

Mayor and Councillors
COUNCIL

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Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

SETTING OF RATES

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- 1 This report requests that Council set the rates for the 2016/17 financial year.

DELEGATION

- 2 Only Council can set the rates for the 2016/17 financial year.

BACKGROUND

- 3 The Council has adopted the 2016/17 Annual Plan and is now moving to set the rates for the 2016/17 year in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Funding Impact Statement Rating Policies for the 2016/17 year.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy Implications

- 4 This report is governed by the provisions of the Funding Impact Statement – Rating Policies. No policy changes are proposed. Furthermore, there are no changes to Council's Rates Remission Policy.

Legal Considerations

- 5 The Funding Impact Statement - Rating Policies and this report (Corp-16-1911) have been subject to a full and detailed legal review from Simpson Grierson.

Financial Considerations

- 6 The total rates revenue requirement for the 2016/17 financial year is \$68.8 million (inclusive of GST). This represents an average rates increase of 4.58% compared to the 2015/16 financial year (excluding the water conservation device loan rate).

Tāngata Whenua Considerations

- 7 There are no Tāngata Whenua implications triggered by this report.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

- 8 The setting of rates for the 2016/17 financial year follows the 2016/17 Annual Plan and is not in itself a matter that triggers the Council's significance and engagement policy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 9 That Council set the following rates under Section 23 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the Kāpiti Coast District (District) for the financial year commencing on 1 July 2016 and ending 30 June 2017.

(1) Districtwide General Rate

A Districtwide general rate set under section 13(2)(b) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on all rateable rating units, assessed on a differential basis as described below:

- a rate of 0.49469 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of land value on every rating unit in the urban rating areas of the District as per the Council's rating area maps;
- a rate of 0.18798 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of land value on every rating unit in the rural rating areas of the District as per the Council's rating area maps with an area less than 50 hectares, excluding those properties in the rural village differential rating areas;
- a rate of 0.10883 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of land value on every rating unit in the rural rating areas of the District as per the Council's rating area maps with an area equal to or greater than 50 hectares plus rating units less than 50 hectares where a combination of these properties total greater than 50 hectares and form part of one farming operation, excluding those properties in the rural village differential rating areas;
- a rate of 0.34628 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of land value on every rating unit in the rural rating areas of the District which is located in the rural village differential rating areas as per the Council's rating area maps.

(2) Districtwide Community Facilities Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate for community facilities, set under section 16(3)(a) and 16(4)(b) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, assessed on a differential basis on all rateable rating units in the District as follows:

- all rateable rating units (excluding motels, camping grounds, hotels, hostels, lodges, licensed hotels and taverns) - \$535.50 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.
- motels and camping grounds - \$160.65 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.
- hotels, hostels, lodges, licensed hotels and taverns - \$1,071 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.

(3) Districtwide Roading Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate for roading, set under section 16(3)(a) and 16(4)(b) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, assessed on a differential basis on all rateable rating units in the District as follows:

- all rating units (excluding motels, camping grounds, hotels, hostels, lodges, licensed hotels and taverns) - \$210 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.
- motels and camping grounds - \$63 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.
- hotels, hostels, lodges, licensed hotels and taverns - \$420 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.

(4) Districtwide Roading Land Value Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate for roading, set under section 16(3)(a) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, of:

- a rate of 0.02369 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of land value on all rateable rating units in the District.

(5) Districtwide Stormwater Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate for stormwater, set under section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on all rateable rating units in the District's drainage areas as per the Council's drainage rating area maps as follows:

- a rate of 0.03722 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of capital value on all rating units.

(6) Districtwide Water Supply Fixed Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate set under section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, connected or capable of being connected to the District's water supply, assessed on a differential basis on all rateable rating units in the District as below. The annual fixed rate will be charged at a daily rate.

- General - \$199 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part at a rating unit.
- Medium Scale - \$179.10 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part of a rating unit.
- Large Scale - \$159.20 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part at a rating unit.
- Motels, camping grounds, hotels, hostels, lodges, licensed hotels and taverns - \$398 (inclusive of GST) per separately used or inhabited part if a rating unit.
- Serviceable - \$199 (inclusive of GST) per rating unit.

(7) Districtwide Water Supply Volumetric Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate set under Section 19(2)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 on each rating unit which is provided with a metered water supply service.

- Volumetric rate of water consumed - \$1.04 (inclusive of GST) per cubic metre.

(8) Hautere/Te Horo Water Supply Rate

A targeted rate for water supply set under section 19(2)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 per unit of water supplied by the Hautere/Te Horo water supply.

- A fixed charge of \$357 (inclusive of GST) per unit of water supplied to all rating units connected to Hautere/Te Horo water supply (annual provision of 1 unit = 1 cubic metre per day).

(9) Districtwide Wastewater Disposal Rate

A Districtwide targeted rate for wastewater disposal, set under section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(b) on rating units in the Waikanae, Paraparaumu, Raumati and Ōtaki rating areas, as per the Council's rating area maps.

- General - \$400 (inclusive of GST) for each rating unit connected to the sewerage system.
- Community - \$200 inclusive of GST) for each water closet or urinal connected to the sewerage system.
- Educational - \$180 (inclusive of GST) for each water closet or urinal connected to the sewerage system.
- Recreational - \$100 (inclusive of GST) for each water closet or urinal connected to the sewerage system.
- Large Scale Commercial/Residential - \$200 (inclusive of GST) for each water closet or urinal connected to the sewerage system.
- Serviceable - \$200 (inclusive of GST) per rating unit not connected to the sewerage system but within 30 metres of a sewer main and capable of being connected.

Connected – A rating unit used primarily as a residence for one household shall not be treated as having more than one water closet or urinal.

(10) Paraparaumu/Raumati Community Rate

A targeted rate set under section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 as follows:

- a rate of 0.00204 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of capital value on all rating units in the Paraparaumu and Raumati urban and rural rating areas as per the Council's rating area maps.

(11) Waikanae Community Rate

A targeted rate set under section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 as follows:

- a rate of 0.00449 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of capital value on all rating units in the Waikanae urban and rural rating areas as per the Council's rating area maps.

(12) Ōtaki Community Rate

A targeted rate set under section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 as follows:

- a rate of 0.01651 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of capital value on all rating units in the Ōtaki urban and rural rating areas as per the Council's rating area maps.

(13) Paekākāriki Community Rate

A targeted rate set under section 16(3)(b) and 16(4)(a) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 as follows:

- a rate of 0.02111 cents in the dollar (inclusive of GST) of capital value on all rating units in the Paekākāriki urban and rural rating areas as per the Council's rating area maps.

(14) Water Conservation Device Loan Rate

A targeted rate on those rating units that have received an interest free loan for approved water conservation devices from the Council that has not yet been fully repaid, set at 10% of the amount of the original loan plus GST.

- 10 That all property rates (including Hautere/Te Horo Water Supply Rate) be payable in four equal instalments due on:

Instalment	Due Dates	Penalty Dates
Instalment One	6 September 2016	7 September 2016
Instalment Two	6 December 2016	7 December 2016
Instalment Three	6 March 2017	7 March 2017
Instalment Four	6 June 2017	7 June 2017

All payments made will be receipted against the earliest outstanding rate amounts in accordance with authorised accounting procedures.

- 11 That water rates (excluding Hautere/Te Horo Water Supply Rate) be invoiced separately on a quarterly basis dependent on when the water meters are read. An indicative schedule of water meter reading dates for the 2016/17 financial year will be available on the Council's website from 1 July 2016 and is subject to change. The payment due date and the date on which a penalty will be applied to any portion of outstanding current water charges will be specified on the invoice.

- 12 That Council apply the following penalties on unpaid rates in accordance with sections 57 and 58 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002:
- a charge of ten per cent (10%) on so much of any property rate instalment that has been assessed after 1 July 2016 and which remains unpaid after the due dates above, to be added on the penalty dates above.
 - a charge of ten per cent (10%) on so much of any property rates (including previously applied penalties) charged before 1 July 2016 which remain unpaid on 1 July 2016. The penalty will be added on 7 July 2016.
 - a charge of ten per cent (10%) on any current portion of a water rates invoiced after 1 July 2016 which remain unpaid after the payment due date specified on the invoice, to be added on the day which is 20 working days after the due date.
- 13 That property and water rates be payable by cash, cheque and eftpos at any of the following places:
- Paraparaumu, Civic Building, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu
 - Waikanae Service Centre, Waikanae Library, Mahara Place, Waikanae
 - Ōtaki Service Centre, Ōtaki Library, Main Street, Ōtaki
 - New Zealand Post, countrywide
 - Westpac Bank, countrywide (*excluding water supply rates*)
 - Paekākāriki Agency, Paekākāriki Fruit & Vegetable Shop, Beach Road, Paekākāriki
 - Greater Wellington Regional Council, 2 Fryatt Quay, Pipitea, Wellington
 - Greater Wellington Regional Council, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton

Alternatively payment of the due rates can be made to the Council by direct debit, internet banking, direct credit, telephone banking and credit card (subject to a convenience fee) through the Council's website.

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