

## PROJECTS BY TOWN

To see all Council projects and activities for 2025–26, check out the Budget on our website.

We aim to spread our spend as widely as possible across the municipality. We have marked some of these projects on the map below.

\*Please note - this is not a comprehensive list.

### PYENGANA

- Hall roof replacement - \$60,000
- Design for new BBQ at the Rec Ground - \$10,000

### BINALONG BAY

- Footpath works - \$100,000

### ST HELENS

- Portland Hall Upgrades - \$50,000
- Memorial Park Toilet design - \$50,000
- St Helens Cemetery Master Plan - \$50,000

## MUNICIPAL WIDE ROAD WORK

TOTAL Reseals - \$860,000  
TOTAL Resheeting - \$700,000

### SCAMANDER

- Sports Complex Master Plan - \$20,000
- Coastal Hazards Project - \$251,000
- Waste Transfer Compactor - \$1,000,000

### FALMOUTH

- New Toilet - \$200,000
- Community Centre Upgrades - \$150,000

### FINGAL/MANGANA

- Mangana Rd Reconstruction - \$350,000
- Replace Pedder St bridge - \$200,000
- Replace Fingal WTS Pay booth - \$20,000

### ST MARYS

- Refurbish Sports Complex toilet/shower - \$75,000
- Solar Panels - St Marys Hall - \$40,000
- St Marys Exhibition Building upgrades - \$100,000

## Understanding Property Valuations and How They Affect Rates

Every six years, the Valuer-General provides Council updated property values. The last update was in 2018, and the next one is scheduled for 2025–2026. These new values will be used to calculate rates for the 2026–2027 financial year. Property values may change differently across the various towns and areas within Break O'Day. It's important to know that Council doesn't determine your property's value. We are required by law to use the figures provided by the Valuer-General when setting rates. If you don't agree with your valuation, you can contact the Valuer-General's Office directly.

## Waste & Recycling Update: More Reliable, More Local

Break O'Day Council is taking an important step to improve waste and recycling services by bringing kerbside recycling collection in-house from Monday 7 July. This change will deliver greater efficiency, reduce costs, and create a new local job – a Recycling Truck Driver – as part of our commitment to better value, reliability and sustainability for our community. With a third truck now based locally, we'll also be able to avoid delays caused by breakdowns and respond more quickly to any issues.

Recycling and general waste will now be collected on alternating weeks, and your collection day may have changed. Please check your new calendar carefully which we have included with your rates notice.

Never miss a collection again by downloading the Recycle Coach App.



## YOUR RATES EXPLAINED 2025-2026



Halls Falls, Pyengana - Credit Tourism Tasmania

Follow us on Facebook



## What do my Rates and Charges Pay For?

### GENERAL RATE

Your rates help us to provide the everyday services our community relies on—roads and footpaths, recreation facilities, parks, animal control, and planning and building support. They also help us maintain community buildings, support local events and groups, and make improvements across our towns.

### INFRASTRUCTURE WASTE CHARGE

The Infrastructure Waste Charge is applied to all properties and helps cover the cost of managing waste across our area. This includes things like operating and upgrading waste facilities, compacting and transporting waste out of our area to be sustainably disposed of, town waste collection, green waste management and meeting state government requirements under the *Waste & Resource Recovery Act 2022*.

### STATE FIRE LEVY

Council is required by law to collect the Fire Service Levy for the Tasmanian Fire Service, however we do not determine the amount. This levy funds fire and emergency services across the state.

### WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CHARGES

Funds the waste and recycling collection service delivered to communities within the collection area.

## HOW HAVE MY RATE PAYMENTS CHANGED?

For the 2025–26 financial year, general residential rates will increase by 3.9%, while commercial, industrial and primary production rates will increase by 4%. A minimum general rate of \$900 will apply to most residential and vacant residential properties to ensure a fair contribution from all ratepayers.

The Infrastructure Waste charge and the Kerbside Waste and Recycling charges will rise by 5% to cover increased service costs.

These changes reflect Council's commitment to delivering services sustainably, managing rising costs, and planning responsibly for the future.

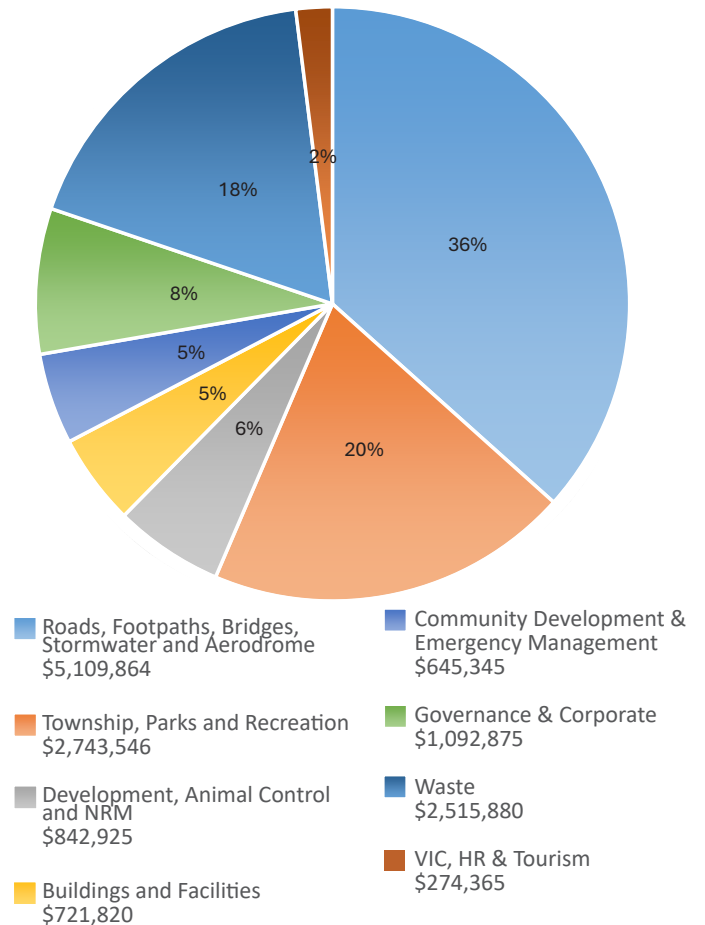
## DIFFICULTY PAYING We are here to help!

If you are having difficulty paying, contact us as soon as possible and we can work with you to develop a payment plan.

**32-34 Georges Bay Esplanade**  
**St Helens Tasmania 7216**  
**w: [bodc.tas.gov.au](http://bodc.tas.gov.au)**  
**e: [admin@bodc.tas.gov.au](mailto:admin@bodc.tas.gov.au)**  
**t: 03 6376 7900**

## WHERE WILL MY RATES BE SPENT?

Rates make up approximately 68% of Council's overall operating budget



## INSTALMENT DUE DATES

1st Instalment – 31 August 2025  
2nd Instalment – 31 October 2025  
3rd Instalment – 31 January 2026  
4th Instalment – 30 April 2026

\*Please note: A 2% discount applies if your rates are paid in full including arrears by 31 August 2025. If paying online or at the Post Office, please allow a few working days for the payment to reach us.