

### How Your Rates Are Spent

Your rates are used to deliver a vast array of services and cater for a population of over 250,000 people in the Wyndham community. As a rapidly growing municipality Wyndham is still developing its community infrastructure such as roads, construction, community centres and facilities.

Money raised from rates goes towards the community as a whole. Included with your rates bill is a breakdown of how your rates are spent.

### The components of your annual Council rates bill



### **Paying Rates**

Rates are payable by instalments and can be paid:

Online: www.wyndham.vic.gov.au

Payments Via: BPay, Australia Post (Post Billbay) and Direct Debit and Phone: 131816. Biller Code and Bank Reference Number on your bill is required.

### n person at one of our Customer Service Centres

Civic Centre: Card, Cheque and Cash payments Tarneit, Wyndham Vale and Point Cook Community Learning Centres: Card payments only

### Late Payments / Difficulty Paying

Late payments will be charged interest. Contact Wyndham City if you are experiencing difficulty in paying your rates and charges. A payment plan can be entered into on a temporary or regular basis. You may also qualify for assistance under Wyndham City's Financial Hardship Policy.

To discuss late payments, difficulty paying or for queries about your rate notice:

Contact the Rating Services Team:

P: 9742 0777

E: mail@wyndham.vic.gov.au

For further information visit: www.wyndham.vic.gov.au

This information can be translated by contacting Translating and Interpreting Services on 131 450 and asking to be connected to Wyndham City on 9742 0777

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How it affects you



### How Revaluations Affect Your Rates

As you may be aware, the State Government has capped the amount by which most Councils can increase their rates revenue for 2018/19 at 2.25% - and Wyndham City has complied with this new requirement.

This means that the total rates revenue generated by Council will increase by 2.25% - however individual properties may be affected differently as the total rate revenue is distributed by the value of the property. For example, a property worth \$750,000 will carry a bigger share of the total rate revenue than a property worth \$400,000.

As required under the Local Government Act, Council has undertaken revaluations in 2018 which will be used to calculate rates for the 2018/19 year. The valuations have been undertaken by an independent valuer.

It is important to note that an increase in valuations does not mean that Council generates more rate revenue overall – this is capped at 2.25%. Given that the amount needed from rates is spread across the municipality, it results in a 'push / pull' effect with some paying more and others paying less.

This means that the amount you pay may be more or less than a 2.25% variation.

### Information Regarding Rates and Valuations

If you have any questions about your Rates or Valuation please contact the Rating Services Department on 9742 0777.

If you would like to find out more general information about how Rates are calculated or about the Valuation process please go to Council's website www.wyndham.vic.gov.au

## 2018/2019 BUDGET

Roadworks, parks and major community infrastructure projects are just some of the key projects that feature in the 2018/19 Budget.

## Highlights include:



### \$37 million on roads, including:

- \$7.4 million for the construction of Ison Road between Princes Highway and the Geelong Railway line
- \$5.5 million for the duplication and upgrade of Forsyth Road
- \$2.5 million for Tarneit Road between Sayers Road and Leakes Road
- \$1 million for the upgrade of Hacketts Road between Aviation Road and Tamworth Grove



# The 2018/2019 budget proposes spending \$146 million on capital works in this year's budget.

### \$5.8 million

For the Wyndham Park redevelopment (pictured above) transforming it into a regional park of significance abutting the Werribee River.

### \$7.2 million

To construct sports fields and a netball pavilion at Mossfiel Reserve.

### \$9.9 million

For the construction of the Wyndham Aboriginal Community Centre and Integrated Family Centre (including State Government grants of \$3.16 million)

