



# Policy

## Waste disposal fees for not-for-profit groups

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### Further Document Information and Relationships

Related Legislation	Section 356 Local Government Act 1993
Related Policies	Section 356 Donations – Rates, Water and Sewerage Charges Policy
Related Standards, Procedures, Statements, documents	

Note: Any reference to Legislation will be updated in the Policy as required. See website <http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/> for current Acts, Regulations and Environmental Planning Instruments.



## 1. Objectives

To provide clear policy guidelines to assist not-for-profit community groups that operate second hand shops and conduct litter clean up on public land in applying for exemptions from waste disposal fees at the Byron Resource Recovery Centre.

## 2. Background

Not-for-profit community groups often have limited financial resources whilst providing the community with significant social benefits. In recognition of these limited financial resources Council has developed this policy to provide fee relief from waste disposal charges to assist not-for-profit community groups that run disposal stores for the sale of second hand and reusable items and for not-for-profit community groups that clean up public land.

## 3. Application of Policy

This policy applies to not-for-profit community groups that run disposal stores for the sale of second hand and reusable items and for not-for-profit community groups that clean up public land. As a minimum this policy should be read in conjunction with Section 356 of the Local Government Act.

## 4. Statement

Council recognises that not-for-profit community groups involved in the operation of second hand shops provide the community with significant social benefits, whilst helping to divert valuable resources from being sent to landfill. Not-for-profit community groups that clean up public land assist with environmental management, improving the aesthetic and amenity of the Shire.

To assist those not-for-profit community organisations in delivering those services Council has endorsed the following guidelines for fee relief from annual waste disposal fees:

### 4.1 Guidelines

4.1.1 Council will provide a \$1849 (2020/21) (indexed yearly in accordance with waste management fees) credit at the Byron Resource Recovery Centre for each bonafide not-for-profit organisation that runs either:

- a disposal store for the sale of second hand and reusable items within the Byron Local Government Area (LGA); with the waste generated being from within the Byron LGA, and proceeds from the organisation benefitting the local (Northern Rivers) community; or
- a not-for-profit community group that cleans up public land.

4.1.2 To ensure adequate records are maintained of this service, eligible organisations must apply to Council in writing prior to utilising this service.



- 4.1.3 To ensure transparency and accountability eligible organisations must qualify for fee relief by providing proof of being a registered not-for-profit charitable organisation and provide Council with a registered ABN.
- 4.1.4 If an eligible organisation wishes to request an expansion of this service then that organisation must apply to Council in writing each year as part of any broader Section 356 donation process and budget Council is administering on an annual basis.