

2025-26



TOWN of
EAST FREMANTLE



Mayor's Message

Welcome to our overview of the 2025-26 Budget.

In addition to maintaining our trees, roads and parks, \$2,430,421 will be invested in capital works projects. The following are notable projects that will be delivered in 2025-26.



- **Battery and solar project** – The Town will invest \$796k to install solar power and batteries at the East Fremantle Community Park and other Town facilities. (This project is funded by a \$398,212 Community Energy Upgrade Fund grant from the Federal Government and funds from the Town's Sustainability and Environmental Reserve). I take this opportunity to thank the Federal member for Fremantle, Josh Wilson, for his support in this project as well as his continued focus on addressing climate change.
- **Riverside Road upgrade** – Thanks to a \$240,000 Regional Road Group grant and \$120,000 Roads to Recovery grant, works will begin to upgrade Riverside Road from the Swan Yacht Club to Wayman Reserve. This project is 100 per cent funded by the grants.
- **Norm McKenzie River wall and plaza project** – The Town has secured a \$181,339 Riverbank grant from the State Government to replace the existing retaining wall, add seating and enhancements to the plaza area and restoration works between Norm McKenzie Park and the beach. This is a \$430,000 project with the Town funding the balance. The Town will work closely with DBCA to deliver the project.
- **Ulrich playground upgrade** – As the playground at Ulrich Park has reached the end of its life, the Town has allocated \$120,000 towards design and construction of a new playground. Design will commence in 2025-26. Following design, funding for the construction of the new playground will be considered in future budgets including opportunities for grant funding.

In addition, the Town will conduct its biennial community survey, undertake a major strategic review of its Strategic Community Plan, and begin engagement to review the Town's events offerings. Please turn over to see more of what your rates will deliver this financial year.

Jim O'Neill

Mayor

WHAT YOUR RATES DELIVER

Our operating budget for 2025/26 is \$13.3million. This is made up of rates income, government funding, and fees and charges. Here is a snapshot of how some of these funds will be allocated to support our community this financial year.

\$100k
Glyde-In community sponsorship



\$1.4m
Waste services



Building maintenance **\$475k**



\$2.4m
Roads, footpaths, drains & carparks



\$138k
Street lighting



\$149k
Library services



\$1.4m
Sustainability & our environment



\$91k
Public art



\$140k
Animal control



Parks & ovals **\$1.7m**



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