

Budget 2021–2022

Budget summary

Council has prepared a \$41.48 million budget for 2021/2022. The increase in average rate revenue collected across the shire will be capped at 1.5% on last year in line with caps set by the Victorian Government. Rate changes for individual properties may be higher or lower than 1.5%, due to annual property revaluations. Kerbside bin collection charges will not increase this year.

Capital works

\$11.98 million for capital works includes:

Roads – \$3.38m includes \$1.43M for Fogarty's Gap Rd, \$396K to design Diamond Gully Rd intersections at McKenzie Hill, \$558K to reseal local roads and \$683K to resheet gravel roads, \$150K for Spring St Maldon, plus \$170K for design and minor works.

Bridges – \$200K to design new bridges.

Walking and cycling – \$1.6M includes a new footpath along part of Campbells Creek Fryers Rd and completing the missing link in the Campbells Creek walking and cycling trail.

Plant, equipment and technology – \$1.25M including a Welcome to Country installation at the Castlemaine Market Building, two new electric vehicles (EV) and two EV charging stations.

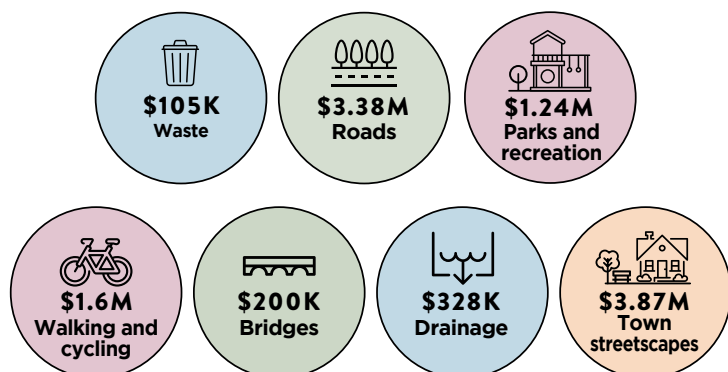
Parks and recreation facilities – \$1.24M includes replacing lights at the Newstead Recreation Reserve \$410K, designing pavilion and netball courts at Castlemaine's Camp Reserve \$400K, \$120K for priority pool works, \$150K for renewal of recreation facilities, and \$81K for designing female friendly change facilities at Maldon's Bill Woodfull Reserve.

Flood protection and drainage – \$328K Castlemaine and Campbells Creek levee works \$243K, Newstead levee \$40K.

Town streetscapes – \$3.87M includes Maldon rejuvenation \$2M, Guildford and Chewton \$908K, Newstead \$592K, and Elphinstone, Taradale and Campbells Creek \$367K.

Waste – \$105K for replacement and upgrade of public place recycling bins.

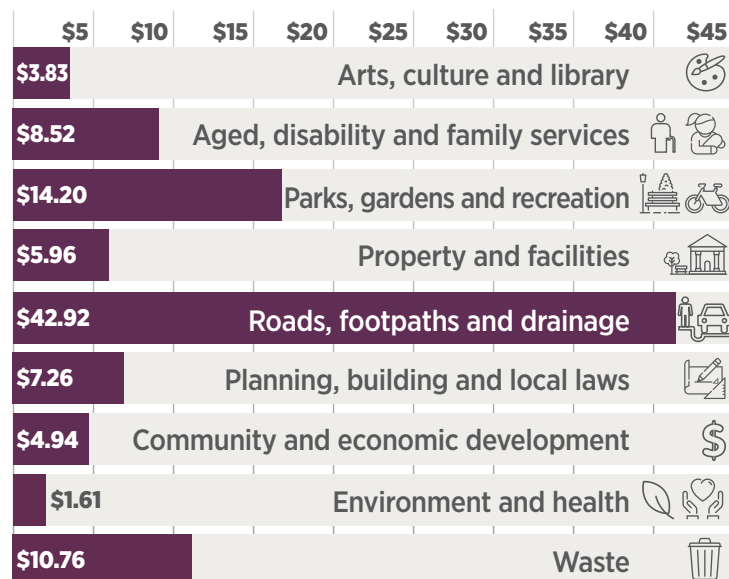
Major capital works



Your rates at work

This summary outlines how Council will maintain and improve infrastructure and deliver projects and services valued by our community. It includes costs to manage and maintain local foot and cycling paths, roads, bridges and drains, rubbish and recycling collection, delivering maternal and child health care programs, aged care and disability services, youth programs, emergency relief and recovery, animal control, planning, tourism services, the maintenance and improvement of play spaces, public gardens and more.

Council spending per \$100



Highlights

Indigenous Recognition – Welcome to Country Dja Dja Wurrung Country cultural project in the Castlemaine Market Building. **\$400K**

Waste – Capping the Castlemaine landfill. **\$1.5M**

Climate Change – A new online platform to monitor Council's carbon output and energy savings **\$10K**, two new electric vehicle chargers for the Council fleet **\$20K** and two new electric vehicles.

Heritage Protection – A shopfront study in Maldon as part of the Maldon Streetscape rejuvenation. **\$40K**

Economy – Hosting the Mount Alexander Shire Business Awards. **\$15K**

Roads – Making Fogarty's Gap Road safer between Woodbrook and Leversha Roads. **\$1.43M**

Community – Designing a multi-use community space at Taradale's disused tennis courts. **\$30K**

Rail Trail – Castlemaine to Maryborough Rail Trail Feasibility Study. **\$6K**

Read the budget

A hard copy is displayed for public viewing on-site during business hours at Council's Customer Service Centre in the Civic Centre or view the budget online at www.mountalexander.vic.gov.au/budget.

How to read your rates notice

Amount overdue – any overdue payment will be listed here. Overdue payments accrue 10% interest per annum.

Instalment – we will issue instalment notices at least 14 days before each instalment is due.

Capital Improved Value (CIV) – this is the valuation on which your rates are calculated. It is the total market value of the land plus buildings and improvements.

Rates cap – only Council charges are subject to the 1.5% rates cap.

Fire Services Property Levy (FSPL) – a property based levy from the Victorian Government collected and transferred to the Victorian Government. For more information visit www.sro.vic.gov.au or call 13 21 61.

Waste charges – your contribution towards the cost to collect and process general waste and recyclables from your household. Also factors in the EPA landfill levy, environmental management costs and the cost to maintain and operate Maldon and Castlemaine waste transfer stations.

Pension concession – eligible pensioners and veterans receive a government rebate.

Australian Valuation Property Classification Code (AVPCC) allocated to each property according to the use of the land, which determines the rating code.

FSPL classification – the Fire Service Property Levy category allocated to your property, dependent on the AVPCC (see above).

Differential rating code – the property type on which your rates are calculated.

Payment options – payments can be made via a number of methods including online, phone and in person.

Did you know?

You can receive an electronic copy of your rates notice through online banking. For further information, look for Bpay View next time you bank online. Signing up is easy and you will receive email reminders when your bills are due.

Valuation, rates and charges notice

For period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022

ABN: 12 966 477 062



Issue Date: XX/XX/2021
Property ID: XXXXX
Land Valuation Date: 01/01/2021
Site Value: \$119,000
Capital Improved Value: \$410,000
Net Annual Value: \$20,500

Description and location of property:

Street address
CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450

The ratepayer
Street address
CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450

EXAMPLE ONLY

| Council rates and waste charges | Victorian Government Fire Services Property Levy | Pensioner concession | Total amount due |
|--|--|-----------------------|------------------|
| How your 2021/2022 rates are calculated | | | |
| -credit or +arrears | +/- \$ | | |
| Capital Improved Value (CIV) | \$ | | |
| Rate in dollar | x \$ | | |
| Council charges | = \$ | | |
| Fire Services Property Levy | + \$ | | |
| Waste charge | + \$ | | |
| Pensioner concession - Rates | - \$ | | |
| Pensioner concession - FSPL | - \$ | | |
| Total due | | | |
| | | Overdue | |
| | | Please PAY NOW | |
| | | Instalment 1 | |
| | | 30/09/2021 | |
| | | Instalment 2 | |
| | | 30/11/2021 | |
| | | Instalment 3 | |
| | | 28/02/2022 | |
| | | Instalment 4 | |
| | | 31/05/2022 | |

Legal description of property:

AVPCC:
FSPL classification:
Differential rating code:

Account ID

HOW TO PAY YOUR ACCOUNT

Please see reverse for further payment options

Property ID: XXXXX

Total Due:

Bill Code: 41749
Ref No:



Ref No:

BPAY® this payment via Internet or phone banking.
BPAY View® – View and pay this bill using internet banking.
BPAY View Reference No.:

Pay in-store at Australia Post.

Example only