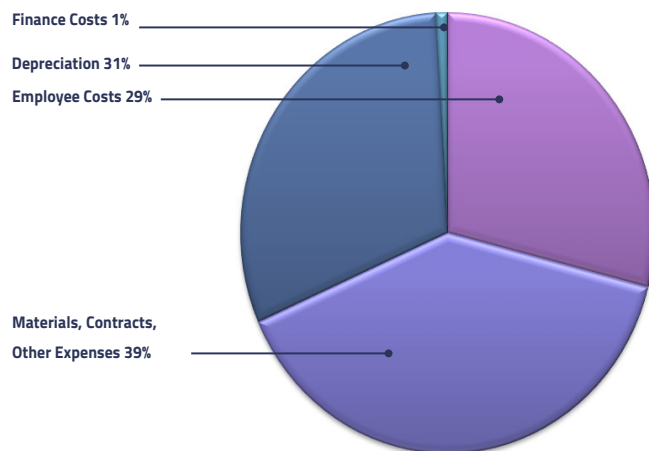
**\$1.86m
Parks & Gardens**

OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY

Income



Expenditure



WHAT WE DELIVERED IN 2021-22

Council's objectives for 2021-22 have been achieved including key projects such as:

▪ Roads	\$5,071,000
▪ Minlaton Air Strip	\$1,251,000
▪ Black Point Boat Ramp	\$461,000
▪ Port Clinton Seawall	\$312,000
▪ Spoon Drain Replacement	\$178,000
▪ Beach Access Stairs	\$151,000
▪ Port Julia Red Shed Repairs	\$66,000
▪ Marion Bay Desal Plant	\$52,000
▪ Gum Flat Picnic Shelter	\$36,000

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2022-23 ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN

SUMMARY



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