

# RATES INFORMATION

# BOOKLET

## 2025-26

*Life as rich as the landscape*

### HOW TO PAY YOUR RATES

Council has resolved to offer ratepayers the opportunity to pay their rates by one of the following options:

#### Option 1 - One Payment

Pay in full by due date - 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025

#### Option 2 - Two Payments

Pay over two (2) instalments, due on the:

1. 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025
2. 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

#### Option 3 - Four Payments

Pay over four (4) instalments, due on the:

1. 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025
2. 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025
3. 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026
4. 9<sup>th</sup> March 2026

#### Option 4 - Special Payment Arrangement\*

Arrangement forms must be completed and are available from the Shire office.

\*Council has recognised the hardship of some ratepayers therefore Council offers an additional payment option.

This is to allow ratepayers the opportunity to pay their 2025/26 rates in full prior to 30th June 2026 without any debt recovery actions if the payment arrangement is adhered to.

Please contact the Shire Administration Office to obtain a special payment arrangement form. Approved arrangements will be confirmed in writing.

**Payments made outside of the above payment options that are received by this office will not prevent debt recovery actions on any outstanding amounts.**



**Telephone & Internet Banking** - Use the Bpay biller code and customer reference number (CRN) from your bill, and contact your bank.



**By Mail** - Cheques payable to  
**SHIRE OF KELLERBERRIN**  
PO Box 145, Kellerberrin WA 6410



**By Phone** - Have your rate notice and credit card nearby and call **(08) 9045 4006**



**In Person** - Payments can be made in person at the Shire Administration Office via cash, EFTPOS, cheque, money order or credit card.



**Online** - Name: Shire of Kellerberrin,  
BSB: 086-732  
ACC#: 50 833 9961  
Ref: Surname & Assessment number

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Shire of Kellerberrin would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and their continuing connection to land, waters and community.

*We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.*



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## Council Meetings

Council meets on a monthly basis with a seven (7) Councillor Membership. Meetings are open to the Public excluding Confidential items. Council meeting dates, times and venues are advertised annually to ensure community awareness and encourage attendance at Council meetings.

Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month (except January) with Public Agenda Briefing at 3:00pm, Council meeting commencing at 4:00pm and Public Question time at 4:05pm.

Council Agenda & Minutes can be viewed at the Shire Office or via the Shire's website at <https://www.kellerberrin.wa.gov.au/>

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Chief Executive Officer  
Manager of Governance  
Manager Works & Services  
Senior Finance Officer  
Executive Assistant  
Finance Officer  
Administration Officer  
Community Development Officer  
Customer Service Officer  
Building Surveyor (Contractor)  
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## OBJECTS OF & REASONS FOR DIFFERENTIAL RATES/MINIMUM PAYMENTS

The overall objective of the proposed rates in the 2025/26 Budget is to provide for the net funding requirements of the Shire's services, activities, financing costs and the current and future capital requirements of the Shire, after considering all other forms of revenue.

The formulation of a rating system is about achieving a means by which Council can raise sufficient revenue to pay for the services it provides. Throughout Australia, the basis of using property valuations has been found to be the most appropriate means of achieving rating equity; however, the achievement of a wholly equitable rating system for all properties, in all areas, is a difficult task if it is based on the property valuations alone. For this reason, there is refinement options made available, such as differential rating, that the Shire of Kellerberrin has elected to use.

The following are the proposed Differential General Rates and Minimum Payments for the Shire of Kellerberrin for the 2025/26 financial year, to be effective from 1 July 2025.

Rate Category	Rate in the Dollar (expressed as cents in the \$)	Minimum Payment
GRV – Kellerberrin Residential	13.3330	\$960.00
GRV – Other Residential	13.3330	\$960.00
GRV – Kellerberrin Commercial	13.5200	\$1,053.00
GRV – Other Commercial	13.5200	\$1,053.00
UV – Mining Tenements	0.0966	\$960.00
UV – Rural	0.0966	\$960.00

### INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES AND CHARGES

Council has resolved that late payment interest will be levied at 7% for all outstanding rates, applicable to Rates and Emergency Services Levy from the applicable due date.

### ARREARS RATES

Payment of rates and service charges on any assessment may not be made by instalments if, at the due date of the first instalment, any part of a rate or service charge imposed on that land in a previous financial year remains unpaid.

### DEBT RECOVERY

Council has a policy for the recovery of outstanding rates. Final Notices will be forwarded for all unpaid accounts after the expiry of the due date.

If the account remains unpaid, formal recovery action will commence to recover outstanding rates. All outstanding rates will be forwarded to the debt collection agency. Costs of any legal action will be added to your account for cost recovery.

If payment is allowed to fall into arrears for a period of three (3) years or more, Council may;

- Take the land and let it on lease,
- Sell the land,
- Have the land vested in the Local Government,
- Have the land vested in the Crown.



## OWNER AND/OR OCCUPIER INFORMATION

### Mobile Wheelie Bins

Council's rubbish removal service is provided under contract by Avon Waste. Collection day for all bins (Commercial and Domestic) is on Friday. Please ensure bins are placed kerbside prior to 6am to ensure collection.

Do not leave your bin permanently kerbside as the replacement of a stolen or damaged bin will be at your expense. The bin has a serial number stamped on the side and this number is recorded against your property address. Should you vacate the house, the bin remains. Avon Waste will only collect the Shire bins allocated to your property on Council's rating system.

If you require a replacement, additional bin or bin removal please complete a bin request form available at the Administration Office or Shire of Kellerberrin website to arrange delivery/removal. Alternatively, please contact the Administration office.

### Waste Transfer Station

Situated 5km south of Kellerberrin on Inverarity Road, the transfer station is open weekly from Friday to Monday 8am to 12pm, 12.30pm to 5pm with a supervisor in attendance at all times.

The transfer station will **ONLY** accept household rubbish, green waste, private use engine oil and domestic items. Some building materials may be accepted with prior approval from the Manager Works and Services (charges may apply).

Council's transfer station **WILL NOT** accept tyres, concrete slabs, car batteries, fibre cement, rubber, asbestos, lighting globes, e-waste (televisions, computer screens, hard drives, keyboards), microwaves, gas bottles, fire extinguishers or industrial/commercial rubbish.

### Recycling Service

Recyclable goods (cardboard, paper, glass, plastic, aluminium) can be placed in the bins provided on Leake Street (Car Park adjacent to Centenary Park) and there is also now the option to deliver aluminium, glass, and plastic to the Kellerberrin Men's Shed as part of the Containers for Change Scheme. Please **FLATTEN** cardboard boxes and ensure all items are empty/clean, and suitable for recycling. Bins will be emptied on a regular basis, however if you notice the bins are full, please notify the Shire office, so collection can be arranged.

### Animal Control

Registrations are due November 1st each year.

Dogs over the age of three (3) months must be registered. All registrations require dogs to be microchipped. Cats over the age of six (6) months must be registered. All registrations require cats to be sterilised and microchipped.

Animals wandering at large will be impounded. Owners are subject to impounding and release fees prior to collection.

If you have an animal complaint, please call into the Shire Administration Office or website to complete a complaint form. Your complaint (anonymous if preferred) will then be forwarded on to Council's Ranger for required attention.

### Bush Fire Control

Landowners are responsible for ensuring that their property is fire safe.

Council will distribute Bushfire Notices in September outlining landowner requirements and the 2025/2026 Fire Season Permit Periods indicating restricted and prohibited periods. Penalties can apply if not compliant.

Harvest and Vehicle Movements Bans may be issued for the Shire of Kellerberrin during the permit period. Notifications shall be issued via SMS messaging including surrounding and adjoining Local Governments. Should you wish to be added to the SMS list please contact the Shire Administration Office.

### Drum Muster/Containers for Change

The Kellerberrin Men's Shed will be conducting the Drum muster collection. Landowners are encouraged to bring their empty clean chemical drums for collection. Please contact the Men's shed for further information.

The Men's Shed are now also a refund point for the Containers for Change Scheme please contact the Men's Shed directly on 0436 284 070 for opening hours and further information regarding this scheme.



Berrin Berrin Bird



## EARLY RATE PAYMENT INCENTIVE SCHEME

Council is offering incentives for early payment of rates. All ratepayers, who pay their rates in FULL by the due date Friday, 22nd August 2025 will automatically go into the draw which is selected at random.

**Thank you to the following businesses that have donated the prizes.**



**FARMWAYS  
KELLERBERRIN**



## FAQ'S

### How are rates calculated?

Your rate amount is calculated by multiplying your property's Gross Rental Value (GRV) or Unimproved Value (UV) by the rate in the dollar set by Council. The rate in the dollar is set by Council, in accordance with Councils adopted Long Term Financial Plan.

### What is GRV and UV?

GRV (Gross Rental Value) is a valuation of your property, determined by the Valuer General. GRV valuations are reviewed every five (5) years with the next review due 2030/31 for residential, commercial and industrial land. UV (Unimproved Value) is also determined by the Valuer General and is reviewed annually. The increase in valuations for 2025/26 was 20.4% from the 2024/25 financial year. Ratepayers have the right to object to their valuation. More information can be found at [www.landgate.wa.gov.au](http://www.landgate.wa.gov.au)

### How do I change my postal address?

Notification must be in writing. A Change of Details Form is available from the Shire Administration Office or by emailing [shire@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au). Return the completed form by email to [shire@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au), post to PO Box 145 Kellerberrin WA 6410 or by hand to the Shire Administration Office at 110 Massingham Street, Kellerberrin.

### What is the Emergency Services Levy?

The Emergency Services Levy (ESL) is a compulsory charge for all property owners, issued by the State Government. The ESL funds WA's fire and emergency services including fire stations, volunteer fire brigades, State Emergency Services (SES) units and the Volunteer Marine Rescue Service. Local Governments are required to include the levy in their rates accounts and collect it on behalf of the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES). ESL charges are calculated based on several criteria including the ESL category your property falls under and your property's Gross Rental Value, subject to minimums and maximums.

For more information contact DFES at [dfes.wa.gov.au](http://dfes.wa.gov.au).

## SENIORS & PENSIONERS

Pensioners and Seniors may be eligible for a rates rebate. To receive a rebate, a person must hold one of more of the appropriate Pensioner or Seniors cards, and on 1<sup>st</sup> July of the financial year, own and occupy the residential property as their principal place of residence. Please call the Water Corporation on 1300 659 951 or visit the Water Corporation web page with your concession card details and Water Corporation account number to update your details.



### Pensioner Concession Card OR State Concession Card

Receive up to 50% rebate limited to a maximum (capped) amount of \$750.



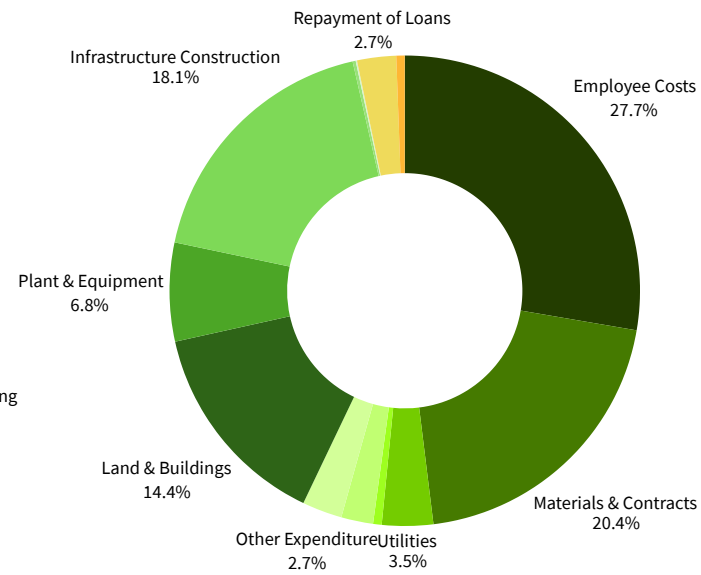
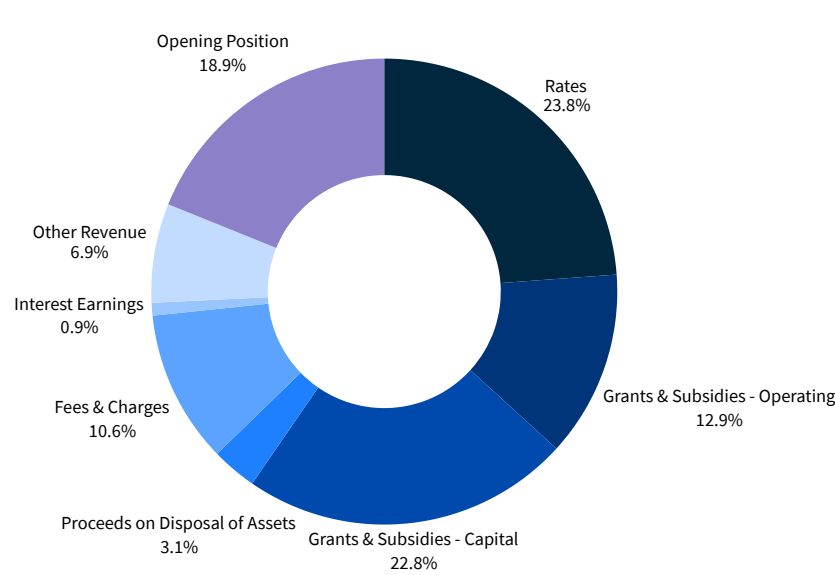
### WA Seniors Card

Receive up to 25% rebate limited to a maximum (capped) amount of \$100.

**Commonwealth Seniors Health Card together with a WA Seniors Card**  
Receive up to 50% rebate limited to a maximum (capped) amount of \$750.



# FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT 2025/26



## REVENUE

Rates	\$2,807,627
Grants & Subsidies - Operating	\$1,523,324
Grants & Subsidies - Capital	\$2,689,034
Proceeds on Disposal of Assets	\$370,000
Fees & Charges	\$1,249,872
Interest Earnings	\$104,100
Other Revenue	\$810,293
Opening Position	\$2,224,874
TOTAL INCOME	\$11,779,124

## EXPENDITURE

Employee Costs	\$3,261,635
Materials & Contracts	\$2,398,301
Utilities	\$414,065
Interest Expenses	\$69,381
Insurances Expenses	\$258,403
Other Expenditure	\$323,340
Land & Buildings	\$1,700,000
Plant & Equipment Purchase	\$798,000
Infrastructure (Roads/Public Facilities)	\$2,136,516
Furniture & Equipment	\$25,000
Finance Repayments	\$10,832
Principal Loan Repayments	\$315,651
Transfer to Reserves	\$68,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$11,779,124

### Statement of Loan Debt

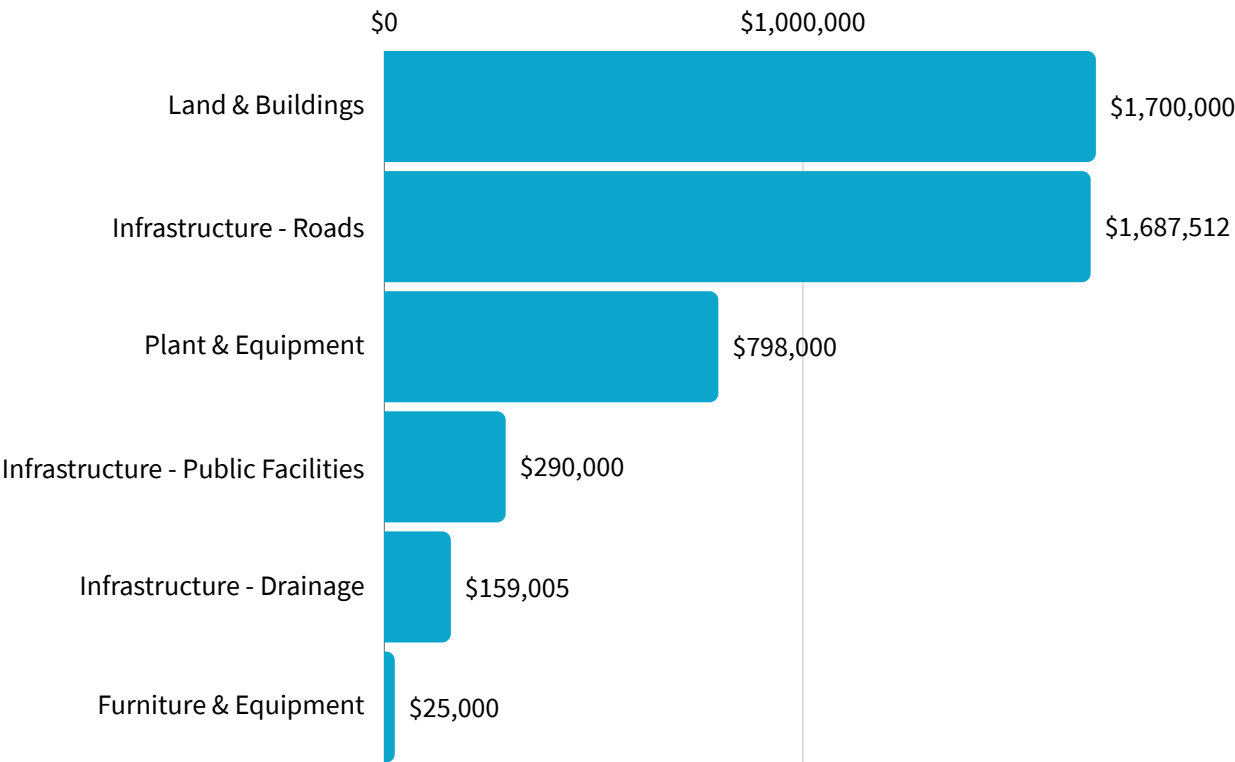
As at the 30 June 2025, Council's outstanding loan debt was:

CEACA Units	\$75,577
Recreation Centre	\$663,946
GROH Housing	\$250,732
Swimming Pool	\$507,795
TOTAL	\$1,498,050



## BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

In 2025/26 the Shire of Kellerberrin has allocated \$4,659,516 for capital expenditure. A summary by asset class is provided below.



## ROAD PROJECTS 2025/26

ROAD PROJECT	COST	FUNDING	COST TO COUNCIL
Doodlakine South Road (9.8 - 12.40SLK)	\$770,837	\$501,158	\$269,679
Connelly Street (Bedford to Moore)	\$264,556	\$262,075	\$2,481
Thornton Avenue (Full Length)	\$278,882	\$278,882	
Gravel Re-sheeting (Various Roads)	\$373,236		\$373,236
Scott Street Drainage Upgrade	\$159,005	\$98,500	\$60,505
TOTAL	\$1,846,516	\$1,143,096	\$703,420





## 2025/26 COMMUNITY DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Council received a number of community requests for assistance with projects of which Council has fully or partially funded as per below:

DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS	COST	DETAILS
Kellerberrin Agricultural Society	\$3,000.00	Contribution to Agricultural Show
Wheatbelt Agcare Community Support Service	\$500.00	Donation to Services
Chrissy up Keller	\$3,000.00	Contribution to Community Event
Lions Cancer Institute	\$300.00	Donation
Kellerberrin Playgroup	\$1,200.00	Outdoor Table & Chair Setting
Doodlakine Bowling Club	\$300.00	Event Sponsorship
Kellerberrin Bowling Club	\$300.00	Event Sponsorship
Kellerberrin Town Teams	\$3,000.00	2/28 Battalion Park Funding
Kellerberrin Golf Club	\$300.00	Event Sponsorship
Doodlakine Community Committee	\$2,000.00	Doodlakine Hall Kitchen Equipment
Central Wheatbelt Harness Racing Club	\$3,000.00	CWHRC Cup - Event Sponsorship
Kellerberrin Tennis Club	\$2,000.00	Hit up wall
Kellerberrin District High School	In-Kind	Facility Hire & Equipment
Kellerberrin Playgroup	In-Kind	Bike Path Extension

## INTEGRATED PLANNING

The Shire of Kellerberrin through its Integrated Planning process has the following plans and informing strategies in place. These are available for viewing on the website.

- Corporate Business Plan
- Strategic Community Plan
- Annual Budget
- Long Term Financial Plan
- Workforce Plan
- Townscape, Road Verge & Public Open Space Management Plan
- Waste Management Strategy & Business Plan
- Disability Access & Inclusion Plan

