

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

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 in 3.2 above.

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 will 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 | 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 | Shoalwater Depot | Shoalwater Depot, Flinders Estate, South Nowra | Installation on roof of building, limited accessibility | 9002973 |

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| 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 | 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 | 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 |