

# Long-term Plan 2024–34



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

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

Somebody has to pay!

Increased pressure should be placed on central government to share government take of GST and Taxes in the KCDC catchment area.

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

Option 3: Older persons' housing continues to be delivered by Council with no option to grow the portfolio

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

What is to stop future Community Provider or future Council to turn housing over to commercial entity where profits overrule housing maintenance, affordable rents etc. Councils have greater control if they own and maintain assets.

#### **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?**

Cheaper for ratepayer to remain with land-value rather than using capital-value to calculate climate-change rates. If a house has value of \$1m will increase rate charged.

KCDC should continue to pressure Central government which is demanding too much of local councils to provide climate mitigation from limited resource (ratepayers) - applies too much pressure on working ratepayers to keep up with increased rates in a low pay economy, or from retirees on a fixed income even if there is high-capital value. Climate change is a country-wide issue and should be treated as such by central government. NZ population is too small to have numerous ad hoc rating models for climate issues -

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

Commend KCDC for keeping up with water infrastructure which places Kapiti in better situation than other councils and provision for the future. Thank you for your work.

Not supportive of spending \$100k for an unnecessary referendum on Māori wards, quite satisfied with present Māori ward arrangement.

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

Support greater community input to all applications for alcohol licensing (and vaping shops).