## **Application Form**

### About this form

This form is to be completed by ratepayers who are presently suffering financial hardship and wish to receive consideration with regards to the payment of their Land Rates. The information provided by completing this form will enable Council to determine the eligibility for financial hardship support under Maitland City Council's Hardship Policy.

#### How to complete this form

- 1. Please note that all fields on this form are mandatory and must be completed before submitting the application.
- 2. Once completed you can submit this form electronically, by mail, or in person. Please refer to the lodgement details section for further information.
- 3. Ensure you include all supporting documentation to support your claim.

PART 1: YOUR INFORMATION	
Assessment	
Full name	
Email	
Address	
Suburb	
Postcode	
Phone number	
Do you receive any pensions or benefits? Please indicate what time of pension.	□ Yes □ No



Are you employed	🗆 Yes 🗆 No
Is this work	□ Full time □ Part time □ Casual □ Seasonal
	□ Other
If yes, please provide details of employer (name, address, phone number etc)	
List all other people living at the property	
Do you receive any rent or board from any resident at this property?	□ Yes □ No
If yes, how much do you receive?	\$ □ Per week □ Fortnight □ Month
How long have you been experiencing hardship?	
What is the cause of this hardship?	□ Loss of employment □ Natural disaster
	□ Financial over commitment □ Pensioner
	□ Relationship breakdown □ Illness
	Deal of an immediate family member
	□ Other (please specify):

PART 2: FINANCIAL STATEMENT			
WEEKLY INCOME			
YOU		YOUR PARTNER	
Net wage / salary (after tax)	\$	Net wage / salary (after tax)	\$



Centrelink benefit	\$	Centrelink benefit	\$
Family Tax A or B	\$	Family Tax A or B	\$
Other income	\$	Other income	\$
WEEKLY EXPENSES			
Mortgage	\$	Health Fund Contributions	\$
Rent	\$	School Expenses	\$
Personal or Car Loan	\$	Hobbies and Sports	\$
Credit Cards or Other Debt	\$	Pets	\$
Food	\$	Entertainment	\$
Electricity/Gas/Water	\$	Holidays	\$
Telephone/Internet	\$	Alcohol / Cigarettes	\$
TV Subscriptions (Foxtel, Netflix etc)	\$	Gambling	\$
Motor Vehicle Running Costs	\$	Other (specify):	\$
Insurance	\$		
LIABILITIES (WHAT YOU OWE)			
Mortgage/ home loan - Lender:	\$	Centrelink loan	\$
Car Ioan – Lender:	\$	Child support	\$
Personal / other loan	\$	HECS debt	\$
Lender:	\$	Payment plans with other utilities details	\$



Credit cards (total)	\$ Loans to family and friends	\$
Store cards / After pay / Zipay etc (total)	\$ Other debts (please specify)	\$

#### PART 3: REPAYMENT PROPOSAL

In order for Council to approve financial hardship support, a suitable payment proposal must be in place.

Are you able to make an immediate lump sum payment?	□ Yes □ No
	If yes, please indicate how much:
	\$
Please indicate your proposed repayment amount	\$
How often will you make your payments	□ Weekly □ Fortnightly □ Monthly

Please note, this repayment proposal is not yet accepted by Council and is pending the assessment of this application.

#### **PART 4: DECLARATION**

- 1. I hereby declare that the information provided is true and correct at the time of completing this form.
- 2. I agree to notify Council if my financial circumstances as outlined in this form change.

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(print full name)

(signature)

(date)



# Information for applicants

Council will ONLY accept this application if all fields are completed correctly and required information is provided.

Any additional information or documentation that you may have that supports your Financial Hardship Application should be included in order for Council Officers to make an accurate and fair assessment.

Council Officers may contact you to request additional information or to request a meeting to discuss this application in more detail.

You will receive a formal response from Council once your application has been assessed. Please allow 14 days for processing.

I have completed:	□ Part 1: Your information	
	Part 2: Financial Statement	
	Part 3: Payment Proposal	
	□ Part 4: Declaration	
	□ Attached supporting documents (required: payslip or Centrelink statement)	

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