

2024/25 Information Guide



Shire of
Perenjori
Embrace Opportunity



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2024/25 Budget Overview

Revenue - From ordinary activities	\$8,123,469
Non-operating grants, subsidies	\$5,660,979
Expenses - From ordinary activities	\$14,576,113

The Council has had considerable discussion on budget expenditure and projects and determined a rate increase of 5%. Rate income continues to be below the 10-year plan.

The total budgeted rate income for 2024/2025 is \$3,441,290 compared to the budgeted rate income of \$3,232,632 in 2023/24.

Rates

The rate in the dollar has been set to reflect the valuation of UV & GRV properties as follows:

Rate in \$	Last Year	This Year
UV Rural	1.4395	1.2152
UV Mining	30.7900	29.5015
GRV Townsite	9.2127	7.6182
GRV Mining	9.2127	10.7240
Exploration	20.9410	17.9321

Minimum Rates












UV Rural	\$389.00	\$408.00
UV Mining	\$389.00	\$408.00
GRV Townsite	\$389.00	\$408.00
GRV Mining	\$389.00	\$408.00
Exploration	\$389.00	\$408.00

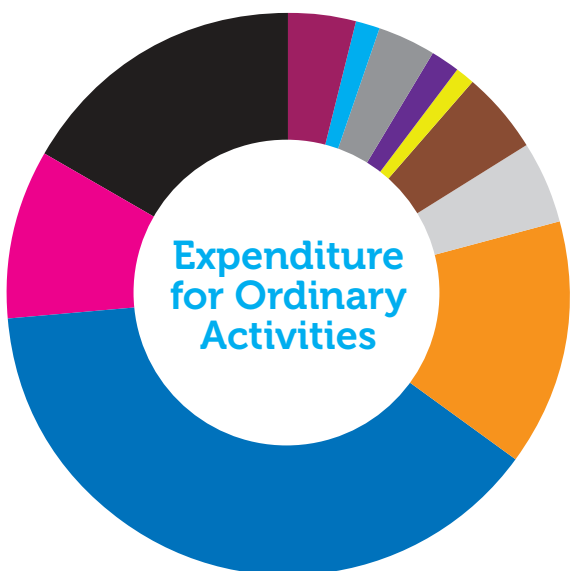
Rubbish Charges












Eligible Pensioner	\$182.00	\$188.50
Domestic or Commercial Bin	\$364.00	\$377.00

Summary of Income and Expenditure



	Governance	\$92,500
	General purpose funding.....	\$4,045,883
	Law, order, public safety	\$232,162
	Health.....	\$476
	Education and welfare	\$-
	Housing	\$278,149
	Community amenities.....	\$57,840
	Recreation and culture	\$54,950
	Transport	\$346,603
	Economic services	\$587,838
	Other property and services....	\$2,427,068



	Governance	\$601,878
	General purpose funding.....	\$188,838
	Law, order, public safety	\$497,742
	Health.....	\$234,746
	Education and welfare	\$165,690
	Housing	\$682,857
	Community amenities.....	\$696,420
	Recreation and culture	\$2,062,320
	Transport	\$5,624,544
	Economic services	\$1,396,085
	Other property and services....	\$2,424,993

Significant Projects

Perenjori Supermarket

Following community consultation in preparing the Shire of Perenjori's Community Strategic Plan, Council have accepted a tender for the design and construction of a supermarket to be located in Fowler St. The project will be funded by Federal, State and own source funding.

Latham Bowling Green

Latham Golf and Bowling Club have submitted an application for funding through the Community Sports & Recreation Facilities Fund program for the resurfacing of the Latham bowling green. Council have committed \$72,805 in support of this project which will increase the longevity of the bowling green and the club.

Mid West Secondary Grain Freight Route

The Australian Government has committed \$2,684,964 to the Perenjori section of the Mid West Secondary Grain Freight Route. Boundary Rd and Hill Rd will be prioritised with roadworks to safely accommodate grain trucks.

Caravan Park Chalets

Council are committed to maintaining quality accommodation at the Perenjori Caravan Park and have included budget allocation to complete the renovation program of the four chalets.

Road Program

The capital roads program for 2024/25 has been developed at a total cost of \$4,765,293 and is funded by:

Regional Road Group Funding	\$548,000
Roads to Recovery Funding	\$941,475
Council Own Source Funding	\$344,292
Local Roads & Community Infrastructure	\$329,801
Midwest Secondary Grain Freight Route	\$2,601,724



Reserve Funds

Council are committed to maintaining adequate reserves for future projects. The estimated Reserve Funds balance as at 30th June 2025 is \$1,950,622.

Borrowings

The 2024-2025 budget makes provision for two new loans to the value of \$2,000,000 with Council planning to construct 2 x three-bedroom, two-bathroom dwellings for GROH Housing and to supplement funding for the Supermarket.

Rates Charges and Instalments


A 5% rate increase across all the Shire rating categories has been included in the budget for this financial year. Any reduction and or increase in the annual charges (other than the 5% applied by Council) will be due to movement in your property valuation provided by the Valuer General's Office.

A 7.5% discount for rates paid by 19 October 2024 will apply. No further discounts apply. The discount does not apply to properties that are on minimum rates.

Overdue interest will accrue daily at 7% per annum from 30 September 2024 for current rates and charges. Overdue interest will accrue daily at 7% per annum from 1st July 2025 on arrears. Debt collection will occur on all outstanding and overdue rates and charges.

Ratepayers may also choose to pay their rates through four instalments. No discounts apply to rates paid in instalments.

1st Instalment	30 September 2024
2nd Instalment	2 December 2024
3rd Instalment	3 February 2025
4th Instalment	3 April 2025

 An administration fee is charged for assessments choosing to pay via instalments.

If you are having difficulty paying your rates, please contact the Shire Rates Officer:
ro@perenjori.wa.gov.au

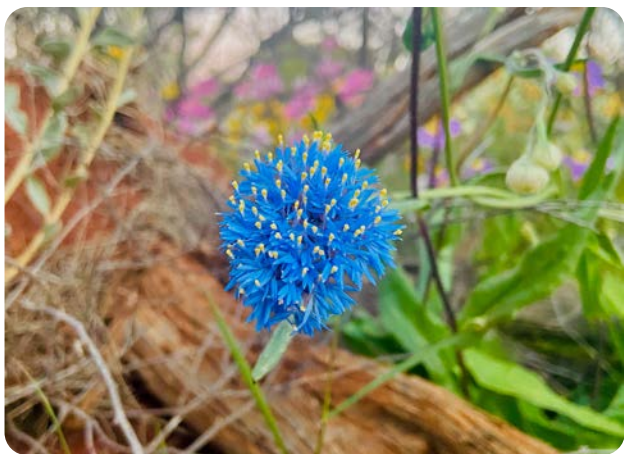


Elected Members

Each Councillor will hold office until the following dates:

Cr Jude Sutherland (Shire President)	16 Oct 2027
Cr Les Hepworth (Deputy Shire President)	18 Oct 2025
Cr Daniel Bradford	16 Oct 2027
Cr Colin Bryant	18 Oct 2025
Cr Brian Campbell	16 Oct 2027
Cr Andrew Fraser	16 Oct 2027
Cr Dael Sparkman	18 Oct 2025

The WA Electoral Commission will conduct the 2025 Local Government postal vote election on 18 October 2025.



Executive Management

Paul Anderson	Chief Executive Officer
Nola Comerford	Manager Corporate & Community Services
Marty Noordhof	Manager Infrastructure Services
Ally Bryant	Finance Manager

Pet Registrations

Dog Registrations

Registration and micro-chipping costs are set by the State Government.

Dogs over 3 months of age must be registered. Dog registrations expire on the 31st October each year. Registration may be for a 1 or 3 year period or for life.

Registration	1 Yr	3 Yrs	Lifetime	After 31 May 1 Yr
Sterilised Dog	\$20	\$42.50	\$100	\$10
Unsterilised Dog	\$50	\$120	\$250	\$25
Working Dog	25% Discount			

Cat Registrations

Registration and micro-chipping costs are set by the State Government. Cats over 6 months of age must be registered.

Registration	1 Yr	3 Yrs	Lifetime	After 31 May 1 Yr
Sterilised Cat	\$20	\$42.50	\$100	\$10
Breeding Cat	\$100		\$250	\$25

Applications for approval for a breeding cat must be sought from the Shire of Perenjori.

Eligible pensioners/seniors receive a 50% discount on dog and cat fees. If you are claiming dog or cat sterilisation fees, a sterilisation certificate must be presented upon registration.



Fire Safety

Prohibited Burning Period

1st November to 28th February

STRICTLY NO BURNING

Restricted Burning Period

17th September to 31st October

28th February to 15th March

PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

Fire Control Officers are not obliged to issue permits. Permits cannot be issued over the phone and should a Fire Control Officer refuse to issue a permit, it is a breach of the Bush Fires Act 1954 to request a permit from another Fire Control Officer.

Fire Break Notice

Section 33 B F A

First and final notice is hereby served to all residents and ratepayers. Failure to install and maintain firebreaks in accordance with this notice may result in a \$5,000 fine.



Fire Break Guide

Tree plantations of more than 3 hectares but less than 10 hectares

Construct a 10m wide mineral earth firebreak with a vertical clearance of 4m high; clear of all inflammable material immediately surrounding the plantation (adjacent areas of the same property subject to provisions as for rural land)

Plantations larger than 10 hectares

Must comply with the Code of Practice for Timber Plantations in the Western Australia Guideline for Plantation Fire Protection and their approved fire management plan. A copy is available from the Shire of Perenjori upon request.

Penalties

Failure to maintain a firebreak per firebreak order	\$250
Offence relating to lighting a fire in the open air	\$250
Setting fire to bush during prohibited burning period	\$250
Failure of Occupier to extinguish a bushfire	\$250
Refusal to state name and abode or stating a false name and abode	\$100

Bush Fires Act 1954 As Amended

Notice is hereby given to all landowners/occupiers within the Shire of Perenjori that firebreaks must be installed on or by 1st October and flammable material maintained up to and including 15th March as per the requirements of Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954.

PROPERTIES WILL BE INSPECTED TO ENSURE THEY COMPLY WITH COUNCIL REQUIREMENTS.

1. Townsites

On or before 1st October all town lots within the town sites of Perenjori, Bowgada, Bunjil, Caron, Latham and Maya are required to be treated as follows. Where the area of land is less than 3,000m², the property must be cleared, mowed, slashed to a MAXIMUM height of 4.5 cm of all flammable material.

Where the area of the land is 3,000m² or more, a firebreak must be provided not less than 3 metres in width inside and along the whole of the external boundaries of the properties owned or occupied and all flammable material must be cleared to a 3m distance from all buildings and/or haystacks situated on the land and maintained free of such material until the 15th March.

2. Fuel Pumps (fuel storage sites)

On or before the 1st October all grass and similar material is to be cleared from such places where fuel is stored/located and where drums, empty or full, are stored and such areas to be maintained cleared of grass and similar flammable material until 15th March.

3. Farm Buildings and Unattended Electric Motors and Hay Stacks

Fire breaks to be at least 3 metres in width completely surrounding and not more than 20 metres from the perimeter of any building, group of buildings or haystacks. All flammable material must be removed from an area 3



metres in width immediately surrounding the building. All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding an unattended electric motor site.

4. Unattended Fuel Operated Motors

All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding an unattended fuel operated motor whether the motor is intended to be used or not.

5. Rural Land

Firebreaks must be provided not less than 3 metres in width inside and along the whole of the external boundaries of the properties owned or occupied. Where this is not practicable the firebreaks must be provided as near as possible to, and within, such boundaries.

6. Barbeques and Incinerators

Gas and electric barbeques are permitted any time. Solid fuel barbeques and incinerators are PROHIBITED on days of VERY HIGH FIRE DANGER or above.

7. Penalty

The penalty for failing to comply with this notice is a fine of up to \$400 and a person in default is also liable, whether prosecuted or not, to pay the cost of performing the work in this notice, if it is not carried out by the owner or Occupier by the date required by this notice.



Bush Fire Contacts

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Jason King

Mob: 0427 734 005

Perenjori Town (UHF 11)

Phil Page

Mob: 0458 731 111

Latham (UHF 11)

Brian Campbell Tel: 9973 6073

Mob: 0428 736 008

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Rick Ryan

Mob: 0438 277 582

Harvesting Operations

1. Harvesting operations are not permitted on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. A separate firefighting fire appliance is required to be present anywhere that harvesting, churning, raking stubble, straw baling and associated allied activities are undertaken during restricted and prohibited periods. The firefighting unit must be in a state of readiness and have a minimum capacity of 400 litres of water, a powered pump and hose. The farm firefighting unit should be parked on bare ground in or near the harvesting or working area.
2. A Harvesting and Movement and Use of Internal Combustion Engines ban (except for the watering and movement of stock) will be imposed when the actual weather conditions reach a Fire Danger Index rating of 35 or above for the weather stations of two Bush Fire Control Officers. All such bans are at the discretion of the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer or a Duly Appointed person.

If a ban has been imposed, all persons registered will be sent a text message advising of details.

Contact 9973 0100 to be added to this contact list.

Bans may be broadcast on ABC Statewide AM radio.





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