

# WASTE E-VOUCHERS ARE HERE!

ANNUAL WASTE VOUCHERS ARE NOW PROVIDED ELECTRONICALLY TO ALL RATEPAYERS THROUGH THE LSC WASTE WISE APP STARTING

**1 SEPTEMBER 2022**

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Livingstone Waste Wise App



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## HAVE QUESTIONS?

WE THOUGHT YOU MIGHT!

**Why is Council changing from paper vouchers to eVouchers?**

eVouchers work the same as paper vouchers. The new ten (10) eVouchers will offer you a convenient and improved customer experience.

**How do I get my eVoucher?**

Visit the APP Store on your mobile device, download the Livingstone Waste Wise App, navigate to the Voucher icon and follow the instructions. *If you are a Landlord, please pass on the eVouchers to your tenants. This will assist them to keep your property clean and tidy.*

**Can multiple property owners use the same eVouchers on their device?**

All property owners can download the eVouchers onto their individual devices, however, each eVoucher can only be used once.

**What if I own multiple properties?**

You can download ten (10) eVouchers for each property that you own.

**What if I don't have a smart device to download the App?**

You can print from Council's website or visit one of our Customer Support sites and we can help.

## Capital Works Program \$44 Million (\$30.5 Million External Grant Funding)

**\$20.1 MILLION** INVESTING IN OUR TRANSPORT NETWORK



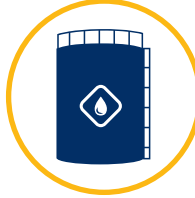
**\$6.1 MILLION** SAFE AND RELIABLE SEWERAGE SERVICES



**\$6.6 MILLION** PROVIDING SAFE DRINKING WATER



**\$3.9 MILLION** PLANT AND EQUIPMENT



**\$2.0 MILLION** INVESTING IN LAND DEVELOPMENT



## Livingstone's Public Amenities Get A Glow Up!

Front Cover Image: 'I'm Looking at You Curlew' by Caitlin Broderick. Located at Beach Access LB3, Lammermoor

Curlews are one of the more unusual and interesting Australian bird species; because of their behaviour, their general appearance, their big eyes and their night time calls. Fortunately, they are relatively easy to find along the Capricorn Coast and not overly concerned about the presence of people as long as they're not directly approached.

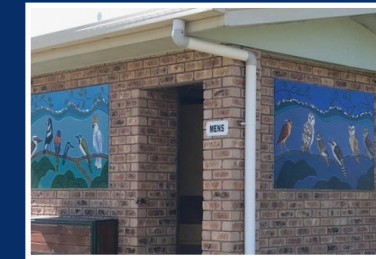
This 'larger than life' version was chosen for the Williamson Creek amenity block since the image has such a striking impact when approached from the south because it appears so suddenly. The artist, Caitlin Broderick, was chosen because of her experience in fine arts and ability to render a life-like image. The curlew adds to a string of decorated dunnies in the region, a phenomenon that the Council is promoting as the outhouse arthouse tour.



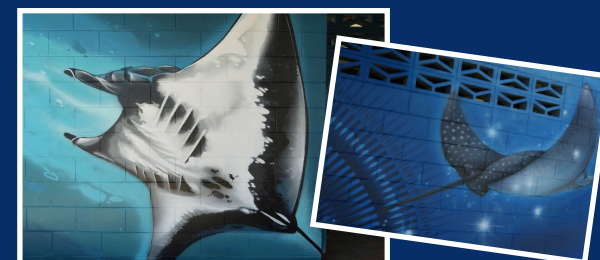
'Black Cockatoo' Portraits  
Jon Watson  
Daniel Park, Cooee Bay



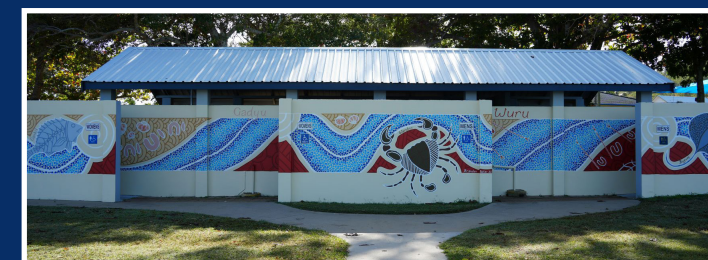
Shore Birds - More Birds  
Simon McLean  
North Mulambin Beach



Avian Day & Night Shifts  
Ainslee McMahon  
Glenlee Park, Glenlee



'Radiant Rays'  
Martin Schlick (Masher Designs)  
Daniel Park, Cooee Bay



'A Place to Gather'  
Brandon Butler (GABA Art)  
Causeway Lake (Amenities Block)

**RESIDENT REACH**  
Catch ups!

**SATURDAY  
8 OCTOBER**

**GLENLEE** Glenlee Park  
9.00am - 11.00am

**SUNDAY  
16 OCTOBER**

**EMU PARK** Bell Park  
(Community Markets)  
8.00am - 12.00pm

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## A Message from the Mayor

Hi Everyone,

Livingstone Shire Council has adopted its budget for 2022-23 with a focus on maintaining community assets and a high level of service, while keeping rates as low as possible.

Like family households and businesses, Council's budget has been impacted by soaring costs of fuel, power, insurance, materials and interest rates.

The budget has also been dealt a blow by other external pressures including a reduction in government grants, as well as Queensland Government issued land valuations jumping by as much as 60% in some rating categories this year. I am aware that some residential properties have had their valuations almost double.

As all rates are calculated based on land valuations, increases of this scale immediately puts upwards pressure on rates unless council takes steps to reduce that pressure. In this budget, we have taken steps to do so.

Whilst last year's budget saw a zero percent rates increase, the inflationary pressures and cost increases experienced over the past twelve months, and those forecast for the next few years, are at a level where Council can't absorb all of those increases.

We understand the cost pressures each household is facing, and increasing rates is not a decision Council made lightly. The entire Council team has worked very hard to keep increases below the Brisbane consumer price index of 6.0%, meaning we will continue to absorb some of those cost increases but unfortunately not all.

We have managed to keep the average residential rate rise to 4.11%, which equals an additional \$3.37 per week – or less than a takeaway coffee. With this in mind, Council is budgeting for a small operating surplus of \$94,000.

It's also important to us to bring some relief in this budget for those really struggling and we have provided close to a million dollars in rates rebates for pensioners, sporting and not-for-profit organisations.

Council's 10% discount also remains for those ratepayers who pay their rates on time.

The \$144 million budget includes a \$44 million Capital Works Program which is on track to deliver important major community and economic infrastructure in addition to ongoing significant investment in our roads, bridges, water, sewerage and footpaths.

Council has been successful in obtaining external grant funding of \$30.5 million to deliver the projects.

While I know this budget may not meet expectations of all residents, I assure everyone these decisions have been made after comprehensive deliberations with the goal of providing the best outcome for our community.

**Mayor Andy Ireland**



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## General Rating Categories 2022 - 23

No.	Category	Description	General Rate (cents in \$ of Rateable Value)	Minimum General Rate (\$)
L1	Mainland Commercial/Light Industry <\$465,001	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is commercial and light industrial purposes and the rateable valuation is \$465,000 or less.	2.0063	1,850
L1A	Mainland Commercial/Light Industry >\$465,000	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is commercial and light industrial purposes and the rateable valuation is greater than \$465,000.	2.0973	9,775
L2	Retail Warehouse, Business/Shopping Complex, or Outdoor Sales with a floor area of 400m <sup>2</sup> -3,000m <sup>2</sup>	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is a retail warehouse, business/shopping complex, or outdoor sales with a gross floor area greater than 400m <sup>2</sup> and up to 3,000m <sup>2</sup> .	2.3949	4,702
L2A	Major Shopping Centres and Retail Warehouse with a floor area of 3,001m <sup>2</sup> -10,000m <sup>2</sup>	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is a retail warehouse, business/shopping complex, major shopping centre with onsite parking with a gross floor area of 3,001m <sup>2</sup> -10,000m <sup>2</sup> .	2.8152	31,954
L2B	Major Shopping Centres and Retail Warehouse with a floor area greater than 10,000m <sup>2</sup>	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is a retail warehouse, business/shopping complex, major shopping centre with onsite parking and a gross floor area greater 10,000m <sup>2</sup> .	3.4200	246,505
L3	Heavy and Noxious Industry	Lands on the mainland where the purpose of use or intended use is a fuel dump or storage and oil refinery, heavy or general industry, or industry which emanates offensive noise, odour and dust and includes abattoirs.	3.6500	4,382
L4	Island Commercial / Industrial	Lands on the islands where the dominant use or intended use is commercial or light industrial.	1.7670	2,511
L5	Extractive	Lands on the mainland where the purpose of use or intended use extracts minerals or other substances from the ground or other environments including related activities.	6.7000	7,900
L6	Other Rural	Lands where the use or intended use is non-residential rural, agricultural or farming purposes.	0.8912	1,855
L6A	Beef Cattle Production 1 <\$1,600,001	Lands where the use or intended use is Cattle Breeding, Grazing or Fattening and the rateable valuation is less than \$1,600,001.	0.8912	1,855
L6B	Beef Cattle Production 2 >\$1,600,000	Lands where the use or intended use is Cattle Breeding, Grazing or Fattening and the rateable valuation is greater than \$1,600,000.	0.8263	17,815
L8	Major Tourism/Accommodation Facilities	All lands where the dominant purpose for which it is used or intended for use is that of Accommodation – Tourist Facilities and the land: a) is used or intended for use commercially for that purpose; and b) is greater than 5ha. in area; and c) has or is intended to have accommodation capacity greater than 100 rooms.	2.5650	164,337
L9	Residential 1 <\$155,001	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes, and the rateable valuation is less than \$155,001 (excl. lands in any other category).	1.1626	955
L10	Residential 2 \$155,001 - \$300,000	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes, and the rateable valuation is between \$155,001 and \$300,000 (excl. lands in any other category).	0.9899	1,815
L11	Residential 3 \$300,001 - \$700,000	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes, and the rateable valuation is between \$300,001 and \$700,000 (excl. lands in any other category).	0.8108	3,150
L12	Residential 4 >\$700,000 Single Residential Dwellings Only	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is single residential dwellings and the land has a rateable valuation of more than \$700,000.	0.6437	5,746
L15	Large Residential 1 <\$155,001	Lands, used or intended for use for residential purposes, with a rateable valuation less than \$155,001: a) Having an area of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater; or b) Having an area of less than 4000m <sup>2</sup> but located within a Council planning scheme, zone or precinct with a preferred minimum lot size of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater (excl. lands in any other category).	1.2806	1,125
L16	Large Residential 2 \$155,001 - \$300,000	Lands, used or intended for use for residential purposes, with a rateable valuation that is between \$155,001 and \$300,000: a) Having an area of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater; or b) Having an area of less than 4000m <sup>2</sup> but located within a Council planning scheme, zone or precinct with a preferred minimum lot size of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater (excl. lands in any other category).	0.9863	2,050
L17	Large Residential 3 \$300,001 - \$700,000	Lands where the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes, with a rateable valuation that is between \$300,001 and \$700,000: a) Having an area of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater; or b) Having an area of less than 4000m <sup>2</sup> but located within a Council planning scheme, zone or precinct with a preferred minimum lot size of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater (excl. lands in any other category).	0.9082	3,340
L18	Large Residential 4 >\$700,000 Single Residential Dwellings Only	Lands, used or intended for use for single residential dwellings, with a rateable valuation more than \$700,000: a) Having an area of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater; or b) Having an area of less than 4000m <sup>2</sup> but located within a Council planning scheme, zone or precinct with a preferred minimum lot size of 4000m <sup>2</sup> or greater (excl. lands in any other category).	0.7056	6,544
L21	Flats Non Strata Residential <10 Residences	Lands used for residential purposes, on which there are less than 10 self-contained dwellings (including flats, studios, cabins, dwelling or secondary dwellings), and the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes (excl. lands in any other category).	1.2809	1,073
L21A	Flats Non Strata Residential 10-14 Residences	Lands used for residential purposes, on which there are 10 to 14 self-contained dwellings (including flats, studios, cabins, dwellings or secondary dwellings), and the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes (excl. lands in any other category).	1.2809	9,130

L21B	Flats Non Strata Residential 15-19 Residences	Lands used for residential purposes, on which there are 15 to 19 self-contained dwellings (including flats, studios, cabins, dwellings or secondary dwellings), and the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes (excl. lands in any other category).	1.2809	13,695
L21C	Flats Non Strata Residential ≥ 20 Residences	Lands used for residential purposes, on which there is greater than or equal to 20 self-contained dwellings (including flats, studios, cabins, dwellings or secondary dwellings), and the dominant use or intended use is residential purposes (excl. lands in any other category).	1.2809	18,260
L22	Strata Commercial/Industrial	Lands that are part of a community title scheme, and the dominant use or intended use is commercial or industrial purposes.	2.4225	1,850
L23	Strata Residential >500m <sup>2</sup>	All land in a community title scheme where the dominant use or intended use is for residential purposes, and the individual lot size is greater than 500m <sup>2</sup> .	1.2809	1,780
L23A	Strata Residential <500m <sup>2</sup>	All land in a community title scheme where the dominant use or intended use is for residential purposes, and the individual lot size is 500m <sup>2</sup> or less.	1.2809	1,153
L24	Vacant Land >\$700,000	Vacant land where the valuation is greater than \$700,000.	2.7334	1,666
L26	Special Uses	Lands on the mainland where the dominant use is non-commercial in nature and the land is used or intended to be used for social and community welfare, defence or education purposes.	1.4869	1,666
L27	Other	All lands not included elsewhere. Including but not limited to Transformers, Stratum, Reservoirs, Dams and Bores.	1.8767	1,666
L28	Reservoir/Pump Sites ≤ \$10,000	Lands where the valuation is \$10,000 or less and used for the purpose of a Reservoir, Dam, Pump site, or Bores.	1.8767	822

Minimum General Rates will not apply to land to which Sections 49-51 of the Land Valuation Act 2010 applies.

## Key Rating Information

### Making and Levying of Rates

In accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2009* and the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the categories identifiers of rateable land within the boundaries of the Livingstone Shire Council area have been determined by Council and are set out in the Differential General Rates Information. Land use codes supplied by the Department of Resources are used to assist in determining the rating categories.

### General Rate

This is determined using the property's rating category (*refer to table on left*) which reflects the principal use of the land, in conjunction with the rateable value of the property.

### Special Rates and Charges

Special rates and charges are sometimes levied by Council to fund services or facilities that will especially benefit the owners of properties in a specific area. These are charged for a set number of years and revenue raised from these rates will only be used to fund the implementation program for the specific services, facilities or activities specified. Discount does not apply to these special charges.

### Water Access

Water Access refers to the provision of water to a property. It also covers the costs of maintenance and operation of the water system including the water treatment plant and infrastructure.

### Sewerage Charge

The charge of sewerage is set to recover all of the costs associated with the provision of sewerage reticulation services provided by Council.

### Waste and Recycling Charge

Domestic charge is based on the number of bins at the property. Commercial levy is charged per bin per collection.

### Road Network Separate Charge\*

The annual road network charge is levied in order to defray part of the cost of maintaining the road network within the region. This charge is levied equally to all rateable properties, including vacant land.

### Natural Environment Separate Charge\*

This annual charge is used to defray part of the cost of formulating and implementing initiatives for environmental protection, enhancement and conservation. This charge is levied equally to all rateable properties, including vacant land.

### Rural Fire Levy\*

This is a special charge that Council collects on behalf of rural fire brigades to fund their services, facilities and activities.

### Disaster Response Separate Charge\*

Assists in the support of the State Emergency Services including ongoing cost of maintenance for facilities and emergency equipment (vital for our volunteers to assist in the community), providing mitigation strategies based on hazards and risks from disasters in the Livingstone Shire area, as well as provide funding to recover from disaster events that impact our Shire. This charge will be levied equally on all rateable land within the Livingstone Shire Council area.

### Objections

Owners of rateable land have the right to object to the category that their land is included in. All objections must be lodged on the approved form, which can be found on our website or obtained from Customer Service, within 30 days of Rates Notice date of issue.

\*Discount in accordance with Section 130 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 will not apply to this charge.

### More Information and Enquiries

For more information visit [www.livingstone.qld.gov.au](http://www.livingstone.qld.gov.au) and refer to the Revenue Statement.