

# 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 1.75% 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](http://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 eNotices. For further information, look for the eNotices box on your rates notice.



**Mount Alexander Shire Council**

### Valuation, rates and charges notice

For period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023  
ABN: 12 966 477 062

The ratepayer  
Street address  
CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450  
EXAMPLE ONLY

Issue Date: XX/XX/2022  
Property ID: XXXXX  
Land Valuation Date: 01/01/2022  
Site Value: \$119,000  
Capital Improved Value: \$410,000  
Net Annual Value: \$20,500

Description and location of property:  
Street address  
CASTLEMAINE VIC 3450

Council rates and waste charges	Victorian Government Fire Services Property Levy	Pensioner concession	Total amount due																																				
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**Legal description of property:**

Example only

<p>AVPCC: FSPL classification: Differential rating code:</p>	Account ID
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**Property ID:** XXXXX

**HOW TO PAY YOUR ACCOUNT**  
Please see reverse for further payment options

 <p>Billers Code: 41749 Ref No:</p> <p><small>BPAY® this payment via Internet or phone banking. BPAY View® – View and pay this bill using internet banking. BPAY View Reference No.:</small></p>	 <p>Ref No:</p> <p><small>Pay in-store at Australia Post.</small></p>	 <p>For emailed notices, register at: <a href="http://mountalexander.enotices.com.au">mountalexander.enotices.com.au</a> Reference No.</p>
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# Adopted Budget 2022/2023

The Mount Alexander Shire Council budget outlines our priorities to help us achieve objectives set out in the Council Plan 2021-2025.

## Budget summary

Council has prepared a \$44.42 million budget for 2022/2023, which highlights the resources needed to deliver more than 100 services in our community under the Council Plan 2021-2025 pillars of:

- A healthy, connected, and inclusive community
- An environment for people and nature
- A resilient and growing economy.

We will do this within an increase to average rates income of 1.75% under the Victorian Government's Fair Go Rates System, as we continue to review processes to work more efficiently and prioritise investment, and advocate for funding.

We're also working to freeze collection charges for kerbside waste at the same level as the previous two years.

## Council spending per \$100

\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	\$25	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$45	\$50
\$2.62	Arts, culture and library								
\$9.78	Aged, disability and family services								
\$17.99	Parks, gardens and recreation								
\$6.91	Property and facilities								
\$37.87	Roads, footpaths and drainage								
\$7.41	Planning, building and local laws								
\$5.47	Community and economic development								
\$1.57	Environment and health								
\$10.39	Waste								

## Other initiatives include:

Delivery of quality **aged and disability services (\$75K)** and of future programs and services for **early and middle years (\$50K)**. **Improvement of facilities** at the Harcourt Recreation Reserve (**\$94K**) and the Newstead Memorial Park (**\$147K**). We're also working on an **Economic Development Strategy (\$68K)**, a **Climate Change Strategy (\$35K)** and will be continuing our work on **affordable housing** in the shire (**\$100K**). We'll be updating **Council's website (\$95K)**, capping the **Castlemaine landfill (\$5M)**, and prioritising safety at the **Castlemaine Skate Park (\$32K)**.

**Read the budget** A hard copy is on display during business hours at Council's Customer Service Centre in the Civic Centre, Castlemaine or available online at [www.mountalexander.vic.gov.au/budget](http://www.mountalexander.vic.gov.au/budget).

## Capital works

The budget will deliver \$13.32 million in capital works initiatives, such as:

**Roads - \$2.98M** includes upgrades Fogartys Gap Road, resealing local roads, resheeting gravel roads, plus more for design and minor works.

**Bridges - \$1.64M** includes construction of a low-level crossing over the Loddon River at Vaughan Tarilta and minor works on Froomes Road Bridge.

**Flood protection and drainage - \$1.39M** for construction of flood levees, waterway improvements in Castlemaine and Campbells Creek, and drainage and road sealing works at Yeats Street.

**Footpaths, tracks and trail - \$800K** includes improvements to pedestrian safety across Walker Street in Castlemaine, designing and renewing pathways, improving accessibility.

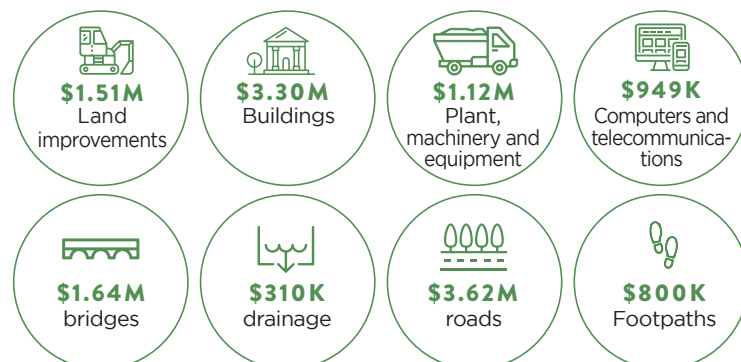
**Recreation facilities - \$2.16M** includes construction of a female-friendly change pavilion at Bill Woodfull Recreation Reserve\*, plus sports lighting improvements, detailed design of Camp Reserve Master Plan, design of floodlights at Harcourt Recreation Reserve, and improvements at Norwood Hill Recreation Reserve\*, plus annual renewals.

**Town streetscapes - \$639K** for improvement of town streetscapes with the redevelopment of Frederick Street, Castlemaine.

**Buildings - \$333K** includes restoration works at former Newstead Courthouse and former Wesleyan Church in Chewton.

\*Projects subject to external funding.

## Major capital works



## How council is funded

- Rates and charges 66%
- Government grants 24%
- User fees and fines 7%
- Other income 3%

