

Fact Sheet

Infrastructure Charges

What are Infrastructure Charges?

Infrastructure charges are charges levied by Council for development that increases the demand on trunk infrastructure networks.

What are Infrastructure Charges used for?

Infrastructure charges contribute towards the provision of the following trunk infrastructure that supports the growth and development of our Region, including water, sewer, stormwater, transport and parks and land for community facilities.

Trunk infrastructure is primary infrastructure that supports large areas or catchments, such as water treatment plants and major reticulation networks.

Council's Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP) contains Plans for Trunk Infrastructure, which details the future trunk infrastructure for the Region.

Will I have to pay Infrastructure Charges?

Not all development will be required to pay Infrastructure Charges, for example low impact rural uses do not incur Infrastructure Charges.

Development that results in additional demand on Council's trunk infrastructure networks will usually incur an infrastructure charge.

Infrastructure Charges that are being levied against a development will be issued within an Infrastructure Charges Notice at about the same time as the issue of a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use or Reconfiguration of a Lot, or at about the same time as the issue of a Building Works Permit for an application for Building Works.

How are Infrastructure Charges calculated?

Infrastructure Charges are calculated in accordance with Council's Infrastructure Charges Resolution (No.1) 2024. The charges are calculated using the rates included in the Resolution for a particular development type in a particular location and may be reduced by credit given to existing uses.

The charges calculated under the resolution are the maximum adopted charge rates, as prescribed by the State Government in the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

For more information

Council's Infrastructure Charges Resolution (No.1) 2024 and Local Government Infrastructure Plan, including all supporting information, can be found on [Council's website](#).

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