

# Communication Site Charging Policy

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## 1 PURPOSE

To define the process of generating fees and charges for Shoalhaven City Council's communication facilities.

## 2 STATEMENT

Shoalhaven City Council owns and manages a number of communication facilities (Attachment A) throughout the Shoalhaven city. The facilities allow a range of services to operate from the sites, providing communication infrastructure for Council, emergency services, business and the general public. Access to Council's facilities is provided through a formal agreement that includes the levying of appropriate fees and charges as specified in the following provisions.

## 3 PROVISIONS

### 3.1 Advertised fees and charges

Fees and charges for communication facility access are advertised on Council's website.

<https://www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/Council/Fees-Charges>

The advertised fees are in general the maximum amount payable for a commercial operation on a level 1 site (Attachment A).

There are also a number of fixed fees that are applied as one-off payments. These fees remain unchanged for all levels of site.

### 3.2 Level of site and discount applied

Attachment B provides a matrix of discounts applied to different levels of sites and different site uses (categories).

Example 1: The appropriate fee for a private mobile radio repeater on a level 3 site.

Review of Attachment B indicates that a private mobile radio on a level 3 site will have a discount factor of 0.75. This number is then used to calculate the appropriate fee by multiplying 0.75 by the fee for a private mobile radio (fee number 10939) which is found in Shoalhaven City Council's fees and charges.

### 3.3 Discount for community service clients

Shoalhaven City Council clients who can show they provide a community service and are considered by Council to be a not-for-profit or not a budget funded organisation will be entitled to a discount of 0.6 of the fee generated as per the method in 3.2 above.

Not all fees are eligible for this discount. In general, only fees applicable to equipment installed on site are eligible for the discount for community service clients.

## 4 IMPLEMENTATION

The Council's Communication Site Coordinator will provide assistance to clients in calculating their fees and charges for all sites owned and managed by Shoalhaven City Council. Clients

requiring clarification of communication site costs should phone the Communication Site Coordinator on 02 4429 3111.

Fees and charges will be reviewed each year and increased annually.

A market review may be undertaken every 3 years to ensure Council's fees and charges remain in-line with the communication industry and other providers of communication facilities.

## 5 Review

This policy will be reviewed within one year of the election of every new Council.

## 6 Application of ESD Principles

Council's communication facilities charging policy provides a mechanism to help support local business by providing a charging policy that recognises the coverage area of the sites.

Council's discount structure for not-for-profit organisations supports a greater range of services for the local community.

A robust, well documented charging policy that reflects the needs of the community greatly improves Council's ability to acquire and retain clients. These clients provide much needed communication infrastructure and a good return on Council's investment in the communication facilities.

## Attachment A

### Council communications facilities and levels

Level	Name	Address	Site Attributes	ACMA site number
1	Cambewarra	Cambewarra Lookout	Highest point in the Shoalhaven. Tubular steel lattice tower. Air conditioned brick hut or customer provided hut.	9100
1	Red Rocks	Leebold Rd Beaumont	On the same ridge as Cambewarra, further to the West. Angle steel lattice tower, with brick shelter or customer provided hut.	9113
1	Vincentia	St George Av, Vincentia water reservoir	Steel lattice tower – 50 metres Covers Vincentia and the Jervis bay area.	131105
2	Sassafras	Braidwood Rd Sassafras	Solar site, covers the Sassafras area, steel lattice tower.	201685
2	Huskisson	Huskisson Rd Huskisson waste depot	Steel lattice tower, covers Huskisson and Woollamia	9000991
2	West Ulladulla	Ulladulla Reservoir White Gum Rd, West Ulladulla	Steel lattice tower, covers Ulladulla and Milton	13035
2	Nowra Admin	42 Bridge Rd, Nowra	Nowra, High location on top of Council Admin building	9109
3	Bewong	Kells Rd Bewong	Steel lattice tower, covers Hwy at Tomerong and Bewong	202794
3	Coonemia	Coonemia Reservoir Coonemia Rd Coonemia	Steel lattice tower, Wollumboola area	134548
3	Sussex Inlet	Medlyn Av Sussex Inlet Sewage treatment plant	Steel lattice tower, covers Sussex Inlet	130381
3	Fishermans Paradise	Cornfields Rd Fishermans Paradise	Steel lattice tower, covers Hwy, Fishermans Paradise to Milton	201625
3	Kangaroo Valley	Upper Kangaroo River Rd, Clover Hill	Covers Kangaroo Valley township	131932
3	Berry	Agars Lane, Moeyan Hill	Covers Berry and Shoalhaven Heads	201687
3	Currarong	Fishery Rd, Currarong	Covers Currarong village	9001530
3	Emergency Management Centre	EOC, Albatross Rd, Nowra	Light tower, covers to West Nowra and Nowra Hill	9007269
3	Yalwal	Lot 14, DP1256179, Yalwal Rd, Yalwal	Light lattice tower, covers Danjera Dam and Yalwal area	10013467

3	Shoalwater Depot	Shoalwater Depot, Flinders Estate, South Nowra	Installation on roof of building, limited accessibility	9002973
3	Shoalhaven Heads STP	Shoalhaven Heads STP, Gerroa Rd Shoalhaven Heads	Use of council pole, space for outdoor cabinets	200314
4	Browns Hill	Princes Hwy, South Nowra	Limited infrastructure South Nowra, Hwy location Water tower, not in use for water supply.	10003193
4	Greenwell Point	47 Church St, Greenwell Point	Limited infrastructure Greenwell Point Water tower, not in use for water supply	10021543
4	Deering St	Cnr Camden & Deering Sts, Ulladulla	Limited infrastructure Ulladulla, high location Water tower, not in use for water supply.	140617
4	Ulladulla Lighthouse Oval	Ulladulla Lighthouse Oval, 107 Deering St Ulladulla	Lighting pole used as tower Good coverage for marine purposes Limited infrastructure	9027002
5	Kings Point	Kings Point Rd, Kings Point	Lease of land or access to Council hut only. Tower owned by Telstra	9009834
5	Shoalhaven Heads STP NBN site	Shoalhaven Heads STP, Gerroa Rd, Shoalhaven Heads	Lease of land only. Tower owned by NBN Co	9028456
5	Flat Rock	Flat Rock WTP, Filter Rd West Nowra	Lease of land only. Tower owned by Optus	9018585
5	Callala Bay	Callala Bay Rd, Callala Bay	Lease of land only. Tower owned by Telstra	9014337
5	Bomaderry Depot	Gesham Way, Bomaderry	Lease of land only. Tower owned by Telstra	9016223
5	Berringer Reservoir	Lot 473 Cunjurong Point Rd, Cunjurong Point	Lease of land only. Tower owned by Optus	10009100
5	Vincentia STP	Vincentia STP 50 Berry St, Vincentia	Lease of land only. Tower owned by Optus	10003135

## Attachment B

List of equipment categories and applied rate:-

Number	Categories	Multiplier for Level 1 Sites	Multiplier for Level 2 Sites	Multiplier for Level 3 Sites	Multiplier for level 4 sites	Multiplier for level 5 sites
1	Microwave dishes	1	1	1	1	.3
2	Mobile phone system	1	0.90	0.75	0.65	NA
3	Private mobile radio (one repeater base up to 50W)	1	0.90	0.75	0.50	.25
4	Extra Base antenna	1	0.90	0.75	0.50	NA
5	Two-way radio link	1	0.90	0.75	0.50	.25
6	Extra yagi link antenna	1	.9	.75	0.5	NA
7	FM broadcast	1	0.90	0.75	0.65	.3
8	TV Broadcast	1	0.90	0.75	0.65	NA
9	Spread spectrum repeater	1	0.80	0.65	0.50	.2
10	Paging Base up to 100W, Navigation beacon	1	1	1	0.50	.25
11	Ground Rental for customer hut	1	0.90	0.75	0.50	1
12	Power	1	1	1	1	1
13	Rack space	1	0.90	0.75	0.50	1
14	Access to generator power (if available)	1	1	1	1	1
15	Solar power contribution (if available)	1	1	1	1	1