

## Frequently Asked Rates Questions

### Calculation of Rates

#### How are my rates calculated?

Rates are calculated by multiplying either the Gross Rental Value (GRV), which is used for properties with predominantly a non-rural use, or the Unimproved Value (UV), which is used for all properties with predominantly a rural use, by the rate in the dollar. Rates are subject to a Minimum Payment, set each year by Council as part of its Annual Budget.



#### How does the Council decide on the rates in the dollar?

This is decided when Council adopts the Annual Budget each year. Council determines the amount of revenue needed to meet the proposed budget requirements and sets the rate in the dollar.

#### Why is there a Minimum Payment?

Council sets a Minimum Payment in conjunction with setting the rates in the dollar each year. This is to ensure that all ratepayers make at least a reasonable contribution to the cost of providing the works, services and facilities that are available to the community.

The calculation to determine if a property is charged the minimum payment is when the GRV (or UV), multiplied by the applicable rate in the dollar, is less than the amount of the minimum payment. If this is the case, such properties are charged the minimum payment.

#### Receive your rates notice by email

Ratepayers can now register to get their Rate Notices via email. Simply contact the Kondinin Shire Office or send an email to [rates@kondinin.wa.gov.au](mailto:rates@kondinin.wa.gov.au) with your request.



## Discount

The date for discount will be on or before Friday 1st November 2024.

Payments made by Direct Deposit into our bank account on this day **WILL NOT** qualify for discount because the money takes approx. 3 working days to show in our bank account. Please take this into consideration when making the payments. Allow 3 working days prior to the **1st of November 2024** to make these types of payments.

#### Difficulty paying your Rates?

Instalments are available on the due dates being:

- **1st instalment 1st November 2024**
- **2nd instalment 6th January 2025**
- **3rd instalment 4th March 2025**
- **4th instalment 6th May 2025**

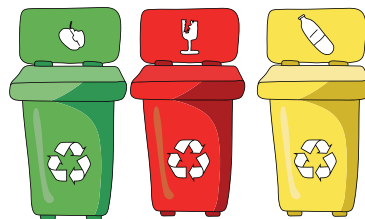
If you are unable to pay your rates due to financial hardship, you can apply to the Shire of Kondinin for a payment arrangement.

We are committed to working with you to find an appropriate payment solution that works for both you and us. We understand that it can be difficult to ask for support, and we will treat your request confidentially and respectfully.

#### Waste Collection Service Charge

This charge has been increased this year to make every effort to recover the cost of the service being provided.

The Waste Collection Service Charge includes your weekly rubbish pick up, fortnightly recycling collection, an annual verge side collection and unlimited access to the waste transfer stations (during operating times).



SHIRE OF KONDININ

# RATEPAYER INFORMATION

## 2024/2025

[WWW.KONDININ.WA.GOV.AU](http://WWW.KONDININ.WA.GOV.AU)

#### KONDININ OFFICE HOURS

11 Gordon Street, Kondinin 6367  
Mon to Fri 8.30am - 4.30pm  
Email: [cso@kondinin.wa.gov.au](mailto:cso@kondinin.wa.gov.au)  
Ph: 9889 1006

#### HYDEN OFFICE HOURS

12 McPherson Street, Hyden 6359  
Mon to Fri 10.00 am - 1 pm & 1:30pm - 4:30pm  
Email: [hylib@kondinin.wa.gov.au](mailto:hylib@kondinin.wa.gov.au)  
Ph: 9880 5160

## 2024/25 Budget Overview

The Council and staff at the Shire are committed to delivering sustainable services to the community while making every effort to keep the increases in rates at a minimum. For the 2024/25 financial year, Council is holding to the 3.5% increase as per the Long-Term Financial Plan. This year the Annual CPI increase for Perth is 3.4%. The Shire Council and staff have worked diligently to keep the rates increase in line with CPI and the Long-Term Financial Plan.

A shortfall has been found in our Rubbish Service fees and the Shire is not recovering the costs of maintaining our rubbish services. This will require a significant increase in the rubbish fees to correct this issue. The Shire has taken steps to reduce the impact and will be increasing the fees over several years, rather than a single large increase which would impact on homeowners.

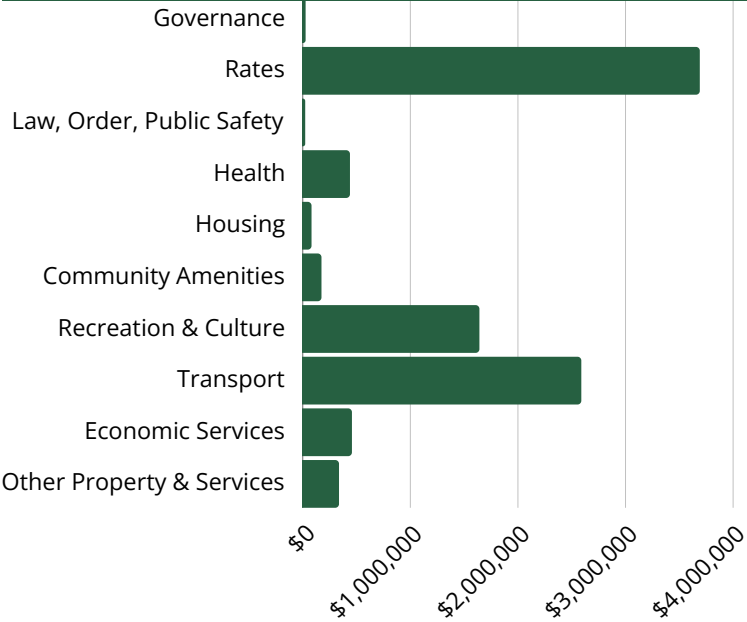
Ratepayers are again reminded that the Shire has a Hardship Policy for those experiencing difficulty in paying their rates and can seek assistance through payment arrangements.

The budget for 2024/25 is a modest budget to ensure that services and facilities are being maintained, plant items are being replaced as required, roadworks are being completed to maintain our network and we are using grant funds to the best of our ability to maintain or renew assets in a sustainable manner and reducing the financial impact on the ratepayers. Basic information on the Budget is included for your information, or further information is available from the Shire of Kondinin's website.

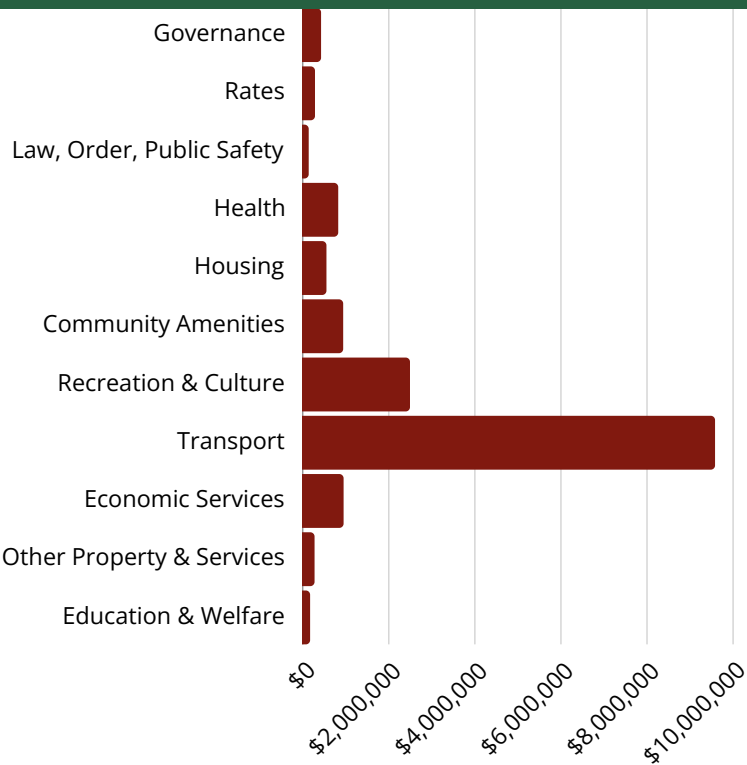
**Kent Mouritz**  
Shire President

## 2024/25 Budget Information

### Income:



### Expenses:



## 2023/24 Highlights

