



ATTACHMENT B

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL

DECLARATION OF RATES AND CHARGES 2025/26

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 241 of the *Northern Territory Local Government Act 2019 (Act)* that the following rates and charges were declared by Litchfield Council pursuant to Section 237 and Section 239 of the Act at the Council meeting held on 17 June 2025 pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Act in respect of the financial year ending 30 June 2026.

1. RATES

- 1.1 Pursuant to Section 227 of the Act, the Council adopts the Unimproved Capital Value as the basis of the assessed value of allotments within the Litchfield Municipality ("**the Council Area**").
- 1.2 Pursuant to Section 237 of the Act Council declares that the amount it intends to raise for general purposes for the financial year ending 30 June 2026 by way of rates is \$12,189,905 by the application of a combination of the following fixed amounts (**fixed rates**) and differential valuation-based amounts (**differential rates**) with minimum amounts (**minimum amounts**) being payable in the application of those differential rates.

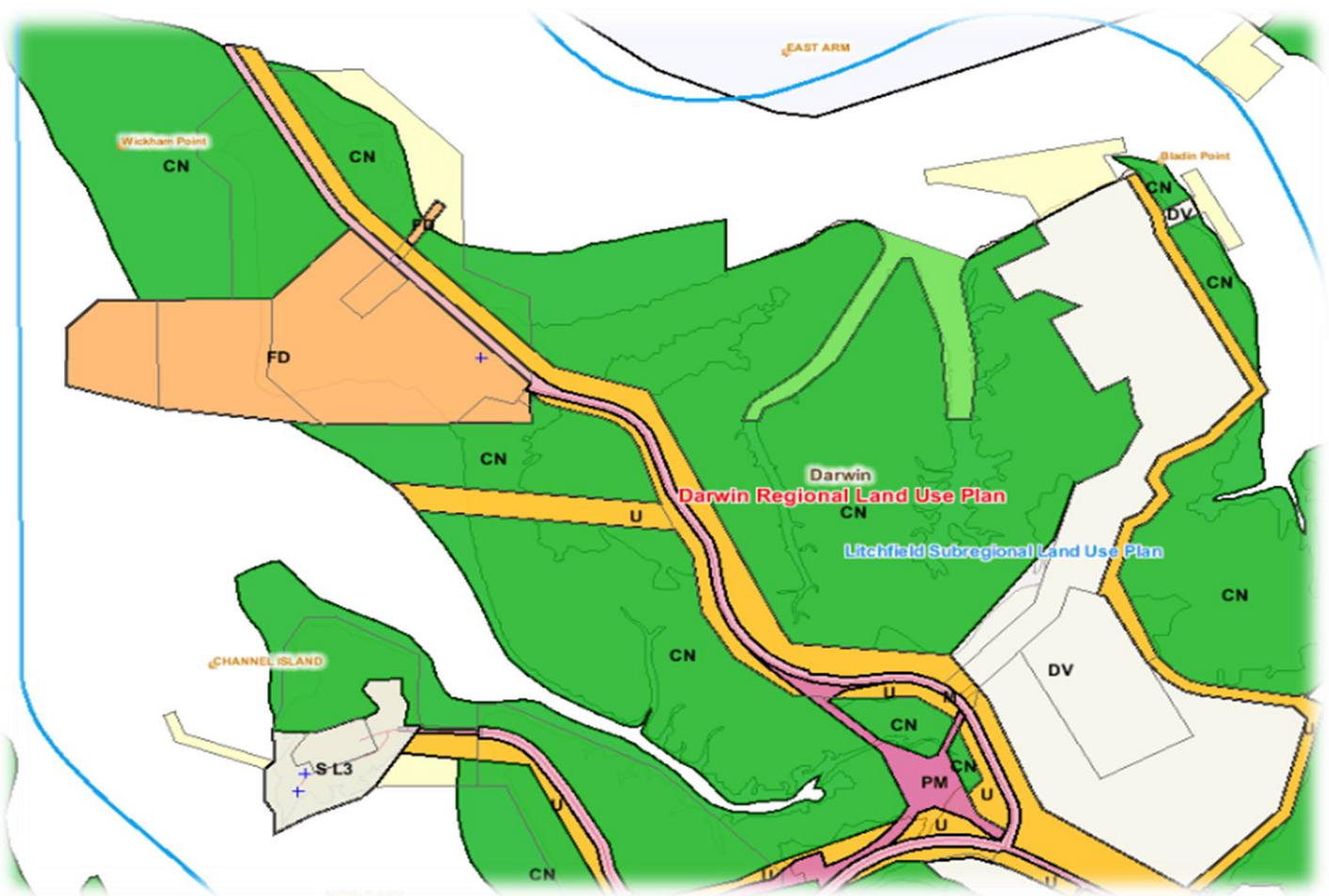
The Council declares the following fixed rates, differential rates with the following minimum amounts payable in the application of those differential rates, special rates and charges for the financial year ending 30 June 2026.

A. RESIDENTIAL

- i. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within those parts of the Council Area zoned SD, MD, MR and SL11 under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land), a fixed rate of \$1,108.82.
- ii. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within those parts of the Council Area zoned H and A under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land), a fixed rate of \$1,108.82.
- iii. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within those parts of the Council Area zoned R, RR, RL, WM, CN, SL14, SL18 and FD under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land) a fixed rate of \$1,108.82.

B. COMMERCIAL

- i. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within the Council Area other than the limited area within that part of the Council Area known as Wickham zoned C, CP, CV, DV, GI, LI, OR, PS, RW, SC, SL1, SL2, SL3, SL4, SL5, SL6, SL7, SL8, SL9, SL10, SL12, SL13, SL15, SL17 and SL23 under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land), a differential rate calculated at a rate of 0.32464% of the unimproved capital value of the land, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,983.42
- ii. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within that part of the Council Area known as Wickham and marked FD and DV, on the below map, a differential rate calculated at a rate 9.54387% of the unimproved capital value of the land.



C. OTHER LAND

With respect to every allotment of rateable land (other than conditionally rateable land) within the Council Area not otherwise described above, a differential rate calculated at a rate of 0.32464% of the unimproved capital value of the land with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$1,983.42.

D. MINING TENEMENTS

With respect to conditionally rateable land within the Council Area occupied under a mining tenement (as defined in the Act), a differential rate calculated at a rate of 0.896% of the assessed value of the mining tenement with the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$2,297.21, in accordance with the Gazette notice published by the Minister on 29 April 2025.

E. PASTORAL LEASES

With respect to conditionally rateable land within the Council Area held under a pastoral lease as defined in the *Pastoral Land Act 1992*, a differential rate calculated at a rate of 0.0789% of the unimproved capital value of the land within each such pastoral lease, with

the minimum amount payable in the application of that differential rate being \$970.61 in accordance with the Gazette notice published by the Minister on 29 April 2025.

F. SPECIAL RATES

Pursuant to Section 238 of the Act Council further declares a special rate (**special rate**) as provided below:

- i. The purpose for which the special rate is imposed is to defray the cost and expense of sealing sections of Meade Road in Darwin River region within that part of the Council Area described in paragraph v below (**subject area**).
- ii. The amount to be raised by the special rate is \$47,580.
- iii. The special rate is a fixed amount of \$5,947.50 for each allotment within the subject area on which it is imposed.
- iv. The special rate is payable on or before 30 June 2027.
- v. The special rate is imposed on those allotments bordering Meade Road and as shown on the plan below and listed in the table below.



Lot / Portion	Hundred Area
160 00001	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 00005	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 00006	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 00007	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 00008	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 00009	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 00010	Hundred of Cavenagh
160 02269	Hundred of Cavenagh

2. CHARGES

Pursuant to Section 239 of the Act, the Council declares a Waste Management Charge:

- i. The purpose for which this Charge is imposed is to enable and assist Council to meet the cost of providing services for the disposal of residential waste at its three waste transfer stations, including the management and operation of those waste transfer stations, which Council provides at no additional cost for the benefit of land within

the Council Area, other than the land described in paragraph 2 iv below, and the occupiers of such land.

- ii. The amount Council intends to be raised by this Charge is \$3,605,709.
- iii. The amount of the Charge declared is \$440.15 per allotment.
- iv. The Charge will be levied on all land within the Council Area with the exception of allotments within that part of the Council area zoned C, CP, CV, DV, GI, LI, OR, PS, RW, SC, SL1, SL2, SL3, SL4, SL5, SL6, SL7, SL8, SL9, SL10, SL12, SL13, SL15, SL17 and SL23 under the *NT Planning Scheme* and including the allotments identified in paragraph 1 B ii above and any conditionally rateable land.

RELEVANT INTEREST RATE

The Council fixes the relevant interest rate for the late payment of rates and charges in accordance with Section 245 of the Act at the rate of 17% per annum which is to be calculated on a daily basis.

PAYMENT

The Council determines that with the exception of the Special Rates declared under paragraph 1F above, the Rates and Charges declared under this declaration are all due and payable in three (3) approximately equal instalments on the following dates:

30 September 2025;
30 November 2025; and
28 February 2026.



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