Payment by Instalments

Rates may be paid by instalments as shown on the front of this rate notice where the amount owed is greater than $200. Payment of a rate or service charge on any land may not be made by instalments if at the date for payment of the first instalment any part of a rate or service charge imposed on that land in a previous financial year (or interest accrued thereon at the date of issue of the rate notice) remains unpaid.

Special Payment Arrangements

If you are experiencing financial hardship and are unable to pay the rates and charges in full by the due date or by the four-instalment option, you MUST contact the Shire of Halls Creek prior to the due date to discuss alternative payment arrangements.

Late Payment Penalty Interest

Penalty interest of 7.0% per annum calculated daily will accrue on:

- Any amount which remains unpaid after the due date (unless the option to pay by two or four instalments has been taken);
- On any instalment, other than the first, that is not paid by the due date.

Penalty interest is applied daily and accrues from the due date the rates and charges are due until the date the rates and charges are paid in full.

PAYMENT METHODS

Please quote Assessment number on all correspondence.

Pay in person:

We accept Cash, Cheque, Money Order or EFTPOS for debit or credit cards

(Diners Club or American Express cards are not accepted)

Pay by mail:

Mail cheque or money order quoting assessment number to:

Shire of Halls Creek PO BOX 21 HALLS CREEK WA 6770

Change of Address

Please advise the Shire of Halls Creek promptly, in writing, of any change in your address. There is an obligation for the property owners to ensure that the Shire of Halls Creek has the correct address for service of notices.

SHIRE OF HALLS CREEK

Office Hours: 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday

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2025/2026 ANNUAL BUDGET INFORMATION

2025/2026 Budget Highlights

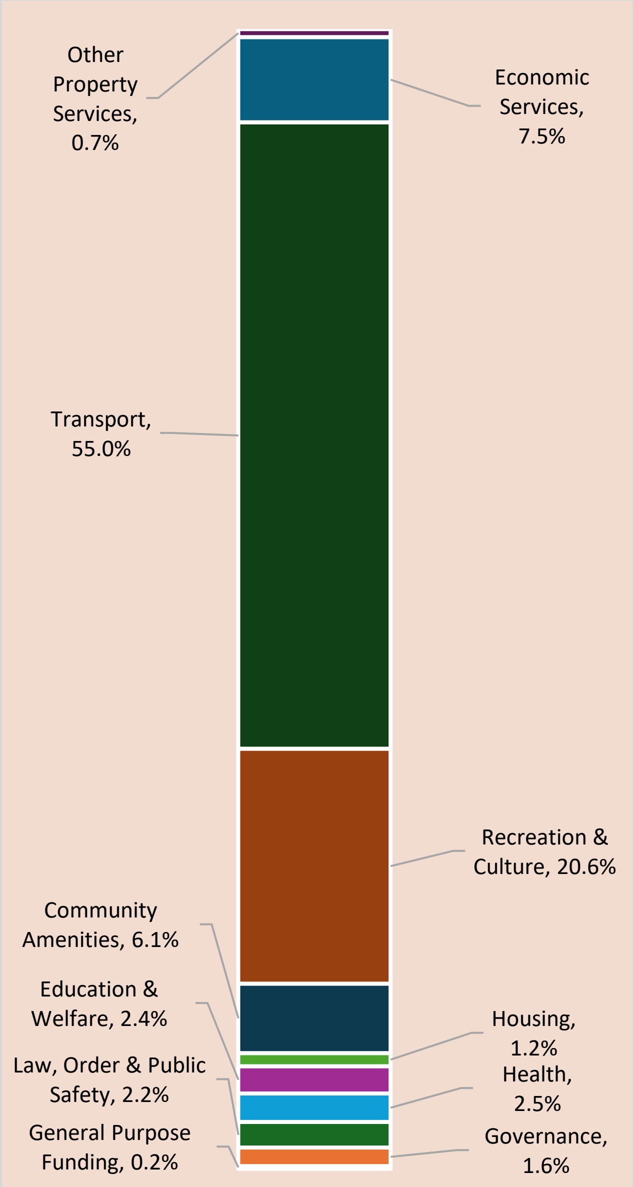
Capital Projects	Capital Grants
$ 23,593,106	$ 18,574,220

Key Capital Projects:

Buildings	$1,055,000
Furniture and fittings	$255,200
Plant and equipment	$862,000
Infrastructure – roads	$13,864,221
Infrastructure – other	$7,556,685

HOW YOUR RATES ARE TO BE SPENT

2025/2026 Budgeted Expenditure



Total Budgeted Expenditure - $42,887,352

HOW YOUR RATES ARE CALCULATED

The Shire provides a wide range of services to the community, including maintaining roads and footpaths, recreational facilities, parks, libraries, waste management and major infrastructure projects. With a balanced approach to spending and meeting community expectations, our budget priorities are determined each year in line with the adopted Council Plan. Rates calculations start with determining the total rates revenue required to run the Shire.
The amount of rates payable is determined by three factors: the method of valuation of the land, the valuation of the land and improvements, and the rate in the dollar (RID) applied by the Shire. The rates revenue required is divided among all Shire ratepayers, although not everyone pays the same amount.

How does the Shire calculate the amount you pay? Your annual rates are calculated by multiplying your property's valuation by the differential rate in the dollar, which is set by Council. This is subject to a minimum payment, which is set each year by the Shire.

Your property valuation is determined by the Landgate Valuer General's Office. This is a separate organisation to the Shire of Hall Creek. Landgate assigns non-rural properties, e.g. residential and commercial, a Gross Rental Value (GRV); and land used for rural purposes an Unimproved Value (UV). If your property valuation is higher or lower than your neighbour's, your annual rates will be different.

DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATES

To provide equity in the rating of properties across the Shire of Halls Creek, the following rate categories have been determined for the implementation of differential rating.

GRV General

Characteristics: applies to all properties where the basis of rate is the Gross Rental Value (GRV).
Objects: this rate is to contribute to services desired by the community.
Reasons: uniform rate for all GRV properties.

UV Rural

Characteristics: applies to all properties where the basis of rate is the Unimproved Value (UV) and not classified as UV Mining/Prospecting/Exploration.
Objects: this rate is to contribute to services desired by the community.
Reasons: this is considered the vase rate above which all other UV rated properties are assessed. The rate in the dollar was increased from the previous year in order to obtain approximately the same contribution to the overall rate yield as in the previous year from this category.

UV Mining

Characteristics: applies to properties where the basis of rate is the Unimproved Value (UV) and a land use associated with exploration/prospecting or mining leases/tenements.
Objects: the objective is to achieve an appropriate contribution from mining and exploration activities toward the budget deficiency.
Reasons: due to the difference in valuation methodology and recognise the impact of mining related activities on the Shire.

Minimum Payments

GRV and UV: applies to all categories and ensures that all properties contribute a minimum amount for basic infrastructure and services.