

Douglas Shire

BUDGET SUMMARY 2025-2026

Our vision is for a unique, beautiful and sustainable Shire with a connected and inclusive community, thriving economy and deep commitment to protecting the environment for future generations, while honouring our past.



Median general rate increase

\$112 per year

A category one property, where a ratepayer lives at the address



Median general rate increase

\$168 per year

A category five property, where a ratepayer does not live at the address

HOW COUNCIL SPENDS EVERY \$100:



Road Networks

\$19.28



Infrastructure Management

\$11.69



Gardens & Parks

\$10.41



Water Infrastructure

\$10.38



Waste Management
& Recycling

\$9.91



Wastewater
Infrastructure

\$7.88



Sports, Public Facilities
& Libraries

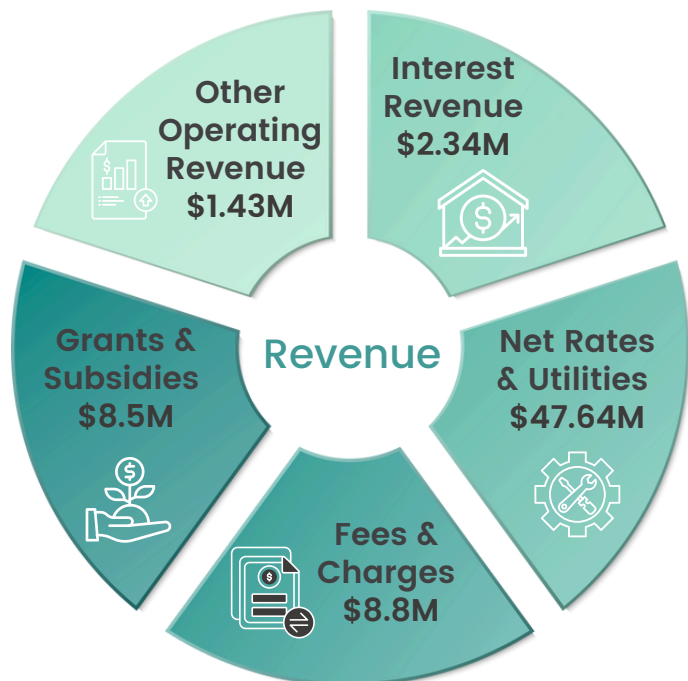
\$7.47



Development,
Planning & Environment

\$2.56

Disaster Management	\$3.20	Community & Economic Development	\$3.90
Governance	\$2.80	Information, Communication & Technology	\$5.16
Health & Local Laws	\$2.01	Fleet Plant & Facilities Management	\$3.35



TOTAL REVENUE

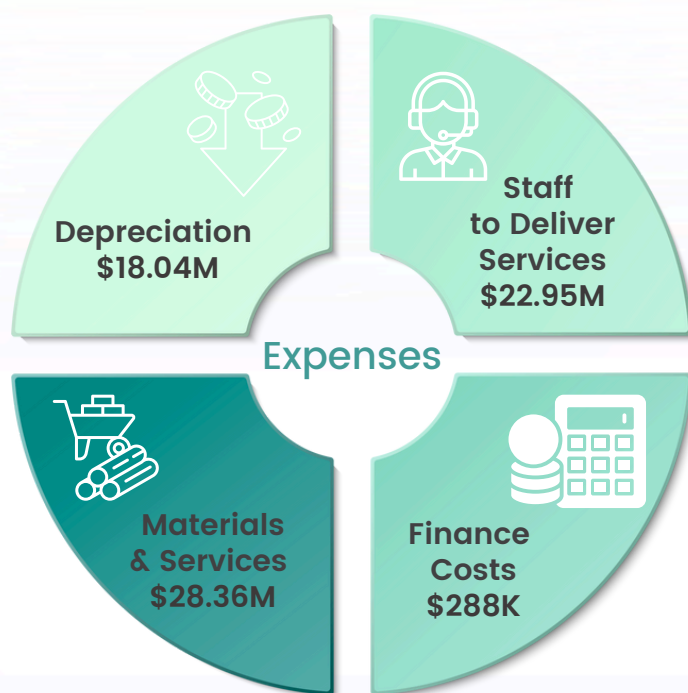
\$68.7M



CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

\$134M*

*Note: Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements Capital Expenditure is funded through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.



OPERATING EXPENDITURE

\$69.63M

Major Projects

Recovery & Resilience*	Landslip Repairs	\$69.2M
	Bridge & Culvert Repairs	\$18M
	Road Repairs	\$6.6M
	Flood Resilience Improvement	\$1.9M
Significant Projects	Second Water Intake	\$10.3M
	Repairs to Ageing Water Network	\$4.49M
	Daintree Landside Improvements	\$2.6M
	Port Douglas Splash Park	\$2.3M
	Cycling Network	\$858K