

Dates For Your Calendar

Waste 2 Art Exhibition 23 July - 20 August 2023

Millthorpe Fire Fair 4 August 2023

Spring into Art at Newbridge 20-22 October 2023

Carcoar Show 28 October 2023

Millthorpe Garden Ramble 4-5 November 2023

Neville Show 11 November 2023

Garage Sale Trail 11-12 & 18-19 November 2023

Millthorpe Markets 3 December 2023

Newbridge Swap Meet February 2024

Millfest 3 February 2024

Blayney Show 2 March 2024

River Yarn Fibre Festival 6-7 April 2024

Millthorpe Markets 7 April 2024

Sculptures by the Bush April School Holidays

Newbridge Winter Solstice 22 June 2024

Council Meetings 3rd Tuesday of every month

6pm, Blayney Shire Community Centre

Did you know you can live stream the meetings online?!

Stay updated with other events in our region via our website, Facebook, monthly e-newsletter and Blayney Chronicle.

If you are planning an event and would like to promote it through Council, or hosting an event on Council land and need to submit an application, visit our website for information: blayney.nsw.gov.au/our-community/events

Connect with Council

How to report an issue to Council?

Council has an online Customer Request Form you can use to report any issues with Council assets such as footpaths, community facilities and roads.

Get updates

Sign up to our monthly e-newsletter to receive important updates and stories from our community direct to your inbox. Scan here or visit blayney.nsw.gov.au/connect-with-council



Blayney Shire Council

91 Adelaide Street, Blayney
Monday – Friday: 9:30am–4pm

Blayney Library

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays:
11am–1pm & 2pm–5pm

Saturday: 10am–12pm

Closed: Wednesdays, Sundays and Public Holidays

Blayney Waste Depot

Monday-Friday: 9am–5pm

Saturday: 9am–12pm & 2pm–5pm

Sunday: 9am–12pm & 2pm–5pm
(buyback shop is not open on Sundays)

*Closed: Christmas & New Years Day,
Good Friday and Easter Sunday*



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What we've completed in the 2022/23 financial year

Belubula River Walk

Stretching from Dakers Oval to Heritage Park, the River Walk is Blayney's newest nature-based attraction. The route provides shared access along footpaths and boardwalks, as well as pedestrian access via a new footbridge to an island sitting alongside the Belubula River with viewing platform decks for fishing and bird watching.

Funded by NSW Government Stronger Country Communities Round 4, Building Better Regions Round 5, Blayney Shire Council and Nestle Purina



King George Oval Upgrades

The King George Oval and Blayney Netball Centre precincts have undergone major works in the past year with the installation of a new scoreboard, grandstand handrail repairs, fencing upgrades, new footpaths, and the opening of the new changeroom facilities. The coming year will see upgrades to the grandstands and seating, as well as the completion of the new Oval carpark.

Funded by NSW Government Resources for Regions Round 8 and Stronger Countries Communities Round 5, and Australian Government Building Better Regions Fund Round 4

Road Upgrades and Works

- ▶ Boondaroo Bridge
- ▶ Carbine Road
- ▶ Forest Reefs Road
- ▶ Hobbys Yards Road
- ▶ Leabeater St Bridge
- ▶ Lyndhurst Footpath: Capital Park to Primary School
- ▶ Panuara Road Heavy Patching
- ▶ Sealing of village roads in Lyndhurst and Barry



Footpath Projects

- ▶ Carcoar: Coombing Street to Showground
- ▶ Lyndhurst: Capital Park to Primary School
- ▶ Millthorpe: Glenorie Road
- ▶ Millthorpe: Elliot Street

Carcoar Dam Upgrades

Complete with new BBQs, picnic tables, shelters and fish cleaning stations, the floating pontoon is now open at Carcoar Dam and is already a hit with locals and visitors alike.

Funded by the Department of Primary Industries Go Fishing Project



Community Events Program

Thank you to everyone who got involved and came along to one of our many community events over the past year. It was a wonderful opportunity for us all to reconnect. Special thanks also to all our wonderful community groups who helped bring the events to life.

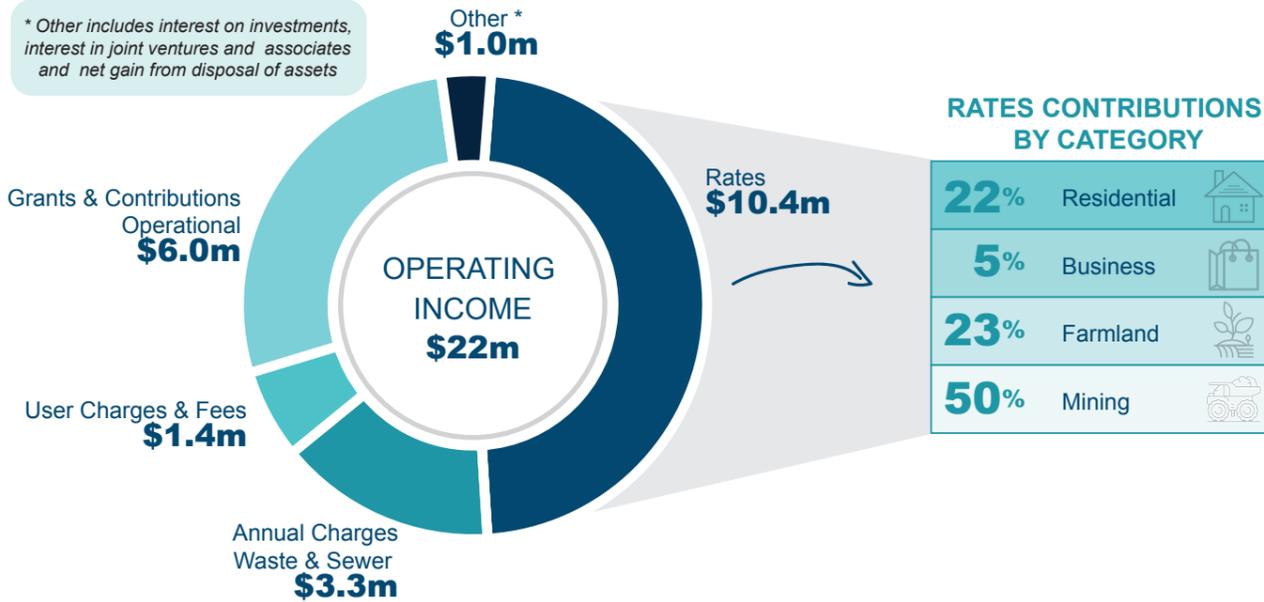
Funded by the Reconnecting Regional NSW Community Events Program



2023/24 Operational Plan Snapshot

The Operational Plan sets out Blayney Shire Council's objectives for the coming year, and the resources and activities required to achieve our goals. This snapshot provides a summary of projected; income, operational and capital expenditure, and key projects for 2023/24 financial year.

Operating Income



Commencement of 'Special (rate) Variation' process

Council's Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) is forecasting multiple deficits over the next 10 years, which is not sustainable.

The 2023/24 budget highlights our reliance on grant funding and income from the mining rate category, which is creating unprecedented financial risk to Council.

Council is engaging a specialist local government finance consultant to review our LTFP documentation and to outline options for a potential Special (rate) Variation (SV) for Council and the community to then consider.

Council is acting early seeking to minimise the increase to rates through the SV process. The SV process will have no impact on 2023/24 rates and the earliest any change could be implemented is 1 July 2024. The SV process requires thorough community engagement, additionally NSW IPART must independently review and approve any SV application. Over the next 12 months there will be much more information provided to the community as we progress through this process. We look forward to engaging with you on this critically important matter.

Projects Highlights

BUILDINGS & PUBLIC HALLS

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| King George Oval Grandstand Refurbishment | \$0.1m |
| Heritage Park Amenities Upgrade | \$0.3m |

ROADS

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| Neville Road Heavy Patching | \$1.0m |
| Tallwood Rd | \$0.7m |
| Barry Rd | \$0.7m |
| Hobbys Yards Rd | \$0.4m |
| Garland Rd | \$0.3m |
| Forest Reefs Road/Tallwood Rd Intersection | \$0.5m |

FOOTPATHS & SHARED PATHWAYS

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| Plumb St/Palmer St – Piggott Pl – Orange Rd | \$0.3m |
| Orange Rd – Binstead St – Palmer St | \$0.1m |
| Trunkey St Newbridge | \$0.1m |

BRIDGES, CULVERTS & STORMWATER

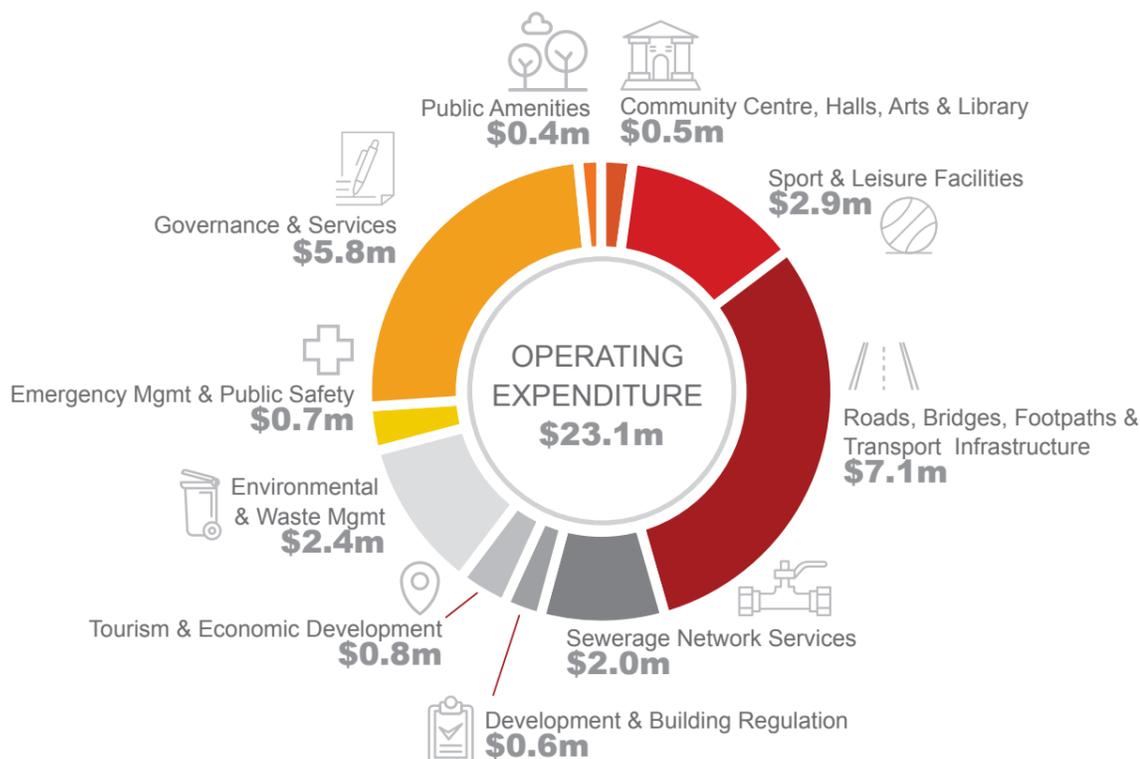
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| Four Mile Creek Road Swallow Creek | \$1.5m |
| Staback & Unwin St | \$1.1m |

SEWER NETWORK

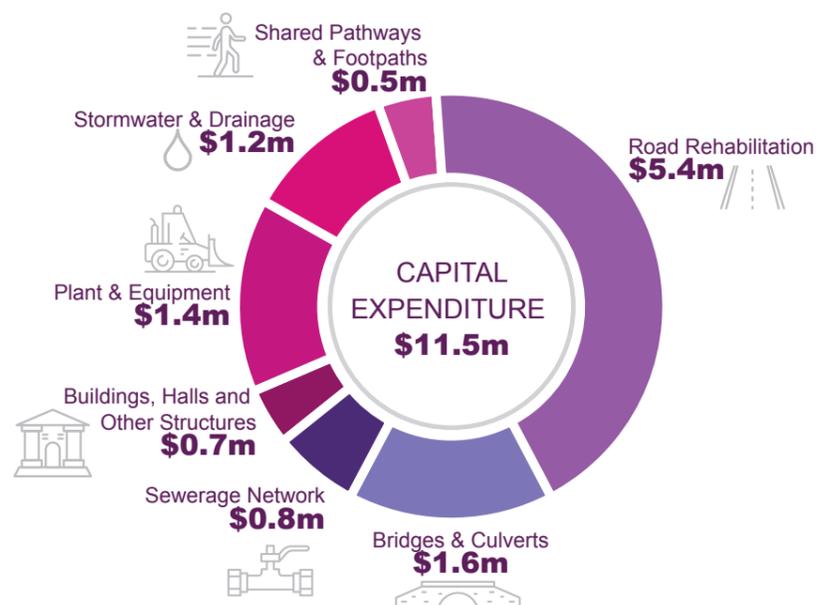
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| Replacement/Lining Sewer Mains | \$0.2m |
| Strategic Business Plan & Sewerage Treatment Plant Capacity Upgrade Investigation | \$0.3m |

Read more on the Current Projects section of the Council website which includes the funding sources, project scope and timelines for the above works.

Operating Expenditure



Capital Expenditure Program



CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FUNDING SOURCES

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| General Council Revenue | \$1.8m |
| Council Cash Reserves | \$1.8m |
| Grants & Contributions (below) | \$7.0m |
| Resources for Regions Round 9 | \$1.8m |
| Stronger Country Communities Round 5 | \$0.5m |
| Local Roads & Community Infrastructure | \$1.0m |
| Fixing Local Roads | \$1.0m |
| Fixing Local Bridges | \$1.3m |
| Resources for Regions Round 8 | \$0.8m |
| NSW Flood Recovery Grant | \$0.1m |
| Regional & Local Roads Repair Program | \$0.3m |

\$8.7million (76% of capital expenditure) will be spent on stormwater and drainage, footpaths, bridges and culverts, and road rehabilitation in 2023/24.

Plans, Designs & Studies

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN REVIEW

Blayney Development Control Plan (DCP) was implemented in 2018 and provides detailed guidance for proposed development within the Blayney Shire. After 5 years of operation, it is time to undertake a review and determine if any updates and/or changes need to be made.

BLAYNEY FLOOD STUDY REVIEW

Council has engaged a specialist consultant to undertake a review of existing flood studies and modelling for the Blayney township. This study will include consideration of overland flow in certain storm events.

DETAILED DESIGN FOR BLAYNEY & MILLTHORPE MAINSTREET PRECINCTS

Following the preparation of concept MasterPlans' for Blayney & Millthorpe Mainstreets', Council will now progress development of detailed survey and designs including defined plans and staging programs so detailed costings can be prepared for consideration by Council for inclusion in Councils Long Term Financial Plan.

CONCEPT MASTER PLANNING BLAYNEY SHOWGROUND

Development of a concept Masterplan for the Blayney Showground will consider opportunities and critically set a strategic direction for guiding future development of the facility.