

FEEES & CHARGES 26.6%

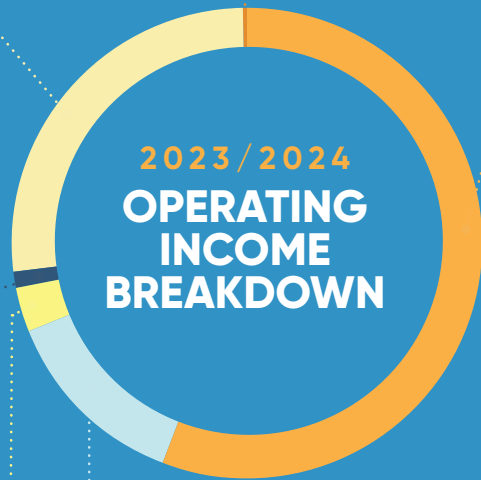
Payments associated with the delivery of services such as waste pickup, entry to ALAC and Airport landing fees.

OTHER REVENUE 0.2%

Commissions and Private Works Income.

RATES 55.9%

What residents and businesses pay to own land in the City of Albany.



GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES 13.0%

Money granted by the state or a public body to assist in keeping operating costs low, or fund a City project.

CONTRIBUTIONS, DONATIONS & REIMBURSEMENTS 1.2%

A gift or payment to a common fund or collection.

INTEREST EARNINGS 3.1%

Income earned by investing City funds.



For all things Rates related, including signing up for eRates, changing your address, and payment options, please visit the Rates page at the City's website:

www.albany.wa.gov.au/council/rates

To discuss payment arrangements, please contact the Rates team at rates@albany.wa.gov.au or on **08 6820 3100**.

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OPENING HOURS

FRONT COUNTER | WEEKDAYS 9AM - 5PM

CASHIER SERVICES | WEEKDAYS 9AM - 4:30PM

BUILDING & PLANNING COUNTER | 9AM - 4:00PM



YOUR RATES

Broken Down

2023/2024

This is your budget

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

This 2023-24 Budget and subsequent rate position supports the City's Strategic Community Plan and Corporate Business Plan in line with community priorities and expectations for this financial year.

Forming a budget that is both affordable for community and enables key projects and City operations to proceed has become more challenging in recent years, and this 2023-24 budget is no different.

This year's budget takes all of this into consideration and delivers a framework that balances community need and expectation with ratepayer affordability in the current economic climate.

This year's rate rise of 4.95% is an average across all ratepayers and is on par with the Local Government trends across the State.

The 2023-24 operating income of \$79.3M will allow the City to continue delivering core services that residents are used to whilst also ensuring projects and initiatives that grow our City also gain momentum.

Major projects such as the Albany Motorsport Park and Southern Ocean Surf Reef will come to fruition as the City looks to develop our existing infrastructure, foster economic growth, advocate for health and transport services as well as ensure the future sustainability of our municipality.

In 2026 Albany will host Western Australia's first Bicentenary. Our community-developed vision is to showcase Albany by reflecting honestly on our past, celebrating our community today and creating a future where anything is possible.

With the recent adoption of the Bicentenary Strategic Plan *Albany 2026: The Dawn of WA* we will establish a new foundation as we walk together through 2026 and into a future where anything is possible.

The success of this budget lies in our collective effort as a community. Your active involvement and feedback will be vital as we navigate the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.

Together, we can build a future that we are proud to leave for future generations, one where every individual in Albany can prosper and thrive.



DENNIS WELLINGTON
MAYOR

WHAT YOUR RATES PAY FOR UPCOMING PROJECTS

A snapshot of the projects your rates are supporting in this year's Budget.

Artificial Surf Reef	\$11.2 million
Albany Motorsports Park	\$7.3 million
Surf Life Saving Club Refurbishment	\$2.6 million
Albany Tennis Centre	\$1.3 million
Kalgan Bushfire Building	\$722,000
Marine Drive Lookout Refurbishment	\$400,000
National Anzac Centre Refresh	\$176,000
Roads \$11.9 million 46 PROJECTS INCLUDING:	Paths \$3.3 million 12 PROJECTS INCLUDING:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Albany Highway Lockyer Avenue Middleton Road Range Road Roundabout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middleton Road Link Shared Path Mount Melville Cycle Link Marine Drive Mounts Access Ulster Road to Hardie Road

SERVICES & FACILITIES

ALBANY PUBLIC LIBRARY 328,000 items were borrowed from the Albany Public Library in 2022.	YOUR ROADS Did you know? Middleton Road carries as many as 10,000 vehicles a day!
RANGERS An average of 420 wandering dogs are reported to the Rangers.	ALBANY LEISURE & AQUATIC CENTRE One year equals 650,000 visits, 3,484 fitness classes, 29,400 basketball games and 6,960 swimming lessons.
VANCOUVER ARTS CENTRE 22 exhibitions, 2 festivals, 6 performances and 22 workshops were hosted in 2022.	YOUR WASTE Did you know? 4,900 tonnes of green waste is composted each year!
ALBANY REGIONAL DAY CARE The Day Care looks after 200 enrolled children each year.	STREET LIGHTS Did you know? There are over 4,200 street lights in Albany.
YOUR AIRPORT Our airport services the Albany community, FIFO workforce and the essential Royal Flying Doctor service.	ALBANY VISITORS CENTRE The return of cruise ships has meant a visitation increase of 175% on these days.
PARKS & GARDENS 1,600km of verge are maintained by the City of Albany Reserves team.	ALBANY HERITAGE PARK More than 60,000 visit the precinct every year.

2023/2024 RATE INCREASE EXPLAINED

REASONS FOR A RISE IN COUNCIL RATES:



You make improvements to your home that increase its rental value.

The cost to deliver services has increased due to: contractor fees, wages, materials and/or utilities (such as water, electricity, gas).



Maintenance and upgrades of numerous facilities under operation of the local government (ie; Airport, leisure centre, sporting ground, library).

Cost of living and an economic climate that impacts a range of daily costs (ie; cost of petrol, food and administrative supplies).



Major capital works are required (ie; road construction, upgrades to facilities and infrastructure such as playgrounds or a new dog park).

Without a rate rise service delivery to the community can be impacted.

Any potential increase in rates does not equate to an increase in City surplus, it merely means that the cost to run the City services has increased.