

Dog registration fees for a 12 month period from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026

Pursuant to Section 37 of the Dog Control Act 1996 the following will be the Dog Control fees for the 12 month period from 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026.

Discounted Fee if paid before 1 August 2025 (per dog)	Standard Fee if paid on or after 1 August 2025 (per dog)
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Registration Fees

Rural dog (for every dog up to and including first three dogs)	\$51.30	\$68.40
Rural dog (for every dog after first three dogs)	\$39.90	\$51.30
General Dog Owner	\$165.30	\$210.90
Good Dog Owner (refer Dog Control Policy)	\$131.10	\$171.00
Select Dog Owner (refer Dog Control Policy)	\$68.40	\$91.20

Urban Multiple Dog Licence

Application	\$70.00
Annual Renewal	\$40.00
Micro chipping	At cost
Replacement Tag	\$5.00
Bark Collar Hire (2 weeks)	\$54.00

Impounding Fees

Dogs:	
Registered dog, first Impounding	\$150.00
Registered dog, subsequent Impounding	\$250.00
Unregistered dog	\$300.00 plus registration
Unregistered dog under 3 months	\$150.00 plus registration
After hours pound release fee <i>Requires payment of all applicable fees (impounding, sustenance & after hours release) at iSite/pool/library during opening hours prior to release.</i>	\$60.00
Sustenance fee per dog	\$10.00 per day
Destruction	At cost
Re-housing fee	\$50.00
Other animals:	
Stock, excluding sheep and goats	\$50.00
Sheep and goats	\$15.00
Sustenance fee per animal (all stock)	\$10.00 per day
Advertising	At cost
Droving	As per staff charge out rates or cost if provided by contractor
Call Out Fee	As per staff charge out rates
Transporting of Stock	At cost

NOTES

The criteria for these categories are given within the Stratford District Council Dog Control Policy.

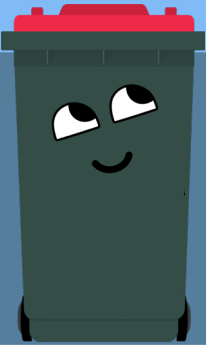
Any application to be a Select Dog Owner must be made before 30 April of each registration year.

Infringements may be issued for all outstanding registrations after 1 October 2025.

Fees are subject to adoption by the Council

B Sutherland
Director - Environmental Services

Close the Lid. From 8 July, overfull bins will not be collected



There are changes coming to the kerbside collection of rubbish and recycling bins across Taranaki.

Overfilled bins, where the lid is not level or closed, will not be able to be collected from 8 July. If your bin is not picked-up because it's overfull, you'll need to wait until your next collection day.

Why won't you pick up overfull rubbish and recycling bins?

- It's cleaner and more efficient.** Overfilled bins can lead to litter and mess falling (or blowing, if it's windy) onto streets and footpaths. It then takes extra time and people-power to clean it up.
- To support lower rates.** Extra rubbish in your red-lid bin means ratepayers have to pay extra to dispose of it. Most of the per-tonne cost to send household waste to landfill is due to government levies, and these are only going to rise. Reducing the amount we send to landfill, keeps your solid waste rates down.
- For a more sustainable future!** Being low-impact and planet-friendly can take a bit of extra work, but cutting down on overfilled bins will help reduce our impact on the environment.

What can I do with the extra rubbish I have?

Stratford already has Taranaki's most generous rubbish collection. We collect 120 litre general waste bins from residents every week, compared to the 140 litre bins collected fortnightly elsewhere in the region.

If you need more room in your rubbish bin, making sure you're recycling as much as possible through your home recycling bin, or for free at the Stratford Transfer Station, is key!

We recently did a deep dive into local bins and here's what we found



What can go in home recycling bins?

- ✓ Paper and cardboard bigger than an A4 sheet of paper, including pizza boxes cleaned of food scraps.
- ✓ Trays and containers larger than 10cm x 10cm and marked with recycling symbols 1, 2, or 5.
- ✓ Washed plastic bottles (lids removed and put into your rubbish bin or recycled through schools).
- ✓ Washed aluminium and steel tins and cans with lids inside the can.

Close the Lid

When put out on the kerbside, the lid of your bins must be closed and level. From 8 July, if the lids aren't closed - your bin won't be collected.



Seen someone's lost dog on an adventure?

Download the free Antenno app to make quick reports to council on community (and doggie) related issues.

Central Link

He karere tā te Kaunihera ā Rohe o Whakaahurangi News from the Stratford District Council

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WHAKAAHURANGI
STRATFORD
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**Register at
Eventbrite!**

Free Hydro Hype pool party turning up the vibes on 27 June!

The winter school holidays are almost here, but Stratford District Youth Council (SDYC) is bringing the heat for rangatahi aged 12 - 18, with a free Hydro Hype pool party from 6pm to 8.30pm, Friday 27 June at Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre.

SDYC Co-Chair Lucas Jacobson says Hydro Hype's a chance to celebrate the end of term, with Zeal Taranaki providing their professional sound system and DJ skills.

"We'll have music pumping, free pizza, subs, and drinks, and the pool to ourselves. It'll be insane."

"Whether you want to relax and take it easy with your friends, or start a pool-noodle war, this is the school holiday event for you," says Lucas.

Hydro Hype's an alcohol and drug free event for young people of intermediate and high school ages.

The event's free, but pool party goers should register at Eventbrite.co.nz so SDYC can order enough pizza and subs to keep energy up and the hype going.



Stratford School Holiday Programme



Our Winter School Holiday Programme has launched!

Cosy up, Whakaahurangi! The winter school holidays are almost here, but there's no need to fear the rain and cold. We've got free and cheap indoor events and activities to keep tamariki and rangatahi happy.

From free DJ classes with our friends at Zeal Taranaki, to daily Splash Bash at Wai o Rua, and crafts at the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre, there's something for everyone.

See the full programme at Stratford.govt.nz/Holidays or pick up a printed booklet from the Stratford Library, Wai o Rua, or our Service Centre on Miranda Street.

New chapter starting for the Central Link

We had almost 200 people take part in our recent Central Link survey. We're extremely grateful for each of you who took the time to complete it.

It was humbling to hear how many of you value the content we share through this newsletter. We certainly love bringing it to you and hope you'll keep reading as we adapt to the changing media environment.

Key findings:

- Most people are reading the Central Link less frequently than weekly - 37% weekly, 42% most weeks, and the rest, less often.
- There's a very close split between online and print readership - 41% read it in the Stratford Press, 37% via the email newsletter, and the rest a mix of Facebook and Council's website.
- Most people want to see a print version move from a weekly publication going forward - 19% weekly, 47% fortnightly, 24% monthly, with the rest saying quarterly or never.
- Interest in a less frequent email version made up the majority, but only just - 41% weekly, 29% fortnightly, 22% monthly, with the rest stating quarterly or never.

So, what's next for the Central Link?

Responses were a mixed bag, with no clear winner for how best to deliver our Central Link news to the masses. We've seen a shift in the way people are engaging with Council news, and it's important that we adjust our way of working to best suit the needs of the whole community, while managing the resources available to us.

With this in mind, our approach going forward will look like this:

- Our Central Link e-newsletter will be sent fortnightly. To subscribe to this, visit YourSay.Stratford.govt.nz/Register
- Our printed Central Link will feature in the Stratford Press for all remaining issues.

Scan the QR code & subscribe to get the Central Link by email!



- Our public notices are always available online at Stratford.govt.nz/PublicNotices, but some (like meeting schedules and road closures) will be available in the classifieds section of the Taranaki Star or Taranaki Daily News.
- We'll continue to make important news available in print at council facilities, including at the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre and Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre.
- And, we'll continue to advertise in Taranaki newspapers and print publications to let you know about the important stuff, too.

Access to information is important to us. We know not everyone can use digital formats, so we'll always make sure the most important information can be found in print at our facilities, but we also need your help.

If you have a relative or friend who needs to know about Council news, and you're not sure they would have received it, please share it with them or ask them to give us a call. We're always at the other end of 06 765 6099.

Are you a winner?

Congratulations! Sandra Collins, Tania Foster, Kim Dennis, Michelle Brunton, Amanda Brady, and Nicole Stieller have won a \$100 Stratford Business Association voucher in our survey prize draw.

If you're one of our lucky winners, you'll receive an email or phone call from us letting you know how to collect your voucher.

In short...



Rates rebates applications close soon

If you're a residential ratepayer on a low income, you may be eligible for a maximum \$790 partial rebate on your rates, but you must apply by 30 June 2025. See if you're eligible at Stratford.govt.nz/RatesRebates or call 06 765 6099.



Have you seen the latest Prospero Place designs?

We're giving some love to our town centre by redeveloping Prospero Place. Our initial concepts have been refined following discussions with key stakeholders and business owners in the area. Recently, draft designs went to Council for discussion and now we're asking for your feedback on the plans.

Head to the library or YourSay.Stratford.govt.nz to see the designs, and share your view by 13 July.



2025/26 Annual Plan adopted by Council

Our Annual Plan has been adopted and we're pleased to announce that the overall rates increase has stayed at 6.9%, as originally forecast in year 2 of the Long Term Plan 2024-2034. How much rates you pay can depend on a number of things related to your property like value, services provided and number of dwellings. Sample rates are available on pages 14 - 15 of the plan.

Read it online at Stratford.govt.nz/AnnualPlansAndReports

Library & Visitor Information Centre

Phone 06 765 5403

Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 5pm

Saturday: 9am - 1pm

Sunday & Public Holidays: Closed

Stratford Transfer Station

Phone 06 765 8500

Monday: 12pm - 5pm

Thursday: 10am - 1pm

Friday - Sunday: 12pm - 5pm

Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

Phone 06 765 6275

Monday - Friday: 6am - 6.30pm

Saturday: 7am - 5pm

Sunday & Public Holidays:
10am - 5pm

Glockenspiel

Performs daily at 10am, 1pm, 3pm, and 7pm

11 June 2025