

# Long-term Plan 2024–34



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## Personal information

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I'm providing a submission (choose one): as an individual

Please let us know what ward you live in Raumati

Do you want to speak to Council about your submission at our public hearings on 2 May? No

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## Submission

### Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about this LTP?

I am a member of Te Ara Korowai, I go the centre four days a week. Without this place I would never be out of my house. I am learning how to push myself in different ways in my art and life in general. I am learning skills for life. I have made a number of good friends that i would not have without the centre. Having a safe place to come where you are not judged and everyone has their own way of doing things is important. You can be who you are. You can be your full self. I have gone from someone who was measuring out squares for paper mache to someone who is completing and selling art. I used to not go long without getting upset and now I can complete a piece in confidence. If the funding is lost I think i would not cope in the community. Because i would not have a safe space to go. It is absolutely vital for me to have this space and have the support and continue growing. It will restrict my life. I am asking that the council support the centre with some funding.