



NEWCASTLE MUNICIPALITY

Notice No: CS26/2023

ASSESSMENT OF GENERAL RATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023/2024.

Notice is hereby given in terms of section 14 of the Local Government Municipal Property Rates Act No. 2004, that rates are payable on rateable property within the areas of jurisdiction of the Newcastle Municipality, by a resolution passed by Council with a supporting vote of a majority of its members on 31 May 2023, for the financial year 2023/2024, have been assessed as set out hereunder.

1. In terms of the Municipal Property Rates Act, No. 6 of 2004, the general rate for the financial year is levied as follows:

(a)	Category & Impermissible Rate	Ratio to Residential Tariff	Cent amount in the Rand rate determined for the relevant property category (Decimal)
(i)	Residential property (Impermissible - R 85 000)	1:1	0.01454
(ii)	Business and commercial	1:2.5	0.03634
(iii)	Industrial property	1:2.5	0.03634
(iv)	Agricultural property	1:0.22	0.00323
(v)	Public service infrastructure		Exempt
(vi)	Mining property	1:2.5	0.03634
(vii)	Properties owned by public benefit organisations and used for Specified public benefit activities	1:0.22	0.00363
(viii)	Public Service Purposes	1:0.25	0.00363
(ix)	Vacant Land	1:3	0.04362
(b)	Properties used as places of public worship and who qualify in terms of the policy		Exempt
(c)	Properties owned by public benefit organisations and used for specified public benefit activities and who qualify in terms of the policy		Exempt
(d)	Municipal owned properties		Exempt
(e)	Rebates are applied subject to the provisions contained in the Rates Policy		Rebate granted
	i) Pensioners		25%
	(ii) B&B Establishments		10%
	(iii) Properties effected by disaster		50%
	(iv) Properties situated outside of the Proclaimed Boundaries of the Townships		As per policy
	(v) Commercial Industrial Development with market value of at least R 50 million		As per policy
(f)	Indigent accountholders are subsidised		100%

2. Date of Payment

2.1 All rates, except as noted hereunder in 2.2, are payable in twelve equal monthly instalments on or before the fourteenth day following the statement date.

2.2 Any portion of rates remaining unpaid after due dates aforesaid shall be subject to interest as laid down in the Credit Control, Debt Collection and Customer Care Policy and the approved Tariff of Charges.

2.3 Rates will be charged against any State-owned property as an annual amount unless otherwise requested.

3. Exemptions, Reductions and Rebates

3.1 For all residential properties, the municipality will not levy a rate on the first R 85 000 of the property's market value. The R 85 000 is inclusive of the R 15 000 statutory impermissible rate as per section 17(1)(h) of the Municipal Property Rates Act.

3.2 Rates rebates are applied in respect of a category of owners of property, upon annual application and are subject to the provisions of the Rates Policy and Tariff of Charges, as approved by Council each year.

3.3 Owners who qualify for indigent support in terms of the Credit Control, Debt Collection and Customer Care Policy will receive a subsidy of 100% on property rates.

3.4 Municipal owned properties are exempt from rates.

3.5 Public Benefit and Non-Profit Organisations who qualify in terms of the Rates Policy are exempt from rates.

4. Website

This notice is also available on the Newcastle Municipality's website: www.newcastle.gov.za

A detailed copy of the resolution on the levying of rates on property is open for inspection at the Civic Centre (Tower Block), all Municipal Satellite Offices and Libraries for a period of thirty days from date of publication thereof.

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER
NEWCASTLE MUNICIPALITY



Celebrating three years

The congregation of Lifehouse Church celebrated their third year anniversary in the ministry on 25 June. Congregants enjoyed the photobooth and reminisced about their humble beginnings over coffee and delicious snacks.

Email your event pictures and details to newcastleexpress@tabloidmedia.co.za

(Photos: Bronwyn M Singh)



Lisa and Damen Kristen, Jermaine and Delice Pillay, Keyuri and Winston Pillay, with Brielle Pillay.



Thavila and Roland Daniel.



Cindy, Sam and Nicole Mariemuthoo.



William Balakrishna.