PRIVATE WORKS AND OVERDUE RATES

Objective

To reduce the risk of carrying out private works for people unable or unwilling to pay for such works

Scope

- Ratepayers who have arrears on their rates and charges due to Council

- Individuals and organisations with debtor arrears:

Policy

That Council adopt the following policy for the treatment of private works requests from ratepayers with overdue rates and charges and/or individuals or organisations with debtor arrears:

Should a Gilgandra Shire ratepayer and/or individual or organisation approach Council for any type of private works and, at the time the request is made, have outstanding rates and charges or overdue debtor account, the following steps are to be taken:

- They are to be informed that Council policy states private works cannot be entered into until the outstanding debts are either paid in full or that a suitable payment arrangement is agreed upon;

- If they agree to pay the outstanding debts in full, the private works may be entered into once the payment has been received by Council;

- if the ratepayer and/or individual or organisation wishes to negotiate a payment arrangement, they are to be referred to the Rates/Debtors Clerk who is to determine a suitable arrangement;

- if a suitable payment arrangement is agreed upon, the Rates/Debtors clerk is to advise the Council officer who is handling the private works request of the agreement and the private works may be entered into.

Should a request for private works be received from a Gilgandra Shire ratepayer and/or individual or organisation who has continually made payment arrangements for outstanding rates and charges or debtor arrears that have not been adhered to, the private works cannot be entered into without the approval of the department Director or the General Manager.

Relevant Legislation

Nil

Associated Documents

Nil

Responsible Officer:	Director Infrastructure		
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