

I currently live on the (address deleted) which is a water access only settlement. I am very concerned at the review into rentals which could result in high charges for accessing my property. We have already incurred substantial costs in development applications and construction costs of our jetty and pontoon. We have no other way of accessing our home other than by water which is in itself a costly exercise - running and maintaining a boat. We do not utilise facilities provided to other ratepayers such as kerbing and guttering which are used to access their properties. Whilst I can see the reasoning behind charges for those who have both road and water access to their homes, I believe it would be extremely unfair to charge people who are on water access only land in the same way. It would also be very unfair to charge a 'per boat fee' as families who work different hours or those with teenage children have more than one boat out of necessity. These are not pleasure boats. There are no such charges placed on people who house more than one car in their garage. Our boat is moored at a commercial marina which is costly in itself. Boat registration covers any use of public facilities which are minimal in comparison to the wider boating public.

In summary I believe it would be very unfair to charge people who live on water access only properties for the right to access their homes and ask the Government to waive the proposed fees for this group.

Thank you for the opportunity of commenting on this submission

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