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| Policy title: | SALE OF LAND FOR UNPAID RATES AND CHARGES POLICY |
| Policy number: | 1.5.13 |
| Objective: | To set out the process to be followed when Council considers selling land for unpaid rates and charges |
| Link to community vision/service: | Civic Leadership/Management |
| Program Area: | Finance |
| Policy created: 14/2/2012 | Council reviewed: 14/2/2012 |
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Background:

Local government councils are given power to sell land for the purpose of recovering overdue rates and charges under the Local Government Act 1993, Chapter 17, Part 2, Division 5. Council must strictly comply with the legislative requirements.

Process:

1. Council is to meet all its legislative requirements in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, Chapter 17, Part 2, Division 5, (Section 713 to 726) for the sale of land for unpaid rates and charges.
2. A statement of rates and charges information including but not limited to a history of debt recovery/collection action taken, any hardship application outcome, pensioner status, etc, relating to the land being considered to be sold for unpaid rates and charges is to be submitted to Council.
3. The information in 2. is to be submitted to Council at the same time as the report recommending Council approval to sell land for unpaid rates and charges.
4. The Council will meet shortly before the public auction to consider any arrangement not considered satisfactory for the payment of all outstanding rates and charges.