Shire of Nannup Attention: CEO 15 Adam Street Nannup WA 6275 SHIRE OF NANNUP
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Ref: \_\_\_\_\_\_No:\_\_\_\_\_

OCT 2024

Officer: \_\_\_\_\_\_

7/10/2024

Dear Sir.

I am the property owner of 62 Hayes Road and 117 Hayes Road (A1799), East Nannup. I am writing to request a concession on my 2024-25 Rates, and I outline the reasons for my request below.

When I purchased this property in 2016 it was a Blue Gum plantation which was entering its final harvest under the existing contract. My intention when purchasing the property was to clear the Blue Gums and proceed with farming beef cattle. Indeed, I have successfully cleared and regenerated a significant portion of arable land back to pasture, and now run a herd of Angus cattle.

Due to the significant time and financial constraints of clearing and restoring the whole property, I have entered into a new lease arrangement with WAPRES for 60 hectares of predominantly coppiced Blue Gums. I expect the restoration and reinstallation of infrastructure such and fencing, water pipes and cattle troughs to be completed on the remaining 102 hectares of land by the time this lease is due to expire. At this time I intend that all stumps will be cleared with no further plantation to occur on my property.

I understand that Council have opted to raise the rates for plantation type businesses and properties, however it was also my understanding that Council did not intend to penalise agricultural businesses and farmers. It would appear this is exactly what has happened.

My total land comprises 162 hectares, of which 60 hectares (37.04%) is still leased for plantation purposes. The remaining 102 hectares (62.96%) is used solely for agricultural purposes.

I understand that under previous Unimproved Value – Plantation Concessions, a 2.5% concession would apply to my property. This would provide a total concession of only \$124.68 on my rates of \$4987.14. I request a concession be applied to my rates that reflects that farming is the primary industry being carried out on my property, and that this concession reflects the current, significantly higher, rating values being applied to properties with any plantation.

My family are members of the community, members of our local bush fire brigade, and support our local businesses. As a local business and farming family of the Shire of Nannup, I appreciate your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Craig Davis

0428 757 439 PO Box 171 Nannup WA 6275



OUR REF: A1799 ECM: OUT24/7C162E35

ENQUIRIES: Robin Lorkiewicz

31 October 2024

C Davis PO Box 171 Nannup WA 6275

Dear Ratepayer,

**Subject: Notification Regarding Rates Concession Application Process** 

We are writing to acknowlegde your request for a Rates Concession.

Officers have conferred with Councillors and have been provide with the guidance that any consideration of concessions will be based upon the same concession parameters from 2023/24 rating year.

#### **UV Plantation Concession Requirements:**

All applications must be submitted with a signed and witnessed Statutory Declaration and an accompanying map clearly indicating the arable land areas on your property (excludes bush and undeveloped land) is not used for plantation as per below:

- · 1% concession for properties with 25%-50% arable land is not used for plantation
- 2.5% concession for properties with 50%-75% arable land is not used for plantation
- 4% concession for properties with 75%+ arable land is not used for plantation

### **GRV Short Term Concession Requirements:**

All applications must be put forward as a Signed and Witnessed Statutory Declaration stating the property is also your primary place of residence as at 1 July of that rating year.

3% concession

Note: All concessions apply to the Rates levied value only for the current rating year

To proceed with your concession request, please ensure that both the statutory declaration and if applicable, property map are provided as part of your application. Please send your application to Council via:

- · post PO Box 11 Nannup WA 6275, or
- · email nannup@nannup.wa.gov.au, or
- · in-person to the Shire Administration Office at 15 Adam Street, Nannup Mon-Fri 9am 4pm.

Completed applications received by **14 November 2024** will be put forward as an item to be considered at November Ordinary Council Meeting, scheduled for 4.30pm 28 November 2024, currently scheduled to be held at the Cundinup Fire Shed. Please keep updated to the location, as this location is subject to change. You can check for updates on our website, nannup.wa.gov.au.

If you have not yet submitted the required documents, we encourage you to do so at your earliest convenience. Please don't hesitate to contact me for further information, on (08) 9756 1018, or email nannup@nannup.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Robin Lorkiewicz
Finance Coordinator



## **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

# OATHS, AFFIDAVITS AND STATUTORY DECLARATIONS ACT 2005

# STATUTORY DECLARATION

{name, address and occupation of person making declaration}

Janup , occupation Farmer

sincerely declare as follows:-		
I'm the owner	of Lors	11078 \$ 11185 HAYES Rd
		of which 58.9 ha
		to WAPRES. which
is 36.36%		SHIRE OF NANNUP RECEIVED
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		Officer:

{insert content of the statutory declaration; use numbered paragraphs if content is long}

This declaration is true and I know that it is an offence to make a declaration knowing that it is false in a material particular.

This declaration is made under the Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005

At SHIRE OF NANNUP		
{place}		
On [date] 15 - 11 - 24		
in the presence of -	(	,
Christopher Buckland - Registered Teacher		
Name of authorised witness and qualification as such a witness		

by (32)

{Signature of person making the declaration}

