

WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICES COMMUNITY SERVICE OBLIGATION POLICY (COMMUNITY POLICY)

1 Scope:

This policy applies to eligible community organisations and individuals within the Rockhampton Regional Council region requesting the waiving of fees or concession of waste and recycling services under Rockhampton Regional Council's community service obligations.

2 Purpose:

To establish criteria for the assessment of requests for free or concessional waste and recycling services under Council's community service obligations.

3 Related Documents:

Primary

Nil

Secondary

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Waste and Recycling Services Community Service Obligation Procedure

Waste and Recycling Services Community Service Obligation Request for Assistance Form

4 Definitions:

To assist in interpretation, the following definitions apply:

Community Organisation	As per schedule 8 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> : a) An entity that carries on activities for a public purpose; or b) An entity whose primary objective is not directed at making a profit.
Community Service Obligation	As per Section 24 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> : An obligation the local government imposes on a business entity to do something that is not in the commercial interests of the business entity to do, for example, giving a price concession to a particular group of customers.
Council	Rockhampton Regional Council
Eligible Individual	The owner or tenant of a property within the Rockhampton Regional Council area who is able to demonstrate a specific

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	project which benefits the community in the council Region.
Recycled Green Waste Product	Mulch
Region	Area defined by the electoral boundaries of Rockhampton Regional Council

5 Policy Statement:

Council has adopted a community service obligation to provide support through the waiver or a concession of charges for community organisations for the disposal of waste generated within the Region and related to charitable, cultural, educational, social welfare, sporting or recreational purposes; and the provision of recycled green waste product.

To provide for a fair and consistent approach in relation to requests received. Delegated Council officers assess applications received in relation to need, in accordance with the Waste and Recycling Services Community Service Obligation Procedure and based on the following criteria:

- Community organisation or individual's capacity to meet waste disposal costs;
- Level of community service the organisation or individual provides; and
- Efforts to reduce waste, including collaboration with other agencies.

6 Review Timelines:

This policy will be reviewed when any of the following occur:

- 6.1** The related information is amended or replaced; or
- 6.2** Other circumstances as determined from time to time by the Council.

7 Responsibilities:

Sponsor	Chief Executive Officer
Business Owner	General Manager Community Services
Policy Owner	Manager Communities and Facilities
Policy Quality Control	Corporate Improvement and Strategy

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