

CONDITIONS OF THIS AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT DIRECT DEBITS

1. The Initiator

- (a) The Initiator undertakes to give written notice to the Acceptor of the commencement date, frequency and amount at least 10 calendar days before the first Direct Debit is drawn (but not more than 2 calendar months).

In the event of any subsequent change to the frequency or amount of the Direct Debits, the Initiator has agreed to give written advance notice at least 10 days before the change comes into effect.

- (b) May, upon the relationship which gave rise to this Authority being terminated, give notice to the Bank that no further Direct Debits are to be initiated under the Authority. Upon receipt of such notice the Bank may terminate this Authority as to future payments by notice in writing to me / us.

2. The Customer may:

- (a) At any time, terminate this Authority as to future payments by giving written notice of termination to the Bank and to the Initiator.
- (b) Stop payment of any Direct Debit to be initiated under this Authority by the Initiator by giving written notice to the Bank prior to the Direct Debit being paid by the Bank.

3. The Customer acknowledges that:

- (a) This Authority will remain in full force and effect in respect of all Direct Debits passed to my / our account in good faith notwithstanding my / our death, bankruptcy, or other revocation of this Authority until actual notice of such event is received by the Bank.
- (b) In any event this authority is subject to any arrangement now or hereafter existing between me / us and the Bank in relation to my / our account.
- (c) Any dispute as to the correctness or validity of an amount debited to my / our account shall not be the concern of the Bank except in so far as the Direct Debit has not been paid in accordance with this Authority. Any other dispute lies between me / us and the Initiator.
- (d) The Bank accepts no responsibility or liability for the accuracy of information about Direct Debits on Bank Statements.
- (e) The Bank is not responsible for, or under any liability in respect of:
- any variations between notices given by the Initiator and the amounts of Direct Debits.
 - The Initiator's failure to give written advance notice correctly nor for the non-receipt or late receipt of notice by me / us for any reason whatsoever. In any such situation the dispute lies between me / us and the Initiator.
- (f) Notice given by the Initiator in terms of clause 1(a) to the debtor responsible for the payment shall be effective. Any communication necessary because the debtor responsible for payment is a person other than me / us is a matter between me / us and the debtor concerned.

4. The Bank may:

- (a) In its absolute discretion conclusively determine the order of priority of payment by it or any monies pursuant to this or any other authority, cheque or draft properly executed by me / us and given to or drawn on the Bank.
- (b) At any time terminate this Authority as to future payments by notice in writing to me / us.
- (c) Charge its current fees for this service in force from time-to-time.



RATES EASYPAY

The Easy Way to Pay your Rates



Want to save Time and Money Paying Your Rates?

Rates Easypay is the easy way to pay.

Hundreds of Hurunui ratepayers have already switched to Easypay to avoid late payment penalties, improve cashflow management, save time and reduce bank fees.

With Rates Easypay, you get to choose how often you pay on each rate instalment. Rates can be direct debited from your bank account Quarterly, Monthly or Fortnightly.

With Rates Easypay you save time and money and you can never incur a penalty through overlooking a payment date. It costs nothing to have your rates paid by direct debit and the Council will even pay the bank transaction fees.

How will I know how much is being paid?

All payments for the year ahead will be advised in writing in advance, at least 10 days before the first payment is due and at least 10 days before any change is made. And you will still get a copy of your rates demand, for your information.

How do I make the Switch to Easypay?

It's easy. Simply fill in this form and make your choice of payments – Quarterly, Monthly or Fortnightly. Once you've made the switch to Easypay there are no more forms to complete, and you can cancel the direct debit any time you like.

For more information about Easypay, contact the Rates Officer at the Hurunui District Council's Amberley office, phone 03 314 8816.

How to Fill in the Direct Debit Authority Form

Please complete all highlighted sections marked 1 to 8

From your Rates Instalment Notice, define the property you wish to pay rates for –

- 1 Enter Valuation Number of your property. This reference is shown on your rates instalment notice. (Please list all property numbers and addresses you wish to pay for by this method)
- 2 Location of Property
- 3 Advise Ratepayer Name and daytime phone number (including an alternate contact person)
- 4 Select your preferred payment option

The purpose of this section is to provide your bank with the authority to allow the Council to debit your account for rates payments

- 5 Enter the name of the bank account from which you want the rates payments to be made
- 6 Enter the details of the bank account number
- 7 Enter your bank's name and address
- 8 Finally, the person from whose account the payment is to be made must sign here.

Statement for the purpose of Principle 3 of the Privacy Act 1993:

Intended recipient of personal information contained in the Rates Easypay application form:

Rating Section

Hurunui District Council

- (i) All information received will be used solely for the purpose of direct debiting your rates payment
- (ii) You are entitled to request that the Council correct any personal information it holds about you