



New fees and charges under the Resource Management Act 1991

Special Consultation Procedure Pursuant to Section 83 Local Government Act 2002

Start date: 27 November 2017
Closing date: 5pm, 8 January 2018

Recent changes to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) have created extra activities and processes which require associated charges to be either set or clarified.

These include:

- Boundary ‘deemed permitted’ activities - Council must exempt ‘boundary activities’ from needing a resource consent if the relevant neighbour’s approval is provided and other tests within the RMA are met.
- Marginal/temporary breaches - Council may exempt ‘marginal or temporary’ activities from needing resource consent.

These activities came into effect on 18 October 2017. The fees proposed will cover the reasonable costs of processing the applications. The proposed fees are made in accordance with Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 and are as follows:

- Boundary activities - a deposit fee of \$465.00; and
- Marginal or temporary activities - a fixed fee of \$310.00.

Consequential amendments to Councils existing schedule of fees and charges and include:

- The existing fast-track consenting pathway will be renamed as “premium consent”
- Existing Use Certificates issued under Section 139A of the RMA will be charged at a deposit fee of \$1040.

For deposit fees the existing hourly rate specified in the schedule of fees and charges is to be used if additional fees are to be charged (\$155 per hour). All fees exclude GST.

Making a submission

Feedback is sought on the proposed fees. Written submissions may be made until 5pm Monday 8 January 2018. Those who make a written submission may also make an oral submission. If required, hearings will be scheduled following the end of the submission period. Please indicate on your submission form if you wish to speak to your submission.

A submission form is available from wellington.govt.nz/haveyoursay

You can also request a submission form be emailed or posted to you by contacting: consent.submissions@wcc.govt.nz

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