Kaipara District Council

Early Payment of Current Year Rates Policy





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Primary Audience	External	Business owner	Finance		
Policy type	Statutory voluntary	Act	Local Government Act 2002		
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Early Payment of Current Year Rates Policy

In accordance with section 55 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, which empowers councils to accept early payment of rates, Council will accept payment in full of all rates assessed in the current year on or before the due date for the first instalment of the year. Early payment of rates will attract neither a discount, nor interest on the sum paid.

Early Payment of Rates for Subsequent Years Policy

1.1 Overview and Background

The objective of this policy scheme is to assist ratepayers who want to make payment of specified rates (Wastewater - Mangawhai Capital Contribution targeted rates A, D, E and F) in anticipation of liability for the specified rates in subsequent financial years. This Policy is made under section 56 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002. Its effect is to provide ratepayers with the opportunity to extinguish their liability in relation to the Mangawhai Wastewater Capital Contribution sooner than under the long term rating option, and at a discount to the amount payable over time.

This policy is limited to the rates listed under the conditions and criteria. Council will accept payment of other rates for subsequent financial years not listed in the conditions and criteria below. However, early payment of these rates will attract neither a discount, nor interest on the sum paid.

1.2 Conditions and Criteria

- 1. Definition: "specified rates" means any one of the following targeted rates:
 - Wastewater Mangawhai Capital Contribution A
 - Wastewater Mangawhai Capital Contribution D
 - Wastewater Mangawhai Capital Contribution E
 - Wastewater Mangawhai Capital Contribution F
- 2. As long as a rating unit is subject to one of the specified rates, the ratepayer may, at any time before the due date for the last instalment of rates payable in that financial year, pay an amount calculated in accordance with this Policy to clear the rating unit's liability for the specified rate for all future years.
- 3. The sum to clear the rating unit's liability will equal the original principal amount (excluding GST) applying to that specified rate, less the principal and interest paid (excluding GST), plus GST.

4. In the financial years 2024/2025, 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 the amount of the payment to clear a rating unit's liability will be:

Schedule of Wastewater – Mangawhai Capital Contribution Targeted Rates	Liability per unit if paid in 2024/2025 financial year (GST incl)	Liability per unit if paid in 2025/2026 financial year (GST incl)	Liability per unit if paid in 2026/2027 financial year (GST incl)
Wastewater – Mangawhai Capital Contribution A	\$6,992.18	\$6,804.94	\$6,604.60
Wastewater – Mangawhai Capital Contribution D	\$4,067.65	\$3,782.03	\$3,476.45
Wastewater – Mangawhai Capital Contribution E	\$4,582.42	\$4,296.42	\$3,990.43
Wastewater – Mangawhai Capital Contribution F	\$5,120.68	\$4,835.35	\$4,530.08

- 5. Elections must be in writing and addressed to the General Manager Corporate Services or Revenue Services Manager.
- 6. The Council will credit the payment in accordance with the Policy.
- 7. The discount offered by electing to make a payment in accordance with this Policy equals the Council's estimate of the cost of interest (plus GST) over the estimated term of the specified rate.

1.3 Delegation of decision-making

Decisions about applying the discount will be made by the Revenue Services Manager, General Manager Corporate Services or Chief Executive.