

Fees & Charges 2024

Submissions Received

Submission # 34 Not Speaking

First name: Elle Last name: Abel

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed I am not in favour these increases **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 857 Not Speaking

First name: Brenda
Last name: Anderson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees and charges to remain unchanged. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 856 Not Speaking

First name: Colin
Last name: Anderson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Fees and charges should remain as per current values.

Submission # 345 Not Speaking

First name: Martin Last name: Baldwin

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Up resource consents for developers. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 586 Not Speaking

First name: **Tina**Last name: **Baldwin**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Only raise property consents for developers who are squeezing as many houses as they can on to properties. It's wrecking the town.

Submission # 187 Not Speaking

First name: James
Last name: Barron

Organisation: Chair - Progress Castlecliff

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 719 Speaking

First name: Kellee Last name: Bartlett

Organisation: Ngati Tumango Hapu member

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Financial reform

Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 963 Not Speaking

First name: Russell Last name: Bell

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed I support the proposed fees and charges for 2024/5 **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 872 Not Speaking

First name: michelle
Last name: benefield

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

user pays these days it is what it is if we have to pay abit more for a swim ok. building and resource consents so be it but the council need to have the right people in these jobs if they consent without doing there homework it can backfire and end up costing us money ie consenting a new build and then decided it needs to be higher than the watertable or the road etc oops my bad that is a very costly mistake to ratepayeers coffers

Submission # 366 Not Speaking

First name: Anne

Last name: Bernard-Bennett

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed None at this time **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 410 Not Speaking

First name: Haley Last name: Biggs

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Use the councils resources to generate some income rather than just sell them. Invest in building a new, fun playground for our kids. Whanganui is a family city. Look at upper hutt it has 3 huge, modern, playgrounds and a similar population to Whanganui. Re-open Matipo Park. Whanganui is highly lacking in bush walks and forest, focus on reopening maripo park for the public who enjoy hiking and picnics in nature.

Submission # 1587 Not Speaking

First name: Dean
Last name: Blackwell

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

everyone expects fees and charges to rise at the moment so it makes sense to raise some charges if council can get aay with it

Submission # 1152 Not Speaking

First name: Dan
Last name: Bowman

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 469 Not Speaking

First name: Andy
Last name: Brotherton

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

The Council resource and building consents are already too high. I think a modest increase in line with inflation could be justified. For the Splash Centre why doesn't the council offer a reduced rate for Community Services Card holders (as we do)? Or may offer reduced rates during school holidays as the patronage would increase therefore offsetting the reduced entry rate.

Submission # 986 Not Speaking

First name: Rob
Last name: Bruning

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 619 Not Speaking

First name: Sandra
Last name: Brunner

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I am not supporting the fee for the Curbside recycling. I will never use it, it is so easy to go to the recycling place and as I have learned today, it will continue to be there for us. People that cannot go to the station should be able to get an allowance if they cannot afford to pay it and else we will get people put their rubbish in the recycling bin and it will cost as as ratepayers a lot more money to prosecute those people and get rid of the rubbish. Whoever produces a lot of rubbish and or recycling and wants the service for it to be picked up, needs to pay for it. I do not think this is encouraging people to reduce their packaging etc.

Submission # 1563

First name: Kerry
Last name: Buchanan

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

We are having a belt tighten check in the real world so suck it up and do the same

Submission # 182 Not Speaking

Jo

First name:

Last name: Buckingham

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

The fee charged for venues does not reflect the service provided, if you are charging a commercial fee then that level of service is expected. Many providers are choosing not to come to Whanganui or use non council venues, this needs to be explored further. Council must put clear guidance on the waiver of fees for community events as this system to date has been opaque and about who you know at council to get an answer or waiver.

Submission # 1614 Not Speaking

First name: Alex Last name: Caradus

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1665 Not Speaking

First name: Rob Last name: Carr

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

The proposed increases seem reasonable in light of increasing costs.

Submission # 1095 Not Speaking

First name: Maree Last name: Carter

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Small increases in line with inflation are sensible - better now than larger ones in the future to 'catch up'.

Submission # 1671 Not Speaking

First name: Robert Last name: Cochrane

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Not really, costs are climbing everywhere and they seem reasonable

Submission # 945 Not Speaking

First name: Stephen Last name: Collier

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Fees should be increased to cover increased costs on a user pays basis

Submission # 566 Not Speaking

First name: Lyn
Last name: Coupet

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 249 Not Speaking

First name: Lynne Last name: Cromarty

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 255 Not Speaking

First name:

Sophia

Last name:

Cullen Quigley

Consultation Question

Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Have you compared services provided, charges and funding for the splash with the likes of Palmerston North and New Plymouth pools? Why are we paying more for less of a service than these centres? With the closure of WEast pool could we develop outside pools/water play at the splash? Also can we redevelop toe recreational side of the splash so there is more variety for children of all ages? New Plymouth has some great examples so does Feilding.

Submission # 1432 Not Speaking

First name: Bryn
Last name: Davies

Organisation: Submitting for YMCA Central, Wanganui Enterprises,

Wai Ora

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed None **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 483

First name: **Tiffany** Last name: **Davies**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed no Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 890 Not Speaking

First name: Rita
Last name: Dibert

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

A chart of exact current cost and proposed changes for all charges would encourage participation. Some of the aspects of this form are really lacking in clarity! I am against any cost at all for children under 15 for the pools.

Submission # 639 Not Speaking

First name: John
Last name: Dryden

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Sorry run out of time to make comment **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1534 Not Speaking

First name: **Debra** Last name: **Elgar**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Fees usually need to rise to meet costs (nothing ever gets cheaper !!) However any service that has a fee for service attached MUST be more timely in the responses to the consumer/client.

Submission # 122 Not Speaking

First name: Melita Last name: Farley

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed These changes seem appropriate given inflation. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 307 Not Speaking

First name: M
Last name: Farmer

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed User pays is ideal **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission #334

First name: John
Last name: Ferguson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed 6% is too much. How about 4%? **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1165 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: Ngaire Flynn

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I am against any increase in service charges, as this will not change the waiting time for confirmation of the various requests. A much better idea is to improve your service before increasing charges.

Submission # 799 Not Speaking

First name: Nicci Last name: Forlong

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Will the increase in building and resource consent costs allow more money to be invested in recruiting staff in order to speed up the process?

Submission # 74 Not Speaking

First name: L Last name: G

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Do not add cost to access the pool. This should be kept affordable for everyone to enjoy.

Submission # 694 Not Speaking

First name: Nichole Last name: Ganley

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No changes to the current fees and charges **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1309 Not Speaking

First name: Yvonne Last name: Gatland

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Just remember, Whanganui is not a wealthy area. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1559 Not Speaking

First name: Soniya
Last name: George

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed It's a little high increase for Whanganui **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1182 Not Speaking

First name: Peter
Last name: Goldfinch

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Fees for building and resource consents are already too high. Instead, greater efficiency from those in charge of carrying out these services would be very very easily achieved, and a far better alternative. There is no sense in increasing development costs and hindering progress in the city.

Submission # 1532 Not Speaking

First name: Robyn Last name: Gracie

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1480 Not Speaking

First name: **Deb**Last name: **Griffiths**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Probably necessary **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 967 Not Speaking

First name: Yvonne
Last name: Guttenbeil

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1492 Not Speaking

First name: Nathan Last name: Hawtree

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed fees should reflect the cost **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1175 Not Speaking

First name: Christine
Last name: Haxton
Organisation: N/A

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

This is reasonable so long as increases are not excessive

Submission # 942 Not Speaking

First name: Melanie
Last name: Haxton

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed I support fee increases to cover costs. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1163 Not Speaking

First name: Russell Last name: Hayes

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

How about getting rid of racially based exemptions to paying rates?????

Submission # 869 Not Speaking

First name: Phill Last name: Haynes

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I believe ever revenue generating area should see increases between 8-10%, or if low cost services like Splash centre then rounding up \$0.50c or \$1 per adult etc. also finding other revenue streams as donation incomes, like the fountain at Vriginia Lakegold coin donations, & fees for facillites & asset use.

Submission # 1030

First name: R. J.

Last name: Henderson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed I lean towards user pays **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 536 Not Speaking

First name: Elayne Last name: Hill

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Try to be sensible and not make these charges so expensive that stop low income families from using the facilities or slowing progress with building projects etc

Submission # 1054 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: Naomi Hoskins

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Whanganui already has higher rates across the board in comparison to other regions and for what seems a lot less for it. It is critical that the essential services for all house holds have access to which will I turn save money and less finical impact should be felt on households to try and cover those essential services

Submission # 1291 Not Speaking

First name:

Ari

Last name:

Houshangi

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Seem reasonable **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1225 Not Speaking

First name: barbara
Last name: humphrey

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed no Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1224 Not Speaking

First name: Mark
Last name: Humphrey

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Work out what is to be done. Establish the costs. Strike the rate and get on with the job.

Submission # 1396 Not Speaking

First name: Raymi

Last name: Hurtado Stuart

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed None Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1604 Not Speaking

First name: Cindy Last name: James

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed User pays is fair. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 88 Not Speaking

First name: Kaye
Last name: Johnson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Rethink and become innovative **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 414

linda First name: Last name: **Johnstone**

Whanganui Literary Festival BOMBs cycle Organisation:

group/Whanganui Tramping Club

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Do you have any comments about the proposed I think raising the fees by 6% is a no brainer in today's world.

Submission # 508 Not Speaking

First name: Shane Last name: Jones

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

the council needs to up its game with the basics halswell street has had no leaves picked up in 4 weeks

Submission # 108 Not Speaking

First name: Paul Last name: Kamau

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1489 Not Speaking

First name: Lana Last name: Kidd

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 615 Not Speaking

First name: Reg Last name: KIdd

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 629 Not Speaking

First name: Cory
Last name: Kondracki

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I think it's inappropriate to raise cemetery fees and also raising health registration, to vulnerable circumstances

Submission # 1143 Not Speaking

First name: Philip
Last name: Kubiak

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No. Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1464 Not Speaking

First name: Robert Last name: Lewis

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Cemetery fees should not be increased as every person in Whanganui will use it eventually. Splash Centre fees should not be increased as we need more people using the facility. not less.

Submission # 1466 Not Speaking

First name: Sheryl Last name: Lewis

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Cemetery and, Splash centre should not increase **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 99 Not Speaking

First name:

Lisa

Last name:

Lightband

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

public is already using the pools less because of cost and this will only increase as cost of living and rates go up. Pools help ensure fitness which reduces health costs. Putting pool costs up will hurt the public

Submission # 1249 Not Speaking

First name: Sarah Last name: Lourie

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

People are financially stretched now....good luck with thinking we can afford to pay more...I will not be going to the Splash if fees are increased.

Submission # 1236 Not Speaking

First name: Robert Last name: Maddren

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 479 **Not Speaking**

> First name: Last name:

Stephen Mahoney

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed See attached document.

Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Supporting documents

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Comments about Proposed Fees and Charges 2024-2025.

The 6 percent proposed increase is less than the proposed general rates increase of 10.6%.

In the Revenue and Financial Policy 2022, the document makes comments that some fees may be funded by ratepayers but that Council still makes the majority contribution with the exception of Parking Services. Parking Services not only cover their operation costs but contribute to General Revenue.

Serious consideration needs to be made to look at other business units and the services that they provide. Building Control, for example, provides a structure that ensures new builds and additions etc comply with the 2004 Building Act. Users in this space should be contributing **more** to ensure that this business unit increases its percentage of self-funding operations.

Most ratepayers will not be impacted with these increased fees unless they are undertaking a development of sorts. As such, the fees that are charged must cover the majority of the costs borne by the Council such as vehicles, time examining documents submitted, correspondence, inspection and consultation time costs.

In the private sector, not recognising true cost drivers results in the business going broke very quickly. For example, a business that charges clients out at a rate that covers wages only will not have income to pay for items such as rent and vehicle expenses etc.

I am not advocating for full cost recovery but the 6% proposed leaves the business units still heavily reliant on General Rates funded directly by Whanganui taxpayers.

In the Parking Bylaw and Controls consultation document, the fee increases proposed are to increase between 50% to 100%, albeit off a small cost base.

Whanganui ratepayers and residents can choose to pay for building and parking services, as they can avoid paying these fees by walking or cycling to town or by not spend large amounts of money on large renovation projects (which in turn create costs for Council).

These same ratepayers though, cannot avoid the dreaded envelope stating that their rates bill has gone up by 10.6% in the current year and is further proposed to increase by 8% in each of the next 2 years, for example.

To demonstrate the effect of cumulative rate increases at the proposed levels, a current annual rate bill of \$3,000 per annum will increase to \$3,318 in 2024/25 then \$3,583 in 2025/26 and \$3,870 in 2027/28 which works out at an extra \$870.12 from 2023-24. Where will Whanganui Ratepayes/Renters find this increase in funds when we already have identified that Whanganui's demographics consists of lower than average income earners in NZ and a higher proportion of over 65s who are likely to have a fixed income and will struggle trying to pay an extra \$870 per annum (or an extra \$17 per week)?

In essence, the Council must commit to significantly increasing non-rates revenue to lessen the burden on Ratepayers on lower or fixed incomes. This may be achieved in 2 main ways: by increasing fees and reducing costs which is what I am advocating.

Submission # 1023 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: Charlotte Maugham

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

If you are going up the prices at splash centre it need some upkeep. It looks dirty and grubby. Pools differently need repainting.

Submission # 322 Not Speaking

First name: Sarah Last name: Mauvan

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

When people can't afford to use public services , the public services will cease to exist

Submission # 716 Not Speaking

First name: **Joanne**Last name: **McDonnell**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Families are already struggling. The lower the better during this time of crisis

Submission # 725 Not Speaking

First name: Jessica
Last name: McKenzie

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Small increases are easier to stomach. Clever ways to hide these rises is offering incentives. Not being specific here, but humans are a fickle creature, and we delight in shiny, occasional freebies and giveaways. Helps the sting of increased fees!

Submission # 391 Not Speaking

First name: Nina Last name: Miller

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I like the kaupapa of user pays here. I do think these are best increased individually so that they do not impact on rates.

Submission # 735 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: Belinda Morgan

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Don't increase, many people can't afford it now, instead of increasing costs look at your back end and see where you can reduce costs/ overheads

Submission #399

First name: Pam
Last name: Muller

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Getting a building consent is already a very expensive expensive exercise which takes a long time. In order to continue healthy and sustainable growth in Whanganui over the coming years they need to be streamlined and more accessible.

Submission # 871 Not Speaking

First name: Amanda Last name: Murray

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1456 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: Lynette Newby

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

No, as again it is very mixed - one answer for multiple things. Except - an increase of 50c for the splash centre of ok, but that is enough

Submission # 1065 Not Speaking

First name: Greg Last name: Nixon

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

1. Rather than just increasing costs look for automation and ways to deliver the services more effectively. 2. Remove red tape which adds no value 3. Increasing costs which are fairs as long as 1 and 2 are done first.

Submission # 663 Not Speaking

First name: jude
Last name: o'dea

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I know it won't be popular but I think you could increase CBD parking fees - these still seem incredibly cheap by regional / national standards, happy to pay a little more there!

Submission # 907 Not Speaking

First name: Paddy Last name: O'Dea

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I would like to see the fee for the Splash Centre stay the same for super annuitants. (ie Gold Card holders).

Submission # 1332 Not Speaking

First name: Charleen
Last name: Omundsen

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

This seems reasonable as it is in line with the cost of inflation.

Submission # 1612 Not Speaking

First name: Karen Last name: O'Neil

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Fees are already exhurbitant for building planning etc, no change. Splash centre yes

Submission # 1474 Not Speaking

First name: Nicky
Last name: O'Neill
Organisation: NA

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I think it is appalling that the council is propsing a raise in fees for activities that promote health and well-being. We are so behind Australia in their approach to the health of their citizens.

Submission # 111 Speaking

First name: Last name: William Payne

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

It is only fair for our fees to be proportional to our facilities and requirements when compared to other local bodies of our size.

Submission # 370 Not Speaking

First name: Carole Last name: Pryce

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Cemetery fees should not increase: once again you are playing on someone's needs

Submission # 1186 Not Speaking

First name: William
Last name: Raaymakers

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

an extra 50 cents to the likes of Splash Centre fees is fair and acceptable, but I feel the building consent and other similar fees are high enough.

Submission # 801 Not Speaking

First name: **David**Last name: **Rawlinson**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I don't support increases to building and resource consents - these are already very expensive and discourage development. Other fees should be increased only in line with inflation.

Submission # 1597 Not Speaking

First name: **Tina**Last name: **Redpath**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 297 Not Speaking

First name: Trudy
Last name: Reeves

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Might need to be more for venues inline with market rates

Submission # 426 Not Speaking

First name: Martha Last name: Sayers

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Building consents are too pricey now. Health should not be financially out of people's reach

Submission # 1571 Not Speaking

First name: Renate
Last name: Schneider

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1585 Not Speaking

First name: **Tom**Last name: **Seaman**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Increasing fees to building consents will discourage building work. I know costs have gone up, mainly from regulation changes from central Government and for covering risks associated with building inspections. This is too complex without having to dig very deeply into the issue. My challenge to Council is to think outside the box (take off the "black hats" and come up with other approaches and push back on Government regulations.

Submission # 51 Speaking

First name: Russell Last name: Sears

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed See attached Proposed Fees & Charges 2024/25 **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Supporting documents

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Proposed Fees & Charges 2024/25

I agree with the 6% increase in the proposed fees for 2024/25 as outlined under Venues & Events – Cooks Gardens Event Centre, however, I do not believe that the charges shown as being **the Current fees** are correct and therefore the **2024/25 Proposed fees** are incorrect.

Since Cooks Gardens was taken back in-house by the Council on 1 July 2017 the Council has not set any charges or increase in charges for Cooks Gardens.

Therefore, the community and the users of Cooks Gardens have not been consulted on any increase as required by section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

However, from 2017 the Council has increased these charges each year by amounts ranging from 60% to over 100% on the year before. Not just for athletics but for other major users of the ground.

What was charged in 2018 of \$347 has increased to \$1,502 in 2024 for the same event.

Under Cooks Gardens Event Centre, I would recommend that the charges for the arena (track and rugby field), Corporate boxes, Media room should be shown separately from those charged for the Event Centre.

The Community Rate and Private Rate are shown, under Current Fee and Proposed Fee headings, ranging as Full Day – from \$115 - \$2,250. These rates should be itemised so that the users/ community are fully informed on what they are getting, and everyone is treated equally. A range from \$115 to \$2,250 is too great and not open and transparent.

I don't believe that these charges will help Cooks Gardens to be operationally sound and viable, but will continue the decline in usage, like other grounds around the country eg. North Harbour stadium. The focus has to be on building the hireage base and the frequency of use.

I think the Council should be looking outside the square and consider all options for the running of Cooks Gardens. Sports facilities and sports in general are based around volunteers. Clubs/organisations can draw on their membership to operate the facilities at Cooks Gardens.

Like your Partnerships with Iwi, a partnership between Council, Athletics Whanganui, Whanganui Rugby Football Union and Cycling Whanganui.

We would like to open discussions with the Council and its officers to add value to the wonderful facility we have at Cooks Gardens for the benefit of our community.

Submission # 1088 Not Speaking

First name: Mandy Last name: Shaver

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I would offer viable options for environmentally sound, low-cost burials and cremations.

Submission # 604 Not Speaking

First name: craig
Last name: Sherman

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Red tape is supposed to be being reduced, which should reduce costs not increase them. Council has cost ratepayers a huge amount of money with unlawful sackings which have cost us massive lawyer bills..Kept very hush hush though. Maybe this needs to be brought to the publics attention. This money has been absolutely wasted and would have been better spent upgrading the pool and keeping the aviary open. The costs would have covered this

Submission # 703 Not Speaking

First name: Antonia Last name: Sims

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 467 Not Speaking

First name: **john**Last name: **singleton**

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed user pays and the amount is reasonable **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1586 Not Speaking

First name: Simon Last name: Skill

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

The proposals seem fair and proportional, so I support them.

Submission # 1093 Not Speaking

First name: Jeff
Last name: Smith

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Increase fees for any user based services to reduce the general rate requirements

Submission # 1226 Not Speaking

First name: Karen
Last name: Stockman

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1092 Not Speaking

First name: Angela Last name: Stratton

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1155 Not Speaking

First name: Jocelyn
Last name: Taranchokov

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1310 Not Speaking

First name: Alan Last name: Taylor

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Support Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 149 Not Speaking

First name:

Pita

Last name:

Taylor-Heke

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Fees and Charges should always be measured against a range of other factors. Whether they make sense for the time frame. Whether they're fit for purpose. Whether they're too much or too little. And if there are other ways to get the same outcomes from increasing fees and charges.

Submission # 653 Not Speaking

First name: Heather Last name: Teka

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 430 Not Speaking

First name: Nadia
Last name: Thompson
Organisation: No

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Times are already hard for people that 50c increase could see many families not able to afford going to the splash. Health registrations and cemetery fee?. Really!. Our health system already compromises people's health and well being adding another fee would send people to their grave earlier.

Submission # 1202 Not Speaking

First name: Kawana Last name: Tihema

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No matter what we say or think rates will keep rising **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1641 Not Speaking

First name: Mick
Last name: Townsend

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Shame there is no IPART in NZ like NSW **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 72 Not Speaking

First name: Nancy Last name: Tuaine

Organisation: Nga Tangata Tiaki o Whanganui

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed no Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1544 Not Speaking

First name: Hans
Last name: Vaatstra

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Increasing user fees seems reasonable **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 154 Not Speaking

First name: Stephan Last name: van Os

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Improve the calibre of the Council's bureaucrats. Do we really need the numbers of staff currently employed at the Council, some of whom in my experience are deeply mediocre pencil pushers who would never last a day in the private sector.

Submission # 940 Not Speaking

First name: Heather
Last name: Verstraeten

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1311 Not Speaking

First name: Jess Last name: Vigenser

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

While I do not like the rise, it is necessary for Council to off-set debt etc. These facilities/services should be paying for themselves and not costing Council

Submission # 1647 Not Speaking

First name: Krystal

Last name: Waine Hartley

Organisation: No

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed N/A Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 347

First name: Junette Last name: Ward

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 162 Not Speaking

First name: Richard (known as Dick)

Last name: Ward

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Submission # 1366 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: David Watson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I am in favour of setting fees and charges at a reasonable market rate. Any service provided by council that enables a profit making enterprise (such as building consents or for-profit events at Council venues) should incur a fee, as should activities that only benefit a small number of people.

Submission # 120 Not Speaking

First name: Charlotte
Last name: Weber

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Reasonable increases in line with inflation only. Splash Centre 50c raise is absolutely reasonable. Reducing the red tape and unsustainable costings for consents is the better way to go rather than increasing by 6%. The world has gone mad with regulations resulting in high costs.

Submission # 237 Not Speaking

First name: Karen Last name: White

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Agree with the increase **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 1055 Not Speaking

First name: Last name: CALUM WILBUR

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

The level of service provided does not match back to the fees being charged for instance around building compliance

Submission # 157 Speaking

First name: Kevin Last name: Wilkie

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Utilise the community Digital Twin to create an on Land Development tool which can be used for on line consent processing and can be used to reduce compliance costs for developers.

Submission # 39 Not Speaking

First name: Cassie
Last name: Williams

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Yes I don't agree with the increase in prices, this will limit the time people spend in town and push more people towards online shopping which in my view isn't great for the local shops. I rent a council car park and don't agree with a \$10 per week increase, this is a very high increase and i imagine a lot of people will give up their rental spaces. I don't agree with gold card users getting extra free time on a saturday, they have all week to complete their shopping and these parks should be reserved for people in employment, i don't think its fair other paying carpark users are having to subsidise goldcard users getting even more time.

Submission # 1670 Not Speaking

First name: Bonnie
Last name: Wilson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

People are struggling and everything is going up in price, you want to put up rates and fees, increasing the pressure on people, it impacts low income people the most so I hope you are considering that when you decide what fees to increase. People will have less disposable income to spend in local businesses. People get desperate and crime increases, all of which impacts our community.

Submission # 1308 Not Speaking

First name: John
Last name: Wilson

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

Consider keeping Community Card discounts the same price as a large part of the community has even less disposable income these coming years.

Submission # 1608 Not Speaking

First name: Kayla Last name: Young

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed No, it is what it is. **Fees & Charges 2024-25?**

Submission # 110 Speaking

First name: Peter Last name: Zolno

Consultation Question Submitter Feedback

Fees and Charges 2024-25

Do you have any comments about the proposed Fees & Charges 2024-25?

I'd love to see this 50¢ waived for low income people somehow, or put into higher rates. I've never even been there, but geeze Louise do these kids need something to do other than destroy Whanganui with their cars... which in my mind they already nearly have.