



RATES REMISSIONS

REMISSION OF WATER RATES TO PARTICULAR RATING UNITS

SECTION 85 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (RATING) ACT 2002

(1) A local authority may remit all or part of the rates on a rating unit (including penalties for unpaid rates) if –

(b) the local authority has adopted a remission policy under section 122XA of the Local Government Act 1974; and

(c) 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 identifying the remitted rates.

Objective of the Policy

To standardise procedures for the treatment of water rates where an existing agreement has been made between Council and ratepayer(s) for a discounted water rate.

Conditions and Criteria

- The Council may remit water rates in excess of the amount agreed between Council and the ratepayer(s) where the rates meet the following criteria:
- The agreement must have been approved by Council.
- The ratepayer must have a good prior payment history. Good payment history takes into account the occasions when ratepayers have paid previous instalments of water rates, and other rates, on time.
- The Corporate Services Manager has been delegated authority to grant or refuse remissions under this policy.
- Any appeals against the decision of the Corporate Services Manager will be referred to the Planning and Finance Committee for final determination.