



**THABAZIMBI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY**

**2017/18**

**REVOCAATION AND TARIFFS DETERMINATION**

- **WATER TARIFFS**
- **SANITATION TARIFFS**
- **ELECTRICITY TARIFFS**
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***A PROPOSED WAY FORWARD***

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**Background**

Thabazimbi Local Municipality is a WSA established under the Water Services Act, 108 of 1997. The main sources of potable water are:

1. Pienaars River
2. Crocodile River
3. Vaalkop Dam – Magalies Water Board

The main consumers of water are:

- Domestic consumers
- Small Industrial consumers

The municipality has electricity distribution license issued by NERSA in terms of the Electricity Act, 1987 (Act No 41 of 1987). The license covers the following areas for distribution and retail:

The main consumers of electricity within our area of jurisdiction are:

- Greater Northam RLC (Portion)
- Thabazimbi TLC (Whole)
- Warmbad-Pienaarsrivier RLC (Portion)
- Rooiberg

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL TARIFFS CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT ARE EXCLUSIVE OF VAT.**

**REVOCAION AND DETERMINATION OF TARIFFS FOR THE 2017/18 FINANCIAL YEAR**

Notice should be given in terms of the provisions of the Local Government Municipal Finance Management Act 56/2003 as well as Chapter 4 of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act 32/2000, that the Thabazimbi Municipality will during the sitting of council adopt its annual budget, as well as the tariffs to be charged for municipal services.

In relation to the 2017/18 budget, the municipal council also has to determine the municipal assessment rates to be charged on property i.t.o. section 17 of the Local Government Municipal Finance Management Act 56/2003. Tariffs for municipal services and assessment rates contained in this notice should be effective from **1 July 2017**.

**TARIFF DETERMINATION FOR 2017/18 FY**

- Recovery of the cost of potable water (bulk) purchases from Magalies Water Board and Kumba Iron Ore
- Recovery of overhead, operational and maintenance costs of distribution, including losses
- Capital (infrastructure) wear and tear
- Water infrastructure development
- Administration and service cost. i.e. inter-departmental charges, bad debts write off, etc
- Provide for the replacement, refurbishment and extension of water services works
- Provision of sustainable water supply
- Water quality monitoring
- Magalies Water Board proposed increment of 10%.
- Bulk Electricity increased by 8% Eskom.
- Depreciation
- Economic indicators
- Inflation target of 6.4% - Reasonable rates of inflation of the cost drivers

**THE LEGAL ENVIRONMENT**

- The constitution, s27
- Municipal fiscal Powers and Functions Act, 2007
- LGMSA
- MFMA
- NT circulars: 23 Bulk resources for municipal services, 42 Funding a municipal budget

- Water services Act
- Norms and standards in respect of tariffs for water services in terms of section 10 (1) of the Water Services Act published as GN R652 in GG 22472 of 20 July 2001(norms and standards)
- Compulsory national standards and measures to conserve water published as GN R509 in GG 22355 of 8 June 2001

### **ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

<b>Indicator</b>	<b>%</b>
Consumer Inflation	6.4
GDP Growth	2.6
Repo Rate (Year and Year)	7
Prime Overdrafts	10.5
Electricity increase by Eskom	8
Increase in Bulk Potable Water (Magalies Water Board)	10
Increase in Chemicals	6.4
Salaries & Wages	7.4

**PROPOSED RISING BLOCK TARIFF STRUCTURE**

Regulation 6 of the norms and standards proposes a tariff structure similar to the following:

**SCHEDULE 4****PART 1****WATER SUPPLY****1. BASIC CHARGE**

A basic charge of R30.54 for erven less than 200m<sup>2</sup> should be charged and R202.96 for the first 200 m<sup>2</sup> or part thereof with an additional charge of R16.79 for every additional 100 m<sup>2</sup> or part thereof per month shall be levied per erf, stand, premises or other area, not zoned as residential 1,2,3 or 4 or not used for residential purposes, with or without any improvements, which is or, in the opinion of council can be, connected to the main waterline, whether water is consumed or not and shall be payable by the owner of property. Property belonging to Council shall not pay a basic charge unless it is let for purposes other than residential.

		<b>PROPOSED TARIFF FROM 1/07/2016– 30/06/2017</b>	<b>PROPOSED TARIFF FROM 1/07/2017 – 30/06/2018</b>
(a)	Domestic, undeveloped <200m <sup>2</sup>	R31.78	R34.96
(b)	Domestic, developed and occupied >200m <sup>2</sup>	R 211.27	R232.40
(c)	Bulk, Trade and Industry	R215.41	R236.95

**2. DOMESTIC SUPPLY**

2.1 For the supply of water to an erf, stand, premises or other area, that is being served by a separate meter, for consumption since the previous monthly meter reading:

(a)	0 – 6 KL free to all indigent households	Free	Free
(b)	<b>Per connection per KL :</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>R</b>
	1 - 10 KL	R 15.04	R 16.54
	10 - 30 KL	R 16.85	R 18.54
	30 - 51 KL	R 18.87	R 20.76
	51- 80 KL	R 21.13	R 23.24
	80 KL and above	R 23.67	R 26.04

A normal 10% increment will be effected on the 2017/18 tariffs for residents supplied directly from ground water ie Leeuport residents etc.

- 2.2 Where water is supplied to more than one consumer per erf, stand, premises or other area that is served by a communal meter, the following charges shall be levied, for consumption since the previous monthly meter reading:

(a)	for the first (10 x A) KL or part thereof (where A is the sum of the number of consumers served by such communal meter) per KL.	R 15.04	R 16.54
(b)	For the following (20 x A) or part thereof (where A is the sum of the number of consumers served by such communal meter) per KL.	R 16.85	R 18.54
(c)	For the following (20 x A) or part thereof (where A is the sum of the number of consumers served by such communal meter ) per KL.	R 18.87	R 20.76
(d)	For the following (30 x A) or part thereof (where A is the sum of the number of consumers served by such communal meter) per KL.	R 21.13	R 23.24
(e)	Thereafter, for consumption in excess of 100KL.	R 23.67	R 26.04

- 2.3 For the supply of water to consumers from boreholes (Leeuport residents)

#### Areas Supplied from Ground Water

	Current Tariff 2016/17	Proposed Tariff 2017/18	Difference	Percentage Increase
0 -6 KL free to all indigent households	Free	Free		
Per connection per KL	R	R	R	%
1 – 10 KL	R14.50	R15.95	1.45	10
10 – 30 KL	R15.66	R17.23	1.57	10
30 – 51 KL	R16.91	R18.60	1.69	10
51 – 80 KL	R18.27	R20.10	1.83	10
80 KL and above	R19.73	R21.70	1.97	10

**3. CONCERNS ON INDUSTRIALLY ZONED ERVEN**

- 3.1 For the supply of water to an erf, stand, premises or other area, by a separate meter, for consumption since the previous monthly meter reading:

(a)	Purified water to Trade and Industry	R	R
	1 - 10 KL	15.51	17.06
	10 - 30 KL	17.37	19.12
	30 - 51 KL	19.46	21.41
	51- 80 KL	21.79	23.97
	80 KL and above	24.41	26.85
(d)	Thereafter, for consumption in excess of 100KL	R25.00	R 27.50

**4. SCHOOLS AND HOSTELS & GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS , CHURCHES**

(a)	1 - 10 KL	R15.04	R16.54
	10 - 30 KL	R16.85	R18.54
	30 - 51 KL	R18.87	R20.76
	51- 80 KL	R21.13	R23.24
	80 KL and above	R23.67	R26.04

**5. INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS**

A flat rate of R 165 per month per household.

**6. CONNECTION FEES (CONNECTIONS FROM 100MM AND ABOVE)**

Installation of a pipe, meter and accessories.

For all sizes: Estimated cost plus 20% of such amount for administration costs.

**PART 2****GENERAL CHARGES**

The following charges and conditions shall apply in respect of general services rendered by the Council

**1. CHARGES FOR A CONNECTION FOR FIRE FIGHTING PURPOSES**

(a)	For the provision and installation of a 100mm connection pipe, meter, or, if a meter is not required, a sealed	R130.03	R138.35
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	valve: A cost plus 20% of such amount for administration costs: Provided that if the seal of a sealed valve is broken, by any person, or other than an official of the Council, the consumer shall pay:		
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## 2. DISCONNECTION CHARGES: INCLUDING NORMAL RECONNECTION

(a)	For the supply of a connecting pipe with a meter from the nearest main to the connection point	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
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2.1 For the re-connection of the supply to any premises after disconnected due to nonpayment of an account or non-compliance with a applicable provision of the Council's By-Laws:

(a)	Office Hours: Normal connection	R 223.66	R237.97
	Office Hours: Request for urgent re-connection	R 503.91	R536.16
(b)	After Hours: Request for re-connection	R534.14	R568.32
(c)	Indigents	Free	Free

2.2 Charge for temporary disconnection at the request of any consumer:

(a)	During working hours	R88.53	R94.20
(b)	After working hours: request for reconnection	R 177.07	R188.40

2.3 Charge when consumers change: For every application for rendering the service, irrespective of whether the service has been discontinued or not:

(a)	During working hours: Domestic and business users	R17.92	R19.07
(b)	After working hours	R35.83	R38.12

## 3. TESTING OF METERS

(a)	For the testing of a meter applied by Council in case where it is found that the meter does not show an error of more than 5% either way.	R428.65	R456.08
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**4. SPECIAL METER READING**

(a)	Special meter reading	R45.52	R48.43
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**5. WATER LEAKAGES**

(a)	When the Water Department is called upon to rectify a water leakage and such leakage is found to be on private property and due to any cause other than a fault in the Council's main or apparatus, a charge shall be payable by the consumer for each such attendance.	R160.12	R170.38
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**6. DEPOSIT FOR ESTIMATES**

(a)	When an extension of the main is requested, a deposit shall be payable for estimating the cost. This amount shall be subtracted from the total connection charges and if the connection is not made, the amount shall be forfeited.	R145.95	R155.29
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**7. DEPOSITS FOR SUPPLY OF WATER**

The minimum deposit payable in terms of the By-Laws shall be:

(a)	Domestic users	R 497.90	R529.77
(b)	Business users	R1 997.21	R2125.03

**8. CONNECTIONS FOR WATER SUPPLY**

The minimum connection fee payable in terms of the By-Laws shall be:

(a)	Domestic users: 15 mm 20 mm	R1 657.52 R1 993.88	R1823.27 R2193.27
(b)	Business users: 50 mm 80mm	Price on request	Price on request

**9. TELEPHONE REMINDER SERVICE**

This charge payable in respect of a telephone reminder is as follows:

(a)	For every telephone reminder	R42.03	R44.72
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#### 10. REMINDER SERVICE

This charge payable in terms of Council's Credit Control Policy is as follows:

(a)	For every notice in respect of an unpaid consumer account after the final payment date of the month	R24.01	R 25.54
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The proposed tariff structure has come with changes and as expected of the tariff increase, and thus implementation of the new tariff will need to be implemented in an acceptable manner. In determining the tariff structure we have considered the pattern that has been used over the years and therefore implementing the above structure, the municipality will be able to recover overhead, operational and maintenance costs of distribution, including losses.

#### GROUDWATER-SINKING OF BOREHOLES

All consumers who wish to sink boreholes must get approval from the municipality in terms of sections 6, 7 and 22 of the Water Services Act. The municipality must impose the following conditions in respect of the use of boreholes for irrigation purposes:

- The water be used for irrigations purposes
- Or be used for human consumption **ONLY** in the cases where water supply has been interrupted. The quality of the water should not be compromised.

#### Borehole Registration Fee

		Prior Year	2017/18
(a)	Borehole Registration Fee (Households – once off)	R 1 285.54	R1 414.09
(b)	Borehole Registration Fee (Business – once off)	R 4 024.49	R4 426.94

**FREE BASIC WATER**

All indigent households should receive free 6KL of water per month. Households exceeding their free allocations will be subjected to the proposed rising block tariff.

**SCHEDULE 2****SEWERAGE CHARGES**

The owner of any erf or piece of land, with or without improvements, which is, or in the opinion of the Council can be, connected to the sewer, shall monthly pay to the Council the following charges:

**1. AVAILABILITY CHARGES**

		TARIFF FROM FROM 1/07/2016– 30/06/2017	TARIFF FROM 1/07/2017 – 30/06/2018
		Per calendar month or part thereof;	Per calendar month or part thereof;
(a)	Improved residential erven with a surface area not exceeding 500m <sup>2</sup>	No charge	No charge

**2. ALL OTHER ERVEN**

(a)	Thereafter, per 500m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof, up to 2000m <sup>2</sup> of the surface area of the erf	R140.98	R150.00
(b)	Thereafter, per 1000m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof, of the surface area of the erf:	R9.87	R10.50
(c)	Additional charge per unimproved erf:	R14.26	R15.17
(d)	Maximum charge (887 000m <sup>2</sup> )	R8 807.54	R9 371.22

**3. ADDITIONAL CHARGES**

3.1	(b) For the second or subsequent dwelling-house, church, church hall or other building mentioned in 2(a) above, per building	R 51.52	R54.81
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3.2	Flats – per flat	R 141.06	R150.08
3.3	State supported schools and colleges and related amenities	R141.06	R150.08
3.4	(a) Hostels and related amenities for educational institutions	R76.04	R80.90
	(b) Old age homes as well as youth centres/homes whereof the body corporate is registered as a welfare organization in terms of the applicable National Welfare Acts –	R76.04	R80.90
	Per 12 residents, personnel and pupils/students, or part thereof (c) Homes, crèches or other similar amenities mainly used for the full time care and/or education of the aged, crippled, mentally/intellectually handicapped where the body corporate is registered as a welfare organization in terms of the applicable National Welfare Act .	R76.04	R80.90
3.5	<b>HOUSEHOLDS AND BUSINESSES</b>  Hotels licensed in terms of the Liquor Act, as amended: For each 100m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof of the total floor area on each storey, including the basement and outbuildings available for hotel purposes.	R 141.04	R150.06
	(a) For each bath (plunge bath and shower bath included) water closet urinal pan or compartment, slop hopper, washing trough	R76.04	R80.90
	(b) For each trough or channel used for or detined to be used for urinal or water closet purposes, for each 650mm or part thereof	R76.04	R80.90
	(a) Not in excess of 150mm in	R 70.42	R74.92

	diameter		
	(b) In excess of 150mm up to and including 200mm in diameter	R90.50	R96.29
	(c) In excess of 200mm up to and including 300mm in diameter	R195.42	R207.92
	(d) In excess of 300mm in diameter	R207.14	R220.39
	(a) A sewerage volume charge will be levied on all households, businesses and industrially zoned properties connected to municipal sanitation infrastructure based on the water usage at a flat rate of;	R2.92	R3.10

#### 4. CONSERVANCY TANKS (SEPTIC TANKS)

Erven that cannot be connected to the main sewer and where a conservancy tank is installed

The monthly tariff on emptying of septic tanks was removed, however this service would be provided by the municipality per request and would be charged per service point .A tariff will be charged on **30c** /31.92 per kl to treatment of effluent and **R7.95/** R8.46 per km travelled.

#### 5. CONNECTION FEES

For every sewer connection as referred to in section 7(3) of the By-Laws, the estimated cost plus 20% shall be payable in advance together with the application fees as set out in item 1 of this schedule.

#### 6. CHARGES FOR INDUSTRIAL EFFLUENT

The monthly charge for the discharge of industrial effluent into the municipal drain, in terms of section 78 of the By-Laws, is calculated according to the following formula:

##### COST PER KILOLITRE:

6.1	All industries and Dept of Public Works		
	(a) Cost per Kilo-Liter (c/KL)	$(127.02+0.127 \times \text{COD})$	$(135.15 +0.135 \times \text{COD})$
	(b) Additional Cost:		
	Industrial effluent whereof the average pH value of the representative samples taken during that period is less than 6 or more than 11, per kiloliter, per month	71.07c	75.62c  R6.45 per kl

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## 7. CHARGES FOR CHEMICAL & BACTERIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS

Analysis	Units	Tariff 1*	Tariff 2**	Tariff 1*	Tariff 2**
C.O.D	Mg/l	R 77.45	R 38.72	R 82.25	R 41.98
Petroleum either soluble subst.	Mg/l	R 50.37	R 25.19	R 53.49	R 26.75
Eijkman		R 20.40	R 29.08	R 21.66	R 30.89
Phosfatase	Ug/l	R 20.65	R 10.32	R 21.93	R 10.96
Sodium	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
Potassium	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
Suspended solids	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
T.D.S	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
Oxygen absorbed	Mg/l	R 50.37	R 25.19	R 53.38	R 29.99
Ammonia:n	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
Phosphate:p	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
Chloride	Mg/l	R 36.14	R 18.07	R 38.26	R 19.19
Total viable organisms	ml	R 58.18	R 29.08	R 61.79	R 30.89
Total coliform organisms	100ml	R 58.18	R 29.08	R 61.79	R 30.89

### INDUSTRIAL SEWAGE

The industries wishing to discharge sewage the into municipality's wastewater treatment facility should make an application to the municipality. The industrial users will be charged R3/KL which is extraordinary treatment cost to the consumer.

### FREE BASIC SANITATION

Great strides have been made by the municipality to provide free basic services in terms of water and electricity to indigents. The municipality has an obligation to ensure that poor households are not denied access to free basic sanitation due to their inability to pay for other services. The municipality must review the tariff policy to accommodate FBS. The cost of providing FBS will be covered by the equitable shares or cross-subsidization. These households should receive FBS on the first 6KL of water and thereafter they should be subjected to a sewerage volume charge of R 3.21 for the water consumed.

**BULK CONTRIBUTIONS CALCULATOR**

**Development Contributions calculations for bulk sanitation, water and road infrastructure:**

Description of Site	Network Segment	No. of Units	Unit Cost/Erven	Total Cost
	WWTW	1	R 7 704.65	R 7 704.65
	Pump Stations	1	R 2 540.88	R 2 540.88
	Pipelines: Bulk Sewer	1	R 4193.36	R 4 193.36
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>R 14 438.00</b>
	Reservoirs	1	R 6 636.04	R 6 636.04
	Pipelines: Bulk Water	1	R 3097.54	R 3097.54
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>R 9 733.58</b>
	Road Construction	1	R 6 287.99	R 6 287.99
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>R 6 287.99</b>
	Electricity (per KvA)	1	R 3438.64	R 3 438.64
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>R 3 438.64</b>
<b>TOTAL BULK CONTRIBUTIONS</b>				<b>R 33 897.00</b>

**TARIFF IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

The following programme is proposed for Tariff Implementation Awareness

Proposal for the road show

- Present the capital and operational budget
- Present O&M expenditure and income
- Present future water demand and sources
- Present the proposed tariff
- Present the IDP

Awareness meetings to public sector

- Present the change in tariff

Awareness meetings to industrial sector

- Present the change in tariff

**ELECTRICITY TARIFF OF CHARGES  
PROPOSED FOR 2017/18  
PART 1**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ELECTRICITY TARIFFS ON THE TARIFF BOOK WILL BE AMENDED AS SOON AS THE MUNICIPALITY RECEIVE APPROVAL FROM NERSA.**

**SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY: THE ELECTRICITY TARIFF**

The electricity tariff should be increased by 1.88 % as per the NERSA Draft Guideline on municipal electricity price increase for 2017/18. The municipality must, as a licensed distributor, submit distribution forms to NERSA for the evaluation of the tariff increase application. The proposed tariff increase of 1.88% can be implemented whilst NERSA is considering our application. The municipality must implement an electricity Block tariff with effect from 1 July 2017.

**FREE BASIC ELECTRICITY (FBE)**

All indigents should receive the first 50 KWH for free. Indigents who exceed their free allocation will be subjected to Inclining Block Tariffs (IBT).

**ELECTRICITY CHARGES**

All tariffs are VAT exclusive

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**1. ELECTRICITY**

**1.1 Domestic residential indigent consumers**

These tariffs are applicable to all residential indigent consumers with an ampere capacity limited to 20A per phase.

		<b>(8%) PROPOSED</b>
		2017/18
		<b>c/kWh</b>
(i)	Energy charge (kWh)	0.00
(ii)	Block            1 – 50 kWh	91.75



(iii) Block 51 – 350 kWh 116.40

Free basic electricity to a maximum of 50 kWh per month applies to registered indigent consumers.

Where more than 350 kWh is consumed during a month, the same tariff will be applied as for other domestic residential consumers.

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## 1.2 Domestic residential consumers

These tariffs are available to all residential consumers with a single or three phase connection with an ampere capacity of up to 80A per phase. This tariff consists out of a fixed and energy charge. The tariff is based on the inclining block principle, that is, the more units used, the higher the rate becomes.

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1.2.1 A fixed charge whether electricity is consumed  
Or not, per month or part thereof per point of  
Supply. The amount is charged once per month.

(i)	Single phase	55.99
(ii)	Three phase	75.82

**c/kWh**

1.2.2 Energy charge 84.95\*

(i)	Block	1 – 50 kWh	91.75
(ii)	Block	51 – 350 kWh	116.40
(iii)	Block	351 – 600 kWh	163.59
(iv)	Block	> 600 kWh	193.62

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## 1.3 Domestic residential consumers (lifeline)

This is a new tariff structure and is available to all residential consumers with a single or three phase connection with an ampere capacity of up to 60A per phase with no fixed charge. This tariff consists only out of an energy charge and will suite low to medium consumption residential consumers. The tariff is based on the inclining principle, that is, the more units used, the higher the rate becomes.

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			<b>c/kWh</b>
(i)	Block	1 – 50 kWh	91.75
(ii)	Block	51 – 350 kWh	116.40
(iii)	Block	351 – 600 kWh	163.59
(iv)	Block	> 600 kWh	193.62

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**1.4 Business, industrial & general consumers**

These tariffs are applicable to all business, industrial and general consumers with a single and/or three phase connection with a capacity of up to 80A per phase.

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			<b>R</b>
1.4.1	A capacity charge whether electricity is consumed Or not, per ampere of supply capacity, per month, Per point of supply or part thereof		
			<b>c/kWh</b>
1.4.2	Energy charge		126.80

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**1.5 Business lifeline consumers**

These tariffs are applicable to all business lifeline consumers with a single phase connection with a capacity of up to 40A per phase. This tariff has no capacity charge.

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			<b>c/kWh</b>
1.5.1	Energy charge kWh		129.96

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**1.6 Bulk Consumers – low voltage three phase demand scale (Time of Use)**

These tariffs are applicable to all bulk consumers metered at low voltage with an annual average metered load with a capacity higher than 80A per phase.

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1.6.1	A fixed charge, whether electricity is consumed Or not per point of supply (meter point)	1 452.90
1.6.2	A demand charge per kVa of half hourly Maximum demand payable in peak and Standard periods on weekdays and Saturdays	208.79
1.6.3	A network access charge per kVa of half hourly Maximum demand payable in peak and standard Periods on weekdays and Saturdays	22.93
		<b>c/kWh</b>
1.6.4	An active energy charge for all kWh consumers	
	(i) High demand season (June, July, Aug)	
	• Peak	267.11
	• Standard	258.94
	• Off-peak	168.29
	(ii) Low demand season (Sept – May)	
	• Peak	138.80
	• Standard	85.19
	• Off-peak	60.27
1.6.5	Re-active energy charge (kVA) High demand season (June – Aug)	20.87

**1.7 Bulk Consumers – 11 000 Volt three phase demand scale (Time of Use)**

These tariffs are applicable to all bulk consumers metered at medium voltage where electricity is supplied at 11 000 V.

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		<b>R</b>
1.7.1	A fixed charge whether electricity is consumed or	

	Not per point of supply (meter point)	8
810.16		
1.7.2	A demand charge per KVa of half hourly maximum Demand payable in peak and standard periods on Weekdays and Saturdays	234.52
1.7.3	A network access charge per kVa of half hourly Maximum demand payable in peak and standard Periods on weekdays and Saturdays	22.16
		<b>c/kWh</b>
1.7.4	An active energy charge for all consumers	
	(i) High demand season (June, July, Aug)	
	• Peak	267.11
	• Standard	258.94
	• Off-peak	171.46
	(i) Low demand season (Sept – May)	
	• Peak	138.91
	• Standard	85.19
	• Off-peak	60.27
1.7.5	Re-active energy charge	
	High demand season (June – August)	20.87

Note:

For the purpose of time of use tariffs the defined daily time of use period throughout the year are:

## Peak hours:

- |       |           |                                |
|-------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| (i)   | Weekdays  | 07:01 – 10:00<br>18:01 – 20:00 |
| (ii)  | Saturdays | None                           |
| (iii) | Sundays   | None                           |

## Standard hours:

- |      |           |                                |
|------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| (i)  | Weekdays  | 06:01 – 07:00<br>10:01 – 18:00 |
| (ii) | Saturdays | 07:01 – 12:00                  |

		18:01 – 20:00
(iii)	Sundays	None

## Off-peak hours:

(i)	Weekdays	22:01 – 06:00
(ii)	Saturdays	12:01 – 18:00
		20:01 – 07:00
(iii)	Sundays	00:00 – 24:00

The Technical Services Manager may impose a specific minimum load requirement for qualification for time of use tariff scales.

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### 1.8 Other bulk consumers

This tariff is only available to specific consumers as approved by Council Resolution due to special circumstances. The following charges will be payable:

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kWh peak	-	equal to Eskom megaflex tariff structure plus 10%
kWh standard	-	equal to Eskom megaflex tariff structure plus 10%
kWh off-peak	-	equal to Eskom megaflex tariff structure plus 3%
kVa rh	-	equal to Eskom megaflex tariff structure

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**SCHEDULE 4*****PART 1* REMOVAL OF REFUSE:****THE TARIFF**

<b>Detail</b>	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2016</b>
Removal of domestic refuse, once per week per dwelling or	R 89.18	R94.88
Removal of domestic refuse liable from water connection date for depositing on an arranged point	R34.10	R36.28
Removal of domestic refuse once per week per dwelling at informal settlements	R34.10	R36.28
Sport clubs once per month or part thereof	R89.17	R94.87
Private users i.e. Guest farms etc.) per dumping	R61.98	R65.94
Removal of refuse from business, public hospitals, schools, hostels, etc.	R226.67	R241.18
For bulk refuse the weigh bridge would have to be used and charges be based on the weighed refuse	226.67 per	241.18 per
Chemicals or other environmental hazardous material special charges based on the Accounting Officers discretion would be applied.		

***PART 2*****THE TARIFF: SPECIAL REMOVALS**

<b>Detail</b>	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2016</b>
Bulk removals, from business premises per load or part thereof	R336.43	R357.96
For selling of plastic bags for the removal of garden refuse	Cost +20%	Cost +20%

**PART 3****THE TARIFF: SUNDRY**

<b>Detail</b>	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
Supply of refuse bins or containers	Cost +20%	Cost +20%
Removal of: horse, cattle, donkeys, and mules per carcass	R394.40	R419.64
:foals, calves, sheep, goats, and pigs per carcass	R264.67	R281.60
: dogs and cats per carcass	R173.07	R184.24
Rejection of foodstuffs: the owner shall be responsible for the removal and destruction	Cost +20%	Cost +20%
Departmental use: removal per container per week	R71.75	R76.34
: mass containers per removal	R260.59	R277.29

**SCHEDULE 5 CEMETERIES****THE TARIFFS**

<b>Deceased within the municipal area: booked 2 working days prior to funeral</b>	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
Adults: Thabazimbi in town	R3683.31	R3919.04
Children under 12 years: Thabazimbi	R1469.16	R1563.19
Regorogile; Adults	R848	R902.27
:Children under 12 years:	R477	R507.53
<b>Opening for second burial</b>		
All of Thabazimbi	R635.88	R676.58
<b>Tombstone Approvals</b>		
Single tombstone approval	R120.00	R127.68
Double Tombstone Approval	R228.00	R242.92
<b>For Enlarging of graves</b>		
Per 0,25m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof	R400.00	R425.60

**SCHEDULE 6 FIRE FIGHTING****THE TARIFFS**

<b>Fire Brigade Act, 99 of 1987</b>	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
<b>Charged payable in terms of section 10(1)</b>		
For each fire officer, per hour or part thereof	R94.34	R101.38
For each fireman, per hour or part thereof	R56.59	R60.21
Removal of liquid or other substance	R188.66	R200.73
Pumping of water in or out of swimming pool plus the measured kl of water tariff as determined in Schedule 1 to this document	R188.66	R200.73
Call out fees per hour or part thereof	R904.22	R962.09
<b>Call-out fees &amp; Service fees per hour or part thereof</b>		
Hydraulic platform	R188.66	R200.73
Heavy duty pump unit	R141.49	R150.55
Medium duty pump unit	R113.19	R120.43
Light duty pump unit	R94.34	R101.38
Rescue unit	R113.19	R120.43
Water tanker	R132.08	R140.53
Service vehicle	R56.61	R60.23
Mobile control unit	R170.12	R181.01
Portable equipment	R37.73	R40.14
Use of chemicals and other means	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
Use of water: water tariffs as determined by council from time to time per Schedule 1 to this document.	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
Special services per hour or part thereof, per vehicle in terms of section 3(a)-(d)	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
Refill of oxygen and diving cylinders per cylinder	129.18	137.45

**SCHEDULE 7 BUILDING CHARGES****PART I FIRE HOSES**



	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
Test of fire hoses per hose	R52.78	R56.15

**PART II STREET PROJECTIONS**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
The annual sum payable in respect of each street projection shall be paid to Council annually in the veranda post at street level; each	R303.27	R322.68
Ground floor veranda per m <sup>2</sup> part thereof	R11.55	R12.29
First floor balconies per m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof	R30.32	R32.26
Second and each higher floor balconies per m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof	R30.32	R32.26
Bay windows per m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof, of plan area of projection	R303.24	R325.67322.65
Pavement lights per m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof	R14.18	R15.09
Showcases per m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof	R14.18	R15.09
All other projections below, at or above pavement level including foundation footings per m <sup>2</sup> or part thereof of plan area	R11.55	R12.29

**PART III PLANTING OF LAWN**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
The charge payable for the grading and planting with grass, of any footway or sidewalk	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%

**PART IV PUBLIC BUILDING CERTIFICATE**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
Annual charge payable in respect of each building certificate issued shall be paid at the beginning	R15.21	R16.18

**PART V SIGNS AND HOARDINGS**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
Charges payable in respect of each application shall be paid in advance	R364.27	R387.58

**PART VI APPROVAL OF BUILDING PLANS**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July

		2017
Administration fee, PLUS the following	R264.87	R281.82
New buildings and structures [all over], per m2	R9.52	R10.13
New additions [losses or attached] per m2	R9.52	R10.13
Second dwelling, per m2	R9.52	R10.13
Internal alterations, for each R1000,00 estimated cost	R331.09 plus admin fee plus drainage connection fee where applicable	R352.28 plus Admin fee plus drainage connection fee where applicable
Amending building plans, of paid plan fee	R529.75 plus admin	R 563.65 plus admin
Flats, per m2	R9.52	R10.13
Swimming pool, Lapa and Car Port	R331.09 plus admin fee	R 352.28 plus admin fee
Concrete slabs [re- in forced] per m2	R2.66	R2.83
Re-roofing	R273.07	R290.55
Re-inspection fee	R331.09	R352.28
Petrol pumps, Antennas, Gas installations	R2648.73	R2818.25
Industrial Buildings, per m2	R9.52	R10.13
<b>Building line and height restrictions:</b>		
Street boundary	R860.83	R915.92
Side Space	R662.18	R704.56
Inter Space	R662.18	R704.56
Rear Space	R860.83	R915.92
Height Restriction	R860.83	R915.92
<b>Wall fees:</b>		
0-1.0 meter high, per meter	R10.58	R11.26
0-2.1 meter high, per meter	R15.09	R16.06
2.1 meter [+] higher, per meter	R19.86	R21.13
<b>Drainage [Building fees and inspections:</b>		
New connection	R860.83	R915.92
Single houses and additions, per 50m2	R39.68	R42.22
Amended sewerage plan	R331.09	R352.28
Plan renewal, per m2	R9.26	R9.85
Re-design, per m2	R9.06	R9.64
As built plan	R19.86	R21.13
Provisional drawing, per m2	R9.06	R9.64

**PART VII HIRING OF COUNCIL'S PROPERTY TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
<b>Pavements and parking areas:</b>		
A refundable deposit	R1 094.22	R1 164.25
Hire amount per m2 or part thereof	R15.71	R16.72
<b>Any other land</b>		

A refundable deposit	R1 524.35	R 1621.91
Hire amount per m2 or part thereof	R15.28	R16.26
<b>Hostel per person</b>		
Single	R322.85	R343.51
Double	R493.76	R525.37
Lease of dwellings : Regorogile Extension 2: The tariff of lease will be determined by the Rates		
Rental of house / flats 1846,1868,1862	R1524.35	R1621.91
Market stalls	R290.80	R309.41
Flat rate for houses not receiving accounts ect.Meriting	<b>Hostel per person R901</b>	R958.66

**SCHEDULE 9 TAXI RANKS AND BUS STOPS**

	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
The following charges are payable before 1January of each year		
Taxis, per annum	R947.13	R1 007.75
Busses, per annum	R1 894.27	R2 015.50

**SCHEDULE 10 POSTERS AND SCATTERING OF HANDBILL / MINUTES**

	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
The minimum deposit payable for posters and banners notwithstanding the amount of posters	R486.05	R517.16
An additional deposit payable for each poster more than 50	R8.43	R8.97

**SCHEDULE 11 LIBRARY**

	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
A joining fee per family	R140.20	R149.17
For the late submission of library books, per week or part thereof per book	R10.00	R10.64
Search fees per occasion where library books are not returned to the library	R67.29	R71.60
Replacement of membership card	R24.00	R25.54
Membership fee per adult per year	R72.00	R76.61

Membership fee per child per year	R36.00	R38.30
Average replacement value of books per category		
<b>Category:</b>		
Vernacular	R93.00	R98.95
Afrikaans Fiction	R148.00	R157.47
English Fiction	R288.00	R306.43
Non Fiction	R350.00	R372.40
Study Collection	R547.00	R582.01
Reference	R624.00	R663.94
Junior non fiction	R133.00	R141.51
Junior Fiction	R133.00	R141.51
Audio Books	R468.00	R497.95
<b>INTERNET CAFÉ</b>		
Browsing/downloads: per half-hour or part thereof	R7.00	R7.45
Printing		
A4 Colour	R6.60	R7.02
A4 Black and White	R2.00	R2.13

**SCHEDULE 12 LIBRARY**

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
<b>Issuing of Certificates</b>		
Except where otherwise determined, each applicant for the issuing of any certificate in terms of Ordinance no 17 of 1939 or any other Ordinance which is applicable to the Council, for each such certificate issued	R9.80	R10.42
Issuing of clearance certificate	R18.93	R20.14
Endorsement	R9.05	R9.62
Information supplied	R38.92	R41.41

Tender deposit [not refundable]	R314.42	R334.54
<b>Duplication of Documents</b>		
For the supply of copies of Council's By Laws and Amendments thereof, per set, excluding State Departments		
Per AO	R56.61	R60.23
Per A1	R37.73	R40.14
Per A2	R28.48	R30.30
Per A3	R5.08	R5.41
Per A4	R3.32	R3.53
Issuing copies of agendas of Council's Meetings to a member of Parliament, SABC or the Press	Free	Free
Copies of plans, maps or drawings per copy	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
Levy on post-dated / dishonored cheques & debit orders	R216.35	R230.20
	<b>Tariff as indicated in "SA Hire" Magazine</b>	<b>Tariff as indicated in "SA Hire" Magazine</b>
Deposit	R792.37	R843.08
Hire tariff per day or part thereof	R79.23	R84.30
Installation cost	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
<b>Hiring of public address system or part thereof</b>		
Deposit	R792.37	R843.08
Hire tariff per day or part thereof	R137.71	R146.52
Installation	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
<b>Hiring of colored lights per day or part thereof</b>		
Deposit	R792.37	R843.08
Hire tariff per day or part thereof	R137.72	R146.52
Installation costs	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%
<b>Hiring of chairs per[7] seven days or part thereof</b>		
Tables per table	R122.62	R130.47
Chairs per chair	R13.08	R13.92
Deposit	R1037.62	R1104.03

<b>Hiring of Refuse Bins</b>		
Hire tariff for seven[7] days or part thereof	R30.17	R32.10
Deposit for five[5] bins or part thereof	R1037.63	R1104.03
For the furnishing of information in accordance with the records of Council of any information relating to properties situated within the municipality including the search of the name or address or both of the owner in terms of written request regarding each separate property	R42.26	R44.96
For the inspection of any deed, document or diagram or any such like particulars	R4.18	R4.45
For the endorsement on declaration by purchaser forms, each	R16.04	R17.07
Issuing of valuation certificates	R21.70	R23.09
Endorsement on valuation certificates	R20.75	R22.08
For the search of information	Cost + 20% with a minimum of R53.05 per search	Cost + 20% with a minimum of R56.98 per search
Voters Roll per copy or part thereof	R106.58	R113.40
Valuation Roll and Address list per copy or part thereof	R195.42	R207.93
Info per e-mail per A4	R6.39	R6.80
Use of the internet per hour	R11.21	R11.93
Info per CD	R115.47	R122.86
Fax per A4	R10.22	R10.87

**SCHEDULE 13 INTERESTS ON ARREAR CHARGES**

	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Tariff 1 July 2017</b>
Sundry Debtors and Consumer's account		
Interest at the maximum rate of Prime + 1% shall be levied on all arrear charges if accounts are not settled on or Consumers Debtors registered as Indigent – 0%		

## SCHEDULE 14 RENTALS OF MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

	Prior Year	Tariff 1 July 2017
<b>NB:</b> Rental to be registered in an official register		
<b>Library Hall, Lapa &amp; all other Community Halls except Regorogile</b>		
Rental per day, or part thereof	R433.96	R461.73
Deposit	R433.96	R461.73
Rental for religious and educational purposes	R262.98	R279.81
<b>Community Hall: Regorogile – Extension 1 &amp; 2</b>		
Rental per day, or part thereof	R1131.96	R1204.40
Deposit	R1131.96	R1204.40
Rental and deposit for religions and educational purposes	R262.99	R279.82
<b>Thaba park</b>		
Rental	R2 685.97	R2857.87
Deposit	R2 685.97	R2857.87
Rental for religious and educational purposes	R262.98	R279.81
<b>Northam</b>		
Rental	R1 324.12	R1408.86
Deposit	R1 324.12	R1408.86
<b>General Notice Boards</b>		
Per annum	R792.49	R843.21
Per month	R79.23	R84.30
Other, per annum	R746.22	R793.98

Market-related rentals shall be levied for the lease of municipal properties the proposal on the hostels is a fixed charge of R1 276.80 monthly excluding water and electricity.

**SCHEDULE 15 PROPERTY RATES**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Current Tariff 2016/17</b>	<b>Proposed Tariff 2017/18</b>	<b>Percentage Increase</b>	<b>Rebate for category</b>
Residential properties	0.006502	0.006918	6.4%	30%
State owned properties	0.006125	0.006517	6.4%	0%
Business, Industrial & Commercial	0.006514	0.006931	6.4%	0%
Agriculture	0.001525	0.001662	9%	75%
Vacant land	0.006102	0.006492	6.4%	0%
Municipal rate able	0.001525	0.001623	6.4%	0%
Mining category	0.030000	0.03192	6.4%	0%
Non-permitted use	0.006102	0.006492	6.4%	0%
Public benefit organization properties	0.001525	0.001623	6.4%	30%

**Rationale of Property Rates Tariffs**

The municipality undertook a benchmarking exercise on the surrounding. It was noted Thabazimbi Municipality's rates are the lowest (and the tariffs are not cost recovery) and this is one of the largest contributors to the Municipality current financial status. The municipality notes that the benchmarking exercise on tariffs without adequate considerations of other salient service delivery and Thabazimbi Municipality income demographics would not be complete. Thus, the municipality would not target to necessarily fix its tariffs to those of surrounding municipalities but attempts to equate the tariffs to the level and extent of service delivery targets of the Thabazimbi specific communities.

In addition, there was a historical error on the Business/commercial and state owned properties tariff from prior years which the municipality will address in a three year phases commencing in 2017/18. i.e. in prior years the property rates tariff on businesses was lower than residential.

The mining rate is largely market related after a gruesome battle to try and align it to other municipalities during the 2016/17 financial year. For the Medium Term Revenue and Expenditure period the municipality will comply fully with the recently adopted Settlement Agreement between the Municipality and the Mines. The salient features of the Settlement Agreement are as below:

- The Mining category Tariff will be kept at 3 cents in a Rand for a period of two financial years commencing the 01/07/2015 and subsequent review will be done for the 2017/18 budget year.
- The market values of the Mining properties will be kept for the same period pending prospective review if the General Valuation roll for implementation during 2017/18 financial year.



The Municipality will commence to apply the new supplementary valuation roll on the 01<sup>st</sup> of July 2016 after consideration at the appeals board to address the objections received.

The municipality will continue to endeavour to optimise its revenue streams and to continue to improve on service delivery.

### **Rebates**

#### **Categories of property:**

- (a) Residential properties: The municipality grants a 30% rebate, which applies to improved residential property that is:
  - I. used predominantly for residential purposes, with not more than two dwelling units per property
  - II. registered in terms of the Sectional Title Act
  - III. owned by a share-block company
  - IV. privately developed estates
  - V. A rate-able residence on property used for or related to educational purposes.
- (b) Additional 10% shall be granted to townships with limited services such as Leeupoort, provided the internal services are provided by the owners of the properties/community directly.
- (c) No rebate will be provided to privately developed estates either in operation or not.
- (d) Public benefit Organizations are to be offered a 40% rebate.
- (e) Pensioners who qualifies for indigents households and disabled persons receive additional 70%
- (f) Agricultural property rebate: The municipality grants a 75% rebate, which applies to owners of agricultural properties used for farming purposes.

**SPLUMA TARRIFFS**

<b>FEES FOR LAND USE APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED IN TERMS OF THE PROPOSED MUNICIPAL SPATIAL PLANNING AND LAND USE BY-LAW, 2015 FOR THE 2017/18 FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	
<b>TYPE OF APPLICATION</b>	<b>FEE INCL VAT R</b>
<b>CATEGORY 1 LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS</b>	
1. Amendment of an application:	
a. If already approved by the Municipality	Same as tariff of new application
b. If not already approved by the Municipality	10% of tariff of new application
2. Phasing / Cancellation of approved layout plan	2 128.00
3. Rezoning	
a. Erven 0 – 2500m <sup>2</sup>	2 380.7
b. Erven 2501 – 5000 m <sup>2</sup>	4 461.35
c. Erven 5001 – 10 000 m <sup>2</sup>	8 925.00
d. Erven 1 ha – 5ha	11 898
e. Erven over 5 ha	14 873
4. Removal, amendment, suspension of a restrictive or obsolete condition, servitude or reservation against the title of the land	660.00
5. Amendment or cancellation of general plan of a township	1 867.32
6. Subdivision of land	
a. Basic fee	1 627
b. Charge per subdivision (remainder considered a subdivision)	148
c. Subdivisions into more than 80 erven (Township Establishment)	13 459
7. Permanent closure of a public space (Per Closure)	565.00
8. Development on communal land	5 418

<b>CATEGORY 2 LAND USE APPLICATIONS</b>	
1. Subdivision of land provided for in land use scheme or town Planning Scheme	554.34
2. Subdivision of land	554.34
3. Consent use	1 373
4. The removal, amendment or suspension of a restrictive title condition	660.00

relating to the density of residential development	
5. Departures / Deviation	
a. Erven smaller than 500 m2	489.44
b. Erven 500 – 750 m2	949.09
c. Erven larger than 750 m2	1 702.40
6. Occasional use: other rights	819.28
7. Material amendments to original application prior to approval/refusal	50% of original application fee
<b>MISCELLANEOUS FEES</b>	
1. Extension of validity period of approval	1 261
2. Certificates:	
a. Zoning certificate Per certificate	153.22
b. Any other certificate Per certificate	153.22
3. Public hearing and inspection	3 739
4. Reason for decision of Municipal planning tribunal, land development officer or appeal authority	1 882.22
5. Re issuing of any notice of approval of any application	276.02
6. Deed search and copy of the title deed	175.06
7. Way leave application (application to determine where the Council services are located or a specific area where new services are to be installed.	2 670
8. Any other application not provided for elsewhere in this schedule of fees.	3 704.00
<b>COPIES</b>	
1. Spatial Development Framework	
a. Hard Copy	537.00
b. In electronic format	174.00
2. Copy of Land Use Scheme or Town Planning Scheme (Scheme Book) electronic format	431.00
3. Scheme regulations	716.40
4. Search Fees	Per erf
5. Diagrammes	Per Diagram
	29.00
	29.00

It must be noted that the above mentioned SPLUMA tariffs override all the Land use related tariffs previously approved by the municipality.

Leeuport Game Tariffs

**TARIFFS FOR LEEUPOORT FARM**

Game drive – R164 (own car or farm car) for 1h30

Day visitors – R53