Media Statement



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Rate subsidy 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 2024/25 Pensioner Concession.

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

This is in addition to the Queensland Government who provide pensioner concession recipients with a maximum subsidy of \$200 per annum and a 20 per cent rebate on the State Emergency Management Levy.

To be eligible for Council's Pensioner Concession, 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 occupier or life tenant of a property in the Gladstone Region
- 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.

If you have recently become eligible for the pension, moved into a new home or not previously applied visit <u>www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/rates</u> or phone Council on 4970 0700.

Ratepayers can expect to receive their rates notice in August 2024.

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