

Summary of Information - Greater Wellington Regional Council's Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy (2011)

Greater Wellington has reviewed its Resource Management Charging Policy. This policy sets out a regime for resource management charges for the Wellington region including:

- Resource consent application charges
- Consent supervision and monitoring charges
- Charges for not complying with a rule in a regional plan or the Resource Management Act 1991
- Charges for providing information in relation to plans and resource consents
- Application charges for changing a plan or the Regional Policy Statement.

The charges in the Policy are made either under section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 or section 150 of the Local Government Act 2002. The charges are consistent with Greater Wellington's Revenue and Financing Policy June 2006.

The review has resulted in some key changes to the Policy including:

- An increase to the hourly charge-out rate for Greater Wellington from \$105/hour to \$110/hour
- Changes to initial fixed application fees for processing applications
- Inclusion of existing policy on Building Act charges under the Building Act 2004
- An increase in the customer service charge for all consents from \$35/year to \$40/year
- Changes to some compliance monitoring charges to reflect changes brought about by central government regulations and current best practice
- Changes to state of the environment charges for consents to discharge contaminants to air and to land/water from bulk earthworks.

A copy of the Proposed Resource Management Charging Policy (2011) can be viewed on our website www.gw.govt.nz/Consent-fees.