

Application for change in land categorisation for rating purposes

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ASSIST YOU WITH YOUR APPLICATION

All applications for a change to rating category are subject to Section 525 and 523 of the Local Government Act, 1993 as follows:

Section 525 - Application for change of category

- (1) A rateable person (or the persons agent) may apply to Council at any time:
 - (a) For a review of a declaration that the person's rateable land is within a particular category for the purposes of Section 514 : or
 - (b) To have the person's rateable land declared to be within a particular category for the purposes of that section.
- (2) An application must be in the approved form, must include a description of the land concerned and must nominate the category the applicant considers the land should be within.
- (3) The Council has declared the land to be within the category nominated in the application unless it has reasonable grounds for believing that the land is not in that category.
- (4) If the Council has reasonable grounds for believing that the land is not within the nominated category, it may notify the applicant of any further information it requires in order to be satisfied that the land is within that category. After considering any such information, the Council must declare the category for the land.
- (5) The Council must notify the applicant of its decision. The Council must include the reasons for its decision if it declares that the land is not within the category nominated in the application.
- (6) If the Council has not notified the applicant of its decision within 40 days after the application is made to it, the Council is taken, at the end of the 40 day period, to have declared the land to be within its existing category.

Section 526 – Appeal against declaration of category

- (1) A rateable person who is dissatisfied with:
 - (a) The date on which a declaration is specified, under Section 521, to take effect on; or
 - (b) A declaration of a Council under Section 525, May appeal to the Land & Environment Court
- (2) An appeal must be made within 30 days after the declaration is made.
- (3) The Court, on appeal, may declare the date on which a declaration is to take effect or the category for the land, or both, as the case requires.

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Owner Details (or Agent)	Name/s: Company: Contact Name (if Company): Postal Address: Telephone (daytime): Mobile:
Rateable Property Details	Property Address: Suburb / Town / Village: Lot / DP Number: Current Category or Sub Category of the land: Details of present and recent uses of the land (if known) Is the land vacant? If no, describe buildings or structures on the land: Proposed Category or Sub Category of the land:
Reason for Change
Signature of Owner/Agent Date:.....

Should you have any questions regarding your application please do not hesitate to contact Council's Rates Staff on (02) 4429 3210 during normal office hours.

Please return completed application to:
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