#### NAMBUCCA VALLEY COUNCIL



# WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE AVAILABILITY CONDITIONS POLICY NO: ES 18

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## Our Vision

Nambucca Valley ~Living at its best.

# Our Mission Statement

'The Nambucca Valley will value and protect its natural environment, maintain its assets and infrastructure and develop opportunities for its people.'

#### 1.0 Policy objective

To define the compulsory waste collection area, the means of exemption, and modifications to the routes.

#### 2.0 Related legislation

Local Government Act 1993

#### 3.0 Definitions

#### 4.0 Policy Statement

## 4.1 Compulsory Service

A kerbside collection service is provided as a **compulsory** service to properties on defined routes as follows:

- 4.1.1 All Residential—Urban allotments
- 4.1.2 All Residential or Rural and Residential-Village/Estate allotments on the collection route
- 4.1.3 Access includes a right of carriageway as well as abutting the road reserve (NB: These property definitions relate to rating categories not planning zones.)

## 4.2 Optional Service

A kerbside collection service is provided as an **optional** service to Farmland as follows:

- 4.2.1 The Farmland is on the collection route and elects to receive a waste collection service.
- 4.2.2 The Farmland property is **not** on the route but is prepared to deliver the bins to a satisfactory collection point on the route.

- 4.2.3 Only the owner of the land can request Council to provide a waste collection services as the charge is included on the waste notice.
- 4.2.4 The minimum period of receiving an optional waste service is a pro rata date to 30 June of the year of the request, plus a full twelve (12) months.

For example: A request in April requires minimum period of 2 months to June then the next 12 months to June.

#### 4.3 **Special Circumstances**

- 4.3.1 Properties under Clause 4.1.2 above can seek exemption from the General Manager. The request will be assessed against a set of criteria. Properties less than 10 hectares and houses less than 200 metres from the road will not generally be considered. The General Manager has the discretion to reduce the distance if extenuating circumstances exist.
- 4.3.2 A building that has been destroyed by an accidental fire can be recategorised as Vacant Land and the lower charge applies within a budget year provided the owner advises Council and returns the mobile bins (whole or damaged).
- 4.3.3 A building that has been demolished for redevelopment is **not** eligible for recategorisation during a budget year. A long term vacancy can be converted to the Vacant Land rate provided the owner provides details to Council.
- 4.3.4 Due to the location of some properties on blind corners, narrow widths and the traffic flow on the Pacific Highway, the collection contractor is unable to render the service in a safe manner due to the truck not being completely off the road therefore creating a potential dangerous situation for all road users. Since the service cannot be rendered it would be unfair to charge the property owners the full domestic waste charge or a vacant rate as the service is not available. The property will have the tip provision charge applied rather than the full rate.

#### 4.4 Other

Designated routes may be extended or new ones added by the General Manager.

#### 5.0 History

5.1 The following resolutions were passed by Council on 18 August 2005 in support of this policy:

**RECOMMENDATION**: On the motion of Cr Flack seconded Cr Moran that Council make and levy full annual waste management charges for each parcel of rateable land categorised Residential—Rural; and Residential Village/Estate; where domestic waste collection service is available to each individual property; such availability to be subject to the General Manager's determination in terms of accessibility with reference to adjoining the collection route by direct access or by a right of carriageway.

RECOMMENDATION: A On the motion of Cr Hoban seconded Cr Ainsworth that Council permit a full annual waste management charge for each parcel of rateable land categorised Farmland when that property participates voluntarily in the domestic waste collection service with a minimum time up to 30 June charged pro rata in the year of commencement plus the next 12 months of the following budget year ie twelve months notice will be required where it is desired to cease participation in the service.

RECOMMENDATION: B On the motion of Cr Hoban seconded Cr Ainsworth that Council permit rateable land that is n to on the domestic collection route but in close proximity and is prepared to deliver bins to a satisfactory collection point on the route to receive a full waste service for minimum time up to 30 June charged pro rata in the year of commencement plus the next 121 months of the following budget year ie twelve months notice will be required where it is desire to cease participation in the service.

**RECOMMENDATION**: A On the motion of Cr Hoban seconded Cr Nash that properties where the building has been destroyed by fire can be considered as vacant and the lower charge applied on a pro rata basis once the mobile garbage bins (MGB's) are returned to Council.

**RECOMMENDATION**: **B** On the motion of Cr Hoban seconded Cr Nash that the properties where the building has been demolished for redevelopment will remain at the full waste management service for the remainder of the budget year; the vacant land rate can be applied in the new budget if the circumstances remain relevant.

- The inclusion of Clause 4.3.4 and authorising the General Manager to extend the routes in Clause 4.5.1 and modify the distance criteria in Clause 4.3.1 was added on the 5 February 2008.
- 5.3 The removal of Clauses 4.5.2 to 4.5.23 inclusive relating to specific roads and localities as this was deemed to be operational and information available from Council's Civic Services Coordinator on request

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