

# 2022/23 Information Guide



Shire of  
**Perenjori**  
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# Shire of Perenjori

## 2022/23 Budget Overview

Revenue - From ordinary activities	\$5,217,581
Non-operating grants, subsidies	\$4,620,119
Expenses - From ordinary activities	\$9,325,555

The Council has had considerable discussion on budget expenditures and projects and determined a rate increase of 5%.

The total budgeted rate income for 2022/2023 is \$3,378,411, compared to the budgeted rate income of \$3,225,225 in 2021/22.

### Rates

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

Rate in \$	2021/22	2022/23
UV Rural	1.9380	1.6972
UV Mining	34.9401	32.3509
GRV Townsite	8.4366	8.8584
GRV Mining	8.4366	8.8584
Exploration	26.0100	24.8501

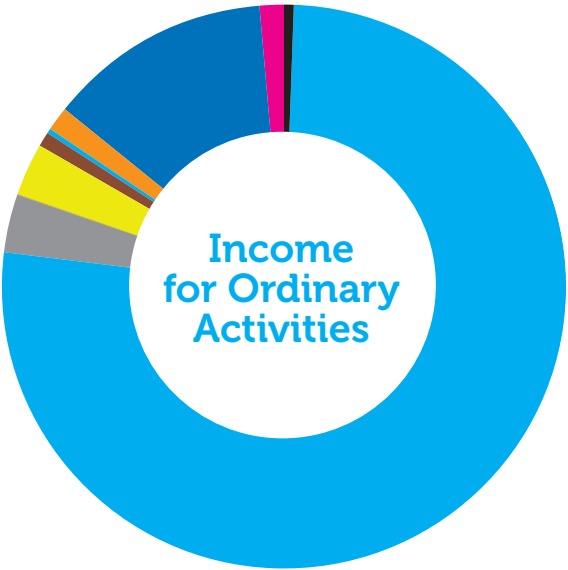
### Minimum Rates












UV Rural	\$356.00	\$374.00
UV Mining	\$356.00	\$374.00
GRV Townsite	\$356.00	\$374.00
GRV Mining	\$356.00	\$374.00
Exploration	\$356.00	\$374.00

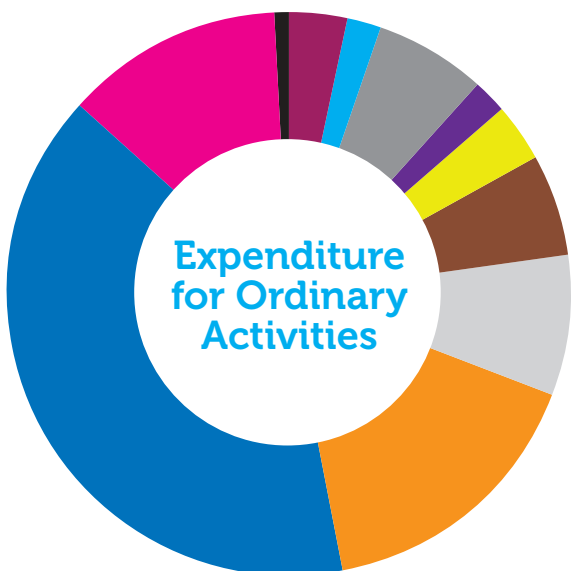
### Rubbish Charges












Eligible Pensioner	\$170.00	\$173.40
Domestic or Commercial Bin	\$340.00	\$346.00

## Summary of Income and Expenditure



	Governance .....	\$27,100
	General Purpose Funding .....	\$3,110,444
	Law, Order, Public Safety .....	\$136,600
	Health .....	\$2,500
	Education and Welfare .....	\$1,000
	Housing .....	\$122,000
	Community Amenities .....	\$37,510
	Recreation and Culture .....	\$6,000
	Transport .....	\$57,709
	Economic Services .....	\$525,500
	Other Property and Services .....	\$48,500



	Governance .....	\$311,061
	General Purpose Funding .....	\$205,661
	Law, Order, Public Safety .....	\$570,139
	Health.....	\$201,876
	Education and Welfare .....	\$305,739
	Housing .....	\$530,785
	Community Amenities.....	\$764,215
	Recreation and Culture .....	\$1,503,930
	Transport .....	\$3,702,842
	Economic Services .....	\$1,158,558
	Other Property and Services.....	\$70,749

## Significant Projects

### Council Buildings

Upgrades to the Perenjori Town Hall will include removal of asbestos from the roof and replacement with iron sheeting, and installation of air conditioning.

### Council Housing

Council is committed to maintaining quality housing and have made Budget allocation for installation of solar panels on Council buildings, and construction of 2 x three-bedroom, two-bathroom dwellings within the Perenjori townsite.

### Community Hub

Capital expenditure of \$500,000 has been allocated for the design and construction of a purpose-built community hub.

### Caron Dam

Along with grant funding of \$100,000, Council have allocated \$224,000 of own source funding to re-roof the Caron Dam, maintaining this unique asset for ongoing usage.

### Community Facilities

Upgrades to the Latham Community Centre including tables, chairs and solar lighting. Upgrades to the Perenjori Pavilion including a cool room and flooring.

### Road Program

The roads program for 2022/23 has been budgeted at a total cost of \$4,139,040 and is funded by:

Regional Road Group Funding	\$635,667
Roads to Recovery Funding	\$534,940
Council Own Source Funding	\$607,433
Local Roads & Community Infrastructure	\$155,000
Midwest Secondary Grain Freight Network	\$2,206,000



## Reserve Funds

Council are committed to maintaining adequate reserves for future projects. The estimated Reserve Funds balance as at 30th June 2023 is \$3,813,641.

## Borrowings

The 2022-2023 budget makes provision for a new loan to the value of \$800,000 with Council looking to acquire 2 x three-bedroom, two-bathroom dwellings to be situated in the Perenjori townsite.

## 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.

The 10% discount for rates paid by 11th October 2022 continues to 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 11th October 2022 for current rates and charges. Overdue interest will accrue daily at 7% per annum from 1st July 2022 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 by instalments.

1st Instalment	11th October 2022
2nd Instalment	13th December 2022
3rd Instalment	14th February 2023
4th Instalment	19th April 2023



**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](mailto:ro@perenjori.wa.gov.au)



# Elected Members

Following results of the Local Government Election held on 16 October 2021, seven newly Elected Members were sworn in at an ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 October 2021, including election of the Shire President and Deputy Shire President.

Each Councillor will hold office until the following dates:

<b>Cr Chris King</b> (Shire President)	21 Oct 2023
<b>Cr Jude Sutherland</b> (Deputy Shire President)	18 Oct 2025
<b>Cr Daniel Bradford</b>	21 Oct 2023
<b>Cr Colin Bryant</b>	21 Oct 2023
<b>Cr Andrew Fraser</b>	21 Oct 2023
<b>Cr Les Hepworth</b>	18 Oct 2025
<b>Cr Dael Sparkman</b>	18 Oct 2025

The WA Electoral Commission will conduct the 2023 Local Government postal vote election on 21 October 2023.

# Executive Management

<b>Paul Anderson</b>	Chief Executive Officer
<b>Nola Comerford</b>	Manager Corporate and Community Services
<b>Neville Binning</b>	Manager Infrastructure Services

# 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		

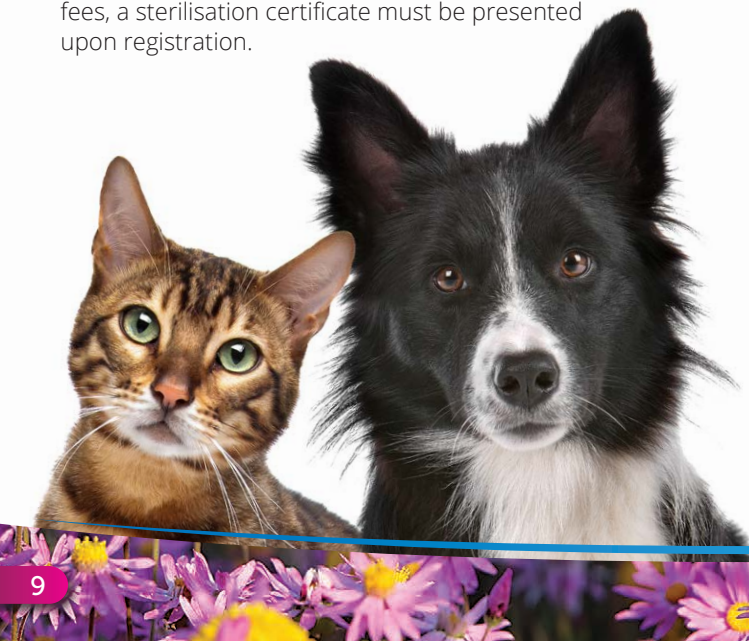
## Cat Registrations

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. 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 fire-breaks 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.

### 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 3,000m<sup>2</sup>, the property must be cleared, mowed, slashed to a MAXIMUM height of 4.5cm of all flammable material.

Where the area of the land is 3,000m<sup>2</sup> or more, a firebreak must be provided not less than 3m 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 3m in width completely surrounding and not more than 20m from the perimeter of any building, group of buildings or haystacks. All flammable material must be removed from an area 3m in width immediately surrounding the building. All flammable material must be removed from an area 3m in width immediately surrounding an unattended electric motor site.



#### 4. Unattended Fuel Operated Motors

All flammable material must be removed from an area 3m 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 3m 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

Phil Page                      Tel: 9973 1137              Mob: 0458 731 111

## Perenjori Town (UHF 11)

Jason King                      Tel: 9973 1137              Mob: 0427 734 005

## Latham (UHF 11)

Brian Campbell              Tel: 9973 6073              Mob: 0428 736 008

## DFES

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, chaining, 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.

## Harvest Ban Information Line

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.

For further information you can visit:

<https://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/>







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