



**WHANGANUI**  
**DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui

# **Statement of Proposal**

## **Proposed Fees and Charges 2024/25**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Council sets fees and charges for some services in line with its Revenue and Financing Policy. These fees and charges are then reviewed regularly to ensure they remain relevant to the funding rationale or legislation that set them, and that they reflect the actual and reasonable costs to provide the service.

The costs to provide Council services have increased and we are proposing to increase some of our fees and charges to reflect this. The proposed increases will help to ensure that the cost increases are appropriately passed on to users of these services, rather than inadvertently being passed on to ratepayers.

## **2. PROPOSED CHANGES**

### **Fee increases**

For the majority of fees and charges we are proposing a blanket 6% increase to reflect the additional costs to provide these services. The fees and charges with a proposed 6% increase are as follows:

- Building consents,
- Resource consents,
- Health registration,
- Cemetery fees,
- Venues.

We are also proposing increases to the Splash Centre fees, but not at a flat rate of 6%. This is because the Splash Centre fees have not been increased for a number of years. Instead the proposed increases for the Splash Centre range from 0-25% and reflect cumulative cost increases over the past few years.

The proposed increase to casual entry fees for the Splash Centre is 50 cents. Some new membership categories including adult and senior fitness and a family pass membership are also proposed.

Trade waste and tankered waste fees are proposed to increase by 8.5% for 2024/25 based on the trade waste cost apportionment model. This is the first time that wastewater treatment costs have increased and driven an increase in fees since the inception of the new wastewater treatment plant.

### **New fees**

#### **Transportation Vehicle Permits**

A new transportation vehicle permit fee is being proposed for inclusion in Council’s fees and charges for 2024/25. This new fee is to cover the costs of Council assessments of high productivity motor vehicles and over dimension permits. These assessments currently cost Council approximately \$200,000 per annum and are not charged for. The proposed fees/charges reflect the actual cost of providing this service.

### **Kerbside recycling**

A new kerbside recycling fee is proposed for properties that begin receiving this service part way through a financial year (such as new builds or commercial properties which opt-in). For all others, this service will be automatically charged for through their rates.

### **Development Contributions**

Some new charges related to Development Contributions are proposed from 2024/25 including for objections, reassessment requests and requests for remissions. The activities will be charged for based on the hourly rates of those required to carry out the work. These Fees and charges are in addition to any development contributions payable under the Development Contributions Policy.

### **Hiring of Parks and Open Spaces**

Finally, a sliding scale fee is being introduced for bookings of parks and open spaces. Booking fees are generally waived for community groups and not-for-profit events i.e. picnics, social gatherings, park-run, fundraisers; with new fees being introduced for any commercial or private bookings, or for community bookings with a commercial component (i.e. a coffee cart). Bookings are required to pay a fee based on factors such as potential for damage, length of booking, and whether any extra services are required (i.e. power). This sliding scale fee was consulted on through the Public Places Bylaw in 2023 and received strong community support. It is now being formalised through the Council’s fees and charges 2024/25 document.

The proposed fees and charges for 2024/25 are attached below. Please note that in some cases the fees and charges have been rounded up or down for ease of payment.

## **3. OPTIONS**

The Council has identified the following options for addressing its objectives:

### **Option 1: Adopt the fees and charges (*preferred option*)**

Council could adopt the proposed fees and charges for 2024/25. If Council adopts the proposed fees and charges following public consultation the new fees will be in place from 1 July 2024.

*Advantages:* The proposed fees and charges for 2024/25 ensure that Council's fees are set at the appropriate level for the underlying funding rationale or to meet legislative requirements (e.g. actual and reasonable costs). They ensure the appropriate balance is maintained between user pays and rate funding.

*Disadvantages:* The proposed fees and charges will increase the cost of some services and this may have an impact on affordability.

## **Option 2: No changes to the current fees and charges**

Council could retain its existing fees and charges without amendment.

*Advantages:* Consistency.

*Disadvantages:* Not increasing fees and charges would lead to ratepayers funding the cost increases involved in providing the services, rather than the costs being borne in part by those who directly use the services. This may also mean Council does not achieve the appropriate level of funding from fees and charges outlined in its Revenue and Financing Policy.

## **4. CONSULTATION AND SUBMISSION**

Consultation will give the Council a chance to hear the community's views before making a final decision.

Submissions can be made online at <http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/have-your-say>, or alternatively, submission forms are available from Whanganui District Council Customer Services at the main municipal building located at 101 Guyton Street, the Davis Central City Library and Gonville Library. Submitters can indicate whether they would like to speak to their submission and include contact details. People who wish to be heard by Council will be given the opportunity to do so. The time and venue for the hearing of submissions is yet to be confirmed.

For any queries please contact Claire Williamson, Projects Manager, on (06) 349 0001.

The period for making submissions is from 2 April to 2 May 2024.

# Fees and Charges 2024/25

The following changes to fees and charges are proposed from 1 July 2024 and include GST unless otherwise stated.

## BUILDING CONSENTS

Council sets its building consent fees as actual and reasonable costs for the service. These are set by Council pursuant to s219 of the Building Act 2004 and s150 of the Local Government Act 2002.

There are three types of fees, two of which relate to the types of building projects being undertaken;

- **Fixed fees** – these are for simple projects where the costs can be easily identified before the application is made.
- **Estimated fees** – these are based on anticipated costs for that particular building project. The final charge is dependent on the actual hours of staff time involved in processing the application.
- **Territorial Authority fees** – for services included in Territorial Authority functions.

### Fixed fees

The fees for these types of consents are fixed. Additional travel time may be charged for rural consents. Fixed fees are paid at the time of issue of the building consent application. These fees include a charge from our software provider for processing every consent (currently \$85).

### Fixed fees

Project	Current fee	Proposed Fee
Stormwater separation (plus stormwater connection if applicable)	\$405	\$430
Valve vented cylinders (hot water)	\$365	\$385
Inbuilt solid fuel heaters (2 inspections)	\$510	\$540
Free standing solid fuel heaters	\$415	\$440
Demolition/Removal	\$405	\$430
Swimming pools—plastic, ‘para’, blow-up, fiberglass, in ground (other pools that require construction work e.g. concrete, concrete block etc.—refer to 2A minimum)	\$405	\$430
Spa pools	\$365	\$385
Temporary marquee	\$365	\$385
Schedule 1 Part 1 Clause 2 exemption		

Minor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$215</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$230</li> </ul>
Complex	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$335</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$355</li> </ul>

### Council officer hourly rates

Council officer	Current hourly rate	Proposed fee
Building Manager	\$220	\$235
Team Leader	\$200	\$210
Building Control Officer	\$185	\$195
Administration Services (Technical)	\$140	\$150
Technical/Professional council officers	\$180	\$190
Inspection (hr)	\$180	\$190

### Auxiliary costs

Project	Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
Administration charges	Residential	\$225	\$240
	Commercial	(now includes software licence fee of \$85)	
CCC issue	Residential	\$70	\$75
	Commercial	\$150	
Scanning/digital storage	Included in building consent fees administration	\$35	\$37
Accreditation levy	Payable for all non-fixed fee projects		
	Residential	\$1.20 per \$1,000 (max. \$500)	\$1.30 per \$1,000 (max. \$530)
	Commercial		

		\$1.20 per \$1,000 (max. \$750)	\$1.30 per \$1,000 (max. \$800)
MBIE levy (set by MBIE)	Building work valued over \$20,444 incl. GST	\$1.52 per \$1,000	\$1.75 per \$1,000
BRANZ levy (set by BRANZ)	Building work valued over \$20,000 incl. GST	\$1.00 per \$1,000	\$1.00 per \$1,000

Non-fixed fee building consents are charged at cost based on officer time involved and the hourly rates provided above, plus the auxiliary costs also listed above.

### Territorial authority fees

Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
Certificate of Acceptance	\$350 + staff time	\$370 + staff time
Certificate for Public Use	\$350 + staff time	\$370 + staff time
Notice to Fix fee	\$120	\$130
Building Act Infringement fee	\$120	\$130
Extension of time BC/CCC	\$80	\$85
Safe & sanitary – third party report	\$325	\$345
Building Act Notifications (LINZ)	\$176 (LINZ charge) + staff time	\$185
Pool barrier inspection/re-inspection	\$80	\$85
Extension of time (seismic work- general)	\$235	\$250
Extension of time (seismic work –heritage)	\$235	\$250
Exemption to undertake seismic work	\$235	\$250
Earthquake-prone buildings issue of notice	\$0	\$0

### Compliance

Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
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New Compliance Schedule	\$160 + \$20 per feature	\$170 + \$20 per feature
Alteration to Compliance Schedule	\$160	\$170
BWoF site audit/re-inspection	\$215	\$230
BWoF complete and on time	\$160	\$170
BWoF incomplete and/or late	\$180	\$190

### Infrastructure bonds

Application for all building and/or resource consents in relation to demolition, removal and relocation of buildings and the construction of new buildings within the city's Urban Zone.

Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
Non-refundable administration and inspection fee	\$200	\$210
Refundable infrastructure bond	\$1,500	\$1,600

### Land information memorandums

Type	Current fee	Proposed fee
Residential/rural	\$270	\$285
Commercial	\$300	\$320

### Cancellation / refunds

Time elapsed	Amount refunded
Same date of receipt of application	75% of total cost
Between 1-2 working days	50% of total cost
After two working days	No refund will be issued

### POLICY/PLANNING

Resource management planning services fees and charges listed below are imposed under the Resource Management Act 1991 to recover the cost to Council for processing applications to designate land and make privately initiated changes to the District Plan.



Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 enables the Council to charge additional fees to recover actual and reasonable costs when the fixed fee is inadequate.

Notices of requirement and private plan changes vary in degree of complexity and scope. This means that applications shall be charged at actual cost when reasonable. Consultants' and solicitors' fees associated with all work types are also included (see schedule of additional charges below). There may be times where Council refunds part of the fee at its discretion if the work required to process the application is minimal.

The initial application fees specified in the tables below are required up front and no action will be taken in accordance with s36(7) until paid. That does not mean that the Council is required to complete the activity upon payment of the fee. The costs incurred will be monitored and additional amounts up to the total of the fixed charge may be required. Then additional charges may also be required before completion of the task if the fixed charges are inadequate to cover the Council's actual and reasonable costs.

### Policy fees and charges

Activity type	Current base fee	Proposed fee
Notices of requirement	\$3,500	\$3,700
Amendments to notices of requirement	\$2,000	\$2,100
Private plan change requests	\$15,000	\$16,000

## RESOURCE CONSENTS

All activities (unless noted otherwise) are charged based on actual cost at the hourly rates noted in the Council officer hourly rates Policy / Planning and Resource Consents section below. The base fees are as follows:

Activity type	Current base fee	Proposed fee
Hearings for resource consents	Actual costs at hourly rate plus disbursements	Actual costs at hourly rate plus disbursements
Non-notified land use	\$2,000	\$2,100
Limited notified land use	\$2,500	\$2,650
Publicly notified land use	\$3,500	\$3,700
Non-notified subdivision (controlled activity)	\$2,000	\$2,100

Activity type	Current base fee	Proposed fee
Non-notified subdivision (other than controlled activity)		
1 – 3 lots	\$2,500	\$2,650
4 – 7 lots	\$3,000	\$3,200
8 or more lots	\$3,400	\$3,600
Notified subdivision	\$4,500	\$4,800
Non-notified conjoined land use and subdivision		
1 – 3 lots	\$2,900	\$3,100
4 – 7 lots	\$3,400	\$3,600
8 or more lots	\$3,800	\$4,000
Notified conjoined land use and subdivision (*NEW)	\$5,000	\$5,300
Signage – land use	\$490	\$520
Certificates of compliance	\$750	\$800
Applications for Right-of-Way easement (s348 Local Government Act 1974)	\$750	\$800
Permitted Boundary Activities	Fixed fee \$350*	Fixed fee \$370*
Marginal or temporary activities	\$350	\$370
Existing use certificates	\$715	\$760
Outline plan of works	\$420	\$445
Waiver for requirement for outline plan of works	Fixed fee \$300*	Fixed fee \$320*
Heritage Buildings – Alterations and additions of heritage buildings and items (excluding demolition or relocation)	No set base fee for non-notified applications: additional charges will apply for external and specialist inputs if required, including hearing costs	No set base fee for non-notified applications: additional charges will apply for external and specialist inputs if required, including hearing costs

Activity type	Current base fee	Proposed fee
Hearings for resource consent applications	Actual cost at hourly rate plus disbursements	Actual cost at hourly rate plus disbursements
All advertising, consultant and legal fees associated with all work types including assessment of applications (including specialist technical or legal advice) and new Notices of Requirement, designation alterations, removal of designations and District Plan changes.	Actual cost at hourly rate plus disbursements	Actual cost at hourly rate plus disbursements
Monitoring of non-notified and notified land use consents after granting	Actual cost at hourly rate per consent for inspections plus cost of monitoring officer time spent on compliance including site visits  Please note: all land use initial application fees include 1 hour of officer time for monitoring	Actual cost at hourly rate per consent for inspections plus cost of monitoring officer time spent on compliance including site visits  Please note: all land use initial application fees include 1 hour of officer time for monitoring
Variation to conditions (s127 and land use)	\$1,200	\$1,270
s128 review if requested	Actual cost at hourly rate	Actual cost at hourly rate
Extensions of time (s125)	\$1,200	\$1,270
Subdivision certificates (s223, s224)		
s223 only	\$300	\$320
s224 only		
No engineering conditions	\$300	\$320
Engineering conditions included, servicing allotments but not vesting infrastructure	\$450	\$480
Engineering conditions where land/work vesting in Council on deposit of plan and inspections have been carried out under NZS4404:2010. Completion inspection will be charged at the engineer hourly rate for all participants.	\$1,500	\$1,600

Activity type	Current base fee	Proposed fee
Repeated works completion inspection/approval due to non-compliance will be charged at engineer hourly rate for all participants. s223 and s224	N/A	N/A
Cancellation of building line restrictions	Actual cost at hourly rate	Actual cost at hourly rate
Section 221 change or cancel consent notice	\$1,200	\$1,270
Section 226 – separation of title	\$1,200	\$1,270
All other certificates	\$450	\$480

\* Fixed fees are non-refundable, and no additional charges will be applied.

### Notes

Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 enables the Council to charge additional fees. These are fees to recover the actual and reasonable costs incurred where the actual costs exceed the lodgement fee paid. Council will charge the applicable staff charge-out rate together with the costs associated with employing the services of professional consultant, specialist reports or peer reviews where necessary.

Base fees and fixed fees are set at 100% of the average actual and reasonable costs associated with an activity type. Except as required by provisions of the Resource Management Act, refunds of base fees will only be paid where the remaining funds are greater than the administrative cost of providing that refund.

Interim invoices for the processing of resource consents may be generated when costs exceed the base fee paid.

Council will recover actual and reasonable costs associated with any required consent hearing from the applicant.

If at any time Council exceeds the statutory timeframes for processing a resource consent then Council will refund 1% of costs per day that the timeframe was exceeded as per the discount provisions of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### Additional Items

The fixed charges do not include other charges that may be imposed under the Resource Management Act 1991 or other legislation, such as:

- Additional charges
- Bonds
- Monitoring and supervision charges expressly provided for in a resource consent

If the fixed charges are not sufficient to meet the Council’s actual and reasonable costs then additional charges may be payable in accordance with the attached schedule of additional charges. The Council will finally fix its fees including:

- Charging the fixed charge or part thereof;
- Charging the fixed charge and additional charges under section 36(3) having regard to the following criteria in section 36(4).

Final charges will be charged at staff hourly rates, technical officer or consultant time and any standard fees applicable.

Monitoring and inspection charges are based on staff hourly rates to complete, with one hour of monitoring taken in at the initial application stage of land use consents.

Schedule of additional charges

The following schedule of charges shall form the basis for calculating any additional charges under section 36(3) in the event that the fixed charges are not sufficient to cover the Council’s actual and reasonable costs.

**Consultants and solicitors** - Consultants’ and solicitors’ fees associated with all work types, including the processing of a consent or certificate (including specialist technical or legal advice where a consent involves creating legal instruments), shall be at cost plus disbursement.

**Charges for hearings** – hearings for all applications shall be at cost of officer’s time per hour rates listed below.

**Order papers** – The production of order papers shall be at cost plus disbursements.

[Council officer hourly rates for Policy / Planning and Resource Consents](#)

The following hourly rates for Council officers and decision makers will be charged for the processing of consents, hearings etc. that do not have a fixed charge or where the base fee is inadequate to cover the actual and reasonable costs of the Council.

Council officer	Current hourly rate	Proposed fee
Planning Team Leader / Principal Policy Planner	\$220	\$230
Senior Planner / Senior Policy Planner	\$200	\$210
Planner / Policy Planner	\$180	\$190
Graduate Planner/Graduate Policy Planner	\$150	\$160
Council Technical Officer (e.g. infrastructure engineer, heritage advisor, etc.)	\$180	\$190
Hearing Commissioner	At cost plus disbursements	At cost plus disbursements

Consultant and legal fees associated with all work types	At cost plus disbursements	At cost plus disbursements
Administration	\$130	\$140

## WATER UTILITIES

### Trade waste

For variable operating costs associated with the conveyance, treatment and disposal of large volume trade waste discharges for properties that discharge more than 100 cubic metres (m3) of effluent per day through the city wastewater system:

### Trade waste

Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) discharged	\$0.08041 per kg	\$0.08724 per kg
Total Suspended Solids (TSS) discharged	\$0.24678 per kg	\$0.26774 per kg

### Tankered waste

Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
Tankered waste effluent discharged	\$9.90 per m3	\$10.75 per m3

### Utility connections

#### Wastewater

All urban and rural wastewater connections are arranged directly with a Whanganui District Council approved contractor under an approved Utility Connection Permit.

#### Stormwater

All urban stormwater connections are arranged directly with a Whanganui District Council approved contractor under an approved Utility Connection Permit.

#### Water

All domestic water connections are arranged directly with a Whanganui District Council approved contractor under an approved Utility Connection Permit.

Rural water connections are charged at cost and are arranged and installed by Whanganui District Council.

Commercial and industrial water connections that require metering or backflow are charged at cost and arranged by Whanganui District Council.

### Capital contributions

Capital contributions are no longer required for access to the Fordell water scheme, or any other scheme.

## HEALTH REGISTRATION

Fee	Description	Current fee	Proposed fee
Food Control Plan (FCP) - Register	Administration and receipt of Food Control Plans	\$245**	\$260**
Food Control Plan - Renewal	Annual	\$245**	\$260**
Food Control Plan - Verification	Including site visits and compliance checks	\$220/hour	\$235/hour
National Programmes (NP) - Register	Administration and receipt of National Programmes	\$245**	\$260**
National Programme - Renewal	Every two years	\$245**	\$260**
Hairdresser	Register and inspect / renewal and inspect	\$220	\$235
Camping ground	Register and inspect / renewal and inspect	\$220	\$235
Funeral Director	Register and inspect / renewal and inspect	\$220	\$235
Offensive trades	Register and inspect / renewal and inspect	\$220	\$235
Amendment to food registration, hairdresser, campground, funeral director or offensive trade	30 mins administration charge	\$65	\$70

Equipment seizure return	Return of seized equipment	\$200	\$210
Noise abatement notice		\$750	\$800

\* Subject to a \$25 accreditation levy not included in the above fees and charges

\*\* Includes a \$25 accreditation levy

### Council officer hourly rates (health registration)

Council officer	Current hourly rate	Proposed fee
Team Leader	\$200	\$210
Senior Environmental Health Officer	\$190	\$200
Environmental Health Officer	\$170	\$180
Administration	\$130	\$140

## CEMETERIES

### Burial services

#### Current fees

Service	Weekday	Saturday before 1pm	Weekends after 1pm Saturday
Adult burial	\$910	\$1,055	\$1,420
Children (under 15)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pre-term & stillborn	\$0	\$0	\$0
Disinterment	\$1,200	N/A	N/A
Deeper than 1.8m- additional cost	\$140	\$140	\$140
If a funeral extends beyond 5pm weekdays or 1pm Saturdays without prior arrangement	\$50 per hour, per staff member. Minimum charge of 1 additional hour.	\$50 per hour, per staff member. Minimum charge of 1 additional hour.	\$50 per hour, per staff member, beyond agreed timeframes.



an hourly charge will be applied			Minimum charge of 1 additional hour.
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**Proposed fees**

Service	Weekday	Saturday before 1pm	Weekends after 1pm Saturday
Adult burial	\$965	\$1,120	\$1,500
Children (under 15)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pre-term & stillborn	\$0	\$0	\$0
Disinterment	\$1,270	N/A	N/A
Deeper than 1.8m- additional cost	\$150	\$150	\$150
If a funeral extends beyond 5pm weekdays or 1pm Saturdays without prior arrangement an hourly charge will be applied	\$55 per hour, per staff member. Minimum charge of 1 additional hour.	\$55 per hour, per staff member. Minimum charge of 1 additional hour.	\$55 per hour, per staff member, beyond agreed timeframes. Minimum charge of 1 additional hour.

**Cremation services**

All cremation charges include use of chapel area for committal. A full service will incur a chapel charge.

**Current fees**

Service (Includes plastic urn)	Weekday	Saturday before 1pm	Weekends after 1pm Saturday
Adult	\$790	\$925	\$1,070
Children (under 15)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pre-term & stillborn	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cremation of Indigent person	\$145	N/A	N/A

Medical Referee's Form (at cost)	\$60 Subject to change	\$60 Subject to change	\$60 Subject to change
Internment of ashes	\$274	N/A	N/A
Disinterment of ashes	\$274	N/A	N/A

***Proposed fees***

Service (Includes plastic urn)	Weekday	Saturday before 1pm	Weekends after 1pm Saturday
Adult	\$840	\$980	\$1,130
Children (under 15)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pre-term & stillborn	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cremation of Indigent person	\$150	N/A	N/A
Medical Referee's Form (at cost)	\$65 Subject to change	\$65 Subject to change	\$65 Subject to change
Internment of ashes	\$290	N/A	N/A
Disinterment of ashes	\$290	N/A	N/A

Plot purchase

***Current fees***

Service <sup>1</sup>	Fee	Perpetual Maintenance Fee	Total
Burial Plot – Adult	\$1,215	\$300	\$1,515
Burial Plot – Child	\$605	\$150	\$755
Burial Plot – Stillborn wishing to have monument	\$605	\$150	\$755
Returned and Services Burial Plot	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cremation Plot, Rose Garden	\$605	\$150	\$755
Returned and Services Cremation Plot	\$0	\$0	\$0
Niche Wall	\$355	N/A	N/A

**Proposed fees**

Service <sup>2</sup>	Fee	Perpetual Maintenance Fee	Total
Burial Plot – Adult	\$1,290	\$320	\$1,610
Burial Plot – Child	\$640	\$160	\$800
Burial Plot – Stillborn wishing to have monument	\$640	\$160	\$800
Returned and Services Burial Plot	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cremation Plot, Rose Garden	\$640	\$160	\$800
Returned and Services Cremation Plot	\$0	\$0	\$0
Niche Wall	\$375	N/A	N/A

**Other Services**

Service	Current fee	Proposed fee
Permit fee for erecting monuments/headstones in all areas	\$85	\$90

<sup>1</sup> Council applies a 25% surcharge on plot purchases for people who have not been resident at the time of death.

<sup>2</sup> Council applies a 25% surcharge on plot purchases for people who have not been resident at the time of death.

Book of Remembrance entry	\$125	\$130
Use of chapel for full service	\$110	\$115

## VENUES & EVENTS

Description	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Cooks Gardens Event Centre	<p>Community Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly- from \$15-300</li> <li>Half Day - from \$56-1,150</li> <li>Full Day - from \$115-2,250</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly - from \$20-400</li> <li>Half Day - from \$78-1,535</li> <li>Full Day - From \$150-3,000</li> </ul> <p>* - dependent on room</p> <p><b>NB</b> - other charges may apply (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>	<p>Community Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly- from \$16-315</li> <li>Half Day - from \$62-1,207</li> <li>Full Day - from \$120-2,362.50</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly - from \$19.20-378</li> <li>Half Day - from \$73.60-1,449</li> <li>Full Day - From \$144-2,835</li> </ul> <p>* - dependent on room</p> <p><b>NB</b> - other charges may apply (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>
Majestic Square	<p>Community group -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Booking Fee - N/A</li> <li>Power/Day - \$30</li> <li>Key Bond - \$50 (cash only and returned when key is given back)</li> </ul> <p>Private -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Booking Fee - \$50</li> <li>Event Fee \$220*</li> <li>Power/Day - \$30</li> <li>Key Bond - \$50 (cash only and returned when key is given back)</li> </ul> <p>* Event Fee is applicable to any large event that attracts members of the public including concerts, fairs, festivals etc.</p> <p><b>NB</b> - other charges may apply (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>	<p>Community group -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Booking Fee - N/A</li> <li>Power/Day - \$30</li> <li>Key Bond - \$50 (cash only and returned when key is given back)</li> </ul> <p>Private -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Booking Fee - \$50</li> <li>Event Fee \$220*</li> <li>Power/Day - \$30</li> <li>Key Bond - \$50 (cash only and returned when key is given back)</li> </ul> <p>* Event Fee is applicable to any large event that attracts members of the public including concerts, fairs, festivals etc.</p> <p><b>NB</b> - other charges may apply (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>

Royal Whanganui Opera House	<p>Community Rate - Non Performance*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly- from \$30-88</li> <li>Half Day - from \$115-340</li> <li>Full Day - from \$225-660</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - Non Performance*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly - from \$35-105</li> <li>Half Day - from \$135-405</li> <li>Full Day - From \$265-\$790</li> </ul> <p>* - dependent on space  <b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>	<p>Community Rate - Non Performance*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly- from \$33-90</li> <li>Half Day - from \$126.50-345</li> <li>Full Day - from \$247.50-675</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - Non Performance*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly - from \$40-108</li> <li>Half Day - from \$152-414</li> <li>Full Day - From \$297-810</li> </ul> <p>* - dependent on space  <b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>
	<p>Community Rate - Performances*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day Hire - \$1,100</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - Performance*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day Hire - \$2,200</li> </ul> <p>* - whole venue  <b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>	<p>Community Rate - Performances*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day Hire - \$1,210</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - Performance*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Day Hire - \$2,299</li> </ul> <p>* - whole venue  <b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>
Velodrome	<p>Velodrome Track - \$100/hour  Inner Circle - \$80/hour</p> <p><b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>	<p>Velodrome Track - \$100/hour  Inner Circle - \$80/hour</p> <p><b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>
Whanganui War Memorial Centre	<p>Community Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly- from \$50-290</li> <li>Half Day - from \$192-1,112</li> <li>Full Day - from \$375-2,175</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly - from \$60-340</li> <li>Half Day - from \$230-1,305</li> <li>Full Day - From \$375-2,550</li> </ul> <p>* - dependent on room  <b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>	<p>Community Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly- from \$60-\$350</li> <li>Half Day - from \$230-1,342</li> <li>Full Day - from \$450-2,625</li> </ul> <p>Private Rate - *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly - from \$72-420</li> <li>Half Day - from \$276-1,610</li> <li>Full Day - From \$540-3,150</li> </ul> <p>* - dependent on room  <b>NB</b> - other charges may apply  (eg equipment, technical support, cleaning, security).</p>

## SPLASH CENTRE

Proposed changes to Splash Centre fees include a 50 cent increase to casual entry for all users except pre-school aged users. Additional changes include the proposal of ‘adult fitness’ and ‘senior citizen fitness’ entry tickets which include fitness classes such as aquarobics, and include access to the spas, steam room, sauna and gym. A ‘family pass and membership’ is also proposed, to accommodate multiple family members using the facilities.

### General Admission

Description	Current Fee	Proposed fee
Adult	\$5.50	\$6.00
Community Services Card Holder (with ID)	\$5.00	\$5.50
Student (with ID)	\$5.00	\$5.50
Senior Citizen	\$4.00	\$4.50
Child (5 - 16yrs)	\$4.00	\$4.50
Pre-school	\$2.00	\$2.00
Spectator	\$1.00	\$1.00
Hydroslide	\$3.50	\$3.50
Family Pass – Swim Only	\$15.00	\$17.00
Family Pass - Swim and Slide	\$25.00	\$27.00
Shower	\$4.00	Remove shower fee and charge appropriate single entry fee instead.
(new) Adult Fitness (includes aquarobics)	N/A	\$8.00
(new) Senior Citizen Fitness (includes aquarobics)	N/A	\$6.50

*(new)Family Pass and Membership (based on 1-2 adults and up to 3 children)	N/A	\$17.00
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### Concession Cards – Current and Proposed fees

Concession Type	10 sessions	25 sessions	50 sessions
Adult	Current: \$46.75 Proposed: \$51.00	Current: \$110.00 Proposed: \$120.00	Current: \$206.25 Proposed: \$225.00
Senior Citizens	Current: \$34.00 Proposed: \$38.25	Current: \$80.00 Proposed: \$90.00	Current: \$150.00 Proposed: \$168.75
Child (5-16yrs)	Current: \$34.00 Proposed: \$90.00	Current: \$80.00 Proposed: \$90.00	Current: \$150.00 Proposed: \$168.75
Community Services Card Holder (with ID)	Current: \$42.50 Proposed: \$46.75	Current: \$100.00 Proposed: \$110.00	Current: \$187.50 Proposed: \$206.25
Student (with ID)	Current: \$42.50 Proposed: \$46.75	Current: \$100.00 Proposed: \$110.00	Current: \$187.50 Proposed: \$206.25
(new) Adult Fitness (includes aquarobics)*	Proposed: \$68.00	Proposed: \$160.00	Proposed: \$300.00
(new) Senior Citizen Fitness (includes aquarobics)*	Proposed: \$55.25	Proposed: \$130.00	Proposed: \$243.75

\*Proposed fitness passes/memberships also include aquarobics and access to the spas, steam room, sauna and gym.

### Splash Memberships – Current and Proposed Fees

Adult 17ys+ (Includes:	Current: \$14.25	Current: \$28.00	Current: \$60.08

Students / CS Card Holders / GRX with ID)	Proposed: \$15.50	Proposed: \$30.50	
Senior Citizens	Current: \$10.50 Proposed: \$11.75	Current: \$20.50	Current: \$43.83 Proposed: \$48.17
Child (5 - 16yrs)	Current: \$10.50 Proposed: \$11.75	Current: \$20.50	Current: \$43.83 Proposed: \$48.17
(new) Family Pass and Membership (based on 1-2 adults and up to 3 children)	Proposed: \$42.50	Proposed: \$85.00	Proposed: \$184.17
(new) Adult Fitness (includes aquarobics)*	Proposed: \$20.50	Proposed: \$40.50	Proposed: \$87.17
(new) Senior Citizen Fitness (includes aquarobics)*	Proposed: \$16.75	Proposed: \$33.00	Proposed: \$70.92

\*Proposed fitness passes/memberships also include aquarobics and access to the spas, steam room, sauna and gym.

Adult 17ys+ (Includes: Students / CS Card Holders / GRX with ID)			
Senior Citizens			



Child (5 - 16yrs)			
(new) Family Pass and Membership (based on 1-2 adults and up to 3 children)			
(new) Adult Fitness (includes aquarobics)*	Proposed: \$264.00	Proposed: \$520.00	Proposed: \$1040.00
(new) Senior Citizen Fitness (includes aquarobics)*	Proposed: \$214.50	Proposed: \$422.50	Proposed: \$845.00

\*Proposed fitness passes/memberships also include aquarobics and access to the spas, steam room, sauna and gym.

## PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

Description	Current fee	Sliding Fee proposed for 2024/25
Informal booking of a public space/park	\$50.00 administration fee plus charges depending on the type or size of the event.	<p>NB. 1. Fees shown below are intended to be a starting point and may be impacted by other factors such as length of booking, space or reserve booked, any erection of structures; extra services that might be required and the presence of commercial operators.</p> <p>2. Event organisers may also be asked to pay a refundable bond if there is the possibility of damage to council parks or property.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Community groups</b> (e.g. Carols by Candlelight) can book for <b>free</b>, but may be</li> </ul>

		<p>subject to charges as noted above.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Private event booking</b> (e.g. a wedding or a business Christmas function) - <b>\$75</b>, but may be subject to further charges as noted above.</li> <li>• <b>Commercial Events</b> - Minimum <b>\$100</b> for an event and <b>\$50</b> per selling unit per day for each commercial operators.</li> <li>• <b>Independent Commercial operators</b> that may be part of another event (e.g. food trucks) - <b>\$30</b>.</li> </ul>
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## \*New fee: TRANSPORTATION (VEHICLE PERMITS)

Council officer hourly rates

Description	Current	Proposed
Transportation Engineer	N/A	\$235/hour
Technical Officer - Transportation	N/A	\$190/hour
Consultant assessments	N/A	At cost

## \*New fee: KERBSIDE RECYCLING

Properties that begin receiving the kerbside recycling service part way through a financial year (e.g. newly built residential properties in the serviced area, or commercial properties opting into the service) will be charged a pro-rata amount of the kerbside recycling targeted rate for the number of full months the service is provided for the year (1 July to 30 June).

Description	Current	Proposed
Kerbside recycling – part year	N/A	Pro-rata portion of the full year targeted rate for

		kerbside recycling, for the number of full months the service is provided
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## \*New fee: DEVELOPMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

### Development contributions

Council has a development contributions policy for the Whanganui district. A copy of our Development Contributions Policy can be found on the Council website: [www.whanganui.govt.nz](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz)

Some new charges related to Development Contributions are proposed from 2024/25 including objections, reassessment requests and requests for remissions. The activities will be charged at actual and reasonable cost based on the hourly rates of those required to carry out the work. Fees and charges are in addition to any development contributions payable under the Development Contributions Policy.

Council officer	Proposed hourly rate
Planning Team Leader / Principal Policy Planner	\$230
Senior Planner / Senior Policy Planner	\$210
Planner / Policy Planner	\$190
Graduate Planner/Graduate Policy Planner	\$160
Council Technical Officer (e.g. infrastructure engineer, heritage advisor, etc.)	\$190
Commissioner	At cost plus disbursements
Consultant and legal fees associated with all work types	At cost plus disbursements
Administration	\$140