

FREE HALL HIRE FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTIVITIES:

Building connections in your local area

WHY WE SUPPORT NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTIVITIES

Council recognises that community halls are special spaces where neighbours come together, share experiences and build lasting relationships. These social connections create stronger, happier communities where everyone thrives.

WHAT WE OFFER

Free hall hire and Council insurance coverage for qualifying neighbourhood activities that bring locals together and build social connections.

HOW TO QUALIFY

Your activity must tick ALL these boxes:

✓ Community Building Focus

- Activities that help residents connect and form ongoing relationships
- Directly benefits people from your immediate neighbourhood area

✓ Accessible & Welcoming

- Free to attend (donations up to \$5 for costs are okay)
- Open and welcoming to all community members

✓ Regular Commitment

- Held weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly or annually
- One-off activities need separate application

✓ Community Benefit

You must show how your activity will:

- Create opportunities for neighbours to meet and connect
- Provide space for locals to discuss community ideas and issues
- Build lasting relationships in your area

 Provide feedback to Council about your activity, including attendance, topics discussed, and any community issues or ideas that emerge

GREAT EXAMPLES

- "Meet your neighbours" morning tea
- Seasonal neighbourhood celebrations
- Skill-sharing workshops
- Family play groups

- Local craft or games groups
- Neighbourhood forums
- Emergency preparedness workshops
- Neighbourhood watch meetings

NOT COVERED

- Political meetings
- Commercial activities

- Private celebrations
- Closed group meetings

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Check your activity meets all criteria above
- 2. **Apply** through our Connected Communities Team using the <u>Neighbourhood</u>
 Activity Application Form
- 3. Connect with our team for ongoing support and guidance
- 4. Consider signing our Community Charter for ongoing partnership

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OTHER HALL HIRE OPTIONS

Not-for-profit and community groups can access subsidised rates through Council's regular booking system. Reduced fees or full fee waivers can also be discussed with our Hall Management Team.

Let's build stronger neighbourhoods together!