

## Replacement Page 146 – under 2.3 REMISSION OF TARGETED RATES ON PROPERTY UNDER DEVELOPMENT OR EARTHQUAKE STRENGTHENING

### **Policy objective**

To reduce the adverse financial impact of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on land used principally for games or sports, occupied by clubs that hold a club liquor licence and no longer qualify as 50 percent non-rateable.

### **Conditions and criteria**

All applications must be received in writing using the Wellington City Council 'Application for Remission' form. A remission under this policy will apply for one year only. Applicants must reapply annually. The application for a rate remission must be made prior to the commencement of the rating year (1 July). Successful applications received during a rating year will be applicable from the commencement of the following year. No applications will be backdated. For the avoidance of doubt, this policy specifically excludes chartered clubs and clubs holding permanent charters.

## **2.3 REMISSION OF TARGETED RATES ON PROPERTY UNDER DEVELOPMENT OR EARTHQUAKE STRENGTHENING**

### **Remission statement**

The Council may remit part or all of the commercial sector and downtown targeted rates on land classified under the Council's *commercial, industrial and business differential* as defined within our Funding Impact Statement Rating Mechanisms, where the property is deemed to be 'not fit for purpose' due to the property being under development or due to the existing building being earthquake strengthened.

The Council may remit part or all of the Base sector targeted rate on land classified under the Council's *Base differential* (including residential) as defined within our Funding Impact Statement Rating Mechanisms, where the property is deemed to be 'not fit for purpose' due to earthquake strengthening.

### **Policy objective**

To provide rates relief for property temporarily not fit for purpose due to the property undergoing development or earthquake strengthening and therefore not receiving the benefits derived by contributing to the commercial, residential or downtown targeted rates.

### **Conditions and criteria**

To enable the remission statement above, 'not fit for purpose' is defined in this policy as where:

- a. the property (rating unit) will not hold sufficient consents to permit occupation and,
- b. the property (rating unit) will not be used for any purpose, apart from the construction of buildings, premises or associated works, or earthquake strengthening works and
- c. the property (rating unit) will not generate any revenue stream

The above criteria apply to, and must be met by, an entire rating unit as identified in the Council's rating information database (RID) and apply only for the period the building is not 'fit for purpose'.

## **2.4 REMISSION OF VOLUNTARY RESIDENTIAL METERED WATER RATES**

### **Remission statement**

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The Council may grant a remission on a voluntary residential metered water rate where excess water consumption has occurred due to a leak beyond the point of supply on the ratepayer's property. The excess water consumption may only be remitted to the level of the current Greater Wellington Regional Council bulk water rate.