

# COMBINED INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

## Water Services Information Disclosure Determination 2026 [2026] NZCC3



### Introduction

Waimate District Council is required to make the following disclosures as a regulated supplier:

- Clause 4.6 – Dividends Policy
- Clause 4.7 – Policy for funding growth
- Clauses 4.8 and 4.9 – Information about charges
- Clause 4.10 – Information about IFF levies
- Clause 4.11 – Minor aspect supplier

### Clause 4.6 -Dividends Policy

Waimate District Council is a territorial authority water service provider that cannot pay dividends.  
(4.6(1)(c))

### Policy for funding growth

#### Explanation of Council's approach to funding growth (4.7(2)(a))

Council recovers a proportion of growth charges through the following methods:

1. Financial Contributions ([Financial Contributions Policy](#))
2. Development agreements / vested asset arrangements
3. Connection Charges (associated with the Local Government Rating Act 2002)

Council traditionally has promoted a growth funds growth approach, with the methods detailed above with particular reference to Connection Charges. Where it has not been able to fully fund growth infrastructure, debt funding has been utilised. Debt funding allows for an intergenerational approach, noting that growth (and therefore uptake) can be relatively slow.

Where a project contains both a growth and renewal investment, these are apportioned accordingly, noting that existing infrastructure is often upgraded using the optimised renewal principles.

Council does not use development contributions (currently) of Infrastructure Funding and Financing (IFF) levies.

#### The reasons for this approach (4.7(2)(b))

Growth within the Waimate District is often relatively slow or sporadic with isolated larger sub-divisions. With the latter, development agreements / vested asset arrangements are often utilised i.e. exacerbator pays.

Extensions to existing networks to serve new areas are often ring fenced to identify those that receive the benefit and funded through a plan, noting that uptake can be slow initially. Funding plans make allowance for potential infill subdivision over the long term. Costs associated with borrowing are recovered also, meaning that growth pays for growth.

In the shorter term some of these costs are funded through rating. Councils view is that these costs are offset over time with an increase in connected properties.

### **The charges and obligations relating to a new connection or other type of growth, and the circumstances in which they are imposed (4.7(3)(a) and (b))**

Charges are a mix of Financial Contributions, Development Agreements, Vested Asset arrangements and Connection Charges. Details of these are supplied in the attached spreadsheet.

Recovery occurs when an application to connect is made or as part of a subdivision application. The applicant receives approval detailing the applicable charges and when they become payable.

Waimate District Council does not currently have a Development Contributions Policy. (4.7(4)(a) and (b))

### **Information about charges and IFF levies (4.8(1),(2) and (3))**

Council does not currently use IFF levies.

The attached spreadsheet discloses all charges payable to or collected by Waimate District Council as a regulated supplier. The disclosure is at a single service level.

Charges are inclusive of GST and Waimate District Council notes that addition or modification of these charges requires the disclosure to be updated within 10 working days.

### **Content of information about charges (4.9)**

The attached spreadsheet satisfies the requirements of clause 4.9

### **Content of information about IFF levies (4.10)**

Council does not currently use IFF levies.

### **Minor aspect supplier (4.11)**

Waimate District Council is a minor aspect supplier for four remote campsites, namely:

- Fishermens Bend Campsite, Lake Waitaki
- Waitangi Campsite, Lake Aviemore
- Te Akatarawa Campsite, Lake Aviemore
- Briars Gully Campsite, Lake Aviemore

Waimate District Council, as a minor aspect supplier, provides:

- Wastewater disposal for ablution blocks at the four campsites; and
- Minor water supplies drawing from shallow groundwater and surface water (lake).

These minor aspects of a water service are not connected to a public network.

Additions to these minor aspects will be disclosed to the Commission within 5 working days.

### **Further Information**

- [Revenue and Financing Policy](#)
- [Water Fees and Charges](#)
- [Long Term Plan 2025-2034](#)