



## **Tauira Ngā Utu | Draft Fees and Charges 2025/26 1 July 2026 – 30 June 2027**

### **Consultation 16 March to 19 April 2026**

All fees and charges are inclusive of GST unless otherwise stated.

Credit Card payments are accepted at Swim Zone Te Aroha, Te Aroha Mineral Spas and Te Aroha Visitor Information Centre with no transaction fees charged back to the customer. Credit Card transactions are accepted for payment-on-line (i.e. E-services) and at Matamata, Morrinsville and Te Aroha offices with transaction fees charged to the customer.

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Key	
Change	Description
Inflation	Increased by inflation of 2.7% and rounded Please note, for some smaller fees, adding inflation will not result in a higher fee due to rounding. No comment provided.
None	No change to 2025/26 fee. No comment provided.
Increase	Comment provided.
Decrease	Comment provided.
Remove	Comment provided.
Wording	Usually for clarification or accuracy. Comment provided.
New	New fee added. Comment provided.
Fee structure	Comment provided.

Animal Control		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Keeping an unregistered dog may result in an infringement fee of \$300. Owners are legally responsible for keeping their dog under control at all times. Failure to do so is an offence under Section 53 of the Dog Control Act with a fine of up to \$3,000 or an infringement fee of \$200. Any dog found at large can be impounded at the owner's expense.					
Dog ownership fees *Payment after 31 July will result in a 50% penalty fee					
Full registration fee*		\$162.00	\$172.00	Increase	The registration fee has increased to reflect increases in costs and stay within our Revenue and Financing Policy
Adoption fee	For dogs under 1 year adopted from the pound.	n/a	\$40.00	New	To remove barrier to adoption of these dogs

Animal Control		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
	Please note, dogs over 1 year of age – standard registration fee applies.				
Minus rebates/ bonus (below) if applicable					
<u>Note:</u> Rebate for <i>one</i> of the below: De-sexed dog Working dog Breeding dog owner registered with Dogs New Zealand		\$30.00	\$30.00	None	
Responsible Owner Rebate		\$15.00	\$15.00	None	
Bonus					
No complaints, impounding or infringements		\$35.00	\$35.00	None	
Other					
Classified dangerous dog		150% of the relevant fee applies	150% of the relevant fee applies	None	
Replacement tags		\$2.50	\$3.00	Inflation	
Dog impounding charges					
Impounding		\$100.00	\$100.00	None	
Second impounding		\$200.00	\$200.00		
Third and subsequent impounding in the same registration year		\$250.00	\$250.00		
Daily sustenance		\$15.00	\$16.00	Increase	To reflect increases in costs and stay within our Revenue and Financing Policy.
Animal control microchipping		n/a	\$50.00	New	To provide a service
Vet Microchipping		\$76.00	\$81.00	Increase Wording	Add wording: Vet microchipping
Disposal of unclaimed / surrendered dog		\$75.00	\$80.00	Increase	To reflect increases in costs and stay within our Revenue and Financing Policy.
Stock call out fees					
During office hours		\$153.00	\$165.00	Increase	To reflect increases in costs and stay within our Revenue and Financing Policy.
After hours (inclusive of mileage)	Per call out	\$215.00	\$230.00		

Animal Control		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Impounding fee	Per head, plus all costs	\$61.00	\$65.00		
Daily sustenance	Per head	\$7.00	\$10.00		
All associated costs (i.e. transport, advertising)		Actual cost	Actual cost	None	

Building Consents and Monitoring		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  Unless otherwise stated, to slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
<p>1. All amounts are inclusive of GST, <b>unless otherwise stated</b>.</p> <p>2. The below fees are for Building Control only. You may incur additional fees for planning/ engineering approval, and development contribution assessments (if applicable).</p> <p>3. Fees marked with an *, CoAs (Certificate of Acceptance), PIMs (Project Information Memorandum) and Exemptions will also incur an Objective Build fee, an Accreditation fee and any applicable BRANZ and MBIE levies.</p> <p>4. Should any particular job significantly exceed the standard processing time an additional fee will be charged, based on the additional hours spent on the application.</p> <p>5. All fees are payable on application. An invoice will be sent to you shortly after the lodgement of your application and processing will not commence until payment has been received. Once the building consent has been granted, any additional processing time, and planning and engineering <b>approval assessment</b> charges will be payable (if applicable). Further charges may be applicable i.e. Minor Variation Fee etc.</p> <p>6. Building consent fees include the cost of the Code Compliance Certificate.</p> <p>7. Lapsed or Refused consents: Building consents lapsed prior to the first inspection being carried out or refused before the application is granted, will be refunded the charge already paid, less the cost of the work already carried out.</p>			Wording	<p>1. Add wording: unless otherwise stated</p> <p>5. Change wording: planning and engineering assessment charges</p> <p>8. Change wording: * These fees do not include: Objective Build fees, Accreditation levy, BRANZ and MBIE levies, any additional processing time (recoverable on an actual and reasonable basis as per the Building Act 2004 s281B), compliance Schedules (new or amended) or Planning/ Engineering/ Development Contribution assessment fees that may be applicable.</p> <p>10. Add wording: 10. Please note that any costs incurred by Waikato Waters Ltd will be in addition to those noted below and may be charged with the Building Consent</p>	

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<p>8. *These fees do not include: Objective Build fees, Accreditation levy, BRANZ and MBIE levies, any additional processing time (recoverable on an actual and reasonable basis as per the Building Act 2004 s281B), compliance Schedules (new or amended) or Planning/ Engineering/ Development Contribution assessment fees that may be applicable. <del>Further charges may also be applicable i.e. Minor Variation Fees etc.</del></p> <p>9. Development Contributions: Please be aware that there could be a development contribution fee charged for your building project. Development Contributions are payable under the Local Government Act 2002 for some projects. A Code Compliance Certificate will not be issued until the Development Contributions applicable to the project are paid in full. Development Contributions are adjusted at 1 July each year in accordance with our Development Contributions Policy.</p> <p>10. Please note that any costs incurred by Waikato Waters Ltd will be in addition to those noted below and may be charged with the Building Consent</p>					
Applicant meetings					
Pre-lodgement/ Building Consent/ Building Control Technical Officer meetings		First 30 minutes free, thereafter charged at \$205/ hour	First 30 minutes free, thereafter charged at \$218/ hour	Increase	
Minor works					
Inbuilt solid fuel heaters		\$640*	\$675.00*	Increase	
Minor plumbing or drainage					
Garden sheds (up to 20m2)					
Marquees					

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					Reason for increases in this activity:  Unless otherwise stated, to slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
Solar heating panels					
Installation of basic warning system					
Swimming Pool Fencing (Fencing only)					
Free standing solid fuel heaters		\$515*	\$455.00*	Fee structure Increase	Removal of Fixed Objective Fee from charge, to be charged separately
Retrofit Codemarked Wall Insulation					
<b>Standard Residential Building Works</b>					
Carports/Garages					
Swimming Pools					
Decks and pergolas					
Shade sails/ archgolas/ conservatories		\$1,240.00*	\$1,310.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
Retaining wall (singular)					
Residential additions/alterations (less than 10m2)					
<b>Structures</b>					
Hay barns/ Implement sheds/ Bridges/ Reservoirs/ Dams/ Tanks		\$1,345.00*	\$1,415.00*	Fee structure, Increase	Base fee increased by 6% (please see note at top). Plus additional time costed to better reflect actual time incurred.
Stock Underpasses					
Retaining Walls (multiple)					
<b>Outbuildings Habitable (with no Plumbing and Drainage)</b>					
Sleep outs/ Office/ Studio		\$2,530.00*	\$2,675.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
<b>Outbuildings Habitable (with Plumbing and Drainage)</b>					

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Sleep outs with toilet and shower		\$3,140.00*	\$3,330.00*	Fee structure, Increase	Base fee increased by 6% (please see note at top). Plus additional time costed to better reflect actual time incurred.
Dairy sheds					
Dairy sheds		\$2,215.00*	\$2,335.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
Residential Alterations					
Between 10m2 and 30m2		\$2,530.00*	\$3,675.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
Exceeding 30m2		\$3,140.00*	\$3,300.00*		
Dwellings					
Single Storey Dwelling (up to 250m2)		\$4,175.00*	\$4,640.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
Single Storey Dwelling (over 250m2)/Two Storey Dwelling (up to 250m2)		\$5,090.00*	\$5,605.00*		
Two Storey Dwelling (over 250m2)/Three Storey Dwelling		\$6,010.00*	\$6,575.00*		
Re-sited/transportable dwellings		\$2,215.00*	\$2,445.00*		
Multi Proof consents					
Dwellings		\$3,300.00	\$3,705.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
Note: Objective Build, Accreditation, MBIE, BRANZ, planning and engineering fees will still apply					
New commercial/ Industrial buildings					
Buildings up to 100m2		\$6,770.00*	\$7,430.00*		
Buildings between 101m2 and 300m2		\$7,330.00*	\$8,085.00*		

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Buildings exceeding 300 m2		\$8,970.00*	\$9,830.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
<b>Commercial Alterations and Additions</b>					
Commercial Alterations and Additions (Up to 100m2) and Public Toilets and Commercial Fit Outs <\$500,000		\$3,950.00	\$4,580.00*	Fee structure, Increase	
Commercial Alterations and Additions (exceeding 100m2) and Commercial Fit Outs >\$500,000		\$3,950.00* Plus hourly rate for additional processing and inspecting	\$4,580.00* Plus hourly rate for additional processing and inspecting		
<b>Other building related fees</b>					
PIM (Project Information Memorandum) only applications (planning and engineering fees are additional)		\$500.00*	\$530.00*	Increase	
Project Information Memorandum (PIM) Applications for Small Stand-alone Dwelling - also known as Granny Flats		n/a	\$965.00*	New	In response to new legislation: Building and Construction (Small Stand-alone Dwellings) Amendment Act 2025
Minor variation (Minor amendments)		\$290.00	\$310.00*	Increase	
Amendment to a Building Consent	Processing and inspection costs (per hour), Objective Build. Government levies may also apply	At cost + \$90.00*	At cost + \$90.00*	Wording	Remove wording: Government levies may also apply
Waikato Waters Ltd charge		n/a	At cost	New	In preparation for transition of water and wastewater to Waikato Waters Ltd (WWL) in October 2026. Should Council be asked to

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					recoup WWL on behalf of them this fee allows this to happen.
Additional Processing time					
Additional processing time over and above what is allowed for in standard fees	Per hour	\$205.00	\$218.00	Increase	
Additional Inspection Charges					
Additional inspections, not covered by the standard fee (for re-inspections of failed inspections)	Per hour	\$205.00	\$218.00	Increase	
Late cancellation charge for Inspections (inspection is cancelled with less than 24 hours' notice)					
Urgent Residential CCC					
Urgent Residential Code of Compliance Certificate (CCC) By request ONLY and subject to available resources - CCC will be processed within 3 working days		\$500.00	\$530.00	Increase	
External services					
Peer review		At cost +10%	At cost +10%	None	
Certificate for construction over two allotments (Section 75 Building Act 2004)					
Issue a Section 75 Certificate		At cost +10%	At cost +10%		
Notice when building on land subject to a natural hazard (Section 73 Building Act 2004)					
Process a Section 73 application		At cost +10%	At cost +10%		

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Applications for Certificate of Public Use (Sections 363a and 363b Building Act 2004)					
Issue a Certificate of Public Use		\$610.00	\$640.00	Increase	
Certificate of Acceptance (CoA)					
At cost of processing (hourly rate) plus fees that would have been charged if consent had been obtained before building work commenced.		*Cost of original consent plus per hour cost (\$205.00 per hour)	*Cost of original consent plus per hour cost (\$218 per hour)	Increase	
Application for Exemption from Building Consent					
Application for Exemption from Building Consent (Schedule 1, Building Act 2004)	Set fee plus Objective Build	*\$265.00	*\$280.00	Increase	
Extension of time/ Lapsing/ Refusals					
Process an extension of time		At cost	\$120.00 set fee	Increase Wording	Change wording: Refusal of a Building Consent / Code Compliance Certificate
Lapsing of a Building Consent					
Refusal of a Building Consent / Code Compliance Certificate					
Additional Administration Costs	Additional administration costs per hour	n/a	\$120.00	New	To cover any additional administration that may be required by the building unit.
Additional Building Control Officer (BCO) Costs	Additional Building Control Officer costs per hour	\$205.00	\$218.00	New	To cover any additional work by a Building Control Officer that may be required.
Compliance schedules					
New Compliance Schedules (Section 102 Building Act 2004)		\$260.00 plus a charge of \$116.00 per	\$260.00 plus a charge of \$123.00 per	Increase	
Amendments to existing Compliance Schedule (Section 106 and 107 Building Act 2004)					

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		system or feature	system or feature		
Sale of Building Consent information					
Sale of Building Consent information	Per month	\$35.00	\$35.00	None	
Application for a Building Certificate					
Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, Section 100		\$275.00	\$290.00	Increase	
Accreditation Levy					
Payable on all building consents with an estimated value of \$20,000 and over, to cover costs of meeting criteria under the Building (Accreditation of Building Consent Authorities) Regulations 2006.		\$0.75 per \$1,000.00 of project value.	\$0.75 per \$1,000.00 of project value.	None	
Objective Build Fees – all excluding GST For period: 01/07/2026 – 01/11/2026				Wording	Add wording: - all excluding GST For period: 01/07/2026 – 01/11/2026
01/07/2025 – 10/11/2025 All consents marked * \$140 per application CoA/PIM/Exemptions \$140 per application 11/11/2025 – 30/06/2026 All consents marked * calculated at value of work For work valued at less than or equal to \$124,999 the fee is \$80 per application. For work with value equal to or more than \$125,000 the fee is calculated at 0.075% (capped at \$2,500,000) CoA less than or equal to \$125,000 = \$80 per application CoA more than \$125,000 = \$350 per application PIM/ Exemption = \$80				Remove	

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Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is less than or equal to \$124,999 - set fee		\$80.00	\$80.00	Wording	Add wording: Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is less than or equal to \$124,999 - set fee
Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$125,000.00 capped at \$2,500,000		0.075% of the value of works	0.075% of the value of works	Wording	Add wording: Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$125,000.00 capped at \$2,500,000
Certificate of Acceptance where the value of work is less than or equal to \$124,999 - set fee		\$80.00	\$80.00	Wording	Add wording: Certificate of Acceptance where the value of work is less than or equal to \$124,999 - set fee
Certificate of Acceptance where the value of works is equal to or more than \$125,000 - set fee		\$350.00	\$350.00	Wording	Add wording: Certificate of Acceptance where the value of works is equal to or more than \$125,000 - set fee
Project Information Memorandum (excluding Granny Flats) - set fee		\$80.00	\$80.00	Wording	Add wording: Project Information Memorandum - set fee
Exemption application from a Building Consent - set fee		\$80.00	\$80.00	Wording	Add wording: Exemption application from a Building Consent - set fee
Remote Inspection fee (per inspection) - set fee  Note: Not all inspections can be conducted remotely		n/a	\$38.00	New	New Objective Build fee
Application for a Project Information Memorandum (PIM) for Small Stand-alone Dwellings - also known as Granny Flats		n/a	\$250.00		
Objective Build Fees – all excluding GST				New	

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<b>For period: 02/11/2026 - 30/06/2027</b>					
Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is less than or equal to \$124,999 - set fee		\$80.00	\$84.00	Increase	Increase from Objective Build
Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$125,000.00 up to and including the value of \$2,499,999.00 <del>Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$125,000.00 capped at \$2,500,000</del>		0.075% of the value of works	0.075% of the value of works	Wording	Change wording: Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$125,000.00 up to and including the value of \$2,499,999.00
Application for a Project Information Memorandum and/or Building Consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$2,500,00.00 - set fee		n/a	\$1,970.00	New	New Objective Build fee
Project Information Memorandum Application Only (Excluding Granny Flats) - set fee		\$80.00	\$84.00	Increase	Increase from Objective Build
Application for a Certificate of Acceptance where the value of work is less than or equal to \$124,999 - set fee		\$80.00	\$84.00		
Application for a Certificate of Acceptance where the value of works is equal to or more than \$125,000 - set fee		\$350.00	\$370.00	Increase	
Application for an amendment to a building consent with an amendment value of work equal to or less than \$124,999.99 - set fee Note: This fee also includes where there has been a reduction in the value of work		n/a	\$84.00	New	Amendment fee now identified separately to a Building Consent

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Application for an amendment to a building consent where the value of work is equal to or over \$2,500,00.00 - set fee		n/a	\$1,970.00	New	Amendment fee now identified separately to a Building Consent
Exemption application from a Building Consent - set fee		\$80.00	\$84.00	Increase	Increase from Objective Build
Remote Inspection fee (per inspection) - set fee Note: Not all inspections can be conducted remotely		n/a	\$38.00	New	New Objective Build fee
Application for a Project Information Memorandum (PIM) for Small Stand-alone Dwellings - also known as Granny Flats		n/a	\$250.00		
<b>Building Research Association of New Zealand (BRANZ) Levy - set by statute</b>					
For every building consent with an estimated value of \$20,000 and over \$1.00 per \$1,000 (x0.001) is payable. (Note: GST is not applicable to this levy).		\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of project value	\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of project value	None	
<b>Building Performance (MBIE) Levy Set by Statute</b>					
For every building consent with an estimated value of \$65,000 and over \$1.75 GST inclusive per \$1,000 (x0.00175) is payable. For every building consent major amendment where the original consent was issued before 1 July 2024, the levies applicable at the time of the original building consent issue will apply.		\$1.75 per \$1,000.00 of project value	\$1.75 per \$1,000.00 of project value	None	
<b>Building Monitoring and Compliance</b>				Wording	Change wording:

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<del>Building Warrant of Fitness</del>				Moved to end of table	Building monitoring and compliance
Building Warrant of Fitness – audit of existing BWOFF <del>Actual cost to audit existing BWOFF</del>	Set fee per visit <del>Per hour</del>	\$205.00	\$218.00	Increase, Wording	Change wording: Building Warrant of Fitness – audit of existing BWOFF Change wording: Set fee per visit
<del>Pool Inspections</del>				Wording	Remove wording
Pool Safety Inspections	Set fee per visit	\$205.00	\$218.00	Increase, Wording	Add wording: Set fee per visit
<del>Notice to fix (Section 164 and 167 Building Act 2004)</del>				Wording	Remove wording
Issuing a Notice to Fix (Section 164 and 167 Building Act 2004) <del>Process a 'Notice to Fix'</del>	Set fee	\$420.00	\$450.00	Increase, Wording	Change wording: Issuing a Notice to Fix (Section 164 and 167 Building Act 2004) Add wording: Set fee
Monitoring of Building Act 2004 non-compliance	Per hour		\$185.50	New	Covers follow up work for non-compliant activities
Amusement Devices (Statutory Charge)				Moved to sit with other monitoring and compliance	
Fees set by Amusement Devices Regulations 1978: regulation 11, for approval to operate.				None	
A. One device for up to seven days	Set by Statute	\$11.50	\$11.50		
B. Additional device for up to seven days	Set by Statute	\$2.30	\$2.30		
C. Each device for every seven day period after first listing	Set by Statute	\$1.15	\$1.15		

Cemeteries		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general, and to align with fees from other Waikato councils.
<b>Plot fees</b>					
Plot fee - Adult		\$2,988.00	\$3,200.00	Increase	
Plot fee - Child (under the age of 14 years)		\$1,489.00	\$1,600.00		
Plot fee - Single ashes		\$802.00	\$850.00		
Plot fee - Single ashes wall		\$625.00	\$750.00		
Plot fee - Double ashes wall		\$934.00	\$1,100.00		
Deposit for reserved plot		50% of plot type/ value	50% of plot type/ value	None	
<b>Interment fees</b>					
Interment fee - Adult burial		\$2,212.00	\$2,400.00	Increase	
Interment fee - Child burial (under the age of 14 years)		\$1,101.00	\$1,200.00		
Interment fee – Ashes in ground		\$309.00	\$330.00		
Interment fee – Ashes wall	Includes plaque installation	\$264.00	\$280.00		
Late interment fee	Arrival at Cemetery more than 1 hour after specified burial time. Will be charged in addition to the relevant interment charge.	\$175.00	\$230.00		
<b>Disinterment fees</b>					
Disinterment fee - Adult or child		At cost	At cost plus 30%	Increase	
Disinterment fee - Ashes (wall or in-ground)		\$309.00	\$330.00		
<b>Matamata Cemetery only</b>					

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					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general, and to align with fees from other Waikato councils.
Matamata Cemetery - Single RSA ashes wall	Wall 2	\$150.00	n/a	Remove	Wall is full
Matamata Cemetery - Single RSA ashes wall	Wall 3	\$635.00	\$680.00	Increase	
Matamata Cemetery - Two adjacent single plots for a double interment RSA ashes wall		\$934.00	\$990.00		
Matamata Cemetery - Matamata Memorial Garden		\$256.00	\$280.00		
<b>Piako Lawn Cemetery</b>					
Piako Lawn Cemetery - Still born (Plaque installation only – no interment)		\$150.00	\$160.00	Increase	
Piako Lawn Cemetery - Still born (Interment only)		\$264.00	\$280.00		
Piako Lawn Cemetery - Still born (Plaque installation and interment)		\$309.00	\$330.00		
<b>Te Aroha Cemetery</b>					
Te Aroha Cemetery - Still born (Plaque installation only – no interment)		\$150.00	\$160.00	Increase	
<b>Additional costs (if applicable)</b>					
Vase Installation (Ashes Walls)		\$85.00	\$90.00	Increase	
Plaque/Memorial Installation (Ashes Walls)		\$145.00	\$160.00		
Breaking concrete & reinstatement	Per m3 concrete and hourly rate	At cost	At cost plus 30%		
Weekend fees (burial only)		\$642.00	\$680.00		
Weekend fees (ashes only)		\$271.00	\$290.00		
Public holiday fee (burial only)		\$851.00	\$900.00		
Public holiday fee (ashes only)		\$489.00	\$520.00		
Request to change reserved plot		\$60.00	\$65.00		
Request to change warrant		\$120.00	\$130.00		
Request to sell back reserved plot to Council		\$60.00	\$60.00		
Admin fee for unpaid reserved plot		\$60.00	\$60.00		

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Monument permit installation application fee		\$70.00	\$70.00	Wording Increase	Change wording: Monument permit installation fee
Monument permit installation application fee - RSA		No charge	No charge	Wording	Change wording: Monument permit installation fee - RSA

Communications		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Photos					
Community Groups and other organisations, where there is a benefit to Council		Free	Free	None	
Commercial / Other organisation	Standard Photo	\$52.00	\$52.00		
	Panoramic Photo	\$103.00	\$103.00		
Filming permit					
Community Groups and other organisations, where there is a benefit to Council		\$30.00	\$30.00	None	
Commercial / Other organisation		\$150.00	\$150.00		
Filming location					
Sole use of Council property for filming. Council will issue invoice and require payment upon receipt.	During work hours 8am-5pm (maximum 9 hours)	\$1000 per day	\$1000 per day	None	Change wording: (maximum 5 hours)
	After hours 5pm-10pm (maximum 6 5 hours)	\$750 per day	\$750 per day	Wording	

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
Definition of Casual / Regular Hirer, Alcohol Served, Commercial, Non Commercial see Notes Information about Event Facilitator Assistance see Notes Event Facility bookings of 3 or more consecutive days will have hourly rates capped at 10 hours per day maximum. Bond waived if making 10 or more bookings per year. These bookings/payments must be made in a single transaction. Abbreviations for MPDC Event Centres: Matamata-Piako Civic and Memorial Centre (MMCC) Silver Fern Farms Event Centre (SF FEC) Morrinsville Event Centre (MEC) Headon Event Centre (HEC) Open Country Stadium Matamata (OCCS)					
<b>Bond</b>					
No alcohol served (Low risk)		\$200-	\$200-	None	
Alcohol served (High risk)		\$1,000	\$1,000		
<b>Court access</b>					
SF FEC – Number of courts x2 MEC – Number of courts x2 HEC – Number of courts x1 OCCS – Number of courts x 2					
Opening time until 6pm	Per court per hour	\$20.00	\$25.00	Increase	
6pm until closing time	Per court per hour	\$30.00	\$35.00		
Changing rooms	Per changing room	\$40.00	\$50.00		
Small meeting room				Wording	Add wording: meeting room
MMCC: Te Taiuhu Room SF FEC: Front Office				Wording	Change wording: MMCC: Te Taiuhu Room

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
MEC: Committee Room, Meeting Room					MEC: Committee Room  Other spaces now only available to Council staff
Non-commercial	Per room per hour	\$10.00	\$15.00	Increase	
Commercial	Per room per hour	\$20.00	\$30.00		
Medium Small (under 100)				Wording	Change wording to: Small (under 100)
MMCC: Tainui 4 room (40 people, theatre style) SFEC: Seales Winslow room, Ballance room (100 people each room) MEC: Motumaoho room (80 people, theatre style) HEC: Rose Yorke room (20 people, theatre style) OCCS: Multifunction room (30 people, theatre style)				Wording	Change wording: MMCC: Tainui room (40 people, theatre style) SFEC: Seales Winslow room, Ballance room (100 people each room) MEC: Motumaoho room (80 people, theatre style) HEC: Rose Yorke room (20 people, theatre style) OCCS: Multifunction room (30 people, theatre style)
Non-commercial	Per room per hour	\$15.00	\$20.00	Increase	
Commercial	Per room per hour	\$40.00	\$40.00	None	
Large Medium (100-200)				Wording	Change wording: Medium (100-200)
MMCC – Te Takere Room (1/3 of Hall) (150 people, theatre style) SFEC – Seales Winslow Room, and Ballance Room combined (100 people each room)				Wording	Change wording: MMCC – Te Takere Room (1/3 of Hall) (150 people, theatre style) SFEC – Seales Winslow Room, Ballance Room (100 people each room)
Non-commercial	Per room per hour	\$20.00	\$25.00	Increase	
Commercial	Per room per hour	\$50.00	\$50.00	None	
Extra Large Large (200-300)				Wording	Change wording: Large (200-300)
MMCC – Te Taurapa Room (2/3 of Hall) (250 people theatre style)				Wording	Change wording:

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
SF FEC: Seales Winslow Room and Ballance Room combined (200 people theatre style)					MMCC – Te Taurapa Room (2/3 of Hall) (250 people theatre style) SF FEC: Seales Winslow Room and Ballance Room combined (200 people theatre style)
Non-commercial	Per room per hour	\$25.00	\$30.00	Increase	
Commercial	Per room per hour	\$75.00	\$60.00	Decrease	So that commercial rate is double non-commercial
Extra Large (300+)				Wording	Change wording: Extra Large (300+)
MMCC – Memorial Hall (Full hall - Te Takere and Te Taurapa Rooms, including kitchen) (350 people, theatre style)				Wording	Change wording: MMCC – Memorial Hall (Full hall - Te Takere and Te Taurapa Rooms, including kitchen) (350 people, theatre style)
Non-commercial	Per room per hour	\$40.00	\$55.00	Increase	
Commercial	Per room per hour	\$150.00	\$110.00	Decrease	So that commercial rate is double non-commercial
Whole Facility	Minimum 2 hours			Wording	Add wording: Minimum 2 hours
MMCC					
Non-Commercial	Hourly rate	\$65.00	\$90.00	Increase	
Commercial	Hourly rate	\$220.00	\$180.00	Decrease	So that commercial rate is double non-commercial
SF FEC	Includes 2 x courts, Ballance and Seales Winslow room, toilets, kitchen (changing rooms not included)			Wording	Add wording: Includes 2 x courts, Ballance and Seales Winslow room, toilets, kitchen (changing rooms not included)
Non-Commercial	Hourly rate	\$85.00	\$105.00	Increase	
Commercial	Hourly rate	\$115.00	\$210.00		
HEC					

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
Non-Commercial	Hourly rate	\$60.00	\$45.00	Decrease	So that non-commercial rate is half commercial rate
Commercial	Hourly rate	\$85.00	\$90.00	Increase	
MEC					
Non-Commercial	Hourly rate	\$85.00	\$85.00	None	
Commercial	Hourly rate	\$115.00	\$170.00	Increase	
OCCS					
Non-Commercial			\$55.00	None	
Commercial			\$110.00		
Domain Pavilion – Te Aroha Domain				Moved from Parks and Open Spaces	
Non-Commercial	Hourly rate	\$15.00	\$20.00	Increase	
Commercial	Hourly rate	\$31.00	\$40.00		
Bond for casual hirers (no alcohol served)	Per day	\$53.00	\$200-\$1000 depending on event risk	Fee structure Wording	Remove wording: Per day
Bond for casual hirers (alcohol served)	Per day	\$277.00	\$200-\$1000 depending on event risk	Fee structure Wording	Remove wording: Per day
Additional Fees					
Security/traffic management – Council may require large or high risk events to have additional measures in place for the event		At actual cost	At actual cost	None	

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
Replacement/loss of access card		\$54.00	At cost	Fee structure	
Damage to facility		Bond plus actual cost	Bond plus actual cost	None	
Carpet clean		Actual cost – minimum \$150.00	At cost	Fee structure	
After hours Call out (e.g. insecure building, fire brigade). Only charged when user is at fault		At cost	At cost	Wording	Change wording: Call out (e.g. insecure building, fire brigade). Only charged when user is at fault
Cleaning if required, where the venue is left in an unsatisfactory condition (e.g. dishes left in kitchen, significant rubbish left behind, decorations left in place)	Actual cost per hour	Minimum \$75.00	At cost	Fee structure	
Set up and pack up/Events Facilitator assistance (if required)	Per hour	\$50.00	\$60.00	Increase	
Optional additional extras					
Tea, percolator coffee, juice	Per person	\$5.00	\$5.00	None	
Tablecloths (laundry included)	Per cloth	\$15.00	\$20.00	Increase	
Stage		\$55.00	\$70.00		
Carpet tiles - 1 court (required for all non-sport events on the courts)		\$350.00	\$430.00		
Carpet tiles - 2 courts (required for all non-sport events on the courts)		\$550.00	\$675.00		
Additional rubbish bins	Per bin	\$20.00	\$25.00	Increase	
Firth Tower Historical Reserve					
General admission to reserve grounds only		No charge	No charge	None	

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
General admissions to buildings and displays for individuals (is determined by the Matamata Historical Society)		<u>See current fees at Firth Tower</u>	<u>See current fees at Firth Tower</u>		
Facilitated historical activities by Firth Tower staff for groups	Per activity	\$35.00	\$35.00		
Groups / schools (including 2 non-facilitated activities)	Per person	\$5.00	\$5.00		
<b>Events at Firth Tower</b>					
Photos		\$65.00	\$80.00	Increase	
Event venue hire (funeral or wedding ceremony, photos, buildings or reserve access)	Between 9am and 5pm	\$600.00	\$700.00		
Set up and pack up assistance (if required)	Per hour outside of opening hours	\$50.00	\$50.00	None	
<del>Event bond</del>	<del>Bond (no alcohol served)</del>	\$200.00	n/a	Remove	
<b>Heritage room hire</b>					
Non-commercial – hourly rate	Per hour	\$15.00	\$20.00	Increase	
Commercial – hourly rate	Per hour	\$40.00	\$40.00	None	
Campervans (unpowered)	Per campervan per night	\$15.00	\$20.00	Increase	
Campervans (powered)	Per campervan per night	\$20.00	\$25.00		
<b>Waharoa (Matamata) Aerodrome</b>					
The first of any of the following types of movements are charged at landing rates: landing, touch and go, approach and go. Direct bank payments must be made within 10 days or will revert to the invoiced rate. No cash option on site.					
Annual landing/ movement fee - recreational users (non-commercial)	Per year	\$165.00	\$203.00	Increase	

Community Venues		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
Recreational operator – direct credit - per landing/ movement	Per day	\$12.00	\$21.00	Increase	
Commercial operator - direct credit - per landing/ movement per day (paid by the 10 <sup>th</sup> day of the following month)	<del>Per day</del> Per landing	\$26.00	\$32.00	Increase Wording	Change wording: Per landing
Recreational and commercial operator – invoiced – per landing/ movement	Per day	\$56.00	\$62.00	Increase	
<b>Camping</b>					
Public camping closed. Commercial camping only granted by permission from MPDC					
<b>Adults</b>					
Un-powered site	Per person/per day	\$15.00	\$15.00	None	
Powered site	Per person/per day	\$19.00	\$20.00	Increase	
Soaring Centre bunk room	Per person/per day	\$14.00	\$15.00		
<b>Children</b>					
Camping (under 16 years)	Per person/per day	\$8.00	\$8.00	None	

Customer Services		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
<b>Official information charges</b>					
Time - first hour or part there of		Free	Free	None	
Time - after first hour	Per half hour or part there of	\$38.00	\$38.00		
Pages copied - first 20 A4 (or smaller) pages free	Over 20 pages/per page	\$0.50	\$0.20	Reduce	For consistency with Ombudsman Charging Guidelines
A3 printing, other materials, viewing arrangements		At cost	At cost	None	
<b>Access to files</b>					
Simple file (including property owner)		\$30.00	\$31.00	Inflation	

Customer Services		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Complex files - e.g. business or industrial establishments (including property owner)		\$65.00	\$67.00		
Building and resource consent files		\$25.00	\$26.00		
Recovery of file from off-site		\$70.00	\$72.00		
Record of Title and deposited plan search (searches are performed only to satisfy Resource Consents and Building Consents requirements, we do not do general public searches)	Per title	\$35.00	\$36.00		
Access to register information	Per month	\$22.00	\$23.00		
Supporting documents for search (Instruments registered against the title for example encumbrances, consents notices etc.)	Each per instrument	\$15.00	\$15.00	None	
Photocopying/ GIS and mapping services					
Black and white photocopying/ printing					
External A4	Per page	\$0.50	\$0.50	None	
External A3	Per page	\$1.00	\$1.00		
Colour photocopying/ printing					
External A4	Per page	\$2.00	\$2.00	None	
External A3	Per page	\$4.00	\$4.00		
GIS					
GIS charge out rate	Per page	\$67.00	\$69.00	Inflation	
	Minimum charge	\$34.00	\$35.00		
Policies, plans, bylaws, reports, agendas and minutes					
Long Term Plan, Annual Plan, Annual Report, Bylaws and all other policies, plans, agendas and minutes	Per page		See photocopying fees above	Wording	Add wording: See photocopying fees above
Land Information Memorandum (electronic)					
<del>Changes to the information requirements for LIMs come into effect 1 July 2025.</del>				Wording	Remove wording, no longer applicable.
<del>There may be the need to remove the urgent LIM fees and increase the base LIM fee.</del>					
Standard Land Information Memorandum (LIM) – Residential / Rural	(10 working days)	\$320.00	\$380.00	Increase Wording	Add wording: Residential/ Rural

Customer Services		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Increased complexity and time to fulfil new LIM regulations
Urgent Land Information Memorandum (LIM) – Residential / Rural	<del>(3 working days)</del> (5 working days)	\$470.00	\$530.00	Increase Wording	Add wording: Residential/ Rural Change wording: (5 working days) Increased complexity and time to fulfil new LIM regulations
Standard business/industrial establishment Land Information Memorandum (LIM)	(10 working days)	\$530.00	\$580.00	Increase	Increased complexity and time to fulfil new LIM regulations
<del>Urgent business/industrial establishment Land Information Memorandum (LIM)</del>	<del>(5 working days)</del>	<del>\$680.00</del>		Remove	Increased complexity and time to fulfil new LIM regulations
Printed copy of LIM charged as per Official Information charges		Charged as per Official Information charges	Charged as per Official Information charges	None	
Additional processing charge for Water and Wastewater information	Where required	n/a	At cost	New	To recover any cost associated with obtaining water and wastewater information from Waikato Water Ltd.
<b>Rates Refund</b>					
Requests to refund credit balances on rates account at time of property settlement	This fee is for any request for refund of any credit balance on the rates account	\$50.00	\$50.00	None	
See Notes for Official Information charges					

Engineering		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Graduate Engineer	Per hour	\$175.00	\$186.00	Increase	To align fees across activities
Surveyor	Per hour	\$186.00	\$191.00	Inflation	
Engineering Officer	Per hour	\$196.00	\$208.00	Increase	To align fees across activities
Senior/Design Engineer	Per hour	\$212.00	\$225.00		
Team Leaders	Per hour	\$232.00	\$246.00		
Roading Manager	Per hour	\$248.00	\$263.00		
Group Manager Infrastructure Assets and Operations	Per hour	\$258.00	\$273.00		

General Property		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Council boardroom facilities	If cancellation notice is received within 7 days prior to the event – no refund. Only available during Council office hours				
Interview rooms (interview rooms in Matamata, Morrinsville and Te Aroha)	Per hour	\$10.00	\$10.00	Wording	Add wording: Morrinsville
Boardroom hire - not including kitchen	Per hour	\$15.00	\$15.00	None	
Boardroom – including kitchen	Per day	\$65.00	\$65.00		
Boardroom - kitchen only	Per hour	\$10.00	\$10.00		
Lease arrangement set up cost					
Lease where annual lease payments to Council are less than \$200.00		\$287.00	\$295.00	Inflation	
Lease where annual lease payments to Council are more than \$200.00		\$584.00	\$600.00		
Rural Community Halls					
Fees for the hireage of rural community halls are set by each respective Rural Hall Committee. Contact details for each hall can be found <a href="#">here</a> .				None	

Independent Commissioner		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Engaging external commissioner/s to hear an application		Actual cost	Actual cost	None	
Secretarial and administrative support	Per hour	\$100.00	\$120.00	Increase	For consistency of administration fees across activities
Staff time in preparing, organising and holding a hearing	Per hour	\$186.00	\$191.00	Inflation	
Additional equipment, materials or meeting space required for the hearing		Actual cost	Actual cost	None	

Legal		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
In house services (performed by Council's legal staff)	Legal per hour	\$263.00	\$270.00	Inflation	

Legal		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
	Administration per hour	\$100.00	\$120.00	Increase	For consistency of administration fees across activities
External services (performed by external legal firms)		Actual cost	Actual cost	None	

Libraries		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Hot picks	Per book (2 week issue only)	\$5.00	\$5.00	None	
Inter loans fee – requests outside MPDC	Plus associated fees	\$10.00	\$10.00		
Internet and email – ½ hour per person per day		No charge	No charge		
Photocopying – A4 side – black and white	Self service	\$0.20	\$0.20		
Photocopying – A3 side – black and white	Self service	\$0.40	\$0.40		
Photocopying – A4 side – colour	Self service	\$1.00	\$1.00		
Photocopying – A3 side – colour	Self service	\$2.00	\$2.00		
Printing- black and white - per side	Self service	\$0.20	\$0.20		
Printing - A4 page – colour – per side	Self service	\$1.00	\$1.00		
Talking books	From	\$2.00	\$2.00		
Borrow non-book item		Price varies	Price varies		
Replacement cards		\$5.00	\$5.00		
Withdrawn books	Prices at the library manager's discretion.	Charges vary between \$0.20-\$2.00	Charges vary between \$0.20-\$2.00		
PC scanning		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Lost books/item – replacement cost	Charge of book plus admin charge	\$16.00	\$16.00		
Local request delivery		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Library Merchandise and consumables		Price varies	Price varies	Wording	Add wording: and consumables
Membership charge for non-residents from non-reciprocal districts (exemptions can be applied on a case by case basis)	Annual membership fee	\$62.00	\$64.00	Inflation	
Meeting rooms	Per hour	\$10.00	\$10.00	None	

Libraries		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Pop-up meeting space	Per hour	\$5.00-\$10.00	\$5.00 -\$10		

Licensing and Enforcement		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.					
Health licences - Health Act 1956 and associated regulations					
Camping grounds		\$356.00	\$380.00	Increase	
Funeral directors		\$129.00	\$140.00		
Mortuaries		\$294.00	\$315.00		
Additional inspections	Per hour	\$196.00	\$210.00		
Change of ownership		\$129.00	\$140.00		
Penalty for all registrations if not applied and paid for, by 30 June each year for <del>hairdressers**</del> and camping grounds, and by 31 May each year for funeral directors and mortuaries.					
Food Act 2014					
Food Control Plan					
Application for new registration of template food control plan*		\$263.00	\$280.00	Increase, Wording	Remove wording: *Statutory MPI levy and MPI levy admin fee are also payable
Application for renewal of template food control plan*		\$206.00	\$220.00		
*Statutory MPI levy and MPI levy admin fee are also payable					
Application for amendment of registration of template food control plan		\$200.00	\$215.00	Increase	
Voluntary suspension of food control plan		\$200.00	\$215.00		

Licensing and Enforcement		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
*Statutory MPI Levy fee	Payable with registration and renewal of registration	\$66.13	\$99.19	Wording	Add wording: Payable with registration and renewal of registration Increase in costs as proposed by MPI
*Statutory MPI Levy Admin fee	Payable with registration and renewal of registration	\$12.65	\$12.65		
<b>National Programme</b>					
Application for new registration of a national programme*		\$263.00	\$280.00	Increase, Wording	Remove wording: *Mandatory MPI levy and MPI levy admin fee are also payable
*Mandatory MPI levy and MPI levy admin fee are also payable					
Application for renewal of a national programme*		\$206.00	\$220.00	Increase	
*Mandatory MPI levy and MPI levy admin fee are also payable					
Application for amendment of registration of a national programme		\$200.00	\$215.00		
Voluntary suspension of a national programme		\$200.00	\$212.00		
*Statutory MPI Levy fee	Payable with registration and renewal of registration	\$66.13	\$99.19	Wording, Increase	Add wording: Payable with registration and renewal of registration Increase in costs as proposed by MPI
*Statutory MPI Levy Admin fee	Payable with registration and renewal of registration	\$12.65	\$12.65		
<b>Processing charges</b>					
All verification activities including pre-registration assistance, annual audit, reporting non-compliance visits and any activity not specified in the schedule above (Environmental Health Officer)	Per hour	\$196.00	\$210.00	Increase	
Administration	Per hour	\$100.00	\$120.00		

Licensing and Enforcement		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
Copies of food control plan or national programme		\$62.00	\$65.00		
Mobile Shops					
Mobile shops		\$310.00	\$330.00	Increase	
Gambling venue (Class 4 consent)					
All applications that require a deposit will be charged at actual processing cost					
<del>That meets all the criteria</del>	<del>Deposit only</del>	\$1,500.00	n/a	Remove	
Application deposit <del>That doesn't meet all the criteria</del>	Deposit only	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	Wording	Change wording: Application deposit
Noise control					
Return of seized stereo		\$200.00	\$200.00	None	
Alarm deactivation/ disarming		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Alcohol licences					
Application fee for new licences, renewals of licences and variations to licences	See schedule in the Alcohol Licensing Fees Bylaw <a href="#">here</a>			Increase	Increased as per Alcohol Licensing Fees Bylaw
Special licenses					
Temporary authority, temporary license					
Other fees	Set by statute			Wording	Remove wording: set by statute
Manager's certificate application	Set by statute	\$316.25	\$316.25	None	
Appeal to Alcohol Regulatory & Licensing Authority (ARLA)	Set by statute	\$517.50	n/a	Remove	Charged directly by ARLA
Extract of register (ARLA or District Licensing Committee)	See schedule in the Alcohol Licensing Fees Bylaw <a href="#">here</a>			Increase	This fee is now listed in the Alcohol Licensing Fees Bylaw
Parks and Open Spaces		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
There is no GST on bonds for parks.					

Parks and Open Spaces		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment	
If cancellation notice is received within 7 days prior to the event - no refund. Definition of Community Group, Sports Park, Casual Hirer, Alcohol Served, Commercial see <i>notes at end of this document</i>						
Standard charges – all parks						
Booking fee - required per booking or group of bookings if made at one time	Does not apply to <i>Community Groups</i>	\$25.00	\$30.00	Inflation		
Daily charge - Sports Parks		\$62.00	\$65.00			
Daily charge - this is for all other parks and reserves that are not listed as Sports Parks e.g. Hetana Street Reserve (Railside / The Village Green) Howie Park, Te Aroha Domain.		\$26.00	\$30.00			
Bond for casual hirers		Per day	\$277.00			\$284.00
Key bond (where applicable)		Per set of keys	\$26.00			\$27.00
Optional extras - all parks (all users, including community groups)						
Charge per vehicle per night for booked groups on Council parks and reserves	Per vehicle per night	\$10.00	\$10.00	None		
Rubbish bins, above what is normally provided in the park	Per additional bin. Daily charge	\$21.00	\$22.00	Wording Inflation	Add wording: Daily charge	
Wedding/ event site preparation (e.g. additional mowing prior to event)		\$103.00	\$106.00	Inflation		
Power service charge (if available)	Per day	\$77.00	\$80.00			
Gate locking/ unlocking (if required after hours/ weekends)	Per locking/ unlocking	\$77.00	\$80.00	Wording	Add wording: (if required after hours/ weekends).	
Additional toilet clean		n/a	\$100.00	New	To recover costs of providing this service when requested.	
Commercial activities - all parks						
Hire	Daily charge	\$722.00	\$800.00	Increase Wording	To cover administration of larger events. Add wording: Daily charge	
Building / Facilities	For facilities such as Event Centres and Sports Stadiums, see Community Venues section					
AR Johns Building - Boyd Park, Te Aroha						
Daily charge (daily charge rates will be pro-rated on an hourly basis for regular bookings that cover	per 1/2 day (maximum 6 hours)	\$93.00	\$96.00	Inflation		

Parks and Open Spaces		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
one school term or a period of three months or more)	Per day	\$144.00	\$148.00		
Bond for casual hirers (no alcohol served)	Per day	\$53.00	\$54.00		
Bond for casual hirers (alcohol served)	Per day	\$277.00	\$284.00		
<b>Domain House - Te Aroha Domain</b>					
All hirers (lower rates for use of Domain House for three days or more may be negotiated)	per day	\$53.00	n/a	Remove	This is currently Domain House Beauty so not available for hire.
Bond for casual hirers (no alcohol served)	per day	\$53.00			
Bond for casual hirers (alcohol served)	per day	\$277.00			
<b>Domain Pavilion - Te Aroha Domain</b>					
Hire	Per hour	\$15.00 Community Group	n/a	Move to other activity	This has been moved to the Community Venues section.
		\$31.00 Commercial			
Bond for casual hirers (no alcohol served)	Per day	\$51.00			
Bond for casual hirers (alcohol served)	Per day	\$277.00			
<b>Billboard Sign - Skidmore Reserve, Te Aroha</b>					
Billboard events sign boards (includes sign and installation)		\$80.00	\$80.00	None	

Resource Consents and Monitoring		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
					Reason for increases in this activity:  To slightly increase the proportion of costs recovered from users of the service compared to ratepayers in general.
<b>Regulatory planning charges</b>					
Set-up fee (disbursements)	Per hour	\$100.00	\$120.00	Increase	
Administration	Per hour	\$100.00	\$120.00		
Graduate Consents Planner / Third Year Intern	Per hour	\$175.00	\$186.00		

Resource Consents and Monitoring		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Intermediate Consents Planner / Planning Guidance Officer	Per hour	\$196.00	\$208.00		
Senior Consents Planner	Per hour	\$212.00	\$225.00		
Team Leader Resource Consents	Per hour	\$232.00	\$246.00		
Planning Manager / Group Manager Growth and Regulation	Per hour	\$248.00	\$263.00		
Monitoring	Per hour	\$175.00	\$186.00		
Planning Officer Processing of completion certificates (s224)	Per hour	\$175.00	\$186.00	Increase, Wording	Change wording: Planning Officer
Team Leader Consents Engineer	Per hour	\$232.00	\$246.00	Increase	
Consents Engineer	Per hour	\$196.00	\$208.00		
Senior Consents Engineer	Per hour	\$212.00	\$225.00		
Legal – in house - refer legal section in fees and charges					
External consultants (e.g. processing planner/engineer)		Actual cost plus 5%	Actual cost plus 5%	No change	
Technical reports (e.g. peer review)					
Commissioners – independent					
Commissioners – Councillors - In accordance with Remuneration Authority Act 1977		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Venue hire		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Reports requested by commission		Actual cost plus 5%	Actual cost plus 5%		
Pre-lodgement meetings		First 30 minutes free Thereafter charged at the officer's hourly rate	First 30 minutes free Thereafter charged at the officer's hourly rate		
Sale of planning consent information	Per month	\$80.00	\$82.00	Inflation	
Consent deposits and set fees					
All applications that require a deposit will be charged at actual processing costs					
Minor subdivision 1-9 lots	Deposit	\$4,000.00	\$4,108.00	Inflation	

Resource Consents and Monitoring		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Major subdivision 10+ lots	Deposit	\$9,000.00	\$9,243.00		
Land use					
For breaches of development controls (such as household recreation space and site coverage)	Deposit (includes 1 hour of monitoring)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	None	
Vehicle crossing only	Deposit (includes 1 hour of monitoring)	\$1,000.00	\$1,027.00	Inflation	
Combined minor subdivision and land use	Deposit	\$4,000.00	\$4,108.00		
Combined major subdivision and land use	Deposit	\$10,000.00	\$10,270.00		
Peat hazard land use consent - including monitoring	Set fee			None	
Second hand building land use consent - including 1 hour deposit for monitoring	Set fee	\$1,000.00	\$1,310.00	Increase	
Permitted boundary activities	Set fee	\$500.00	\$500.00	None	
Marginal and temporary activities	Deposit	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	None	
Front yard encroachment land use consent (only applies where written approval from the affected parties are submitted with the application and there are no other matters of non-compliance - includes 1 hour deposit for monitoring)	Set fee	\$1,000.00	\$1,310.00	Increase	
Limited notified applications (in addition to other deposits)	Deposit	\$9,000.00	\$9,245.00	Inflation	
Publicly notified applications (in addition to other deposits)	Deposit	\$6,000.00	\$6,162.00		
Public or limited notified applications requiring a hearing	Deposit	\$10,000.00	\$10,270.00		
Boundary adjustments	Deposit	\$2,000.00	\$2,054.00		
Land Transfer Plan Approval 0-5 lots (s223 RMA)	Set fee	\$500.00	n/a	Fee structure	These three fees to be merged into one with a standard deposit amount.
Land Transfer Plan Approval 6-10 lots (s223 RMA)	Set fee	\$800.00	n/a		
Land Transfer Plan Approval Fee 11 or more lots (s223 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,000.00	\$515.00		
Approval of consent conditions (s224 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,000.00	\$1,027.00	Inflation	Inflation
Extensions of time (s125 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,541.00		
Variations or cancellation of a consent condition (s127 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,541.00		

Resource Consents and Monitoring		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Variations or cancellation of a consent notice (s221 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,541.00		
Release of minor works bond	Deposit	\$500.00	\$514.00		
Cancellation or variation of easements, building line restrictions and cancellation of compulsory amalgamations conditions (s241 and s243 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,541.00		
Easements not requiring subdivision consent (s348 LGA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,541.00		
Surrender of consent	Deposit	\$1,000.00	\$515.00	Reduce	
Surrender of consent as required by a condition of consent	<del>Deposit</del> Set Fee	\$500.00	\$250.00	Reduce, Fee Structure	
Designation or heritage order	Deposit	\$3,000.00	\$3,090.00		
Alteration of designation or heritage order	Deposit	\$3,000.00	\$3,090.00		
Outline plan (s176a RMA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,545.00		
Outline plan waiver	Deposit	\$500.00	\$515.00		
Certificate of compliance (s139 RMA)	Deposit	\$1,500.00	\$1,545.00	Inflation	Inflation
Existing Use Rights Certificate (s139A RMA)	Deposit	\$5,000.00	\$5,135.00		
Alcohol licensing certificate for a new premises	Set fee	\$400.00	\$415.00		
Alcohol licensing certificate for an existing premises	Set fee	\$155.00	\$160.00		
Building consent processing – refer building consents and monitoring section		Hourly rates	Hourly rates	None	
All other functions under the RMA – refer regulatory planning charges		Hourly rates	Hourly rates		
Vehicle entrances - see Roading					
Note: Please note that any costs incurred by Waikato Waters Ltd will be in addition to those noted below and may be charged with the Building Consent			At cost	New	

Roading		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Overweight/ high productivity vehicle permit application					
Processing of permit - no supervision	Per permit	\$127.00	\$130.00	Inflation	
Processing renewal of existing permit	Per permit	\$59.00	\$61.00		
Additional supervision cost	Per permit	\$292.00	\$300.00		
Non notification which includes pavement and structural investigation work		\$754.00	\$774.00		
Note: Any fees and charges that may be applicable for new overweight licensing requirements will be addressed at the time any new requirements come into force.					
RAPID number					
New RAPID number		No charge	No charge	None	
Replacement of a RAPID number		No charge	No charge		
Roading events - non road closure					
Application - fundraising/ community events		\$30.00	\$31.00	Inflation	
Application - private events		\$127.00	\$130.00		
Roading events - road closures (including advertising)					
Closures requiring calls for submissions:					
Fundraising/community events		\$520.00	\$534.00	Inflation	
Private events		\$637.00	\$654.00		
Closures not requiring calls for submissions:					
Private events/ utility work		\$520.00	\$534.00	Inflation	
Corridor access requests (CAR)					
Application fee:					
Standard CAR		\$250.00	\$257.00	Inflation	
Works Access Permit (WAP) / Date extension		\$50.00	\$90.00	Increase	To better reflect cost recovery
Project work (exceeding 28 days)		\$550.00	\$565.00	Inflation	
Generic Traffic Management Plan (TMP) (multiple sites up to a period of 12 months)		\$600.00	\$680.00	Increase	To better reflect cost recovery. Allows multiple use over 12 months.
Further inspections due to non-compliance	Per inspection	\$213.00	\$219.00	Inflation	
Non-notification cost		\$738.00	\$758.00	Inflation	

Roading		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Late completion of works or failure to return sites to pre-existing conditions as per Council requirements and Utilities Code			\$200.00	New	Cost recovery for delays and staff time to follow up
Additional management and administration fees including meetings, site visits and administration work			\$200.00	New	For additional works and site visits undertaken post CAR approval.
Issuing Stop Works Order			\$250.00	New	Issuing Stop Works for non-compliance or non-approved work including administration
<b>Vehicle Crossings</b>					
Application for a new/upgraded vehicle crossing not part of a subdivision or building consent		\$380.00	\$416.00	Increase	Aligns with 2 hours of Consents Engineer's time
CAR / TMP processing	Per entrance	\$125.00	\$128.00	Inflation. Wording change.	Add wording; per entrance
Further inspections due to non-compliance	Per inspection	\$190.00	\$195.00	Inflation	
<b>Stock underpasses (also refer building section)</b>					
Applications (including all inspections)		\$955.00	\$981.00	Inflation	
Further inspections due to non-compliance	Per inspection	\$213.00	\$219.00	Inflation	
<b>Fence permits</b>					
Applications (including first inspection)		No charge	No charge	None	
Further inspections due to non-compliance	Per inspection	\$213.00	\$219.00	Inflation	
<b>Stock permits</b>					
Applications (including first inspection)		No charge	No charge	None	
Further inspections due to non-compliance	Per inspection	\$213.00	\$219.00	Inflation	
<b>Abandoned vehicles</b>					
Vehicles taken into custody (where owner can be identified)	For towing and storage (if required)	Actual cost	Actual cost	None	
Disposal fee (where owner can be identified)	For towing and storage (if required)	Actual cost	Actual cost	None	
<b>Skateboard infringements</b>					
First confiscation		No fee	n/a	Remove	Not used.
Second confiscation		\$40.00			
Third and subsequent confiscations		\$74.00			

Rubbish		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Transfer stations are located in Matamata, Morrinsville and Waihou. Charges based on weight rather than volume. All vehicles pass over a weigh bridge and fee applied according to weight of refuse or green waste. Minimum charge applied for small loads.					
Replacement / delivery of bin:					
25 litre food waste bin	Included in targeted rates	Free	Free	None	
120 litre wheelie bin for refuse collection fortnightly	Included in targeted rates	Free	Free		
240 litre wheelie bin for recyclables	Included in targeted rates	Free	Free		
45 litre glass crate	Included in targeted rates	Free	Free		
Upon request to join kerbside collection service					
Provision of (including delivery):		The fee is charged at a varying rate based on 1/12th of the kerbside collection targeted rate for the current year multiplied by the number of full months to June that the service will be provided. The property will be rated for the service	The fee is charged at a varying rate based on 1/12th of the kerbside collection targeted rate for the current year multiplied by the number of full months to June that the service will be provided. The property will be rated for the service	None	
25 litre food waste bin					
120 litre wheelie bin for refuse collection					
240 litre wheelie bin for recyclables					
45 litre glass crate					

Rubbish		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
		from the following year.	from the following year.		
<b>Transfer Station Fees</b>					
Sorted and approved recyclables - Cardboard, clean glass, aluminium and tin cans, plastics (grades 1, 2 and 5, no motor oil or chemical containers).		Free	Free	None	
Commercial quantities will only be accepted by prior arrangement with management	Per tonne	\$111.00	\$114.00	Inflation	
<b>Refuse</b>					
Bags up to 60 Litres. Maximum of 3 bags per vehicle. Minimum charge 0-20kg	Over 60 Litres, bags will be weighed	\$6.90	\$7.50	Fee structure Wording	At the current fee, the bag rate is more expensive than the tonnage rate. Bags are no longer the main way people transport waste. Change wording: Minimum charge 0-20kg Remove note.
Charged by weight	Per tonne	\$355.00	\$365.00	Inflation	
<b>Green waste</b>					
Bags up to 60 Litres. Maximum of 3 bags per vehicle. Minimum charge 0-40kg	Over 60 Litres, bags will be weighed	\$6.50	\$7	Fee structure Wording	Change wording: Minimum charge 0-40kg Remove note.
Charged by weight		\$170.00	\$175.00	Inflation	
<b>Scrap steel</b>					
Ute/station wagon/single axle trailer/tandem axle/high side trailer/commercial		No charge	No charge	None	
<b>Electronic waste</b>					
Desktop computer, server (box only), modem, keyboard, small peripherals		No charge	No charge	None	
Fluorescent tubes, <del>laptop battery</del> , speakers (per unit)		\$5.00	\$5.00	Wording	Remove wording: laptop battery
DVD/CD/VCR player, stereo system, gaming console, laptop, small printer, scanner, fax, microwave		\$7.00	\$7.00	None	
LCD Computer monitor		\$12.00	\$12.50	Inflation	

Rubbish		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
CRT Computer monitor, Plasma/LCD TV (flat screen)		\$22.00	\$22.50	Inflation	
CRT TV		\$32.00	\$33.00	Inflation	
Other recyclable charges - these apply to all three transfer stations					
Charges per type					
End of life tyres from consumers (up to 5 at a time)		Free	Free	None	
Car Batteries		Free	Free	None	
Whiteware	Additional charge for items requiring degassing will be payable as below	Free	Free	None	
Degassing of fridges, freezers, air conditioning units as required under the Ozone Layer Protection Act 1996 and Climate Change Response Act 2002	Per item	\$15.50	\$16.00	Inflation	
Hazardous waste <del>and oil</del> - domestic quantities (up to 0 - 10 litres) <del>of can also be disposed of at the transfer stations</del> , including solvents (original label), cleaning fluids (original label), paints, <del>car batteries</del> and <del>cooking</del> oil. Fertilisers, herbicides and pesticides may also be disposed of <del>if they are placed</del> in a sealed <del>container</del> with original label. ; <del>clear plastic bag and labelled.</del>		\$22.00	\$22.50	Inflation Wording	Change wording to: Hazardous waste - domestic quantities (0-10 litres), including solvents (original label), cleaning fluids (original label), paints, and cooking oil. Fertilisers, herbicides and pesticides may also be disposed of in a sealed container with original label.
Automotive Waste Oil	Up to 20 litres. Must have original labels.	n/a	Free	New	
Weigh only		\$10.00	\$10.00	None	
Public bins				New	
Illegal dumping - recovery and disposal		n/a	At cost	New	To recover costs

Strategies and Plan		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Private plan changes					

Strategies and Plan		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Private plan changes	Deposit	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	Increase	The current deposit is not sufficient to cover initial cost. Often the deposit is used before the plan change has even been accepted by Council. When looking at other Councils, the proposed deposit sits about centre in the range.
Administration fee	Per hour	\$100.00	\$120.00	Increase	To align administration fee across activities
Graduate RMA Policy Planner	Per hour	\$175.00	\$180.00	Inflation	
RMA Policy Planner	Per hour	\$196.00	\$201.00		
Senior RMA Policy Planner	Per hour	\$212.00	\$218.00		
Team Leader RMA Policy Planner	Per hour	\$232.00	\$238.00		
Planning Manager / Group Manager Growth and Regulation	Per hour	\$248.00	\$255.00		
Consultant Planner	Per hour	Actual cost plus 5%	Actual cost plus 5%	None	
<b>Legal</b>					
In house - refer legal section in fees and charges					
External consultants		Actual cost plus 5%	Actual cost plus 5%	None	
Commissioners – independent		Actual cost plus 5%	Actual cost plus 5%		
Commissioners – Councillors - In accordance with Remuneration Authority Act 1977		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Venue hire		Actual cost	Actual cost		
Reports requested by commission		Actual cost plus 5%	Actual cost plus 5%		
Note: all photocopying and postage will be charged as per Customer Services fees and charges					

Swimming Pools		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
<b>Single entry</b>					
Child (under 16 years)		\$5.00	\$5.00	None	

Swimming Pools		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Adult (16 years +)		\$8.00	\$8.00		
Senior (65 years +)		\$7.00	\$7.00		
Family pass 2 adults or seniors and up to 3 children		\$25.00	\$25.00		
Shower only		\$5.00	\$5.00		
Spa (where facilities are available)	In addition to entry fee	\$2.00	\$2.00		
Concession cards (pool entry)					
Child (under 16 years)	10 swims	\$42.00	\$42.00	None	
	20 swims	\$80.00	\$80.00		
	30 swims	\$112.00	\$112.00		
Adult (16 years +)	10 swims	\$68.00	\$68.00		
	20 swims	\$128.00	\$128.00		
	30 swims	\$180.00	\$180.00		
Senior (65 years +)	10 swims	\$59.00	\$59.00		
	20 swims	\$112.00	\$112.00		
	30 swims	\$157.00	\$157.00		
Membership (pool entry)					
Child (under 16 years)	3 month	\$117.00	\$117.00	None	
	6 month	\$182.00	\$182.00		
	12 month	\$286.00	\$286.00		
Adult (16 years +)	3 month	\$187.00	\$187.00		
	6 month	\$291.00	\$291.00		
	12 month	\$458.00	\$458.00		
Senior (65 years +)	3 month	\$164.00	\$164.00		
	6 month	\$255.00	\$255.00		
	12 month	\$400.00	\$400.00		
Swimzone Morrinsville 4 month membership	Child	n/a	\$140.00	New	Trialling over the coming season. Based on customer requests. Swimzone Morrinsville is only open 4 months a year.
	Adult	n/a	\$255.00		
	Senior	n/a	\$220.00		
SZTA No.2 Bath House (public 30 min sessions*)				Wording	Remove wording: (public 30 min sessions*)

Swimming Pools		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Public session*	Per person	\$8.00	\$8.00	None	
Private session*	Per person	n/a	\$20.00	New	To respond to community requests
SZTA No.2 Bath House (public 30 min sessions*) and pool/ outdoor spa combo				Wording	Remove wording: (30 mins)
Child (under 16 years)		\$13.00	\$13.00	None	
Adult (16 years +)		\$16.00	\$16.00		
Senior (65 years +) and Active Health		\$15.00	\$15.00		
Family pass 2 adults or seniors and up to 3 children		\$57.00*	\$57.00*		
*Public sessions No. 2 bath house sessions (30 minutes, minimum 2 - maximum 10 persons per session)				Wording	Change wording to No. 2 bath house sessions Add wording: 30 minutes
School groups					
All schools within the district	Per child/swim	\$3.00	\$3.00	None	
Out of district schools	Per child/swim	\$4.50	\$4.50		
Amateur swimming clubs					
Squad member (pool entry) – 6 months (school aged only)		\$155.00	\$155.00	Wording	Add wording: (school aged only) Add note: School aged children
Squad member (pool entry) - 12 months (school aged only)	Valid only during squad training session times	\$243.00	\$243.00	Wording	Add wording: (school aged only)
Hire (bookings essential)					
Lane hire	Per lane per hour	\$20.00	\$20.00	None	
Inflatable hire for private bookings (Includes additional lifeguard)	Hire per hour where available	\$50.00	\$50.00		
Inflatable - Public session	Per person plus cost of general admission	Free	n/a	Remove	Not needed
Barbeque hire	Per hour	\$20.00	\$20.00	None	
Full pool hire	Per hour per pool (includes one additional lifeguard. Additional charges may apply depending on ratio numbers)	\$100.00	\$100.00	Wording	Remove wording to read: Per hour per pool
Customer & lifeguard numbers will be calculated by the level of risk and approved by Swim Zone management. Lifeguard ratios are	Over the 1:40 ratio additional lifeguard per hour	\$35.00	\$35.00	None	

Swimming Pools		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
1:40. An additional lifeguard is required if ratios are exceeded.					
Aqua Group Fitness ( <del>where available, minimum of 6 people per class</del> )				Wording	Remove wording in brackets
Per session		\$8.50	\$8.50	None	
Concession card	10 sessions	\$72.00	\$72.00		
	20 sessions	\$136.00	\$136.00		
	30 sessions	\$191.00	\$191.00		
Active Health club rehabilitation (access to exercise equipment and staff assistance)					
Child (under 16 years) Includes spa	Restricted hours of use and current medical certificate apply	\$4.00	\$4.00	None	
Adult (16 years +) Includes spa		\$7.00	\$7.00		
Senior (65 years +) Includes spa		\$6.00	\$6.00		
Summer Swim Card (school aged children)	6 weeks of summer school holiday	\$65.00	\$65.00		
Little Swimmer sessions	Children under 5 years	\$5 per child, one adult 16+ years swims free	\$5 per child, one adult 16+ years swims free		
Active Health concession rates					
Child (under 16 years)	General	\$4.00	\$4.00	None	
	10 sessions	\$34.00	\$34.00		
	20 sessions	\$64.00	\$64.00		
	30 sessions	\$90.00	\$90.00		
Adult	General	\$7.00	\$7.00		
	10 sessions	\$59.00	\$59.00		
	20 sessions	\$112.00	\$112.00		
	30 sessions	\$158.00	\$158.00		
Senior	General	\$6.00	\$6.00		
	10 sessions	\$51.00	\$51.00		
	20 sessions	\$96.00	\$96.00		

Swimming Pools		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
	30 sessions	\$135.00	\$135.00		

Wastewater		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
These fees and charges will be set and collected by Council. From 1 October 2026 the funds collected will be transferred to Waikato Waters Ltd.				New	New note to explain the process for Fees and Charges after the transition of Water and Wastewater to Waikato Waters Ltd.
<b>Trade Waste application fees</b>					
Permitted/ Controlled Discharge	per application	\$304.00	\$312.00	Inflation	
Conditional Consent (covering first 6 hours work)	per application	\$912.00	\$937.00	Inflation	
Hourly rate for applications, additional hours (per hour)	per hour	\$152.00	\$156.00	Inflation	
Temporary Discharge	per application	\$304.00	\$312.00	Inflation	
Renewal Fee for permitted or conditional Trade Waste Consents (plus any inspection costs)	per application	\$152.00	\$156.00	Inflation	
Variation / Change of Details Request for Trade Waste consents (plus additional hourly rate for more than 30 minutes time noting that site inspection charges may also apply)		\$76.00	\$78.00	Inflation	
Special trade waste agreements, variations or renewals. Actual costs recovered including but not limited to consultant or legal fees		Actual cost	Actual cost	None	
<b>Site inspection fees</b>					
Permitted/Controlled Discharge - Site Inspection/Audit	per site visit	\$228.00	\$234.00	Inflation	
Conditional Consent - Site Inspection/Audit	per site visit	\$304.00	\$312.00	Inflation	
Temporary Discharge - Site Inspection/Audit	per site visit	\$304.00	\$312.00	Inflation	
Non-Compliance - Site Inspection/Audit	per site visit	\$456.00	\$468.00	Inflation	
<b>Annual fees</b>					
Permitted		No charge	No charge	None	
Permitted Audited		\$152.00	\$156.00	Inflation	
<del>Conditional</del>		\$274.00	n/a	Remove	Has been replaced by Tankered fees and Risk Class 2 and 3 fees

Wastewater		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Special		As per tradewaste agreement	As per tradewaste agreement	None	
Conditional/Special - Risk Class 2	Cost of any independent monitoring (sampling and analysis) is recovered through a separate fee.	\$1,456.00	\$1,495.00	Inflation	
Conditional/ Special - Risk Class 3	Cost of any independent monitoring (sampling and analysis) is recovered through a separate fee.	\$2,400.00	\$2,465.00	Inflation	
Tankered Waste administrative charge		\$932.00	\$957.00	Inflation	
Other fees					
Temporary discharge	Cost of any independent monitoring (sampling and analysis) is recovered through a separate fee.	\$270.00	\$277.00	Inflation	
Independent Monitoring	per sample collection	\$281.00	\$289.00	Inflation	
Tankered waste	The fixed tankered waste charge shall be calculated using a set fee per cubic metre.	\$46.00 per M3	\$47.00 per m3	Inflation	
Other tradewaste charges are as per individual tradewaste agreements				None	

Water		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
These fees and charges will be set and collected by Council. From 1 October 2026 the funds collected will be transferred to Waikato Waters Ltd.				New	New note to explain the process for Fees and Charges after the transition of Water and Wastewater to Waikato Waters Ltd.
District wide tanker fill points	Per M <sup>3</sup>	\$8.00	\$8.00	Inflation	
	Initial registration	\$404.00	\$415.00	Inflation	
	Annual review	\$136.00	\$140.00	Inflation	

Water		Current 2025/26	Proposed 2026/27	Change	Comment
Backflow maintenance and annual testing		Actual cost plus admin fee of 10%	Actual cost plus admin fee of 10%	None	
Meter administration fees					
Re-connection fee		\$3.00	At cost	Fee structure	To correct error from 2025/26
Disconnection fee		At cost	At cost	None	
Connection/installation fee		At cost	At cost	None	
<del>Backflow maintenance and annual testing</del>		<del>At cost</del>	n/a	Remove	Double up on fee above

Notes	
Alcohol served	Serving alcohol at Council facilities is subject to licensing requirements under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 and/ or obtaining permission from Council.
Casual/ regular hirers	Regular hirers are those who make regular bookings that cover one school term or a period of three months or more. Regular hirers are not required to pay a bond. All other hirers are classified as casual hirers.
Commercial	Any other entities not covered above
Community Group/ Non Commercial	A not for profit organisation that provides services that are of benefit to the community, including the provision, promotion or facilitation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- public health or wellbeing,</li> <li>- social advisory or rehabilitation services,</li> <li>- sports or recreational activities,</li> <li>- public amenities or recreational facilities,</li> <li>- the protection or enhancement of the environment,</li> <li>- the protection of human life,</li> <li>- the relief of poverty,</li> <li>- the advancement of education (e.g. schools) or religion,</li> <li>- animal welfare,</li> <li>- public works or services,</li> <li>- the efficiency of the armed forces</li> </ul>
Event Facilitator assistance	Available during events. Please contact the Events and Promotions Coordinator to discuss your requirements and rates. Rates depend on the size of the event and set up requirements.
Sports Parks	The following parks are classified as sports parks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Matamata: Matamata Domain, Pohlen Park, Swap Park</li> <li>- Morrinsville: Morrinsville Recreation Ground, Wiseley Reserve</li> <li>- Te Aroha: Boyd Park, Herries Park, Waihou Recreation Reserve</li> </ul>

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Official Information Charges	<p>The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (Act) requires us to make available certain information which we hold. The Act also makes provision for us to make a charge for the information supplied but this charge must be reasonable and is for the cost of labour and materials involved in making the information available. If the request expresses urgency, then the Council may have to use additional resources to gather the information promptly and the Act permits the Council to charge for these extra resources. If there is a charge for information we will advise you of the likely charges before we commence processing the request and will give you the opportunity to decide whether or not to proceed with the request. In such cases we may also require that the whole or part of any charge be paid in advance before commencing to process the request. If the time taken to process the information and/or the number of copies supplied is only a small margin over the 'free' allowance, we may use our discretion as to whether any charge should be made.</p> <p>Where repeated requests are made by the same person or group in respect of a common subject over intervals of up to eight weeks we will aggregate these requests for charging purposes. This means that the second and subsequent requests will not be subject to one hour of free time and 20 free standard A4 (or smaller) photocopies.</p> <p>The charge represents a reasonable fee for the cost of providing information. It may include (but is not limited to) time spent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• in searching an index to establish the location of the information</li> <li>• in locating and extracting the information from the place where it is held</li> <li>• in reading or reviewing the information</li> <li>• in supervising the access to the information.</li> </ul> <p>Under the Act we are not permitted to charge for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• locating and retrieving information which is not where it ought to be</li> <li>• time spent deciding whether or not access should be allowed, and in what form.</li> </ul> <p>The liability to pay any charge may be modified or waived at the discretion of the delegated officer receiving the request. Such decisions should have regard to the circumstances of each request. However, it would be appropriate to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• whether payment might cause the applicant hardship</li> <li>• whether remission or reduction of the charge would facilitate good relations with the public or assist the department in its work</li> <li>• whether remission or reduction of the charge would be in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of, or effective participation in, the operations or activities of the government, and the disclosure of the information is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester.</li> </ul> <p>Charges are set in accordance with Ministry of Justice, Charging Guidelines for Official Information Act 1982 Requests (2002) and the Ombudsman's guide to charging for official information under the OIA and LGOIMA released June 2016. If an identifiable natural person seeks access to personal information about that person then the request is governed by the Privacy Act 2020 and these charges do not apply. Information that is already publicly available (for example at our libraries and offices or on our website) is not subject to the Act, and normal charges apply to the supply of this information. A person who makes a request for information under the Act may make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsmen regarding our decision regarding supply of that information.</p>

