




DISTRICT COUNCIL OF KAROONDA EAST MURRAY

PLANT HIRE/PRIVATE WORKS POLICY

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1. INTRODUCTION

Council operates major plant on a day to day basis for its various services to the ratepayers. This includes road construction and maintenance, street kerbing and footpaths, driveways, maintenance of street trees, buildings, parks and reserves, cemeteries, public conveniences etc etc.

Council sets an internal plant hire rate for its major plant that covers the costs of operating the major plant. Costs taken into consideration include registration and insurance, fuels and oils, repairs and maintenance, depreciation and administration costs. Council computer system records the cost of operation on a fortnightly basis for each item of major plant. A plant hire rate is set based on kilometres or hours of usage to recover the operating costs against the job.

The plant hire rate is reviewed regularly to ensure Council is recovering those operating costs and this rate is reviewed and adopted in the normal budget process.

Similarly an external plant hire rate is set when Council is requested to undertake private works for its residents or ratepayers. Council recovers the full cost of the private works provided.

Council does not generally dry hire plant or machinery.

2. SCOPE

This policy is designed to provide guidance on private work requests acknowledging that councils core business activities do not include private works. Council will consider private work requests where after assessment by the General Manager Assets, Infrastructure and Regulatory Services it is determined that:

- Council is currently operating in the area;
- The works will not unduly delay councils current work program; AND
- The requested works are within the capabilities of council staff and machinery; AND
- There is a benefit to rate payers.

This work will be charged out at the rate determined by council for external plant hire which is inclusive of all labour and overheads and material costs.

Meeting all of the above requirements does not mean that works will be approved.

3. REQUESTS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

From time to time council will approve requests from other local and State government entities. Rates charged for this work will be on a job by job basis and at a minimum will be cost neutral.

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

4.1 This Policy will be kept on the Council's website for the public to view.

4.2 However, Council may revise or review this Policy at any time (but not so as to affect any process that has already commenced).

5. DOCUMENT CONTROL

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