

Draft Annual Budget 2021-2022

What do my rates pay for?

Your rates go towards a range of Council services that touch almost every aspect of our lives across a lifetime. These services help to improve your neighbourhood and create an inclusive, liveable and prosperous community. Below is a snapshot of the services supported by your rates.



Engagement, Advocacy and Communication

- Regularly invites feedback and input from the community on policies and services
- Community surveys and local research
- Advocates to get a fair go and fair share in state and government funding and advocates on other key strategic issues
- Keeps the community updated through printed information, e-newsletters, the website and social media



Parks, Leisure and Recreation

- Design and maintenance of open spaces
- Street tree planting
- Sports field management and allocation to clubs
- Leisure centres at St Albans and Sunshine



Libraries and Learning

- Five libraries offering access to a range of collections in print and online
- Public WiFi access
- Community centres and neighbourhood houses with classes for all ages and all abilities



Customer Service and Emergency Management

- Three customer service centres, telephone call centre and after hours service
- 63,000 community requests processed annually
- Emergency management
- Responds to emergency call outs 24/7 to assist the community



Family, Youth and Children's Services

- Maternal and child health
- Family and support services
- Immunisations
- Youth programs and services



Waste and Recycling

- Rubbish, recycling, hard and green waste collection
- Street cleaning, graffiti, litter and dumped rubbish removal
- Weed control and drainage maintenance



Future Development

- Supports tourism and economic development
- Monitors major developments and issues building and other safety permits
- Protects local amenities



Sustainability and Strategic Transport

- Improves bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- Advocates for public transport improvements
- Reduces energy consumption and waste



Planning

- Planning scheme
- Urban design frameworks
- Planning permit applications
- Planning and heritage advice
- Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal advocacy



Infrastructure and Asset Management

- Manages and maintains community buildings and facilities
- Looks after roads, drains, footpaths



Governance

- Council Meetings, agendas and minutes
- Freedom of information and privacy



Arts and Culture

- Public art, arts spaces, support to community festivals
- Bowery Theatre



Compliance, Traffic and Parking

- Animal management and local laws
- Environmental health and food safety
- Parking enforcement and traffic studies



Aged and Disability Services

- Community transport for older people
- Senior citizen centres



Finance, Performance and Risk

- Long term financial planning, annual budgeting and financial management
- Performance reporting, auditing, and risk management



Business Support Services

- Human resources and organisational development
- Business transformation
- IT and telecommunications support across all Council services



A \$82.7 million Capital Works program, including...

\$43.6 million

Sports facilities upgrades



\$21 million

Road and footpaths improvements

\$500,000

Town centre upgrades



\$3.6 million

Bike and shared paths



\$7.3 million

Playgrounds, parks and gardens



\$430,000

Sustainability projects

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