

Long-term Plan 2024–34



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

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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.

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?

If rates become too much, older people on fixed incomes will not be able to afford them. You can choose to raise the rates, but the public can't raise their income once they stop working .

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

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

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

As a member of the Kapiti Women in Business group, which sits under the Kapiti Chamber of Commerce, I would like to strongly endorse the submission put forward by the Chamber.

Chamber has been the glue to ensure that this group has had the capacity and support to help women starting a business in Kapiti. Most of them are solopreneurs, and many have never run a business before so the Women in Business group, supported by Chamber is able to offer them friendship, help and advice when they need it. Chamber provides WIB with the backing to be able to run great learning and development opportunities, including the much vaunted International Women's Day in March each year. The wider umbrella of Chamber means that any woman who is having issues from arranging consents to finding more customers will always have someone experienced to talk to.

It is essential that Chamber has support from Council so that it can carry on it's great work within the Kapiti community. Far too often there is replication of ideas and projects. Chamber needs acknowledgement of the experience and community roots that it brings to the table.

Chamber member, small business