



# Pensioners' Rates Policy

## 1 Document Information

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## 2 Summary

Provides the maximum amount Council will write off of pensioners' rates.

## 3 Approvals

Title	Date Approved	Signature
Director of Finance & Corporate Services		

## 4 History

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299/15	Originally adopted	10 November 1977
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13/09/30	Readopted as per s165(4)	17 September 2013
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## 5 Reason

The Act prescribes that Council shall reduce rates due by pensioners by 50% and sets a maximum dollar (\$) amount for the eligible rates. Council will limit its reduction to the amount prescribed in the Act.

## 6 Scope

Applies to eligible pensioners as defined in the Act and to rates and charges specified therein.

## 7 Associated Legislation

Local Government Act 1993

## 8 Definitions

The Act – the Local Government Act 1993

## 9 Responsibilities

### 9.1 General Manager

The General Manager is responsible for the overall control and implementation of the policy.

### 9.2 Directors and Managers

Directors and Managers are responsible for the control of the policy and procedures within their area of responsibility.

## 10 Related Documents

Document Name	Document Location

## 11 Policy Statement

Council will write off only fifty per cent (50%) of pensioners' rates up to the maximum provided under the Act and the balance to remain as a charge on the land (where Council resolves to defer recovery due to hardship).