

CANTERBURY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Kaunihera Taiao ki Waitaha



Development Contributions and Financial Contributions Policy

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Purpose

The Development Contributions and Financial Contributions Policies are required by the Local Government Act 2002. These Policies are reviewed and, where necessary, amended at least every three years.

Development contributions

Regional councils are not able to request development contributions. Under the Local Government Act 2002, the power to levy such contributions is restricted to territorial authorities.

Financial contributions

Financial contributions are defined in s108(9) of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) as a contribution of:

- money
- land, including an esplanade reserve or esplanade strip (other than in relation to a subdivision consent), but excluding Māori land within the meaning of the Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 unless that Act provides otherwise
- or a combination of money and land.

Under s108(10) of the RMA, a consent authority must not include a condition in a resource consent requiring a financial contribution unless:

- the condition is imposed in accordance with the purposes specified in the plan or proposed plan (including the purpose of ensuring positive effects on the environment to offset any adverse effect)
- and the level of contribution is determined in the manner described in the plan or proposed plan.

No financial contributions can be levied unless they are included within a regional plan.

Environment Canterbury Regional Plans

Canterbury Regional Council (Environment Canterbury) currently has provisions for financial contributions in the following regional plans:

- Regional Coastal Environment Plan
- Opihi River Regional Plan
- Waimakariri River Regional Plan.

When the Council grants a resource consent under the rules of any of these three plans, it may impose a condition requiring a financial contribution for the purposes specified in the plan.

Use of financial contributions

Environment Canterbury does not have any operational or capital expenditure identified in its Annual Plan or Long-Term Plan that will be funded by financial contributions.



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