

Application for Change in Land Categorisation for Rating Purposes

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ASSIST YOU WITH YOUR APPLICATION

All applications for a change to rating category are subject to Section 525 and 523 of the Local Government Act, 1993 as follows:

Section 525 - Application for change of category

- (1) A rateable person (or the persons agent) may apply to Council at any time:
 - (a) For a review of a declaration that the person's rateable land is within a particular category for the purposes of Section 514 : or
 - (b) To have the person's rateable land declared to be within a particular category for the purposes of that section.
- (2) An application must be in the approved form, must include a description of the land concerned and must nominate the category the applicant considers the land should be within.
- (3) The Council has declared the land to be within the category nominated in the application unless it has reasonable grounds for believing that the land is not in that category.
- (4) If the Council has reasonable grounds for believing that the land is not within the nominated category, it may notify the applicant of any further information it requires in order to be satisfied that the land is within that category. After considering any such information, the Council must declare the category for the land.
- (5) The Council must notify the applicant of its decision. The Council must include the reasons for its decision if it declares that the land is not within the category nominated in the application.
- (6) If the Council has not notified the applicant of its decision within 40 days after the application is made to it, the Council is taken, at the end of the 40 day period, to have declared the land to be within its existing category.

Section 526 – Appeal against declaration of category

- (1) A rateable person who is dissatisfied with:
 - (a) The date on which a declaration is specified, under Section 521, to take effect on; or
 - (b) A declaration of a Council under Section 525, May appeal to the Land & Environment Court
- (2) An appeal must be made within 30 days after the declaration is made.
- (3) The Court, on appeal, may declare the date on which a declaration is to take effect or the category for the land, or both, as the case requires.

Application for Change in Category of Land for Rating Purposes

This form may be used to request a change in the categorisation of land for rating purposes (section 3) and/or a change in classification for the Fire and Emergency Services Levy (FESL) (section 4).

If making application for categorisation as Farmland for rating purposes, please use the Application for Classification of Land as Farmland for rating Purposes form.

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM

1. Ensure that all fields have been completed correctly.
2. Please note that fields on this forms marked with an * are mandatory and must be completed before submitting the application
3. Please refer to lodgment details for instructions on where to lodge your application.

1: Applicant Details

Title *	Given Name/s*	Family Name*
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Business/Company Name (if owned by Business/Company)	ABN/ACN Number
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Relationship to owner of land (ie Director, authorised representative, ect)

Postal Address

Home Phone Number	Mobile Number*	Work Phone Number
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Email

2: Details of the Land

Address of Property for which seeking review*

Lot & SP/DP Number*

Rate Assessment Number

3: Request to review rating category

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Current rating category or sub-category of the land

Proposed rating category or sub-category of the land

Details of the present use of the land

Is the land vacant, or, if any buildings or structures are erected or situated on the land, describe these:

Reasons why the proposed category or sub-category is more appropriate:

If requesting Mixed Development (residential and business properties only)

Area of Residential Use	<input type="text"/>	Area of Business Use	<input type="text"/>
Hours of Residential Use	<input type="text"/>	Hours of Business Use	<input type="text"/>

Details of lease arrangements (if any)

Effective date

4: Applicant Declaration

I declare that I am the ratepayer or an authorised representative, and the information I have provided is true and correct in every detail.

Applicant Name*	Applicant Signature*	Date*
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5: Lodgment

You may lodge the completed application by:

Email: council@strathfield.nsw.gov.au

Mail: Strathfield Municipal Council
PO Box 120
STRATHFIELD NSW 2135

In Person at Council's Customer Service Counter:

65 Homebush Road, Strathfield (Monday to Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm)

On receipt of your application a Council Officer will respond within 10 working days if further information is required. For further information regarding your application please contact Council's Revenue Team on (02) 9748 9999.