

Title: Waiving of Planning and Building Permit fees for Community Groups

Type: Council

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Revision History:

Date	Action	Who
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1. Purpose

To provide direction on requests from community groups to waive planning and building permit fees.

2. Rationale

The Council is regularly presented with requests from community groups to waive the permit fees associated with the use of land for building projects undertaken or community events. The projects are often part funded by government and council funds.

The Council recognises that the cost to the Council in the form of revenue forgone will be approximately \$5,000 per annum.

3. Scope

This policy applies to planning and building permit fees requests.

This policy does not apply to other permit fees such as road opening and local laws.

This policy does not apply to commercial activities and government organisations.

Applications must demonstrate that they are consistent with the Council's objective to promote safe, healthy, active communities.

4. Policy

All requests from community groups to waive planning and building permit fees (with the exception fees payable to third parties) associated with a community project or events will be waived.

To be eligible, the community group must have a base in the Murrindindi Shire.

The Chief Executive Officer will put accounting processes in place to recognise the financial implications of this policy and provide details of the fees waived in the Annual Report.

5. Supporting Documents

Council plan

Planning and Building department procedures

6. Related Policies

Community Grant Program

7. Governance

This policy is of interest to all Councillors

8. Portfolio and/or Riding Councillor Input

Councillor Workshop sessions.

9. Responsible Officer

This policy will be administered by the General Manager Sustainability.

10. Human Rights Charter

This policy does not contravene the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities.