

**LITCHFIELD COUNCIL**

**DECLARATION OF RATES AND CHARGES 2019/2020**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 158 of the *Local Government Act* that the following rates and charges were declared by Litchfield Council at the special council meeting held on 10 July 2019 pursuant to Chapter 11 of the *Local Government Act* in respect of the financial year ending 30 June 2020.

**1. RATES**

- 1.1 Pursuant to Section 149 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 155 of the Act Council declares that the amount it intends to raise for general purposes by way of rates is \$7,626,967 by the application of a combination of the following fixed charges and differential valuation-based charges with minimum charges being payable:

**A. RESIDENTIAL**

- i. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within that part of the Council Area comprising the suburb of Coolalinga and zoned SD, MD, MR and HR under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land), a fixed charge of \$1,215.00.
- ii. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within that part of the Council Area zoned SD, MD, MR and HR under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than land in the suburb of Coolalinga and conditionally rateable land), a fixed charge of \$843.00.
- iii. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within the Council Area zoned CL, CV, PS, OR, H, A, RR, RL, R, CP, CN, HT, RD, WM, T, SU, M, PM, RW, and U under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land) a fixed charge of \$843.00.

**B. COMMERCIAL**

- i. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within the Council Area zoned CB, C, SC, TC, LI, GI, DV and FD under the *NT Planning Scheme* (other than conditionally rateable land), a valuation-based charge calculated at a rate of 0.2529544% of the unimproved capital value of the land, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that valuation-based charge being \$1,545.00;
- ii. With respect to every allotment of rateable land within that part of the Council Area, comprising Hun 045 P 01860, Hun 045 P 01872 and Hun 000 P 07002, a valuation-based charge calculated at a rate 0.46691299% 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 valuation-based charge calculated at a rate of 0.2529544% of the unimproved capital value of the land with the minimum amount payable in the application of that valuation-based charge being \$1,545.00.

#### **D. MINING TENEMENTS**

With respect to every allotment of conditionally rateable land within the Council Area occupied under a mining tenement, a valuation-based charge calculated at a rate of 0.3475% of the unimproved capital value of the land with the minimum amount payable in the application of that valuation-based charge being \$890.96.

#### **E. PASTORAL LEASES**

With respect to every allotment of conditionally rateable land within the Council Area comprising a pastoral lease as defined in the *Pastoral Land Act*, a valuation-based charge calculated at a rate of 0.0306% of the unimproved capital value of the land held under the pastoral lease, with the minimum amount payable in the application of that valuation-based charge being \$376.45.

### **2. SPECIAL RATES**

Litchfield Council (“**the Council**”) made the following declaration of special rates pursuant to Section 156 of the *Local Government Act* (“**the Act**”).

#### **A. Special Rate – Area A Road (Whitstone Road) (AAR)**

- i. The purpose for which Special Rate AAR is to be imposed is to defray the expense of sealing roads within that part of the Council Area, which will be for the benefit of those allotments within Area A as described in paragraph 2. A. v. below.
- ii. The amount to be raised by the Special Rate AAR for the financial year ending 30 June 2020 is \$8,842.00.
- iii. Special Rate AAR is \$4,421.00.
- iv. Special Rate AAR is declared for and will be levied on that rateable land within Area A as identified in paragraph v.
- v. For the purpose of paragraph 2. A. i. above, the rateable land within Area A that is subject to the Special Rate AAR are lots 1716, 215 Whitstone Road.

### **3. CHARGES**

Pursuant to Section 157 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 the waste disposal services, including management and operation of the three waste transfer stations, which Council provides for the benefit of all rateable land within the Council Area, other than the land described in paragraph 3 iv below, and the occupiers of such land.
- ii. The amount to be raised by this Charge is \$2,940,930.
- iii. The amount of the Charge declared is \$369.00 per allotment.
- iv. The Charge will be levied on all rateable land within the Council Area with the exception of allotments within that part of the Council area zoned CB, C, SC, TC, LI, GI, DV under the *NT Planning Scheme* and including the allotments identified in B ii. above.



**RELEVANT INTEREST RATE**

The Council fixes the relevant interest rate for the late payment of rates and charges in accordance with Section 162 of the Act at the rate of 17% per annum which is to be calculated on a daily basis.

**PAYMENT**

The Council determines that the Rates and Charges (excluding Special Rate AAR) declared under this declaration are all due and payable in three (3) approximately equal instalments on the following dates:

27 September 2019;

29 November 2019; and

28 February 2020.

Special Rates AAR must be paid by 30 June 2021.

SILKE MAYNARD  
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LITCHFIELD COUNCIL