

15 April 2021

Dear Hut Owner

UPPER SELWYN HUTS REFUSE COLLECTION/SERVICES

1. Location of Refuse Bins

Council staff have recently been advised that a number of residents within the huts community are putting their house numbers on the communal bins and keeping them at their properties. Just a reminder that the rubbish/recycling bins provided are communal bins for use by all huts owners.

These bins should be conveniently located at the end of, or in a central location along the streets so that they are easily accessible to all hut owners. It is the responsibility of the hut owners to ensure that the bins are located at the Spackman Avenue end of each street on the collection day by **6.30 am**.

Following a 'stock take' of rubbish bins within the huts community, only 16 recycling and 26 rubbish bins were located. There should be **18** recycling 'yellow lid' bins and **38** rubbish bins. As previously mentioned these bins are for communal use by all huts owners and should not be stored/located at individual huts.

It is proposed that these changes will take place from 1 July 2021. Council will instruct Waste Management to remove the existing rubbish bins and replace them with the now used 'red lid' rubbish bins. At this time any bin that is put out for collection that doesn't have either a 'yellow lid' or 'red lid' and an RFID (radio frequency identification device) tag **WILL NOT** be collected.

These bins are for household rubbish/recycling only. Any refuse, other than household waste, should be taken to the Pines Resource Recovery Park, this includes renovation waste and yard/house clean ups. Please find enclosed a refuse dumping guide for information. Charges are available on the Council's website.

2. Changes to Refuse Charges

Council has been reviewing the associated refuse charges for the Upper Selwyn Huts community.

Current Situation/Charge

Paid From	Number of Bins	Charge per Hut
Rates - 'Refuse Uniform Charge'		\$26.00
Hut licence fee	18 recycling bins 'yellow lids'	\$15.00
Hut licence fee	38 rubbish bins	Nil
Total charge per hut		\$41.00

The above charges are not recovering the full cost of refuse collection and disposal at the Huts. To be equitable, to all residents having refuse collected across the District, Council needs to increase the annual refuse charge as follows:

Proposed Situation/Charge from 1 July 2021

Paid From	Number of Bins	Charge per Hut
Rates - 'Refuse Uniform Charge' * see note below		Nil
Hut licence fee	18 recycling bins 'yellow lids'	\$15.38
Hut licence fee	38 rubbish bins 'red lid'	\$55.42
Total charge per hut		\$70.80

** This charge appears on your rates assessment until 30 June 2021 when it will be removed.*

The new proposed charge is included in the hut licence fee proposed from 1 July 2021 of \$1,122, as advised by letter to all hut owners dated 1 April 2021. It is **NOT** an additional charge.

3. Fly Tipping

Recently a considerable amount of concrete blocks/bricks has been dumped on the Reserve (commonly known as 'fly tipping') by someone possibly undertaking hut renovations. This is a good example of rubbish that should be disposed of at the Pines Recovery Park at a cost to the hut owner. The cost of removing the blocks/bricks from the reserve will once again, as with any vandalism, be a cost to the community and not the individual concerned, which is not fair nor reasonable.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or s7(2)(a).

Yours faithfully



Douglas Marshall
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