

Council Policy

Financial Assistance for Charitable or Not for Profit Community Organisations for Waste Disposal at Kimbriki

Purpose / Statement

Northern Beaches Council recognizes and respects the vital contribution of registered charitable organisations or not for profit community organisations delivering services and assistance that contribute to vibrant sustainable communities.

This Policy provides the framework for Council to partner with registered charitable organisations or not for profit community organisations to deliver financial assistance for waste disposal costs at Kimbriki Resource Recovery Centre.

Principles

The following principles guide this Policy:

- a) Identified Community Needs: Funding is allocated to priority areas to meet identified community needs
- b) Partnerships: We build and maintain constructive relationships based on mutual respect and transparency. We value the contribution to the social, cultural, economic fabric that charitable organisations bring.
- c) Inclusion and Equity: We support inclusion and equity in our community and decision making.
- d) Good governance: We commit to decision making in the public interest, and effective and efficient financial support mechanisms
- e) Transparency: We will ensure that our processes for financial support are transparent and fair.

Scope and application

Northern Beaches Council will recompense the waste charge (excluding Section 88 levy) made to registered charitable organisations or not for profit community organisations for the disposal of waste at Kimbriki Resource Recovery Centre:

- If the organisation has a Community Service Exemption issued by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) under Clause 21 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2014, which is valid on the date of disposal.
- For an amount not exceeding \$2,000 per registered charitable organization or not for profit community organisations per annum and within the allocated budget for the period.

Application to Council is to be made in writing on letterhead by the registered charitable organization or not for profit community organisations accompanied by its current applicable EPA Community Service Exemption and the receipt for waste disposal (excluding the Section 88 levy), to be recompensed.

To qualify for exemption, registered charitable organizations or not for profit community organisations are to observe the following requirements:

- Any waste or material must have been collected by the organisation from the Northern Beaches Council Local Government Area.
- Building material (e.g. separate bricks, concrete etc.) is to be pre-sorted so that material left at the Centre can be recycled.

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- Household waste (paper, glass, aluminium cans, PET bottles etc.) must be presorted and deposited in the respective containers at the Recycling Area.
- Vegetation and metal waste must be presorted and deposited in the respective recycling areas.
- No putrescible (putrid, rotten, decomposed, stagnant) material is to be deposited.
- Funding is provided via Council’s Community Grants and Partnerships Policy.

Administration

The Policy provides the framework for an equitable, open and orderly process for providing assistance to the registered charitable organisations or not for profit community organisations. It allows for access to funding and ensures transparency around the provision of financial assistance across the Northern Beaches. It also provides for greater recognition of the contribution Council makes to supporting registered charitable organisations or not for profit community organisations that contribute to social, cultural, environmental and economic life of the Northern Beaches.

This Policy is to be administered as a “program” under the Community Grants and Partnerships Policy with a budget of \$16,000 per annum identified in the Operational Plan.

References and related documents

- NSW EPA Community Service Exemption Guidelines
- NSW Local Government Act 1993 s356 and s377
- Northern Beaches Council Discretionary Fund Policy

Responsible Officer

Executive Manager Waste Management and Cleansing

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Revision History

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