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Subject:

Anonymous User completed Proposed changes to the Fees and Charges Policy

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Anonymous User just submitted the survey 'Proposed changes to the Fees and Charges Policy' with the responses below on Fees and Charges Policy changes.

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I am submitting on behalf of an organisation

No

My preferred option to address the under-recovery of costs from resource consent applications is to...

Keep charge-out rates the same and make up shortfall from general rates reserve

Tell us why this is your preferred option

Ecan must drive more efficiencies from the internal processes that it is responsible for in assessing consent conditions and compliance. Ecan charges for consents like private enterprise, but service delivery on consent issues falls short on what service expectations a private enterprise would deliver for the same charge out rate. Ecan land and water plans impose huge costs on applicants for consents that deliver only marginal environment benefits. Requiring the use of overseer in a FEP imposes huge cost on a applicant. Could be up to 4 times the ecan consent fee in my case. This needs to stop and I urge the council to stop wasting land owners money in demanding overseer as part of a FEP. It is on farm actions of GMP that will improve water quality. I urge that council staff sit down with Federated Farmers and plan out an appropriate response to deliver environmental oversight and risk and community investment in that oversight. Ie use of UAGC. I want the council to invest in the process at annual plan this year to deliver a UAGC to all ratepayers. To support delivery of cost effective consent processes , oversight and implementation. The wider community own the land and water plan and in doing so, must provide by way of adequate rates contribution to ensure the methods of delivery ie consents to farm and take water are adequately resourced. Do not increase consenting charge out rates if possible reduce them.

I wish to speak to Council on my submission

Yes

There is information in my submission I do not want disclosed

No