



DVA Gold Card Holders Policy

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| Date policy was adopted by Council: | 22 April 2009 |
| Resolution number: | 141/09 |
| Previous Policy review date: | November 2013 |
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1 OUTCOMES:

To provide an economic benefit to holders of Department of Veteran Affairs Gold Card Holders similar to entitlements that eligible pensioners receive under Section 575 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

2 POLICY:

The Queanbeyan City Council shall allow holders of the Department of Veteran Affairs Gold Card an allowance equivalent to the deduction that an eligible pensioner would receive in respect of all ordinary rates and charges for domestic waste management, water supply special rates and charges, and sewerage special rates and charges, (*currently up to \$425*) in respect of similar rates and charges for their principle residence in Queanbeyan.

Any such allowance granted will be treated by the Council as a donation in accordance with Section 356 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Each year the Council shall provide in the Integrated Reports a budget provision equivalent to the estimated annual cost of providing such an allowance.

Any such allowance shall not be included in the claim prepared by the Council for reimbursement of rate and charges discounts allowed under Section 575 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

3 DEFINITIONS:

Nil


4 LEGISLATIVE OBLIGATIONS AND/OR RELEVANT STANDARDS:

Section 356 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

Section 575 of the *Local Government Act 1993*

5 PERFORMANCE INDICATOR:

Number of Department of Veteran Affairs Gold Card Holders that receive the allowance.

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| PROCEDURES/GUIDELINES:- | | |
| Date Procedure/Guideline (if any) was developed: | | Nil |
| RECORDS:- | | |
| Container Reference in TRIM: Policy | | SF080616 |
| Container Reference in TRIM: Procedure | | Nil |
| Other locations of Policy: | | Intranet (linked to TRIM Container) |
| Other locations of Procedures/Guidelines: | | Intranet (linked to TRIM Container) |
| DELEGATION (if any):- | | Nil |
| RESPONSIBILITY:- | | |
| Draft Policy developed by: | | Manager Legal and Internal Services |
| Committees (if any) consulted in the development of the Draft Policy: | | Nil |
| Responsibility for Implementation: | | Revenue Accountant |
| Responsibility for Review of Policy: | | Revenue Accountant |
| INTEGRATED PLANNING FRAMEWORK: | | |
| Community Strategic Plan: | | Strategic Priority No. 6 |
| Delivery Program Title: | | Revenue Accounting |
| Operational Plan: | | Program No. 805 |
| Senior Authorising Officer | Position General Manager | Signature/Date  23 April 2009 |

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| DATE REVIEWED | REVIEWER POSITION | REVIEWER NAME |
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| 18 April 2011 | Revenue Accountant | Barry Thomas |
| November 2013 | General Manager | Gary Chapman |