

# Long-term Plan 2024–34



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## 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.

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

A rate increase of 17% will be an unacceptable increase to many and poorer resident and those living only on superannuation . Many residents will find difficulty in paying the increase as well as other rising costs. The new government's reasons for cancelling the previous governments 3 waters initiative has placed the council in a difficult position in regards to reducing the council's debt. Who knows what they will do next! It would be more acceptable to spread the unexpected cost by a slight increase of rates overtime.

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

Option 1: Apply average rates increases of 8% per year from 2025/26 to 2033/34

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

The rates should be increased overtime including 2024-25 as the present proposal to increase rates this

year by 17% would create an unreasonable burden on many household in the district. The future is very uncertain and who knows what the government will do next to affect both positively and negatively the finances of the council. For example the ceasing of 3 waters legislation which has has a negative affect on 2024-25 rates and the council's debt.

**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

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

This option is in my opinion the best suggestion as the council will have a say in this area without the cost of maintaining present housing and the responsibility for building new accommodation. The proposed new community housing provider would be expected to concentrate on the needs of local residents.

**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

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

The proposed change to include '120 Climate Action Rate' seems to be fairest way to deal with this important part of the council's work. It would be identifiable and use for this purpose. All residents have a responsibility to support one another with a 'whole district' plan irrespective of where they live in the district.

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

Much to take in these very informative policies.

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

Definitely a complete list of charges and useful source of information. Agree alcohol licensing fees bylaw should be enacted.

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

Kapiti is one community. Consider it wrong to increase rates in rural areas and Otaki to a much higher percentage than Waikanae, Paraparamua, Raumati and Paekākāriki. What ever rate is decided upon the same percentage should apply to all areas including rural and Otaki.