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2020/2021 Budget Adopted

At Monday night's June Ordinary Council meeting, the Alice Springs Town Council voted to adopt the Municipal Plan for 2020/2021, which includes Budget estimates for the 2020/2021 financial year.

"With the impacts of COVID-19, this Municipal Plan required a lot of planning, flexibility and innovation to ensure Council is able to meet the needs of the community whilst also balancing any financial impacts. Elected Members are very conscious of the current environment and have committed to a 0% rate freeze on residential property in-line with this plan." said Robert Jennings, CEO.

The annual waste charge for properties receiving a regular weekly waste collection service is \$364.95 for the year (not increased from previous year) and, for rural residential properties, the waste management charge is \$67.70. Every resident receives two FREE waste vouchers (terms and conditions apply). For details, please visit www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au/services/waste-and-recycling/waste-vouchers

With the 0% rate freeze, the minimum rate for residential zoning remains the same as last year, at \$1,332.77. Property valuation is determined by the Valuer-General and based on the unimproved capital value of the land, excluding dwellings.

Residential ratepayers who pay their rates in full before the first instalment date go into the early bird draw for a chance to win a rates refund. Instalment dates for 2020/2021 are:

1st Instalment – 04/09/2020

2nd Instalment – 06/11/2020

3rd Instalment – 05/02/2021

4th Instalment - 09/04/2021

Ends

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