

Annual Business Plan & Budget Summary 2026-2027



**SOUTHERN
LIMESTONE
COAST
COUNCIL**

The Southern Limestone Coast Council (formerly District Council of Grant) Annual Business Plan & Budget 2026-2027 (the Plan) provides an overview of the services, programs and strategic projects that Council aims to deliver for the community over the next financial year.

The Plan also ensures the maintenance of appropriate levels of statutory and discretionary services to the community and allows strategic goals to be achieved in alignment with Council's Strategic Plan 2024-2034.

MAJOR SPEND



\$10,200,000

**Mount Gambier & District
Saleyards:** Saleyards
Transformation Project



\$1,084,000

Plant: Equipment
purchases and renewal



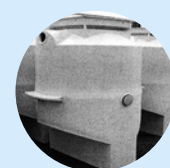
\$400,000

**Playground Strategy
Implementation:**
Tarpeena Playground



\$200,000

Coastal Adaptation:
Coastal Inundation Trial

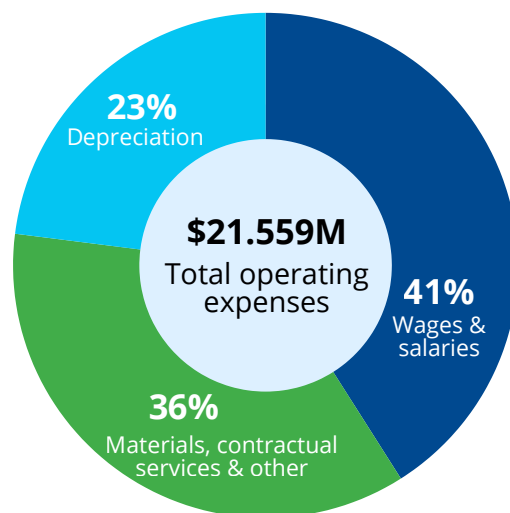
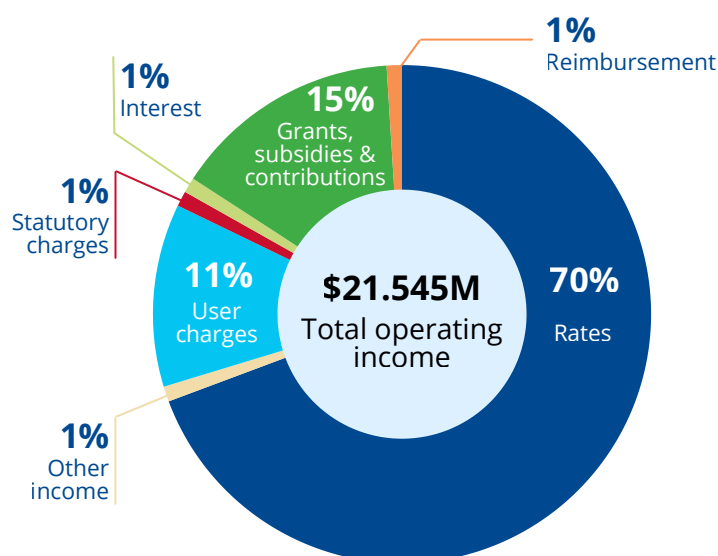


\$192,640

**Community Waste
Management System:**
Upgrades to pumps and Scada

Read the full Annual Business Plan and Budget for 2026-2027 at Council's Principal Office, 324 Commercial Street West, Mount Gambier or online at www.dcgrant.sa.gov.au.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY



HOW IS THE PLAN DEVELOPED?

Each year, Council reviews its projects and services to understand community needs and deliver them in the most cost-effective way.

Actions from Council's Strategic Plan are included in a Draft Annual Business Plan and Budget, which is considered at a Council Meeting. The Draft Plan is then shared with the community for feedback. Any new challenges, risks or opportunities raised are considered and included in the revised Draft Plan where possible.

Finally, Council approves the Plan at a Council Meeting so it is ready to roll out in July.

RATES AND CHARGES

Differential Rates

Council uses capital value as assessed by the State Valuation Office as the basis of valuing land, which is considered the fairest method for distributing the rate burden across all ratepayers.

Regional Landscape Levy

Legislation requires Council to collect the Regional Landscape Levy. Please direct all enquiries to the Limestone Coast Landscape Board on (08) 8429 7550.

Due Dates for Payment of Rates

First instalment Friday 4 September 2026	Third instalment Friday 5 March 2027
Second instalment Friday 4 December 2026	Fourth instalment Friday 4 June 2027

If an instalment of rates is not paid on or before the last day of payment, fines and interest are payable on the arrears.

Community Wastewater Management Schemes

Council charges for the removal, treatment and appropriate disposal of domestic wastewater in a number of towns across the district.

Mobile Garbage Bin Collection

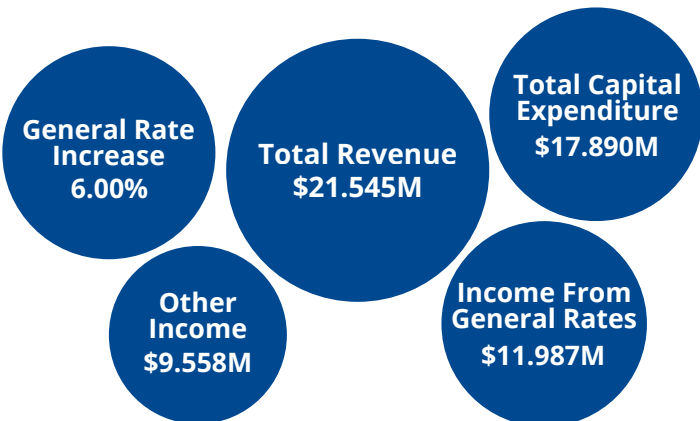
A three bin kerbside rubbish, recycling and Food Organics and Garden Organics collection service is provided by Council in defined collection areas.

Waste Transfer Station Vouchers

Each property within the district is eligible for one free Waste Transfer Station voucher at the beginning of each financial year. The voucher entitles residents and/or tenants to six visits to any Waste Transfer Station facility at Carpenter Rocks, Donovans, Tarpeena and Port MacDonnell.

Obtain a voucher by contacting Council via phone, email or in person.

OTHER INFORMATION



KEY PROJECTS



\$232,109
Donations and Sponsorships



\$60,000
Local Government Elections



\$58,096
Telstra Mobile Phone Towers



\$50,000
Branding Identity Update Implementation



\$30,000
Development of an Art Strategy



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