

# Long-term Plan 2024–34



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## Submission

**Proposal 1: Three waters funding**  
Which option should we choose? (select one option)

Option 1: Fund \$4.7 million shortfall with an additional 5% rates increase in Year 1.

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

The cost of delivering the fresh water component of the Three Waters should be funded by the volumetric water charge. The operating cost relating to stormwater and waste water should be covered by rates, but the first step should be a review to reduce the operating cost.

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

Option 3: Apply average rates increases of 6% per year from 2025/26 to 2033/34

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

Rather than proposing increasing rates to reduce debt, Councilors and rate payers should be presented with options to reduce expenditure by reducing service levels so ratepayers can provide feedback on what service levels are not worth the cost of providing them.

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

Option 2: Older persons' housing is delivered by an existing Community Housing Provider with less influence from Council

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

The Council should obtain a payment for transferring the assets to another CHP. It is not worth incurring a \$21M to retain KCDC influence.

### **New climate action rate**

#### **Which option should we choose? (select one option)**

Option 1: Introduce a new targeted climate action rate based on a property's capital value rather than the current land-value based general rate

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

The draft LTP requires to large an increase in rates. It is NOT ACCEPTABLE to plan on rates taking more than 5% of median incomes. Where are Kapiti residents meant to get the extra 2% to be taken by KCDC? The Councilors and ratepayers should be presented with options for reducing expenditure.