

## RATES INFORMATION

### Rates

Rates revenue is used to provide a range of services such as road rehabilitation, footpath repairs and maintenance, storm water drainage, ongoing maintenance of parks, gardens and buildings, street lighting and street cleaning, libraries, animal control, planning and enforcement of local laws.

Whilst a Waste Collection Charge will still fall under rate revenue, a separate charge will be raised for the collection of waste. Amounts collected under this charge can only be raised at the estimated costs associated with the waste collection and disposal.

### Valuation

The Council has decided to continue to use Capital Valuation as the basis for valuing land within the Council area. The Council considers that this method of valuing land provides the fairest method of distributing the rate burden across all ratepayers.

### Minimum Rate

For 2022/23 Council has set a minimum amount payable by the way of general rates of \$860.

### Regional Landscape (RL) Levy

The RL Levy is a State Government levy which Council is required to collect on behalf of the State Government. The Levy is based on the capital value of your property and is shown as a separate charge on your Rate Notice.

### Mannum Waters Separate Rate

Sect 154 of the Local Govt Act 1999 enables Council to declare a Separate Rate on rateable land. Council is required under the Landscape SA Act 2019 to cover the evaporation loss of 187mL within the Mannum Waters Marina. The separate rate will be raised over 15 years to recover the cost of purchasing 187mL of permanent water entitlements and associated financial costs. Council has contributed 21% of the total cost.

### Service Charge

Council provides various prescribed services. Service charges are levied in accordance with Sect 155 of the Local Govt Act 1999.

### Bowhill Multi Access TT & Water Supply

- Bowhill Multi Access Television System \$146 per property serviced
- Bowhill Water Supply System \$256 per property serviced, annual consumption of up to 120 kilolitres of water plus an excess water charge of 75 cents per kilolitre.

### Community Wastewater Management System (CWMS)

The annual CWMS charge based on the balance of accumulated funds (surplus/deficit) of each scheme along with the projected annual expenditure. Refer to the Annual Business Plan for a full list of the 28 CWMS annual service charges.

### General Waste & Kerbside Recycling Collection

- 1 bin service - General Waste \$200
- 2 bin service - General Waste, & Recycling \$286

### Rebates

Council provides both mandatory and discretionary rebates pursuant to the Act. Council may grant a rebate of rates, up to 100% to eligible ratepayers.

### Hardship

Ratepayers experiencing financial hardship may seek confidential assistance from Council's rates team.

### Postponement of Rates

Ratepayers who hold a State Seniors card are able to apply to Council to postpone payment of rates in excess of \$500 on their principal place of residence.

### Rate Capping

A Rate Cap of 15% is to apply to eligible residential ratepayers' principal place of residence to protect individuals against increased rates brought by the second year of phasing in the rating change that included the introduction of the Waste Management Charge. By application, a cap of 15% will apply to the combined amount of General Rates and Waste Management Service Charge. Primary production ratepayers are not eligible due to having a differential rate that is 10% less than all other land use categories. Conditions apply. Applications close 17 March 2023.

### General Differential Rates 2022/23

#### Residential (Category (a)),

0.4524 cents in the dollar

#### Commercial

#### (Categories (b), (c) and (d))

0.4524 cents in the dollar

#### Industry

#### (Categories (e) and (f))

0.4524 cents in the dollar

#### Vacant Land (Category (h))

0.4524 cents in the dollar

#### Other (Category (i))

0.4524 cents in the dollar

#### Marina Berths (Category (j))

0.4524 cents in the dollar

#### Primary Production

#### (Category (g))

0.4072 cents in the dollar

All information in this publication is a summary. For more information, or to download the Annual Business Plan and Rating Policy, please go to our website: [www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au](http://www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au), contact the Rates Officer on 8569 0100 or email: [postbox@mid-murray.sa.gov.au](mailto:postbox@mid-murray.sa.gov.au)



# Mid Murray Council

## Summary Annual Business Plan & Budget 2022/23



## What services are provided by council?

Council's long term objectives are set out in Council's Strategic Plan - Our Plan 2022-24, which is the key instrument for the delivery of programs and services to the community and the long-term financial sustainability of Council and guides the development of Council's Annual Business Plan and Budget, Asset Management Plans and the Long Term Financial Plan.

The Council has legislative responsibilities to cover certain services, while others are provided in response to community needs. These Include:

- Regulatory activities e.g. maintaining the voters roll and supporting the elected Council;
- Setting rates, preparing an annual budget and determining longer-term strategic management plans for the area;
- Management of infrastructure including roads, marine facilities, footpaths, parks, sporting facilities, public open space, street lighting and storm-water drainage;
- Waste management facilities, services and recycling;
- Development planning and control, including building safety assessment and unlawful development;
- General inspectorial activities including animal control, fire prevention, local nuisance and parking;
- Community health and wellbeing.
- Various environmental health services
- Economic development;
- Community Wastewater Management Systems (CWMS);
- Tourism and community events, Port of Morgan and Mannum Dock museums;
- Environmental programs;
- Community programs;
- Community, fitness and activity centres;
- Morgan Activity Centre and Morgan Landseer Museum.

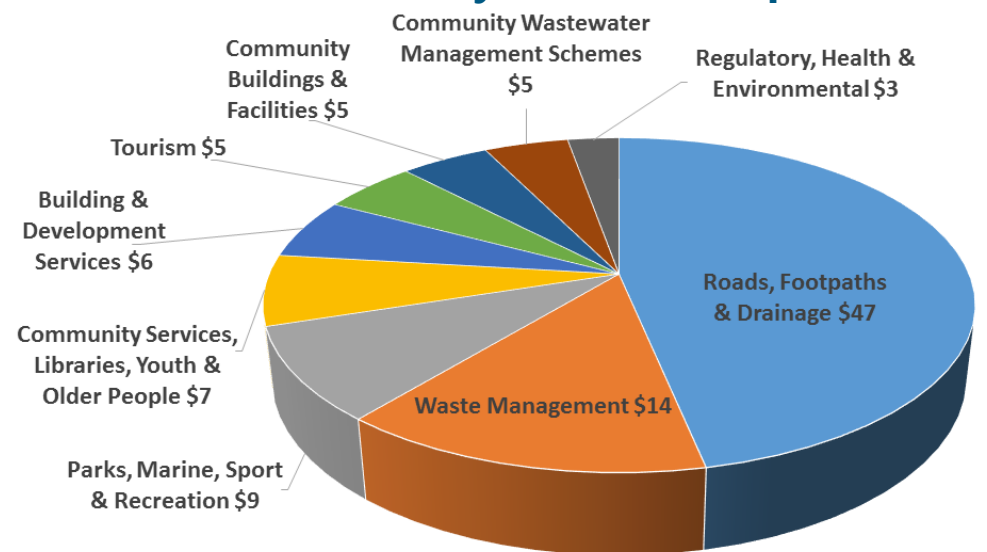
### Major Projects

During the year ahead, Council will deliver the following projects:

- Murraylands Road - sealing from Morgan sealed end towards Blanchetown (8kms);
- Implementing Council's inaugural Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan;
- Stage 3 construction of the Murray Coorong Trail and seeking new funding opportunities
- Partner with Mannum Oval Complex user groups to plan, advocate and prioritise the future of the site;
- Development of Truro Township Masterplan;
- Implementation of Regional Public Health Plan priorities;
- Development of Mid Murray Council Growth and Economic Development Strategy;
- Implementation of the Astro Tourism strategy for the River Murray International Dark Sky Reserve;
- Progression of the Wongulla CWMS project;
- Delivery of Mannum Waterfalls open space plan;
- Partnering with stakeholders to develop a strategic plan for Ngaut Ngaut Conservation Park;
- Completion of PS Canally restoration project and the Mannum Murray River Heritage Tourism project;
- Swan Reach Riverfront Master Plan – playground (including upgraded stormwater), riverbank reclamation, toilet upgrade (Ambulant & DDA cubicles), upgrades of picnic sets and shared pathways;

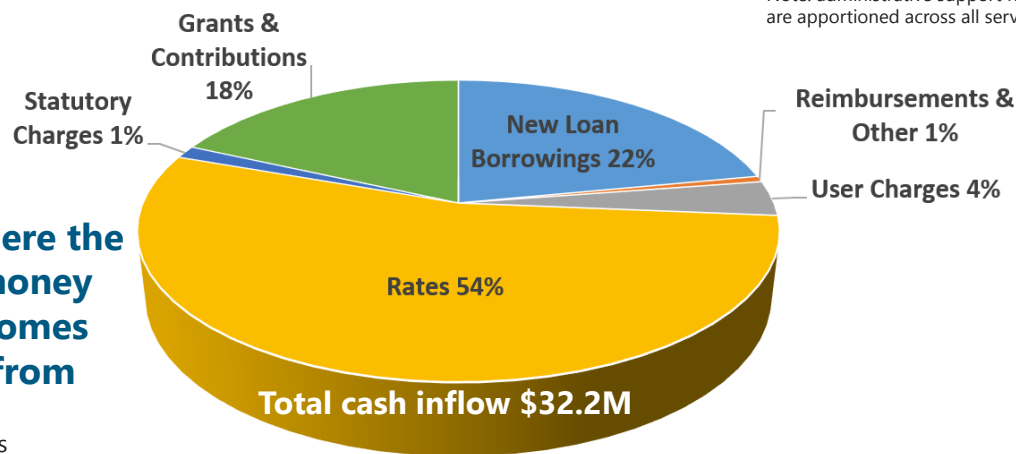
For more details please refer to the Annual Business Plan that sets out Council's proposed services, programs and projects for 2022/23 and objectives achieved by Council in 2021/22.

## How will \$100 of your rates be spent?



Note: administrative support functions are apportioned across all services

## Where the money comes from



## Where the money goes

