



Local Government Act Declaration of Rates and Charges 2020 – 2021

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 158 of the Local Government Act, that the following rates and charges were declared by the Wagait Shire Council at the Ordinary Meeting held on 21 July 2020 pursuant to **Chapter 11 of the Local Government Act 2008** (*the Act*) in respect of the financial year ending 30 June 2021.

1. Rates

Wagait Shire Council (the "Council") made the following declaration of rates pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Act.

- 1.1. Council, pursuant to Section 148 of the Act, adopted the fixed charge method as the basis for determining the assessment of all allotments within the Council area.
- 1.2. Council, pursuant to Section 155 of the Act declared that it intends to raise, for general purposes by way of rates, the amount of \$235,904 which will be raised by the application of a fixed charge amount of \$608 per allotment being payable for the financial year ending 30 June 2021. This is an increase of 1.8% from the rates amount agreed in 2019-20.

2. Charges

Pursuant to Section 157 of the Act, Council declared the following charge for the purpose of enabling or assisting Council to meet the cost of garbage collection and disposal services for the benefit of all allotments within the Council area. Council intends to raise \$119,116 by this charge.

- a. The following charge was declared:
 - A charge of \$307.00 per annum per allotment in respect of kerbside garbage, green waste and hard waste services provided for the benefit of all allotments within the Council area.
- b. The services are:
 - A kerbside garbage collection service of one garbage collection visit per week, being a maximum of one (1) 240 litre mobile bin per collection;
 - Provision of access to a hard waste recycling and dumping facility; and
 - Provision of access to a green waste recycling and dumping facility.

3. Relevant Interest Rate

The relevant interest rate for the late payment of rates and charges is fixed in accordance with Section 162 of the Act at the rate of 18% per annum and is to be calculated on a daily basis.

4. Payment

Rates and charges declared under this declaration may be paid by four (4) approximately equal instalments on the following dates, namely:

- First instalment, 30 September 2020
- Second instalment, 30 November 2020
- Third instalment, 31 January 2021
- Fourth instalment, 31 March 2021

Instalments falling due on a weekend or public holiday may be paid by the following business day, without incurring any penalty.

- a. Details of due dates and specified amounts are listed on the relevant Rates Notice
- b. Variations to those options for payment will be administered according to the conditions outlined on the front and reverse of the Rates Notice
- c. A ratepayer who fails to abide by such conditions may be sued for recovery of the principal amount of the rates and charges, the late payment and costs reasonably incurred by Council in recovering or attempting to recover the rates and charges. If rates are payable by the owner of the land and are not paid by the due date, they become a charge on the land to which they relate.

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