



Budget Booklet

Your City in 2026/27

Acknowledgement of Country

The City of Swan acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of this region, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and their descendants.



Welcome

With a population forecast to grow to about 300,000 by 2050, the City of Swan is firmly focused on meeting the expectations of our diverse community, both today and in the future.

Your rates not only help to provide key day-to-day services but also enable us to plan and deliver our shared vision for the exciting future that lies ahead.

They support libraries, community facilities, public spaces, street lighting and waste collection. They will help deliver the huge range of projects, programs, services and events that will continue to make the City a great place to live and work.

Your rates make it possible to bring our geographically diverse communities closer together. They help us to provide support for local businesses which employ thousands of people. They enable

vibrant community events, arts, culture and recreation facilities for everyone to enjoy.

Our focus remains on balancing affordability with the maintenance of the services and infrastructure that support our community – now and into the future.

This Budget Newsletter sets out a picture of how your rates will be invested in the year 2026/27 to help make all this possible. I hope you find it useful and informative.

A stylized black ink signature of Tanya Richardson.

Mayor Tanya Richardson
City of Swan



Your rates explained

Your rates help fund the wide range of services, facilities and infrastructure that support our growing community.

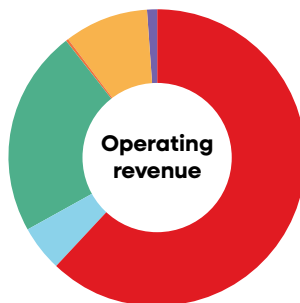
Each year, the City of Swan determines the funding required to deliver services, programs, maintenance and capital works projects across the City.

This amount is then shared across all rateable properties based on property valuations provided by Landgate, an independent authority responsible for property valuations in Western Australia.

- Non-rural use properties are assigned a Gross Rental Value (GRV)
- Rural use properties are assigned an Unimproved Value (UV)
- This system helps ensure rates are distributed fairly and consistently across the community.

Our revenue

We manage a range of revenue streams to deliver projects, program and services that sustain a thriving and connected community:



● Rates	\$180.5M
● Grants, subsidies and contributions	\$14.1M
● Fees and charges	\$65.3M
● Service charges	\$0.5M
● Interest earnings	\$26.7M
● Other revenue	\$2.9M

Major projects



Swan Active Ellenbrook

The largest ever infrastructure project undertaken by the City, Swan Active Ellenbrook is a regional-level aquatic and recreation facility due for completion in 2027.

Incorporating state-of-the-art energy-efficiency features, the new facility will serve the rapidly growing community in Perth's eastern corridor.

The Swan Active Ellenbrook project is supported by funding from the Australian and State Governments.

Brabham East Pavilion and Oval

Comprising a senior size multi-use playing field, community building and playground, the project is due for completion in late 2026.

Gnangara Road duplication

Representing a major boost to connectivity, construction of a second carriageway for Gnangara Road between Henley Brook Avenue and Pinaster Parade is due for completion in October 2026.

Waste services

The City is continuing the rollout of Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO), with a further 28,000 households due to receive this service in 2026/27. By the end of the year, around 73 per cent of all residents will have a FOGO bin, with this program diverting around 17,000 tonnes of waste from landfill.

The City is also adding an additional verge collection crew, which will substantially reduce wait times when booking this service.

Spending across the City

Your rates help shape the City by funding the libraries, leisure centres, community spaces, parks and roads that support everyday life and bring people together.

As our community continues to grow, your Council remains focused on investing in projects and services that improve wellbeing, accessibility, connectivity and liveability.



Safer in Swan

Creating safe and welcoming neighbourhoods remains a priority for your Council.

The 2026/27 Budget includes continued investment in community safety initiatives that support residents, businesses and visitors across the City, including:

- **\$3.3 million** on traffic safety improvement projects
 - **\$388,000** on mobile CCTV and security equipment.
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Lifestyle

These investments help create opportunities for learning, creativity, recreation and social connection across the City. They include:

- **\$2.1 million** on preservation and renewal of heritage buildings
 - **\$1.48 million** on Bullsbrook Sports Club
 - **\$276,000** on new library books.
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Greenspaces

The City's parks, reserves and natural areas are an important part of community life. Investment in greenspaces supports recreation, biodiversity, environmental sustainability and community wellbeing.

The City will continue maintaining and improving parks, sporting reserves, tree canopy and public open spaces to ensure residents have access to high-quality outdoor environments.



Playgrounds and nature

Access to quality parks, playgrounds and natural spaces plays an important role in supporting healthy communities.

In 2026/27, the City will continue investing in playgrounds, parks, streetscapes and environmental restoration projects to help create welcoming places for families, children and visitors to enjoy. These include:

- **\$2.07 million** on playground upgrades and improvements
- **\$1.5 million** on street trees
- **\$387,500** on bushland preservation
- **\$1.95 million** on park and streetscape renewals
- Foreshore restoration and environmental programs
- Public open space improvements across the City.

These projects help support active lifestyles, community wellbeing and the protection of our natural environment for future generations.



Community grants and funding

Support for community organisations, sporting groups, cultural activities and local initiatives help strengthen community connections, support local participation and celebrate the diversity of the City.



Keeping Swan moving

In 2026/27, we're investing \$33.5 million to build, renew and improve our road network to help keep our community safe, connected and moving. This includes:

- **\$6.2 million** towards our major roadworks program
- **\$3.76 million** towards our local roadworks program
- **\$1.4 million** in street lighting upgrades
- **\$3.5 million** towards road and road reserve improvements in the Hazelmere Industrial Area
- **\$1.2 million** on bridge renewals
- **\$1.6 million** towards irrigation infrastructure.

These projects will help improve safety, reduce congestion and support the growing needs of our community and local economy.



Business support services

The City provides a wide range of services designed to support small and growing businesses. They include:

- Swan Business Engagement Program
- Investment support
- Business accessibility and inclusivity initiatives
- Crime prevention.

Spending in your area

Every neighbourhood has different priorities and infrastructure needs based on growth, community use and local planning.

Council remains focused on delivering projects and services that improve local neighbourhoods and help make the City of Swan a great place to live, work and visit.

Residents can learn more about local projects, planning and improvements happening in their area through the City's Local Area Planning information.



Scan the QR code to learn more about plans for your area.

Payments

There are a range of ways you can pay your rates:

- In full
- By instalments
- By direct debit or,
- By setting up a self-managed payment plan.

You can choose to pay your rates online, by phone, by post or in person at our Administration Building, 2 Midland Square, Midland, WA 6065.

Financial hardship

Having difficulty paying your rates?

If you're experiencing genuine financial hardship due to exceptional circumstances, you may be eligible for assistance.



Scan the QR code to learn more about your rates, including all the above topics and more.

Find out more



Stay up to date with what's happening in the City of Swan by subscribing to our updates and newsletters. Scan the QR code to get City-wide news or sign up for topics that interest you.

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