Dear <insert name here>

## Your rates for 2021/22

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with advance notice that Council rates payable in respect of your property for 2021/22 may increase and to provide you with an opportunity to provide comment.

The Town of Bassendean proposes to change the way it applies rates to vacant land, including your property, by levying a higher rate in the dollar on vacant land than for improved land. This is called differential rating. Should the Town adopt differential rating, it will be reflected in Rates Notices issued by the Town in August 2021.

The Town's Statement of Objects and Reasons for the Proposed Differential Rates is attached. That document provides:

- Background information
- Relevant statutory requirements
- Details of the differential rating categories
- The objects and reasons for each rating category
- Instructions for providing a submission to the Town.

Submissions must be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer and must be received by 4.00pm on Friday 28 May 2021.

The proposed rate in the dollar and minimum payment for each differential rating category is:

Rating Category	Rate in Dollar	Minimum Payment
Improved – Residential, Commercial and Industrial (GRV)	8.4895	\$1,106
Vacant Land – Residential, Commercial and Industrial (GRV)	12.7342	\$1,106

Submissions received will be presented to Council for consideration at the Ordinary Council Meeting on Tuesday 22 June 2021.

Please contact the Town's Rates Department on (08) 9377 8000, for further information if required.

Yours sincerely

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PETA MABBS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

6 May 2021