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FIRST HOME OWNER ASSISTANCE GUIDELINES

RATIONALE/BACKGROUND

Council recognises that it can be difficult for first home buyers to purchase an affordable home, and considers that the provision of financial assistance will assist first home purchasers considering the purchase of a home and will contribute to the economic development of the municipality.

OVERVIEW

Council considers it appropriate to provide a one-off payment of \$750 to support first home owners in the initial period of owning a new residence.

GUIDELINE

- 1. Claimants will be required to submit an application to the General Manager, accompanied by a Statutory Declaration stating that they have not previously owned a home within Australia. To avoid conflict of interest, the Statutory Declaration is not to be witnessed by Council Staff.
- 2. Following administrative processing of the claim, the General Manager is to arrange a one-off payment of \$750, to be credited to the Council General Rates account of the relevant property purchased and not offered as a cash refund.

REFERENCES AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

First Home Owner Assistance Policy CP004

First Home Owner Assistance Application with Statutory Declaration FW 16 025 1

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