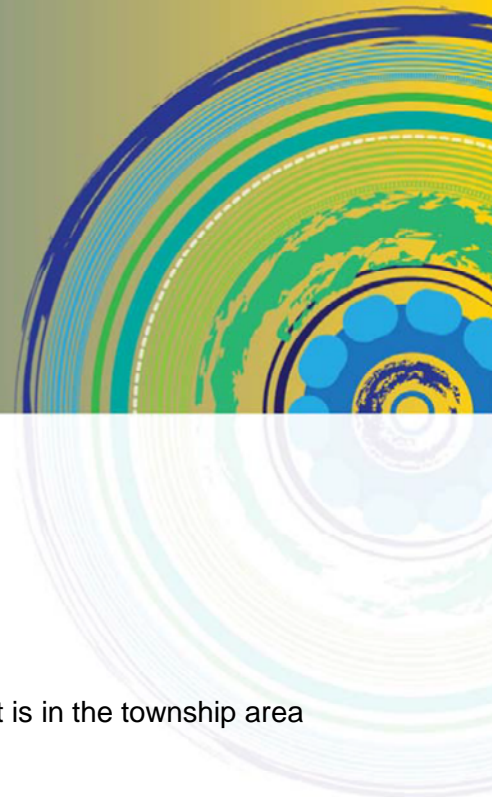


Home ownership on Indigenous communal lands

Responsibilities if you lease a vacant lot



Trustee (Council) responsibilities

The Trustee (Council) is responsible for:

- providing you with the lease documentation
- providing you with services (water, garbage, sewerage) if the lot is in the township area
- charging you for service charges (water, garbage sewerage)
- approving of any dwelling you want to build
- forfeiting (cancelling) of the lease if you don't abide by the lease conditions (i.e. you have to build a house within 8 years)
- approving the sale/transfer of your lease if you decide to sell/transfer your lease.

Your (Lessee) responsibilities

As the land owner you will be fully responsible for:

- ensuring that you abide by the conditions of the lease
- paying for all service charges (water, garbage, sewerage)
- applying to the Council to build a dwelling and obtaining Development Approval to build
- paying for the design and construction of any dwellings on the lot
- constructing an approved dwelling within eight years of the granting of the lease
- keeping the land mowed, free of rubbish and complying with Council Laws
- organising the sale of the land if you want to sell/transfer it.

More information

For more information on home ownership, contact:

- Home Ownership Team DSDSATSIP: 1800 001 931
- DCHDE (formerly DHPW): 07 4036 5520