

(c) Objectives and Reasons for Differential Rating

To provide equity in the rating of properties across the Shire the following rate categories have been determined for the implementation of differential rating.

Differential general rate

Description	Characteristics	Objects	Reasons
GRV - Residential	Properties within the town - site boundaries with a predominate residential use.	This is considered by Council to be the base rate by which all other GRV land is assessed.	The rate for this category is to reflect the level of rating required to raise the necessary revenue to operate efficiently and provide the diverse range of services and programs and associated infrastructure/facilities required for developed residential areas. These programs include, but not limited to, road maintenance, development of footpath network, and building maintenance.
GRV-Special Use	Non-residential land that is zoned for commercial and industrial activities.	The objective is to raise additional revenue to contribute toward higher costs associated with commercial/industrial activity.	The rate reflects the additional costs associated with increased maintenance and renewal of assets and infrastructure required to service these properties. The higher rate also reflects the additional cost of environmental health, building and planning services.
UV-Rural	Consists of properties with a predominant rural land use.	Is the lowest of the Shire's UV differentials which serves as a benchmark differential rate by which all other UV rated properties are assessed.	The rate for this category reflects the level of rating required to raise the necessary revenue to operate efficiently and provide the diverse range of services and programs and associated infrastructure/facilities required for rural areas. These programs include, but not limited to, road maintenance, drainage networks, road safety, tree pruning and replacement of road plant.
UV-Rural Residential	Consists of properties outside the town-site which has a minimal rural activity taking place and is predominately residential.	This differential rate is to raise additional revenue to fund cost impacts to the Shire from this type of development.	This category is rated higher to reflect the higher infrastructure/facilities maintenance required for rural residential areas. These programs include, but not limited to, road maintenance, drainage networks, road safety, ranger services, bushfire control and waste transfer services.
UV-Mining	Covers all mining leases, exploration/prospecting licenses and all licenses as defined under the Mining Act 1978.	This rate is to raise revenue to fund cost impact to the Shire for mining activities.	This is rated differently to reflect the nature of the current leases. The Shire acknowledges that these leases are not, for the most part, income producing and the level of impact is minimal to the Shire. Although exploration, prospecting and operations have different levels of impact on the road infrastructure, there remains the need to fund the maintenance and renewal of this vital community while recognising the Shires goal to encourage mining in the district.

(d) Variation in Adopted Differential Rates to Local Public Notice

The following rates and minimum payments were previously set out in the local public notice giving notice of the intention to charge differential rates.

Differential general rate or general rate	Proposed Rate in \$	Adopted Rate in \$	Reasons for the difference
GRV - Residential	0.10944	0.10944	Rates in the dollar remains the same or lower than 2019/20 and as such are exempt from the advertising requirements of S6.36. (See Part 3 & Part 4 of Clause 12 in <i>Local Government (COVID-19 Response) Order 2020</i>)
GRV - Special Use	0.12961	0.12961	
UV - Rural Residential	0.01421	0.01374	
UV - Rural	0.00719	0.00687	
UV - Mining	0.00719	0.00687	

Minimum payment	Proposed Minimum \$	Adopted Minimum \$	Reasons for the difference
GRV - Residential	1.10000	1.10000	Minimum Rates in the dollar remains the same or lower than 2019/20 and as such are exempt from the advertising requirements of S6.36. (See Part 3 & Part 4 of Clause 12 in <i>Local Government (COVID-19 Response) Order 2020</i> .)
GRV - Special Use	1.10000	1.10000	
UV - Rural Residential	1.10000	1.00000	
UV - Rural	1.10000	1.10000	
UV - Mining	1.10000	1.10000	