

FP018 – Rates Instalment Plan

1. Intention

To allow consideration for an alternative payment arrangement other than those specified in the *Local Government Act 1995*.

2. Scope

This policy applies to ratepayers of the Shire of Waroona.

3. Statement

In accordance with section 6.49 of the *Local Government Act 1995* Council will permit the payment of rates and charges by instalments in excess of four payments. Such approvals shall be given in extenuating circumstances only and conducted within the following guidelines:

1. Minimum amount due to qualify for additional instalment shall be \$100.
2. Applications must be by agreement of the official form.
3. Minimum repayment amount per instalment be set at \$50 per fortnight.
4. Repayments are to be made by means of electronic funds transfer from a nominated bank account and evidence of this arrangement is to be provided.
5. Instalment plan to be completed by 30th June of each rating financial year.
6. An administration charge of \$40 per agreement shall apply.
7. Maximum number of instalments based on weekly contribution be set at 20 within the financial year applicable.

4. Legislative and Strategic Context

The *Local Government Act 1995* and the associated subsidiary legislation provide the broad framework within which this policy operates.

5. Review

This policy is to be reviewed as required.

6. Associated Documents

Nil.

Division	Finance
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Contact Officer	Manager Corporate Services
Related Legislation	Local Government Act 1995

Related Shire Documents		Nil			
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