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**Postponement**

**SECTION 87 POSTPONEMENT OF REQUIREMENT TO PAY RATES**

A local authority must postpone the requirement to pay all or part of the rates on a rating unit (including penalties for unpaid rates) if –

- (1) The local authority has adopted a postponement policy under section 122XA of the Local Government Act 1974; and
  - (a) the ratepayer has applied in writing for postponement; and
  - (b) the local authority is satisfied that the conditions and criteria in the policy are met
  
- (2) The local authority must give notice to the ratepayer –
  - (a) identifying the postponed rates; and
  - (b) stating when, or in the circumstances, the rates will become payable.

**Objective of the Policy:**

Hauraki District Council does not grant postponed payments.