Moree Plains Shire Council Level 2, Max Centre MOREE NSW 2400 (02) 6757 3222



Direct Debit Request Service Agreement

This is your Direct Debit Service Agreement with Moree Plains Shire Council APCA ID 025631 46 566 790 582. It explains what your obligations are when undertaking a Direct Debit arrangement with us. It also details what our obligations are to you as your Direct Debit provider.

Please keep this agreement for future reference. It forms part of the terms and conditions of your Direct Debit Request (DDR) and should be read in conjunction with your DDR authorisation.

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Definitions	account means the account held at your financial institution from which we are authorised to arrange for funds to be debited.
	credit card means the credit card held at your financial institution from which we are authorised to arrange for funds to be debited.
	agreement means this Direct Debit Request Service Agreement between you and us.
	banking day means a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a public holiday listed throughout Australia.
	debit day means the day that payment by you to us is due.
	debit payment means a particular transaction where a debit is made.
	direct debit request means the Direct Debit Request between us and you.
	us or we means Moee Plains Shire Council, (the Debit User) you have authorised by requesting a Direct Debit Request.
	you means the customer who has signed or authorised by other means the Direct Debit Request.
	your financial institution means the financial institution nominated by you on the DDR at which the account is maintained.
Debiting your account	1.1 By signing a <i>Direct Debit Request</i> or by providing <i>us</i> with a valid instruction, <i>you</i> have authorised <i>us</i> to arrange for funds to be debited from <i>your account or credit card</i> . You should refer to the <i>Direct Debit Request</i> and this <i>agreement</i> for the terms of the arrangement between <i>us</i> and <i>you</i> .
	1.2 We will only arrange for funds to be debited from your account or credit card as authorised in the Direct Debit Request.
	1.3 If the debit day falls on a day that is not a banking day, we may direct your financial institution to debit your account or credit card on the following banking day. If you are unsure about which day your account or credit card has or will be debited you should ask your financial institution.
2. Amendments by us	2.1 We may vary any details of this agreement or a Direct Debit Request at any time by giving you at least fourteen (14) days written notice.
3. Amendments by you	You may change, stop or defer a debit payment, or terminate (cancel) this agreement at any time by providing us with at least 10 days notification by writing to:
	council@mpsc.nsw.gov.au
	or
	Moree Plains Shire Council
	PO BOX 420
	MOREE NSW 2400
	or
	by telephoning us on (02) 6757 3222 during business hours;
	*Note: In relation to the above reference to 'change', your financial institution may change your direct debit payment only to the extent of advising Moree Plains Shire Council of your new account details.

4. Your obligations	4.1 It is <i>your</i> responsibility to ensure that there are sufficient clear funds available in <i>your account</i> or <i>credit</i> card to allow a <i>debit payment</i> to be made in accordance with the <i>Direct Debit Request</i> .
	4.2 If there are insufficient clear funds in your account or credit card to meet a debit payment:
	a) you may be charged a fee and/or interest by your financial institution;
	b) you may also incur fees or charges imposed or incurred by us; and
	c) you must arrange for the debit payment to be made by another method or arrange for sufficient clear funds to be in your account by an agreed time so that we can process the debit payment.
	4.3 You should check your account or credit card statement to verify that the amounts debited from your account are correct.
5. Disputes	5.1 If you believe there has been an error in debiting <i>your account</i> or <i>credit card</i> , <i>you</i> should notify us directly on (02) 6757 3222 and confirm that notice in writing with us as soon as possible so that we can resolve your query more quickly.
	5.2 If we conclude as a result of our investigations that your account or credit card has been incorrectly debited we will respond to your query by arranging for your financial institution to adjust your account or credit card (including interest and charges) accordingly. We will also notify you in writing of the amount by which your account or credit card has been adjusted.
	5.3 If we conclude as a result of our investigations that <i>your account</i> or <i>credit card</i> has not been incorrectly debited we will respond to <i>your</i> query by providing <i>you</i> with reasons and any evidence for this finding in writing.
6. Accounts	You should check:
	 a) with your financial institution whether direct debiting is available from your account or credit card as direct debiting is not available on all accounts offered by financial institutions.
	 b) your account or credit card details which you have provided to us are correct by checking them against a recent account statement; and
	c) with your financial institution before completing the Direct Debit Request if you have any queries about how to complete the Direct Debit Request.
7. Confidentiality	7.1 We will keep any information (including <i>your account</i> details) in <i>your Direct Debit Request</i> confidential. We will make reasonable efforts to keep any such information that we have about <i>you</i> secure and to ensure that any of <i>our</i> employees or agents who have access to information about <i>you</i> do not make any unauthorised use, modification, reproduction or disclosure of that information.
	7.2 We will only disclose information that we have about you:
	a) to the extent specifically required by law; or
	 for the purposes of this agreement (including disclosing information in connection with any query or claim).
8. Notice	8.1 If you wish to notify us in writing about anything relating to this agreement, you should write to: council@mpsc.nsw.gov.au
	or
	Moree Plains Shire Council
	PO BOX 420
	MOREE NSW 2400
	8.2 We may send notices either electronically to your email address or by ordinary post to the address you have given us.
	8.3 Any notice will be deemed to have been received on the third banking day after emailing or posting.