

From 17 July 2024, all new applications for a service connection, such as a utility connection for water will be assessed to see if they need to pay development contributions – fees payable to the council to fund the infrastructure required across the District to support growth such as new roads, pathways, pipes, and parks. If the service connection is part of a new building project, there may be no change to the assessment that has been made as part of the applications associated with the project.

If development contributions are required, they must be paid before the works associated with your service connection begin.

You can find out more about development contributions on our website: www.whanganui.govt.nz/development-contributions.

What is a Utility Connection?

A Utility connection is a connection to the Council's Urban or Rural

- Sewer (Wastewater) Network
- Water Network
- Stormwater Network (Direct Connection to Pipeline or Outlet to the Kerb)

How do I arrange a Utility Connection?

You must arrange a Utility Connection directly with an Approved Contractor. See *Approved Utility Connection Contractor Register*. for a list.

What is an Approved Contractor?

An Approved Contractor is a Contractor who has Council approval to provide utility connections.

What is the Process?

Home Owner to obtain a Quote from the Approved Contractor

(Payment direct to Contractor)

The Approved Contractor will apply for a Utility Connection on your behalf Council will assess if development contribution charges are required and approve Contractor to install

(Payment to Council by Home Owner, if required) The Utility Connection is Installed (Contractor to supply as-built to Council)

The following areas have Rural Water Schemes and may require the installation of a Water Meter:

- Fordell
- Pakaraka

- Kai lwi
- Westmere

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