

Waste management targeted rates changes

Implementing standard services and charges for recycling and refuse disposal is continuing under the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) as service contracts come up for renewal.

The estimates of charges in this attachment may be subject to change.

Standard region wide Waste management targeted rate

Every ratepayer will be provided with the same basic services, which include inorganic and recycling services in 2017/2018. A standard region wide rate (base charge) of \$100 (incl. GST) is proposed to cover the costs of these services. Ratepayers receiving the same service will pay the same rate across the region.

This will mean a decrease in the charges for Auckland and Manukau residents of \$14 per annum and an increase for Waitakere and North Shore of around \$9 per annum. Auckland and Manukau residents would pay an additional charge of \$118 for their rates funded refuse service.

Waste management rate	Former Council area						
	Rodney \$ incl GST	North Shore \$ incl GST	Waitakere \$ incl GST	Auckland \$ incl GST	Manukau \$ incl GST	Papakura \$ incl GST	Franklin \$ incl GST
2016/2017	106.5	91.49	91.49	232.73	232.73	104.69	104.69
Base charge 2107/18 (includes inorganic & recycling collections)	100.37	100.37	100.37	100.37	100.37	100.37	100.37
Refuse charge 2017/2018	0	0	0	118.28	118.28	0	0
Change	-6.13	8.88	8.88	-14.08	-14.08	-4.32	-4.32

Current refuse services are described in the table below.

Former council area	Rodney	Auckland	Manukau	North Shore and Waitakere	Papakura	Franklin
Refuse service	Private provision	Rates funded 120L bin	Rates funded bag pick-up or private bin provision	Council pre-paid bags or private provision		

Extra recycling bin charge

It is proposed that ratepayers wishing to receive an extra recycling bin will be charged an additional \$61.64 per annum. The standard Waste management targeted rate will fund all residents a choice of either a 120L, 240L or 360L bin. At present the service offers a 240L bin and an additional bin free of charge in all the former council areas except Auckland City where an additional charge is levied for the extra bin. Residents who have a high volume of recycling will now be able to have a 360L bin.

Stop free commercial cardboard collection in former North Shore, Waitakere and Rodney

It is proposed that the free commercial cardboard collection, which is provided in selected town centres and commercial areas in the former Rodney, North Shore and Waitakere council areas is stopped. These properties will need to make their own arrangements for recycling cardboard, as businesses do in other parts of the city, above what can be managed with the new 360L bins. This will produce a net budget saving of \$370,000 per annum.

Introduction of rates funded refuse bin service in Manukau

Currently former Manukau council area has a rates funded bag service for their refuse. A rates funded 120L refuse bin will be introduced in Manukau for the 2017/2018 year. This provides Manukau ratepayers with the same service as is available in Auckland. Residents with a high volume of refuse will be able to have a 240L bin instead of a 120L for an additional \$55 per annum. The new service will address contractors' health and safety concerns with the bag collection service.
