



SHIRE OF MUKINBUDIN

2023/2024 Rates Information

Welcome to the 2023/2024 rates information summary,

Gross Rental Value (GRV)

Residential rates are levied based on the Gross Rental Values (GRVs) of the rateable properties as provided by the Valuer General. These are re-assessed once every 4-5 years and were last assessed 1st July 2018. This year the GRV rate in the dollar was increased by 4.09% to allow for an overall increase to GRV income of 3.0%.

Unimproved Value (UV)

Unimproved Values (UVs), provided by the Valuer General, are used as the basis for the rates levied on rural properties. Annual revaluations apply for all rural land within the Shire. This year total UV property values increased by 20.89% and the UV rate in the dollar has been adjusted to increase income from UV rated properties by 7.0%.

Minimum Rates

Council believes, that in view of the level of service and facilities available to all ratepayers, the minimum amount of rates should reflect the minimum contribution made by owners of all rateable land, regardless of the value of the property. A minimum rate of \$455 and \$635 will apply for GRV and UV, respectively.

Rates in the Dollar

Rates in the dollar for the 2023 - 2024 financial year for each rating category are shown below:

Rate Category (GRV)

Residential and Vacant	0.191780
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Rate Category (UV)

Rural / Mining	0.019769
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Rate Instalments

Arrears and interest which are still outstanding on your account need to be paid in full, along with the first instalment for 2023/2024, to be eligible to enter the instalment option. Instalment plans incur interest of 5.5% pa calculated from the first instalment's due date and an administration fee of \$20 for each instalment notice, will also be applicable. These charges are only incurred after the first instalment.

Rates Payment Options

Your rates notice is enclosed. If any details are incorrect, please let us know. You have a choice how to pay your rates, as outlined below:

Option One - Pay in Full

- Pay in full by **4.00pm** Monday, 9 October 2023.

This will qualify you to automatically be entered into the incentive prize draw which will take place soon after 9th October.

Option Two - Instalments

Pay over four instalments due by **4.00pm** on:

- Monday, 9 October 2023
- Monday, 11 December 2023
- Monday, 12 February 2024
- Friday, 12 April 2024

Other

If you have financial difficulty paying your rates by the due date, please contact the Shire to discuss the option of payment arrangements in accordance with Council's Hardship Policy.

The Shire of Mukinbudin adopted a Hardship Policy in August 2020, which provides for compassionate consideration of individuals and businesses

experiencing financial hardship.



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Emergency Services Levy

For details on the Emergency Services Levy and what it can do for you, please see the attached flyer "For a Safer State" produced by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services. For more information visit:

www.dfes.wa.gov.au

Rubbish Collection and Recycling Fees

Townsite rubbish collection fees will be \$215 per rubbish bin and \$185 per recycling bin.

For information on collection days please visit www.avonwaste.com.au/shires/mukinbudin.aspx

Pensioner and Senior Discounts

Pensioner & senior concessions and rebates are available for Council Rates, ESL and Water Corporation Rates. There are no concessions on Rubbish and Recycling charges. To be eligible for a concession you **must be the owner, and reside at the property on 1 July of the rates year.** Concessions may be applied for at the Water Corporation who will advise the Shire of the concession / rebate, once approved:

<https://www.watercorporation.com.au/my-account/i-want-to/apply-for-a-concession>

2023/2024 ANNUAL BUDGET INFORMATION

Fees and Charges

Council reviewed the fees and charges, resulting in various changes, which encompassed adjustments to rents, waste disposal fees, cemetery costs and gym memberships, among others.

Amount Outstanding on Loans as at 30th June 2023

The total loan liability at 30 June 2023 was \$1,067,948. This figure is calculated on all loans raised for the funding of capital asset projects. The majority of these loans were to fund the building of three 4x2 residences, which are leased to Government Regional Officers' Housing (GROH), each property on appealing 10 year leases with GROH to service the respective loan repayments.

Reserve Balances as at 30 June 2023

Council has worked hard during recent years to increase reserve balances to reduce the need to borrow funds in the future. At 30th June 2023 the total Reserve Balance was \$1,279,259.

The 2023/24 budget includes withdrawing \$390,010, to fund road renewal works and purchase a replacement 8 wheeler tip truck.

Council has also budgeted to transfer \$330,215 to Reserve Funds to increase the existing Plant, Building, Joint Venture Housing, Pool Reserves and the Community Hub Reserves.

Community Support - Community Chest

Council is dedicated to supporting and strengthening the local community through various initiatives. The Community Chest Program enables local groups and clubs to apply for financial support for their projects and activities, providing services which will benefit the community.

Applications will be opening in October 2023, giving groups ample time to prepare and put forward their proposals. The maximum funding of up to \$1,500 per group or club.

Community events and clubs play a vital role in fostering a strong sense of unity and collaboration within the Shire and we encourage groups/clubs to apply.





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Budget Spending

- \$100,000 expenditure to improve and modernise the Memorial Hall, including Bathrooms.
- \$100,000 expenditure to modernise both Bathrooms / change rooms as well as a roof structure over the Female rooms.
- \$50,000 expenditure to upgrade the Sporting Complex oval lighting with modern LED on existing lighting poles.
- \$50,000 expenditure to upgrade the Lions Park barbeques and shade shelters.

Concrete Footpath Improvements

Cost for the proposed concrete footpath program in the 2023/24 financial year is \$230,000. These new footpaths will include: Maddock Street, Conway Street, Calder Street, Lukin Street and Lansdell Street. A total of 1000 metres (1.0km) will be installed throughout the townsite prior to the end of the financial year.

Roads Program Update

The proposed program for 2023/2024 aims to deliver an extensive program throughout the Shire, considering the Council's road hierarchy, road usage patterns, school bus routes, and other relevant factors. \$2,370,000 is budgeted for various Capital and Maintenance works.

Gravel Sheeting

- Morrison Road - 4.8km
- Doig Road - 1.4km
- Kuser Road - 3.0km
- Spencers Road - 3.0km
- Scotsman Road - 3.39km
- Sheardown Road - 1.45km
- Toole Road - 3.0km
- Davis Road - 2.24km

Reconstruction:

Kununoppin Mukinbudin Road - 3.74km to the Shire of Trayning Local Government Boundary.

White Street - 230mtrs between Calder Street and Cruickshank Road

Earl Drive - 460mtrs to the west of Mallee Drive

Burning Period for 2023-24 Bush Fire Season

Restricted Burning Periods (*subject to change*)
(Burning Permit Required)

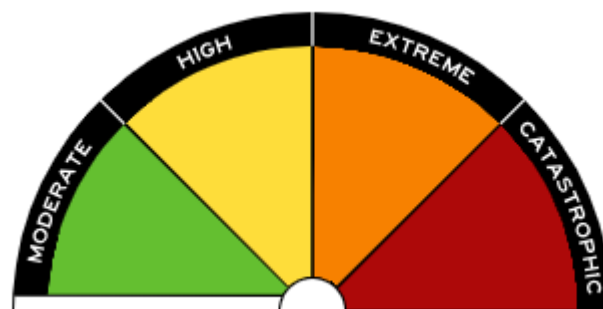
19 September 2023 to 31 October 2023

18 February 2024 to 16 March 2024

Prohibited Burning Periods (*subject to change*)
(No Burning Permitted)

1 November 2023 to 17 February 2024

The Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) levels are:



MODERATE

Plan and prepare

HIGH

Be ready to act

EXTREME

Take action now to protect life and property

CATASTROPHIC

For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas



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Your Council



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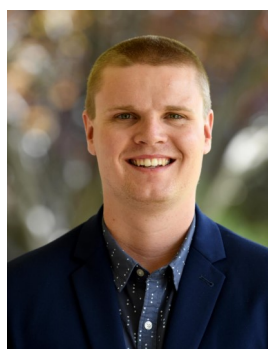


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Elected to Office in 2019 - Retiring 2023

Vision Statement

To assist our community towards a prosperous future by providing a positive environment in which to work and live.



Rates Incentive Prizes 2023



All Rates Payments made in FULL, by 4.00pm Monday 9th October 2023, will qualify you to automatically be entered into the incentive prize draw.



**Pay online,
or in person**

