

Long-term Plan 2024–34



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Submission

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

Option 2: Fund \$4.7 million shortfall by taking on debt each year.

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

As the 3-waters has been removed that is no reason to have a shortfall. It is just working as always. I don't see the need of us increasing when there are more houses been built and rates to be paid. The services have to be paid but there will be more rates coming in the councils pocket. Even is 3-water would have gone ahead in an other way we would pay towards the government to pay for e.g. Wellington (water and wastewater) improvements. So please keep this in your control as you always did.
We have water meters which will help with preservation as we all noticed this worked in our favour this last summer season. Well done.

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?

Reduce debt is not only increase rates but also find a better way to spend money. Doing improvements on the main 3 areas like water, infrastructure, and health/housing.

There are more housing coming in the area, don't understand why this can happen with the environmental issues and not addressing health services to the government while the population will be growing exponentially.

More housing means more ratepayers so there should be a stop to increase more a decrease.

Be honest with the tourism as Kapiti has always said to invest in Tourism but never really push this idea through. So focus on the people living here and don't spent money unnecessary on items you will not stand fully behind.

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?

Why are the figures in option 2 and 3 completely the same? It does not look like a fair comparison!

New climate action rate

Which option should we choose? (select one option)

Option 2: Make no change to how we allocate funding our climate change activities

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

The last 10 plus years have been focused on climate change however the council approves houses to be built in areas which are in front of low laying areas near the sea and river.

I don't take the council (and government) seriously as there are so many more options for recycling but don't focus on that area. Climate change is happening regardless. There is more a need of protection which I don't see the council focusing on and \$ 500,000 is not making any changes on this area.

This should be done government wide.

Yes protection of the beaches, dunes and waterways but that is partly under the wastewater control.

So why has there been approval in the past to build more on areas prone to flooding, even then when there was a climate issue in the council?

I don't see the need if the council is not 100% serious. It should be focused on protection of the people and their homes.

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

I can't comment on these changes as the documents don't incorporate the visible changes which is normaly practices when making changes to a document to add the changed areas or the amendment what has been changed.

Please show what has been adjusted so it is easier to comment on.

Thanks,

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

Some fees are enormously high and does not show the professional and how long it takes. I think more than \$ 150 for just a simple change which takes maybe just 5 min to 15 min is only a money charger for one goal not to serve but to gain money.

A council is for serving not for making money it is not a company as such.

However, some of these fees are government initiated so the council has to abide to.

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

I don't see much emphasis on the health of the population of Kapiti. Yes there is focus on the elderly but they need more access to a hospital and more than 45min is not enough to save lives especially for elderly.

I would love to see as there are more housing approved so more people going to live here that the services like infrastructure (roading, electricity, water) , health, police, fire, mental health is addressed if not locally at least toward the government.