

## Daniel Walsh

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 October 2018 9:40 AM  
**To:** Michael Coulter  
**Cc:** Mayor; Anne Smyth; Martin Ballangarry; John Ainsworth; Brian Finlayson; Susan Jenvey; David Jones; Janine Reed; John Wilson; Daniel Walsh  
**Subject:** Re: Invoice 26395 sewer and water charged CD2018/635 medical centre Scotts Head

Dr Mr Coulter,

Thank you for your response regarding the sewer and water response. To clarify your enquiry, we wish to point out that the medical centre is a new community service to Scotts Head and surrounds. The service is based on community need and whilst there are currently 2 permanent staff in a doctor and practice manager/receptionist, there are visiting services as stated according to need. The mission statement is to reduce the need to travel away from the area and assist older people by allowing them to stay in their homes longer. We are planning for community need by trying to attract more doctors through the medical student mentoring and GP registrar programmes as stated previously. Even so, the water and sewer usage in the premises would be far, far less than an average residential household and any usage by a business would be covered under the annual rates. The development as a whole provides extra toilets for the public (shop 1 and shop 4) and includes baby change/disabled facilities. This is also important as there is only one set of public toilets in the **main area** of Scotts Head which does not service the town adequately.

These medical and associated services are already proving very valuable to the community and has provided an environment for the community to utilise, unite, connect and bond. There is a large room with 2 emergency bays specifically geared to take pressure off the hospital, especially in holiday times.

As stated previously, we would like this invoice waived and would like it to be considered by all councillors. We feel the benefit of the business and the development as a whole counters the need for undue sewer and water charges.

Kind Regards

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On Wed, Oct 24, 2018 at 8:22 AM Michael Coulter <[Michael.Coulter@nambucca.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Michael.Coulter@nambucca.nsw.gov.au)> wrote:

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I note the invoice is for 3 consultation rooms.

Can you please advise the proposed staffing for the medical centre?

Thanks

**Michael Coulter**

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 October 2018 10:41 AM

**To:** Mayor

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**Subject:** Re: Invoice 26395 sewer and water charged CD2018/635 medical centre Scotts Head

Attn: General Manager and Councillors (IN CONFIDENCE)

We refer to the attached invoice.

We are asking for your consideration to waive the proposed invoice and would ask for it to be considered by the elected council.

Our investment in a new medical centre for Scotts Head to provide services not currently in existence has been considerable. As you are all aware, it has been a long, costly and arduous process but now Scotts Head and surrounding areas have a full time medical service with associated surety for surrounding businesses. On the ground among the locals, this is a complete game changer for the town. This is very much a value add to the town, increasing demand for services in town, increasing property prices and land values (in turn, potentially increasing rates considerably.....)

Along with the medical service has come the provision of diabetic educators, child health nurse and audiologist. There are plans for some mobile Xray services also. We have a 2 bed treatment room and offer category 4 and 5 emergency services. In December, we will host/teach a final year medical student from interstate and after accreditation in April, we will be taking GP registrars in the hope of covering after hours/holidays more extensively. The idea is to monitor elderly/more complex patients closely, to keep them in their homes.

This service will take a considerable burden off both Macksville and Coffs Harbour hospitals. We are investing heavily in the equipment in the surgery with ECG, spirometry, electric beds, plastering etc.

The arrival of this bill was unexpected. Whilst it was flagged there would be a charge in the original development application, it was never expected to be this amount. This amount was never budgeted for and we are asking for your consideration to waive this fee.

In conclusion, the benefit to the community and the value that this business adds to the region and the holiday town of Scotts Head far outweighs this bill.

We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Kind Regards

Owners of 5 Adin St Scotts Head NSW 2447

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