

Budget 2018-2019

The Wagait Shire Council proposes to adopt its budget for the 2018-2019 financial year consistent with the provisions of the Local Government Act.

The following information is provided in accordance with the listed requirements.

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- (1) A council must prepare a budget for each financial year.
- (2) The budget for a particular financial year must:

(a) outline:

(i) the council's objectives for the relevant financial year; and

The objectives for the 2018-2019 financial year are to deliver services and programs as outlined in the Shire Plan 2018-2019. The primary focus of council is to deliver good governance and core services such as administration, road maintenance, parks maintenance, waste collection whilst maintaining contract revenue and public utility services. Public infrastructure will also be a focus.

(ii) the measures the council proposes to take, during the financial year, towards achieving those objectives; and

Council will continue to pro-actively manage costs and investigate opportunities to increase non-grant revenue to ensure a financially robust and viable council. Grant opportunities to expand and improve public infrastructure will be actively pursued.

(iii) the indicators the council intends to use as a means of assessing its efficiency in achieving its objectives; and

The Annual Plan 2018-2019 outlines the strategies and operational targets (KPI's) council intends to use to assess the efficiency in achieving the planned objectives.

(b) contain estimates of revenue and expenditure for the financial year (differentiating between operating and capital expenditure); and

The budget for 2018-2019 as shown herein contains the required information as specified.

(c) state the amount to be allocated to the development and maintenance of each class of infrastructure for the financial year; and

REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	
ASSET	AMOUNT
Garden & grounds	\$ 1,200
Ablution block	\$ 1,200
CEO house	\$ 5,000
Community centre	\$ 5,000
Office	\$ 5,000
Workshop	\$ 3,000
Sports Ground	\$ 1,000
Townsite	\$ 1,000
Vehicles	\$ 3,600
Plant & machinery	\$ 4,200
Roads	\$ 12,000
TOTAL	\$ 42,200

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	
ASSET	AMOUNT
CEO House - Bathroom	\$ 15,000
Replace works ute	\$ 40,000
Workshop gates	\$ 15,000
Dog Pound	\$ 25,000
Cloppenburg Park Irrigation	\$ 100,000
Solar Project Cloppenburg Park	\$ 22,000
Picnic Area Project Cloppenburg Park	\$ 21,000
Water tanker Project	\$ 14,500
Total capital expenditure - non grant dependent	\$ 252,500
Cenotaph project - Subject to grant	\$ 4,500
Total Capital Expenditure	\$ 257,000

(d) state the amount the council proposes to raise by way of rates, and set out the rates structure, for the financial year; and

The full declaration of Rates and Charges for Wagait Shire Council for 2018-2019 under Part 11 of the Local Government Act is provided page 44 of this document. Summary is as follows:

RATES AND CHARGES	
RATE OR CHARGE	AMOUNT
General Rates	\$ 231,597
Waste Levy	\$ 116,400
TOTAL	\$ 347,997

(e) contain an assessment of the social and economic effects of its rating
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policies; and

Council levies rates by applying a flat rate to all allotments, regardless of size, number of buildings or use. The rates are the lowest in the Northern Territory. The long term financial plan does include a proposed 16.5% growth in rates over 5 years.

Those eligible pensioners in our community now obtain reimbursement for not only their rates but, upon application, also the waste collection levy.

At present, increasing rates and seeking additional service delivery contracts are the only ways to improve revenue. The council's relatively low rates at times result in grant applications being refused by government. To remain independent, it is imperative that council grow its non-grant related revenue. Council is actively seeking opportunities to grow revenue and increase local employment by seeking out new contract opportunities, investigating the development of camping facilities at Cloppenburg Park and a visitor information centre in the vicinity of the Mandorah Jetty.

(f) state the allowances for members of the council for the financial year and the amount budgeted to cover payment of those allowances; and

Amounts included in the budget are as follows:

ANNUAL ELECTED MEMBER ALLOWANCES			
ALLOWANCE	PRINCIPAL MEMBER	DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MEMBER	ORDINARY MEMBER
Base Allowance	\$3,600	\$1,200	\$600
Electoral Allowance	\$0	\$0	\$0
Professional Development Allowance	\$0	\$0	\$0
Extra Meeting Allowance	N/A	N/A	\$200
TOTAL	\$3,600	\$1,200	\$800

Note: Principle and Deputy Principal members are not entitled to extra meeting allowances as per the Local Government Act.

Ordinary members are entitled to a maximum annual extra meeting allowance of \$200 (4 meetings @ \$50 per meeting)

Elected members may choose to forgo all or some of their allowances.

LONG TERM FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS – 2018-2023

Wagait Shire Council
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Long Term Financial Projections

2018 - 2023

	Budget 2018/19	Plan 2019/20	Plan 2020/21	Plan 2021/22	Plan 2022/23	NOTES
OPERATIONAL INCOME						
RATES	\$233,847	\$240,862	\$248,088	\$255,531	\$263,197	1
WASTE MANAGEMENT INCOME	\$117,360	\$117,360	\$119,707	\$119,707	\$122,101	2
GRANTS - OPERATIONAL	\$221,200	\$225,624	\$230,136	\$234,738	\$239,434	3
GRANTS - SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROVAL	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$22,500	
CONTRACTS	\$109,800	\$109,800	\$109,800	\$115,280	\$115,280	4
RENTAL INCOME	\$8,280	\$8,280	\$8,446	\$8,446	\$8,615	5
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	
Total Income	\$742,987	\$754,426	\$768,678	\$786,213	\$801,137	
OPERATIONAL EXPENSES						
ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE	\$82,350	\$83,937	\$85,677	\$87,380	\$89,138	6
STRATEGIC PLANNING EXPENSES	\$20,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	7
EMPLOYMENT EXPENSE	\$327,400	\$333,948	\$340,627	\$347,439	\$354,388	8
ROADS	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$150,000	\$12,000	
CONTRACTS & MATERIALS	\$5,100	\$5,202	\$5,202	\$5,202	\$5,202	9
ANIMAL MANAGEMENT	\$2,400	\$2,448	\$2,497	\$2,547	\$2,598	
REPAIR & MAIN TOWN ASSETS	\$22,400	\$22,400	\$25,000	\$22,400	\$22,400	
VEHICLE & PLANT	\$25,610	\$26,378	\$27,170	\$27,985	\$28,824	10
GRANT EXPENSES	\$4,700	\$4,700	\$4,700	\$4,700	\$4,700	
WASTE MANAGEMENT EXPENSES	\$100,000	\$102,000	\$104,040	\$106,121	\$108,243	11
SERVICES	\$12,850	\$13,236	\$13,633	\$14,042	\$14,463	12
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$614,810	\$606,309	\$680,645	\$767,826	\$651,957	
Net Operational Income	\$128,177	\$148,118	\$88,132	\$18,387	\$149,180	
Capital Inflows	\$55,000	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$25,000	
Capital Expenditure	\$257,000	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$80,000	
Net Capital Outflow	-\$202,000	\$0	\$0	-\$60,000	-\$55,000	
Overall Surplus (deficit)	-\$73,823	\$148,118	\$88,132	-\$41,613	\$94,180	
Transfer to (from) reserves	-\$73,823	\$148,118	\$88,132	-\$41,613	\$94,180	
OVERALL SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	