

Late Item - Correction to Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2021/22**Author:** Carol Gordon, Group Manager - Democracy & Planning**Authoriser:** Peter Beggs, Chief Executive**1. Acceptance of Late Item**

- 1.1 Council is asked to accept this late item to be dealt with as part of the Council agenda for 24 June 2021. Under Standing Orders items that cannot be dealt with at a future meeting can be discussed as a late item. This specific provision is:
- 1.2 “Section 9.12 - *Items of business not on the agenda which cannot be delayed* - A meeting may deal with an item of business that is not on the agenda where the meeting resolves to deal with that item and the Chairperson provides the following information during the public part of the meeting:
 - (a) the reason the item is not on the agenda; and
 - (b) the reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.”
- 1.3 The reason the item is not on the agenda is the error was only identified after the Council Order Paper for 24 June 2021 had been finalised and sent out to Elected Members.
- 1.4 The reason the item cannot be delayed to a subsequent meeting is the invoices for dog registrations need to be sent out during the week of the 21 – 25 June 2021.

2. Reason for Report

- 2.1 At the Council meeting on 9 June 2021 the Council adopted the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the 2021/22 year. There was an error in the schedule and this report is provided to seek Council’s approval to correct that error.

3. Context

- 3.1 The fee adopted for 2021/22 for registering working dogs was agreed as \$44.00. The sentence below this, on page 20 of the Schedule of Fees and Charges, should have been updated to allow for a capped fee of **\$220** for owners with five or more working dogs (i.e five times \$44.00) – but it was left at \$215, which was the previous capped fee for 2020/21. Please see the attached page from the Schedule of Fees and Charges which shows the proposed correction (Attachment 1).

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 Council are now requested to agree this correction be made to the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the 2021/22 year.

5. Decision Making Process

- 5.1 This item is not considered to be a significant decision according to the Council’s Policy on Significance and Engagement.

Attachments

1. **Schedule of Fees and Charges 2021/22 - Page 20**

Recommendation 1

That Council agrees to accept the late item "Late Item - Correction to Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2021/22" to be dealt with at the Council meeting on 25 June 2021, under the provision 9.12 of the Standing Orders - *Items of business not on the agenda which cannot be delayed*.

Recommendation 2

That Council agrees to correct the error in the Dog Registration Fees section of the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2021/22, page 20, and this be updated to: "*Fee capped at \$220 for owners with five or more working dogs*".

Dog Registration Fees

Set by Council in accordance with Section 37 and 68 of the Dog Control Act 1996. The Act makes provision to fix reduced fees for dogs under a specified age (not exceeding 12 months). However, Council has not made provision for reduced fees for young dogs/pups.

	2021/2022
Registration fees	
Working dogs <i>Fee capped at \$215 \$220 for owners with five or more working dogs</i>	\$44.00
Working dogs (late payment) <i>Capped fee does not apply</i>	\$67.00
Non working dogs	\$136.00
Non working dogs (late payment)	\$203.00
Non working dogs de-sexed	\$91.00
Non working dogs de-sexed (late payment)	\$137.00
Good owner dog	\$64.00
Good owner dog (late payment) ⁴	\$203.00
Multi Dog Permit - New	\$30.00
Dangerous Dogs	
Section 32(1)(e) of the Dog Control Act, Effect of classification as dangerous dog states "...must, in respect of every registration year commencing after the date of receipt of the notice of classification, be liable for dog control fees for that dog at 150% of the level that would apply if the dog were not classified as a dangerous dog".	
Impounding Charges	
Impounding first offence (within 12 month period)	\$141.00
Impounding second offence (within 12 month period)	\$198.00
Impounding third offence (within 12 month period)	\$255.00
Sustenance - per day	\$13.00
Destruction fee – per dog	\$39.00
Other fees	
Replacement tags	\$2.00
Micro-chipping and registration onto National Dog Database	\$44.00

Note:

The Dog Control Act 1996 does not allow Council to levy separate fees for application and monitoring in respect of Approved Good Owner Classification but does allow Council to set fees having regard to the relative cost of registration and monitoring. Therefore, these fees have been incorporated into the fees applicable to Approved Good Owner Classifications.

⁴ Under Council's Dog owner responsibility policy, late registration means the loss of approved good owner classification for one registration year.