

# 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 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?**

Would rather council focused on cost cutting non essential wasted spending and leakage than rates increases

**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?**

Ideally Central Government should be providing and maintaining this at no cost to local government.

### **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?**

This is the lesser of 2 evils, resulting in no change to rate payers. If you were to do a climate based rate then though it being separated it should be calculated the same way it currently is to provide fairness and visibility

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

A key goal of the council in the long term plan should be to reduce overall wastage expenditure, there is a significant amount of wasted spending towards contractors, i have several examples of this, one being 8 months to get building and resource consent approved, in both instances external contractors were used, knowing full well that the council is getting charged \$100's an hour for these services and the contractors appear to just be pushing these out by more and more RFI's in order to charge the council more. Another is that for what was maybe 30m of repairs to a footpath in a quiet street(lucky if 5 cars an hour regularly use it) there was 2 traffic management trucks, two site management supervisors at least when for a footpath repair on a quiet street no traffic management would be needed. Also to do the re-concrete of the footpath appeared to take several days when i know an entire 50m driveway can be done in under half a day. there is significant leakage and wastage.

Also as a local business owner i support the chamber of commerce submission