



# FACT SHEET – RIVER WATER – ST GEORGE

## RIVER WATER EXCESS CHARGES – ST GEORGE

Council adopted its budget at a special meeting on 29 June 2023. This information fact sheet is to inform the residential and rural residential property owners in St George of river water excess charges.

Council will commence charging for excess river water usage over an allocation of 1500 kilolitres - to be charged in arrears for the 2022/2023 financial year and appear on the rates notice in August 2023. Consumption notices have been sent to the householder throughout the year to assist residents to monitor their river water usage.

Changes have been made at the budget meeting for properties shown on the attached map in the rural residential water charging area with an allocation of 1794KI.

### When will I receive a consumption notice?

Readings will be completed at the end of every quarter being September, December, March and June. Consumption notices will be sent out three times per annum in October, January and April. The quarter 4 reading and any charges will appear on the August rate notice. Consumption notices have been sent to the householder and can be updated to the property owner's preferred address as outlined below for change of address.

### What if my river water meter reading is showing up blank?

If your consumption notice is showing no reading (ie. blank) we will automatically replace your meter. Usage may be estimated from the last reading recorded (as your first reading) to give you an indication of your quarterly usage.

### What if my reading is over the allocation of 1500KI?

If you use in excess of 1500KI of river water (over the twelve month period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023) then you will receive a charge at the rates below on your August 2023 rate notice.

St George River Water (Residential & Rural Residential)*	New Charges
Excess river water consumption per kilolitre >1501KL <2000KL	0.50
Excess river water consumption per kilolitre >2001KL <2500KL	0.75
Excess river water consumption per kilolitre >2501KL	1.00

### Example of charges:

Less than 1500KI = \$0.00

A reading of 1700KI = \$100.00 (being 200KI over allocation at \$0.50)

A reading of 2500KI = \$625.00 (being 500KL @ \$0.50 = \$250 + 500KL @ \$0.75 = \$375)

A reading of 3000KI = \$1,125.00 (being 500KL @ \$0.50 = \$250 + 500KL @ \$0.75 = \$375 + 500KL @ \$1 = \$500)

### Why the change?

- To remain drought resistant and monitor our river water usage;
- To be transparent in the type of water charges/services to be charged over a property that receives both river and bore water; and
- To provide a similar rate revenue base for council to maintain existing facilities and necessary services.

### Payment Options

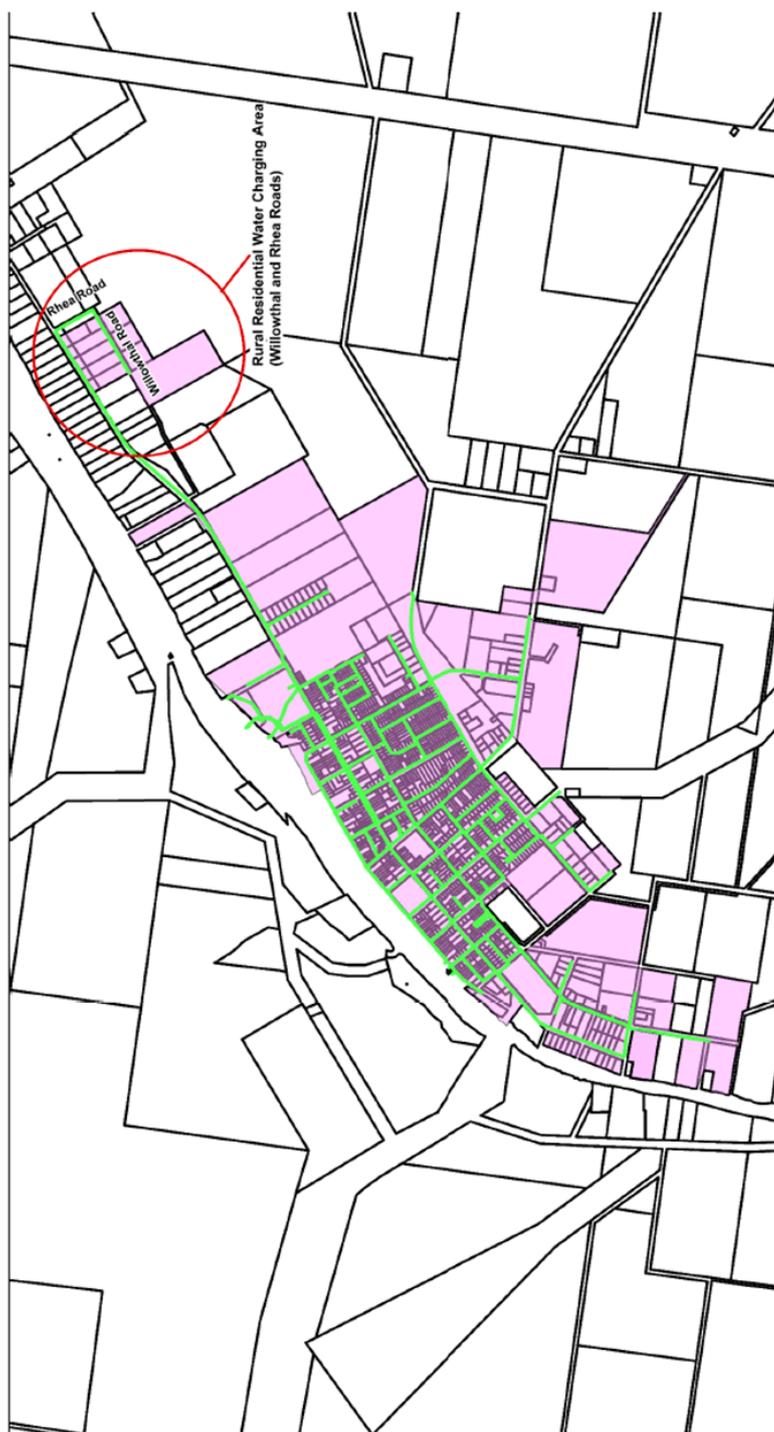
- A payment arrangement can be agreed that will ensure no interest is accrued if the payment arrangement is met;
- Pre-payments can be made prior to levying by contacting Council.

To receive your rate notice by email complete a change of address form located on our website.

For more information refer to the Rates Fact Sheets at [www.balonne.qld.gov.au](http://www.balonne.qld.gov.au) or contact Council on (07) 4620 8888 or at [council@balonne.qld.gov.au](mailto:council@balonne.qld.gov.au) or by post to PO Box 201, St George, Qld 4822.



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## St George River Water Charging Area

- Water\_Main\_and\_SI\_Non\_Potable
- Water\_Service\_Area\_Non\_Potable

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