

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP APPLICATION – OWNER OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL

Council may provide assistance to ratepayers who can prove financial hardship by establishing a payment plan and suspension of interest payable on overdue accounts from the date the application is approved. Interest already incurred will not be removed, however may be waived subject to payment of outstanding rates and adherence to approved payment plans.

Please note: If the application is incomplete, unsigned or does not provide the required supporting evidence it will be returned to you for completion. This will delay assessment of the application.

Please ensure you read Council's Financial Hardship Policy before completing this application form.

Owner 1:	_ Date of Birth:
Preferred Contact Number:	
Email Address:	
Property Address:	
Occupation:	
Owner 2:	_ Date of Birth:
Preferred Contact Number:	
Email Address:	
Property Address:	
Occupation:	
Application type:	
☐ New application for financial hardship	
☐ Review of existing financial hardship application	



Assistance Required:				
Do you wish to apply for a payment plan? Yes □ No □				
Do you wish to apply to have the interest due under the payment plan waived? Yes □ No □				
How long have you been experiencing financial hardship?				
Have you sought advice from a financial counsellor?				
If yes, please attach Statement of Financial Position and complete pages 1 to 3 & page 6 only				
If no, please complete <u>ALL</u> sections of this form				
Name of financial counsellor:				
Contact phone number for financial counsellor:				
What is the cause of financial hardship (e.g. unemployment, illness, domestic violence)? Please provide details and provide as much information as you feel comfortable to help demonstrate the financial hardship				



SECTION A - HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Do you own any other properties?	Yes □	No □
If Yes, please provide details below		

Property Address	Capital Improved Value (CIV)	Site Value (SV)
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

Fortnightly Household Income (please calculate the fortnightly amount if the income is received weekly or monthly) **Income Source** Owner 1 Owner 2 Bank: Bank: Bank Account/s - Please provide bank name and current balance of account \$ \$ Savings & Available Cash \$ \$ Salary and/or Wages \$ \$ Centrelink Benefit/Allowance \$ \$ Property Rental Income (if applicable) \$ \$ Other Source of Income



SECTION B - EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Fortnightly Household Expenditure				
Expenditure	Owner 1	Owner 2		
Mortgage Repayments	\$	\$		
Council Rates	\$	\$		
Groceries	\$	\$		
Dining Out/Takeaway	\$	\$		
Alcohol & Cigarettes	\$	\$		
Medical/Pharmacy	\$	\$		
Electricity & Gas	\$	\$		
Water	\$	\$		
Telephone/Mobile Phones	\$	\$		
Streaming services e.g. Netflix, Disney Plus, Stan etc.	\$	\$		
Internet	\$	\$		
Clothing	\$	\$		
Toiletries/personal care needs	\$	\$		
Private health insurance (if applicable)	\$	\$		
House and Contents Insurance	\$	\$		
Fuel	\$	\$		
Vehicle Running Expenses (registration, insurance, maintenance etc.)	\$	\$		
Child Care	\$	\$		
School Fees	\$	\$		
Other Expenditure – please provide details	\$	\$		



Household Debts/Liabilities				
List all outstanding debts and amounts outstanding				
Expenditure	Owner 1	Owner 2		
Home Loan arrears (if applicable)	\$	\$		
Credit Cards	\$	\$		
Personal Loans	\$	\$		
Car Loan/s	\$	\$		
Other	\$	\$		



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I/we acknowledge that this declaration is true and correct and I make it with the understanding and belief that a person making a false declaration is liable in a court of law

I/we acknowledge that I/we are seeking consideration due to financial hardship as shown in this application

I/we acknowledge that if I/we default on the payment arrangement, Council has the right to proceed with full recovery of the debt without further notice

I/we acknowledge that additional recovery costs may be incurred by me/us if in default of the payment arrangement

I/we understand that Council may refuse this application Signature Owner 1: Date: Signature Owner 2: Date:

SECTION C - SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION Please ensure application is submitted with supporting documentation: ☐ Completed application form ☐ If applicable: letter from Financial Counsellor outlining how long you have been seeking advice and confirming they believe the establishment of a payment plan and/or waiver of interest would assist with your financial situation ☐ If applicable: Statement of Financial Position provided by Financial Counsellor Doctors Certificate if hardship is illness related Completed application forms must be posted with all attached supporting evidence to:

Moira Shire Council PO Box 578 COBRAM VIC 3644

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