

# Valuation and Rates

Council has adopted Capital Valuations, as provided by the Valuer-General, as the basis to raise the annual rates. The rating structure includes various components which make up the rates payable, depending on the locality and land use of the property.

For 2022/23 rates comprise of the following:

**Fixed Charge** (applicable to all properties)

*\$565 per property (an increase of \$15 from \$550)*

**+ Capital Valuation x Rate in \$**

(differential rates determined by land use and locality)

• Residential land use - all localities	0.4393 cents in the \$
• Commercial land use (all categories) - all localities	0.8862 cents in the \$
• Industry light land use (all localities)	0.8540 cents in the \$
• Industry - other within Significant Industry Subzone	3.9361 cents in the \$
• Industry - other (all localities other than Significant Industry Subzone)	0.8540 cents in the \$
• Primary Production land use - all localities	0.2438 cents in the \$
• Vacant land use - all localities	0.7793 cents in the \$
• Other land use - all localities	0.4393 cents in the \$

**+ Waste Management Service Charge**

*applicable to all residential properties @ \$258*

**+ CWMS Service Charge (per serviced property)**

Crystal Brook	Occupied \$205, Vacant \$154
Napperby	Occupied \$478, Vacant \$358

**+ Regional Landscape Levy** (paid to the Regional Landscape Board)

(applicable to all properties) @ 0.01748 cents in the \$

**= Total Rates Payable**

The average residential rate will rise by \$61 to \$1,348 which is an increase of 4.7% or \$1.17 per week. Rate increase mirrored the increase in CPI for the March 2022 annual consumer price index, Adelaide, all groups

Rates may be paid in full by 14 September 2022 or by quarterly installments due on 14 September 2022, 14 December 2022, 15 March 2023 and 14 June 2023.

Detail on rates calculations, concessions and valuations are provided on the reverse side of rate notices

# Council Achievements 2021/22

- Investigated a land availability strategy including the next stage of Flinders Industrial Estate, tourism and residential;
- Implemented a Street Lighting strategy to transition to LED;
- Investigated the opportunity for a Pump Track;
- Commenced the installation of a Walking & Cycling Network;
- Prepared the Riverbank Precinct Masterplan;
- Provided Waste community education program with a focus on increased participation of schools;
- Commenced planning for the introduction of Food Organics, Garden Organics (FOGO) service;
- Reviewed the DDA Bus Stop Plan and updated our Disability Access & Inclusion Plan;
- Reviewed the delivery of community events;
- Planned for the installation of electric vehicle charging points in Port Pirie and Crystal Brook;
- Continued to participate in planning for the new Remarkable Southern Flinders National Park and Silver 2 Seaway;
- Continued to support the partnership with Nyrstar and the Targeted Lead Abatement Program (TLAP);
- Completed the elector Representation Review;
- Completed a review of the Customer Request system to improve response times and communication;
- Monitored financial performance for achievement consistently within the indicator target ranges.
- Continued the partnership with TLAP to support lead reduction initiatives;
- Continued to provide financial and in-kind support to local sporting and community organisations and events;
- Installation and activation of City Park projection;
- Provided training opportunities through Game On to club stakeholders in grant writing, financial planning and strategic plans.

# Priorities for 2022/23

- Support Community development and key volunteer organisations to provide structured input into projects;
- Promote opportunities to increase the involvement of volunteers in Council initiatives and projects through collaboration with local Community based organisations;
- Focused effort in the maintenance of rural road network;
- Investigate opportunities for First Nation Youth to express Cultural significance through projects;
- Facilitate the installation of the RSL Commemorative Mural at the aerodrome;
- Attract events to the region with the assistance of Sports Marketing Australia;
- Partner with neighbouring Councils and Flinders University to identify opportunities for increased Community Resilience to drought;
- Deliver a Pump Track as part of the Riverbank Precinct Stage 1 project;
- Plan for the incorporation Walking and Cycling Paths as part of the greening of Phoenix Park;
- Finalise the upgrade of Senate Road Sporting Complex including replacement of the public toilets;
- Commence delivery of Stage 1 of the four year \$6.1million “Port Pirie Greening Program” in collaboration with TLAP, Dept Environment and Water and SA Water;
- Active collaboration with TLAP on greening projects;
- Complete the improvement in appearance of the Warnertown and Three Chain Road entrances to Port Pirie for greater visitor impact and community pride;
- Deliver the Riverbank Precinct Stage 1 to provide opportunity to enhance work ready skills in local youth;
- Develop a plan for retaining young professionals in the region through a “Community connector/ambassador” initiative;
- Installation of the new “What’s On” signage;
- In conjunction with the RDA continue to investigate options to provide support for the release of residential allotments;
- Completion of footpath strategy incorporating Walking and Cycling Paths;
- Develop a Water Sensitive urban design framework for implementation as part of the “Greening Port Pirie” program;
- Continue to investigate a solar desalination plant to reclaim water for our parklands;
- Implement the transition of public road lighting to LED;
- Conduct Council elections in November 2022;
- Provide mandatory and discretionary training for newly Elected Council.

# 2022/23 Budget at a Glance

- **Capital Works** of \$15.8 m, including \$13.8 m allocated to the renewal of existing assets and \$2.0 m for new assets;
- **Operating Result** of \$0.2 m surplus;
- **Operating income** of \$29.1 m of which \$20.2 m is derived from rates and service charges;

## Major Projects for 2022/23

A total of \$15.8 million will be spent on capital projects in the following service areas:

Community Services / Amenities	\$270,000
Culture / Library	\$55,000
Environment / Stormwater Drainage	\$2,570,000
Parks / Recreation / Marine	\$2,420,400
Street services / Lighting	\$1,538,000
Regulatory	\$30,000
Roads / Foot / Kerb / Bridges	\$5,457,000
Aerodrome	\$50,000
Plant/Depot/Works Admin	\$1,312,000
Governance/Admin	\$270,000

## Highlights

Road Reseal Program \$1,000,000  
Road Re-sheeting Program \$1,100,000  
Kerb Replacement Program \$650,000  
Bowman Park \$30,000  
Off-leash Dog Parks (Stage 2) \$30,000  
Crystal Brook and Napperby CWMS \$20,000  
World War I gates at Memorial Oval \$15,000  
Broughton River Flood mitigation \$250,000

## Community Consultation

A period of consultation on the draft Business Plan and Budget was held from 27 June through to 25 July 2022 and information was provided to our communities via:

- **A public meeting** held on Tuesday 19 July 2022.
- **Information Sessions** were held at Napperby, and Crystal Brook. Information sessions were offered however not able to be held at Redhill and Koolunga.
- **Social media platforms** were used extensively during the consultation period with notices in the local media and information available from our website.

# Long Term Planning

Council has a suite of long term plans to guide it over the next ten years:

- Community Plan
- Asset Management Plans
- Long Term Financial Plan
- Capital Works Program

The implementation of these plans are key to the achievement of ongoing sustainability of the Council's operations and the delivery of desired levels of capital expenditure.

A copy is available at all council offices and from [www.pirie.sa.gov.au](http://www.pirie.sa.gov.au).

## Performance and Sustainability

Council's operations and financial performance are measured by three sustainability indicators. In adopting the budget and setting rates, Council takes into account its financial history, our progress towards achieving our long term targets and the current economic conditions. Such reviews are critical to maintain a financially sustainable position in the near future.

In the Long Term Financial Plan there is a target range for each ratio and the progress of each indicator is monitored when considering the proposed Budget and at each review of the budget. For 2022/23 the forecast performance is:

- **Operating Surplus Ratio 1.0%** (measuring annual operating result against rate revenue) is within the target range of 1% - 5%;
- **Net Financial Liabilities Ratio 33%** (capacity to fund net financial liabilities as a % of operating revenue) peaked in 2018, is within the target range of 30-70%;
- **Asset Renewal Ratio 100%**

(based upon Asset Management Plan 2021-31 in consultation)  
(extent of replacement of existing assets) is within the target range.

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## Regional Leader – Economic Hub – Quality Lifestyle

*By 2030 the Port Pirie region is the premier regional centre in South Australia where residents and visitors want to be.*



# 2022/23 Business Plan SUMMARY

*A copy of the Business Plan is available from the Port Pirie Regional Council Administration Centre, Port Pirie Library, Crystal Brook Office and on Council's website [www.pirie.sa.gov.au](http://www.pirie.sa.gov.au)*

## Message from the Mayor

This Business Plan and Budget sees Council continue with its commitment to undertake projects consistent with our Community Plan, with a continuing focus on enhancing the presentation of our communities, improving opportunities for access to public facilities, increasing participation in activities focused on community well-being and provision of an increased effort on our rural road network.

We are mindful of the opportunities for increased visitation and reputation that will come from the new \$10 million Southern Flinders National Park and also the \$6.2 million Silver to Sea Way project, both of which are expected to be well advanced by June 2023.

Coupling these projects with the recently announced \$6.1m State Government funded Port Pirie Greening Program to be delivered over a 4 year period commencing this year, and the reimagining of Port Pirie via the State Government's Masterplan project, both of which involved Council has a key stakeholder, provides a very solid platform for increased optimism of a vibrant future for Port Pirie and its regional towns.

We are excited about the opportunities that will come to our region over the next few years, and we have proposed a Business Plan to undertake key projects to be ready to capture the increased benefit we anticipate will come. We aim to undertake these key projects primarily from grant funding, and will continue to investigate ways to maintain our level of services and manage the impact of rates on our community.

*Leon Stephens*  
MAYOR