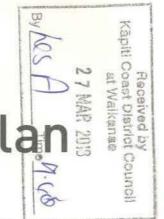
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# Tell us what you think about our long term plan



We need to receive your feedback by 5pm on Monday 23 April 2018

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centre or the Council building, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu.  Or you can scan and email it to: kapiti2038@kapiticoast.govt.nz	Phone 04 904 3079  E-mail norma mealloma gmail
Need more space? You can send us extra pages if there isn't enough space on this form to say everything you want to tell us. Please make sure you put your name and contact details on each sheet you send us.	Are you providing feedback? (tick one)  as an individual on behalf of an organisation   Organisation name:  Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission? (tick one)  Yes If you do, we will contact you at the email address or phone number provided above to arrange a time. Hearings will take place during the week of 14 May 2018

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## Where we're heading Page 8

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?



## Our financial and infrastructure strategies Pages 10-13

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?



## Key decision: Should we change the way we share rates across the district? Pages 14-17

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?	Please tell us why:	
No – keep the status quo – leave the rating system as it is		
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## Key decision: What should we do next to address stormwater flood risks? Pages 18-20

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No – keep the status quo programme	
Yes – do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)	
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## Work on the go Pages 21-23

Any comments on:

- » Coastal hazards and climate change
- » Housing
- Replacing the Paekākāriki seawall
- » Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres
- Maclean Park

\* Goteway - dislike the design & impact on Coastal "book" a more organic design Would fit in better. \* Waikange - town centre - Keenly awanted of Colour - greenery - and mini-lawn. Heritage link with Elizabeter historic area.

## Rattes for 2018/19 Pages 24-25

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## Changes to fees and charges Page 26

We've proposed changes to some fees and charges, including new

Food Act charges. If you have any views about these, please comment:

They are injectant for the well-being of our Communities - social inter-achon



## Key policies Pages 27-28

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our development contributions policy, please tell us here:

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our revenue and financing policy, please tell us here:

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our rates remission policy, please tell us here:

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

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et repeated floods, Parhaps Cycles on south side & pedestions on narrower north 2) Traffic lights @ Waiva-ac èwo, o-foff ramps are a disaster Place resort to the abouts. The lights are both and fael inefficient

Consultee Sara Speight (79008)

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Address 11 Bahama Crescent

Paraparaumu Beach

5032

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission by Sara Speight (79008)

Submission ID 18LTP-102

**Response Date** 11/04/18 3:32 PM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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Status Submitted

Submission Type Other

Version 0.3

First and last name Sara Speight

Title Mrs

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No

Phone 0273075140

Email speightwhanau@gmail.com

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Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

Yes, I think stormwater should be a particular focus.

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

### Please tell us why:

Business gains more than residential.

Commercial rate

#### Comment

Business gains more than residential.

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

I think timeframe for very at risk areas needs to be substantially shorter.

Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

Yes

#### Comments:

As long as they are used for important projects.

Other

#### Comment

As long as they are used for important projects.

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Our street Bahama Crescent constantly floods in heavy rain. I've been informed this is due to the fact we have an old and inappropriately small storm water pipe compared to some other streets in the area (by Council staff), and that this is likely to be updated in around 8 years. I would like this timeframe substantially reduced to in the next 1-2 years. Our property has a pump that removed water generated by heavy rain from our property. Unfortunately due to an inappropriate stormwater system for the conditions, our pump cannot deal with the torrent of water that is produced when our street overflows due to the stormwater system not being able to cope. This has flooded our property on several occasions. I would like the Council to take action and improve the stormwater as we have taken individual action with the pump.

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission ID 18LTP-103

Response Date 11/04/18 3:52 PM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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**Status** Submitted

Submission Type Other

Version 0.3

First and last name 18LTP-103 Anonymous

Title

## Are you providing feedback

#### Hearings

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### Select classification

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

## Rating review sub-classification

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

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## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

## Anything else?

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1. Left turn on Marae Lane at Te Moana Road and Navigation Road. 2. Angle parking on main street.

Consultee Mr Michael Smith (72252)

Address 32 Cranbrook Grove

Waikanae 5036

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission by Mr Michael Smith (72252)

Submission ID 18LTP-104

**Response Date** 11/04/18 4:17 PM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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Status Submitted

Submission Type Other

Version 0.2

First and last name Michael Smith

Title Mr

Address

32 Cranbrook Grove Waikanae 5036

Are you providing feedback as an individual

Hearings

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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

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Ok.

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Ok.

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

## Please tell us why:

We all receive the same services whether rich or poor, so, same costs.

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

No - keep the status quo programme

## Please tell us why:

You are making rates unaffordable try controlling costs.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

## Comments on change to fees and charges:

"Food Act Charges', market operators:- keep your nose out, your just putting a new cost on people/public.

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our rates remission policy, please tell us here:

Great, we will be applying! Pensioners.

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

No yellow bag collection - rubbish. No recycling bin collection - glass etc. All now run by private enterprise 'under council control!' at resident extra cost. User pays.

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission ID 18LTP-105

Response Date 11/04/18 6:11 PM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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Status Submitted

Submission Type Web

Version 0.1

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Title Mr

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Phone 2933644

Email nkw@xtra.co.nz

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### Where we're heading (Page 8)

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Only if the indebtedness of the Council is hugely reduced first.

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

The paying down of debt and reducing borrowing must be the first action.

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

The average rate increase is stated to be 4.7%. I believe I am due an explanation when my rates last year were grossly increased and this year the increase is stated to be 12%. Living on a rural property where the council services are very minimal I cannot understand how such increases can be justified.

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

#### Please tell us why:

But don't make people whose properties can never be flood risks pay for such a program.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

Coastal hazards and climate change

## Coastal hazards and climate change Comment

Charge rates to those affected only

## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

Not if my increase will be 12%,!!!!

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Please take careful not of my comments about the rating system!!

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Response Date	12/04/18 7:49 AM
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Submission Type	Web
Version	0.1
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## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

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Don't worry about debt its fictitious. Target resilience in a digital future

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

Rates based on property values are wrong

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Do not levy our local market it is the heart of our community. This issue will 100% influence my vote.

Consultee Mr Allan Taylor (79049)

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Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission by Mr Allan Taylor (79049)

Submission ID 18LTP-107

Response Date 12/04/18 9:38 AM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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Status Submitted

Submission Type Web

Version 0.1

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Phone 04 2971622

Email allant64outlook.com

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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

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The advice contained in your letter to the household Valuation number 1527028500 is nothing more than a smoke screen referencing separate influences on the total increase.

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

It is a good approach. Start with your own spending and contain or reduce it.

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

#### Please tell us why:

What a confusing document I received to advise of the new rating for our property! Firstly a rate rise per annum is advised but not the effect per annum, this is expressed as an amount per week - looks much smaller that way!. Then the rates increase breakdown not referenced monthly weekly or yearly, have to assume annual. Then the capital value and land value of the property but no reference to which is applicable to rating value. Then to the change to the total effect to rates district wide but no reference that has on individual properties. Then advice that we will have an average rates increase of 4.7% - for 2018/19 what a misleading statement even lies. I worked out my increase on this notice myself - How come my maths indicates an increase is 7.86% ??? Is this deliberate so you can mislead the most of us? I especially disagree with the method to collect money for a roading fund based on the value of a property.

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

No - keep the status quo programme

#### Please tell us why:

The current Mayor was elected on his cry of Build the Wall now - assuming he was referring to the sea wall. Another false claim.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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## Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

#### Comment

Climate change will alter the whole of our coastline, no amount of money spent will be able to combat it. Recent attempts when KCDC spent over \$250,000 to re-enforce the seawall at the southern end of Paraparaumu beach proves that.

## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

### Comments:

Thats a completely misleading statement, there is no evidence offered in the waffle that supports 4.7%. However if you said 4.7% based on current property and land values

## Comments on changes to fees and charges:

Too excessive beyond all that is reasonable.

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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Submission ID	18LTP-108
Response Date	12/04/18 9:40 AM
Consultation Point	Tell us what you think about our long term plan (View)
Status	Submitted
Submission Type	Web
Version	0.5
First and last name	
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Are you providing feedback	as an individual
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Do you want to speak to the Council about your submiss	ion?
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Mayor K Gurunathan Kāpiti Coast District Council 175 Rimu Road Private Bag 60601 Paraparaumu 5254

Dear Mr Gurunathan	
Proposed rates for	Waikanae Beach for 2018/19 (Valuation number:
the 2018/2019 year. I cannot unders by 14.8% to \$3,308.25 per annum. N	letter you sent regarding the increase in my rates for stand how you think it is reasonable to increase my rates My salary has only gone up 1%. Your letter has caused w worried about what future rate hikes may be given the
and count myself lucky in a rising hor basis for rate increases does not see increase in rates is only 4.7%, which	mber 2016. I had to stretch financially to buy the house using market to be able to secure the property. The m fair to me. Your letter states that the average in itself is escalating at a higher rate than inflation. How by 14.8%? I cannot fathom what I am getting ase.
I am writing to request that you reco way you spread your rate increases.	onsider and take a closer look at your budgets and the
Yours sincerely	

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Submission ID	18LTP-109		
Response Date	12/04/18 2:18 PM		
Consultation Point	Tell us what you think about our long term plan (View)		
Status	Submitted		
Submission Type	Web		
Version	0.1		
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Do you want to speak to the Council about your submis-	sion?		
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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

AS A result of the Expressway & transmission Gully developments I believe that the Council is ill prepared for the growth demand that is going to deluge the area within the next 5/10 years. Water both fresh & waste will be placed under extreem demands. I can not see any attempt to manage these well recognised threats to the present infrastructure by Council.

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Borrowings should not be considered a dirty word and providing the borrowings are for capital assets then I have no concerns. I do not support borrowing for cash flow demands.

### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

## Please tell us why:

The ratepayers only have a limited ability to contribute to the councils coffers. Council is a business and needs to be managed within its ability to fund its activities.trading services need to be cost recovery basis.ie the Aquatic center and rubbish dumps. currently the facilities are operated by comercial concers who are farming the profits.

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

We are a coastal city with coastal risks.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres Kapiti Island gateway

## Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

#### Comment

the town centers are commercial enterprises , ratepayers gain little benefit from council driven developments unless they add cash flow value.

## Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

The Coast line is the Councils largest asset and it does little to enhance its appeal to both the public and tourist visitors. Kapiti Island is unique and could become the next "Whale watch" tourist attraction if done correctly, the flow on effect in accommodation and tourist services is huge.

## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

Yes

#### Comments on change to fees and charges:

services should recover cost of delivery not viewed as a tax.

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

the Council undertook a "Community facitities Strategy exercise" I cannot see any reference to this expensive exercise in any of the planning briefing material. The community requires facilities that are available in all weathers. for all ages. Planned "all weather Athletics facility" should be allowed to proceed. The Council is poor on its asset Management we have numerious tired and decaying halls that are not maintained, nor is there any maintenance of the coastal frontage. Thre should be a program of drain cleaning to allow drains to perform up to capacity.

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Response Date	12/04/18 3:18 PM
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## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

## Please tell us why:

Increasing rates to align with property values is misguided, irrelevant and unjust. It unfairly places a further financial burden on those who have worked hard to achieve a more comfortable property and who usually have already contributed a greater amount in taxes.

## Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

No - keep the status quo programme

### Please tell us why:

Change for the sake of change requiring consultant reports, enquiries and huge expenditure to justify the change is not a democratic process.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

I would rather see councilors accept a salary freeze or decrease.

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

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Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

### Please tell us why:

If the council continues with it's proposal to change the rate charges for roading from fixed to capital value, I would like to hear from them as to how people with a greater property value use the roads more than those with lower valued homes. Pensioners are on a fixed income irrespective of their property value so why charge home owners with greater value more than their neighbor to use the same stretch of road. The only conclusion I can draw is that the council now wants pensioners to sell up and move out of the district.

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

### Please tell us why:

User pays is a fair and equitable way of rating properties. Higher property values use no more of our council resources and those with higher value properties should not subsidize others who already enjoy benefits such as Community Services Card discounts.

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

No - keep the status quo programme

### Please tell us why:

The current system is more relevant and equitable. A change will only incur huge costs in producing numerous reports, holding additional meetings, consultancy costs and general waste of rate payer finances. The current system is a better option.

### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

A 2% increase would be acceptable, or a decrease in rates for all would be even better.

### Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

### Please tell us why:

The proposed change to roading taxes smacks of inequity, to the point I'm astounded it's even proposed. Everyone uses the road, everyone should pay the same. Just because a house is of a higher value is irrelevant. Those in the high value houses already pay more rates! And, plenty of elderly on fixed incomes are living in homes with higher CV's. Why are they to be punished for purchasing in a suburb which has gained value over many years? Who's to say a low CV house with multiple occupants doesn't have a significantly higher income base. Striving to alleviate suffering and hardship is valiant however, shortsighted 'hit the asset rich' antics like this are really low and do nothing to build community.

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

### Please tell us why:

It would be good to see Council doing something about potential flooding.

### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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Coastal hazards and climate change

### Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

We are watching the dunes erode and are frustrated at KCDC's continual passing the buck to GWRC and vice versa, Cutting the river mouth would make a difference to the southward drift and erosion. It would be responsible of KCDC to do everything in their power to maintain the dunes rather than stand by negligently and watch them disappear, exposing numerous homes to inundation. If they do not wish to do anything, how about letting the homeowners secure the dunes.

### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

### Comments on change to fees and charges:

The consultation document had no specific detail so how can one comment? If it's raising prices and making it more difficult then I disagree with it.

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

Im not sure there is any need to focus on improving the 'identity'. Communities develop their own identity by way of the lifestyle and people in the community. Kapiti as a coastal area does that pretty well albeit I suspect Waikanae wont lose its 'Gods waiting room' reputation before 2038. Rest look ok

### Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Reducing debt is a key for any successful person/organisation and should be a focus. Most people do that by reducing their spending and I see an opportunity for the council to focus on reducing administrative/operating costs. Working in central govt we have to do this on a regular basis as 'Fees' are only reviewed every 3-5 years. It would be good for council to do this rather than simply increasing rates each year.

### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

### Please tell us why:

Apportioning rates based on a property's capital value is proving unreasonable. Apportioning roading costs by property value is not equitable as someone with a high value property who doesn't travel would be paying a high % of the costs that they do not create. The increase in property values in Waikanae Beach, simply due to market demand, means an unreasonable and possibly unsustainable rating increase (mine is 18%) for people, many of whom do not use the community services on a regular/on going basis. The more costs can targeted the better.

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

## Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

No - keep the status quo programme

### Please tell us why:

Yes there needs to be some work done to manage the rivers/streams to ensure they do not create a flood risk. As long as that is done the stormwater should be managed by maintaining the current 'systems'. people are already paying significant cost increases in house insurance ....that wont reduce if you reduce the risk of flooding in Waikanae so we pay both ways

### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

The current CPI is less than 2%. Why do councils feel they can simply 'require' the community to stump up more cash to help maintain a business operation that is not showing signs of improving efficiency and cost reduction. I am also concerned when you talk about an increase of 4.7% when my rates are proposed to increase 18%. The spread is no longer equitable. Also..... I have heard a rumour (I haven't received any formal advice) that household waste services are going to be removed. So I pay \$495 more but get less for my money. Pretty unreasonable I would say.

### Comments on change to fees and charges:

Not sure if this is right place for this comment but...My concern is household waste. I am told that yellow bags will no longer be available and people will have to manage their own waste disposal and pay for that. This is not a wise move and will likely see an increase in the amount of waste seen deposited on the streets. People need to be able to simply remove household waste, a service provided by all other councils I know of. Making people take their own waste to a Tip some 7km away and then pay for the privilage is unreasonable and will see some people use the streets as their free Tip. If I have the plan for waste management wrong please advise. Also I struggle with why the Council would waste large sums of (our) money providing people with wheely bins only to change their minds and withdraw the service 6 months later.

### Key policies (Pages 27-28)

### Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I am extremely concerned at being advised of an 18% rate increase when I get/require very little service from the council. I pay for my water, pay for my electricity and so if I now pay for my waste my contribution to the community is to manage the roads, stormwater and beach. The rest is a donation to the community for things like the Library. In excess of \$3000 pa seems a lot for that. In the Manawatu District I receive most of the services you offer plus waste disposal for noticeably less than \$3k and we have greater flood management issues/costs than KDC - just because the value of my property has increased noticeably my ability to bear an additional \$495 (for a reduced service) has not increased. This is almost enough for me to change my electoral roll location and vote against the current council At least - continue to deliver household waste management services - apply rates across land value and not capital as a house doesn't alter the services being paid for) - find ways to reduce operational spending so you can limit rate increases to 2%

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Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission by Robert Hatten (79737)

Submission ID 18LTP-115

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Hearings

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

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Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

### Comments:

The rates on our property are increasing by a huge 9%. I would like to know how you arrived at an average increase of 4.7% for the whole district. Some ratepayers must be receiving hefty rate reductions to allow you to come up with an average 4%. I object to the rates increase component of \$100.00 and the \$30 increase in the way you share rates across the district. What does this mean? Is it just another way of adding to the rates increase under another name? I also object strongly to the way the Mayor refers to the increase in his letter as \$4.63 per week. This is yet another example of trying to fool

ratepayers. Nobody in Kapiti talks about their rates in weekly terms. Then you wonder why ratepayers get upset.
Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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### Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

The first step you could take is to reduce the actual cost of running the council. Secondly stop focusing on things that are not essential

### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

### Please tell us why:

You are penalising people who have houses with a higher value. The wear and tear on roads does not increase in proportion to the value of your property

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

Coastal hazards and climate change Kapiti Island gateway

### Coastal hazards and climate change

### Comment

People have been aware of coastal erosion for the past 20plus years, and if they choose to live in a sea front house they must be held responsible for the cost of protecting it. They knew the risk prior to purchase.

### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

### Please tell us why:

I find a lack of transparency about the amount of additional money the council wishes to obtain from the proposed changes (and where will this money go). This must have been specified in SIMPLE termin the brochure: how much extra money will be obtained and were will this additional money go? I remain suspicious that the money will be used for salary increases and hefty consultancy packages (as claimed by the RACKET group), and by omitting this information the council left me no reasons to believe otherwise. Please note that in the last two years, NZ salaries increased by <2% a year, and an addition of 10% to the rates seems unjustified.

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres Kapiti Island gateway

Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

#### Comment

Please do not deal with these things, they are not urgent. Do not try to impose where the business centre should be and how it should look. Let the local businesses strike the right balance. Same thing regarding Waikanae: a waste of money. These are hard times and the new government announced harder times ahead for middle class households, so please don not spend money on these things.

### Kapiti Island gateway

### Comment

Again, I don't believe our local government should become an urban designer (the track record is not very good, see the statue of the fetus in Kapiti Rd).

### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

Because no matter how you put it, that's a lie! (my actual payments increased by 10%).

Average rates increase affordability

### Average rates affordability

### Comment

Because no matter how you put it, that's a lie! (my actual payments increased by 10%).

### Comments on change to fees and charges:

I am a regular user of the aquatic center. The plan suggests a 2.7% charge increase. My wages went up by 1.7% only this year, so no! Increase by 1.5% max and optimise the current spending (for instance, I regularly see the lights are on when it is not necessary).

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

### 18LTP-118

### Submission to Kapiti Coast District Council on the Long term plan 2018-2038

Submitter: Joanna Poole – providing feedback as an individual and yes, I'd like to speak

to my submission

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1. Where we're heading – considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

2. Our financial and infrastructure strategies – the council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

I have provided a combined response to the first two questions.

Having read the *Building a stronger Kapiti together* booklet (booklet) and the 20 odd documents comprising 'Our plan in more detail', plus having received a letter from the council outlining what the changes will mean for me as a ratepayer, and being aware of what the proposals also mean for many other ratepayers, **I strongly believe the council needs to refocus on its expenditure – it's not sustainable.** The 10-year outcomes in themselves are reasonable aspirations – it's how they're translated into spending that's not.

While it's positive that the community and the council have aspirations, we simply can't afford everything proposed in the long-term plan. Council needs to decrease its spending and live within its means.

### Rationale why unaffordable:

- 1. The burden of council's expenditure falls chiefly on the district's ratepayers.
  - As the council acknowledges in various of its documents including 'Strategic Context' and 'Financial strategy', the district has a large proportion of retired ratepayers/'seniors' and many ratepayers are on fixed, low or nil incomes.
  - There are half as many ratepayers as residents in the Kapiti Coast
    District (25,000 ratepayers and as at 30 June 2017, a population of
    52,700). This means that every ratepayer subsidises/pays for the
    infrastructure/services provided by the council to at least one other
    person.

- 2. The forecast growth in rateable units for the district is small forecast to increase from 24,957 in 2018/19 to 26,590 in 2027/28 or 6.5% which is about the same as the forecast population growth for the district. This means the burden of increased expenditure on infrastructure for growth continues to fall on the same proportion of ratepayers to the district's population i.e. projected growth will not subsidise the rates burden on current ratepayers.
- 3. Council expenditure is forecast to increase meaning rates will continue to increase, meaning the unaffordable impact on ratepayers is sustained and will force long-time residents from their homes. Council acknowledges this in its 'Strategic Context' and 'Financial strategy': "New Zealanders have experienced numerous cost of living increases in recent decades and this trend is likely to continue thereby compounding concerns over affordability" and "...increasing living costs can result in existing residents moving out of the district...".

### My views regarding the financial and infrastructure strategies:

- 1. The targeted annual increase in rates at an average of 4.7% for the coming year and 4.8% for the first three years of the plan is excessive.
- 2. Any talk of an 'average' increase of 4.7% is misleading. According to the recent letter council sent me, the impact of this so called 'average' 4.7% increase on our household rates for the next year will be 12.5%. This sort of increase cannot be sustained by ratepayers.
- 3. Council's projected capital expenditure is excessive.
- 4. Agree we need to build more infrastructure to cope with growth but that should be funded by developers. It's not fair that current ratepayers pay for a hoped for growth increase (which by the council's projections looks modest refer point 2, bottom of page 1 of my submission). And it's certainly not to apply targeted rates to existing ratepayers.
- **5.** Agree we need to build more capacity in our water mains and stormwater network in growing areas, but with caveat as above (point 4).
- 6. Do not agree that we build additional road capacity around Paraparaumu town centre to manage increasing traffic volumes. This is a dark ages solution to managing an anticipated problem.

### Ideas for reducing capital/infrastructure expenditure:

1. In the face of unsustainable/unaffordable rate increases for the period of council's LTP, review the need for major community connector upgrades/east-west connectors. This comprises significant expenditure from year 2 onwards. In this age of climate change, increased access provided via walkways and cycleways; the focus should be on trying to change behaviour and get people out

- of their cars rather than 'managing increasing traffic volumes'. Encouraging use of vehicles is dark age thinking and inconsistent with the current government's draft GPS for land transport.
- 2. Review the solution to coastal protection for Paekakariki. Council's current option is another big ticket item and given climate change and the sort of tidal surges the district has experienced in the last two years is a complete waste of ratepayers' money given it's potentially only going to provide protection in the short-term.
- 3. Community facilities is it really necessary to spend money on some facilities e.g. Paraparumu/Raumati-community centre entry and for an item called 'furniture and fittings' (not sure where for). Surely nice to have but necessary?
- **4.** New assets and upgrades 'youth hub'. Is this council's core business I don't believe so. Nice to have but unaffordable. (It would be useful to see how the large sum allocated for this item is intended to be spent, how it's been assessed, and what monitoring systems are in place to ensure it constitutes value for money in the future.)
- 5. 'Total asset renewal' and 'total new assets and upgrades' both involve substantial sums of money. Is this proposed level of replacement/upgrade necessary? For example, for most items, e.g. mobile phones, laptops, provision is made for an equivalent or increasing expenditure each year.
- 6. 'Town centre major connectors' while I appreciate that a substantial amount of community consultation has occurred on this, and that the expectations of retailers is high, the community needs to face facts and make do with something more modest and learn to live within our means. Residents vote with their feet and if retailers are suffering perhaps it's a sign that no amount of expenditure is going to change current patterns. Also, is it appropriate that ratepayers subsidise the business success of retailers? I don't believe so.
- 7. Parks and open spaces asset renewal surely can savings be made here? For example, do we need to maintain as many tennis courts as we currently do? My observation is that there's limited use of our tennis courts apart from those used by tennis clubs. Users/Clubs should pay for upgrades.
- 8. Parks and open spaces planned expenditure for Otaraua Park stage 2 and Maclean Park are big ticket items. Clearly the scale of development proposed is unaffordable. Revise planned expenditure for these parks to something more affordable.
- 9. Recreation and leisure –'upgrades/new assets– while some items such as water play features Waikanae are not budgeted until year 28/29, a general rethink about these sort of 'nice to have' upgrades/new assets is necessary. What is our

strategy – to provide consistent features/facilities across all of our 'villages/communities' or be more pragmatic with regard to ratepayers' expenditure so that rates are fair and affordable?

### 3. Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

I do not agree with Council's proposal to change the fixed-charge roading rate to an apportioned charge (according to a property's valuation). This will exacerbate the affordability problem in our district not alleviate it!

My reasons are as follows:

- 1. In seeking to change the way it levies rates, it claims to be promoting affordability and fairness but proposed changes will actually accentuate inequality, and eventually force longtime residents from their homes.
- **2.** We all use the roads, and there is no evidence that residents with more valuable properties drive on local roads more.
- **3.** Council's argument that this change would make rates more equitable is misleading. It will do quite the opposite.
- 4. A property's valuation is not indicative of the income or debt levels of that household. Our household is one such example. We are two people, who live on the Waikanae beach front in a modest 64 square metre bach on a property that has been in the family since 1930, and live on one modest and irregular income. We are not jolly come lately ratepayers who've paid a ridiculous property price to live in the district.
- 5. Using the capital value of a rateable property as a proxy for 'road usage' is a crude method to increase council revenue. It's a ruse and easy mechanism by which to extract more from ratepayers in the future. It's also clearly inconsistent with council's own thinking given council acknowledges in its 'Revenue and financing policy' document under 'access and transport' page 9, that "it is appropriate for a targeted rate, which includes a differential category reflecting different volumes of usage, to be applied to this category".
- **6.** If council genuinely believes it's appropriate for a targeted rate that *reflects* different volumes of usage, there are much cleverer and appropriate proxies council could use to increase revenue.
  - Size of households. Somewhere amongst council's numerous LTP supporting documents it provides statistics on the size of households so presumably this information is available.

 Or if not, then rather than using the capital value of a rateable property as a proxy for road usage, use the improvement value. The value of improvements would provide a better proxy for the size of a house and therefore the number of people living in a household than one that includes the land value. This information is readily available as council currently contracts Quotable Value to revalue rateable properties, who provides information about both the value of improvements and the land value.

I support the change to reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate to reflect that businesses gain in some way from having more people either moving to the district or visiting and spending on goods and services here. I believe it's fair that identifiable beneficiaries pay an increase proportion of the rates for this item of expenditure, while some economic development funding is continued to be shared across all ratepayers. However, I would like to see how the large sum allocated for economic development is intended to be spent, how it's been assessed, and what monitoring systems are in place to ensure it constitutes value for money.

4. What should we do next to address stormwater flood risks? Do you agree with the council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

I support the council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme, as long as the resultant increase in infrastructure costs is balanced with a reduction in costs elsewhere so that the impact on rates is nil. Sure cater for population growth, but ensure that the exacerbators/those responsible for the growth pay for the costs associated with any additional need. It's not fair that the burden falls on existing ratepayers who would not necessarily benefit from the new infrastructure.

### Work on the go

My comments on:

### Coastal hazards

The community and those ratepayers whose properties are impacted by any potential future council policies, must be consulted well in advance and regularly.

### Housing

You are correct – "making housing affordable, appropriate and available is a complex task", but given the difficulty council is having balancing the books and making rates fair and affordable, leave the responsibility for social housing issues to central government and concentrate on providing the district's necessary infrastructure before taking on other 'nice' to do challenges.

### Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

I'm not convinced that building an expensive seawall is going to be effective, durable and more importantly provide ratepayers with value for money. (Refer to point 2 on page 3 of my submission).

### Paraparumu amd Waikanae town centres

Refer to point 6 on page 3 of my submission. I'm not in favour of upgrading these town centres/this expenditure. It's clearly not affordable and if council is determined to slosh our/ratepayers money around, I would prefer that money be targeted for mitigation of the impacts of increased traffic and visitors to Waikanae beach.

### Maclean Park

The proposed expenditure on Maclean Park is not affordable. I don't believe that council can justify the proposed expenditure on Maclean Park given the total number of parks and open spaces in the district it's responsible for, other higher priorities for council/ratepayer expenditure (i.e. providing necessary infrastructure), and the current and proposed rates burden on ratepayers.

### Kapiti Island gateway

I totally get the desire to have a 'Kapiti Island gateway', but however desirable, we can't afford it and nor should the burden of funding this be placed on the district's ratepayers. Kapiti Island is a national icon, and as such should be funded by central government. The embarrassment or discomfort of having visitors 'processed' in the Paraparaumu boating club carpark – should not be used as a device to push the district's ratepayers into funding a 'gateway'.

I note that there's been media coverage of a potential 'gateway' on the beach/foredunes at Paraparaumu Beach opposite Kapiti Island. The proposed location is a nonsense given the stand council has taken over coastal hazard lines in the past and the dune erosion as a result of tidal surges the district's coastline has recently experienced. We've already got an expensive problem at Paekakariki beach (seawall), why not learn from that experience. Don't create another one!

Rates for 2018/19. If the long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

I do not support a rates increase of 4.7% on average for 2018/19, because:

- **1.** it's duplicitous to say it's 4.7% on average when:
  - patently for a large proportion of the community the rates increase for 2018/19 is not 4.7%, but a much bigger increase – in this submitter's case it's 12.5%
  - it's only one of four increases in ratepayers proposed rates for 2018/19 (item 3 as per the mayor's letter to ratepayers early April)
  - it's not equitable and affordable and sustainable as council claims
  - it creates a precedent for future rate rises of this magnitude
  - it's not clear how council is contributing to greater fairness and affordability. How does council plan to live within its means and rein in its ever-increasing costs. It's clearly much easier to tax and rate than look for solutions based on affordability and willingness to pay.
- 2. it's based on revaluations that have gone up 50% plus. The rapid rise in property values is of no real benefit unless property owners/ratepayers sell and even then that is debatable if another property needs to be purchased. In the meantime, the council's rising rates and changes to the way it collects them, is creating increasing inequity by accentuating unaffordability, and will eventually force longtime residents from their homes.
- 3. It's unaffordable for many ratepayers. As the council acknowledges in various of its documents including 'Strategic Context' and 'Financial strategy', the district has a large proportion of retired ratepayers/'seniors' and many ratepayers are on fixed, low or nil incomes.
- 4. if rates are increased at the current proposed rate, with no further increases (which is doubtful given that the 'Funding impact statement' shows that targeted rates and general rates go up significantly each year), in just under 15 years, this ratepayer would have paid \$100,000 after tax and this amount doesn't account for the future value of money/opportunity cost.
- **5.** implicit is the assumption that the district's ratepayers are endlessly able to provide more funding for a council that provides less and less.

I'd be extremely interested to know, how many ratepayers are projected to have an increase of 4.7% or less for the next rateable year and how many ratepayers are projected

to have increases above 4.7%. A councillor present at Mahara Place on Saturday 7 April informed me that given this was an 'average' there'd be an equivalent number of ratepayers below as above. That a councillor with responsibility for spending our rates doesn't know the difference between 'average' and 'median' fills me with even more despair!

### Proposed changes to some fees and charges

As district ratepayers, historically we've worked on the principle we share expenses. An aquatic centre in Paraparaumu, or an art gallery in Waikanae, which may be patronized by relatively few of the district's residents, is paid for by us all. Currently for recreation and leisure facilities a small part is covered by user pays, and the rest is targeted – based on the capital value of a ratepayer's property.

The income council receives from the proposed fees and charges is clearly insufficient given the huge hike in proposed rates. Council should first review the user pays element of fees and charges for facilities and increase them so that users pay for the privilege, and the burden of these facilities doesn't fall on ratepayers before imposing the burden on ratepayers who don't necessarily use these facilities.

### Proposed changes to Development contributions policy

The financial impact to ratepayers of the proposed changes is not clear. However, **should it** increase the burden placed on ratepayers I do not support the proposed changes.

### Proposed changes to Revenue and financing policy

Refer to this submitter's response to 'Proposed changes to some fees and charges' above.

### Proposed changes to Rates remission policy

The rates remission policy is a slap in the face. Why should ratepayers have to beg from a government agency or their council for the chance to stay in their own homes simply because they are on a fixed income, a pensioner, or living on savings? With the proposed

increase in rates, on top of a windfall as a result of increase in property valuations, and a change in the roading rates to a targeted rate - a large number of ratepayers are likely to meet the 5% threshold. (Take for example the situation where the rates for a property are \$6,000 or more and the household income is \$100,000 or less – this illustrates the ludicrous situation of the council's own making). I understand the ceiling for government's rates rebate is 2,200 households and 600 for council's rates remission. Given the district has approximately 25,000 ratepayers and the impact of the proposed rates increase (not withstanding the other changes that will affect the final rates a ratepayer will pay), does the council believe:

- its rates remission policy is available to sufficient people who will potentially apply?
- the value of the remission is high enough given the increase in absolute/final rates?

Rather than bother with the administration of a paltry rates rebate and rates remission, do away with the need for this attempt at welfare by council:

- reducing unnecessary expenditure
- living within its means
- making rates more affordable for ratepayers
- making rates fairer for ratepayers moving away from a blatant property tax to a user pays model.

Why bother with a name change? A change from 'rates remission – financial hardship policy' to the 'rates assistance policy' isn't going to ensure the Kapiti Coast District Council's rating system is equitable and affordable for ratepayers.

### Anything else?

Kapiti Coast District Council obviously finds it easier to tax and rate than look for solutions based on affordability and ratepayers' ability to pay.

Council should review the method by which it contracts out/gets Quotable Value to revalue properties in the district. Currently, QV makes no allowance when it revalues properties for the impacts of features such as 50 and 100 year flooding zones and coastal hazard lines that may affect properties and therefore their value. And yet council conversely is comfortable placing restrictions in its district plan on these same properties in terms of building lines and

building exclusion zones – restrictions that reduce the property's value. Another instance of inconsistency and extortion by the council.

Council's stated aim of ensuring that its rating system is equitable and affordable for ratepayers is a farce! The so called rates review that's been buried in the long term plan has obviously been a very limited exercise, targeting existing ratepayers as a quick and easy fix to council's obvious inability to rein in spending.

From:	18LTP-119
Sent: Tuesday, 10 April 2018 9:05 p.m.	WITHHOLD DETAILS
To: Mailbox - Kapiti Council	
Subject: Proposed rates for 2018/19 for VN	
Dear Mayor Gurunathan,	
thank you for vour invitation to provide feedback regardi	ing the KCDC proposed rates for 2018/19 for

We are particularly concerned about the proposed change in how the council intends to share costs across the district, namely points 2 and 3 in your letter. Going from a fixed charge to one relative to the property's capital value will result in a rates increase of approximately 13% for us.

In the ten years since we moved into our new house, the land value has gone from \$285,000 to \$290,000, an increase in 1.75%, whilst the rates will have gone from \$978.80 to the now proposed \$2,126.35 per annum, an increase of 217%. And this without any perceivable increase in quality or quantity of services received from the council.

We are on a rural residential property and have to take care of our own

- drinking water via bore,
- waste water via septic tank and seepage bed,
- storm water via pit,

our property,

- rubbish disposal via council bags and delivery to the Otaki tip.

The investments in infrastructure, and the maintenance and running costs are substantial.

The proposed rates increase just doesn't add up for us. My wife and I will both retire in the coming year. We only own one property and we are not speculators.

If the rates were to become dependent on capital value, then we won't be able to keep up in future with ever increasing rates from our fixed superannuation. This would not be sustainable for us. We do not want to be penalised for having invested in this place and having increased its value. We originally intended to retire here, and we still do.

We therefore have to oppose this proposed change and we are adamant that this rate stays as a fixed rate.

We believe that KCDC councillors are amongst the highest paid in the country. I don't mean to offend you or your colleagues. But a bit of respectful consideration for the community wouldn't go amiss.

We also are less than impressed with some of the reasons which you mentioned in your letter to justify this increase. You talk about the 'council running at full potential'.

Why full potential? Can the council not run at optimum potential, considering the current economic circumstances? The rest of us have to tighten our belts to adapt to a declining economic situation, and we manage alright, without running at full potential. When I drive a car, I have to drive careful and to the conditions. And I have never driven a car at full potential in New Zealand, for obvious reasons.

In this spirit

Kind regards

## 18LTP-120 WITHHOLD DETAILS

From:	
<b>Sent:</b> Wednesday, 11 April 2018 12:36 p.m.	
To: Mayor K Gurunathan	
Subject: your signed letter to all ratepayers	

Dear Mayor K Gurunathan

We recently received your letter to all Kapiti ratepayers, with individualised details relating to each property. We noted that although you mention that the average rate increase is 4.7% for 2018/19, you have avoided mentioning the actual rate increase for our property. As you have all our individual details, this would have been very easy to do. This would appear to have been a deliberate ploy to downplay the considerable increases that many property owners will face. This omission was cowardly, to say the least. Our proposed increase is 11.58%. There will be many people who may not have the skills to work out their own rates increase, and will only see the average rates increase.

We then saw that our vast increase was fundamentally because we are a rural property and roading costs are now proposed to be decided on property values. That is a complete non-sequitur. Furthermore, as the RV of urban properties rose considerably more than rural properties, so it is proposed that rural property owners should therefore pay more towards roading costs than urban property owners to recognise this. This argument is so basically flawed as to be worthy of ridicule.

You may have noticed that right now urban properties are for sale all over Kapiti and selling well over their RVs, and the owners really benefiting from this. Rural properties, on the other hand, with the lower rise in RVs are garnering far less capital gains. Does it not follow, that therefore urban property owners should shoulder the brunt of roading costs! If they are not selling at present, they have very good potential capital gains.

Please do not subject Kapiti residents to mickey mouse economics, which degrade ou
community and smack of very poor economic knowledge on our council.

# 18LTP-121 WITHHOLD DETAILS

From:
Sent: Thursday, 12 April 2018 10:40 a.m.
To: Mailbox - Kapiti Council Subject: Re Proposed 2018/19 rates increase Valuation number
Importance: High
Dear Mayor
You were elected to ensure rates were kept at a very low level and yet KCDC proposes a rates
increase of 16.45% for our property at , OTAKI.
This hurts.
Rural land does not use a lot of councils services eg Water , rubbish {Environ will not collect bins},no
street lights.etc. Although I try to make a profit from farming our animals, a great many farmers run
at a loss or if lucky a 1% or 2% profit.
I am on a pension from the government and continue to work on the farm to make things work financially. We are both approaching 70 years of age.
mancially. We are both approaching 70 years of age.
I have a very low opinion of Kapiti Coast District Council. Recently KCDC tried to put 12 different
classifications on our land, with extra rules and requirements on what we can do on this private
farm. In addition KCDC have effectively taken 15 acres of land from us.
Naturally we objected and spent 100s of hours at no pay to try and protect what is ours.
Another issue was Bulldozing the Otaki river - it altered the water level of the river. Our well went
dry others in the facinity did as well we are told. No liability of the council we are told. It cost us over
\$9000.00 to put in a new well.
Come on give us a break - your promise of a fair deal was offered when you talked of a 4.7% rates
increase, yet for us its over 16%. That is not a fair deal.
Councils think they should automaticly increase rates every time they can. You take away services
when you can, yet no reduction is made to rates.
I know i have said enough and got a lot off my chest but please understand enough is enough and
please reconsider your rates plan and give me a fairer deal.
Yours sincerely

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Event Name	Long term plan 2018-38 consultation
Submission by	
Submission ID	18LTP-122
Response Date	13/04/18 5:31 PM
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Do you want to speak to the Council about your submi	ission?
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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

I think most of the outcomes are well meant, but believe many of them may lead us into even more debt. Council's previous CEO took the residents of Kapiti into a very deep state of debt which I fear we may never recover from.

### Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

I agree, but the targets must be achievable at a reasonable cost to the ratepayers. A lack of spending on infrastructure over many years, can not be recovered in a short time, likewise clearing debt. Ratepayers do not have bottomless pockets, and continued rates rises, well in excess of inflation, are unacceptable.

#### Strategy classification

#### Select classification

Finance strategy

#### Finance strategy comment

#### Comment

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

#### Please tell us why:

I guess we have to accept an increase in valuation, and it's effect on rates, but do not agree higher value properties should pay more for roading.

# Rating review sub-classification

Fixed charges

### Fixed charge comment

#### Comment

I guess we have to accept an increase in valuation, and it's effect on rates, but do not agree higher value properties should pay more for roading.

## Land value vs Capital value

#### Where there was an expressed preference

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

# Please tell us why:

Not sure about this. If it means spreading borrowing and debt clearing over a longer period, then yes I agree. Any long term improvements to the district will benefit future ratepayers.

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

Coastal hazards and climate change Housing Replacing the Paekakariki seawall Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres Maclean Park Kapiti Island gateway

## Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

We do have to address flooding issues such as stormwater and stopbanks where necessary, as well as sea wall protection, but again over a longer period. Mean sea level rises will not occur overnight

#### Housing

# Comment

Keep the numbers under control, bearing in mind the state of our infrastructure.

### Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

#### Comment

How many properties will be overrun in the next 30 years?

## Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

#### Comment

These can be on the wish list, but not seen as urgent. Rates must be controlled.

# Maclean Park

#### Comment

As above - Wishlist

# Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

Wishlist.

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

With inflation, and wage (pension) increases very low, these annual increases to rates snowball dramatically. We need to live within our means.

## Rates comment categoristion

Average rates increase affordability

## Average rates affordability

#### Comment

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# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

If you have any views about the **proposed changes to our revenue and financing policy**, please tell us here:

Too complex for me to comment other than reiterate we need to live within our means.

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our rates remission policy, please tell us here:

All this does is allow councils to hike the rates.

### Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

My comments appear to indicate I am not very pro council. Not the case, it's an unenviable job that the council staff have, but I know most do the best they can for us. I just feel the money needs to be spent where it is truly needed most, and the nice to have items be very carefully considered given our huge debt.

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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

All the strategies to stay connected, to improve our environment and supporting local growth is a positive prospect. But it has to be constantly evaluated to see if it's achievable and sustainable. The council seems to have a goal in mind, then adjust their rating to suit.

### Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Understandably the council would like to reduce debt and spend money in order to support growth, but seemingly this approach always includes funding depreciation, even though salaries/wages barely increase to compensate. Does the council even think about the rate payers income average when making their long term plan?

#### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

#### Please tell us why:

Yes and no. I think the fixed road rates should remain the same as whether you have a million dollar property or a \$200 000 property does not affect how you use the road. Everyone makes use of the roads and sidewalks. However a commercially targeted rate does seem more attainable.

#### Where there was an expressed preference

# Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

#### Please tell us why:

As we are dealing with climate change and will be experiencing more severe weather events, extra planning and care has to go into our risks and how we can control our losses, so in that regard I agree with the proposal from council. However to keep rates increases more realistic they should only concentrate on flooding of houses and commercial properties and reserve the garage and land flooding optional fixes to a minimum.

#### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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No

#### Comments:

We are just an average income family. We don't earn as little as \$25 000pa to allow for a rates rebate, but also only earn \$70 000pa for a family of 5. Which means tight budgeting to keep everyone fed, clothed and warm. My wages have only increased 2% over the last 5 years and my husband's hasn't increased at all. Most of our friends have had very little, if any increase in income over the last 5 years. If the news is anything to go by most other professions have the same problem, as nurses and teachers have to fight for reasonable income increases. Yet our rates are set to increase 3 times in 1 year. We were lucky enough to buy our house before the property boom at an affordable price as we wouldn't have been able to afford a house at the current prices. I'm sure that there are many similar stories for the people living on the Kapiti Coast. We have lived in the area for 10 years, so long enough to notice the changes. In the last 3 years our rates have increased by 26%, for some residents as much as 40%. Three years ago we paid \$666 per quarter, which included water. The new proposed increase will mean a payment of \$786 per quarter plus water which is on average around \$110 per quarter. So the increase for us over the last 3 years is: \$230 per quarter, which is an increase of \$916 for the year. If we continue on this trend it will hit 100% increase in a few short years. This does not seem to be a sustainable rating increase, it is also not great value for my hard earned money. It certainly doesn't feel like the council cares whether or not their increases are realistically affordable, for us as a family it certainly means less of a budget for food and fewer days heating our house. I understand the council faces challenges, but surely 26% over 3 years is not warranted.

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I have friends who work for council and they earn a less than average wage, so considering council as a whole is not possible. People in management positions seem to better off, but they are also the people making the big decisions. I understand there is a multitude of things for them consider, but rather than seeing money and how much the council needs of it, would it be too much to ask to consider the average individual trying to make a living. I can see the area is growing and changing, it is just that we need to find a better, affordable and realistic way forward. The council easily spent \$30 000 on a consultation process to rename old state highway 1, yet places like women's refuge and anger management programmes can't continue their wonderful work due to funding constraints. Surely at some stage people become more important than places, it would be nice to pay and vote for a council who think people are important too.

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#### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

I would like KCDC to consider becoming carbon neutral by 2025. This may include offsetting council emissions, further conversion of vehicle fleet to electric, increased opportunities for use of solar power on council buildings and infrastructure and an increased focus on education to reduce peak electricity generation carbon emissions from coal/gas

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Coastal hazards and climate change

## Comment

Given that the main effects of climate change will be more frequent storm events with rain and westerly winds, this needs to have a priority consideration in the LTP. Except for the LED streetlight conversion, the LTP address some of the issues with adaptation to climate change but fails completely to mention ways we could reduce our emissions of greenhouse gases.

Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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Submission by Te Araroa Wellington Trust ( Gary Simpson -

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Are you providing feedback on behalf of an organisation

Organisation name Te Araroa Wellington Trust

**Hearings** 

Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission? Yes

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Our submission concerns the Escarpment Track between Paekakariki and Pukerua Bay which is part of Te Araroa and is set out in the attachment below.

# 2018 - 2028 Long Term Plan Submission to the Kāpiti Coast District Council, on behalf of the Te Araroa Wellington Trust

Te Araroa, New Zealand's trail runs through the Kāpiti District, extending from the Tararua's to the Escarpment Track then on through Porirua and ending the North Island section at Island Bay in Wellington. Kāpiti is part of a national trail, which brings international and domestic visitors to the region in increasing numbers annually. There are associated benefits in tourism spending to the district resulting from the trail. However those benefits also generate costs.

In the Wellington Region the Te Araroa Wellington Trust (TAWT) is the liaison organisation for the trail. The Escarpment Track, between Paekākāriki and Pukerua Bay, opened two years ago, has proved popular beyond projections and is used both as a part of the trail and also as a day walk enjoyed by over 40,000¹ walkers per year from around the region and overseas. The walking direction is 60% north to south and 40% south to north².

The economic impact of the trail particularly on the café businesses in Paekākāriki is obvious and has proved consistent. Patronage on the Metlink rail service has been similarly impacted with most walkers completing a day walk using the train to return to their starting point. The use of the train occurs mostly in off peak times at weekends and weekdays.

The Escarpment Track is one of 11 Signature Trails in the Wellington Regional Trails Network and is the only signature trail not developed and managed by a Council or the Department of Conservation. The Regional Trails Network is a regional program endorsed by and committed to by KCDC, HCC, UHCC, PCC, GWRC, and WCC, it also includes DOC. The initiative is managed within WREDA.

The estimated annual maintenance cost of the Escarpment track is approximately \$25,000, which is a considerable sum for a voluntary Trust to raise in order to provide a free, open access public facility. Inclusion as a signature trail obligates the TAWT to ensure that the track is safe and fit for purpose on a similar level to the other publicly funded signature trails.

TAWT greatly appreciates the support that it has had from the KCDC from the outset but requests that the support be strengthened by the following:

1. Currently KCDC assists with the Escarpment Track maintenance costs by paying for maintenance over that part of the track, which lies in the KCDC district up to \$3000 per year on invoice from the maintenance contractor. TAWT would like KCDC to consider increasing that to \$5000, which at current participation numbers is approximately 12.5 cents per track user. We also ask that the Council change its payment method to an annual grant paid directly to TAWT, which will improve the efficiency of the track

 $<sup>^{</sup>m 1}$  Substantiated by an automated Eco Counter system installed at the Pukerua Bay end of the track

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Eco Counter data

maintenance tender program. In return TAWT will guarantee that the grant is spent solely on that part of the Escarpment Track, which is within the KCDC district.

- 2. That the relationship between KCDC and TAWT be formalised as it is with Porirua City Council by entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the Escarpment Track
- 3. TAWT congratulates the Council on the recently installed walking track adjacent to State Highway 1 and the railway line. We are aware that this is only the first stage of that project and look forward to the necessary funds being made available to complete the link to the start of the Escarpment track. Completing this will strengthen the link between the preferred walker parking location at Paekākāriki railway station and so will also assist in reducing vehicles parking in Ames Street.
- 4. TAWT has investigated re-routing part of Te Araroa behind Waikanae to avoid a long road walk down Mangaone South Road. From the Pukeatua track, the route would cross DOC's Kaitawa Scenic Reserve and the Hemi Matenga Scenic Reserve, and pass through what was previously Anglican Church Pension Board land. Attempts are being made to formalise access with the current landowner. There may be implications with the future landuse in the Kāpiti District Plan that impact on permission being obtained. These matters will be considered as part of the District Plan and dealt with separately but our submission seeks that the Council recognise the value of Te Araroa and does what it can to assist us in securing the necessary approvals.

TAWT thanks the Council for its consideration and looks forward to strengthening the relationship that it already enjoys with the Council.

Gary Simpson Chairman Te Araroa Wellington Trust

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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

it is good you are considering flooding issues

### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I would like to see more council support for native planting to prevent flooding issues. I have flooding issues around my house and would like council support to plant out the council reserve next door to my property to reduce the runoff coming of it and to support the local community and environment.

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## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

## Please tell us why:

Rating (which is a tax) should be fair and proportional to use where ever possible. Applying a measure of capital value of property as a means of proportioning a cost for roads that everyone (including those not within the region) have use over is unjust and inequitable. Those that use the roads already pay a significant amount of tax this is gained through; Road user charges ACC Levies Petrol tax (which goes into the consolidated fund) GST In fact those who use the roads most often pay more tax than any others. I also note with interest that your average rates increase this year is 4.7% when the inflation rate in in the fourth guarter of 2017 was 1.6% why are your costs exceeding that of inflation? Do we have control over our expenditure or is it simpler to spend and collect? A single pensioner receives \$371 after tax, my current rates bill without water charges and without Council storm water is \$63 per week. It is inconceivable that you seek to penalise property owners based on the growing value of their properties as a measure of contribution towards roads (or for that matter the general rating system as house value does not equate use of public amenities). This will severely impact beneficiaries, rental users and young couples who are already drifting north of Wellington to obtain their first home. If the Council wishes to gain more revenue it's real opportunity is to gain more rate payers. The council could do this by achieving a greater release of land for sub-divisions, a real focus on social housing (to which the renters contribute to the growth) and a local sustainable airport. While the road infrastructure is paramount to urban areas, also is that of a public transport network. Otaki is poorly serviced by buses and trains, electrification through to Otaki and Levin needs to be a priority, this along with a bus service the links travel will all aid in the building of a stronger more robust community of rate payers. You cannot guarantee that this Government will not bring in a further regional petrol tax to help with the continued build and maintenance of further expressways, therefore a further increase in tax. The Kapiti Coast District Council has squandered the income of the past with poor planning in regards infrastructure. We now have a tax on water to pay for the very pipes and supply that common sense would tell everyone is the sole right of a rate payer to have within an existing rates structure, and not something over and above. Any new build is obligated to pay for water storage and also contribute towards roads with a further fee over and above consent. Rubbish collection was once part of rating. A road tax based on capital value is disproportionate to use and ability to pay, and therefore unjust.

#### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

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Are you providing feedback as an individual

**Hearings** 

Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission? No

# Submission to the Kapiti Coast District Council Kerbside recycling

# Why Our Council Should Provide a kerbside recycling system

The recent announcement by Envirowaste that they are withdrawing the combined yellow refuse bagged recycling bin service has been astounding. It leaves those of us who live in single person household using a bag only once a month and living with limited financial resources having to pay weekly for bins they do not need or fill. Use the bins but the KCDC should provide them as part of our rates.

Kapiti prides itself on being an environmentally and socially conscious district. We should return to a ratepayer funded kerbside recycling service providing for everyone, coupled with a waste to landfill collection service with incentivises waste minimisation.

Waste management is a basic service and should be provided by council.

Jill Harvey 64 Tilley Road Paekakariki

I cannot make an oral submission as I will be away for some months.

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**Privacy statement** 

# Submission on the Kapiti Coast District Council Long Term Plan 2018/38

Paul Callister

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I do not wish to speak to this submission

#### **Town Centres**

Paekakariki should be included in the LTP town centres review. Paekakariki is rapidly transitioning from a primarily a dormitory suburb to becoming a mix of a suburb and a tourist destination. The cycleway and Te Araroa track have been primarily responsible for bringing in visitors. If the former Perkin's farm is opened up for recreation this would bring in further visitors.

The former garage site on SH1 lends its self to creation of additional commuter parking, along with parking for walkers and people bringing bikes to the village. This will become more viable when Transmission Gully opens and there is much less traffic on the former main road. It would be important to plan for traffic lights at the intersection and a pedestrian crossing to the parking area.

### **Climate Change**

KCDC needs to be more pro-active in decarbonising the local economy. It should set a date at which point the district becomes a carbon neutral area. A Zero Carbon 2050 Act is likely to be passed this year but KCDC could aim for an earlier date. Paekakariki is in a good position to lead this initiative. The long term plan needs to help support local initiatives including local generation of renewable power (solar and/or wind); 'zero emission' transport including electric vehicles and bikes and electric trains and buses; native tree planting, the creation of wetlands and waste minimisation. I support the submission of Low Carbon Kapiti in relation to climate change.

### Household waste minimisation

The current system of waste collection does not support domestic waste minimisation. I support the submission of Lyndy McIntyre, 40 the Parade, Paekakariki.

# Housing

Current planning regulations for Paekakariki support low density housing. There should be a transition to a planning regime that supports a greater variety of housing, including affordable housing suited for young families through to housing suited to the needs of the elderly. Associated infrastructure for higher density housing needs to be planned for including a local sewage scheme.

# Seawalls

I support the submission of Bride Coe, 14 Ames St, 04 2928 193

Consultee Mr Kevin Burrows (73177)

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Submission by Grey Power Kapiti (Mr Kevin Burrows - 73177)

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Are you providing feedback on behalf of an organisation

Organisation name Kapiti Grey Power

Hearings

Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission?

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Yes

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## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

KCGP welcomes the green line test and the limit on capital expenditure but believes that the Council is depriving ratepayers of income by not rating for benefit or charging rentals for encroachment.

Finance strategy

Finance strategy

comment

#### Comment

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

The proposed introduction of a rate for businesses is welcomed by KCGP after advocating for its introduction for many years. KCGP remains concerned that there is no effective measure of Council economic policies that will satisfy the community that this expenditure is resulting in an increase in higher incomes for Kapiti's workers. Discussions with a policy analyst last year (which Council directed were to take place) about KPIs appear to have been fruitless. Perhaps now that businesses are contributing to this expenditure they will be seeking accountability. We welcome the review of rates. Rates in Kapiti are regressive and are relative higher than other Councils in the region because medium income is lower and rates are less affordable

Commercial rate

Commercial rate comment

Comment

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# Land value vs Capital value

#### Where there was an expressed preference

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

### Please tell us why:

Stormwater KCGP welcomes the prioritisation of stormwater works to provide relief for affected residents. With nearly one third of Kapiti's properties designated as being flood-prone (for a 1 in 100 year event), minimising flooding and protecting flood prone properties is a significant challenge and the impact of climate change on ground water tables, through rising sea levels and increasing storm intensity, a 30 year time frame to prevent flooding of habitable floor flooding is clearly not acceptable. KCGP is concerned that these properties will become uninsurable for flooding.

### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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Coastal hazards and climate change Housing

#### Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

The full version of the LTP includes the statement "Council has decided to continue with the maintenance of the wall, but any tasks associated with capital works will be deferred to 2024 and beyond to allow the Council to decide on our strategy and approach on coastal matters in the district." KCGP suggests that it is for the Community to decide to support any strategy and approach to coastal matters. KCGP has two concerns in this area. 1) The Paekakariki Sea wall During workshop discussions it was revealed that there were two options • A rock revetment or • At a greater cost a concrete structure. KCGP's concerns are that while the concrete structure was supported by the Paekakariki community this is a district wide charge and the whole community should be consulted because. • Of the increased cost of the concrete structure which was stated to be the preferred option because it will leave a beach at low tide and • The precedent that this will establish for other areas on the coast north of Paekakariki which may also have concrete structures established KCGP asks that design work on a concrete wall not proceed until the question of precedent is considered and the whole community is consulted. 2) That property owners, where the Council has established a sea wall to protect public assets, also receive benefit, should be rated for that benefit. Previous LTP's have said: "Where public intervention to protect public assets also creates private benefit via protection of private assets, Council may seek contribution to the cost of the works based on the specific analysis of the private benefit created." The

works south of Marine Parade are protecting significant private assets as is the maintenance work at Raumati. KCGP asks that this policy be revived and implemented. A statement in a previous LTP that this work (determining benefit) will cost more than the revenue received does not stand over the 30 year lifetime of the structures.

# Housing

#### Comment

KCGP welcomes the Councils initiative in this area. The report of the Housing Task Force is fully supported by KCGP. It is disappointing to see that a three year time frame has been allocated to this activity

#### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

#### Comments:

Kapiti Coast Grey Power Assn (KCGP) thanks the Council for the opportunity to comment on the plan and congratulates the Council on its initiative to write to each household detailing the rates that will accrue to their properties. KCGP is however, concerned that the consultation period was started on a Saturday and information was not available to ratepayers until 25/3/2018 the letter to each household was not available to the end of that week. While the average rate is lower than last year, and is within the Council's parameters, the constant increases above the rate of inflation is steadily decreasing the standard of living of the most vulnerable, those on fixed incomes.

Average rates increase affordability

## Average rates affordability

#### Comment

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#### Key policies (Pages 27-28)

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our rates remission policy, please tell us here:

.KCGP welcomes the amendments that have been made to this policy. However KCGP is concerned at the low numbers of renters applying for rates relief. Discussions with the firms that manage rental properties reveal that all but one are unaware of the assistance that can be given to qualifying tenants. All but one firm contacted saw benefit for some of their tenants. An examination of the claim form suggests that the need to declare income to the landlord, along with a lack of publicity may be a barrier for tenants. Recommendation The give greater publicity to this policy and Council staff meet with KCGP to review the design of the application form.

## Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Age Friendly Kapiti KCGP is disappointed that the statement in the long version LTP is not supported by a policy statement and a strategy. KCGP fully supports the action of the OPC in developing a policy and strategy for consideration by the Council. It also supports the policy and strategy as developed by the OPC Encroachment Despite the Council telling KCGP that encroachment would be considered in this LTP, there has been no action and ratepayers have been deprived (again) of an income source. Rubbish The switch from the yellow rubbish bags to bins has seen a number of complaints by KCGP members. They fall into two distinct areas. 1. Elderly, or disabled people will have problems handling a bin up a steep path or driveway it could be very dangerous. 2. Those people who do lots of recycling tend to have less rubbish, particularly if it is a one person household, and will put their yellow rubbish bag out once every 4-6 weeks. They are now have to pay for rubbish bins which they don't want and don't need. Many people see this as extortion. It sends the wrong signal about recycling. If they go to the tip there is an incentive for people to put there rubbish in the recycling.

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### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

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No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

### Where there was an expressed preference

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

#### Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

#### Comment

Leave the wall along the front of Mahara Place alone! And as for the cycleway & speed reduction... don't even start me. I walk along the front of Mahara Place twice a day and i've never seen a single cyclist.

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

Yes

#### Comments on change to fees and charges:

These charges are insane & will kill the local markets! Leave them alone!

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

Consultee Tina McIvor (80276)

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Submission by Tina McIvor (80276)

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Are you providing feedback as an individual

Hearings

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Submission - on the Kapiti Coast District Council Plan

# Submission on the Kapiti Coast District Council Long Term Plan 2018/38

Tina McIvor 56 Wellington Road Paekakariki 021 023 6059

I do not wish to make an oral submission.

# Why Our Council Should Provide a Kerbside Recycling Programme With a Waste Minimisation Incentive

For those of us who have continued with the remnants of the KCDC provided kerbside recycling scheme the recent announcement by Envirowaste that they are withdrawing has been a bitter blow, but not unexpected. It demonstrates the abject failure of KCDC abandoning kerbside recycling to the private sector and the absolute imperative of KCDC restoring a council-provided kerbside recycling service, coupled with a waste collection service which has a waste minimisation incentive.

Now this experiment has come to an end, we should return to a ratepayer-funded kerbside recycling service, coupled with a waste to landfill collection service with incentivises waste minimisation.

# Background

After EnviroWaste recently announced at short notice they were discontinuing their service, KCDC issued a Q&A sheet.

The KCDC Q&A sheet does not tell the whole story. It says: "In 2012-13 after community consultation, council made the decision to exit from kerbside collection services – at the time there were three other contractors also providing the service across the district. The reason for this change was that the alternative providers could provide more cost-effective services, at a much lower rate than the council could match. The difference in price was because the council had to cover the costs of providing kerbside recycling to those ratepayers who use the recycling service weekly, but only use the rubbish baginfrequently."

The scheme to privatise our waste was implemented well before 2012, so any consultation in 2012/13 planning process was well after the horse had bolted.

In fact, KCDC effectively exited kerbside recycling and, perhaps more importantly, waste minimisation, in the 2007-10 term after a privatisation proposal was sold to councillors by senior KCDC management. During the 2007-2010 term, KCDC adopted kerbside recycling. Previously waste for the landfill was collected weekly in bags and residents could use recycling centres at various locations.

When KCDC decided to adopt kerbside recycling. The free recycling facilities in local communities were closed and KCDC began providing a bag collection (for waste to landfill) and a kerbside recycling bin. The incentive to reduce waste was the cost of the bags.

Then KCDC senior management proposed that the system be handed over to private contractors. The theory (now completely disproved) was that the competition between commercial contractors would keep the bag price (the only cost) down.

There was no suggestion that residents would be required to put a minimum number of bags out to sustain the contractor's need to make a profit. On the contrary, there was a clear undertaking that a free kerbside recycling service would remain, and the implication was that the status quo of residents being able to reduce and minimise waste would continue.

Of course, the confidence KCDC management had in the market was ill-placed and the roots of the failure of the system occurredwhen KCDC exited providing the service as a ratepayer-fundedservice.

That is because we now do not have a service which promotes waste minimisation and recycling. We have no service provided by our council and all the private services require a commitment to an annual fee for a waste to landfill container (wheelie bin) with recycling as the add-on.

In short, the current situation is:

- we have no participation or leadership from our council
- · we have a fully privatised failed system
- we have no services which have waste minimisation incentives and zero incentives to recycle

The promise made when the privatisation occurred — that a free kerbside recycling service would remain — has been broken. This can fixed by restoring a free (rate-payer funded) kerbside recycling service.

# Others can do it. Why not us?

Ratepayer-funded kerbside recycling/rubbish collections have continued in our neighbouring areas of Porirua, Wellington and Hutt City.

Kapiti is one of the councils participating in the Wellington Region Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (2017-2023), which states: "Councils have a statutory role in managing waste and are required to promote effective and efficient waste management and minimisation within their districts."

Currently we have up to four different trucks, travelling around our district, often on exactly the same route and same day/time collecting rubbish. This has a negative impact on our roads and on the environment. It makes a mockery of KCDC's commitment to "promote effective and efficient waste management and minimisation" within our district.

KCDC is failing to adequately or effectively promote waste minimisation in our district because the job has been left to commercial contractors who have not interest in this goal.

Kapiti prides itself on being and environmentally conscious district. How can this possibly be if we have no leadership from our council on waste minimisation and the whole issue has been handed over to private companies with not commitment to our district or waste minimisation?

#### Cost

Of course, restoring a ratepayer-funded system would mean a cost to all ratepayers, regardless of whether they use this service or not. There is also an environmental cost to ignoring council's responsibility to take leadership on waste minimisation.

KCDC's previous actions in exiting kerbside recycling and rubbish collection has left a gap which has been filled by a rangeof options that have no waste minimisation incentive, such as large wheelie bins with the same cost attached regardless of the amount of waste from households). Some households may choose to continue with the status quo. Our rates provide many such services that are not used by everyone in the community, such as sports facilities and libraries. This is certainly not a valid argument for not providing them. The purpose of rates is to pay for the services communities need, which are good for the community generally and reflect our goals, one of which is waste minimisation.

Providing a ratepayer-funded service (as other councils do) is not an extra charge. Householders are now paying commercial charges of around \$150 a year and more per household.

# Solution sought

It is time for KCDC to return to the provision of a kerbsiderecycling service with a waste to landfill collection service which incentivises minimising that waste (as the bags have done).

The Q&A sheet states: "under the current system, instead of every household having to pay a set portion of rates for a set of rubbish and recycling service, each household can choose the service they would like to use, based on what providers are offering."

However, every household does not have a service they would like to use as there is no service which achieves the goals of encouraging waste minimisation and maximising recycling.

Waste management is a basic service and should be provided by council. Let's bring it back.

Sent from my iPhone

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Hearings

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# Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

Yes. I also feel so funding or assistance re code of compliance for the proposed wind turbines in Paekakariki would be helpful and important to speed up this process.

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Please consider \$ spent on hospitals, Paekakariki seawall and speeding this process up keeping rates down. I love spending time at the local Kapiti pool and library. Planting also, not so formal please in public areas.

Finance strategy Infrastructure strategy

## Finance strategy comment

#### Comment

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## Infrastructure strategy comment

#### Comment

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## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

Land value vs Capital value

Where there was an expressed preference

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

Paekakariki needs new drinking water pipes. They are old and out water tastes bad especially when it hasn't rained for a while.

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

# Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

## Comment

Lets get moving on this, I like the idea of being able to sit of the wall, so something tiered if possible? So we can eat, drink and sit enjoying the beauty and splendour in front of us.

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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Hearings

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# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

## Please tell us why:

#### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

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Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

It is all very well to talk about an average increase of 4.7% - and even that is well above inflation and wage increases. But then you send me a letter proposing to increase my rates by 14.33%. So you 4.7% figure you talk about does not have any relevance to me, does it ???!!!!

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

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Submission by Pete Healy (80311)

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Hearings

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## Strategy classification

Select classification

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Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Rating review sub-classification

Land value vs Capital value

Where there was an expressed preference

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

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Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

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# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

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Rates comment categoristion

Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I enjoyed reading Rupene Waaka's introduction to the Kapiti Coast Long term plan. I would hope to see more evidence in the plan of what he is talking about, particularly the establishment of Te Whakaminenga o Kapiti and what this means in practice. I may be missing something, however I do not see much evidence of this partnership model in your long term plan?? I would hope that a Maori model of "development" that includes people, land, finances and tikanga would be best practice for the council and the best way forward for the long term plan. Hopefully an accounting model would be developed to include all these aspects. That the Kapiti long term plan might become a model plan in the manner of its inclusivity, integrity and cultural sensitivity.

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Are you providing feedback as an individual

Hearings

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#### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

No comment

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

No comment

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

## Please tell us why:

Unsure, I don't believe is enough detail as to how much extra we are talking about for business. i.e. I know how much mine is going to increase but unsure if for example Paekakariki shops are going to get a rates increase and therefore potential increase their business costs and in a round about way disadvantage the community.

# Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

#### Please tell us why:

No comment - not my area of expertise

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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#### Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

Kapiti Island Gateway: I think this needs to be a reflection of the region - cultural, history - Maori, Marines, Whaling etc. rather than some student architect design matchstick piece that will date and not really fit in with the region. The new heritage centre in Queen Elisabeth Park is a great example of how this can be done.

http://www.gw.govt.nz/ramaroa-opening-adds-new-dimension-to-queen-elizabeth-park/ QE2 park centre is a great design , fits in with the area, great history. There are some really good artist on the Kapiti Coast especially wood carvers. Would be awesome to see some form of Waka and reflection of the Marines included etc.

## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

#### Comments:

I suppose so. Ideally i would like to see more detail about the economic development plan and how we will work with Greater Wellington Regional Council on this. I don't mind rates increases as long as can see it benefits the region and is improving area.

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

#### Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I went along to the Paekakariki Library review session on the Saturday quiet excited to see what the region was planning for the next 20 years. However general feel was people were defensive and discussion was all about rates increases and storm water. Can understand that these are the important issues and happy for them to go ahead. Be great to see a bit of life and enthusiasm and drive about what we are going to do in the next 35 years.

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Are you providing feedback as an individual

Hearings

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#### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

No. The council should be focusing on providing the basic infrastructure requirements for the community at a price that the community can afford. Our focus should be on having rates that are on par with the rest of the country, and a debt level that is also on par with other councils. The council does not appear to be connected with the community in that the published plan included pictures of young people and families and only a couple of smaller pictures of retirees. The council needs to grasp that the community has the highest proportion of retirees (per population in NZ) and this group of residents are not being reflected in your current policies. A good question for the council to address is how does the Kapiti Coast differentiate itself from Porirua, Whitby, Upper and Lower Hutt etc, or are we simply aiming to become another suburb of Wellington? The fact that we have the highest relative population of retirees should be a significant identifier.

# Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Our council has behaved badly in that we are now the region with the highest debt per rate payer in the country, and also one of the highest rate bills. As a community with the highest proportion of retirees our council should be focusing on having the lowest debts, and a rating system that works for retirees who are on fixed incomes. Our strategy should be to maintain rates at the current level with CPI increases only, until we have paid down a significant amount of debt. Then to reduce rates to a level comparable with similar councils around NZ.

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

# Please tell us why:

Neither. As mentioned above.

#### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

# Please tell us why:

Neither. The additional costs of a flood program should be paid for by developers undertaking subdivisions.

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

## Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

Council should only be concerned in regard to new developments and any work required should be undertaken by the developer.

# Housing

#### Comment

Housing (even for the elderly) is not / should not be part of council services.

## Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

#### Comment

Council should only be concerned in regard to new developments and any work required should be undertaken by the developer.

# Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

# Comment

Council should only be concerned in regard to new developments and any work required should be undertaken by the developer.

#### Maclean Park

#### Comment

This would be nice to have, but currently we can't afford it. When you look at the dept and rising rates, spending another \$700,000 is not justifiable.

# Kapiti Island gateway

# Comment

If a developer wants to explore this then let them pay for the investigation and any council time required, as with any development. This should not cost the rate payers anything.

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

Any rate increase should be limited to CPI. We are already have some of the highest rate charges in NZ. Your rates plan for the next 5 years seeks to increase our rates by an unacceptable margin every year. If you were to suddenly increase rates by 20% to cover your costs there would be a revolt, so you make it 4% per year over 5 years and then simply repeat that it was part of the council's 5 year rates plan. Makes it easier to swallow, but it's not, and it's very deceptive.

## Comments on change to fees and charges:

User pays is fine.

#### Key policies (Pages 27-28)

If you have any views about the **proposed changes to our development contributions policy**, please tell us here:

The contributions should probably be increased to help cover the infrastructure replacement being planned. The rules and regulations are stifling. There should be more generic outcomes described and less rules.

If you have any views about the **proposed changes to our revenue and financing policy**, please tell us here:

Regulatory should be 100% privately funded. Having said that, rules and regulations should be reduced to beneficial generic outcomes. Decrease the water supply charge. Increase the cost of water to entirely cover the water supply and waste treatment.

If you have any views about the proposed changes to our rates remission policy, please tell us here:

Sounds fair to me.

#### Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I like the fact that the council are very quick to respond to our requests for pruning a tree or fixing a broken footpath. However it does make me wonder, are we paying a premium for such a responsive service. If we paid a little less can we still get this tree pruned or this footpath repaired within say 7 days.

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Are you providing feedback on behalf of an organisation

Organisation name Forest & Bird

Hearings

Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission? No

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#### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes? Forest & Bird have no particular view on this issue.

## Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Forest & Bird have no particular view on this issue.

## Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

We support a more equitable system for rate distribution.

## Where there was an expressed preference

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

## Please tell us why:

Any flood control work should focus, where possible and appropriate, on the use of natural systems (e.g. wetlands) to attenuate flood risk. In general these tend to cost less in the long term and provide a number of ecosystem services. Council should consider how it can reduce the area of 'hard surfaces' in the region, thereby promoting soil water retention and reducing spikes in flood peaks - this may also involve increasing the area of forested/planted land, further contributing to flood peak attenuation. Council may have to consider in the longer term how it can remove residential homes or infrastructure located in flood prone areas, and allow streams and rivers a wider corridor within which to move/flood.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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## Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

Forest & Bird commend Kapiti DC for their inclusion of their intentions in regards to climate change. We suggest council initiate their planning for the consequences of climate change as soon as possiblem as we are already seeing many changes. Further, we suggest council develop a comprehensive strategy to reduce its contribution to climate change, including through strategies such as divestment from assets relying on fossil fuels.

#### Housing

#### Comment

Forest and Bird suggest council consider the initiation of a 'sustainable homes' program to assist residents in making sustainable upgrades to their homes. In other regions/cities, this has been in the form of grants, subsidies, or interest free loans for residents to install clean heating, insulation, or solar panels, or to upgrade aging sewage tanks and treatment facilities. Such a scheme allows residents to enact sustainable changes in their homes sooner than they would otherwise be able to, and therefore lessen the environmental footprint of residents and the region, as well as making families and individuals more comfortable in their homes.

## Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

Forest & Bird agree with council that any approach to a 'Kapiti Island Gateway' needs to be carefully considered. In general, we are supportive of activity that promotes our native environment, and produces economic gain without coming at a loss to our environment. This proposal may provide an excellent educational opportunity for tourists and the public to engage with native New Zealand specie, and the gains we can make in conservation, but needs to be carefully considered to ensure there is not an adverse impact on Kapiti Island's natural values.

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

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Forest and Bird note many councils are looking at increasing their capacity for consenting, compliance and policy actions in order to achieve environmental outcomes. Forest & Bird are extremely supportive of such action as this has long been a failing section of many councils around New Zealand. It is vital that we have a council capable of maintaining high environmental standards and regulations, as well as sufficient ability to monitor and enforce those regulations. Forest & Bird recommend council consider this in their long term planning.

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Response Date	9/04/18 3:56 PM
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Lower Hutt 5010		BY:
9 <sup>th</sup> April 2018		
Mayor K Gurunathan Kāpiti District Council Private Bag 60601 Paraparaumu 5254		
Dear Sir,		
Proposed ra	ates Valuation number	
This past year the	er concerning proposed rating changes for rates on this property (800m of land and have been the same as our home proper	80m of 2 bedroom 1
So what happened? At the time we huge increase in values on the Kainstead of objecting. Now we see 49%. How did this happen? The la	make our little holiday cottage seem like we received our valuation the newspapers apiti Coast. We assumed we were in line that the average valuation increase was and is stated to be flood prone (we had to is) yet we have a huge value increase.	s were talking about a and filed the valuation s 37% and our Bach was
,150m and over in building size or	ea the properties selling at the valuation n similar not flood prone land area. We h on the evidence on the QV sales site.	
than the Hutt Valley. I am now a rates). This sort of tax increase F	Kāpiti for many years. Rates in Waikanae pensioner (but with enough savings not b PLUS cheerfully not insisting that rubbish st of ownership of this property by more	to get a tax break on can be collected in
So we do object to your proposed	d rating change. We have objected to QV	
We look forward to a review of t	his proposed rating change.	
Yours sincerely		

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission ID 18LTP-140

**Response Date** 17/04/18 4:59 PM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

(View)

Status Submitted

Submission Type Web

Version 0.1

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Are you providing feedback as an individual

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Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission? No

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#### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

Certainly agree with bringing down debt and spending less!

#### Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

# Please tell us why:

Why should someone with a higher value property pay more? They may have owned that property for years, the value has suddenly risen due to the expressway and under your proposal they will have to pay higher rates even if they're on a low income. Sounds like a wealth tax to me.

#### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

## Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

Very low priority. More important projects in Te Horo!

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

Cannot support a rates increase which is higher than inflation and penalises ratepayers with higher value properties. How much do you collect from ratepayers in Te Horo and how much of it is spent there? Our community tennis court fences are in need of replacing and we need the council owned paddock next to the Te Horo Hall turned into a car park for safety reasons, but have been refused funding for both of these issues.

# Comments on change to fees and charges:

Exhorbitant charges and daunting paperwork are being imposed on food sellers at Kapiti's markets. KCDC need to drastically reduce charges and simplify any paperwork if it doesn't want to be the cause of the demise of these markets. Do ratepayers realise that the charges imposed on food sellers (\$900 minimum) only cover 25% of the actual costs to Council of extra staff, staff training, workshops, etc, to bring in these new regulations? The other 75% (or \$2700) is being footed by the ratepayer!

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Show us how much of the rates paid in Te Horo are spent in Te Horo.

Event Name Long term plan 2018-38 consultation

Submission ID 18LTP-141

**Response Date** 17/04/18 5:33 PM

Consultation Point Tell us what you think about our long term plan

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No

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## Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

These are sufficiently aspirational to be uncontestable. However, the council's major challenge is to make, not keep, rates sustainable. Annual increments well in excess of CPI have been the norm for KCDC for many year,s such that that these are now a cause of significant financial stress for most fixed income ratepayers.

# Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

The strategies are appropriate but the council must ensure that the intergenerational nature of infrastructure assets is reflected in its debt management strategy. Containment of internal costs, particularly staff costs, appears to be an ongoing, intractable strategic issue

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

# Please tell us why:

I'm supportive of the move away from fixed charges, however, the "valuation ratchet" mechanism of apportioning rates is seriously flawed. A means of more accurately targeting rates according to the benefit received by the ratepayer rather than "smearing" these across the entire community is long overdue.

## Where there was an expressed preference

# Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

### Please tell us why:

The need to ensure effects of flooding are mitigated is self evident. However, more work needs to be done on how this is paid for. This could involve recovering a greater portion of the costs from ratepayers in areas that benefit more directly from the work proposed.

## Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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# Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

Preparations for managing and mitigating the impacts of climate change is a high priority for the council. Again, devising the means of equitably apportioning costs according to the public benefit received will be an important underpinning for this.

# Housing

#### Comment

Not core business for the council with high investment requirements with poor returns. The council should not go there.

# Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

#### Comment

Essential work.

# Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

## Comment

This is not core council business. Development of town centres should only occur through public/private partnerships

# Maclean Park

#### Comment

Pretty iconic landmark and visitor attraction for the Coast. Worth doing.

# Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

Not a high priority project. Should be deferred or abandoned as an economy neasure.

## Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

#### Comments:

In my case rates have increased year on year by more than 5% (6.1% including WRC rate adjustments next year). This is too much for too long. Much of the work planned is essential and must be done -but the council must look extremely hard at the services and funding it is providing and achieve significant economies. For example, Kapiti is quite compact, with reasonable public transport and a fairly modest population, so does it really need multiple libraries, community halls and swimming pools, are the council's staff numbers, pay rates and conditions of employment appropriate to its scale of operations and financial position, and consistent with other local bodies servicing a comparably sized population and land area?

## Key policies (Pages 27-28)

If you have any views about the **proposed changes to our revenue and financing policy**, please tell us here:

Very comfortable with users bearing a greater portion of the costs of services and benefits that they have access to, provided that this results in a moderation of the council's apparently insatiable need to continue to tax Kapiti property owners to an ever increasing extent.

# **Make Submission**

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# Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

No. The big items are trivial to people who are being affected to a far larger extent by some little, easy to fix problems that are being ignored. The council could focus on doing its core activities and its interface with those it represents better and end up actually reduce rates instead of increasing them.

# Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Yes these are worthwhile goals.

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

# Please tell us why:

User pays is fairer.

# Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

# Please tell us why:

The plan seems rather crude, due to the scale of information gathering required it would obviously have faults and should be continuously upgraded over time, with a system of continued information gathering. It does seem however to accurately identify a large number of improvement areas that should rightly fall within the councils core activities. I know that as a home owner who has suffered periodic garage flooding over the last 3 decades, there would be no obvious way for the councils survey to have identified this. I note that more easily identifiable flooding has received higher priority.

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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# Coastal hazards and climate change

#### Comment

Downgrade Councils response to the threat of climate change. There are more pressing issues that fall more clearly into the Councils mandate.

#### Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

#### Comment

Fix Kapiti Road traffic lights problems.... This affects thousand of people daily.

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

There is nothing I saw in the presentation of supporting information that linked this rates increase specifically to the recommended proposals. I see the council wasting ratepayers money and would prefer that they reduced the perceived wastage. How do we know that part of this increase is not to fund additional senseless activity?

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Council allows itself to respond to repetitively unfounded complaints on a variety of matters which are being made vindictively. These responses chew up our rates needlessly. It would surely be cost effective to limit the response funding for serial complainers? At the same time, there are genuine issues which could be addressed for little cost to the council, and in some cases could save money, and which are brushed off by phone reception staff. Public consultation should also be taken to mean that day to day contact with council staff and subcontractors is taken seriously.

# Make Submission

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# Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

No

# Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Ridiculous. How does increasing our rates achieve any of this? As usual the rate payer suffers for poor management

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

# Please tell us why:

Because you get far too much money from us as it is. Changing will get you more of our money

# Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

No - keep the status quo programme

# Please tell us why:

Who cares?

# Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

(Please tick the check box next to the relevant issue and a comment box will open below. You can comment on as many of these issues as you wish)

# Coastal hazards and climate change

Climate change is a myth, the climate has been changing since man first appeared on earth

# Housing

Why build more houses so you can increase the rates every year?

# Replacing the Paekakariki seawall

No-one in Paekakariki follows the rules of society

# Paraparaumu and Waikanae town centres

#### Comment

Leave them alone

#### Maclean Park

#### Comment

Leave it alone

#### Kapiti Island gateway

#### Comment

Leave it

# Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

. No

#### Comments:

Rates should be coming down, not going up. Our services go down every year but we pay more. That's stupid

# Comments on change to fees and charges:

Well it's idiotic. Any excuse by the fat cats sitting in their plush council office to screw the hard working person on the street

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Why do we pay Wellington rates? I live in Otaki and NEVER go anywhere near Wellington. I should not have to pay for other people. That is ridiculous

# **Make Submission**

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#### Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

11 x 10yr outcomes, to address long term goals which are not given, are mainly very generalised statments that are difficult to comment on. Appear to be largely slogans. However "Improved financial position" is MOST important and strongly supported. "Climate change" is an action not an outcome. Rest are largely none specific, generalised and waste of time to comment on. On "Vision" should just say "Sustainability", rest is padding

#### Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

Strongly support Council plans to be fiscally responsible and practise restraint with ratepayers funds. Agree that should continue to reduce debt. Important to build up funds to maintain and renew infrastructure assets. Rates increases should aim to keep below inflation and cost of living increases - particularly important to fixed income households and pensioners. In "Our Approach" seafront protection appears to have been left off as increased erosion may be expected and about 25% of coastline borders council assets

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

#### Please tell us why:

Difficult to generalise household income by property value. Some households outside the "low income" areas have low asset value and low incomes (e.g. pensioners). Many low property value households will have higher total income and often multiple cars etc (i.e. is relating roading charges to property value at all reasonable). The arguement is flawed in several instances. So one would get "Improved Affordability" only for a select few. The rate increases don't appear to correspond to the actual increase. It would seem that the "Preferred Option" has already been decided? - like with the Maclean Park consultation and the pond - a clayton's consultation?

#### Where there was an expressed preference

#### Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

# Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

Yes - do the revised 45-year programme (Council's preferred option)

# Please tell us why:

Anticipated increase in storms and heavy rain means the job should be done properly. Again in this section there is a lot of general unspecific comments. It would be a lot more useful to have some accurate and specific information and facts about the issues.

#### Work on the go (Pages 21-23)

Any comments on the matters below:

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# Coastal hazards and climate change

V Important, who will be consulted - just a select few? who is a community stakeholder? who decides? Coastal erosion is happening. Several reports are available. What is the link to Regional Council? Need data and other information.

#### Maclean Park

Process appeared flawed as some options were not allowed by Council. The plan does not appear to be "enhancing the natural environment" as a lot more development (buildings, paving and structures) is planned within park including the proposed "Gateway" which, based on recent proposals, would be very intrusive

#### Kapiti Island gateway

Anywhere but Maclean Park. Concepts apparently supported by Council are very intrusive on the natural environment. The gateway should not be in the Park but over the road. Only the biosecurity station should be in the park, by the stream close to the Kapiti Island launches.

#### Rates for 2018/19 (Pages 24-25)

If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments:

Happy with a 4.7% increase but NOT with the distribution. Rate contribution is being transferred from Rural and Commercial to Residential with no justification. The distribution loads small households and increases stress on pensioners and fixed income residents. Figures in the Tables do not seem to agree with actual rates promulgated.

# Comments on change to fees and charges:

OK but for Infrastructure. "Introducing a charge for modification to existing water metering arrangements": - exactly what is this, how much, and why? Need to know before one can comment. Typical vagueness of the whole "Consultation Document"

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

If you have any views about the **proposed changes to our revenue and financing policy**, please tell us here:

No justification for the 20% rates funding for rental properties - the language is not clear. "Compliance and Health" - what is it now and why the change? Again a vague document

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

Independant Auditor's Report - Reads impressively but overall a bit of a token report as a number of factors in the consultation document are not well defined. In places too "wooly" to be useful. Could do better

# Make Submission Consultee Address **Event Name** Long term plan 2018-38 consultation Submission by Submission ID 18LTP-145 Response Date 18/04/18 9:13 AM **Consultation Point** Tell us what you think about our long term plan (View) Submitted Status **Submission Type** Letter 0.2 Version First and last name Title Address Peter Katz Consulting 10 Stonewall Grove Waikanae Beach 5036 Are you providing feedback as an individual Hearings Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission? If you do, we will contact you at the email address Yes or phone number provided above to arrange a time. Hearings will take place during the week of 14 May

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Proposed Rates for 2018/19 - Valuation  16 April 2018	
Thank you for your letter re proposed rates for my property think it is refreshing that KCDC has consulted on the rates.	I
I make the following observations and comments.	
<ol> <li>I have requested a review of my QV based upon the new land value of \$810k. This is overvalued based upon a beachfront section with a new QV around \$1,000k selling in tender for around \$750k. I waiting for a response from QV of the review are other interested beachfront owners. I would expect a revaluation to impact my rates.</li> </ol>	
1. The makeup of the Kapiti ratepayers is diverse. The concept of a tax based upon "ability to pay" for roading should be income based, not property based. Many Waikanae residents a superannuants who may live in high value homes that they have worked and paid taxes to get to that position but may now not be in a position to absorb the larger rate increases without pressure to downsize. Also, many such residents may be low road users compared with other ratepayers. I do not think this is the goal of KCDC?	ire

- 2. I think the objective "to deliver services for our ratepayers that support a strong thriving capital does not recognise the budget constraints". I would prefer a lower increase that recognises KCDC's inherited difficult financial position which requires some hard decision to maintain the services, meet future needs, and be fiscally responsible.
- 3. A rate increase of 4.7% is very high when many incomes are increasing by 2%? It requires sound justification? I am a believer in cuts and smart expenditure. I appreciate this is difficult to achieve but does require some further bold decisions.

# Disaster Planning, Global warming

As a general comment and proposition, I think the KCDC could in the future introduce a pathbreaking rates model that addresses the high risk areas in the region – flood plains, river and coastal erosion, slips and earthquake.

The fundamental approach would be to develop contingency funds from affected properties to address future "highly likely" large "crisis event" whether from global warming or other event. This is normally difficult to achieve in a heavily indebted environment.

Briefly, the features would be:

- A fixed percentage of rates(levy) would be isolated in a "property owner fund for specific purpose".
- There would be an associated objective for the identified risk and how the risk would be mitigated. (Ie for coastal property – coastal planting, wall, groins..., for persistent flooding – pumps, handling low lying services such as sewage???)
- The funds would be held in trust and \$values assigned to property and there would be an element of KCDC obligation to match in an event (or top up).
- The funds would essentially reflect the notional additional rates payable as a result of the increased land value associated with clear plans to reduce the uncertainty and risk around its future use. Ie for my beachfront property the QV is around \$1million but in the current environment the Land value is \$750. I would agree to the difference in rate value going into a fund subject to a clear proposal for protection of the beachfront if/when the need arises and the funds are isolated and similar to a body corp, the share of the funds is attached to the title of my property.

# Advantages (not limited to)

- Affected rate payers would have some comfort on future risk and be consulted and engaged in the future resolution options.
- A plan with financial costs and partially pre-funded would assist maintain property values and therefore the rateable value.
- The KCDC contingent liability would be better identified and reduced. This should also assist its credit rating.
- Homeowners position with insurance companies should be improved. Flood zone but
   ..... the resolution plan is pro-active rather than reactive => potentially risk exposure for
   the insurance company.

I would be delighted to present to interested KCDC staff a significantly more detailed plan showing how this proposal could be implemented in due course could significantly benefit both KCDC and ratepayers and add more certainty in an uncertain environment.

Kind Regards				

# Make Submission

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# Where we're heading (Page 8)

Considering our challenges and constraints, do you think we're focusing on the right 10-year outcomes?

I'd like to say yes, but to be honest with the recent decision regarding rate rises and despite multiple phone and email conversations with you regarding Dog rego fees, (something I am very interested in as a breeder) I can't help thinking that actually no... maybe you're not.

#### Our financial and infrastructure strategies (Pages 10-13)

The Council plans to pay down debt, reduce borrowings and target infrastructure spending for resilience and growth. What are your views on this approach?

I commend all of those points, but not at the cost to hard working people who have in essence made Kapiti the nice place it is to live, if you penalize them with ever higher rates and charges while others sit around and take advantage, eventually those hard workers will get fed up of paying for the other group and leave, so not a very "long term" view if you're not careful

# Key decision (Pages 14-17)

Should we change the way we share rates across the district?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option to change the rating system?

No - keep the status quo - leave the rating system as it is

Yes - reduce the proportion of fixed-rate charges and introduce a commercially targeted rate (Council's preferred option)

# Please tell us why:

I'm in two minds about this, I think that it's smart to target commercial facilities because they will write it off as a business expense, but it could also drive new businesses away and make others close shop. I obviously don't agree as lifestyle block owner who will be hit with quite a steep increase, especially given that we make almost no use of the services we are being asked to pay for.

#### Where there was an expressed preference

Key decision (Pages 18-20)

What should we do next to address flood risks?

Do you agree with the Council's preferred option of a revised 45-year programme?

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If the draft long term plan is adopted with all our recommended proposals, a rates increase of 4.7% on average will apply across the district for 2018/19. Do you support this?

No

#### Comments on change to fees and charges:

I think your Food Act Charges are completely out of touch to be honest and sounds like lobbying from Supermarkets and other commercial enterprises that are trying to scrape every cent they can. I may well be wrong but from what I've read and seen it will kill the Market stalls and artisan food makers, something that people love and travel to in order to source something special. Otaki is on the verge of being bypassed and from where I'm standing there is no compelling reason to get off the Expressway to stop their, if you kill off the markets then that will be the final nail in the coffin, unless you care to enlighten us all on how plan to make Paraparaumu, Otaki etc. a more desirable location to visit.

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I have asked you repeatedly to revise your dog rego fees, as a lifestyle block owner and breeder of dogs your fees are ridiculously expensive and I can't help feeling that you are penalizing people like myself because of other people who own dangerous dogs, but you know as well as I do that those very same people don't bother registering their dogs in the first place! I currently own three dogs for breeding, the costs of registering compared to WCC is phenomenal. I flagged this two years ago. explaining that my dogs for instance, rarely if ever leave the property. I was told at the time that you were working on something for people like me, two years later... the Status Quo is the same, nothing has changed. For which I think frankly you should be ashamed of. We breed working dogs that are in use at AVSEC and Corrections all over New Zealand, thus in essence providing a service and yet the dog registration is so high that I sometimes wonder if it's actually worth it at all. I'm all for paying a registration even though we don't use the facilities available because we don't need to, but I think you are focusing on the wrong people, and should instead reduce the costs and add a levy for dangerous dogs and higher fines for people who don't register. There was a post recently on Facebook by a lady who picks up other peoples dog crap, because the bins are overflowing... sorry but what are the fees being spent on, because they aren't being spent on tidying up the dog parks! I must say that up until recently I have been a fan of KCDC despite your terrible reputation, but of late my mindset is starting to change, in your recent online Facebook debate Guru couldn't be bothered to turn up (supposedly preparing for an important meeting regarding the Airport), but the silence from your CEO was deafening, and I would have thought that for just shy of 300k p.a. he would have at least made the effort to join in and say something. If you're not careful your voters will start to turn against you. Kapiti has the chance to be a very special place, but if you are only going to focus on money grabbing then it will just turn into another "place"! You have the chance to really think outside the box, but recently it seems banks are closing their doors, Air NZ departs Kapiti, business's are shutting shop and there seems to be very little response to any of this from KCDC, except to raise rates, so they look good on paper. Sorry not a very positive response from me, I wish it were different, hopefully you'll take some of these comments on board and my next submission will be more positive, the ball is in your court.



# 29 March 2018

# Submission to Kapiti Coast District Council Proposed Long Term Plan 2018 - 2038 on behalf of

Otaki Players Society

(contact:)

President Graham Orchard ph 027 244 9724 graceyo@xtra.co.nz

Vice-President Sandra Vidulich
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craigsandra@xtra.co.nz

We would like to appear before Council to make an oral submission.

# **Introduction**

Commonly known as Otaki Players, and formed in 1947, Otaki Players moved into the Civic Theatre in 1991 and have been resident ever since.

Otaki Players Society is a voluntary community based theatre group producing a mix of large scale well known international musical productions, as well as smaller child based or specific purpose events.

The Civic Theatre holds a prestigious presence in Otaki, and is a unique and essential asset marking the history of Otaki itself.

Otaki Players has performed more than 50 productions to audiences exceeding 25, 000.

Otaki Players Society regards itself as an integral part of the vibrant, colourful, culturally diverse and thriving Otaki community and takes immense pride in being a cornerstone to the many community groups and participants who enjoy the connection that the Civic Theatre provides.

Otaki Players considers the theatre to be an essential provider to the Otaki community and is delighted to be able to continue to provide strong social opportunity to all those within the rohe.

# Mana te Rangitahi — Enhancing Youth Development

Otaki Players considers one of their imperatives is to give all Tamaiti and Rangitahi their start in the arts, and typically produce a children's based theatre production every year – the cast being made up of under 16 year olds. Whilst Rangitahi are involved in all our productions on stage, conversely a number also support back stage with props, or in sound and lighting and develop leadership skills in these areas.

A number of both rohe Otaki and Kapiti Rangitahi have had their start in the performing arts through Otaki Players, with some going on to further tertiary study and successful careers on stage and screen. Otaki Players is immensely proud to have been able to play a part in their development. Otaki Players successfully provides youth opportunities for participation in the arts, with the performing arts recognised internationally as one of the markers of a high functioning community. The arts provide an opportunity to cut through demographic divides, cultural difference, and engage all.

These openings also grow future audiences for not only Otaki Players, but other theatre and performance groups as they watch and awhi their friends and whanau on stage. Otaki Players has enjoyed the diversity of soci-groupings and ethnicities who have all participated, and been enabled to participate, in this mana enhancing opportunity.

# **Community and Partnership** – inclusiveness

Numerous non society parties also make use of the Civic Theatre, such as the world renown "Maoriland Film Festival", local Orchestra productions, and local Playwrights being provided an opportunity to stage their productions. Otaki Players supports all these ventures as Custodian and are on site to assist during the events.

Otaki Players is one of the few theatre companies placed between Wellington and Palmerston North to employ the services of a full orchestra in their main productions, which are usually well known and high calibre production shows such as "Cats", "Chicago", and this year "Mamma Mia".

Such large scale productions require the involvement of an extensive community base, and the Otaki Players enjoys tremendous community support, as well as limited financial sponsorship for production programmes or other advertising material from a key network of long-time supporters of the arts.

Otaki Players recognises the importance of strong partnerships, and readily embraces these at all levels of our community and beyond, and further recognise that continued progress requires continuous development and appreciation of these partnerships across all sectors. Otaki Players is a key community partner that provides opportunity within a demographically challenged community to a space that would not otherwise be available.

A nod must also go the huge amount of volunteer hours and goodwill put into the planning and hosting of productions – from coordination, cleaning, painting, selling tickets, sewing, hair and makeup, musicians, hosts and front of house personnel, all of whom are active in the preservation of this vital community taonga.

# Contributions made - enhancements to theatre

Otaki Players has been making continuous renovations and upgrades to the Theatre throughout the years, at considerable cost to the society, to ensure a share of the profits obtained from shows goes back to ensure the theatre remains a safe and suitable venue that generates a welcoming, warm and vibrant atmosphere both for the actors and musicians, as well as our audiences and front of house staff. This is well in excess of lease expectations, and has included significant works to the "front of house" area and changing rooms, as well as installing fire-proof curtaining along the sides of the theatre assisting with audience safety as well as the building's safety. Significant time and resource is invested in sourcing materials and quotes, alongside installations and general repairs.

Otaki Players has undertaken the following improvements thus far:

- Significant re-wiring to dressing rooms, make up room, corridors, storage areas.
- Re-gibbing, plastering and re-painting numerous rooms including toilets and those noted above.
- Entry foyer has been re-carpeted
- Backstage area has been re-carpeted.
- Fire-proof curtaining lining the auditorium area of the theatre at a cost of \$5000.00
- Numerous mirrors and lighting fixtures, drapes and vanities
- Replaced tiered seating with new moveable raised seating platform and seats.

Otaki Players Society considers itself to be a highly successful and financially secure entity in its own right, which has enabled such improvements to be achieved, however there are key building requirements that are beyond the scope of the Society alone.

# Urgent requirements are:

- Toilet block upgrades, public Male and Female toilets in disrepair due to age.
- No Disabled access to facility or toilets, unable to participate.
- Kitchen/meeting room area, unable to be maintained at a Food Grade Hygiene standard expected of such a facility due to age.
- · Requirement for two new toilets backstage to be installed.

Otaki Players Society has obtained quotes for the above work, and these are attached as Appendix "A", "B", "C".

The prioritising of these items is due to the public facing nature, and the essential need for safe, hygienic facilities to be available as well as accessibility for and to all.

Otaki Players is extremely concerned about the health impacts of bathroom facilities which harbour mould and potentially create respiratory distress, have paint flaking continuously into the atmosphere and creating a slip hazard when landing on the floor.

# Essential maintenance and repair:

Otaki Players is concerned that the roof structure of the Civic Theatre is unsealed in parts, and this allows birds to enter and nest, and other rodents to also take up residence with the potential for Legionnaire's from mouse and rat dropping build up.

Rain entering the building is contributing to mould build up and general degradation of walls and other surfaces, as well as causing damage to chattels and costumes.

Otaki Players is aware a contributing factor to the catastrophic fire at Te Wananga o Raukawa was due to birds nesting material in the immediate

sub roof structure, and naturally has grave fears for a similar catastrophe occurring, with the added loss of over 70 years of historic memorabilia and costumes and other irreplaceable content.

Otaki Players has attached a compilation of photo's to demonstrate the issues raised, and these are attached as Appendix "D", "E", "F", "G", "H", along with a quote for bird-proofing attached as Appendix "I".

# **Summary**

Otaki Players Society Inc has demonstrated over the many decades since its inception that it provides an essential community service, offers opportunity to many across all sectors, and embraces diversity whilst providing a safe space for growth and development of all who come into contact with the theatre in any capacity.

Otaki Players is aware that funding has been allocated as part of Council's FutureKapiti Long Term Plan 2015-2035, and that \$42, 000.00 was allocated F16/17 but are uncertain whether this allocation was accessed, or for what.

The requests proposed by Otaki Players are for key operational requirements of a facility such as Civic Theatre, and include elements which are a legal requirement to provide, such as disabled access and fireproofing.

Otaki Players strives to ensure they remain a viable and useful service which meets the cultural needs of the community and are grateful for the continuing support provided by the landlord Kapiti Coast District Council, and look forward to continuing the strong and productive relationship currently enjoyed.

Nga Mihi Nui Otaki Players Society





Graham Orchard Otaki Players Civic Theatre Otaki

3rd April 2018

Tēnā koe, to whom it may concern

I write in support of the Otaki Players and their application for funding to upgrade the Civic Theatre.

As the festival director of Māoriland Film Festival I am very familiar with the facilities at the Civic Theatre as it is one of the venues we have relied on every year for the past 5 years. Over this time many thousands of visitors to Māoriland Film Festival including overseas filmmakers and festival directors have attended film screenings at the Civic. The feedback I have received includes acknowledging both the uniqueness of the venue and the need for it to be upgraded.

It is also a venue with significant history and much loved by the local community.

I therefore support any application that will ensure the Civic Theatre is operational and enjoyed for many more years to come. A full restoration of this important community building is the ideal outcome.

Ngā mihi nui

Nā

Libby Hakaraia Māoriland



# Brendon King Licensed Building Practitioner

04 293 2806 027 473 5001 benjen@slingshot.co.nz



19 March 2018

# Project Description.

- Renovation and upgrade of existing male and female bathrooms at Otaki Theatre.
- Construction of new disabled bathroom in existing storeroom at Otaki Theatre.

# Job Description Male Bathroom.

- Remove existing fixtures in male bathroom, Toilet, Hand basin and Urinal
- Disconnect existing water feeds and check for wear and tear or damage
- Repair any damage found in existing interior walls and ceiling
- Run new water feeds or adjust existing water feeds for new replacement fixtures
- Run any electrical wiring required for lighting and hand dryer
- Fit new or adjust existing drainage and waste system for new bathroom fixtures
- Apply skim coat of plaster to existing interior walls to prepare for paintwork
- Paint entire bathroom area walls, ceilings, doors and windows
- Fit new fixtures to bathroom, toilet, hand basin, Urinals and Hand dryer if required
- Lay Vinyl flooring over existing concrete floor

# Job Description Female Bathroom.

- Remove existing fixtures in Female Bathroom, toilet x 2, Hand Basin and Cubicle partitions
- Disconnect existing water feeds and check for wear and tear or damage
- Repair any damage found in existing interior walls and ceiling
- Run new water feeds or adjust existing water feeds for new replacement fixtures
- Fit new or adjust existing drainage and waste system for new bathroom fixtures
- Run any electrical wiring required for lighting and hand dryer
- Apply skim coat of plaster to existing interior walls to prepare for paintwork
- Paint entire bathroom area walls, ceiling, doors and windows
- Fit new cubicle partitions x 2 to toilet area
- Fit new fixtures to bathroom, toilet x 2, hand basin, and hand dryer if required
- Lay vinyl flooring over existing concrete floor

Female Bathroom Quote / Estimate \$ 17000.00 including gst

# Job description Disabled Bathroom.

- Strip out existing storeroom area or shelving, lining etc
- Remove existing false floor in storeroom area
- Adjust entry door to storeroom to bring door back down to level entry from main theatre floor
- Adjust entry door to accommodate wheelchair access if required
- Check existing framing for damage and repair damage if necessary
- Run hot and cold water feeds from kitchen area to new disabled bathroom area
- Fit ducting into bathroom for ventilation fan
- Run electrical wiring required for lighting, hot point and fan operation
- Fit new pipework in Unisex Bathroom for toilet and hand basin
- Fit new drainage and waste system and connect to existing septic system
- Fit gib plasterboard to walls and ceilings of bathroom
- Get bathroom area gib stopped ready for painting
- Paint entire bathroom walls, ceiling and door
- Fit new Bathroom fixtures, toilet and hand basin
- Fit hand rails and grab rails if required
- Fit finishing timbers to bathroom, skirting, scotia and architraves
- Fit new vinyl to entire bathroom area
- Fit off electrical work required, lighting, hot point, ventilation fan and hand dryer

# Disabled Bathroom Quote / Estimate \$ 20000.00 including gst

I hope that the information provided covers the work that you are expecting to be completed in the renovation/upgrade of the bathrooms in the theatre. It is an overview of what I would expect to be completed to bring the areas up to a standard of a commercial building. Any queries please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

Brendon king BMK Builders 0274 735001 P&D Creasy Ltd t/a The Handyman 18 Rata St. Waikanae Ph. 0211214482 mob. Ph 049040019

Estimate to paint kitchen/dinng area at Otaki theatre
Prepare and repaint ceilings \$ 500
Gib and stop over window \$ 150
Prepare and repaint kitchen joinery \$1500
Prepare and repaint over wallpaper\*
and trims/joinery in dining area \$3000

Allows for minor touchups to wallpaper, sealing with resene vinyl wallpaper sealer and 2 coats of acrylic.

Sanding/scraping, priming and enamelling trims.

I'm probably not available till after May

Paul Creasy

Appendix 'C'

# QUOTE

To

Otaki Players Att: Sandra

Vidulich 16 Main Street Otaki

Otaki 5512 NEW ZEALAND

Quote Number

QU-0048

Reference

Replace toilets

**GST Number** 

121-249-608

Date

21 March 2018

Expiry

20 April 2018

Ace Plumbing (2016) Limited

109 South Manakau Rd

RD3 Otaki 5583 NEW ZEALAND

Jason 027 454 8538 GST Number 121-249-608

Description

Price to replace two toilets (Ace Plumbing supplied)

Quantity

Unit Price

Amount NZD

1 00 850.00

850.00

Subtotal

850.00

Total GST 15

127 50

Total NZD

977.50

Terms

We thank you for your business and look forward to working with you again

4/13/2018 Xtra Mail

Fwd: Otaki theatre

craigsandra☆ To Graham Orchard 10:33

Here you go

Sent from Samsung Mobile

----- Original message -----

From: Tony Behrent

Date:11/04/2018 3:15 PM (GMT+12:00)

To: craigsandra Subject: Otaki theatre

Hi Sandra

Please find the following estimate for bird proofing of the Otaki Civic Theatre, Otaki.

Cost to supply and install mesh into all accessible access points to prevent ingress of birds into the building.

Cost. \$4400.00 plus GST

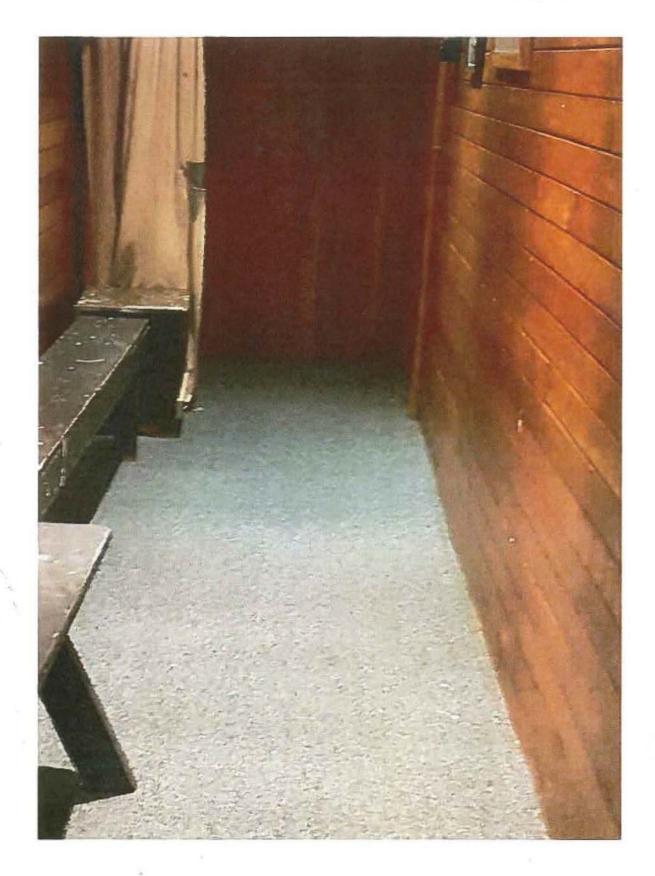
Please note that we are using ladders for access to the higher parts of the building and NO OTHER ACCESS EQUIPMENT has been allowed for in this price.

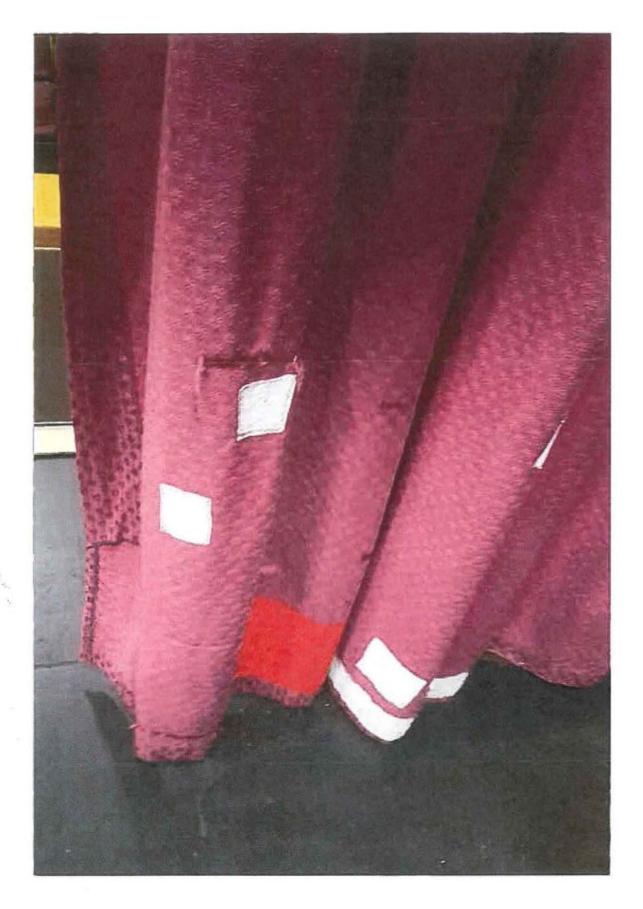
Price is for 2 men for 3 days plus all materials. 2 year warranty.

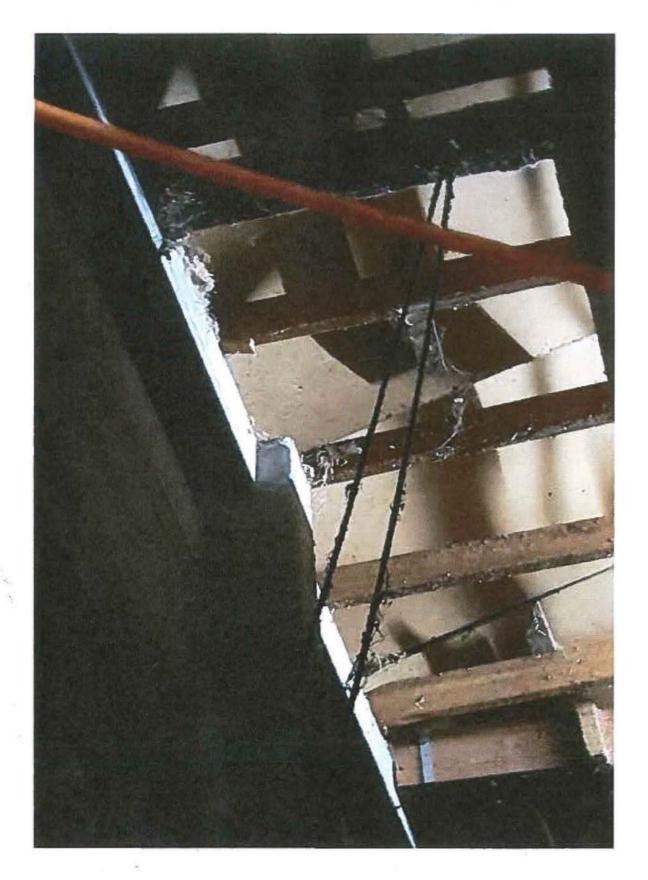
This building is very difficult to cost accurately as the access is poor to the affected areas. We would expect this price to be the maximum you would expect.

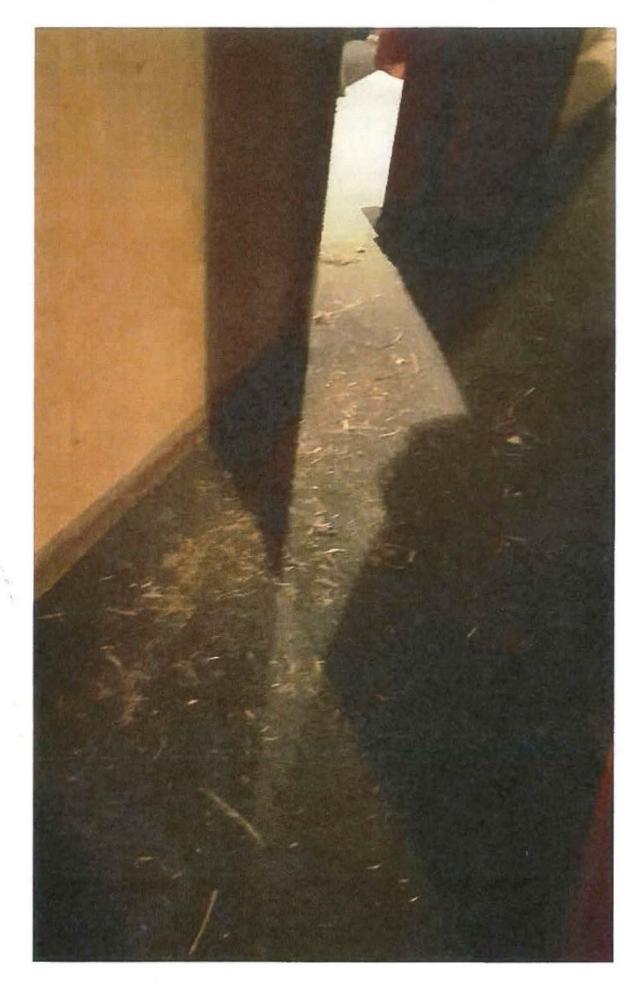
Tony Behrent Operations Manager Flick Anti-Cimex Wellington 0276875446











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18 LTP-148



10 April 2018

Mayor K. Gurunathan Kapiti Coast District Council Private Bag 60601 Paraparaumu 5254



Dear Sirs,	
Re: Proposed Rates Increase for	Waikanae (Valuation Number
<u></u>	SAV

Thank you for your undated letter advising of KCDC's proposed 2018/19 rates increase on our property in Waikanae. We sincerely trust you are honest in our request for feedback, not merely window dressing a decision already taken.

We want you to be under no illusion that the proposed 9.5% rates increase for next year is totally unacceptable. That you would even consider implementing an increase of that size is disappointing and demonstrates an alarming lack of commercial awareness on KCDC's part. Surely you cannot believe ratepayers are in any sort of position to afford an increase of this magnitude when realistically those on fixed incomes haven't had a cumulative income increase of that size for more than the past 5 years.

We are left wondering if you have any idea about the size of increases imposed on us by your Council in recent years? For example, are you aware our annual rates in 2009/10, for exactly the same property capital value, were \$3788.05. That's a staggering 60% increase over the \$6089.90 you are proposing for next year. Furthermore, next year's proposed rates compared with 2010/11 and 2011/12, again for the same property capital value, is an increase of 50% and 40% respectively. That's massive and begs the obvious question – in this environment how can you begin to believe that's sustainable for Kapiti Coast rate payers?

It's not in direct response to the question you've asked but we do not believe we receive value for our rates as they currently stand, without having to find another 9.5% next year. "Building a Stronger Kapiti Together" is an admirable objective but who you intend will fund it is at question. KCDC rates are among the most excessive in the country (e.g. the average Auckland City rates are \$3,200 p.a., on average property values in excess of \$1,000,000 – that's almost half those in Kapiti) and in our view KCDC should be much more focussed on delivering value to its constituents, rather than adding exorbitant rate increases year on year. We're sure you will argue that's what you are doing but it's an unsustainable argument on your part when you are implementing or suggesting these sorts of increases.

Again, we want to stress that our rates have increased by 60% in the past 9 years, against the exact same property value.

We understand KCDC are reviewing how rates will be assessed in the future. Whatever the outcome of that review will be cold comfort to us in the short to medium term. To that end we have appealed the recent QV valuation and are waiting for that review to occur sometime in June. The basis for our appeal is not the capital value, rather the ratio between the land value and the value of improvements. In our view the basis for QV valuation is seriously flawed when the improvements are valued at less than half our home's replacement value. On the flip side it greatly exaggerates our land value which only serves to seriously disadvantage us further according to how KCDC assess rates.

We will await your response increase for next year. Thank	and hopefully a favourable review of the proposed rates you.

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First and last name Brendon Hodge

Title

Address 110 Amohia Street

Phone 021475857

Email chopperhodge@gmail.com

Are you providing feedback on behalf of an organisation

Organisation name Underground Properties Ltd

Hearings

Do you want to speak to the Council about your submission?

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# Comments:

An Increase of 4.7% would be fine, what you are proposing on our Property is an increase of in excess of 27%?!

# Key policies (Pages 27-28)

# Anything else?

If you have any other feedback about this plan, or the work of the Council please comment here:

I have owned property for over 25 years and I find it unbelievable that you are even proposing an increase of this level!!! My calculations show a proposed increase of over 27%??? PLEASE EXPLAIN