

## POL 2.4 Deferred Payments for Rural Extensions

### Purpose

The intent of this policy is establish the parameters for deferred payment arrangements for landowner contributions for rural mains extensions.

### Policy Objectives

The objective of this Policy is to:

- Provide clear guidance to Council staff in making arrangements with landowners to facilitate time payment arrangements for their costs in paying for rural mains extensions.
- Provide information to members of the public about what arrangements can be made for deferred payment for rural mains extensions.
- Ensure that a consistent approach is made for deferred payment arrangements at low cost.
- Ensure that rural consumers are assisted in access to an affordable potable water supply.

### Scope

This policy is applicable to landowner contributions for rural mains extensions only.

### Definitions

<b>Rural Mains Extension</b>	Rural non-urban extension and connection to lots over 20 hectares.
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## Policy

Applications for rural mains extensions are to be made formally in writing. All offers made by Council for deferred payments will be on the same basis in accordance with this policy.

A provision is to be included in the acceptance letter from the landowner, agreeing to Council applying the applicable local government interest rate to outstanding amounts, in the case of default.

The policy allows for costs up to \$50,000 to be spread over five annual payments.

The first payment is to be made prior to work commencing, meaning that the series is over 48 months.

For any extension costing over \$50,000, the applicant can still benefit under the policy by paying the value above \$50,000 up front, prior to work commencing.

Rural non-urban extensions and connections to lots over 20 hectares may pay the costs under a deferred payment scheme which recognises the long distances involved. The specific terms are that:

- The components of cost that qualify for deferred payments include the extension costs and development servicing charge (headworks), but not the service connection fee.
- Payments up to the value of \$50,000 are to be paid in five equal instalments at 0, 12, 24, 36 and 48 months.
- Payments over the value of \$50,000 to be paid with the balance above \$50,000 paid at 0 months and the remainder over 48 months as above.
- 0 months is immediately prior to the commencement of construction

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