



2020/21 Fees and Charges

What is being proposed?

Each year Council sets fees and charges for a range of services delivered by Council. The following areas are covered:

- Alcohol licencing
- Animal Services
- Building Services
- Compliance
- Environmental health
- Housing Care
- Invercargill Airport Ltd
- Invercargill Venue and Events Management
- Miscellaneous
- Parks and Reserves
- Public Transport
- Pools
- Public Toilets
- Resource Management
- Roding
- Sewerage
- Solid Waste
- Southland Museum and Art Gallery
- Water

What changes are being proposed and why?

Alcohol Licensing	No changes
Animal Services	No significant changes
Building control	Changes to fees for professional staff time better reflect cost of providing service, bringing the fee close in line to levels charged by other councils. Change in Government levy DBH Levy
Parking compliance	No changes
Environmental Health	Changes to fees for professional staff time better reflect cost of providing service, bringing the fee close in line to levels charged by other councils. No other significant changes recommended
Housing care	No changes
Invercargill Airport Limited	No changes
Venues Services	No significant changes
Libraries and archives	No significant changes
Miscellaneous	Rates Postponement fee increase to reflect actual cost of registering the e-lodgement on the property. (Note: this does not effect the new proposed rates postponement scheme for those effected by financial hardship related to epidemics, pandemics and natural disasters.
Parks	Increase in Memorial Grove fee to better reflect cost of providing the service. At present this service is on hold. Change to rules around firewood collection – this is proposed to be an option only for charitable organisations in order to meet requirements of health and safety legislation.

What changes are being proposed and why? continued

Passenger Transport	No changes
Pools	No significant changes
Public Toilets	No significant changes
Resource Management	Changes to fees for professional staff time better reflect cost of providing service, bringing the fee close in line to levels charged by other councils. New levels for initial deposits for consent applications, hearing fees, designations, heritage orders and plan changes, survey certification and other services. The level of the initial deposit does not change the total cost of the service. Increase in district plan fees to better reflect cost of service.
Roading	No significant changes
Sewerage	Changes to the reinspection fees to better reflect the cost of providing the service
Solid Waste	The fees and charges were not available at the time of going to print due to service contracts not yet being finalised. These will be published separately
Southland Museum and Art Gallery	Changes to fees for professional staff time better reflect cost of providing service, bringing the fee close in line to levels charged by other councils
Water Supply	Rationalisation of sale of water fees removing two tariff levels Increase in disconnection and reconnection fees to better reflect the actual cost of providing the service

What will be the impact of the proposed policy on Council finances?

The proposed changes will enable Council to better cover the cost of providing services through the associated fees, reducing the need to cover any shortfall through rates income. The changes are not forecast to have a significant impact on Council finances.

Why is Council consulting?

Every year the Council asks for community feedback on its fees and charges to inform its decision making.

How do I have my say on this proposal?

Please provide your feedback on this proposed policy to Council by **Friday 29 May** via online form or by post.

Online: Complete an online submission form via the link at www.icc.govt.nz

Post: Submission – Fees and Charges 2020/2021
Invercargill City Council
Private Bag 90104
Invercargill 9840

Can I talk to the Mayor and Councillors about this proposal?

Hearings are not planned for these consultations due to the challenges presented by Covid-19. While the opportunity to speak to your submission as part of this process is not legally required, Councillors are interested in hearing from you if you would like to share your views orally. Please understand though that our ability to facilitate this may depend upon circumstances.

How do I get further information?

You can view the proposed policy on the Council website www.icc.govt.nz

Or contact Rhiannon Suter, Manager – Strategy and Policy,

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