



HARDSHIP POLICY

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OBJECTIVE

To establish guidelines for the General Manager and staff when dealing with ratepayers, suffering genuine financial hardship, with the payment of the ordinary rate and annual charges. To fulfil the statutory requirements of the *Local Government Act, 1993* with respect to the ability to grant provision and give special consideration to ratepayer's subject to financial hardship.

POLICY STATEMENT

Council requires all ratepayers to pay their rate in full by the due date(s). However, Council recognises there are cases of genuine financial hardship requiring respect and compassion in special circumstances. This policy establishes guidelines for assessment of a hardship application applying the principles of fairness, integrity, confidentiality and compliance with statutory requirement.

PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Council officers will conduct themselves with courtesy and respect when dealing with ratepayers and shall maintain the privacy and confidentiality of all ratepayers' personal circumstances. Personal information collected as a result of this policy will only be used for the purpose of assessing eligibility under the policy and will not be used for any other purpose, or disclosed to any person, unless required by law to do so, or authorised to do so by the person to whom that personal information relates.

Privacy will be maintained in accordance with the *NSW Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998*.

ESSENTIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. The applicant must be the owner/spouse, or part owner of the property and be liable for the payment of the rates and annual charges. Council will accept an application from the Power of Attorney of the owner or part owner of the property.
2. The property for which the financial hardship relates to is the principal place of residency.
3. The financial hardship is genuine and can be displayed.
4. The property for which the hardship application applies must be categorised "Residential" for rating purposes and in the "Residential" portion of properties with an apportionment factor for mixed development land granted under Section 14X of the *Valuation of Land Act 1916*.

5. Properties categorised as "Farmland" or "Business" may apply under these hardship provisions for special payment arrangements under Section 564(1) of the *Local Government Act, 1993*.
6. Other personal and family circumstances including age, physical and mental disability, injury and illness of the resident ratepayer or family member living with him/her will be considered.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The application for Hardship Rate Relief must be made on the approved form (**appendix 1**).

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

The application for hardship must be accompanied with supporting documentation which may include, but is not limited to;

- o Reasons why the applicant was unable to pay rates and annual charges when they became due and payable.
- o Copy of bank or financial institutions statements for all accounts.
- o Details of all income and expenditure.
- o Details of all assets and investments.
- o Letter from recognised financial counsellor or financial planner confirming hardship and advising what steps have been taken by the applicant to resolve the reasons for financial hardship.
- o In cases of illness, a letter from a medical professional confirming medical condition causing hardship.

HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE TO ALL RATEPAYERS

Council recognises that ratepayers may experience hardship in some circumstances in paying rates, annual charges. The *Local Government Act, 1993* provides for the following assistance to ratepayers.

- Sec 564 (1) - Council may accept payment of rates and charges due and payable by a person in accordance with an agreement made with the person.
- Sec 564 (2) - Council may write off or reduce interest accrued on rates or charges if the person complies with the agreement.

- Sec 567 (c) - Council may write off accrued interest on rates or annual charges payable by a person if, in its opinion payment of the accrued interest would cause the person hardship.
- Sec 568 - Money paid to a council in respect of rates or charges levied on land is to be applied towards payment of those rates or charges in the order in which they became due.
- Sec 607 – The Regulations may also specify circumstances in which Council may write off rates and charges and interest accrued on unpaid rates and charges.

HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE TO PENSIONERS

- Sec 575 (1) - If an eligible pensioner is the person solely liable, or a person jointly liable with one or more other persons, for a rate or charge levied on land on which a dwelling is situated, the rate or charge is, on application to the council and on production to the council of evidence sufficient to enable it to calculate the amount of the reduction, to be reduced in accordance with this section.
- Sec 577 – Council can make an order deeming certain persons, who are jointly liable with an eligible pensioner(s) or solely liable, but who are not themselves eligible, to be eligible pensioners for the purpose of a mandatory reduction in rates and charges to avoid hardship.
- Sec 582 - Council may waive or reduce rates, charges and interest due by any person prescribed by the regulations who is in receipt of a pension, benefit or allowance under the *Social Security Act 1991* of the Commonwealth.
- Sec 583 (1) - Council is to write off amounts of rates, charges and interest which are reduced or waived under this Division.
- Sec 583 (2) - Council may not take proceedings to recover an amount so written off unless the amount has been written off because of a wilfully false statement in an application under this Division or except as provided by section 584.

CONCESSIONS RELATING TO REVALUATIONS

- Sec 601 (1) - A ratepayer who, as a consequence of the making and levying of a rate on a valuation having a later base date than any valuation previously used by a council for the making and levying of a rate, suffers substantial hardship, may apply to the council for relief under this section.
- Sec 601 (2) - Council has a discretion to waive, reduce or defer the payment of the whole or any part of the increase in the amount of the rate payable by the ratepayer in such circumstances, for such period and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit.

Sec 712 (1) - Proceedings for the recovery of a rate or charge may be commenced at any time within 20 years from the date when the rate or charge became due and payable.

Council may refer ratepayers or customers to welfare agencies or financial advisors for assistance.

The General Manager will have delegated authority for the approval of any Hardship Rate Relief Application up to the amount of \$5,000. For amounts over \$5,000 the decisions must be by resolution of Council.

EXCLUSIONS

Council Fees and Charges (excluding annual charges levied under the *Local Government Act, 1993*) are not covered by Council's Hardship Policy. Waiver of fees and charges will be dealt with separately under Council's Donations, Sponsorships and Waiver of Fees and Charges Policy.

Rates and charges on rental properties are excluded from assistance as it is assumed that the rental income and taxation advantages associated with rental properties would cover rates and annual charges.

CANCELLATION OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP RELIEF

The financial hardship relief arrangement may be cancelled as a result of the following:

1. The ratepayer has defaulted on payment arrangement.
2. The ratepayer no longer owns the land.
3. The ratepayer advises Council that financial hardship no longer applies.
4. Council receives information that the financial hardship no longer exists.
5. The ratepayer has made a willful or inadvertent misstatement in the HardshipRelief Application form.
6. The ratepayer is deceased.

Such cancellation will be at the discretion of the General Manager.

REVIEW PERIOD

Hardship relief applications are to be reviewed after 12 months and ratepayers may be required to reapply.

The ratepayer must advise Council if their circumstances change and they are no longer eligible suffering hardship.

DEFINITIONS

Interest – Interest raised in accordance with the *Local Government Act, 1993* and as adopted by Council in the Revenue Policy and Fees & Charges.

Rateable Valuation – Land value used for rating purposes as supplied by the Valuer General in accordance with the *Valuation of Land Act, 1916*.

Rates and Annual Charges – Rates and annual charges raised in accordance with the *Local Government Act, 1993* and as adopted by Council in the Revenue Policy.

Eligible Pensioner – Means an eligible pensioner as defined in Clause 134 of the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*.

Approved Form – Council's Rate Relief Hardship Application form

PUBLICATIONS

Local Government Act, 1993

Local Government (General) Regulation 2005

NSW Office of Local Government Debt Management and Hardship Guidelines,
Nov 2018

Valuation of Land Act, 1916

Social Security Act 1991

NSW Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998.

Council's Revenue Policy

Council's Donations, Sponsorships and Waiver of Fees and Charges Policy

Appendix 1

HARDSHIP RATE RELIEF APPLICATION FORM

Personal information collected as a result of this application will only be used for the purpose of assessing eligibility under Council's Hardship Policy and will not be used for any other purpose, or disclosed to any person, unless required by law to do so, or authorised to do so by the person to whom that personal information relates. Privacy will be maintained in accordance with the *NSW Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998*.

APPLICANT DETAILS (must be property owner)

Salutation: (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/> Miss	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
First Name:				Surname:	
Street Address:					
Suburb:				Postcode:	
Postal Address: (if different to street address)					
Suburb:				Postcode:	
Phone No:				Mobile:	
Email:					

PROPERTY DETAILS

Assessment Number:					
Street Address:					
Suburb:				Postcode:	
Lot No:				DP No	

SECTION 1: PROPERTY INFORMATION					
a)	Is this property your principal residence?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
b)	If YES, how long have you lived here:				
c)	Is any part of the property tenanted?		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
d)	If YES, provide details:				
e)	Do you own the property?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
	i. By yourself?		Yes		No
	ii. With a spouse?		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
	iii. With another person(s)		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
f)	How many people live at the property?				
g)	Do you own (in full or in part), lease or have A financial or beneficial interest in any other land or building?		Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
h)	If YES, please provide address(es) and details of financial interest:				

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SECTION 2: PENSION / BENEFIT DETAILS		
1.	Do you receive any pensions or benefits? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	If YES, please provide type of pension (e.g.; aged, disability etc.,) and amount received per fortnight:	
	Pension _____ \$ _____	
2.	Do you have a current Pensioner Concession Card (PCC)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	PCC No: _____ Date of Grant: _____	
3.	Have you claimed a Pensioner Concession on any property this year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	If YES, please state the address of the property: _____ _____	
IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD AND YOU HAVE NOT YET CLAIMED A PENSION REBATE, PLEASE COMPLETE A PENSIONER CONCESSION APPLICATION FORM AVAILABLE FROM COUNCIL AS YOU MAY NOT NEED TO CONTINUE COMPLETING THIS FORM. IF CONTINUING PLEASE SIGN PENSIONER DECLARATION SECTION 8.		
SECTION 3a: INCOME		
<i>(State gross weekly/fortnightly amounts received from the following sources of income)</i>		
a)	How much do you receive in pensions & benefits?	Wk / fn
	I. Centrelink or Veterans Affairs Pension	\$
	II. Other Centrelink/Government benefits	\$
b)	What is your gross wage / salary income?	\$
c)	Spouse / partner gross income	\$
d)	Gross income of any other persons residing at the property?	\$
e)	Do you receive income from any other source? (provide details)	
	I. Trust income	\$
	II. Rentals	\$
	III. Insurance Payments / Compensation	\$
	IV. Superannuation	\$
	V. Interest	\$
	VI. Other income (provide details)	\$

NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL**HARDSHIP RATE RELIEF APPLICATION FORM****SECTION 3b: INCOME***(Please provide copies of the most recent bank statements)*

Please provide name & current balance of all bank, credit union or building society accounts held in your name?

Name of Institution	Type of Account	Balance
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$

SECTION 4: ASSETS

Provide details of other non-property assets

	Estimated Value
Car/s	\$
Boats/Watercraft	\$
Motor Bike(s)	\$
Shares	\$
Investments	\$
Furniture	\$
Caravan	\$
Other Assets (provide details)	\$

SECTION 5: EXPENSES

Provide details of your expenses

	Estimated Expense	Wk / fn
Home Loan Repayments	\$	
Personal Loans / Hire Purchase	\$	
Credit Cards	\$	
Health Costs (Where hardship relates to serious illness)	\$	
Council Rates & Charges	\$	
Other mortgages	\$	
Other Expenses	\$	

***Please attach a separate page with any other relevant information you feel may assist your application.**

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SECTION 6: HARDSHIP DETAILS
What is the cause of the hardship? (e.g. illness*, unemployment)
How long have you been experiencing this hardship?
What relief are you seeking from Council? (Options listed under Hardship Assistance to Ratepayers in Policy)
How many children do you support? (State ages)
Which organisations have you sought assistance from due to financial hardship?
Details of recognised financial counsellor, financial planner or similar you have engaged to provide assistance to you? (Please attach relevant documentation)

***Please provide Doctor's report if this application relates to serious illness.**

SECTION 7: DECLARATION	
I hereby declare that the information provided above is true and correct. <i>(If you make a false statement in an application you may be guilty of an offence and fined up to \$2,200).</i>	
Signature	Date / /

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SECTION 8: PENSIONER DECLARATION

This section should only be completed by Pensioners who are in receipt of a Pensioner Concession Card issued by Centrelink or Department of Veterans' Affairs.

APPLICANT CONSENT

This consent will be used for the sole purpose of authorising Centrelink to provide information to Narromine Shire Council, ("the Council") to assess your eligibility in relation to concessions or services provided by Council.

APPLICANT CONFIRMATION

I _____ authorise
(Applicant's name)

- Council to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink or Department of Veteran's Affairs Customer details and concession card status in order to enable the Council to determine if I qualify for a concession; and
- the Australian Government Department of Human Services (the department) to provide the results of that enquiry to the Council. This involves electronically matching details I have provided to the Council with Centrelink or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) records to confirm whether or not I am currently receiving a Centrelink or DVA benefit.

I understand that the department will use information I have provided to the Council to confirm my eligibility for the concession and will disclose to the Council personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.

I understand that this consent, once signed, remains valid while I am a customer of the Council unless I withdraw it by contacting the Council or the department.

I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from the department and provide it to the Council so that my eligibility for the concession can be determined.

I understand if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the concession provided by the Council.

I also understand that this consent, which is ongoing, can be revoked any time by giving notice to the Council.

(Further information about the Centrelink Confirmation eServices is available on Centrelink's website at www.humanservices.gov.au).

I agree that, unless I revoke my consent, this Applicant Consent record is a permanent consent, and may be relied on by the Council until such time as I revoke it.

I acknowledge I have read and understood this Customer Consent record.

Signature: _____ Date: / /

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SECTION 9: CHECKLIST FOR APPLICANTS	
Council will accept this application sought is provided by you. Additional information that you may have that supports your application can be attached. Please ensure all sections are completed.	
I have completed	Yes /No
Applicant Details	
Property Details	
Section 1 – Property Information	
Section 2 – Pension / Benefit Details	
Section 3a – Income Details	
Section 3b – Bank Account Details	
Section 4 – Asset Details	
Section 5 – Expense Details	
Section 6 – Hardship Details	
Section 8 – Pensioner Declaration	

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APPLICANT/S DETAILS (must be property owner/s)			
Given Names			
Surname			
Postal Address			
Suburb			
State		Postcode	
Contact Phone Number		Mobile	
Email			

PROPERTY DETAILS	
Assessment Number	
Property Address	
Lot Number/s	
Deposited Plan/s	

SECTION 1: PROPERTY INFORMATION	
Is this property your principal residence?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes (Please continue with application) <input type="checkbox"/> No (Hardship relief not available for rental properties)
How long have you lived at the property?	
Do you own the property?	
Is there a mortgage on the property?	
How many people live at the property?	

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SECTION 2: PENSION / BENEFIT DETAILS			
Do you receive any pensions or benefit?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes* *Please continue	<input type="checkbox"/> No** **Proceed to Section 3a	
Please provide details of pension (e.g. aged, disability, FHA etc..)			
Amount received per fortnight	\$		
Do you have a Current Pensioner Concession Card (PCC)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
PCC Number		Date of Grant	
Have you claimed a Pensioner Concession on any property this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes* *Please provide address of the property in the space below		
<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>			

IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD AND YOU HAVE NOT YET CLAIMED A PENSION REBATE, PLEASE COMPLETE A PENSIONER CONCESSION APPLICATION FORM AVAILABLE FROM COUNCIL'S CUSTOMER SERVICE & PAYMENT CENTRE AS YOU MAY NOT NEED TO CONTINUE COMPLETING THIS FORM. IF CONTINUING PLEASE SIGN PENSIONER DECLARATION SECTION 8.

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SECTION 3a: INCOME		
<i>(State gross weekly/fortnightly amounts received from the following sources of income)</i>		
SOURCE OF INCOME	AMOUNT	WEEKLY/FORTNIGHTLY
How much do you receive in pensions & benefits?	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
What is your gross wage / salary?	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Spouse/partner gross wage / salary?	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Do you receive income from any other source? (Provide details)		
1. Trust Income	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
2. Rentals	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
3. Insurance Payments/Compensation	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
4. Superannuation	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
5. Interest	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
6. Other Income (Provide details below)	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
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SECTION 3b: BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS		
<i>(Please provide copies of the most recent bank statements)</i>		
Please provide name & current balance of all bank, credit union or building society accounts held in your name?		
NAME OF INSTITUTION	TYPE OF ACCOUNT	BALANCE
		\$
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		\$
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		\$
		\$

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		\$
TOTAL		\$

SECTION 4: ASSETS	
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ITEM	ESTIMATED VALUE
Car/s	\$
Boats/Watercraft	\$
Motor Bike(s)	\$
Shares	\$
Investments	\$
Furniture	\$
Caravan	\$
Other Assets (provide details)	\$

SECTION 5: EXPENSES		
Please provide details of your expenses		
EXPENSE TYPE	ESTIMATED EXPENSE	WEEKLY/FORTNIGHTLY
Home Loan Repayments	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Personal Loans / Hire Purchase	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Credit Cards	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Health Costs (Where hardship relates to serious illness)	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Council Rates & Charges	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Other mortgages	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
Other Expenses	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES		<input type="checkbox"/> WK <input type="checkbox"/> F/N

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How long have you been experiencing this hardship?

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What relief are you seeking from Council? (Options listed under Hardship Assistance to Ratepayers in Policy)

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Which organisations have you sought assistance from due to financial hardship?

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SECTION 6: HARDSHIP DETAILS (Cont'd)

Details of recognised financial counsellor, financial planner or similar you have engaged to provide assistance to you? (Please attach relevant documentation)

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SECTION 7: APPLICANT DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the information provided above is true and correct.
(If you make a false statement in an application you may be guilty of an offence and fined up to \$2,200).

..... Applicant (1) Signature	Date / /
..... Applicant (2) Signature	Date / /

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Signature: _____ Date: / /

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PRIVACY STATEMENT

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HOW TO LODGE

Please email completed form and attachments to mail@narromine.nsw.gov.au, post to Narromine Shire Council, PO Box 115, Narromine NSW 2821 or hand deliver to Council's Customer Service & Payments Centre at 118 Dandaloo Street, Narromine. Further enquiries can be made by phoning 02 6889 9999.

SECTION 9: CHECKLIST FOR APPLICANTS

Please ensure all relevant sections are completed. Incomplete or illegible applications will not be accepted and will be returned to you unprocessed. Personal information collected as a result of this application will only be used for the purpose of assessing eligibility under Council's Hardship Policy

Section	Section Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant/s details	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Property details	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 1: Property Information	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 2: Pension/Benefit details	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 3a: Income	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 3B: Bank Account Details	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 4: Assets	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 5: Expenses	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 6: Hardship details	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 7: Applicant Declaration	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Section 8: Pensioner Declaration (If applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No