Application to Upper Lachlan Shire Council for a Pensioner Concession – Application Form

If joint owners are eligible for a pensioner concession, a separate form will need to be completed by each owner to receive the maximum rebate, otherwise only a partial rebate will be granted.

Council Account/ Assessment Number:	
Name:	
Concession Card Type (e.g. Pensioner Concession Card, Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card embossed 'TPI' [Totally & Permanent Incapacitated] or 'EDA' [Extreme Disablement Adjustment])	
Concession Card Number (Customer Reference Number [CRN], Veteran File Number, DVA Unique Identification Number [UIN]):	
Date of grant of Concession Card:	/ /
Phone:	
Email:	
Property Address:	
Is this your sole / principal place of living	Yes / No
When did you move into the property?	/ /
Have you claimed a pensioner concession for any other property in the last 12 months? ***(if Yes**, please provide the address of the other property)*	Yes / No Address: _____
Are you the sole owner of the property? ***If No,** who else owns a share?* *(If more than one other co- owner please list the name of each co-owner and their relationship to you.)*	Yes / No Spouse / Other Further Details (if applicable):

Declaration

I declare that the information provided in this form is true and correct and that I am the person making this application. I understand that providing information that is false or misleading is an offence, the maximum penalty for which is 200 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment or both.

Signature …….. Date ……..

Privacy notice

When you submit this form, the information you provide on it is being collected and held by **Upper Lachlan Shire Council**, 44 Spring Street Crookwell NSW, to assess your eligibility to receive a pensioner concession regarding the payment of charges and/or rates under the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW) (**LG Act**) and associated regulations.

The information provided on this form is private and confidential. Council will not disclose the information to any person or body if it is not directly related to the purpose for which the information was collected, unless disclosure is required under a relevant law. The supply of your information is voluntary, but if you choose not to provide information requested on this form and evidence that you meet the definition of an 'eligible pensioner' under the LG Act and associated regulations (see below), it may affect the outcome of your application for a pensioner concession.

If you would like more information on privacy, wish to correct or update your personal information provided, or have a complaint about the use of your personal information, contact Council's Public Officer.

Consent to obtain evidence to assess your application for a pensioner concession

To assist Upper Lachlan Shire Council with assessing your eligibility for a pensioner concession, it seeks your consent to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform a Centrelink and/or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) enquiry, and obtain its results, regarding your Centrelink or DVA customer details and concession card status. Your details may be checked regularly, to confirm ongoing eligibility. At any time, you have a right to withdraw your consent by contacting **Upper Lachlan Shire Council.**

Please read the following and then select a tick box below regarding your consent.

I **_____ authorise:**

- **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform a Centrelink/DVA enquiry of my Centrelink or DVA customer details and concession card status to enable **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** to determine if I qualify for a pensioner concession.
- Services Australia to provide the results of that enquiry to **Upper Lachlan Shire Council**.

I understand that:

- Services Australia will disclose my personal information to **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** including my ***name, address/postcode, payment status and concession card type and status*** to confirm my eligibility for a pensioner concession.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances or details, I may not be eligible for the pensioner concession provided by **Upper Lachlan Shire Council**.
- **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** will disclose my personal information received from the result of the Centrelink/DVA enquiry to the Audit Office of New South Wales for the purposes of auditing/assurance.
- This consent, once signed, remains valid while I am a customer of **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** unless I withdraw it by contacting **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** . I can get proof of my circumstances

or details from Services Australia or DVA and provide it to **Upper Lachlan Shire Council** so they, **Upper Lachlan Shire Council**, can determine my eligibility for a pensioner concession.

Please select one of the following tick boxes:

☐ Yes, I have read and understand the above and give my authorisation.

☐ No, I **do not** agree to the above and do not give my authorisation. Instead, I will provide a *Proof of Concession Eligibility Letter from Centrelink or DVA*.

Signature …….. **Date ……..**

Additional Information

Council will determine your eligibility to receive a pensioner concession of up to $250 off your annual rates and/or charges. You may also be eligible to receive up to $87.50 on your annual water charges and up to $87.50 off your annual sewerage charges, if Council provides these services. Alternatively, if Council does not provide these services, contact your water/sewer service provider for more information.

Eligibility:

- Holders of the PCC (Pensioner Concession Card)*;
- Holders of the DVA Veteran Gold Card embossed 'TPI' (Totally & Permanently Incapacitated);
- Holders of the DVA Veteran Gold Card embossed 'EDA' (Extreme Disablement Adjustment).

Holders of cards other than those listed above are not eligible for the concession.

* If you are a War Widow or Widower or Wholly Dependent Partner and do not have a Pensioner Concession Card, you could contact the DVA to test your eligibility for the DVA Income Support Supplement which attracts a PCC. Eligibility is subject to an income and assets test. For assistance from the DVA call 1800 VETERAN (1800 838 372).