

# **Public Utility Works Application**

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**General Guidance** 

Owner / Applicant

- All fields must be completed or N/A as appropriate
- The applicant must be the owner of the land, or the lease holder, or a person who has agreed to unconditionally purchase or lease the land
- Complete a 'Fast Track' Application for 20mm water meter only installations
- Select and nominate Approved Contractor(s) (Page 5-6) or for Pressure Sewer connections, may a Licenced Drainlayer may be used (Page 8)

Ful	l Name				
Po	stal address				Post code
Ph	one				Mobile
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Ag	ent				
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Po	stal address				Post code
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Sit	te Address				
Str	eet/Road no:	Street/Road	d name:		
Tov	vn or area:		Lot:		DP:
Ut	ility Service			Wa	ater Requirement
	Potable Water	Size:	mm		New water connection and meter
	Storm Water	Size:	mm		Disconnection
	Waste Water	Size:	mm		Back flow preventer
	Pressurised Sewer	Size:	mm		Change of use
	Waste Disconnection				
De	scription of Intend	ed use: 🔲 Reside	ential 🔲 Commercial		
No	ominated Contracto	r for each service	ce required: (Have you d	ontacte	d your contractor(s)?)
Off	ice Use Only				
Pro	perty ID:				
110	number:		Pagaint Number:		



Related Consents:	Date:

# **Authorisations**

Owner authorisation (must be completed and signed by owner)

As the property owner, I hereby agree to all terms and conditions stated within this Public Utility Application. Public Utility accounts will be issued in my name, until such time as an official notice of sale is received or a billing agent is nominated.

Owners Full name:			
Billing Details			
Street no:	Street/Road na	me:	
<u></u>			Post code:
Phone		_	
Mobile		_	
Email:		Date:	
Owners Name	Owners Signature:		Date:
Agent authorisation As the agent you acce		uncil's correspor	dence to the owner as appropriate.
Full name / Company r	name:		
Position / Title:			
Contact Details			
Street no:	Street/Road nar	ne:	
_	City:		
Phone:			
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Email:		— ——— Date:	
Agent Name:	Agent Signature:		Date:
Correspondence			
Key Personnel: All o	correspondence / charges	for any insta	llation are to be directed to the:
☐ Owner / Applicant	☐ Agent		



# **Checklist for Public Utility Application**

The following information is required for all public utilities services applications. All applicable items on this check list must be checked as YES before an application can be accepted. Failure to supply necessary information may result in the application being rejected

	Customer	Office check		Technical	
	check			Check	
	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
1 Applicant's Full Name					
2 Agent Details (if applicable)					
Owner's authorisation completed					
4 Contact telephone, email & postal address details					
5 Street name and house number					
6 Connection size					
7 Licensed contractor					
8 Map / service sheet / network as-built					
9 Site plan including:				<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Location of all structures on the property					
<ul> <li>Point of connection to existing pipe (include dimensions)</li> </ul>					
Right hand and left hand distance to boundary measurements					
Location of access, driveway or right-of-way					
For new water connections only		·			
10 Intended Use					
11 Boundary Backflow Prevention device (if applicable)					
12 Site plan location of all structures on property					
13 Site plan including details of assets to be installed					
House site to nearest fire hydrant (<135m)					
For new waste and stormwater connections only					
14 Site plan including					
Pipe gradient					
Is this a pressurised sewer system?					
Pressure sewer agreement completed?					
Failure to supply all the information and measurements as requested unprocessed and unapproved  Application accepted  Application not accepted	d may result in the	e applicat	ion being r	eturned	
Reasons					
☐ Yes Customer services check					
CSR Signature	Nam	e (pleas	e print)		



# Public Utility Applications – Terms and Conditions

#### Introduction

Public Utility Applications are required for all new service connections, disconnections and modifications to the Whangarei District Council (WDC) utilities network. This includes potable water, waste water and storm water.

This application only relates to works between the council utility and the private/public property boundary. If the existing utilities lay within private property this application applies to the network connection only.

All utility works where connections/disconnections are undertaken to the live reticulation must be carried out by a WDC Approved Contractor. For Pressure Sewer Pumps to be vested with Council; Licenced Drainlayers may install Pressure Sewer Pump units provided they have been approved to install and commission the products by the Approved Pressure Sewer Product Supplier.

# **Application Procedure**

Complete and submit this application form along with supporting documentation and payment to a WDC Customer Services Representative at:

Forum North Or: Ruakaka 5 Rust Avenue Service Centre Whangarei Takutau Place Ruakaka

WDC Approved Contractors and Customer Service Representatives can assist you with the application process.

Alternatively, you can email any queries or your application to: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz

# **Application Requirements**

- Ensure all fields are completed in full as incomplete applications may be rejected. The application must include a clearly detailed plan of intended works. A council service sheet and site plan marked-up to include the proposed connection point may be satisfactory.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all drawings and supporting information is submitted in an acceptable format which also speeds up the processing of your application.
- Prior to approval all applicable fees (see General Terms and Conditions below), shall be paid in full.
   Upon approval, the licensed contractor will carry out work in accordance with the approved plan,
   Council's specific requirements and current WDC Environmental Engineering Standards.

#### **General Terms and Conditions**

Application costs are in accordance with WDC fees and charges, available at WDC customer services or: <a href="http://www.wdc.govt.nz/RatesandPayments/FeesandCharges/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.wdc.govt.nz/RatesandPayments/FeesandCharges/Pages/default.aspx</a>

Properties requiring new service connections are subject to Development Contribution assessment. Contributions must be paid in full prior to approval.

Further information on development contributions can be found at:

www.wdc.govt.nz/DevelopmentContributions

Council advises applicants to review the individual utility supply bylaws for additional terms and conditions of supply and connection.

Bylaws are available from WDC customer services or:

www.wdc.govt.nz/Bylaws

All works are to be carried out in accordance with council specifications and Environmental Engineering Standards (EES).

EES are available from WDC customer services or:



# www.wdc.govt.nz/EnvironmentalEngineeringStandards

A Change of Use application may be required when properties with existing utilities are developed or redeveloped.

Applicants are advised that the cost of the physical works is specifically excluded from any charges relating to this application.

WDC recommend that applicants approach relevant utility licensed contractors for a quote and to establish contractor availability prior to submitting applications.

Costs may vary from contractor to contractor and this process will allow applicants to nominate their preferred contractor. Lists of Approved Contractors can be found on page 5 and 6 of this application form.

#### **Other Terms and Conditions**

All authorisations required from neighbours or governing bodies along with proof of all easements must be submitted with the application (if applicable).

Services to be constructed in the road corridor of a state highway require written approval from the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA).

Contact NZTA Whangarei:

09 430 4355

Services constructed in the railway corridor require written approval from Kiwi Rail Ltd.

Contact Kiwi Rail: 0800 801 070

Resource Consent is required from the Northland Regional Council for storm water discharge into a stream or river.

**Contact Northland Regional Council:** 

09 438 4639

Contractor Nomination										
Company	Company Contact Phone Email Mailing Address									
	Water Only Contractors									
FC Contractors	Frank Chandler	09 436 3374 027 4265553	f.c.contractors.ltd@hotmail.com	PO Box 3247 Onerahi Whangarei 0142						
The Watertight Company	Gordon McKay	09 438 2629 027451 1714	info@thew atertightco.co.nz	PO Box 523 Whangarei 0140						
Downer NZ	Don Morrison	09 4701798 021 858 924	Don.Morrison@downer.co.nz	Lower Port Rd PO Box 909 Whangarei 0140						
Forte Civil	BJ Stanton	022 393 7030	bstanton@nzforte.com	PO Box 315 553 Silverdale 0944						
Watco Plumbing	Royce Gray	09 438 4006 021 409 616	admin@watco.co.nz	PO Box 10045 Te Mai Whangarei 0143						
Waste and Storm Only Contractors										
All Drainage	Jon Gill	021 444 401	jon@alldrainage.co.nz	75 Tidehope Road RD1 Kamo						
				Whangarei 0185						
Broad Spectrum	Fred Petersen	09 470 4400 021 903 479	w hangareiadmin@broadspectrum. com	P O Box 48 Whangarei 0140						
Hansen Drainage &	Scott Hansen	027 432 7877	scott@hansende.co.nz	62 Pyle Road East						



Earthworks Ltd				Ruakaka 0116	
HydroTech Drainage	Sarah	09 438 4866 021 730 673	sarahct@hydrotech.co.nz	P O Box 1696 Whangarei 0140	
Northern Drainage Ltd	Brad Jeeves	021 023 10730	brad@northerndrainage.co.nz	49 Russell Road Whangarei 0110	
Precision Drainage	Nigel Martin	09 434 7286	info@precisiondrainage.co.nz	PO Box 86 Maungatapere 0152	
United Civil Construction Ltd	Paul Bonetti	09 438 0354	Paul.Bonetti@unitedcivil.co.nz	PO Box 6113 Otaika Whangarei 0147	
Watco Plumbing	Royce Gray	09 438 4006 021 409 616	admin@watco.co.nz	PO Box 10045 Te Mai Whangarei 0143	
Woods Plumbing & Drainage	Zane Woods	027 788 9001	zane@woodsplumbing.co.nz	PO Box 3005 Onerahi Whangarei 0142	

IQP Boundary					
Company	Contact	Phone	IQP Number	Mailing Address	Selected Contractor
Downer Water	Shirley Harris	09 470 1796	IQP Number: 097	PO Box 909 Whangarei 0140	
The Watertight Company	Gordon McKay	09 438 2629	IQP Number: 092	PO Box 523 Whangarei 0140	
Watco Plumbing	Royce Gray	09 438 4006	IQP Number: 080	PO Box 10045 Te Mai Whangarei 0143	

# Water backflow prevention devices

Backflow device applications are free of charge however it is the owners' responsibility to arrange and cover costs for purchase and installation of the device.

Backflow facts and WDC approved installation contractors are available at WDC customer services or: http://www.wdc.govt.nz/WaterandWaste/Water/Documents/Backflow-prevention-policy-and-code-of-practice-2012.pdf

#### and:

http://www.wdc.govt.nz/BuildingandProperty/BuildingConsents/Documents/Independent-Qualified-Persons-Register.pdf

Backflow Prevention Devices are required on all industrial and commercial properties, as well as on domestic properties with private water storage for example, swimming pools, stock troughs and tanks. These devices are necessary to ensure the safety of drinking water.

Failure to install the device applied for within this application may result in WDC appointing a contractor to install the device and on charging the property owner.



# **Pressure Sewer Systems**

An alternative to gravity sewer systems is an on-site system. This is a small pumping unit installed on each property to pump the household sewage into our main sewerage network. Each unit has a 24-hour emergency storage tank (about 1 metre by 2 metres) and is fitted with an alarm contained in a control panel. The pump unit itself is installed in a location on the property and the system is powered by the household power supply. The public pressure sewer pipework is buried in the road reserve similar to a water main. Further detailed information may need to be provided on the site plan when applying to Council for Pressure Sewer System connections.

# Ownership and operation of the Pressure Sewer System

Council is responsible for maintaining Pressure Sewer Systems that have been vested to Council. This includes the pipe work from the pump unit to the property boundary and the control panel. Property owners are responsible for maintaining the drainage pipe from the house to the pump unit and providing power to run the pump unit.

The Pressure Sewer Systems Homeowners Guide advises on how you can help to keep the system running smoothly.

http://www.wdc.govt.nz/WaterandWaste/Wastewater/Documents/Pressure-Sewer-System-Guide.pdf

Key requirements for the Pressure Pump System:

http://www.wdc.govt.nz/WaterandWaste/Wastewater/Documents/Pressure-Sewer-system-Key-Requirements.pdf

Agreement for provision of the Pressure Sewer Connection:

http://www.wdc.govt.nz/WaterandWaste/Wastewater/Documents/Agreement-for-Provision-of-Pressure-Sewer-Connection.pdf

#### Approvals/Suspension/Cancellation

Following approval, written authorisation and approved plans will be given to the Owner / Agent and your nominated contractor, works must not be carried out prior to receipt of the approved plans and written authorisation.

Should an application be suspended, the applicant will be advised accordingly in writing.

Once the suspension has been resolved, approval may be given.

Applications are valid for 6 months from approval. Lapsed applications will be cancelled and deemed void (fees non-refundable or transferrable).

# **Development Contributions**

Development Contributions may be required in accordance with the Local Government Act 2002.

Development Contributions are charges that help Council fund the infrastructure needed to service growth within the district.

Development Contributions are assessed and may be payable on new service connections.

These are assessed in accordance with Councils Development Contributions Policy.

If Development Contribution charges are applicable an assessment will be issued and must be paid in full prior to Council authorising works.

For further information or an estimate of potential contributions please contact Councils Development Contributions Team.

#### **Council Inspections**

Inspections must be carried out by an authorised Council officer.

A minimum 24 hours prior notice shall be given when inspections are requested by the licensed contractor.



Inspections must be scheduled with council infrastructure and services support on: 09 430 4200 please quote the utility number at this time.

During the inspection the council officer will review the physical connection, pipe tests, workmanship, and primarily compliance.

Where additional inspections are required the customer may be charged on an hourly rate basis.

#### Network As-built plans

As built plans of the council network can be obtained from customer services. Alternatively, you can email <a href="mailroom@wdc.govt.nz">mailroom@wdc.govt.nz</a> and request these plans to assist you with preparing your application. There is no charge for these plans.

# **Completion As-built plans**

All as-built plans shall comply with Council's drafting standards outlined in the current Environmental Engineering Standard, . clause 1.7 and 1.11.1.3. which include GPS coordinates.

Where plans do not comply, Council may require submission of revised plans.

It is the licensed contractors' responsibility to ensure all asbuilts are submitted to council within 1 month of council inspection, or as otherwise agreed.

Adequate allowance for the survey and drafting of the as-built plans must be factored for when quoting for the work.

# **Contractors Working on Live Reticulation**

All utility works where connections/disconnections are undertaken to the live reticulation must be carried out by a WDC Approved Contractor. A list of approved contractors is enclosed on pages 5 and 6.

Contractors Working on Pressure Sewer Pump Unit Installations connecting to Existing Boundary Kits

As well as using Approved Contractors, Licenced Drainlayers may be used to install Pressure Sewer Pump units provided they have been approved to install and commission the products by the Approved Pressure Sewer Product Supplier.

#### It is important to note:

- It is the applicant's responsibility to engage an Approved Contractor/ Licenced Drainlayer (as appropriate) who in turn is required to ensure that the work proposed is viable and physically possible **prior** to the application being lodged with Council.
- The cost of carrying out the work following approval by Council is a matter between the applicant and contractor only.
- Council does not accept any responsibility for any costs involved in carrying out the work.

#### **Approved contractors**

It is the applicant's responsibility to engage an approved contractor who in turn is required to ensure that the work proposed is viable and physically possible prior to the application being lodged with Council.

The cost of carrying out the work following approval by Council is a matter between the applicant and contractor only.

Council does not accept any responsibility for any costs involved in carrying out the work.

Only an approved contractor can be used for all utility service connection work. A list of approved contractors is enclosed on pages 5 and 6.