

First Rate

Southland District Council rates news

2021/22

Email and direct debit - the dynamic duo for paying your rates!

If you're set up for both by 27 August 2021 you'll automatically go in the draw to win a \$300 voucher courtesy of Westpac.

Last year's winning ratepayers were Robert and Maree Stewart.



Get your SDC rates invoice emailed to you

It's quick, efficient and easy to set up.

You're guaranteed delivery, and your account will arrive faster than posted assessments. Emailed invoices are trackable, so we'll know instantly if there's a problem with your address. Electronically, they're easy for us to manage and you have a direct line of communication with our rates team.

To set yourself up for emailed rates or water invoices, go to southlanddc.govt.nz > **My Property** > **Rates** > **Register for Emailed**

Why not pay your rates by direct debit?

Here are 6 reasons why it's a great option for you.

- 1 It saves you time and effort, and it doesn't cost you any more.**
- 2 It's an agreement between Council and you, running over the full 12 months.**
- 3 There are no penalties on instalments.**
- 4 You'll be notified of any rates adjustments each year and they will be recalculated automatically.**
- 5 Payments are always assigned to correct property.**
- 6 The account will be cancelled automatically if you sell your property.**



Have you shifted recently?

Please inform us when you shift so that we can get your address to follow you.

Go to the [Southland District Council website](https://southlanddc.govt.nz) > [Change my address](#)



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What it means?

Let's take a look at some of the rates you will notice on your rates assessment.

Roading Rate

You will see two charges. Roothing UTR is a fixed charge to everyone in the district. There is also a roading charge based on your land use, which is charged on capital value. This is set on a differential basis to allow categories that may have more impact on roads to contribute more.

Community Board Rate

These rates are set by the local board and are used on local activities such as maintenance of parks and reserves, street lights and footpaths. These are a fixed amount and relate to all properties but can vary depending on which board area and the classification of urban, semi-urban and rural.

District General Rate

There are two charges. One is a fixed charge to everyone and one is based on capital value. These rates pay for everything else not already mentioned that council does, generally activities with significant benefits to the wider community. These include; office buildings, some regulatory services that aren't funded by user fees and charges, emergency management, representation, community services, transfer stations, recycling centres, cemeteries and some grants and donations.

Regional Heritage

Is used to fund heritage activities in the Southland region. The money is administered by the Southland Regional Heritage Committee and is used to promote and develop heritage in Southland. This is a fixed amount across the district.

Factor	Valn/Unit	Rate	Charge	Amount
UTR			92.00	92.00
CV	800.000	0.00052205		417.64
UTR per bin	1	173.88		173.88
UTR per SUUP	1	45.50		45.50
UAGC			693.90	693.90
CV	800.000	0.000647325		517.86
UTR per rating unit	1		239.30	239.30
UTR per unit	1	582.58		582.58
UTR per SUUP	1	37.78		37.78
UTR per rating unit	1		67.69	67.69

Total Annual Rates Including GST: \$3,704.63
GST amount included in Total Annual Rates: \$483.21

SIESA Rate

Includes maintenance, renewals and capital improvements to the transmission networks and generating plant. This is a fixed charge and applies to all properties on Stewart Island/Rakiura that are or can be connected to the electricity network.

Halls, Community Centre and Pool Rates

Are a fixed amount set by the local board or hall committees. You will only be charged this rate if you live in the boundary.

Stormwater

Used to maintain stormwater networks and repairs and upgrades. The rate is a fixed amount and you pay a full charge if you are within the boundary and a quarter charge for outside the boundary.

District Wastewater and District Water Rates

Relates to all properties that are or can be connected to the water and sewerage schemes throughout the district.

Let's take a look at some of the rates that used to be on your rates notice

Waste Management UTR and CV - this is now incorporated in the general fixed charge and also the general capital value charge

Community Board, Community Development Area and Ward Rates - have all been removed and replaced with a new Community Board Rate that splits between urban, semi-urban and rural

Every \$1 of your rates goes towards:



We maintained a network of **5000km** of roads



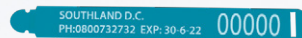
Our eight libraries and mobile book bus lent **226,542 books**, as well as offering free wifi, access to online databases, spaces for public events and meeting places.

We provided services to **6000 dog owners**



who own

12,000 dogs



We provide **155** District reserves

We provided **114 km** of stormwater pipes to help prevent flooding



We provided **723 kilometres** of pipes to supply fresh, clean drinking water.



Rates rebates scheme

Are you a low-income earner, receiving New Zealand superannuation or living on a benefit? You could qualify for a Department of Internal Affairs rates rebate of up to \$665.

The Rates Rebate Scheme was set up in 1973 to provide a subsidy on the cost of rates for low-income house owners.

If you think you're eligible, or don't have access to the internet, call us on 0800 732 732 or visit one of our friendly customer

support partners at any Southland District Council office. They can help you log on to the rates rebate website.

You will need to provide proof of your income for the period 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 with your application.

Visit dia.govt.nz/Services-Rates-Rebate-Scheme-Index or southlanddc.govt.nz/my-property/rates/

Rates rebate income eligibility table for households with no dependants. Estimate only.

Household Income	Level of Rates												Rates Rebate	
	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$1,750	\$2,000	\$2,250	\$2,500	\$2,750	\$3,000	\$3,250	\$3,500	\$3,750	\$4,000		
\$26,000	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$27,000	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$28,000	\$540.67	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$29,000	\$415.67	\$582.33	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$30,000	\$290.67	\$457.33	\$624.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$31,000	\$165.67	\$332.33	\$499.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$32,000	\$40.67	\$207.33	\$374.00	\$540.67	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$33,000	-	\$82.33	\$249.00	\$415.67	\$582.33	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$34,000	-	-	\$124.00	\$290.67	\$457.33	\$624.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$35,000	-	-	-	\$165.67	\$332.33	\$499.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$36,000	-	-	-	\$40.67	\$207.33	\$374.00	\$540.67	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$37,000	-	-	-	-	\$82.33	\$249.00	\$415.67	\$582.33	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$38,000	-	-	-	-	-	\$124.00	\$290.67	\$457.33	\$624.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$39,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$165.67	\$332.33	\$499.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$40,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$40.67	\$207.33	\$374.00	\$540.67	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$41,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$82.33	\$249.00	\$415.67	\$582.33	\$665.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$42,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$124.00	\$290.67	\$457.33	\$624.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$43,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$165.67	\$332.33	\$499.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$44,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$40.67	\$207.33	\$374.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$45,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$82.33	\$249.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$46,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$124.00	\$665.00	\$665.00
\$47,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$665.00	\$665.00

Remission and postponement of rates

Full or partial remissions are available to small community, sports associations and community facilities owned by general clubs, societies or associations. Council offers rates remission for school sewerage charges and the cancellation or reduction of wheelie bin service. Council offers the opportunity to remit

or postpone payment of rates and some penalties in certain circumstances eg, significant family disruption or extreme financial hardship. To apply for remission or postponement of rates please contact Southland District Council's rates team on **0800 732 732** or by email: rates@southlanddc.govt.nz

Instalment due dates:

Instalment 1

JUL | AUG | SEP

27 August 2021

Instalment 2

OCT | NOV | DEC

26 November 2021

Instalment 3

JAN | FEB | MAR

25 February 2022

Instalment 4

APR | MAY | JUN

27 May 2022

We appreciate this may be a challenging time financially for some ratepayers. Our friendly rates team is here to help so have a chat with us before the instalment due date and we can work out suitable payment options.

Simply phone 0800 732 732 or email rates@southlanddc.govt.nz.

