

Long-term Plan 2024–34



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Submission

Proposal 1: Three waters funding
Which option should we choose? (select one option)

Option 2: Fund \$4.7 million shortfall by taking on debt each year.

Would you like to expand on your answer for option 2?

The residents of KCDC are not in a position to take a rates increase with the current cost of living crisis. Some people are still in recovery mode because of the Covid19 lockdowns and job loses.

Proposal 2: Proactively reduce Council's debt
Which option should we choose? (select one option)

Option 3: Apply average rates increases of 6% per year from 2025/26 to 2033/34

Would you like to expand on your answer for option 3?

We need this to be affordable for all residents. I'd like to know what cost saving measures KCDC has undertaken to keep this increase reasonable.

**Proposal 3: Transfer Council's housing for older people
Which option should we choose? (select one option)**

Option 2: Older persons' housing is delivered by an existing Community Housing Provider with less influence from Council

Would you like to expand on your answer for option 2?

The council should not be in the housing game - we have specialist housing providers for that, backed up by Central government. KCDC should be focusing on the infrastructure to keep the town running.

New climate action rate

Which option should we choose? (select one option)

Option 2: Make no change to how we allocate funding our climate change activities

Would you like to expand on your answer for option 2?

I'd like to see what the country does as a whole to tackle climate change. This can't be tackled one town at a time.

If you have any views on these policies, please comment here:

I would like to see the KCDC demonstrate clearly the cost saving measures they are undertaking. There needs to be a review of what is really needed - are libraries still relevant? or could they be smaller and more targeted. Are all staff required? Is there minimal use of consultants?

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

Please stop and think about the people paying rates, I see lots of talk about providing for or catering to youth, elderly and those less well off, meanwhile those of us that work pay taxes, pay rates and so on seem to get very little consideration in the long term plan. We can't keep hitting the same people up to pay for everything or they will leave the district or worse yet, the country.