Media Statement



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Rates benefits available for Gladstone Region pensioners

Gladstone Region ratepayers who have recently become eligible for the pension are encouraged to apply for Gladstone Regional Council's 2022/23 Pensioner Concession.

This provides a maximum concession of \$310 for eligible pensioners.

In addition to the Queensland Government providing a maximum subsidy of \$200 per annum for eligible pensioners and the State Emergency Management Levy provides a 20 per cent rebate on the Fire Levy.

To be eligible, a person must hold one of the following concession cards:

- Queensland Pensioner Concession Card (issued by Centrelink or Department of Veterans' Affairs) OR
- Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card.

And:

- Be the owner or life tenant of a property in the Gladstone Region, which is his/her principal place of residence
- Be solely or jointly liable for the payment of Council rates and charges levied on that property
- The subject property must be an approved dwelling.

To apply for Gladstone Regional Council's Pensioner Concession, or to update details if you are already eligible, please visit <u>www.gladsone.qld.gov.au/rates</u> or call 4970 0700.

Ratepayers can expect to receive their rates notice prior to Wednesday, 24 August 2022.

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