Long-term Plan 2024-34

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"...we want to proactively reduce Council's debt through annual rate increases..." that says it all. It is COUNCIL's debt, not the communities. The wording in this so called "have your say", is designed to direct an outcome that I do not endorse or consent to. Where are the options for NO DEBT-FUNDING? "We think the most sensible option is to rates-fund the shortfall instead..." Really? 'We' think? Sorry to inform you, I, and many others, do NOT think that at all.

I think, that council need to tighten their belts, get real, and live in the real world. The LGFA system that the council signed themselves up to is a strange business model. Buying an interest in a purpose built company that then borrows money from other govt companies, and lends it back to council at interest. What are the terms? What secures this increasing money pit of debt?

Where are the checks and balances on all the wasted projects and schemes that the council has thrown the ratepayers money away on?

Gateway? Mahana Gallery? CAP? TAC? Battery vehicles and dedicated charging stations? Unneccessary training?

To be clear.

My answer is: STOP spending money you don't have to fund crap we don't need.

SIMPLE.

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

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

yes. it is a waste of time, as they II have been, as council never sticks to them. Ever.