



Budget Overview of 2020/2021

The Shire of Williams has delivered a financially responsible budget that delivers for our community and will support the principles contained in the Strategic Community Plan and Corporate Business Plan. There will be continued improvements to infrastructure and roads and will deliver a sustainable economic outcome for the community.

The Shire concluded last financial year with an estimated surplus of \$392,035.

The 2020/2021 Budget delivers social outcomes identified in various planning and community supporting strategies that have previously been adopted by the Council. Also supporting key environmental strategies and initiatives.

Fees and Charges

In general have been increased by 2% with the exception of Childcare and Family Day Care fees where no increase has been applied. Other minor changes have been agreed which are itemised in the budget and are in line with the forward financial plans. All fees and charges are available on the Shire's website.

Rates

Although the valuations for UV increased by 5.92% the Shire has maintained a lower increase to the total rates with revenue up by 2.00%. This is also lower than what is shown in the Long Term Financial Plan. Total rates to be raised is \$1,929,678.

The State Government urged local governments to be mindful of the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and the Council has taken this into consideration in setting a rate below that contained in the Long Term Financial Plan. Also the State Government encouraged local government to use all its available resources to continue capital projects. Council has responded with a number of new projects proposed for the year.

Further, taking into consideration the lower income from rates and a confirmed 7% increase to insurance costs, Council has included a \$100,000 loan to be repaid over 5 years to fund a capital project.

Rate Payments

The following rate payment options are offered for cheque, credit card, direct debit or cash payments to the "Shire of Williams".

Payment in full on or before the **11th September 2020**.

Payment by four instalments due on or before:

- 1st Instalment – 11/09/2020
- 2nd Quarterly Instalment – 13/11/2020
- 3rd Quarterly Instalment – 15/01/2021
- 4th and Final Quarterly Instalment – 19/03/2021

The instalment option will incur an administrative fee of \$30 per assessment and an interest rate of 3%.

Overdue Interest Rate on Rate Payments

Interest will be charged on all rates not paid by the due date where the ratepayer has not elected to pay by instalments. Interest on overdue rates is charged at a rate of 8% on outstanding amounts.

Waste & Roadside Collection

There has been no increase applied to any waste services as this remains cost neutral. The standard roadside collection remains at \$443.50pa. This includes a weekly collection of general waste and a fortnightly collection of recycling by Avon Waste.

Refuse Site opening hours: Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday 9am-3pm.

Statement of Loan Debt – 30th June 2020

Grader	\$61,117
Industrial Land	\$184,772
Industrial Shed (Lot 440)	\$140,546
Industrial Shed (Lot 403)	\$193,460
Synthetic Bowling Green (Self Supporting Loan)	\$122,989
Total:	\$702,884

Grant Funding

Roads to Recovery Grant - \$196,112

Road Project Grant - \$282,327

Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant (LRCI) - \$232,929





Capital Works Program

Investment in infrastructure, land and buildings, as well as plant and equipment is planned totalling \$2,082,758. A major component being road infrastructure totalling \$1,138,334 to support major improvements. An amount of \$232,929 is also included for projects that fit within the Local Road and Community Infrastructure Grant conditions.

Detailed Asset Expenditure	
Land and Buildings	
Single Person Unit Refurbishment	33,129
Single Person Units - Carport	22,558
Men's Shed	149,200
Childcare - Flooring	40,000
	244,887
Plant and Equipment	
4X4 Dual Cab Ute - WL19	40,000
Multi-Tyre Road Roller - WL49	175,000
Mini Excavator 5-6 Tonne	77,000
Tandem Drive Truck - WL128	248,000
Variable Message Sign	24,500
	564,500
Infrastructure - Roads & Drainage	
Road Project Grant - Williams Darkan Road	103,950
Road Project Grant - Quindanning Darkan Road	315,540
RTR - York Williams Road	69,319
RTR - Wangeling Gully Road	49,654
RTR - Clayton Road	77,399
Council - Brooking Street	290,000
Council - English Road	30,399
Council - Culbin Boraning Road	47,681
Council - Petchell Road	14,155
LRCI Grant - Marradong Road	52,075
LRCI Grant - Brooking Street	36,000
Council - Carne/Narrakine Road	22,034
Council - Townsite Drainage	30,128
	1,138,334
Infrastructure - Parks and Gardens	
Lions Park Carpark and Landscaping	13,392
Town Hall Park	100,150
Cemetery Improvements - Marling	15,939
Shade Sail - Lions Park	5,556
	135,037
Total Asset Expenditure	2,089,758

General Council Information

Councillors	Position	Term
Cr Jarrad Logie	President	Oct 2021
Cr Natalie Major	Deputy President	Oct 2023
Cr Moya Carne	Councillor	Oct 2023
Cr Gilbert Medlen	Councillor	Oct 2023
Cr Tracey Price	Councillor	Oct 2023
Cr Simon Harding	Councillor	Oct 2021
Cr Alexander Watt	Councillor	Oct 2021
Cr Bob Baker	Councillor	Oct 2021
Cr Bernie Panizza	Councillor	Oct 2023

Department of Transport

The Shire of Williams is a licensed agent for the Department of Transport. Enquires and processing are available between 8.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

Building and Development Applications

An application form, fee and duplicate plans must be submitted to Council for approval prior to commencement of any new building or alterations (excepting out buildings in the rural area). Failure to make application can lead to additional fees and/or other penalties. Properties that are located in designated Bush Fire Prone Areas may require additional assessment of the bush fire risk as part of any planning or building approval process.

Animal Registration

(Due/renewable 1st Nov each year)

All dogs three months or older must be microchipped and registered by legal requirement.

All cats reaching six months of age must be sterilised, microchipped and registered as per the *Cat Act 2011*.

Administration Staff

Name	Position
Geoff McKeown	Chief Executive Officer
Cara Ryan	Manager of Finance
Tony Kett	Works Supervisor
Britt Logie	Community Development Officer
Sharon Wilkie	Senior Finance and Administration Officer
Manuela Lenehan	Administration Officer
Kim Walsh	Administration Officer
Trevor Brandy	EHO/Building Surveyor