

Introduction

Renmark Paringa Council has adopted its Annual Business Plan and Budget for 2020/21.

The 2020/21 Annual Business Plan and Budget further supports Council's commitment to financial sustainability and economic growth, whilst still delivering community activities and outcomes that support our community wellbeing.



2019/20 Completed Projects

Government
Road
Stage 1 and 2



Renmark
Olympic
Soccer Oval
Lighting
Upgrade



Paringa
Cemetery
Fence



Pram Ramp
Upgrades



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**2020/21 Annual Business
Plan and Budget Summary**

Influences and Priorities for 2020/21

In 2020/21 Council is budgeting for an Operating deficit of \$592,000. This is below the target of \$225,000 surplus within Councils Long Term Financial Plan.

In 2020/21 Council is committed to undertaking projects that focus on maintaining or upgrading the community's existing assets or on projects that enable Council to leverage its resources to attract further investment.

Projects funded in the Annual Business Plan for 2020/21 include:

— LED Street Lighting Bulk Program

— Alan Coulter Recreation Centre - Solar Power Installation

— Government Road Stage 3

— Lock 6 Boat Ramp Upgrade

— Storage Capacity Increase at the Renmark Wastewater Treatment Plant

— Renmark Riverfront Lighting

— Disability Access & Inclusion Plan

The Taylor Riverfront Precinct project has been carried over into 2020/21, which will see the project completed by February 2021.



Our Rates and Service Charges

Council is focused on maintaining a sustainable position while being conscious of cost pressures that the area is facing, and in particular the effects these are having on residents and businesses. As a result, Council has increased rates by inflation, which is 2.4% on each land use code.

In 2020/21 the Council's forecasted average residential rates for the average Capital Value of \$254,244 is as follows;

2020/21 RPC Residential Average	\$1,823
2019/20 RPC Residential Average	\$1,752
2020/21 RPC average dollar value of rate increase for residential properties	\$71

In 2020/21 the following rates will apply for varying land use types:

Land Use	Cents in the Dollar
Residential	0.2428
Commercial (Shops)	0.515
Commercial (Office)	0.515
Commercial (Other)	0.515
Industrial (Light)	0.515
Industrial (Other)	0.515
Primary Production	0.3622
Vacant Land	0.8005
Other	0.2428

The adopted average rate increase ensures that the Renmark Paringa Council remains as one of the lowest rating Councils in South Australia.



Fixed Charge

Council imposes a fixed charge against individual allotments (subject to the property being eligible to be adjoined or classified as a Single Farm Enterprise). The fixed charge for 2020/21 is set at \$400.

Separate Rates

Council collects the Regional Landscape levy on behalf of the State Government. In 2020/21 the amount Council is required to collect is \$346,146.

The Council Service Charges for 2020/21 will be the following:

Community Wastewater Management Scheme (CWMS)

Council imposes a CWMS service charge on all properties connected to the Renmark and Paringa schemes. In 2020/21 the CWMS charge is \$455 per unit. The revenue generated is used to fund the operations of the wastewater schemes, renewal of existing infrastructure and expansion of the system.

Waste Management Charge

Council differentiates between Town and Rural Waste collection which are used to fund activities relating to the collection and disposal of waste.

— General Waste (Red Bin) Town and Rural – \$155

— Recyclables (Yellow Bin) Town and Rural – \$75

— Green Waste (Green Bin) Town – \$64