

2025/2026 **Budget Information**

Council has adopted the 2025/26 budget which included a rate revenue increase of 3.5%. There was an average increase of 19.36% in the Unimproved Valuations (UV) in the Shire. The rate in the dollar has been adjusted accordingly to reflect this increase, so that Council can receive the 3.5% overall increase in total rate revenue. There is no change to Gross Rental Value (GRV) property valuations, they were revalued in 2024/2025 and are only revalued every five years. Council has followed advice from Water Corporation and increased the sewerage rates by 2.5%.

The Shire has budgeted to receive grant funding to assist with undertaking in excess of \$6.91M capital road projects, with the Shire only funding \$1.16M of that total cost from Municipal Funds. Other budget highlights include new aged accommodation construction in Dalwallinu, various housing upgrades and Dalwallinu Town Hall external repairs and repaint. Aquatic Centre pool lining replacement and Dalwallinu Oval lighting upgrade which are subject to grant funding. 2025/26 budget also includes carry forward projects to be completed including Dalwallinu Sewerage upgrade, Aquatic Centre balance tanks and construction of housing on Annetts Rd.

We encourage all ratepayers to sign up for eRates. More information can be found inside this brochure.

Budget Highlights Include

Housing Construction **Upgrades**



Park Upgrades - Dalwallinu, Pithara & Wubin



Donations and Contributions to Community Events and Activities



Various Road Works

Dalwallinu Town Hall External Repairs and Paint



Dalwallinu Recreation Centre Lighting Upgrade (Subject to Grant Funding)

Replacement of Swimming Pool Lining (Subject to Grant Funding)



Upgrade to Medical Centre Equipment

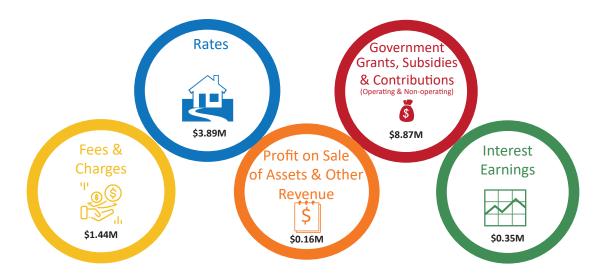


Memorial Park Upgrade Planning

Purchase of Various Plant and Equipment



\$14.70M



Income Expended on Capital Projects \$10.43M





Rating Information - Rates

Rates Explained

Rates levied on rateable properties contribute to delivering community services including but not limited to maintaining and improving facilities including our road network, sport and recreation facilities, waste services and many more services.

Rates are determined in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995*.



UV Properties are revalued on a yearly basis. Objections to valuations can be lodged with Landgate within 60 days of the date of issue of a Rates Notice. Further information on valuations can be found on the Landgate website www.landgate.wa.gov.au/for-individuals/property-valuations

The formula for calculation of your general rate, excluding any area or service charges (emergency services levy, sewerage and waste charges) after a minimum rate is imposed:

Valuation x Rate in the dollar GRV example \$10,660 x \$0.08344= \$889.47 UV example \$374,000 x \$0.00871= \$3,257.54

The minimum rate charge for 2025/2026 is:

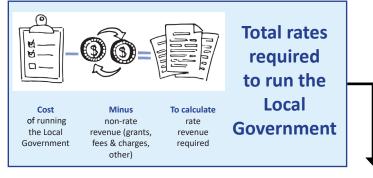
GRV \$666.00 UV \$776.00

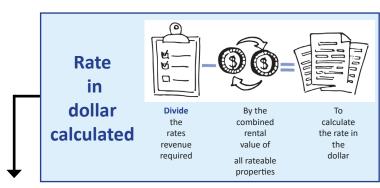
How Are Rates Calculated?

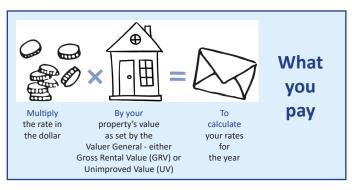
The Valuer General's Office (VGO) provides valuations on all rateable properties. These valuations are used in the calculation of your rates.

The rates on non rural properties such as those within townsites are calculated using a Gross Rental Value (GRV). The GRV is calculated based on the annual rental income that a property might reasonably be expected to earn annually, regardless of whether the property is being rented or owner occupied. GRV properties are revaluated every five years with the next revaluation due July 2029. Improvements or changes to your property can increase or decrease your valuation outside the revaluation period and result in an Interim Rates Notice been issued.

The rates on rural properties such as rural land used for cropping or grazing is calculated using an Unimproved Value (UV). The UV is calculated on the land only and does not include any structures or improvements. Valuations are based on the land in its original natural state without improvements. Mining Tenements, Crown Land leases, leases under agreement acts and land held under the *Conservation And Management Act* 1984 are calculated based on a statutory formula.







Rating Information - Services and Payment



Waste Service Information and Charges

Under the Shire's waste management policy a waste removal service will be provided to all residential premises in townsites within the Shire. Bins are the responsibility of the ratepayer and there may be charges for damaged or stolen bins, there is no cost to replace lids, pins or wheels. To arrange repairs or replacement (charges may apply) please complete a Rubbish and Recycling Service Request Form available online at https://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au/forms/rubbish-and-recycling-service/5 or at the Administration Office.

Additional services can be provided and will be invoiced pro rata to the ratepayer. To arrange an additional service the ratepayer will need to complete a Rubbish and Recycling Service Request Form, available online at https://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au/forms/rubbish-and-recycling-service/5 or at the Administration Office.

Yearly Service Charges - per service

Service	Cost
Rubbish - Weekly	\$254.00
Rubbish - Twice Weekly	\$496.00
Recycling - 240L	\$158.00
Recycling - Commercial 3m3	\$2,806.00

Bins need to be placed in front of your residence on the verge in a position that facilitates ease of pickup by the collection vehicle prior to 6.00am and removed by 7.00pm on collection day.

Your bin may not be collected if the lid is not closed, or it weighs more than 70kgs. Please contact the Administration Office as soon as possible if your bin is not collected.

Included in this information booklet is a recycling calendar, rubbish collection days vary from town to town and are listed on the Shire website.

Sewerage Charges

Sewerage fees apply to those properties within gazetted boundaries in the Dalwallinu townsite. These fees are set by Water Corporation.

Rate is 0.09095 in the dollar based on the GRV Minimum Rates

Commercial \$1,184.25 Residential \$493.17 Vacant \$324.52

Non residential properties major fixture charge

First \$1,184.25 Second \$506.92 Third \$676.99 4 or more \$736.19

Non-rateable properties connected to sewerage

First fixture \$318.18 Additional \$139.98

Paying Your Rates

Details on how to pay your rates are outlined on the front of your rates notice. Payment options include BPay, Electronic Funds Transfer, Mail, In Person or By Phone. If you wish to pay by Direct Debit please contact the Shire for bank details. It is the ratepayer's responsibility to ensure all payments are received at the Shire by the due date to receive the discount.

Two payment options are offered:

- Payment in full by the due date will receive a 5% discount on the rates portion of your notice
- Four instalment payment option (incur administration fee & interest). A reminder notice will be sent out 35 days before the due date.

Instalment	Due Date			
1st Instalment	29 August 2025			
2nd Instalment	31 October 2025			
3rd Instalment	31 December 2025			
4th Instalment	3 March 2026			

Penalty Interest

Interest on overdue rates is calculated daily at a rate of 7% per annum.



Rating Information - Payment and Rebates

Experiencing Financial Difficulty?

Council has adopted a Financial Hardship Policy to provide assistance to ratepayers experiencing financial difficulty. Please contact the Finance Officer to discuss alternative payment options.

Consequences of Default in Payment of Rates and Charges

Where no election has been made to enter into the Instalment option or alternative arrangements made, and where Rates and Service Charges remain outstanding 35 days after the date of issue, legal action may be undertaken for their recovery. All costs associated with the legal action are recoverable from the Ratepayer and will be added to your rates assessment.

Property not in the Correct Name?

You may notice an ownership correction we are currently undertaking an audit and correcting ownership to match the property title deed lodged with Landgate.

If the ratepayer/s shown on the rates notice is not correct, please contact the Finance Officer to rectify this. A copy of your title may be required to amend details.

Mailing Address not Correct?

It is your responsibility to advise the Shire in writing of any changes of address. Incorrect addresses may cause unnecessary delays in the delivery of your rates notice.

Change of addresses must be made in writing by the ratepayer/s. An online form is available on the Shire website https://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au/contact-us/change-of-details.aspx. or by contacting our Customer Services team.



Emailing Rates Notices

You can elect to have your Rates Notice issued via email. This service currently does not extend to Instalment Reminders.

To register for this option you need to be a ratepayer on the assessment and put your request in writing. You can apply online through the Shire website https://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au/contact-us/erates-registration.aspx or by completing a Change of Address form which can obtained from the Administration office. If you own properties in multiple names a separate form is required for each individual/company.

Notices can only be sent to one nominated email for each assessment and you will not receive a paper notice if this option is selected.

You still need to keep your residential and postal addresses up to date.

Pensioner/Senior Rebate

If you are an eligible* pensioner or senior card holder who does not currently claim the rebate, you can apply through the Water Corporation, even if you are not a Water Corporation customer. The Shire are unable to receive applications direct from pensioners or seniors, applications must be made to Water Corporation.

To apply go online to https://www.watercorporation.com.au/Bill-and-account/Apply-for-a-concession. This is effective for both Local Government and Water rates. If you do not have access to the internet please bring your concession card to the Shire Office and we will help you apply for the concession.

Unsure if you already claim the concession on your property within the Shire of Dalwallinu? If you are already claiming the concession you will have the line "State Government Rebate Allowed" on your Rates Notice.

Your rates MUST be paid in full prior to 30 June 2026 to receive the rebate.

* To be eligible you must own and reside in the residential property for which you are claiming the rebate and hold the relevant concession cards.



Shire of Dalwallinu Recycle Calendar 2025-2026



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Recycle Days

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Dalwallinu & Pithara





WHAT CAN GO INTO YOUR RECYCLE BIN

- Glass All glass and ceramics, whole and broken
- Plastic All plastic containers and plastic wraps (empty with lids off)
- Paper All paper, junk mail and glossy magazines
- Cardboard All cardboard products
- Aluminium & Steel All metals, steel & aluminium excluding aerosol cans

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• Liquid Paperboard - Milk, juice and laundry detergent cartons.

Elected Members of Council

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

The public are invited to attend any Ordinary Council Meeting to ask questions of the Shire & Councillors. Ordinary Council Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except January) commencing at 5.00pm until advertised otherwise.



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