

2026-27 Rates

Rate Type	Cents in \$ of AAV	2026/27 Charge
General Rate Plus differential rate where applicable	6.413 0.19 (6.603)	\$240
Fire Levies - Permanent Fire Brigade - Riverside and Trevallyn	0.992	\$52
Volunteer Fire Brigades - Beaconsfield, Gravelly Beach, Kelso & Legana	0.276	\$52
General Land - Frankford and Glengarry	0.254	\$52
Waste Management (includes a Recycle bin) 80L 140L 240L Bin size changeover fee*		\$271 \$349 \$476 \$60
Optional 240L FOGO Bin - available in selected areas		\$112

*Occupancies will be issued with 140L bins unless otherwise specified. If size is changed within three (3) months of occupancy, no changeover fee will be charged. Downsizing is free. Upsizing or additional set of bins (fee plus difference of annual waste charge). Upgrade to 240L Recycle free if ordered at same time as another bin size change request.

Payment Option

Pay in full to receive a **1% discount** if paid on or before **September 30, 2026**, or by four instalments:

- 1st Instalment Due Date **August 31, 2026** (no reminder issued)
- 2nd Instalment Due Date **October 30, 2026**
- 3rd Instalment Due Date **February 26, 2027**
- 4th Instalment Due Date **April 30, 2027**

Reminders will be issued for 2nd, 3rd and 4th Instalments only.

Interest

Daily interest of 0.0219671% (10.646% per annum) will be charged on all overdue amounts.

Methods of Payment

BPAY - Telephone and Internet Banking

Billers Code: 697631

Reference Number: Please refer to your current notice

Direct Debit

Council offers a Direct Debit service for rates and charges. You can choose to pay weekly, fortnightly, monthly, by the instalment due dates, or in full.

Internet

Pay using your credit card via our website.

Telephone

To make credit card payments over the telephone, call 131 816. Billpay code: 2741 West Tamar Council

In person

Please present your account at any Australia Post Outlet or at Council's Beaconsfield or Riverside Offices during business hours. EFTPOS facilities available.

Mail

Cheques should be made payable to "West Tamar Council" and marked "Not Negotiable". Cheques that are to be posted should reach the council offices no later than the due date for payment.

If you are having difficulty paying your rates and charges, please contact us to make arrangements prior to the first instalment due date.

Contact Us

Chambers: 6 West Street, Beaconsfield

Office: 2-4 Eden Street, Riverside

Open: 8:30am-4:45pm, Mon - Fri

Telephone: 03 6383 6350 or 03 6323 9300

Post: PO Box 16, Riverside TAS 7250

Email: wtc@wtc.tas.gov.au

Website: www.wtc.tas.gov.au



**Our Vision: To create an inclusive community
where people want to Live, Work & Invest**

2026/27 Rating Outcomes

Council rates are budgeted to deliver \$29.1m in 2026/27. Council sets rates at a level to ensure service levels are maintained and assist ongoing sustainability.

Rates Information

Rates are a tax levied by Council. Their purpose is to support the Council in providing services for the benefit of all residents. Council's rating structure comprises of two types of rates – General and Service.

The General rates are structured to help pay for:

- Animal control
- Community safety initiatives
- Street lighting and cleaning
- Local roads, footpaths and drainage
- Stormwater disposal services
- Operation of halls and community centres
- Maintenance of parks, playgrounds and sports grounds
- Youth, family and senior services
- Community events
- State Government charges for a range of services including fire service, planning and libraries
- Other works, programs and facilities.

Service Rates and Charges are in place for waste management and fire service contributions. The fire service charge is collected by Council under the Fire Service Act 1979 that recovers the charge paid by Council to the Tasmania Fire Service.

Receive your Rates Notices by email

Visit wtc.enotices.com.au and register to receive your rates notice in five easy steps:

1. Go to wtc.enotices.com.au
2. Click the sign-up tab
3. Enter your email address and eNotice Reference No.
4. Check your email inbox and click the validation link
5. Create a password or use your mobile number

Rates and Charges Policy

Council's Rates and Charges Policy can be viewed on our website www.wtc.tas.gov.au

Property Valuations - AAV Basis for Rating

All properties within the West Tamar Municipal Area are valued by the Valuer-General in accordance with the Valuation of Land Act 2001. This determines a property's land value, capital value (value of land and property) and assessed annual value (AAV).

West Tamar utilises AAV as the rating valuation basis as it considers this method the fairest in distributing the rate responsibility across ratepayers as AAV is a relatively good indicator of capacity to pay. The AAV is the estimated gross yearly rental value of your property. Legislation requires that the AAV of land cannot be less than 4% of the capital value of the land.

AAVs are determined each revaluation cycle, currently a six-year cycle and market-based Adjustment Factors are applied to the AAV during intervening years to help minimise large fluctuations to valuations that can occur between the revaluation cycles.

A fresh valuation was applied as at 1 July, 2021. Adjustment factors will be applied to 2026/27 rating year and depending on the factor applicable to each property, rates may increase or decrease.

More information on property valuations is available from the Office of the Valuer General at www.nre.tas.gov.au or by calling 1300 368 550.

Change of Address

You must advise us in writing by email or by completing a Change of Details form, available on our website or at Council offices.

Goods and Services Tax

Under current legislation, Council Rates and Charges do not incur GST.

Rates Remissions

Fire Levy – Tasmanian Fire Service Volunteers

Council offers an annual rebate for the Fire Levy to registered Tasmania Fire Service volunteers whose principal property on which they pay rates is in the West Tamar Municipal area. Volunteers are required to provide proof of membership and complete an application form each year.

PCC, DVA and HCC Cardholders

The Pensioner Rates Remission Scheme provides a remission of 30% for council rates up to a maximum cap as shown below:

Pensioner Rate Remission	Maximum Cap 2026/27
TasWater Corporation Customer	\$401
Non TasWater Corporation Customer	\$591

To receive a remission, ratepayers who hold a Pensioner Concession Card, Health Care Card or a Veterans' Affairs Gold Card (TPI) on July 1, 2026 and meet State Government criteria, may be eligible to apply for a rates remission.

A remission may only be claimed for one property and it must be the applicant's principal place of residence on July 1, 2026. They must also be the responsible ratepayer for this property.

Applications can be made in person at Council's offices until March 31, 2027. Concession Cards must be presented when making an application.

Applications for remission are verified and approved by the State Revenue Office. If an applicant is found to be ineligible at any time, the remission may be revoked.

Retrospective Claims (Previous Year)

Council can accept a rates remission claim from an eligible concession card holder for the previous financial year.

The retrospective claim is restricted to one year only.