

Discounted landfill entry fees for community groups, charities, and not-for- profit organisations

Landfill Entry Fees

Council resolved that community groups, not-for-profits, and charities be charged at the discounted local resident rate for waste disposal rather than the commercial rate.

As at 1 July 2026 this discounted rate for general waste is \$189/tonne (including waste levy of \$70.56), which is a significant saving over the commercial rate of \$340/tonne (including waste levy).

Why provide a discounted rate?

The discounted rate is provided to community groups, not-for-profits, and charities in recognition of the important work that these groups undertake.

Why not provide free entry?

Whilst Council is pleased to support a discounted rate for community groups it is not appropriate that Council fully covers the costs of other's waste as this directly conflicts with the principles of user pays and waste minimisation. Such an arrangement would result in rate payers covering the costs of other's waste as well as provide no incentive for the groups to minimise waste volumes.

What about groups like Bushcare that are cleaning up Council land?

Community groups or individuals that are undertaking Council-approved clean ups on Council owned or managed land (e.g. Bushcare

clean-ups) are eligible for free landfill entry if the cleanup and landfill entry has been Council approved prior to the works being undertaken.

Waste Levy Rebate

As part of the recent introduction of the state-wide waste levy, the State Government has included within its Waste and Resource Recovery legislation an assistance program for charitable recyclers.

It is a statutory function of the State Government (Tasmanian Waste and Resource Recovery Board) to administer an assistance program to assist charitable recyclers. This rebate is provided by application directly to the State Government by the charity and cannot be applied for via Council. Further information on how to register for the Charitable Recycler Rebate Program and to claim the rebate is available at:

wrr.tas.gov.au/industry-support-programs/charitable-recycler-rebate-program

More Information

Further enquiries on this matter can be directed to Manager Sustainability and Environment at the contact details below.