



Budget Presentation

2024-25



Where we finished 2023-24

- Funds were tight but was to be expected as legacy items were addressed.
- The overall Capital and Operating program was essentially completed – Road Construction, ERP, Plant Replacement, LRCI, R2R other Capital.
- The Intersection Project has been addressed.
- The Flood Damage project has been addressed.
- SCP initiatives will start to crystallise in 24-25 such as the SRMP, Housing, Economic Development Strategy etc.
- This time last year, this is what we said - Consolidate, plan in 23/24 and then launch in 24/25

We're kicking a few goals – and surprising a few with the wins

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Forward Planning

- 2023/24 – Budget Repair and Planning for Strategic Outcomes ✓
- 2024/25 – Continued planning for Strategic Outcomes but ability to start implementing what has been previously talked about ✓
- 2025/26 – Positioning to pivot when opportunities arising because of planning and infrastructure progression.

Most of the legacy items have now been addressed, or plans are in place to address.

The landscape is changing rapidly and the SoVP needs to position itself to take the opportunities or get left behind.

Strategic Community Plan / Corporate Business Plan Inclusions Summary

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1.1 Healthy , Connected & Safe

- ✓ Roll out Disability Access Inclusion Plan
- ✓ Review the Aged Friendly Community Plan

1.2 Inclusive Community Activities

- ✓ Community Grants Scheme \$40,000

1.3 Recreational , social and heritage

- ✓ Implement the Sport and Recreation Master Plan \$140,000
- ✓ Implement Local Heritage Strategy

1.4 Emergency Services

- ✓ Implement new Local Emergency Management Arrangements
- ✓ Plan for Emergency Facility Upgrades

Strategic Community Plan / Corporate Business Plan Summary

E C O N O M Y

2.1 Support diverse industry

- ✓ Implement Economic Development Strategy (Marketing Plan, Tourism Plan, Industrial Lots)
- ✓ Continue Advocacy to Improve Telecommunications Networks
- ✓ Improve Existing Water Supplies – Shire & Water Corp
- ✓ Improve Shire Housing Stocks – Edmond Street Subdivision

2.2 Safe and efficient Transport Network

- ✓ WSFN – Mogumber Yarawindah Final Section \$1.4m
- ✓ Undertake RAV Network Assessment
- ✓ Truck/Vehicle Parking Bays: Yerecoin and if possible, Caligiri and MY Rd

2.3 Visitors Experience

- ✓ Secure Funding for Edmond Street Caravan Park
- ✓ Revisit Townscape, Visitor and Signage Plan

Strategic Community Plan / Corporate Business Plan Summary

E N V I R O N M E N T

3.1 Environmental Health and Waste Services

- ✓ Finish e-Waste/Transfer Stations
- ✓ Continue to Improve Cemetery Aesthetics
- ✓ Ensure Calingiri Sewerage Ponds are Future Proof

3.2 Conservation of Natural Environment

- ✓ Implement Bio-Diversity Plan
- ✓ Implement MAF - \$164,000 & Sign off on \$750,000 3 Year Pilot Program
- ✓ Undertake Corella Management – Joint AROC Project
- ✓ Install Animal Pound
- ✓ Develop & Implement Water Strategy

Strategic Community Plan / Corporate Business Plan Summary

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4.1 Forward Planning

- ✓ Desktop Review of SCP
- ✓ Participation in AROC & Zone Meetings

4.2 Communication

- ✓ Develop Council/CEO Communication Agreement (DLGSC Model)
- ✓ Amend Engagement Policy to Reflect Changes to the Act

4.3 Proactive and well governed Shire

- ✓ Implement Automated Compliance Calendar
- ✓ Finish Implementation of Asset Management Strategy
- ✓ Implement Minute/Agenda Software
- ✓ Close Out Implementation of Council First

Rating Strategy Recap



Key Values of Objectivity, Fairness and Equity, Consistency, Transparency and administrative efficiency.

GRV considered appropriate, increase only to meet budget requirements

UV considered appropriate, increase only to meet budget requirements

GRV Min's – considered below average – policy = rate increase +10% for 2 of 5 years.

UV Min's – considered below average – policy = rate increase + 6% for 2 of 5 years

Rate Incentive to sign up for e-rates

Rating Strategy / Rate Revenue

Methodology

- GRV valuation change +26.87%
- UV valuation change + 29.8%
- Differential (Spot) rating to be implemented for 24-25.
- Sewerage Policy to be implemented for 24-25.
- Differential UV Mining has been implemented.
- Local Govt Cost Index 7.1%*
- Recommended Rate increase 9%

*2023/24 and 2024/25 forecast combined

Category	23/24 \$	24/25 \$
GRV	250,477	276,400
UV	3,061,071	3,327,326
Minimum GRV	40,978	52,899
Minimum UV	26,282	38,750
UV Mining	-	-
Min UV Mining	66,042	83,700
Ex Gratia	97,816	72,581
TOTAL	3,542,666	3,851,656

Rating Strategy / Rate Revenue

Rate calculation has two components;

- Valuation x rate in dollar (RID)
- Due to valuation increases, SoVP method is to discount RID backwards to generate same rate revenue as 23-24
- Then apply the rate increase percentage
- Rate increase not necessarily the best measure – see our neighbours RID
- What does that equate to a \$17,000,000 UV valuation?

	SoVP	Moora	Wongan
GRV	11.883	9.839	8.901
UV	0.004758	0.005393	0.00610
GRV Min	\$687	\$830	\$782
UV Min	\$775	\$830	\$422
\$17m	\$80,886	\$91,681	\$103,700

Rating Strategy



- **Rubbish Policy**
- Equalisation of General Waste - Additional Bins (cost the same to pick up)
- Equalisation of Recycling – full parity in 2024-25
- Waste Management initiatives including sorting and transfer stations.
- Is something the shire needs to do but comes at a cost.

Rating Strategy

Sewerage Policy

- Legal advice provided on sewerage deeds in 2023-24.
- Outcome is that SoVP can charge in order to recover costs, maintain and 'capital' refresh the asset.
- RFQ issued for assessment and maintenance proved difficult to find supplier but contract was signed in Apr 24.
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- Assessment received shortly but too late to implement for budget 24-25 in terms of new charges.
- Required to consult affected properties and develop appropriate processes.



Operating Summary

- Continued investment in Shire Assets (road maintenance, parks and gardens, housing and community facilities)
- Over \$300,000 in Shire Buildings Maintenance.
- AGRN962 Flood Damage – nominal \$500,000 (offset by grant funding)
- \$20,000 for Recreation Management Plan (implement 24/25)
- \$105,765 Community Water Supply Partnership (grant funded \$67,290)

Operating Summary

- \$40,000 Community Grant Fund
- \$164,000 Fire Mitigation Funding (Grant funded)
- \$71,320 ICT Refresh
- \$278,295 Loan Repayments
- \$60,000 allocation for Environmental Sustainability Officer
- \$75,000 allocation for Economic Development Contractor
- Majority of Progress Association submissions have been funded

Capital Road Program and Grant Funding

Capital Expenditure

- Road Construction - \$3,896,504
- \$606,474 R2R
- \$470,000 Intersection
- \$1,080,000 RRG
- \$ 1,740,030 WSNF

Grant Funding

- WSNF - \$1,379,378
- R2R - \$606,474
- AGLIME / CBH - \$169,008 + \$300,00
- MRWA - \$720,000
- Shire - \$717,435

Other Capital Program and Grant Funding

Capital Expenditure

- Plant Replacement - \$891,500
- Sport & Rec - \$140,000
- Waste Sorting - \$135,000
- Community Amenities - \$271,412
- Water Supply - \$130,000

Grant Funding

- LRCI - \$381,412
- NDRR – \$91,137
- Waste Sorting Facility \$135,000
- DWER \$100,000
- Shire Contributions - \$75,000



LRCI PH 4 2024-25

SRMP

INITIATIVE / ACTIVITY	LRCI \$
New cricket pitch at Mogumber	15,000
Replace / Maintain lighting at Calingiri Sportsground	77,000
Installation of wifi / starlink at Calingiri Sportsground	5,000
Hockey Goals	8,000
Netball Scoreboard	5,000
Redevelop tennis court next to Calingiri club to basketball, volleyball, cricket, football, netball, hockey training.	15,000
Refurbish Basketball and Stakepark at Bolgart without excessive spend.	5,000
Playground Equipment - Calingiri	10,000
TOTAL SRMP	140,000

OTHER ACTIVITIES

INITIATIVE / ACTIVITY	LRCI \$
Admin Office Carpark	35,000
Cemetery Shelter - Calingiri	20,000
Mogumber Hall Toilets	60,000
Mogumber Hall Locks	10,000
Bolgart Refuse Site Monitoring Bore	30,000
Depot Carpark	15,000
Bolgart Footpath Network	10,000
Back Up Generators	10,000
Signage	41,412
Yerecoin Obelisk 100th	10,000
TOTAL OTHER ACTIVITIES	241,412
TOTAL LRCI PH 4 PROGRAM	381,412

Reserve Funds

- Final use of Plant Reserve originally loan funding.
- Monies allocated for Shire portion of successful grants.
- Need to start cash backing Employee Entitlements.

CASH BACKED RESERVES					
	Opening Balance	Transfers	Interest	Transfer	Adopted Budget
Reserves restricted by Council	01 Jul 24	from	Received	to	30 Jun 25
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Employee Entitlements	4,682	-	186	8,000	12,868
Plant	296,712	(280,000)	11,775	95,285	123,772
Housing	148,953		5,911	-	154,864
Sewerage Scheme - Calingiri	51,712	-	2,052	-	53,764
Refuse Site	265,511		10,537	-	276,048
Building Maintenance	66,948	-	2,657		69,605
Infrastructure	96,924	-	3,846		100,770
Gym Equipment	7,750	-	308	-	8,058
Sewerage Scheme - Yerecoin	22,102	-	877	-	22,979
Shire Grants Reserve	-	(100,000)	-	150,000	50,000
Unallocated Monies	7,628		303	-	7,931
Total Reserves	968,922	(380,000)	38,452	253,285	880,659

24/25 SCP Implementation



- Sport and Recreation Management Plan.
- Community Grants Scheme and Yerecoin 100th celebrations.
- Continued investment in Road Transport network (one of the few shires to potentially received WSNF funding).
- Waste schemes and investment in EV Infrastructure
- Investment in ICT and software for security and compliance.
- Implementation of Truck Bays and Roadside Parking.
- Economic Development Strategy.



Budget 24/25 Summary

- Budget with a modest surplus
- Implementation of waste strategy
- Total Capital Program \$8.645m
- \$3.896m on Road Construction
- \$0.891m Plant Replacement
- Maintains healthy Reserves Balance
- Meets outcomes of SCP/BCP

