NORFOLK ISLAND
Regional Council

MEDIA RELEASE

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COUNCIL ENCOURAGES LANDOWNERS TO DISCUSS OUTSTANDING RATES AND CHARGES

Norfolk Island Regional Council (Council) continues to encourage landowners included in the proposed sale of land process for unpaid rates and charges to contact Council to discuss payment options.

In September 2026, Council resolved to commence the sale of land process for 25 parcels of land where rates and charges had remained unpaid for more than five years.

Council is pleased that some landowners have since made contact to discuss their circumstances and payment options. As a result, satisfactory arrangements have been reached in relation to six properties, which have now been withdrawn from this particular sale of land process. Council encourages other affected landowners to make contact to discuss their circumstances and available options.

Council recognises that paying outstanding amounts in full may not be possible for everyone and is willing to work with landowners to establish satisfactory payment arrangements.

Council emphasises that the sale of land is a **last resort**, and its preference remains to work directly with affected landowners to resolve outstanding debts.

The auction is scheduled for 29 January 2027. Council encourages affected landowners to make contact as soon as possible to discuss their options.

For confidential enquiries or to discuss payment arrangements, please contact the Finance Coordinator by email at finance.coordinator@nirc.gov.nf, by local free call on 0100, or by telephone on (+6723) 22001.

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