# Rates Postponement on Maori Land Policy

# **Background**

The Rates Postponement on Maori Land policy explains the circumstances where rate relief can be granted.

#### **Purpose**

To facilitate the development and use of the land for economic use where Council considers utilisation would be uneconomic if full rates are required during the years of development and establishment.

### **Policy Statement**

#### **Conditions and criteria**

Council will consider postponement of rates where previously unoccupied land is subject to development.

Application should be made prior to commencement of the development. Applications made after the commencement of the development may be accepted at the discretion of Council.

Making application should include the following information in their applications:

- (i) details of the property
- (ii) the objectives that will be achieved by providing postponement
- (iii) details of the proposed development

Council will consider postponement for each individual application according to the circumstances of that application.

No postponement will be granted on targeted rates for water supply, sewage disposal, or refuse collection.

Council may also, at is discretion, partially remit rates that are otherwise subject to postponement.

## **Delegations**

The following position holders have delegated authority from Council using the policy principles above:

### **Finance and Corporate Services Group Manager**