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Public Notices

Dog registration fees for a 12 month period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025

In accordance with Section 37 of the Dog Control Act 1996 the following will be the Dog Control fees for the 12 month period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

Registration Fees	Discounted Fee if paid by 31 July 2024 (per dog)	Standard Fee if paid on or after 1 August 2024 (per dog)
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		NOTES
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, 1st 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	

- 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 2024.
- Fees are subject to adoption by the Council

B Sutherland
Director - Environmental Services

Vandalism costing the community

Recent acts of vandalism in Stratford have frustrated officers at Stratford District Council (SDC), who say repairing public property and cleaning up after vandals is costing local ratepayers.

Public toilets at the town's historic Centennial Rest Rooms have been the target of repeated acts of destruction in recent months. Toilet roll holders and paper towel dispensers have regularly been broken by vandals and the contents, if not the actual dispensers themselves, stolen or destroyed.

At the end of May, electrical and light fittings were ripped off the walls, leaving wires exposed and putting people's safety at risk. Police are investigating and it's hoped the culprits will be found and prosecuted, but the destruction has left council staff with some tough decisions to make, like whether they take away the rest room's comfortable seating and device charging station to deter people from hanging around.

"I'm over it," says Sara Flight, SDC Property Officer. "And everyone else in Stratford should be too. Our budget for repairs and maintenance is funded by rates. There's a small number of selfish people out there making a whole lot of mess that everyone else needs to clean up and pay for."

The town's old TSB Pool Complex, which has been proposed to be demolished as part of the district's draft Long Term Plan 2024-34, has also been the subject of ongoing issues with vandalism. Vandals have smashed glass in windows and doors and, more recently, there was a break-in which left a significant amount of mess to be cleaned up. "Quite frankly," says Sara, "It was disgusting."



Some of the broken glass and mess left after a recent break-in at the old pool complex.

"Lots of people have it tough out there at the moment, and it's not fair that our ratepayers are footing the bill for vandals and their senseless destruction. The materials and labour cost for repairing the rest rooms and pool complex is rapidly climbing towards the \$10,000 mark and that's just over the last six months."

"We're looking into ways we can make our public facilities safer from vandalism, but we need some help from our community, too," says Sara. "If you see public property that has been vandalised, or suspicious activity around community facilities, please call us straight away on 06 765 6099 no matter the time of day or night. You can also make a report and include images through our free Antenna app."

"Council will report vandalism to the police, but of course if you see any suspicious activity that might result in harm, please report it straight to the police non-urgent phone line at 105. If someone's in danger, call 111 straight away."



Have your say on the design options by Sunday 16 June!
YourSay.Stratford.govt.nz



Congrats to our winning street flag designers!

Amarni, Ruby-Rose, Lily, and Olivia are the winners of our Puanga flag design competition and you'll be able to see their flags flying down Broadway from 17 June to 15 July in celebration of Puanga!

Thank you to everyone who entered. Your designs were amazing and they'll all be on display in the library for everyone to enjoy.

Amarni, aged 9

Ruby-Rose, aged 6

Lily, aged 12

Olivia, aged 11

Our meeting schedule is always available online

Our calendar of this month's meetings will be back in the Central Link next week. Until then, visit Stratford.govt.nz/MeetingCalendar to see our full schedule.

Library and Visitor Information
Phone 06 765 5403
Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm
Saturday 9.00am – 1.00pm
Sunday & Public Holidays Closed

Transfer Station
Phone 06 765 8500
Monday – Friday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Wednesday 10.00am – 1.00pm
Saturday & Sunday 1.00pm – 5.00pm

Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre
Phone 06 765 6275
Monday – Friday 6.00am – 6.30pm
Saturday 7.00am – 5.00pm
Sunday and Public Holidays 10.00am – 5.00pm

Glockenspiel
Performs Daily at 10.00am, 1.00pm, 3.00pm and 7.00pm
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