Long-term Plan 2024-34

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Waikanae

Do you want to speak to Council about your submission at our public hearings on 2 May?

Yes

Are you happy for your name to be published with your feedback:

My name can be published with my feedback

Submission

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

Option 1: Fund \$4.7 million shortfall with an additional 5% rates increase in Year 1.

Would you like to expand on your answer for option 1?

Do not take on extra debt and remove the 5% for this in year 2 please is a 1-off cost

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

Option 2: Apply average rates increases of 7% per year from 2025/26 to 2033/34

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?

reducing debt involves selling these to an existing provider with a track record of community housing. Central government has pushed a huge amount of expense on to local government - housing should be a

central government issue not local councils with a low rating base. Selling the houses in not:"being unkind" but commercial reality and reduces the rate' burden and debt. A reasonable attitude does not favour the old at the expense of the young who are paying rates and not receiving any benefit from council-provided housing.

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

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

we do not need a race-based ward in Kapiti - this is racism (where people are treated differently due to who their ancestors were) and tokenism (assuming Maori are unable to stand and win a seat for council)

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

Focusing on debt control is all about making pragmatic decisions. Pragmatism means that, as much as you would like to have a say/control housing for older residents, it is not the council's responsibility.