

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 Waikanae

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

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

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

Option 1: Transfer our older persons' housing assets to a new Community Housing Provider

New climate action rate
Which option should we choose? (select one option)

Option 1: Introduce a new targeted climate action rate based on a property's capital value rather than the current land-value based general rate

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

Rates are unfortable as they are, you need to be looking at going back to basis and focusing on infrastructure, water and up keep of current council facilities.

You say you have looked hard at where you can save money but there has been no discussion about

stopping no neccassary work and events. Let's put a pause of anything that is not needed, while we get debt under control and look towards reducing rates - rate payers need it.

So no, waikane library (we have a perfectly good temporary one that will last for the next five years, no unneeded playground upgrades - only repairs and end of live replacements, no events (community can do this, support them to do more, Stop funding the arts, including the art program, Reduce your fleet of cars - most sit outside council daily, look hard at business suppoet - should rate payers fund this?, review your grant program - you keep giving to the same businesses year after year - I'm sure many are dble dipping.

It's harsh, but council needs to reflect on their purpose and focus on getting that right. Do that well, and win back the community support as you don't have it.