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Civic Centre

Claims Handling Information

Please note that the provision of this information should not be considered as an admission of liability on the part of Goulburn Mulwaree Council (Council). All claims will be considered on a "Without Prejudice" basis. The acceptance of a completed claim form by Council in no way infers negligence on the part of Council, or binds Council to provide compensation.

Before Council is obliged to pay compensation for any injury, loss or damage suffered, it must be established that this injury, loss or damage was caused through negligence on the part of Council, or employees, or agents of the Council.

The proof required to establish negligence, can be onerous and quite often you may be better served seeking compensation through your property, motor vehicle or private health insurance if you have it. Your insurance company may seek reimbursement of its costs from Council.

If the claim is in relation to a Motor Vehicle, you are able to make a claim against your own Insurer. Your Insurer may then consider seeking recovery against Council. This option may result in an initial upfront payment to your Insurer for the applicable excess, however it will ensure that your vehicle is repaired by your Insurer's authorised repairers.

If you do not wish to make claim against your own insurance and wish to pursue a claim against Council, please complete the following Claim Reporting Form. Allow **a minimum of 21 working days** for a response to your claim.



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Claim Reporting Form

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All sections of this claim form must be completed, unless otherwise noted on the form. All required evidence, photographs and receipts/quotes <u>must</u> be included for the claim to be assessed.

Note: Please allow a minimum of 21 working days for the processing of claims.

PERSONAL DETAILS						
Name			Phone Number			
Residential Address						
Postal Address						
Email Address						
Please select the type of claim from the following:						
		Property Damage Personal Injury Motor Vehicle Other (please spe				
of incident; a direction & sp	full description of	f what happened and at the safety	d include applicab	ident occurred i.e. date and time ble relevant items such as ident (please attach additional		



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Has the incident been reported to Council? If yes, please provide details. Outline how & when the Incident was reported to Council.
An exact description of where the incident occurred: Exact location and address, include relevant details such as street name, house number, cross streets, distance from reference points, sketch or map of the area including the exact location of the incident (include photos where possible)
An explanation as to why you believe that Council contributed to the incident: Description of
circumstances surrounding the incident, including any physical factors which may have attributed to the incident (please attach additional information on a separate sheet if required)
Details of any witnesses (if applicable). Name/address/phone number & relationship
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A description of the loss incurred, damage caused and/or injuries suffered. Supporting documents such as photographs, medical reports or invoices must be included to process your claim	
Other relevant information	
Total amount of claim against Council	
Have you lodged a claim with your insurer regarding this incident?	
□ Yes □ No	
Have you enclosed any receipts for medical treatment sought? (Please note, if you are claiming medical expenses and you have not included your receipts, your claim cannot be assessed)	
□ Yes □ No	
Have you enclosed a minimum of two (2) quotes for the repair or replacement of any damaged item/s? (Please note, if you are claiming repair or replacement costs and you have not included receipts, your claim cannot be assessed)	
□ Yes □ No	



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PRIVACY

In completing this form, you will be providing "personal information" as defined under the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1988*. Council is collecting this information for the purpose of assessing your claim. This information will only be used for the purpose it was collected and may be disclosed to relevant third parties for the purpose of assessing your claim.

DECLARATION

I declare that the information provided on this form and all other supporting documentation (including photographs) in relation to my claim is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate, relevant and complete.

Claimant's Signature	
Date	

Please return completed form and relevant documentation to Council

via email: council@goulburn.nsw.gov.au

via mail: Locked Bag 22, GOULBURN NSW 2580

in person: Civic Centre 184-194 Bourke Street, Goulburn