

Council charges for resource consent applications consist of a deposit amount paid when the application is lodged, and this is offset against the actual costs of processing the individual application. If the actual costs exceed the deposit amount, the applicant will be invoiced for the difference. If the actual costs are less than the deposit amount, the Council will refund the difference. The deposit amount has been set so that it is more likely that there will be a balance to pay than a refund.

An indication of likely costs (without taking into account the deposit paid) is demonstrated in the table below calculated from applications processed in the previous year:

	Highest \$	Lowest \$	Average \$
Land Use Consents			
Non-notified delegated	3,680.15	498.09	1,308.11
Non-notified minor application (dwelling relocations, yard dispensations)	354.07	204.13	230.65
Notified with Hearing	3,779.04	3,779.04	3,779.04
Subdivisions			
Non-notified - delegated	3,538.12	433.35	1,176.06
Non-notified with Hearing	3,160.55	3,160.55	3,160.55
Notified with Hearing	15,243.91	1,491.43	6,007.55
Rights-of-Way			
	1,135.68	1,135.68	1,135.68

The actual costs incurred will be the result of two main factors:

- the complexity of the proposal
- the quality of the application received

If more effort is put into preparing the application it should be quicker and cheaper for Council to process it.