

**Linda Phillips**

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**From:** Records Officer  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, 23 May 2018 11:26 AM  
**To:** Records Officer <records.officer@karratha.wa.gov.au>  
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**RE: ADVERTISED DIFFERENTIAL RATES MODEL 2018/19**

**Property Address: 11 Brushtail Street Baynton**

I am in receipt of the correspondence dated 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (Your Ref: OCR167226) and request a response to the following queries;

1. Confirm the basis of how, when and by whom the "Indicative Valuation" was derived in relation to the property
2. Confirm the City of Karratha intends upon increasing the rates specific to the property by in excess of 7%
3. Confirm the statement contained within the City's publication dates 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018... "If the proposed rates model is implemented, 25 per cent of residential ratepayers will receive a reduction in their rates bill and a further 37 per cent will see their rates bill increase by less than 2 per cent." is correct.
4. Explain how a decrease of 39.3% of property valuation (3% better than the referred average) can result in a 7% increase in rates and be deemed fair and reasonable

Each year we see an increase in council rates (proposed 7%), an increase in water (approx. 5%), an increase in insurance (90%) all whilst watching our capital investment and rental returns halve. Something needs to give... unfortunately it is only a matter of time until the banks foreclose.

Regards

Matt Simpson

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