





# Colac Otway Shire Fast Facts

Colac Otway Shire has an estimated population of <b>22,188</b> people *		The median age is <b>45</b> ^	<b>31%</b> of the population is over 60 years old ^
<b>1.4%</b> of the population identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander *	<b>10.3%</b> of the population were born overseas *	<b>Ranked country of birth:</b> Australia (81.0%), United Kingdom (2.6%), New Zealand (1.0%), China (0.8%), Taiwan (0.7%)	
	<b>40.9%</b> own their property outright *	<b>29.6%</b> own their property with a mortgage *	<b>20.6%</b> of households rent their home *
<b>22.3%</b> of households are couples with children *	<b>29.8%</b> of people live on their own *	<b>12.1%</b> of houses are for visitors only (3.3% across the Shire) *	<b>154</b> approvals were issued in 2022-23 for residential dwellings to be built *
The median weekly household income is <b>\$1,277</b> ^	The median weekly rent is <b>\$265</b> *		<b>19%</b> of people have volunteered at an organisation over the last 12 months *
More than <b>85%</b> of Colac Otway's workforce lives locally *	There are <b>10,491</b> local jobs	<b>29%</b> of ratepayers are non-resident	<b>65%</b> of people who live in the Shire feel safe alone at night
Gross Regional Product <b>\$1.64B</b>	<b>Largest employing industries:</b> Manufacturing (14.2%), Health Care and Social Assistance (13.3%), Agricultural, Forestry and Fishing (11.4%)		<b>30.6%</b> of economic output comes from the manufacturing sector #
<b>14.8%</b> of the population have a Bachelor or Higher degree	<b>23.2%</b> of the population have a vocational qualification		<b>230</b> babies were born in the Shire in 2022-23

^ Sourced from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (2021 Census)

\* Sourced from the Colac Otway Shire (Profile ID)

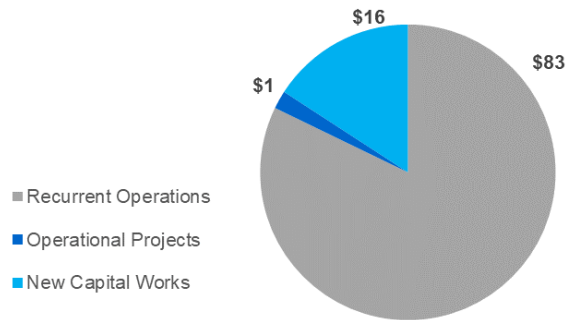
# Sourced from Remplan Economy

# Budget 2023-24

Each \$100 of expenditure in Council’s budget for the 2023-24 financial year is allocated as follows:

- \$83 will be spent delivering Council’s regular **services** and activities (recurrent operations)
- \$17 will be committed to new **initiatives** (capital and operational projects)

How does \$100 get spent in 2023-24?

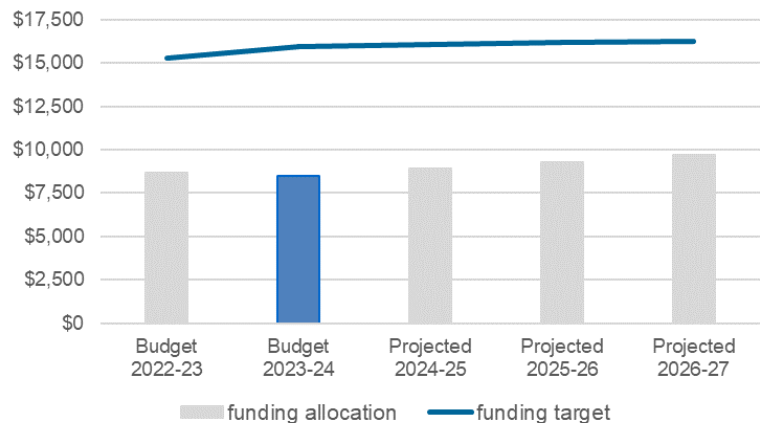


## Asset Renewal Funding

The Budget 2023-24 allocates \$8,510k to the asset renewal program compared to its target of \$15,942k.

This highlights a funding gap that needs to be funded through rates revenue.

Annual Asset Renewal Funding Allocation (\$000's)

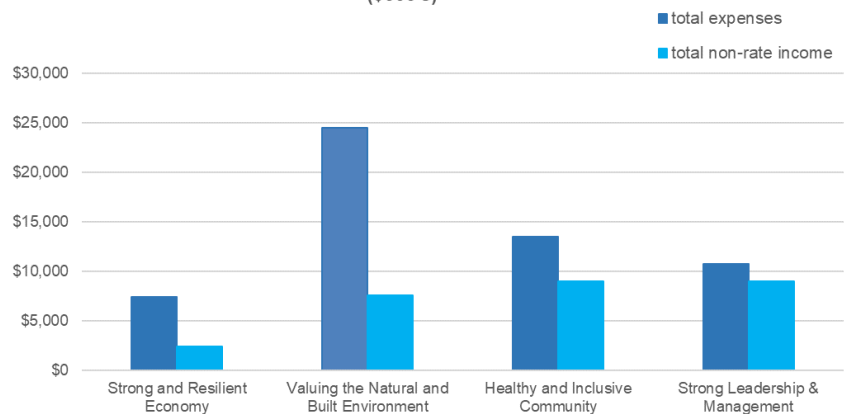


## Council Plan Themes

The Council Plan 2021-2025 sets out the strategic objectives that Council will focus on for this Council term. The Council Plan has four key themes with corresponding strategic objectives and outcomes. The graph outlines Council’s total planned expense and non-rate income for each theme.

The gap in funding highlighted in this graph is funded through rates revenue.

Council Plan Themes (\$000's)



# Council Services

The following table provides the community with high-level information about the types and scale of regular services that are supported through the budget in 2023-24. The list is not exhaustive and actual results are measured through the year.

<b>Customer Experience</b>		<b>Community Facilities</b>	
Total calls taken	35,000	Recreation reserves maintained	5
Total service centre visits	47,000	Recreation reserves supported	14
Number of transactions receipted	9,500	Playgrounds and skate parks maintained	33
<b>Governance Functions</b>		<b>Aquatic Facilities</b>	
Freedom of information requests p.a.	10	Bluewater annual members	1,500
Community Asset Committees supported.	21	Bluewater learn to swim enrolments	420
<b>Positive Aging and Community Care</b>		<b>Local Laws and Rangers Services</b>	
In home care hours delivered	42,500	Dog registrations	4,202
No. of clients receiving service	1,000	Cat registrations	1,337
Meals delivered 'on wheels'	5,500	<b>Statutory Planning</b>	
<b>Children's Services</b>		Applications determined	365
Family Day Care (hours provided)	9,000	Planning compliance matters addressed	19
New babies supported by M&CH	240	<b>Road Services</b>	
Consultations with 0-3.5 year olds	2,000	Total length of roads maintained	1,628 kms
<b>Regulatory Building Services</b>		<b>Waste Services</b>	
Property Information requests	800	Urban bins collected kerbside	10,298
Building permits received for lodgement	455	Rural bins collected roadside	167
<b>Environmental Health Services</b>		Waste to landfill (tonnes)	6,347
Food premises inspections	200	Recyclables collected (tonnes)	2,203
Registered food businesses	328	Glass collected (tonnes)	330
Immunisation vaccinations delivered	2,080	Food and Organics collected (tonnes)	3,486
<b>Saleyards</b>		<b>Library Services</b>	
Cattle throughput	25,000	Library members	5,400
<b>COPACC Activities</b>		Loans from Council libraries	95,500
Performances hosted annually	50	<b>Community Grants</b>	
Annual attendance at performances	10,000	Community/business initiatives supported	90
Business events hosted annually	160	<b>Parks and Gardens</b>	
Annual participation in business events	9,000	Street trees planned to be planted	300