



**Rangitikei**  
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## **POLICY ON REDUCING OR WAIVING FEES**

### **Internal consenting costs**

<b>Date of adoption by Council</b>	1 October 2015
<b>Resolution Number</b>	15/RDC/276
<b>Date by which review must be completed</b>	Review as required
<b>Relevant Legislation</b>	Not applicable
<b>Statutory or Operational Policy</b>	Operational
<b>Included in the LTP</b>	No

#### **1 Objective**

- 1.1 To recognise in a tangible way the contribution made to the lives of District residents by organisations and businesses operating within the District.

#### **2 Council may reduce fees by 50% when**

- 2.1 The application is for an activity or facility on land which is receiving a rates remission or which would be likely to meet the criteria for a remission when the activity or facility is undertaken), specifically –

- a community, sporting and other not-for-profit organisations qualifies for a rates remission, or
- land deemed to have been affected by natural calamity.

- 2.2 The application is for an activity or facility which is integral to a project accepted under the Council's Parks Upgrade Partnership Fund.

#### **3 Council may reduce fees by 25% when**

- 3.1 the application is for an activity or facility on land which is receiving a rates remission (or has received such a remission no more than two years previously or which would be likely to qualify for a remission when the activity or facility is undertaken), specifically –

- a new type of business, or

- an existing business which is expanding, or
- Maori freehold land.

3.2 The activity or facility commemorates the life or lives of individuals who have lived in the District and made a contribution to the community.

#### **4 Council will not reduce or waive fees when**

4.1 The activity for which a consent is being applied for is confined to the organisation making the application and in which the community will not typically have a presence, or

4.2 Consenting fees have been waived or reduced under Council's rates remission policy – incentives to address earthquake-prone buildings, or

4.3 The facility is primarily a private residence.

#### **5 Application**

5.1 The Chief Executive is delegated to apply the policy on Council's behalf. Where a greater reduction in fee is requested than the thresholds allow, the application will be referred to the Council for a decision.