

Agenda for an extraordinary meeting of the Waikato District Council to be held to hear and consider submissions on the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan and the 2018-2021 Proposed Fees and Charges. The hearing commences in the Council Chambers, District Office, 15 Galileo Street, Ngaruawahia on **WEDNESDAY 16 MAY 2018** commencing at **11.00am** and will be continued on **THURSDAY 17 MAY 2018** at **9.00am** and **FRIDAY 18 MAY 2018** at **9.00am** if required.

*Information and recommendations are included in the reports to assist the Board in the decision making process and may not constitute Council's decision or policy until considered by the Board.*

- 1. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**
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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

### **Open Meeting**

<b>To</b>	Waikato District Council
<b>From</b>	Gavin Ion Chief Executive
<b>Date</b>	23 April 2018
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<b>Chief Executive Approved</b>	Y
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<b>Report Title</b>	Long Term Plan Consultation Document 2018-28 and Fees and Charges 2018-21 – Hearing and Deliberations

## **I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On 28 February 2018 Council resolved to consider and approve the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document for consultation in accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002 (special consultative procedure).

Consultation on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document opened on 14 March 2018 with the submission period closing 16 April 2018.

In total 733 submissions were received on the Long Term Plan 2018-28 Consultation Document with 61 submitters wishing to present their submission to Council at the hearing.

In addition to the submissions received on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document, 138 submissions were received on the Proposed Fees and Charges with 10 submitters wishing to present their submission to Council at the hearing.

Further information on the submissions received is discussed in the 'Discussion and Analysis of Options' section of this report.

Attached to this report is the Chief Executives submission that contains both amendments included in the draft Long Term Plan supporting documents, and new items that Council needs to consider along with the public submissions for inclusion in the final Long Term Plan (refer to Appendix 5).

The purpose of this meeting is to hear and consider submission to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document and the Proposed Fees and Charges 2018-2021.



The following documents are included as appendices to this report (attached separately):

- Appendix 1 Summary report containing all submissions received to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document
- Appendix 2 Summary report containing all staff comments on submission points made to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document
- Appendix 3 Summary report containing all submissions received on the Proposed Fees and Charges 2018-2021
- Appendix 4 Copies of large submissions / attachments
- Appendix 5 Chief Executives' Submission

## **2. RECOMMENDATION**

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**THAT the report from the Chief Executive be received;**

**AND THAT pursuant to sections 83 and 93 of the Local Government Act 2002, Council consider and, where requested, hear submissions to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document and Fees and Charges 2018-2021;**

**AND FURTHER THAT subject to any amendments, the Fees and Charges 2018-2021 will be recommended for final consideration and adoption by Council at its extraordinary meeting on 22 May 2018.**

**AND FURTHER THAT the final Long Term Plan 2018-2028 is updated in line with the amendments detailed in Appendix 5;**

**AND FURTHER THAT subject to any amendments, the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 will be recommended for final consideration and adoption by Council at its extraordinary meeting on 27 June 2018.**

## **3. BACKGROUND**

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### **3.1 General**

The preparation for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 was initiated early in 2017. A number of workshops have been held with Councillors and the Community Boards since then.

Council is required to consult through the Long Term Plan Consultation Document (which has prescribed content) and to consult on specific policies (if they have changed).

Council must also adopt the supporting information that the Consultation Document relies on and as necessary, information that will enable Audit New Zealand to audit the underlying information and verify the quality of that information (Section 93C and 93G of the

Local Government Act 2002). This information was adopted by Council on 28 February 2018.

At the conclusion of the hearings process Council will deliberate on all the submissions received and staff will refine the Long Term Plan, policies and the proposed Fees and Charges to reflect the Council's decisions. The final Long Term Plan will then be audited by the Auditor General along with any supporting information.

Council will adopt the policies, the Fees and Charges for 2018/19 to 2020/21 and the Long Term Plan and then set the rates for the 2018/19 financial year at an extraordinary meeting on 27 June 2018.

### **3.2 Process**

On 28 February 2018 Council resolved to consult on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document and the Fees and Charges 2018-2021. In total, 871 submissions were received, with 71 submitters indicating that they wish to be heard.

A list of submitters and the issues raised by submitters with an accompanying staff comment (where appropriate) for the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document and the proposed Fees and Charges 2018-2021 is provided as Appendix 1 and 3 of this report.

The hearing will run over the 17th, 18th and 19<sup>th</sup> May. Council will deliberate on matters raised through submissions following the hearing on 19 May 2018.

Staff recommend that the Council adopt the Fees and Charges 2018-2021 at their meeting on 22 May so the required system updates can be processed prior to 1 July 2018.

The intention is for Council to adopt the final Long Term Plan at an extraordinary Council meeting to be held on 27 June. This timeframe enables staff to alter the final documents to reflect decisions made during deliberations, review for legislative compliance and complete audit requirements ahead of official adoption.

Council must consider each submission, and make a determination on each of the issues raised. Each submitter is entitled to be informed of the outcome of their submission, including the reasons for the decision.

All submissions on the proposed Fees and Charges and Long Term Plan 2018-2028 will receive a written response following Council's decisions and approval.

Fees and charges have been reviewed as part of the preparation of the draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028. The proposed Fees and Charges 2018/21 can only be confirmed after public consultation has been undertaken in accordance with the special consultative procedure set out in the LGA. Any confirmed changes in the fees and charges will take effect from 1 July 2018. This process is being run concurrently with the Long Term Plan consultation process.

## 4. DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

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### 4.1 SUMMARY OF SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

The majority of submissions received were in relation to the two consultation items 'Three Waters' management and the Uniform Annual General Charge ("UAGC"). Other themes of the submissions received related to affordability (16), no justification of level of rate increases (25), heritage projects (16) and the Huntly Memorial Hall (166). While each submission is addressed in Appendix 2, a summary of the key consultation issues is outlined below:

Category	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Total
'Three Waters' management	69	47	65	309	490
UAGC	110	292	92	-	494

The majority of submissions received on the proposed Fees and Charges related to the proposed increases to the admission fees into the Huntly Aquatic Facility and increase in pensioner housing rents.

### 4.2 OPTIONS

The submissions on the consultation document cover a wide range of issues, some of which have potentially significant financial implications.

The Chief Executive report outlines other items that Council may recommend to include in the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 or the Fees and Charges.

To assist in the decision making process, staff have proposed funding options for the projects listed in the Chief Executive submission (Appendix 5) for consideration.

Council will also have to consider how to fund any other projects that are to be included in the Long Term Plan. Depending on the nature of the project/amendments, suitable options could be:

- Loan fund
- Delete some projects from the budget submitted
- Project substitution
- Deferral of projects
- Find alternative funding sources: Staff have used as many options as possible to fund projects. This includes maximising New Zealand Transport Agency subsidies, development contributions, replacement funds and other reserves. It may be that Council has alternative options which staff have not considered.
- Sell assets: Council could potentially sell some non-strategic assets but staff have not readily identified any at this stage.

Council must consider each submission, and make a determination on each of the issues raised. Each submitter is entitled to be informed of the outcome of their submission, including the reasons for the decision.

All submissions on the Consultation Document will receive a written response following Council's adoption of the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 and Fees and Charges 2018-2021.

## **5. CONSIDERATION**

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### **5.1 FINANCIAL**

The inclusion or amendment to projects for the Long Term Plan will have financial implications. The impact of each change is depicted in Appendix 5.

The general rate increases over the 10 years are between 3.01% and 6.24% per annum. Some significant targeted rates for water and wastewater continue the trend from the last Long Term Plan to ensure these activities are self-funding. Council's debt levels increase mainly to support the projects required for growth.

### **5.2 LEGAL**

Council has a statutory obligation to have a long term plan in accordance with section 93 and schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 2002 and this plan is required to be reviewed every three years.

Council is also required to follow the special consultative procedure set out in section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002 before the Long Term Plan can be confirmed. The submission period was undertaken between 14 March and 16 April 2018. Public notices were placed in the Waikato Times, North Waikato News, Raglan Chronicle and the Franklin County News. In addition to this, consultation was publicised on our website and Facebook pages, media releases were published by local papers and copies of the Consultation Document were mailed to every household in the district.

Council is also required to adopt the Long Term Plan prior to 1 July 2018. This is scheduled to be undertaken on 27 June 2018.

The proposed Consultation Document incorporated information required by legislation. The Consultation Document was required to include the following to provide a fair representation of the matters included in the Long Term Plan:

- The key points of the financial strategy.
- The key points of the infrastructure strategy.
- Description of each issue with the options considered and the implications on debt, rates and level of service.
- Significant changes to the way the Council funds its expenditure.
- Graphs and charts to show the changes to rates, debt and levels of service.
- Examples of the rating impact on different categories of land and ranges of property values.
- Report from the auditor-general on whether the document gives effect to the purpose set out in legislation and on the quality of the supporting information.

### 5.3 STRATEGY, PLANS, POLICY AND PARTNERSHIP ALIGNMENT

The Long Term Plan is an important document as it outlines Council's direction for the next 10 years. It describes the activities of your Council across the district and outlines how the activities are managed, delivered and funded.

### 5.4 ASSESSMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT POLICY AND OF EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS

Highest levels of engagement	Inform <input type="checkbox"/>	Consult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Involve <input type="checkbox"/>	Collaborate <input type="checkbox"/>	Empower <input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Tick the appropriate box/boxes and specify what it involves by providing a brief explanation of the tools which will be used to engage (refer to the project engagement plan if applicable).</i>	<p>Public notices were placed in the Waikato Times, North Waikato News, Raglan Chronicle and the Franklin County News. In addition to this, consultation was publicised on our website and Facebook pages, media releases were published by local papers and copies of the Consultation Document were mailed to every household in the district.</p> <p>16 information evenings were held at various locations throughout the district.</p> <p>Letters were posted to tenants of our elderly persons housing encouraging them to make a submission on the proposed rent increases.</p>				

State below which external stakeholders have been or will be engaged with:

Planned	In Progress	Complete	
		✓	Internal
		✓	Community Boards/Community Committees
			Waikato-Tainui/Local iwi (provide evidence / description of engagement and response)
		✓	Households
			Business
			Other Please Specify

## 6. CONCLUSION

Council is required to hear and consider submissions on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document and proposed Fees and Charges 2018-2021 in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002.

Following the hearing and deliberations, Council is scheduled to adopt the Fees and Charges 2018-2021 on 22 May and the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 on 27 June 2018.

## **7. ATTACHMENTS**

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- Appendix 1    Summary report containing all submissions received to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document
- Appendix 2    Summary report containing all submissions received to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document and staff comments were necessary
- Appendix 3    Summary report containing all submissions received on the Proposed Fees and Charges 2018-2021
- Appendix 4    Attachments to the Summary report containing all submissions received to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document
- Appendix 5    Chief Executives' Submission

**Long Term Plan 2018-28**  
**Appendix I – All Submissions**

**May 2018**

Sub #	First Name	Last Name	On Behalf Of	Organisation	City	3 Waters	UAGC	Comments
3	The New Zealand	Motor Caravan Association Inc.	The New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc.	N/A	Papakura			<p>Introduction We understand councils have been working on their draft Long Term Plans 2018-2028 (LTP's) and most of these will be out for public consultation in March – May 2018. LTP's describe the priority activities and community outcomes that councils want to achieve over the next 10 years, while coordinating resources and providing for integrated decision-making.</p> <p>The New Zealand Motor Caravan Association (NZMCA) appreciates the opportunity to provide this feedback towards your LTP review. Formed in 1956, the NZMCA represents the interests of over 80,000 New Zealanders who enjoy exploring New Zealand at leisure in the purpose-built certified self-contained (CSC) motorhomes and caravans. NZMCA members are taxpayers, ratepayers, and domestic travellers who enjoy camping in their hometowns and other districts throughout New Zealand.</p> <p>The domestic motor caravan industry is growing at an unprecedented rate with more and more kiwi retirees, baby boomers and families looking for opportunities to relive the quintessential kiwi-camping lifestyle. For example, the 3-day Covi Supershow held in Auckland last year sold over \$32 million worth of CSC motor caravans to New Zealanders alone, compared to \$18 million sold in the previous year. It is incumbent on councils to recognise and support this growing activity enjoyed by tens of thousands of kiwi families.</p> <p>As an official partner of Local Government New Zealand and a strong advocate for responsible freedom camping in CSC vehicles, the NZMCA wants to partner with you on infrastructure development and strategic policy planning with a view to supporting responsible motor caravanning across New Zealand. Like you, we want to ensure motor caravanning is managed properly in New Zealand and provides long-term benefits to your local businesses and communities. To that end, the NZMCA recommends your LTP includes sufficient recognition, resourcing and prioritisation to support the continued growth of the domestic motor caravanning sector with a particular focus on the follow areas:</p> <p>New infrastructure development, e.g. public dump stations and refuse bins; An integrated and permissive freedom camping management regime; and Recognition of the NZMCA's Motorhome Friendly Scheme.</p> <p>Infrastructure 6. All councils have a responsibility under the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) and the Health Act 1956 to improve, promote and protect public health. Councils are therefore expected to provide adequate public facilities such as refuse bins and public toilets – which also include public dump stations accessible to both local residents and visitors<sup>1</sup>. Furthermore, the LGA requires councils to assess whether they still meet public demand for these facilities and to take appropriate action if they do not.</p> <p>7. Over the past 10 years, the NZMCA has helped co-fund hundreds of public dump station projects across New Zealand. While we continue to collaborate with councils and fill the gaps within the national network, there remain significant access and availability issues throughout many parts of New Zealand. There is growing demand for additional facilities like refuse bins and public dump stations to support visitors and kiwi families exploring our countryside.</p> <p>8. The NZMCA also supports council projects that provide refuse facilities in strategic areas for visitors. For example, in partnership with the Mackenzie District Council the NZMCA financially supported a new 7m<sup>3</sup> user-pays compact rubbish bin at Lake Tekapo. This bin is available for use to all visitors and local residents for a nominal charge.</p> <p>Benefits and funding options</p> <p>9. Offering facilities in strategic locations will encourage safe waste disposal and protect public health. Dump stations built to NZS 5465:2001 specifications will encourage responsible campers in CSC vehicles to visit and spend money in your towns, while providing visitors with a safe place to dispose of their waste water. The cost of constructing a new facility varies<sup>2</sup> and largely depends on the proximity of the underground services along with any additional requirements, e.g. widening of the carriageway.</p> <p>The NZMCA is available to provide practical and technical advice as well as financial assistance (provided the new station meets certain criteria). Councils can also apply to MBIE's Tourism Infrastructure Fund for additional financial support.</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>That your LTP includes resourcing and prioritisation for public dump station facilities built to NZS 5465:2001 specifications, along with free/low cost refuse and recycling facilities for visitors.</p> <p>Freedom Camping<sup>11</sup>. The NZMCA supports responsible freedom camping in CSC vehicles only. We encourage all councils to recognise the value of CSC motor caravanners throughout their camping-related policies and bylaws.</p> <p>The NZMCA is working with Local Government New Zealand on a 'good practice freedom camping guide' which will include advice to councils wanting to improve their overall management regimes. Furthermore, central government's renewed focus on freedom camping and the formation of a cross-sector stakeholder working group may result in new ideas and management solutions coming to the fore, to help councils manage the activity differently.</p> <p>12. The outcome of both initiatives may motivate your council to review its existing policy framework over the next 1-2 years, including any camping-related bylaws, reserve management plan policies, and district plan provisions. It would, therefore, be prudent for the council to set aside additional resources in anticipation of a comprehensive and holistic policy review.</p> <p>Benefits<sup>13</sup>. Setting aside sufficient resources in your LTP will make it easier for the council to adapt to the changing landscape and, if necessary, undertake a comprehensive policy review. From our experience, having immediate access to sufficient resources will make it easier for council staff to undertake adequate assessments and reviews along with genuine stakeholder engagement. Relying on unbudgeted and insufficient resources will inevitably lead to poor outcomes and exacerbate community/stakeholder angst.</p> <p>Recommendations<sup>14</sup>. That your LTP includes sufficient resourcing to initiate an integrated freedom camping management regime, which may require a comprehensive review of your relevant rules, policies and bylaws.</p> <p>Motorhome Friendly Scheme<sup>15</sup>. The NZMCA recognises the pressure New Zealand's booming tourism industry is having on local communities and infrastructure. In response to these</p>



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								<p>concerns the NZMCA initiated the ‘off the beaten track’ campaign which encourages CSC motor caravanners to visit lesser known places around New Zealand. Our campaign helps ‘spread the load’ across New Zealand and supports local operators in rural/provincial areas calling out for more tourism business. This campaign is also supported through the NZMCA’s Motorhome Friendly scheme, which promotes campgrounds and preferred freedom camping areas alongside a range of local events, e.g. food and wine festivals, music concerts, shows and other family-friendly activities.16. The NZMCA Motorhome Friendly scheme was first introduced in 2010 and was modelled on the very successful RV Friendly scheme initiated by the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia. The NZMCA’s scheme provides a set of amenities and services that guarantee motor caravanners a warm welcome and an enjoyable visit. Motor Caravanners will generally avoid towns and districts where they are not welcome and will go out of their way to visit a town that markets itself as being motorhome friendly. With on-the-road motorhome expenditure exceeding \$650 million annually (\$211 million of which come from NZMCA members) motorhomers and communities can certainly establish a mutually beneficial relationship.17. The NZMCA scheme is primarily targeted at rural and provisional towns, and currently supports 38 councils and 50 friendly towns across New Zealand. There is no cost to any council or town wanting to participate in the scheme other than having friendly camping policies/bylaws along with the necessary infrastructure to support visitors travelling in CSC vehicles. Further information on the scheme can be found here – <a href="http://www.mhftowns.com">www.mhftowns.com</a>.Benefits18. Participating in the motorhome friendly scheme is FREE. In return for providing adequate infrastructure (e.g. accessible dump stations) and permissive freedom camping policies/bylaws, the NZMCA will promote your town(s) and local events to motor caravan tourists across New Zealand. Our team of experienced professionals will work alongside your staff and local event organisers to showcase your towns and all they have to offer. The NZMCA also takes care of all online promotional and marketing collateral.Recommendations19. That your LTP explicitly recognises the value of the NZMCA Motorhome Friendly Scheme.Summary20. The domestic CSC motor caravan industry in New Zealand continues to grow at an unprecedented rate. More and more kiwi families are opting for passive recreational lifestyles that enable them to explore their own country. The NZMCA wants to partner with your council to help support this dream for the benefit of New Zealanders, their towns and their communities. The LTP provides an avenue for your council to recognise, resource and prioritise activities in support of this growth.21. The NZMCA is happy to discuss this feedback and we would appreciate notification of your LTP when it is out for public consultation.</p>
4	Andrew	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 3	<p>Kia Ora,As a ratepayer and also a Waikato-Tainui Beneficiary it’s important that I remain fully supportive of all issues relating to the Bi-Lateral arrangement between Waikato-Tainui and the Waikato District Council.In terms of my choice well it is and always will be in the best interests of Waikato-Tainui As my Iwi.The important factor for my family and I is knowing full well Waikato District Council will be held accountable and will be compliant to the Iwi as my thoughts are made clear in the Councils response that Option3 A Council Waters Company(CWC) is not the preferred option. as I read Comparing the options the benefits are significant.I would think it is important that the WDC consider making some sought of attempt to attend Waikato Tainui public forums to further explain these important points being very significant in allowing a better informed decision.UAGC - Uniform Annual General Charge.It’s only a natural assertion that the the below income earner and average ratepayer would select Option 3 Reduce the UAGC rate.Again the WDC states this is not the preferred option, again the user pays well below the costs as I see it.Tax the bigger money earners in the Commercial, industrial, Lifestyle as well as the Rural As you have already stated these groups get all the supportive advantages ie TAX write offs. Residential get nothing.Just as a side issue but something that may arise in the not to distant future.Te Awa walkway - Ngaruawahia - Hopuhopu - Taupiri - Huntly.Or Ngaruawahia via Hakarimata back Road to Huntly.</p>

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5	David	Hay	N/A	N/A			Option 1	Our company Roskill Properties Limited is a property owner and we write in that capacity we disagree with option to reducing the uniform annual Gen charge to \$351.96We would prefer to see the uniform annual Gen charge increased to a higher level than \$482.85 however as you only give us 2 options then we support option 1We would like to make the following points in support of our submission.1. Council recommending option to is trying to manipulate the system according to what Council believes is the ability of various ratepayers to pay. Property values do not necessarily reflect ability to pay. There are some very wealthy property owners in low value properties and many low value properties are also investment properties where the property owner is running a business. Some ratepayers in high value properties are retired and have low income.2. Rates based on property values is a tax rather than a charge for services were as a uniform annual general charge is to some degree a charge for services.3. 1 system of rating creates anomalies where as 2 different rating systems, one based on property values and the other a fixed charge does assist resolve anomalies.4. Property values to some extent are impacted by the level of service and amenities supplied by Council. The low value properties in Huntly West went up by more than 100%. Those property owners have had a significant increase in their personal wealth. And by Council's own reasoning and logic the ability of the owners of those low value properties to pay rates has increased to a greater extent. If the low value property is mortgaged to 50% in 100% increase in the value would increase the owners equity by 200%.5. Property owners pay the same price for a huge basket of goods regardless of the valuation of the property and to collect a reasonable portion of rates by way of a fixed uniform annual charge is fair and reasonable. Council should not be reducing its uniforms annual general charge to protect a particular class of the ratepayers.6. I have no idea whether we are personally better off with a high or low uniform annual general charge but there is a principal of collecting a reasonable portion of the total rates income by way of uniform annual Gen charges which Council should follow.
6	Carl	Ammon	N/A	N/A				As per the consultation advice I wish to elaborate on thefollowing:Three waters proposals. - there is no detail provided to show how the savings will accrue to various options. Given the status quo andoption 4 appear to be purely a structural separation exercise it is hard to see where the savings willaccrue.Universal general rate: equity the key factor in setting published c good leviesrates and taxes. The favoured proposal is intended to lower the total cost onrates and balance these with targeted user pays rates and fees. As this rate isfor general services used by most then a common rate level is fair. The rate system is already a wealth tax basedon asset values. Businesses are able to reduce tax by claiming expenses.Residents who own ( and indirectly if they rent) face the full cost so the system already so subsidises lower asset value property and businesses. Using rates to help the asset poor (andgenerally lower income earners) is not at all bad but tax and welfare measurescoupled with minimum wage changes arebetter tools and central government is the one best placed to do this. General Points: It is good that you have your ratingprocesses over time. Also noting capital works is good transparency. Mostcapital works have a long life cycle and their benefits are conveyed tosucccessive community members. A high level of borrowing should apply to reflectthe timeframes and also given the cost of debt this is attractive over short term cost recovery. Water quality needs urgent attention and it is good worksare projected. The house go level of spending on an old concretepillboxes x at raglan is unwarranted - a plaque would suffice. As other publicworks are of benefit to the widercommunity . For example walkways andcycle horse trails; footpaths near the highway seem a concern to many. The council needs to work with the regional council toaddress water quality issues in urbanand farming areas. Returning marginal land to reserves and native forestsshould be a priority as should riparian restoration. Some form of titletransferability may be way to compensate farmers as the costs may be prohibitivein some cases.
7	A G & FA	Stewart	Trustees of Arthur Stewart 2006 Trust	N/A	Lower Hutt	Option 3	Option 1	
8	R & JD	Te Puke & Hira	N/A	N/A	Gordonton	Option 1		
9	Raymund	O'Leary	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	I think Council team have done figures, well done.
10	Joy	Milne	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 1	Option 2	
11	David	Hardwick	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 1	Option 1	
12	William	Rennox	N/A	N/A	Puketaha	Option 1	Option 1	
13	Mayall	Farms Limited	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option	Option	

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14	Michelle	Clark	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 3	Option 2	
15	KK & ER	Comins	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
17	John	McCorquindale	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
18	Peter	Buckley	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	<p>Page 5 agree with your Community Outcomes and Goals for the Waikato District. On Sustaining our Environment i would like to see the Waikato District Council support organisations who want to look after the Environment. The Primary Stake Holders Trust are one such organisation who are developing a Catchment Management Plan for the Lake Waikare and Whangamarino Wetland which is being developed from the bottom up not from the top down. One of the main issues with Kio Carp is that keep they keep the sediment in suspension which in turns puts the phosphate in the waterways. I would like Waikato District Council support putting into the Waikato Regional Council Plan Change 1 Kio Carp into this plan. They are one of the main species that has a huge effect in this catchment and other catchments in your district too to the quality of the water. Kio Carp in time will start to have an effect on Waikato District Council's infrastructure that you have along streams, rivers, water takes etc.</p> <p>Page 6 the Management of Water, Wastewater and Stormwater, this is and issue that is dear to the heart of many. Waikato District Council needs to put into place at these sites what is practical to treat the water to a standard that meets the water quality in normal events but you will never meet the most extreme events that nature will send to you to the standard that is required. The cost to meet the most extreme event would just bankrupt the ratepayers of this district. Would support a small contribution from the general rate to help pay for these up grades. Page 11 Sub Regional Initiatives I don't support the increase in this from \$70,000 to \$110,000 as on page 8 in the Three Waters Management your prefered options is to have a Water Governance Board and not to go with Share Waters Management Company with Hamilton and Waipa Councils. I don't see this Initiative working because the Councils don't seem to want to work together on initiatives.</p> <p>Page 5 Regional Fuel Tax I don't support having a Regional Fuel Tax. On Page 9 the Waikato District Council wants to reduce the UAGC because of the burden to lower-value properties well all you will be doing is placing the burden back onto these lower-value properties because they need to use a car too. As there properties add in value they won't be able to afford to stay there so they move further out so they those people will pay more for there travel. These residents must probably cant apply for a GST return so they will be paying the 11.5 cents fuel tax. The 11.5 cent fuel tax is a tax on a tax, the Waikato District Council if it wants or needs a Regional Fuel Tax it should tell the government that they should take the GST off it.</p> <p>Waste Management and Minimisation certainly we need to minimise waste, recycling is one way but with China not accepting any more recycling from other countries this recycling will need processed here more. The Waikato District Council needs to support to minimise waste and clean at the source so it can be recycled so the companies like Oji Fibre Solutions can process them, so it doesn't get dumped in a landfill.</p> <p>Page 13 Building and Maintaining Infrastructure, support making sure the roading networks have resilience so in times of emergencies they can be used to get supplies and help the communities out. With the hand over the State highway handovers from NZTA, the towns that are being bypassed the NZTA should help to build resilience into these towns so they become vibrant.</p> <p>Page 14 Water Services, Agree that water should be treated to the highest standard pratical for above normal events is good but to make these treatment stations cope with extreme events isn't even practical and the costs would just blow your budgets to make the treatment stations comply with the standards in extreme events so Best Practical Options (BPO is in the RMA) is the way forward for these treatment stations.</p> <p>Parks and Facilities, these are important facilities for the community especially Libraries and Service centres. You see other Council's closing or reducing services in these areas but when I go into the libraries I see a lot of the community using them as a focal point to provide them with services and meet there friends.</p> <p>The Walkways that Waikato District Coucil has promoted like the Te Awa walkway is a real benefit to the community but I see Charities like Trust Waikato who has money to give to organisations who promote Health and Environmental issues should be taking a more leading role in funding these projects in supporting the community in getting these walkways.</p> <p>Page 19 Fees and Charges, you mention the costs because of the changes to the RMA. These reforms now have made it impossible for the average person to be able to apply for a resource consent because of the so called simplification of the RMA. The Waikato District Council should ask through LGNZ for a full review of the RMA so those costs can be reduced to those applying for a resource consent. The person applying for a resource consent needs to cross every t and dot every i and under the RMA reform it says that you have 10 days to turn it around and if you cant you pay a penalty so if All isn't there in the first place you cant accept it.</p>
19	Douglas	Mair	N/A	Mode Investments Ltd	HAMILTON	Option 3	Option 1	Thanks for the opportunity to have a say.

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20	Keith	Paterson	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 2	I own a house in Ngaruawahia. I have read the 'Our vision: Liveable, thriving and connected communities' booklet that was sent to me. In both cases, after having read the information, I agree with the council's preferred options. As a rate-payer, I would like to say that I appreciated the communication and the information that gets sent to me. I appreciate being informed.
21	Christihe	Goodin	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
22	Alex	Knight	N/A	N/A	Whakatane	Option 4	Option 2	
23	Peter	Longdill	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 1	
24	Dianne	Macdonnell	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
25	Katie	Mayes	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	
26	Natalie	McKenzie	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe		Option 2	I am not in favour of any of the 4 options offered above re 'Three Waters' Management: Paying external contractors and consultants to deliver water infrastructure services is expensive and a waste of ratepayer's money. The council could review their current remuneration strategy and talent attraction and retention strategy to attract and retain the required talent, and in doing so deliver raised levels of water infrastructure services without incurring expensive implementation costs associated with establishing a separate organisation or board. Really people! If the external contractors and consultants can find the staff to do the council's job then SURELY the council is able to do so by being a little smarter about how they go about the business of employing talent! Perhaps you want to employ a professional Talent Acquisition Business Partner, such as myself, to pull this together for you. May common sense prevail!
27	John	Christoffersen	N/A	N/A	Gordonton	Option 4	Option 2	
28	Bill	Mitchelmore	N/A	N/A				I received the LTP consultation document today and I noticed a recommendation to enter into an arrangement with Watercare and Waikato-Tainui to establish a governance board arrangement. I have 2 questions which I hope you can help me out with as follows: 1. Who prepared the \$28.3M forecast savings and is that party willing to enter into a risk sharing arrangement to provide confidence that the forecast is achievable; and, 2. What experience does WaterCare possess in the provision of stormwater management services. (I understand that they have resisted overtures from Auckland City to get involved in stormwater management in Auckland for a number of years.) As a general comment I think Waikato DC is wise to align itself with WaterCare for the closed access water and wastewater network services. However, I am not so sure about the value of bundling in stormwater at this stage.
29	Roger	Child	N/A	N/A	Morrinsville	Option 1	Option 1	
30	Alphonse Pantig &	Liberty Santos	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
31	Douglas Arthur	Saunders	N/A	N/A	Rotokauri	Option 4	Option 1	
32	Jeff	Hoskins	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	

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33	Ron	Gibson	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	In support of my views on your Long Term Plan I submit my letter as follows.You may as well ask why I don't submit views at one of your Hearings. I am not a public speaker and find I have more understanding of the topics when I can study them at my leisure and put my thoughts in writing; as I am sure many others do. I am not confident at speaking in public.As a pensioner I am understandably reluctant to see any increase in rates in any form what-soever. A proposed increase of nearly 10% is not on. The pension goes up by just the inflation rate every year and when this is my sole source of income (except for a miserly interest on my very meagre savings) any increase erodes my spending power and ability to maintain my living style. If rates increases continue at the current rate then there will come a time in the future when all of our pension will be required just to pay rates.If Council cannot budget to increase their spending by just the inflation rate each year then they are not fit to be running the finances. For goodness sake, you are raking in a substantial increase in the rates take each year with the surge in housing and the development of more land for housing plus you are charging ridiculous fees for permits etc. Maybe this is user pays which I will come to shortly regarding water rates. If you cannot afford to buy then you go without has been my philosophy for life and if Council adopted the same philosophy then we would all be better off.I shudder when I see any mention of a fuel tax to pay for services. I escaped from Auckland Supercity to get away from this idea. I no longer feel like doing a runner if this is the future in the Waikato District Council area. You mention that it is Council policy to apply a system of user pays. I am all for this and believe that every citizen should share the burden of rates. A citizen tax instead of rates would serve this purpose and the burden would be shared equally by all users. Another thing that annoys me to to be paying a tax (GST) on a tax (rates). The Government is taking 15% of our rates; how much are they returning? A better method would be to not pay GST on rates. The savings to the ratepayers would be immense and would also free up teams of shiny-arses to do something useful.Water rates is my final point of dissatisfaction. I am please that you are of the opinion that it should be user pays. A considerable proportion of my water usage (particularly during spring, summer and autumn) goes on the garden. Why am I, under your user pays policy, paying a waste water tax on this water. It is not going into your waste water system so I am being penalised for having a garden. I brought up this complaint when I was in the Auckland Super City and was met with a brick-wall. They were content to bury their heads in the sand and hope the challenge to their user pays policy would go away. Is the Waikato District Council no better than the Auckland Super City?Yours Faithfully, Ron Gibson
34	Michael & Olive	Cuthbert	N/A	N/A	Tuakau		Option 2	
35	Michael	Dickason	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 1	Option 1	
36	Vivian	Stoney	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
37	Tameana	Puhi	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 2	
38	Bruce	Anderson	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
39	Crystal	Lange	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 1	Consultation document not sent to all rate payers.Council applied bias by only showing impacts (pg 21) for the councils own preferred options.Council has used flawed logic when assuming low property values equals low income and does not consider that other property owners may be at maximum debt level which puts them in the same position
40	Meri	Anania	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 3	Option 3	
41	Anthony Cameron	Williams	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	Get Huntly cleaned up. Citycare not doing job. Stop crime / reduce at least.
42	A	Hughston	N/A	N/A	Waiuku	Option 4	Option 2	
43	J P Janse van	Vuuren	N/A	N/A	Whatawhata	Option 2	Option 2	
44	Tracey	Smith	N/A	N/A	Te Puke	Option 4	Option 3	
45	Ryan	Hamilton	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	
46	Freda	Stead	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	

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47	Shane and Donna	Lovell	N/A	N/A				We would like to put forward a submission regarding the Rural Environmental Enhancement Overlay Area. Our Vision is to make this area a thriving, liveable community by releasing land that is no longer economically viable but would be beneficial to the wider community and council to make the land sub dividable. Benefits to allowing country side living in the EEOA • By doing this on uneconomical blocks i.e. - under 10 hectares this will protect the larger blocks of land for cropping, beef, sheep and dairy. • Residents and ratepayers will get value for money with the development of this uneconomic land as there will be no development costs to the council but increased financial revenue with firstly the council contribution for subdivision and then on going rates revenue. • This will benefit the local economies of Tuakau and Pukekohe with the creation of extra jobs and opportunities with the building of new housing. This will support existing industry and the community retailers as the new residents will shop locally, an ongoing benefit to the whole wider community. • Location between Hamilton and Auckland for work, close to the motorway access points i.e., Beaver Road and Bombay on ramps as well as being accessible to the train routes from Pukekohe. • Our local education sector will benefit by bringing in new younger families to the primary schools, at this point in time the local schools are only filled because of out of zone children. Our proposal is to allow blocks in the EEOA area under the size of 10 Hectares the right to sub divide with the benefits above being maximised as stated for the council and wider community.
48	John	Marcon	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata			I wish to comment on two particular proposals for Te Kauwhata. 1. Te Kauwhata has currently no designated off-road walkways. There is an urgent need for them in part due to the increasing number of families living in our town which is growing by at least 200 homes per year. Most public streets are serving as walk and scooter, trike and cycleways by children of all ages. Our street, Ribbonwood Close and its access street, Blunt Road are highways for lots of children for whom the only other option is the playground at the Village Green and which is not set up for wheeled transport. While all local residents take great care when driving the risk of hitting a child remains unacceptably high. With many retired people also on the move the lack of walkways seriously restricts options for recreational off-road walking. Suggestion: Bring forward the planned walkways project to 2019 with completion date 2022. 2. Te Kauwhata has only one children's playground (at the Village Green) which while reasonable is poorly placed for the children/parents who live on the northern side of Waerenga Road where considerable development has taken place. A playground on the last section for sale in Ribbonwood Close would serve the children of at least four streets and in particular make them much less of a hazard than is currently the case. The Council be free to re-sell the section should become surplus to community needs.
49	Donald & Ann	Doran	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
50	Keith	Houston	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 1	
51	Dave	Aspey	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
52	Peter Robert	Mooney	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 1	
53	Sara	Tompsett	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 3	Option 3	
54	Tony	Keyte	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 2	Option 2	
55	W J van der	Vegte	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe	Option 4	Option 2	
56	S & G	Muthukumaraswamy	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
57	Wayne	Gratton	N/A	N/A	Otaki	Option 3		

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58	Hirendra	Singh	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>The user pay policy is extremely high and puts undue pressure onto what was a once affordable place to live. Pokeno resident who own a home with a CV of approximately \$550,000 are paying almost \$4000 in rates per year ( roughly \$3300 in district council rates and \$500 is regional council rates). This is extremely high compared to Auckland Council rates where a property valued at \$1.2 million would be paying \$3300 in rates. The same services being supplied by both councils. The information provided by the council is insufficient for rate payers to a decision. The council has provided a graph on page 6 of the proposal, this graph does not give the rate payer enough information to see how each rateable item (Water, Wastewater and Stormwater) will be impact, rather grouping these together. Also what is considered to be an average household by the council? this should be appended to the graph to provide term a reference to allow ratepayers to see where they sit. The forecasted rates increase for the three waters would see an average household(2 adult 2 kids, in a 3 bedroom house with a CV of \$550,000) paying an average of \$158.33. I am sure the council has forcasted the water rates for the next 10 years, the concil should release this information in a simple bar chart progression based on an example of the council definition of an average household.UAGC. The council foresighting of population growth has been poor at best and in my opinion will be poor going forward. The council seems to be implementing bandaid solutions to issues. Rather than implementing processing to aid growth bring more people into the waikato, increase rateable income and reduce the burden on each ratepayer in the process.Lets take Pokeno, the council expects the population to increase more significantly over the next 10 years com[ared to most surrounding regions. However according to to 30 year plan the council has the expected start of construction of the reservoir and network upgrades will not begin until 2021-2025 the is half way through the expect population boost. population would be at over 6000 at this point. The network currently has failed on several occassion with blocked pipe and burst pipe. what is the concil plan of futuing proofing infrastructure?Another issue is the concil plans of commuter traffic, looking at decision and implementation in 2042-2048. By this time the problem would become out of control and potentially attempted to be fixed with a bandaid solution. Park-n-Ride facilitiees and public transport solution should be at the top for growing developments such as Pokeno. Council is aware that the majority of resident commute to Auckland and hamiltion for work, however are they aware of the current commute times and choke points. Traffic to Auckland builds up at RamaRama. Within 5 years with increase development in Pokeno and surroudning areas it will be nearing Bombay or possible down the hill. Take a drive on a sunday afternoon on toward auckland and you will experience a taste of what is to come for north waikato ratepayers. Transport solution for 2042 is not acceptable, if the council expects ratepayers to be pay extremely high rates then take action. There are solution such as tolling or value added transport solution. Examples have a company pay for the infrastructure and give them tolling right till a certain date to recoup cost and interest. Have a transport company establish a bus service to Pukekohe trainstation like park n ride service. This would employ staff reduce vehicle traffic, carbon emission and improve transport system. 2042 is too late ACT NOW, rather than putting band aid solutions Pokeno does not have a library, However is a library needed, look at the future of learning everything is moving electronic. The concil cant even keep the town hall in good working condition how can it expect to run a library. If the council needs to invest in a library invest a bus that can reach several community not a stationary buidling that will be run down like the Pokeno Hall..The kerbside reserves and roadside garden are neglected and there has been a huge failure in maintaing these garden which will result in replacement cost or potentially ignoring the issue as the concil has down over the years.Has the concil polled the north waikato ratepayers in the past 3 years to see why there has been a increase in houses on the market is this due to the factors mentioned above or other reasons. Are north waikato ratepayers going to have to set aside 10% of annual income in the next 10 years to fund increase costs in the community. Has the concil considered amalgamation with the surrounding concil to remove middle management and costs?Has the council considered removing pokeno from the waikato district and moving it into the auckland district.Show me a road map of what the council believes needs to occur. At the moment i cannot see a vision. There needs to be change in the way the council operates. I believe there is a waste of money and resources by the council. I want to see transparency over where the target rates are actually being allocated. If target areas are being used for the benefit of other regions, than the target rates should be removed and general rates increased and balanced out across all waikato.</p>
59	kerryann	Bouzaid	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
60	Philip	Steel	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
61	Kevin	Blithe	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 2	
62	Peter & Annette	Hill	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
63	Philip	Plimmer	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 3	Option 1	

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64	S Twamley &	M Cribb	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	
65	Linda	Joyce	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
66	PA Honiss Property	Trust	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
67	Lesley	Smith	N/A	N/A	Waiuku	Option 4	Option 2	
69	Batters Plantation Farm Trust	Batters Plantation Farm Trust	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
70	Jamie-Lee	Caldwell	N/A	N/A	Tauranga	Option 4	Option 2	
71	E	Walles	N/A	N/A	Waiuku	Option 4	Option 1	
72	M	Denness	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
73	DR	Porter	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
74	Anderson	Mark	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 4	Option 1	
75	Graeme John	Carmichael	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
76	Beverley	Young	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
77	Giuseppe Jo	Grilli	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
78	Linton	Smith	N/A	N/A	Waiuku	Option 4	Option 2	
79	Ron	Goodwin	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 2	
80	Christopher	Els	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 1	
81	Blachin	Family	N/A	N/A	Pokeno		Option 1	Waters management: N/A Tank water & septic.
82	Merren	Tait	N/A	N/A	Raglan		Option 2	
83	D.R	Tairakena	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 2	Option 2	
84	Angela	Buchanan	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
85	Coral & Steven	Timmins	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	I dont want t o see a council service centre & library in Pokeno. We have online access to most services & an office & library 8km away in Tuakau. If you are going to build something new in Pokeno build an arts centre with/or a theatre to bring new activities into Pokeno & more residents to use it. Also good for tourist & weekend visitors.
86	The Order of St John Central Region	Trust Board	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
87	Michael	Lynch	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 2	Option 1	
88	Alistar & Sarah	Ellesmere	N/A	N/A	Morrinsville	Option 4	Option 2	



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89	Anthony	Clark	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 2	Option 1	
90	Andy	Heath	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
91	Blizzard	Family Trust	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 1	Option 2	
92	Murray	Pritchard	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
93	Xiaolin	Wang	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 4	Option 1	
94	Jeffery Clendon	Elden Bernett	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
95	C	Armstrong	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
96	BA	Callaghan	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
97	Gareth	Wigmore	N/A	N/A	Otaua	Option 1	Option 1	
98	John	Schumacher	N/A	N/A	Mangatahiri	Option 2	Option 2	
99	Church	Family	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 2	
100	LR	Tupuhi	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
101	Keith	Simon	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
102	Graham	Christiansen	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
103	Neville	Meredith	N/A	N/A	Maramarua	Option 4	Option 2	
104	G	Peters	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 3	
105	BL & JJ	Cox	N/A	N/A	Waiuku	Option 4	Option 2	
106	Brian D	Palmer	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 1	Option 2	
107	Ian	Rumble	N/A	N/A	Te Kowhai	Option 4	Option 2	
108	Geoff	Wheal	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 2	
109	RA	Coupe	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 3	Option 1	
110	KJ & FP	Anderson	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	
111	Ying-Peng	Yu	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
112	Onewhero Golf	Club Inc.	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
113	Yvette	Viljoen	N/A	N/A	Bombay RD 1	Option 4	Option 2	
114	Ronan	Isip	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 3	Option 2	

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115	Chung-Lin	Wung	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	
116	Mark	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
117	JL	Kelly	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
118	John	Herron	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 1	
119	K	Edwards	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia RD 2	Option 4	Option 2	
120	P	Rupapere	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
121	David	Wells	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	
122	David	Owen	David & Tessa Owen	N/A	Te Kauwhata RD 2	Option 4	Option 2	
123	Megan	Wood	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
124	Anthony	Lea	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia RD 1	Option 4	Option 3	
125	Natasha	Bridgeman	N/A	N/A	Drury	Option 4	Option 2	
126	Francine	Benefield	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 1	
127	Pippa Bemy	Cope	N/A	N/A	Tauwhare	Option 2	Option 1	
128	Beaman	Family	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 1	
129	John	Hope	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe RD 3	Option 1	Option 1	
130	Merlene	Walker	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe	Option 4	Option 3	
131	Bernard	Carey	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
133	Marty	Kampman	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia RD 1	Option 4	Option 3	
134	Donna	Horton	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
135	Michael	Gilchrist	Michael & Pauline Gilchrist	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 3	
136	RL	Grey Limited	N/A	N/A	Tuakau RD 5	Option 1	Option 2	
137	Jenna	Hoverd	N/A	N/A	Taupiri RD 1	Option 2	Option 2	
138	R	Edwards	RG & SL Edwards	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
139	Andrew Karl	Du Fresne	N/A	N/A	Tuakau RD 5	Option 4	Option 2	
140	John	Whitmore	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 1	

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141	Maurice	O'Connor	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 3	
142	Chantal	Grut	N/A	N/A	Huntly RD 1	Option 1	Option 1	
143	Ross	Grut	N/A	N/A	Huntly RD 1	Option 1	Option 1	
144	David	Lang	D&J Lang	N/A	Hamiltin RD 4	Option 4	Option 2	
145	Kevin Peter	Taylor	K&J Taylor	N/A	Tamahere	Option 3	Option 3	
146	Aaron	Green	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	
147	Steve	Moulden	Steve & Sheryl Moulden	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
148	John Sayno	Astadan	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 2	
149	Dennis	Wells	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
150	Raewyn	Quaid	Raewyn & Michael Quaid	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	
151	Shane	Thomson	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 3	Option 2	
152	Nathan	Walker	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 3	
153	Milton John	Hope	N/A	N/A	Tuakau RD 5	Option 3	Option 3	
154	Jesse	Stone	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2		
155	Cassandra	Wilson	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
156	George	Santorik	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 3	
157	Michael Richard	Oehley	N/A	N/A	Hamilton RD 8	Option 2	Option 2	
158	Ross	McLean	N/A	N/A	Mercer	Option 2	Option 3	
159	John	Coleman	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 2	Look after the locals this town isn't cheap to live in!
160	M.E.	Kihi	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
161	Ian (Clive)	Wilson	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
162	Guest	User	N/A	N/A		Option 3	Option 1	
163	Mike	Keir	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 3	Option 2	
164	Tony	Peart	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
165	Jasbir	Singh	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 3	Thanks

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166	Trena	Marshall	N/A	N/A	Waikato	Option 4	Option 2	I have a point to make about 'Key Council Projects in Your Area'. It states that 2020-22 it is planned to restore the Raglan pillboxes at a cost of \$161,000. It is my view that this is an utter waste of money, for the following reasons:1. Any restored pillbox will be covered in graffiti within a week and littered with broken bottles.2. In this day and age when historical buildings can be photographed, even videoed, why not gather a collection of photographs of the pillboxes throughout the years and display this collection in the Raglan Museum? An accompanying site map can locate the pillboxes for people. This would be a great project for the \$1 million museum!In this way, council can save \$161,000 and put it toward a classy walkway and cycleway to the sea from Raglan township instead of the weedy, Gap 20 metalled walkway we have at present. Much more useful and it will be enjoyed by a lot of people for many, many years.
167	Barry & Anne	Chappell	N/A	N/A	Waiuku			We are on the periphery of Waikato Council's area and do not benefit in any way from this targeted rate so therefore we do not support this proposal. Also, please advise and justify your rating of our property on the basis of our location and what is provided by the Waikato Council for us. Where is our library? Where is our community centre? Where is our swimming pool? Where is our inorganic/ refuse & recycling centre/ collection. Please note: we pay privately for a weekly rubbish service. Please have someone contact us to discuss the above and give consideration to either provide a voucher system for nearby Waiuku or a rate rebate. Will consider your response before engendering support from neighbours.
168	Michael	Becker	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	What confidence can we have in the projected costs and savings mentioned in the consultation document as associated with the various options? Is this an estimate from Council staff or external accountants?
169	David	Packer	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	There is a danger that the new organisation does not deliver the stated savings. This will require competent Governance and an understanding of risk and who wears that risk.I am concerned by the statement that the 'Board would control all the operations and service delivery'. A Board should set the policy and govern and ensure that the organisation set up controls the operations and delivery of service. There appears to be a confusion of roles here.There is also a danger a separate Board gets too remote from the Council and the benefits are lost. I would favour this being managed by a Management Committee of the Council made up of the CEO, CFO, Chief Engineer and an IWI representative with the CEO responsible to the Council.While I can see some merit of user pays with refuse collection the stickers are just an additional rate. This appears also to lead to some trying to avoid the cost. We have 2 immediate neighbours to the north of us who burn rubbish in 200 litre drums including plastic to reduce what they have to put out causing air pollution.The danger with a Regional fuel tax is that it is just another form of rates and we see rates go up overall. I would rather the Council focused on improving efficiency.There has been a considerable sum I believe to the Council from development in the Tamahere region. It is not obvious how much of this has been spent in this region. It would be good to have some walkways/ cycleways in the area as biking on the busy narrow roads is not safe. A cycleway to Hamilton city would encourage more cycling in the area for a healthier lifestyle
170	Daniel	Brookes	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	i refer you to page 14 and 19 of the long term plan 2018-28 consultation document. pensioner rent to be raised from \$130 to \$156 per week. these people have spent their lives paying rates and taxes contibuting to the infrastructure that we are now paying for over and over again. any council that seeks to burden a pensioner has no integrity. i do not object to paying rates however the current (and predicted) level is to high for low income earners.
171	Peter	Tancock	N/A	N/A	Hamilton			Submission to the Long Term Plan. 2018 - 2028.Change of regulations for Sub DivisionIn the Wakaito District Council area of Tauwhare and others to a Residential classification.* The present Government has put a high priority on the building of thousands of residential buildings, through out the country in order to cope with the acute shortage of community houses available.* Land available for this purpose has its present building regulation re classified to Residential Status. District Councils have been encouraged to do so by the present Government.* In the Waikato Regional area neighbouring Districts, bordering WDC have changed or considering change, the status to Residential in order to increase allowances for more houses to be built in the community providing accommodation for this demand.* The village of Tauwhare, is a very sort after area. New housing estates have been sold quickly. Older houses entering the market sell quickly. There are families demanding houses in this area.* Resource Consent for Sub Division in the area at present is behind the times, which prevents new houses being built.* The size of ground area demanded for Sub Division of houses varies considerably.* I submit that the Resource Consent amend classification for the Tauwhare and other similar area, to that of Residential and DECREASING the area demanded as at present, freeing up much needed land as directed by Government * It is imperative early action on this submission be given, in order to achieve similarity to actions of neighbouring District and City Councils.Thank you.
172	Ann	Cooper	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
173	Gabrielle	Bisschops	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 1	
174	Ronel	Jacobs	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	None

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175	PJ	Jacobs	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	
176	Catherine	Breeuwer	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
177	Sheena	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	
178	Denis & Jennie	Pizer	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
179	Chris	Highet	CIA Highet Childrens Trust	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
180	Chris	Highet	N/A	Whaingaroa Properties	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
181	David	Rix	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
182	Mason	Hoeta	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
183	David	Kraakman	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
184	B	Gray	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 3	
185	Marinus	Vink	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
186	Hayley	Sherrard	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 2	
187	Rosser	Thornley	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	As well as the two issues you have asked for feedback, I would like to express my concern at a general rate rise of 6.24%. In my view this should be no more than CPI for 2018/19. Council should ask officers to resubmit their plans based on this CPI % with a consequent reduction in rates income. And similarly, projections for 2019/20 and outer years should use the CPI % assumed for that year.
188	Sandra	Shields	N/A	Huntly Residents and Ratepayers Association	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
189	Angela and Charles	Wedding	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
190	J & M	Wieczorek	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 2	Option 1	
191	Brent	Smith	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
192	Glenn	Hansson	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
193	Robert	Hart	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
194	Francis	Laurie	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 3	
195	D & R	O'Hagan	N/A	N/A	Hamilton		Option 1	
196	D & A	Barnes	N/A	N/A	Hamilton		Option 1	
197	Kevin	Allum	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	

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198	A & J	Hawes	N/A	N/A	Wellington	Option 2	Option 1	
199	C	Sullivan	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	
200	Mark	Vincett	N/A	N/A	Whatawhata	Option 3	Option 3	
201	Natasha	McGowan	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 1	
202	John	Duxfield	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
203	J	Lewis	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
204	John	Ryan	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
205	Michael Richard	Oehley	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	
206	David	Mann	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
207	Pamela	Long	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
208	Heather	Parker	N/A	N/A	Horotiu	Option 4	Option 2	
209	Cyril	Olsen	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
210	Xiao (Kimi)	Wang	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 4	Option 2	
211	Michael John	Walsh	Michael John & Frances Antoinette Walsh	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
212	Barbara	Hagan	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
213	Bruce	Tresidder	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
214	Kieran	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
215	John	Smithells	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
216	Carolyn	Crisp	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe	Option 4	Option 2	
217	Margaret	Hewlett	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2		
218	Stephen and Louise	Lauer	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
219	Lawrence John	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 2	Option 1	
220	Craig	Armstrong	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	
221	Adrian	Van Weerden	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
222	Jocelyn Conlon	Pecekajus	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 3	

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223	Christopher John	Brown	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
224	Hamayoon	Khan	N/A	N/A	Meremere	Option 4	Option 3	
225	Grahame	Sattrup	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
226	Leah	Duxfield	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
227	Lee	Weller	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
228	Aaron	Wolfe	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
229	Dennis	McKay	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 2	Option 3	
230	Tibor	Kiss	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
231	CH & SE	Jackson	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 3	
232	L	McFetridge	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 1	Option 2	
233	Limited	LYJ Trustee	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
234	R & A	Tilsley	N/A	N/A	Onewhero	Option 3	Option 2	
235	K	Bishop	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
236	Robert William	Jefferis	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
237	Hugh	Bolton	Hugh & Natasha Bolton	N/A	Rangiriri	Option 4	Option 2	
238	Craig	Scott	Craig & Kylie Scott	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
239	Maria	Lulu	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 2	
240	Bilyana	Podrumac	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
241	Anonymous	Anonymous	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
242	Fraser	Wilson	N/A	N/A	Rotorua	Option 4	Option 2	
243	T	Welch	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
244	Anonymous	Anonymous	N/A	N/A		Option 1		It will make no difference what people vote you do as you like. You are like the [illegible] you will finally get it [illegible] your own.

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245	Carole	Chambers	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	I have never in my life known of a 6.9% increase in Council fees. It is absolutely unbelievable. Please reduce your staff instead of increasing it (pg11) and put in a days work like we did in our time; not extra staff for questionnaires; no "did we do well with service" over the telephone; no extra money for anything other than basics; developers pay for services to cover industrial growth, more population. As you say on your Long Term Plan pg5 No.4 "Do more within existing budgets". The UAGC charge for Lifestyle, Rural and Residential should show some difference, but in the former 2 they can still live there so should be rated higher. Transport (Tuakau Buses) - We used to be able to shelter from wind and rain under a small overhang both at the library and at the hotel, until the route was changed. Now on St Stephens Ave behind the butchers shop we get drenched and remain wet for 10:30 until the bus returns from Pukekohe after 3pm.
246	Ritchie David	MacPherson	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
247	Elizabeth	MacIntosh	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
248	Julie	Clark	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	Council DevelopmentI have lived here 1.5 having chosen Te Kauwhata has a growth area yet affordable. I am aware the water infrastructure is a number 1 priority however the number of houses springing up fast is not coinciding quickly enough with linked pathways. The Long Term Plan lists walkways to 2022-2028 this is way to far out considering the housing about to be built at the end of Eccles, on Swan Road, on Travers to Wayside. The walkways ought to be part of the subdivision requirements at the start at the portions that they are building on. If you want growth and people, families to stay this resource need to go in sooner than later ie. by 2022 not 2028. The planting can be community involvement including fundraising providing the money goes directly to it. The bigger plans for walkways around lakes could wait but walkways in town linking to Travers Rd and the perimeter needs to happen as soon as possible.
249	John Kenneth	Bennetts	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 1	Option 1	
250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	We object to Huntly ratepayers having an increase of 11.4%, Huntly ratepayers are effectively subsidising the remainder of the District.We object to WDC's cavalier attitude regarding the War Memorial Hall, either fix it or replace it with new, DO NOT sit on it and do nothing until it deteriorates as you seem to want it to do.We object to Huntly's only project being \$600k on the Resource Recovery Centre, this is not just for Huntly, it is used district wide, therefore Huntly only receives a small portion of benefit.As a township, Huntly is looking rather untidy, it seems that less money and time is being spent on Huntly maintenanceWe object to the removal of many rubbish bins from Huntly Domain, now rubbish is being dumped close to where the bins were, creating smells and eyesoreWe object to paying for our water, many major cities do not have meters, we know this is also a lead in to wastewater charging on water usageWe object to the Huntly water quality, it is barely fit for consumption at times
251	Rodney Phillip	Vercoe	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe	Option 4	Option 1	
252	Limited	Ohana Ventures	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 2	
253	Sharon	Simpson	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 1	
254	Paul	Simpson	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 1	
255	Garry	Taylor	Garry & Cheryl Taylor	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	
256	Piriwhariki	Tahapeehi	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 1	
257	Jacqueline Margaret	Aislabie	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 2	
258	Michael John	Ross	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2		
259	Geoffrey Charles	Whitfield	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	
260	Victor Morrison	Puncheon	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	



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261	Annette	Armstrong	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
262	Geoffrey Scott	Torr	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
263	Samantha Joanne	Abbott	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
264	Depei	Bai	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 1	Option 3	
265	Alvae Mary	Picot	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
266	Timothy	Orlando-Reep	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
267	Bevan Philip	Bailey	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
268	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	N/A	Hamitlon	Option 4	Option 2	
269	Michael	Draper	N/A	Resident	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
270	Wendy Delwyn	Coxell	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	
271	Michael	Draper	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
272	Michael	Draper	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
273	Michael	Draper	N/A	Quinn Haven Investments	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	This form is not friendly for owners of multiple properties also the submission asks for postal address then does not accept Post Box as a postal address.Aonther fault is the page numbers for the submission do not correspond with area your wanting us to vote on
274	Ross David	Bones	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 1	Option 1	
275	Anthony	Beanland	Anthony & Carol Beanland	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
276	Zane Wairehu	Hohua	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 3	Option 2	
277	Mana	Toka	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
278	Craig	Moffitt	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
279	Edna	Townsend	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
280	Thelma	Tyler	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
281	Eileen	Lloyd	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
282	Heather	Huxtable	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
283	Myra	McFetridge	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
284	Shirley	Lavis	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
285	Ron and Shirley	Farrar	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.

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286	Wayne	Stewart	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
287	Ian	Bettison	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
288	Duncan	Gillies	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
289	David	Combe	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
290	Graham	Simpson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
291	Willemien	Wennekers	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
292	Shirley	Farrar	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use. Too much time and money wasted by WDC to help Huntly Ratepayers and Community to get anything up and done to help Huntly revive. Town looks unkempt! Huntly subsidising all other towns in the district. Nothing being done for Huntly.
293	Mary	Robinson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
294	Gary	Robinson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
295	Edna	Alder	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
296	William	Walker	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
297	Dawn	Walker	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
298	Prue	Clifford	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
299	Huntly Linedancing	Club	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
300	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
301	Graham Gunn	Builder	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
302	Annabelle	Leaf	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
303	Bryce	Mounsey	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
304	Bryan	Morris	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
305	Andrew	Inglis	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
306	Victoria	Kemp	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
307	Ray	Lloyd	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
308	Greg	McCutchan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
309	Love	Rhind	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 3	

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310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	N/A	Tuakau			Dear Councillors, We commend you on the work done so far for the betterment of our great Waikato District. The people of Tuakau are rite behind your efforts to develop the town & surrounding districts for the benefit of all. This must be done in such a way as to benefit & protect all of the facets of this plan relating to different & sometimes competing wishes of the residents & land owners. The points that we wish to address are: Reverse sensitivity with placement of Residential Developments alongside Industrial Developments. The importance of protecting the financial base that is expected to fund development of the Waikato District. The importance of protecting the transport links by road & rail from the outlying Farms & Industry alike. The arterial roading link to Auckland, Hamilton & Tauranga are critical to our district. Access to the Southern Motorway needs to be improved & protected. Tuakau needs further development of basic infrastructure in order to be able to absorb the spill over effect of new residents wishing to settle in the town. The importance of good, common sense planning that is realistic & based on the pretext of "How Can We Help You, rather than How Can We Hinder You". The development of quality residential zones that create a climate suitable for residents to want to make Tuakau their long term home. The development of quality Parks & Reserves including the use of the Waikato River for such activities as the re-establishment of the Tuakau Water/Jet-ski Club with facilities that will attract both locals & visitors to e.g.: a River Edge Tourism Centre with café & sporting facilities. The re-establishment of our Tuakau Rail Station & supporting links to the outlying areas. This requires support & action, not just political talk between other affected agencies. WDC, WRC, Trans-Rail, Kiwi Rail, ATEED & Central Government. The development of the long awaited Cycleway/Walkway from Buckland to Tuakau to Alexander Redoubt then to the River. This would then link up with the Cycleway that heads South & East in line with the Governments National Cycleway.
311	Greg	Rzesniowiecki	N/A	N/A				See attachment.
312	Phil	Journeaux	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2		I am writing in submission on the LTP consultation document recently sent out to ratepayers. It discusses the various rate and service fee increases proposed but seems to miss out a central tennent, namely justification as to why rates should be rising at all. The document notes that rates will rise by ^.24% in 2018/19. The question is why? Average inflation, as measures by the CPI over the last 4 calendar years is 0.9%, and 1.6% over calendar 2017. So the proposed rise is 7 times the average, or 4 times last year. The table of the proposed rate increases show a 36% increase over the 10 year period, which is actually a 42% increase as the rate increases will compound on each year. So, assuming inflation averages 1.5%/year, it means rates will increase over this period by around 2.5-3 times the level of inflation - reinforcing the fact that local government costs are a major driver of domestic inflation. So the question remains - what justification does the council have to determine such increases. The document talks about a rise in asset depreciation costs of \$1.2 million, which equates to 1.6% of the 2016/17 rate take. This is the only figure quoted. So it is difficult to determine how real the 6.24% is, especially as many depreciation costs relate to specific assets which should be funded by targeted rates, not by the general rate. Given that Council services haven't either increased or improved, ratepayers would be very interested in the justification for such significant increases. Issues raised in the consultation document1. Water Management: "Three Waters"Given the paucity of information provided, it is difficult to discern which option may be best. While the figures are provided as to estimated savings, the council record over many years on estimates of savings, or costs, is abysmal, so they can be safely ignored. The document indicates that the various rate increases on water supply, waste water and storm water are all well in excess of inflation over the next 10 years (again), so where exactly are these savings being made. If there are savings of \$20-28 million from the various options, why are rates increasing?The main requirement is to endeavour to provide a degree of efficiency in the supply of such services. None of the option indicate much in this area. I am opposed to the idea of a Council Water Company (option 3), and a Council-appointed Water Board (Option 4). Water services are already a monopoly, so distancing them further from ratepayer sanction will not improve efficiency. So by default, I would support Option 2, a Shared Waters Management Company, mainly on the basis it is the least worst option. 2. Uniform Annual General ChargeI am a supporter of such charges; everyone benefits from the various services provided, so should pay equally. In this respect therefore I oppose the idea that the UAGC be reduced (Option 2). I don't actually support Option 1 in the sense of the UAGC increasing; the preferred option would be to keep the UAGC at its current level. If the UAGC is to increase to \$482.85, this represents an increase of 6.24%. So I would not support Option 1 on the basis if the UAGC increases, then the general rate does not have to. This would also have a greater beneficial effect for lower income householders. I see the Refuse targeted rate is to increase by 22% in 2017/18. While I generally favour targeted rates, I find some irony in the increase. When the \$1.50 stickers were introduced (12 months ago?) it was on the basis of the previous targeted rate decreasing. So within 12 months that promise has proved worthless, as per the earlier comment about the estimated reduction in water services costs. As an aside I note that the Council made a surplus of \$28.9 million in 2015/16, and \$21.5 million in 2016/17, so why the desperate need to increase rates several times above the rate of inflation?
313	Brett John	Lange	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 1	
314	Limited	Starhaven Farms	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option	Option	

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315	Hema Wiriamu	Wara	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 3	
316	Cheryl Anne	Davis	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4		
317	Robert Martin	Fogarty	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 2	Option 2	
318	Robert Havelock	Speedy	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
319	Paul Bevan	Smith	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 1	
320	Liam Phillip	Lawrence	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	
321	Tania Deborah	Sangster	N/A	N/A	Waiuku	Option 2	Option 3	
322	Claire	Mathis-Wharepapa	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
323	Christopher Jackson	Ebdane	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
324	Rebecca Sylvia	Eivers	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	
325	Robyn Anne	Laurensen	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 2	
326	Martyn Charles	Sing	N/A	N/A	Morrinsville	Option 4	Option 1	
327	Norris Murray	Peart	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
328	Pareoranga	Te Kata	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 3	
329	Limited	CW Property Holdings	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
330	Limited	Wainui Management	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
331	Andrew Irvine	White	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
332	Timothy Carl	Gillott	Timothy Carl and Maria Rebecca Gillott	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
333	T	Brown	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata			How can rateable farm values increase when farmers find year by year profitability is declining! Your pamphlet 'liveable thriving connected communities' seemly does not include farmers! As an example why not ask yourselves where and why have all the dairy farmers gone the last 40-50 years? Why do they milk ever increasing herd numbers mostly sequencing merging a neighbours property, sheep and beef farmers similar?Because of the economic charade politicians, economists and councillors persist in we have the most socially and environmentally damaging source of stupidity one could ever envisage. This accusation of 'farmer tampering' is endorsed by none other than our creator. Proverbs 13v23 says, "A poor mans farm may have good soil, but injustice robs him of its riches"! It is the only occupation so described in the Bible!
334	Terrence Johan	Buyn	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 1	
335	Rochelle Kay	Fern	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	

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336	Marie Therese	Chester	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
337	Sheik	Riyaz	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
338	John Lale	Stapleford	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 2	Option 2	
339	John Lale	Stapleford	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 2	Option 2	
340	David Richard	Birchall	David Richard & Katrina Diane	N/A	Ohinewai	Option 4	Option 2	
341	Susan Johnne	Tuivaga	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
342	William	Redman-White	N/A	N/A	Te Kowhai	Option 2		
343	Margaret Isobel	Spencer	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 2	
344	Deane Joseph	Morris	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 1	Option 1	
345	Katherine Anne	McNamara	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 2	
346	Rhonda Anne	Holland	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
347	Leanne Shirley	Doggett	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 1	
348	Sean Allistair	Irvine	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 1	Option 1	
349	Clive	Jennings	C&J Jennings	N/A	Waiuku	Option 1	Option 1	
350	Kerrie-Anne	Bourke	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
351	Barry John	Bourke	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
352	Sheila	Abraham	N/A	The Abrahams Family Trust	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
353	John	Neill	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 4	Option 2	
354	Bruce	Horrox	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 1	
355	Jan	van Zyl	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	Council members are employed to look after our rate payers, and its their job to keep our cost low with best benefits. Our rates and taxes is increasing all the time and we don't see improvements coming soon. My rates amount too \$3850 a year, this is a lot more than what was expected to move out of Auckland be able to get into the housing market. What really makes me angry, is the fact that council representatives came with a smile on their faces to tell us we will be charged more and we can do nothing about it. Then he had the cheek to say we need to find someone, who can on our behalves 'charm the council' to reduce our rates.Went in to the Waikato office in Tuakau, all over the walls the first thing you see is singes that say 'KEEP CALM', 'DON'T LOOSE YOUR TEMPER' and 'DON'T SAY THINGS YOU DON'T MEAN'WHAT A LOTE OF BULL SHIT, as you walk in you know you and your morals will be tested to the up most and there is nothing you can do about. Is this what you have study to be an council employee, how increase the public's taxes and how irritate them to the at most?No respect for any council worker!!!
356	Sally	Lee	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 1	
357	Larney	Mclean	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 3	

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358	Donna	Rawlings	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
359	John	Roszak	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
360	Tangi	Mouroa	N/A	N/A	Huntly 3700	Option 4	Option 3	
361	R&E	Thesiger	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
362	Anonymous	Anonymous	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 3	
363	Teresa	Bettison	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 2	
364	Michael	O'Neil	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
365	Anonymous	Lovell	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 3	
366	Nicola	Harris	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
367	Moir	Coll	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 3	Option 2	A company structure is more accountable for costs and could charge capital contributions itself, rather than DC's.
368	Fred and Janice	Mead	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	
369	Sharon	Mackie	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
370	Natasha and Michael	Devenie	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
371	Bronwen	Simmonds	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
372	M & K	Eddy	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
373	Sarah & Daniel	Kull	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	
374	Raewyn	Johnston	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
375	A	Goodall	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
376	J	McNamara	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
377	Roseanne	McNamara	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.
378	Kevin	Gaskill	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 1	Option 3	
379	Dean	McElligott	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
380	Rowena	Edge	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
381	Jane	Chapman	N/A	N/A	Pokeno			Re district rates increasing by 6.24% If the council is experiencing growth surely therefore there is more money coming into the area and hence an increase of this amount is actually too much. Also by the sounds of it those rural properties that do not have access to mains water are going to be subsidising those that do? Is this correct or have I got this wrong

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382	Robert	Hyslop	N/A	N/A	Pokeno			I am a very worried rate payer. I live in pokeno and my rates are almost \$4000 dollars. This is crazy. We have heard that our rates are going up 6.4% this on top of the large increase that will happen because of house valves have gone up. People will stop coming to live in the area because of this. We and many other people are thinking of moving. So thank you, to your council your destroying our family dream. So don't act surprise when you start getting dirty emails and phone calls from worried people in this area. Our wallets only stretch so far. Your excuses for theses rates have run dry with people. I don't expect a reply , you and everybody at the council will be at lunch dining out on our rates money and driving our rate funded cars.Everybody at the council are so far out of touch with the normal working person its not even funny.Why only 6.4% why not round it up to a round number 10%, why not put your noses further into the trough
383	Dale	Walters	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata			I would like to propose that the minimum Net Lot size for sections in the Te Kauwhata Living Zone be returned to 400m2 as it was pre-2011. The reason for suggesting this change is that most of the original 1/4 Acre sections are too big for modern lifestyles but aren't quite big enough to subdivide for infill housing. On face value a section 960-1020m2 should be easily subdivided under the current rules, but it isn't as a driveway providing access to a rear site doesn't contribute to the Net Lot size of a section. A minimum Lot size of 400-420m2 would solve this. Infill housing is desirable to both the council and the environment, as new development can tap into existing infrastructure,without increasing the spread of the town and its burden on the environment. These original 1/4 Acre sections are typically on higher ground with a lot of sun and could be better utilized for the increased housing pressures Te Kauwhata is facing. Increasing the population in the center of town would also benefit local businesses and facilities (golf club, fitness center, etc.) with increased patronage.
384	Steven and Theresa	Stark	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 1	Option 1	
385	James Douglas	Hannah	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
386	Lois	Day	N/A	N/A	Tuakau RD 5	Option 1	Option 2	
387	Barbara Lois	Iti	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 1	Option 1	
388	Julian Robin Hugh	Austin	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 3	Option 2	
389	Forest Trust	Amakiwi	N/A	N/A	Pukekohe	Option 3	Option 1	
390	Michael Anthony	Campbell	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 3	Option 3	
391	Kenneth Roy	Franklin	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 3	Option 3	
392	Limited	Alstra 2012	Ken Starnes	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
393	Janis Elizabeth	Swan	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
394	Kereama	Clarke	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 2	
395	Dahlene	Symons	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 2	
396	Susan Jennifer	McGregor	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 1	Option 1	
397	Marion Jean	Milburn	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
398	Developments Limited	Egnever	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
399	Catherine Ann	Livingston	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
400	Tamina Frances	Goodlet	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	

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401	Nicolass Willem	Mouton	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
402	Douglas George	Willis	Douglas George & Judith Louise Willis	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
403	Sandra Leigh Florence	McDonald	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
404	William Frederick	Hansen	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 1	Option 1	
405	Liston Wayne	Stewart	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 2	
406	Graham Peter	Mackie	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
407	Helyn	Huirama	Helyn & Rangi hono Huirama	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
408	Garry Charles	Broughton	GC & PH Broughton	N/A	Ngaruawahia		Option 1	
409	Peter	Ralph	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 3	
410	Marion Wynne	Millward	N/A	N/A	Te Mata	Option 3	Option 3	
411	Johannes Henrikus	Jenji	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 1	
412	Graeme Leslie	Geurts	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
413	Enterprises (2015) Limited	Robinson	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 1	Option 2	
414	Bridget Ruth Patricia	Bull	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
415	Clive John	Hanna	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
416	Roberta Sharon	Wisneski	N/A	N/A	Hamilton RD 6	Option 4	Option 2	
417	Shivanada	Sami	N/A	N/A	Mercer	Option 4	Option 3	
418	William Ralph	McCleery	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 2	Option 1	
419	Kenneth Alan	Grimmer	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 1	Option 1	
420	Dallas	Fisher	N/A	Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency	Auckland			See attachment.
421	Estate	CJ Dudman	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 4	Option 1	
422	Elaine Joan	Dudman	N/A	N/A	Tamahere	Option 4	Option 1	



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423	Robert Henry	Herewini	Robert Henry & Jennifer	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
424	Malia Ana	Robertson	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
425	Irving	Walker	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 1	
426	Cornelis Kees	Klein	N/A	N/A	Whatawhata	Option 4	Option 3	
427	Paul Graham	Wade	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 1	Option 1	
428	Jesse	Taylor	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
429	Ayleen	Riesterer	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 3	
430	Laurence Jack	King	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 3	Option 3	
431	Anonymous	Anonymous	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 1	
432	Anonymous	Anonymous	N/A	N/A	Glen Massey		Option 3	
433	Suzanne Carol	Watkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
434	Kelly-Ann	McBean	N/A	N/A	Huntly RD 1			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
435	Andrew	McBean	N/A	N/A	Huntly RD 1			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
436	Jane	Johnson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
437	W	Boyd	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
438	Joinery	A1	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
439	Vijax	Parmar	Vijax & Jagjit Parmar	N/A	Hamilton			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
440	Rachel	Watkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
441	Caleb	Watkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
442	John	Watkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
443	Bernice	Watkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
444	Marion	Nicholas	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
445	Joseph	Trinder	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
446	Jeff	Lamb	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
447	Barbara	McCarthy	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
448	D	Hogan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.

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449	Jamie	Thurston	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
450	Jodene	Clutterbuck	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
451	Maurice	Beck	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
452	Mike	Munson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
453	Rae	Munson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
454	Tony	Allan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
455	Lynne	Allan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
456	Andrew	Beeching	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
457	Judith	Hogan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
458	D	Maliseva	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
459	Janine Megan	Payne	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
460	Dafydd	Payne	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
461	Tony	Nathan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to us.
462	Tim	Hayward	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 1	
463	Anne	Ramsay	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	Ngaruawahia has had several increases recently - rates, water meters, wastewater, rubbish etc.. the rates are becoming unaffordable for those on fixed and low incomes. It is unclear what Ngaruawahia gets for its rates for example the WDC has had a CRM to repair noticeboards in Jesmond Street since January and these are still not fixed. Several emails, phone calls have been made but each time you get a different story depending on who answers the phone. Our town is looking tired and WDC does not help by allowing Kiwi rail to have the rail corridor looking derelict with weeds that are so big they start looking like shrubs and during summer are a fire risk, if they refuse to clean it up why can't WDC weed spray and then invoice them? Our main Streets Great South Road and Jesmond Street are dirty, these cobblestones used to be cleaned on a regular basis, but this does not appear to be the case now.Key projects for Ngaruawahia as in the discussion document (pg15) \$418k for heritage sites with an s implies more than one not just the Old Flour Mill, has any costing been done or once again is a number just plucked out of the air. Roundabout \$3.2m ratepayers are only paying about 20% of this, has this proposed roundabout been investigated? Do we need a roundabout? Where is the evidence? or is this on the developers wishlist?, walkways (pg14) focus Hamilton - Cambridge section, so actually there are no key projects for Ngaruawahia and none of the key projects have been identified by the Ngaruawahia community, m Why are staff allowed to write up information in such a disingenuous way it is deliberately misleading and insulting like the comment in regards to pensioner housing(pg14), pensions have been increased by Govt so WDC takes it in a rent increase. Ngaruawahia ratepayers will be paying 12.75% increase in rates and yet we have the lowest level of service and spending in the district.

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464	John & Dorothy	Wakeling	N/A	N/A	Hamilton			The Sculpture Park @ Waitakaruru Arboretum is a 17.5 ha fully-developed regional asset, a rehabilitation project of a former quarry undertaken over 27 years. The park is now an outstanding arts-in-nature experience, located in Scotsman Valley equidistant between Hamilton, Cambridge and Morrinsville, at the south-eastern end of Waikato District. When it was open every day for 8 ½ years, it hosted a succession of sculpture exhibitions, attracting up to 10,000 visitors a year. The entry fee for visitors and other sources of revenue never quite covered the cost of running exhibitions and the park maintenance. For this reason, the park has only been open by appointment in recent years. We started the 'Share the Park' campaign early this year, setting out to demonstrate support to reopen the sculpture park and arboretum as a free-entry public space. If the cost of maintaining the park is met, many more people could enjoy it. We had 4 open days Anniversary Weekend and Waitangi Day when more than 1000 people visited the park. On a crowd-funding site we raised \$8000 from 64 donors to cover the cost of impartial reports on the maintenance costs and improvements to health & safety. 190 people over one month completed a survey about their perceptions of the park. This supporting information is now available. We are seeking a long-term partnership with funding organisations, just to cover the cost of maintenance. The cost of maintenance is based on a primary funding organisation having a 'licence to occupy' so that it can be open daily for free. The park is a good candidate for the proposal of local authorities in the Waikato to collaborate and co-fund regional assets through the Community Facilities Funding Framework <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/LTP-FWD10/Documents/10374937.pdf">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/LTP-FWD10/Documents/10374937.pdf</a> . Hence we are making a submission to the Regional Council and all four territorial local authorities close to the park. The above proposition is an inexpensive way to provide for a destination park of regional significance. The park has a proven track record of drawing regional and overseas visitors as well as providing a resource for environmental and arts education. Many of you may have visited the park in the past. Please take the opportunity to come with your family on the 29th April. Alternatively, take a look on our website and view the short overview video.
465	Kristen	Price	N/A	Toimata Foundation	Hamilton			See attachment.
466	Greig	Metcalfe	N/A	N/A				Background Grieg Metcalfe (the submitter) has an interest in a 68ha property at 702 & 730A Horotiu Road, Te Kowhai (Lot 2 DP 456538 & Lot 3 DP 353526). The property sits immediately to the west of Te Kowhai village and has frontage to Horotiu, Woolrich and Richards Roads. As part of the recent Phase 1 review of the Future Proof sub-regional growth strategy, Te Kowhai has been identified as one of two villages in the Waikato District that could be prioritised for future growth and servicing. Furthermore, it is anticipated that the property will be zoned "Deferred Village" under the Waikato Proposed District Plan when it is notified in the coming months. Provisions for the Village Zone are expected to allow for serviced and un-serviced residential development to occur. Our Community: Outcomes and Goals The submitter is supportive of the Council's approach to support growth in targeted areas. This is consistent with the updated Future Proof strategy which promotes growth in the District's towns as well as the investigation of one or two villages (including Te Kowhai) for prioritising future growth and servicing. Planning for Growth The submitter is supportive of Council's initiative to undertake Master Planning to ensure a more holistic approach to planning the District's growing communities. Given that Te Kowhai has been identified in Future Proof as a village that should be investigated for prioritising future growth and servicing, it is submitted that Te Kowhai should be included as an early priority for master planning in addition to Pokeno and Tuakau. The submitter is also supportive of Council's proposal to increase the annual budget for sub-regional planning, including further development of the Future Proof growth strategy. This initiative has the potential to drive better regional collaboration by monitoring and identifying land supply needs along with an agreed sequence for development. The submitter is also supportive of Council's proposal to fund the review of the District Plan. The Waikato District is experiencing rapid growth, therefore it is important the review of the District Plan occurs and that it provides a framework for this growth to be realised. Manage Water, Wastewater and Stromwater ('3 Waters') The submitter is supportive of Option 2, which is a shared waters management company with Hamilton City and Waipa District Councils. This is because a regional approach will ensure greater collaboration in the delivery of 3 waters assets and facilitate and enable the future growth which is expected to occur in the sub-region. Building and maintaining infrastructure Table 7 of the Draft Infrastructure Strategy (Page 1–16) details a proposal to fund the design and construction of a wastewater pipe from Te Kowhai village to the Hamilton network (preferred), or alternatively an upgrade to the existing wastewater treatment plant. The timing for a decision is the 2027 LTP, with design and construction between 2029-2033. The submitter is supportive in part of this proposal. However, given the existing discharge consent for the Te Kowhai wastewater treatment plant is due to expire in September 2018, and that Te Kowhai village has been identified as a potential growth node under both Future Proof and the Draft Waikato District Plan, it is submitted that the timing for this work is brought forward to ensure there is good alignment between growth projections, land use, infrastructure and funding. In the event that wastewater services are extended from Hamilton, it would be prudent to also include potable water supply. The submitter requests a decision be made in the 2018 LTP with design/construction to occur in 2020-21. Summary In summary the main points of this submission are: ? Support Council's approach to support growth in targeted areas. ? Support Council's Master Planning initiative, but with the inclusion of Te Kowhai

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								as an early priority.? Support Council’s sub-regional planning and District Plan review projects.? Support the establishment of a shared waters management company (Option 2)? Support the investigation, design and construction of a wastewater solution for Te Kowhai Village, but with timing to be brought forward.
467	Broughton	Thomas	N/A	N/A	Hamilton		Option 2	I have made a separate submission regarding Rates on behalf of the residents at Te Akau Sth.We have requested that we present this at one of the hearings.
468	Ngahinaturae	Armstrong-Nield	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia		Option 3	- Overall our household do not support the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP). Also we are not happy with the process in how properties in Ngaaruawaahia were valued so as to support Council's reason to increase rates.- We believe that for Ngaaruawaahia, the LTP and its proposed revenue gathering by increasing rates will not achieve the community outcomes as outlined in the LTP. Ngaaruawaahia will not be a liveable, thriving and connected community if our first year of rates is increased by 12.75%.- Furthermore, the LTP has outlined that spending will primarily be in the north, with no immediate focus on Ngaaruawaahia. We are one of two major towns in the district, and we will be paying the highest increase in percentage of all other communities, yet we are not are targeted area. This is unfair.- Ngaaruawaahia households should not experience financial pressure to accommodate the growth of other communities in this district. The use of targeted rates should be spent in this community.- If Ngaaruawaahia are to accommodate a 12.75% increase in rates for 2018-2019, and potential further increases in the following two years thereafter (2019-2020 and 2020-2021), we expect from Council an improvement in the level of service and spending in Ngaaruawaahia. - We do not support the priority projects identified for Ngaaruawaahia. These projects were not identified by the community. - We do not support a regional petrol tax- The Ngaaruawaahia community should have the lowest UAGC, therefore Option 3 - Reduce the UAGC to \$286.50 is the preferred option.

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469	Dave Fransiska	Falconer	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 3	<p>LONG TERM PLAN 2018 2028_SUBMISSIONNames: Dave &amp; Fransiska Falconer 147 Kimihia Road, RD1, Rahui Pokeka 3771 Ph: 022 3099215 Email: davefransiska.falconer@xtra.co.nzPreferred method of contact: emailSUBMISSION: Our Vision: Liveable, thriving and connected communities - he noohanga aahuru, he iwi whai ora, he hapori tuuhono tahiWe would like to submit as part of 'Our Vison: Liveable, Thriving and Connected Communities' and 'Our Community' the proposal to:</p> <p>Acknowledging the original name of Rahui Pokeka, adding the name to Huntly road signage, off/on ramps etc* Restore our Memorial Hall as the major town under Waikato District Council's care, so we also have our hall as do other towns in the district</p> <p>* Protect our wellands from housing development* Help restore the East Mine by Council being actively involved with documentations and other means to encourage in every way the rehabilitation of the old East Mine land, now owned by Mr &amp; Mrs Allen, to become an asset to New Zealand as place of recreation and parks. Example of this would be fast tracking the flooding of the old mine and supporting Waikato Regional Council to do this. Prioritising the forfeited restorative works after mining operations as per Resource Consents, as an environmental manmade disaster over and above other projects such as walkways.* Rahui Pokeka - Huntly on/off ramps to the new Highway as Mayor Sanson's negotiations* Huntly projects 2018-28RAHUI POKEKA - HUNTLY SUBMISSIONHuntly has received a lot of bad press over the years and more recently has once again received negative media attention. Good, respectable residents of our town being terrorised in their own homes is not what we want for our community, nor what we want to read about in newspapers about our town. There is plenty that can be done. Perhaps by starting with restoring the mana by giving the people of Huntly the option to use their original towns name of Rahui Pokeka and having the road signs changed to include both names. We have previously submitted to Waikato District Council, over the decades we have lived in the town, the issue of reinstating the original name of the settlement Rahui Pokeka with the option for present day residents to also use the name Huntly. Waikato Times took up the story our twins wrote to Council some 10 - 15 years ago as a school project and became a passion they had to see their towns name and mana restored. Re-inspired by a Christchurch resident, with an interest in New Zealand history, whom submitted a proposal, which has been taken seriously, to rename the South Island plus we are inspired by other Councils acknowledging and looking into restoring names to such places Auckland and Hamilton - possibly duel naming them e.g. Rahui Pokeka - Huntly. We trust that Waikato District Council may be in a mindset to consider restoring the name of our town especially since it is widely believed a postal service Scottish immigrant was not given official naming rights over the established name of Rahui Pokeka, where protocol did not follow correct conventions in such a serious matter as the importance of renaming a town from established Rahui Pokeka, usurping his position as a public servant, to a town in Scotland using a Huntly, Scotland postal stamp from his previous position which belonged to the British Postal Service. It is an appalling colonial 'legacy' that needs to be corrected at least by offering the town both names as is being proposed across the country such as for Hamilton and Auckland.After a talk with a University of Auckland professor it was felt that it wold be valuable seeking to restore the rightful name of Rahui Pokeka regardless of how it came about to be named Huntly. Taking the name of Rahui Pokeka from the local people of the time would have been offensive and demoralising especially since they were important Maori. The postal stamp belonged to the people of England (Huntly, Scotland) having no place, or right, being used in the postmasters hands in Rahui Pokeka.Identity is a very important psychological need to any community, which was stripped from the original occupiers whom firstly used the area as a place to rest and feed, and later as the official home of Tuheitia Paki, crowned as Te Arikinui Kiingi Tuheitia. Rahui Pokea not only lost its name but later its important Waahi Marae was confiscated. Once the English settled it became a military post with extensive coal mines until recently, and in the late 1860's the national highway and North Island railway lines were laid past the sacred Taupiri Mountain burial grounds effectively cutting off mourners respectful access. Mayor Sanson's efforts with the on/off south bound ramp from Huntly is particularly powerful as it will also right the wrong done at Taupiri Mountain urupa by significantly reducing traffic volumes.We believe the Maori King and where he resides in Rahui Pokea - Huntly should be the major focus of our Waikato District and be at the forefront of the Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28. It would require consultation with Maori to determine what this should look like. Only then will this town be restored to its rightful place of prominence in New Zealand even after mining has caused severe environmental damage to natural and valuable wetlands. It is a unique opportunity for Maori, the community and Council to do the right thing and make this town the honoured and important centre it should be by starting with giving its name back. Its interesting that Maori respected Rahu Pokeka and Waahi Marae, a place of importance and pride yet the government saw it as a place to gain coal at a huge environmental cost with seemingly no liability or responsibility to restore the environmental damage caused, flouting Resource Consents, never mind the people living in the area and what it has done to our town and psychological identity.Any involvement of Council to further increase cheaper housing should not be adopted but encouraging better quality type of homes that last longer and thus more value for those whom need it, encouraging owner occupiers with possible rates reductions to those whom own their own homes rather than landlords. Not making rich developers and cheaper housing firms richer by demanding higher standards of housing in our district could be a good place to start to give Rahui Pokeka - Huntly back some of its former mana.The Councils, although admirable, proposal to make rates more affordable have preferred an option that would require less rates from low</p>

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								<p>cost housing however, from our understanding it would only serve to make the rich richer and the poor would not benefit as most of them would be renters with the landlord gaining the benefit of the set capital rate preferred Council option. I have included some interesting information by Norman Hill, and some Waahi Marae History, and some excerpts from Westside Stories whom share stories examining the decline of a small North Island town (Huntly) into unemployment and social dysfunction and those working to reclaim the proud area it once was.NORMAN HILLThe Maori name for Huntly is Rahui Pokeka, and the story is told that the lakes were populated with tuna, and tuna to our people is a royalty food because it is a food that is provided to manuwhiri and dignitaries of high esteem in our local community. During the time of our ancestors, the lakes were overfished, so a tohunga said that there will be no more fishing of tuna to ensure that there is a sustainable population of tuna for our people. He put his pokeka in the ground to say, until this is removed, there was a covenant or rahui on our fish. So Rahui Pokeka, is named in recognition of our tuna stocks and upholding the principles of kaitiakitanga in our local waterways.MARAE HISTORY - THE MAORI COMMUNITY OF WAAHI MARAE, RAHUI POKEKA (HUNTLY)Located on the bank of the Waikato River near Rahui Pokeka - Huntly and adjacent to the site of the Huntly Power Station, Waahi is the principal Marae of Ngaati Mahuta of Waikato and home of the paramount family in the King Movement. The Marae functions as the focus of much of the community life of Ngaati Mahuta who is the most numerous tribe in the area. The home of the Kaahui Ariki since 1890, it also functions as a focus for all the tribes of the Waikato-King Country and beyond who are affiliated to the King Movement. The long association with Kiingitanga gives this Marae special significance in the Maori world. THE PEOPLE AND THEIR LANDThe Waikato River flows north from the Hamilton basin across the steep hill country of the Hakarimata Ranges and Taupiri Mountain through the Taupiri Gorge to the low-lying, swampy lands about Huntly. To the west of the river is Lake Waahi and to the east Lake Hakanoa. In order to conserve the tuna supplies from both lakes, a rest period between fishing seasons was proclaimed by the local chief. In time, however, the groups living on the east and west banks quarrelled over the size of their respective eel catches. Friction developed and there was threat of bloodshed. The chief gathered his people together and said, 'this quarrelling must cease. Behold I have driven he pou-rahui into the ground. When I cease speaking I shall lower it. From this day when our pou-rahui is lowered we will dance a haka of joy to show that we are all free from our bond not to fish for tuna. To commemorate this event the eastern lake shall be named Hakanoa. From today all eels taken from both lakes shall be divided evenly and to record this the western lake shall be called Waahi.'Because of these events the Maori name given to the Huntly area was Raahui Pokeka, also it denotes a place of rest where warriors could rest and practice the arts of war.There was a settlement at Waahi during the 1850's for King Mahuta had been adopted by his grandfather, Manuhiri, and was raised there at this time. It is not known exactly when the settlement was re-established as a Marae after confiscation. WAAHI MARAE AND KINGITANGA During the 1890's, Waahi became established as the principal Marae of Ngaati Mahuta. Because he had been raised there as a child, King Mahuta confirmed the status of Waahi as the principal Marae of the King Movement by virtue of establishing his residence there. His successor, Te Rata, who held office from 1912 to 1933, also lived there. King Koroki succeeded Te Rata and also lived at Waahi until 1952. The annual Coronation Celebrations were held there from the 1990's on, and receptions for delegations from tribes affiliated to the King Movement were held there. Government delegations of various kinds and the Governor-General and his party were received there. Distinguished visitors were carried by war canoe across the Waikato River from Rahui Pokeka and landed on the riverbank adjacent to Waahi Marae as part of their ceremonial welcome to the Marae. Above photograph taken on the Waikato River at the Rahui Pokeka - Huntly Landing, on 4th April 1989, shows several dignitaries in a waka. The occasion was a large Maori meeting at Waahi Marae . The chief guests of honour were the late Right Hon. R.J. Seddon, Prime Minister, and the late Hon. Sir James Carroll, Native Minister. Te Puea planned Turangawaewae as the ceremonial headquarters of the Movement and its name, meaning 'a place to stand', symbolizes the re-establishment of Ngaati Mahuta and other Waikato tribes in their ancestral lands. The dining hall and cookhouses at Waahi were in such poor condition they were no longer adequate to cope with the numbers of people coming to the celebrations, and were demolished. King Koroki approved the arrangement and so Turangawaewae quickly developed as the ceremonial centre, although it was intended that the Coronation Celebrations be returned to Waahi when adequate facilities had be constructed. Koroki retained his residence at Waahi. Thus, although much of the outward ceremonial and more elaborate buildings are at Turangawaewae, Waahi retained its important spiritual role as the home of the Kaahui Ariki, the paramount family, and this gives it a status above that of an ordinary Marae. The appearance of Waahi Marae belies its importance. The lack of development on the Marae has not detracted from its importance. Through the 1940's ceremonial war canoe landings were held there. The last canoe landing was in 1972when the Hon. Duncan McIntyre was welcomed to the Marae. The annual Poukai, a gathering unique to the King Movement held over a weekend in October, attracts up to 2,000 people. Some 600 people are housed and fed over the 3 to 4 days of a tangi. Visiting football teams from outside the district are accommodated on the Marae. Functions are held there on average at least once a month. Many of these hui (gatherings) are normal for any Marae, however the home of the Kaahui Ariki, Waahi also serves as a meeting place for more than the usual number of committees (many of the important committees that administer the various functions at Turangawaewae are based at Waahi) and delegations from other tribes seeking informal</p>

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								<p>meetings with members of the Kaahui Ariki. The events of over a century ago - war, confiscation of land, withdrawal as refugees and resettlement - are but as yesterday in the perceptions of Waikato tribes. Kiingitanga and the figure of the King, are both an expression of past grievances and injustices and symbol of Maori values and institutions, which are threatened by Pakeha domination. The principal function of the Ariki, the leader, in modern times is hei pupuri i te mana, to hold on to Maori prestige. The philosophy and activities of Kiingitanga provide a set of symbols and values, another life style from the 40-hour week, quarter-acre section and house with mortgage, and other trappings of modern urban living. The Poukai gatherings, Coronation Celebrations, life crises rituals and other hui, provide a network of occasions within which people come together to laugh, sing, play, work, and talk about those things which they feel are important. Winiata (1958) summarized the significance of the King Movement in modern times: The Maori King stands as a bulwark for Maori and values. It is a Mauri o te Maoritanga - a bulwark. Its function in New Zealand society is to conserve elements of Maori culture and thereby bring to mind those values in any society that cannot be turned into cash terms though of any inestimable worth in systems of living anywhere. Again, the King Movement provides a section of the Maori people with a social and cultural background in which to frame their lives in a wider society that is often cold, forbidding and even antagonistic. This more intimate covering for their spirit keeps them warm in the wider atmosphere about them.Waahi and Turangawaewae functions as both geographic and symbolic centres of the wider network of the King Movement. Waahi Marae is more than just the Marae of Ngaati Mahuta of the Rahui Pokeka area and out migrants who return for specific occasions. It also functions as a centre of a much wider Maori and Pakeha network of relationships with other tribes and regions.One way we can begin to recognise the importance of Huntly is to restore its original name and thus mana and will enable the people whom live and want to live in it the honour it deserves and residents can sleep safely in their beds. Many symbols of Maori values and institutions are threatened in modern times and we as a community should value the importance the area holds by firstly seeing Rahui Pokeka - Huntly as a place rich in significant prestigious Maori history and recognising its rightful name as it is a town much more important than just a coal mining town. HUNTLY MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HALLWe believe a lot of work has already been done by the Huntly Community towards requesting restoration of our Memorial Hall. Up until to date it appears Council have not undertaken weather protection of the building after it withheld scheduled maintenance funds for the building some years ago, so that any water protection is daily becoming more and more urgent showing Council may have already decided while looking for alternative ways to make the final blow. I have checked with Community Law and a moratorium can be imposed if a negative outcome is imminent whilst possible legal implications are looked into if necessary. It appears Council is prepared to spend monies on costly postal surveys and associated administration than actually doing something proactive toward the protection of the hall, even after some in the community have found a viable way forward and shown interest in maintaining the hall for the people of our town. Surveys might not be able to decide the final fate of the building as on initial findings it appears if only one person wanted the Memorial Hall, due to how it was funded, it would have to remain. We have made some statutory inquiries and waiting on responses.It is clear that until a decision is made about the hall weather protection is required and we request Council as part of their responsibility as the asset owners, on behalf of the community, to make sure this is undertaken urgently. There are two options available to Council:1. Restore the Memorial Hall as per rates received over many years to gain good will amongst the Huntly Community and fulfil Council responsibility as asset caretakers on behalf the community.2. Extrapolate the issue as long as Council can until the building will finally be condemned and then Council will fund a new building for the community as the original building failed due to gross negligence of a publically held asset when Council were actually holding onto the funds needed for necessary maintenance. It is the responsibility of Council, under part of the districts rates, to maintain the building on behalf of the community as a Memorial, whereby Council has deliberately withheld funds held in trust for the needed maintenance and allowed the building to get into its present state. It is disappointing that a building funded from dedicated public raised money, as a memorial hall for our community, has been so badly managed by Council. It has a legal entitlement and historical value and meaning to Huntly as does any other hall in our district which have been maintained by Council. We have no idea why Council has not gone ahead with planned and budgeted for maintenance - does someone live behind the Hall and want it removed so they can have the million dollar Hakanoa Lake view? We don't understand how this has come about as it makes no sense.I have taken the liberty of also ringing Inland Revenue, Community Law, and KPMG amongst others to confirm or talk with:i Any public monies gained for the designated purpose of a Memorial Hall cannot be used otherwise. ii It could have liability associated to do anything other than restore the building since Council had the means to do so from public monies held and publically declared for the express use for maintenance on the Memorial Hall.iii. Discussions suggested to view the legal documentation how Council acquired the building and any requirements or obligations put on or by Council regarding the building and its care. I would like a copy made available of any legal documents regarding the Memorial Hall so that it can be reviewed.Iv. The hall was funded by the community and belongs to the community. It is a Council asset but held as an asset of our community. v. If Council no longer value the hall, citing low usage, then Council will need to be confident it has the legal right to demolish the hall on those grounds as the hall was not publically funded with any stipulations other than it would be a Memorial Community hall.</p>

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								<p>Maintenance was Councils responsibly and for some reason Council withheld this and again Council will be well advised to make sure of legal implications if it were to demolish the Huntly Communities Memorial Hall that it will not become liable to be required to build the community a new hall.A question was raised by Community Law: If Council have no regard for the building, would Council consider gifting back to the community the Memorial Hall to be put under a community trust? The community would also require the funds received and held for maintenance of the hall to be handed over and any obligatory maintenance funds if it is found Council were negligent in its care whilst entrusted to manage maintenance of the building. It has been advised that a Community Trust Fund would need to be set up and this is very easily accomplished.As was said at the Huntly LTP Meeting, by a Community Councillor, that once the hall is lost Huntly will most likely not get a replacement one from Council, however the legal implication is a little more tricky as the community paid for the hall and entrusted its care to the Council. Since Council had the means to do required maintenance through targeted rates, but withheld this leading to the building now requiring substantially more work then it is possible Council could be held liable.I have rung WorkSafe to gain advice about volunteer workers to restore the Memorial Hall. WorkSafe offered there are ways to do these things with safety in mind. WorkSafe suggest Council should know Health &amp; Safety and PCBU responsibilities can accommodate Volunteers doing the restoration of the building. A PCBU has the primary duty of care to ensure the health and safety of workers while they are at work in the business or undertaking. A PCBU is also responsible for ensuring work carried out does not carry risk to the health and safety of others.Within the community group of volunteers willing to restore the building there are several whom are capable of becoming PCBU's and are in roles and responsibilities in government positons that are aware of required health and safety requirements.Volunteers are not to be discouraged in favour of costly consultants and expert specialists yet I believe the group interested in restoring the building have a qualified licensed builder prepared to head the works. He is qualified to take on the leadership needed and has already cost estimated works at an affordable outlay within the \$300,000k held by Council in the maintenance of the hall fund, and is vastly cost effective over the \$900,000 to \$1,500,000 estimated by Council which it is believed does not encourage or allow for volunteers. We have gained information that allows for staged upgrades so that e.g. wheelchair access/bathroom facilities and such can be added over time rather than the extreme environmental loss of resources caused by any demolition activity which should be frowned upon by Council as it causes environmental waste and if in time another hall were to be rebuilt then it has a significant cost to the environment and society. Further information is pending regarding the environmental incentive to restore the existing building from government sources over negative effects of demolition.Volunteers are a formidable force and is evidenced by Volunteering Waikato's huge base of active volunteers in both professional and lay fields. WorkSafe consider Volunteers can work under a Person in Charge, or Council retain the Primary Duty of Care to keep everyone safe in the noble venture to restore a community building. Health &amp; Safety Act 2015 outlines the legislative framework, duties, roles and responsibilities, volunteer workers, definitions under the link 'legislation.govt.nz' where it was felt by WorkSafe that Council can work with volunteers to restore the Memorial Hall. Talking with WorkSafe access to the building should not be an issue as the site is not a working site to date and it must be realised by Council that access will be needed to scope works. WorkSafe did not see this as anything extraordinary to move forward on and Council should be aware of what is needed to either task a volunteer or themselves to get things moving. WorkSafe would like a link to the Health &amp; Safety, other, legislation mentioned at the LTP Meeting in Huntly so it can be understood where Council is having concerns as WorkSafe are confident there is a way forward for Volunteers to become involved in restoring the hall. I have also had a discussion with a staff member at KPMG. It may turn out that a group may need to go over records of how the Memorial Hall maintenance has been managed and accounted for in the Council records and rates as the responsible public entity for the maintenance of the building. I will do the donkey work if the documentation can be made available by Council to me though KPMG felt Community Law should be involved.As noted in the Long Term Plan 2018028 submission the Huntly (Rahui Pokeka) Memorial Hall 'Councils Hall portfolio:'The future of the Huntly Memorial Hall is still under consideration and subject to separate local consultation. 'Those whom attended the meeting of the LTP were informed that yet another survey would be posted out to the Huntly community. Two questions would be asked of them along the lines of:1. Do you want, and would you use, a Council-owned community facility in Huntly?2. If so do you support refurbishing the Huntly Memorial Hall?We have asked friends in Matangi, Rotongaro, Tuakau, Waerenga and they were not given a questionnaire about their halls if they felt they needed one, or to pay extra for their maintenance, etc? However, they all have Halls, some Memorial Halls of the same era and construction as the Huntly Memorial Hall, are all maintained by Council and are in a fit state, yet we are the largest of all the communities managed by Council and they are seeking to demolish our hall? There is a group in the community whom are prepared to undertake restoring this hall so Council, whom work for the community, should find a way forward and perhaps seek legal advice how to gain some compensation or possibly claim insurance liability for gross negligence in their line of work and responsibility.Before the LTP meeting I had asked around 50 residents how they felt about the Memorial Hall. All wanted to have the Hall restored however nobody wanted to pay towards its restoration on the principal that Council had had the funds to maintain the building and it is their responsibility that maintenance wasn't done and the damaged bill has escalated. They felt</p>



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								<p>Council caused the problem by not following through with the planned maintenance. After the LTP meeting and to others we have since talked to - all wanted the Memorial Hall restored and had fond memories of being in the hall, however only two were prepared to pay towards its restoration - again mostly because it was Council whom allowed the damage to escalate by not doing the planned maintenance, all the while holding onto the funds that were needed? The community was informed that the maintenance was going to be undertaken and the next we hear is the building is proposed to be demolished by Council which we have been advised has a massive environmental cost and not something Councils should be involved in if there is a way of saving the building and thus resources.Limited usage of the Memorial Hall was also cited as a reason for not restoring it however, other communities have not had to justify their halls to the Council? It has been a long time since the hall had some work done on it and had it been maintained/refurbished would still be a valuable asset and memorial to the community as are halls in other districts.We would like to be included in the information regarding progress concerning our Memorial Hall. It is a community asset donated to the people of Huntly, not merely part of the Councils Hall portfolio, and as an important Memorial donated by the people of Huntly ' Least we forget', to remember the people whom gave their lives from our community. It was entrusted to the Waikato District Council to keep as part of our rates and has been in the WDC books for some time to be maintained. The community was lead to believe that the maintenance and restoration funds were in hand with Council, planned maintenance that was disclosed to the community some years ago never happened, and could be considered gross negligence and misleading information that these works were not undertaken in a timely manner. Council cannot use monies set aside for any other purpose than what it was designated to do such as maintaining our Memorial Hall and is required to fulfil this obligation not when things have escalated and then simply plan to demolish the hall against those in that community wishes? Please note that it is disappointing to note in the Long Term Plan that Council have chosen to use other areas Memorial Halls to hold their meetings where Council must have managed these Halls to not let them get into such disrepair as the Huntly Memorial Hall, requiring Council to use the donated Huntly Power Station River Side Rooms to hold its meeting in for Huntly. Huntly needs to have its own Hall in its own right with its significant and highest population base under Waikato District Councils care, where historical families worked hard to provide one for us.Note: LTP Meetings held at Pokeno Hall, Tuakau Memorial Hall, Aka Aka Hall. Matangi Hall, Gordonton Hall, Te Kowahi Hall, Te Akau Waingaro Community Complex, Glen Murray Memorial Hall, Port Waikato Hall, Raglan Hall, Tamahere Hall and should have been held in the Huntly Memorial Hall. There are 39 halls in the District and Huntly should have its own too. Also, only the Huntly and Ngaruawahia Halls have fees listed - it would be of value to know what the hire rates of the other 37 halls in the district rental fees are.Please can Council let us know what refurbishments have been done in all the other 39 halls that are in their care, such as are required now for the Huntly Memorial Hall as many of the halls are of the same era as the Huntly Memorial Hall and it is interesting that the Huntly hall requires such extensive works (note: refurbishments before delayed maintenance caused further significant damage).It would be interesting to see accounting records of the former Coal Museum and how the former Coal Museum land and house were disposed of so that the Coal Museum is now housed in the Huntly Power Station donated building, and what happened to any funds made from land sales, etc.As Council wrote on the 3 April to Huntly residents/ratepayers the Coal Museum has taken over the Civic Centre leaving no community hall available to Huntly residents. It would be of value to view the Coal Museum visitor numbers (regular groups of 12 considered low numbers by Council for the Memorial Hall usage) and actual funds they raised in light of Council declaring low use of the Memorial Hall as an added reason to demolish it. Looking online the Coal Museum should be returning several hundred dollars a day to cover for the actual civic centre hire fees demanded by Council to hire the centre? May I suggest lowering the refurbished Memorial hall hireage free to encourage more usage especially since Council is looking for usage of the building in an extremely impoverished district. It would be extremely short sighted to demolish a building that has been in need of maintenance for many years citing its low recent 2015 usage. How many communities would have their halls demolished if their halls had low usage when they actually needed maintenance and would obviously be far more attractive to use if refurbished. It may well be in the best interests of the Memorial Hall to be gifted back to the community to be put under their care and is being scoped if this is an option that can be put to Council and how best to progress this if it becomes necessary.At the LTP Meeting it was noted that the Civic Centre needed funding for a new roof however on the Council website it notes that the Civic Centre has 'The venue has a new steel roof and aluminium joinery.'A local accountant thought it may be of value to note the amount of funds allocated by Council towards the Community Church so it can be viewed alongside the costs associated with the Memorial Hall. The question also raised is what earthquake and new Health &amp; Safety requirements has been applied to other community buildings/halls that it is now required of the Huntly Memorial Hall by Council.Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to speak to the Memorial Hall situation and it appears there is a strong voice also in community and we trust that Council will seek a way forward to refurbish the hall over the community having to take this to a higher level. It would be awesome if Council can get</p>

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470	Broughton	Thomas	N/A	N/A				We, the ratepayers of Ryan Road subdivision, Te Akau South and adjacent properties wish to formally object to the level at which our properties are rated.We believe that we are being rated at the same level as if we were in a community situation like Raglan town. This is not appropriate for the following reasons:1. We are not a town or an urban communitya. We have no refuse or recycling collection.b. We have no sewerage scheme.c. We have no Council maintenance on footpaths and (as yet) on public reserves.d. There is no street lightinge. There are no shops, library, public toilets, garages, community hall, etc., which would normally be present in an urban community. – Many of these missing facilities would attract council costs, justifying urban ratings.f. There are no local costs relating to other Council functions, such as public transport, or lifestyle facilities (libraries, pools, parks etc.)2. The facilities we do enjoy are more of a rural nature:a. We have our own bore water scheme for which we pay by meter monitoring. We all paid a capital sum to help get the scheme started in the 1980s. One of our permanent residents contributes to maintenance by checking the water treatment once a week. This facility is more appropriate for a collection of rural houses.b. We do have our own scheme for mowing the lawn reserves. This attracts a relatively low cost to the council compared to alternatives. In addition this extends to areas which are used by the wider rural community even more that by residences nearby (e.g. down by the boat ramp.)We consider that the current ratings system is unfair. We would therefore appreciate from Council some explanation of, or justification for, the level of rates charged on our rather isolated and remote properties.
471	Nienke	van Dijken	N/A	Tourism Industry Aotearoa				See attachment.
472	Katherine	Wilson	N/A	Property Council New Zealand	Auckland			See attachment.
473	Greg	Morton	N/A	Waikato District Health Board				See attachment.
474	Kelly	Bentley	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.Look at grants re lotto grants
475	Tracey	Allwood	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.Look at grants re lotto grants
476	Joanne	Small	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
478	Angela	Birks	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
479	Elizabeth	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
480	Rebecca	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
481	Paul	Mita	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
482	Blair	Gardiner	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
483	Grant	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be reopened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
484	Scott	Mason	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
485	Hartmut	Joschonek	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
486	M	Chatterton	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
487	Sallymei	Matia	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.

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489	Paula	Raihe	N/A	N/A	Huntly			Movers and shakers we want on the council not sitters an talkers action people. In the past there was money to fix the war memorial hall I believe were has that gone. Over the few years that have gone we have never see any improvements in huntly im not happy about the rates going up or anything we are all struggling in huntly an thats a fact.This is to include The Huntly War MemorialHall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repairedand bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurposefacility before 2020.
490	Hubert	Marcon	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
491	Iris M	Kimpton	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
492	Dorothy	Stephens	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.This should be renovated and usable for the people of Huntly and various groups.
493	Jennifer	Hohaia	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
494	Klazz	Mckinnon	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020. Would be awesome if it got repaired, this town has so much potential and talents. Using the facilities and charging hire hall at a decent things to do in Huntly "clubs" karate "kyokushin" dance etc...It will be all worth it at the end a positive things for this town.
495	Winnie	Watene	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
496	Janet Mary	Jay	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is another example of point of community focus. This hall was raised by the people. It should be repaired and maintained so that it again becomes a facility of community focus. Huntly Needs to maintain its sense of idenity and Community by repairing and providing this as a local community point.
497	Arzhay	Heslop	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
498	Marahi	Kingi	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
499	Kawana James	Wallace	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
500	Korina	Vaughan	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
501	Tui	Lee	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
502	Nesan	Gorender	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
503	Stacey	Baker	N/A	N/A				This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
504	Janie	Solomon	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.No fees and charges.
505	Katrina	Hipkin	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
506	Maleina	Tauariki	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
507	Roana	Daley	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
508	Tumakai	Te Aho- Solomon	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
509	Martin	Hipkin	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.

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511	Belinda	King	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
512	Evelyn	Shead	N/A	N/A	Huntly			Keep our hall! This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
513	Reginald	Taua	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
514	Joy	Lynch	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
515	T	Kea-Perston	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
516	Kapariera Malcolm	Taua	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
517	Anahera	Taua	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
518	Trish	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
519	Luessa	MacDonald	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
520	Valerie	Attkins	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
521	Angela	Wilkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
522	Julie	Baker	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
523	Andrea	Thomas	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
524	Heather	Paterson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
525	S.F and J.L	Wall	N/A	N/A	RD 3	Option 1	Option 1	To assume a property that has a higher value means automatically people can afford to pay more is a fallacy and unfair. Often mortgages are higher. Rates obviously are higher. And these can be families, or older residents, who have lived a long time at their properties and are on fixed incomes.For the rates we are charged, living rurally, we receive nothing other than a rubbish collection. Our roads occasionally get a little fill in any holes that develop. The bottom end of Kariotahi Road (towards Waiuku) is so narrow and the edges are broken, so passing other vehicles (as well as horse trucks to beach) is dangerous. Coming out of Butchers Bridge Road, again, is extremely dangerous, (I have notified Council on other occasion), because there is a convergence of 3 roads, which leaves no reasonable visual ability for emergence safety. Traffic has to actually drive through a stop sign, into the middle of traffic flow, to be able to ascertain whether the roads can be crossed. I believe there has been a roundabout plan, but because you leave it in Auckland Council's planning, nothing is done. I would also remind Council that we also pay regional rates to which all the above applies.
526	Moyra	Thompson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
527	Jennifer	Palmer	N/A	Te Awa River Ride Charitable Trust	Hamilton			The Trustees of the Te Awa River Ride Charitable Trust very much value and appreciate Waikato District Council's commitment to the Te Awa River Ride project.The section linking Ngaruawahia to Horotiu that was opened in November last year was a significant highlight for the project and Council's support was instrumental in achieving this milestone. The response from the community has been overwhelmingly positive; counter data and user feedback indicates this section is being widely used and appreciated. We believe Te Awa will continue to help realise many of Waikato District Council's community outcomes and facilitate liveable, thriving and connected communities. We are confident the trail will be an asset for the region and for generations to come.Our submission asks that Waikato District Council: 1. Support the development of the Te Awa River Ride between Hamilton and Cambridge.We ask Waikato District Council to allocate \$2.5m in the first three years of its LTP to completing the Cambridge to Hamilton section of Te Awa. (see hard copy for image with specific numbers and pedestrian / cyclists graph).2. Continue to work in partnership to realise the Te Awa Lakes development vision for the District.

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529	Raewyn	Lambie	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020. I do not think that it is fair that householders have to pay for their water supply. Each house should have its own water tank so that all the lovely rainwater does not go to waste. Maybe people would learn to appreciate water and not waste it so much. I would never want to see the Waikato District Council join in with the Hamilton City Council for anything at all. The company that has the contract to keep Taupiri nice and tidy are not doing their job so hopefully their contract will not be renewed. The Huntly swimming pool has not been kept up to standard, painting etc. the North Waikato Aquatic Trust took 10 years to get that pool refurbished so that it could be used all year at a cost of around 3 million dollars. Also the current managers are not very efficient. I took my grandchildren there on a Sunday during the school holidays and there were only two lifeguards on duty and they were very young. There was also a birthday celebration going on too so I thought at least another lifeguard was warranted. While I am on the subject of swimming pools, the shade sales at the Ngaruawahia pool do not belong to the Council. The Ngaruawahia swimming club purchased those. Also there needs to be more advertising to say that the pool is there for all to use.
530	Pauline H	Lewis	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
531	Monju	Sarkar	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 3	I appreciate the long term plan 2018-2028 documentation and the sessions organized by the council. However as a tax payer, I find the time given for decision making is very short, considering we are lay people, the relevant information are limited and a rush decision is risky for any long term plan.It would have been nice if council would have provided us the information on spending of rate money preferably for past 10 year or least 3 years to display the efficient and effective use of the rate payer money- "providing value for money" as claimed in Page 5 of the consultation document. In fact, outcome of the 5 points highlighted in page 5 of the consultation document are currently far from satisfactory for Huntly, instead we saw significant deterioration of standard of living with high unemployment, poor maintenance of infrastructure, no effective growth towards local economy, employment, community wellbeing. In the last 5 years even the community hall condition further deteriorated for poor maintenance by the council and rate payers are pressurised to fix it now or lose it.In the recent past "Affordable housing" was the only positive factor that attracted, particularly the Aucklanders to Huntly and to some towns of Waikato- who were prepared to commute from here to work in Auckland.But even that is no more the case now for action of Waikato Council, they promptly (2016/2017) increased the property valuation and rate ranging from 30-100% for the existing old houses without any additional infrastructure. This caused rent increase also. Huntly suffered with high percentage of unemployment and community still struggling. The significantly high increase of property valuation and rate by council reduced the flow from Auckland thus further growth is throttled by them instead they could have been proactive in organising good public transport system to/from Auckland for growth of the region and this would have helped locals as well towards employment in Auckland. I am told that the Waikato council rates are one of highest compared with many districts considering the limited infrastructure facilities and current state of assets for poor maintenance over the years. You will agree the above facts do not reflect effective, efficient, innovative, timely, cost effective professional action that is your goal.However, we have very high expectation from council for their professional services for the benefit of all in the community and there is always hope for future if we learn from our past.I am pleased that Council has plans and intentions as pointed out in the referred document and I trust we will see implementation of same in future.At this stage my sincere request is that we do not rush for implementation of the long term plan without reviewing same and comparing with councils having similar conditions and statistics –namely numbers, geography, demography and current status and our strengths and weaknesses. I feel this will help us focus to the reality and make informed and professional decision for our long term plan run.I definitely oppose councils preferred option in both cases. With the views expressed I propose further discussion and studies on both issues and until such time I support Option 1 for issue of three water management andOption 3 for Uniform annual General charge The submission form duly filled in is attached.I thank you for the opportunity to express my views in the matter and assure my support in a positive way with my limited wisdom.
532	Emerald Vale Ltd	Emerald Vale Ltd	N/A	N/A				Seal extention in each area.
533	Oakhill Dairy Goats Ltd	Oakhill Dairy Goats Ltd	N/A	N/A	Morrinsville			Seal extention on existing roads

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534	Bruce	Cameron	N/A	Onewhero Tuakau Community Board				<p>If we aim to be one of the most informed and engaged councils we feel there are some missed opportunities.While we realise there are some items that must be consulted on by statutory process, these are not the items that people are often passionate about and think we would get better results from informing people what is going on in their backyard outside of wastewater and roading. We would welcome the chance to discuss this further at an appropriate timeFollowing is a list of items that we would like to highlight to be sure we have a clear understanding or to help guide:-1. We would like to see more consultation on the possibility of joining the library, aquatic and community centre all into the one complex, and maybe the council office. This could also enable the tie-in with Partnerships with Schools.2. The Board would like to thank the council for the skate park budget of \$350k. However, we feel this is potentially light with the planned expansion of Tuakau. There is a lot of youth now, and with the planned growth, there is going to be a lot more. Skate parks are a great attraction for youth and a great activity that gets them outside and active, both physically and socially. Therefore we would request that this be placed on the external funding list.Parks: Tuakau is short of 25/30 ha of open space.There needs to be urgent consultation as to how this extra space is acquired.We believe this is likely to be addressed by the Master planning for Tuakau but are concerned at the lead time for this. With the District Plan Notification getting close, design work for local subdivision is already underway and may happen before the opportunity to masterplan is undertaken.We would like to see emphasis placed on larger parks rather than small Neighbourhood parks. Whilst we are not against neighbourhood parks, there is a feeling that the developers are putting them in because of council requirements when they really need to be looked at as part of a bigger picture of the whole town development.The cost of many small parks would be much greater than the maintenance of a fewer number of larger parks.There also needs to be planned connectivity of the walkways/cycle ways within Tuakau, from Tuakau to the river and Tuakau to Pukekohe via the railway corridor.This concept can create a more open, relaxed feel about the town, as it gives alternatives to being limited solely to footpaths on the roadside.The Board would also like clarification of two lots of \$900k funding (\$1.8m) in the 2015 LTP that this is still in the plan for Tuakau.Cemetery: Please update the Board with any proposals/plans in this area. The area of land and its location gives rise to some other possibilities and the board would like to be part of discussions on this.Recycling/Rubbish: We would like to see Council progress the purchase of Land for a Resource Recovery Centre in the North. This can be shared with Pokeno. No mention is made or allowed for in the LTP. We did get our hopes up when a recycle centre was due to open and then it disappeared off the radar altogether.Removing rubbish and recycling of recyclables in the northern part of the WDC for those without kerbside collection is very poor with one once a month at Glen Murray and nothing for the Rural areas of Tuakau, Pokeno and Aka Aka. For businesses and those outside the collection area, there are only drop off areas in Waiuku, Huntly and Te Kauwhata.For tourists moving through, especially campers/camper vans/ freedom campers there is nowhere obvious for them to dispose of rubbish. The town street rubbish bins are not designed for their “household/van” rubbish.Onewhero domain is a classic case of this problem with freedom campers. They regularly have 25 to 30 each night. The septic cannot take the extra load and is constantly blocking or overflowing. It is not up to the locals to either be continually cleaning up after them or reminding council to do so. As Onewhero is one of the closest stops to Auckland Airport, those ending their tours clean their vans out and dump everything there.Rubbish and recycling needs to be moved forward from its planned 2024 slot and the Board would welcome the opportunity to be involved.Dog pound: Please update the Board with any proposals/plans in this area.Tuakau Main Street: It is noted that there is no budget for maintenance of Tuakau’s street furniture.On a recent OTCB and council staff walk through the town, it was patently obvious that no work of any significance has been done for a number of years. The word used to describe the situation was “appalling”.The pavers on the paths are slippery when wet and are a health and safety issue. Railings and posts are broken or missing and have not been repaired or stained for a long time.The trees and under planting are also seriously neglected.Train Station/Park &amp; Ride: Land purchase Planning needs to be in place for the possibility of a train stop and Park and Ride. There are very limited parcels of land available near the Train station and with the Boards local knowledge would be keen to help achieve an outcome.Rural Roadside MaintenanceYellow Bristle Grass: This is an extremely aggressive annual plant which spreads rapidly through clean pasture and is becoming very wide spread throughout the district along the roadsides.The main form of spreading is the road-side mowers in the period from mid-December through to mid-end-May when the grass is in full seed production.During this period there should be no mowing; only spraying should be carried out. Mowing can be carried out over the winter period.Council needs to come up with a programme to manage this. A properly managed system may cost little or no more than the current spend on roadside maintenance.Rural roads ie roads outside of urban boundaries: These need to be kept up to a standard whereby all traffic is safely able to pass over them all year round.Maintenance has fallen behind in the last year and the costs to get ahead again can get excessive. Having trucks getting stuck on metal roads is unacceptable. There has been a lot of ground movement on Highway 22 in the Glen Murray area. Work has started on repairing it, however there is a lot more work to be carried out in this area.Submission on Three WatersThe Community board supports the councils preferred option 4: Water Governance BoardSubmission on UAGCThis created much discussion.The OTCB is the board that covers the largest area of any board in the WDC. It covers a large range of businesses both large and small and residential property types</p>

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								across the full spectrum of values. The rural sector is represented by lifestyle blocks, market gardening, dairying and the full range in size of dry stock properties.The UAGC is a tool that can be used to help apportion a fair share of the rates to a property regardless of its size or value and recognise that the council services are available to everybody, again regardless of size or value of your property. The main principle for the reduction in the UAGC seems to be because of a large % increase in the value of properties in Huntly and Ngaruawahia. What this % increase is in terms of \$ value may not necessarily be that great.The biggest increases in the rate component in the rates has been the targeted rates of water, waste water and rubbish. These are rates for services that properties receive and should pay for and has seemed to have had a bigger impact on Huntly and Ngaruawahia. Using the UAGC to try and reduce this effect may not seem fair on other properties that have to pay for and provide their own water tanks, their own septic tanks and have to pay for any rubbish disposal.It is recognised that rates need to be affordable and for those that can't or have difficulty paying for them there is always the rates remission policy.Consequently no consensus was arrived at. Port Waikato The Board supports the Hall/surf lifesaving complex and is thankful for the council's support on this.\$500k was, we believed, set aside for the boat ramp/wharf at the Port. Has this been carried forward?Tuakau bus transport servicesWith the growth of Tuakau the need for an efficient and regular bus service tying in with the trains in Pukekohe is essential for the Town.The promotion of a train stop at Tuakau is also going to be vital to cater for the growth of the town in the future.
535	Jennifer	Palmer	Brian Perry Charitable Trust	N/A	Hamilton			For over forty years, the Perry Family has been proudly supporting the wider Waikato community. In 1976 a charitable trust was established with a personal donation of \$100,000 from Hamilton businessman Brian Perry, and his wife Peggy, who wanted to provide support for the community that had, in turn, assisted them with their business growth over the previous 20 years. The Brian Perry Charitable Trust continues to develop strong partnerships with like-minded organisations to delier on its purpose of 'Making a meaningful difference towards a vibrant Waikato Region'. The Trust invests significantly in a wide range of projects and organisations and is committed to supporting its local community.Our submission asks that Waikato District Council:1. Continue to work in partnership to realise the Te Awa Lakes development vision for the District. 2. Support the development of the Te Awa River Ride between Hamilton and Cambridge.Our Trust has invested over \$4m into this incredibly worthwhile project since 2010 and we are particularly delighted with the success of the Perry Bridge. Data shows a significant and sustained increase in user numbers since the completion of the Ngaruawahia to Hamilton section and we expect this number to continue growing once the final section is complete.
536	Katrina	Milburn	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	When increasing rates I would ask what you consider the affordability of your increases and the effect this is going to have on the people living in our community. Many families are struggling to pay bills already. Many children and elderly are already missing out on the basics that they need. Are all projects needing to be done now or can you spread them out more to help with keeping the increase to rates at a more reasonable level?
537	Al	Wilson	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia			Living in the country, the proposed changes to the water management do not affect me in any way, as I collect my own water and have no access to town water. What I am not happy about is the fact that I will have to pay considerably more in the coming financial year for the water that I don't get.I think the rating system in general is most unfair, being based on the value of the property and not on the number of people in the property. If I had ten people living in my house, I would still pay the same rates as I do living alone. For me, living alone and on a pension, I find a 6.8% rise in rates difficult to accept. My pension is going up by 1% this coming year but the Council see fit to raise the rates by 6.8%. Eventually I will be forced out of the property in which I have lived for the last 30 years because I can't afford the cost of the facilities which I don't get. My feelings are that we should

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								be charged on a per head basis and not on a per property basis. More people use more roads and more of the Council facilities but my house does not use any.
538	Hira	Kingi	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	
539	A D	Stoneley	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	
540	P A	Stoneley	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	
541	Alfred	Heasley	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 3	Option 3	
543	Anonymous	Anonymous	N/A	N/A				I have just read the above document and my blood pressure has soared accordingly. There is no point in making a submission as the Council just goes ahead and does what it wants to do anyway. The only recourse we have is the ballot box, and so many voters are blinded by the "spin" dished out, or just feel it is a waste of time voting.The following areas annoy me intensely:Refuse (page 12)We were literally fed a lot of 'garbage' when you introduced the new stickers. This was supposed to reduce the targeted rate, but no, you are proposing to increase this again already, which no doubt you intended to do all the time. We just can't believe what you tell us.Water ratesNothing annoys me more than the constant spin you feed us on the reason for changing our water services. The new meters were supposed to make it fairer for everyone. Why is it Huntly East have their meters up and running, but on the West side of the river there are no water charges. It seems more than a coincidence that the Mayor and a good proportion of councillors are on the West side, or live rurally. Perhaps Huntly East residents are conditioned to paying their rates bills! I get sick and tired of the constant claim that the water infrastructure is in a bad way. I personally think our hard earned rates are going towards the infrastructure in the golden North Waikato subdivisions of Te Kauwhata, Pokeno and Tuakau. How about the user pays system and put these charges on their rates, not ours. Property valuations (page 17)Ratepayers were told that rates do not necessarily relate to current valuations. I have been told by a real estate agent that properties in Huntly were over valued in the last valuation. After this past weeks "West Side Stories" in the Waikato Times our properties are now possibly a third of our valuation. I can't understand why these stories were allowed to go to print. No one will want to buy a property here now.On page 21 there is an unfair discrepancy between the projected rates increase for Huntly of 11.40% compared with mid range rural of 4.82%. Why is this when obviously the assed base for mid rural ratepayers is much higher, apart from the fact they also get a lot of tax consessionsthe "Joe Blow?" in an urban dwelling is not entitled to. You are just sucking the low income folk and superannuitants dry.Huntly needs some employment opportunities urgently. We are supposed to be in this wonderful golden triangle but nothing to show for it. Also, for God's sake do something about the crime in the area. It is the only thing flourishing here. Bulldoze the main street, build a service centre for locals to shop as most people seem to go to The Base to shop; and utilise the river more. We don't want 120 food shops in the main street - bank chemist shop, hairdressers, dentist, coffee shop, library (although this is not user friendly now with their no cash system), lotto shop etc. - these could be under one roof. Edgecumbe in the Bay of Plenty had a similar concept and it worked well. At the rate Huntly is going, it will be the ghetto of the Waikato - similar to Porirua, Flaxmere, Manurewa in bigger cities. I would like they Mayor to address these issues in an open letter to the long suffering ratepayers in Huntly. I see the local newspaper is also closing. It just goes on and on and its all so depressing.
544	Mary-Ann	Taiapo	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as multipurpose community facility before 2020.



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545	Robert and Tina	Macnab	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	I support option 4 for Three waters management with the proviso that the savings are fully costed out and independently reviewed.I support Option 1 for the UAGC. The reasons for this is that it households that utilise the services that the council supplies not an acre of land at my back boundary! To shift it more to a value of property proportion is unfair on farmers as they do not use the services ( they are unavailable) that the increased rates will pay for. I feel that the user pays model ( targeted rates) is still subsidised by the general rates, so this will bring more fairness. I do not agree with the rebalance of the roads argument, as the roads in the rural areas provide economic prosperity to all townships, not just the lower value township properties.Other matters:Review of hall targeted rates boundariesIn my case I pay rates to Naike Hall where I mainly use Te Akau Waingaro Community Complex. These areas are outdated based upon halls being linked to schools and outdated social activities. A Lot of these schools have closed so the communities need for the hall has diminished. Our needs are better met at Te Akau.RoadsLocal communities should have more input into roading strategies. Key road routes are being left to deteriorate and are not meeting resident's needs. My solution is a roadshow that is a workshop where local roads plans and strategies ( including timelines) are outlined and are able to be submitted on. In isolated areas Private public partnerships should be considered, where the contract is given to locals to maintain hard to maintain roads. Such an example that has worked well is Retaruke Rd to Whakahoro in the Ruapehu district.Parks and facilitiesAn increased allowance for Hakarimata Tack. A highly used facility needs a link to the Te Awa trail and increased signage and maintenance.An upgrade to the Waingaro Church walk, a local fitness track.Identification of swimming holes and facilities to compliment them.
546	Susanne	Pipe	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
547	James	Moore	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	
548	Charlie	Paekau	N/A	N/A			Option 2	
549	Grace M	Wilcock	N/A	N/A		Option 4		General commentThe local information session was informative and covered the various aspects of the LTP 2018-28 in good detail. Also the consultation document was extremely good and helped to act as a reminder of the information session when deciding the content of this submission.Three Water's ManagementAs the proposed CCO with Hamilton City and Waipa is no longer under consideration I agree with WDC that Option 4 is selected; provided that the other partners do not compromise access to and cost of water.Submit: Support Option 4 Uniform Annual General Rate [UAGC]The proposed options for the UAGC do not appear to take into consideration some of the factors that can impact on ratepayers outside of the urban areas. Those who are pensioners who may be asset rich but income poor, no access to a library, no access to public transport so more outgoings in order to reach facilities, young families struggling to meet housing costs and many who cannot make tax deductions. So although I agree to a certain extent I believe the council needs to look at this more carefully before setting this rate. However if WDC have considered all these factors I would reconsider and support Option 2.Submit: Support Option 4 only if assured of factors in my comments.
550	Daryl	Smart	N/A	N/A	Hamilton			See attachment
551	Michelle	Hollands	N/A	Sport Waikato	Hamilton			See attachment
552	Richard	Briggs	N/A	Hamilton City Council	Hamilton			See attachment
553	Matt & Laura	Carter	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 1	Option 1	
554	Vaughan	Payne	N/A	Waikato Regional Council	Hamilton			See attachment
555	Bowman	Household	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
556	Cushla	Moore	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 1	
557	Malcolm	Dyer	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 1	
558	Jim	Ivens	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 3	
559	Peter & Mary	Henry	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	We are concerned as to how we will afford rates when we retire. Pensions may have risen recently, but that rise did not even cover the rise on cost-of-living expenses, let alone annual rates rises! This will concern many elderly in the community.

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560	Peter	Lamb	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
561	Neil	Barker	N/A	Ngaruawahia Golf Club Inc	Ngaruawahia			<p>10 Year Plan - SubmissionSaulbury Road RoundaboutOn behalf of the Ngaruawahia Golf Club Inc. (NGC) I submit our input for consideration -The Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) indicates that a roundabout will be constructed at Saulbrey Road / Great South Road in 2028. We understand that Council has budgeted money for the necessary purchase of land in 2019. NGC would like the Council to consider urgency in construction of the roundabout for numerous reasons as set out below:</p> <p><b>Safety</b>This section of Great South Road is 100kph with vehicle speed increasing after leaving Ngaruawahia Township (which has an outer speed limit of 70kph).The River Terraces sub-division has increased the number of traffic manoeuvres within 1 kilometre of the NGC entrance and Saulbrey Road. The traffic volume will increase substantially and quickly with more sections becoming available.River Terraces has a marked turning bay for traffic heading north and turning right into the development. Parking in the middle of an increasingly busy main road, even with a stopping zone is not ideal.Access to the golf course does not include a right turning bay. While, thankfully, to my understanding, there have been no crashes attributed to right turning into the Course there have been some 'hairy' moments when one motorist stops in the middle of the road to turn right into the golf course, which is legal, and another decides to stop in front of the café opposite the NGC entrance. This leaves very little room for following cars to pass.The roundabout would have the effect of improving traffic safety by slowing vehicles and giving better direction to vehicles entering and exiting River Terraces, the NGC and Saulbrey Road. The NGC would re-locate its entrance way from the present location to a new road north of the site (currently only a paper road).We understand Council roading staff are of the view that the roundabout should be completed as a priority. The developers of River Terraces have also indicated they would prefer the roundabout is constructed earlier than scheduled in the Draft LTP.FutureThere are signs that Ngaruawahia is a growing township with River Terraces an example of this. Hamilton City has strong growth at its northern boundary (Kay Road/Borman Road area) and these developments are bringing more golfers closer to NGC.The NGC is, in conjunction with an overseas sponsor, in the process of completing a Resource Consent Application to build a driving range on our course in an area that is presently used as a practice fairway. It is proposed that the Sponsor will use these facilities for a Golfing Academy and outside these times they will be available to the public. We do not expect there to be a great increase in traffic entering and exiting the course from driving range visitors but are in the process of undertaking a traffic assessment which will indicate likely numbers.The Perry Charitable Trust has approached NGC requesting us to allow access for cyclists to the Te Awa Cycleway from the course. The NGC have agreed to this.</p> <p><b>Conclusion</b>In summary, construction of the proposed Saulbrey Road roundabout will improve traffic safety at multiple locations along the stretch of Great South Road from the River Terraces entrance to the golf course entrance. It will have an immediate improvement and accommodate the increasing traffic volumes along this road.There is a growing need for the roundabout and its construction date should be brought forward from 2028. This view is aligned with that of staff in Council's Roads Asset Management Team and the developers of River Terrace.NGC requests that Council budgets for construction of the Saulbury Road/ Great South Road roundabout to be programmed to be actioned within the next 12 to 24 months i.e. completed with urgency.I am prepared to be heard in support of my submission</p>
562	Shraneel	Singh	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	<p>Three Waters Management - Prefer to setup CWC and enter a well defined commercial contract with WaterCare (renowned for their depth in service knowledge) and based on the contract a well defined SLA for services provided by WaterCare where breach in SLA results in rebates in cost of services. This will ensure a really High Level Service that can be maintained. In opposition of WGB, Though it ticks all the box and provides options to ofer rates rebates to low income ratepayers, I would like to question why rest of the ratepayers are not given the same/fair chance to rebates. We moved to Pokeno and work in Auckland CBD, though not considered as low income ratepayers, end up paying a lot in terms of commute time, costs and then unfair/biased rebate mechanism which results in us paying more than the low income ratepayers. Some scenarios ends up making middle to high income ratepayers category poorer than the low income ratepayers as there is larger outgoings.</p>
563	Damon	Skellams	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
564	David	Whyte	N/A	N/A	Huntly			See attachment.
565	David	Whyte	N/A	N/A	Huntly			<p>I would like to see the web form upgraded so it can accept attachments. It is shocking in this day and age to eliminate any tables, pictures, illustrations, formatting, etc. I would be stuffed, if I didn't have the info email address I could attach something to, because submissions cut off is the start of working hours on Monday. Also having a color to show where information is missing, would help with the form, instead of reading, searching for the missing bit. I guess anyone who is dyslexic isn't encouraged to make a submission, or anyone who isn't computer literate.</p>
566	Mark	Emms	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	

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567	Gillian	Hansen	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 1	It is only fair that all ratepayers pay the same amount for council services that we can all use. Many people spend their income in different ways, and paying rates and taxes is part of being a responsible citizen.I would like to see a form of tax /fee charged to all users of libraries / swimming pools / community buildings etc. Those who do not own property are not contributing in any way. The council might claim that landlords can factor this in rents but many people just take it as their right to do as they please and destroy what has been provided. The council has a thankless task at times.
568	Diane	Emms	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
569	Sally	Fraser	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 3	Option 2	
570	Richard	Way	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	Rates are continuing to rise, but wages are not. Last year was the increase in rates for wastewater, this year the council is trying increase the general rates, what will it be next year? Ngaruawahia is an attractive place to live, out of the main cities, with a lower property prices, however increases like this are going to drive more people away, who simply cannot afford to live in a small town, that charges like a city does.
571	Charlotte	Catmur	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 2	Option 2	Raglan is developing at a very fast rate and the Council needs to have a plan to manage and mitigate the impact and to slow the rate of development accordingly. Infrastructure for residents is lacking. The access to Rangitahi is going to present a lot of traffic issues that do not appear to be on the Council's radar. In addition, the restoration of the pill boxes does not seem high priority in comparison to providing increased public access and parks in intensely development zones eg. around Government and Manakau streets. In addition, basic rubbish and recycling facilities need to be installed at high traffic tourist zones, for example at the beach.
572	Andrew	Kramer	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 2	Option 2	Development in and around Raglan is controlled by a small number of individuals; the Council should not serve the interests of influential individuals at the expense of public good, particularly with regard to planning decisions. Development needs to be contained and managed so that basic services and infrastructure can catch up whilst maintaining the character of Raglan and enhancing natural amenity.
573	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 1	
574	Eileen	Tengu	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 3	Option 2	
575	Bryan	Morris	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	The WDC needs to be aware of the formation of the Huntly Residents and Ratepayers group which will enable the Council to include Huntly in its visions and planning for ' Liveable .Thriving and Connected Communities'
576	Donna	Jamieson	N/A	N/A	Puni	Option 4	Option 2	
577	Clive & Pauline	Kosoof	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 1	
578	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	N/A	No Address	Option 1	Option 2	Please add seal extension for Te Papatapu Road (near Te Mata) to the Long Term Plan 2018-28. Sealing Te Papatapu Road would create huge tourist potential by encouraging more people to visit Raglan on their way to Kawhia and Waitomo Caves.
579	Jeanette	Tyrrell	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	Firstly, congratulations to Waikato District in thinking long-term and considering the best way to manage waters in the future. Those with a misguided fear about Watercare need to get over themselves and realise that Watercare holds huge waters expertise that this district desperately needs. A huge thank you to Councillor Lisa Thompson at Raglan for showing leadership and for her, and the Community Board's advocacy of the 'Only Pee, Poo and Paper' down the loo. The message is getting through to locals that EVERYONE - not just Council - has a role in protecting our harbours. I also support continued Council support for Xtreme Zero Waste who do an extraordinary job for this community.

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580	Roger	Bright	N/A	Waikato Sport Fishing Club	Hamilton			<p>See attachment. Waikato Sport Fishing Club founded in 1987, is based in Hamilton and has 208 paid financial members 2017/2018 year from across the Waikato Region. We are an affiliated club with the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council. Our vision is: "Waikato Sport Fishing Club – sport and recreational fishing for our families, our community and our future". The vision reflects the desire of the Club to promote a strong sense of family unity through fishing, and to grow the fishing base within the local community, and to enhance the fishing experience for future generations. This is further reflected in the Club's core values: Safety First, Working Together and Protecting the Future. We hold three major tournaments each year, the Raglan One Base where all anglers (96 in 2018) fish out of Raglan, and the Snapper Kingi Classic (65 anglers 2017) and the Big Four (81 anglers 2017) where our anglers can fish from any port including Raglan. We would like to make a submission to the Waikato District Council concerning 3 issues: 1. Management of Manu Bay boat ramp. 2. Manu Bay breakwater wall. 3. Inclusion as stakeholders in Council decisions.</p> <p>1. Management of Manu Bay boat ramp We understand the management of the Manu Bay boat ramp is being reviewed and there is a proposal to pass the management of the ramp to local organisations. We would not support this and request the Council maintains management of the boat ramp and associated reserve. We believe the Council can independently represent and respond to the needs of all users of the space and has the appropriate asset management expertise to maintain the boat ramp and reserve. We request that Council retains management of the Manu Bay boat ramp and reserve.</p> <p>2. Manu Bay breakwater wall In 2014 the Raglan Sport Fishing Club reported to WDC a crack 5.57 meters from the end of the Break Wall. Council has since repaired the breakwater wall resulting in a shorter breakwater. Since the repair of the breakwater wall, we have received feedback from our members whom use the Manu Bay boat ramp that in certain winds and post/pre half tide, the water washes over the breakwater, creating a swirl onto the ramp. This is making launching and retrieving dangerous and difficult for the boat users. A number of our members have been in situations where they have felt their safety is at risk. As our vision states, our club puts 'safety first' and we are concerned the current situation is not safe, not only for our members but also for all other users of the ramp. Council has a responsibility to provide assets to the community that are appropriate for present and future circumstance. Local Government Act 2002 Purpose local government s10(1)(b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses. S10(2) In this Act, good-quality, in relation to local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions, means infrastructure, services, and performance that are—(a) Efficient; and (b) Effective; and (c) Appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances. We would propose to Council that the Manu Bay boat ramp, in its current state, does not fulfil this requirement. We request the following actions are undertaken to address this issue: 1) Council undertakes an investigation of observing the performance of the breakwater across a range of wind and tide conditions to be concluded by July 2018. 2) Council holds a meeting to discuss the findings of the investigation with key stakeholders – that is ourselves, the Waikato Sport Fishing Club, Raglan Sport Fishing Club and the Coast Guard. 3) Sufficient budget is provided for in the first year of the Long Term Plan (2018-2019) to provide for remedial work on the breakwater to improve the safety. 4) Work to address the issue is completed before the 2018-2019 summer season.</p> <p>3. Inclusion as stakeholders in Council decisions. Waikato Sport Fishing Club and its members are key stakeholders in regard to the boat ramps, boat access and parking with the Raglan area. As key stakeholders, Council is required to inform and consult with our club. We therefore request that Council in the future informs the Waikato Sport Fishing Club directly of any proposed changes to the ramps, reserves associated with the ramps and parking for boat trailers by a direct email to our president at <a href="mailto:president@waikatosportfishing.co.nz">president@waikatosportfishing.co.nz</a>.</p>
581	Bryce	Mounsey	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	<p>Three Waters Management: this will only work if there are no unrealistic remuneration packages for those on the Governance Board (anything over \$50,000). My concern is with this type of arrangement is that it leaves itself wide open to having an expectation of having high remuneration packages due to the nature of the Board make-up. This should not be the case as interested parties should have the best interests of the community at heart.</p>

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582	Anton	Marais	N/A	N/A		Option 1	Option 2	I wasn't able to get a full understanding of what drives the proposed savings for the Waters CCO. Both CCO options have the same saving but different implementation costs, I am not able to determine if the implementation cost is included in the savings. I tried to find out what % of operational cost the \$28,3 M actually is. Its a number that sounds big but without a reference to capital and operational costs is misleading only looking at a single number. The Annual plan documents have reference to the 3 waters cost as do the supporting documents in the LTP. I figure that this is about a 4 - 5.2 % saving with the CCO. I think that institutional knowledge can not have a value, I would say it is greater than 4 -5 %. I also think that having a 3rd part managing assets reduced first hand knowledge, and this leads to reduced transparency for residents. Another aspect not listed as a risk is association with a 3rd party and their organizational reputation, I would say that Water Care has been receiving some fairly negative press. I read several times that the Roding Alliance is resulting in savings, however the amount is not stated. The LTP is planning an increase in Roding budget by \$1.8m. It would be good information to know if the Roding Alliance is producing saving in line with the original Alliance business case. The benefit table has a line that is - More effective partnership with iwi to achieve improved environmental outcomes - I would like to understand what this is actually about and how this can not be addressed in the same way for all options. Environmental outcomes (depending on what these actually are ), in my mind do not have any dependencies on the how the 3 waters are managed, they are strategic and resource issues. Some of the benefits such as the better procurement, in status quo, this is N/A. I understand the LASS and various all of government can offer a lot of cost reductions. I only partially understand some of the complexities and issues WDC currently faces. I also do not understand all of the complexities around the technology. The only comment I can make is that the information and options presented are severely skewed against the option councils chooses and therefore appears that the decision is already made. If there was an option for not sure then I would choose this. There is not really enough information to make an considered choice. Thanks
583	Melissa	Griggs	N/A	N/A	Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	
584	Bernardette	Wood	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	I do not support the LTP as I believe that the valuation system that has been used to justify rates increases for Ngaruawahia is unfair. The LTP has outlined that spending will be primarily in the North and that there is no immediate focus on Ngaruawahia although we carry the highest rating increases. Ngaruawahia households should not be carrying the extra financial burden of improvements to other communities in the district. The targeted rates paid by Ngaruawahia households should be spent on improvements in Ngaruawahia. I do not support the priority projects for Ngaruawahia as outlined in LTP. These projects were not identified by the community. I do not support a regional petrol tax. Pump prices in Ngaruawahia are already 10 to 15 cents higher than competitors in nearby Frankton and Hamilton. I support the Ngaruawahia Community Board opinion and submission.
585	Ken	Wood	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	The Water / Wastewater management should continue to be managed within the council as it currently is. The 28 Million dollar saving (option 4) is just advertising bolster, two extra profit taking levels of management are now added so how is it possible to save any money ? the only way is to reduce services or maintenance - Anyone hear of how Toll holding reduced the railroad to be almost derelict . Is this just a way of distancing the council from the rate payers / lawyers in times of trouble as in Havelock North ? . It is not the management layer that needs bolstering it staff on the ground with better access to training. Better communication with other councils re compliance. better negotiated purchase rates. Learning not to take the lowest quote , but to do some diligence to secure a correctly costed project.
586	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	N/A	No Address	Option 1	Option 2	
587	Sreenivasan	Thurairajah	N/A	N/A	auckland	Option 4	Option 2	
588	Bronwyn	Kosoof	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 1	Not enough time between information evening and submission deadline date. Don't agree with Huntly getting only \$600k in the LTP, couldn't decipher from the supporting document what additional funding Huntly was getting as purported at the meeting. Very unclear.
589	Anna	Noakes	N/A	N/A	Papakura	Option 1	Option 1	
590	Janet	McRobbie	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 2	
591	Janine	Hayward	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	We would also like to request further detail about 1) the rules for placing an auxiliary dwelling on a residential site (are these changing?) and 2) what is the update with the rezoning of HT1 (Kay Road) - when will this be? Thank you

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592	Alex	Ramsay	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	The rates in Ngaruawahia and throughout the district have increased enough over the last couple of years - when you look at water meters, rubbish stickers, wastewater increases, regional council increases. What do we get for these increases? The way our properties are valued is a nonsense, there is no way my property is worth my current valuation.Ngaruawahia looks tired and dirty I drive daily along the main road and the weeds that are along the main road are a disgrace and this is also along the rail corridor is WDC not able to insist that Kiwirail keep the corridor tidy and weed free, during summer this has to be a fire hazard.With all the new residential developments proposed in Ngaruawahia to attract new residents is grotty and unkept the image WDC is going For?I do not see the sense of a roundabout by Salisbury Road and why would that be \$3.2m if developers want it they should cover the entire costs. The old Flour Millwho decided this was a community idea? no one I have asked thinks this is a sound idea in fact it seems that adding these to what Ngaruawahia is getting in the Long Term Plan is a smokescreen to divert attention from rates increases.I have also heard that the Art Centre is asking WDC for \$500k this is a small organisation that should be made to use existing facilities that way they may increase the numbers, I understand that they were supported by WDC originally but due to safety the building was demolished and they don't appear to have moved on and are just expecting ratepayers to pay for a building for a small group of people.
593	Venessa	Rice	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	I do not support the Long Term Plan 2018 - 2028. Ngaruawahia resident have been hit the hardest in recent rate increase due to other towns in the district needing finical support with waste water issue. The data produced by the WDC in the increase of waste ware rate identified the issues where with Raglan and Huntly, Ngaruawahia residents opposed this increase but it went ahead regardless. Ngaruawahia resident are again targeted for the highest rate increase in the area, at the information meeting that Huntly had the greatest in crease in QV home values however their rate increase does not reflect that. The average house GV revaluation in Huntly went up by 72.97% and in Ngaruawahia 71.74% a difference of 1.23%. However, Ngaruawahia's average rate increase is 1.35% higher than Huntly's, how do you justify Ngaruawahia's higher increase? Page 11 of your consultation document talks about master planning for growing communities, Ngaruawahia does NOT feature in any of this information, housing infrastructure does not refer to Ngaruawahia. Page 12 - Economic Development, you have identified tourism as a major opportunity, Ngaruawahia features greatly in tourism with the Hakarimata walk way and the start of the Waikato cycleway but we can't get our streets cleaned, road signed cleaned, berms mowed, foothpaths cleaned to promote tourism and show a thriving community we residents and rate payers know we are?Regional Fuel Tax - It has been over 20 years since the planned express way was proposed to by pass many Waikato District towns and remove Great South Road for Transit NZ funding to council funding. Why is this tax been used as an option instead of rate increases for regional roading? Why is now being addressed through a regional fuel tax. Future planning should have been addressed and consulted back then. Not supportedWaste minimisation - Use pays stickers and reduction of recycling has not worked. Look forward to reading more on this issue. Roundabout Saulbury Road - What data form police and ACC to you have to justify the need for this roundabout? I have been told the Ngaruawahia rate payer contribution is only 20% of the \$3.2million cost, why is this figure not reflected? Why don't developers pay for the entire cost if they want it? Not supportedOld Flour Mill - What does the \$418k restoration cover? Why is heritage money being sort for this not ratepayer? What will the flour mill be used for once restored? Not supportedCan you tell me what Ngaruawahia ratepayers and residents can see happening in their town that benefits them?
594	Genaya	Macklow	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 3	Option 2	
595	H and A	Murphy	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia			Submission not related to the above consultation questions. Wanted to comment on the condition of the Otorohaeta Trig Road as it needs improving. When it is graded it makes it better however the increasing traffic can impact the condition between grading contracts. The amount of trucks on that road have increased and they make a mess of the road. Please increase the level of service on this road. It can be extremely unsafe. Also roading conditions throughout the Waingaro and Te Akau area need continuing improvement. The roads get flooded frequently, approx. 3 times last year Waingaro school was forced to close due to flooding. Thank you

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596	Bruce	Cameron	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 1	<p>First I would like to thank you for the recognition of the state of the unsealed roads within the WDC by the proposed allocation of extra funding. The sealed network is also experiencing neglect in areas of the council roading network. Under the Strada contract the roads deteriorated markedly and a lot of work needed to be done to get them up to a reasonable state again. This was further enhanced by the Alliance contract but in the last year there has been a marked deterioration. We have had some significant storm events which the Alliance has done a very good job of dealing with. However there has been a marked lack of basic maintenance carried out on the remainder of the network which is disappointing, as the repairing of further damage only gets more costly. I understand the main reason for this is that the Council has “run out of money”. Let’s hope that the extra funding proposed will address all of these issues.</p> <p>Rubbish/recyclingIn the northern part of the WDC we only have one recycling facility outside of curb side collections, which is at Glen Murray. This service is once a month. For those people within a reasonable distance of Glen Murray it is fine. However for those further afield there is no viable alternative. There is no obvious facility for tourists travelling through the area especially those in camper vans and this can only but increase the amount of rubbish that ends up on the roadside. The freedom camping area at the Onewhero Domain is setting a bad example of rubbish dumping.</p> <p>Recommendation Council needs to secure land for a recycle / rubbish centre, probably in the Tuakau Pokeno area, and obtain a resource consent for it. The running of this facility can then be contracted out UAGC It is very disappointing to see a proposed reduction in this rate. It is a tool that the council has that can rate properties across the whole district regardless of size or value but recognise that everybody has the same access to council services (outside of targeted rates). Although everybody has access to these Council services (out side targeted rates) not everybody is reasonably able to access them, especially those in the outlying rural areas. For that reason the UAGC needs to be kept up to the maximum of 30% because what the UAGC doesn’t cover has to come out of the general rate, and this seriously impinges on the rural rate payer who ends up paying a dis-proportionately large share of the total rates.</p> <p>This reduction proposal seems mainly to satisfy the Huntly and Ngaruawahia townships which had a larger than average property value increase. These properties also have access to waste water, water, rubbish and storm water which they pay a targeted rate for. It is these services that have had by far the biggest increases that have effected their total rates bill. By lowering the UAGC the higher value properties are effectively subsidising the lower value properties.</p> <p>Even if the council set the UAGC at Option 1 of \$482.85 it is still a reduction of the UAGC because the targeted rate component has such a large effect on it and these targeted rates are having such large increases.</p> <p>Recommendation Increase the UAGC to its maximum or at the very least to \$482.50</p> <p>Option 1Yellow Bristle Grass This is an extremely aggressive annual plant that is becoming very wide spread throughout the District.</p> <p>At this time of the year it is very obvious on the side of the road. Council contractors mowing it spreads the seed further and from here it is being tracked onto farms.</p> <p>Recommendation Council formulate a plan to reduce, leading towards eradication of this grass. A properly managed programme may cost little more than the current roadside maintenance spend.</p> <p>The three waters I have concerns about the establishment of the proposed water governance board. The council history with Strada gives me little confidence and I fear a repeat.</p> <p>The proposal to use the reserve fund to provide water meters to 121 properties at cost of \$46100k, which equates to \$3,519 per property, is an unjustifiable use of the reserves. If this is going to be the philosophy on expenditure for the three waters then I can see future rate increases.</p> <p>Savings of \$28million are forecasted over 10 years but there are no figures showing to provide proof of this.</p> <p>Recommendation Very, very tentatively support option 4 but would need to see a very robust watchdog of the board. It becomes another tier of governance removed from the councillors.</p>
597	Joss	Annandale	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia			<p>Re Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - I tried to submit this through the 'WDC sayit website' but it kept telling me of 'system failure'. A ploy by council?? I do not wish to speak in support of my submission. I agree with the councils preferred options re water management and general rates. With the increase in rates, which I'm sure you have already been made aware of, we have already had with refuse stickers and water meters, we would hope the management of our environment will improve. I am particularly concerned about the state of our footpaths, berms and general environment. I walk the streets and river walk/cycle way regularly and can't help getting a little annoyed at the lack of care and pride our council has for our towns. I am of course talking about grass growing over footpaths to the extent that the paths are getting narrower,including growing out over the gutters. Spraying does not solve the problem, it just creates an eyesore. Spaying just pushes the dead grass further out over the paths. It doesn't help that some residents insist on planting shrubs and plants on the outside of their boundary fences that again reduce the footpath space. I am not the only resident noticing this lack of care and I know the council has had notification of these concerns. If the council has no pride how do they expect their rate paying residents to care for their own sections. Some of our districts towns already get a bad rap and when outsiders see the condition of our environment it is no surprise.</p>
598	Sarah	Jones	N/A	N/A			Option 1	

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599	Tamahere Community Committee	Tamahere Community Committee	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	1. GENERALa. TCC supports the Plan with the following specific points2. THREE WATERSa. Support for Option 4.b. TCC notes the savings identified of \$28.3 million over 10 yearsc. TCC requests that Council annually directly measures the savings made and reports to ratepayers on them and identifies changes to the LTP target and any reasons for change3. UAGCa. Support for Option 24. KEY COUNCIL PROJECTSa. Walkwaysi. Support for the walkways spend of \$1.5 mii. This project will significantly aid the completion of the Te Awa cycle and walk wayiii. The completion of Te Awa will drive economic development across the District and over time drive healthy lifestylesb. Water Reservoiri. This project has been on the books for many yearsii. TCC has consistently questioned the need for this to be builtiii. No detailed paper on justification has been presented during this time as the project has kept being pushed outiv. TCC notes that Tamahere properties are required to store 22,000 ltr of watervi. Why is a reservoir upgrade required5. TAMAHERE RESERVEa. TCC strongly supports the targeted rate of \$38 per property for the additional funding of the reserve developmentb. This has been strongly supported by the community in consultationc. The enhanced playground will support the commercial development and the community hub currently under construction
600	Rick	Veitch	Veitch Investments LTD	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
601	Jo	Kukutai	N/A	Maniapoto Maori Trust Board	Te Kuiti	Option 3	Option 3	13 April 2018LTP Project TeamWaikato District Council15 Gallileo StreetNgaruawahiaTena koutou katoa,Ko te mauri, ko te waiora o te Waipa ko Waiwaia Ko Waipa te toto o te tangata! Ko Waipa te toto o te whenua, koia hoki he wai Manawa whenua! Ko Waipa tetehi o nga taonga o Maniapoto whanui.The Maniapoto Maori Trust Board (the Board) is constituted under the Maniapoto Maori Trust Board Act 1988 as a body corporate for the purposes of the Maori Trust Boards Act 1955. The beneficiaries of the Board are the members of the Maniapoto tribe and their descendants.The Board holds responsibilities as co-governors and co-managers with the Crown for the Waipa River. These responsibilities are legislated under the Nga Wai o Maniapoto (Waipa River) Act 2012 (NWOM) and also the co-governance entity, Waikato River Authority/Waikato River Clean-Up Trust.The Crown and the Board signed a Deed in relation to the co-governance and co-management of the Waipa River in 2010 and a Joint Management Agreement with the Waikato District Council and the Waikato Regional, Waipa District, Otorohanga District and Waitomo Councils on April 3, 2013.The overarching purpose of the Deed and the NWOM Act is: to restore and maintain the quality and integrity of the waters that flow into and form part of the Waipa River for present and future generations and the care and protection of the mana tuku iho o Waiwaia. The Board and the Crown also signed an overarching Waiwaia Accord, which has principles contained within.The Board have developed three key documents regarding the Waipa River:1. He Mahere Taiao - The Maniapoto Iwi Environmental Management Plan, 2. He Mahere Ika - Maniapoto Fish Plan for the Waipa River and the 3. Maniapoto Priorities for the Restoration of the Waipa River Catchment Report The Board would like to be heard in support of this submission.WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL AND THE MANIAPOTO MAORI TRUST BOARDThe Waikato District Council is a District Council duly constituted by the Local Government Act 2002 and as such is responsible for promoting social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of communities. The Council is one of five Joint Management Agreement partners under the Waipa River Act between Local Authorities and the Board. The Local Authorities and the Board agreed to enter into one collective agreement for all of its joint management arrangements which is pursuant to the Waipa River Act.Te Awa o Waipa is a taonga to Maniapoto. Maniapoto have a deep felt obligation and desire to restore, maintain and protect all of the waters that flow and/or fall within the Maniapoto rohe (Nga Wai o Maniapoto), whether the waters are above, on or underground. Te Mana o Te Wai (The quality and integrity of the waters) is paramount. The obligation includes the waters that flow into and form part of the Waipa River. The relationship between Maniapoto and the Waipa River is historic, intellectual, physical and spiritual. Historically, Te Mana o Te Wai was such that it provided all manner of sustenance to Maniapoto including physical and spiritual nourishment that has, over generations, maintained the quality and integrity of Maniapoto marae, whanau, hapu and iwi. To Maniapoto the Waipa River has mana and in turn represents the mana of Maniapoto. The Waipa River is a single indivisible entity that flows from Pekepeke to its confluence with the Waikato River and includes its waters, banks, bed (and all minerals under it) and its streams, waterways, tributaries, lakes, fisheries, vegetation, floodplains, wetlands, islands, springs, geothermal springs, water column, airspace and substratum as well as its metaphysical elements with its own mauri.SIGNED JOINT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (JMA):The Board and the Council signed a Joint Management Agreement (JMA) on 3 April 2013 to achieve the following purpose: To provide for the Local Authorities and MMTB to work together in carrying out the functions, duties and powers provided for in and to give effect to the Waipa River Act.THE SCOPE OF THE JOINT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (JMA): (a) Covers matters relating to the Waipa River and activities within its catchment affecting the Waipa River as depicted in Schedule One; (b) Covers matters relating to the exercise of shared functions, duties and powers in relation to: (i) Monitoring and enforcement activities as provided for in section 21 of the Waipa River Act; (ii) Preparing, reviewing, changing or varying a RMA Planning Document, as provided for in section 22 of the Waipa River Act; and (iii) Considering applications under Part 6 of the RMA in relation to resource consents as provided for in section



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								<p>23 of the Waipa River Act. (c) May cover additional duties, functions or powers as agreed between the MMTB and the Local Authorities, whether collectively or individually. This submission provides points to achieve the overarching purpose of the Deed, Waipa River Act and maintain the integrity of the JMA. 2018-2028 LONG TERM PLAN 'Three Waters' Management Water quality is a priority matter is of highest priority for Maniapoto particularly the restoration of the quality and integrity of the Waipa River under the River Legislation and Deed. There is concern that should Council be taking water from or disposing into the Waipa River (or its tributaries), that consultation with Maniapoto as JMA partners, has not yet taken place. The Deed is specific that it did not address nor preclude further discussion about title or ownership of the Waipa River. Maniapoto do not accept they have ever ceded authority or rights of ownership over the Waipa River, or its tributaries, to anybody. They have never agreed to cede their authority over or rights in the Waipa River or its tributaries (Deed - clause 1.12). Maniapoto engage with the Crown and Council (as agent for the Crown) in good faith and in accordance with the principles of the Waiwaia Accord. These principles must also be adhered to by Crown/Council before establishing or conferring management or use rights of a nature and/or duration that in effect create rights of property in the waters of the Waipa River (Deed - 13.2.2) and developing policy or proposing any legislation which in effect amounts to the privatisation of the waters of the Waipa River (Deed - 13.2.3). However, should the waters that Council propose under the 'Three Waters' Management not be those of the Waipa River (or its tributaries), then the Board strongly supports Option 3 to address the 'Three Waters' Management in support of Waikato-Tainui. This option saves \$28.3m over 10 years and creates an independent company representative of River Iwi at the decision-making table. UNIFORM ANNUAL GENERAL CHARGE (UAGC) Of the Maori owned residential or Pa zoned residential land in the Waikato District, the capital value appears to be determined by increasing land values, as opposed to significant improvements on the property itself. The general rate is reliant on the capital value which is likely to be low. Maori are likely to benefit directly from a lower UAGC of \$286.50. The Board strongly supports Option 3 as the best option in support of Maori owned residential or Pa zoned residential land in the Waikato District. CONCLUSION The Nga Wai o Maniapoto (Waipa River) Act 2012, Deed in relation to the co-governance and co-management of the Waipa River, the Vision &amp; Strategy - Te Ture Whaimana o te awa o Waikato, He Mahere Taiao - The Maniapoto Iwi Environmental Management Plan, He Mahere Ika - Maniapoto Fish Plan for the Waipa River and the Maniapoto Priorities for the Restoration of the Waipa River Catchment Report set the direction for Maniapoto in relation to the Waipa River. It is unclear, however if Council intends to take water from or dispose into the Waipa River (or any of its tributaries) as part of the Three Water's Management, the Board wish to have further discussions with Council. The Joint Management Agreement between the Council and Maniapoto solidifies the existing and future relationship between the two entities. Should Council not be taking or disposing into the Waipa River (or its tributaries) the Board strongly support Option 3 for the 'Three Waters' Management in support of Waikato-Tainui and also Option 3 for the UAGC. The Board acknowledges and supports the wider direction of Council to effectively lead and manage the Waikato District, for the greater community. Naku iti noa, na Sonya Hetet Interim Chief Executive</p>
602	Donald	Hagenson	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	<p>Overall I do not support the Long term Plan 2018 - 2028. Ngaruawahia resident are again targeted for the highest rate increase in the area, at the information meeting that Huntly had the greatest increase in QV home values however their rate increase does not reflect that. The average house GV revaluation in Huntly went up by 72.97% and in Ngaruawahia 71.74% a difference of 1.23%. However, Ngaruawahia's average rate increase is 1.35% higher than Huntly's, how do you justify Ngaruawahia's higher increase? The LTP has outlined that primary spending will be in the north with no immediate focus on Ngaruawahia. We are one of the two major towns in the district and we are paying the highest increase in percentage of all the communities. This is unfair. I do not support Ngaruawahia's priority projects identified. These projects were not identified by the community. Further more there has been no justification or data produced by to support the need for Ngaruawahia rate payer money to be spent on a round about on Saulbury Road or restoration of the old flour mill which is below the flood level and has limited accessibility. I believe the Twin Rivers Art Centre have applied for \$500,000.00 for the art centre, again Ngaruawahia ratepayers cannot afford this. In the Community Facility Consultation last year it was voice by many that an expensive art gallery was not the focus for this town. What has changed? I do not support the Regional Fuel Tax or the Long Term Plan 2018 - 2028</p>
603	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	N/A	No Address	Option 4	Option 3	<p>Overall I do not support the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) I am not happy with the process in how properties in Ngaruawahia were valued so as to support Council's reason to increase rates. This is not fair and does not align with your vision as it makes it difficult for families to afford to live here, thrive here and feel like they cannot contribute to better outcomes for the community - so no sense of connectedness. The Ngaruawahia community should have the lowest UAGC, therefore Option 3 - Reduce the UAGC to \$286.50 is the preferred option.</p>

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604	Timothy	Duff	N/A	N/A				<p>My considerations are as follow;Raglan Naturally PlanMy involvement in Raglan naturally includes being on the original team in 2000and being on the Steering committee to investigate its revision in 2017.My opinion is it that a revised RNP is the best way to bridge the gap between whatthe community want and what WDC provide.i.e. Improve relationship and satisfaction of community to WDC.WDC needs to put in its LTP I think a figure of \$5k at a minimum per year towards RNP.That money should be used towards creating a document similar to the LTP Consultation Document or Raglan Chronicle in size and during Winter each year besent to all Ratepayers and community for feedback which would then be updatedinto the RN plan.Work with IWI and make name corrections Consultation should be undertaken with Iwi to look into where names for streets and parkscould be changed. Doing so would help in many ways. Last year for example I attendeda Treaty of Waitangi workshop, one of the guest speakers was able to provide concrete evidence to the group that the correct name for Te Kopua is actually Papahua.Walking tracks and Bike pathsRaglan is the ideal town to have high use of bicycles as a means of transport.Most areas of the town are within a reasonably easy distance of CBD and not to hilly.There would be untold advantages of promoting use of bikes e.g. If workers usedbikes there would be a lot less pressure on parking around town.It is proposed to develop a walkway over three years from Wainui Reserve to Whale Bay in Raglan starting in 2011/2012 at a total cost of \$198,000. What happened to that?There has been propositions about building a walkway from Manu bay to Whale bayby WDC to my knowledge for the last 25 years. This would actually be quite an easyundertaking and is very needed for public Health and Safety.I would suggest WDC look at where bike paths can be put in easily and start with themto help gain momentum e.g. Riri Kereopa Memorial Drive, this would safely link town to the new mountain bike tracks. Another example is again at Riri Kereopa Memorial Drivewhere the footpath stops that has come from town. This needs to connect the lastbit to Wainui Reserve to encourage walking and biking to the beach. Currently this missingsection requires biking or walking on the open road which is very dangerous.Sewage upgrade 2021A working group needs to be formed as soon as possible with resources given by WDCto seek professional advice on options and alternatives for the treatment system.When the best options have been narrowed down to a few by the working group anotherdocument similar to the LTP Consultation Document or Raglan Chronicle in scope shouldbe sent out to all Ratepayers and community over the Winter period for consideration andfeedback. I believe this approach would create better community approval and potentially save WDC lots of money.Overall WDC Works Plan WDC provides contracts for the maintenance and upkeep of the town. There need to beplan created of what all these works are and when they are to be for filled. This planshould be available at the WDC Raglan office.I had put in several requests to WDC for water blasting of Wainui Rd Boat ramp in 2017 under Health and Safety as members of the public were slipping and getting injured. Upon investigation it turned out that there already was a contract for this service to be done but nobody had been for filling the contract.Often contracts are not for filled correctly also e.g. When the contractor came out to water blastthis boat ramp and it was High tide so he couldn't do his job. Or when the footpath cleanerwho was contracted to do the CBD missed places and ran over others too quickly to dothe job properly.A plan of works will help us to make sure all contracts are for filled as well as showing wheretweaks need to be made. This plan should be rolled out to show visibly what will be donein the LTP. Perhaps a visual display on the wall of the WDC Raglan office.Bring contracts back to the Community Most contracts seem to be given to contractors from out of town.When and where possible WDC should bring these back to members of the community.Take Raglan Lawns as a fantastic example, they provide local jobs and we getter a betterservice.A good example would be Bylaw Enforcement officer to deal with sound issues, parking andFreedom Camping. Currently if there is a sound complaint somebody may have to come outform the city to sort out the problem. We would get a faster more efficient and regular serviceif the job was local.More control given to RCB for WDC discretionary spending.Most of the money WDC has is allocated to spend is fixed and well planned. There is a certainamount that does not fall into this category which may be called discretionary spending.For example perhaps the \$161k WDC has allocated towards the Pillboxes may fall intothis category. The RCB are elected members by the community where as WDC staff are not.Empowering the RCB will achieve better results and satisfaction for the community.Reserve management plans and empowering the community.Parks and reserves need to have long term management plans developed. For example Te Kopua ~ where should pedestrian access to beach be and where should pedestrians beexcluded and planting take place.Currently works are mostly undertaken in the parks by outside of town contractors. Resource community groups to upkeep the parks and provide improvements inside the scope of themanagement plan and under the guide of WDC parks an reserve staff and you would getway better results. Take Friends of Wainui as a fantastic example.Roadside SprayingInvestigate alternatives to the perpetual cycle of roadside spraying. Raglan road sideditches all lead into waterways and then the ocean. There are alternatives and we wereable to cope for decades before Spraying became normal. In a lot of situations correctplantings would mean the cycle of repetitive spraying could be broken.Thank you very much for considering my pointsTimothy M Duff</p>

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605	Glenda	Raumati	N/A	Turangawaewae Trust Board	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	We do not support the priority projects identified in the LTP for Ngaruawahia. In February 2016 a large number of rate payers submitted ideas for priority in this plan which were ignored.We don't want any investment in the Flour Mill.We want a new aquatic centre and recreational facility developed in Patterson Park. The LTP will result in inequitable investment across Waikato and dispropoartionate investment in the northern communities at the detriment of Ngaruawahia.We do not support regional petrol tax.
606	Nicky	Moore	N/A	N/A	Mercer	Option 4	Option 3	Dear Waikato District Council.Thankyou for the opportunity to have a say on the rates. I would also appreciate your reviewing the recent valuation of my property at 58 Koheroa Road, Mercer. My home was built in the 1920s and requires extensive work on it externally including reroofing which i am currently unable to afford and also requires internal renovation [my home has no shower only a bath]. I do not believe that your last valuation is correct due to these issues and would appreciate your review of this matter and evaluation of property. kind regardsNicky Moore PS we have a large power pylon close to the house.
607	Rik	Samuels	N/A	Ngaa Uri o Maahanga Trust	Te Awamutu	Option 3	Option 3	
608	Janice	Hona	N/A	Nga Miro Charitable Trust	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	We do not support the priority projects for Ngaruawahia. We want investment in a new aquatic and recreational centre at Patterson Park as submitted in February 2016.
609	Natasha	Ramsay Clark	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	I do not think the rates in our district and in Ngaruawahia in particular should be increased as much as intended, I rent and evertime WDC increases rates this has an effect on my already limited income. I shop locally and the state of the streets in Ngaruawahia are disgusting Jesmond street is awful instead of a roundabout and the Flour Mill why is this money not used to make Ngaruawahia more attractive to visitors, which WDC encourage to come to Ngaruawahia with the Hakarimatas and Te Awa cycle way.If the WDC is interested in preserving heritage buildings why not the Old Bakery directly across from WDC offices. We appear to be paying for a lack of forward thinking in regards to maintenance of assets by WDC.
610	Pourewa	Paikea	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	I do not support the priority projects for Ngaruawahia. I want a new aquatic centre in Patterson Park as submitted in 2016.
611	Lindsay	Matthews	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
612	Barbara	Barrand	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	We moved to Pokeno in 2017 with the promise of infrastructure and facilities. The message from WDC is these things cost money however, due to large rates increases we find it hard to believe there isn't funds available. Yes we appreciate investment costs however we were, along with thousands of others, encouraged to invest here in property on the promise of better facilities and infrastructure.The priorities as we see them are;1) Transportation. A bus service and a rail link is needed urgently. 2) The proposed supermarket needs to be built this year so other improvements can follow and other shops etc.3) The existing shops need to take some responsibility and clean their own areas. Eg water blast the pavements etc. Their profits must have increased enormously so it's time they stepped up and cleaned up.4) Tired of hearing LTP lets have a STP and some action! PS - very disappointed that sections are being built on the Totara area in PVE that was, we were told earmarked for shops/community space etc. Smacks distinctly of profit over people!
613	Janet	Bambra	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
614	Fred Pauhiku	Tapara	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 3	
615	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	N/A	No Address	Option 4	Option 2	

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616	Trish	Forsyth	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	Ngaruawahia - LTP Ngaruawahia is not being supported in the LTP. Our residents are being hit with the highest increases in the District with little to no spending to be done in this town. In previous budget rounds the UAGC was reduced to meet the property valuation increases due to the impact of lower incomes not only in this town but also Huntly. These meetings were debated at length with very strong interactions across the floor. To say now 'we want the whole district to have the same UAGC' is ludicrous as this seriously impacts lower economic areas when the spending is not being done here. The Council is double dipping with Ngaruawahia and Huntly due to the high increase in property valuations which should have minimal impact to rates, and Council should have taken this in to account, whilst our more affluent areas like Tamahere and the newer area of Pokeno have had minimal increases but huge infrastructure money to be spent from our rates. Council are very blasé to say we will hold your rates increases to \$30m in the Northern area and another \$74m in Te Kauwhata plus I also point out this does not include any of the \$24m district wide budget which these areas are named as having further funds allocated, this is another kick in the guts for us. Again coming from the UAGC? These are the areas that need higher targeted rates to accommodate these costs which I assume is coming through the UAGC as borrowed funds. If a roundabout is partially funded by a developer then should not a developer contribute to the infrastructure required for these 'new areas'. It should be handed over to Council as a finished project, not a we need you to fork out millions so that we can line our pockets from the sale of these properties. With regards a Regional petrol tax, how can this benefit our area when it will be administered by Central Government. Is this not what the Government is advocating they are looking at? If not and this is 'on top of their proposal' I do not support a further increase. I can appreciate the district has been lumbered with old SH1 roads but these at the very least should be in very good condition to start with, not like previously when pot holes were prevalent and it was catch up to repair these roads. On a final note, we do not get wage increases, or in a lot of cases benefit increases of 12%, Council has to start working within its budget not look at obscene increases that will put so many households further down the poverty line. I cannot agree with the comment that you can apply for a rates rebate, this is just not a realistic amount to many to and will barely cover the increases in rates.Overall I am disappointed in the impact of the LTP for this area, there is little to celebrate but a lot to mourn.
617	Audry	Hatfield	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 2	Why are the poorer areas getting such huge increases when the wealthiest parts, being Tamahere & lifestyle increases are tiny. I wish someone could tell me what exactly Ngaruwahia is getting for this huge increase. Lucky Te Kauwhata having approx 80,000,000 being spent there. No doubt the developers will be making lots of money
618	James	Whetu	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	
619	James	Whetu	N/A	Ngaruawahia Community Board	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	See attachment.
620	John	Lloyd	N/A	N/A	Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	
621	Kitty	Burton	N/A	Matangi Community Committee	Hamilton			See attachment. The Matangi Community Committee requests the provision of a bus bay and turning area in the village to improve safety for the intermediate and High School students who wait for buses to travel to school in Hamilton each school morning. The current stopping place on the side of the road is too near the intersection and there is no access to shelter. From the last LTP process we were advised that the committee needed to say where they wanted the bus bay to be and last year residents nominated the Jack Foster Reserve as the most suitable option. The current bus route means the stopping and turning area would need to be large enough to enable the bus to pull off the road and turn to go back toward Hamilton. The alternative to this would be a roundabout at the Matangi Road/ Tauwhare Road intersection. A recent accident at the intersection highlighted both the need for better control at the intersection and that the current bus stop is too close to it. The vehicle lost control at the corner and had there been any students at the bust stop they would have been in the direct path of the vehicle.A roundabout would mean that the bus stop could move to the Jack Foster Reserve but the construction of a bus bay would not be required as the bus would be able to turn at the roundabout.
622	Kitty	Burton	N/A	Matangi Community Committee	Hamilton			See attachment.
623	G & L	Pownall	N/A	N/A		Option 2	Option 2	
624	Warren	Jonson	N/A	N/A		Option 3	Option 2	
625	Georgina	Newton	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	

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626	Allan	Foote	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
627	Andrew	Farries	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
628	Katrina	Langlands	Huntly Community Board	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
629	J	Foggin	N/A	N/A		Option 2	Option 2	
630	John C.	Irvine	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	
631	Gary	Middlemiss	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 1	
632	L & A	Gibson	N/A	N/A		Option 2	Option 3	
633	Everard Wlater	Thomsen	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
634	K & M	Forsyth	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 2	Option 1	
635	M.	Wright	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 3	
636	Neil	Blakeman	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 1	
637	Selwyn	Kahui	N/A	N/A	Port Waikato	Option 3	Option 2	
638	Hayley	Thorpe	N/A	N/A	Taupo	Option 4	Option 2	
639	D J	Evans	N/A	N/A		Option 2	Option 3	
640	MJ	Gerrand - QSM	Huntly Lions	N/A				The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for community use.
641	Sharlene	Watene	N/A	N/A				The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for community use.
642	D.	Soni	N/A	N/A				The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for community use.
643	Shirley	Stewart	N/A	N/A				The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for community use.
644	Cheryl	Williams	N/A	N/A				The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for community use.
645	S.F.	Capper	N/A	N/A	Hamilton			To whom it may concern.i[we] have lived in Reids Rd Puketaha for 67 years at the moment we are concerned about the Reids Road Puketaha Corner where there it [no light] [no sign] and nothing around the drain corners which i [we] fee; is a danger to the public and could result in a fatal accident if you could look into this for us it would be much appreciated. Yours sincerely SF Capper.PS the sign down the other end [Shewan Road] has also being knocked down.

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646	Neil	Young	Young Group of Companies Tuakau Hotel	N/A				IN A Nutshell WDCTo all of the Councillors WDCHave you driven to Auckland Lately?Point 1 Auck Council and WDC are Using the same Growth rates of 700 new people per year for Pukekohe area and Tuakau/Pokeno We have 3 times greater growth on a per NZ popoulation basis. 55 years ago when Young Family came here to Pukekohe there was 4,500 people in Pukekohe Currently has 28,000 people [2017 now 30,000] expecting 300,000 in 33 years time From Wesley collage, Belmont and Anselme Ridge over next 3 yrs 2000 houses, equates to 5000 new people.From Tuakau south to Pokeno another 2000 houses 5000 people This combined in the next few years = 10,000 increase Our rail system was designed over 140 years ago. The English designers expected the population to be 12 to 20 million people by now. The slow growth made passenger trains uneconomical, then in the 1970s the service stopped Now that feul is around \$2 per litre and our roads clogged with greater Auckland population reaching 1.8 million people it's time to reinvent the Railway wheel and let the train do what it was designed to do 140 years ago So let's fix housing shortage and transport get people on the train to Tuakau pokeno Huntley right through to Hamilton and fro,m Pukekohe/Tuakau to Auckland now at 6.30am 1 hour on the Train.2.Our main st George st shopping areas has a natural ring rd around it Liverpool st- St Stephens Ave - jelico rd-West st for through traffic and truck By Pass. This would help with safety for pedestrians SLow vehicle speed with two more raise walkways across George St Stop minor accidents by adding Roundabouts at both end particularly at Tuakau Hotel corner [the give way sign control is on the wrong corner]3Rename Central Part to "Sir Edd hillary" park for obvious reasons Pay tribute to the 60th anniversary of Sir Edd first person to climb the worlds highest mountain Sir Edd live in Tuakau most of his life The confusion of having two parks with similar names "Central Park and "Centennial Park" would give special meanings to both.4Signage Need before Pokeno. Traveling north from say Hamilton people sail straight past Pokeno eventually turning off at Bombay Signage at mercer. We have a 30 bed "Mercer Airport Hotel Backpackers" at Mercer airport that our tourists cant find us 6k,s up Koheroa rd5 Dominion Road extension to Ridge rd to make it a through road to state highway one motorway for light traffic and we would have oue own Tuakau exit sign from it. There is already a paper roads extending off the end of Dominion rd to within 230 meters of ridge rd The normal high cost of filling the gully can come from the strippings from ridge road quarry.6Cycleway/walkwa 2.8 ks I have now scale measured it at 3.68 kilometers Tuakau to Buckland Pukekohe Im working with Vance Hodgson HPC Planning on this one [first cost in 78K for resource consent] the kids already walk on the Train tracjs 3.68 ks ks rather than cycle/walk 8 ks up Harrisville rd way or 12 ks Buckland rd way 7Palm Trees full length of George st [main st] cost \$40k 8Safety Restrict speed from Tuakau Bridge all along River road past our Beautiful Batkin Reserve from 100 Ks to 70Ks per hour i'm aware of Karl Flavels brother being killed on this road. WDC has the lowest Debt ratio of any council per population and one of the fastest population growths per population in NZ Our family have invested over \$19million in Tuakau in the past 15 years [now \$22 million] we are asking our governing body "The council" you guys to have our confidence and to fix all of the above by investing in Debt I would love to share any of the above requests with any of the WDC Councillors. Kind regardsNeil Young

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647	Bridget & Scott	Dowsett	River Road Vicinity Residents	N/A	Hamilton			<p>This submission is made on behalf of residents in the vicinity of River Road east of Ngaruawahia, specifically between Driver Road and Speedy Road. The general theme of this submission is to seek safer walking and cycling on River Road and connectivity to Horotiu and Ngaruawahia communities. This includes improved access to the Waikato River and the Te Awa cycle way. In this context we support the Long Term Plan (LTP) 'Vision': "Liveable, thriving and connected communities". Thus we have structured our submission around this Vision and related desired Community Outcomes, which are well aligned with the Local Government Act "well - being" objectives.</p> <p>2. Current problems for residents Our residents are in a rural environment with small pockets of rural residential development and in the main, the only way to connect to nearby Communities of Horotiu and Ngaruawahia is to travel by private motor vehicle (cars, utes etc.). The only public transport/bus service is the school buses, mainly into Hamilton Schools. River Road is 100 km/hr with narrow (or virtually no) road shoulder and for considerable lengths (hundreds of metres) there is no berm for pedestrians or cyclists to move along the road safely. Families and young children are not able to safely walk or cycle on the section of River Road between Ngaruawahia Township and Horotiu Bridge Road, if trying to access either Community, the Waikato River or Te Awa Cycle way. In the latter case, this has been frustrating for residents as we can see the new Te Awa Bridge crossing the Waikato River, but to access it or the Te Awa Cycle way, we have to drive several kilometres to the parking area on the western side of Horotiu Bridge. Some residents are only about a hundred metres from this cycle way or the River, but can't safely or easily access either. This lack of access means poor connectivity and less quality liveability and thriving community well-being.</p> <p>3. Liveable communities The Long Term Plan refers to 'Liveable communities' as "well planned and people friendly, providing for ----- walk ways and open spaces" (page 4 LTP Consultation Document). Whilst this more focused on urban areas, it can and should be applied to rural areas of the District. Obviously in the rural area there generally are open spaces, but we also need walkways especially as we are close to urban areas (in this case Ngaruawahia). Council has been a partner in the 'Waikato Regional Walking &amp; Cycling Strategy' --- <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Transportpolicy/Walking-and-cycling-strategy-for-the-Waikato-region/">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Transportpolicy/Walking-and-cycling-strategy-for-the-Waikato-region/</a>, and has been a partner in the 'Te Awa cycleway'. Thus Council should understand the social and health benefits of walkways and cycleways. We have engaged with Council staff about access to the River and Te Awa cycleway with limited success and in some cases no response; but have had good assistance from NZ Walking Access Commission <a href="http://www.walkingaccess.govt.nz">www.walkingaccess.govt.nz</a>. The Commission have met with us and provided advice around "rights and responsibilities for Unformed Roads" - such as the one opposite Smith Road, from River Road to the River.</p> <p>4. Thriving communities The Long Term Plan refers to 'Thriving communities' as one in which residents can "participate in Council decision-making and community led projects, ---" (page 4 LTP Consultation Document). Recently representatives of this River Road vicinity community have made contact with Council staff, Councillors and Ngaruawahia Community Board members to engage about our connectivity problems and now to participate in this LTP decision making process. The residents have made it clear to those we have engaged with, that we are willing to help lead any relevant community project (e.g. direct access to the River) and provide working bee manual help (e.g. clearing vegetation or weeds such as blackberries).</p> <p>5. Connected communities The Long Term Plan refers to "Connectivity through ---- cycleways, walk ways --- enable ---engaging in activities together. By these means, people in connected communities access services and amenities that meet their social, health, education and employment needs " (page 4 LTP Consultation Document). The residents particularly seek their outdoor "social and health needs" being met, by safe cycleways and walkways. This would be best served by convenient (reasonably close) access to the River and Te Awa cycleway, however we recognise that this would have to be budgeted in the Long Term Plan and negotiation with adjoining land owners. Increased walking and cycling along River Road or the north east side of the Waikato River would benefit other communities including Ngaruawahia. We have noted that there is some provision for Cycleways in the Ngaruawahia Community from 2022 to 2027, but this is too far away in time for our community safety and it is also unlikely to be for rural cycleways. Thus we seek specific funding for cycleway access in our vicinity. In the short term this may not be "off road" (e.g. along the River bank), but Council will have to consider more "on road safety" under the recently published draft 'Government Policy Statement on Land Transport Funding' (2018 GPS) - <a href="https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Our-Work/Documents/Draft-GPS-2018.pdf">https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Our-Work/Documents/Draft-GPS-2018.pdf</a>. Council has its own Road Safety policies and are a party to the 'Waikato Regional Road Safety Strategy' -- <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/Road-Safety-Strategy-FINAL-WEB.pdf">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/Road-Safety-Strategy-FINAL-WEB.pdf</a>. It is also expected that Council are participating in the draft 'Waikato Regional Land Transport Plan' --- <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/RLTP/5827-Draft-RLTP-web.pdf">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/RLTP/5827-Draft-RLTP-web.pdf</a>; which has a strong road safety focus. This Plan has expectations that Waikato District Council will share in the programme delivery, to reduce deaths and serious injuries from road crashes. In summary we expect that Council will give focus on the road safety of this section of River Road and as well as lowering the speed limit (as potentially proposed in the near future) will undertake at least "Minor Safety Improvements" in their Local Roding Programme - to form a berm pathway or provide wider shoulders for pedestrians to safely walk along one side of River Road, especially near Smith Road and east of this.</p> <p>6. Conclusion The residents seek to work with Council to improve road safety on River Road and also provide reasonably convenient and safe access to the</p>

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								Waikato River, as well as ultimately Te Awa cycleway. Thus we seek appropriate funding consideration in the Long Term Plan and collaboration from Council and its staff to facilitate meaningful connectivity for walking and cycling in our community vicinity .It is realised that full access along the Waikato River on the northeastern side from Ngaruawahia to the Te Awa river bridge, will take considerable resourcing and take a long time; but this type of programming over many years is recognised in the LTP Vision. In summary, in the short term (first 3 years of this draft LTP) we seek;• Access to the River via Formed and Unformed Roads• Access to Te Awa cycleway from these river access points and some form of river pathway from Smith Road (extension) eastwards• Safer road shoulder or berm width in the vicinity of Smith Road and east of this. We would appreciate the opportunity to explain our Community concerns to Councillors at the Long Term Plan hearings in mid May 2018.



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648	Helen	Clotworthy	N/A	Pokeno Community Committee	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>TransportFuel TaxProposal of a petrol tax was supported but we want transparency in its management and want that revenue is ring fenced for roading issuesHeavy Traffic BypassFuture planning for Pokeno requires a heavy traffic bypass avoiding our main street to issue the desired ambience of PokenoSchool CrossingWe would like a dynamic changing speed sign to manage our children’s safety on this dangerous road. We are still waiting for a pedestrian crossing to be installed. The current speed is 70kph; this is too high for the traffic volume and the nature of it considering we have over 200 children entering and exiting Pokeno School dailyFootpaths and ConnectivityFootpaths must be confirmed for ALL of Helenslee RdWe require:Corner of Munroe and Helenslee Helenslee to the corner of Pokeno Rd opposite the school.Helenslee above Gateshead Rd to Hillpark Rd where it is missing from the subdivision connectivity.Where are the plans for our footpaths for Helenslee Rd?On Helenslee Rd we have a dangerous blind corner which requires street lighting and double yellow lines.On the corner of Munroe and Helenslee Rd we require a stop sign. This is not a wish it is a requirement.Where are the plans for our footpaths and cycleways connecting our new subdivision to our existing PokenoVillage?Public TransportWe support efforts to provide public transport and bus links for Pokeno residents. We would like you insure that timetabling is such that buses arrive in time for train connections in Papakura and Pukekohe. We also support commuter bus services from Hamilton. We support proposed bus scheduling linking Pokeno, Tuakau and Pukekohe.Planning should begin for a railway station and park and ride facilities.We urge you to represent us vigorously on these matters during your negotiations with the Waikato Regional Council and the New Zealand GovernmentCommunity FacilitiesSports and Recreation FacilitiesThe Munroe Block has been talked about endlessly as a recreation and sports facility for us. The most achieved is yet another report. Is this just a talkfest. Our youth have been let down through lack of action. There is nowhere in Pokeno to kick a ball. ALL ages of our Pokeno residents are missing out on being able to use this space.Pokeno HallThis is used daily. Budgeting needs to be included for its upgrade to cope with this increased use.North WaikatoNew CemeteryWe support the development of a new cemetery on Whangarata Rd. What are the time lines for this? We expect to have serious input into to planningRubbish Recycle Transfer StationThe promised plans need to be implemented now, 2024 is too lateWater ReticulationOn page15 of the vision document it states there is a budget of \$18.8m for reservoirs in the Pokeno Tuakau area. Is the recently completed reservoir at the end of Hitchen Rd inadequate for the supply of Pokeno?Please assess our people spaces and revue the Public Places Bylaw for the Northern towns particularly for us in PokenoPokeno ToiletsPokeno toilets are the most used in the district we request an urgent ungrade and a more purpose built for usage and the gateway to the Waikato. We also would like to be involved in the early stages of the design and when can we expect it to happen. We love the design of the Te Kawhata toilets.SupermarketWe confirm approval of a supermarket coming to Pokeno , however we wold like Pokeno Community Committee into mitigation of the consent to insure to the village and people’s values of the whole of Pokeno are considered appropriately and the main street does not become a box retail or 2 dollar shop retail area. Please remember we have a Main Street design guide line and our resident’s expectations of serious input into this designPokeno Master PlanWe need a master plan for Pokeno which includesOur Market SquareWe would like to plan for a pedestrian only community space from the Pokeno Hall to the Train Station with all community Facilities opening on to this. LibraryCouncil RepresentationAn I Sitels Pokeno in the WDC Parks and Reserves Strategy?Has planning for Pokeno’s growth included planning for cycleways and walkways to link homes and commercial areas on both Eastern and Western sides of the MotorwayIn Pokeno we are behind in planning for people, spaces, roading, infrastructure and connectivity. Also buses, traffic, tourists, park and ride which hampers retail and adds to congestion.Our community is asking the question. Are we the Golden Goose dropped in the WDC basket? This committee is concerned about the balance of spending in Pokeno equalling the rateable income received.All these issues impact on the wellbeing of all our community members. It is time for council to consider our needs seriously.</p>
649	Mark	Brown	N/A	Life Unlimited				See attachment.

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650	John	Mitchell	N/A	Onewhero Residents and Ratepayers Group	Taukau		Option 1	<p>We also submit that Waikato District Council provide a rubbish and recycling depot to service the north Waikato areas that do not have kerbside collections. Currently a large part of the northern area is unable to dispose of their rubbish and recycling. Our nearest facility is in Te Kauwhata, and it is only open two days a week. If council wants the district clean and tidy, without rubbish being thrown out on the roadside, they need to provide a facility. If council is unable to provide this facility we submit that you restart the monthly collection mornings at suitable sites throughout the northern area, charging a targeted rate if required. We submit that council include funds of \$5000 to construct, in partnership with the community, a BMX track on the Onewhero Reserve. The community is prepared to undertake all the physical work – track construction, fencing, planting however we will need financial support for contract a digger driver, purchase fencing materials and metal and lime chip for the surface of the track. We submit that WDC also provide financial assistance in developing a third multi-purpose sports field on the Onewhero Reserve. Our two existing fields cannot cope with the demand, especially for the junior part of the club and we regularly have to use the Onewhero Area School's field to cater for all the teams. While the school is accommodating, there is also increased interest in both local soccer and cricket clubs starting. The third field could accommodate both of these activities. Again, the community is more than willing to work with council to develop the third field. We submit that WDC provide far more signage around where freedom campers should park and what is and is not appropriate behaviour on the Onewhero Reserve. We have been plagued by freedom campers parking in the most inappropriate places and not respecting our beautiful reserve, which our community is heavily invested in. The Onewhero Rugby club has worn the brunt of numerous freedom camper indiscretions, with constant rubbish issues, having their power “high jacked” by freedom campers charging their phones and providing all the electricity and water for the public toilets. While the club is happy to be a member of our community, it is unfair that their facilities are damaged when freedom campers flush wipes down the toilet, block the septic tank lines and flood the clubs shower block with human effluent. Our collective impression, from the LPT presentation, was that the Alliance did not have enough money to do the work they have and we were extremely disappointed. The Alliance was originally going to be the answer to all our roading issues, or that is what we were lead to believe. There were discussions around how much more the Alliance would be able to achieve and that the level of maintenance would dramatically improve. In our collective opinion, based on what we have seen around our area, there are still major issues with roading, and it is becoming all too common to see roads requiring major structural works – for example where one side of the road has subsided and cannot be driven on, simply dealt with by placing an orange road cone on it. We would also like to pass on our sincere thanks to council for the improvements made on the Onewhero Reserve. Our playground is extremely well utilised and an absolute asset to the community, as are the public toilets. We hope these two projects are good examples to council of what can be achieved when communities and councils collaborate to provide facilities. Finally, whilst we understand that Mr Grant Sirl has left council, we wanted to inform you of what an absolutely superb job Grant did at our reserve. His communication was outstanding and he always listened to our ideas and worked with us. We were really disappointed to lose him from our team.</p>
651	Jordan	Mahara	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
652	Lance & Kath	Straker	N/A	N/A	Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	<p>Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno :1. Munro road sports field developed ASAP2. foot paths all around school and down to Munro rd sport field3. Traffic by pass for heavy transport4. Public transport /train station /5. Main street design ,poeno residents to have more say .6. supermarket, 7. library and community centre, isite8. trash transfer station 9. Swimming pool ,recreation centre10. market squarer development, hall upgrade</p>
653	Shani	Matenga	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
654	Desiree	Berryman	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	See attachment.

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656	Rangita	Wilson	Waikato Housing Conference Committee	N/A				REQUEST SUMMARY• To provide funds for the purpose of supporting the planning activities and promotion of the National Maori Housing Conference to be held 2018 National Maaori Housing Conference being held at Turangawaewae Marae and Claudelands Event Centre • To support a member of staff onto the Host Planning Committee.BACKGROUNDThe National Maaori Housing Conference occurs every two years and is held throughout the regions. The conference provides an opportunity for the regions to showcase their leadership and contribution in the “housing space” context and provides a platform for Maaori and relevant stakeholders to share ideas, information, network, and to formulate strategies to assist Maaori into quality affordable housing.In 2016 at the Tauranga Moana Conference, Waikato-Tainui made a “tono” to bring the 2018 National Maaori Housing Conference to Waikato that was accepted by the conference fraternity.In November 2016, we established the Waikato Housing Conference Committee to plan the Conference. The Committee comprises members of Waikato-Tainui entities, Turner Whanau Trust, Ranga Whanau Trust, Waikato Housing Hub, Waikato District Council, Hamilton City Council, Te Matapihi, Te Puni Kokiri, Nga Rau Tatangi Ltd, and individuals involved in Housing and Papakainga delivery in Waikato-Tainui. PROJECT DESCRIPTION The National Maaori Housing Conference 2018 will deliver an exemplar conference that is strategic and adds value to every participant, stakeholder, and community housing provider. The theme of the Conference is:“Maku anoo e hanga i tooku nei whare. Ko ngaa pou oo roto he maahoe, he patete. Ko te taahuhu, he hiinau. Me whakatupu ke ti hua o te rengarenga. Me whakapakari ki te hua o te kawariki // I myself shall build my house. The ridge-pole will be of hiinau and the supporting posts of maahoe and patatee. Raise the people with the fruit of the rengarenga, strengthened them with the fruits of the kawariki.” - Kiingi TaawhiaoThe theme of the conference draws on the vision of Kiingi Tawhiao, a vision of Hope – Aspiration – Reality - Rebuilding – revitalisation of his people through self-determination. Maku anoo e hanga tooku nei whare will enable participants to leave the conference with a strong tahuu, foundation in the national services, nga pou pou, a network of regional services and he rengarenga he kawariki, the relationships to set a vision and activate an aspiration. CONCLUSIONThe Waikato Housing Conference Committee believes that your Council needs to be involved in this Conference, building on the positive relationships and progress that your Council has made in recent times to work with tangata whenua to build on Maaori land in your region, by:• providing funds for the purpose of supporting the planning activities and promotion of the National Maori Housing Conference to be held 2018 National Maaori Housing Conference being held at Turangawaewae Marae and Claudelands Event Centre • supporting a member of staff from your Council onto the Waikato Housing Conference Committee.Please refer to email for Conference details.
657	Parekawhia	McLean	N/A	NZ Transport Agency				See attachment.
658	Sinclair	Wharakura	N/A	N/A	Dinsdale			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
659	Candace	Pukeroa	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
660	Charlie	Waitohi	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
661	Hiki	Haunui	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
662	Kathryn	Tarrant	CPD Trust	N/A				The War Memorial hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
663	Marleinei	Leota	N/A	N/A				The War Memorial hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
664	Rahn	Berryman	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
665	Waikato	Tainui	N/A	N/A	Hamilton			See attachment.
666	Kirsty	Rear	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
667	Phil	Davis-Hunter	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
668	Des and Sandra	Maskell	N/A	N/A	Taupiri			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
669	Tony	Perkins	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.

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671	Dianne	Gyde	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
672	Alice	Bennie	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
673	Beverley	Shields	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
674	Rodger	Shead	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
675	Aotea	Maipi	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
676	Claire	Molley	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
677	Wayne	Thomson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
678	Joy	Beveridge	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.; This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
679	Alicia	Leef	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.I would like to submitt that we have chains around Fairfeild park to keep out motor bikes.
681	Kay	Kaukas	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
682	Maria	Ahu	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
683	Hannah	Swinkles	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
684	Keith	Stark	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
685	Linda	Stark	N/A	N/A	Ohinewai			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
686	Head	Deb	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
687	Willie	Wilson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
688	Lorraine	Stephens	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.
689	Marcus	Leota	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
690	Elizabeth	Johnson	N/A	N/A	Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be brought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the Community to use.
691	Indrajit	Sarkar	N/A	N/A	Auckland	Option 2	Option 3	
692	Graham	Byers	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
693	GA	Wilson	GA Wilson & RJ MacLeod	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	
694	Shirley	Ritchie	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	

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695	Kenneth Ronald	Soanes	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 1	Option 3	
696	Annette	May	N/A	N/A	Raglan			Unless I'm very mistaken, the reference on Page 15 (Map) of 'Raglan Pill Boxes' is a concrete bunker, almost submerged with beach sand and only good for kids to smoke and pee in. With all those rate-payer dollars, what is really needed is more GOOD seating and GOOD (meaning suitable and beautiful) trees. Above the bubble, pointing to Raglan are hastily sketched shapes - which related to VERY large concrete items, which are used all around the world with vulnerable coast lines and retaining sand dunes. Check out our fast eroding beaches.
697	N	Rogers	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 2	
698	kathryn	Gold	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	1. Wainui road walkway and bridge upgrade. This upgrade is urgent - 2023-26 is to long await. The council allowing Extensive Residential Development in Raglan West before this bridge is upgraded shows there is little respect or regard for the Raglan West ratepayers. The gridlock experienced over teh summer months is unsatisfactory to say the least as most of Raglans Visitors destination is the beach, surf and boating facilities. 2. Parking. The parking issues around Bow Street, Wallis and Cliff Street, The Residents of Raglan must be consulted extensively around this issue. There a many ways to improve this problem without changing the main street design. Angle parking, Rugby Grounds carpark, with signage to parking areas. Large grass verges in Wallis St and James St. Visitors need to change their habits and walk. Instead of changing the look of our town to accommodate them. 3. Boat Parking. The boat parking at the wharf needs to increased to allow for boat users to use the safest ramp in Raglan. hundreds of ratepayers use this facility, which has been part of this thriving community for decades. Who is behind changing this and why? To have no boat parking at the wharf is not what the ratepayers have asked for and want. !!!! 4. Roding. At present unsealed roads with heavy traffic have below average maintenance. As ratepayers we dont get a far go. Try living on one. Often these roads are dangerous to drive, more and more tourist are now driving the metal road route. Dont ignore the ratepayers on these roads because at present you are. WDC you need to up your game. No new seal very disappointing. Problem areas should be sealed, as even regular maintenance is not the answer. Discussion with people that live on these roads would be helpful for a better outcome.
699	Richelle	Whittaker	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
700	Jan	Shand	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 3	
701	Mary	Smid	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
702	Ron & Silvia	Bird	N/A	N/A		Option 4	Option 2	
703	Shanoa	David	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
704	Peter	Leef	N/A	N/A				This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020. Our community needs move disabled accessible options-painting etc. We have alot of physically impaired people in town and its difficult enough just finding parking. Youth Centre
705	John	Johnson	N/A	N/A	Juntly	Option 4	Option 2	
706	Joey	David	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
707	Cecelia	Leef	N/A	N/A	Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.
708	Waikato	Tainui	N/A	Waikato Tainui	Hamilton			See attachment.
709	Ingrid-Jayne	Huirama	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	

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710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board	N/A		Option 4	Option 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• supporting targeted growth in targeted areas</li> <li>• maintaining existing assets</li> <li>• modernising infrastructure where it is proven to do so in Raglan</li> <li>• doing more within the existing budgets</li> <li>• move the costs of providing a service to those who use them (parking fees on public spaces). The Raglan Community board concurs with the Audit New Zealand statement that this LTP fairly represents the community matters proposed for the inclusion in this LTP.</li> <li>Community Outcomes and Goals resonate well within our review of our community plan Raglan Naturally.</li> <li>The decision of how we manage our Three Waters into the future this board agrees that;</li> <li>Option 4 the Water Governance Board would be the best fit for our community.</li> <li>The Re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate, this board agrees with;</li> <li>Option 3 to reduce the UAGC to \$286.50.</li> <li>The Raglan Community Board supports planning for Liveable Thriving and Connected Communities;</li> <li>Planning for growth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Master planning, should include Raglan as the pressure from tourism is impacting on our infrastructure to cope in the peak periods,</li> <li>• Sub regional initiatives, with the introduction of the Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study we should be included in the growth management plan</li> <li>• Housing infrastructure fund, we have a community project (WRAP) that requires woe support</li> <li>• District plan review, engagement and consultation is the key to success .</li> <li>Building resources to improve customer experience : is supported by the Raglan Community Board.</li> <li>Halls and community facilities, as one of the most utilised Hall in the District we would expect full consultation in the future .</li> <li>Economic development, is the major concern for our Board as we are well behind the eight ball in consultation and engagement, as item is always under the Public Excluded section of Council business.</li> <li>Regional Fuel Tax, if the community gets a rate reduction then this community would be fully supportive.</li> <li>Waste Management and Minimisation, Raglan has been the standard setting for the council</li> <li>• Refuge and recycling, Raglan is the trend setting of the country</li> <li>• Raglan (food waste) organic kerbside collection. is ground breaking in this space and will need more consultation into the cost benefits of this programme moving forward.</li> <li>Building and Maintaining Infrastructure</li> <li>Roads and transport ;</li> <li>• Maintenance: we agree that the footpath maintenance and extensions will increase and include the recommended Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study action F) b) i. &amp; ii.</li> <li>• Safety : we agree on high priority safety issues such as bridge and structure replacement as detailed in the recommended Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study action C) a), and the safety of the foot/cycle traffic across the Wainui Bridge.</li> <li>• Plaining for growth: as above the Wainui Bridge and the introduction of PPC12.</li> <li>Parks and Facilities</li> <li>• The Community Board has been asked to provide an RSA section in the raglan Cemetery.</li> <li>Key council projects in your area 2018-28 Raglan restoration of heritage sites (Raglan Pill Boxes, \$161,000) this was a surprise as it has not been on our priority list of projects for the community, footpath extensions is a top priority.</li> <li>Fees and Charges;</li> <li>• Airport landing fees seem low compared to the wider District fees charged, the question are these charges cost recovered for the up keep.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
711	Ken	Soanes	N/A	Raglan & District Museum				<p>A submission to the Waikato District Council from the Raglan &amp; District Museum Society</p> <p>The Raglan Museum Society receives \$20,000 per year from the Council. This submission is a request for that to be increased to \$30,000 per year . Our aim is to increase the hours of paid administrative assistance from ten to twenty per week.</p> <p>The museum runs considerably on the voluntary work of its members. But there is too much work to rely completely on volunteers . For the last few years we have used \$10,000 of the Council's payment for running costs for the museum and the other \$10,000 for administrative assistance, that being ten hours a week at \$20 per hour.</p> <p>The museum has had real success in the years since it opened in its new building on 12 November 2011. Our collection has expanded and continues to do so. Our public profile has grown as we have become an integral part of the tourist town that is today's Raglan.</p> <p>Our visitor numbers have also grown. We are reluctant to charge for entry as we are a public facility and we want people to come. However we do have a moderate charge for entry (\$2 for adults and \$1 for children) which does not deter but does show some commitment from visitors and, importantly, enables us to keep a track of visitor numbers. We have had 19085 visitors since opening, that being 14963 adults and 4122 children. These numbers show a steady increase over time, with last year's figures being 1000 more than the previous year. Indeed in this year's January we had a record 644 adult visitors. (The wet January weather helped!) We also have good numbers of school class visits, a result of our policy of targeting schools in our district.</p> <p>We are in danger of becoming victims of our success in that we need more effort in appraising and cataloguing our growing collection, in meeting the requests of not only school parties but various tours that include the museum in their Raglan visit, in answering the queries of visitors and, generally, the day to day tasks that are part and parcel of a functioning museum.</p> <p>Our finances are suffering. I attach our financial statement. Do note that we have run deficits in the past two years. We do need greater assistance.</p> <p>We acknowledge the real support we have received from the Council. The museum would not exist without it. The Council operates under the correct understanding that support for museums is part of its function. We submit that we have repaid that support by becoming a really good museum in a town where our role is appreciated and supported by locals and visitors. We now ask the Council to acknowledge our success and, because of it, our greater need.</p>
712	Andrew	Feierabend	N/A	Meridian Energy				See attachment.
713	D&F	Falconer	N/A	N/A	Huntly	Option 1	Option 3	See attachment.

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714	David and Alison	Taylor	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	
715	T	Lockyer	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	
716	Sheryl	Hart	N/A	Raglan Sport Fishing Club				See attachment.
717	LR	Scott	N/A	N/A	Taupiri			See attachment.
718	Liam	McGrath	N/A	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee	Mercer			See attachment.
719	Paul	Le Miere	N/A	Federated Farmers				See attachment.
720	John	Lawson	N/A	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				See attachments.
721	John	Lawson	N/A	N/A				See attachment.
722	Ruth	Williams	N/A	N/A	Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	
723	Charles	King	N/A	N/A	Cambridge		Option 1	
724	KM & RA	MacKay	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 1	Option 2	
725	Terry	Dance	N/A	N/A	Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	
726	Dermot	Murtagh	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
727	Margaret	Dippenaar	N/A	N/A	Te Kowhai	Option 3	Option 3	
728	Steven	Searle	N/A	N/A	Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	
729	Van	Leeuwen	N/A	N/A		Option 3	Option 2	
730	Daniel	Rensburg	N/A	N/A				Points 1-3 were for Waikato Regional Council. 4. Water levy should be based on usage per household, or amount of persons per household rather than on "per household" or on "value of property"5. Fuels levies currently only target diesel or Petrol vehicles and does not tax electrical vehicles, which is not fair. It could also be based on toll for actual users of the road, rather than fuel levy.6. Toilets in town (Next to town hall) must be upgrade to ensure they are easy to clean and neat and tidy.7. Toilets must be erected at new sports park, and at totara park, and at the 2 playgrounds in the new subdivision. Children playing in the park must rush home to use the toilets.8. Pokeno subdivision has no recreational facilities for teenagers, whilst all the other townships have a pool, sports fields, swings, parks, and dog exercise areas.9. Don't support the cost for a new cemetery in Whangarata road. Current swings, slide and Jungle gym is only for small children.10. We propose A Supermarket be built in Pokeno by a larger company like Pack and Save, Foodtown, Countdown, or New World and not smaller vendors. 700 current households, and a further 800 houses to be built in Hitchens division would sustain . This will also be closer than Pukekohe for neighbouring towns.11. We prefer the higher UAGC (Uniform Annual General Charge) and less based on Capital value. Council valuation is inflated.12. For water to use watercare as company for water supply.13. That the Library and Council offices be removed from LTP submission, and a station be built with the funds. Alternatively the Library can be built on top of the new station in Pokeno.14. A Pedestrian crossing in Helenslee At Pokeno school, Hillpark and Pokeno road at the schools and day-care centres. Crossing must be in 40km Zone and not in 70km Zone15. That the footpaths in Pokeno next to the waterway be sealed, instead of gravel. Footpaths extend from Pokeno to new subdivisions16. Speed limit be set to 50km/h instead of 40km/h in Hillpark Road/ Mark Ball road.17. I propose that a Dog Exercise Park that is fenced off be erected in the new subdivision of Pokeno where dogs can be let off leash. It is senseless to load your dog in the car drive to the Tuakau or Pokeno tennis club dog Exercise Park to be able to let them off-leash. You cannot walk the dog under the motorway through a

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								roundabout to fenced dog exercise area by the old church/cenetary or walk to the Tuakau dog exercise area.
731	Sarah	Nathan	N/A	N/A				See attachment.Please find attached (file) an overview of the Waikato Arts Navigator.It is a joint framework developed by Creative Waikato available to all Councils in the wider Waikato region. It goal is to build a collective vision for arts and creative outcomes in your community.Creative Waikato would like to work with your staff to devise a simple arts action plan for the Waipa District to align to regional goals of:• Creative Prosperity• Creative Experiences• Creative Wellbeing• Creative ExcellenceThis is a simple way to have an effective arts strategy utilizing existing knowledge of your communities’ activities and working from strengths.Start with what you are already doing and build from there.Lets talk more.Creative Waikato has been working hard in the Waikato region for the last 6 years at no cost to WDC, mainly thanks to funding from Trust Waikato. We support artists, build capability with arts groups, build audiences and advocate nationally for better arts investment in our communities.We request as part of this submission:1) The opportunity to work with your staff over the next 3 years to develop an arts plan that aligns with the Waikato Arts Navigator2) That Waikato District Council allocate Creative Waikato \$6,000 per annum to support and build focus to grow the Waipa Creative Community.
732	Annabel	Cotton	N/A	Hamilton & Waikato Tourism				See attachment.
733	Malcolm	Beattie	N/A	Sunset Beach Lifeguard Service				See attachments.
734	Tobias	Tohill	N/A	N/A	Whatawhata	Option 2	Option 2	
735	Colleen	Rear	N/A	N/A				As a rate payer i do not support a 12.5% increase and three increases there after. As a middleincome (one wage, and three small children) family we are already paying \$150 per fortnight!Our town of Ngaruawahia needs attention, we should not be paying for developments in thenorth.



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736	Jennifer	Duncan-Bailey	N/A	N/A				Hello my name is Jennifer Duncan-Bailey I own a section in Meremere where I will be building a home with my husband Robert. We would like to know who. To contact to have the water Tower behind our section 6 Heather Green ave removed. As I have seen several young children carrying axes and the like into the water tower doing goodness knows what. They were aged as young as six or seven which I found to be horrifying as they where carry dangerous tools and who would have known if anything had of happened to them while they were in there. My husband and I have many grandchildren each and would hate for them to think this is a good place to build a fort or such like. It's not only a hazard it's also a health risk and a terrible eye sore for the main traffic line south. I am of the Tainui tribe and have seen my tribe mentioned in your last newsletter asking for input from the consumers of the region/ district. May I put my decision forward which is option 3 & 4. I have stated 3 and 4 because the combination of options here will benefit all voting. Option 3 I would like clarity on - why would we risk creating a tax liability? And option 4 the representation of the Tainui people - will their voice be heard as an equal. Not just a visual face/ body present to pacify the locals? I hope Tainui representative will agree with council to remove the water tower for the safety of all concerned. By the way who is responsible for being a representative from Meremere as the village looks like an abandoned child that no could gives a damn about. Would you enjoy living in an environment of such neglect. The children can't even walk along the footpaths to get to school. I dread to think about those with prams or wheelchairs... You should all be ashamed of yourselves. If you the council have little respect for the environment yet charge the rates you do why should the people there care. I have spoken to a number of the locals there and they all say the same thing. You the council get a deaf ear when it comes to Meremere. How about pouring some of the money you collect into bringing Meremere appearance up to a standard we can all be proud of
737	Peter	Findlay	N/A	N/A				I refer to the Proposed 2018 Long Term Plan, the link road proposed between Resolution Drive and Horsham Downs Road, and all related infrastructure improvements.The Village Church Trust supports the planning, design and construction of all works required to give effect to the same in the Proposed 2018 Long Term Plan, and to integrate the timing of such works with construction of the Waikato Expressway and the extension of Resolution Drive. The Village Church Trust wishes to present its oral submission to hearings related to the 2018 Proposed Long Term Plan.
738	John and Lesley	Hobern	N/A	N/A	Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	

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**Appendix 2 – Submission Points with Staff Comments**  
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Category	Count	Category	Count	Category	Count	Category	Count
Huntly Memorial Hall	165	Raglan Pill Boxes	4	Te Reo	1	WMMP	1
Roading	33	Library services	4	Building	1	Internal Resourcing	1
3 Waters Management - options	27	District Planning	4	River Management	1	HIF	1
Strategic Planning	26	Planning for growth	4	Operating surplus	1	Airport	1
Rates Increase	25	Roadside Maintenance	4	Security cameras	1	Housing	1
Parks & facilities	20	Pensioner housing	3	Future Proof	1	Wetlands	1
UAGC	17	Public Toilets	3	Tamahere Reserve	1	Renaming of Huntly	1
Town Maintenance	17	Boat ramps	3	Raglan Naturally	1	Maintenance of infrastructure	1
Cycle-ways/Walkways	17	Parking	3	Infrastructure Strategy	1	Representation	1
Refuse/Recycling	16	Seal Extension	3	Catchment management	1	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>588</b>
Rating system	16	Affordability	3	Revaluations	1		
Grant funding	15	Property valuations	3	Railway crossing	1		
Public transport	13	Ngaruawahia priority projects	3	Huntly domain	1		
Regional Fuel Tax	12	Targeted rates	2	Distribution of rates	1		
Consultation	9	Animal Control	2	Huntly mine	1		
Footpaths	9	Freedom Camping	2	Heritage	1		
Local projects	7	Manu Bay	2	Shared Services	1		
Aquatic Centres	7	Huntly on/off ramp	2	TPPA	1		
Economic Development	7	Development Contributions	2	Dog registrations	1		
Water quality	6	Arts centre	2	Training	1		
Wastewater	6	Refuse	2	Amalgamation	1		
Water rates	6	Reserves	1	Joint Management Agreement	1		
3 Waters Infrastructure	5	Stormwater	1	Toilets	1		
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Huntly Memorial Hall	188	Sandra	Shields		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	2/We object to WDC's cavalier attitude regarding the War Memorial Hall, either fix it or replace it with new, DO NOT sit on it and do nothing until it deteriorates as you seem to want it to do.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	277	Mana	Toka		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	278	Craig	Moffitt		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	279	Edna	Townsend		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	280	Thelma	Tyler		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	281	Eileen	Lloyd		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	282	Heather	Huxtable		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	284	Shirley	Lavis		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	285	Ron and Shirley	Farrar		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	286	Wayne	Stewart		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	287	Ian	Bettison		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	288	Duncan	Gillies		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	289	David	Combe		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	290	Graham	Simpson		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	291	Willemien	Wennekers		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	292	Shirley	Farrar		Huntly			<p>Comments:</p> <p>1/The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use. Too much time and money wasted by WDC to help Huntly Ratepayers and Community to get anything up and done to help Huntly revive.</p> <p>2/Town looks unkempt! Huntly subsidising all other towns in the district. Nothing being done for Huntly.</p>	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	293	Mary	Robinson		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	294	Gary	Robinson		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
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Huntly Memorial Hall	296	William	Walker		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	297	Dawn	Walker		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	298	Prue	Clifford		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	299	Huntly Linedancing	Club		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.



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Huntly Memorial Hall	300	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	301	Graham Gunn	Builder		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	302	Annabelle	Leaf		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	303	Bryce	Mounsey		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	304	Bryan	Morris		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	305	Andrew	Inglis		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	306	Victoria	Kemp		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	307	Ray	Lloyd		Huntly			Comments: This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to a standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.



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Huntly Memorial Hall	308	Greg	McCutchan		Huntly			Comments: The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	375	A	Goodall		Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use. This is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	376	J	McNamara		Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	377	Roseanne	McNamara		Huntly			The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	433	Suzanne Carol	Watkins		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	434	Kelly-Ann	McBean		Huntly RD 1				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	435	Andrew	McBean		Huntly RD 1				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	436	Jane	Johnson		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	437	W	Boyd		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	438	Joinery	A1		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	439	Vijax	Parmar	Vijax & Jagjit Parmar	Hamilton				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	440	Rachel	Watkins		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	441	Caleb	Watkins		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	442	John	Watkins		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	443	Bernice	Watkins		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	444	Marion	Nicholas		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	445	Joseph	Trinder		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	446	Jeff	Lamb		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	447	Barbara	McCarthy		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	448	D	Hogan		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	449	Jamie	Thurston		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	450	Jodene	Clutterbuck		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	451	Maurice	Beck		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	452	Mike	Munson		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	453	Rae	Munson		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	454	Tony	Allan		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	455	Lynne	Allan		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	456	Andrew	Beeching		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	457	Judith	Hogan		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	458	D	Maliseva		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	459	Janine Megan	Payne		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	460	Dafydd	Payne		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	461	Tony	Nathan		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	474	Kelly	Bentley		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	475	Tracey	Allwood		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	476	Joanne	Small		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	478	Angela	Birks		Ohinewai				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	479	Elizabeth	Thompson		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	480	Rebecca	Thompson		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	481	Paul	Mita		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	482	Blair	Gardiner		Ohinewai				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	483	Grant	Thompson		Ohinewai				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	484	Scott	Mason		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	485	Hartmut	Joschonek		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	486	M	Chatterton		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	487	Sallymei	Matia		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	488	Tomuri	Luke		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	489	Paula	Raihe		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.



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Huntly Memorial Hall	490	Hubert	Marcon		Te Kauwhata			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	491	Iris M	Kimpton		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	492	Dorothy	Stephens		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	493	Jennifer	Hohaia		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	494	Klazz	Mckinnon		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	495	Winnie	Watene		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	496	Janet Mary	Jay		Huntly				Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	497	Arzhay	Heslop		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	498	Marahi	Kingi		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	499	Kawana James	Wallace		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	500	Korina	Vaughan		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	501	Tui	Lee		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	502	Nesan	Gorender		Ohinewai			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	503	Stacey	Baker					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.



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Huntly Memorial Hall	505	Katrina	Hipkin		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	506	Maleina	Tauariki		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	507	Roana	Daley		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	508	Tumakai	Te Aho-Solomon		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	509	Martin	Hipkin		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	510	Jenna	Tauariki		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	511	Belinda	King		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	512	Evelyn	Shed		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	513	Reginald	Taua		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	514	Joy	Lynch		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	515	T	Kea-Perston		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	516	Kapariera Malcolm	Taua		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	517	Anahera	Taua		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	518	Trish	Thompson		Ohinewai			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	519	Luressa	MacDonald		Ohinewai			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	520	Valerie	Attkins		Ohinewai			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	521	Angela	Wilkins		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	522	Julie	Baker		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	523	Andrea	Thomas		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	524	Heather	Paterson		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	526	Moyra	Thompson		Huntly			#N/A	Parking provisions for boat trailers are currently under review as part of the parking by-law by the Raglan Community Board. Consideration of the Rugby Ground for overflow provisions is one of the options
Huntly Memorial Hall	528	Pauline	Roberts		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	529	Raewyn	Lambie		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	1/ This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	530	Pauline H	Lewis		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	544	Mary-Ann	Taiapo		Huntly			This submission is to include the Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan. The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as multipurpose community facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	640	MJ	Gerrand - QSM	Huntly Lions				#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	642	D.	Soni					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	643	Shirley	Stewart					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	644	Cheryl	Williams					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	651	Jordan	Mahara		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	653	Shani	Matenga		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	654	Desiree	Berryman		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	658	Sinclair	Wharakura		Dinsdale			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	659	Candace	Pukeroa		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	661	Hiki	Haunui					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	662	Kathryn	Tarrant	CPD Trust				#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	663	Marleinei	Leota					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	664	Rahn	Berryman					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	666	Kirsty	Rear					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	667	Phil	Davis-Hunter					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	668	Des and Sandra	Maskell		Taupiri			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	669	Tony	Perkins		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.



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Huntly Memorial Hall	671	Dianne	Gyde		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	672	Alice	Bennie		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	673	Beverley	Shields		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	674	Rodger	Shead		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	675	Aotea	Maipi		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	676	Claire	Molley		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	677	Wayne	Thomson		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	678	Joy	Beveridge		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	681	Kay	Kaukas		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	682	Maria	Ahu		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	683	Hannah	Swinkles		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	684	Keith	Stark		Ohinewai			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	685	Linda	Stark		Ohinewai			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	686	Head	Deb		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	687	Willie	Wilson		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	688	Lorraine	Stephens					#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.

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Huntly Memorial Hall	690	Elizabeth	Johnson		Huntly			#N/A	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	703	Shanoa	David		Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	704	Peter	Leef					This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.Our community needs move disabled accessible options-painting etc. We have a lot of physically impaired people in town and its difficult enough just finding parking.Youth Centre	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	706	Joey	David		Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	707	Cecelia	Leef		Huntly			This submission is to include The Huntly War Memorial Hall in the 2018-2028 Long Term plan.The Huntly War Memorial Hall to be repaired and bought up to standard for public use and to be re-opened as a multipurpose facility before 2020.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Huntly Memorial Hall	713	D&F	Falconer					Huntly Hall - see attachment.	Council are committed to working with the Community to ensure that facilities maintained by ratepayers are wanted and used. The Council is committed to working with the volunteer group if the community at large would like to see the Hall refurbished. We are in no way discouraging volunteers throughout the district and are actively working on ensuring that Council have the right processes in place to ensure the Health and Safety of any and all volunteer workers working on council assets. In respect to earthquake assessments, all Council owned facilities are being assessed as per legislative requirements.



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Roading	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	6. Page 13 Building and Maintaining Infrastructure, support making sure the roading networks have resilience so in times of emergencies they can be used to get supplies and help the communities out. With the hand over the State highway handovers from NZTA, the towns that are being bypassed the NZTA should help to build resilience into these towns so they become vibrant.	Once the Waikato Expressway is completed, Waikato District Council will inherit around 100km of roads and four major bridges. The additional maintenance, operating and renewal costs for Waikato District is around \$1 million per year and rising. As the old state highways and bridges are handed over to Waikato District Council we carry out joint inspections and agree who has ownership of what assets and what works are required by NZTA to bring Councils new inherited assets up to an acceptable level of service.
Roading	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	6)The kerbside reserves and roadside garden are neglected and there has been a huge failure in maintaining these garden which will result in replacement cost or potentially ignoring the issue as the concil has down over the years. Has the concil polled the north waikato ratepayers in the past 3 years to see why there has been a increase in houses on the market is this due to the factors mentioned above or other reasons. Are north waikato ratepayers going to have to set aside 10% of annual income in the next 10 years to fund increase costs in the community.	Parks and Reserves maintain urban kerbside reserves and gardens. The Alliance mows rural verges to provide adequate sight distances.
Roading	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			3/ The importance of protecting the transport links by road & rail from the outlying Farms & Industry alike. The arterial roading link to Auckland, Hamilton & Tauranga are critical to our district. Access to the Southern Motorway needs to be improved & protected.	The draft LTP includes a budget of \$300k in years 2 & 3 for planning of future links between Pokeno - Tuakau and SH1.
Roading	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	4/ Roundabout \$3.2m ratepayers are only paying about 20% of this, has this proposed roundabout been investigated? Do we need a roundabout? Where is the evidence? or is this on the developers wishlist?,	Saulbrey road roundabout. The roundabout solution is not required for any single development, but serves to function as a safety solution for Great South Road where there is conflict between multiple vehicle movements in a high speed environment. There have been fatal injuries on Great South road and the changing function of the road, with new residential access has raised the risk.
Roading	525	S.F and J.L	Wall		RD 3	Option 1	Option 1	2/ Our roads occasionally get a little fill in any holes that develop. The bottom end of Kariotahi Road (towards Waiuku) is so narrow and the edges are broken, so passing other vehicles (as well as horse trucks to beach) is dangerous. Coming out of Butchers Bridge Road, again, is extremely dangerous, (I have notified Council on other occasion), because there is a convergence of 3 roads, which leaves no reasonable visual ability for emergence safety. Traffic has to actually drive through a stop sign, into the middle of traffic flow, to be able to ascertain whether the roads can be crossed. I believe there has been a roundabout plan, but because you leave it in Auckland Council's planning, nothing is done. I would also remind Council that we also pay regional rates to which all the above applies.	Kariotahi Road as well as the intersection in question falls within the Auckland Transport region. Unfortunately WDC have no jurisdiction over this area

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Roading	534	Bruce	Cameron					10/ Rural roads i.e. roads outside of urban boundaries: These need to be kept up to a standard whereby all traffic is safely able to pass over them all year round. Maintenance has fallen behind in the last year and the costs to get ahead again can get excessive. Having trucks getting stuck on metal roads is unacceptable. There has been a lot of ground movement on Highway 22 in the Glen Murray area. Work has started on repairing it, however there is a lot more work to be carried out in this area.	The intention of road maintenance is to minimise any time that communities are not connected. We are aware of ground movement on Highway 22 and our western network in general. Repairs to retaining structures and slips will continue, however retaining structures often have a relatively high cost associated with them which are not always immediately affordable. There are some areas on Highway 22 that will not receive funding until 2022 which will result in the road still being accessible but with a reduced lane width until a permanent repair has available funding
Roading	545	Robert and Tina	Macnab		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	2/ Key road routes are being left to deteriorate and are not meeting resident's needs. My solution is a roadshow that is a workshop where local roads plans and strategies ( including timelines) are outlined and are able to be submitted on. In isolated areas Private public partnerships should be considered, where the contract is given to locals to maintain hard to maintain roads. Such an example that has worked well is Retaruke Rd to Whakahoro in the Ruapehu district.	We undertake and hold roadshow meetings on a regular basis. This is done in accordance with the local community boards, councillors, council staff and WDA staff. The roadshows we have held recently have been positive and had good outcomes and learnings. We understand that some of our key routes have issues and we are continuing to work on these. On-going maintenance is being carried out regularly and for the longer term issues/repairs that have a high associated costs with them and are not immediately affordable, they are put into our long term programme.
Roading	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				<p>In the past few years there has been significant growth in residential development in Rototuna resulting in growth in the traffic volumes on roads that straddle the borders of HCC and WDC.</p> <p>The increased traffic volumes and speeds on these roads are resulting in safety concerns being expressed by residents in Waikato District and Hamilton.</p> <p>HCC lowered the speed limit on the shared sections of Kay Road and Horsham Downs Road on 1 March 2013 to 80km/h. HCC believes it is very important for WDC to address the current inconsistency in speed limit on the section of Kay Road between Osborne Road and River Road that sits wholly within Waikato District.</p> <p>HCC also request that consideration is given to lowering the speed limit on the approach to Hamilton on River Road and Gordonton Road in accordance with the Speed Management Plan.</p> <p>HCC note that the connection of Borman Road to Kay Road will be completed in this financial year i.e.2017/18. We request that consideration is given to the safety of the intersection of River Road and Kay Road to cater for the potential increase in vehicles using this intersection, along with urbanisation of Kay Road.</p>	No response required

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Roading	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				The Waikato Regional Transport Committee, of which WDC is a member, has confirmed that safety is one of two top priorities through the draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2018 (RLTP). Central government, through the newly released draft Government Policy Statement on Transport, is now signalling that safety is a top transport priority and has an expectation that local government will do its part by targeting funding to priority areas. WRC supports WDC's work on road safety and encourages you to ensure there is sufficient funding to address high risk infrastructure, and an emphasis on high risk user behaviour through road safety coordination and community engagement across the district. We look forward to working with you on progressing speed management initiatives over the 2018-21 period.	No response required
Roading	561	Neil	Barker		Ngaruawahia			10 Year Plan - SubmissionSaulbury Road RoundaboutOn behalf of the Ngaruawahia Golf Club Inc. (NGC) I submit our input for consideration - The Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) indicates that a roundabout will be constructed at Saulbrey Road / Great South Road in 2028. We understand that Council has budgeted money for the necessary purchase of land in 2019. NGC would like the Council to consider urgency in construction of the roundabout for numerous reasons as set out below:SafetyThis section of Great South Road is 100kph with vehicle speed increasing after leaving Ngaruawahia Township (which has an outer speed limit of 70kph).The River Terraces sub-division has increased the number of traffic manoeuvres within 1 kilometre of the NGC entrance and Saulbrey Road. The traffic volume will increase substantially and quickly with more sections becoming available.River Terraces has a marked turning bay for traffic heading north and turning right into the development. Parking in the middle of an increasingly busy main road, even with a stopping zone is not ideal.Access to the golf course does not include a right turning bay. While, thankfully, to my understanding, there have been no crashes attributed to right turning into the Course there have been some 'hairy' moments when one motorist stops in the middle of the road to turn right into the golf course, which is legal, and another decides to stop in front of the café opposite the NGC entrance. This leaves very little room for following cars to pass.The roundabout would have the effect of improving traffic safety by slowing vehicles and giving better direction to vehicles entering and exiting River Terraces, the NGC and Saulbrey Road. The NGC would re-locate its entrance way from the present location to a new road north of the site (currently only a paper road).We understand Council roading staff are of the view that the roundabout should be completed as a priority. The developers of River Terraces have also indicated they would prefer the roundabout is constructed earlier than scheduled in the Draft LTP.FutureThere are signs that Ngaruawahia is a growing township with River Terraces an example of this. Hamilton City has strong growth at its northern boundary (Kay Road/Borman Road area) and these developments are bringing more golfers closer to NGC.The NGC is, in conjunction with an overseas sponsor, in the process of completing a Resource Consent Application to build a driving range on our course in an area that is presently used as a practice fairway. It is proposed that the Sponsor will use these facilities for a Golfing Academy and outside these times they will be available to the public. We do not expect there to be a great increase in traffic entering and exiting the course from driving range visitors but are in the process of undertaking a traffic assessment which will indicate likely numbers.The Perry Charitable Trust has	Thank you for your relevant and detailed account of the traffic environment in that location. Council staff supports the earlier implementation of the roundabout, however affordability constraints have pushed the programme out and council has to consider a large programme of works across the whole district, while maintaining a reasonable rates rise. We encourage you to take the discussion to your community board to elevate the project priority in the LTP discussions.

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								<p>approached NGC requesting us to allow access for cyclists to the Te Awa Cycleway from the course. The NGC have agreed to this.</p> <p><b>Conclusion</b>In summary, construction of the proposed Saulbrey Road roundabout will improve traffic safety at multiple locations along the stretch of Great South Road from the River Terraces entrance to the golf course entrance. It will have an immediate improvement and accommodate the increasing traffic volumes along this road. There is a growing need for the roundabout and its construction date should be brought forward from 2028. This view is aligned with that of staff in Council's Roads Asset Management Team and the developers of River Terrace. NGC requests that Council budgets for construction of the Saulbury Road/ Great South Road roundabout to be programmed to be actioned within the next 12 to 24 months i.e. completed with urgency. I am prepared to be heard in support of my submission</p>	
Roading	571	Charlotte	Catmur		Raglan	Option 2	Option 2	<p>1/ Raglan is developing at a very fast rate and the Council needs to have a plan to manage and mitigate the impact and to slow the rate of development accordingly. Infrastructure for residents is lacking. The access to Rangitahi is going to present a lot of traffic issues that do not appear to be on the Council's radar. In addition, the restoration of the pill boxes does not seem high priority in comparison to providing increased public access and parks in intensely development zones e.g. around Government and Manakau streets.</p>	<p>With regard traffic utilising Rangitahi peninsular – Traffic has been considered as part of the developer's Traffic Impact Assessment and an appropriate intersection design has been provided at Wainui Road (to be constructed mid 2018). Raglan has the district's highest walking/cycling communities, as well as the district's highest visitor numbers. Footpaths and cycling provisions within the Raglan Urban area and the links to nearby beaches will be reviewed in 2019. In conjunction, the safety of these vulnerable road users will be also reviewed. In 2019, Tranche 3 of the District's Speed By-law reviews will be focussing on Raglan with a view to reduce the speed in the Raglan Urban Area.</p>

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Roading	593	Venessa	Rice		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	5/ Roundabout Saulbury Road - What data form police and ACC to you have to justify the need for this roundabout? I have been told the Ngaruawahia rate payer contribution is only 20% of the \$3.2million cost, why is this figure not reflected? Why don't developers pay for the entire cost if they want it?	Saulbrey road roundabout. The roundabout solution is not required for any single development, but serves to function as a safety solution for Great South Road where there is conflict between multiple vehicle movements in a high speed environment. There have been fatal injuries on Great South road and the changing function of the road, with new residential access has raised the risk.
Roading	595	H and A	Murphy		Ngaruawahia			Submission not related to the above consultation questions. Wanted to comment on the condition of the Otorohaea Trig Road as it needs improving. When it is graded it makes it better however the increasing traffic can impact the condition between grading contracts. The amount of trucks on that road have increased and they make a mess of the road. Please increase the level of service on this road. It can be extremely unsafe. Also roading conditions throughout the Waingaro and Te Akau area need continuing improvement. The roads get flooded frequently, approx. 3 times last year Waingaro school was forced to close due to flooding. Thank you	<p>We are aware of the condition of Otorohaea Trig Road, unsealed road which is narrow, winding and receives increased truck movement following grading. We inspect roads on a regular basis and will continue to evaluate the needs of Otorohaea Trig Road with the remaining 600km of unsealed roads across our network.</p> <p>We will undertake work to mitigate flooding where practical. Unfortunately some roads within the Waingaro area are susceptible to flooding during extreme weather events which appear to be happening across New Zealand on a more regular basis.</p>
Roading	596	Bruce	Cameron			Option 4	Option 1	1/ First I would like to thank you for the recognition of the state of the unsealed roads within the WDC by the proposed allocation of extra funding. The sealed network is also experiencing neglect in areas of the council roading network. Under the Strada contract the roads deteriorated markedly and a lot of work needed to be done to get them up to a reasonable state again. This was further enhanced by the Alliance contract but in the last year there has been a marked deterioration. We have had some significant storm events which the Alliance has done a very good job of dealing with. However there has been a marked lack of basic maintenance carried out on the remainder of the network which is disappointing, as the repairing of further damage only gets more costly. I understand the main reason for this is that the Council has “run out of money”. Let’s hope that the extra funding proposed will address all of these issues.	Thank you for your comments. Last year we experienced a number of significant storm events and over all a very wet year. This caused a number of issues around our network which we are still recovering from. Throughout the summer season we have carried out a great deal of pavement and drainage issues along with unsealed grading rounds including metalling. Our routine maintenance of our network is on-going. With the additional funding in the unsealed roads, this will enable us to focus more routine maintenance in critical areas of the network and have a greater impact.
Roading	602	Donald	Hagenson		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	3/ Further more there has been no justification or data produce by to support the need for Ngaruawahia rate payer money to be spent on a round about on Saulbury Road or	Saulbrey road roundabout. The roundabout solution is not required for any single development, but serves to function as a safety solution for Great South Road where there is confclit between multiple vehicle movements in a high speed environment. There have been fatal injuries on Great South road and the changing function of the road, with new residential access has raised the risk.



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Roading	616	Trish	Forsyth		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	Ngaruawahia - LTP  4/ If a roundabout is partially funded by a developer then should not a developer contribute to the infrastructure required for these 'new areas'. It should be handed over to Council as a finished project, not a we need you to fork out millions so that we can line our pockets from the sale of these properties.	Developers do pay for the required infrastructure created by any new development through charges known as development contributions. Development contributions are received at the time a property is developed (i.e. house is built). This means that infrastructure costs initially sit on council books, reducing as DC's are received.
Roading	621	Kitty	Burton	Matangi Community Committee	Hamilton			See attachment. The Matangi Community Committee requests the provision of a bus bay and turning area in the village to improve safety for the intermediate and High School students who wait for buses to travel to school in Hamilton each school morning. The current stopping place on the side of the road is too near the intersection and there is no access to shelter. From the last LTP process we were advised that the committee needed to say where they wanted the bus bay to be and last year residents nominated the Jack Foster Reserve as the most suitable option. The current bus route means the stopping and turning area would need to be large enough to enable the bus to pull off the road and turn to go back toward Hamilton. The alternative to this would be a roundabout at the Matangi Road/ Tauwhare Road intersection. A recent accident at the intersection highlighted both the need for better control at the intersection and that the current bus stop is too close to it. The vehicle lost control at the corner and had there been any students at the bus stop they would have been in the direct path of the vehicle. A roundabout would mean that the bus stop could move to the Jack Foster Reserve but the construction of a bus bay would not be required as the bus would be able to turn at the roundabout.	No response required
Roading	645	S.F.	Capper		Hamilton			To whom it may concern.i[we] have lived in Reids Rd Puketaha for 67 years at the moment we are concerned about the Reids Road Puketaha Corner where there it [no light] [no sign] and nothing around the drain corners which i [we] fee; is a danger to the public and could result in a fatal accident if you could look into this for us it would be much appreciated. Yours sincerely SF Capper.PS the sign down the other end [Shewan Road] has also being knocked down.	This has been passed on to NZTA's Agent Fulton Hogon - We understand that Cherie Sargeant has been in touch with the submitter regarding their concerns 3.5.2018

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Roading	646	Neil	Young	Young Group of Companies Tuakau Hotel				<p>2/Signage Need before Pokeno. Traveling north from say Hamilton people sail straight past Pokeno eventually turning off at Bombay Signage at mercer. We have a 30 bed "Mercer Airport Hotel Backpackers" at Mercer airport that our tourists can't find us 6k,s up Koheroa rd5 Dominion Road extension to Ridge rd to make it a through road to state highway one motorway for light traffic and we would have oue own Tuakau exit sign from it.</p> <p>There is already a paper roads extending off the end of Dominion rd to within 230 meters of ridge rd The normal high cost of filling the gully can come from the strippings from ridge road quarry.6Cycleway/walkwa 2.8 ks I have now scale measured it at 3.68 kilometers Tuakau to Buckland Pukekohe</p> <p>Im working with Vance Hodgson HPC Planning on this one [first cost in 78K for resource consent] the kids already walk on the Train tracjs 3.68 ks ks rather than cycle/walk 8 ks up Harrisville rd way or 12 ks Buckland rd way 7Palm Trees full length of George st [main st] cost \$40k 8Safety Restrict speed from Tuakau Bridge all along River road past our Beautiful Batkin Reserve from 100 Ks to 70Ks per hour i'm aware of Karl Flavels brother being killed on this road.</p> <p>WDC has the lowest Debt ratio of any council per population and one of the fastest population growths per population in NZ Our family have invested over \$19million in Tuakau in the past 15 years [now \$22 million] we are asking our governing body "The council" you guys to have our confidence and to fix all of the above by investing in Debt I would love to share any of the above requests with any of the WDC Councillors.</p> <p>Kind regards Neil Young</p>	Signage from State Highway - talk to NZTA/ railways and safety - this enquiry has been passed on to NZTA . They will be in touch with the submitter 3.5.2018

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Roading	647	Bridget & Scott	Dowsett	River Road Vicinity Residents	Hamilton			<p>This submission is made on behalf of residents in the vicinity of River Road east of Ngaruawahia, specifically between Driver Road and Speedy Road.</p> <p>The general theme of this submission is to seek safer walking and cycling on River Road and connectivity to Horotiu and Ngaruawahia communities. This includes improved access to the Waikato River and the Te Awa cycle way.</p> <p>In this context we support the Long Term Plan (LTP) 'Vision': "Liveable, thriving and connected communities". Thus we have structured our submission around this Vision and related desired Community Outcomes, which are well aligned with the Local Government Act "well - being" objectives.</p> <p>1/ Current problems for residents.</p> <p>Our residents are in a rural environment with small pockets of rural residential development and in the main, the only way to connect to nearby Communities of Horotiu and Ngaruawahia is to travel by private motor vehicle (cars, utes etc.).The only public transport/bus service is the school buses, mainly into Hamilton Schools. River Road is 100 km/hr with narrow (or virtually no) road shoulder and for considerable lengths (hundreds of metres) there is no berm for pedestrians or cyclists to move along the road safely. Families and young children are not able to safely walk or cycle on the section of River Road between Ngaruawahia Township and Horotiu Bridge Road, if trying to access either Community, the Waikato River or Te Awa Cycle way.In the latter case, this has been frustrating for residents as we can see the new Te Awa Bridge crossing the Waikato River, but to access it or the Te Awa Cycle way, we have to drive several kilometres to the parking area on the western side of Horotiu Bridge. Some residents are only about a hundred metres from this cycle way or the River, but can't safely or easily access either. This lack of access means poor connectivity and less quality liveability and thriving community well-being.</p> <p>3. Liveable communities.</p> <p>The Long Term Plan refers to 'Liveable communities' as "well planned and people friendly, providing for ----- walk ways and open spaces" (page 4 LTP Consultation Document).Whilst this more focused on urban areas, it can and should be applied to rural areas of the District. Obviously in the rural area there generally are open spaces, but we also need walkways especially as we are close to urban areas (in this case Ngaruawahia).Council has been a partner in the 'Waikato Regional Walking &amp; Cycling Strategy'-----  <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Transportpolicy/Walking-and-cycling-strategy-for-the-Waikato-region/">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Transportpolicy/Walking-and-cycling-strategy-for-the-Waikato-region/</a> , and has been a partner in the 'Te Awa cycleway'. Thus Council should understand the social and health benefits of walkways and cycleways. We have engaged with Council staff about access to the River and Te Awa cycleway with limited success and in some cases no response; but have had good assistance from NZ Walking Access Commission <a href="http://www.walkingaccess.govt.nz">www.walkingaccess.govt.nz</a>The Commission have met with us and provided advice around "rights and responsibilities for Unformed Roads" - such as the one opposite Smith Road, from River Road to the River.</p> <p>4. Thriving communities.</p>	<p>Council thanks you for taking the time to submit against the LTP. The opportunity to work alongside our communities is welcomed and encouraged. We will review your submission and ideas to increase connectivity and improve safety and how it fits in with Councils overall trails strategy.</p>



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								<p>The Long Term Plan refers to 'Thriving communities' as one in which residents can "participate in Council decision-making and community led projects, ---" (page 4 LTP Consultation Document). Recently representatives of this River Road vicinity community have made contact with Council staff, Councillors and Ngaruawahia Community Board members to engage about our connectivity problems and now to participate in this LTP decision making process. The residents have made it clear to those we have engaged with, that we are willing to help lead any relevant community project (e.g. direct access to the River) and provide working bee manual help (e.g. clearing vegetation or weeds such as blackberries).</p> <p>5. Connected communities The Long Term Plan refers to "Connectivity through ---- cycleways, walk ways ---enable ---engaging in activities together. By these means, people in connected communities access services and amenities that meet their social, health, education and employment needs " (page 4 LTP Consultation Document). The residents particularly seek their outdoor "social and health needs" being met, by safe cycleways and walkways. This would be best served by convenient (reasonably close) access to the River and Te Awa cycleway, however we recognise that this would have to be budgeted in the Long Term Plan and negotiation with adjoining land owners. Increased walking and cycling along River Road or the north east side of the Waikato River would benefit other communities including Ngaruawahia. We have noted that there is some provision for Cycleways in the Ngaruawahia Community from 2022 to 2027, but this is too far away in time for our community safety and it is also unlikely to be for rural cycleways. Thus we seek specific funding for cycleway access in our vicinity. In the short term this may not be "off road" (e.g. along the River bank), but Council will have to consider more "on road safety" under the recently published draft 'Government Policy Statement on Land Transport Funding' (2018 GPS) - <a href="https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Our-Work/Documents/Draft-GPS-2018.pdf">https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Our-Work/Documents/Draft-GPS-2018.pdf</a> Council has its own Road Safety policies and are a party to the 'Waikato Regional Road Safety Strategy' -- <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/Road-Safety-Strategy-FINAL-WEB.pdf">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/Road-Safety-Strategy-FINAL-WEB.pdf</a> . It is also expected that Council are participating in the draft 'Waikato Regional Land Transport Plan' --- <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/RLTP/5827-Draft-RLTP-web.pdf">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/Transport/RLTP/5827-Draft-RLTP-web.pdf</a> ; which has a strong road safety focus. This Plan has expectations that Waikato District Council will share in the programme delivery, to reduce deaths and serious injuries from road crashes. In summary we expect that Council will give focus on the road safety of this section of River Road and as well as lowering the speed limit (as potentially proposed in the near future) will undertake at least "Minor Safety Improvements" in their Local Roading Programme - to form a berm pathway or provide wider shoulders for pedestrians to safely walk along one side of River Road, especially near Smith Road and east of this.</p> <p>6. Conclusion The residents seek to work with Council to improve road safety on River Road and also provide reasonably convenient and safe access to the Waikato River, as well as ultimately Te Awa cycleway. Thus we seek</p>	

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								<p>appropriate funding consideration in the Long Term Plan and collaboration from Council and its staff to facilitate meaningful connectivity for walking and cycling in our community vicinity .It is realised that full access along the Waikato River on the northeastern side from Ngaruawahia to the Te Awa river bridge, will take considerable resourcing and take a long time; but this type of programming over many years is recognised in the LTP Vision. In summary, in the short term (first 3 years of this draft LTP) we seek;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to the River via Formed and Unformed Roads</li> <li>• Access to Te Awa cycleway from these river access points and some form of river pathway from Smith Road (extension) eastwards</li> <li>• Safer road shoulder or berm width in the vicinity of Smith Road and east of this.</li> </ul> <p>We would appreciate the opportunity to explain our Community concerns to Councillors at the Long Term Plan hearings in mid May 2018.</p>	
Roading	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>2/ Heavy Traffic Bypass</p> <p>Future planning for Pokeno requires a heavy traffic bypass avoiding our main street to issue the desired ambience of Pokeno</p>	The roading team is working on a number of proposals for Pokeno road network including a roundabout at Munro Road and a bypass for heavy traffic.
Roading	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>3/ School Crossing</p> <p>We would like a dynamic changing speed sign to manage our children's safety on this dangerous road. We are still waiting for a pedestrian crossing to be installed. The current speed is 70kph; this is too high for the traffic volume and the nature of it considering we have over 200 children entering and exiting Pokeno School daily.</p>	The roading team is working on a number of proposals for Pokeno road network including a roundabout at Munro Road and a bypass for heavy traffic.
Roading	649	Mark	Brown	Life Unlimited				<p>Roads and Transport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with Regional Council to ensure public bus service is accessible for people with disabilities. (minimal distances between bus stops, covered bus stops, low loading buses).</li> <li>• An example where transport could be improved is Raglan – Hamilton. The buses from Raglan all terminate at the Hamilton Transport Centre. There is no bus that directly travels to the Waikato Hospital, this makes travel awkward and added expense to people with disabilities and elderly.</li> <li>• Pathways – Allow for wide pathways and footpaths free of sign boards or other obstructions for sight impaired people, elderly, mobility scooters and wheelchair users (allow sufficient unobstructed pathways).</li> </ul>	No response required

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Roading	650	John	Mitchell		Taukau		Option 1	4/ Our collective impression, from the LPT presentation, was that the Alliance did not have enough money to do the work they have and we were extremely disappointed. The Alliance was originally going to be the answer to all our roading issues, or that is what we were lead to believe. There were discussions around how much more the Alliance would be able to achieve and that the level of maintenance would dramatically improve. In our collective opinion, based on what we have seen around our area, there are still major issues with roading, and it is becoming all too common to see roads requiring major structural works – for example where one side of the road has subsided and cannot be driven on, simply dealt with by placing an orange road cone on it.	The Alliance is delivering a significant programme of work within the fixed Lump Sum Budget . There are a number of Flood damage sites that occurred during Cyclone Debbie that have been coned off awaiting Council funding in Year 4 of the LTP. This Flood Damage is too large to be repaired from the Annual Maintenance Budget.
Roading	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno/ Traffic by pass for heavy transport	The roading team is working on a proposal for a bypass for heavy traffic.
Roading	657	Parekawhia	McLean	NZ Transport Agency				<p>Waikato District council and the NZ Transport Agency (Transport Agency) are party to a multi-party funding agreement (MPFA) in respect of the Tamahere Structure Plan and Waikato Expressway connectivity. The purpose of this MPFA is to set out a formal funding agreement for activities relating to the investigation and construction of roads in the vicinity of Tamahere and the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section southern interchange. The MPFA sets out the agreed relationship of each agency's projects as follows:</p> <p>“3.5 On 20 November 2013 NZTA lodged a Notice of Requirement for an Alteration to Designation for the Hamilton Section of the Waikato Expressway (refer Attachment 5 for arrangement). The Southern Interchange of the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section connects a large part of the Tamahere Country Living Zone to and from Hamilton and east and west Tamahere across the Expressway. The Southern Interchange relies on a connection to the Tamahere local road network including a connection to SH21 Airport Road.</p> <p>3.6 WDC have completed Plan Change 3, Tamahere Structure Plan, including alterations to the local road layout to connect to the proposed Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section Southern Interchange. On 20 November 2013 WDC lodged a Notice of Requirement for Land for the Tamahere East-West Connection (refer Attachment 5 for arrangement) to connect to the Southern Interchange and has acquired property required for part of that project.</p> <p>3.7 WDC intends to construct an alternative local road connection, the Devine Link Road (Refer Attachment 5 for likely arrangement), which will supersede the Newell Road connection to SH21 Airport Road. NZTA and WDC have agreed to ensure that there is sufficient land available for different intersection arrangements should it become desirable in future to provide additional capacity, reinforce the road hierarchy or provide for a possible realignment of Tamahere Drive. WDC is also preparing a Notice of Requirement for Alteration to Designation to accommodate the proposed Devine Road/SH21 intersection and provide for future intersection development.</p> <p>3.8 When completed, the Southern Interchange, Tamahere East-West Connection and Birchwood Lane Extension will operate as a single route for many Tamahere residents. WDC and NZTA wish to ensure that the road network (State Highways and local roads operating as one network) adequately provides for the safe movement of vehicles, pedestrians and</p>	Council acknowledges the submission from New Zealand Transport Agency and looks to continue its relationship and support for the Waikato Expressway via the MPFA for the Tamahere Structure Plan.

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								<p>cyclists taking into account changes in traffic patterns as a result of traffic growth and changes in connectivity.</p> <p>Following conversations with Waikato District Council staff the Transport understand that elements of the Waikato District work programme (as identified in the MPFA) are not included in Councils land transport programme - specifically:</p> <p>- Activity 9 - Birchwood Lane: Unformed section to Devine Road - Design and Construction required by 2019.</p> <p>The Transport Agency requests that all works identified in the MPFA are provided for in Council's LTP for the timeframes agreed. In addition it should also be noted that there are conditions within the designation for teh Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section and the Tamahere East-West link that require that:</p> <p>a) Prior to the designated Tamahere East-West Link Road being open to vehicles traffic connecting to the Hamilton Southern Interchange Birchwood Lane shall be completed to its intersection with Devine Road and be available for vehicular traffic. It shall be designed to the Tamahere Country Living Zone Collector Road standard, with appropriate facilities for pedestrians and cyclists.</p>	
Roading	698	kathryn	Gold			Option 4	Option 2	<p>1/ Wainui road walkway and bridge upgrade. This upgrade is urgent - 2023-26 is to long await. The council allowing Extensive Residential Development in Raglan West before this bridge is upgraded shows there is little respect or regard for the Raglan West ratepayers. The gridlock experienced over teh summer months is unsatisfactory to say the least as most of Raglans Visitors destination is the beach, surf and boating facilities.</p>	<p>As part of developing our capital works programme Council has to assess its projects for the entire district. Affordability limits what can be done in the short term. The opportunity exists to take the discussion to the community board and ask them to elevate the issue.</p>
Roading	698	kathryn	Gold			Option 4	Option 2	<p>4/ Roding. At present unsealed roads with heavy traffic have below average maintenance. As ratepayers we dont get a far go. Try living on one. Often these roads are dangerous to drive, more and more tourist are now driving the metal road route. Dont ignore the ratepayers on these roads because at present you are. WDC you need to up your game. No new seal very disappointing. Problem areas should be sealed, as even regular maintenance is not the answer. Discussion with people that live on these roads would be helpful for a better outcome.</p>	<p>The Waikato district has an unsealed network of 608 kilometres. It costs approximately \$500,000 to seal one kilometre of unsealed road. Sealing roads within the district would currently be unaffordable (each kilometre of road sealed adds more than one per cent extra to the general rate).</p> <p>Due to the completion of the Waikato Expressway, Waikato District Council will inherit around 100km of roads and four major bridges. The additional maintenance, operating and renewal costs for Waikato district as a result of this are estimated as rising to almost \$1m per year. As a result Council has decided to discontinue seal extensions, which cost 2.5 times that of an unsealed road to maintain, for the foreseeable future. This is so we can focus on maintaining our current roads and not overburden ratepayers with additional roading costs.</p> <p>Council will continue to develop their unsealed road strategy, this strategy will focus on vulnerable road users such as tourists and school bus routes. The intent of the strategy is to create value for money from a very tight budget. This includes undertaking product trails on troublesome sections of unsealed roads in order to provide some longevity in a cost effective manner.</p>

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Roading	708	Waikato	Tainui					<p>A particularly significant project identified in the Long-Term Consultation document is the reconfiguration of the former state highway through Huntly. Huntly has a strong W-T population, and WT is concerned to ensure that the township has a secure future post state highway revocation. That the social and economic risks associated with the bypass of the township are given due consideration and are actively planned for and mitigated.</p> <p>As set out earlier in this submission, strong inter-regional transport links are crucial to the economic success of the district including Huntly. Huntly is the central node of a much larger geographic area and as such, any transport business cases for the area need to have wider consideration of interconnection to other significant nodes, including but not limited to the Ruakura Inland Port, and other local townships. This will enable appropriate consideration of the access that is required to connect Huntly to the national highway network so it is not further isolated.</p> <p>W-T submits that it is appropriate that a full diamond interchange is provided through the current Waikato Expressway project to promote the development potential of the wider Huntly environs. A full diamond interchange signals to the wider public including developers the potential for the area and better enables industrial and commercial development in the area. Residential growth in Huntly will be supported by provision of a full diamond interchange due to the convenient transport connections, which also has a direct contribution to the creation of jobs, developing the well-being and economic success of the Waikato District. W-T acknowledge and support Councils engagement with the Huntly community with regards to the revocation process and request that this engagement is widened to consider all stakeholders views, including those who have development aspirations.</p> <p>W-T request a seat at that table to ensure that that W-T's voice on both the social and economic development fronts are heard.</p>	Council acknowledges the submission from Waikato-Tainui regarding the reconfiguration of the state highway through Huntly. The interchange remains high on Councils agenda and is appreciative of the support from Waikato-Tainui in this regard. Our staff and consultants will continue to work with you and the community to mitigate the social and economic risks.
Roading	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Building and Maintaining Infrastructure – High volume traffic. See attachment.	In relation to footpaths and safety concerns. Staff are looking at how they can best utilise available funds across the district for new footpaths. In conjunction with our safety engineer we will investigate your specific requests and see how we can incorporate into our future programmes.



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Roading	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				Roading The statements seem in conflict. It is said that, “An ‘Alliance’ with Downer NZ that provides more cost-effective roading”. Yet it is also said that, “Higher depreciation and lower dividends (we no longer have dividend income from a Council-owned roading company) mean we have to increase our general rate.” So, apparently Downer is costing more than Strada (after dividends), which is confirmed by the statement that, “About half the increase [in rates] is for transport and roading”, which will add \$1.8m from 2018/19, \$1.1m for emergency works, mainly to respond to storm damage. \$2.58m for permanent restoration of roads damaged a year ago for completion in 2021/22. There will be increases for water and refuse, so rises may be significant for some communities, ranging from 2.68% to 12.75% for properties of average value. This is relevant to the proposal to set up council controlled water under Watercare. Insufficient information is given to judge the merits of the change, but the conflicting statements about roading raise doubts that Watercare will be any more effective. Council will only have a minority of governors on the board and experience elsewhere is that CCOs are anything but council controlled.	No response required
Roading	730	Daniel	Rensburg					14/ A Pedestrian crossing in Helenslee At Pokeno school, Hillpark and Pokeno road at the schools and day-care centres. Crossing must be in 40km Zone and not in 70km Zone	The crossing and footpath network at this location will be addressed.
Roading	730	Daniel	Rensburg					16/ Speed limit be set to 50km/h instead of 40km/h in Hillpark Road/ Mark Ball road.	Thank you for your submission. The Speed Limit Bylaw will be out for consultation soon.
Roading	737	Peter	Findlay					I refer to the Proposed 2018 Long Term Plan, the link road proposed between Resolution Drive and Horsham Downs Road, and all related infrastructure improvements. The Village Church Trust supports the planning, design and construction of all works required to give effect to the same in the Proposed 2018 Long Term Plan, and to integrate the timing of such works with construction of the Waikato Expressway and the extension of Resolution Drive. The Village Church Trust wishes to present its oral submission to hearings related to the 2018 Proposed Long Term Plan.	The link road is included in our LTP. Affordability will still be dictated by the co-share to be provided by NZTA, which is still under consideration.
3 Waters Management - options	4	Andrew	Thompson		Huntly	Option 3	Option 3	1. Comments: Kia Ora, As a ratepayer and also a Waikato-Tainui Beneficiary it's important that I remain fully supportive of all issues relating to the Bi-Lateral arrangement between Waikato-Tainui and the Waikato District Council. In terms of my choice well it is and always will be in the best interests of Waikato-Tainui As my Iwi. The important factor for my family and I is knowing full well Waikato District Council will be held accountable and will be compliant to the Iwi as my thoughts are made clear in the Councils response that Option3 A Council Waters Company(CWC) is not the preferred option. as I read Comparing the options the benefits are significant. I would think it is important that the WDC consider making some sought of attempt to attend Waikato Tainui public forums to further explain these important points being very significant in allowing a better informed decision.	Both option 3 and the preferred option, option 4, have significant governance involvement from Waikato Tainui in for form of seats on the board or either structure.

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3 Waters Management - options	6	Carl	Ammon					1/ Comments: As per the consultation advice I wish to elaborate on the following: Three waters proposals. - there is no detail provided to show how the savings will accrue to various options. Given the status quo and option 4 appear to be purely a structural separation exercise it is hard to see where the savings will accrue.	The savings come largely from procurement; bigger discounts due to the relative size of orders (such as with chemicals for water/wastewater treatment, lower consultancy costs due to a wider base of technical staff and an assumed level of staff savings. The detailed business case talks to the various areas where savings are expected.
3 Waters Management - options	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	3. Page 11 Sub Regional Initiatives I don't support the increase in this from \$70,000 to \$110,000 as on page 8 in the Three Waters Management your preferred options is to have a Water Governance Board and not to go with Share Waters Management Company with Hamilton and Waipa Councils. I don't see this Initiative working because the Councils don't seem to want to work together on initiatives.	It is necessary to increase our funding for sub-regional initiatives. Government is increasingly looking at engaging with councils through established forums either at a regional level (e.g. through the Waikato Plan) or the sub-regional level (e.g. through Future Proof) especially when addressing challenges associated with growth and the sustainable management of natural resources. Many councils speaking in one voice is more effective than individual council's addressing concerns with government. Sub-regional and regional collaboration is also important due to the functional linkages between many of our towns and villages in the region with both Hamilton and Auckland and the related cross-boundary issues.
3 Waters Management - options	26	Natalie	McKenzie		Pukekohe		Option 2	Comments: I am not in favour of any of the 4 options offered above re 'Three Waters' Management: Paying external contractors and consultants to deliver water infrastructure services is expensive and a waste of ratepayer's money. The council could review their current remuneration strategy and talent attraction and retention strategy to attract and retain the required talent, and in doing so deliver raised levels of water infrastructure services without incurring expensive implementation costs associated with establishing a separate organisation or board. Really people! If the external contractors and consultants can find the staff to do the council's job then SURELY the council is able to do so by being a little smarter about how they go about the business of employing talent! Perhaps you want to employ a professional Talent Acquisition Business Partner, such as myself, to pull this together for you. May common sense prevail!	Council has invested significant time and effort into thoroughly investigating the options presented. The projected savings have been well tested in multiple reports (Waikato Water Study Website) and confirmed by Councils Finance team.
3 Waters Management - options	28	Bill	Mitchelmore					Comments: I received the LTP consultation document today and I noticed a recommendation to enter into an arrangement with Watercare and Waikato-Tainui to establish a governance board arrangement. I have 2 questions which I hope you can help me out with as follows: 1. Who prepared the \$28.3M forecast savings and is that party willing to enter into a risk sharing arrangement to provide confidence that the forecast is achievable; and,	Council's proposed budget was shared with all relevant partners and potential savings were financially modelled by independent consultants. The business case was also reviewed by external providers with expertise in waters management, mergers and acquisitions. The savings are based on the lowest level scenario so are a conservative estimate.

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3 Waters Management - options	28	Bill	Mitchelmore					Comments: I received the LTP consultation document today and I noticed a recommendation to enter into an arrangement with Watercare and Waikato-Tainui to establish a governance board arrangement. I have 2 questions which I hope you can help me out with as follows: 2. What experience does WaterCare possess in the provision of stormwater management services. (I understand that they have resisted overtures from Auckland City to get involved in stormwater management in Auckland for a number of years.) As a general comment I think Waikato DC is wise to align itself with WaterCare for the closed access water and wastewater network services. However, I am not so sure about the value of bundling in stormwater at this stage.	The most significant non-financial improvements that a relationship with Watercare would bring to WDC are in the areas of asset management and planning. While Watercare does not currently maintain Stormwater services in Auckland, they still bring valuable planning resource to the Waikato District that can be applied equally to our stormwater network.
3 Waters Management - options	168	Michael	Becker		Raglan	Option 4	Option 2	Comments: What confidence can we have in the projected costs and savings mentioned in the consultation document as associated with the various options? Is this an estimate from Council staff or external accountants?	Estimated costs are based on the significant forecasting assumptions provided as supporting information on council's website. Estimates are provided from a suitably qualified team, and will have had input from both internal and external parties where required.
3 Waters Management - options	169	David	Packer		Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	Comments: 1/ There is a danger that the new organisation does not deliver the stated savings. This will require competent Governance and an understanding of risk and who wears that risk. I am concerned by the statement that the 'Board would control all the operations and service delivery'. A Board should set the policy and govern and ensure that the organisation set up controls the operations and delivery of service. There appears to be a confusion of roles here. There is also a danger a separate Board gets too remote from the Council and the benefits are lost. I would favour this being managed by a Management Committee of the Council made up of the CEO, CFO, Chief Engineer and an IWI representative with the CEO responsible to the Council.	No response required
3 Waters management - options	312	Phil	Journeaux		Hamilton	Option 2		2/ Water Management: "Three Waters" Given the paucity of information provided, it is difficult to discern which option may be best. While the figures are provided as to estimated savings, the council record over many years on estimates of savings, or costs, is abysmal, so they can be safely ignored. The document indicates that the various rate increases on water supply, waste water and storm water are all well in excess of inflation over the next 10 years (again), so where exactly are these savings being made. If there are savings of \$20-28 million from the various options, why are rates increasing? The main requirement is to endeavour to provide a degree of efficiency in the supply of such services. None of the option indicate much in this area. I am opposed to the idea of a Council Water Company (option 3), and a Council-appointed Water Board (Option 4). Water services are already a monopoly, so distancing them further from ratepayer sanction will not improve efficiency. So by default, I would support Option 2, a Shared Waters Management Company, mainly on the basis it is the least worst option.	Savings forecast all options reflect added value to the service for the rate payer. The savings presented are in essence an offset from potential future increases to the volumetric water charge and the targeted rates.



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3 Waters management - options	466	Greig	Metcalfe					Manage Water, Wastewater and Stormwater ('3 Waters') 4/ The submitter is supportive of Option 2, which is a shared waters management company with Hamilton City and Waipa District Councils. This is because a regional approach will ensure greater collaboration in the delivery of 3 waters assets and facilitate and enable the future growth which is expected to occur in the sub-region.	No response required
3 Waters management - options	472	Katherine	Wilson	Property Council New Zealand				Manage Water, Wastewater and Stormwater ('Three Waters') 5.1 Property Council's previous submission on a Shared Waters Management Company for Hamilton City Council and Waipa District Council was in strong support. We believe a single organisation allows for better governance and a more strategic approach to decision-making and asset management. A consistent regional approach is best suited to manage and replace existing assets as well as to plan for an implement increased network capacity to facilitate and enable the ongoing growth expected in the region. Property Council is disappointed that Waipa District Council voted against the Shared Waters Management Company. 5.2 Given Waipa has ruled out a Shared Waters Management Company, our secondary preferred option would be option 3: establish a new Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) Council Waters Company. Option 3 is closely aligned with option 2, namely that a CCO is established to take ownership and responsibility for Council's assets and undertake all water operations and services. A CCO further provides more flexibility in terms of borrowing against its own balance sheet. 5.3 Option 3 proposes a Council Waters Company made up of Waikato Tainui and Watercare Services Limited to take ownership and responsibility of three water services in the Waikato region. Although Property Council supports option 3 (development of a CCO), we question whether Watercare are the right entity to manage stormwater, given they have no experience of doing so. We are concerned that this may result in increased costs and decreased overall savings. 5.4 Council should develop a robust business case to determine costs and savings associated with all options to ensure that the forecasted cost savings are accurate. The Property Council wishes to stress the importance of robust management of three waters. At this stage, there is no certainty that the cost savings of \$28.3m for option 3 and 4 will be achieved. We question the robustness of the forecasted cost savings and would prefer to see a robust business case to determine costs and savings associated with all options. This will help Council to determine whether the forecasted costs of creating new entities justify the savings.	The most significant non-financial improvements that a relationship with Watercare Services Ltd would bring to WDC are in the areas of asset management and planning. While Watercare does not currently maintain Stormwater services in Auckland, they still bring valuable planning resource to the Waikato District that can be applied equally to our stormwater network.

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3 Waters management - options	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				<p>Waikato DHB supports Option 3 and Council's preferred option (Option 4) for how the three waters are managed across the Waikato District. However we recommend that when a final decision is taken by Council on a preferred option, that public health is not put at risk, and that local communities' access to safe potable drinking water is protected and assured.</p> <p>We request that Waikato DHB be identified as a key stakeholder in any three waters management agreement and ideally as a stakeholder required to be consulted with, particularly in regard to drinking water.</p> <p>Rationale</p> <p>Waikato DHB supports Option 3 and Council's preferred option (Option 4) for how the three waters are managed across the Waikato District as they incorporate iwi collaboration. These two options reflect a partnership approach which is critical to improved Māori health outcomes. However, we do appreciate that a range of assessment criteria need to be used to determine Council's preferred option.</p> <p>We recommend that when a final decision is taken by Council on a preferred option, that public health is not put at risk, and that local communities' access to safe potable drinking water is protected and assured.</p> <p>Water is a fundamental determinant of health and life and water management decisions have the potential to impact on access to and quality of municipal water supplies, stormwater drains and sewerage.</p>	No response required
3 Waters management - options	564	David	Whyte					<p>Water Services and Contracting/sub-contracting</p> <p>It is funny how water savings by going to water meters has resulted in a price increase within the first year. It is also difficult to get answers from the council. Since the job is done by a contractor. The contractors then employ sub-contractors to get the job done. So with so many layers it is impossible to get information back out. The buck is always pushed down the line. It took the council over a year to figure out that their contractors, sub-contractor didn't have a gardener for Huntly. Thus residents had to put up with a crappy service, and no doubt the council paid the contractor for services they didn't receive. (Love to see that money clawed back to keep the rates down – are we writing our contracts to allow for these contract breaches with no financial consequence to the contractor?) So what this tells me about council, is that they have an inability to actually know what is going on, once things get sub-contracted out, by their contractors. Secondly the service provided by the new Huntly main-street team, is much poorer than before. What this tells me is that companies that say they can save the council money, do it by providing a poorer service to the communities involved. Sure the money can be easily put on a spreadsheet. But the poor service that is provided, the inability to find out who exactly is providing the service, and the inability for residents to have any effective feedback mechanism does not appear to be worth it as the apparent 'savings are not being passed onto rate payers. Therefore any option which creates distance and layers of bureaucracy that impede the flow of information from the community to the service provider, is clearly going to result in a lower service.</p> <p>Recommendation: Therefore I recommend that option 1 for water services is used. Because the council has clearly demonstrated by its actions, that even though cash may be saved, the quality of service provided to residents will be much poorer.</p>	No response required

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3 Waters management - options	582	Anton	Marais			Option 1	Option 2	I wasn't able to get a full understanding of what drives the proposed savings for the Waters CCO. Both CCO options have the same saving but different implementation costs, I am not able to determine if the implementation cost is included in the savings. I tried to find out what % of operational cost the \$28,3 M actually is. Its a number that sounds big but without a reference to capital and operational costs is misleading only looking at a single number. The Annual plan documents have reference to the 3 waters cost as do the supporting documents in the LTP. I figure that this is about a 4 - 5.2 % saving with the CCO. I think that institutional knowledge can not have a value, I would say it is greater than 4 - 5 %. I also think that having a 3rd party managing assets reduced first hand knowledge, and this leads to reduced transparency for residents. Another aspect not listed as a risk is association with a 3rd party and their organizational reputation, I would say that Water Care has been receiving some fairly negative press. I read several times that the Rooding Alliance is resulting in savings, however the amount is not stated. The LTP is planning an increase in Rooding budget by \$1.8m. It would be good information to know if the Rooding Alliance is producing saving in line with the original Alliance business case. The benefit table has a line that is - More effective partnership with iwi to achieve improved environmental outcomes - I would like to understand what this is actually about and how this can not be addressed in the same way for all options. Environmental outcomes (depending on what these actually are ), in my mind do not have any dependencies on the how the 3 waters are managed, they are strategic and resource issues. Some of the benefits such as the better procurement, in status quo, this is N/A. I understand the LASS and various all of government can offer a lot of cost reductions. I only partially understand some of the complexities and issues WDC currently faces. I also do not understand all of the complexities around the technology. The only comment I can make is that the information and options presented are severely skewed against the option councils chooses and therefore appears that the decision is already made. If there was an option for not sure then I would choose this. There is not really enough information to make an considered choice. Thanks	Yes the implementation costs are factored into the savings. There a number of detailed reports contained on the Waikato Water study website <a href="http://www.waterstudywaikato.com">www.waterstudywaikato.com</a> .
3 Waters management - options	585	Ken	Wood		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	The Water / Wastewater management should continue to be managed within the council as it currently is .The 28 Million dollar saving (option 4) is just advertising bolster, two extra profit taking levels of management are now added so how is it possible to save any money ? the only way is to reduce services or maintenance - Anyone hear of how Toll holding reduced the railroad to be almost derelict . Is this just a way of distancing the council from the rate payers / lawyers in times of trouble as in Havelock North ?. It is not the management layer that needs bolstering it staff on the ground with better access to training. Better communication with other councils re compliance. better negotiated purchase rates. Learning not to take the lowest quote , but to do some diligence to secure a correctly costed project.	All options look to leverage savings through improved procurement strategies afforded through an increase in scale. Further savings would be sought though increasing staff skill, access to improved management systems and resources and a reduced reliance of external companies for support.

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3 Waters management - options	596	Bruce	Cameron			Option 4	Option 1	5/ The three waters I have concerns about the establishment of the proposed water governance board. The council history with Strada gives me little confidence and I fear a repeat. The proposal to use the reserve fund to provide water meters to 121 properties at cost of \$46100k, which equates to \$3,519 per property, is an unjustifiable use of the reserves. If this is going to be the philosophy on expenditure for the three waters then I can see future rate increases. Savings of \$28million are forecasted over 10 years but there are no figures showing to provide proof of this. Recommendation Very, very tentatively support option 4 but would need to see a very robust watchdog of the board. It becomes another tier of governance removed from the councillors.	All options presented in the consultation document have been thoroughly developed and independently reviewed. Council is confident in the findings and in our ability to achieve the forecasted savings, operational efficiencies, and resilience.
3 Waters management - options	599	Tamahere Community Committee	Tamahere Community Committee			Option 4	Option 2	2/. THREE WATERSa. Support for Option 4.b. TCC notes the savings identified of \$28.3 million over 10 yearsc. TCC requests that Council annually directly measures the savings made and reports to ratepayers on them and identifies changes to the LTP target and any reasons for change	The plan that is adopted will be inclusive of any saving and depending on which option is adopted the reporting frameworks will be different. There are legislative reporting requirements of council controlled organisations. If the preferred option is approved then there will be a contract in place with reporting requirements. In terms of information reported to the public, variations against key financials are reported to the Strategy & Finance Committee quarterly, and monthly updates on work programmes are reported to the Infrastructure committee along with any formal requests for contract variations. The Annual Report provides commentary around key financial and non-financial data against LTP targets.
3 Waters management - options	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				On 'how we manage our three waters', the risk and uncertainty outlined in the LTP for preferred Option 4 would suggest that further research is necessary. On this basis, the Ngaruawaahia Community Board chose Option 1 to reflect the information and decision of Council as part of the amendment to LTP 2015-2025 via Annual Plan 2017/2018.	No response required

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3 Waters management - options	708	Waikato	Tainui					<p>W-T are actively considering the development of 730 hectares of industrial / commercial development in Meremere, and would like to partner with Council to achieve integrated master-planning which achieves the widest possible benefits for the Waikato District. The three water services planned for Meremere need to go beyond what is set out in the draft 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy and the Consultation Document. The current three waters plans set out for Meremere focuses on investment which enables the renewal of the existing wastewater treatment plant discharge consent, which does not enable development of a scale that W-T envisages and given the likely future industrial / commercial demand in Meremere.</p> <p>W-T submit that Council needs to better understand the master-planning and development outcomes for areas (including Meremere and Huntly) areas before locking in a 30-year view for infrastructure in areas highlighted for growth, either by Council or third parties.</p> <p>W-T submit in support of Option 3: Council Waters Company (with Waikato-Tainui and Water Care Services Ltd)</p> <p>Addressing water consumption, quality and management, supported by highest targets and measures for restoration is key to achieving the Vision and Strategy for the Waikato River, born of the Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Claims (Waikato River) Settlement Act 2010.</p> <p>In relation to the delivery of resources and services within the rohe of Waikato-Tainui, the tribal blueprint 'Whakatupuranga 2050' provides clear direction on how to best advance the social development of our people in partnership with the Waikato District Council. They include;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The reaffirmation of our treaty relationship with the Crown to;</li> <li>2. Address social issues of Education, Health, Employment, Housing, etc.</li> <li>3. Co-management with government agencies on the allocation and delivery of resources and services in our rohe; and</li> <li>4. Reviewing and monitoring the effectiveness of service provision to our people.</li> </ol> <p>The Waikato-Tainui Environmental Plan also indicates a desire to become more involved in decision-making and allocation of water throughout the Waikato as a part of Waikato-Tainui's Mana Whakahaere – Joint-Management Agreement with the Waikato District Council.</p>	No response required
3 Waters management - options	712	Andrew	Feierabend	Meridian Energy				<p>Water Services. The Council has identified 4 options. Meridian sees the water services as a core council function, and must be fully integrated into the planning function, particularly when there is high urban growth projected. To this end, retaining ownership, control and accountability is important; by the same token, ensuring the governance is appropriately qualified to provide strategic direction is essential. These requirements appear to be captured with option 4.</p>	No response required



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3 Waters management - options	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust	Taupiri			<p>Firstly "The Council commissions a business case to investigate the risks and benefits for four different options for managing out water(s) services" page 6. Kindly advise who undertook this investigation and how much was paid? Secondly, option 1 - "This is still a workable solution and involves no new setup costs" - "but debt levels will rise". If this is the case then why have any change at all? the statement about debt, kindly provide a copy of teh budget to prove this. Including all income abd debt repayment including interest and structure.</p> <p>Option2 - "We establish a company" why a company? What about types of entities whereby a mutual association is involved?</p> <p>"The larger operation would offer greater efficiencies and be able to attract and offer the expertise needed" Are you joking? Just look at the Auckland supercity - what a shambles!</p> <p>Option 3 - "Waikato Tainui would be offered board representation as a key partner. Does this mean that they have a vote at the table? If this is the case, I did not see any representatives from Tainui standing for election in the last local body elections. Only elected officials should be able to vote. If this group were to be given a vote, this means why did any elections take place and that a section of control of the use of assets involved has been given away to a party without due electoral process. Why have elections then?</p> <p>Option 4 - "We establish a Council appointed Waters Governance Board, including Waikato Tauinui representation". Again same as before only duly elected members should serve on the board. My recollection serves me to say that i do not remember any of Tainui standing at the last local body elections, so I have assumed that they would not have a vote at the table. Kindly confirm this.</p>	<p>The information you have requested is publicly available on the water study website <a href="http://www.waterstudywaikato.org.nz">www.waterstudywaikato.org.nz</a>. Items raised in your submission such as the types of entity (why a company?) were evaluated through the process. Iwi are valued partners within Local Government and the intent of these relationships is supported by law. Having representation on the board would not override the council (elected members) as ultimate decision makers, but would give rise to more holistic information to aid effective decision making, the detailed reports explain this relationship.</p>
3 Waters Management - options	719	Paul	Le Miere	Federated Farmers				<p>Federated Famers does not support Option 3, the establishment of a new Council Controlled Organisation (CCO).</p> <p>Federated Farmers primary concern is the lack of clarity around the ongoing commitment of ratepayer funds to any new CCO, and the lack of transparency and accountability for use of ratepayer funds now and in the future that may result from a CCO structure set up at 'arm's length' to the elected council.</p> <p>The core issue is the CCO structure attempts to run a private sector model, with public sector funding. Whereas in the private sector is held to account by the profit imperative, the public sector has democratic accountability, and needs transparency to achieve this. In Federated Farmers view CCOS at their worst dilute accountability and inhibit transparency.</p> <p>The Council preferred Governance Board option seems, on the face of it, to have some merit, however we are concerned that the significant forecast cost savings have not been quantified in any way. It would be in the best interests for Council to have submitters making fully informed decisions on this important matter. To achieve that submitters, needed a better understanding of how the cost savings and the significant improvements identified in the table on page 8 will actually be achieved.</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>9. Federated Farmers provides tentative support for Option 4.</p>	No response required

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Strategic Planning	47	Shane and Donna	Lovell					Comments: We would like to put forward a submission regarding the Rural Environmental Enhancement Overlay Area. Our Vision is to make this area a thriving, liveable community by releasing land that is no longer economically viable but would be beneficial to the wider community and council to make the land sub dividable. Benefits to allowing country side living in the EEOA • By doing this on uneconomical blocks i.e. - under 10 hectares this will protect the larger blocks of land for cropping, beef, sheep and dairy. • Residents and ratepayers will get value for money with the development of this uneconomic land as there will be no development costs to the council but increased financial revenue with firstly the council contribution for subdivision and then on going rates revenue. • This will benefit the local economies of Tuakau and Pukekohe with the creation of extra jobs and opportunities with the building of new housing. This will support existing industry and the community retailers as the new residents will shop locally, an ongoing benefit to the whole wider community. • Location between Hamilton and Auckland for work, close to the motorway access points i.e., Beaver Road and Bombay on ramps as well as being accessible to the train routes from Pukekohe. • Our local education sector will benefit by bringing in new younger families to the primary schools, at this point in time the local schools are only filled because of out of zone children. Our proposal is to allow blocks in the EEOA area under the size of 10 Hectares the right to sub divide with the benefits above being maximised as stated for the council and wider community.	At the time of your submission the District Plan was being drafted in accordance with feedback received through previous District Plan-specific community engagement sessions. However your feedback has been sent to the District Plan team. The District Plan will be notified in July 2018. Should you feel that your issues are not addressed we urge you to make a submission on the Proposed District Plan once it is notified.
Strategic Planning	171	Peter	Tancock		Hamilton			Comments: Submission to the Long Term Plan. 2018 - 2028. Change of regulations for Sub Division In the Waikato District Council area of Tauwhare and others to a Residential classification. * The present Government has put a high priority on the building of thousands of residential buildings, through out the country in order to cope with the acute shortage of community houses available. * Land available for this purpose has its present building regulation re classified to Residential Status. District Councils have been encouraged to do so by the present Government. * In the Waikato Regional area neighbouring Districts, bordering WDC have changed or considering change, the status to Residential in order to increase allowances for more houses to be built in the community providing accommodation for this demand. * The village of Tauwhare, is a very sort after area. New housing estates have been sold quickly. Older houses entering the market sell quickly. There are families demanding houses in this area. * Resource Consent for Sub Division in the area at present is behind the times, which prevents new houses being built. * The size of ground area demanded for Sub Division of houses varies considerably. * I submit that the Resource Consent amend classification for the Tauwhare and other similar area, to that of Residential and DECREASING the area demanded as at present, freeing up much needed land as directed by Government * It is imperative early action on this submission be given, in order to achieve similarity to actions of neighbouring District and City Councils. Thank you.	Council has an identified settlement pattern it wishes to advance to ensure that growth within the district happens in a sustainable and affordable manner. Many of these areas (Tuakau, Pokeno, Te Kauwhata, Ngaruawahia, Taupiri, Horotiu, Te Kowhai) already have significant amounts of land identified for housing. When we plan our district we need to plan it in a way which ensures that we grow the district in a way that provides economies of scale in our growth nodes to make the provision of services affordable. We also need to manage the cross boundary impacts of growth so that it does not compromise the future growth of Hamilton city. Tauwhare is unfortunately not a growth node for us.

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Strategic Planning	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			<p>Comments: Dear Councillors, We commend you on the work done so far for the betterment of our great Waikato District. The people of Tuakau are rite behind your efforts to develop the town &amp; surrounding districts for the benefit of all. This must be done in such a way as to benefit &amp; protect all of the facets of this plan relating to different &amp; sometimes competing wishes of the residents &amp; land owners.</p> <p>The points that we wish to address are: 1/ Reverse sensitivity with placement of Residential Developments alongside Industrial Developments.</p>	The reverse sensitivity issue is being dealt with through the District Plan Review. At the time of your submission the District Plan was being drafted in accordance with feedback received through previous District Plan-specific community engagement sessions. However your feedback has been sent to the District Plan team. The District Plan will be notified in July 2018. Should you feel that your issues are not addressed we urge you to make a submission on the Proposed District Plan once it is notified.
Strategic Planning	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			4/ Tuakau needs further development of basic infrastructure in order to be able to absorb the spill over effect of new residents wishing to settle in the town.	Tuakau is an important and strategic growth area for Council. Council acknowledges the need to provide not only network infrastructure but also social infrastructure (community facilities, education facilities, open spaces etc.) to accommodate growth. We have developed a structure plan (which will be given effect to in Council's Proposed District Plan to be notified in July). We will also be undertaking additional planning for the town (through a master plan) by taking a more holistic view of what is required to ensure that the town is able to grow in a connected and complete manager.
Strategic Planning	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			5/ The importance of good, common sense planning that is realistic & based on the pretext of "How Can We Help You, rather than How Can We Hinder You".	We absolutely support the importance of good, common sense planning. Our planning ethos is indeed based on a 'how we can help you' ethos but it is important that this is viewed in accordance with what is the best way to grow our district in a sustainable and affordable manner rather than through a laissez faire approach where everyone can do what they like. Such an approach will result in perverse outcomes for the environment, for our communities and for Council. Council is committed to building liveable, thriving, connected and complete communities and to do this, we have to plan smartly and in a joined up manner with our partners and other service providers.



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Strategic Planning	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			6/ The development of quality residential zones that create a climate suitable for residents to want to make Tuakau their long term home.	Council is whole-heartedly committed to creating quality residential environments. This is why, through the Tuakau Structure Plan, which will be given effect to through the District Plan Review we have provided the opportunity for Council to work with developers in Tuakau in creating a thriving, liveable, connected and complete community appropriately serviced not only by network infrastructure but also by social infrastructure (schools, medical facilities, open spaces etc.). Our Proposed District Plan will also identify specific objectives and policies for growth and development in Tuakau that will help achieve Council's vision for the town. We will also be undertaking further work in Tuakau by looking at doing a master plan that will further identify opportunities for creating a complete and connected town and looking at the connections between Tuakau, Pokeno and Pukekohe.
Strategic Planning	383	Dale	Walters		Te Kauwhata			I would like to propose that the minimum Net Lot size for sections in the Te Kauwhata Living Zone be returned to 400m2 as it was pre-2011. The reason for suggesting this change is that most of the original 1/4 Acre sections are too big for modern lifestyles but aren't quite big enough to subdivide for infill housing. On face value a section 960-1020m2 should be easily subdivided under the current rules, but it isn't as a driveway providing access to a rear site doesn't contribute to the Net Lot size of a section. A minimum Lot size of 400-420m2 would solve this. Infill housing is desirable to both the council and the environment, as new development can tap into existing infrastructure, without increasing the spread of the town and its burden on the environment. These original 1/4 Acre sections are typically on higher ground with a lot of sun and could be better utilized for the increased housing pressures Te Kauwhata is facing. Increasing the population in the center of town would also benefit local businesses and facilities (golf club, fitness center, etc.) with increased patronage.	At the time of your submission the District Plan was being drafted in accordance with feedback received through previous District Plan-specific community engagement sessions. However your feedback has been sent to the District Plan team. The Proposed District Plan will be publicly notified in July for submission. If you feel that the issue you have raised still warrants attention then we urge you to make a submission on the Proposed District Plan. The growth planning that Council has done for Te Kauwhata (both through the Te Kauwhata Structure Plan and the Lakeside Development Private Plan Change) has been done through extensive community consultation.
Strategic Planning	466	Greig	Metcalfe					We would like to acknowledge Waikato District Council (WDC) for supporting young people in your district to be part of the Enviroschools network since 2001. Thanks to this long-term support there is now a network of 25 Enviroschools in your district that are part of a larger network of 173 in the Waikato region. This network is also supported in partnership with Waikato Regional Council; Hamilton City Council; the South Waikato, Waipa, Hauraki, Matamata-Piako, Taupō, Otorohanga, Waitomo, and Thames-Coromandel District Councils; Waikato Kindergarten Association, Central Kids Kindergartens and New Shoots. Due to increasing community demand for Enviroschools, this submission requests that WDC work with Waikato Regional Council (as the coordinating agency for Enviroschools) to invest in the further growth and development of the Waikato District Enviroschools network. As part of our submission we have included some background material and key figures about Enviroschools for your information.	<a href="#">Council has noted the submitter's support of Te Kowhai being a targeted growth area. The submitter will be aware that Te Kowhai already has a structure plan (Plan Change 17) so there may not be a need to undertake further planning for Te Kowhai just yet. A detailed structure plan is also envisaged to be done by the developer for the Metcalfe block so Council looks forward to seeing this with respect to the area being zoned "Village Zone" but with the flexibility to enable greater intensification should services be able to be provided in the future. However Council will consider the efficacy of doing another plan for Te Kowhai as part of its master planning programme for key towns in its district and in accordance with available budget.</a>

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Strategic Planning	466	Greig	Metcalfe					3/ The submitter is also supportive of Council's proposal to fund the review of the District Plan. The Waikato District is experiencing rapid growth, therefore it is important the review of the District Plan occurs and that it provides a framework for this growth to be realised.	<a href="#">Council has also noted the submitter's support for the District Plan Review budget.</a>
Strategic Planning	572	Andrew	Kramer		Raglan	Option 2	Option 2	Development in and around Raglan is controlled by a small number of individuals; the Council should not serve the interests of influential individuals at the expense of public good, particularly with regard to planning decisions. Development needs to be contained and managed so that basic services and infrastructure can catch up whilst maintaining the character of Raglan and enhancing natural amenity.	Council is very mindful of the development aspirations of some developers in Raglan. Council is committed to ensure that all its towns and villages grow in a connected and complete (holistic) manner which also provides for people's wellbeing through appropriate network and social infrastructure provision. This also means that growth needs to be centred in and around the existing urban footprint of the town rather than dispersed and unconnected. Council is currently working with the community on the review of its Raglan Naturally community plan as this will help inform how the town should grow in the future.
Strategic Planning	591	Janine	Hayward		Hamilton	Option 2	Option 2	We would also like to request further detail about 1) the rules for placing an auxiliary dwelling on a residential site (are these changing?) and 2) what is the update with the rezoning of HT1 (Kay Road) - when will this be? Thank you	<p>The new rule provision in the Proposed District Plan permits relocated dwellings so long as they are attached to the foundation within 7 days of arrival at the new site. The building consent takes care of all other matters so resource consent and bonds aren't required. Note: customers will not be able to rely on this permitted rule for some time to come – not until decisions are released (after hearings) – some time well into 2019.</p> <p>With regards to HT1 (Kay Road) – this land has been earmarked to be transferred to Hamilton city in 2045. However Waikato District Council is currently working with Hamilton City Council to review the Strategic Agreement on Future Urban Boundaries between the two councils which guide the timing of land identified for transfer to the city. The Agreement will be reviewed to allow for greater flexibility for the transfer - based on the city's need for the land (and based on agreed triggers associated with growth requirements) as opposed to a date. This would mean that HT1 could be transferred earlier than 2045 should the city be ready to develop it to meet its growth needs. Right at the moment, the city does not need this land as it is focussing on other growth nodes.</p>

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Strategic Planning	593	Venessa	Rice		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	2/ Page 11 of your consultation document talks about master planning for growing communities, Ngaruawahia does NOT feature in any of this information, housing infrastructure does not refer to Ngaruawahia.	The reason why Ngaruawahia has not been identified as a town that needs a master plan is because it recently had a structure plan (Plan Change 17) which was developed together with Taupiri, Glen Massey and Horotiu. We believe that this structure plan is still relevant and the growth and associated land use identified is appropriate as it was informed by extensive community engagement. Council is mindful though that growth needs to be monitored so if we feel that there is a need for further planning to be undertaken in Ngaruawahia in the future, we will do so.
Strategic Planning	612	Barbara	Barrand		Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	2/ The proposed supermarket needs to be built this year so other improvements can follow and other shops etc.	Council is working with the developer and Progressive Enterprises on the supermarket in Pokeno. We acknowledge your support for such a supermarket. However we want to make sure that the supermarket is located in a precinct that you can be proud of and that will provide a number of related facilities and services that will bring the community together. We are currently doing some planning work for this and we expect to finalise this with the Pokeno Community Committee soon.
Strategic Planning	612	Barbara	Barrand		Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	4/ Tired of hearing LTP lets have a STP and some action! PS - very disappointed that sections are being built on the Totara area in PVE that was, we were told earmarked for shops/community space etc. Smacks distinctly of profit over people!	No response needed as the comment is not clear.

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Strategic Planning	646	Neil	Young	Young Group of Companies Tuakau Hotel				<p>IN A Nutshell WDC</p> <p>1/To all of the Councillors WDC Have you driven to Auckland Lately? Point 1 Auck Council and WDC are Using the same Growth rates of 700 new people per year for Pukekohe area and Tuakau/Pokeno We have 3 times greater growth on a per NZ population basis. 55 years ago when Young Family came here to Pukekohe there was 4,500 people in Pukekohe Currently has 28,000 people [2017 now 30,000] expecting 300,000 in 33 years time From Wesley collage, Belmont and Anselme Ridge over next 3 yrs 2000 houses, equates to 5000 new people.From Tuakau south to Pokeno another 2000 houses 5000 people This combined in the next few years = 10,000 increase Our rail system was designed over 140 years ago. The English designers expected the population to be 12 to 20 million people by now. The slow growth made passenger trains uneconomical, then in the 1970s the service stopped Now that fuel is around \$2 per litre and our roads clogged with greater Auckland population reaching 1.8 million people it's time to reinvent the Railway wheel and let the train do what it was designed to do 140 years ago So let's fix housing shortage and transport get people on the train to Tuakau pokeno Huntley right through to Hamilton and fro,m Pukekohe/Tuakau to Auckland now at 6.30am 1 hour on the Train.2.Our main st George st shopping areas has a natural ring rd around it Liverpool st- St Stephens Ave - jelico rd-West st for through traffic and truck By Pass. This would help with safety for pedestrians Slow vehicle speed with two more raise walkways across George St Stop minor accidents by adding Roundabouts at both end particularly at Tuakau Hotel corner [the give way sign control is on the wrong corner]3Rename Central Part to "Sir Edd hillary" park for obvious reasons Pay tribute to the 60th anniversary of Sir Edd first person to climb the worlds highest mountain Sir Edd live in Tuakau most of his life. The confusion of having two parks with similar names "Central Park and "Centennial Park" would give special meanings to both.</p>	<p>Council is presently working on a Strategic Business Case on Transport Connections between Hamilton and Auckland together with key partners such as the Auckland Council, Auckland Transport, the Regional Council, Kiwi Rail, NZTA and relevant government ministries such as the Ministry of Transport. Connectivity between Pokeno, Tuakau and Pukekohe is central to the efficient movement of people and connection of our communities in the north of our district. The establishment of a rail platform in Tuakau is important for Council to prepare for a potential passenger rail service between Hamilton to Auckland. This is why we have committed \$511,000 in the long term plan for refurbishing such a facility. Such as facility will also need to be supported by a park and ride facility. Once we have undertaken the costings for such a facility we will be able to make a case to government for funding in support of a future train service.</p>
Strategic Planning	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	11/ Please assess our people spaces and revue the Public Places Bylaw for the Northern towns particularly for us in Pokeno	We have noted your request to have the Public Spaces Bylaw reviewed.
Strategic Planning	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>13/ Supermarket</p> <p>We confirm approval of a supermarket coming to Pokeno , however we wold like Pokeno Community Committee into mitigation of the consent to insure to the village and people's values of the whole of Pokeno are considered appropriately and the main street does not become a box retail or 2 dollar shop retail area. Please remember we have a Main Street design guide line and our resident's expectations of serious input into this design</p>	<p>Council is working with the developer and Progressive Enterprises on the supermarket in Pokeno. We acknowledge your support for such a supermarket. However we want to make sure that the supermarket is located in a precinct that you can be proud of and that will provide a number of related facilities and services that will bring the community together. We are currently doing some planning work for this and we expect to finalise this with the Pokeno Community Committee soon.</p>

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Strategic Planning	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	14/ Pokeno Master Plan We need a master plan for Pokeno which includes Our Market Square. We would like to plan for a pedestrian only community space from the Pokeno Hall to the Train Station with all community Facilities opening on to this.	Council intends to develop a master plan for Pokeno which not only considers the CBD footprint but also the existing and proposed residential development and the types of infrastructure and services required to build a complete and connected community.
Strategic Planning	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	17/ In Pokeno we are behind in planning for people, spaces, roading, infrastructure and connectivity. Also buses, traffic, tourists, park and ride which hampers retail and adds to congestion.	Your concerns are noted. Council intends to develop a master plan for Pokeno which not only considers the CBD footprint but also the existing and proposed residential development and the types of infrastructure and services required to build a complete and connected community.
Strategic Planning	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno: Main street design , poeno residents to have more say , supermarket	Your concerns are noted. Council intends to develop a master plan for Pokeno which not only considers the CBD footprint but also the existing and proposed residential development and the types of infrastructure and services required to build a complete and connected community.
Strategic Planning	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno: market squarer development,	Council is working with the developer and Progressive Enterprises on the supermarket precinct which also takes into consideration the market square area. We want to make sure that we create a CBD precinct that you can be proud of and that will bring the community together. We are hoping to announce details of this once we undertake further engagement with the Pokeno Community Committee.
Strategic Planning	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	Supporting targeted growth in targeted areas• maintaining existing assets• modernising infrastructure where it is proven to do so in Raglan• doing more within the existing budgets• move the costs of providing a service to those who use them (parking fees on public spaces). The Raglan Community board concurs with the Audit New Zealand statement that this LTP fairly represents the community matters proposed for the inclusion in this LTP.Community Outcomes and Goals resonate well within our review of our community plan Raglan Naturally.The decision of how we manage our Three Waters into the future this board agrees that;Option 4 the Water Governance Board would be the best fit for our community.The Re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate, this board agrees with;Option 3 to reduce the UAGC to \$286.50.The Raglan Community Board supports planning for Liveable Thriving and Connected Communities;Planning for growth: 1/ Master planning, should include Raglan as the pressure from tourism is impacting on our infrastructure to cope in the peak periods,	We have noted your desire for Raglan to be considered for a master plan. Council will consider this through a master plan programme for some of its towns and villages once funding for such an exercise is committed through the LTP.



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Strategic Planning	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	2/ Sub regional initiatives, with the introduction of the Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study we should be included in the growth management plan	Yes, with Raglan being a major visitor destination within our district we have always considered its importance to the sub-regional economy in regional planning initiatives. We will continue advocating for the interest of Raglan in such forums as well as raising issues that are pertinent to the sustainable and affordable growth of Raglan. Council awaits with interest the recommendations from the Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study.
Strategic Planning	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	4/ District plan review, engagement and consultation is the key to success .	Yes, we absolutely agree that engagement and consultation is the key for the District Plan Review. We have been through an extensive engagement process over the past 18 months and once the District Plan is notified in July this year there will be an opportunity for members of the public to make a formal submission. Council has to balance conflicting priorities when it comes to growth we cannot always satisfy everyone. However, we urge you to make a submission on the Proposed District Plan when it is notified if you feel strongly about something. We will be allowing 60 working days (more than the statutory requirement) for the public to make a submission as we acknowledge that this is a very important stage of the process.
Strategic Planning	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	13/ Planning for growth: as above the Wainui Bridge and the introduction of PPC12.	Yes, any further growth planning for Raglan will need to consider the limitations of the existing Wainui Road Bridge if there is to be any further growth in the town.
Strategic Planning	730	Daniel	Rensburg					10/ We propose A Supermarket be built in Pokeno by a larger company like Pack and Save, Foodtown, Countdown, or New World and not smaller vendors. 700 current households, and a further 800 houses to be built in Hitchens division would sustain . This will also be closer than Pukekohe for neighbouring towns.	Council is working with the developer and Progressive Enterprises on the supermarket in Pokeno. We acknowledge your support for such a supermarket. However we want to make sure that the supermarket is located in a precinct that you can be proud of and that will provide a number of related facilities and services that will bring the community together. We are currently doing some planning work for this and we expect to finalise this with the Pokeno Community Committee soon.

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Rates Increase	33	Ron	Gibson		Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	<p>Comments: In support of my views on your Long Term Plan I submit my letter as follows. You may as well ask why I don't submit views at one of your Hearings. I am not a public speaker and find I have more understanding of the topics when I can study them at my leisure and put my thoughts in writing; as I am sure many others do. I am not confident at speaking in public.</p> <p>1/ As a pensioner I am understandably reluctant to see any increase in rates in any form what-soever. A proposed increase of nearly 10% is not on. The pension goes up by just the inflation rate every year and when this is my sole source of income (except for a miserly interest on my very meagre savings) any increase erodes my spending power and ability to maintain my living style. If rates increases continue at the current rate then there will come a time in the future when all of our pension will be required just to pay rates. If Council cannot budget to increase their spending by just the inflation rate each year then they are not fit to be running the finances. For goodness sake, you are raking in a substantial increase in the rates take each year with the surge in housing and the development of more land for housing plus you are charging ridiculous fees for permits etc. Maybe this is user pays which I will come to shortly regarding water rates. If you cannot afford to buy then you go without has been my philosophy for life and if Council adopted the same philosophy then we would all be better off. I shudder when I see any mention of a fuel tax to pay for services. I escaped from Auckland Supercity to get away from this idea. I no longer feel like doing a runner if this is the future in the Waikato District Council area. You mention that it is Council policy to apply a system of user pays. I am all for this and believe that every citizen should share the burden of rates. A citizen tax instead of rates would serve this purpose and the burden would be shared equally by all users.</p>	<p>Unfortunately council's do not have an ability (under legislation) to assess rates based on household income or number of individuals in a household. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government. Council's position on fuel tax is that if Auckland have a fuel tax and Hamilton are also permitted to levy a fuel tax that petrol stations within the Waikato district will likely follow suit in terms of pricing. If the cost at the pump goes up, council would like those funds to be ring-fenced for the benefit of our ratepayers (like will happen in Auckland) and our local network rather than as a profit to the petrol companies.</p>
Rates Increase	187	Rosser	Thornley		Raglan	Option 4	Option 3	<p>Comments: As well as the two issues you have asked for feedback, I would like to express my concern at a general rate rise of 6.24%. In my view this should be no more than CPI for 2018/19. Council should ask officers to resubmit their plans based on this CPI % with a consequent reduction in rates income. And similarly, projections for 2019/20 and outer years should use the CPI % assumed for that year.</p>	<p>The increase you refer to relates to council's overall income from general rates in that it will be 6.24% higher than the current year. It is worth noting that both the UAGC and the variable general rate charge is lower than the current year, and it is the recent property valuation movement that will determine whether you will pay less or more in general rates. Council would love to be able to offer services at no more than CPI. However, the items that are included within the CPI rate are for consumer type products that do not reflect the construction type markets that council operates within. Local government has it's own set of inflation factors that are determined by BERL, an independent entity. These factors are much higher than CPI but better reflect the costs that Council's have to pay in the operation of services. Because these factors are so much higher a lot of work goes into identifying offsetting efficiencies to bring down costs.</p>

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Rates Increase	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	Comments: 1/We object to Huntly ratepayers having an increase of 11.4%, Huntly ratepayers are effectively subsidising the remainder of the District.	Where your property value has increased more than others in the district your rates will go up by more. Targeted rates are charged at the same amount across the district for water, wastewater and stormwater for those who receive or are able to connect to these services.
Rates Increase	312	Phil	Journeaux		Hamilton	Option 2		Comments: I am writing in submission on the LTP consultation document recently sent out to ratepayers.  1/ It discusses the various rate and service fee increases proposed but seems to miss out a central tennent, namely justification as to why rates should be rising at all. The document notes that rates will rise by 6.24% in 2018/19. The question is why? Average inflation, as measures by the CPI over the last 4 calendar years is 0.9%, and 1.6% over calendar 2017. So the proposed rise is 7 times the average, or 4 times last year. The table of the proposed rate increases show a 36% increase over the 10 year period, which is actually a 42% increase as the rate increases will compound on each year. So, assuming inflation averages 1.5%/year, it means rates will increase over this period by around 2.5-3 times the level of inflation - reinforcing the fact that local government costs are a major driver of domestic inflation. So the question remains - what justification does the council have to determine such increases. The document talks about a rise in asset depreciation costs of \$1.2 million, which equates to 1.6% of the 2016/17 rate take. This is the only figure quoted. So it is difficult to determine how real the 6.24% is, especially as many depreciation costs relate to specific assets which should be funded by targeted rates, not by the general rate. Given that Council services haven't either increased or improved, ratepayers would be very interested in the justification for such significant increases. Issues raised in the consultation document 1.	The increase you refer to relates to council's overall income from general rates in that it will be 6.24% higher than the current year. Both the UAGC and the variable general rate charge is lower than the current year, and it is the recent property valuation movement that will determine whether you will pay less or more in general rates. Council would love to be able to offer services at no more than CPI. However, the items that are included within the CPI rate are for consumer type products that do not reflect the construction type markets that council operates within. Local government has it's own set of inflation factors that are determined by BERL, an independent entity. These factors are much higher than CPI but better reflect the costs that Council's have to pay in the operation of services. Because these factors are so much higher a lot of work goes into identifying offsetting efficiencies to bring down costs.
Rates Increase	312	Phil	Journeaux		Hamilton	Option 2		5/ As an aside I note that the Council made a surplus of \$28.9 million in 2015/16, and \$21.5 million in 2016/17, so why the desperate need to increase rates several times above the rate of inflation?	Council's surpluses are not operational in nature. They mainly relate to accounting income generated from receiving assets from developers which are not budgeted for.
Rates Increase	381	Jane	Chapman		Pokeno			Re district rates increasing by 6.24% If the council is experiencing growth surely therefore there is more money coming into the area and hence an increase of this amount is actually too much. Also by the sounds of it those rural properties that do not have access to mains water are going to be subsidising those that do? Is this correct or have I got this wrong	You are correct, more growth in the district brings more rating income. The 6.24% relates to an increase in council's overall general rates income compared to the current financial year. Both the UAGC and the variable general rate charge have decreased, so any increase will only be a result of a higher than average property valuation. Targeted rates are charged for water services, so if you are not currently connected or able to connect then you wouldn't be charged for water.



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Rates Increase	382	Robert	Hyslop		Pokeno			I am a very worried rate payer. I live in pokeno and my rates are almost \$4000 dollars. This is crazy. We have heard that our rates are going up 6.4% this on top of the large increase that will happen because of house valves have gone up. People will stop coming to live in the area because of this. We and many other people are thinking of moving. So thank you, to your council your destroying our family dream. So don't act surprise when you start getting dirty emails and phone calls from worried people in this area. Our wallets only stretch so far. Your excuses for theses rates have run dry with people. I don't expect a reply , you and everybody at the council will be at lunch dining out on our rates money and driving our rate funded cars. Everybody at the council are so far out of touch with the normal working person its not even funny. Why only 6.4% why not round it up to a round number 10%, why not put your noses further into the trough	The 6.24% relates to an increase in council's overall general rates income compared to the current financial year. Both the UAGC and the variable general rate charge have decreased, so any increase will relate to a higher than average property valuation. In a democracy, the government pays for healthcare, police, social welfare etc. through collecting income and other taxes, and council rates are an extension of government funding at the local level and are charged as a property tax for the services received at a community level such as roads, street lighting, parks, playgrounds, public transport, certification of food premises, animal control, libraries, drinking water, wastewater, refuse and recycling etc. Council manages \$1.4 billion of assets on behalf of ratepayers and unfortunately only has a limited number of properties from which to spread those costs.
Rates Increase	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	1/ Ngaruawahia has had several increases recently - rates, water meters, wastewater, rubbish etc.. the rates are becoming unaffordable for those on fixed and low incomes. It is unclear what Ngaruawahia gets for its rates for example the WDC has had a CRM to repair noticeboards in Jesmond Street since January and these are still not fixed. Several emails, phone calls have been made but each time you get a different story depending on who answers the phone.	The need to increase rates is primarily to cover rising costs. Council collects only the money it needs to deliver services, and does not wish to accrue deficits that will occur without rate increases.
Rates Increase	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	7/ Ngaruawahia ratepayers will be paying 12.75% increase in rates and yet we have the lowest level of service and spending in the district.	As council has selected a capital value rating system, any community that experiences a higher percentage valuation increase than other areas will also invariably receive a higher increase in rates. In this years valuations received by QV NZ, areas such as Ngaruawahia and Huntly received far greater percentage increases in property value than other areas. Ngaruawahia will continue to receive the many services it currently does. The need to increase rates is primarily to cover rising costs. Council collects only the money it needs to deliver services, and does not wish to accrue deficits that will occur without rate increases. Levels of service delivered by councils are consistent across the district. The majority of large spending that is occurring in the district is in response to significant development occurring in an area. This spending is primarily funded by the growth itself in the way of development contributions.

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Rates Increase	536	Katrina	Milburn		Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	When increasing rates I would ask what you consider the affordability of your increases and the effect this is going to have on the people living in our community. Many families are struggling to pay bills already. Many children and elderly are already missing out on the basics that they need. Are all projects needing to be done now or can you spread them out more to help with keeping the increase to rates at a more reasonable level?	Rates are a property tax. Unfortunately council's do not have an ability to assess rates based on household income. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government. If you contact the rates team they will be able to provide information on these policies and the rebate scheme. The projects have been spread based on whether something needs to be replaced or whether a new service is required because of growth or other legislation.
Rates Increase	537	Al	Wilson		Ngaruawahia			Living in the country, the proposed changes to the water management do not affect me in any way, as I collect my own water and have no access to town water. What I am not happy about is the fact that I will have to pay considerably more in the coming financial year for the water that I don't get. I think the rating system in general is most unfair, being based on the value of the property and not on the number of people in the property. If I had ten people living in my house, I would still pay the same rates as I do living alone. For me, living alone and on a pension, I find a 6.8% rise in rates difficult to accept. My pension is going up by 1% this coming year but the Council see fit to raise the rates by 6.8%. Eventually I will be forced out of the property in which I have lived for the last 30 years because I can't afford the cost of the facilities which I don't get. My feelings are that we should be charged on a per head basis and not on a per property basis. More people use more roads and more of the Council facilities but my house does not use any.	The 6.24% relates to an increase in council's overall general rates income compared to the current financial year. Both the UAGC and the variable general rate charge have decreased, so any increase will only be a result of a higher than average property valuation. Targeted rates are charged for water services, so if you are not currently connected or able to connect then you wouldn't be charged for water. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government. If you contact the rates team they will be able to provide information on these policies and the rebate scheme.
Rates Increase	543	Anonymous	Anonymous					3/ Property valuations (page 17)Ratepayers were told that rates do not necessarily relate to current valuations. I have been told by a real estate agent that properties in Huntly were over valued in the last valuation. After this past weeks "West Side Stories" in the Waikato Times our properties are now possibly a third of our valuation. I can't understand why these stories were allowed to go to print. No one will want to buy a property here now. On page 21 there is an unfair discrepancy between the projected rates increase for Huntly of 11.40% compared with mid range rural of 4.82%. Why is this when obviously the asset base for mid rural ratepayers is much higher, apart from the fact they also get a lot of tax concessionsthe "Joe Blow?" in an urban dwelling is not entitled to. You are just sucking the low income folk and superannuitants dry.	The valuations process is an extremely rigorous process and is managed external to council by the Office of the Valuer General. The objections process is in place to address any concerns individual property owners may have with their assessment. Where your property value has increased more than others in the district your rates will go up by more. Targeted rates are charged at the same amount across the district for water, wastewater and stormwater for those who receive or are able to connect to these services.
Rates Increase	559	Peter & Mary	Henry		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	We are concerned as to how we will afford rates when we retire. Pensions may have risen recently, but that rise did not even cover the rise on cost-of-living expenses, let alone annual rates rises! This will concern many elderly in the community.	Unfortunately council's do not have an ability to assess rates based on household income. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government. If you contact the rates team they will be able to provide information on these policies and the rebate scheme.

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Rates Increase	570	Richard	Way		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	Rates are continuing to rise, but wages are not. Last year was the increase in rates for wastewater, this year the council is trying increase the general rates, what will it be next year? Ngaruawahia is an attractive place to live, out of the main cities, with a lower property prices, however increases like this are going to drive more people away, who simply cannot afford to live in a small town, that charges like a city does.	Unfortunately council's do not have an ability to assess rates based on household income. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government. If you contact the rates team they will be able to provide information on these policies and the rebate scheme.
Rates Increase	592	Alex	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	1/ The rates in Ngaruawahia and throughout the district have increased enough over the last couple of years - when you look at water meters, rubbish stickers, wastewater increases, regional council increases. What do we get for these increases? The way our properties are valued is a nonsense, there is no way my property is worth my current valuation.	Council does not collect any more revenue than what it needs to deliver services to its communities. Any increases or changes in cost are purely to recover rising costs and the intention is to not collect anything more than required. Council does not undertake property valuations. These are performed by an independent company named QV who carries out this service nationwide for all councils. If you wish to challenge you valuation you can contact QV to do so.
Rates Increase	593	Venessa	Rice		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	1/ I do not support the Long Term Plan 2018 - 2028. Ngaruawahia resident have been hit the hardest in recent rate increase due to other towns in the district needing finical support with waste water issue. The data produced by the WDC in the increase of waste ware rate identified the issues where with Raglan and Huntly, Ngaruawahia residents opposed this increase but it went ahead regardless. Ngaruawahia resident are again targeted for the highest rate increase in the area, at the information meeting that Huntly had the greatest in crease in QV home values however their rate increase does not reflect that. The average house GV revaluation in Huntly went up by 72.97% and in Ngaruawahia 71.74% a difference of 1.23%. However, Ngaruawahia's average rate increase is 1.35% higher than Huntly's, how do you justify Ngaruawahia's higher increase?	Although Huntly properties rose in value by a higher percentage than Ngaruawahia, Ngaruawahia properties were worth considerably more to start with. This resulted in Ngaruawahia properties going up by more value in real terms than Huntly. For example if house A was worth \$100,000 and went up by 100% the increase in value is another \$100,00. If house B is worth \$200,000 and went up in value by 80%, that's an additional \$160,000. House A went up by a higher percentage, but less overall value. This represents Huntly properties. Because a proportion of rates is based on capital value, and Ngaruawahia properties went up on average more total value than Huntly properties, they receive a higher rates increase.
Rates Increase	602	Donald	Hagenson		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	Overall I do not support the Long term Plan 2018 - 2028. 1/ Ngaruawahia resident are again targeted for the highest rate increase in the area, at the information meeting that Huntly had the greatest in crease in QV home values however their rate increase does not reflect that. The average house GV revaluation in Huntly went up by 72.97% and in Ngaruawahia 71.74% a difference of 1.23%. However, Ngaruawahia's average rate increase is 1.35% higher than Huntly's, how do you justify Ngaruawahia's higher increase? The LTP has outlined that primary spending will be in the north with no immediate focus on Ngaruawahia. We are one of the two major towns in the district and we are paying the highest increase in percentage of all the communities. This is unfair.	Although Huntly properties rose in value by a higher percentage than Ngaruawahia, Ngaruawahia properties were worth considerably more to start with. This resulted in Ngaruawahia properties going up by more value in real terms than Huntly. For example if house A was worth \$100,000 and went up by 100% the increase in value is another \$100,00. If house B is worth \$200,000 and went up in value by 80%, that's an additional \$160,000. House A went up by a higher percentage, but less overall value. This represents Huntly properties. Because a proportion of rates is based on capital value, and Ngaruawahia properties went up on average more total value than Huntly properties, they receive a higher rates increase.

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Rates increase	616	Trish	Forsyth		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	Ngaruawahia - LTP  3/ Council are very blasé to say we will hold your rates increases to \$30m in the Northern area and another \$74m in Te Kauwhata plus I also point out this does not include any of the \$24m district wide budget which these areas are named as having further funds allocated, this is another kick in the guts for us. Again coming from the UAGC? These are the areas that need higher targeted rates to accommodate these costs which I assume is coming through the UAGC as borrowed funds.	The higher level of spending in Te Kauwhata and Pokeno are in response to significant development of large areas of housing. Although this will initially sit on councils book it will primarily be paid back from the growth itself in the form of development contributions.
Rates increase	616	Trish	Forsyth		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	Ngaruawahia - LTP  6/ On a final note, we do not get wage increases, or in a lot of cases benefit increases of 12%, Council has to start working within its budget not look at obscene increases that will put so many households further down the poverty line. I cannot agree with the comment that you can apply for a rates rebate, this is just not a realistic amount to many to and will barely cover the increases in rates. Overall I am disappointed in the impact of the LTP for this area, there is little to celebrate but a lot to mourn.	Council accepts that the rate increases many will receive are higher than anyone would like to see. They are however necessary to cover rising costs of providing services to communities and prevent council accruing operational deficits that will need to be recouped in future.
Rates increase	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust				Capital investments for growth It is of interest that the document advises that repayment is to come everything else, but from rating value. Rates limits "The average rate increase for ratepayers will not exceed 15 per cent per year in the first three years". Kindly explain this statement in a more detail. Is the Council intending to impose increases upon the ratepayer close to the limit of 15%? This may continue over a 3 year period? A 45% increase over a three year term! Is the proposed increases compounding year on year? I have real concern that the Council is prepared to impose such a high burden upon the ratepayer.	No Council is not planning to increase the rates by 15% in each of the first three years. In the first year of the plan there will be some increases of that magnitude due to capital value changes. The 15% is a limit only and should not be breached. The general rate income increases planned for year 2 and 3 of the plan are approximately 5% and 4% respectively but would decrease if growth exceeds assumed levels.
Rates increase	719	Paul	Le Miere	Federated Farmers				Rates are one of the most significant, fixed expenses for our farming businesses. It is accepted that this year projected rates increases on other property types are much higher as a result of property revaluations and increased user charges. However, in terms of the overall rates revenue, rural properties continue to make a significantly disproportionate contribution. They will not be deriving any special or particular benefit from this privilege. The affordability of rates is a significant issue for farm businesses. Income from a farm business is extremely vulnerable to externalities such as weather events, exchange rates, pay outs and consumer demand and as such is highly variable from season to season. Rates are one of the most significant, fixed expenses for our faming members and unlike other businesses there is no ability to pass that cost on. Over reliance on the General rate compounds the inequitable effect of land and capital value rates – the UAGC is a general rating mechanism that can act as a counter balance to this and as such Federated Farmers is seriously concerned at the proposal to reduce UAGC usage and increase the variable general rate by 6.24 %. Recommendation: 3. That Council continues to work hard to make efficiency gains and exercise spending restraint, to ensure rates increases are within the rate of inflation.	No response required



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Rates increase	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				When part of Franklin merged with Waikato in 2011/12, income from general rates and UAGC was \$48.097m. In that period the general CPI has risen 7% and wage inflation 17%. The rates increase has been 12.6%. Water rate was \$357. Wastewater rate was \$510. Stormwater rate was \$215. Refuse rate was \$84.	No response required
Rates increase	735	Colleen	Rear					As a rate payer i do not support a 12.5% increase and three increases there after. As a middleincome (one wage, and three small children) family we are already paying \$150 per fortnight!Our town of Ngaruawahia needs attention, we should not be paying for developments in the north.	Council accepts that the rate increases many will receive are higher than anyone would like to see. They are however necessary to cover rising costs of providing services to communities and prevent council accruing operational deficits that will need to be recouped in future. The higher level of spending in Te Kauwhata and Pokeno are in response to significant development of large areas of housing. Although this will initially sit on councils book it will primarily be paid back from the growth itself in the form of development contributions, not by the ratepayers of Ngaruawahia.
Parks & facilities	6	Carl	Ammon					7/ Returning marginal land to reserves and native forests should be a priority as should riparian restoration. Some form of title transferability may be way to compensate farmers as the costs may be prohibitive in some cases.	Native habitat restoration. WDC undertakes and supports ecological enhancement including developing native forests and riparian restoration throughout the district.
Parks & facilities	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			7/ The development of quality Parks & Reserves including the use of the Waikato River for such activities as the re-establishment of the Tuakau Water/Jet-ski Club with facilities that will attract both locals & visitors to e.g.: a River Edge Tourism Centre with café & sporting facilities.	Thanks for your submission. This work has not come up as a priority within the Tuakau community boards future plans. We recommend discussions with your local Councillor and Community Board members.

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Parks & facilities	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				<p>Waikato DHB supports Council's proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to complete a Halls Strategy, and continue budgeting for walkway and cycleway spending, but recommends that the Halls Strategy be reframed as a 'Community Hubs Strategy'.</p> <p>Rationale</p> <p>Waikato DHB supports proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to complete a Halls Strategy, and continue budgeting for walkway and cycleway spending.</p> <p>We recommend that the proposed Halls Strategy be reframed as a 'Community Hubs Strategy' to provide for the development and re-development of more flexible community facilities that can help meet diverse local community needs.</p> <p>This response aligns with the Social infrastructure and community 'place-making' provisions within the Future Proof Growth Strategy of which Council is a partner. It is also aligned with Waikato Plan provisions e.g. Action 1.1.2: 'Identify the regional priorities for service and technical infrastructure' which Council has adopted and approved for implementation.</p> <p>Our organisation congratulates council for providing an extensive and impressive number of parks and reserves across its district accommodating a diverse range of activities and uses. Open spaces are important for peoples' general health and wellbeing.</p> <p>We note and support Council's commitment to the Te Awa Walkway, as well as funding for other walkways from year 4 of the LTP 2021/22. Parks recreation and community facilities enable physical activity and community participation which have clear health and wellbeing benefits. As an example, literature identifies that increased access to community recreation facilities and amenities can increase physical activity which in turn lowers the risk of cardiovascular disease and Type 2 Diabetes, and mental health issues<sup>15</sup>.</p> <p>Improving neighbourhood walkability and adopting universal design standards can promote walking and cycling and enable participation for all<sup>16</sup>. In order for this to be achieved it is imperative that iwi and other community groups are participants in all levels of planning and implementation to ensure equitable opportunities to experience these benefits.</p>	No response required

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Parks & facilities	531	Monju	Sarkar			Option 1	Option 3	2/ I am told that the Waikato council rates are one of highest compared with many districts considering the limited infrastructure facilities and current state of assets for poor maintenance over the years. You will agree the above facts do not reflect effective, efficient, innovative, timely, cost effective professional action that is your goal. However, we have very high expectation from council for their professional services for the benefit of all in the community and there is always hope for future if we learn from our past. I am pleased that Council has plans and intentions as pointed out in the referred document and I trust we will see implementation of same in future. At this stage my sincere request is that we do not rush for implementation of the long term plan without reviewing same and comparing with councils having similar conditions and statistics –namely numbers, geography, demography and current status and our strengths and weaknesses. I feel this will help us focus to the reality and make informed and professional decision for our long term plan run. I definitely oppose councils preferred option in both cases. With the views expressed I propose further discussion and studies on both issues and until such time I support Option 1 for issue of three water management and Option 3 for Uniform annual General charge. The submission form duly filled in is attached. I thank you for the opportunity to express my views in the matter and assure my support in a positive way with my limited wisdom.	No response required
Parks & facilities	534	Bruce	Cameron					If we aim to be one of the most informed and engaged councils we feel there are some missed opportunities. While we realise there are some items that must be consulted on by statutory process, these are not the items that people are often passionate about and think we would get better results from informing people what is going on in their backyard outside of wastewater and roading. We would welcome the chance to discuss this further at an appropriate time. Following is a list of items that we would like to highlight to be sure we have a clear understanding or to help guide:- 1/ We would like to see more consultation on the possibility of joining the library, aquatic and community centre all into the one complex, and maybe the council office. This could also enable the tie-in with Partnerships with Schools.	Further consultation would be required between Council and the Tuakau Community Board if there is a desire from the Board to co-locate certain facilities.

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Parks & facilities	534	Bruce	Cameron					3/ Parks: Tuakau is short of 25/30 ha of open space. There needs to be urgent consultation as to how this extra space is acquired. We believe this is likely to be addressed by the Master planning for Tuakau but are concerned at the lead time for this. With the District Plan Notification getting close, design work for local subdivision is already underway and may happen before the opportunity to masterplan is undertaken. We would like to see emphasis placed on larger parks rather than small Neighbourhood parks. Whilst we are not against neighbourhood parks, there is a feeling that the developers are putting them in because of council requirements when they really need to be looked at as part of a bigger picture of the whole town development. The cost of many small parks would be much greater than the maintenance of a fewer number of larger parks. There also needs to be planned connectivity of the walkways/cycle ways within Tuakau, from Tuakau to the river and Tuakau to Pukekohe via the railway corridor. This concept can create a more open, relaxed feel about the town, as it gives alternatives to being limited solely to footpaths on the roadside. The Board would also like clarification of two lots of \$900k funding (\$1.8m) in the 2015 LTP that this is still in the plan for Tuakau.	The Parks Strategy outlines where (and when) WDC requires land in each ward based on needs related research. Based on that information, neighbourhood parks are the desired outcome to ensure people have access to sites within 10 minutes walk or 500 metres of their homes. Destination parks are not supported in the Parks Strategy at this stage.
Parks & facilities	534	Bruce	Cameron					4/ Cemetery: Please update the Board with any proposals/plans in this area. The area of land and its location gives rise to some other possibilities and the board would like to be part of discussions on this.	The Board will be updated once scope and designs are being planned for the cemetery.
Parks & facilities	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	6/ Community Facilities Sports and Recreation Facilities: The Munroe Block has been talked about endlessly as a recreation and sports facility for us. The most achieved is yet another report. Is this just a talkfest. Our youth have been let down through lack of action. There is nowhere in Pokeno to kick a ball. ALL ages of our Pokeno residents are missing out on being able to use this space.	Funding for the development of Munroe Sports Grounds is proposed for this coming financial year with the work to take place over the next 3 years.
Parks & facilities	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	8/ North Waikato New Cemetery: We support the development of a new cemetery on Whangarata Rd. What are the time lines for this? We expect to have serious input into to planning	The design phase for the cemetery will be undertaken in the upcoming financial year 2018/19. Consultation will be undertaken with the community.
Parks & facilities	649	Mark	Brown	Life Unlimited				Parks and Facilities: • Parks and reserves – Playgrounds to allow informal play for the whole family including facilities for wheelchair users. Proposed seating, tables and BBQ's to be friendly for people with disabilities including wheelchair users.	No response required
Parks & facilities	650	John	Mitchell		Taukau		Option 1	5/ We would also like to pass on our sincere thanks to council for the improvements made on the Onewhero Reserve. Our playground is extremely well utilised and an absolute asset to the community, as are the public toilets. We hope these two projects are good examples to council of what can be achieved when communities and councils collaborate to provide facilities.	No response required
Parks & facilities	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno : 1/ Munro road sports field developed ASAP	Funding for the development of the Munroe Sports Ground is proposed for the coming financial year with the work to commence over the next 3 years.
Parks & facilities	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	6/ library and community centre, isite	We recommend that you discuss your requirements with members of your Community Board.



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Parks & facilities	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	Parks and Facilities 14/ The Community Board has been asked to provide an RSA section in the raglan Cemetery.	The establishment of an RSA section of the cemetery has been explored by Council staff. The RSA are willing to assist but would like to see consultation with existing returned servicemen to establish if there is a need.
Parks & facilities	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Parks and Facilities - Playgrounds/fields. See attachment.	Staff will consider these when reviewing future projects for the Mercer area.
Parks & facilities	730	Daniel	Rensburg					8/ Pokeno subdivision has no recreational facilities for teenagers, whilst all the other townships have a pool, sports fields, swings, parks, and dog exercise areas.	Pokeno has land for recreational sports fields on Munro Road.
Parks & facilities	730	Daniel	Rensburg					9/ Don't support the cost for a new cemetery in Whangarata road. Current swings, slide and Jungle gym is only for small children.	Whangarata Road Cemetery needs to be developed to manage the predicted trends within Tuakau and Pokeno. The current Cemetery servicing the area has two years left before it will be at capacity.
Parks & facilities	730	Daniel	Rensburg					13/ That the Library and Council offices be removed from LTP submission, and a station be built with the funds. Alternatively the Library can be built on top of the new station in Pokeno.	Library and Council offices need to be built to ensure staff and services can be housed in the area. This is to ensure services can be provided where needed in the North.
Cycleways/Walkways	4	Andrew	Thompson		Huntly	Option 3	Option 3	3. Residential get nothing. Just as a side issue but something that may arise in the not to distant future. Te Awa walkway - Ngaruawahia - Hopuhopu - Taupiri - Huntly. Or Ngaruawahia via Hakarimata back Road to Huntly.	Thanks for your submission your comments will be taken into consideration.
Cycleways/Walkways	48	John	Marcon		Te Kauwhata			1. Te Kauwhata has currently no designated off-road walkways. There is an urgent need for them in part due to the increasing number of families living in our town which is growing by at least 200 homes per year. Most public streets are serving as walk and scooter, trike and cycleways by children of all ages. Our street, Ribbonwood Close and its access street, Blunt Road are highways for lots of children for whom the only other option is the playground at the Village Green and which is not set up for wheeled transport. While all local residents take great care when driving the risk of hitting a child remains unacceptably high. With many retired people also on the move the lack of walkways seriously restricts options for recreational off-road walking. Suggestion: Bring forward the planned walkways project to 2019 with completion date 2022.	The Waikato District Council has developed a Walkway Strategy that identifies a number of off road walkways in the Te Kauwhata Area. These walkways are proposed to be funded between 2022-2025. This funding is unable to be brought forward to 2019.
Cycleways/Walkways	169	David	Packer		Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	4/ There has been a considerable sum I believe to the Council from development in the Tamahere region. It is not obvious how much of this has been spent in this region. It would be good to have some walkways/ cycleways in the area as biking on the busy narrow roads is not safe. A cycleway to Hamilton city would encourage more cycling in the area for a healthier lifestyle	Thanks for your suggestion. It is a good alternative to the proposed project. Note that the museum is not managed by the Waikato District Council.

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Cycleways/Walkways	248	Julie	Clark		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 2	Comments: 1/ Council Development I have lived here 1.5 having chosen Te Kauwhata has a growth area yet affordable. I am aware the water infrastructure is a number 1 priority however the number of houses springing up fast is not coinciding quickly enough with linked pathways. The Long Term Plan lists walkways to 2022-2028 this is way to far out considering the housing about to be built at the end of Eccles, on Swan Road, on Travers to Wayside. The walkways ought to be part of the subdivision requirements at the start at the portions that they are building on. If you want growth and people, families to stay this resource need to go in sooner than later i.e. by 2022 not 2028. The planting can be community involvement including fundraising providing the money goes directly to it. The bigger plans for walkways around lakes could wait but walkways in town linking to Travers Rd and the perimeter needs to happen as soon as possible.	The Waikato District Council has developed a Walkway Strategy that identifies a number of off road walkways in the Te Kauwhata Area. These walkways proposed to be funded between 2022-2028. This funding is unable to be brought forward to 2019.
Cycleways/Walkways	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			9/ The development of the long awaited Cycleway/Walkway from Buckland to Tuakau to Alexander Redoubt then to the River. This would then link up with the Cycleway that heads South & East in line with the Governments National Cycleway.	The Council Trails Strategy has identified this route as one of the high priority routes
Cycleways/Walkways	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	5/ walkways (pg14) focus Hamilton - Cambridge section, so actually there are no key projects for Ngaruawahia and none of the key projects have been identified by the Ngaruawahia community, m Why are staff allowed to write up information in such a disingenuous way it is deliberately misleading and insulting like the comment in regards to	Ngaruawahia has had the Te Awa Walkway/Cycleway built from The Point to the link at Horotiu Bridge. It has also had exercise equipment built along the walkway in immediate proximity to the town. Future plans have a walkway/cycleway link from Te Awa to the Hakarimata walkway.
Cycleways/Walkways	527	Jennifer	Palmer		Hamilton			The Trustees of the Te Awa River Ride Charitable Trust very much value and appreciate Waikato District Council's commitment to the Te Awa River Ride project.The section linking Ngaruawahia to Horotiu that was opened in November last year was a significant highlight for the project and Council's support was instrumental in achieving this milestone. The response from the community has been overwhelmingly positive; counter data and user feedback indicates this section is being widely used and appreciated. We believe Te Awa will continue to help realise many of Waikato District Council's community outcomes and facilitate liveable, thriving and connected communities. We are confident the trail will be an asset for the region and for generations to come.Our submission asks that Waikato District Council: 1. Support the development of the Te Awa River Ride between Hamilton and Cambridge.We ask Waikato District Council to allocate \$2.5m in the first three years of its LTP to completing the Cambridge to Hamilton section of Te Awa. (see hard copy for image with specific numbers and pedestrian / cyclists graph). 2. Continue to work in partnership to realise the Te Awa Lakes development vision for the District.	The Cambridge to Hamilton section of the Te Awa River Ride is supported by Council and included in the LTP for 2018-2021. Council appreciate the continued support from Te Awa and the collaboration in the development of these projects and will work to achieve the same levels of success as on the Horotiu to Ngaruawahia section. we recognise the enormous benefits to our communities that the River Ride provides

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Cycleways/Walkways	535	Jennifer	Palmer	Brian Perry Charitable Trust	Hamilton			<p>For over forty years, the Perry Family has been proudly supporting the wider Waikato community. In 1976 a charitable trust was established with a personal donation of \$100,000 from Hamilton businessman Brian Perry, and his wife Peggy, who wanted to provide support for the community that had, in turn, assisted them with their business growth over the previous 20 years. The Brian Perry Charitable Trust continues to develop strong partnerships with like-minded organisations to delier on its purpose of 'Making a meaningful difference towards a vibrant Waikato Region'.</p> <p>The Trust invests significantly in a wide range of projects and organisations and is committed to supporting its local community. Our submission asks that Waikato District Council:</p> <p>1. Continue to work in partnership to realise the Te Awa Lakes development vision for the District.</p>	Waikato District Council is acutely aware of the Te Awa Lakes development proposal since this is on the other side of our boundary with Hamilton city. We have already signalled to the City that there needs to be a collaborative planning approach for the entire Horotiu area which also includes the Perry’s land on the Hamilton side of the boundary (which is currently zoned industrial). Once the outcome of the Special Housing Area application and the Private Plan Change are known, we would like to get this process underway by working with the city, Perry’s Group and other key landowners/developers in the area to ensure that the area can be developed in connected and holistic manner.
Cycleways/Walkways	535	Jennifer	Palmer	Brian Perry Charitable Trust	Hamilton			<p>2. Support the development of the Te Awa River Ride between Hamilton and Cambridge.Our Trust has invested over \$4m into this incredibly worthwhile project since 2010 and we are particularly delighted with the success of the Perry Bridge. Data shows a significant and sustained increase in user numbers since the completion of the Ngaruawahia to Hamilton section and we expect this number to continue growing once the final section is complete.</p>	Waikato District Council acknowledges the success of already opened sections of the Te Awa River Ride and is proud to have been part of this worthy project. Council does have budget in the Draft LTP for the Te Awa Cycleway – Hamilton to Cambridge section. This budget is subsidised by the NZTA at 45% with the balance being funded by Council by way of loan. The breakdown is as follows: 2019 \$800,000 2020 \$817,600 2021 \$887,811
Cycleways/Walkways	545	Robert and Tina	Macnab		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	<p>3/ Parks and facilitiesAn increased allowance for Hakarimata Tack. A highly used facility needs a link to the Te Awa trail and increased signage and maintenance.An upgrade to the Waingaro Church walk, a local fitness track.Identification of swimming holes and facilities to compliment them.</p>	A linkage from the Te Awa Cycle Way to the Hakarimata Track is being investigated with the development of The Point Reserve Management Plan. Funding has been requested for future years.
Cycleways/Walkways	552	Richard	Briggs	Hamilton City Council				<p>HCC is fully supportive of the partnership approach that has taken place in the development of the Hamilton to Cambridge cycleway project and looks forward to working closely with WDC on the construction of this important cycleway connection.</p> <p>As WDC will be aware, HCC is proposing to contribute \$4 million towards the cycleway in 2019/20, with WDC contributing \$800,00 per annum for three years commencing 2018/19 i.e.\$2.4 million in total (\$1.2 million from ratepayers and a \$1.2 million NZTA subsidy).</p> <p>This is a regionally significant cycleway project which will provide further choice in how our communities travel between our neighbouring districts.</p>	No response required

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Cycleways/Walkways	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				The Waikato region has a number of cycle trails which attract visitors and contribute to local and regional economic development. WDC has been involved in working together with cycle trail managers and their partners across the region, including Regional Tourism Offices, as part of the trails network group. WRC encourages WDC to continue to engage with the trails network to grow the benefits of the trail for your district and the region as a whole. WRC acknowledges WDC's cycling investment to date and ongoing investment in the Hamilton to Cambridge Cycle Connection project incorporating the Te Awa River Ride. We also encourage your further support to enable route completion in the 2018-2021 period.	No response required
Cycleways/Walkways	599	Tamahere Community Committee	Tamahere Community Committee			Option 4	Option 2	4/ KEY COUNCIL PROJECTSa. Walkwaysi. Support for the walkways spend of \$1.5 mii. This project will significantly aid the completion of the Te Awa cycle and walk wayiii. The completion of Te Awa will drive economic development across the District and over time drive healthy lifestylesb.	No response required
Cycleways/Walkways	604	Timothy	Duff					3/ Walking tracks and Bike paths. Raglan is the ideal town to have high use of bicycles as a means of transport. Most areas of the town are within a reasonably easy distance of CBD and not too hilly. There would be untold advantages of promoting use of bikes e.g. If workers used bikes there would be a lot less pressure on parking around town. It is proposed to develop a walkway over three years from Wainui Reserve to Whale Bay in Raglan starting in 2011/2012 at a total cost of \$198,000. What happened to that? There has been propositions about building a walkway from Manu bay to Whale bay by WDC to my knowledge for the last 25 years. This would actually be quite an easy undertaking and is very needed for public Health and Safety. I would suggest WDC look at where bike paths can be put in easily and start with them to help gain momentum e.g. Riri Kereopa Memorial Drive, this would safely link town to the new mountain bike tracks. Another example is again at Riri Kereopa Memorial Drive where the footpath stops that has come from town. This needs to connect the last bit to Wainui Reserve to encourage walking and biking to the beach. Currently this missing section requires biking or walking on the open road which is very dangerous.	WDC have a Walkway Cycleway strategy which was developed with consultation through all community boards at the time. All priorities for areas throughout the District were submitted and included as part of this strategy.
Cycleways/Walkways	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	16/ Has planning for Pokeno's growth included planning for cycleways and walkways to link homes and commercial areas on both Eastern and Western sides of the Motorway	There are no plans for further walkways across the Motorway at this stage.
Cycleways/Walkways	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					A safe track that connects the Hakanoa Lake walkway with the Lake Puketirini for people to come down and cycle or walk around the two lakes (not the railway bridge).	No response required



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Cycleways/Walkways	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					Hakanoa Lake walkway, this has got very shabby with areas on the walkway not on the new contractors tablet. Regular work used to be done on it with extra work done when the Huntly half marathon used to take place. Just because this no longer takes place in Huntly is not a reason to ignore it. The hill at the back of Kimihia Road, which used to be a great. Boot camp area has fallen into disrepair, with old dying trees that will become a Health and Safety issue. It would not take a lot of money to clear the dying trees and with consultation with the ratepayers whose properties are affected plant suitable trees that won't block their views, which is why they bought their houses in the first place. The steps have been washed away, and it would not take a lot of imagination to have the current steps repaired, also short and close steps up the steep part of the hill, two or three sets, so kids and parents can race each other. This would not take a lot of money. Somebody planted a kahikatea tree on the rise of the hill, and recently a picnic table has been placed there, Problem you can't see a damn thing because this stupid tree blocks the view. We have heard visitors and touri who come up the hill to take a photo looking over the lake, which would 1 an ideal spot complaining and saying "HOW DUMB", you can't see a damn thing.	No response required
Town Maintenance	41	Anthony Cameron	Williams		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	Comments: Get Huntly cleaned up. Citycare not doing job. Stop crime / reduce at least.	There are projects in place for the beautification of Huntly main street in the current LTP. These will be occurring between May and August. Unfortunately your comment regarding City Care does not provide sufficient detail for Council to make comment.
Town Maintenance	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	4/As a township, Huntly is looking rather untidy, it seems that less money and time is being spent on Huntly maintenance	Both SH1 and Main Street Gardens are being renovated over May – August 2018. Council are working on improvements around general parks and reserves as well as both Lake Puketirini and Lake Hakanoa Domain over the next few years.
Town Maintenance	292	Shirley	Farrar		Huntly			1/The War Memorial Hall to be bought up to a standard acceptable to the Waikato District Council for public use and re-opened for the community to use. Too much time and money wasted by WDC to help Huntly Ratepayers and Community to get anything up and done to help Huntly revive.	Consultation with the Huntly Ward is currently underway on whether or not the community want, and would use the Hall. Once the outcome of this is known, we will work closely with the Community Board to ascertain the next steps in regards to the Hall.
Town Maintenance	292	Shirley	Farrar		Huntly			2/Town looks unkempt! Huntly subsidising all other towns in the district. Nothing being done for Huntly.	Both SH1 and Main Street Gardens are being renovated over May – August 2018. Council are working on improvements around general parks and reserves as well as both Lake Puketirini and Lake Hakanoa Domain over the next few years.
Town Maintenance	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	2/ Our town is looking tired and WDC does not help by allowing Kiwi rail to have the rail corridor looking derelict with weeds that are so big they start looking like shrubs and during summer are a fire risk, if they refuse to clean it up why can't WDC weed spray and then invoice them? Our main Streets Great South Road and Jesmond Street are dirty, these cobblestones used to be cleaned on a regular basis, but this does not appear to be the case now.	Thank you for taking the time to submit to our LTP. Council will raise your concerns with Kiwirail in relation to the rail corridor. In relation to the footpaths we will review our street cleaning process with our contractors.

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Town Maintenance	529	Raewyn	Lambie		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	4/ The company that has the contract to keep Taupiri nice and tidy are not doing their job so hopefully their contract will not be renewed.	The Parks maintenance contract involves mowing, gardening, and set levels of service that have been assigned to the contract by Council in the previous LTP. Certain areas are out of scope including the mowing of grass verges adjacent to private properties.
Town Maintenance	534	Bruce	Cameron					7/ Tuakau Main Street: It is noted that there is no budget for maintenance of Tuakau's street furniture. On a recent OTCB and council staff walk through the town, it was patently obvious that no work of any significance has been done for a number of years. The word used to describe the situation was "appalling". The pavers on the paths are slippery when wet and are a health and safety issue. Railings and posts are broken or missing and have not been repaired or stained for a long time. The trees and under planting are also seriously neglected.	We have produced a upgrade plan and schedule for bollards, post & rails and litter bins on Tuakau Main Street. This will be forwarded to the community board for review. A funding gap currently exists in this space. Meeting arranged between Roading and Parks to confirm gap and seek funding required.
Town Maintenance	592	Alex	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	2/ Ngaruawahia looks tired and dirty I drive daily along the main road and the weeds that are along the main road are a disgrace and this is also along the rail corridor is WDC not able to insist that Kiwirail keep the corridor tidy and weed free, during summer this has to be a fire hazard. With all the new residential developments proposed in Ngaruawahia to attract new residents is grotty and unkept the image WDC is going for? I do not see the sense of a roundabout by Salisbury Road and why would that be \$3.2m if developers want it they should cover the entire costs.	Thank you for taking the time to submit to our LTP. Council will raise your concerns with Kiwirail in relation to the rail corridor. In relation to the footpaths we will review our street cleaning process with our contractors. The roundabout solution is not required for any single development, but serves to function as a safety solution for Great South Road where there is conflict between multiple vehicle movements in a high speed environment. There have been fatal injuries on Great South road and the changing function of the road, with new residential access has raised the risk.
Town Maintenance	593	Venessa	Rice		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	3/ Page 12 - Economic Development, you have identified tourism as a major opportunity, Ngaruawahia features greatly in tourism with the Hakarimata walk way and the start of the Waikato cycleway but we can't get our streets cleaned, road signed cleaned, berms mowed, footpaths cleaned to promote tourism and show a thriving community we residents and rate payers know we are? Regional Fuel Tax - It has been over 20 years since the planned express way was proposed to by pass many Waikato District towns and remove Great South Road for Transit NZ funding to council funding. Why is this tax been used as an option instead of rate increases for regional roading? Why is now being addressed through a regional fuel tax. Future planning should have been addressed and consulted back then.	CBD footpath steam cleaning currently takes place two to three times per year, kerb and channel throughout the entire town takes place on a 6 monthly basis with additional sweeping during leaf fall, sumps are cleaned 6 monthly, signs will be programmed to be cleaned

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Town Maintenance	597	Joss	Annandale		Ngaruawahia			<p>Re Long Term Plan 2018-2028 - I tried to submit this through the 'WDC sayit website' but it kept telling me of 'system failure'. A ploy by council?? I do not wish to speak in support of my submission. I agree with the councils preferred options re water management and general rates. With the increase in rates, which I'm sure you have already been made aware of, we have already had with refuse stickers and water meters, we would hope the management of our environment will improve.</p> <p>1/ I am particularly concerned about the state of our footpaths, berms and general environment. I walk the streets and river walk/cycle way regularly and can't help getting a little annoyed at the lack of care and pride our council has for our towns. I am of course talking about grass growing over footpaths to the extent that the paths are getting narrower, including growing out over the gutters. Spraying does not solve the problem, it just creates an eyesore. Spaying just pushes the dead grass further out over the paths. It doesn't help that some residents insist on planting shrubs and plants on the outside of their boundary fences that again reduce the footpath space. I am not the only resident noticing this lack of care and I know the council has had notification of these concerns. If the council has no pride how do they expect their rate paying residents to care for their own sections. Some of our districts towns already get a bad rap and when outsiders see the condition of our environment it is no surprise.</p>	WDA has agreed with Parks that WDA will maintain footpath hard surfaces while parks will maintain all vegetation, this item probably requires a parks response. We could trim footpath edges but would require funding of around \$100,000 / year to trim only road footpath twice per year (does not include parks footpaths).
Town Maintenance	604	Timothy	Duff					<p>5/ Overall WDC Works Plan</p> <p>WDC provides contracts for the maintenance and upkeep of the town. There need to be plan created of what all these works are and when they are to be for filled. This plan should be available at the WDC Raglan office. I had put in several requests to WDC for water blasting of Wainui Rd Boat ramp in 2017 under Health and Safety as members of the public were slipping and getting injured. Upon investigation it turned out that there already was a contract for this service to be done but nobody had been for filling the contract. Often contracts are not for filled correctly also e.g. When the contractor came out to water blast this boat ramp and it was High tide so he couldn't do his job. Or when the footpath cleaner who was contracted to do the CBD missed places and ran over others too quickly to do the job properly. A plan of works will help us to make sure all contracts are for filled as well as showing where tweaks need to be made. This plan should be rolled out to show visibly what will be done in the LTP. Perhaps a visual display on the wall of the WDC Raglan office.</p>	Council establishes contracts in accordance with its Procurement Policy.
Town Maintenance	604	Timothy	Duff					<p>6/ Bring contracts back to the Community</p> <p>Most contracts seem to be given to contractors from out of town. When and where possible WDC should bring these back to members of the community. Take Raglan Lawns as a fantastic example, they provide local jobs and we get a better service. A good example would be Bylaw Enforcement officer to deal with sound issues, parking and Freedom Camping. Currently if there is a sound complaint somebody may have to come outform the city to sort out the problem. We would get a faster more efficient and regular service if the job was local.</p>	Council establishes contracts in accordance with its Procurement Policy



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Town Maintenance	604	Timothy	Duff					8/ Reserve management plans and empowering the community. Parks and reserves need to have long term management plans developed. For example Te Kopua ~ where should pedestrian access to beach be and where should pedestrians be excluded and planting take place. Currently works are mostly undertaken in the parks by outside of town contractors. Resource community groups to upkeep the parks and provide improvements inside the scope of the management plan and under the guide of WDC parks an reserve staff and you would get way better results. Take Friends of Wainui as a fantastic example.	Reserve Management Plans already exist for all of the main reserves in the district. The use of volunteers for many organisations is difficult due to health and safety obligations. WDC is currently working on a framework to enable volunteers to offer support to projects while ensuring appropriate mechanisms are in place to ensure their safety.
Town Maintenance	609	Natasha	Ramsay Clark		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	2/ I shop locally and the state of the streets in Ngaruawahia are disgusting Jesmond street is awful instead of a roundabout and the Flour Mill why is this money not used to make Ngaruawahia more attractive to visitors, which WDC encourage to come to Ngaruawahia with the Hakarimata and Te Awa cycle way.	CBD footpath steam cleaning is carried out two to three times a year, kerb & channel takes place every 6 months and additional sweep carried out during leaf fall. Sumps are cleared 6 monthly also. Signs are programmed to be cleaned as required.
Town maintenance	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					I would like to see the Huntly Town Centre be tidied up, a bit of paint on the chairs in Garden place is a start. When was the paving last cleaned, outside all of the food places the footpath is a disgrace. How about some nice colourful plants instead of flaxes that attract rats which I have seen in the flaxes by the public toilets. I remember when the Huntly township was well known for its wonderful gardens and when the contractors and Council' gave a damn.	No response required
Town maintenance	736	Jennifer	Duncan-Bailey					3/ By the way who is responsible for being a representative from Meremere as the village looks like an abandoned child that no could gives a damn about. Would you enjoy living in an environment of such neglect. The children can't even walk along the footpaths to get to school. I dread to think about those with prams or wheelchairs... You should all be ashamed of yourselves. If you the council have little respect for the environment yet charge the rates you do why should the people there care. I have spoken to a number of the locals there and they all say the same thing. You the council get a deaf ear when it comes to Meremere. How about pouring some of the money you collect into bringing Meremere appearance up to a standard we can all be proud of	Meremere is an important part of our community and we are currently undertaking remedial works across the Village including mowing, spraying and fixing of paths. We have a Grass Verges policy which was adopted by council in 2017 which we are currently working with property owners to understand their responsibilities. We have carried out significant maintenance 2 months ago including rubbish collection and mowing. At that stage footpaths were in a reasonable condition. We suspect trucks movements involved with the construction of new developments on Heather Green Ave have damaged footpaths and kerb & channel recently. We will be following up with the councils monitoring team and be carrying out a full inspection and scheduling maintenance intervention programme as required.
UAGC	4	Andrew	Thompson		Huntly	Option 3	Option 3	2. UAGC - Uniform Annual General Charge. It's only a natural assertion that the the below income earner and average ratepayer would select Option 3 Reduce the UAGC rate. Again the WDC states this is not the preferred option, again the user pays well below the costs as I see it. Tax the bigger money earners in the Commercial, industrial, Lifestyle as well as the Rural As you have already stated these groups get all the supportive advantages ie TAX write offs.	Council is required to act in the best interest of all ratepayers so selecting a uniform annual general charge that satisfies each sector of the community is difficult. Approximately half of council's properties are residential or commercial in nature with the remainder of the district's properties deemed to be rural. For this reason council's preferred option offered some relief for residential ratepayers with higher than average capital value movements without over-penalising rural ratepayers.

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UAGC	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	4. Page 5 Regional Fuel Tax I don't support having a Regional Fuel Tax. On Page 9 the Waikato District Council wants to reduce the UAGC because of the burden to lower-value properties well all you will be doing is placing the burden back onto these lower-value properties because they need to use a car too. As there properties add in value they won't be able to afford to stay there so they move further out so they those people will pay more for there travel. These residents must probably cant apply for a GST return so they will be paying the 11.5 cents fuel tax. The 11.5 cent fuel tax is a tax on a tax, the Waikato District Council if it wants or needs a Regional Fuel Tax it should tell the government that they should take the GST off it.	We have noted your feedback on a regional fuel tax. Nothing will proceed in this space without wide public consultation.
UAGC	245	Carole	Chambers		Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	1/ I have never in my life known of a 6.9% increase in Council fees. It is absolutely unbelievable. Please reduce your staff instead of increasing it (pg11) and put in a days work like we did in our time; not extra staff for questionnaires; no "did we do well with service" over the telephone; no extra money for anything other than basics; developers pay for services to cover industrial growth, more population. As you say on your Long Term Plan pg5 No.4 "Do more within existing budgets". The UAGC charge for Lifestyle, Rural and Residential should show some difference, but in the former 2 they can still live there so should be rated higher.	The increase you refer to relates to council's overall income from general rates in that it will be 6.24% higher than the current year. It is worth noting that both the UAGC and the variable general rate charge is lower than the current year, and it is the recent property valuation movement that will determine whether you will pay less or more in general rates.
UAGC	312	Phil	Journeaux		Hamilton	Option 2		3/ Uniform Annual General Charge I am a supporter of such charges; everyone benefits from the various services provided, so should pay equally. In this respect therefore I oppose the idea that the UAGC be reduced (Option 2). I don't actually support Option 1 in the sense of the UAGC increasing; the preferred option would be to keep the UAGC at its current level. If the UAGC is to increase to \$482.85, this represents an increase of 6.24%. So I would not support Option 1 on the basis if the UAGC increases, then the general rate does not have to. This would also have a greater beneficial effect for lower income householders.	No response required - the final decision of council is what is relevant to this point
UAGC	472	Katherine	Wilson	Property Council New Zealand				Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) 6.1 The Council is proposing to reduce the UAGC from \$482.85 to \$351.96. This option would only reshuffle ratepayer contributions onto the business and industrial sector. For example, the Council's proposal will result in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$128 increase per year (equivalent to 50 per cent) for the commercial sector,</li> <li>• \$172 increase per year (equivalent to 61 per cent) for the industrial sector,</li> <li>• - \$48 decrease per year (equivalent to -13 per cent) for the residential sector.</li> </ul> 6.2 The Property Council strongly opposes the shift of the rating burden onto the commercial property sector given that this funds general council services. This is inequitable and would result in the commercial sector funding general council services that predominately benefit residential ratepayers. We support maintaining the UAGC as it currently stands.	No response required

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UAGC	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				<p>Waikato DHB supports Option 3 or Council's preferred option (Option 2) for re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate across the Waikato District . However, we recommend that when a final decision is taken on a preferred option by Council that it keeps rates as low as possible, as the socio-economic status spread is not consistent across the District.</p> <p>Rationale</p> <p>Waikato DHB supports Option 3 or Council's preferred option (Option 2) for re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate across the Waikato District as those living in the lower socio-economic areas are not well placed to accommodate increased rating costs.</p> <p>However, we recommend that when a final decision is taken on as a preferred option by Council that it keeps rates as low as possible, as the socio-economic status spread is not consistent across the District. In this regard, it would appear that Option 3 would be preferable as it provides a more equitable distribution of rate contributions based on ability to pay.</p> <p>While appreciating that a range of assessment criteria need to be used to determine Council's preferred option, Waikato DHB knows that some local communities across the district are struggling with affordability issues, which can have significant impacts on people's health in a variety of ways, including ability to access early health care. In general we support a general rate over targeted rates, because (as Council has stated) there is a public good element to most services, and targeted rates may place a larger financial burden on a smaller population.</p>	No response required
UAGC	596	Bruce	Cameron			Option 4	Option 1	<p>3/ UAGC It is very disappointing to see a proposed reduction in this rate. It is a tool that the council has that can rate properties across the whole district regardless of size or value but recognise that everybody has the same access to council services (outside of targeted rates). Although everybody has access to these Council services (out side targeted rates) not everybody is reasonably able to access them, especially those in the outlying rural areas. For that reason the UAGC needs to be kept up to the maximum of 30% because what the UAGC doesn't cover has to come out of the general rate, and this seriously impinges on the rural rate payer who ends up paying a disproportionately large share of the total rates.This reduction proposal seems mainly to satisfy the Huntly and Ngaruawahia townships which had a larger than average property value increase. These properties also have access to waste water, water, rubbish and storm water which they pay a targeted rate for. It is these services that have had by far the biggest increases that have effected their total rates bill. By lowering the UAGC the higher value properties are effectively subsidising the lower value properties. Even if the council set the UAGC at Option 1 of \$482.85 it is still a reduction of the UAGC because the targeted rate component has such a large effect on it and these targeted rates are having such large increases.Recommendation Increase the UAGC to its maximum or at the very least to \$482.50 Option 1</p>	<p>Council has an aggressive user pays targeted rate scheme which charges the end user for the costs of services such as providing drinking water, managing rubbish and recycling collection and treating wastewater. This means that wider benefits are not necessarily charged to all residents e.g. limiting the number of wastewater spills has an advantage for all residents not just those who receive wastewater services. Those on targeted rates bear all of these costs.</p> <p>As council has selected a capital value rating system, changing the level of UAGC is one mechanism that allows council to recalibrate some of these inequities without penalising properties at varying values unduly.</p>

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UAGC	603	Anonymous	Submitter		No Address	Option 4	Option 3	Overall I do not support the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP)I am not happy with the process in how properties in Ngaaruawaahia were valued so as to support Council's reason to increase rates. This is not fair and does not align with your vision as it makes it difficult for families to afford to live here, thrive here and feel like they cannot contribute to better outcomes for the community - so no sense of connectedness.The Ngaaruawaahia community should have the lowest UAGC, therefore Option 3 - Reduce the UAGC to \$286.50 is the preferred option.	Council does not undertake property valuations. These are performed by an independent company named QV who carries out this service nationwide for all councils. If you wish to challenge you valuation you can contact QV to do so. Your selection of option 3 - UAGC is noted.
UAGC	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				On 're-balancing ratepayer contributions', we are of the view that the Ngaaruawaahia community should have the lowest UAGC, therefore Option 3 - Reduce the UAGC to \$286.50 is our preferred option.	No response required
UAGC	708	Waikato	Tainui					W-Tainui submit in support of; Option2: Reduce the UAGC to \$351.96 (Council's preferred option) We note the Waikato District Council publication which points to a 2017 property-value reassessment of residential properties within the Waikato – in particular, the highest increase in value taking place within our Waikato townships. We note that some of the residential properties in Huntly West had increased in value by 100 per cent compared with an average rise of 33.7 per cent across the district. Rebalancing the UAGC would assist our whanau in ensuring that the general rates burden is less likely to fall more heavily on lower-value residential properties where our whanau are predominantly located. While many of our whanau are not home owners themselves. Cost offsetting by landlords is also a concern for W-T and we note that any increases in the UAGC may and will likely impact renters, which makes up a sizable amount of the tribal population.	No response required

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UAGC	712	Andrew	Feierabend	Meridian Energy				<p>Uniform Annual General Charge. The proposal to reduce the UAGC cause Meridian significant concerns. It would appear the Council is proposing options that manipulate the impact of changing property values, contrary to the Council's own Revenue and Funding Policy principles which in turn are consistent with the Local Government Act requirements (s. 103). In particular the concerns are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Policy refers to the UAGC be used for "people related" activities to recover costs all ratepayers receive, to be fair and equitable, and the General Rate for public goods where there are no practical alternatives. The proposal the change these principles due to a revaluation is inequitable to those who will be subsequently negatively impacted and who haven't benefitted from the level of increase in equity of those being provided with the proposed relieve.</li> <li>• The Draft refers to the UAGC making up a significant proportion of rates. The use of uniform charges is capped in the legislation. The document doesn't refer to where the Council is relative to this cap, implying the status quo does not breach the cap.</li> <li>• Central Government provides for rates rebate where a property owners rates are considered unaffordable relative to the property owners income. This welfare support is a function of central government, and provided on an individually assessed basis.</li> <li>• Council is not in a position to do this, and should not seek to address perceived issues through compromising broader policy principles and legislative requirements. Council can use its rates rebate policy, again assessed on individual circumstances if specific needs are identified.</li> <li>• Council policy refers to changes to UAGC to rebalance impact "not in revaluation years" (page 213). The inclusion of the statement in the policy appears to be there to take into account changing services/beneficiaries, and to exclude manipulating to modify the effect of valuation changes.</li> <li>• Page 9 of the Consultation Document refers to the tax deductibility of rates by businesses. This argument has been discredited and not legally available to Council. Further, you are likely to have many operations in your commercial areas that are charitable/not-for-profit activities that would get no such tax deductibility. Also, rental accommodation in your residential areas would have tax deductibility.</li> <li>• Property values do not take into account the owner's equity or income. That the Waikato District Council stays true to the Revenue and Funding Policy and does not reduce the UAGC to offset the effects of the 2017 revaluation. That the UAGC only be change where there is a change to a level"of service (funding requirement) and/or the identified beneficiaries of the Council services.</li> </ul>	WDC's revenue and financing policy does not differentiate between fixed or variable general rate funding. It does explain what a UAGC can be collected for, which means we would not charge a UAGC for something that is not people related, but does not limit the ability to pay for people related activities through other funding mechanisms. Council's are not required to use a uniform annual general charge as part of their rating system, however, WDC does see this as an important mechanism in assisting with the assignment of benefits in what is a strong user pays rating system.
UAGC	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust				<p>Option 2 - paragraph 3. The explanation to not congruent with existing protocol. Even is the statement is true there is no comment about the increased rating on those properties of higher value. The burden of expense is also upon those people; this is fair? The Council is not responsible for the increased value of the properties only the level of tax burden. If fairness was an option, then lower the taxation on all.</p>	No response required



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UAGC	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				UAGC. See attachment	No response required
UAGC	719	Paul	Le Miere	Federated Farmers				<p>WDC's current rating mix includes a low use of the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) allocation, and thus over relies on the variable, property valued based, general rate contribution. It is for this reason that we strongly urge council to have the courage to make what may be an unpopular decision and increase the UAGC usage to the legislated 30% cap to give more substance to fairness and equity principles.</p> <p>UAGC's are a fair way for Council's to rate for services that provide an equal or indistinguishable amount of benefit across ratepayer groups. Especially when compared to a general rate calculated by capital value which results in groups such as farmers paying more for an activity which they are unlikely to use more than any other group in a community. We ask WDC to explain how they are comfortable with Council Leadership activities being fully funded by the General Rate for example. This group of activities includes Governance and Representation – farmers don't receive more representation than other ratepayers. So why should they pay more.</p> <p>It is worth remembering that uniform charges were introduced into rating legislation as a tempering tool to offset the bluntness of the property value mechanism. It was designed to shift inequitable rating burdens from those with high value properties. A point which seems to be lost on WDC as they use equity based arguments to justify the proposal to reduce the UAGC rate.</p> <p>Uniform charges and "ability to pay"</p> <p>Federated Farmers is concerned that Council's interpretation and focus on 'affordability' stifles the opportunity to more fully utilise this funding tool.</p> <p>Where Council is concerned that the effects of increasing the use of the UAGC rate would be regressive and impact upon lower capital value properties, Federated Farmers submits that the rates remissions scheme, alongside the broader central government welfare system and rates rebates scheme, remain the most robust and efficient methods of progressive redistribution, with the ability to target each concern on a case by case basis, in a way that is not possible using the blunt property value basis afforded by rates.</p> <p>Council is not in a position to assess who is most able to afford its rates. Councils do not know the income or net wealth of their ratepayers, which are the best indicators of ability to pay. All councils know is their ratepayers' assessed property values and have access, like anyone else, to social demographic statistics. This is insufficient information on which to base a compulsory tax with the purpose of reflecting "ability to pay" principles.</p> <p>Council should keep in mind the specific purpose of local government rates is to fund Council activities in a manner that is efficient and equitable; the tax treatment of rates as a business expense, is not a matter that is either reasonable or relevant to consider when deciding what is a fair allocation of rates. Federated Farmers takes exception to the use of this flawed argument to engender support for WDC's preferred option on page 9 of the Consultation Document.</p> <p>Further, reducing uniform charges to benefit low income households</p>	No response required

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								<p>may simply be to the advantage of landlords, as low income people tend to rent their homes.</p> <p>Federated Farmers supports maximum use of general and targeted uniform charges. When these mechanisms are utilised every ratepayer pays the same amount for the public good services of council that everyone benefits from equally. Better use of the UAGC will also reduce reliance on the general rate as a funding mechanism, and flattens the distribution of rates bills between high to low value properties.</p> <p>Transparency</p> <p>Federated Farmers considers it important to have the percentage of UAGC use clearly reported in the Long Term Plan. This allows readers to see how close to the legislative maximum the UAGC use is, and therefore how committed a council is to reducing their reliance on the property value based general rate and how fair their rating system is consequently.</p> <p>For this reason, it is frustrating to find that Council is using the 2015 Funding Impact Statement ('FIM') and 2015 Revenue and Finance ('R&amp;F') policy to support the consultation process for the 2018 LTP. There are material differences proposed to the UAGC usage as evidenced by the prominence of this issue in the Consultation document. It is reasonable to have expected the related supporting document to have been revised accordingly.</p> <p>Recommendations:</p> <p>6. Federated Farmers seeks maximum use of the UAGC funding mechanism. If council determines that this would result in unfeasible rates increases this year, then incremental increases to achieve the 30% cap should be made over the next three years.</p> <p>8. FFNZ submission on the Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28</p> <p>7. Federated Farmers expects services that provide an equal or indistinguishable amount of benefit across ratepayer groups, to receive increased levels of UAGC contribution. Activities such as Council Leadership, and Organisational Support are two examples.</p> <p>8. That Council addresses their affordability concerns by providing targeted relief through either new rates remissions policies, or working harder to promote central government's rates rebate scheme, rather than manipulating the funding sources so that some ratepayers continue to subsidise the services or benefits received by other ratepayers.</p>	



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UAGC	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				<p>There are about 32,000 rateable properties, resulting in current UAGC collecting about \$15.5m. So, if UAGC were abolished, general rates would rise by about 40%. Option 4 is calculated on that basis. The other options are from a poster displayed at the Information sessions and belatedly added to the website as 'Roadshow powerpoint presentation'. It is unfortunate that the above table had only limited availability and was not in the consultation document. Therefore the majority of those putting in submissions are likely to be making them based on minimal information.</p> <p>There seems to have been little research since 2007 on the relationship between property valuation and ability to pay. However, the finding illustrated in the graph below wasn't unexpected, so the relationship between high income and high value property likely remains. That accounts for UAGC being widely regarded as a regressive tax. As such, UAGC should be minimised.</p> <p>Raglan and Tamahere top the average capital values for the towns at \$610,000. Only the high range rural, commercial and industrial properties would lose significantly from the \$286.50 UAGC, whereas the great majority of town and country dwellers would benefit. For most town ratepayers that is true even if no UAGC were charged.</p>	No response required
UAGC	730	Daniel	Rensburg					<p>11/ We prefer the higher UAGC (Uniform Annual General Charge) and less based on Capital value. Council valuation is inflated.</p>	<p>Council does not undertake property valuations. These are performed by an independent company named QV who carries out this service nationwide for all councils.</p> <p>If you wish to challenge you valuation you can contact QV to do so.</p> <p>Your feedback on the UAGC is noted.</p>

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Rating system	5	David	Hay				Option 1	<p>Comments: Our company Roskill Properties Limited is a property owner and we write in that capacity we disagree with option to reducing the uniform annual Gen charge to \$351.96 We would prefer to see the uniform annual Gen charge increased to a higher level than \$482.85 however as you only give us 2 options then we support option 1 We would like to make the following points in support of our submission.</p> <p>1. Council recommending option to is trying to manipulate the system according to what Council believes is the ability of various ratepayers to pay. Property values do not necessarily reflect ability to pay. There are some very wealthy property owners in low value properties and many low value properties are also investment properties where the property owner is running a business. Some ratepayers in high value properties are retired and have low income.</p> <p>2. Rates based on property values is a tax rather than a charge for services were as a uniform annual general charge is to some degree a charge for services.</p> <p>3. 1 system of rating creates anomalies where as 2 different rating systems, one based on property values and the other a fixed charge does assist resolve anomalies.</p> <p>4. Property values to some extent are impacted by the level of service and amenities supplied by Council. The low value properties in Huntly West went up by more than 100%. Those property owners have had a significant increase in their personal wealth. And by Council's own reasoning and logic the ability of the owners of those low value properties to pay rates has increased to a greater extent. If the low value property is mortgaged to 50% in 100% increase in the value would increase the owners equity by 200%.</p> <p>5. Property owners pay the same price for a huge basket of goods regardless of the valuation of the property and to collect a reasonable portion of rates by way of a fixed uniform annual charge is fair and reasonable. Council should not be reducing its uniforms annual general charge to protect a particular class of the ratepayers.</p> <p>6. I have no idea whether we are personally better off with a high or low uniform annual general charge but there is a principal of collecting a reasonable portion of the total rates income by way of uniform annual Gen charges which Council should follow.</p>	<p>You have a good understanding of the complexities regarding the setting of rates and council accepts that capital value increases are generally positive for property owners. Council has an aggressive user pays targeted rate scheme which charges the end user for the costs of services such as providing drinking water, managing rubbish and recycling collection and treating wastewater. This means that wider benefits are not necessarily charged to all residents e.g. limiting the number of wastewater spills has an advantage for all residents not just those who receive wastewater services. As council has selected a capital value rating system, changing the level of UAGC is one mechanism that allows council to recalibrate some of these inequities without simply penalising higher capital value properties. The factors for determining what each of the three options will mean for your property was provided on council's website under the rating information database link.</p>

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Rating system	6	Carl	Ammon					2/ Universal general rate: equity the key factor in setting published c good levies rates and taxes. The favoured proposal is intended to lower the total cost on rates and balance these with targeted user pays rates and fees. As this rate is for general services used by most then a common rate level is fair. The rate system is already a wealth tax based on asset values. Businesses are able to reduce tax by claiming expenses. Residents who own ( and indirectly if they rent) face the full cost so the system already so subsidises lower asset value property and businesses. Using rates to help the asset poor (and generally lower income earners) is not at all bad but tax and welfare measures coupled with minimum wage changes are better tools and central government is the one best placed to do this.	The rating system, as you have alluded to, certainly has its challenges and setting a tax based on property values (whether land, capital value or annual value) will never suit everyones individual circumstances. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government.
Rating system	33	Ron	Gibson		Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	2/ Another thing that annoys me to to be paying a tax (GST) on a tax (rates). The Government is taking 15% of our rates; how much are they returning? A better method would be to not pay GST on rates. The savings to the ratepayers would be immense and would also free up teams of shiny-arses to do something useful.	GST is a value added tax (consumption based) and as such those who receive the services pay the tax. The assumption with rates is that the use of services is either spread evenly over everyone who gets the service (targeted rates) or spread based on the underlying value of your property (general rates).
Rating system	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	Comments: 1) The user pay policy is extremely high and puts undue pressure onto what was a once affordable place to live. Pokeno resident who own a home with a CV of approximately \$550,000 are paying almost \$4000 in rates per year ( roughly \$3300 in district council rates and \$500 is regional council rates). This is extremely high compared to Auckland Council rates where a property valued at \$1.2 million would be paying \$3300 in rates. The same services being supplied by both councils. The information provided by the council is insufficient for rate payers to a decision. The council has provided a graph on page 6 of the proposal, this graph does not give the rate payer enough information to see how each rateable item (Water, Wastewater and Stormwater) will be impact, rather grouping these together. Also what is considered to be an average household by the council? this should be appended to the graph to provide term a reference to allow ratepayers to see where they sit.	Unfortunately this is an economies of scale issue. The number of ratepayers to spread the costs of the same service compared to Auckland is significantly less in the Waikato district ( approximately 510,000 properties in Auckland to 24,800 in Waikato). Each property will differ, the graphs are used to present an average impact based on the movement in rates between the current year and the first year of the LTP. The factors for determining what each of the three options will mean for your property was provided on council's website under the rating information database link.
Rating system	167	Barry & Anne	Chappell		Waiuku			Comments: We are on the periphery of Waikato Council's area and do not benefit in any way from this targeted rate so therefore we do not support this proposal. Also, please advise and justify your rating of our property on the basis of our location and what is provided by the Waikato Council for us. Where is our library? Where is our community centre? Where is our swimming pool? Where is our inorganic/ refuse & recycling centre/ collection. Please note: we pay privately for a weekly rubbish service. Please have someone contact us to discuss the above and give consideration to either provide a voucher system for nearby Waiuku or a rate rebate. Will consider your response before engendering support from neighbours.	Unfortunately, as a property tax, council's do not have an ability to assess rates based on individual household situations. Your specific submission points have been passed to your local councillor.
Rating system	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			2/ The importance of protecting the financial base that is expected to fund development of the Waikato District.	No response required - is not a question

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Rating system	470	Broughton	Thomas					<p>We, the ratepayers of Ryan Road subdivision, Te Akau South and adjacent properties wish to formally object to the level at which our properties are rated. We believe that we are being rated at the same level as if we were in a community situation like Raglan town. This is not appropriate for the following reasons:</p> <p>1. We are not a town or an urban community. a. We have no refuse or recycling collection. b. We have no sewerage scheme. c. We have no Council maintenance on footpaths and (as yet) on public reserves. d. There is no street lighting. There are no shops, library, public toilets, garages, community hall, etc., which would normally be present in an urban community. – Many of these missing facilities would attract council costs, justifying urban ratings. f. There are no local costs relating to other Council functions, such as public transport, or lifestyle facilities (libraries, pools, parks etc.)</p> <p>2. The facilities we do enjoy are more of a rural nature: a. We have our own bore water scheme for which we pay by meter monitoring. We all paid a capital sum to help get the scheme started in the 1980s. One of our permanent residents contributes to maintenance by checking the water treatment once a week. This facility is more appropriate for a collection of rural houses. b. We do have our own scheme for mowing the lawn reserves. This attracts a relatively low cost to the council compared to alternatives. In addition this extends to areas which are used by the wider rural community even more than by residences nearby (e.g. down by the boat ramp.) We consider that the current ratings system is unfair. We would therefore appreciate from Council some explanation of, or justification for, the level of rates charged on our rather isolated and remote properties.</p>	Unfortunately, as a property tax, council's do not have an ability to assess rates based on individual household situations. Your specific submission points have been passed to your local councillor.
Rating system	525	S.F and J.L	Wall		RD 3	Option 1	Option 1	1/ To assume a property that has a higher value means automatically people can afford to pay more is a fallacy and unfair. Often mortgages are higher. Rates obviously are higher. And these can be families, or older residents, who have lived a long time at their properties and are on fixed incomes. For the rates we are charged, living rurally, we receive nothing other than a rubbish collection.	Rates are a property tax. Unfortunately council's do not have an ability to assess rates based on household income. Council has a number of rating policies that aim to assist in cases of financial hardship and there is a rates rebate scheme where for low income households a portion of the rates are paid directly by the government. If you contact the rates team they will be able to provide information on these policies and the rebate scheme.
Rating system	584	Bernardette	Wood		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	<p>I do not support the LTP as I believe that the valuation system that has been used to justify rates increases for Ngaruawahia is unfair.</p> <p>1/ The LTP has outlined that spending will be primarily in the North and that there is no immediate focus on Ngaruawahia although we carry the highest rating increases. Ngaruawahia households should not be carrying the extra financial burden of improvements to other communities in the district. The targeted rates paid by Ngaruawahia households should be spent on improvements in Ngaruawahia.</p>	<p>Targeted rates such as those for waste water, water, refuse collection etc. are a standard district wide charge, shared by all properties who receive that particular service. No single community could afford the cost of major repairs or renewals themselves so the need to treat the district as a whole is vital.</p> <p>Every town (including Ngaruawahia) has had their fair share of targeted rates spent in their community in the past, and this will happen again in the future.</p>
Rating system	606	Nicky	Moore		Mercer	Option 4	Option 3	Dear Waikato District Council. Thank you for the opportunity to have a say on the rates. I would also appreciate your reviewing the recent valuation of my property at 58 Koheroa Road, Mercer. My home was built in the 1920s and requires extensive work on it externally including reroofing which I am currently unable to afford and also requires internal renovation [my home has no shower only a bath]. I do not believe that your last valuation is correct due to these issues and would appreciate	Council does not undertake property valuations. These are performed by an independent company named QV who carries out this service nationwide for all councils.

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								your review of this matter and evaluation of property. kind regardsNicky Moore PS we have a large power pylon close to the house.	
Rating system	616	Trish	Forsyth		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	<p>Ngaruawahia - LTP</p> <p>1/ Ngaruawahia is not being supported in the LTP. Our residents are being hit with the highest increases in the District with little to no spending to be done in this town. In previous budget rounds the UAGC was reduced to meet the property valuation increases due to the impact of lower incomes not only in this town but also Huntly. These meetings were debated at length with very strong interactions across the floor. To say now 'we want the whole district to have the same UAGC' is ludicrous as this seriously impacts lower economic areas when the spending is not being done here.</p>	<p>The UAGC has always been the same amount district wide. It is the one rating tool council has to ensure every single property in the district pays a minimum standard amount for all universal services.</p> <p>Councils preferred option (lower the UAGC) benefits the majority of properties in Ngaruawahia at the expense of significantly higher value properties (\$1 million plus) throughout the rest of the district.</p> <p>Targeted rates such as those for waste water, water, refuse collection etc. are a standard district wide charge, shared by all properties who receive that particular service. No single community could afford the cost of major repairs or renewals themselves so the need to treat the district as a whole is vital.</p> <p>Every town (including Ngaruawahia) has had their fair share of targeted rates spent in their community in the past, and this will happen again in the future.</p>
Rating system	616	Trish	Forsyth		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	<p>Ngaruawahia - LTP</p> <p>2/ The Council is double dipping with Ngaruawahia and Huntly due to the high increase in property valuations which should have minimal impact to rates, and Council should have taken this in to account, whilst our more affluent areas like Tamahere and the newer area of Pokeno have had minimal increases but huge infrastructure money to be spent from our rates.</p>	<p>Council does not undertake property valuations. These are performed by an independent company named QV who carries out this service nationwide for all councils.</p> <p>As council has selected a capital value rating system, any community that experiences a higher percentage valuation increase than other areas will also invariably receive a higher increase in rates.</p> <p>Changing the level of UAGC is one mechanism that allows council to recalibrate some of these inequities which is what council has proposed to do this LTP.</p>
Rating system	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>18/ Our community is asking the question. Are we the Golden Goose dropped in the WDC basket?</p> <p>This committee is concerned about the balance of spending in Pokeno equalling the rateable income received. All these issues impact on the wellbeing of all our community members. It is time for council to consider our needs seriously.</p>	<p>Rating information is compiled based on wards not the individual villages or census area units. In the current financial year the residential properties in Awaroa ki Tuakau Ward contributed 7.85% of total rating income and for those same properties based on the preferred solution and movements in property valuations, in the 2018/19 year it will be 8.15%. Proportionately the residential properties in this ward make up 23% of the overall residential properties in the district.</p>



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Refuse/Recycling	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	5. Waste Management and Minimisation certainly we need to minimise waste, recycling is one way but with China not accepting any more recycling from other countries this recycling will need processed here more. The Waikato District Council needs to support to minimise waste and clean at the source so it can be recycled so the companies like Oji Fibre Solutions can process them, so it doesn't get dumped in a landfill.	Our Waste Management and Minimisation Plan will be out for consultation in May - please see our proposed activities for the next 6 years. I would encourage you to engage with the plan and look forward to your submission. With regard to reducing waste; you are absolutely correct - minimising the amount of waste that is generated by each and everyone is top of the list and we all play a part in this. However you mention recycling and increasing recycling - if CDL does get approved by Central Government, then this will have a big impact on recycling levels. With regard to having further processing facilities in NZ due to the impact of National Sword, this would be a central government level decision with advocacy from local government and business but it is a challenging space due to location, quantities and the price of virgin materials. The Council is committed to minimising waste, support from community is important to achieve change
Refuse/Recycling	169	David	Packer		Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	2/ While I can see some merit of user pays with refuse collection the stickers are just an additional rate. This appears also to lead to some trying to avoid the cost. We have 2 immediate neighbours to the north of us who burn rubbish in 200 litre drums including plastic to reduce what they have to put out causing air pollution.	The user pays refuse service is designed to run hand-in-hand with an education strategy. The goal of the system is to reduce waste to landfill and educate our residents on the issues surround solid waste.
Refuse/Recycling	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	3/We object to Huntly's only project being \$600k on the Resource Recovery Centre, this is not just for Huntly, it is used district wide, therefore Huntly only receives a small portion of benefit.	The resource recovery centre will not be paid for only by Huntly residents. Agree the benefits are broader and this has been reflected in the LTP.
Refuse/Recycling	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	5/We object to the removal of many rubbish bins from Huntly Domain, now rubbish is being dumped close to where the bins were, creating smells and eyesore	A rubbish bin at the Huntly Domain was removed due to damage. This is due to be replaced within the next month.
Refuse/Recycling	312	Phil	Journeaux		Hamilton	Option 2		4/ I see the Refuse targeted rate is to increase by 22% in 2017/18. While I generally favour targeted rates, I find some irony in the increase. When the \$1.50 stickers were introduced (12 months ago?) it was on the basis of the previous targeted rate decreasing. So within 12 months that promise has proved worthless, as per the earlier comment about the estimated reduction in water services costs.	The increase in the targeted rate for solid wastes is a by-product of the success of the user-pays system. User-pays is more an educational tool and less a cost recovery mechanism. Residents have reduced kerbside waste to landfill and this in turn has reduced sticker usage and sticker income. The increase in the targeted rate will ensure services continue to be provided as expected.

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Refuse/Recycling	534	Bruce	Cameron					<p>5/ Recycling/Rubbish: We would like to see Council progress the purchase of Land for a Resource Recovery Centre in the North. This can be shared with Pokeno. No mention is made or allowed for in the LTP. We did get our hopes up when a recycle centre was due to open and then it disappeared off the radar altogether. Removing rubbish and recycling of recyclables in the northern part of the WDC for those without kerbside collection is very poor with one once a month at Glen Murray and nothing for the Rural areas of Tuakau, Pokeno and Aka Aka. For businesses and those outside the collection area, there are only drop off areas in Waiuku, Huntly and Te Kauwhata.</p> <p>6/ For tourists moving through, especially campers/camper vans/freedom campers there is nowhere obvious for them to dispose of rubbish. The town street rubbish bins are not designed for their "household/van" rubbish. Onewhero domain is a classic case of this problem with freedom campers. They regularly have 25 to 30 each night. The septic cannot take the extra load and is constantly blocking or overflowing. It is not up to the locals to either be continually cleaning up after them or reminding council to do so. As Onewhero is one of the closest stops to Auckland Airport, those ending their tours clean their vans out and dump everything there. Rubbish and recycling needs to be moved forward from its planned 2024 slot and the Board would welcome the opportunity to be involved.</p>	Council is continuing to investigate availability of suitable land for a resource recovery centre in the north. Currently we have made funding provisions for this in 2024, however, should a solution become feasible earlier than this, we will bring funding forward.
Refuse/Recycling	543	Anonymous	Anonymous					<p>I have just read the above document and my blood pressure has soared accordingly. There is no point in making a submission as the Council just goes ahead and does what it wants to do anyway. The only recourse we have is the ballot box, and so many voters are blinded by the "spin" dished out, or just feel it is a waste of time voting. The following areas annoy me intensely:</p> <p>1/ Refuse (page 12) We were literally fed a lot of 'garbage' when you introduced the new stickers. This was supposed to reduce the targeted rate, but no, you are proposing to increase this again already, which no doubt you intended to do all the time. We just can't believe what you tell us.</p>	The increase in the targeted rate for solid wastes is a by-product of the success of the user-pays system. User-pays is more an educational tool and less a cost recovery mechanism. Residents have reduced kerbside waste to landfill and this in turn has reduced sticker usage and sticker income. The increase in the targeted rate will ensure services continue to be provided as expected.
Refuse/Recycling	571	Charlotte	Catmur		Raglan	Option 2	Option 2	2/ In addition, basic rubbish and recycling facilities need to be installed at high traffic tourist zones, for example at the beach.	Your comments will be taken into consideration when reviewing Council's future waste requirements.
Refuse/Recycling	593	Venessa	Rice		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	4/ Not supported - Waste minimisation - Use pays stickers and reduction of recycling has not worked. Look forward to reading more on this issue.	The WMMP is currently out for consultation.
Refuse/Recycling	596	Bruce	Cameron			Option 4	Option 1	<p>2/ Rubbish/recycling In the northern part of the WDC we only have one recycling facility outside of curb side collections, which is at Glen Murray. This service is once a month. For those people within a reasonable distance of Glen Murray it is fine. However for those further afield there is no viable alternative. There is no obvious facility for tourists travelling through the area especially those in camper vans and this can only but increase the amount of rubbish that ends up on the roadside. The freedom camping area at the Onewhero Domain is setting a bad example of rubbish dumping. Recommendation Council needs to secure land for a recycle / rubbish centre, probably in the Tuakau Pokeno area, and obtain a resource consent for it. The running of this facility can then be contracted out</p>	Council is continuing to investigate availability of suitable land for a resource recovery centre in the north. Currently we have made funding provisions for this in 2024, however, should a solution become feasible earlier than this, we will bring funding forward.



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Refuse/Recycling	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	9/ Rubbish Recycle Transfer Station: The promised plans need to be implemented now, 2024 is too late	Council is regularly reviewing options for a recover centre in the north. Should appropriate land become available, Council would look to bring this project forward.
Refuse/Recycling	650	John	Mitchell		Taukau		Option 1	1/ We also submit that Waikato District Council provide a rubbish and recycling depot to service the north Waikato areas that do not have kerbside collections. Currently a large part of the northern area is unable to dispose of their rubbish and recycling. Our nearest facility is in Te Kauwhata, and it is only open two days a week. If council wants the district clean and tidy, without rubbish being thrown out on the roadside, they need to provide a facility. If council is unable to provide this facility we submit that you restart the monthly collection mornings at suitable sites throughout the northern area, charging a targeted rate if required.	Council is continuing to investigate availability of suitable land for a resource recovery centre in the north. Currently we have made funding provisions for this in 2024, however, should a solution become feasible earlier than this, we will bring funding forward.
Refuse/Recycling	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	7/ trash transfer station	Council is regularly reviewing options for a recovery centre in the north. Should appropriate land become available, Council would look to bring this project forward from 2024.
Refuse/Recycling	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	9/ Waste Management and Minimisation, Raglan has been the standard setting for the council	Agreed, the XZW model is in many ways industry leading.
Refuse/Recycling	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	10/ Refuge and recycling, Raglan is the trend setting of the country	Agreed, the XZW model is in many ways industry leading.
Refuse/Recycling	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	11/ Raglan (food waste) organic kerbside collection. is ground breaking in this space and will need more consultation into the cost benefits of this programme moving forward. Building and Maintaining Infrastructure Roads and transport ;	Agreed, the XZW model is in many ways industry leading.

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Grant funding	464	John & Dorothy	Wakeling		Hamilton			The Sculpture Park @ Waitakaruru Arboretum is a 17.5 ha fully-developed regional asset, a rehabilitation project of a former quarry undertaken over 27 years. The park is now an outstanding arts-in-nature experience, located in Scotsman Valley equidistant between Hamilton, Cambridge and Morrinsville, at the south-eastern end of Waikato District. When it was open every day for 8 ½ years, it hosted a succession of sculpture exhibitions, attracting up to 10,000 visitors a year. The entry fee for visitors and other sources of revenue never quite covered the cost of running exhibitions and the park maintenance. For this reason, the park has only been open by appointment in recent years. We started the 'Share the Park' campaign early this year, setting out to demonstrate support to reopen the sculpture park and arboretum as a free-entry public space. If the cost of maintaining the park is met, many more people could enjoy it. We had 4 open days Anniversary Weekend and Waitangi Day when more than 1000 people visited the park. On a crowd-funding site we raised \$8000 from 64 donors to cover the cost of impartial reports on the maintenance costs and improvements to health & safety. 190 people over one month completed a survey about their perceptions of the park. This supporting information is now available. We are seeking a long-term partnership with funding organisations, just to cover the cost of maintenance. The cost of maintenance is based on a primary funding organisation having a 'licence to occupy' so that it can be open daily for free. The park is a good candidate for the proposal of local authorities in the Waikato to collaborate and co-fund regional assets through the Community Facilities Funding Framework <a href="https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/LTP-FWD10/Documents/10374937.pdf">https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/WRC/Council/Policy-and-Plans/LTP-FWD10/Documents/10374937.pdf</a> . Hence we are making a submission to the Regional Council and all four territorial local authorities close to the park. The above proposition is an inexpensive way to provide for a destination park of regional significance. The park has a proven track record of drawing regional and overseas visitors as well as providing a resource for environmental and arts education. Many of you may have visited the park in the past. Please take the opportunity to come with your family on the 29th April. Alternatively, take a look on our website and view the short overview video.	No response required
Grant funding	534	Bruce	Cameron					2/ The Board would like to thank the council for the skate park budget of \$350k. However, we feel this is potentially light with the planned expansion of Tuakau. There is a lot of youth now, and with the planned growth, there is going to be a lot more. Skate parks are a great attraction for youth and a great activity that gets them outside and active, both physically and socially. Therefore we would request that this be placed on the external funding list.	All external funding requirements would need to be applied for and followed up by the relevant community groups with support from council staff. Council would not seek the funding on behalf of the community groups specifically.
Grant funding	534	Bruce	Cameron					13/ Port Waikato The Board supports the Hall/surf lifesaving complex and is thankful for the council's support on this. \$500k was, we believed, set aside for the boat ramp/wharf at the Port. Has this been carried forward?	There is no \$500k amount set aside specifically for the Port Waikato Boat ramp /wharf.
Grant funding	551	Michelle	Hollands	Sport Waikato	Hamilton			See attachment	No response required

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Grant funding	552	Richard	Briggs	Hamilton City Council				<p>HCC is supportive of the Waikato Regional Council's (WRC's) approach to considering providing funding for regional facilities that offer significant benefit for the Waikato Region. Such an approach needs to be undertaken on a fair and equitable basis for the region's ratepayers. To this end, HCC supports WRC's development of a Community Facilities Framework as outlined on page 23 of their Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan Consultation Document.</p> <p>As you will be aware, HCC is proposing to contribute \$4 million (\$2 million in 2021/22 and \$2 million in 2022/23) towards a multi-sport indoor recreation centre being developed by the University of Waikato, pending a detailed business case.</p> <p>The proposed Indoor Recreation Centre will be based on the University Campus in Hamilton to cater for the needs of a growing city and will also service the wider Waikato Region. The proposed indoor recreation centre is supported by Sport Waikato and aligns with the recommendations from the Waikato Regional Sports Facilities Plan.</p> <p>HCC would like WDC to note that we are requesting that WRC provide funding of an additional \$2 million towards construction of the University of Waikato Indoor recreation facility via the Community Facilities Framework to ensure other surrounding residents and ratepayers in the region, including those in Waikato District, support this sub-regional facility.</p>	No response required
Grant funding	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				<p>WRC thanks WDC for its current contribution to the Lake Waikare and Whangamarino catchment management plan and Waikato and Waipa Rivers restoration project. We request that WDC provides additional funding for the plan and strategy implementation.</p>	No response required
Grant funding	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				<p>With the projected growth of the Enviroschools programme, WRC has increased its investment in this area and is pleased to be partnering with you to expand key environmental learning into more schools within the Waikato district. We would like to acknowledge the ongoing support WDC has provided to the Enviroschools programme and hope we can continue to work with you going forward.</p>	No response required
Grant funding	604	Timothy	Duff					<p>7/ More control given to RCB for WDC discretionary spending. Most of the money WDC has is allocated to spend is fixed and well planned. There is a certain amount that does not fall into this category which may be called discretionary spending. For example perhaps the \$161k WDC has allocated towards the Pillboxes may fall into this category. The RCB are elected members by the community where as WDC staff are not. Empowering the RCB will achieve better results and satisfaction for the community.</p>	

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Grant funding	650	John	Mitchell		Taukau		Option 1	2/ We submit that council include funds of \$5000 to construct, in partnership with the community, a BMX track on the Onewhero Reserve. The community is prepared to undertake all the physical work – track construction, fencing, planting however we will need financial support for contract a digger driver, purchase fencing materials and metal and lime chip for the surface of the track. We submit that WDC also provide financial assistance in developing a third multi-purpose sports field on the Onewhero Reserve. Our two existing fields cannot cope with the demand, especially for the junior part of the club and we regularly have to use the Onewhero Area School's field to cater for all the teams. While the school is accommodating, there is also increased interest in both local soccer and cricket clubs starting. The third field could accommodate both of these activities. Again, the community is more than willing to work with council to develop the third field.	Council is willing to speak with the Onewhero Domain Committee to discuss the development of a BMX track.
Grant funding	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	3/ Housing infrastructure fund, we have a community project (WRAP) that requireswoe support (Raglan)	The Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) which Council applied for was specifically to support a major housing development (for 1600 houses) in Te Kauwhata. There is at yet no official announcement by Government if it is to make more funding available for the HIF . However your point has been noted.
Grant funding	711	Ken	Soanes					<p>A submission to the Waikato District Council from the Raglan &amp; District Museum Society</p> <p>The Raglan Museum Society receives \$20,000 per year from the Council. This submission is a request for that to be increased to \$30,000 per year. Our aim is to increase the hours of paid administrative assistance from ten to twenty per week.</p> <p>The museum runs considerably on the voluntary work of its members. But there is too much work to rely completely on volunteers. For the last few years we have used \$10,000 of the Council's payment for running costs for the museum and the other \$10,000 for administrative assistance, that being ten hours a week at \$20 per hour.</p> <p>The museum has had real success in the years since it opened in its new building on 12 November 2011. Our collection has expanded and continues to do so. Our public profile has grown as we have become an integral part of the tourist town that is today's Raglan.</p> <p>Our visitor numbers have also grown. We are reluctant to charge for entry as we are a public facility and we want people to come. However we do have a moderate charge for entry (\$2 for adults and\$1for children) which does not deter but does show some commitment from visitors and, importantly, enables us to keep a track of visitor numbers. We have had 19085 visitors since opening, that being 14963 adults and 4122 children. These numbers show a steady increase over time, with last year's figures being 1000 more than the previous year. Indeed in this year's January we had a record 644 adult visitors. (The wet January weather helped!)</p> <p>We also have good numbers of school class visits, a result of our policy of targeting schools in our district. We are in danger of becoming victims of our success in that we need more effort in appraising and cataloguing our growing collection, in meeting the requests of not only school parties but various tours that include the museum in their Raglan visit, in answering the queries of visitors and, generally, the day to day tasks that</p>	Council will unfortunately not be in a position to provide additional funding over and above the \$20K p.a it currently provides. We advise that the Raglan & District Museum Society recovers this cost through its fee structure.

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								<p>are part and parcel of a functioning museum.</p> <p>Our finances are suffering. I attach our financial statement. Do note that we have run deficits in the past two years. We do need greater assistance.</p> <p>We acknowledge the real support we have received from the Council.</p> <p>The museum would not exist without it. The Council operates under the correct understanding that support for museums is part of its function.</p> <p>We submit that we have repaid that support by becoming a really good museum in a town where our role is appreciated and supported by locals and visitors.</p> <p>We now ask the Council to acknowledge our success and, because of it, our greater need.</p>	



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Grant funding	731	Sarah	Nathan					<p>See attachment. Please find attached (file) an overview of the Waikato Arts Navigator. It is a joint framework developed by Creative Waikato available to all Councils in the wider Waikato region.</p> <p>It goal is to build a collective vision for arts and creative outcomes in your community.</p> <p>Creative Waikato would like to work with your staff to devise a simple arts action plan for the Waipa District to align to regional goals of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creative Prosperity</li> <li>• Creative Experiences</li> <li>• Creative Wellbeing</li> <li>• Creative Excellence</li> </ul> <p>This is a simple way to have an effective arts strategy utilizing existing knowledge of your communities' activities and working from strengths. Start with what you are already doing and build from there. Let's talk more.</p> <p>Creative Waikato has been working hard in the Waikato region for the last 6 years at no cost to WDC, mainly thanks to funding from Trust Waikato. We support artists, build capability with arts groups, build audiences and advocate nationally for better arts investment in our communities.</p> <p>We request as part of this submission:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The opportunity to work with your staff over the next 3 years to develop an arts plan that aligns with the Waikato Arts Navigator</li> <li>2) That Waikato District Council allocate Creative Waikato \$6,000 per annum to support and build focus to grow the Waipa Creative Community.</li> </ol>	<p>Waikato District Council will be developing an Arts Strategy in the new financial year. We welcome the support of Creative Waikato for such a strategy. However we note that Creative Waikato is seeking funding from Waikato District Council for the Waipa District Council's Waipa Creative Community. Whilst we support and wish Waipa District Council well on this initiative, we recommend that Creative Waikato approach the Waipa District Council directly for funding for helping with its own initiative as it is not appropriate for Waikato District Council to use its ratepayers money to fund a Waipa District Council initiative.</p>
Public transport	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>4) Another issue is the concil plans of commuter traffic, looking at decision and implementation in 2042-2048. By this time the problem would become out of control and potentially attempted to be fixed with a bandaid solution. Park-n-Ride facilitieies and public transport solution should be at the top for growing developments such as Pokeno. Council is aware that the majority of resident commute to Auckland and hamiltion for work, however are they aware of the current commute times and choke points. Traffic to Auckland builds up at RamaRama. Within 5 years with increase development in Pokeno and surroudning areas it will be nearing Bombay or possible down the hill. Take a drive on a sunday afternoon on toward auckland and you will experience a taste of what is to come for north waikato ratepayers. Transport solution for 2042 is not acceptable, if the council expects ratepayers to be pay extremely high rates then take action. There are solution such as tolling or value added transport solution. Examples have a company pay for the infrastructure and give them tolling right till a certain date to recoup cost and interest. Have a transport company establish a bus service to Pukekohe trainstation like park n ride service. This would employ staff reduce vehicle traffic, carbon emission and improve transport system. 2042 is too late ACT NOW, rather than putting band aid solutions</p>	<p>Council is committed to improving public transport within the district. This is especially the case for the northern Waikato where Council, together with the Waikato Regional Council, undertook a review of public transport in this area last year and has identified increases levels of services for towns such as Pokeno, Te Kauwhata and Huntly especially with regards to Auckland and Hamilton. These interventions are being considered by both councils as part of their respective LTPs. Council also supports park and ride facilities and staff are currently undertaking an assessment of such a facility for Tuakau, Pokeno, Te Kauwhata, Huntly and Ngaruawahia as part of a Strategic Business Case on Transport Connections between Hamilton and Auckland. There are funding implications for such facilities as you will know and we will be making a case to Government to provide funding support to build such a facility in anticipation of a future passenger rail service.</p>

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Public Transport	245	Carole	Chambers		Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	2/ Transport (Tuakau Buses) - We used to be able to shelter from wind and rain under a small overhang both at the library and at the hotel, until the route was changed. Now on St Stephens Ave behind the butchers shop we get drenched and remain wet from 10:30 until the bus returns from Pukekohe after 3pm.	The roading team will investigate the provision of a bus shelter at this site.
Public Transport	310	Gary	McGuire	Tuakau & Districts Development Association	Tuakau			8/ The re-establishment of our Tuakau Rail Station & supporting links to the outlying areas. This requires support & action, not just political talk between other affected agencies. WDC, WRC, Trans-Rail, Kiwi Rail, ATEED & Central Government.	The establishment of a rail platform in Tuakau is important to Council to prepare for a potential passenger rail service between Hamilton to Auckland. This is why we have committed \$511,000 in the long term plan for refurbishing such a facility. We absolutely concur that such a facility needs to be supported by an appropriate park and ride facility -which Council staff are in the process of looking at options with Kiwi Rail. This is being done through a Strategic Business Case on Transport Connections between Hamilton and Auckland which will help Council and its partners on such an initiative advocate to government for funding such a facility to support a future train service.
Public Transport	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				<p>Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to transport improvements and encourages Council to recognise in the Draft 2018 LTP a commitment to the government adopting a mode-neutral key theme as identified in the Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport.</p> <p>Rationale</p> <p>Waikato DHB supports proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to manage maintenance budgets, focus on priorities for road safety, and plan for transport interventions in growth areas.</p> <p>We encourage Council to recognise in the Draft 2018 LTP a commitment to improving all modes of transport in recognition of the government's recent signal that it is adopting a mode-neutral key theme in the revised Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport, including walking and cycling and public transport<sup>13</sup>.</p> <p>Non-road modes including walking and cycling and public transport encourage physical activity which is identified as a preventative factor for many chronic heart conditions such as diabetes and heart disease. Daily exercise has proven health benefits such as lowered obesity rates, reduced risk of stroke and other cardiovascular diseases, reduced risk of diabetes and increased physical fitness and mental health<sup>14</sup>.</p> <p>Waikato DHB is also aware of local community transport services provided in Waikato District which enable access to hospital health services –for older people in particular. On average people consume 30 percent of their whole of life health care services in the last few years of life.</p>	No response required
Public Transport	534	Bruce	Cameron					8/ Train Station/Park & Ride: Land purchase Planning needs to be in place for the possibility of a train stop and Park and Ride. There are very limited parcels of land available near the Train station and with the Boards local knowledge would be keen to help achieve an outcome.	Very preliminary planning has begun for re-opening the Tuakau station to provide commuter services to Auckland. Engagement with the Community Board will be useful (vital)



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Public Transport	534	Bruce	Cameron					14/ Tuakau bus transport servicesWith the growth of Tuakau the need for an efficient and regular bus service tying in with the trains in Pukekohe is essential for the Town.The promotion of a train stop at Tuakau is also going to be vital to cater for the growth of the town in the future.	The draft LTP contains budget for a Pokeno - Tuakau - Pukekohe bus service. The suggested timetable provides for 15 services each way on week days and 7 on weekends. The schedule is designed to provide connections to the current train timetable. An enhanced service from Te Kauwhata is also proposed.
Public Transport	552	Richard	Briggs	Hamilton City Council	Hamilton			<p>HCC is supportive of the Government's priority/policy to provide substantial funding towards an interim rail service between Hamilton and Auckland.</p> <p>We endorse the proposal in the Waikato Regional Council's Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan supporting a passenger rail start up project that is in part funded through a targeted rate charged to Hamilton ratepayers i.e. Under Option 2 in the Waikato Regional Council's Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan this would see the majority of Hamilton ratepayers paying less than \$30 per year towards the service.</p> <p>Similarly, HCC also endorses the proposal in the Waikato Regional Council's Draft Regional Land Transport Plan currently being consulted on that supports a daily rail service between Hamilton and Auckland.</p> <p>Prior to all councils making decisions on their respective Long Term Plans, HCC expect to be further advanced in respect of more detailed government policy and will be more informed by the passenger demand survey that is currently underway. Local government also expects to be better informed by the recently released Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport.</p> <p>In this period, the Waikato Regional Council and HCC also expect to advance discussions with government and KiwiRail on the rolling stock ownership model and the makeup of the cost information they have provided.</p> <p>As part of its commitment to the service, HCC has made land purchases (around \$6 million) that are in close proximity to The Base to provide a rail station and a future park and ride facility to support the rail service.</p> <p>HCC is supportive of and acknowledges WDC's capital funding provision of \$500,000 in 2020 in its Draft 2018-28 LTP for infrastructure to support a passenger rail service i.e. the Tuakau Rail Platform.</p> <p>A significant number of WDC residents are likely to make regular use of the Hamilton to Auckland rail service (especially residents living in Huntly and Tuakau) and particularly in light of the continued substantial growth over recent years in the Pokeno-Hamilton corridor.</p> <p>Given this, HCC believes that WDC should subsidise the operation of the Hamilton to Auckland rail service to the same level as HCC ratepayers.</p>	No response required
Public Transport	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				<p>WRC supports the proposed improvements to public transport services in the north Waikato that aim to provide improved public transport connections between north Waikato towns and the Auckland region. We request that WDC ensures appropriate public transport infrastructure, such as bus stops and shelters, is included in the LTP to support the delivery of proposed public transport services in North Waikato. We also support the proposed Hamilton to Papakura commuter bus service being identified in WDC's LTP as a 'provisional activity', with a view that this activity will not be implemented if a passenger rail service between Hamilton and Auckland is confirmed and endorsed by central government and regional partners.</p>	No response required

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Public Transport	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				WRC is currently consulting on an interim Hamilton to Auckland passenger rail proposal as part of its LTP. The exact timing of the start of this proposal is contingent on a number of issues being resolved including funding, availability of rolling stock and upgrade of stations and associated infrastructure. We note that WDC has included funding for the upgrade of Tuakau railway station in 2021/22. Given the proposed passenger service could potentially start at the end of 2019, we recommend that this funding is brought forward to 2018/19 to allow work to be completed by August 2019. We also request WDC sets aside funding to allow for further improvement to be made to the Huntly railway station so that it is fully operational in time for the interim rail service.	No response required
Public Transport	612	Barbara	Barrand		Pokeno	Option 3	Option 2	We moved to Pokeno in 2017 with the promise of infrastructure and facilities. The message from WDC is these things cost money however, due to large rates increases we find it hard to believe there isn't funds available. Yes we appreciate investment costs however we were, along with thousands of others, encouraged to invest here in property on the promise of better facilities and infrastructure. The priorities as we see them are; 1/ Transportation. A bus service and a rail link is needed urgently.	Council thanks you for your submission. Our staff are currently investigating a rail service in conjunction with Hamilton City Council, NZTA and the government. Bus services are in place and will look to increase over the next three year period and beyond.
Public Transport	621	Kitty	Burton		Hamilton			1/ The Matangi Community Committee requests the provision of a bus bay and turning area in the village to improve safety for the intermediate and High School students who wait for buses to travel to school in Hamilton each school morning. The current stopping place on the side of the road is too near the intersection and there is no access to shelter. From the last LTP process we were advised that the committee needed to say where they wanted the bus bay to be and last year residents nominated the Jack Foster Reserve as the most suitable option. The current bus route means the stopping and turning area would need to be large enough to enable the bus to pull off the road and turn to go back toward Hamilton. The alternative to this would be a roundabout at the Matangi Road/ Tauwhare Road intersection. A recent accident at the intersection highlighted both the need for better control at the intersection and that the current bus stop is too close to it. The vehicle lost control at the corner and had there been any students at the bus stop they would have been in the direct path of the vehicle. A roundabout would mean that the bus stop could move to the Jack Foster Reserve but the construction of a bus bay would not be required as the bus would be able to turn at the roundabout.	Council thanks you for your submission. School bus service infrastructure is not currently funded by the New Zealand Transport Agency, however we will undertake to investigate the suitability of the Jack Foster Reserve option.
Public Transport	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	5/ Public Transport We support efforts to provide public transport and bus links for Pokeno residents. We would like you insure that timetabling is such that buses arrive in time for train connections in Papakura and Pukekohe. We also support commuter bus services from Hamilton. We support proposed bus scheduling linking Pokeno, Tuakau and Pukekohe. Planning should begin for a railway station and park and ride facilities. We urge you to represent us vigorously on these matters during your negotiations with the Waikato Regional Council and the New Zealand Government	The draft LTP includes a proposal for a bus service from Pokeno to Tuakau and Pukekohe. The proposed timetable provides 15 return trips per weekday and 7 on weekends timed to connect with the train at Pukekohe.

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Public Transport	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno/ Public transport /train station	The draft LTP includes a proposal for a bus service from Pokeno to Tuakau and Pukekohe. The proposed timetable provides 15 return trips per weekday and 7 on weekends timed to connect with the train at Pukekohe. Land has been purchased for a train station and proposals will be developed in conjunction with NZTA and Kiwirail
Regional Fuel Tax	169	David	Packer		Hamilton	Option 4	Option 2	3/ The danger with a Regional fuel tax is that it is just another form of rates and we see rates go up overall. I would rather the Council focused on improving efficiency.	Council's position on fuel tax is that if Auckland have a fuel tax and Hamilton are also permitted to levy a fuel tax that petrol stations within the Waikato district will likely follow suit in terms of pricing. If the cost at the pump goes up, council would like those funds to be ring-fenced for the benefit of our ratepayers (like will happen in Auckland) and our local network rather than as a profit to the petrol companies. Your point regarding efficiencies is noted and was certainly at the forefront of our planning process.
Regional fuel tax	472	Katherine	Wilson	Property Council New Zealand				Regional fuel tax 8.1 Given the recent Government announcements of a national fuel tax being implemented for regional development, the Property Council does not support Waikato's bid for a regional fuel tax. Instead, we support the Council developing a proposal to Government to receive national fuel tax benefits for projects that align with the Government's priorities of a wider rail network from Waikato to Auckland. We believe this would have more weight than the current consultation document requesting funding for roads, given the Waikato expressway is a Road of National Significance which has received Government funding and is set to be completed by December 2020. 8.2 The Property Council is yet to see evidence that a regional fuel tax should be requested for the Waikato region.	No response required
Regional Fuel tax	605	Glenda	Raumati		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	4/ The LTP will result in inequitable investment across Waikato and disproportionate investment in the northern communities at the detriment of Ngaruawahia. We do not support regional petrol tax.	Targeted rates such as those for waste water, water, refuse collection etc. are a standard district wide charge, shared by all properties who receive that particular service. No single community could afford the cost of major repairs or renewals themselves so the need to treat the district as a whole is vital. Every town (including Ngaruawahia) has had their fair share of targeted rates spent in their community in the past, and this will happen again in the future.

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Regional Fuel tax	616	Trish	Forsyth		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 2	Ngaruawahia - LTP  5/ With regards a Regional petrol tax, how can this benefit our area when it will be administered by Central Government. Is this not what the Government is advocating they are looking at? If not and this is 'on top of their proposal' I do not support a further increase. I can appreciate the district has been lumbered with old SH1 roads but these at the very least should be in very good condition to start with, not like previously when pot holes were prevalent and it was catch up to repair these roads.	Should a regional fuel tax be introduced, this revenue would come directly to council to be spent on roading within our district. Any funding council applies to roading is currently matched (approx.) by NZTA so council receives double the value of any roading expenditure it outlays. This would also be expected to offset rates increases should the regional fuel tax be implemented in future years. A regional fuel tax would be separate (additional) to any that central government applies.
Regional fuel tax	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				We do not support any future regional petrol tax in the district. No petrol tax applied in the Ngaaruawaahia community (and broadly the district)	No response required
Regional Fuel Tax	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	1/ Transport Fuel Tax Proposal of a petrol tax was supported but we want transparency in its management and want that revenue is ring fenced for roading issues	Thank you for your submission. Council continues to work with government to further understand this potential tax.
Regional Fuel tax	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	8/ Regional Fuel Tax, if the community gets a rate reduction then this community would be fully supportive.	Yes, this would be expected to offset rates increases should the regional fuel tax be implemented in future years.
Regional fuel tax	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				Fuel tax - Support for an 11.5c/litre regional fuel tax is welcome, but seems unlikely to eventuate in the next 3 years.	No response required
Regional Fuel Tax	730	Daniel	Rensburg					5/ Fuels levies currently only target diesel or Petrol vehicles and does not tax electrical vehicles, which is not fair. It could also be based on toll for actual users of the road, rather that fuel levy.	Thank you for your submission. Council continues to work with government to further understand this potential tax.
Consultation	39	Crystal	Lange		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 1	Council applied bias by only showing impacts (pg 21) for the councils own preferred options.	Legislation requires council to indicate it's preferred option against alternate solutions. The rating information database which is particular to your property provided the factors for calculating rates under all of the options.
Consultation	580	Roger	Bright		Hamilton			Inclusion as stakeholders in Council decisions. Waikato Sport Fishing Club and its members are key stakeholders in regard to the boat ramps, boat access and parking with the Raglan area. As key stakeholders, Council is required to inform and consult with our club. We therefore request that Council in the future informs the Waikato Sport Fishing Club directly of any proposed changes to the ramps, reserves associated with the ramps and parking for boat trailers by a direct email to our president at president@waikatosportfishing.co.nz.	We have included your contact details and interests in our stakeholder database. We will be in contact should we be seeking public feedback on issues affecting your stated interests.

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Consultation	719	Paul	Le Miere	Federated Farmers				<p>Federated Farmers commends WDC on the good use of benchmarking (page 21), to illustrate the projected rating impact of the plan across a range of property types. This information has been used, in part, to inform aspects of this submission. However, we do find some of the graphs used in the Consultation Document not particularly useful in terms of telling the full story or providing the information which would enable fully informed submissions to be made.</p> <p>The graph on page 10 is one example which we consider has the potential to significantly misrepresent the intended purpose of rating proposal and is designed to engender support for Council's preferred option rather than provide information which would help inform the debate.</p> <p>One of the two key focuses of the Consultation Document is to re-balance ratepayer contributions to the General Rate to address fairness and affordability issues. It is disappointing therefore to find no specific information, graphic or otherwise, which shows how the proposed UAGC options, will affect ratepayer contributions to the general rate fund. This is the stated purpose of the proposal after all. The pertinent information is a breakdown of how the variable component of the General rate is made up and how the UAGC options would modify that.</p> <p>The graph below has been created using the benchmarking information provided in the consultation document. It tells quite a different story in terms of fairness and how the property value, based rates burden is shared across the district than the graph used by Council on page 10.</p>	No response required
Consultation	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				<p>The information about the LTP is set out in 4 documents and this submission is set out under those headings. One, the 'Consultation Document', which is required by the 2014 amendment to the Local Government Act 2002, was delivered to most households (possibly only to 67.2% who are ratepayers, rather than the third who are tenants? - the Act only requires councils to tell people that the document is available and how to access it). Other information is in Regional Council papers and more was made available at consultation meetings, some only in response to questions. Therefore many submissions are likely to be made on the basis of very limited information. The value of such 'consultation' is not as great as it could be, but the 2014 Act does limit the information and it has been audited as within that Act.</p>	No response required
Footpaths	550	Daryl	Smart		Hamilton			<p>Te Otamanui Walkway</p> <p>This project has been a huge success as we near the completion of stage two of the proposed walkway. The project has so far received nine of the ten annual grants of \$25,000 per annum and we acknowledge Councils support to complete the walkway. We note the final \$25,000 is included in the 2018-2019 year of the LTP and thank Council for honouring the commitment made many years ago.</p>	No response required
Footpaths	622	Kitty	Burton	Matangi Community Committee	Hamilton			<p>The Matangi Community Committee with the support of Matangi School request additional footpaths to ensure greater safety for children and residents and meet the desire of residents and visitors to have better options for exercise.</p> <p>This request has become more urgent with the increase in the school roll and consequent increased traffic and options for the school to use local facilities.</p>	No response required



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Footpaths	622	Kitty	Burton	Matangi Community Committee				<p>Footpath from Matangi Village to the Matangi Hall.</p> <p>The Matangi Hall is a community facility utilised by the school and community. With the increase in the school roll the school onsite Recreational Centre can no longer accommodate all pupils so the Matangi Hall becomes the best option for a whole school event. A footpath on Tauwhare Road from the railway line to the Matangi Hall would enable the students to be off the roadside and therefore more safely get to the hall. A way to safely cross Tauwhare Road to the Hall would also need to be created as part of this work. A number of community events, regular sports and meetings are held at hall during the day and at night. It would be good for Matangi village residents to be able to walk to and from these events. Poor street lighting and lack of a footpath currently make this a hazardous walk at night. A footpath and improved street lighting would increase safety in this area.</p>	The footpath from the village to the Hall has been added to our footpath programme. In conjunction with our safety engineer we will also look at a crossing point.
Footpaths	622	Kitty	Burton	Matangi Community Committee				<p>Footpaths/ cycleway for Matangi area and to Hamilton</p> <p>Matangi is already a popular area for cyclists and while the road cyclists are happy to share the road there are more people who do so reluctantly or not at all but would like to safely walk and cycle along our roads both for recreation and to get to school and work .</p> <p>The paths would allow more Matangi School students to walk or cycle to school and for Intermediate and High School students who need use local roads to get safely to the bus route to school.</p> <p>The request is therefore for off road paths running alongside or separate from the roadway.</p> <p>Given the distances involved we do not imagine it being done all at once or being of concrete - a firm gravel surface would probably be less expensive, but we would like a plan over time that would begin with paths radiating from Matangi that would eventually connect to create a network useful to all users:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Matangi Village to Matangi West</li> <li>Matangi Village to Hoeka Road</li> <li>Matangi West to Assisi Home</li> <li>Hoeka Road to Woodside Road</li> <li>Taplin Road to Lee Martin Road</li> <li>Woodside Road</li> <li>Fuschsia Lane</li> </ol>	Council will review the request in conjunction with its overall footpath/cycleway programme. We appreciate and understand the safety concerns and desire to create a connected network. It is good opportunity for the Council to work alongside the community.

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Footpaths	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	4/ Footpaths and Connectivity Footpaths must be confirmed for ALL of Helenslee Rd. We require: Corner of Munroe and Helenslee. Helenslee to the corner of Pokeno Rd opposite the school. Helenslee above Gateshead Rd to Hillpark Rd where it is missing from the subdivision connectivity. Where are the plans for our footpaths for Helenslee Rd? On Helenslee Rd we have a dangerous blind corner which requires street lighting and double yellow lines. On the corner of Munroe and Helenslee Rd we require a stop sign. This is not a wish it is a requirement. Where are the plans for our footpaths and cycleways connecting our new subdivision to our existing PokenoVillage?	Council is currently undertaking the planning and design stage for the urbanisation of Pokeno in accordance with all the developments. In regards to the footpaths we are constructing two new temporary footpaths, one outside the Pokeno School and another at the intersection of Munro and Helenslee Roads. These two footpaths will be completed before the end of the financial year.
Footpaths	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	Additional to the attached I would like to see the following applied for Pokeno/ foot paths all around school and down to Munro rd sport field	Council looks to work with the developers wherever we can to extend teh footpath network where it is appropriate, safe and provides connectivity. we are also looking at increasing the level of funding available for footpaths around teh district including Pokeno. The sites around teh school are noted and are on our list for progressing over the next LTP period.
Footpaths	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	12/ Maintenance: we agree that the footpath maintenance and extensions will increase and include the recommended Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study action F) b) i. & ii. • Safety : we agree on high priority safety issues such as bridge and structure replacement as detailed in the recommended Raglan Visitor Infrastructure Study action C) a), and the safety of the foot/cycle traffic across the Wainui Bridge.	No response required
Footpaths	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Building and maintaining infrastructure - footpaths. See attachment.	Council thanks you for the submission. In relation to footpaths and safety concerns. Staff are looking at how they can best utilise available funds across the district for new footpaths. In conjunction with our safety engineer we will investigate your specific requests and see how we can incorporate into our future programmes
Footpaths	730	Daniel	Rensburg					15/ That the footpaths in Pokeno next to the waterway be sealed, instead of gravel. Footpaths extend from Pokeno to new subdivisions	The footpath network in Pokeno is being reviewed and works will be programmed over the next 3 year period.
Aquatic Centres	529	Raewyn	Lambie		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	5/ The Huntly swimming pool has not been kept up to standard, painting etc. the North Waikato Aquatic Trust took 10 years to get that pool refurbished so that it could be used all year at a cost of around 3 million dollars. Also the current managers are not very efficient. I took my grandchildren there on a Sunday during the school holidays and there were only two lifeguards on duty and they were very young. There was also a birthday celebration going on too so I thought at least another lifeguard was warranted.	A significant amount of interior maintenance was undertaken in 2017 including refurbishment of all changing facilities and replacement of all Pool lighting fitting with LED fittings. The exterior west side of the building ( main entrance side ) is due to be re-painted in May 2018
Aquatic Centres	529	Raewyn	Lambie		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	6/ While I am on the subject of swimming pools, the shade sales at the Ngaruawahia pool do not belong to the Council. The Ngaruawahia swimming club purchased those. Also there needs to be more advertising to say that the pool is there for all to use.	Council have been maintaining the shade sails , one of the shade sails was repaired in Nov. 2017. The company managing the Pool have increased the advertising of the Pool through social media.



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Aquatic Centres	605	Glenda	Raumati		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	3/ We want a new aquatic centre and recreational facility developed in Patterson Park.	Please discuss your options for priorities including a new aquatic centre with your local Community Board members.
Aquatic Centres	608	Janice	Hona		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	We do not support the priority projects for Ngaruawahia. We want investment in a new aquatic and recreational centre at Patterson Park as submitted in February 2016.	Please discuss your options for priorities including a new aquatic centre with your local Community Board members.
Aquatic Centres	610	Pourewa	Paikea		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	I do not support the priority projects for Ngaruawahia. I want a new aquatic centre in Patterson Park as submitted in 2016.	Please discuss your options for priorities including a new aquatic centre with your local Community Board members.
Aquatic Centres	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	8/ Swimming pool ,recreation centre	We recommend that you discuss your requirements with members of your Community Board.
Aquatic Centres	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					Genesis Energy Huntly Aquatic Centre This fantastic millions of dollars Waikato District Council ASSET has not had the regular maintenance, with recent photos showing small trees growing in the gutters, Slime on the Genesis Energy Huntly Aquatic Centre on the west/south side of the entranceway. Faded paint, and over the past three months out of the six showers that were installed, only one was working. Not sure if the issue has been sorted yet. I believe there is a further problem to the heating of the pool, some days there is warm water coming in and others cold water coming in. This asset is only 10 years old on 13th November 2018 and it needs a good clean up. Like the hall, Council state it is underused, what advertising is done for the facilities at Huntly Domain by the Council. If the pool was at the correct temperature during winter, a lot more people will be interested in using the pools. The pools state is very disappointing as a member of the former North Waikato Aquatic Trust who worked for 10 years to get this facility built.	No response required
Economic Development	420	Dallas	Fisher	Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency	Auckland			See attachment.	\$60,000 is included in the draft LTP.
Economic Development	471	Nienke	van Dijken	Tourism Industry Aotearoa				See attachment.	The draft LTP proposes increased investment in Council's economic development programme . This programme proposes continued co-funding of the Hamilton & Waikato Regional Tourism Organisation, support for our local Destination Management Organisations and tourism operator clusters across our district. The draft LTP also includes a proposal to co fund the regions new Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency.
Economic Development	543	Anonymous	Anonymous					4/ Huntly needs some employment opportunities urgently. We are supposed to be in this wonderful golden triangle but nothing to show for it.	No reply necessary as there is no name nor address with this submission.

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Economic Development	708	Waikato	Tainui					<p>The Consultation Document summary of the District's Economic Development Strategy acknowledges the importance of freight and logistics to the district's economy. This is due in part due to the Waikato District's location within NZ's golden triangle. When planning for the district, these transport connections need to be fully understood and leveraged as much as possible. Planned growth nodes such as Huntly or Pokeno and large-scale future development locations such as Meremere need to be identified early in both strategic plans and master plans and built into road corridor and growth strategies. It is important that transport connections into these areas are promoted, or in the case of Huntly, managed to retain the economic potential of the town and to avoid a stranded community due to the social and economic risks associated with the pending bypass.</p> <p>W-T requests equal representation at the table as and when wider transport plans for the area are being considered, as well as partnering with Council to implement a master-plan for Meremere. As W-T is a key Meremere landowner and developer, discussions at this early planning stage will ensure that options for the development of Meremere are maximised, further developing the economic potential of the district.</p>	Council welcomes any opportunity to work with our Partner Waikato Tainui. The draft LTP will continue to support our partnership approach.
Economic Development	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	<p>7/ Economic development, is the major concern for our Board as we are well behind the eight ball in consultation and engagement, as item is always under the Public Excluded section of Council business.</p>	<p>Your comments are noted. There is strict criteria around when agenda items can be excluded from the public. Often due the commercial sensitivity of economic development these items fit this criteria. In regards to general economic development in Raglan, council often work with developers to ensure their intention aligns with Raglan Naturally. Council hosts monthly free business service to assist business owners with their economic growth aspirations. When Raglan Naturally is updated we will actively promote the town in alignment with these aspirations. Raglan is openly promoted through both Council and Hamilton &amp; Waikato Tourism initiatives.</p> <p>The draft LTP proposes an increase in resource to support the increasing demand for economic development activity.</p>
Local projects	564	David	Whyte					<p>Connectivity</p> <p>Huntly has a piece of infrastructure that is essential to the community, but the council does not own this. The walking bridge that connects town to the West side. I do believe Kiwirail own the bridge and walkway. It would be wise to have money allocated to purchase/upgrade/upkeep the bridge if Kiwirail decide to no longer use the line. Also given it is an essential part of the community, WDC should be proactive in securing the future of this bridge, instead of reactive. Also I am aware that Kiwirail may remove the walkway bridge if they think it is more hassle than it is worth. Hence adding more importance to WDC being proactive.</p> <p>Recommendation: That WDC puts aside money to investigate long term options of the walk way bridge. With the view for obtaining the bridge for the community.</p>	No response required

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Local projects	564	David	Whyte					<p>Loss of parkland</p> <p>Lake Puketirini is unique in the Waikato being a healthy deep water lake. This provides business and recreational activities for locals and people from the wider Waikato. A satellite shot is shown below. Due to the Solid Energy sell off, significant chunk of the surrounding parkland has been sold off. One would presume that WDC didn't purchase it, otherwise it would have been in the papers. I personally don't think people appreciate how much land was sold off, that appears to be part of the park. I spend random times in these now sold areas hunting for fungi. It consistently surprises me how many walkers are out and about in this park like area, clearly enjoying the environs.</p> <p>The loss of land, is highlighted in blue, on the satellite image. As you can see this is significant. And once developed, over the next decade(s?) will make an impact onto the quality of life experienced by those who regularly use this area.</p> <p>There could be a silver lining in this sell off. The Huntly East underground mine site was sold to a local business owners. They plan to develop this site into a facility for recreational activities.</p> <p>Obviously the owners need this to be a successfully commercial venture. But there could be opportunities for the council to work with the new owners, to develop space(s) that public could have access to. For example if the council plants out an area in natives, then the public could have walking rights, or something of this ilk.</p> <p>Also there could be opportunities with the rail line removed from along side East Mine road, that could be used for walking / biking. I am currently unaware of how wide this corridor is, who owns it, and how it could be developed.</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That the council activity pursues opportunities to work with the new land owner, which will benefit public access to the land. Also money is put aside to develop a food path / walking path along McVie Rd / East Mine Rd if and when the opportunity presents itself.</p>	No response required
Local projects	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				<p>The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board does not support the priority projects identified for Ngaaruawaahia. These projects were not identified by the community.</p>	No response required

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Local projects	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust				Building and maintaining infrastructure Infrastructure Strategy - 40% - Tuakau 2019-20 - Skatepark \$350k. This is not a core activity for Council - Tuakau/Pokeno 2021-24 North Waikato Resurce Recovery Centre \$3.1 million. Kindly advise what this actually is. - Pokeno 2019-22 Library services centre \$3 million. We do not need a physical presence for a Library. The internet is a larger library by far. - Te Kauwhata 2019-20 - Walkways \$2.3 million. What walkways are the Council considering? It takes 6 years to build? Hopefully not the national walkway, as this should be funded by Government. - Huntly 2019-20 - Resource recovery centre \$600k. Same comments as above. - Tamahere 2022 - 28 - Walkways \$1.5 million. Comments the same as Te Kauwhata. Six years to build? - Raglan 2020-22 Restoration of hertiage site \$161k. Is this project a core council activity? - Raglan 2023-26 - Walkway content unknown. Kindly advise how much? Comments same as others. - Ngaruawahia 2019-28 - Restoration of heritage site \$418k. Is this a core activity? It takes 7 years? - Ngaruawahia 2022-27 - Walkways \$402k. Comments are the same as above. Five years to build?	Most if not all of the proposed items listed here have been supported by the respective community boards and elected members for these areas. We recommend that you consult with your local elected member in the first instance.
Local projects	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Building and maintaining infrastructure - public toilets. See attachment.	Staff will consider these when reviewing future projects for the Mercer area.

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Local projects	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				<p>Raglan projects - There is considerable confusion about projects shown on the map on page 15 of the consultation document. The only survey with significant community input in recent years was done in 2014, but several other lists of Raglan priorities exist -</p> <p>\$161,000 for restoring the Raglan pillboxes in 2020 is a mystery. It seemed to have been rejected as too expensive when last considered in August 2006. Yet somehow it has made it to the list of Raglan projects in this LTP, despite Tony Whittaker, Cr Lisa Thomson and Raglan Community Board seemingly knowing nothing of how that happened. It is still too expensive and moving heavy machinery on the beach risks damage to the beach.</p> <p>2023-26 Wainui walkway and bridge upgrade for \$7.6m appears to have evolved from the scheme agreed with Raglan Land Co for that company and council to contribute \$3m each to widening Wainui Rd where it crosses Opotoru Creek. This scheme should be evaluated along with parking and shuttle bus proposals to ascertain whether a quality shuttle bus service would be cheaper and more effective than the combined bridge and parking options. Meanwhile, the serious accident with a mobility scooter shows that the walkway over the bridge is unsafe. A clip-on solution should be urgently investigated.</p> <p>In October 2014 Raglan Community Board Community achieved a 25% response rate (378 survey forms) in a survey which indicated that Raglan's top five Long Term Plan priorities were</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Continued development of footpaths in Raglan</li> <li>- A heated swimming pool</li> <li>- Additional areas for parking in the CBD</li> <li>- A new footpath from Whale Bay to Manu Bay</li> <li>- Public transport – increase bus services to &amp; from Hamilton</li> </ul> <p>Tony Whittaker said at the 28 March public information session that footpaths will have \$½m pa district wide. As below, this is out of a roading budget of \$34.5m ie 1.5%. As noted below, this is inadequate. This list of Raglan projects was on display at the 28 March session (even the year sequences don't fit and neither councillor, nor community board, knew anything about them!) -</p> <p>Year 1   (2018/19) Install new access way – Raglan Cemetery</p> <p>Year 2 (2019/20) Coastguard – Raglan- Boat Ramp Upgrade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Te Mata cemetery expansion</li> </ul> <p>Year 2 (2020/22) Restoration of heritage sites (Raglan pill boxes)</p> <p>Year 3 (2021/22) Wallis Street – Raglan- Boat Ramp Upgrade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greenslade Rd Intersection - Planned for 2020/21</li> <li>• Lorenzen Bay Rd Ext. - Planned for 2020/21</li> <li>• Lorenzen Bay Connector Rd - Planned for 2020/21</li> </ul> <p>Year 6 (2023/24 Raglan - new playground</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Puriri Park- Boat Ramp</li> <li>• Upgrade Wastewater treatment plant upgrade \$15.6m</li> </ul> <p>Year 9 (2026/27 Kopua Domain – RaglanPlayground Upgrade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Riria Kereopa Memorial Drive - Raglan- Toilet Upgrade</li> <li>• Wainui Beach - Raglan- Toilet Upgrade</li> </ul> <p>Prioritised amongst the entire district's toilets so date yet to be confirmed</p> <p>2023-26 - Wainui walkway and bridge upgrade \$7.6m</p> <p>In 2017 Raglan Community Board submitted this list as their high priority items for the LTP -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Upgrade and improve wastewater solutions for the pending Consent</li> </ul>	No response required

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								Renewal *Upgrade and improve wastewater solutions for the pending Consent Renewal * <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Raglan Naturally Review</li> <li>- Raglan Structure Plan</li> <li>- Create a footpath/boardwalk from town to Manu Bay and Whale Bay</li> <li>- Create footpath on Stewart on Gilmour Street and off street parking on Lower Stewart St</li> <li>- Create more bicycle lanes on high use routes, ie, from population nodes to school to Kopua to CDB to beach</li> <li>- Create a Recreation Centre for the community</li> <li>- Create an indoor swimming pool</li> <li>- Safety rails on Wainui Bridge</li> <li>- Parking in CBD</li> <li>- Improved water quality</li> <li>- Review Toilet Strategy</li> <li>- Continue funding and support for Xtreme Zero Waste</li> </ul>	
Halls	545	Robert and Tina	Macnab		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 1	1/ Review of hall targeted rates boundariesIn my case I pay rates to Naike Hall where I mainly use Te Akau Waingaro Community Complex. These areas are outdated based upon halls being linked to schools and outdated social activities. A Lot of these schools have closed so the communities need for the hall has diminished. Our needs are better met at Te Akau.RoadsLocal communities should have more input into roading strategies.	A Review of the Halls catchments has been proposed to ensure a consistent approach to how the Halls are funded. Halls usage will also be monitored in conjunction with the Committees to ensure they remain relevant and useful to the community.
Halls	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	7/ Pokeno Hall: This is used daily. Budgeting needs to be included for its upgrade to cope with this increased use.	The recent hall strategy suggests that the hall has medium to high usage however still has the potential to accommodate further visitations. Therefore at this stage there is no proposal to increase the size or expand the Pokeno Hall.



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Halls	649	Mark	Brown	Life Unlimited				Community Facilities and Halls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Community Facilities and Halls to exceed the building code NZS 4121 provision for accessibility. Access to facilities, buildings to meet Barrier Free requirements and standards to be fully accessible especially for wheelchair and mobility aid users.</li> <li>• Allow – footpaths in front of Community Facilities and Halls to be designed to accommodate a mix of users eg space for and accessible for older people, wheelchair users, mobility scooter users, etc.</li> <li>• Parking spaces – Accessible parking that is conveniently close (walkable) to all Community Facilities in sufficient numbers to meet or exceed the legal required numbers. Designed to meet Building Code NZS 4121.</li> </ul>	No response required
Halls	652	Lance & Kath	Straker		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 1	10/ hall upgrade	We recommend that you discuss your requirements with members of your Community Board.
Halls	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	6/ Halls and community facilities, as one of the most utilised Hall in the District we would expect full consultation in the future .	Should any significant decisions regarding halls or community facilities become necessary, Council will certainly engage with the Raglan Community Board.
Halls	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Halls and community facilities. See attachment.	Staff will consider these when reviewing future projects for the Mercer area.
Wastewater	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				Waikato DHB supports Council's plans to continue implementation of the 'Continuous Improvement Programme' for wastewater services, and the associated reduction in waste water spills into Raglan Harbour. Waikato DHB supports the continuing implementation of plans to prevent wastewater spills into Raglan Harbour, including the monitoring equipment upgrades, asset assessment, and public education programmes. Wastewater spills into Raglan harbour place recreational users of the harbour at risk of illness from contaminated water. We support actions to prevent such spills from reoccurring.	No response required
Wastewater	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				WRC acknowledges the considerable growth occurring in the north Waikato district and the challenges this places on existing wastewater treatment plants and associated infrastructure. In particular and as you will be aware, the development of Te Kauwhata has posed some real challenges to WDC with regard to community expectations for the removal of treated wastewater discharging to Lake Waikare in the immediate future. It is our expectation that development contributions and government funding will assist WDC to provide sustainable alternatives for improved wastewater treatment and discharge for this community. WRC is also aware that other smaller wastewater treatment plants such as Meremere and Te Kowhai are currently seeking new discharge consents, however, improvements are required until the centralisation of wastewater services is achieved. The mothballing of these older systems with the reticulation of wastewater from these smaller communities through to a modern plant is supported.	No response required



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Wastewater	564	David	Whyte					Waste Water Huntly also has a crappy sewer network (sorry couldn't resist). It has ageing infrastructure, and the overwhelming majority of it, is class 4 or the worst, class 5. and most is not self cleaning. Given that councils core business should be its core services, waste water should be given a high priority. Recommendation: That the long term plan increases money for sewer replacements / upgrades in Huntly	No response required
Wastewater	604	Timothy	Duff					4/ Sewage upgrade 2021 A working group needs to be formed as soon as possible with resources given by WDC to seek professional advice on options and alternatives for the treatment system. When the best options have been narrowed down to a few by the working group another document similar to the LTP Consultation Document or Raglan Chronicle in scope should be sent out to all Ratepayers and community over the Winter period for consideration and feedback. I believe this approach would create better community approval and potentially save WDC lots of money.	Council is in the process of implementing a re consenting strategy that will deliver such an approach.
Wastewater	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Building and Infrastructure – Wastewater. See attachment.	At present, there is no wastewater utility in Mercer, therefore no option to connect. There are no immediate plans for a pipeline to be laid through the area. As a result, we would be happy for residents to maintain their own septic tanks for residential wastewater, and have the option to connect to the network if they wish should a wastewater reticulation line eventuate. There would not be 'forced' connections for residents.
Water quality	6	Carl	Ammon					4/ Water quality needs urgent attention and it is good works are projected.	Waikato District Council takes our responsibility to provide safe drinking to our communities very seriously. Council will continue work to maintain or improve standards

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Water quality	6	Carl	Ammon					6/ The council needs to work with the regional council to address water quality issues in urban and farming areas.	Waikato District Council has strong relationships with many parties interested in the health of our Wai, Waikato Regional Council is one of these partners.
Water quality	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	7. Page 14 Water Services, Agree that water should be treated to the highest standard practical for above normal events is good but to make these treatment stations cope with extreme events isn't even practical and the costs would just blow your budgets to make the treatment stations comply with the standards in extreme events so Best Practical Options (BPO is in the RMA) is the way forward for these treatment stations.	Waikato District Council strives to deliver a cost-effective service. Any option adopted by Council is assessed with legislative and financial requirements firmly in mind.
Water quality	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	7/We object to the Huntly water quality, it is barely fit for consumption at times	A number of initiatives are already in place regarding this ongoing issue. Of particular note are two recent assisted flushing programs undertaken on Councils behalf by Hydrotech.
Water quality	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council				WRC is conscious of the multiple potential requirements territorial authorities are facing with their current municipal drinking water supplies given the various recommendations set out in Stage 2 of the Havelock North Drinking Water Inquiry. It is likely the recommendations will result in additional costs and capacity needs in the drinking water supply area of each council. As a result of the inquiry's recommendations, WRC would like to work collaboratively with you to help implement the recommendations where appropriate. In the meantime, we encourage proposed investments to bring the district's water supplies up to national drinking water standards.	No response required
Water quality	564	David	Whyte					Water Quality Huntly does have serious infrastructure issues. For example potable drinking water supply. Many residents in Huntly currently buy their own drinking water because they do not trust the water supply. It is often dirty, discoloured or tastes bad (metallic or over chlorinated). WDC are aware of the problem. And slowly working to overcome it. The cost of cleaning the pipes is expensive, and would be in the order of \$100k's so needs to be budgeted. The real problem is the 90+% of the water supply pipes are asbestos cement. These need to be replaced. This obviously is an expensive exercise. Low socio areas should not be afraid enough to be buying water to drink, these families have other pressing priorities that such funds could be used towards. Recommendation: That the long term plan includes all water pipes being cleaned. Also that money is also allocated for pipe replacement.	No response required
Water rates	33	Ron	Gibson		Tuakau	Option 4	Option 2	3/ Water rates is my final point of dissatisfaction. I am please that you are of the opinion that it should be user pays. A considerable proportion of my water usage (particularly during spring, summer and autumn) goes on the garden. Why am I, under your user pays policy, paying a waste water tax on this water. It is not going into your waste water system so I am being penalised for having a garden. I brought up this complaint when I was in the Auckland Super City and was met with a brick-wall. They were content to bury their heads in the sand and hope the challenge to their user pays policy would go away. Is the Waikato District Council no better than the Auckland Super City?  Yours Faithfully, Ron Gibson	The decision to transition to volumetric water invoicing was primarily around bring equity to how the District recovers the cost of providing this service. Volumetric wastewater invoicing is always a possibility, however, this methodology of recovering the costs of the wastewater service is believed to be unsuitable. One water use reduction initiative that Council encourages is the use of rain water as an outside water supply. Installing rainwater storage would both reduce your usage and reduce the impact your garden maintenance has on your water invoice

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Water rates	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	2) The forecasted rates increase for the three waters would see an average household(2 adult 2 kids, in a 3 bedroom house with a CV of \$550,000) paying an average of \$158.33. I am sure the council has forecasted the water rates for the next 10 years, the council should release this information in a simple bar chart progression based on an example of the council definition of an average household.	Council has forecasted water rates for the next 10 years. This information is provided in the LTP consultation document.
Water rates	250	Bruce and Geri	McCutchan		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	6/We object to paying for our water, many major cities do not have meters, we know this is also a lead in to wastewater charging on water usage	Residents in the Waikato District, like all residents in NZ receiving municipal drinking water, have always paid for the treatment cost of providing that water. Prior to the introduction of water metering, Council charged all water users "the average" cost of water per household via their rates. This method sees low volume users subsidise the high volume users. Invoicing for water on a metered rate provides a more equitable user pays method, whereby all users pay a fair prices reflecting their usage. A by-product of this approach is also increase awareness of personal/household water usage and therefore a greater focus of responsible water usage by our residents.
Water rates	529	Raewyn	Lambie		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	2/ I do not think that it is fair that householders have to pay for their water supply. Each house should have its own water tank so that all the lovely rainwater does not go to waste. Maybe people would learn to appreciate water and not waste it so much.	The decision to transition to volumetric water invoicing was primarily around bring equity to how the District recovers the cost of providing this service. Volumetric wastewater invoicing is always a possibility, however, this methodology of recovering the costs of the wastewater service is believed to be unsuitable. One water use reduction initiative that Council encourages is the use of rain water as an outside water supply. Installing rainwater storage would both reduce your usage and reduce the impact your garden maintenance has on your water invoice.
Water rates	543	Anonymous	Anonymous					2/ Water ratesNothing annoys me more than the constant spin you feed us on the reason for changing our water services. The new meters were supposed to make it fairer for everyone. Why is it Huntly East have their meters up and running, but on the West side of the river there are no water charges. It seems more than a coincidence that the Mayor and a good proportion of councillors are on the West side, or live rurally. Perhaps Huntly East residents are conditioned to paying their rates bills! I get sick and tired of the constant claim that the water infrastructure is in a bad way. I personally think our hard earned rates are going towards the infrastructure in the golden North Waikato subdivisions of Te Kauwhata, Pokeno and Tuakau. How about the user pays system and put these charges on their rates, not ours.	Water metering is universal and includes both Huntly East and Huntly West.

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Water rates	730	Daniel	Rensburg					4/ Water levy should be based on usage per household, or amount of persons per household rather than on "per household" or on "value of property"	Council has implemented universal water metering. All properties received two charges, a fixed targeted rate that primarily covers the fixed cost of running the network (depreciation, consenting, etc.) and a volumetric charge that primarily covers the variable costs of treating the water (electricity, chemical costs, etc.)
3 Waters Infrastructure	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	2. Page 6 the Management of Water, Wastewater and Stormwater, this is and issue that is dear to the heart of many. Waikato District Council needs to put into place at these sites what is practical to treat the water to a standard that meets the water quality in normal events but you will never meet the most extreme events that nature will send to you to the standard that is required. The cost to meet the most extreme event would just bankrupt the ratepayers of this district. Would support a small contribution from the general rate to help pay for these up grades.	Waikato District Council is committed to delivering a cost effective service to rate payers and the community. This service looks to find the balance between level of service, legislative obligation and affordability
3 Waters Infrastructure	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	3) UAGC. The council foresighting of population growth has been poor at best and in my opinion will be poor going forward. The council seems to be implementing bandaid solutions to issues. Rather than implementing processing to aid growth bring more people into the waikato, increase rateable income and reduce the burden on each ratepayer in the process. Lets take Pokeno, the council expects the population to increase more significantly over the next 10 years compared to most surrounding regions. However according to to 30 year plan the council has the expected start of construction of the reservoir and network upgrades will not begin until 2021-2025 the is half way through the expect population boost. population would be at over 6000 at this point. The network currently has failed on several occassion with blocked pipe and burst pipe. what is the concil plan of futuing proofing infrastructure?	The capital works programme takes into account growth and upgrades are planned at intervals that ensure that these upgrades occur at the correct time. My staging infrastructure upgrades appropriately the cost of upgrading is apportioned to those who receive the benefit (new residents)

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3 Waters Infrastructure	466	Greig	Metcalf					<p>5/ Building and maintaining infrastructureTable 7 of the Draft Infrastructure Strategy (Page 1–16) details a proposal to fund the design and construction of a wastewater pipe from Te Kowhai village to the Hamilton network (preferred), or alternatively an upgrade to the existing wastewater treatment plant. The timing for a decision is the 2027 LTP, with design and construction between 2029-2033. The submitter is supportive in part of this proposal. However, given the existing discharge consent for the Te Kowhai wastewater treatment plant is due to expire in September 2018, and that Te Kowhai village has been identified as a potential growth node under both Future Proof and the Draft Waikato District Plan, it is submitted that the timing for this work is brought forward to ensure there is good alignment between growth projections, land use, infrastructure and funding. In the event that wastewater services are extended from Hamilton, it would be prudent to also include potable water supply. The submitter requests a decision be made in the 2018 LTP with design/construction to occur in 2020-21.</p> <p>Summary In summary the main points of this submission are:? Support Council’s approach to support growth in targeted areas. ? Support Council’s Master Planning initiative, but with the inclusion of Te Kowhai as an early priority. ? Support Council’s sub-regional planning and District Plan review projects. ? Support the establishment of a shared waters management company (Option 2)? Support the investigation, design and construction of a wastewater solution for Te Kowhai Village, but with timing to be brought forward.</p>	Service discussions for Te Kowhai by Hamilton City Council are ongoing and only a potential option at this stage. Should an agreement be reached (or not), funding for the solution would be brought forward to appropriately meet demand.
3 Waters Infrastructure	599	Tamahere Community Committee	Tamahere Community Committee			Option 4	Option 2	<p>5/ Water Reservoiri. This project has been on the books for many yearsii. TCC has consistently questioned the need for this to be builtiii. No detailed paper on justification has been presented during this time as the project has kept being pushed outiv. TCC notes that Tamahere properties are required to store 22,000 ltr of waterv. The trickle feed system is also in place which also requires a tank to be in place rather than direct supplyvi. Why is a reservoir upgrade required5.</p>	The reservoir project aims to not only increase storage but improve levels of service to some parts of the network by providing pressure. The reservoir project also provides resilience to this part of the network.
3 Waters Infrastructure	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	<p>10/ Water Reticulation: On page15 of the vision document it states there is a budget of \$18.8m for reservoirs in the Pokeno Tuakau area. Is the recently completed reservoir at the end of Hitchen Rd inadequate for the supply of Pokeno?</p>	The \$18.8 mil budget is to deliver further reservoirs primarily in the Tuakau area. Council phases infrastructure to coincide with growth and provide resilience. In many cases it is preferable to service a township from multiple reservoirs.
Ngaruawahia Flour Mill	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	<p>3/ Key projects for Ngaruawahia as in the discussion document (pg15) \$418k for heritage sites with an s implies more than one not just the Old Flour Mill, has any costing been done or once again is a number just plucked out of the air.</p>	We will consider your submission when reviewing the Ngaruawahia Flour mill project post the public consultation period.
Ngaruawahia Flour Mill	592	Alex	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	<p>3/ The old Flour Millwho decided this was a community idea? no one I have asked thinks this is a sound idea in fact it seems that adding these to what Ngaruawahia is getting in the Long Term Plan is a smokescreen to divert attention from rates increases.</p>	We will consider your submission when reviewing the Ngaruawahia Flour mill project post the public consultation period.



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Ngaruawahia Flour Mill	593	Venessa	Rice		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	6/ Not supported - Old Flour Mill - What does the \$418k restoration cover? Why is heritage money being sort for this not ratepayer? What will the flour mill be used for once restored? Not supportedCan you tell me what Ngaruawahia ratepayers and residents can see happening in their town that benefits them?	We will consider your submission when reviewing the Ngaruawahia flour mill project post the public consultation period.
Ngaruawahia Flour Mill	602	Donald	Hagenson		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	4/ No justification or data produce by to support the restoration of the old flour mill which is below the flood level and has limited accessibility.	We will consider your submission when reviewing the Ngaruawahia flour mill project post the public consultation period.
Ngaruawahia Flour Mill	605	Glenda	Raumati		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	2/ We don't want any investment in the Flour Mill.	We will consider your submission when reviewing the Ngaruawahia flour mill project post the public consultation period.
District Planning	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				<p>Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to provide a resource allocation to support completion of the District Plan Review project, and that associated costs are spread across the full 10 years of the 2018 LTP.</p> <p>Rationale</p> <p>Waikato DHB supports proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to provide sufficient resources to enable completion of the Council's District Plan Review Project, including costs associated with making this plan fully operative, and that this cost be spread over the full 10 years of the 2018 LTP.</p> <p>The revised District Plan will provide for statutory provisions which can help enable effective growth management that supports community health and wellbeing. Both current and future ratepayers will benefit from these provisions and so to be fair, these benefits should be borne by both.</p>	No response required
District Planning	550	Daryl	Smart					<p>Te Kowhai Village Green extension.</p> <p>The Te Kowhai Community plan envisaged the extension of the current village green as the village expanded. In November 2016 Council rezoned three parcels of land to country living under PCI7. The plans used in the hearing included stages 2 and 3 which included the extension of the village green, subject to Council negotiating the purchase with the current land owners. Council passed a resolution some months ago to enter into negotiations to secure a contract on the neighbouring Sam property. The Committee urges Council to complete those negotiations as soon as possible as development is now happening under the provisions of PC17 with further developers (Airport &amp; Metcalfe) seeking to add further development in and around Te Kowhai. Once secured the Community is prepared to help with the development of the land for the reserve, as it did with the initial village green, saving Council and thus ratepayers, a great deal of the cost to establish the reserve.</p>	Council acknowledges this request and there is funding in the LTP for this. Once the LTP is adopted it will pave the way for Council to work towards the acquisition of the land to extend the village green.
District Planning	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				The Waikato District Council is being deceptive to community members by aligning its proposed infrastructure strategy with the Heathy Rivers Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 document. The Plan Change is focused on addressing water quality effects from non-point discharges, which effects that mainly arise from rural activities or urban land distance near waterways. We will be seeking an investigation by the Controller and Auditor-General on probity/integrity and accountability of the Waikato District Council in this regard.	Council's Infrastructure Strategy is premised on supporting growth in our key growth nodes whilst maintaining existing infrastructure. Our district is growing and Council is compelled to ensure that this growth can be accommodated in a sustainable and affordable manner and supported by the appropriate infrastructure.

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District Planning	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust				<p>Master Planning - your budget expense is for \$100,000 each year for 10 years. Total expense is \$1,000,000? I shall be please if you forward the application so that I can work for Council on this. All joking aside (maybe not) this is not petty cash we are talking about. Does Council not have its own accountin/revenue dept? I know Hamilton does. Maybe sub-contract to them, they would have most of the data available and only minor adjustments would be required to reflect that is Waikato District not HamiltonMore thought is needed before this amount of money is spent.</p> <p>Sub-regional iniatives - the budget again seems to be on an annual basis i.e. \$70,000 to \$100,000. Total expense to the ratepayer is between \$700,000 to \$1,100,000 over a 10 year period. Comments are the same as before.</p>	Master planning is a significant exercise. Considering the fact that we are committed to doing master plans for each of our main towns in the district together with a few other settlements in which major developments are expected, the amount being requested is actually quite modest. We will be developing such plans with other key partners (many of whom have offered in-kind contribution through staff involvement) which will help keen the cost down. However, there is also a significant amount of community engagement that will inform this planning which will have implications for the way council funds the provision of infrastructure to ensure the sustainable growth of our communities.
Library services	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	5) Pokeno does not have a library, However is a library needed, look at the future of learning everything is moving electronic. The council cant even keep the town hall in good working condition how can it expect to run a library. If the council needs to invest in a library invest a bus that can reach several community not a stationary buidling that will be run down like the Pokeno Hall.	As a growth node for the Waikato District, the proposed building for Pokeno will serve as both a library and council office. This site will give the local community access to professional services i.e. planners; building inspectors; monitoring staff etc. (currently based in Tuakau) as well as convenient access to Council front facing services including payments; dog registrations; booking of burials etc. It will also serve as an area for social participation that people can enjoy as a community hub. It is envisioned that this building will be co-designed with the community to ensure it meets local needs. Public meetings have been held with local residents and these services were desired by those in attendance. In regards to a mobile library service, this was proposed by Council staff through public consultation during 2017. This was not the preferred option for the more than 5000 submitters. As the Waikato District evolves and grows, we will continue to re-evaluate our library services and adjust those to meet the needs and desires of our communities.
Library services	552	Richard	Briggs	Hamilton City Council				<p>Recently WDC undertook consultation around the current agreement for Library services that is in place with HCC. We understand that it is WDC's intention to renegotiate this agreement in the upcoming months.</p> <p>WDC residents use of Hamilton Libraries equates to 11 percent of the total use of our service, with WDC presently paying \$300,000 per annum, or 4.8 percent of the direct costs (excluding overheads), which we believe represents value for money.</p> <p>HCC supports collaboration between our councils and the opportunity for shared Library services.</p>	No response required



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Library services	564	David	Whyte					So when the council moved to cashless offices it made a big impact into the community that runs purely on cash. Now this submission is not to question the decision to go cashless. As I strongly suspect things such as security concerns drove the decision ie it wasn't the cash which was the problem, but the risk to staff handling the cash. But unless I had lived in Huntly and observed how the cash economy works, it wouldn't have even crossed my mind that moving from cash, to plastic, would have an effect.	No response required
Library services	564	David	Whyte					Scan to USB It is great to see photocopying offered as part of the library service. What is not offered is scanning to USB. Many times someone wants a copy, an electronic copy is preferred. Thus scanning to USB would be ideal. This would also lower the cost (no paper, no ink). Appreciate this may not be worthy if being in the 10 year plan. But doesn't fit in the Service Delivery pricing either. Recommendation: Make scan to USB upgrade to the library photocopiers over the next decade.	No response required
Planning for growth	472	Katherine	Wilson	Property Council New Zealand				Planning for Growth 7.1 Property Council is supportive of the Council's Master Planning, Housing Infrastructure Fund and District Plan Review. An integrated wholistic planning and consenting approach will be beneficial in supporting and planning for growth. Integrating the Waikato and Franklin sections into a single district wide plan is one example on how to increase efficiencies within the consenting process for both Council and developers. We are eager to work with Council in the development phase of this process. 7.2 Property Council strongly supports sub-regional initiatives such as Future Proof. This initiative has the potential to drive regional collaboration by monitoring and identifying land supply needs along with an agreed sequence for development over the next 50 years. We support a focus for growth being a coordinated regional development approach. Although Hamilton is a focal point for the region and forms a vital commercial centre, the sub-region is a key economic driver of Hamilton's economic success. 7.3 Property Council supports the need to improve customer experience, focusing on consents, planning, information management, economic development and customer services. The Council's Information Services Digital Strategy will hopefully be customer focused and reduce application time and streamline the process, which would have great efficiencies for our members.	No response required

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Planning for growth	473	Greg	Morton	Waikato District Health Board				<p>Waikato DHB supports the ongoing commitment from your Council to sub-regional planning (Future Proof growth management plan), and to the proposed increase in the annual budget which enables this collaborative work.</p> <p>However, we encourage Council to continue to engage with local communities and iwi on growth management planning, and where possible to enable them to be active participants in it.</p> <p>6. Waikato DHB recommends that Council recognise and incorporate the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda produced by Waikato Tainui, Te Puni Kōkiri and Waikato Means Business, as part of your economic development services provision.</p> <p>7. We request that Waikato DHB and other interested parties have opportunities to contribute to any further development of a future Regional Fuel Tax proposal prepared by Council for Government consideration.</p> <p>Waikato DHB supports the ongoing commitment from your Council to sub-regional planning (Future Proof growth management plan), and to the proposed increase in the annual budget which enables this collaborative work as identified in the Draft 2018 LTP.</p> <p>Waikato DHB encourages Council to continue to engage with local communities and iwi on growth management planning, and where possible to enable them to be active participants in it. This will help ensure that growth management planning responses are developed with local community needs in mind, and are locally owned.</p> <p>We encourage Council to ensure growth management planning includes collaboration with local minority groups to better meet the need of these vulnerable groups in our communities.</p> <p>Waikato DHB is involved in Future Proof, and recognises that Future Proof's sub-regional work complements implementation of the Waikato Plan at a regional scale in which the DHB is an active partner. A participatory approach to planning for these communities aligns with the District's identified community outcomes: "Supporting our communities" and "Working together with you". This approach also aligns with Waikato DHB values of People at heart -Te iwi Ngakaunui and Stronger together – Kotahitanga i.e. collaborate with people in mind to achieve outcomes.</p> <p>We commend Council on its involvement in the North Waikato Integrated Growth Management Programme and we commit to continue Waikato DHB participation in implementing the health components of this programme alongside Counties Manukau DHB. Waikato DHB staff can provide evidence on likely health and well-being impacts associated with growth planning.</p> <p>Waikato DHB recommends that Council recognise and incorporate the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda produced by Waikato Tainui, Te Puni Kōkiri and Waikato Means Business, as part of your proposed economic development services.</p> <p>We have concerns about a regional fuel tax because it would likely disproportionately impact on low socio economic families and whānau. Those people with less efficient and/or older vehicles are likely to be paying up to twice the amount more for their petrol than those with newer or hybrid vehicles<sup>12</sup>. Given this, we request that Waikato DHB and the other interested parties have opportunity to support any further development of a Regional Fuel Tax proposal prepared by Council for Government consideration to ensure potential negative health and wellbeing impacts are minimised for vulnerable population groups.</p>	No response required

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								Finally, we also ask that Council considers the needs of the local communities within the district which are not currently experiencing growth to ensure that they have the infrastructure and services that they require to maintain and improve their health and wellbeing.	

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Planning for growth	708	Waikato	Tainui		Hamilton			<p>As identified in many national, regional and district strategic documents, the Waikato District is experiencing significant business and residential growth. The measures set out in the LTP Consultation Document to proactively plan for this growth<sup>3</sup> are supported by W-T. They provide an integrated strategic approach to managing and supporting growth which promotes and enables development in the district.</p> <p>The Consultation Document summarises the need to develop comprehensive master-plans to manage growth, which will require a significant level of resource to implement. WT supports Councils view that these are required and have a view that master-plans are a critical next step following the North Waikato Integrated Growth Business Case (NWIGBC).</p> <p>We appreciate that with targeted rates pressure and rate increase limits, master-planning for the district may be difficult to research, plan for, and achieve. With the collaborative approach signalled in the Consultation Document, Council opens the door to more innovative approaches to planning. Critically, this means that Waikato District Council does not need to manage its constrained funding environment alone and can look to partners to provide support in this area. Bearing in mind the potential for benefits to the tribe and local community, W-T signals a willingness and intention to undertake, in partnership with Council through appropriate processes, planning studies in areas where there is mutual interest and/or enhanced potential for W-T or tribal benefits.</p> <p>Undertaken in a transparent manner, such an evidence based approach to planning will reduce the risks to Council, and would help to contribute to the viability of future developments.</p> <p>Areas identified with significant industrial or commercial development potential for W-T are Meremere and Huntly, where there is a significant W-T footprint. Supporting Council to deliver plans for Meremere provides more certainty to W-T that the area which is already zoned for industrial growth will also enable our more specific opportunities and aspirations. In terms of achieving wider outcomes for Waikato District, commercial or industrial development in the Waikato district will add value per capita, improve the productivity of the district, and improve the standards of living in Waikato District communities.</p> <p>As noted above, W-T have a vested interest in development which improves the well-being and prospects of the W-T people and our environment.</p> <p>W-T request that Council support the development of master plan for Meremere in the 2019/20 year, with Waikato District Council and WT entering discussions on how the process may be undertaken in a mutually beneficial and transparent manner, and can be incorporated into the wider strategic plans for the North Waikato.</p>	<p>Council is committed in ensuring that the wellbeing and prospect of Waikato-Tainui is enhanced. This fits in well with our vision of building liveable, thriving, connected and complete communities. As no doubt shared by the tribe, it is important that growth and development within our district occurs in a sustainable and affordable manner. It is also important that relevant constraints and hazards are taken into account when doing growth planning as there has been significant lessons learnt for New Zealand as a whole due to a number of natural disasters that has affected several communities over the past few years. We are aware of the tribe's aspirations for both Huntly and Meremere but we lack the detail of such aspirations. We therefore welcome the opportunity to engage with the tribe on these aspirations to inform master planning. We also value the tribe's offer of partnering with Council on the development of master plans for Huntly and Meremere. We will consider the request for a master plan for Meremere in 2019/2020 through the development of a master plan programme.</p>

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Planning for growth	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee	Mercer			Planning growth - master planning. See attachment	Council is committed to ensuring that the growth in our district occurs in a sustainable and affordable manner. For this to happen, it is critical that we focus this growth in and around already established towns and build on the existing economy of scale provided by the existing urban footprint to ensure that the provision of services to these towns is affordable. Whist we acknowledge the tourism potential of Mercer we do not see Mercer growing into major residential node like say Tuakau, Pokeno or Te Kauwhata. However Council is committed to sustaining what is there and building on Mercer's tourism offerings.
Raglan Pill Boxes	6	Carl	Ammon					5/ The house go level of spending on an old concrete pillboxes x at raglan is unwarranted - a plaque would suffice. As other public works are of benefit to the wider community . For example walkways and cycle horse trails; footpaths near the highway seem a concern to many.	Your comments will be taken into consideration when reviewing the Raglan pill box project
Raglan Pill Boxes	166	Trena	Marshall		Waikato	Option 4	Option 2	Comments: I have a point to make about 'Key Council Projects in Your Area'. It states that 2020-22 it is planned to restore the Raglan pillboxes at a cost of \$161,000. It is my view that this is an utter waste of money, for the following reasons:  1. Any restored pillbox will be covered in graffiti within a week and littered with broken bottles. 2. In this day and age when historical buildings can be photographed, even videoed, why not gather a collection of photographs of the pillboxes throughout the years and display this collection in the Raglan Museum? An accompanying site map can locate the pillboxes for people. This would be a great project for the \$1 million museum! In this way, council can save \$161,000 and put it toward a classy walkway and cycleway to the sea from Raglan township instead of the weedy, Gap 20 metalled walkway we have at present. Much more useful and it will be enjoyed by a lot of people for many, many years.	Your comments will be taken into consideration when reviewing the Raglan pill box project
Raglan Pill Boxes	696	Annette	May		Raglan			Unless I'm very mistaken, the reference on Page 15 (Map) of 'Raglan Pill Boxes' is a concrete bunker, almost submerged with beach sand and only good for kids to smoke and pee in. With all those rate-payer dollars, what is really needed is more GOOD seating and GOOD (meaning suitable and beautiful) trees. Above the bubble, pointing to Raglan are hastily sketched shapes - which related to VERY large concrete items, which are used all around the world with vulnerable coast lines and retaining sand dunes. Check out our fast eroding beaches.	Your comments will be taken into consideration when reviewing the pill box project. There is a proposal for tree planting around Raglan and in particular Wainui, Manu Bay and the Kopua Domain.
Raglan Pill Boxes	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	15/ Key council projects in your area 2018-28 Raglan restoration of heritage sites (Raglan Pill Boxes, \$161,000) this was a surprise as it has not been on our priority list of projects for the community, footpath extensions is a top priority.	Thanks for your submission. Your comments will be taken into consideration when reviewing the Raglan Pill Box project.



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Roadside Maintenance	534	Bruce	Cameron					9/ Rural Roadside Maintenance Yellow Bristle Grass: This is an extremely aggressive annual plant which spreads rapidly through clean pasture and is becoming very wide spread throughout the district along the roadsides. The main form of spreading is the road-side mowers in the period from mid-December through to mid-end-May when the grass is in full seed production. During this period there should be no mowing; only spraying should be carried out. Mowing can be carried out over the winter period. Council needs to come up with a programme to manage this. A properly managed system may cost little or no more than the current spend on roadside maintenance.	Road side mowing is undertaken for road safety, sight lines and trafficable shoulder where possible, unfortunately with wet summers our higher growth periods have been between December and May. Waikato Regional Council have no advise on effective control of YBG and advise that property owners undertake their own biosecurity measures, this is due to the main cause of YBG being spread is through imported stock feed and ag contractor movement as well as by other means.
Roadside Maintenance	596	Bruce	Cameron			Option 4	Option 1	4/ Yellow Bristle Grass This is an extremely aggressive annual plant that is becoming very wide spread throughout the District. At this time of the year it is very obvious on the side of the road. Council contractors mowing it spreads the seed further and from here it is being tracked onto farms. Recommendation Council formulate a plan to reduce, leading towards eradication of this grass. A properly managed programme may cost little more than the current roadside maintenance spend.	Roadside mowing is undertaken for road safety, sight lines and trafficable shoulder where possible. Unfortunately with wet summers our higher growth periods have been between December and May. Waikato Regional Council have advise on effective control of YBG and advise that property owners undertaken their own biosecurity measures, this is due to the main cause of YBG being spread through imported stock feed and ag contractor movements as well as by other means.
Roadside Maintenance	604	Timothy	Duff					9/ Roadside Spraying Investigate alternatives to the perpetual cycle of roadside spraying. Raglan road side ditches all lead into waterways and then the ocean. There are alternatives and we were able to cope for decades before Spraying became normal. In a lot of situations correct plantings would mean the cycle of repetitive spraying could be broken.	Council will take your submission on roadside spraying in to consideration when a review next done.
Roadside Maintenance	719	Paul	Le Miere	Federated Farmers				Yellow bristle grass (Setaria pumila) is an invasive weed. On highly productive dairy farms, where yellow bristle grass is prolific, annual feed production may be reduced by up to 20% resulting in increased on-farm costs associated because of the need for supplementary feed and/or pasture renovation. The result is estimated to be about \$1,100/ha in lost production. Stock health issues are also of concern as there is evidence that seed heads can cause lesions and ulcers to the mouths of grazing cattle. Federated Farmers is concerned at the rate that it is spreading throughout the Waikato District. Federated Farmers submits this is largely due the mowing of roadside verges and the moving of seeds by this activity. 9 FFNZ submission on the Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28 Federated Farmers urges council to review its process and contract with providers as well as commence a bristle grass control programme. Recommendations: 10. Council funds bristle grass control out of general rates. 11. Council develops a comprehensive plan to stop the spread of yellow bristle grass.	No response required



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Affordability	564	David	Whyte		Huntly			When was the last time your heard "Once I am successful, I'm going to move to Huntly"? The odds are never. Heck the only reason we moved to Huntly was it was the closest place to Hamilton that we could afford to buy a house! Clearly we have loved the town, and what it has to offer, so we have stayed. This is important because it means Huntly does not have a large proportion of people who work in management, or have the skills to successfully engage with beurocratic organisations like the council. So hence what is painfully obvious is in the 10 year plan, that the management making the decisions, do not live, or work, in Huntly. It is not until one works or lives in a community, that one begins to slowly truly understand what the issues are. For example, I never have cash in my wallet, using one of the plethora of plastic cards that inhabit it. But after living in Huntly, came to see that everyone uses cash. A number of reasons contribute to this cash economy, I suspect the dominate one is that you get all your cash out, once it is gone, it is gone. So you can ration it appropriately.	No response required
Affordability	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board	Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	Ngaaruawaahia will not be a liveable, thriving and connected community if our first year of rates is increased by 12.75% and that the use of that income is spent outside of the community from which it was gathered. In this LTP, there is no accountability of the Waikato District Council to the Ngaaruawaahia community as the focus and spending will primarily be in the north in the immediate future with no guarantee that Ngaaruawaahia will receive any support in the review of the LTP in 2021. We have a huge concern that there is no immediate focus on Ngaaruawaahia, yet Ngaaruawaahia will be paying the highest increase in percentage of all other communities. If Ngaaruawaahia are to accommodate a 12.75% increase in rates for 2018-2019, and potential further increases in the following two years thereafter (2019-2020 and 2020-2021), we expect from Council an improvement in the level of service and spending in Ngaaruawaahia. We would like to see a clear description of activities of the Waikato District Council that demonstrates its accountability to the Ngaaruawaahia community. Ngaaruawaahia households should not experience financial pressure to accommodate the growth of other communities in this district. The use of targeted rates should be spent in this community.	No response required
Affordability	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					Huntly Township in General and WDC handling of issues I feel that the Waikato District Council before spending millions of dollars on new facilities anywhere else should take a good look at the facilities in the District and makes sure they are well maintained before spending elsewhere on bike trails (\$10 million??). I know the residents and ratepayers of Huntly have been frustrated with the lack of action re: Bell crossing grass island one of many issues that are not addressed properly and promptly. How much extra is it costing the Council for areas of parks etc. that were left off the latest contract, ie the hill on Hakanoa Lake walkway – Kimihia Road side, it is not even on the contractors tablet. How can this be?? Who was responsible for this? Do you get charged extra, obviously if it is not in the original contract?? How many other areas has this happened, and while you are patting yourself on the back for money saved by going with this contractor #rat least the previous one maintained the area well and had pride in their work, because they lived and worked locally.	No response required

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Boat ramps	716	Sheryl	Hart	Raglan Sport Fishing Club				<p>The condition of the boat launching facilities for the Raglan Harbour and Manu Bay range from having extremely limited functionality to posing a significant danger and are in dire need of attention, also the supporting infrastructure.</p> <p>We urge the council to meet with ourselves as major stakeholders and representatives of other user groups to develop solutions for these issues and increase the enjoyment of boat users drawn to the natural beauty of Raglan, our fishery and coastline.</p> <p>We also have issues with erosion of the back gabion wall, caused by the changing nature of the sea since the shortening of the Break Wall. This is yet to be rectified.</p> <p>Drainage problems in the Manu Bay ramp car park, which were created with the realigning of the road and sealing of the top car park some years ago. Numerous complaints on this issue have been already lodged with WDC. And it's still not fixed.</p>	Your submission has been noted and will be taken into account when reviewing Raglan's future work programme priorities.
Boat ramps	716	Sheryl	Hart	Raglan Sport Fishing Club				<p>Raglan Wharf</p> <p>Best boat ramp in town with limited parking. Originally built by Hartstone Seafood's and local boaties. The pontoon was provided by Raglan Sport Fishing Club at a cost of \$89,000 with WDC funding of \$17,000. We need surety of use of this area, this includes the 48 hour parking where it already exists. This is needed for boats overnighing off the coast and up the harbour. We are not asking for exclusive rights to the area of the board walk or the opposite side of the road in Wallis Street. The only area of exclusivity are the few parks in front of the old cement silos.</p>	Your submission has been noted and will be taken into account when reviewing Raglan's future work programme priorities.
Boat ramps	716	Sheryl	Hart	Raglan Sport Fishing Club				<p>Built by local boaties a long time ago. Rebuilt by the Raglan Sport Fishing Club members around 2005. WDC had received a quote to rebuild the one lane ramp, which was in urgent need of repair for \$186,000. The club met and said "we want more than a one lane ramp" so at a cost of \$56,000 to WDC we built a three lane ramp.</p> <p>The Kopua ramp now has insufficient parking, which is exacerbated by the lack of appropriate marking for the parking layout. We have spent more than 2 years lobbying WDC for this to happen.</p> <p>Many times offering to do it ourselves, still waiting. This ramp is restricted by the height of the walk bridge and the depth of the entrance to the Opouru Channel, which restricts this area to vessels of less than 7 metres and without hard tops, at high and low tide. Vessels over this size have to use the main wharf ramp. Please note that the preferred time to cross the Raglan Bar is high tide. To ensure the safety of vessels using this area with the recently introduced navigational safety aids would be to put a sign on the walk bridge indicating the height at MHWS (Mean High Water Spring) from the underside of the bridge to the water surface.</p>	Your submission has been noted and will be taken into account when reviewing Raglan's future work programme priorities.

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Freedom Camping	3	James	Imlach	New Zealand Motor Caravan Association	Papakura			See attachment	WDC continues to monitor the impacts and benefits of Certified Self Contained (CSC) motorhomes, caravans and other 'freedom campers' on our communities. We are an emerging tourism market, as shown by our strong visitor expenditure growth over recent years, due in part to our proximity to NZ's mayor gateway port (Auckland) and visitor growth in the district's key visitor destinations, particularly Whaingaroa Raglan. Council's various infrastructure plans such as our Toilet Strategy, the successful application to Round One of the Tourism Infrastructure Fund and managed approach to providing facilities to care for the CSC visitor market are supported though this Long Term Plan. Council supports the efforts of Local Government New Zealand and central government to encourage responsible freedom camping through education and an appropriate policy and regulatory framework to manage the burgeoning demands and related issues of this tourism sector. Council's Bylaw is currently permissive of self-contained vehicles and Council only prohibits freedom camping in those areas where necessary.
Freedom Camping	650	John	Mitchell		Taukau		Option 1	3/ We submit that WDC provide far more signage around where freedom campers should park and what is and is not appropriate behaviour on the Onewhero Reserve. We have been plagued by freedom campers parking in the most inappropriate places and not respecting our beautiful reserve, which our community in heavily invested in. The Onewhero Rugby club has worn the brunt of numerous freedom camper indiscretions, with constant rubbish issues, having their power "high jacked" by freedom campers charging their phones and providing all the electricity and water for the public toilets. While the club is happy to be a member of our community, it is unfair that their facilities are damaged when freedom campers flush wipes down the toilet, block the septic tank lines and flood the clubs shower block with human effluent.	Council will review the issues being caused by Freedom Campers over the next few months.
Parking	698	kathryn	Gold			Option 4	Option 2	2/ Parking. The parking issues around Bow Street, Wallis and Cliff Street, The Residents of Raglan must be consulted extensively around this issue. There a many ways to improve this problem without changing the main street design. Angle parking, Rugby Grounds carpark, with signage to parking areas. Large grass verges in Wallis St and James St. Visitors need to change their habits and walk. Instead of changing the look of our town to accommodate them.	Parking provisions are currently under review as part of the parking by-law. Raglan community board are considering options for additional parking on Bow St, Cliff st, Wainui Rd and consideration of a one way provision on Cliff St.
Parking	698	kathryn	Gold			Option 4	Option 2	3/ Boat Parking. The boat parking at the wharf needs to increased to allow for boat users to use the safest ramp in Raglan. hundreds of ratepayers use this facility, which has been part of this thriving community for decades. Who is behind changing this and why? To have no boat parking at the wharf is not what the ratepayers have asked for and want. !!!!	Parking provisions for boat trailers currently under review as part of the parking by-law by the Raglan Community Board. Consideration of the Ruby Ground for overflow provisions is one of the Options

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Parking	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Building Maintaining infrastructure - Parking. See attachment.	Council will review the submitters comments and undertake a review of the Traffic movements and parking around the Mercer township
Pensioner housing	170	Daniel	Brookes		Ngaruawahia	Option 4	Option 3	Comments: i refer you to page 14 and 19 of the long term plan 2018-28 consultation document. pensioner rent to be raised from \$130 to \$156 per week. these people have spent their lives paying rates and taxes contibuting to the infrastructure that we are now paying for over and over again. any council that seeks to burden a pensioner has no integrity. i do not object to paying rates however the current (and predicted) level is to high for low income earners.	Council's pensioner housing requires upgrades and maintenance to bring it up to todays rental standards. Rents need to be increased to meet these increased costs of running the portfolio.
Pensioner housing	463	Anne	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	6/ pensioner housing(pg14), pensions have been increased by Govt so WDC takes it in a rent increase.	Council's pensioner housing requires upgrades and maintenance to bring it up to todays rental standards. Rents need to be increased to meet these increased costs of running the portfolio.
Pensioner housing	564	David	Whyte					<p>Council flats</p> <p>The reality is that Council's roll is not a landlord. However selling of social housing to general public, also isn't appropriate, since of course the people will be either evicted, or rent increased to market rate. There is a solution, selling / moving these houses to another social housing provider.</p> <p>The charity Habitat for Humanity has extended its mandate from building houses, through to the whole spectrum of housing needs. Thus they now have proven experience in obtaining, managing and upgrading of what were once council flats. Thus it seems sensible to sell the social housing, say in Huntly (which is the houses I am aware about). And if this is successful in the long term (ie no issues 5 years post sale) then the other social housing (if any) could be released into their care.</p> <p>Recommendation: Council move Huntly social housing, to Habitat for Humanity, and if successful for all involved, then further movement of district social housing (if any) to Habitat be undertaken.</p>	No response required
Property valuations	39	Crystal	Lange		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 1	3/Council has used flawed logic when assuming low property values equals low income and does not consider that other property owners may be at maximum debt level which puts them in the same position	Council's proposal is based on actual property data and the rates impact for properties that were in existence at 1 July 2017 (property revaluation date) relative to proposed rates in 2018/19. There are no assumptions around income levels. Council has financial hardship policies which aim to manage these situations and for low income earners the government will pay a portion of their property rates under the rates rebate scheme.

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Property valuations	617	Audry	Hatfield		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 2	Why are the poorer areas getting such huge increases when the wealthiest parts, being Tamahere & lifestyle increases are tiny. I wish someone could tell me what exactly Ngaruawahia is getting for this huge increase. Lucky Te Kauwhata having approx. 80,000,000 being spent there. No doubt the developers will be making lots of money	As council has selected a capital value rating system, any community that experiences a higher percentage valuation increase than other areas will also invariably receive a higher increase in rates. In this years valuations received by QV NZ, areas such as Ngaruawahia and Huntly received far greater percentage increases in property value than other areas. Ngaruawahia will continue to receive the many services is currently does. The need to increase rates is primarily to cover rising costs. Council collects only the money it needs to deliver services, and does not wish to accrue deficits that will occur without rate increases.
Public Toilets	648	Helen	Clotworthy		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	12/ Pokeno Toilets Pokeno toilets are the most used in the district we request an urgent upgrade and a more purpose built for usage and the gateway to the Waikato. We also would like to be involved in the early stages of the design and when can we expect it to happen. We love the design of the Te Kawhata toilets.	All new toilet builds will include consultation with the local Community Boards.
Public Toilets	730	Daniel	Rensburg					6/ Toilets in town (Next to town hall) must be upgrade to ensure they are easy to clean and neat and tidy.	WDC has a toilet strategy which has taken into account what toilets it currently has, where future toilets should go and when this work should happen. This site does not meet the criteria of the Toilet strategy and therefore does not feature as a priority in years to come.
Public Toilets	730	Daniel	Rensburg					7/ Toilets must be erected at new sports park, and at Totara park, and at the 2 playgrounds in the new subdivision. Children playing in the park must rush home to use the toilets.	WDC has a toilet strategy which has taken into account what toilets it currently has, where future toilets should go according to visitor and local demand and when this work should happen. This site does not meet the criteria of the Toilet strategy and therefore does not feature as a priority in years to come.



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Seal Extension	532	Emerald Vale Ltd	Emerald Vale Ltd					Seal extension in each area.	<p>The Waikato district has an unsealed network of 608 kilometres. It costs approximately \$500,000 to seal one kilometre of unsealed road. Sealing roads within the district would currently be unaffordable (each kilometre of road sealed adds more than one per cent extra to the general rate).</p> <p>Due to the completion of the Waikato Expressway, Waikato District Council will inherit around 100km of roads and four major bridges. The additional maintenance, operating and renewal costs for Waikato district as a result of this are estimated as rising to almost \$1m per year. As a result Council has decided to discontinue seal extensions, which cost 2.5 times that of an unsealed road to maintain, for the foreseeable future. This is so we can focus on maintaining our current roads and not overburden ratepayers with additional roading costs.</p> <p>Council will continue to develop their unsealed road strategy, this strategy will focus on vulnerable road users such as tourists and school bus routes. The intent of the strategy is to create value for money from a very tight budget. This includes undertaking product trails on troublesome sections of unsealed roads in order to provide some longevity in a cost effective manner.</p>



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Seal Extension	578	Anonymous	Submitter		No Address	Option 1	Option 2	Please add seal extension for Te Papatapu Road (near Te Mata) to the Long Term Plan 2018-28. Sealing Te Papatapu Road would create huge tourist potential by encouraging more people to visit Raglan on their way to Kawhia and Waitomo Caves.	<p>The Waikato district has an unsealed network of 608 kilometres. It costs approximately \$500,000 to seal one kilometre of unsealed road. Sealing roads within the district would currently be unaffordable (each kilometre of road sealed adds more than one per cent extra to the general rate).</p> <p>Due to the completion of the Waikato Expressway, Waikato District Council will inherit around 100km of roads and four major bridges. The additional maintenance, operating and renewal costs for Waikato district as a result of this are estimated as rising to almost \$1m per year. As a result Council has decided to discontinue seal extensions, which cost 2.5 times that of an unsealed road to maintain, for the foreseeable future. This is so we can focus on maintaining our current roads and not overburden ratepayers with additional roading costs.</p> <p>Council will continue to develop their unsealed road strategy, this strategy will focus on vulnerable road users such as tourists and school bus routes. The intent of the strategy is to create value for money from a very tight budget. This includes undertaking product trails on troublesome sections of unsealed roads in order to provide some longevity in a cost effective manner.</p>
Animal Control	534	Bruce	Cameron					6/ Dog pound: Please update the Board with any proposals/plans in this area.	At this stage, we have been unable to locate any suitable land to build a dog pound in the northern part of our district. Staff are constantly looking and when land is located and purchased, construction will begin.
Animal Control	730	Daniel	Rensburg					17/ I propose that a Dog Exercise Park that is fenced off be erected in the new subdivision of Pokeno where dogs can be let off leash. It is senseless to load your dog in the car drive to the Tuakau or Pokeno tennis club dog Exercise Park to be able to let them off-leash. You cannot walk the dog under the motorway through a roundabout to fenced dog exercise area by the old church/cenetary or walk to the Tuakau dog exercise area.	In 2017, the need for an off lead exercise area in Pokeno was identified. Discussions were had within Council to find suitable land that could be used for this purpose and the land adjacent to the tennis courts was identified. Consultation occurred and as a result of this, the Bylaw was amended. At this stage, there are no plans to add an additional off lead exercise area to Pokeno.
Arts centre	592	Alex	Ramsay		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	4/ I have also heard that the Art Centre is asking WDC for \$500k this is a small organisation that should be made to use existing facilities that way they may increase the numbers, I understand that they were supported by WDC originally but due to safety the building was demolished and they don't appear to have moved on and are just expecting ratepayers to pay for a building for a small group of people.	This project was identified as a priority through the Ngaruawahia Community board.
Arts centre	602	Donald	Hagenson		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	5/ I believe the Twin Rivers Art Centre have applied for \$500,000.00 for the art centre, again Ngaruawahia ratepayers cannot afford this. In the Community Facility Consultation last year it was voice by many that a expensive are gallery was not the focus for this town. What has chnaged?	This project was identified as a priority through the Ngaruawahia Community board.

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Development Contributions	550	Daryl	Smart					Development Contributions for Village Green The Te Kowhai Community Committee encourages Council to implement, where appropriate, Development Contributions that can be applied to the purchase and development of the extended village green and related infrastructure.	Development Contributions are applied where possible in alignment with Council's Development Contributions Policy
Development Contributions	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					New developments - Waikato District Council What percentage of the cost of roading, power, sewerage etc. is paid by the developer and what is paid for by the ratepayer? The developer can claim tax on their expenses, the ratepayer can't. Is this fair?	No response required
Huntly on/off ramp	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby		Huntly	Option 4	Option 2	1) What has WDC planned to help Huntly rebrand itself when the Express way is completed in the next few years, or is Huntly left to sort itself out? Has money been put aside to Help Huntly, without relying on Government, NZ Transit handouts to maximise Huntly's potential, as follows: ie a Mural and graffiti art painting competition like they had recently in Taupo, also in Christchurch inviting local and national artists to come and paint the back of the buildings and some of the walls around town.	No response required
Huntly on/off ramp	713	D&F	Falconer					Our daughter, now at Waikato Hospital, took Maori as an elective to her Bachelor of Medicine & Surgery Degree with Auckland University and her discussions about these studies and her research project on her home town of Rahui Pokena – Huntly was fascinating to hear. What may be of interest and use with the southbound exit and on ramp is that the time could be right to put a wrong right by diverting as much traffic as possible away from Taupiri Mountain Cemetery. The Maori King, late 1860's, wept when he was informed of the intended route of the main rail trunk line alongside state highway 1 effectively cutting the access to the sacred burial ground. As you will know Mount Taupiri is a sacred mountain and burial ground for Waikato iwi and Kingitanga. Taupiri Te Putu Pa has a long history dating back to the 1600s, where past Maori Kings and Queen are buried in the highest part of the cemetery, on the summit where Te Putu's pa stood. Parking and access became difficult because the State Highway and railway lie largely on gentler sloping land at the foot of the slopes of Taupiri Mountain and parking is required to be on the other side of the North Island transport system in a small constrained area beside the Waikato River and Mangawara Stream. Tangis are normally attended by many mourners often causing disruption to traffic out of necessity. Mourners attending funerals have to dodge 70kph traffic and then when the trains come it is formidable as it is required to blow its horn amidst all the mourners and ceremony. Any reduction in traffic will be a much welcome outcome by a southbound on/exit ramp near Kimihia or McVie Roads. What is of interest to us today, to try to understand the significance of the Taupiri mountain and area, is that early European travellers were obliged by Maori to cross to the other side of the Waikato River to avoid the sacred area of Taupiri Mountain. We feel it would be a valuable and thoughtful addition to include Taupiri Mountain and its significance to the Maori people, as part of the Mayors proposition to gain acceptance of the need for the southbound on/off ramp. We find this a very exciting possibility. Any traffic passage that can give relief to the sacred Taupiri Mountain Cemetery and mourners must be of significance.	Council acknowledge your submission. The central interchange at Huntly is high on Councils agenda as we seek to protect the economic, social and cultural interests of our community.

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Manu Bay	580	Roger	Bright		Hamilton			<p>See attachment. Waikato Sport Fishing Club founded in 1987, is based in Hamilton and has 208 paid financial members 2017/2018 year from across the Waikato Region. We are an affiliated club with the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council. Our vision is: "Waikato Sport Fishing Club – sport and recreational fishing for our families, our community and our future". The vision reflects the desire of the Club to promote a strong sense of family unity through fishing, and to grow the fishing base within the local community, and to enhance the fishing experience for future generations. This is further reflected in the Club's core values: Safety First, Working Together and Protecting the Future. We hold three major tournaments each year, the Raglan One Base where all anglers (96 in 2018) fish out of Raglan, and the Snapper Kingi Classic (65 anglers 2017) and the Big Four (81 anglers 2017) where our anglers can fish from any port including Raglan. We would like to make a submission to the Waikato District Council concerning 3 issues: 1. Management of Manu Bay boat ramp. 2. Manu Bay breakwater wall. 3. Inclusion as stakeholders in Council decisions.</p> <p>1. Management of Manu Bay boat ramp We understand the management of the Manu Bay boat ramp is being reviewed and there is a proposal to pass the management of the ramp to local organisations. We would not support this and request the Council maintains management of the boat ramp and associated reserve. We believe the Council can independently represent and respond to the needs of all users of the space and has the appropriate asset management expertise to maintain the boat ramp and reserve. We request that Council retains management of the Manu Bay boat ramp and reserve.</p>	<p>The transfer of the management of Council assets would need to directly benefit the Community. Council would seek community consultation before considering any such proposal.</p>
Manu Bay	580	Roger	Bright		Hamilton			<p>2. Manu Bay breakwater wall In 2014 the Raglan Sport Fishing Club reported to WDC a crack 5.57 meters from the end of the Break Wall. Council has since repaired the breakwater wall resulting in a shorter breakwater. Since the repair of the breakwater wall, we have received feedback from our members whom use the Manu Bay boat ramp that in certain winds and post/pre half tide, the water washes over the breakwater, creating a swirl onto the ramp. This is making launching and retrieving dangerous and difficult for the boat users. A number of our members have been in situations where they have felt their safety is at risk. As our vision states, our club puts 'safety first' and we are concerned the current situation is not safe, not only for our members but also for all other users of the ramp. Council has a responsibility to provide assets to the community that are appropriate for present and future circumstance. Local Government Act 2002 Purpose local government s10(1)(b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses. S10(2) In this Act, good-quality, in relation to local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions, means infrastructure, services, and performance that are—(a) Efficient; and (b) Effective; and (c) Appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances. We would propose to Council that the Manu Bay boat ramp, in its current state, does not fulfil this requirement. We request the following actions are undertaken to address this issue: 1) Council undertakes an investigation of observing the performance of the breakwater across a range of wind and tide conditions to be concluded by July 2018. 2) Council holds a meeting to</p>	<p>We recommend that you consult to your local community board representatives to ensure they are aware of your concerns and can represent you within Council.</p>

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								discuss the findings of the investigation with key stakeholders – that is ourselves, the Waikato Sport Fishing Club, Raglan Sport Fishing Club and the Coast Guard.3) Sufficient budget is provided for in the first year of the Long Term Plan (2018-2019) to provide for remedial work on the breakwater to improve the safety.4) Work to address the issue is completed before the 2018-2019 summer season.	
Refuse	564	David	Whyte					<p>Waste Recovery Centre</p> <p>It is good to see that Huntly got something mentioned in the plan. I actually waded through the 350+ pages of supporting documents written in bureaucratic verbiage and could not find any supporting documentation about this Waste Recovery Centre. Except I did find a comment that TK would get a Waste Recovery Centre and this would serve the needs of the Northern Waikato. That sounds a lot like Huntly's recovery centre would in time be closed down. Forcing Huntly residents to go to TK to dispose of their rubbish. This would be a significant backward step, and result in even higher levels of illicite waste dumping, which is already a problem in Huntly.</p> <p>Recommendation: That Huntly retains ability to dispose of waste</p>	No response required



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Refuse	708	Waikato	Tainui					<p>W-T notes that although the amount of waste being taken to landfill has reduced in some areas of the district, that the overall quantity of waste being sent to landfill is increasing.</p> <p>Active and innovative waste minimisation and management is critical to improving the environment and associated outcomes. Landfills and the impact of these, even the more modern and well-engineered, is of significant concern to W-T.</p> <p>On the bias of this concern, an area of focus for W-T is how best to minimise the waste being shipped to landfill and how it may be diverted and become a valuable commodity. Whilst we acknowledge that the draft Long-Term Plan begins to set out ways to promote waste minimisation, we submit that other minimisation levers will also be required if a step change is to be achieved.</p> <p>An industry reports which has been publicly supported by Auckland Council advocates for a stepped but significant increase of the National Waste Levy, to a level 10-15 times greater than what is currently imposed. In other countries, this has led to a significant reduction in the amount of waste going to landfills. On a national scale, more diversion of waste per year from landfill would create up to 9,000 jobs and have a monetary benefit of \$500 million. These benefits would positively impact Waikato District as well as waste minimisation improving the district's environmental outcomes.</p> <p>W-T submits that an action to engage with the Ministry of Environment with other local authorities to advocate for significant increases to the National Waste Levy should be incorporated into the Waikato District Waste Management and Minimisation Plan through the up-coming Plan review.</p> <p>W-T requests early engagement with Council to discuss the potential waste minimisation opportunities and strategies, bearing in mind W-T's kaitiaki role within the district. Further, W- T would like to work with Council to investigate future potential partnering opportunities for commercial waste minimisation activities across the district.</p>	No response required. Council is engaging with Waikato Tainui regarding the waste minimisation plan.
Targeted rates	712	Andrew	Feierabend	Meridian Energy				<p>Meridian has reviewed the draft Long Term Plan. We support the principle that rates should be targeted where possible to the beneficiary of the Council's services, or to the properties or any group of properties that cause the Council to incur costs. This is consistent with the legislative requirements of the Local Government Act (s.103) and is acknowledged in the Council's Revenue and Finance Policy (page 207).</p>	No response required
Targeted rates	719	Paul	Le Miere	Federated Farmers				<p>Federated Farmers supports the use of targeted rates. This improves transparency and equity, as those who benefit from the activity pay for that benefit.</p> <p>Federated Farmers understands that WDC uses a range of targeted rates as part of the funding source for activities such as community and leisure facilities, community boards, economic development,</p> <p>5</p> <p>FFNZ submission on the Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28 stormwater, refuse management, wastewater, and water reticulation, treatment and supply. However Federated Farmers is concerned that none of those activities are fully funded by targeted rates. We can see</p>	No response required



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								<p>that some effort is being made with regards to water and wastewater services but in the main WDC seems comfortable using the general rate as a 'top up' subsidizing option rather than committing fully to the beneficiary pays principle. This defeats the purpose somewhat.</p> <p>In Federated Farmers view accountability is improved and efficiencies achieved when rates can be applied to a specific group of properties that benefit from a particular service. It should ensure those who are paying for the related services are more invested in how their ratepayer contribution is being used.</p> <p>The impact of the general rate back stop is compounded for rural properties who not only contribute more per property type to the general rate funding pool but are within 1% of being the second largest contributor to the fixed targeted rate funding pool as well. Using the figures provided in the consultation document, the average residential property pays only 11% more in targeted rates than farming properties in the Waikato district do.</p> <p>For this extra 11% a residential property receives direct access to wastewater reticulation, wastewater treatment and disposal services, water reticulation, water treatment and supply services, stormwater services, and refuse and recycling collection. The typical rural property has access to none of those services.</p> <p>It is clear that targeted rates are not being applied appropriately or bringing in enough revenue to support the services. Those who are directly connected or have access are arguably not paying enough or there are inefficiencies somewhere. Targeted rates empower ratepayer sectors to pay for projects of value to them without affecting other ratepayers. In addition, the direct correlation between benefits and costs to a particular sector is more likely to accurately determine the appropriate level of spending on that service.</p> <p>If WDC considers that some services include a public good component and warrant wider contribution, then the ratio must be determined. However, our strong opinion is that the ratio must be closer to 90-10, private to public. Over reliance on the general rate reduces important transparency and accountability.</p> <p>Recommendations:</p> <p>4. That Council reassess the Revenue and Finance policy with increased use of fully funded fixed targeted rates for those services with easily identifiable beneficiaries.</p> <p>5. That Council improves transparency and accountability by including the general /targeted rate split ratio for all activities which are funded using a range of funding sources.</p>	
Airport	710	Bob	Macleod	Raglan Community Board		Option 4	Option 3	16/ Fees and Charges; Airport landing fees seem low compared to the wider District fees charged, the question are these charges cost recovered for the up keep.	The airstrip is grass and the fees are to manage costs such as mowing, insurances etc.

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Amalgamation	58	Hirendra	Singh		Pokeno	Option 4	Option 3	7) Has the concil considered amalgamation with the surrounding concil to remove middle management and costs? Has the council considered removing pokeno from the waikato district and moving it into the auckland district. Show me a road map of what the council believes needs to occur. At the moment i cannot see a vision. There needs to be change in the way the council operates. I believe there is a waste of money and resources by the council. I want to see transparency over where the target rates are actually being allocated. If target areas are being used for the benefit of other regions, than the target rates should be removed and general rates increased and balanced out across all waikato.	Amalgamation is a very expensive process, not a prudent way to spend ratepayers monies and, often unnecessary. Council is however part of established forms at both the regional and sub-regional levels where is working effectively with other councils (such as Auckland Council, Hamilton City Council and the Regional Council) on addressing cross-boundary issues. Council is also part of the Waikato Local Authority Shared Services Pty - a company owned by 12 councils in the Waikato region - working together, to demonstrably reduce costs, achieve effectiveness and efficiency gains, reduce duplication of effort and eliminate waste through repetition, promote and contribute to the development of best practice, and improve customers' experiences.
Building	649	Mark	Brown	Life Unlimited				<p>Pensioner housing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The population of New Zealand is ageing. As this happens so the number of people with disabilities increase. 20% of the population identify as having a disability. Older people will have increased number of both age-related disabilities and congenial disabilities therefore future housing will need to be accessible (Universal Design) to allow for this need.</li> </ul> <p>1. Note – Housing for both elderly and people with disabilities is increasingly more difficult to find in the region. There is a great lack of accessible houses for these groups. Those houses that are suitable are priced out of reach both to purchase or as a rental especially those on a fixed income. As this situation continues these two groups are forced to move further away from main centres making access to medical and other essential services more difficult and increasing the cost of their travel.</p> <p>2. Planning for housing must take note of ensuring more housing exceed the building code NZS 4121 provision for accessibility. Access to housing meets Barrier Free requirements and standards to be fully accessible especially for wheelchair and mobility aid users and elderly.</p> <p>3. Look at all future housing permits follow the Universal design.</p>	The legislative requirements such as Acts, Codes, Regulations and Standards (ie NZS4121) around the construction of housing are set by Central Government (MBIE) not Local Government. Currently the legislation does not permit Councils to ask or insist on access routes to domestic housing. Any change to these legislative requirements would have to come from MBIE.
Catchment management	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	1. Comments: Page 5 agree with your Community Outcomes and Goals for the Waikato District. On Sustaining our Environment i would like to see the Waikato District Council support organisations who want to look after the Environment. The Primary Stake Holders Trust are one such organisation who are developing a Catchment Management Plan for the Lake Waikare and Whangamarino Wetland which is being developed from the bottom up not from the top down. One of the main issues with Kio Carp is that keep they keep the sediment in suspension which in turns puts the phosphate in the waterways. I would like Waikato District Council support putting into the Waikato Regional Council Plan Change 1 Kio Carp into this plan. They are one of the main species that has a huge effect in this catchment and other catchments in your district too to the quality of the water. Kio Carp in time will start to have an effect on Waikato District Council's infrastructure that you have along streams, rivers, water takes etc.	Thank you for your support and your detailed comments. WDC undertakes and supports ecological enhancement including animal and plant pest control throughout the district.

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Crime	543	Anonymous	Anonymous					5/ Also, for God's sake do something about the crime in the area. It is the only thing flourishing here.	Council will continue to actively participate and support the Huntly community to create a liveable, thriving and connected community. Given the feedback from our communities looking to Council to facilitate and encourage more employment opportunities, the draft LTP is proposing to increase Council's economic development resources .
Debt	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust				I am also concerned about the level of debt that the Council is proposing. What is the increased borrowing actually for? Based on the limitation of the 1.75 times the revenue of the Council has the Council taken into consideration of the increased revenue from rate increase each year on the borrowing limit? The Council is required to sign into its books, the appropriate Resolution under the relevant act. I have assumed the document has been signed in accordance with the statute. What other avenues has teh Council considered when seeking monies to fund the activities as per teh long term plan 2018-28? I do not see any mention on Bnod issues that can assigned to each type of expense and directly supported by the ratepayer at large and it would give an indication to the level of support and confidence.	Council has reviewed a number of work programmes since the draft LTP was consulted on and believes that there are some changes that will help reduce anticipated debt levels by \$38 million. Without using debt as a funding mechanism it effectively means that existing residents and ratepayers will pay for benefits that will be received by others in future years. Having some debt is an important part of managing intergenerational equity.
Distribution of rates	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				The maintenance of infrastructure assets in Ngaaruawaahia should be the priority use of the targeted rates gathered from within this community. It is unfair that the growth strategy for this LTP relies heavily on the existing ratepayers of the two major towns in district (Ngaaruawaahia and Huntly) to primarily fund the district's growth over the next 25 years.	Targeted rates are set and collected at a district wide level and are spent in a prioritised manner. Council is required to act in the best interests of the district as a whole and having individualised rates would not achieve the purpose stipulated for local government. It is factually incorrect that the major towns in the district will fund growth. For residential properties in the Ngaaruawaahia ward, the proportion of rates charged is 6% of the total rates charged across the district (general and targeted rates). This proportion remains at 6% for what is being proposed for 2018/19. This ward makes up 21% of the districts residential property.
Dog registrations	720	John	Lawson	Whaingaroa Environmental Defence Inc.				Dog licences - 'selected owner' (on a fenced property under 20ha and complying with the Code of Animal Welfare) application fees will drop from \$65 to \$20. It is not clear why when so many other fees are rising.	Staff have recognised that dog owners who are eligible for the selected owner policy have been good dog owners for at least 2 years. This means that they have registered their dogs on time and have not had substantiated complaints made against them. To reward them for this behaviour, we are recommending reducing the fee to \$20.00. These inspections are completed during staffs routine patrols so do not require additional vehicle usage or staff time. There has been minimal changes to other fees to cover the increased cost of petrol, chemicals, etc.

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Fees and Charges	18	Peter	Buckley		Te Kauwhata	Option 4	Option 1	9. Page 19 Fees and Charges, you mention the costs because of the changes to the RMA. These reforms now have made it impossible for the average person to be able to apply for a resource consent because of the so called simplification of the RMA. The Waikato District Council should ask through LGNZ for a full review of the RMA so those costs can be reduced to those applying for a resource consent. The person applying for a resource consent needs to cross every t and dot every i and under the RMA reform it says that you have 10 days to turn it around and if you cant you pay a penalty so if All isn't there in the first place you cant accept it.	We note your concern around costs associated with the resource consent process due to recent changes to the RMA. We will pass on your comments to LGNZ as the local government representative to take this matter up with government.
Future Proof	466	Greig	Metcalfe					2/ The submitter is also supportive of Council's proposal to increase the annual budget for sub-regional planning, including further development of the Future Proof growth strategy. This initiative has the potential to drive better regional collaboration by monitoring and identifying land supply needs along with an agreed sequence for development.	<a href="#">Council has noted the submitter's support for the sub regional planning budget to be increased.</a>
Heritage	609	Natasha	Ramsay Clark		Ngaruawahia	Option 1	Option 3	3/ If the WDC is interested in preserving heritage buildings why not the Old Bakery directly across from WDC offices. We appear to be paying for a lack of forward thinking in regards to maintenance of assets by WDC.	WDC Heritage focus is on WDC owned Buildings. The Old Bakery building does not belong to Council.
HIF	717	LR	Scott	Third Age trust				Housing infrastructure fund - \$37million interest free money is always capital efficient, but there is no mention of repayments. There is a debt burden, indly advise when the repayment structure of 25 years will commence.	The repayments of the housing infrastructure loan will come from developers (there is an anchor developer as part of this process). Any benefit to existing residents such as increased water storage, removal of wastewater discharge from Lake Waikere etc. will be excluded from the developers costs. It is expected that the development will take place within the 10 years and that the loan will be fully repaid by the end of year 11. Council is effectively administrating the governments target to bring more house to market sooner, by drawing down loan funds, collecting contributions and passing back to the government.

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Housing	656	Rangita	Wilson	Waikato Housing Conference Committee				<p>REQUEST SUMMARY</p> <p>To provide funds for the purpose of supporting the planning activities and promotion of the National Maori Housing Conference to be held 2018 National Maaori Housing Conference being held at Turangawaewae Marae and Claudelands Event Centre</p> <p>To support a member of staff onto the Host Planning Committee.</p> <p>BACKGROUND</p> <p>The National Maaori Housing Conference occurs every two years and is held throughout the regions. The conference provides an opportunity for the regions to showcase their leadership and contribution in the “housing space” context and provides a platform for Maaori and relevant stakeholders to share ideas, information, network, and to formulate strategies to assist Maaori into quality affordable housing. In 2016 at the Tauranga Moana Conference, Waikato-Tainui made a “tono” to bring the 2018 National Maaori Housing Conference to Waikato that was accepted by the conference fraternity.</p> <p>In November 2016, we established the Waikato Housing Conference Committee to plan the Conference. The Committee comprises members of Waikato-Tainui entities, Turner Whanau Trust, Ranga Whanau Trust, Waikato Housing Hub, Waikato District Council, Hamilton City Council, Te Matapihi, Te Puni Kokiri, Nga Rau Tatangi Ltd, and individuals involved in Housing and Papakainga delivery in Waikato-Tainui.</p> <p>PROJECT DESCRIPTION The National Maaori Housing Conference 2018 will deliver an exemplar conference that is strategic and adds value to every participant, stakeholder, and community housing provider.</p> <p>The theme of the Conference is: “Maku anoo e hanga i tooku nei whare. Ko ngaa pou oo roto he maahoe, he patete. Ko te taahuhu, he hiinau. Me whakatupu ke ti hua o te rengarenga. Me whakapakari ki te hua o te kawariki // I myself shall build my house. The ridge-pole will be of hiinau and the supporting posts of maahoe and patatee. Raise the people with the fruit of the rengarenga, strengthened them with the fruits of the kawariki.” - Kiingi Taawhiao</p> <p>The theme of the conference draws on the vision of Kiingi Tawhiao, a vision of Hope – Aspiration – Reality - Rebuilding – revitalisation of his people through self-determination. Maku anoo e hanga tooku nei whare will enable participants to leave the conference with a strong tahuu, foundation in the national services, nga pou pou, a network of regional services and he rengarenga he kawariki, the relationships to set a vision and activate an aspiration.</p> <p>CONCLUSION</p> <p>The Waikato Housing Conference Committee believes that your Council needs to be involved in this Conference, building on the positive relationships and progress that your Council has made in recent times to work with tangata whenua to build on Maaori land in your region, by: providing funds for the purpose of supporting the planning activities and promotion of the National Maori Housing Conference to be held 2018 National Maaori Housing Conference being held at Turangawaewae Marae and Claudelands Event Centre</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• supporting a member of staff from your Council onto the Waikato Housing Conference Committee.</li> </ul>	<p>Waikato District Council is supportive of papakainga development as evidence by the ground breaking work that Council has done with partners involved in the Waikato Housing Conference. We are supportive of a staff member being part of the Conference Committee. We will consider a formal request for funding from existing budgets once we have received a formal request.</p>



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								Please refer to email for Conference details.	
Huntly domain	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					<p>Huntly Domain</p> <p>I see some new seats and picnic tables have been built around the domain, and while they are very nice I would like to request a rubbish bin and a couple of picnic tables be placed by the playground at the bottom of Huntly Primary school playground. As a Nana who regularly walks her 7 year old granddaughter and 5 month old granddaughter to the park to play, there is nowhere for people to sit with a baby who is sick of being in the pram, you either have to sit on the edge of the barked area and there is only one seat for the playground, if there are a few families there. Once again this would not take a lot of money to sort out. How about some new or refurbished toilets, both at the Soccer club and by the playground by the pool. When were they last upgraded? Very simple requests, I think.</p>	No response required



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Huntly mine	713	D&F	Falconer					<p>We would like to suggest Waikato District Council get behind any development of the defunct and bankrupt old Huntly East Mine into a recreational area with cycle tracks, walk ways, boating, diving, and restored native bush areas, etc. It has been on sold to locals Mr &amp; Mrs Allen, whom have an outstanding plan to make this a popular recreational area. We would encourage WDC to get behind their vision and help with any documentation or fast tracking so this environmental disaster can be put right.</p> <p>We had meetings over many years with the Huntly East Mine staff and Manager(s) and discussions with Waikato District Council staff and viewed the Mines Resource Consents. We were assured that the Waikato District Council required the Mine to manage any fumes, dust, coal dust, etc., and later to ensure restoration of any open casting work, relevering the overburden and replanting in native trees. We were satisfied that there would be restoration of the land after the fairly recent open cast mining was completed. We were assured that the man made hill they had formed, causing much dust in summers and majorly rescaped the landscape, would be relevelled once the open cast coal had been removed and the land would be replanted in natives. This has not happened and the hill remains with the open cast mine left which is contrary to their Resource Consent. Does Council have any jurisdiqtion to ensure that any works agreed to in the Resource Consent etc. is undertaken especially once the company is now bankrupt, and had government involvement? It would be interesting to hear what Council is prepared to be involved with to help restore the mine area since they agreed to allow the mine works and major impact to the land and nearby community of Huntly. It is noble to be planning walkways as far as 'Tamahere to Hamilton, or TeAwa, or the Cambridge to Hamilton walkways but Resource Consents and major disruption to land through mining withir our community should be an environmental priority. The former Huntly East Mine runs alongside the newly developing Waikato Expressway and could become a major asset of the area, possibly a service area if an off and on ramp could be formed to the old mine area and planned refilled mine lake. We would see the southbound off/on ramp accessing this area to be a significant asset as a future significant adventure park area with possible service and concessionaire businesses affording much desired occasion for employment and opportunity in the area. The mine boundary abuts directly to Huntly township and is disappointing Resource Consents granted the mine development has been forgotten to restore the land after mining has ceased.</p>	<p>WDC is working with the new landowners to support their vision for the Huntly East mine. The crown have provided funding support to ensure rehabilitation obligations for the mine can be met but this will happen over time. Council and the landowner are in discussions about work programmes to effect this rehabilitation.</p> <p>The Council has also been discussing with the New Zealand Transport Agency, the need for south facing expressway ramps to be installed. Activities such as the Huntly East Mine rehabilitation proposal will strengthen the need for such access.</p>
Infrastructure Strategy	708	Waikato	Tainui					<p>W-T supports in principle the inclusion of the draft Infrastructure Strategy as an LTP supporting document as it sets out the District's strategic context, opportunities and asset management approach. We support the use of the strategy as a tool to implement and respond to growth as it transparently sets out the infrastructure Council has identified as required for the next 30 years.</p> <p>W-T requests the opportunity to work with Council to understand the long-term infrastructure requirements of the District. - Transport and three waters services are of importance to W-T's developments (outlined within this submission) and are where W-T could add value and insight to support Council's planning processes. Joint contributions to Infrastructure planning studies are also an option which could be considered upon discussion with Council.</p>	<p>We acknowledge your desire to be included in the development of the Infrastructure Strategy and welcome the input from Waikato Tainui going forward.</p>

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Joint Management Agreement	708	Waikato	Tainui					Waikato-Tainui wishes to ensure that: 1. the importance of growing and preserving its Joint-Management Agreement with Waikato District Council to transform the way decision-making takes place within the greater Waikato area. It is incumbent upon W-T to empower our 68 marae to achieve Mana Motuhake, that they may be able to participate more effectively in council decision-making to co-create customised solutions appropriate for that community. 2. The Joint-Management Agreement mechanism is a pioneering feature of the Waikato River Settlement and is unique to the region. Both Waikato District Council and W-T would do well to focus our energies, commitment and capabilities on building an effective, high-performing Joint-Management Agreement relationship that will deliver for the region and for the country.	No response required
Maintenance of infrastructure	472	Katherine	Wilson	Property Council New Zealand				Building and Maintenance infrastructure 9.1 The Council spend approximately 60 per cent on infrastructure maintenance and renewals and 40 per cent on significant capital projects scheduled over the next ten years. The Property Council recognises the importance of many these key projects such as a Library service centre in Pokeno, bridge replacement in Tuakau and heritage restoration projects. 9.2 The Property Council wishes to highlight the importance of regional infrastructure, as the growth of Hamilton and Auckland City will result in growth of the sub-region. The Waikato region will begin to jointly face similar issues regarding the constraints of infrastructure. We support the Council discussing alternative infrastructure funding options with government and co-funding options with other Waikato Councils to secure the region is prepared for growth at both ends of the spectrum.	No response required
Operating surplus	472	Katherine	Wilson	Property Council New Zealand	Auckland			Operating surplus on activity basis 4.1 The Property Council has real concern with the table in the draft consultation document called 'operating surpluses on an activity basis'. The operating surplus is \$184m over the 10-year period, however, depreciation is forecasted at \$259m resulting in a \$75m deficit. The Property Council is concerned with the scheduled rate of depreciation for water, wastewater, stormwater and roading, as all are above the operating surplus. This will likely put budgetary pressure on current and future maintenance and risks a widening gap between the quality infrastructure Waikato needs and what is actually in or on the ground. We urge the Council to undertake a needs assessment and prioritise to manage that risk.	A portion of roading depreciation is non-funded based on the assumption that NZTA will continue to co-fund this activity.
Playgrounds	48	John	Marcon		Te Kauwhata			2. Te Kauwhata has only one children's playground (at the Village Green) which while reasonable is poorly placed for the children/parents who live on the northern side of Waerenga Road where considerable development has taken place. A playground on the last section for sale in Ribbonwood Close would serve the children of at least four streets and in particular make them much less of a hazard than is currently the case. The Council be free to re-sell the section should become surplus to community needs.	The current playground strategy allows for an additional playground in the northern area of the Te Kauwhata however, there is currently no funding for additional land in the area.

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Raglan Naturally	604	Timothy	Duff					My considerations are as follow; 1/ Raglan Naturally Plan My involvement in Raglan naturally includes being on the original team in 2000 and being on the Steering committee to investigate its revision in 2017. My opinion is it that a revised RNP is the best way to bridge the gap between what the community want and what WDC provide .i.e. Improve relationship and satisfaction of community to WDC.WDC needs to put in its LTP I think a figure of \$5k at a minimum per year towards RNP. That money should be used towards creating a document similar to the LTP Consultation Document or Raglan Chronicle in size and during Winter each year be sent to all Ratepayers and community for feedback which would then be updated into the RN plan.	Staff are in the early stages of working with members of the Raglan Community to update Raglan Naturally. Council does not have any funding budgeted for in the 2018-28 Long Term Plan to contribute toward the development of Raglan Naturally.
Railway crossing	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					Bell Crossing –Memorial and Broken fence, and gardens between State Highway One and railway After two and a half to three months to finally get the Bell Crossing grass area, with the Council and Transit making all sorts of noises but no action, hope the same won't happen with the maintenance needed on the memorial at Bell crossing and the broken fence, together with the sticks (supposedly plants) to make this an area appropriate to the entrance way to town, instead of the scruffy appearance it has now. It was the friends of these youths who made their voices heard to have the barrier arms installed for the safety of Huntly ratepayers and residents. They deserve better than what is there!!!	No response required
Renaming of Huntly	713	D&F	Falconer		Huntly	Option 1	Option 3	Renaming of Huntly - see attachment.	At this stage Council is not looking to rename Huntly
Representation	718	Liam	McGrath	Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee				Planning for Growth – Regional Wards. See attachment.	Your concerns regarding having to deal with a number of councillors on matters pertaining to Mercer are noted. Council is currently undertaking a representation review (i.e. a review of its elected membership) and one of the issues that will need to be considered is in which ward should Mercer be located (currently it is in Awaroa ki Tuakau ward but it could also fit within the Onewhero te Akau ward). The representation review needs to consider a number of factors such as a) identification of communities of interest b) how to provide effective representation to those communities of interest (number councillors, community boards etc.) and c) consideration to fairness of representation (each councillor represents about the same number of people within +/- 10%). You will have an opportunity to formal engage on this process when Council notifies a proposal for its Representative Review in June this year.

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Reserves	713	D&F	Falconer					Developments in wetland areas need to be immediately ceased in the Huntly areas such as the Hartis Ave area, as they are wetlands and significant in their own right as natural heritage for the future of water quality. We had a meeting with Hamilton City Council regarding several wetland, swamp and gully areas that had been consented by WDC to be developed into housing in the Huntly area, namely Raynor Road, Hartis Ave, Rosser St. Hamilton CC confirm that gullies and wetlands are natural resources that need to be protected and they do not allow any development of these areas on any terms. It is disappointing to belong to a District that does not appear to be aware of the current knowledge about wetlands and their significance never mind not being sustainable as long term housing developments. Waikato District Council needs to cease allowing developments of wetland areas and the potential liability it exposes itself to consenting to housing developments continuing with potential future subsidence issues. We have submitted much correspondence to Council regarding the Hartis Ave wetland development. Huntly is not a dumping ground for cheap housing and unsustainable developments of wetland to make those whom do not live in the district rich.	WDC does have Ecological works being undertaken on a number of its lakes and waterways from plating of native species to installation of floating wetlands and Silt traps it is lakes.
Revaluations	619	James	Whetu	Ngaruawahia Community Board				Additionally, the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board are not happy with the process in how properties in Ngaaruawaahia were valued so as to support Council's reason to increase rates.	The valuations process is complex and managed under the Rating Valuations Act 1998 to ensure consistency of approach across the country. Property valuations are completely independent of local authorities as the data is used to set taxes. The Office of the Valuer General audits and approves district valuations. The objections process is in place to address any concerns individual property owners may have with their assessment.

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River Management	601	Jo	Kukutai		Te Kuiti	Option 3	Option 3	<p>13 April 2018LTP Project TeamWaikato District Council15 Gallileo StreetNgaruawahiaTena koutou katoa,Ko te mauri, ko te waioara o te Waipa ko Waiwaia Ko Waipa te toto o te tangata! Ko Waipa te toto o te whenua, koia hoki he wai Manawa whenua! Ko Waipa teteahi o nga taonga o Maniapoto whanui.The Maniapoto Maori Trust Board (the Board) is constituted under the Maniapoto Maori Trust Board Act 1988 as a body corporate for the purposes of the Maori Trust Boards Act 1955. The beneficiaries of the Board are the members of the Maniapoto tribe and their descendants.The Board holds responsibilities as co-governors and co-managers with the Crown for the Waipa River. These responsibilities are legislated under the Nga Wai o Maniapoto (Waipa River) Act 2012 (NWOM) and also the co-governance entity, Waikato River Authority/Waikato River Clean-Up Trust.The Crown and the Board signed a Deed in relation to the co-governance and co-management of the Waipa River in 2010 and a Joint Management Agreement with the Waikato District Council and the Waikato Regional, Waipa District, Otorohanga District and Waitomo Councils on April 3, 2013.The overarching purpose of the Deed and the NWOM Act is: to restore and maintain the quality and integrity of the waters that flow into and form part of the Waipa River for present and future generations and the care and protection of the mana tuku iho o Waiwaia. The Board and the Crown also signed an overarching Waiwaia Accord, which has principles contained within.The Board have developed three key documents regarding the Waipa River:1. He Mahere Taiao - The Maniapoto Iwi Environmental Management Plan, 2. He Mahere Ika - Maniapoto Fish Plan for the Waipa River and the 3. Maniapoto Priorities for the Restoration of the Waipa River Catchment Report The Board would like to be heard in support of this submission.WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL AND THE MANIAPOTO MAORI TRUST BOARDThe Waikato District Council is a District Council duly constituted by the Local Government Act 2002 and as such is responsible for promoting social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of communities. The Council is one of five Joint Management Agreement partners under the Waipa River Act between Local Authorities and the Board. The Local Authorities and the Board agreed to enter into one collective agreement for all of its joint management arrangements which is pursuant to the Waipa River Act.Te Awa o Waipa is a taonga to Maniapoto. Maniapoto have a deep felt obligation and desire to restore, maintain and protect all of the waters that flow and/or fall within the Maniapoto rohe (Nga Wai o Maniapoto), whether the waters are above, on or underground. Te Mana o Te Wai (The quality and integrity of the waters) is paramount. The obligation includes the waters that flow into and form part of the Waipa River. The relationship between Maniapoto and the Waipa River is historic, intellectual, physical and spiritual. Historically, Te Mana o Te Wai was such that it provided all manner of sustenance to Maniapoto including physical and spiritual nourishment that has, over generations, maintained the quality and integrity of Maniapoto marae, whanau, hapu and iwi. To Maniapoto the Waipa River has mana and in turn represents the mana of Maniapoto. The Waipa River is a single indivisible entity that flows from Pekepeke to its confluence with the Waikato River and includes its waters, banks, bed (and all minerals under it) and its streams, waterways, tributaries, lakes, fisheries, vegetation, floodplains, wetlands, islands, springs, geothermal springs, water column, airspace and substratum as well as its metaphysical elements with its own mauri.SIGNED JOINT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (JMA):The Board and</p>	<p>The 3 Waters Management Options are primarily about running our business more cost effectively. Council can also confirm that we do not take water nor discharge into the Waipa River. We will continue to consult on matters of relevance to Iwi in the same way we always have.</p>



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								<p>the Council signed a Joint Management Agreement (JMA) on 3 April 2013 to achieve the following purpose: To provide for the Local Authorities and MMTB to work together in carrying out the functions, duties and powers provided for in and to give effect to the Waipa River Act. THE SCOPE OF THE JOINT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (JMA): (a) Covers matters relating to the Waipa River and activities within its catchment affecting the Waipa River as depicted in Schedule One; (b) Covers matters relating to the exercise of shared functions, duties and powers in relation to: (i) Monitoring and enforcement activities as provided for in section 21 of the Waipa River Act; (ii) Preparing, reviewing, changing or varying a RMA Planning Document, as provided for in section 22 of the Waipa River Act; and (iii) Considering applications under Part 6 of the RMA in relation to resource consents as provided for in section 23 of the Waipa River Act. (c) May cover additional duties, functions or powers as agreed between the MMTB and the Local Authorities, whether collectively or individually. This submission provides points to achieve the overarching purpose of the Deed, Waipa River Act and maintain the integrity of the JMA. 2018-2028 LONG TERM PLAN 'Three Waters' Management Water quality is a priority matter is of highest priority for Maniapoto particularly the restoration of the quality and integrity of the Waipa River under the River Legislation and Deed. There is concern that should Council be taking water from or disposing into the Waipa River (or its tributaries), that consultation with Maniapoto as JMA partners, has not yet taken place. The Deed is specific that it did not address nor preclude further discussion about title or ownership of the Waipa River. Maniapoto do not accept they have ever ceded authority or rights of ownership over the Waipa River, or its tributaries, to anybody. They have never agreed to cede their authority over or rights in the Waipa River or its tributaries (Deed - clause 1.12). Maniapoto engage with the Crown and Council (as agent for the Crown) in good faith and in accordance with the principles of the Waiwaia Accord. These principles must also be adhered to by Crown/Council before establishing or conferring management or use rights of a nature and/or duration that in effect create rights of property in the waters of the Waipa River (Deed - 13.2.2) and developing policy or proposing any legislation which in effect amounts to the privatisation of the waters of the Waipa River (Deed - 13.2.3). However, should the waters that Council propose under the 'Three Waters' Management not be those of the Waipa River (or its tributaries), then the Board strongly supports Option 3 to address the 'Three Waters' Management in support of Waikato-Tainui. This option saves \$28.3m over 10 years and creates an independent company representative of River Iwi at the decision-making table. UNIFORM ANNUAL GENERAL CHARGE (UAGC) Of the Maori owned residential or Pa zoned residential land in the Waikato District, the capital value appears to be determined by increasing land values, as opposed to significant improvements on the property itself. The general rate is reliant on the capital value which is likely to be low. Maori are likely to benefit directly from a lower UAGC of \$286.50. The Board strongly supports Option 3 as the best option in support of Maori owned residential or Pa zoned residential land in the Waikato District. CONCLUSION The Nga Wai o Maniapoto (Waipa River) Act 2012, Deed in relation to the co-governance and co-management of the Waipa River, the Vision &amp; Strategy - Te Ture Whaimana o te awa o Waikato, He Mahere Taiao - The Maniapoto Iwi Environmental Management Plan, He Mahere Ika - Maniapoto Fish Plan for the Waipa River and the Maniapoto Priorities for the Restoration of the Waipa River</p>	



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								Catchment Report set the direction for Maniapoto in relation to the Waipa River. It is unclear, however if Council intends to take water from or dispose into the Waipa River (or any of its tributaries) as part of the Three Water's Management, the Board wish to have further discussions with Council. The Joint Management Agreement between the Council and Maniapoto solidifies the existing and future relationship between the two entities. Should Council not be taking or disposing into the Waipa River (or its tributaries) the Board strongly support Option 3 for the 'Three Waters' Management in support of Waikato-Tainui and also Option 3 for the UAGC. The Board acknowledges and supports the wider direction of Council to effectively lead and manage the Waikato District, for the greater community. Naku iti noa, naSonya HetetInterim Chief Executive	
Security cameras	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					How about security cameras for the Railway bridge and the main street of Huntly to curtail troublemakers.	No response required
Shared Services	529	Raewyn	Lambie		Taupiri	Option 4	Option 2	3/ I would never want to see the Waikato District Council join in with the Hamilton City Council for anything at all.	If, by' joining in', you are referring to amalgamation - then this is not something that Council is advocating. However it is important to understand that since Hamilton is the main city in our region and it shares a boundary with us we cannot ignore what is going on the other side of the boundary from a growth, development and sustainable resource management perspective. Similarly, Hamilton is also interested by what is going on immediately adjacent to its boundary so that it can growth in the future. Council has already identified land to transfer to Hamilton city should it need it in future to accommodate growth. Taupiri is not part of this.

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Stormwater	554	Vaughan	Payne	Waikato Regional Council	Hamilton			Waikato Regional Council (WRC) notes there are ongoing issues related to growth and development causing road runoff and other drainage matters that adversely impact water bodies by contributing contaminants and causing erosion. The runoff also adversely impacts WRC administered drainage districts. Growth and development that increases runoff draining to flood schemes is increasing operational costs to these schemes. Historic funding has not fully addressed these issues and they are becoming more common and of greater magnitude. While there are clear user charge fee systems for water and wastewater, stormwater funding largely comes from general rates and is often underfunded. It is essential that the level of investment in stormwater infrastructure allows for the building and maintenance of assets which avoid, remedy or mitigate any impacts on the environment, drainage districts and flood schemes. Therefore WRC request that adequate funding for capital and operating expenditure is included in the LTP and ringfenced for stormwater infrastructure.	No response required
Tamahere Reserve	599	Tamahere Community Committee	Tamahere Community Committee			Option 4	Option 2	6/ TAMAHERE RESERVEa. TCC strongly supports the targeted rate of \$38 per property for the additional funding of the reserve developmentb. This has been strongly supported by the community in consultationc. The enhanced playground will support the commercial development and the community hub currently under construction	No response required
Te Reo	604	Timothy	Duff					2/ Work with IWI and make name corrections Consultation should be undertaken with Iwi to look into where names for streets and parks could be changed. Doing so would help in many ways. Last year for example I attended a Treaty of Waitangi workshop, one of the guest speakers was able to provide concrete evidence to the group that the correct name for Te Kopua is actually Papahua.	As this stage Council is not looking to suggest any park and street names be changed. If there becomes an interest from the community to change the names of specific streets or parks, this could be further explored by Council and the Raglan Community Board in consultation with local Iwi.
Toilets	550	Daryl	Smart					Toilets - Village Green Approximately three years ago Council cancelled the contract with the local supplier of a public toilet. For a short time Council provided a portaloo for winter sports on weekends. At other times the teams used the bushes around the village green or generous neighbour's homes when needing toilet facilities . Recently, Councils Rural Ward Committee granted the sum of \$1800 to the Community Committee to fund a contract between the Te Kowhai Community Committee and the local shop owner to provide a 'public toilet' for the sports teams and their supporters at weekends during the school year. School sports teams play on the village green for 30 of the 40 school weeks of the year. Cricket, Rugby and Soccer are played on the village green. The Rural Ward Committee indicated that the grant was a one off and that the Community Committee should seek funding through the LTP to enable the arrangement to continue until the proposed new toilets are built in the 20/21 financial year. Thus the Committee seeks a grant of \$1,800 per year for two years, a total of \$3,600, to enable the provision of toilets to Sports teams for the next two years. Additional funding in the 20/21 financial year may be required should the toilets not be available from 1 July 2021. Funding = 30 weeks @ \$60/week = \$1800 per annum. Two years minimum but additional years' dependent on when proposed toilets are actually built.	Your proposal will need to be considered post the public consultation round by Councillors against other priority actions in the LTP.

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TPPA	311	Greg	Rzesniowiecki					<p>Comments: We write as engaged citizens in the New Zealand democracy. Previously in 2014 we wrote to you concerning the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) on behalf of the Motueka Renewables where we proposed the TPP Policy Solution. Arising from that a number of Councils engaged with the TPP matter and ultimately 12 Councils adopted the offered policy, many more noted and maintained a watching brief on the negotiations.</p> <p>Presentations were made to over 30 Councils some receiving presentations in multiple forums; workshop, committee and council. It is fair to say a few councils stated that TPP is not a council matter, however most took an active interest and thanked us for bringing it to their attention.</p> <p>In the later part of 2015 LGNZ (Local Government NZ) undertook an assessment on behalf of constituents. The resultant report concluded there were some risks to local government interests and some were down the track. We suggest that trade negotiations are of critical importance to all New Zealanders given the constitutional implications which alter the legal balance between human and property interests and rights. The TPP has been through a tumultuous process, agreed and signed 4 February 2016, then Trumped January 2017. Since then the remaining 11 nations have negotiated a new agreement signed 8 March 2018 in Chile called Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement on the Trans Pacific Partnership (CPTPP). It is substantially the same agreement with 22 suspended provisions pending the return of the United States (US).</p> <p>Civil Society maintain our concern believing that the entrenchment and extension of property rights for foreign corporations will make it difficult for the NZ Government to ensure the wellbeing of all inhabitants. All councils will now appreciate the public concern for clean rivers, quality potable water and indignation at allocations from aquifers for bottled water exporters. Whatever your council's attitude, it is acknowledged by Trade Minister Parker that CPTPP would disallow a tax on exported water as it is deemed discriminatory under the CPTPP regime.</p> <p>1 With regard to Air NZ – Shane Jones public spat regarding regional air services - the State Owned Enterprises (SOE) Chapter 17 of CPTPP, highlights the government must ensure that Air NZ operates on a purely commercial basis when delivering domestic services unless it has issued a public mandate for it to do otherwise. It's great that regional Mayors are proactive on behalf of their regions and provincial cities. Parliament is displaying bipartisan support for Jones' stance. There's no way the NZ Government has anticipated every angle before locking NZ into CPTPP. The attached paper also deals with the unfolding Facebook Cambridge Analytics election hacking scandal which demonstrates the dilemma of losing control of one's personal data – the CPTPP ECommerce Chapter guarantees that the NZ Government will be powerless to prevent misuse of data as NZ will not have any legal right to demand that data is retained in NZ. CPTPP imposes many constraints on NZ governance, entrenches corporation rights (ISDS) and leaves NZ exposed to whatever amendments are negotiated upon the return of the US which appears likely given statements from their corporate sector. LGNZ Conference this year is in Christchurch from 15-17 July 2018.</p> <p>The 2018 conference theme is; We are firmly focused on the future: Future-proofing for a prosperous and vibrant New Zealand. There will be a strong focus on leadership and addressing the big challenges and</p>	At this stage Council is not pursuing any further action in relation to the TPPA

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								<p>opportunities facing New Zealand and its communities. Question to LGNZ - How does TPP/CPTPP future proof NZ? We wish you well in your deliberations.</p> <p>Please consider the attached evidence paper and recommendations for your 2018 Annual Plan and Long Term Planning processes. We offer four specific recommendations (detail in the attached paper);</p> <p>Recommendation #1 (page 13 attachment) We suggest that the Council considers formally supporting the 23 principles offered by Alfred de Zayas in his paper to the UNHRC (A/HRC/37/63) in which he "highlights the urgent need to apply human rights principles systematically and uniformly to all entities and endeavours." De Zayas states "What we see is a financial system rigged in favour of powerful individuals and corporations, unequal participation in governments and international organisations, and communities suffering from a reduction of social services, imposed austerity, privatization of public utilities, the misplaced priorities of political leaders and a general absence of genuine representation," - UN Human Rights High Commission press release 2</p> <p>Recommendation #2 (page 20 attachment) Given that de Zayas states "Especially in matters of trade, it is imperative to give all stakeholders the opportunity to weigh in the negotiations so as to ensure transparency and accountability," we urge Council to endorse the model trade and investment treaty process offered in the <a href="http://www.dontdoit.nz">www.dontdoit.nz</a> petition The petition takes the government at it's word where it said to the NZ Parliament in the Speech From The Throne 9 November 2017 that it will exclude investor state dispute mechanisms (from TPP) and avoid their inclusion in all future agreements. The petition acknowledges the Labour Party 2017 Trade election manifesto where it offers "Greater engagement with civil society over trade talks" suggesting a democratic process toward a standing general mandate for New Zealand's future negotiations to guide NZ's trade negotiators.</p> <p>Recommendation #3 (page 21 attachment) We urge the council to support the Local Government (Four Well-beings) Amendment Bill which amends the Local Government Act (LGA)2002 to reinstate references to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being that were removed by the National government in 2012. The "four well-beings" were a cornerstone of the LGA 2002 when it was introduced. The "four well-beings" provide the modern focus of local government on serving and being accountable to the communities they serve. It highlights the constitutional role that local governments play in community development and nation building. Recommendation #4 (page 23 attachment) We urge you to read and consider Kate Raworth's "Doughnut Economics" as a framework for thinking about economics in the 21st century given that the challenges we are facing this century are global in scale but local in solution and we need a different mindset from the economics of the past if we are to viably approach these challenges. <a href="https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/">https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/</a></p>	
Training	649	Mark	Brown	Life Unlimited				<p>NZS 4121: Design for access and mobility: Buildings and associated facilities.</p> <p>Note: Life Unlimited offers to Council the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disability Responsive Training – ensuring staff can respond and appropriately to people with disabilities and therefore giving staff and customers a better experience</li> </ul>	No response required

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Wetlands	655	Phillip & Colleen	Earby					Wetlands – Mahuta Drive What an impression this must make on visitors to Huntly, I know the local: are not too impressed on what was going to be our fantastic wetlands, and instead is a weed infested area, are Tainui involved as well, seeing they we paid huge amounts of money to look after our rivers. This could do with a good clean up and sorting out seeing as it is under water a few times of the year, but it could be made so much better.	No response required
WMMP	552	Richard	Briggs	Hamilton City Council				HCC notes that WDC is in the process of reviewing its Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and will be seeking feedback on its new draft plan in May 2018. Having recently undertaken a similar review, HCC believes there are opportunities to share ideas and lessons in this space for mutual benefit. HCC would like involvement in this project and engage with WDC at appropriate parts of the process as it progresses the review, particularly regarding the relationship and impact on regional waste services.	No response required

These comments have been provided by staff.  
As such they are draft and  
may change following Councillor deliberations.

Fees and Charges 2018-21 summary of submissions

Staff comment

Pool fees

The current admission fee for an adult into the Huntly Aquatic Facility is \$5.50. The proposal was to increase this from \$4.50 in 2018/19 to \$6.00 in 2019/20. The adult admission fee for an adult into the Ngaruawahia aquatic facility is proposed to be \$4.00 in 2018/19, increasing to \$5.00 in 2019/20. The adult admission fee for an adult into the Tuakau aquatic facility is proposed to be \$4.50 in 2018/19, increasing to \$5.00 in 2019/20.

Pension housing rent

Council's pensioner housing require upgrades and maintenance to bring it up to todays rental standards. Rent increases have been proposed to cover the costs of these upgrades. Council policy on pension housing is that they are self funding.

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Subject of submission: Pool fees								
9	Mary-Anne	Hall	N/A	Huntly	No	No	The pool is somewhere I frequently visit and I see many many families enjoying the facilities being that it is such a reasonable price. You introduce higher fees without any reason that I know of and this will in turn make it hard for larger families to afford on a weekly basis. This is such a wonderful affordable day out for our families please don't ruin that.	I want the proposed Fees and Charges not approved.
12	Raymond	Lloyd	N/A	Huntly	No	No	Do not increase fees for entry to the Huntly Swimming Pools	The entry fee to the Pools needs to remain the same as it is now (06.04.18)so that it is affordable for families.
13	Victoria	Kemp	N/A	Huntly	No	No	Do not increase the fees for Huntly Swimming Pool	Keep the fees for entry to the Huntly Pools the same as they are now April 2018, DO NOT increase the fees.
14	Bruce & Geri	McCutchan	N/A	Huntly	No	No	The Swimming Pool fees are too expensive, many pools in other towns and cities in NZ are free.	No change, fees to remain the same for swimmers and spectators.
15	Greg	McCutchan	N/A	Huntly	No	No	I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre	That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
19	Amanda	O'Connor	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic CentreWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for theHuntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
20	Michaela	Powell	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic CentreWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for theHuntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
21	Bjorn	Kani-Wilson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Because that's a rip offI do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
22	Tamatea	Wilson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Theres no need to put the price upI do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.



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23	Lezarne	Kani	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		Leave the elderly alone.Because I have 4 babies under the age of 5 who love swimming there and I don't want to pay that much to go swimming. We will be looking at other places to go swimming.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
24	Wainoa	Hoeta	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
25	Patricia	Paikea	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
26	Desiree	Berryman	N/A	Huntly	Yes	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
27	Rahn	Berryman	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
28	Lacey	Berryman	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
29	Sinclair	Wharekura	N/A	Ranui	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
30	George	Tauariki	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Too expensive.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
31	Charlie	Waitohi	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
32	Candice	Pukeroa	N/A	Huntly	No			I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
33	Hiki	Haunui	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
34	Kirsty	Rear	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
35	Phil	Davis-Hunter	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.

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36	Ronald	Daley	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
37	Des and Sandra	Maskell	N/A	Taupiri	Yes	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.; I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or other swimming facilities in the Waikato district.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the rent per week for elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
38	Tony	Perkins	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housingWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees to remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.; I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or other swimming facilities in the Waikato district.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the rent per week for elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
39	Dianne	Gyde	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or other swimming facilities in the Waikato district. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
40	Alice	Bennie	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or other swimming facilities in the Waikato district.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
41	Rose	Browne	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or other swimming facilities in the Waikato District.
42	Beverley	Shields	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or other swimming facilities in the Waikato district. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
43	Christina	Shead (Watkins)	N/A	Huntly	No	No		That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
44	Rodger	Shead	N/A	Huntly	No	No		That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and other swimming facilities in the Waikato district and are not increased.
45	Andrew	Inglis	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased. I do not agree with any proposed increase in fees as this penalizes families and children from the use of the pools to learn to swim and learn water safety and joining swimming clubs. No changes in increased fees rather a reduction in fees.Fees to remain at the same rate or less.
46	Lynette	Inglis	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? No changesThat the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not increased.1. You are penalizing family and depriving children from swimming and learning water safety.2. No changes and fees remain the same.

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47	Wayne	Thomson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
48	Claire	Molloy	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
49	Aotea	Maipi	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
50	Joy	Beveridge	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
51	Deb	Head	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
52	Kay	Kaukas	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Because of fixed income unable to manage.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
53	Anne	Pere	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
54	Lorraine	Stephens	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
55	Kelly	Bentley	N/A		No	No		So many people cant afford anymore! Huntly Aquatic Center: Keep them as they are more people will attend as a family get to greedy less people will be able to afford to send their kids or themselves.
58	Kris	Huisman	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
59	Angela	Birks	N/A	Ohinewai	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
60	Roy	Blissett	N/A	Ohinewai	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
61	Elizabeth	Thompson	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
62	Rebecca	Thompson	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
63	Paul	Mita	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
64	Blair	Gardiner	N/A	Ohinewai	Not Stated	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
65	Trish	Thompson	N/A	Ohinewai	No	No		Raising the fees and charges will deter families from using this great facility.
66	Grant	Thompson	N/A	Ohinewai	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.

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68	Angela	Wilkins	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
69	Luressa	MacDonald	N/A		No	No		too expensive, people won't be able to afford to go I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
70	Julie	Baker	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
71	Valerie	Atkins	N/A	Ohinewai	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
72	Heather	Paterson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
73	Raewyn	Lambie	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
74	Pauline	Roberts	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
75	Moyra	Thomson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		On a fixed income is hard enough to manage. I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? No fees increased for the elderly. That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
76	Pauline H	Lewis	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Fixed incomes hard enough know I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
77	Information withheld	Information withheld	N/A	Huntly	No	No		With the cost of living rising in Huntly i.e. Rates, Rent the pools are already too expensive to visit for a lot of families. The rise will keep more families away more often and the pools will run at more of a loss, instead of attracting more people to use the facilities! No change
78	Hartmut	Joschonek	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
79	Teina	Strickland	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
80	Iris M	Kimpton	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
81	Paula	Raihe	N/A		No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased. We already pay for the aquatic centre in the targeted rates for community facilities.
82	Thelma	Tyler	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
83	Edna	Townsend	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
84	Kawana James	Wallace	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing. What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.

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85	Tui	Lee	N/A	Huntly	No	No		This is a low socionamic area, people already can't afford.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?Reduction.That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
86	Nesan	Govender	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.Any increase in fees affects our already meagre school budgets.
87	Stacey	Baker	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Too expensive.I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
88	Dominy David	Solomon	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
90	Nikki	Waitohi	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Because the prices are stupidI do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges? Free Gym, outdoor swimming pools, Free BBQ and more tables, Diving and bombing pools, Free entry :)That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
91	Pene	Nepia	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
92	Sandra	Hipkin	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
93	Robyn	Carter	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
94	Maleina	Taiariki	N/A	Huntly	Yes	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
95	Roana	Daley	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
96	Martin	Hipkin	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
97	Katrina	Hipkin	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.Our children should be able to afford to swimIf they can't afford they can't swim
98	Jenna	Fauariki	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
99	Belinda	King	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
100	Kapariera Malcolm	Taua	N/A	Huntley East	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
101	Evelyn	Shead	N/A	Huntly	No			I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.My kids love to use the pools as we have 4 children and own our home in Huntly I feel an increase will make it unaffordable for my family



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102	Reginald	Taua	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
103	Joy	Lynch	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.There should be more incentive to use the pool. I used to go 4 times a week for exercise. It would be good if had a card & after attending 6 times the 7th is free just like a coffee card
104	Mrs	Teremoana	N/A	Huntly	No	No; No		No??? They need to provide more!!!I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased. Stay the same!!
105	Rebecca	Bruning	Huntly Swimming Club	Huntly	Yes	No	<p>I wish to make a submission on behalf of the Huntly Swimming Club on the proposed increases to the admission rates at the Huntly Aquatic Centre. I understand that the final date for submissions has passed but request that this submission be received and considered during the next deliberation stage in the process.We believe that the proposed rates across the board will drastically reduce the use of the Huntly Aquatic Centre. A large part of the Huntly community do not have much in the way of disposable income.</p> <p>The one-off entry fees for children, adults and seniors are already prohibitively expensive for many members of the community and we believe that the proposed increases will result in a serious drop-off in use. The unintended consequence of increasing the fees may be to make the Aquatic Centre more of a financial burden on the community if this is the actual situation.The Huntly Swimming Club is a relatively small club and currently subsidizes membership fees to maintain the number of members.</p> <p>The club fund-raises on an annual basis to allow the membership fees to be held at the currently-affordable level. The club hires 2 to 3 lanes for 2 hours, 5 evenings per week. The proposed lane hire rates would mean almost doubling each child's membership fees and inevitably result in the loss of members and ultimately the closure of the club.We believe that the Aquatic Centre is one of Huntly's few premium facilities and is one of the important attractions that encourage young families to settle in this district. Along with good schools, sporting facilities and the library, the Aquatic Centre is an important resource that helps to maintain the health of the town and ultimately the population.</p> <p>Rather than increasing the fees we would like the council to consider the strategic benefits of reducing the fees to encourage the use by more of Huntly's people. We believe it is appropriate that the Aquatic Centre be considered in the same light as the library and community parks and be subsidized by the entire community from rates.The Huntly Swimming Club currently has some regional and national level swimmers. These swimmers are regularly competing at regional and national events and their success reflects positively on the Huntly community, perhaps helping to counter the otherwise rather negative publicity Huntly receives. The success of the current swimmers is having a major impact on attracting new club swimmers who migrate from the learn-to-swim programme run by Belgravia Leisure. Our successful swimmers already are required to pay the normal entry fee to carry out supplementary training outside the squad sessions.</p> <p>We would like to see this reviewed to reduce the financial burden. We have historically lost some of our squad swimmers to Hamilton Clubs. Providing affordable pool fees is a major attraction to help retain our swimmers and maintain the essential minimum numbers needed to help the club to survive and grow.The community was very fortunate to receive major capital grants from Genesis Energy and Solid Energy when the facility was upgraded approximately 10 years ago. This external funding minimized the amount required to be contributed by the Waikato District Council.</p> <p>We believe that the community at large should contribute to the cost of maintaining and operating the facility as part of the community essential services.The recent death of a child playing on the Railway Bridge at Ngaruawahia and drownings in the area prompted a lot of debate. The most constructive suggestion was that the least the community could do was to provide safe alternative swimming options to the Waikato River. Increasing the already expensive fees at the Huntly Aquatic Centre seems to be a disastrous retrograde step for the community to take.</p>	
106	Anahera	Taua	N/A	Huntly East	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
107	Jennifer	Hohaia	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
108	Alicia	Leef	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
109	Ben	Leef	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.



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110	Shanoa	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
111	Adolf	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
112	Helen	Wootton	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
113	Tomuri	Luke	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
114	Sallymei	Matia	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
115	Dorothy	Stephens	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
116	Scott	Mason	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		As proposed increases are too highI do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
117	Rangimarie	TeTomo	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
118	Klazz	McKinnon	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Too expensive for this town!I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
119	Winnie	Watene	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic CentreWhat changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
120	Janet Mary	Jay	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?I wish that the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.This is an example of maintaining a sense of community which Huntly is trying to encourage and maintain. Affordability is a way to assist that feeling of Community for all.
121	Arzhay	Heslop	N/A	Huntly	No	No		It's affordable at the moment, making it more expensive will make it unrealistic!I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
122	Marahi	Kingi	N/A	Ngaruawahia	No	No; No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.; I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased.
123	Karina	Vaughn	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Pool should be accessible to everyone in community not just those that can affordI do not agree to the proposed change to increase the fees for the Huntly Aquatic Centre.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees and Charges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the Huntly Aquatic Centre and not be increased
124	Frances	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
126	Cecelia	Leef	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.

Subject of submission: Pool fees								
127	Josephina	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
128	Peter	Leef	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
129	Anita	Goodall	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
130	Myra	Chatterton	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
131	Sandra	Rihari	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the feesfor the Huntly Aquatic Centre or the elderly housing.What changes would you like to see in the proposed Fees andCharges?That the fees remain the same as they are now for the HuntlyAquatic Centre and not be increased.
134	Stephen	Hooper	N/A		No	No	Hello my concern to the fee changes are related to the Huntly aquatic centre. As I understand it to be a 25% rise in payment starting in 2019 to 2020. I am an old age pensioner who uses the swimming pool on a very regular basis, in fact, five days a week to maintain my fitness. At this present moment in time I do not think that people of my age and older who are not as fit as I am cannot use the pool but would like to. Several reasons being the access into the main swimming pool being that they cannot climb in or out and that the water temperature is not maintained to a decent level. In my previous life when I was working I was an engineer in the motor industry I personally think that the access to the pool is quite an easy fix. It is a fantastic facility which is mostly going unused .	
138	Bryce	Mounsey	N/A	Huntly	No	No	Swimming Pool fees. It is excessive for the first year, especially when it is not being increased the following year. It is also not clear whether there is discount for regular users/schools.	In the 2019/2020 year increase to \$3.50 then in the 2020/2021 year make another increase to the \$4.00 - spread the increase out to make it more affordable for the majority of users of the pools. This affects the younger members and those in lower socio economic situations of the community and by increasing the costs too rapidly, removes the opportunity for these members to learn/improve their swimming abilities thus reducing your vision of Liveable Thriving and Connected Communities.By having an incentive of cheaper fees for regular uses would make using the Pools more attractive.
139	Eileen	Tengu	N/A	Huntly	No	Yes	They appear in most cases to remain the same for the next few years, only issues is the increased pool entry fees I do believe these costs will stop people swimming there	
Subject of submission: Pensioner housing rent								
17	Tangaroa	Ashby	N/A	Huntly	No	No		The changes to the fees of changes to rent will impact greatly on affordability. This will leave a large gap on costing for my fortnightly allowance. With price increases being made across the board on all utilities required I would suffer Greatly as it will impact on my food allowance. I would like to see less fees being charged to elderly. If housing NZ can charge their tenants 25% of their yearly income why cant council do the same for the elderly.
18	Marian	Sutton	N/A	Hutnly	No	No		My pension is not increasing as fast as your rent and rates. I cannot afford such high increases. it is hard enough as it is to make my pension go around. Just a sensible increase that pensioners could afford.
21	Bjorn	Kani-Wilson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
22	Tamatea	Wilson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.

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23	Lezarne	Kani	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
24	Wainoa	Hoeta	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
25	Patricia	Paikea	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
26	Desiree	Berryman	N/A	Huntly	Yes	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
27	Rahn	Berryman	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
28	Lacey	Berryman	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
29	Sinclair	Wharekura	N/A	Ranui	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
30	George	Tauariki	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
31	Charlie	Waitohi	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
32	Candice	Pukeroa	N/A	Huntly	No			Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
33	Hiki	Haunui	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
34	Kirsty	Rear	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
35	Phil	Davis-Hunter	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
36	Ronald	Daley	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
37	Des and Sandra	Maskell	N/A	Taupiri	Yes	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years. That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
38	Tony	Perkins	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years. That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.

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39	Dianne	Gyde	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the rent per week for elderly housing. That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
40	Alice	Bennie	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the rent per week for elderly housing. That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
41	Rose	Browne	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the rentper week for elderly housing.That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
42	Beverley	Shields	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I do not agree to the proposed change to increase the rent per week for elderly housing. That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
43	Christina	Shead (Watkins)	N/A	Huntly	No	No		That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
44	Rodger	Shead	N/A	Huntly	No	No		That the elderly housing rent is not increased. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be increasing at the same rate as the proposed changes.
47	Wayne	Thomson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
48	Claire	Molloy	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
49	Aotea	Maipi	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
50	Joy	Beveridge	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
51	Deb	Head	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
52	Kay	Kaukas	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
53	Anne	Pere	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
54	Lorraine	Stephens	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
72	Heather	Paterson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
73	Raewyn	Lambie	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
74	Pauline	Roberts	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
75	Moyra	Thomson	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.Going from \$156pw to \$208 pw in 3 yrs
76	Pauline H	Lewis	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.

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78	Hartmut	Joschonek	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
79	Teina	Strickland	N/A		No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
80	Iris M	Kimpton	N/A		No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
81	Paula	Raihe	N/A		No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
82	Thelma	Tyler	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
83	Edna	Townsend	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
84	Kawana James	Wallace	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
95	Roana	Daley	N/A	Huntly	No	No		I don't agree with increasing the rents on elderly housing in Hakanoa St
97	Katrina	Hipkin	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Elderly should not be left in poverty to have to pay more If they can't afford, they can't live in struggle
108	Alicia	Leef	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing. They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the next few years.
109	Ben	Leef	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
110	Shanoa	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
111	Adolf	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
112	Helen	Wootton	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
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115	Dorothy	Stephens	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
116	Scott	Mason	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
117	Rangimarie	TeTomo	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
118	Klazz	McKinnon	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.

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125	Esdale	Hamilton	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
126	Cecelia	Leef	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
127	Josephina	David	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
128	Peter	Leef	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
129	Anita	Goodall	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
130	Myra	Chatterton	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
131	Sandra	Rihari	N/A	Huntly	No	No		Please do not increase the rent for the elderly housing.They are on fixed incomes and it won't be going up \$50 per week over the nextfew years.
132	Ron & Lynda	Hart	N/A		Yes	No		The rent increase is far to excessive for us to afford. We would like to know what expenditure is spent on each unit and why matience is not done by local contractors. We will be at the meeting on the 18th of may could you let us know please.
133	Irene	Ormsby	N/A		No	No		eg?: i have a sibling in a retirement unit [Onehunga] who has lived there for several years. its 2 barn lockup garage and an extra toilet. Admittedly he mows his own lawn, rental charge \$80 per week. We dont have a carport and have to wade through water when it rains. I have read your justification of rising cost and do not agree with it. Ngaruawahia is mid to low income area. What happens after 2021? On top of that we await pending water costs even at \$15 annual increase is still a lot of money for pensioners, I have spoken to three of the residents and i get a blank response. my feelings being they dont understand. [ps: trouble with some of us kiwis we accept what ever comes]. No pun intended.
Subject of submission: Rates								
2	Mary and Gilbert	Healey	N/A	Huntly	Yes	No	We can not afford to pay that much	Just 30 dollars a fortnight
3	Hirendra	Singh	N/A	Pokeno	No	No	Pokeno pays almost \$3300 to district council as well as \$450 to regional council. The fact is these charges are becoming extremely difficult to cover for an average household. This can already be seen through a rise in houses for sale as people are fed up with high rates and poor services. The council needs to find alternatives including the amalgamation with the regional council. The council could easily look at options of automisation of system to reduce cost. The proposed fees would mean rates hit almost \$4500 a year per household in total. Almost double what auckland council pays. There needs to be a review of the council and councillors as the current way the council is running will make waikato district and pokeno unaffordable for the average family. Why is this rate increase needed. Waikato should consult with auckland council with the possibility of moving pokeno and tuakau out of the district into the auckland district. The target rates are unaffordable and are causing undue stress on the average family. The rebates are a joke.	No rate increase.Automise processes and review the target rates as well the wastewater system. The budget can be better managed. Otherwise look at amalgamation of council. Why have 2 council run one area. It doesnt make sense



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5	Peter	Longdill	N/A		No	No	Do not support the proposed fees and charges. At our semi-rural property, we receive minimal services from Council and we object to being charged higher overall fees, and higher targeted rates. The contracting out (outsourcing) of water services is a financially inefficient method of management. I reject fully the proposal of paying higher charges for the district wide wastewater item, while the Raglan treatment station regularly overflows and discharges treated AND untreated sewage into a recreational area (the harbour entrance) which is used by many many residents.
6	Natalie	McKenzie	N/A	Pukekohe	No	No	<p>With the CPI sitting at 1.6% I find it inconceivable that the council is proposing a 9% increase in my charges from July 2018. This is an unsustainable and outrageous increase to an already almost out of reach annual charge. My WDC rates would literally increase by \$300.30/annum or \$5.78/week. The way I understand it, the recent 'independent' valuation undertaken on behalf of the council it is the single biggest contributing factor to this (so-called 'proposed') astronomical increase. The manner in which the 'general rate' has been calculated using a figure 'reduced' by a whopping 0.0003936c is laughable given the 30.15% increase in CV to my property. Honestly, this is unacceptable in any language. Adding insult to injury, the council had the nerve to put in writing at the time the new CV's were sent to homeowners a message saying that the increase in valuation may not necessarily lead to an increase in rates. I would like to see evidence of where rates have actually remained unchanged or decreased for the region? The UAGC is merely a smokescreen in the bigger picture! This fixed charge is insignificant by comparison to general rate; it simply amounts to the council given a hand to ratepayers as a gesture and taking a whole arm in return. I did not object to the 30.15% increase in CV - much like the vast majority of homeowners - because we like to think that our asset is appreciating and also because we were told that the increase wouldn't necessarily lead to an increase in rates BUT that is EXACTLY what it has amounted to. Had ratepayers been made aware of the various 'options' available to them and the resultant changes to the annual rates under each 'option', perhaps more of us would have objected to the CV increase. The increased CV has impacted DIRECTLY AND DRAMATICALLY to annual rates! A similar tactic to this was employed by the council last year when it gave homeowners an additional recycle bin in exchange for paying more for solid waste collection AND making homeowners buy their own stickers for wheely bins at a whopping \$3/bin. So now the council is proposing an 18% for solid waste collection in Tuakau, however, we are still expected to pay \$3/bin per week for collection over and above that. What that means in real terms for me is \$156/annum + \$160/annum = \$316/annum. This is a lot of money for a widow with a dependent to be paying. It is unsustainable! I strongly object!</p> <p>Charge ratepayers a flat general rate of 3.577%/annum and 3.19%/annum for the wastewater targeted rate from Year 1 to 10 inclusive. Loading these two rates in Year 1 is crippling ratepayers in the short, medium and long-term. Plan major works in line with ratepayer's contributions and government funding over the 10 years versus tackling the majority of works in the early stages of the 10-year plan. Commit also to flat rates across the other five rates. If the council is unable to forecast accurately then I suggest it outsource this function to a competent establishment and save money paid to council workers (public servants) by making these people redundant for incompetence. In my view, this would make the council accountable for spending within their means over the long term.</p>
8	Jan	van Zyl	N/A	Pokeno	No	No	<p>Developers makes all the money and the rate payers have to pick up the short comings to provide for the services the developers was supposed to get in place.</p> <p>The cheapest options need to be find and implemented, no surveys to see what the rate payers think. Its your job make our rates fair and to be accountable to the rate payers... Accountability is not something that is in Waikato district vision, sad that so many people are against Waikato council...</p>
10	Barry & Anne	Chappell	N/A	Waiuku	No	No	We are on the periphery of Waikato Council's area and do not benefit in any way from this targeted rate so therefore we do not support this proposal. Also, please advise and justify your rating of our property on the basis of our location and what is provided by the Waikato Council for us. Where is our library? Where is our community centre? Where is our swimming pool? Where is our inorganic/ refuse & recycling centre/ collection. Please note: we pay privately for a weekly rubbish service. Please have someone contact us to discuss the above and give consideration to either provide a voucher system for nearby Waiuku or a rate rebate. Will consider your response before engendering support from neighbours.
11	Prue	Clifford	N/A		No	No	<p>why does Huntly have to pay a higher rate than others.</p> <p>I would like to see them kept at same as other places.</p>
16	Francis Allen	Reeve	N/A		Not Stated	No	Cant afford \$31.00 per week. \$5.00 to \$10.00 per week.
136	Audry	Hatfield	N/A	Ngaruawahia	No	No	<p>What do you think we are? Cash machines. A huge rate rise plus more targeted rates. We already have water meters. I would like to know how much they cost. Must have been millions. We pay for our rubbish to be collected so why is the district rate going up 22%. Talk about liveable communities. Only the wealthy will be able to live here soon. I would suggest some of you try to live on a pension</p> <p>I don't think there should be any extra charges to individuals</p>

Subject of submission: Revaluations								
137	Anonymous	Submitter	N/A	No Address	No	No	Overall I do not support the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP)I am not happy with the process in how properties in Ngaaruawaahia were valued so as to support Council's reason to increase rates. This is not fair and does not align with your vision as it makes it difficult for families to afford to live here, thrive here and feel like they cannot contribute to better outcomes for the community - so no sense of connectedness.I believe that for Ngaaruawaahia, the LTP and its proposed revenue gathering by increasing rates will not achieve the community outcomes as outlined in the LTP. Ngaaruawaahia will not be a liveable, thriving and connected community if our first year of rates is increased by 12.75%. Furthermore, the LTP has outlined that spending will primarily be in the north, with no immediate focus on Ngaaruawaahia. We are one of two major towns in the district, and we will be paying the highest increase in percentage of all other communities, yet we are not are targeted area. This is unfair.Ngaaruawaahia households should not experience financial pressure to accommodate the growth of other communities in this district. The use of targeted rates should be spent in this community.If Ngaaruawaahia are to accommodate a 12.75% increase in rates for 2018-2019, and potential further increases in the following two years thereafter (2019-2020 and 2020-2021), we expect from Council an improvement in the level of service and spending in Ngaaruawaahia.I do not support the priority projects identified for Ngaaruawaahia. These projects were not identified by the community.I do not support a regional petrol taxThe Ngaaruawaahia community should have the lowest UAGC, therefore Option 3 - Reduce the UAGC to \$286.50 is the preferred option.	consultation first and foremost. Re-evaluation of property values that in the best interest of the people, not council. And again consultation on our terms, not yours!
Subject of submission: Dog registrations								
139	Eileen	Tengu	N/A	Huntly	No	Yes	The cost of registration for dogs especially older dogs those over 7/8yrs	
Subject of submission: Other								
4	Guest	User	N/A		No	Yes		
7	Tameana	Puhi	N/A	Huntly	No	Yes		
56	Tracey	Allwood	N/A		No	No		
57	Joanne	Small	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	No		
67	Andrea	Thomas	N/A	Huntly	Not Stated	Yes		
89	David & Tiffany	Whyte	N/A		Yes			See attachment.
140	Shraneel	Singh	N/A	Pokeno	No	Yes		

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**May 2018**

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## **Waikato District Council Fees and Charges community consultation**

### **Feedback by David and Tiffany Whyte**

For the record, think this is a great idea to have all the charges outlined in one place.

Obviously many I have no idea what many of them are about. But the ones I do know about, have digested, and the majority I agree with. There are two however, that I want to comment / want changed.

#### **No spray zone**

Appreciate this is working at a cost recovery, for the time required to enter the information into a database and provide (install?) the no spray signs. In principle I support user pays. However in this case I do not. Because of the health and environmental issues around using sprays to control vegetation.

Health is one of those things we take for granted. The council's contractors, sub contractors use a mixture of Metsulfuron-methyl and glyphosate, and the spray will also have some kinds of surfactants, anti foaming agents, biocides, and ions for pH adjustment and other chemicals to help spray effectiveness.

Now the two active ingredients are currently thought to have low toxicity, which is good to see. However my eyes were open to the concept that low toxicity does not equal no toxicity when my oldest daughter when she was about 7 years of age, broke out in some allergic reaction with itchy spots. The only thing we could trace this to, as that the street had been sprayed that day, and she had spent time out on the footpath, and rolling about on the grass.

I also have a friend who experienced chemical poisoning from herbicides in his youth. And ever since has been ultra sensitive to glyphosate. So clearly low toxicity does not equate to benign.

It is not the time or place to undertake a significant review of the health impacts of the two active ingredients, except to acknowledge there are possible health issues from exposure.

Apart from the health effects, there are also environmental effects. For example is it well accepted that Metsulfuron-methyl "has residual activity in soils, allowing it to be used infrequently but requiring up to 22 months before planting certain crops"<sup>1</sup> There is also significant changes in the soil microbiology with repeated applications of glyphosate.

Lastly the myriad of non-active ingredients in sprays, the so called inert ingredients do also carry risks. "US EPA has identified almost 3,000 substances, with widely varying toxicity, that are used as inert ingredients in the United States. For example, paper is used as an inert ingredient, but so are toxic chemicals such as naphthalene and xylene. Also, about 50% of all inert ingredients are at least moderately risky."<sup>2</sup>

Thus we can conclude there are possible health effects, especially for those who appear more sensitive to the spray concoction, than others. There are also environmental affects.

Therefore from an ethical point of view the council should encourage land owners to undertake mechanical control of weeds, rather than chemical. There is significant cost for the resident to become a no-spray zone. This cost is \$212. Now I am sure that this is purely a cost recovery for the council. To update the database, contacting contractors, who then have to contact their sub-contractors, and production (and installation?) of no-spray signs.



This is a prohibitive barrier for some who would like to become spray free. We should be making it easier for those who have health issues, to look after their health, or want to do the environmentally beneficial thing. Given that significant numbers of residents in Huntly and surrounds are from lower socio-economic groups, the current cost is prohibitive for them regardless of their reasons for pursuing these things.

Other councils to not have this barrier for pursuing the healthier options. I asked my contacts for their own personal experience, and the following three examples came back:

- Far North District Council, would appear not to have fees
- Whanganui currently does not have a fee
- Haruaki District Council has no change to be on the spray free register, and/or update the records, and are highly responsive if no spray land is inadvertently sprayed.

Therefore in areas of similar geography, or socio-economic groups, councils are not charging for this service. WDC should follow their lead. Less spray also means less cost.

Now if WDC is concerned that people may change back and forth between spray / no-spray, then a charge for changing more than once a decade (assuming that land has the same owner for this period) or some other suitable time-frame would be acceptable. But I personally don't think people would want to flit from one type, to another.

### **Recommendation.**

*Fee for going onto no-spray zone be removed.*

### **References:**

1 Wikipedia <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Metsulfuron-methyl>.

2 [Environ Health Perspect.](#) 2006 Dec; 114(12): 1803–1806. Published online 2006 Aug 18. doi: [10.1289/ehp.9374](#)

### **Council Pool Charges**

One's perspective on facilities change when you have personal experiences with those with disabilities. My father contracted polio when he was a toddler. He is very grateful that he got off very lightly compared to other victims, and has lived, and continues to live, a very active and full life, currently volunteering at a school in the middle of nowhere in Tanzania. But he does only have 1 normal leg. The other leg is a few cm's shorter, and the muscular development in this leg is poor. So he has never been able to stand on this leg only.

What is interesting about this, is that this has affected fitness options. As he can't run, and anything that requires two strong legs is out. Thus he is left with swimming as the only enjoyable and effective exercise. Thus he has lived close to the sea, or near to a municipal pool for his whole life (except for his current adventure in Tanzania).

Thus I do not see the pool as just an entertainment facility (and Huntly pools is great at this) but also as a health facility.

Now fortunately polio is no longer a major concern in NZ. But in Huntly and its surrounds obesity and diabetes are a major health concern. It is not until you have personal experience with someone who is morbidly obese that you begin to appreciate how limited options are for physical activity. The forces on the ankles, knees and hips are very high. Thus any impact sport is completely out of the question. And non impact sports such as biking are also out of the question. Also with say something like walking, which is an option, chaffing created by the movement can be very painful.

Thus the only enjoyable option is swimming / water walking.

People with diabetes, who are also typically overweight, are at high risk of amputations. Elderly people also run out of exercise options, and especially once a fall or other injury occurs. Rehabilitation via water, supporting body weight, is also the only real option available to many with fragile bodies.

It is surprising, given the population of Huntly, that one observes in daily life, that there is significantly more people using walking aids, than say in Hamilton city or even other places in the Waikato district.

Thus you can see Huntly pool is, and has significantly more potential, to be used as a health facility.

The other issue when you are morbidly obese, elderly or having injury affecting mobility, you are more highly likely to be on some kind of benefit. Again unless you have lived for a period on a very low income / benefit, then you will not appreciate how challenging life, is and what would be considered simple / small experiences become large problems.

Now we all know that one run doesn't make you a runner, and for those who want to exercise or rehabilitate 2 – 3 sessions a week is required. Currently this would be \$ 9 - \$ 13.50. To put that into perspective, once cost of housing is removed, more than 10% of someone's benefit! Thus to increase the price to \$ 6.50 (check) a visit, would make exercise impossible. Thus dooming these people to a downhill health spiral. I have been contacted by someone in the community who stated that they know of elderly people who would like to currently use the pool more for their rehabilitation from injury who are unable due to the current cost.

Thus I ask a new category be created. One for beneficial, retired or injuries (green prescriptions from the Doctors?). The fee for this should be levied at \$1, and not subject to change for a significant length of time. If the council wishes to restrict this to off peak times (if crowds are an issue) then so be it.

Also think that the other charges should be held constant and not increased by X%

#### **Recommendation:**

*Huntly pool entry charges stay constant.*

*A new charge of a \$1 be introduced for beneficiary's / retirees and ACC / medical patients.*

#### **Water charges**

I am shocked, but not surprised, to see that within a year of water charges occurring, the price has been increased. The water meters were sold on the concept that they would save money. Furthermore we are asked about what option we would prefer for the water company, and again millions of dollars are supposed to be saved.

For the life of me, I cannot understand how savings equates to increasing charges in WDC bureaucrats minds. Maybe if WDC actually got its systems sorted out, these increases wouldn't have to be charged.

I don't know if this is unique to Huntly and Ngaruawahia, but the billing roll out has been a cluster fuck. And yes I did just use that word! It seems like very time a water bill appears, within a week or so, a new water bill appears, because the previous one was wrong. Furthermore WDC is not able to

put more than one water bill in an envelope. So WDC is paying for postage expenses that are not required. Multiple rates can be enclosed into the same envelope, but water bills cannot?

Maybe if WDC improved their own internal systems they would find that the price of water would not have to be increased.

So there should be no increase in water charges. Given that large chunks of WDC are low socio-economic areas, many people are renting. The landlords have had a reduction in rates, and many renters an increase in bills. Once again the most vulnerable people are being charged, while those better off are getting the benefit.

Therefore the cost for water should remain the same, or shock horror decrease with the supposed savings.

**Recommendation:**

*That the unit charge for water stays a constant amount at \$*



## New Zealand Motor Caravan Association Inc.

"Because you'll  
never be alone  
on the road again..."

14 March 2018

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### **Draft Long Term Plans 2018-2028**

#### **Introduction**

1. We understand councils have been working on their draft Long Term Plans 2018-2028 (LTP's) and most of these will be out for public consultation in March – May 2018. LTP's describe the priority activities and community outcomes that councils want to achieve over the next 10 years, while coordinating resources and providing for integrated decision-making.
2. The New Zealand Motor Caravan Association (NZMCA) appreciates the opportunity to provide this feedback towards your LTP review. Formed in 1956, the NZMCA represents the interests of over 80,000 New Zealanders who enjoy exploring New Zealand at leisure in the purpose-built certified self-contained (CSC) motorhomes and caravans. NZMCA members are taxpayers, ratepayers, and domestic travellers who enjoy camping in their hometowns and other districts throughout New Zealand.
3. The domestic motor caravan industry is growing at an unprecedented rate with more and more kiwi retirees, baby boomers and families looking for opportunities to relive the quintessential kiwi-camping lifestyle. For example, the 3-day Covi Supershow held in Auckland last year sold over **\$32 million** worth of CSC motor caravans to New Zealanders alone, compared to \$18 million sold in the previous year. It is incumbent on councils to recognise and support this growing activity enjoyed by tens of thousands of kiwi families.
4. As an official partner of Local Government New Zealand and a strong advocate for responsible freedom camping in CSC vehicles, the NZMCA wants to partner with you on infrastructure development and strategic policy planning with a view to supporting responsible motor caravanning across New Zealand. Like you, we want to ensure motor caravanning is managed properly in New Zealand and provides long-term benefits to your local businesses and communities.

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5. To that end, the NZMCA recommends your LTP includes sufficient recognition, resourcing and prioritisation to support the continued growth of the domestic motor caravanning sector with a particular focus on the follow areas:

- New infrastructure development, e.g. public dump stations and refuse bins;
- An integrated and permissive freedom camping management regime; and
- Recognition of the NZMCA's Motorhome Friendly Scheme.

### **Infrastructure**

6. All councils have a responsibility under the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA) and the Health Act 1956 to improve, promote and protect public health. Councils are therefore expected to provide adequate public facilities such as refuse bins and public toilets – which also include public dump stations accessible to both local residents and visitors<sup>1</sup>. Furthermore, the LGA requires councils to assess whether they still meet public demand for these facilities and to take appropriate action if they do not.
7. Over the past 10 years, the NZMCA has helped co-fund hundreds of public dump station projects across New Zealand. While we continue to collaborate with councils and fill the gaps within the national network, there remain significant access and availability issues throughout many parts of New Zealand. There is growing demand for additional facilities like refuse bins and public dump stations to support visitors and kiwi families exploring our countryside.
8. The NZMCA also supports council projects that provide refuse facilities in strategic areas for visitors. For example, in partnership with the Mackenzie District Council the NZMCA financially supported a new 7m<sup>3</sup> user-pays compact rubbish bin at Lake Tekapo. This bin is available for use to all visitors and local residents for a nominal charge.

### *Benefits and funding options*

9. Offering facilities in strategic locations will encourage safe waste disposal and protect public health. Dump stations built to NZS 5465:2001 specifications will encourage responsible campers in CSC vehicles to visit and spend money in your towns, while providing visitors with a safe place to dispose of their waste water. The cost of constructing a new facility varies<sup>2</sup> and largely depends on the proximity of the underground services along with any additional requirements, e.g. widening of the carriageway. The NZMCA is available to provide practical and technical advice as well as financial assistance (provided the new station meets certain criteria). Councils can also apply to MBIE's Tourism Infrastructure Fund for additional financial support.

### *Recommendations*

10. That your LTP includes resourcing and prioritisation for public dump station facilities built to NZS 5465:2001 specifications, along with free/low cost refuse and recycling facilities for visitors.

<sup>1</sup> See NZS 5465:2001 and Local Government New Zealand (2000). *The knowhow guide to assessing water and sanitary services under the local government act 2002*.

<sup>2</sup> We have worked with councils who have built adequate facilities for under \$5,000, while other councils have spent upwards of \$100,000.

### **Freedom Camping**

11. The NZMCA supports responsible freedom camping in CSC vehicles only. We encourage all councils to recognise the value of CSC motor caravanners throughout their camping-related policies and bylaws. The NZMCA is working with Local Government New Zealand on a 'good practice freedom camping guide' which will include advice to councils wanting to improve their overall management regimes. Furthermore, central government's renewed focus on freedom camping and the formation of a cross-sector stakeholder working group may result in new ideas and management solutions coming to the fore, to help councils manage the activity differently.
12. The outcome of both initiatives may motivate your council to review its existing policy framework over the next 1-2 years, including any camping-related bylaws, reserve management plan policies, and district plan provisions. It would, therefore, be prudent for the council to set aside additional resources in anticipation of a comprehensive and holistic policy review.

### *Benefits*

13. Setting aside sufficient resources in your LTP will make it easier for the council to adapt to the changing landscape and, if necessary, undertake a comprehensive policy review. From our experience, having immediate access to sufficient resources will make it easier for council staff to undertake adequate assessments and reviews along with genuine stakeholder engagement. Relying on unbudgeted and insufficient resources will inevitably lead to poor outcomes and exacerbate community/stakeholder angst.

### *Recommendations*

14. That your LTP includes sufficient resourcing to initiate an integrated freedom camping management regime, which may require a comprehensive review of your relevant rules, policies and bylaws.

### **Motorhome Friendly Scheme**

15. The NZMCA recognises the pressure New Zealand's booming tourism industry is having on local communities and infrastructure. In response to these concerns the NZMCA initiated the 'off the beaten track' campaign which encourages CSC motor caravanners to visit lesser known places around New Zealand. Our campaign helps 'spread the load' across New Zealand and supports local operators in rural/provincial areas calling out for more tourism business. This campaign is also supported through the NZMCA's Motorhome Friendly scheme, which promotes campgrounds and preferred freedom camping areas alongside a range of local events, e.g. food and wine festivals, music concerts, shows and other family-friendly activities.
16. The NZMCA Motorhome Friendly scheme was first introduced in 2010 and was modelled on the very successful RV Friendly scheme initiated by the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia. The NZMCA's scheme provides a set of amenities and services that guarantee motor caravanners a warm welcome and an enjoyable visit. Motor Caravanners will generally avoid towns and districts where they are not welcome and will go out of their way to visit a town that



markets itself as being motorhome friendly. With on-the-road motorhome expenditure exceeding **\$650 million annually** (\$211 million of which come from NZMCA members) motorhomers and communities can certainly establish a mutually beneficial relationship.

17. The NZMCA scheme is primarily targeted at rural and provisional towns, and currently supports 38 councils and 50 friendly towns across New Zealand. There is no cost to any council or town wanting to participate in the scheme other than having friendly camping policies/bylaws along with the necessary infrastructure to support visitors travelling in CSC vehicles. Further information on the scheme can be found here – [www.mhftowns.com](http://www.mhftowns.com).

#### *Benefits*

18. Participating in the motorhome friendly scheme is **FREE**. In return for providing adequate infrastructure (e.g. accessible dump stations) and permissive freedom camping policies/bylaws, the NZMCA will promote your town(s) and local events to motor caravan tourists across New Zealand. Our team of experienced professionals will work alongside your staff and local event organisers to showcase your towns and all they have to offer. The NZMCA also takes care of all online promotional and marketing collateral.

#### *Recommendations*

19. That your LTP explicitly recognises the value of the NZMCA Motorhome Friendly Scheme.

#### **Summary**

20. The domestic CSC motor caravan industry in New Zealand continues to grow at an unprecedented rate. More and more kiwi families are opting for passive recreational lifestyles that enable them to explore their own country. The NZMCA wants to partner with your council to help support this dream for the benefit of New Zealanders, their towns and their communities. The LTP provides an avenue for your council to recognise, resource and prioritise activities in support of this growth.
21. The NZMCA is happy to discuss this feedback and we would appreciate notification of your LTP when it is out for public consultation.

Yours faithfully,  
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## Franklin District Plan

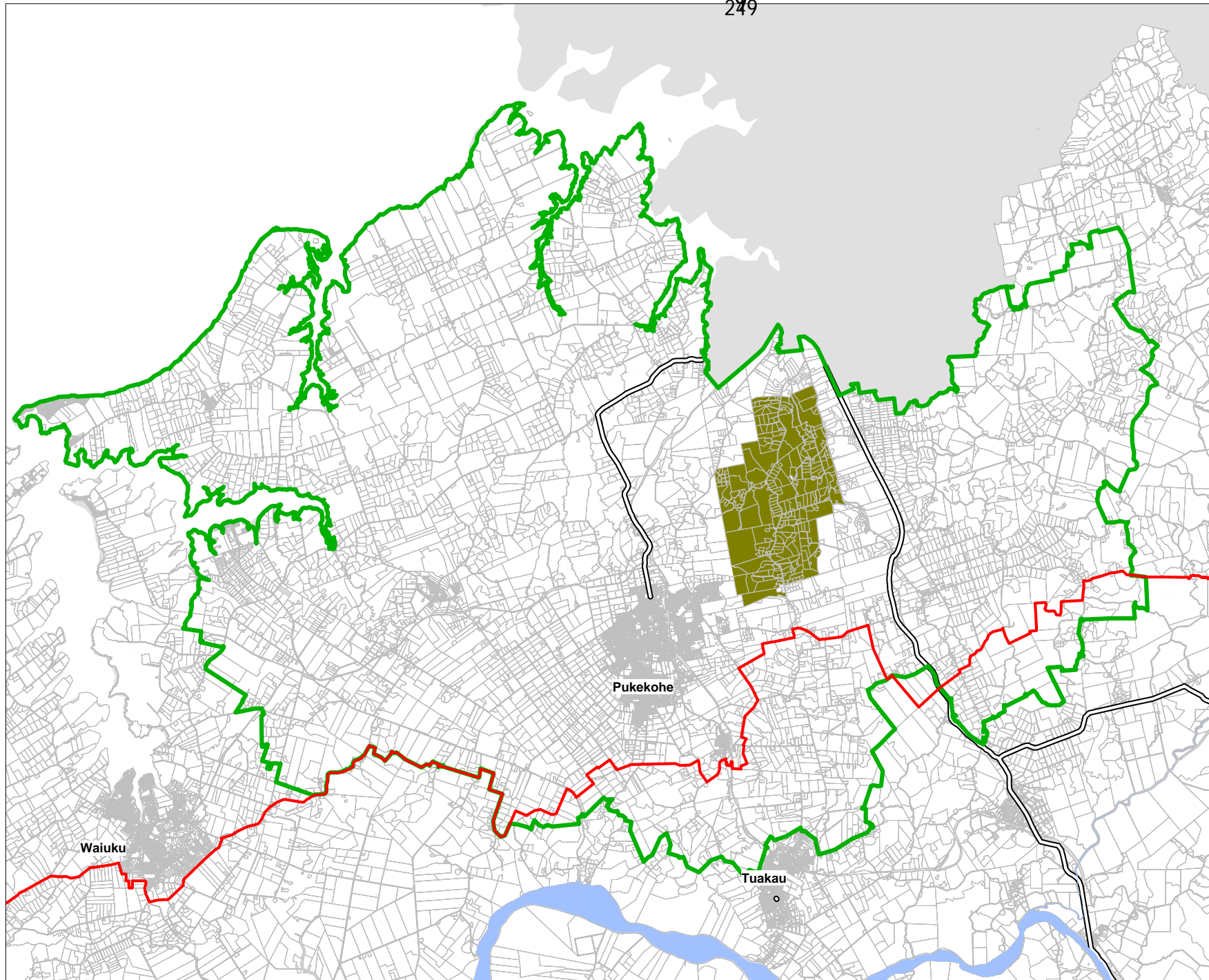
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### MAP 109A

ENVIRONMENTAL  
ENHANCEMENT  
OVERLAY AREA  
REFER RULE 22B.11 AND THE  
DISTRICT PLAN MAPS

#### LEGEND

- Auckland Council  
Southern Boundary
- Environmental  
Enhancement  
Overlay Area
- Rural Countryside  
Living Zone



Approx scale 1:155,000

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**To: All NZ Territorial Authorities and Regional Councils**

**Subject: For consideration in your 2018 Annual Plan and/or Long Term Plan**

**Greetings Mayor, Councillors and Staff,**

We write as engaged citizens in the New Zealand democracy. Previously in 2014 we wrote to you concerning the [Trans Pacific Partnership \(TPP\) on behalf of the Motueka Renewables](#) where we proposed the [TPP Policy Solution](#). Arising from that a number of Councils engaged with the TPP matter and ultimately 12 Councils adopted the offered policy, many more noted and maintained a watching brief on the negotiations. Presentations were made to over 30 Councils some receiving presentations in multiple forums; workshop, committee and council.

It is fair to say a few councils stated that TPP is not a council matter, however most took an active interest and thanked us for bringing it to their attention.

In the later part of 2015 LGNZ (Local Government NZ) undertook an assessment on behalf of constituents. The resultant report concluded there were some risks to local government interests and some were down the track.

We suggest that trade negotiations are of critical importance to all New Zealanders given the [constitutional implications which alter the legal balance between human and property interests and rights](#).

The TPP has been through a tumultuous process, agreed and signed 4 February 2016, then Trumped January 2017. Since then the remaining 11 nations have negotiated a new agreement signed 8 March 2018 in Chile called Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement on the Trans Pacific Partnership (CPTPP). It is substantially the same agreement with 22 suspended provisions pending the return of the United States (US). Civil Society maintain our concern believing that the entrenchment and extension of property rights for foreign corporations will make it difficult for the NZ Government to ensure the wellbeing of all inhabitants.

All councils will now appreciate the public concern for clean rivers, quality potable water and indignation at allocations from aquifers for bottled water exporters. Whatever your council's attitude, it is acknowledged by Trade Minister Parker that CPTPP would disallow a tax on exported water as it is deemed discriminatory under the CPTPP regime.

With regard to [Air NZ – Shane Jones public spat regarding regional air services](#) - the State Owned Enterprises (SOE) [Chapter 17 of CPTPP, highlights the government must ensure that Air NZ operates on a purely commercial basis](#) when delivering domestic services unless it has issued a public mandate for it to do otherwise. It's great that [regional Mayors are proactive on behalf of their regions and provincial cities](#). [Parliament is displaying bipartisan support for Jones' stance](#). There's no way the NZ Government has anticipated every angle before locking NZ into CPTPP.

The attached paper also deals with the unfolding Facebook Cambridge Analytics election hacking scandal which demonstrates the dilemma of losing control of one's personal data – the CPTPP E-Commerce Chapter guarantees that the NZ Government will be powerless to prevent misuse of data as NZ will not have any legal right to demand that data is retained in NZ.

CPTPP imposes many constraints on NZ governance, entrenches corporation rights (ISDS) and leaves NZ exposed to whatever amendments are negotiated upon the return of the US which appears likely given statements from their corporate sector.

**LGNZ Conference** this year is in [Christchurch from 15-17 July 2018](#).

The 2018 conference theme is;

**We are firmly focused on the future: Future-proofing for a prosperous and vibrant New Zealand.** There will be a strong focus on leadership and addressing the big challenges and opportunities facing New Zealand and its communities.

Question to LGNZ - **How does TPP/CPTPP future proof NZ?**

We wish you well in your deliberations.

Please consider the attached evidence paper and recommendations for your 2018 Annual Plan and Long Term Planning processes.

**We offer four specific recommendations** (detail in the attached paper);

**Recommendation #1** (page 13 attachment)

We suggest that the Council considers formally supporting the 23 principles offered by Alfred de Zayas in his [paper to the UNHRC \(A/HRC/37/63\)](#) in which he "highlights the urgent need to apply human rights principles systematically and uniformly to all entities and endeavours."

De Zayas states "What we see is a financial system rigged in favour of powerful individuals and corporations, unequal participation in governments and international organisations, and communities suffering from a reduction of social services, imposed austerity, privatization of public utilities, the misplaced priorities of political leaders and a general absence of genuine representation," - UN Human Rights High Commission [press release](#)

**Recommendation #2** (page 20 attachment)

Given that de Zayas states “Especially in matters of trade, it is imperative to give all stakeholders the opportunity to weigh in the negotiations so as to ensure transparency and accountability,” we urge Council to endorse the model trade and investment treaty process offered in the [www.dontdoit.nz](http://www.dontdoit.nz) petition

The petition takes the government at its word where it said to the NZ Parliament in the [Speech From The Throne 9 November 2017](#) that it will exclude investor state dispute mechanisms (from TPP) and avoid their inclusion in all future agreements. The petition acknowledges the Labour Party 2017 Trade election manifesto where it offers “[Greater engagement with civil society over trade talks](#)” suggesting a democratic process toward a standing general mandate for New Zealand’s future negotiations to guide NZ's trade negotiators.

**Recommendation #3** (page 21 attachment)

We urge the council to support the [Local Government \(Four Well-beings\) Amendment Bill](#) which amends the Local Government Act (LGA) 2002 to reinstate references to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being that were removed by the National government in 2012.

The “four well-beings” were a cornerstone of the LGA 2002 when it was introduced. The “four well-beings” provide the modern focus of local government on serving and being accountable to the communities they serve. It highlights the constitutional role that local governments play in community development and nation building.

**Recommendation #4** (page 23 attachment)

We urge you to read and consider Kate Raworth's “[Doughnut Economics](#)” as a framework for thinking about economics in the 21st century given that the challenges we are facing this century are global in scale but local in solution and we need a different mindset from the economics of the past if we are to viably approach these challenges.

<https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/>

**Attached paper:**

**NZ on the cusp of greatness - we make the case for action to ensure ethical governance in New Zealand – Evidence paper to NZ Regional Councils and Territorial Authorities March 2018**

Many thanks for your consideration.

Greg Rzesniowiecki (on behalf of many in civil society)

## NZ on the cusp of greatness - we make the case for action to ensure ethical governance in New Zealand

### Evidence paper to NZ Regional Councils and Territorial Authorities March 2018

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The remaining 11 nations negotiated a new agreement signed 8 March 2018 in Chile called Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement on the Trans Pacific Partnership (CPTPP). It is substantially the [same agreement with 22 suspended provisions pending the return of the US](#).

The likelihood of the [US rejoining the TPP](#) is increasing with a number of pronouncements from Administration officials.

The developing trade war prompted by US tariff increases on Steel and Aluminium imports [requires careful consideration](#). The tariffs are directed at the US trading deficit with China. The US has maintained a trade surplus with NZ over the [past several years of NZ – US trade](#).

New Zealand is active in trade and investment treaty [negotiations with a number of nations and blocs](#).

Civil Society opposition to trade and investment treaties centres on [several key concerns](#);

- Secrecy of negotiations and negotiating mandate
- Executive/Crown prerogative to treat with foreign powers without civil society consultation - then retrospectively legislate the agreement as a [fait accompli](#)
- Entrenchment of property rights as superior to human, community and ecological rights
- Entrenchment and enforcement of investor property rights through the advance grant of Investment State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) protection
- ISDS provides greater rights to foreign investors than domestic investors and businesses
- Trade treaties conflict with states' obligations in other international agreements, including those protecting human rights, labour standards and the environment
- Impinge on Māori rights in respect to te Tiriti o Waitangi



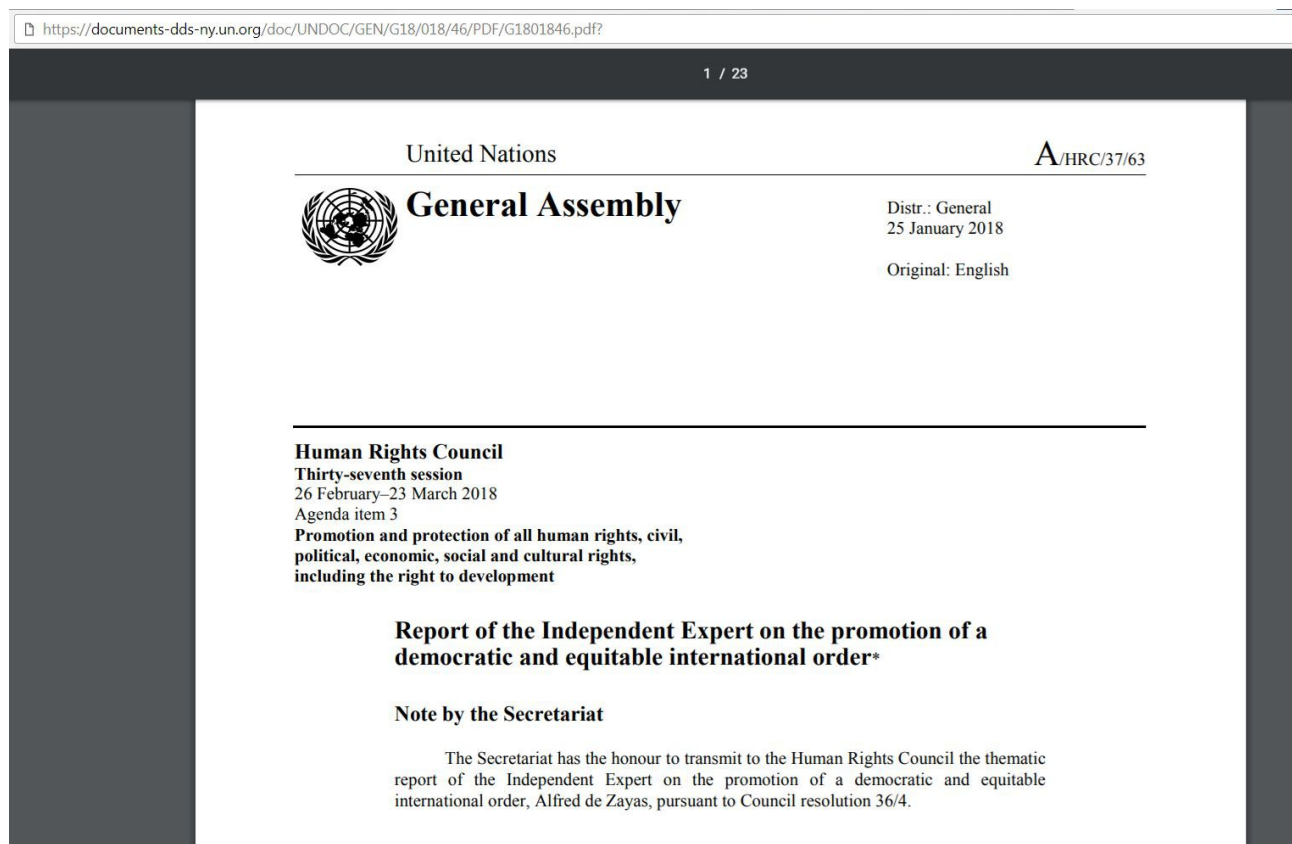
- Limit the ability of Local Government to make decisions for the wellbeing of their constituency
- Trade treaties confer new monopoly rights over the use and distribution of knowledge and the digital domain or commons.

## The duty of government

GENEVA (15 March 2018) – Alfred de Zayas the UN's first Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order, shared his seventh and final thematic report to the Human Rights Council at an event on the margins of the Council's 37th session.

We suggest that the Council considers formally supporting the 23 principles offered by Alfred de Zayas in his [paper to the UNHRC \(A/HRC/37/63\)](#) in which he "highlights the urgent need to apply human rights principles systematically and uniformly to all entities and endeavours."

De Zayas states "What we see is a financial system rigged in favour of powerful individuals and corporations, unequal participation in governments and international organisations, and communities suffering from a reduction of social services, imposed austerity, privatization of public utilities, the misplaced priorities of political leaders and a general absence of genuine representation," - UN Human Rights High Commission [press release](#). Image of front matter;



From the media release;

*In his full report\* – based on six years of work on the mandate – the Independent Expert identifies 23 principles of international order which should guide all individuals and institutions to achieve a more just and inclusive world. Among them, he highlights the supremacy of the UN Charter over all other treaties, the validity of the human rights treaty regime over commercial and other interests, and the inviolability of State sovereignty. “Moreover, any and all exercise of power, especially economic power, must be subject to some democratic controls,” said de Zayas.*

### **On the nature of the global order and how it is directed**

Alfred de Zayas' purpose promoting a democratic and equitable international order is undermined by the actions of those who would hack elections for sectarian ends. Global news media are reporting the Facebook Cambridge Analytics scandal through late March 2018.

Some investigative journalists highlighted the concern late last year, notably [Dr. Nafeez Ahmed who offered this prophetic advice in December 2017;](#)

*What do NATO, private military contractors, aerospace firms, wine merchants, the NSA, Trump, British property tycoons, Russian oligarchs, and Big Oil have in common? The world's largest social network.*

*Imagine a world in which everybody gave away their freedom, willingly, in return for belonging to a toxic network which, rather than enriching their lives, profited from eroding civil discourse, polarizing communities, and manipulating their minds.*

*Wouldn't you wonder what was wrong with these people? You would.*

*And yet that is the world you are about to inhabit, right now.*

*Unless you do something about it.*

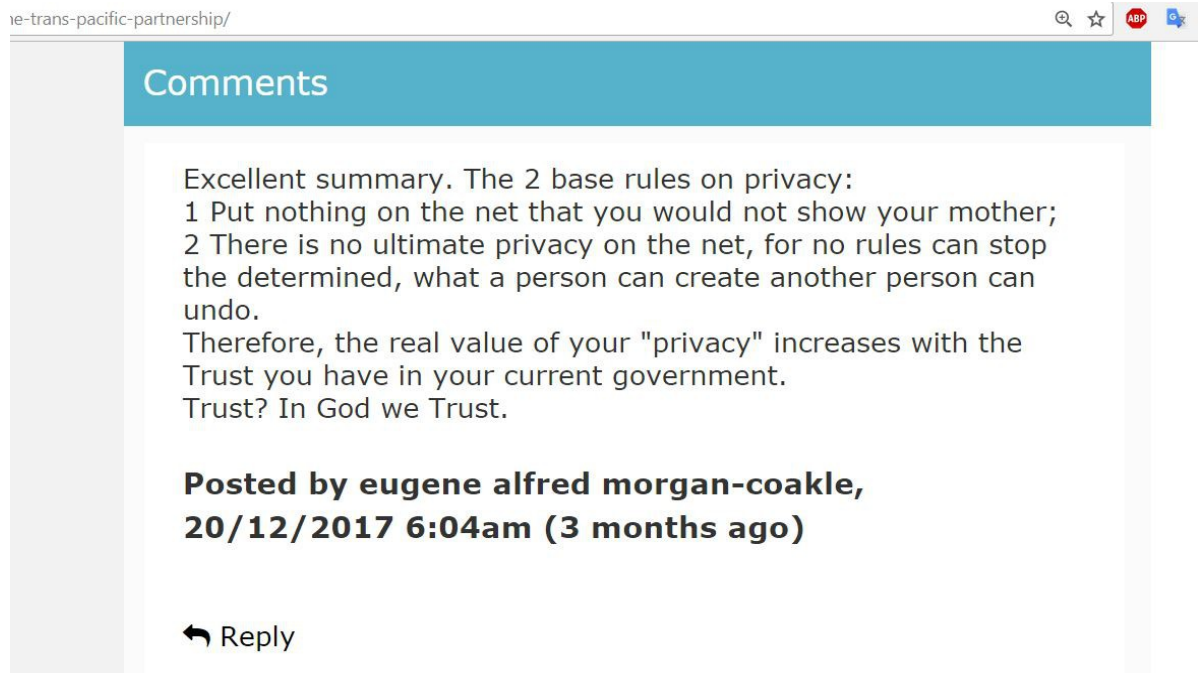
Many individuals and organisations use facebook for it's benefit as a connector, however, where we connect with community building, commerce, social enterprise, family, causes and movement in the democracy, Facebook will be mining our data for end user utility and profit. In the case of Cambridge Analytica through unethical and likely unlawful means.

It is only through exposure of the Cambridge Analytica scandal that Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg has announced that he will be reviewing the way his operation does business. It is notable that when Facebook commenced operation Zuckerberg committed to the principle that people who joined would control their data. Here it is demonstrated that trust is built on a track record, not on blind faith that a person will honour their word.

The CPTPP E-Commerce chapter becomes crucial to the question, “who directs and benefits from one's data?”

The owners of the data and large [E-Commerce corporations are excited about CPTPP's E-Commerce Chapter](#) and seeks to spread it to NAFTA and around the World. What is good for them is not necessarily good for democracy and ordinary people's interests.

[Nz's Privacy Commission offers advice in respect to the CPTPP](#) privacy concerns which gained a comment from Eugene Alfred Morgan-Coakle capture on the quality of trust;



In the meantime democracy and human rights to privacy is under threat in a new piece of legislation passed by the [US Congress and signed by President Trump Friday 23 March 2018](#) called the [Cloud Act](#). It passed through both houses attached to a spending bill. Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) makes the following observations about the Cloud Act's implications.

*There's a new, proposed backdoor to our data, which would bypass our Fourth Amendment protections to communications privacy. It is built into a dangerous bill called the CLOUD Act, which would allow police at home and abroad to seize cross-border data without following the privacy rules where the data is stored.*

*This backdoor is an insidious method for accessing our emails, our chat logs, our online videos and photos, and our private moments shared online between one another. This backdoor would deny us meaningful judicial review and the privacy protections embedded in our Constitution.*

*This new backdoor for cross-border data mirrors another backdoor under Section 702 of the*

*FISA Amendments Act, an invasive NSA surveillance authority for foreign intelligence gathering. That law, recently reauthorized and expanded by Congress for another six years, gives U.S. intelligence agencies, including the NSA, FBI, and CIA, the ability to search, read, and share our private electronic messages without first obtaining a warrant.*

*The new backdoor in the CLOUD Act operates much in the same way. U.S. police could obtain Americans' data, and use it against them, without complying with the Fourth Amendment.*

All of which has serious implications for NZ data security and personal privacy where data is stored outside of New Zealand, with or without the US in CPTPP. US internet corporations Apple, Google, Facebook, Amazon and more store our data on US servers or overseas.

How stable and secure are these platforms given they rely on public confidence to maintain their share price and corporate value? The Herald ran a story 19 March 2018, "[Why the tech bubble is ready to burst](#)" a few days before the markets took vengeance on the Facebook share price over election hacking, stripping over US\$60billion from the value of the stock. Bubbles invariably burst with unpredictable results – 2008 Great Financial Crisis (GFC) is one recent example.

## Who to trust

Increasingly it appears that one's data is being employed to support interests that one is opposed to. Where one loses ownership of one's data, one loses the right to limit its reproduction and use.

No sane democrat wants future local body or NZ general elections to be determined by who is most clever with data manipulation. We cannot allow our democracy to be hacked. Due Diligence demands counter measure planning, to ensure electoral integrity given we are a democracy.

It is of note that the [GCSB's role](#) is to protect the NZ Internet space in that it protects certain traffic to facilitate secure communications for NZ Government and selected commerce or NGO operations. One would think the electoral system in a nation would be worth protecting from hacking.

Surely the NZ Echelon partners at the US NSA or the UK GCHQ would be capable to detect election hacking and close it down.

If US intelligence services did detect the Facebook-Cambridge Analytics election hack - they didn't do the democracy any service by thwarting the coup that resulted. [Cambridge Analytics parent company is SCL Group](#) is linked to elite personalities in the UK and US establishment with Security and Intelligence connections. This fact might explain why the UK and US Intelligence Services were thwarted from or reluctant to protect their realms. UK and US regulators are moving on the matter with [Zuckerberg facing question in the US](#). [NZ Justice Minister Andrew Little coincidentally has announced a review of NZ's Privacy Laws](#), with the Privacy Commissioner calling for fines for

breaches of up to \$1million.

Given the level of supposed surveillance it is a puzzle that the breaches are only discovered after the horse has bolted. What tricks will those who desire to hack elections dream up for the next round of ballots?

One question for the NZ Government and its intelligence services, is the degree to which Cambridge Analytics, SCL Group or any other are tampering with or hacking NZ's electoral system.

### **Local Government has a Duty of Care to ensure integrity of their electoral process**

Democracy elections and democratic practice is the basis for the NZ Sovereign State and as such it is integral to the State's existence.

Hacking elections, disseminating fake news, lack of transparency, and deep state interest, threaten the integrity of the democratic process, and call into question the validity of government formation - all of which undermines state cohesion and creates ground for unnecessary internal dissent.

British humanist, philosopher, public intellectual and prolific author [AC Grayling lectured at the NZ Festival in Wellington](#) the talk theme, "With dirty politics, authoritarian leaders and the simultaneous rise of populism rampant across the planet, what can individuals do to preserve democracy, the "least worst" system of government?" Grayling lays bare the specific problems of 21st-century democracy in his new book [Democracy and Its Crisis](#).

AC Grayling suggests that given the Cambridge Analytics hack of the Brexit Referendum, the result is no longer valid, "[We were conned.. and now we need a new referendum](#)" is his response to the hacking of the UK electoral process.

### **Electronic Ballots – how secure?**

NZ is discussing electronic voting on ballots that are machine readable. Is that wise from the perspective of integrity and trust in the process, whether it has been manipulated or otherwise? Why rely on trust, when we can be secure and transparent? It is imperative that we design integrity into our democratic process.

### **Elections can be gamed - it's all in the code**

[Clinton Curtis testifies to a US Senate panel](#) that he was asked by Yang Corporation to write code to manipulate a Diebold Vote Counting machine in time for the 2000 Bush Gore Election. Curtis demonstrates that the Florida State vote of the Bush 2000 election was gamed! Politics US style.

US and Dutch scientists ask "[Are we witnessing a dishonest election? A between state comparison based on the used voting procedures of the 2016 Democratic Party Primary for the Presidency of the United States of America](#)." They compared ballots from the 2016 Democrat Primary race

between Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders and found a curious correlation; Where there was a paper receipt the ballots went to Sanders, whereas those that were only electronic went to Clinton!

## On the Deep-State

A majority of the American public believe that the U.S. government engages in widespread monitoring of its own citizens and worry that the U.S. government could be invading their own privacy. The Monmouth University [Poll finds a large bipartisan majority who feel that national policy is being manipulated or directed by a "Deep State"](#) of unelected government officials.

## Deep-State enemy of choice

The issue of 'Russian hacking' of the US election is of note particularly given the US record of interference in other nations' affairs, elections, to the point of initiating coups and wars for regime change. We do not seek to justify any meddling in the affairs of sovereign nations. It is a fundamental principle of the [UN Charter - the right to self determination](#).

The UK is employing similar tactics in its bone pointing toward Russia over the alleged nerve gasing of Sergei and Yulia Skripal in Salisbury 4 March 2018.

Craig Murray ex UK Ambassador and 'former' intelligence asset [says there's no evidence to connect the Russians](#). Craig states he's winning the public discussion as there's [no valid counter proposal from supporters of the UK line that Russia dunnit](#).

It is clear that our allied states, UK, US, Canada and Australia in 5 Eyes or Echelon Spy agreement have made many false accusations on the back of 'false or no evidence' – [2003 Iraq War on the basis of Weapons of Mass Destruction \(WMD\)](#) being one large publicly known lie.

We know that internal processes are insufficiently powerful to correct intelligence services and the government ministers' utterances, prior to declarations of foreign policy intent and war-making.

The tendency to 'lie about the facts' indicates an ideological perspective, that isn't above systemically concocting evidence to support the 'club effort against the declared enemy'. The party interest is known as the Military and Industrial Complex – which utilise the security state to create tension and then profit from it through supplying the materials to conduct the resultant hostilities.

The NZ Afghanistan Hit and Run scandal uncovered by John Stevenson and Nicky Hager in their [Hit and Run book](#) highlight NZ involvement and complicity in War Crimes for Empire.

One year after the March 2017 Hit and Run assertions, [NZ Defence Chief Gen Tim Keating finally admits that the events did take place in the places referenced in Stephenson's book](#).

The UK Prime Minister Tony Blair lied to the world about weapons of mass destruction (WMD) in



Iraq in order to advance the [Iraq War on the basis of false intelligence](#). The Iraq war is credited with the murder of up to a million people and the displacement of many more, both internally and into neighbouring nations as well as hundreds of thousands to Europe and many to Oceania – the globalised impacts of modern war are far reaching.

It is very apparent that Secretive Intelligence agencies and deep agendas within the deep-state are corrupting global politics through a [strategy of tension](#);

*The strategy of tension is a method of social control involving a series of covert attacks upon a population, intended to promote stress and fear amongst them. The purpose is, by inducing a mistrust of one another and of the world at large, to increase child-like dependence upon perceived authority figures (such as national governments). The English phrase originates from the Italian (strategia della tensione), which was first applied to Operation Gladio in Italy.*

The hate Russia disease appears to have mutated and spread to New Zealand with the [Prime Minister making a statement that Russia was to blame](#) without any tangible evidence to support the assertion;

*Despite the further details that have emerged since the NZ government statement earlier this week, and despite the international outcry, the Russian reaction has been cynical, sarcastic and inadequate.*

*There is no plausible alternative explanation hitherto, that this came from anywhere other than Russia, and no doubt whatsoever that Russia has serious questions to answer.*

It appears to be the [price of the club membership](#). The question that John Key then a National MP posed to the Clark Government in respect to the 2003 Iraq War makes clear that gaining a [Free Trade Agreement with the US](#) depended on New Zealand joining the [Criminal Iraq War](#).

Is joining criminal wars the price that New Zealand wants to pay for its export trade?

Fact: the nexus between trade, foreign affairs, national competition for control of resources and war making. Last words by Stuff's David Armstrong Monday 26 March where he states [there's no evidence of Russian involvement in the Skripal case](#); "Free trade between morality and economic might."

### **Deep-state lies to expedite war-making - how to counter the narrative?**

To counter this tendency to spread propaganda and lies for sectarian (deep-state) interest it is imperative that the democracy assert control over the state where it is being engaged for nefarious purpose. The point becomes important in the globalised context to ensure all government dealings and relations with individuals, corporations, interests and governments that lead to commercial,

contractual, treaty or legislative amendment are open to public scrutiny.

## Open Government - Shine light into the workings of Government

The one vehicle which provides a window into Government action is the Official Information Act (OIA) 1982.

Minister for Justice Andrew Little took a question from National MP Brett Hudson 7 December 2017, who asked about Little's proposed review and/or reform of the OIA, Hudson's question, [What reform is he planning to make to the Official Information Act 1982?](#)

The NZ Government is yet to formally notify when the public consultation on any OIA reform proposals might occur.

The NZ Law Commission 2010 issues paper, [The Public's Right to Know \(IP18\)](#) discussed areas of possible reform relating to New Zealand's official information legislation. It sought public comment on preliminary proposals. This Issues Paper is part of the Commission's Review of the Official Information Act 1982 and Parts 1-6 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987;

*The The key principle of the Official Information Act 1982 and the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 is that official information should be made available unless in the particular case there is good reason for withholding it.*

## Requirements of a functioning democracy

Everyone says that transparency and open access to government information is critical to the maintenance of a well functioning democracy. We need to instrumentalise that to ensure public trust in government processes and decision making.

We have seen repeated instances where governments; local, central, NZ, and global claim privilege for the information they hold in order to stop the public from knowing what is being done in our name, and often without our consent.

Trans Pacific Partnership both as [TPP and CPTPP iterations were negotiated in secrecy which was only penetrated by leaks](#). Where has the NZ democracy sanctioned the government to reach agreements to alter NZ legislation then return to NZ with an Agreement and claim it's in the National Interest to Sign and Ratify it. Commercial privilege is claimed. Where has the NZ democracy said yes to ISDS in trade treaties?

## War making – Creating Tension

War is often initiated with false pretense or through the [ruse of a staged events](#) - examples;

- Nazi Germany's Reichstag Fire scapegoat communists 'regime change'

- US's Gulf of Tonkin non-event that was employed as the ruse for ramping up the Vietnam War against communists 'regime change'
- Afghanistan - Osama bin Laden and retribution for the 9/11 event - Taliban 'regime change'
- Iraq - weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and 'regime change'
- Libya responsibility to protect and the case against the leader Gaddafi – 'regime change'
- Syria and the case for 'regime change'
- UK Salisbury Skripal nerve agent attack – case for attacking Russia = Putin 'regime change'

Each of the listed nations and disputes is informed to the NZ and global population through the statements of national officials and the reporting of the Mainstream News Media.

The public are told in all of the above examples that the security agency reports or the Government statements and acts make the case for an attack on a sovereign nation.

Here is a [critique of the hate Russia narrative](#) by a London businessperson;

*On 1st March, Vladimir Putin gave his annual address to the Federal Assembly in Moscow.*

*Unsurprisingly, one segment in particular drew the attention of the western press – the section on defence. Putin described a number of highly advanced weapons systems scheduled to come online over the next few months and years. He explained the necessity for the development of these systems, particularly since George W. Bush's withdrawal from the ABM treaty in 2002, and went on to describe the parameters within which they would be used. In the passage below, you will see that he alludes to recent statements made by the United States, in which they have asserted their prerogative to make a first nuclear strike:*

*“We are greatly concerned by certain provisions of the revised nuclear posture review, which expand the opportunities for reducing and reduce the threshold for the use of nuclear arms. Behind closed doors, one may say anything to calm down anyone, but we read what is written. And what is written is that this strategy can be put into action in response to conventional arms attacks and even to a cyber-threat.*

*I should note that our military doctrine says Russia reserves the right to use nuclear weapons solely in response to a nuclear attack, or an attack with other weapons of mass destruction against the country or its allies, or an act of aggression against us with the use*

*of conventional weapons that threaten the very existence of the state. This all is very clear and specific.*

*As such, I see it is my duty to announce the following. Any use of nuclear weapons against Russia or its allies, weapons of short, medium or any range at all, will be considered as a nuclear attack on this country. Retaliation will be immediate, with all the attendant consequences.*

*There should be no doubt about this whatsoever. There is no need to create more threats to the world. Instead, let us sit down at the negotiating table and devise together a new and relevant system of international security and sustainable development for human civilisation. We have been saying this all along. All these proposals are still valid. Russia is ready for this”*

*Anyone who has followed international politics since the sixties will hear echoes of ‘mutually assured destruction (MAD)’ in this passage. I.E. “No-one can win, we will all lose, so let’s calm it down’...with the addition of what was missing for much of the cold war...”so let’s talk”.*

*This is not how the speech was reported in western media. Here are some of the headlines:*

*The Guardian: “Putin threatens US arms race with new missiles declaration”*

*The BBC: “Russia’s Putin unveils ‘invincible’ nuclear weapons”*

*The Washington Post: “Putin just bragged about Russia’s nuclear weapons”*

*Of course, it is easy to understand how those outlets could draw such inferences from the speech – anyone with half a brain and a drum to bang could take any segment and extract a case for ‘Russian aggression’. However, read the whole speech, attempt to put yourself in Russia’s shoes for even a moment...and what you will notice about western coverage is an almost total lack of objectivity, intelligent analysis, or understanding. In short, our media do not attempt to see the world through the eyes of Vladimir Putin...*

The author concludes in the following terms;

*Finally, let me say this: I have no personal animosity towards individual journalists who peddle this crap. I don’t know them personally. They may have been ‘duped’, they may have been ‘persuaded’, they may be ‘assets’. I don’t know on an individual basis.*

*What I do know is this: a war-mongering mind-set has taken hold in governments, in our security services, and increasingly in the military...a mind-set that the media is drip-feeding into the population. On that score, I am personally committed to exposing this mind-set for what it is: whether it is print media hacks with their whitewashing of the US funding of al-*

*Qaeda and the White helmet 'psyop'; or whether it is the televisual media that parrots the governmental line on anything Putin says, does, or doesn't do...I will not sit quietly by whilst these sociopaths and morons take us to war...again.*

*To my fellow citizens I say this: Make up your own mind – don't blindly believe me or anyone else; and for God's sake don't let the government and the media make up your mind for you.*

*To politicians and the media, I say this: I haven't forgotten Iraq even if you have. If you think for one moment that I'm going follow you down the warpath on the basis of zero evidence or blatant 'bullshit' – it's never going to happen. Either tell the truth, or get out.*

### **Transparency and open government is a public good**

Each council and territorial authority has matters that it has hidden from constituents. Likewise Central Government. It could be argued that privilege is necessary, however, where privilege is employed to misrepresent or do unlawful activity – “false accusations of culpability” there needs to be a public interest test mediated in a competent court to ensure that all decisions are taken with the utmost integrity and with a full weighing of facts and the benefit of human rights law.

[World Scientists' Warning to Humanity: A Second Notice](#) published 13 November 2017 co-signed by 15,000 Scientists;

*Twenty-five years ago, the Union of Concerned Scientists and more than 1700 independent scientists, including the majority of living Nobel laureates in the sciences, penned the 1992 “World Scientists' Warning to Humanity” (see supplemental file S1). These concerned professionals called on humankind to curtail environmental destruction and cautioned that “a great change in our stewardship of the Earth and the life on it is required, if vast human misery is to be avoided.” In their manifesto, they showed that humans were on a collision course with the natural world. They expressed concern about current, impending, or potential damage on planet Earth involving ozone depletion, freshwater availability, marine life depletion, ocean dead zones, forest loss, biodiversity destruction, climate change, and continued human population growth. They proclaimed that fundamental changes were urgently needed to avoid the consequences our present course would bring.*

The scientists recommend;

*Sustainability transitions come about in diverse ways, and all require civil-society pressure and evidence-based advocacy, political leadership, and a solid understanding of policy instruments, markets, and other drivers. Examples of diverse and effective steps humanity can take to transition to sustainability include the following (not in order of importance or urgency): (a) prioritizing the enactment of connected well-funded and well-managed*

*reserves for a significant proportion of the world's terrestrial, marine, freshwater, and aerial habitats; (b) maintaining nature's ecosystem services by halting the conversion of forests, grasslands, and other native habitats; (c) restoring native plant communities at large scales, particularly forest landscapes; (d) rewilding regions with native species, especially apex predators, to restore ecological processes and dynamics; (e) developing and adopting adequate policy instruments to remedy defaunation, the poaching crisis, and the exploitation and trade of threatened species; (f) reducing food waste through education and better infrastructure; (g) promoting dietary shifts towards mostly plant-based foods; (h) further reducing fertility rates by ensuring that women and men have access to education and voluntary family-planning services, especially where such resources are still lacking; (i) increasing outdoor nature education for children, as well as the overall engagement of society in the appreciation of nature; (j) divesting of monetary investments and purchases to encourage positive environmental change; (k) devising and promoting new green technologies and massively adopting renewable energy sources while phasing out subsidies to energy production through fossil fuels; (l) revising our economy to reduce wealth inequality and ensure that prices, taxation, and incentive systems take into account the real costs which consumption patterns impose on our environment; and (m) estimating a scientifically defensible, sustainable human population size for the long term while rallying nations and leaders to support that vital goal.*

*To prevent widespread misery and catastrophic biodiversity loss, humanity must practice a more environmentally sustainable alternative to business as usual. This prescription was well articulated by the world's leading scientists 25 years ago, but in most respects, we have not heeded their warning. Soon it will be too late to shift course away from our failing trajectory, and time is running out. We must recognize, in our day-to-day lives and in our governing institutions, that Earth with all its life is our only home.*

## **Looking forward - New Zealand assists creating a better World**

We encourage New Zealand to adopt Alfred de Zayas' recommended principles to the 9 March 2018 side-event to the 37th session of the Human Rights Council on international order and multilateralism . Alfred focused primarily on his visit to Venezuela 26 November to 4 December 2017 and uses that expedition to [highlight the 23 principles of international order which should guide all individuals and institutions to achieve a more just and inclusive world.](#)

Alfred's suggestions bear careful and deliberate consideration the are critical to comprehend for democracy advocates.

It ought be noted that NZ has championed causes previously through the UN - most recently the [Security Council resolution 2334 on Palestine 23 December 2016](#) concerning Israeli settlements in



"Palestinian territories occupied since 1967, including East Jerusalem"

We will never achieve justice in law without a concerted global campaign. In a globalised world we require a global movement toward just law. We encourage all NZ Regional Councils and Territorial Authorities to be partners in creating the solution.

### **Recommendation #1**

We suggest that the Council considers formally supporting the 23 principles offered by Alfred de Zayas in his paper to the UNHRC (A/HRC/37/63) thus endorsing their merit and requesting the New Zealand Government similarly endorse them and champion them in International Fora and diplomatic relations and negotiations.

#### **Principles of international order**

The reports of the Independent Expert have been guided by numerous General Assembly resolutions, notably resolutions 2625 (XXV) and 3314 (XXIX), which, together with the Charter, propound a vision of a democratic and equitable international order. Based on the work of the mandate holder, the following should be generally recognized as principles of international order:

- (a) Pax optima rerum. The noblest principle and purpose of the United Nations is promoting peace, preventively and, in case of armed conflict, facilitating peacemaking, reconstruction and reconciliation;
- (b) The Charter takes priority over all other treaties (Article 103);
- (c) Human dignity is the source of all human rights, which, since 1945, have expanded into an international human rights treaty regime, many aspects of which have become customary international law. The international human rights treaty regime takes priority over commercial and other treaties (see A/HRC/33/40, paras. 18–42);
- (d) The right of self-determination of peoples constitutes jus cogens and is affirmed in the Charter and in common article 1 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. The rights-holders of self-determination are peoples. The duty bearers are States. The exercise of self-determination is an expression of democracy and attains enhanced legitimacy when a referendum is conducted under the auspices of the United Nations. Although the enjoyment of self-determination in the form of autonomy, federalism, secession or union with another State entity is a human right, it is not self-executing. Timely dialogue for the realization of self-determination is an effective conflict-prevention measure (see A/69/272,

paras. 63–77);

(e) Statehood depends on four criteria: population, territory, government and the ability to enter into relations with other countries. While international recognition is desirable, it is not constitutive but only declaratory. A new State is bound by the principles of international order, including human rights;

(f) Every State has an inalienable right to choose its political, economic, social and cultural systems, without interference in any form by another State. Already in 1510 the Spanish Dominican Francisco de Vitoria, Professor of Law in Salamanca, stated that all nations had the right to govern themselves and could accept the political regime they wanted, even if it was not the best;

(g) Peoples and nations possess sovereignty over their natural resources. If these natural resources were “sold” or “assigned” pursuant to colonial, neocolonial or “unequal treaties” or contracts, these agreements must be revised to vindicate the sovereignty of peoples over their own resources;

(h) The principle of territorial integrity has external application, i.e. State A may not invade or encroach upon the territorial integrity of State B. This principle cannot be used internally to deny or hollow out the right of self-determination of peoples, which constitutes a jus cogens right (see A/69/272, paras. 21, 28, 69 and 70);

(i) State sovereignty is superior to commercial and other agreements (see A/HRC/33/40, paras. 43–54);

(j) States shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any State or in any other manner inconsistent with the purposes of the United Nations (Charter, Art. 2 (4));

(k) States have a positive duty to negotiate and settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace, security and justice are not endangered (Charter, Art. 2 (3));

(l) States have the duty to refrain from propaganda for war (International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, art. 20 (1));

(m) States shall negotiate in good faith for the early conclusion of a universal treaty on general and complete disarmament under effective international control (A/HRC/27/51, paras. 6, 16, 18 and 44);

(n) States may not organize or encourage the organization of irregular forces or armed bands, including mercenaries, for incursion into the territory of another State;

- (o) States must refrain from intervening in matters within the national jurisdiction of another State;
- (p) No State may use or encourage the use of economic, political or any other type of measures to coerce another State in order to obtain from it the subordination of the exercise of its sovereign rights and to secure from it advantages of any kind;
- (q) No State may organize, assist, foment, finance, incite or tolerate subversive, terrorist or armed activities directed towards the violent overthrow of the regime of another State, or interfere in civil strife in another State;
- (r) The use of force to deprive peoples of their national identity constitutes a violation of their inalienable rights and of the principle of non-intervention;
- (s) The ontology of States is to legislate in the public interest. The ontology of business and investment is to take risks to generate profit. A treaty that stipulates one-way protection for investors and establishes arbitration commissions that encroach on the regulatory space of States is by nature *contra bonos mores*. Hence, the investor-State dispute settlement mechanism cannot be reformed; it must be abolished (see A/HRC/30/44, paras. 8, 12, 17 and 53, and A/70/285, paras. 54 and 65);
- (t) States must respect not only the letter of the law, but also the spirit of the law, as well as general principles of law (Statute of the International Court of Justice, Article 38), such as good faith, the impartiality of judges, non-selectivity, uniformity of application of law, the principle of non-intervention, estoppel (*ex injuria non oritur jus*), the prohibition of the abuse of rights (*sic utere tuo ut alienum non laedas*) and the prohibition of contracts or treaties that are *contra bonos mores*. It is not only the written law that stands, but the broader principles of natural justice as already recognized in Sophocles' *Antigone*, affirming the unwritten laws of humanity, and the concept of a higher moral law prohibiting unconscionably taking advantage of a weaker party, which could well be considered a form of economic neocolonialism or neo-imperialism (see annex II below);
- (u) States have the duty to cooperate with one another, irrespective of the differences in their political, economic and social systems, in order to maintain international peace and security and to promote international economic stability and progress. To this end, States are obliged to conduct their international relations in the economic, social, cultural, technical and trade fields in accordance with the principles of sovereign equality and non-intervention. States should promote a culture of dialogue and mediation;
- (v) The right to access reliable information is indispensable for the national and international democratic order. The right of freedom of opinion and expression necessarily includes the right to be wrong. "Memory laws", which pretend to crystalize history into a

politically correct narrative, and penal laws enacted to suppress dissent are anti-democratic, offend academic freedom and endanger not only domestic but also international democracy (see A/HRC/24/38, para. 37);

(w) States have a duty to protect and preserve nature and the common heritage of humankind for future generations.

Alfred concludes his report with two annexes to frame consideration of the 23 Principles of International Order, Human Rights Annex I and Rule of Justice Annex II.

The full text of each [annex can be accessed in the full report](#):

### **Annex I - A new functional paradigm on human rights**

1. All rights derive from human dignity. Codification of human rights is never definitive and never exhaustive, but constitutes an evolutionary mode d'emploi for the exercise of civil, cultural, economic, political and social rights. Alas, the interpretation and application of human rights is hindered by wrong priorities, sterile positivism and a regrettable tendency to focus only on individual rights while forgetting collective rights. Alas, many rights advocates show little or no interest for the social responsibilities that accompany the exercise of rights, and fail to see the necessary symbiosis of rights and obligations, notwithstanding the letter and spirit of article 29 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

2. The time has come to change the human rights paradigm away from narrow positivism towards a broader understanding of human rights norms in the context of an emerging customary international law of human rights. Law is neither physics nor mathematics, but a dynamic human institution that day by day addresses the needs and aspirations of society, adjusting here, filling lacunae there. Every human rights lawyer knows that the spirit of the law (Montesquieu) transcends the limitations of the letter of the law...(cont.)

Points 2 – 9 in UN report page 21; (A/HRC/37/63)

### **Annex II - Rule of law must evolve into rule of justice**

1. The rule of law is a pillar of stability, predictability and democratic ethos. Its object and purpose is to serve the human person and progressively achieve human dignity in larger freedom.

2. Because law reflects power imbalances, we must ensure that the ideal of the rule of law is not instrumentalized simply to enforce the status quo, maintain privilege, and the exploitation of one group over another. The rule of law must be a rule that allows flexibility and welcomes continuous democratic dialogue to devise and implement those reforms

required by an evolving society. It must be a rule of conscience and of listening.

3. Throughout history law has been all too frequently manipulated by political power, becoming a kind of dictatorship through law, where people are robbed of their individual and collective rights, and the law itself becomes the main instrument of their disenfranchisement. Experience has taught us that law is not coterminous with justice and that laws can be adopted and enforced to perpetuate abuse and cement injustice. Accordingly, any appeal to the rule of law should be contextualized within a human-rights-based framework.

Points 4. - 6 in the UN report page 23; (A/HRC/37/63)

### **Trade and investment treaty effects on public policy**

Councillors will note the many references to trade and investment treaties and Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) made by Alfred de Zayas in his 23 principles, namely;

(c) Human dignity is the source of all human rights, which, since 1945, have expanded into an international human rights treaty regime, many aspects of which have become customary international law. The international human rights treaty regime takes priority over commercial and other treaties (see A/HRC/33/40, paras. 18–42);

This statement is reasserted in many ways through the principles, notably in;

(i) State sovereignty is superior to commercial and other agreements (see A/HRC/33/40, paras. 43–54);

(p) No State may use or encourage the use of economic, political or any other type of measures to coerce another State in order to obtain from it the subordination of the exercise of its sovereign rights and to secure from it advantages of any kind;

(s) The ontology of States is to legislate in the public interest. The ontology of business and investment is to take risks to generate profit. A treaty that stipulates one-way protection for investors and establishes arbitration commissions that encroach on the regulatory space of States is by nature *contra bonos mores*. Hence, the investor-State dispute settlement mechanism cannot be reformed; it must be abolished (see A/HRC/30/44, paras. 8, 12, 17 and 53, and A/70/285, paras. 54 and 65);

(t) States must respect not only the letter of the law, but also the spirit of the law, as well as general principles of law (Statute of the International Court of Justice, Article 38), such as good faith, the impartiality of judges, non-selectivity, uniformity of application of law, the principle of non-intervention, estoppel (*ex injuria non oritur jus*), the prohibition of the abuse of rights (*sic utere tuo ut alienum non laedas*) and the prohibition of contracts or

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(u) States have the duty to cooperate with one another, irrespective of the differences in their political, economic and social systems, in order to maintain international peace and security and to promote international economic stability and progress. To this end, States are obliged to conduct their international relations in the economic, social, cultural, technical and trade fields in accordance with the principles of sovereign equality and non-intervention. States should promote a culture of dialogue and mediation;

The following have implications for trade treaties whilst having general importance;

(v) The right to access reliable information is indispensable for the national and international democratic order. The right of freedom of opinion and expression necessarily includes the right to be wrong. "Memory laws", which pretend to crystalize history into a politically correct narrative, and penal laws enacted to suppress dissent are anti-democratic, offend academic freedom and endanger not only domestic but also international democracy (see A/HRC/24/38, para. 37);

(w) States have a duty to protect and preserve nature and the common heritage of humankind for future generations.

### **TPP or CPTPP - on balance a public good?**

The best that can be said about the [CPTPP is that it provides limited economic benefits to NZ](#). That benefit is also a potential poor outcome where it expands our primary producing economy in a manner that increases NZ's emissions of greenhouse gases.

There is a [lot of material](#) on [TPP/CPTPP](#). The community that oppose its imposition on New Zealand are of a similar mind to the Union of Concerned Scientists, Alfred de Zayas the UN Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order and Dr Nafeez Ahmed.

We ask, "why take binding and enforceable action to lock NZ and the region into an agreement that is patently against the interests of the present and future NZ State?"

[LGNZ previous President Lawrence Yule said in July 2017](#), "local government's vision for New Zealand in 2050 is a vibrant country enjoying environmental, social, cultural and economic prosperity" when launching the new [Local Government Position Statement on Climate Change, and 2017 climate change declaration](#) signed by 44 mayors from around the country. The statement includes the following passage;



## *2. Policy alignment and a clear mandate to address climate change*

*Central government policies can support (or hinder) council, private sector and community action to respond to climate change.*

*Effective climate policy involves a diverse range of adaptation and mitigation actions. A broad review of existing policy is required to support climate change adaptation and mitigation actions.*

*To highlight that local government's actions to address climate change are part of a national effort, we seek an explicit mandate under the Local Government Act to consider how decisions affect climate change outcomes.*

We have already demonstrated in clear factual terms the limits that [TPP/CPTPP and the ISDS regime will impose on effective climate action](#). The [www.dontdoit.nz](http://www.dontdoit.nz) petition places importance on ensuring any trade and investment treaty NZ enters will not constrain effective climate action.

NZ must move to a future where everyone's wellbeing is nurtured. This could be ensured by way of amendment to the manner in which NZ negotiates, consults, signs and ratifies international trade and investment treaties.

The petition takes the government at its word where it said to the NZ Parliament in the [Speech From The Throne 9 November 2017](#) that it will exclude investor state dispute mechanisms (from TPP) and avoid their inclusion in all future agreements. The petition acknowledges the Labour Party 2017 Trade election manifesto where it offers [Greater engagement with civil society over trade talks](#) suggesting a democratic process toward a standing general mandate for New Zealand's future negotiations to guide NZ's trade negotiators.

## **Recommendation #2**

We urge Council to endorse the model trade and investment treaty process offered in the [www.dontdoit.nz](http://www.dontdoit.nz) petition

The dontdoit.nz petition where it is implemented would ensure that New Zealand honours PM Jacinda Ardern's statement that MFAT will negotiate no further FTAs with Investor State Dispute Settlement (ISDS). It would ensure in a transparent and public manner that there would be no surprises or treaties negotiated that are adverse to NZ interests and inhabitants' wellbeing. The petition says in part;

***...urge the House to call upon the Government:***

*k) not to sign the TPPA or the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement on Trans-Pacific*

*Partnership; (note: the petition was formulated prior to the 8 March 2018 CPTPP Signing in Chile)*

*l) to conduct a principles-based review of New Zealand's approach to free trade, investment and economic integration agreements that involves broad-based consultation;*

*m) to engage with Maori to reach agreement on effective protection of their rights and interests consistent with te Tiriti o Waitangi and suspend negotiations for similar agreements until that review is concluded;*

***and further, urge the House to pass new legislation that***

*(n) establishes the principles and protections identified through the principles-based review under paragraph (l) as the standing general mandate for New Zealand's future negotiations, including;*

*i. excluding ISDS from all agreements New Zealand enters into, and renegotiating existing agreements with ISDS;*

*ii. a requirement for the government to commission and release in advance of signing an agreement independent analyses of the net costs and benefits of any proposed agreement for the economy, including jobs and distribution, and of the impact on health, other human rights, the environment and the ability to take climate action;*

*iii. a legislative requirement to refer the agreement to the Waitangi Tribunal for review prior to any decision to sign the treaty; and*

*(o) makes the signing of any agreement conditional on a majority vote of the Parliament following the tabling in the House of the reports referred to in paragraph (n) (ii) and (iii);*

***and for the House to amend its Standing Orders to***

*(p) establish a specialist parliamentary select committee on treaties with membership that has the necessary expertise to scrutinise free trade, investment and economic integration agreements;*

*(q) require the tabling of the government's full mandate for any negotiation prior to the commencement of negotiations, and any amendment to that mandate, as well as periodic reports to the standing committee on treaties on compliance with that mandate;*

*(r) require the tabling of any final text of any free trade, investment and economic integration agreement at least 90 days prior to it being signed;*

*(s) require the standing committee on treaties call for and hear submissions on the mandate, the periodic reports, and pre-signing version of the text and the final text and*

*report on those hearings to Parliament;*

*(t) require a two-third majority support for the adoption of any free trade, investment or economic integration agreement that constrains the sovereignty of future Parliaments that is binding and enforceable through external dispute settlement processes.*

### **Recommendation #3**

#### **Support the Local Government (Four Well-beings) Amendment Bill**

We urge the council to support the [Local Government \(Four Well-beings\) Amendment Bill](#) which amends the Local Government Act (LGA) 2002 to reinstate references to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being that were removed by the National government in 2012.

The “four well-beings” were a cornerstone of the LGA 2002 when it was introduced. The “four well-beings” provide the modern focus of local government on serving and being accountable to the communities they serve. It highlights the constitutional role that local governments play in community development and nation building.

The bill is sponsored by Paul Eagle MP (previously Wellington City Councillor). It would be a great demonstration of the alignment between Local Government and Central Government to achieve wellbeing for all NZ inhabitants. The bill offers the following explanation;

*The Bill amends the Local Government Act 2002 to reinstate references to social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being that were removed by the National government in 2012.*

*The “four well-beings” were a cornerstone of the Act when it was introduced. The “four well-beings” provide the modern focus of local government on serving and being accountable to the communities they serve. It highlights the constitutional role that local governments play in community development and nation building.*

*The removal of the “four well-beings” by the National government was based on factual inaccuracies and misconceptions. The effect of the removal of the “four well-beings” is wide reaching and is not limited to section 10 amended by the National government, as the four-well beings permeate the Local Government Act 2002 and there are references to them in other Acts.*

*Given that the “four well-beings” remain in these other acts of Parliament, the risk of inconsistency and confusion is real, especially with the Resource Management Act 1991 and the Local Government Act 2002. Many Mayors and Councillors continue to be concerned that the National government’s removal of the “four well-beings” and its replacement*

*wording is sufficiently unclear as to almost certainly lead to legal challenges of the way local authorities interpret their responsibilities, especially legal challenges from well-resourced special interest groups.*

*In its submission on the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill, Local Government New Zealand, the representative body of local governments representing all 78 local authorities in New Zealand, had this to say—*

- *“There is no evidence that a substantive problem exists that requires legislative change. The examples by the Government to justify the proposed change are not examples of a failure of the well-beings. The examples adduced are either explicable due to the underlying circumstances, for example, holdings in particular business activities which are mandated by the communities affected and deliver an acceptable commercial return or address a community need”*
- *“There is no evidence that councils are finding it difficult to decline requests for funding. Instead the recently completed long-term planning round suggests that the opposite is the case. Councils have been aware of the straightened financial circumstances that the country is in and have been fiscally prudent as a result. The prime driver of rates increases is infrastructure investment”*
- *“Most significantly, the proposed amendment will likely have significant legal and cost implications. These implications arise for both decision-makers and the community, who are likely to be confused by its intent or application. It is concerning that the legal (and associated cost) consequences of the proposed amendment do not appear to have been considered by the Government. The Regulatory Impact Statement is silent on this point. The proposed new purpose, and how it changes the proper interpretation of specific obligations under the LGA 2002, is sufficiently unclear as to almost certainly lead to legal challenges of the way local authorities have interpreted their responsibilities. In light of the body of case law under the existing provisions, it would be naïve to think that changing those provisions would not encourage further litigation by well resourced interest groups who opposed particular local authority decisions. As a result, the proposed change is likely to produce significant costs without any concomitant benefit”*
- *“Given the lack of a problem definition, the lack of any evidence to substantiate the general claims made by Government about the impact of the well-beings, and the un-scoped legal risk associated with the change, the proposal to alter the well-beings appears somewhat reckless”*
- *“As a result of this analysis, the members of LGNZ resolved unanimously at its Annual General Meeting on 15 July 2012 that the Government should retain the well-beings”*

We believe that NZ Local Government support this initiative as there was universal opposition to the removal of the Wellbeings from the LGA 2002.

#### Recommendation #4

We urge you to read and consider Kate Raworth's "[Doughnut Economics](https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/)" as a framework for thinking about economics in the 21st century given that the challenges we are facing this century are global in scale but local in solution and we need a different mindset from the economics of the past if we are to viably approach these challenges.

<https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/>

Kate Raworth's book, "[Doughnut Economics: Seven Ways to Think Like a 21st-Century Economist](https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/)" on Amazon.

More of [Kate Raworth's publications and writings](https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/) are available at her website.

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#### What on Earth is the Doughnut?...

Humanity's 21st century challenge is to meet the needs of all within the means of the planet. In other words, to ensure that no one falls short on life's essentials (from food and housing to healthcare and political voice), while ensuring that collectively we do not overshoot our pressure on Earth's life-supporting systems, on which we fundamentally depend – such as a stable climate, fertile soils, and a protective ozone layer. The Doughnut of social and planetary boundaries is a playfully serious approach to framing that challenge, and it acts as a compass for human progress this century.

#### The Doughnut of social and planetary boundaries (2017)



<https://www.kateraworth.com/about/> a brief CV;



Kate Raworth is a renegade economist focused on exploring the economic mindset needed to address the 21st century's social and ecological challenges, and is the creator of the **Doughnut** of social and planetary boundaries.

She is a Senior Visiting Research Associate at Oxford University's **Environmental Change Institute**, where she teaches on the Masters in **Environmental Change and Management**. She is also a Senior Associate at the **Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership**.

Her internationally acclaimed idea of Doughnut Economics has been widely influential amongst sustainable development thinkers, progressive businesses and political activists, and she has presented it to audiences ranging from the UN General Assembly to the Occupy movement. Her book, *Doughnut Economics: seven ways to think like a 21st century economist* is being published in the UK and US in April 2017 and translated into Italian, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch and Japanese.

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## Waikato District Council Proposed Long Term Plan 2018-28

### Submission by Dallas Fisher, Chair Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency Establishment Board

#### Introduction

1. On behalf of the Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency (REDA) Establishment Board, I write to:
  - Congratulate Waikato District Council on its draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan
  - Support the continued level of investment by your council in local economic development initiatives
  - Support the inclusion of funding in your 2018-28 Long Term Plan for the Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency
2. Formed as a partnership between regional business, local and central government leaders, the Waikato REDA is a business-led and independent organisation charged with three overarching goals:
  - Lifting economic development across the Waikato region
  - Attracting, retaining and growing investment, talent and business across the region
  - Champion and provide 'one voice' for economic and business needs and opportunities across the region.
3. The Waikato REDA integrates the previous work of Waikato Means Business and the business support functions of the Waikato Innovation Park and will extend and up-scale these current services. It will support and help deliver the economic development objectives of the Waikato Plan. It will be led by an independent board of directors, selected for their skills and experience in business and economic development, investment attraction and economic development.
4. The new entity will formally come into operation on 1 July and the new board will be selected by spring 2018. In the meantime, an Establishment Board and an interim CEO are overseeing the establishment of the Waikato REDA. Securing the necessary operation funding for the Waikato REDA is a critical step towards its success.

#### Commitment to Economic Development

5. The Establishment Board supports your Council's objective to *"improve standards of living in the Waikato District, where all people, communities and business reach their potential"*<sup>1</sup>, the levels

<sup>1</sup> [https://wdcsitefinity.blob.core.windows.net/sitefinity-storage/docs/default-source/your-council/plans-policies-and-bylaws/strategies/waikato-district-economic-development-strategy-2015.pdf?sfvrsn=6769bbc9\\_2](https://wdcsitefinity.blob.core.windows.net/sitefinity-storage/docs/default-source/your-council/plans-policies-and-bylaws/strategies/waikato-district-economic-development-strategy-2015.pdf?sfvrsn=6769bbc9_2)

of service and the performance targets associated with this goal as set out in your LTP documents.

6. The Waikato district is one of New Zealand's fastest growing areas, with its proximity to Auckland, Hamilton and central location in the Upper North Island's golden triangle meaning that jobs, industry and investment and growth is increasing in this district. This brings with it many funding and service challenges and growth opportunities which your LTP addresses. It also means that the way in which the Waikato District's economy operates needs to be looked at within a wider economic geography.
7. The Waikato District Council has, over the past few years, made a considerable commitment to economic development which the Board fully endorses and supports. Your considerable work to attract international investment and your "*Open Waikato*<sup>2</sup>" platform has been very successful. This effort has seen the district attract very significant national and international investments in infrastructure and industry which has supported local businesses, encouraging local jobs and wellbeing.
8. The Board stresses that successful regional economic development is not an "either-or" decision between local and regional funding. As is set out below, while every dollar invested by local government in economic growth makes a real difference, the Waikato region has historically underinvested in economic development by a considerable margin. A change in investment will be needed over time to address this imbalance.
9. The Waikato REDA will not "eat anybody's lunch". The role of the Waikato REDA will be to:
  - set a shared regional economic vision and action-based strategy, with measurable targets and goals to be included into the Waikato Plan strategic framework as part of the region's "one voice"
  - agree on our regional action priorities, while also supporting aligned local economic development priorities
  - seek and win funding (both operational and capital) for regional and national scale economic development initiatives, and supporting aligned local economic development projects
  - build a regional economic development system which ensures that firm support, investment attraction, innovation, regional promotion, employment and skills development, research and monitoring is consistent and creates greater value right across the region
10. It is crucial that the commitment and investment of Waikato District continues alongside the work to establish a regional EDA. The Waikato REDA will add a significant missing piece to the Waikato economic development landscape, but it will not substitute for the work of local councils and other key economic development entities. The future competitiveness and economic success of the region depends on a shared investment in economic growth and an ongoing commitment at both the local, regional and national level.

<sup>2</sup> <http://openwaikato.co.nz/>

## The Need for a Regional Economic Development Agency

11. In 2017 Waikato Means Business commissioned an independent review of regional economic development capacity and capability in the Waikato. The review<sup>3</sup> engaged widely with business, local government and economic development leaders and practitioners in the region. The review was overseen by a Project Reference Group which included leaders from Waikato's business, local government and service delivery sectors. The group included Chief Executives from Hamilton City, Thames Coromandel and Waikato Regional councils.

12. The review found that:

- The region has a range of economic development strategies and frameworks with limited alignment between them
- There is limited buy-in to WMB strategy/plan and process
- The business community is seeking stronger voice and ambition for the region
- Overall the region has fragmented and uneven economic development services, with limited reach of some services to some districts and groups
- There is demand for improved investment attraction & facilitation, innovation and industry/major project support
- Destination marketing activities are reasonable given resource constraints, although coordination of events could be better
- There is a need to improve monitoring and reporting of impacts
- Limited local government resourcing going into economic development in the Waikato relative to other regions.

13. In relation to the last bullet point, the national average for economic development investment is 2.1% of local government operating expenditure or \$36 per capita per annum. According to published data, local government in the Waikato invests around \$11.7m per annum on economic development-related activities, about 1.5% of local government operating expenditure, or \$26 per capita. Excluding Taupō, regional investment in 2015 was \$8.1m. (1.1% of expenditure) or \$20 per capita.

14. The review looked at various ways to address these issues and concluded that the most effective option was for the region was to create a new **regional economic development agency** (REDA) focused on business development, innovation, industry development, investment attraction services for the Waikato.

15. Key design attributes proposed included:

- An entity which is business-facing and business led, to ensure full buy in and support
- Aligning the Waikato REDA with the region's overarching strategic direction as set out in the Waikato Plan
- Recognising the considerable public, central and local government interest in regional economic development

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.waikatomeansbusiness.nz/assets/Waikato-Means-Business/Projects/FINAL-Review-of-Waikato-ED-arrangements.-September-2017.pdf>

- Not replicating or crowding out the economic development work of local government
- Would not include Taupō and Rotorua districts in terms of funding, but would include these districts on a project basis as agreed
- Building off the Waikato Innovation Park's business development services
- A hub and spoke delivery model to ensure reach across the region
- Destination marketing activities will remain with RTOs but with clear linkages with the Waikato REDA
- An independent entity – business-led and focused
- The model, and the necessary extension of services, will require additional funding from private sector and local government to be effective
- the Waikato REDA will help achieve enhanced regional ED leadership via partnerships between business, Māori/iwi, local government central government

## Engagement

16. The review was endorsed by the Waikato Means Business Steering Group in September and was then presented to the Waikato Mayoral Forum the same month. The Forum also supported the review conclusions. Accordingly, the project moved into a “pre-establishment” phase during which the detailed governance, design and operational aspects of the Waikato REDA will be developed and agreed. This phase was completed in March 2018. A REDA Reference Group was convened to guide and support this phase. This group was made up of business (including Māori business and a representative from Agenda Waikato) and local government leaders from across the Waikato.
17. Following the September Mayoral Forum, the WMB Chair and Programme Manager presented to the proposed funding Councils between September and December 2017. Councillors and Mayors were presented with the key attributes of the model and invited to support the funding model. A request was made that each Council make provision for the above funding in their 2018-28 Long Term Plans, for at least years 1-3.
18. Since September the Waikato REDA project team has also engaged for a second round with Waikato business leaders and peak bodies (such as the Chambers of Commerce, Agenda Waikato, EMA, Export NZ, tertiary institutions) to test design and operational model options for the Waikato REDA and use this as input for the consideration by the Reference Group.
19. In February 2018 the project was again presented to the Waikato Mayoral Forum, to update them on emerging detail around the governance, operational, form and function of the Waikato REDA. The Mayoral Forum was asked to select an Establishment Board appointments sub-group, which was tasked with selecting members for the Establishment Board, as nominated by the Project Reference Group. The Board has now been convened and includes two local government (executive) representatives.
20. These engagement and advisory methods have allowed us to refine and develop the model for the Waikato REDA and, subject to funding, we are currently fully on track to have the Waikato REDA in place and operating in the period July-September 2018.

## Benefits for the Waikato Region

21. Mayors and elected representatives have a duty and obligation to demonstrate value for money and the wise stewardship of public resources. Every council in the region faces considerable fiscal pressure, and a dollar invested in the Waikato REDA is a dollar that could stay in the pocket of the ratepayer or could be invested into other worthwhile projects.
22. Regardless of which part of the region we are in, there are benefits from the Waikato REDA which will accrue to everybody, and which will be far more than the investment we are requesting of each Council.
23. When we think of the Waikato, like you, we prefer to think from the outside in. Each local council has done a great job and Waikato Means Business has got us to the starting line on regional economic growth. But compared to our neighbouring regions, the Waikato does not have a strong regional economic identity and does not have a fit for purpose programme to assist the region and local communities to increase their economic wellbeing through a coordinated regional approach.
24. We are competing with other regions in New Zealand with a strong regional voice, in most cases a regional EDA, a clear set of priorities and a coherent approach to attracting new investment, people and talent. So long as we remain 12 or more separate and only sometimes consistent voices, we will not fully reach our potential and have a much less chance of being successful.
25. Whether it be central government, national and international investors, people who are considering making the Waikato their new home or visitors, we need to have a single and coherent story about our place, one set of major regional priorities for economic growth and an organised approach towards business growth and development. We also need a system to ensure that we can manage and capture the opportunities that are present for the Waikato.
26. This is a huge opportunity for us to show, at least on economic development we do indeed have "one voice". Right now, there is no better example for this than the \$3b Tuawhenua Provincial Growth Fund. While we can each have a go at winning a small slice of this, we will have a much better chance of at-scale success if we work together as a region, maximising the strength of our proposals and supporting each other to win resources to build new industries, grow jobs and improve prosperity. We know that when the region has tried to gain government funding through separate and uncoordinated bids, it has not succeeded- the 5 unsuccessful bids for the government's Regional Research Institute programme being a case in point.
27. It only takes one major project to pay back to districts the investment being sought. Not every district will win every opportunity, and sometimes a proposal will be best suited in other parts of the region. However, the Waikato REDA will ensure that each part of the region can do better and gain greater support from the government and others, than if it went alone.

## Benefits for the Waikato District

28. The Waikato REDA will support Waikato district to meet its local economic development goals while also meeting the region's growth aspirations in several ways:

- Giving its support to cross regional and Waikato district-based proposals to the Tuawhenua Provincial Growth Fund (and other government funding programmes), thereby considerably increasing their chances of success
- Further developing sectors and cluster development plans where the Otorohanga district will have a competitive advantage including primary and food industries, mining/energy, construction, freight and logistic, services, manufacturing industries<sup>4</sup>
- Continuing to grow the reach of NZTE and Callaghan business growth funding and services in the Waikato district so that our shared goals around business growth, innovation and entrepreneurship are fulfilled
- Working with other economic growth partners, including local Chambers, iwi, funding trusts, and Smart Waikato to ensure that local and community economic development services are provided in a way which creates tangible value and results in local communities
- Commissioning and undertaking projects which will have a direct economic benefit for the Waikato district- for example the expansion of cycle trail infrastructure across the Waikato
- Ensuring that emergent projects identified by Waikato District Council are supported at the regional and national funding scale
- Supporting as appropriate Waikato district's successful investment facilitation and attraction programme- both to support new investments and to provide an avenue for investments enquires better suited to other districts in the Waikato, so that these opportunities are not lost from our region. Similarly, this process will ensure that proposals best suited to the Waikato district are directed towards it.

## Extension and Enhancement of Existing Services

29. The Waikato REDA will integrate and extend the existing services and projects of both the Waikato Innovation Park's Regional Business Partner Programme, and the programme undertaken by Waikato Means Business.

30. The Regional Business Partner Network is a 5-year contract which establishes 5 FTE's to provide business growth activity on behalf of the government across all NZ regions. In Waikato this has been awarded to Waikato Innovation Park since the programme's inception about 7 years ago. In 2016 the network distributed more than \$46m of Callaghan Innovation R&D grants and \$514,000 of NZTE capability building grants across the Waikato region<sup>5</sup>. As part of this contract the Park is expected to meet with around 600 businesses of which 400 would include an 'active engagement with an agreed Action Plan' for the businesses growth.

31. In support of this, the organisation manages the Capability Development voucher programme and most of Callaghan Innovation programmes for the region. The drive to provide a region wide service in conjunction with local councils started around 5 years ago and now sees 7 joint ventures in place; Tuakau, Huntly, Raglan, Thames, Paeroa, Tokoroa and Taupo. Plans are underway to include Te Awamutu and look at the south western areas of Otorohanga and Te

<sup>4</sup> <https://ecoprofile.infometrics.co.nz/Waikato%20District/Gdp>

<sup>5</sup> Innovation Waikato Limited & Group 2017 Annual Report, as reported to the Hamilton City Council Finance Committee Tuesday 7 November 2017

([http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/AgendasAndMinutes/Finance%20Committee%20Agenda%20-%20Attachments%20Under%20Separate%20Cover%20\(Open\)%20-%207%20November%202017.PDF](http://www.hamilton.govt.nz/AgendasAndMinutes/Finance%20Committee%20Agenda%20-%20Attachments%20Under%20Separate%20Cover%20(Open)%20-%207%20November%202017.PDF) )



Kuiti in the next 12 months. This year's numbers are on track for a total of 440 total engagements across the region. Callaghan Innovation Project Grant have a similar pattern with 55% of proposals coming from outside the region.

Local Authority	2016	2017	% Growth 2016-17
Hamilton City Council	125	156	24.8%
Waipa District Council	43	63	46.5%
Waikato District Council	25	51	104.0%
Taupo District Council	22	33	50.0%
Matamata-Piako District Council	21	23	9.5%
Thames-Coromandel District Council	9	18	100.0%
South Waikato District Council	9	14	55.6%
Otorohanga District Council	9	12	33.3%
Waitomo District Council	7	7	0.0%
Hauraki District Council	6	7	16.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>39.0%</b>

32. In addition to the establishment of the Waikato REDA, Waikato Means Business's current programme of action includes projects with current and future benefits for the Waikato district. The overall programme includes \$350,000 of funding from WMB (Waikato Regional Council), supported by another \$525,000 from the government and a further \$432,000 from community funders and private industry. These include<sup>6</sup>:

- Funding the further development and enhancement of the **Waikato Story**, including more stories from businesses and business leaders across the Waikato. For example this story was posted in December 2017 about raglan based company "e-Coast":  
<https://www.waikatostory.nz/blog/raglan-based-marine-science-business-making-waves>
- Co-funding the expansion of the highly successful Smart Waikato-led **Secondary Schools Employer Partnerships** programme to bring together year 9 and 10 students with local employers. To date SSEP has reached more than 3,000 students across the Waikato<sup>7</sup> and has been rolled out at Hauraki Plains High School. Waikato district schools with SSEP now include:
  - i. Huntly College

<sup>6</sup> The Southern Waikato Economic Development Action Plan and the Kopu marine industry infrastructure projects has been excluded from this list given its defined area of benefits which does not include the Waikato district.

<sup>7</sup> <http://smartwaikato.co.nz/news/unprecedented-growth-for-school-employer-partnerships/>

- ii. Ngaruawahia High School
  - iii. Te Kauwhata College; and
  - iv. Te Wharekura o Rakaumangamanga
- With councils and trail operators, developing a strategic business case for the further expansion and development of the **Waikato's regional cycle-trail network**, with a focus on supporting existing and new businesses to leverage the economic development potential of cycle trails
  - With Cultivate IT and Ultra-Fast Fibre, undertaking a **digital stocktake** of the Waikato region and developing a **digital action plan** to ensure that the benefits of digital (UFB, RBI, Cell) technology contributes to economic growth and wellbeing
  - With Waikato Innovation Park and MPI, developing the business case and value proposition around NZ-made whey powder for manufacturing **sheep and goat infant powder formula powders** and a value proposition for the utilisation of **waste sheep cream product** from the Waikato Innovation Park Spray Drier
  - With Hamilton-Waikato Tourism and MBIE, as part of the Waikato Story, creating a strong **Hamilton & Waikato visitor brand** strategy
  - With MPI and Fieldays, undertaking a feasibility study for a **new event** promoting New Zealand's Food Technology, Science and Agriculture to the National and International market
  - With NZTE, developing a Waikato **regional investment story and prospectus**

## Business and Funding Model

33. Following the review, work was undertaken to develop an initial business and funding model for the Waikato REDA. The Waikato REDA will start relatively small and grow over time as it puts runs on the board and attracts further project funding, including via the government's Tuawhenua provincial growth fund.
34. The initial operational funding for the Waikato REDA has been set at circa \$2m per annum for the first 1-3 years. The majority of project funding will be in addition to this and will look towards regional funding partners, business and the government's Tuawhenua Provincial Growth fund.
35. As part of the principle of partnership and integration with the Waikato Innovation Park, initial operational funding sources have been identified as:
  - **\$660,000**- existing business development and innovation team funding from the Waikato Innovation Park,
  - **\$350,000** - Waikato Regional Council (same as current LTP funding)
  - **\$370,000** - 9 Territorial Local Authorities, shared according to population (the model assumes no core operational funding from Taupō and Rotorua, however there will be appropriate partnering agreements with these councils on a project by project basis)
  - **\$250,000** - regional funding trusts and organisations; and
  - **\$450,000** -Waikato business via a sponsorship model

36. Using the above formula, the Waikato district's contribution to the Waikato REDA would be \$60,000 per annum, which represents 2.86% of the core annual operating budget of the Waikato REDA. As an investment for the Waikato district, this is about **81 cents per Waikato district citizen** per annum<sup>8</sup>.

### A Measurable Investment

37. As a standalone entity, the Waikato REDA will be fully accountable to its funders. the Waikato REDA will engage with funders, partners and regional stakeholders as it develops its programme, and will seek input from funding councils to ensure that the region and local economic development programmes are aligned, coordinated and supportive of one another.
38. The Waikato REDA will have strategic and key performance indicators which ensure that the progress of the region and the performance of the entity are fully measured and transparent to everybody.
39. A funding agreement will be developed with each council which sets out the agreed services to be delivered by the Waikato REDA in each local authority area, including how that will be measured and reported on a regular basis.

### Relief Sought

40. I request that Waikato District Council provides for the funding of \$60,000 per year for at least the first three years of its 2018-28 Long Term Plan, to support the establishment and operation of the Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency
41. I wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Dallas Fisher



Chairman  
Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency Establishment Board

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<sup>8</sup> Based on district population in March 2017 of 73,600 usual resident population

## Submission to Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028 – Waikato District Council

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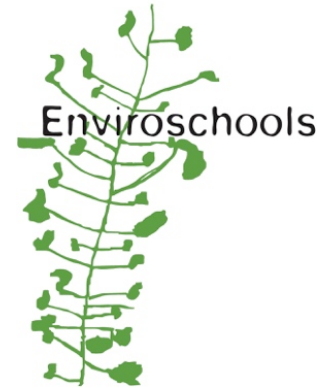
**Phone:** 07 959 7321      **Email:** kristen.price@toimata.org.nz      We **DO NOT** wish to speak to this submission

### ***Recognising your support for the Enviroschools Programme – Ngā mihi nui***

Enviroschools is a holistic framework that supports the development of resilient, connected and sustainable communities. Through Enviroschools children and young people plan, design and implement a wide range of sustainability projects in collaboration with their communities. Nationally over 1,100 early childhood education (ECE) centres, primary, intermediate and secondary schools are part of the Enviroschools network – this is a third of all schools and 6% of the large ECE sector.

Enviroschools is managed nationally by Toimata Foundation (a charitable trust).

We would like to acknowledge Waikato District Council (WDC) for supporting young people in your district to be part of the Enviroschools network since 2001. Thanks to this long-term support there is now a network of 25 Enviroschools in your district that are part of a larger network of 173 in the Waikato region. This network is also supported in partnership with Waikato Regional Council; Hamilton City Council; the South Waikato, Waipa, Hauraki, Matamata-Piako, Taupō, Otorohanga, Waitomo, and Thames-Coromandel District Councils; Waikato Kindergarten Association, Central Kids Kindergartens and New Shoots.



Due to increasing community demand for Enviroschools, this submission requests that WDC work with Waikato Regional Council (as the coordinating agency for Enviroschools) to invest in the further growth and development of the Waikato District Enviroschools network. As part of our submission we have included some background material and key figures about Enviroschools for your information.

### ***Enviroschools is a proven programme specifically designed to meet multiple Local Government outcomes***

The Enviroschools Programme was first developed by councils in the Waikato region. It is specifically designed as a programme that empowers children, young people and their communities to take action that addresses a wide range of the key outcomes that councils are also seeing for their communities.

Nationwide, **81% of councils are currently part of the Enviroschools network**. This is made up of:

- 94% of Regional Councils and Unitary Authorities
- 77% of Territorial Authorities

Toimata Foundation has undertaken a 5-year research and evaluation programme with external evaluators Kinnect Group. This has involved two national censuses (2014 & 2017), return on investment analysis and a comprehensive evaluation drawing on multiple sources. Highlights from the research:

- Participating schools and centres are **highly engaged in a wide range of environmental actions and sustainability practices**.
- Evaluators found that Enviroschools is “a very high-performing programme”<sup>1</sup> that provides a **broad range of outcomes** covering environmental, social, cultural, education and economic aspects.
- **11% Return on Investment**. While only a small number of the outcomes can be monetised, so results are conservative, expert analysis showed a ROI of 11% per annum.

A copy of the **Key Results from the 2017 Enviroschools Census** is included with this submission.

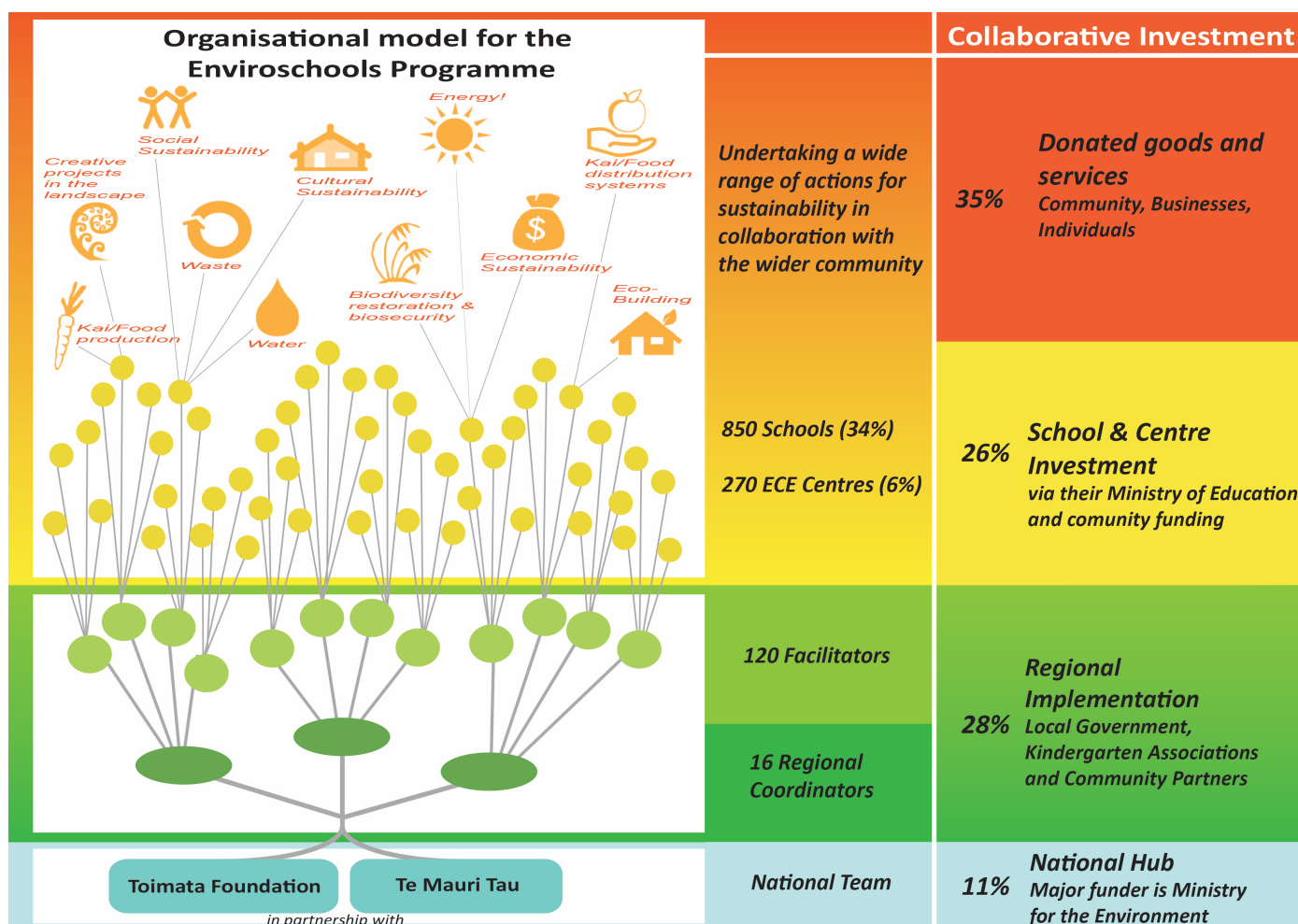
<sup>1</sup> Page 4, The Enviroschools Programme: Evaluation Report, Kinnect Group, 2015

## The EnviroSchools implementation model provides value for council partners

Creating sustainable, resilient communities involves bringing together many different skills, perspectives and resources. The complex environmental, social, cultural and economic challenges facing us today call for a holistic response from a range of different people and organisations working together. Key aspects of the EnviroSchools model are:

- **A focus on connecting with, and working, with the wider community.** This results in a substantial level of support from businesses, community organisations and individuals providing donated goods, volunteer time, advice and expertise to the EnviroSchools network.
- **Commitment from schools and centres investing their own resources** including staff time, project costs and capital investments. This resourcing comes principally via Ministry of Education funding.
- **Role of the EnviroSchools Facilitator** – unlike many programmes in schools that deliver key messages to children in a classroom setting, EnviroSchools Facilitators work principally with adults – teachers, caretakers, school management, community members etc. – supporting them to develop their knowledge of sustainability and integrate it into how they undertake their roles.
- **Collaborative approach to regional implementation** with EnviroSchools Regional Coordinators and Facilitators are funded by/employed by over 90 organisations - Local Government/Councils, Kindergarten Associations and other community agencies.
- **Toimata has solid support from Central Government** through Ministry for the Environment for our work as a national hub – providing a wide range of support and ongoing programme development.

The graphic below shows the organisational model and the percentage investment provided by different groups for the different aspects of EnviroSchools. The percentages are from analysis undertaken in 2014/15 and based on a total annual investment in the programme of \$10.4 million.<sup>2</sup>



<sup>2</sup> Model information and monetary values are from The EnviroSchools Programme – Return on Investment Scenario Analysis, Kinnect Group, 2015

## Key Results of the Enviroschools Nationwide Census 2017 Overview for partners - March 2018

In 2017 Toimata Foundation, the national support organisation for the Enviroschools Programme, undertook a nationwide census of the Enviroschools network. This was the second nationwide census, the first was in 2014. In both census projects, Toimata has worked with external evaluators and engaged a specialist advisory panel to ensure a highly robust process. Both census had high response rates and have provided a wealth of valuable information for reporting purposes and for ongoing programme development.

We have produced this initial results overview of the 2017 Census to share with our partners in Central and Local Government. Further reporting will be undertaken in the coming months.

### There is significant nationwide reach through a large number of active participants and a focus on collaboration with the community

- **1,100 + Enviroschools** - schools and early childhood education (ECE) centres, representing 34% of schools and 6% of the large ECE sector.
- Actively participating are **153,000 children & young people**, supported by **15,700 school and centre staff** - teachers, caretakers, administration staff, principals, boards of trustees.
- **Reach is growing** – around 50% more children & young people and over 1.5 times the number of adults actively participating compared to 2014.
- **Strong commitment** – high response rate to a comprehensive questionnaire
- **88% are connecting with other organisations in their community** - councils, restoration groups, Iwi, landowners, businesses etc.
- Data shows Enviroschools has a substantial positive influence on the degree of **interaction with families/whānau and the wider community**.



### There is a wide range of action for sustainability - environmental, social, cultural & economic



All Enviroschools are engaging in a range of sustainability action areas ...

...and participating in multiple ways within each action area.



\* Percentages are the total % of participants who are taking one or more actions in the area



## Enviroschools is positively influencing a wide range of sustainability outcomes

The Census asked to what degree participants thought Enviroschools positively influenced 40 different outcomes associated with creating a sustainable world.

In addition to the positive influence on the sustainability of the physical environment, there was also evidence of a positive influence on a wide range of other outcomes. Examples include:



### Citizenship

*Children and young people initiating and taking action on sustainability issues that are important to them - 74%*



### Educational

*Motivation to learn - 84%*  
*Teachers collaborating - 77%*



### Social

*Ethics being a key part of people's decisions and actions - 79%*  
*Healthy eating and physical activity - 79%*



### Cultural

*Respecting differing beliefs - 80%*  
*Correct te reo Māori pronunciation - 80%*



### Economic

*Integration of sustainability into their strategic and operational planning - 71%*

\* Percentages are the total % of participants who rated the influence as 'moderate', 'considerable' or 'high' (ratings 3, 4 & 5 on a 5-point scale)

## Key aspects of programme design are valued by participants and contribute to effectiveness

The Enviroschools Programme was intentionally designed to be a long-term journey supported by a collaborative network.

The 2017 Census showed the value participants place on key aspects of the programme's design and the relationship of programme design to the effectiveness of the programme. The aspects of programme design strongly reinforced by the census data include:

- **Student-led action**
- **Support from an Enviroschools Facilitator**
- **Long-term nature of an Enviroschools journey**
- **Integration of Māori Perspectives**
- **Focus on community involvement**
- **Emphasis on participants networking with each other**
- **Links made to global issues**
- **The Enviroschools visioning process**



*We need to prepare students for their future - sustainability is a no brainer, Enviroschools is the only comprehensive programme to address that.*

**Teacher 2017 Census**



**Submission to  
Waikato District Council  
on the  
Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028**

**Date: 13 April 2018**



Tourism Industry Aotearoa (TIA) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 of Waikato District Council.

This submission is filed without prejudice to TIA's future position. Our ability to prepare a comprehensive submission responding to the consultation document relied on the provision by the Council of information relevant to the connection between the consultation document and the benefits that would accrue. If any information is provided at a later date, TIA reserve the right to comment further.

## INTRODUCTION

1. Tourism Industry Aotearoa (TIA) is the peak body for the tourism industry in New Zealand. With over 1,500 members, TIA represents a range of tourism-related activities including hospitality, accommodation, adventure and other activities, attractions and retail, airports and airlines, as well as related tourism services.
2. The primary role of TIA is to be the voice of the tourism industry. This includes working for members on advocacy, policy, communication, events, membership and business capability. The team is based in Wellington and is led by Chief Executive, Chris Roberts.
3. Tourism 2025 ([www.tourism2025.org.nz](http://www.tourism2025.org.nz)), an industry-led, government supported economic growth framework was launched in New Zealand in 2014 and has set an aspirational goal of reaching \$41 billion in annual tourism revenues by 2025. Spend growth has been rapid since 2014 and we are well on target to reach that goal.
4. This year, TIA is working on a Tourism 2025 reset that will include incorporating sustainability principles, articulating a longer-term view of tourism in coordination with Central Government; and identifying new priority actions to be addressed over the next 1-3 years.
5. Any enquiries relating to this paper should in the first instance be referred to Nienke van Dijken, TIA Policy Analyst at [nienke.vandijken@tia.org.nz](mailto:nienke.vandijken@tia.org.nz) or by phone on 04 494 1842.

## TOURISM'S IMPACT AT A REGIONAL LEVEL

6. The visitor spend from both international and domestic visitors for Waikato District Council was \$125m (YE Feb 2018).
7. TIA is pleased to see the recognition of the value of tourism in the LTP and that tourism has been identified as a major opportunity for economic development. It is great to see that the Council aims to support others who leverage its location to ensure tourism brings benefits to a range of people in our communities.
8. The tourism industry makes a significant contribution to regional economic development through the jobs and income it creates. Only a fraction of visitor spending actually occurs in places commonly considered visitor specific e.g. accommodation, attractions. The rest takes place in shops, cafes, petrol stations and other local

businesses. Local farmers and market gardeners benefit from selling their goods directly or indirectly to visitors.

9. On any day of the year, your community is hosting the visitors, domestic and international, who are helping support local jobs and businesses.
10. One of the keys to a strong regional visitor economy is the quality of the visitor experience. Councils play an important part in that experience with the investment they make in infrastructure e.g. roads, water/waste disposal, broadband, attractions and events in addition to their support for promotional bodies. Councils play a vital role in helping visitors, as well as ratepayers, make the most of their time in the community.
11. Councils' planning need to consider the needs of visitors and residents so that the community can reap the benefits of the visitor economy.
12. In 2016, TIA developed a Local Government Manifesto, outlining eight priority actions for councils to reap greater economic and social rewards from tourism. A copy of this manifesto was sent to all Local Councils, ahead of the Local Council Election. For more details please refer to Appendix 1.

### **Challenges and opportunities of tourism growth**

13. Tourism growth presents both challenges and opportunities. The visitor economy is a major driver of regional prosperity but the costs and benefits of increased tourism do not always fall evenly. However, talk of new visitor taxes and levies must be debated robustly, with all the issues and options considered. Any form of national or local tourism tax or levy must be fair, efficient and ring-fenced for tourism-related investments.
14. We understand that the growth in tourism in your region may bring with it specific issues. The following section explores some of those likely issues, how the industry is responding and what you, as a Council, could do.

### **15. Infrastructure**

Recent tourism growth has placed pressure on some infrastructure used by visitors. In order to better understand and size this issue, TIA undertook a [National Tourism Infrastructure Assessment](#) in 2016/17. The resulting report identified the main infrastructure deficits in both the private and public sectors.

The priority infrastructure types identified were:

- Visitor accommodation
- Telecommunications
- Airport facilities
- Road transport
- Car parking
- Public toilets
- Water and sewerage systems

Much of the infrastructure identified as a priority for investment is local and mixed use (used by both residents and visitors) and has often seen long-term under-investment. To optimise the benefits of tourism for host communities, coordination between Central

and Local Government agencies and industry partners is needed for projects to proceed.

*What the Industry is doing:*

- TIA successfully advocated for the Tourism Infrastructure Fund resulting in a \$100m fund for local and mixed-use infrastructure.
- Tourism sectors able to scale-up quickly are doing so, e.g. the road transport sector has been able to respond quickly with increased fleet size.
- Operators are making significant private investment into infrastructure e.g. Skyline Queenstown's \$100m redevelopment.
- TIA is undertaking work to identify and address the key barriers to infrastructure investment.

*What you as a Local Council could do in regards to infrastructure:*

- Apply to the Tourism Infrastructure Fund for projects like new carparks, toilets and visitor facilities.
- Coordinate with Central Government and industry partners on infrastructure projects submitted to the Regional Growth Fund.
- Ensure the Long-term Plan accurately reflects the infrastructure needs of tourism.

## **16. Social Licence to Operate**

The fast growth of the visitor economy has caused unease in some host communities, with locals worried about the number of visitors and the impact. This places pressure on the social licence the industry has to operate within these communities.

*What the Industry is doing:*

- TIA in conjunction with Tourism New Zealand undertakes six-monthly 'Mood of the Nation' research to assess New Zealanders' views of tourism.
- TIA in conjunction with Tourism New Zealand is developing a 'Tourism Narrative' project, which includes helping local businesses tell their stories.
- TIA is a key partner in NZTA's Visiting Drivers project to reduce the number of accidents by visiting drivers.
- TIA leads the Responsible Camping Forum, a group of 40 organisations representing rental operators, industry associations, Local and Central Government working together to manage freedom camping.
- A number of infrastructure initiatives will contribute to addressing social licence issues such as over-crowding.

*What you as a Local Council could do in regards to social licence concerns:*

- Ensure freedom camping is effectively managed in your region
- Promote the benefits of tourism in your region to the local community

## **17. Sustainable tourism**

With the rapid growth achieved in the past few years, the tourism industry is facing the challenges of managing and sustaining growth, rather than generating growth. There needs to be purposeful effort to actively manage the industry for its long term sustainable success.

*What the Industry is doing:*

- TIA has worked with industry and with Government agencies' support to develop a Tourism [Sustainability Commitment](#) (TSC). The Commitment establishes a set of



aspirational goals at both an industry and business level across the areas of economic, environmental, host communities and visitor sustainability. Tourism operators are signing up to the TSC and working towards implementing the sustainability commitments within their businesses.



*What you as a Local Council could do to support tourism sustainability:*

- Support the tourism sustainability goal through positive policy and regulatory settings, and funding.
- Sign up the Council or your appropriate agency to the TSC and actively promote the TSC to your local tourism operators.

## 18. Protecting and restoring the environment

Tourism is a highly competitive global industry. New Zealand's environment is our unique selling point, it underpins our 100% Pure New Zealand tourism position and supports many of our iconic adventure and outdoor activities. Data from the International Visitor Survey conducted for the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment (MBIE) shows that the top factor for influencing visitors to choose New Zealand is our natural landscape and scenery.

New Zealand's natural environmental assets are under threat, including many of our native species, our freshwater rivers and lakes, and our unique landscapes.

*What the Industry is doing:*

- The environment is one of the four pillars of the Tourism Sustainability Commitment. The TSC asks that Tourism businesses actively support and champion ecological restoration initiatives, and that they are measuring, managing and minimising their environmental footprint.
- TIA is a member of the Land and Water Forum and advocates with central government to protect our natural environment.



*What you as a Local Council could do to support our valuable environment:*

- Recognise the economic value of your environmental assets to tourism
- Ensure the Long-term Plan accurately reflects the environmental needs of tourism
- Action the requirements of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management as quickly as possible

## **19. Regional Economic Development**

TIA is pleased to see the increased focus on regional development by Central Government.

Regional dispersal is one of the big challenges for the tourism industry, as currently 65% of current visitor spend occurs in the four gateways of Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Queenstown. By improving the spread of tourism around the country, we can ensure that many more regions benefit from tourism activity, while relieving pressure on those places with the highest visitor loads. We are strongly supportive of regional development initiatives that encourage and incentivise tourism.

An effective regional tourism partnership relies heavily on a strong and healthy relationship with Local Government and local communities. The regions where tourism is well managed are characterised by strong local leadership and support, and Regional Tourism Organisations (RTOs) and Economic Development Agencies (EDAs) play an important part in this.

TIA is keen to work with you either in partnership with RTOs/EDAs on areas such as regional visitor strategies, or directly on issues such as freedom camping and proposed regional visitor levies.

## **Funding**

20. Tourism funding in this context relates to financial contributions provided through Central and Local government. There are two components to tourism funding – the source of funds and distribution of funds.


## **21. Sources of tourism funding**

International visitors pay taxes and are more than paying their way. TIA believes these taxes, including the border clearance levy and \$1.5 billion a year in GST, need to be taken into account when additional charges on visitors are contemplated.

Tourism businesses support regional tourism activity through general and targeted rates, regional marketing alliances and their own marketing efforts.

There are infrastructure funding issues at a local government level, especially in regions with small ratepayer bases. Central government assistance is desirable in some cases and there are opportunities for greater user pays and better use of council balance sheets.

Any new funding models contemplated need to be fair and applied nationally. A strength of the New Zealand tax system is its simplicity. Ad hoc taxes on visitors or tourism businesses at a local level are undesirable.



## 22. Distribution of tourism funding

Central government funding support for local mixed-use infrastructure provided by local government requires a robust governance and allocation process.

Any form of tourism tax, such as the existing border clearance levy, must be ring-fenced for tourism-related investments, not siphoned off for other purposes.

Regional expenditure on tourism marketing and destination management by local authorities should be consistent with the tourism aspirations of the community and cognisant of the impact that visitor spend has on the wider community including employees and suppliers.

23. New visitor taxes and levies must be debated robustly, with all the issues and options considered. Any form of national or local tourism tax or levy must be fair, efficient and ring-fenced for tourism-related investments. TIA will vigorously resist any poorly designed tax or levy proposals that could tarnish New Zealand's reputation as a country that welcomes visitors.

## FOLLOW UP PROCESS

24. TIA wishes to participate further in any follow-up process, including any formal meetings, to ensure that the potential impacts on tourism are adequately represented.
25. Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the draft LTP. Any enquiries relating to this paper should in the first instance be referred to Nienke van Dijken, TIA Policy Analyst at [nienke.vandijken@tia.org.nz](mailto:nienke.vandijken@tia.org.nz) or by phone on 04 494 1842.

## BACKGROUND

26. Tourism for New Zealand is big business as the country's largest export sector. It is a major contributor to the New Zealand economy that will always be here and won't easily go offshore. Tourism takes the lead in promoting New Zealand to the world. The brand positioning built by a vibrant tourism industry has become an important source of national confidence and identity and a front window for "Brand New Zealand". Indeed, the clean and pure offer that is synonymous with New Zealand tourism has been widely adopted and used to promote New Zealand exports in a range of other industries as well.
27. The tourism industry delivers the following value to New Zealand's economy:
- Tourism in New Zealand is a \$99 million per day and \$36 billion a year industry. Tourism delivers around \$40 million in foreign exchange to the New Zealand economy each day of the year. Domestic tourism contributes another \$59 million in economic activity every day.
  - The tourism industry directly and indirectly supports 14.5% of the total number of people employed in New Zealand. That means 399,150 people are working in the visitor economy.
  - Tourism is New Zealand's biggest export industry, earning \$14.5 billion or 20.7% of New Zealand's foreign exchange earnings (year ended March 2017).
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## **Appendix 1: TIA Local Government Manifesto 2016**

The following Tourism 2025 actions are the priorities for a stronger local government/tourism partnership. The industry's eight priorities we would like to see from Local Government are:

### **Destination Management**

This is the most important thing councils can do – look after and invest in the quality of your region as a destination.

- Facilitate and enable communities to meet the needs of growing numbers of visitors, as well as residents.
- Identify your unique selling points as a destination and promote them.
- Work with neighbouring communities to attract visitors to the wider region.

### **Infrastructure Facilitation**

With the rapid growth in visitor numbers, we have to invest in essential infrastructure and enable the private sector to develop its infrastructure by delivering efficient planning and approval services.

- Define and plan for the priority infrastructure that meets the needs of visitors as well as residents.
- Examine the regulatory environment applied to tourism operators and other businesses serving visitors, and assess where the compliance burden can be reduced to support increased productivity

### **Events programming**

Events are one of the best tools for encouraging people to visit your community. Use them to your advantage.

- Schedule events (meetings, conferences, sports events and festivals) outside of the peak season to foster off-peak travel activity.
- Attract high value business visitors through the availability of quality facilities, such as convention centres where appropriate.


### **Measuring Visitor Satisfaction**

It is important to understand what your visitors think of your community. If they are happy, businesses can grow. If you know there are areas of low satisfaction, you can address the problems. Without this insight, you can't increase value.

- Track the satisfaction of international and domestic visitors, whether by direct customer feedback or social media, and use this information to address areas of dissatisfaction and deliver ever higher satisfaction levels.

### **Off-peak Marketing**

Help your community to prosper by attracting people to visit throughout the year. This will develop a sustainable tourism industry with more permanent jobs.

- Council-owned or supported marketing agencies (e.g. RTOs, EDAs) build a stronger focus on promoting off-peak travel activity to high value visitors.
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**Regional Development and Tourism**

Every region wants to grow and tourism can and does support this goal. Tourism complements your community's other industries like wine, horticulture and farming.

- Encourage and incentivise tourism as part of your regional development strategies.

**Enabling Airport and Port Facility Development**

Great air and cruise links are vital to growing tourism. If your airport or port is council-owned, make sure long-term plans are aligned with industry forecasts. There are long lead times, so you have to think ahead.

- Councils work with local airports to establish and implement long-term and sustainable development strategies.
- Councils work with their port company to ensure cruise tourism is enabled.

**Sustainable Tourism Positioning**

Every region needs to demonstrate its commitment to look after its economic future and the resources it uses to operate.

- Identify the regional priorities required to develop a sustainable tourism industry across economic, social, cultural and environmental considerations.

By actively pursuing these opportunities, your Council can enable real economic and social gains for their communities.



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**Re: Submission on Waikato District Council Long-term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document**

**1. Recommendations**

**1.1 The Property Council supports the following proposals:**

- The Council's outcomes and goals of supporting growth.
- The Council's Master Planning and sub-regional initiatives, such as FutureProof.
- Building and maintenance infrastructure, and the Council turning its mind towards regional growth and alternative funding mechanisms to fund infrastructure.

**1.2 The Property Council opposes the following proposals:**

- reducing the uniform annual general charge. This merely reportioning rates towards the commercial sector (which includes the commercial property sector, business and industrial sectors). This would result in the commercial sector funding general council services that predominately benefit residential ratepayers. We support the status quo.
- regional fuel tax of 11.5 cents per litre. Given the recent Government announcement to introduce a national fuel tax for regional development, we would not support Waikato's bid for a regional fuel tax. Instead, we support the Council developing a proposal requesting funding from the national fuel tax for projects that align with the Government's priorities such as regional rail network.
- a council-appointed Waters Governance Board. The Property Council has been a long-time supporter of a Shared Waters Management Company (partnering with Hamilton City and Waipa District Councils). Due to Waipa rejecting this proposal, our preferred alternative option would be for a Council Waters Company, as like the Shared Waters Management Company a CCO would be established.

**1.3 The Property Council raises concern with the rate of depreciation for water, wastewater, stormwater and roading infrastructure. The rate of depreciation for this infrastructure is above the proposed operating surplus, resulting in a deficit. This risks a widening gap between the quality infrastructure Waikato needs and what is actually in or on the ground. We urge the Council to undertake a needs assessment and prioritise to manage that risk.**

## **2 Introduction**

- 2.1 Property Council New Zealand's Waikato Branch (Property Council) welcomes the opportunity to submit on Waikato District Council's (the Council) Long-term Plan 2018-28 Consultation Document. We sought and received feedback from a selection of our Waikato-based members.
- 2.2 Property Council is a member-led, not-for-profit organisation representing New Zealand's commercial, industrial and retail property owners, developers and professional service providers such as architecture, engineering, planning and construction firms.
- 2.3 Property Council's Waikato Branch has 94 businesses as members. The property industry contributes \$2.6b which makes up 13 per cent of the region's economy. That makes it the region's second largest economic sector. The property industry employs 13,980 people in the Waikato area.
- 2.4 Property Council members design, develop and own the buildings that house the businesses, communities and people of Waikato. Our primary goal is the creation and retention of well-designed, functional and sustainable (including economically) built environments which contribute to New Zealand's overall prosperity. We support city's that provide a framework to enhance economic growth, development, liveability and growing communities.

## **3 Our community: Outcomes and Goals**

- 3.1 Property Council is supportive of the Council's outcomes and goals to support growth in targeted areas, maintain existing assets, modernise infrastructure where prudent to do so, do more with existing budgets and move the cost of providing a service to those who use them i.e. user pays. We believe that having a clear vision and plan will help deliver goals to foster and support Waikato's communities.

## **4 Operating surplus on activity basis**

- 4.1 The Property Council has real concern with the table in the draft consultation document called 'operating surpluses on an activity basis'. The operating surplus is \$184m over the 10-year period, however, depreciation is forecasted at \$259m resulting in a \$75m deficit. The Property Council is concerned with the scheduled rate of depreciation for water, wastewater, stormwater and roading, as all are above the operating surplus. This will likely put budgetary pressure on current and future maintenance and risks a widening gap between the quality infrastructure Waikato needs and what is actually in or on the ground. We urge the Council to undertake a needs assessment and prioritise to manage that risk.

## **5 Manage Water, Wastewater and Stormwater ('Three Waters')**

- 5.1 Property Council's previous submission on a Shared Waters Management Company for Hamilton City Council and Waipa District Council was in strong support. We believe a single organisation allows for better governance and a more strategic approach to decision-making and asset management. A consistent regional approach is best suited to manage and replace existing assets as well as to plan for an implement increased network capacity to facilitate and enable the ongoing growth expected in the region. Property Council is disappointed that Waipa District Council voted against the Shared Waters Management Company.
- 5.2 Given Waipa has ruled out a Shared Waters Management Company, our secondary preferred option would be option 3: establish a new Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) Council Waters Company. Option 3 is closely aligned with option 2, namely that a CCO is established to take



ownership and responsibility for Council's assets and undertake all water operations and services. A CCO further provides more flexibility in terms of borrowing against its own balance sheet.

- 5.3 Option 3 proposes a Council Waters Company made up of Waikato Tainui and Watercare Services Limited to take ownership and responsibility of three water services in the Waikato region. Although Property Council supports option 3 (development of a CCO), we question whether Watercare are the right entity to manage stormwater, given they have no experience of doing so. We are concerned that this may result in increased costs and decreased overall savings.
- 5.4 Council should develop a robust business case to determine costs and savings associated with all options to ensure that the forecasted cost savings are accurate. The Property Council wishes to stress the importance of robust management of three waters. At this stage, there is no certainty that the cost savings of \$28.3m for option 3 and 4 will be achieved. We question the robustness of the forecasted cost savings and would prefer to see a robust business case to determine costs and savings associated with all options. This will help Council to determine whether the forecasted costs of creating new entities justify the savings.

## **6 Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC)**

- 6.1 The Council is proposing to reduce the UAGC from \$482.85 to \$351.96. This option would only reshuffle ratepayer contributions onto the business and industrial sector. For example, the Council's proposal will result in:
- \$128 increase per year (equivalent to 50 per cent) for the commercial sector,
  - \$172 increase per year (equivalent to 61 per cent) for the industrial sector,
  - - \$48 decrease per year (equivalent to -13 per cent) for the residential sector.
- 6.2 The Property Council strongly opposes the shift of the rating burden onto the commercial property sector given that this funds general council services. This is inequitable and would result in the commercial sector funding general council services that predominately benefit residential ratepayers. We support maintaining the UAGC as it currently stands.

## **7 Planning for Growth**

- 7.1 Property Council is supportive of the Council's Master Planning, Housing Infrastructure Fund and District Plan Review. An integrated wholistic planning and consenting approach will be beneficial in supporting and planning for growth. Integrating the Waikato and Franklin sections into a single district wide plan is one example on how to increase efficiencies within the consenting process for both Council and developers. We are eager to work with Council in the development phase of this process.
- 7.2 Property Council strongly supports sub-regional initiatives such as Future Proof. This initiative has the potential to drive regional collaboration by monitoring and identifying land supply needs along with an agreed sequence for development over the next 50 years. We support a focus for growth being a coordinated regional development approach. Although Hamilton is a focal point for the region and forms a vital commercial centre, the sub-region is a key economic driver of Hamilton's economic success.
- 7.3 Property Council supports the need to improve customer experience, focusing on consents, planning, information management, economic development and customer services. The

Council's Information Services Digital Strategy will hopefully be customer focused and reduce application time and streamline the process, which would have great efficiencies for our members.

## **8. Regional fuel tax**

- 8.1 Given the recent Government announcements of a national fuel tax being implemented for regional development, the Property Council does not support Waikato's bid for a regional fuel tax. Instead, we support the Council developing a proposal to Government to receive national fuel tax benefits for projects that align with the Government's priorities of a wider rail network from Waikato to Auckland. We believe this would have more weight than the current consultation document requesting funding for roads, given the Waikato expressway is a Road of National Significance which has received Government funding and is set to be completed by December 2020.
- 8.2 The Property Council is yet to see evidence that a regional fuel tax should be requested for the Waikato region.

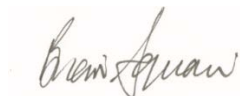
## **9. Building and Maintenance infrastructure**

- 9.1 The Council spend approximately 60 per cent on infrastructure maintenance and renewals and 40 per cent on significant capital projects scheduled over the next ten years. The Property Council recognises the importance of many these key projects such as a Library service centre in Pokeno, bridge replacement in Tuakau and heritage restoration projects.
- 9.2 The Property Council wishes to highlight the importance of regional infrastructure, as the growth of Hamilton and Auckland City will result in growth of the sub-region. The Waikato region will begin to jointly face similar issues regarding the constraints of infrastructure. We support the Council discussing alternative infrastructure funding options with government and co-funding options with other Waikato Councils to secure the region is prepared for growth at both ends of the spectrum.

## **10. Conclusion**

- 10.1 The Property Council in general supports the Council's Long-term Plan consultation document. We recognise the need to plan for growth in Waikato while restoring current assets to an acceptable and safe level for communities. We urge the Council to enter discussions with Government and Waikato Council's to align future strategic growth goals and consider a closer look at the rate of depreciation of council assets.
- 10.2 Property Council wishes to thank the Council for the opportunity to submit on the Long-term Plan consultation document. Any further queries do not hesitate to contact Katherine Wilson, Senior Advocacy Advisor, email [katherine@propertycouncil.govt.nz](mailto:katherine@propertycouncil.govt.nz) or cell 027 8708 150.

Yours sincerely,



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## Waikato District Council Draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028

### 1. Introduction

The following submission presents the views of Waikato District Health Board (Waikato DHB). Waikato DHB serves a population of over 400,000 people and is part of a wider health system and services network. It has a mandate under the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 to improve, promote and protect the health of people and communities and to reduce health outcome disparities between various population groups.<sup>1</sup> Waikato DHB strategic imperatives include authentic collaboration with partner agencies and communities, and a radical improvement in Māori health outcomes by eliminating health inequities<sup>2</sup> for Māori<sup>3</sup>.

Waikato DHB has reviewed the Draft Waikato District Council (Council) Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (Draft 2018 LTP) and the following is a summary of our key submission points:

1. Waikato DHB supports Option 3 and Council's preferred option (Option 4) for how the three waters are managed across the Waikato District. However we recommend that when a final decision is taken by Council on a preferred option, that public health is not put at risk, and that local communities' access to safe potable drinking water is protected and assured.

We request that Waikato DHB be identified as a key stakeholder in any three waters management agreement and ideally as a stakeholder required to be consulted with, particularly in regard to drinking water.

2. Waikato DHB supports Option 3 or Council's preferred option (Option 2) for re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate across the Waikato District. However, we recommend that when a final decision is taken on a preferred option by Council that it keeps rates as low as possible, as the socio-economic status spread is not consistent across the District.
3. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to sub-regional master planning for growth, and to the increase in the annual budget for Future Proof activities where this will support integrated and participatory planning for growth.

<sup>1</sup> New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000

<sup>2</sup> Health inequities involves the unfair distribution of resources needed for health, unfair access to the opportunities available, and unfairness in the support offered to people when they are ill. The pursuit of health equity seeks to reduce the excess burden of ill health among socially and economically disadvantaged populations

<sup>3</sup> Downloaded from: <https://www.waikatodhb.health.nz/assets/Docs/About-Us/Key-Publications/Strategies/Waikato-DHB-Strategy-2016.pdf> 29 March 2018

However, we ask that Council also considers the needs of the local communities within the district which are not currently experiencing growth to ensure they have the infrastructure and services that they require to enable health and wellbeing.

4. Waikato DHB recommends Council consider undertaking an integrated impact assessment on the draft master plans to determine and mitigate possible impacts on key population groups in these local communities.
5. Waikato DHB supports the ongoing commitment from your Council to sub-regional planning (Future Proof growth management plan), and to the proposed increase in the annual budget which enables this collaborative work.

However, we encourage Council to continue to engage with local communities and iwi on growth management planning, and where possible to enable them to be active participants in it.

6. Waikato DHB recommends that Council recognise and incorporate the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda produced by Waikato Tainui, Te Puni Kōkiri and Waikato Means Business, as part of your economic development services provision.
7. We request that Waikato DHB and other interested parties have opportunities to contribute to any further development of a future Regional Fuel Tax proposal prepared by Council for Government consideration.
8. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to provide a resource allocation to support completion of the District Plan Review project, and that associated costs are spread across the full 10 years of the 2018 LTP.
9. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to transport improvements and encourages Council to recognise in the Draft 2018 LTP a commitment to the government adopting a mode-neutral key theme as identified in the Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport.
10. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to complete a Halls Strategy, and continue budgeting for walkway and cycleway spending, but recommends that the Halls Strategy be reframed as a 'Community Hubs Strategy'.
11. Waikato DHB supports Council's plans to continue implementation of the 'Continuous Improvement Programme' for wastewater services and the associated reduction in waste water spills into Raglan Harbour.

Waikato DHB requests to be heard by Council in support of its submission.

## 2. Acknowledgement

Waikato DHB thanks Council for the opportunity to make this submission in relation to its Draft 2018 LTP, and our organisation recognises that considerable consultation has occurred in developing this document.

### 3. Public Health's position on the role of local government and health outcomes

3.1. Waikato DHB Public Health has a strong focus and emphasis on the determinants of health or more simply, the factors that have the greatest influence on population health outcomes. Opportunities for health start long before the need for medical care, and begin where we live, learn, work, and play. Health is central to wellbeing because the state of people's health affects their productivity and ability to participate in social interaction, work, education and other activities and essential services<sup>4</sup>.

However, it is important to recognise that the causal links between the built and natural environments and health are often complex, in that they are influenced by numerous, sometimes conflicting, factors. Although it is difficult to quantify, with precision, the impact of the built and natural environments on health, research consistently reports that the majority of our health outcomes are explained by factors other than healthcare<sup>5</sup>.

3.2. We recognise the importance of local government as a key stakeholder in work to improve community outcomes. Significant influences on the health and wellbeing of people in communities lie outside the health sector<sup>6</sup>. Local government's policies and decisions influence where and how people live their lives i.e. their social, cultural and economic environments<sup>7</sup>. The determinants of health and the impact of resource distribution on health and wellbeing are strongly influenced by these factors.

3.3. Waikato DHB provides leadership and action that is necessary to radically improve Māori health outcomes and eliminate health inequities. To this end we recognise and support that local government must ensure that they have processes in place for consulting with Māori and further for establishing and maintaining opportunities for Māori to contribute to decision-making processes.

3.4. Waikato DHB acknowledges that changes to legislation (Local Government Act 2002 (LGA)) direct councils to consider the delivery of core services above promoting the four well-beings – efficiency and effectiveness of provision of infrastructure and delivery of services for ratepayers is paramount. Despite this, well-being still underpins many provisions contained within the LGA.

Local government has a mandate; direct and indirect, to protect and promote health under two key pieces of legislation. The Health Act 1956 s23 states "*it shall be the duty of every local authority to improve, promote and protect public health within its district*

<sup>4</sup> Ministry of Health. 2009. *Public Health in New Zealand: Local Government's Contribution to Wellbeing*. Wellington: Ministry of Health.

<sup>5</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/spatial-planning-for-health-evidence-review> on 20 March 2018. Published by PHE Publications, June 2017

<sup>6</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.mentalhealth.org.nz/assets/ResourceFinder/Healthy-places-healthy-lives-PHAC.pdf> on 19 March 2018

<sup>7</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.boprc.govt.nz/media/90702/rethinking-urban-environments.pdf> on 19 March 2018

...”, and the Resource Management Act 1991 s5(2) states that sustainable management “... means managing the use, development and protection of natural and physical resources in a way, or at a rate, which *enables people and communities to provide for their social, economic and cultural well-being and for their health and safety ...*”. Both place specific responsibilities on local governments.

- 3.5. Historically public health provision was transformed from concerns about the linkage between disease (the cholera epidemic in Britain) and poor housing and bad water in the mid-1800s.

Current health challenges have less to do with sanitation and more to do with wider health determinants such as the impacts of current policy and planning on health; the reliance on private motor vehicle transport, social dislocation, and the health-related risk factors that may follow, linked to chronic conditions such as heart disease and diabetes. We will provide comment from this broader public health perspective.

- 3.6. Waikato DHB is aware that Māori have inequitable access to these wider determinants of health which are systematic, avoidable and unfair<sup>8</sup>.

#### 4. Key matters identified for community consultation

##### 4.1. Waters services management options

1. Waikato DHB supports Option 3 and Council's preferred option (Option 4) for how the three waters are managed across the Waikato District. However we recommend that when a final decision is taken by Council on a preferred option, that public health is not put at risk, and that local communities' access to safe potable drinking water is protected and assured.

We request that Waikato DHB be identified as a key stakeholder in any three waters management agreement and ideally as a stakeholder required to be consulted with, particularly in regard to drinking water.

##### Rationale

Waikato DHB supports Option 3 and Council's preferred option (Option 4) for how the three waters are managed across the Waikato District as they incorporate iwi collaboration. These two options reflect a partnership approach which is critical to improved Māori health outcomes. However, we do appreciate that a range of assessment criteria need to be used to determine Council's preferred option.

We recommend that when a final decision is taken by Council on a preferred option, that public health is not put at risk, and that local communities' access to safe potable drinking water is protected and assured.

<sup>8</sup> National Collaborating Centre for Determinants of Health. (2013) *Let's talk health equity*. Antigonish, NS.; National Collaborating Centre for Determinants of Health, St Francis Xavier University.



Water is a fundamental determinant of health and life and water management decisions have the potential to impact on access to and quality of municipal water supplies, stormwater drains and sewerage.

#### 4.2. Re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate

2. Waikato DHB supports Option 3 or Council's preferred option (Option 2) for re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate across the Waikato District. However, we recommend that when a final decision is taken on a preferred option by Council that it keeps rates as low as possible, as the socio-economic status spread is not consistent across the District.

#### Rationale

Waikato DHB supports Option 3 or Council's preferred option (Option 2) for re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate across the Waikato District as those living in the lower socio-economic areas are not well placed to accommodate increased rating costs.

However, we recommend that when a final decision is taken on as a preferred option by Council that it keeps rates as low as possible, as the socio-economic status spread is not consistent across the District. In this regard, it would appear that Option 3 would be preferable as it provides a more equitable distribution of rate contributions based on ability to pay.

While appreciating that a range of assessment criteria need to be used to determine Council's preferred option, Waikato DHB knows that some local communities across the district are struggling with affordability issues, which can have significant impacts on people's health in a variety of ways, including ability to access early health care. In general we support a general rate over targeted rates, because (as Council has stated) there is a public good element to most services, and targeted rates may place a larger financial burden on a smaller population.

### 5. Other matters of interest to Waikato DHB

#### 5.1. Planning for Liveable, thriving and connected communities: Master Planning

3. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to sub-regional master planning for growth, and to the increase in the annual budget for Future Proof activities where this will support integrated and participatory planning for growth.

However, we ask that council also considers the needs of the local communities within the district which are not currently experiencing growth to ensure they have the infrastructure and services that they require.

4. Waikato DHB recommends Council consider undertaking an integrated impact assessment on the draft master plans to determine and mitigate possible impacts on key population groups in these local communities.

## Rationale

Waikato DHB supports the holistic master planning and associated budget proposed in the Draft 2018 LTP.

This approach aligns with the community 'place-making' provisions within the Future Proof Growth Strategy of which Waikato District is a partner.

The evidence linking holistic growth planning in urban environments and 'place-making' for communities, to positive health and wellbeing outcomes, is strong<sup>9</sup>. In the case of neighbourhood design, improving neighbourhood walkability (i.e., an area that is supportive of walking) and infrastructure designed to promote walking and cycling, was found to be associated with numerous positive health outcomes, including: increased physical activity levels and improved social engagement among older adults<sup>10</sup>. A systematic review suggests that local and national public health interventions are highly cost-effective and represent value for money<sup>11</sup>.

Given this, we ask that Council also consider the infrastructure and services needs of communities in the District that are not experiencing growth to ensure that they have what they require to enable positive health and wellbeing outcomes.

Waikato DHB commends Council's commitment to master planning and recommends that Council consider undertaking an integrated impact assessment(s) on the proposed draft master plans which include consideration of health and wellbeing for key population groups in these communities.

### *5.2. Planning for Liveable, thriving and connected communities: Sub-regional initiatives*

5. Waikato DHB supports the ongoing commitment from your Council to sub-regional planning (Future Proof growth management plan), and to the proposed increase in the annual budget which enables this collaborative work. However, we encourage Council to continue to engage with local communities and iwi on growth management planning, and where possible to enable them to be active participants in it.
6. Waikato DHB recommends that Council recognise and incorporate the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda produced by Waikato Tainui, Te Puni Kōkiri and Waikato Means Business, as part of your economic development services provision.
7. We request that Waikato DHB and other interested parties have opportunities to contribute to any further development of a future Regional Fuel Tax proposal prepared by Council for Government consideration.

<sup>9</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.waikatodhb.health.nz/assets/Docs/About-Us/Key-Publications/Position-Statements/Urban-Environments.pdf> on March 20 2018.

<sup>10</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/spatial-planning-for-health-evidence-review> on 20 March 2018. Published by PHE Publications, June 2017.

<sup>11</sup> Downloaded from: <http://jech.bmj.com/> on January 23, 2018 - Published by [group.bmj.com](http://jech.bmj.com/)

Waikato DHB supports the ongoing commitment from your Council to sub-regional planning (Future Proof growth management plan), and to the proposed increase in the annual budget which enables this collaborative work as identified in the Draft 2018 LTP.

Waikato DHB encourages Council to continue to engage with local communities and iwi on growth management planning, and where possible to enable them to be active participants in it. This will help ensure that growth management planning responses are developed with local community needs in mind, and are locally owned.

We encourage Council to ensure growth management planning includes collaboration with local minority groups to better meet the need of these vulnerable groups in our communities.

Waikato DHB is involved in Future Proof, and recognises that Future Proof's sub-regional work complements implementation of the Waikato Plan at a regional scale in which the DHB is an active partner. A participatory approach to planning for these communities aligns with the District's identified community outcomes: "Supporting our communities" and "Working together with you". This approach also aligns with Waikato DHB values of People at heart - *Te iwi Ngakaunui* and Stronger together - *Kotahitanga* i.e. collaborate with people in mind to achieve outcomes.

We commend Council on its involvement in the North Waikato Integrated Growth Management Programme and we commit to continue Waikato DHB participation in implementing the health components of this programme alongside Counties Manukau DHB. Waikato DHB staff can provide evidence on likely health and well-being impacts associated with growth planning.

Waikato DHB recommends that Council recognise and incorporate the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda produced by Waikato Tainui, Te Puni Kōkiri and Waikato Means Business, as part of your proposed economic development services.

We have concerns about a regional fuel tax because it would likely disproportionately impact on low socio economic families and whānau. Those people with less efficient and/or older vehicles are likely to be paying up to twice the amount more for their petrol than those with newer or hybrid vehicles<sup>12</sup>. Given this, we request that Waikato DHB and the other interested parties have opportunity to support any further development of a Regional Fuel Tax proposal prepared by Council for Government consideration to ensure potential negative health and wellbeing impacts are minimised for vulnerable population groups.

Finally, we also ask that Council considers the needs of the local communities within the district which are not currently experiencing growth to ensure that they have the infrastructure and services that they require to maintain and improve their health and wellbeing.

### *5.3.Planning for Liveable, thriving and connected communities: District Plan Review*

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<sup>12</sup> Stuff media comment from a NZ Initiative economist, 5 April 2018

8. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to provide a resource allocation to support completion of the District Plan Review project, and that associated costs are spread across the full 10 years of the 2018 LTP.

#### Rationale

Waikato DHB supports proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to provide sufficient resources to enable completion of the Council's District Plan Review Project, including costs associated with making this plan fully operative, and that this cost be spread over the full 10 years of the 2018 LTP.

The revised District Plan will provide for statutory provisions which can help enable effective growth management that supports community health and wellbeing. Both current and future ratepayers will benefit from these provisions and so to be fair, these benefits should be borne by both.

#### *5.4. Building and maintaining our infrastructure: Roads and transport*

9. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposed commitment to transport improvements and encourages Council to recognise in the Draft 2018 LTP a commitment to the government adopting a mode-neutral key theme as identified in the Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport.

#### Rationale

Waikato DHB supports proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to manage maintenance budgets, focus on priorities for road safety, and plan for transport interventions in growth areas.

We encourage Council to recognise in the Draft 2018 LTP a commitment to improving *all* modes of transport in recognition of the government's recent signal that it is adopting a mode-neutral key theme in the revised Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport, including walking and cycling and public transport<sup>13</sup>.

Non-road modes including walking and cycling and public transport encourage physical activity which is identified as a preventative factor for many chronic heart conditions such as diabetes and heart disease. Daily exercise has proven health benefits such as lowered obesity rates, reduced risk of stroke and other cardiovascular diseases, reduced risk of diabetes and increased physical fitness and mental health<sup>14</sup>.

Waikato DHB is also aware of local community transport services provided in Waikato District which enable access to hospital health services –for older people in particular. On average people consume 30 percent of their whole of life health care services in the last few years of life.

<sup>13</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Our-Work/Documents/Draft-GPS-2018.pdf> on 9 April 2018

<sup>14</sup> Accessed from: <https://ccc.govt.nz/assets/Documents/The-Rebuild/Strategic-Plans/HPSTED.pdf> on 20 March 2018.

### 5.5. Building and maintaining our infrastructure: Parks and facilities

10. Waikato DHB supports Council's proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to complete a Halls Strategy, and continue budgeting for walkway and cycleway spending, but recommends that the Halls Strategy be reframed as a 'Community Hubs Strategy'.

#### Rationale

Waikato DHB supports proposals identified in the 2018 Draft LTP to complete a Halls Strategy, and continue budgeting for walkway and cycleway spending.

We recommend that the proposed Halls Strategy be reframed as a 'Community Hubs Strategy' to provide for the development and re-development of more flexible community facilities that can help meet diverse local community needs.

This response aligns with the Social infrastructure and community 'place-making' provisions within the Future Proof Growth Strategy of which Council is a partner. It is also aligned with Waikato Plan provisions e.g. Action 1.1.2: 'Identify the regional priorities for service and technical infrastructure' which Council has adopted and approved for implementation.

Our organisation congratulates council for providing an extensive and impressive number of parks and reserves across its district accommodating a diverse range of activities and uses. Open spaces are important for peoples' general health and wellbeing.

We note and support Council's commitment to the Te Awa Walkway, as well as funding for other walkways from year 4 of the LTP 2021/22. Parks recreation and community facilities enable physical activity and community participation which have clear health and wellbeing benefits. As an example, literature identifies that increased access to community recreation facilities and amenities can increase physical activity which in turn lowers the risk of cardiovascular disease and Type 2 Diabetes, and mental health issues<sup>15</sup>.

Improving neighbourhood walkability and adopting universal design standards can promote walking and cycling and enable participation for all<sup>16</sup>. In order for this to be achieved it is imperative that iwi and other community groups are participants in all levels of planning and implementation to ensure equitable opportunities to experience these benefits.

### 5.6. Building and maintaining our infrastructure: Waters services

<sup>15</sup> Accessed from: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/spatial-planning-for-health-evidence-review> on 20 March 2018. Published by PHE Publications, June 2017.

<sup>16</sup> *ibid*

11. Waikato DHB supports Council's plans to continue implementation of the 'Continuous Improvement Programme' for wastewater services, and the associated reduction in waste water spills into Raglan Harbour.

Waikato DHB supports the continuing implementation of plans to prevent wastewater spills into Raglan Harbour, including the monitoring equipment upgrades, asset assessment, and public education programmes. Wastewater spills into Raglan harbour place recreational users of the harbour at risk of illness from contaminated water. We support actions to prevent such spills from reoccurring.

## 6. Conclusion

- 6.1. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Council's Draft 2018 LTP. Waikato DHB appreciated the efforts that have been made by Council to protect and promote health and well-being for your local communities through co-operative planning and policy activities, and we commit to continue working alongside Council in this.

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**Attachment 1: Key Waikato DHB submission points and outcomes sought**

Pnt #	Provision/Paragraph	Support/oppose	Rationale	Outcome sought by Waikato DHB
1.	<p><b>'How we manage our Water, Wastewater and Stormwater ('Three Waters')</b></p> <p>Paragraph 3 under Options 3 and 4:</p>	Support Options 3 and 4	<p>Water is a fundamental determinant of health and life and water management decisions have the potential to impact on access to and quality of municipal water supplies, stormwater drains and sewerage. Minimising public health risk and protecting community access to potable drinking water is a key focus for Waikato DHB.</p> <p>Options 3 and 4 incorporate iwi collaboration and reflect a partnership approach which is critical to improved Māori health outcomes. However, we do appreciate that a range of assessment criteria need to be used to determine Council's preferred option</p> <p>We recommend that when a final decision is taken by Council on a preferred option, that public health is not put at risk, and that local communities' access to safe potable drinking water is protected and assured and ask that Waikato DHB be identified as a key stakeholder in</p>	<p>Amend narrative under Option 3 to read:</p> <p>"Under this option, levels of service <u>and public health risk</u> will be maintained as presently agreed, but it may offer an opportunity to raise levels of service <u>or improve public health risk</u> in the future."</p> <p>Amend narrative under Option 4 to read:</p> <p>"Under this option, levels of service <u>and public health risk</u> will be maintained as presently agreed, but it may offer an opportunity to raise levels of service <u>or improve public health risk</u> in the future."</p>



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			any three waters management agreement and ideally as a stakeholder required to be consulted with, particularly in regard to drinking water.	
2.	<b>'Rebalancing ratepayer contributions to the General rate'</b>	Support Options 2 and 3	<p>Options 2 and 3 are more favourable for those on lower incomes, and it would appear that Option 3 would be preferable as it provides a more equitable distribution of rate contributions based on ability to pay. However, we do appreciate that a range of assessment criteria need to be used to determine Council's preferred option.</p> <p>We recommend that when a final decision is taken on a preferred option by Council, that it keeps rates as low as possible, as the socio-economic spread is not consistent across the District. Those living in the lower socio-economic areas are not well placed to accommodate increased rating costs. In general we support a general rate over targeted rates, because (as Council has stated) there is a public good element to most services, and targeted rates may place a larger</p>	<p>Waikato DHB doesn't want local communities that are struggling with affordability issues not to get early health service care because rates/rent costs and affordability considerations preclude this.</p> <p>No amendment required to draft plan consultation document narrative.</p>

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			financial burden on a smaller population.	
3 and 4.	<p><b>‘Planning for growth that achieves our vision’</b> (Master Planning, and Sub-regional Initiatives narratives)</p> <p>Bullet points 1 and 2</p>	Support with amendments	<p>This approach aligns with the community ‘place-making’ provisions within the Future Proof Growth Strategy which Waikato District is a partner, and with key Waikato Plan actions e.g. Action 1.1.2.</p> <p>The evidence linking holistic growth planning in urban environments and ‘place-making’ for communities to positive health and wellbeing outcomes is strong.</p> <p>This participatory approach to planning for these communities aligns with the District’s identified community outcomes: “Supporting our communities” and “Working together with you”</p>	<p>A better understanding of the impacts of proposed master planning on community health and wellbeing to strengthen master planning.</p> <p>Amend narrative to read:</p> <p>“To undertake a more holistic <u>and participatory</u> approach to planning for our growing communities, a master planning budget of \$100,000 has been set aside for each year of the Long Term Plan for our key towns, with key towns in this geographic area identified as early priorities.”</p>
5.	<p><b>Planning for Liveable, Thriving and Connected Communities</b></p> <p>P12 under ‘Economic Development’</p>	Support with amendments	Council’s Economic Growth Strategy exists within a broader strategic context of Waikato Means Business and the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan. There will be opportunities to align economic activities across these strategies and	<p>Amend paragraph to read:</p> <p>“Our Economic Development Strategy focuses on... The Council will continue to investigate how it can facilitate the growth through strengthening linkages with <u>Waikato Means Business and</u></p>

Pnt #	Provision/Paragraph	Support/oppose	Rationale	Outcome sought by Waikato DHB
			<p>plans and leverage of respective strategic priorities.</p> <p>As an example, the Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda produced by Waikato Tainui, Te Puni Kōkiri and Waikato Means Business, could be incorporated or considered as part of your proposed economic development services.</p> <p>We also ask that Council considers the needs of the local communities within the district which are not currently experiencing growth to ensure that they have the infrastructure and services that they require to maintain and improve their health and wellbeing.</p>	Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan and Agenda, and through smart infrastructure investment.”
	<p><b>Planning for Liveable, Thriving and Connected Communities</b></p> <p>P12 under ‘<b>Regional Fuel Tax</b>’</p>	Support with amendments	<p>We have concerns about a regional fuel tax because it would likely disproportionately impact on low socio economic families and whanau.</p> <p>Given this, we ask that we and wider community have opportunity to support any further development of a Regional Fuel Tax proposal for Government consideration to ensure</p>	<p>Amend narrative to read:</p> <p>“A proposal to support the introduction of am 11.5 cents per litre regional fuel tax was ... While Government’s preference is for a fuel tax in Auckland only, we will work with Hamilton City, and other local government partners <u>and interested parties</u> in the region to put a detailed proposal to the</p>

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			potential negative health and well-being impacts are minimised for vulnerable population groups.	Government for further consideration. Should this be approved... and to reduce the amount of rates you pay."
5.	<b>'Planning for growth that achieves our vision'</b> (District Plan Review narrative)  Bullet point 4 under	Support	The revised District Plan will provide for statutory provisions which can help enable effective growth management that supports community health and wellbeing. Both current and future ratepayers will benefit from these provisions and so to be fair, these benefits should be borne by both.	The local communities and iwi are consulted and provided opportunities to feedback on the District Plan Review, and that where appropriate and opportunity allows, Waikato DHB supports Council in this.
6.	<b>'Roads and transport'</b>  P13; Title, paragraph 1, and bullet point 3	Support with amendments to title and narrative	Need for Council to recognise in the Draft 2018 LTP a commitment to improving all modes of transport in recognition of the government's adoption of a mode-neutral key theme in the revised Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport i.e. walking and cycling and public transport.  Walking and Cycling and public transport encourage physical activity which is identified as a preventative factor for many chronic heart conditions such as diabetes and	Amend Title and paragraph 1 narrative to read:  <b><u>"Roads and transport Transport infrastructure and services</u></b> ...Compared to 2017/18, it is proposed that transport and roading works ( <u>incorporating walking and cycling and public transport infrastructure</u> ) will add an extra....  Amend bullet point 3 narrative to read: "In the next three years we will focus on a strategy for improving transport networks <u>and</u>

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			<p>heart disease.</p> <p>Community transport services are also provided in Waikato District which enable access to hospital health services.</p>	<p><u>services</u> in growth areas.... Some growth related roading infrastructure projects <u>(incorporating associated walking and cycling improvements in line with the recent signal from central government on their priorities)</u> will be implemented in the next three years, but most will be delivered though the next Long Term Plan 2021-2031</p>
7.	<p><b>‘Parks and facilities’</b></p> <p>P14; paragraphs 1 - 3</p>	Support with amendments to the narrative	<p>Flexible community facilities can help meet diverse local community needs.</p> <p>This response aligns with the Social infrastructure and community ‘place-making’ provisions within the Future proof Growth Strategy is which Waikato District is a partner.</p> <p>Parks recreation and community facilities enable physical activity and community participation which have clear health and wellbeing benefits. As an example, literature identifies that increased access to community recreation facilities and amenities can increase physical activity which in turn lowers the risk of cardiovascular disease and type 2</p>	<p>Amend paragraph 1-3 narratives to read:</p> <p>“We will consider a <del>Halls</del> <u>Community Hubs</u> strategy as outlined on page 12...</p> <p>Budgets have been proposed to support growth in north Waikato in order to: investigate <u>with local communities</u> a <u>Community hub/ Library/service centre</u> in Pokeno, develop a ....near Tuakau.”</p> <p>“Walkway and cycleway spending will continue at current levels, but <u>opportunities for jointly funded walkways/cycle ways will be explored with the development</u></p>

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			<p>diabetes, and mental health issues.</p> <p>Improving neighbourhood walkability and adopting universal design standards can promote walking and cycling and enable participation for all.</p>	<p><del>sector and third parties.</del> <u>Will This will include a</u> focus on Te Awa walkway (Hamilton to Cambridge section), with funding for other <u>accessible</u> walkways <u>and cycle ways in new growth areas</u> recommencing from year 4 of the Long Term Plan (2021/22).</p>
8.	<p><b>'Waters services'</b></p> <p>P14; paragraphs 1-3 and bullets 1-3</p>	Support	<p>Wastewater spills into Raglan harbour place recreational users of the harbour at risk of illness from contaminated water.</p>	<p>Continuous improvement in waste water services and a reduction in spills into Raglan Harbour and as aa consequence, a lower risk of illness.</p>

**Te Kowhai Community Committee**

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11 April 2018

The Mayor and Councillors  
Waikato District Council  
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**SUBMISSION – Long Term Plan 2018-2028**

Firstly, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Waikato District Long Term Plan (LTP).

**1. Te Otamanui Walkway**

This project has been a huge success as we near the completion of stage two of the proposed walkway. The project has so far received nine of the ten annual grants of \$25,000 per annum and we acknowledge Councils support to complete the walkway. We note the final \$25,000 is included in the 2018-2019 year of the LTP and thank Council for honouring the commitment made many years ago.

**2. Te Kowhai Village Green extension.**

The Te Kowhai Community plan envisaged the extension of the current village green as the village expanded. In November 2016 Council rezoned three parcels of land to country living under PC17. The plans used in the hearing included stages 2 and 3 which included the extension of the village green, subject to Council negotiating the purchase with the current land owners. Council passed a resolution some months ago to enter into negotiations to secure a contract on the neighbouring Sam property. The Committee urges Council to complete those negotiations as soon as possible as development is now happening under the provisions of PC17 with further developers (Airport & Metcalfe) seeking to add further development in and around Te Kowhai. Once secured the Community is prepared to help with the development of the land for the reserve, as it did with the initial village green, saving Council and thus ratepayers, a great deal of the cost to establish the reserve.

**3. Development Contributions for Village Green**

The Te Kowhai Community Committee encourages Council to implement, where appropriate, Development Contributions that can be applied to the purchase and development of the extended village green and related infrastructure.

**4. Toilets – Village Green**

Approximately three years ago Council cancelled the contract with the local supplier of a public toilet. For a short time Council provided a portaloo for winter sports on weekends.



At other times the teams used the bushes around the village green or generous neighbour's homes when needing toilet facilities. Recently, Councils Rural Ward Committee granted the sum of \$1800 to the Community Committee to fund a contract between the Te Kowhai Community Committee and the local shop owner to provide a 'public toilet' for the sports teams and their supporters at weekends during the school year. School sports teams play on the village green for 30 of the 40 school weeks of the year. Cricket, Rugby and Soccer are played on the village green.

The Rural Ward Committee indicated that the grant was a one off and that the Community Committee should seek funding through the LTP to enable the arrangement to continue until the proposed new toilets are built in the 20/21 financial year. Thus the Committee seeks a grant of \$1,800 per year for two years, a total of \$3,600, to enable the provision of toilets to Sports teams for the next two years. Additional funding in the 20/21 financial year may be required should the toilets not be available from 1 July 2021.

Funding = 30 weeks @ \$60/week = \$1800 per annum. Two years minimum but additional years' dependent on when proposed toilets are actually built.



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Submission to the

## WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL DRAFT 10 YEAR PLAN 2018/2028

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### Summary of Submission

This submission is made in response to the Waikato District Council's Draft Long Term Plan 2018/2028 designed with the vision of making Waikato a "Liveable, thriving and connected community"

#### 1. Council's Activities

- Sport Waikato are pleased to note that Council is maintaining its support for Recreation and Leisure through a focus on support for sport and recreation services and the provision of parks and open spaces
- We wish to thank the Waikato District Council for their ongoing support for the programmes and services that Sport Waikato provides in the district
- We are keen to ensure that Council continues to consult and engage with Sport Waikato and Sport New Zealand, as lead agencies who support the provision of quality experiences in the sport and recreation sector.

#### 2. Summary of Feedback for Opportunities in Sport and Recreation

Sport Waikato have identified the following **opportunities** for the Council to consider when finalising the 2018/2028 LTP:

- That Sport Waikato continue to be funded to support the delivery of quality experiences in sport and recreation in the Waikato District to grow participation, enhance capability development and to work smarter by leveraging partners. The value of this support is **\$113,430.25 plus GST plus the provision of any office/administrative support services** in year one adjusted annually for CPI.
- That Sport Waikato continue to be funded to lead the implementation of the Regional Sports Facilities Plan. The proportional contribution of this regional programme is **\$16,610 plus GST** with the total regional budget valued at **\$100,000 plus GST** across all local authorities.
- That Council continue to invest in Parks in an operational context but also investigate the projects listed below as part of the Sports Plan to ensure an appropriate balance for a growing community in the provision of structured sports parks versus recreational reserves. Specific examples in this space include offers in Tuakau, Pokeno and Tamahere.
- That Council adopt and endorse the priority projects identified in the **Waikato Sports Plan** as part of the long-term planning process. Specifically, the following projects were recommended in the next 10 years.

### Projects connected to the Regional Sports Facilities Plan

Proposed Future Project	Notes
Rototuna Indoor Recreation Centre	Cross Boundary Partnership assessment
2 <sup>nd</sup> Indoor Court Facility	Partnership with HCC and potentially University of Waikato
Rototuna (North Hamilton) Aquatics Facility	Partnered project
Cross Boundary Funding Framework	Currently in draft and part of LTP with Regional Council

### Sports Plan Local Priorities Projects

Indicative Timeframe <sup>1</sup>	Project / Proposed Approach
1-3 years	Pokeno Sports Park, Pokeno Domain and Tuakau Sports Plan Investigation
1-3 years	Tamahere Reserve Development
4-6 years	Huntly Facilities, Te Kauwhata Domain Hub Facility, Home for Aero Clubs and Centennial Park enhancements
7-10 years	Sunset Beach Lifeguard Service Development, Bowls Club Rationalisation, Investigation into Patterson Park development

## 3. Overview of Feedback

### 3.1 District Coordinator

Sport Waikato's District Coordinator team partner with Local Authorities across the greater Waikato region. Our District Coordinators serve as a local connector, connecting the community to sport and recreation and connecting the greater Sport Waikato team to the community. Our District Coordinators have four high level KPI's that focus their performance.

1. To grow participation in local communities to increase the number of individuals who meet the physical activity guidelines
2. To work with deliverers of sport, recreation and physical activity to provide sustainable quality experiences
3. To develop, maintain and grow quality stakeholder relationships
4. To promote and advocate for healthy active lifestyles

<sup>1</sup> Funding Dependent

### 3.2 Regional Sports Facilities Plan

The Regional Sports Facilities Plan was established in 2014. Designed to guide the development of facilities the community needs (versus wants) at a Regional and Sub Regional level, Sport Waikato is the lead agency guiding the joint implementation of the plan. An initiative of the Mayoral Forum, with partnership from all Local Authorities in the region, the Regional Sports Facilities Plan offers local authorities the following key concepts:

- Advocacy with funders and investors for facilities that reflect the principles of the plan
- Provision of peer reviews for facility development concepts e.g. Feasibility Projects, Business Case Assessments and Concept Designs
- Assistance with investment negotiations in facility development and utilisation
- Sharing of knowledge including resources specific to sports facilities and the sport sector
- Partnering to optimise facility utilisation by way of fostering sport organisation relationships to attract events and collaborative working
- Advice and assistance in the development of “Community Hub” concept (co-location of organisations in sport and in a broader context)
- The provision of training opportunities and information sharing
- Increasing regional understanding and management of facility utilisation data to understand demand and enable informed decision making

## 4. Background to the development of this submission

This submission focuses on how the Long-Term Plan will have an impact on community sport and recreation for the community. In developing the above listed ‘Opportunities for Action’ we have taken into consideration leading national and regional strategies for sport and recreation and the themes and trends in the sport and recreation sector.

### 4.1 SPORT NEW ZEALAND’S COMMUNITY SPORT STRATEGY 2015-2020

Sport NZ is the Crown entity charged under the Sport and Recreation New Zealand Act 2002 with promoting, encouraging, and supporting physical recreation and sport in New Zealand. Sport New Zealand is dedicated to getting New Zealanders active, participating, and winning in sport and recreation.

Sport New Zealand’s Community Sport Strategy 2015 – 2025 sets a clear direction and prioritises a philosophy that is:

- Participant focused – to meet the needs and expectations of participants
- System led – building attributes that best impact participation
- Performance driven – seeking continuous improvement

The strategy targets three focus areas:

1. School aged Children – developing a love of sport at an early age is more likely to encourage life-long participation.
2. Local Delivery (particularly in low participation communities) – improving the connectivity in local communities with low or declining participation and where barriers exist to participation
3. Competitive Sport (including talent identification) – ensuring quality talent pathways exist for participants

### 4.2 MOVING WAIKATO 2025

Moving Waikato 2025, is a regional partnered strategy for Sport, Recreation and Physical Activity. A strategy with one vision “A healthy, vibrant, physically active and successful sporting region” and one goal “To grow participation in sport, recreation and physical Activity”.

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In 2007, 54% of the Waikato's adult population met the Physical Activity Guidelines, 30 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity, five times a week. By 2015, this figure was only 46%. Our children are active, but not active enough. Moving Waikato 2025 brings together partners across Education, Health, Local Authorities, Iwi and Sport to connect more of our people to opportunities to be active, to grow the quality of sport and recreation experiences and to work together to achieve results. Sport Waikato is the lead agency guiding the implementation of Moving Waikato 2025 and monitoring achievement of outcomes.

### 4.3 SPORT WAIKATO

Sport Waikato is one of New Zealand's 14 Regional Sports Trusts, with responsibility to lead and enable sport and recreation in the greater Waikato region.

Our Vision is **"Everyone out there and active"**

Our mission is to **"Inspire and enable the people of Waikato to be active and healthy for life"**

Founded in 1986, our leadership, programmes and services aim to "help people to help themselves" and our work is underpinned by strategic partners across local authorities, health, education, sport, Iwi, commercial and philanthropic organisations and individuals.

## 5. Themes and Trends in the Sport and Recreation Sector

There remain, several challenges facing the sport and recreation sector some offer partners the opportunity to work together for synergy and improved outcomes, others require the sector to change. Highlights of these themes and trends include:

### 5.1 ECONOMIC TRENDS

Our current economic environment means the sport and recreation sector is finding that securing revenue from commercial sources remains challenging. This trend is likely to continue because of:

- a more demanding corporate sponsorship environment;
- reducing revenues from gaming trusts, on which many sport, and recreation organisations rely;
- the impact of reduced gaming funds on community trust funding;
- the impact of the economic situation on the expenditure of individuals (leading to falling memberships, a reluctance to increase membership fees, lower gate receipts and diminishing broadcast rights); and
- pressure on local government to reduce debt and minimise rate increases.

Sport Waikato is working with partners to understand the funding environment, diversify income, secure partnerships (lowering costs for all) and improving the financial security of our sector.

### 5.2 REMAINING VIABLE

In a rapidly changing and busy society with ever changing sporting preferences and many emerging sports, there are many sport and recreation organisations facing a significant challenge for the future viability and sustainability of their organisations. The tight economic environment places even more pressure on these organisations.

Sport Waikato is supporting and encouraging sport and recreation providers to invest in building management and governance capability, grow programmes to retain capable people, build robust planning, value, recruit and retain skilled volunteers including coaches, officials and administrators.

### 5.3 MEETING THE NEEDS OF PARTICIPANTS

The sector continues to experience a shift in participation needs. We continue to witness a participation versus membership focused motive in sport and recreation with great emphasis on recreational pursuits. Sport and recreation providers increasingly must understand the behaviour

that drives participation, consumerism and competition, individual challenge and achievement less about competition and sporting success.

Sport Waikato has increased its support and investment in Insights and Planning and working alongside Sport New Zealand is working to support the sector to better understand participation trends the value of sport and the voice of participant.

#### **5.4 INFRASTRUCTURE**

The infrastructure to support the ever-growing seasons and codes wanting to share space and facilities is under strain. Further to this, non-traditional sports and recreation activities have continued to grow over the past years, placing additional pressure on organised sport and recreation to respond to demands for a range of quality experiences.

Sport Waikato continues to support the investigation and development of Sporting Facility Hubs to both reduce facility pressure and encourage service delivery collaboration.

### **6. The Value of Sport**

We recognise that the challenges facing the sport and recreation sector, are challenges common to the community and that Council, need to make some hard choices about how to manage and allocate scarce resources.

In making these choices, existing and ongoing investment in sport and recreation is vital to the community because:

- the benefits of retaining (or increasing) current levels of funding in sport and recreation to the Council and the community, are long-term and intergenerational;
- a fit and active community draws fewer resources from the Council and other associated agencies;
- investment and spending in areas like sport and recreation during economic recession can contribute to the economic stimuli required – for example, through the construction of sports facilities and hosting of regional, national and international events; and
- Communities have consistently assigned a high value to sport and recreation.

It is against this background that Sport Waikato make this submission.

**As part of this submission we would like to formally thank the Waikato District Council for their on-going partnership and the shared focus on ensuring that our region remains a great place to live. We remain proud of our joint achievements across the region and the significant presence of the many brands and connections that our organisation has.**

**Sport Waikato wish to be heard in support of this submission at a hearing.**

**Submission by****Hamilton City Council****Waikato District Council's Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan****20 April 2018**

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**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Hamilton City Council (HCC) would like to thank Mayor Allan Sanson, Kurt Abbot, Vishal Ramduny and Brian Cathro from the Waikato District Council (WDC) for making a presentation on its Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan (DLTP) at HCC's 5 April 2018 Council Briefing session.
- 1.2 In particular, HCC would like to provide feedback on the following:
- The proposed Hamilton to Auckland Rail Service.
  - Safety on Roads Bordering Hamilton and Waikato District.
  - Shared Library Services.
  - Hamilton to Cambridge Cycleway (Te Awa).
  - Review of Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.
  - Funding Regionally Significant Projects.

**2.0 PROPOSED HAMILTON TO AUCKLAND RAIL SERVICE**

- 2.1 HCC is supportive of the Government's priority/policy to provide substantial funding towards an interim rail service between Hamilton and Auckland.
- 2.2 We endorse the proposal in the Waikato Regional Council's Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan supporting a passenger rail start up project that is in part funded through a targeted rate charged to Hamilton ratepayers i.e. Under Option 2 in the Waikato Regional Council's Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan this would see the majority of Hamilton ratepayers paying less than \$30 per year towards the service.
- 2.3 Similarly, HCC also endorses the proposal in the Waikato Regional Council's Draft Regional Land Transport Plan currently being consulted on that supports a daily rail service between Hamilton and Auckland.
- 2.4 Prior to all councils making decisions on their respective Long Term Plans, HCC expect to be further advanced in respect of more detailed government policy and will be more informed by the passenger demand survey that is currently underway. Local government also expects to be better informed by the recently released Draft 2018 Government Policy Statement on Land Transport.



- 2.5 In this period, the Waikato Regional Council and HCC also expect to advance discussions with government and KiwiRail on the rolling stock ownership model and the makeup of the cost information they have provided.
- 2.6 As part of its commitment to the service, HCC has made land purchases (around \$6 million) that are in close proximity to The Base to provide a rail station and a future park and ride facility to support the rail service.
- 2.7 HCC is supportive of and acknowledges WDC's capital funding provision of \$500,000 in 2020 in its Draft 2018-28 LTP for infrastructure to support a passenger rail service i.e. the Tuakau Rail Platform.
- 2.8 A significant number of WDC residents are likely to make regular use of the Hamilton to Auckland rail service (especially residents living in Huntly and Tuakau) and particularly in light of the continued substantial growth over recent years in the Pokeno-Hamilton corridor.
- 2.9 Given this, HCC believes that WDC should subsidise the operation of the Hamilton to Auckland rail service to the same level as HCC ratepayers.

### **3.0 SAFETY ON ROADS BORDERING HAMILTON AND WAIKATO DISTRICT**

- 3.1 In the past few years there has been significant growth in residential development in Rototuna resulting in growth in the traffic volumes on roads that straddle the borders of HCC and WDC.
- 3.2 The increased traffic volumes and speeds on these roads are resulting in safety concerns being expressed by residents in Waikato District and Hamilton.
- 3.3 HCC lowered the speed limit on the shared sections of Kay Road and Horsham Downs Road on 1 March 2013 to 80km/h. HCC believes it is very important for WDC to address the current inconsistency in speed limit on the section of Kay Road between Osborne Road and River Road that sits wholly within Waikato District.
- 3.4 HCC also request that consideration is given to lowering the speed limit on the approach to Hamilton on River Road and Gordonton Road in accordance with the Speed Management Plan.
- 3.5 HCC note that the connection of Borman Road to Kay Road will be completed in this financial year i.e.2017/18. We request that consideration is given to the safety of the intersection of River Road and Kay Road to cater for the potential increase in vehicles using this intersection, along with urbanisation of Kay Road.

### **4.0 SHARED LIBRARY SERVICES**

- 4.1 Recently WDC undertook consultation around the current agreement for Library services that is in place with HCC. We understand that it is WDC's intention to renegotiate this agreement in the upcoming months.
- 4.2 WDC residents use of Hamilton Libraries equates to 11 percent of the total use of our service, with WDC presently paying \$300,000 per annum, or 4.8 percent of the direct costs (excluding overheads), which we believe represents value for money.
- 4.3 HCC supports collaboration between our councils and the opportunity for shared Library services.

## 5.0 HAMILTON TO CAMBRIDGE CYCLEWAY (TE AWA)

- 5.1 HCC is fully supportive of the partnership approach that has taken place in the development of the Hamilton to Cambridge cycleway project and looks forward to working closely with WDC on the construction of this important cycleway connection.
- 5.2 As WDC will be aware, HCC is proposing to contribute \$4 million towards the cycleway in 2019/20, with WDC contributing \$800,00 per annum for three years commencing 2018/19 i.e.\$2.4 million in total (\$1.2 million from ratepayers and a \$1.2 million NZTA subsidy).
- 5.3 This is a regionally significant cycleway project which will provide further choice in how our communities travel between our neighbouring districts.

## 6.0 REVIEW OF WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION PLAN

- 6.1 HCC notes that WDC is in the process of reviewing its Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and will be seeking feedback on its new draft plan in May 2018.
- 6.2 Having recently undertaken a similar review, HCC believes there are opportunities to share ideas and lessons in this space for mutual benefit.
- 6.3 HCC would like involvement in this project and engage with WDC at appropriate parts of the process as it progresses the review, particularly regarding the relationship and impact on regional waste services.

## 7.0 FUNDING REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS

- 7.1 HCC is supportive of the Waikato Regional Council's (WRC's) approach to considering providing funding for regional facilities that offer significant benefit for the Waikato Region. Such an approach needs to be undertaken on a fair and equitable basis for the region's ratepayers.
- 7.2 To this end, HCC supports WRC's development of a Community Facilities Framework as outlined on page 23 of their Draft 2018-28 Long Term Plan Consultation Document.
- 7.3 As you will be aware, HCC is proposing to contribute \$4 million (\$2 million in 2021/22 and \$2 million in 2022/23) towards a multi-sport indoor recreation centre being developed by the University of Waikato, pending a detailed business case.
- 7.4 The proposed Indoor Recreation Centre will be based on the University Campus in Hamilton to cater for the needs of a growing city and will also service the wider Waikato Region. The proposed indoor recreation centre is supported by Sport Waikato and aligns with the recommendations from the Waikato Regional Sports Facilities Plan.
- 7.5 HCC would like WDC to note that we are requesting that WRC provide funding of an additional \$2 million towards construction of the University of Waikato Indoor recreation facility via the Community Facilities Framework to ensure other surrounding residents and ratepayers in the region, including those in Waikato District, support this sub-regional facility.

## 8.0 FURTHER INFORMATION AND HEARINGS

- 8.1 Should the Waikato District Council wish to discuss the points raised by HCC, or require additional information, please contact Sean Hickey (General Manager Strategy and Communications) on 07 838 6432, email [Sean.Hickey@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:Sean.Hickey@hcc.govt.nz) in the first instance.

8.2 HCC **does wish to speak** at the Waikato District Council hearings in support of this submission.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Briggs', written in a cursive style.

**Richard Briggs**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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Tena koe Gavin

**Submission to Waikato District Council's consultation document on the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan**

**1. Introduction**

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on Waikato District Council's (WDC's) consultation document on the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan (LTP). We would like to submit on the following topics.

**2. Funding for stormwater infrastructure**

Waikato Regional Council (WRC) notes there are ongoing issues related to growth and development causing road runoff and other drainage matters that adversely impact water bodies by contributing contaminants and causing erosion. The runoff also adversely impacts WRC administered drainage districts. Growth and development that increases runoff draining to flood schemes is increasing operational costs to these schemes. Historic funding has not fully addressed these issues and they are becoming more common and of greater magnitude.

While there are clear user charge fee systems for water and wastewater, stormwater funding largely comes from general rates and is often underfunded. It is essential that the level of investment in stormwater infrastructure allows for the building and maintenance of assets which avoid, remedy or mitigate any impacts on the environment, drainage districts and flood schemes. Therefore WRC request that adequate funding for capital and operating expenditure is included in the LTP and ringfenced for stormwater infrastructure.

**3. Wastewater infrastructure**

WRC acknowledges the considerable growth occurring in the north Waikato district and the challenges this places on existing wastewater treatment plants and associated infrastructure. In particular and as you will be aware, the development of Te Kauwhata has posed some real challenges to WDC with regard to community expectations for the removal of treated wastewater discharging to Lake Waikare in the immediate future. It is our expectation that development contributions and government funding will assist WDC to provide sustainable alternatives for improved wastewater treatment and discharge for this community.

WRC is also aware that other smaller wastewater treatment plants such as Meremere and Te Kowhai are currently seeking new discharge consents, however, improvements are required until the centralisation of wastewater services is achieved. The mothballing of these older systems with the reticulation of wastewater from these smaller communities through to a modern plant is supported.

WRC is also mindful that the Raglan wastewater treatment plant is due for re consenting in 2020. We encourage you to ensure sufficient funding is available to support this process which will involve considerable community engagement.

#### **4. Drinking water supply**

WRC is conscious of the multiple potential requirements territorial authorities are facing with their current municipal drinking water supplies given the various recommendations set out in Stage 2 of the Havelock North Drinking Water Inquiry. It is likely the recommendations will result in additional costs and capacity needs in the drinking water supply area of each council.

As a result of the inquiry's recommendations, WRC would like to work collaboratively with you to help implement the recommendations where appropriate. In the meantime, we encourage proposed investments to bring the district's water supplies up to national drinking water standards.

#### **5. Funding for Lake Waikare catchment management plan and Waikato and Waipa Rivers restoration strategy project**

WRC thanks WDC for its current contribution to the Lake Waikare and Whangamarino catchment management plan and Waikato and Waipa Rivers restoration project. We request that WDC provides additional funding for the plan and strategy implementation.

#### **6. North Waikato public transport improvement**

WRC supports the proposed improvements to public transport services in the north Waikato that aim to provide improved public transport connections between north Waikato towns and the Auckland region. We request that WDC ensures appropriate public transport infrastructure, such as bus stops and shelters, is included in the LTP to support the delivery of proposed public transport services in North Waikato.

We also support the proposed Hamilton to Papakura commuter bus service being identified in WDC's LTP as a 'provisional activity', with a view that this activity will not be implemented if a passenger rail service between Hamilton and Auckland is confirmed and endorsed by central government and regional partners.

#### **7. Hamilton to Auckland passenger rail service – railway station upgrade**

WRC is currently consulting on an interim Hamilton to Auckland passenger rail proposal as part of its LTP. The exact timing of the start of this proposal is contingent on a number of issues being resolved including funding, availability of rolling stock and upgrade of stations and associated infrastructure.

We note that WDC has included funding for the upgrade of Tuakau railway station in 2021/22. Given the proposed passenger service could potentially start at the end of 2019, we recommend that this funding is brought forward to 2018/19 to allow work to be completed by August 2019. We also request WDC sets aside funding to allow for further improvement to be made to the Huntly railway station so that it is fully operational in time for the interim rail service.

#### **8. Cycle trails**

The Waikato region has a number of cycle trails which attract visitors and contribute to local and regional economic development. WDC has been involved in working together with cycle trail managers and their partners across the region, including Regional Tourism Offices, as part of the trails network group. WRC encourages WDC to continue to engage with the trails network to grow the benefits of the trail for your district and the region as a whole.

WRC acknowledges WDC's cycling investment to date and ongoing investment in the Hamilton to Cambridge Cycle Connection project incorporating the Te Awa River Ride. We also encourage your further support to enable route completion in the 2018-2021 period.

#### **9. Road safety**

The Waikato Regional Transport Committee, of which WDC is a member, has confirmed that safety is one of two top priorities through the draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2018 (RLTP). Central government, through the newly released draft Government Policy Statement on Transport, is now signalling that safety is a top transport priority and has an expectation that local government will do its part by targeting funding to priority areas.

WRC supports WDC's work on road safety and encourages you to ensure there is sufficient funding to address high risk infrastructure, and an emphasis on high risk user behaviour through road safety coordination and community engagement across the district. We look forward to working with you on progressing speed management initiatives over the 2018-21 period.

#### **10. Enviroschools**

With the projected growth of the Enviroschools programme, WRC has increased its investment in this area and is pleased to be partnering with you to expand key environmental learning into more schools within the Waikato district. We would like to acknowledge the ongoing support WDC has provided to the Enviroschools programme and hope we can continue to work with you going forward.

#### **11. Conclusion**

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to submit on WDC's consultation document. We would like to be heard in support of our submission.

Yours faithfully

Vaughan Payne  
**Chief Executive**

## **Waikato District Council 10 year plan community consultation**

### **Feedback by David and Tiffany Whyte**

When was the last time your heard “Once I am successful, I’m going to move to Huntly”? The odds are never. Heck the only reason we moved to Huntly was it was the closest place to Hamilton that we could afford to buy a house! Clearly we have loved the town, and what it has to offer, so we have stayed.

This is important because it means Huntly does not have a large proportion of people who work in management, or have the skills to successfully engage with beurocratic organisations like the council. So hence what is painfully obvious is in the 10 year plan, that the management making the decisions, do not live, or work, in Huntly.

It is not until one works or lives in a community, that one begins to slowly truly understand what the issues are. For example, I never have cash in my wallet, using one of the plethora of plastic cards that inhabit it. But after living in Huntly, came to see that everyone uses cash. A number of reasons contribute to this cash economy, I suspect the dominate one is that you get all your cash out, once it is gone, it is gone. So you can ration it appropriately.

So when the council moved to cashless offices it made a big impact into the community that runs purely on cash. Now this submission is not to question the decision to go cashless. As I strongly suspect things such as security concerns drove the decision ie it wasn’t the cash which was the problem, but the risk to staff handling the cash.

But unless I had lived in Huntly and observed how the cash economy works, it wouldn’t have even crossed my mind that moving from cash, to plastic, would have an effect.

Thus Huntly has minuscule amount of money being invested into the community compared to the other communities. To solve this long term, I think that council should move offices to Huntly. But that has the odds of me winning lotto, and I never buy a ticket! The second best option would be to have more white collar workers move into the town. But again the steady stream of negative news that comes out of Huntly isn’t likely to motivate these people to move.

So to help correct this lack of understanding, the following submission have been made:

#### **Waste Recovery Centre**

It is good to see that Huntly got something mentioned in the plan. I actually waded through the 350+ pages of supporting documents written in bureaucratic verbiage and could not find any supporting documentation about this Waste Recovery Centre.

Except I did find a comment that TK would get a Waste Recovery Centre and this would serve the needs of the Northern Waikato. That sounds a lot like Huntly’s recovery centre would in time be closed down. Forcing Huntly residents to go to TK to dispose of their rubbish. This would be a significant backward step, and result in even higher levels of illicite waste dumping, which is already a problem in Huntly.

**Recommendation:** *That Huntly retains ability to dispose of waste*



**Water Quality**

Huntly does have serious infrastructure issues. For example potable drinking water supply. Many residents in Huntly currently buy their own drinking water because they do not trust the water supply. It is often dirty, discoloured or tastes bad (metallic or over chlorinated). WDC are aware of the problem. And slowly working to overcome it. The cost of cleaning the pipes is expensive, and would be in the order of \$100k's so needs to be budgeted.

The real problem is the 90+% of the water supply pipes are asbestos cement. These need to be replaced. This obviously is an expensive exercise.

Low socio areas should not be afraid enough to be buying water to drink, these families have other pressing priorities that such funds could be used towards.

**Recommendation:**

*That the long term plan includes all water pipes being cleaned. Alos that money is also allocated for pipe replacement.*

**Waste Water**

Huntly also has a crappy sewer network (sorry couldn't resist). It has ageing infrastructure, and the overwhelming majority of it, is class 4 or the worst, class 5. and most is not self cleaning.

Given that councils core business should be its core services, waste water should be given a high priority.

**Recommendation:**

*That the long term plan increases money for sewer replacements / upgrades in Huntly*

**Connectivity**

Huntly has a piece of infrastructure that is essential to the community, but the council does not own this. The walking bridge that connects town to the West side. I do believe Kiwirail own the bridge and walkway. It would be wise to have money allocated to purchase/upgrade/upkeep the bridge if Kiwirail decide to no longer use the line. Also given it is an essential part of the community, WDC should be proactive in securing the future of this bridge, instead of reactive.

Also I am aware that Kiwirail may remove the walkway bridge if they think it is more hassle than it is worth. Hence adding more importance to WDC being proactive.

**Recommendation:**

*That WDC puts aside money to investigate long term options of the walk way bridge. With the view for obtaining the bridge for the community.*

**Water Services and Contracting/sub-contracting**

It is funny how water savings by going to water meters has resulted in a price increase within the first year.

It is also difficult to get answers from the council. Since the job is done by a contractor. The contractors then employ sub contractors to get the job done. So with so many layers it is impossible to get information back out. The buck is always pushed down the line.

It took the council over a year to figure out that their contractors, sub-contractor didn't have a gardener for Huntly. Thus residents had to put up with a crappy service, and no doubt the council paid the contractor for services they **didn't** receive. (Love to see that money clawed back to keep the rates down – are we writing our contracts to allow for these contract breaches with no financial consequence to the contractor?)

So what this tells me about council, is that they have an inability to actually know what is going on, once things get sub-contracted out, by their contractors. Secondly the service provided by the new Huntly main-street team, is much poorer than before.

What this tells me is that companies that say they can save the council money, do it by providing a poorer service to the communities involved. Sure the money can be easily put on a spreadsheet. But the poor service that is provided, the inability to find out who exactly is providing the service, and the inability for residents to have any effective feedback mechanism does not appear to be worth it as the apparent 'savings are not being passed onto rate payers.

Therefore any option which creates distance and layers of bureaucracy that impede the flow of information from the community to the service provider, is clearly going to result in a lower service.

#### **Recommendation:**

*Therefore I recommend that option 1 for water services is used. Because the council has clearly demonstrated by its actions, that even though cash may be saved, the quality of service provided to residents will be much poorer.*

#### **Council flats**

The reality is that Council's roll is not a landlord. However selling of social housing to general public, also isn't appropriate, since of course the people will be either evicted, or rent increased to market rate. There is a solution, selling / moving these houses to another social housing provider. The charity Habitat for Humanity has extended its mandate from building houses, through to the whole spectrum of housing needs. Thus they now have proven experience in obtaining, managing and upgrading of what were once council flats. Thus it seems sensible to sell the social housing, say in Huntly (which is the houses I am aware about). And if this is successful in the long term (ie no issues 5 years post sale) then the other social housing (if any) could be released into their care.

#### **Recommendation:**

*Council move Huntly social housing, to Habitat for Humanity, and if successful for all involved, then further movement of district social housing (if any) to Habitat be undertaken.*

#### **Loss of parkland**

Lake Puketirini is unique in the Waikato being a healthy deep water lake. This provides business and recreational activities for locals and people from the wider Waikato. A satellite shot is shown below. Due to the Solid Energy sell off, significant chunk of the surrounding parkland has been sold off. One would presume that WDC didn't purchase it, otherwise it would have been in the papers. I personally don't think people appreciate how much land was sold off, that appears to be part of the park. I spend random times in these now sold areas hunting for fungi. It consistently surprises me how many walkers are out and about in this park like area, clearly enjoying the environs.

The loss of land, is highlighted in blue, on the satellite image. As you can see this is significant. And once developed, over the next decade(s?) will make an impact onto the quality of life experienced by those who regularly use this area.



Figure showing the loss off park land that will occur as this land is developed, presumable into lifestyle blocks / high value housing.

There could be a silver lining in this sell off. The Huntly East underground mine site was sold to a local business owners. They plan to develop this site into a facility for recreational activities. Obviously the owners need this to be a successfully commercial venture. But there could be opportunities for the council to work with the new owners, to develop space(s) that public could have access to. For example if the council plants out an area in natives, then the public could have walking rights, or something of this ilk.

Also there could be opportunities with the rail line removed from along side East Mine road, that could be used for walking / biking. I am currently unaware of how wide this corridor is, who owns it, and how it could be developed.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the council activity pursues opportunities to work with the new land owner, which will benefit public access to the land. Also money is put aside to develop a food path / walking path along McVie Rd / East Mine Rd if and when the opportunity presents itself.

#### **Scan to USB**

It is great to see photocopying offered as part of the library service. What is not offered is scanning to USB. Many times someone wants a copy, an electronic copy is preferred. Thus scanning to USB would be ideal. This would also lower the cost (no paper, no ink). Appreciate this may not be worthy if being in the 10 year plan. But doesn't fit in the Service Delivery pricing either.

#### **Recommendation:**

Make scan to USB upgrade to the library photocopiers over the next decade.

15 April 2018

To the Mayor and Elected Members

Waikato Sport Fishing Club founded in 1987, is based in Hamilton and has 208 paid financial members 2017/2018 year from across the Waikato Region. We are an affiliated club with the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council.

Our vision is: "Waikato Sport Fishing Club – sport and recreational fishing for our families, our community and our future". The vision reflects the desire of the Club to promote a strong sense of family unity through fishing, and to grow the fishing base within the local community, and to enhance the fishing experience for future generations. This is further reflected in the Club's core values: Safety First, Working Together and Protecting the Future.

We hold three major tournaments each year, the Raglan One Base where all anglers (96 in 2018) fish out of Raglan, and the Snapper Kingi Classic (65 anglers 2017) and the Big Four (81 anglers 2017) where our anglers can fish from any port including Raglan.

We would like to make a submission to the Waikato District Council concerning 3 issues:

1. Management of Manu Bay boat ramp.
2. Manu Bay breakwater wall
3. Inclusion as stakeholders in Council decisions.

#### 1. Management of Manu Bay boat ramp

We understand the management of the Manu Bay boat ramp is being reviewed and there is a proposal to pass the management of the ramp to local organisations. We would not support this and request the Council maintains management of the boat ramp and associated reserve. We believe the Council can independently represent and respond to the needs of all users of the space and has the appropriate asset management expertise to maintain the boat ramp and reserve.

**We request that Council retains management of the Manu Bay boat ramp and reserve.**

## 2. Manu Bay breakwater wall

In 2014 the Raglan Sport Fishing Club reported to WDC a crack 5.57 meters from the end of the Break Wall. Council has since repaired the breakwater wall resulting in a shorter breakwater. Since the repair of the breakwater wall, we have received feedback from our members whom use the Manu Bay boat ramp that in certain winds and post/pre half tide, the water washes over the breakwater, creating a swirl onto the ramp. This is making launching and retrieving dangerous and difficult for the boat users. A number of our members have been in situations where they have felt their safety is at risk.

As our vision states, our club puts 'safety first' and we are concerned the current situation is not safe, not only for our members but also for all other users of the ramp.

Council has a responsibility to provide assets to the community that are appropriate for present and future circumstance.

### **Local Government Act 2002**

Purpose local government

s10(1)(b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.

S10(2) In this Act, **good-quality**, in relation to local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions, means infrastructure, services, and performance that are—

- (a) Efficient; and
- (b) Effective; and
- (c) Appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.

We would propose to Council that the Manu Bay boat ramp, in its current state, does not fulfil this requirement.

### **We request the following actions are undertaken to address this issue:**

- 1) Council undertakes an investigation of observing the performance of the breakwater across a range of wind and tide conditions to be concluded by July 2018.
- 2) Council holds a meeting to discuss the findings of the investigation with key stakeholders – that is ourselves, the Waikato Sport Fishing Club, Raglan Sport Fishing Club and the Coast Guard.
- 3) Sufficient budget is provided for in the first year of the Long Term Plan (2018-2019) to provide for remedial work on the breakwater to improve the safety.
- 4) Work to address the issue is completed before the 2018-2019 summer season.

### 3. Inclusion as stakeholders in Council decisions.

Waikato Sport Fishing Club and its members are key stakeholders in regard to the boat ramps, boat access and parking with the Raglan area. As key stakeholders, Council is required to inform and consult with our club. We therefore request that Council in the future informs the Waikato Sport Fishing Club directly of any proposed changes to the ramps, reserves associated with the ramps and parking for boat trailers by a direct email to our president at [president@waikatosportfishing.co.nz](mailto:president@waikatosportfishing.co.nz).

We thank you for considering our submission and look forward to working with Council to address the three issues we have raised above.

We wish to be held at the verbal hearing to support our submission. Can you please provide sufficient notice to arrange for our committee members to be available at the verbal hearings.

Yours sincerely

Roger Bright

President

Waikato Sport Fishing Club

The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board have a comprehensive submission we wish to lodge in addition to our response to the proposed options outlined in this online/electronic submission form. This is outlined below and will be sent via email to [consult@waidec.govt.nz](mailto:consult@waidec.govt.nz)  
 Submission on the Waikato District Council Long-Term Plan 2018-2028  
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 Preference is to be contacted either by email or telephone.

#### SUMMARY OF SUBMISSION

The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board wish to submit on the proposed Waikato District Council Long-Term Plan 2018-2028

Overall we do not support the Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP). It does not provide a description of activities that will achieve the described community outcomes for Ngaaruawaahia.

Ngaaruawaahia will not be a liveable, thriving and connected community if our first year of rates is increased by 12.75% and that the use of that income is spent outside of the community from which it was gathered.

In this LTP, there is no accountability of the Waikato District Council to the Ngaaruawaahia community as the focus and spending will primarily be in the north in the immediate future with no guarantee that Ngaaruawaahia will receive any support in the review of the LTP in 2021.

We have a huge concern that there is no immediate focus on Ngaaruawaahia, yet Ngaaruawaahia will be paying the highest increase in percentage of all other communities.

If Ngaaruawaahia are to accommodate a 12.75% increase in rates for 2018-2019, and potential further increases in the following two years thereafter (2019-2020 and 2020-2021), we expect from Council an improvement in the level of service and spending in Ngaaruawaahia. We would like to see a clear description of activities of the Waikato District Council that demonstrates its accountability to the Ngaaruawaahia community.

Ngaaruawaahia households should not experience financial pressure to accommodate the growth of other communities in this district. The use of targeted rates should be spent in this community.

The maintenance of infrastructure assets in Ngaaruawaahia should be the priority use of the targeted rates gathered from within this community.

It is unfair that the growth strategy for this LTP relies heavily on the existing ratepayers of the two major towns in district (Ngaaruawaahia and Huntly) to primarily fund the district's growth over the next 25 years.

The Waikato District Council is being deceptive to community members by aligning its proposed infrastructure strategy with the Heathy Rivers Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 document. The Plan Change is focused on addressing water quality effects from non-point discharges, which effects that mainly arise from rural activities or urban land distance near waterways. We will be seeking an investigation by the Controller and Auditor-General on probity/integrity and accountability of the Waikato District Council in this regard.

The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board does not support the priority projects identified for Ngaaruawaahia. These projects were not identified by the community.

We do not support any future regional petrol tax in the district

Additionally, the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board are not happy with the process in how properties in Ngaaruawaahia were valued so as to support Council's reason to increase rates.

What the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board would like to see:

On 'how we manage our three waters', the risk and uncertainty outlined in the LTP for preferred Option 4 would suggest that further research is necessary. On this basis, the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board chose Option 1 to reflect the information and decision of Council as part of the amendment to LTP 2015-2025 via Annual Plan 2017/2018.

On 're-balancing ratepayer contributions', we are of the view that the Ngaaruawaahia community should have the lowest UAGC, therefore Option 3 - Reduce the UAGC to \$286.50 is our preferred option.

No petrol tax applied in the Ngaaruawaahia community (and broadly the district)

**The priority projects identified in the consultation document are removed and that the priority project that were identified through community consultation are reinstated. These two projects are: o Te Mana o Te Rangi Reserve, and Entranceways into Ngaaruawaahia**

The use of targeted rates used to maintain existing assets in Ngaaruawaahia

That development contributions accommodate cost of new infrastructure as a result to new subdivisions and intensive development in Ngaaruawaahia

The development contribution policy clearly articulates that developers and their clients bear the costs of new infrastructure of new subdivisions and intensive developments in established areas

The Council clearly articulate in the LTP the use of development contributions (or other funding) and the use (and amount) of rates to fund construction of identified projects so as to distinguish what is being paid by rate payers



Council consider taking a conservative approach to reducing its debt rather than the aggressive approach. We hope that this approach can reduce the proposed increase in total rates for Ngaaruawaahia and other communities in the district, whilst also achieve the goal of debt repayment

Council continue to recognise Ngaaruawaahia as a growth area by spending targeted rates in Ngaaruawaahia on improving both core infrastructure and community infrastructure and service

Council examine the integrity of its forecast for Plan Change 17 and this LTP, as these two Council documents are contrary to each other

Council defers the new residential/living zones in Ngaaruawaahia as identified in Plan Change 17 to avoid speculated land development, slow payment of development contributions, and more importantly, help existing rate payers in Ngaaruawaahia avoid the extremely high rates increase over the next three years

The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board participate in Asset Management Plans through direct reporting to the Board on intended level of service in the Ngaaruawaahia community

Council not pursue investing in growth in Tuakau, Pokeno, Tamahere, Waerenga, and Kainui and focus on areas identified in the Future Proof Strategy and the Waikato Regional Policy Statement

The direction to prepare master plans funded by ratepayers should be focused on Ngaaruawaahia, Huntly, Te Kauwhata or Raglan, not Tuakau and Pokeno. Master plans for Tuakau and Pokeno should be prepared by developers as it outside of Future Proof Strategy and the Waikato Regional Policy Statement.

The LTP acknowledge that there is a Local Government (Community Wellbeing) Amendment Bill and outline that could be potential amendment the LTP in 2019 to respond to changes of the Bill to include activities that improve social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of communities

The development contribution policy has a review clause so that any potential changes to the Local Government Act that authorise Council to collect development contributions requirements, can be quickly adopted

The Waikato District Council does not pursue with development in Te Kauwhata if it is unsuccessful to obtain the \$40 million Housing Infrastructure Fund.

Council have information on the low-end and average household incomes, the unemployment rate in Ngaaruawaahia, and the generational/whaanau ownership practiced in Ngaaruawaahia, which needs to be considered alongside the other reports and analysis. This consideration will align with Council's objective 'to ensure that decisions and processes take into account both short and long term impacts on our customers and partners'.

#### SUBMISSION

This submission responds to the information in Consultation Document and its supporting document.  
Consultation Document

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#### **Financial Strategy**

The strategy outlines that at its core, the intent is to balance affordability and growth. After reviewing the LTP, this intent/purpose is not reflected, for example:

The first criterion is 'doing more with existing budgets', yet the total rates increase in the first year for Ngaaruawaahia is 12.75%. It is outlined that further rates increases will occur in the following two years. How is this doing more with existing budgets?

The second criterion is 'moving costs of service to those who use them'. This criterion has not been applied by Council. In this LTP, the Ngaaruawaahia community will be bearing the costs of services to support other communities in the district, and the cost of future residents in Ngaaruawaahia.

The fourth and fifth criterions of 'modernising existing assets' and 'supporting growth' are not activities in Ngaaruawaahia due to Council's overall approach to support growth in targeted areas and only modernise infrastructure where it is prudent to do so.

It has been outlined to the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board that Ngaaruawaahia is not a targeted area in the district, therefore it is assumed that since we are not a targeted area, our infrastructure will not be modernised as it wouldn't be prudent to do so.

**What the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board would like to see:**

The use of targeted rates used to maintain existing assets in Ngaaruawaahia

That development contributions accommodate cost of new infrastructure of new subdivisions and intensive development in Ngaaruawaahia

Council engage with the Ngaaruawaahia community on identifying modern services (excludes core infrastructure) for Ngaaruawaahia prior to investing in them

Council considers taking a conservative approach to reducing its debt rather than the aggressive approach. We hope that this approach can reduce the increase in total rates for Ngaaruawaahia and other communities in the district, whilst also achieve the goal of debt repayment

**30 Year Infrastructure Strategy**

The strategy outlines that the district is experiencing high levels of growth in urban areas that border Hamilton and Auckland, with planned growth in Raglan and Te Kauwhata. States that a significant increase in funded expenditure is required for three waters and roading.

It forecast that significant growth will happen in the north (Tuakau, Pokeno and Te Kauwhata) and fringes of Hamilton (Tamahere, Whatawhata, Waerenga and Kainui) and that there will limited growth in Ngaaruawaahia over the 2021, 2031, 2041 and 2051 periods.

What is disappointing about this forecast is that Ngaaruawaahia and surrounding communities went through an exercise of rezoning (Plan Change 17) in 2015/2016 as it was forecasted that significant growth was going to occur in Ngaaruawaahia.

The proposed Waikato District Plan that will soon be notified will support this initial forecast of growth in Ngaaruawaahia. The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board are of the view that the LTP identified growth areas Tuakau, Pokeno, Tamahere, Waerenga, and Kainui are contrary to Policy 6.14 and the development principles of Waikato Regional Policy Statement, and that the LTP recognises the rezoning exercise in Ngaaruawaahia as part of Plan Change 17 which gave effect to the Waikato Regional Policy Statement.

Also the strategy outlines that changes to consent conditions for wastewater discharges may arise as a result of the Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1 to the Waikato Regional Plan, and that minor improvements to wastewater treatment plants may be required to avoid non-compliances.

Similarly, Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1 has been identified as a statutory requirement to look after our environment regarding the strategic issue of looking after our environment.

The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board believe that the Waikato District Council have inappropriately used the Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1 as a means to address urban related discharges (point source) from Council owned and operated infrastructure (three waters) in this LTP.

Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1 is specifically addressing non-point source discharges into the Waikato and Waipaa Rivers and its catchments.

If the Waikato District Council are earnest about its commitment towards achieving the environment outcomes pursued by Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1, then there needs to be activities of the Council to work with rural communities. It should not be using Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1 as a statutory requirement or commitment to improve its infrastructure.

It is on this basis, the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board are considering taking action by sending a letter of concern to the Office of the Controller and Auditor-General seeking an investigation on whether the Waikato District Council acted appropriately to include in the LTP the Healthy Rivers - Wai Ora Plan Change 1 to advance, improve, establish, modernise, and maintain its urban infrastructure and consenting requirements.

**What the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board would like to see:**

Council continue to recognise Ngaaruawaahia as a growth area by spending targeted rates in Ngaaruawaahia on improving both core infrastructure and community infrastructure and service

Council examine the integrity of its forecast for Plan Change 17 and this LTP, as these two Council documents are contrary to each other

Council defers the new residential/living zones in Ngaaruawaahia as identified in Plan Change 17 to avoid speculated land development, slow payment of development contributions, and more importantly, help existing rate payers in Ngaaruawaahia avoid the extremely high rates increase over the next three years

The Ngaaruawaahia Community Board participate in Asset Management Plans through direct reporting to the Board on intended level of service in the Ngaaruawaahia community

Significant Forecasting AssumptionsThe table outlines that risk and uncertainty of legislative change is medium, although it was aware of the potential legislative change to the Local Government Act. This is disappointing as the level of uncertainty is low and known.

With regard to the District Plan, the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board are of the view that to deal with its uncertainty around growth management and reacting to unplanned settlement patterns, the Waikato District Council should focus on growth in areas identified in the

Waikato Regional Policy Statement and Future Proof Strategy, and Plan Change 17. This would mean not pursuing growth in Tuakau, Pokeno, Tamahere, Waerenga, and Kainui.

**What the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board would like to see:**

The LTP acknowledge that there is a Local Government (Community Wellbeing) Amendment Bill and outline that could be potential amendment the LTP in 2019 to respond to changes of the Bill to include activities that improve social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of communities

Council not pursue investing in growth in Tuakau, Pokeno, Tamahere, Waerenga, and Kainui and focus on areas identified in the Future Proof Strategy and the Waikato Regional Policy Statement

The direction to prepare master plans funded by ratepayers should be focused on Ngaaruawaahia, Huntly, Te Kauwhata or Raglan, not Tuakau and Pokeno. Master plans for Tuakau and Pokeno should be prepared by developers as it outside of Future Proof Strategy and the Waikato Regional Policy Statement.

That the Waikato District Council does not pursue with development in Te Kauwhata if it is unsuccessful to obtain the \$40 million Housing Infrastructure Fund. Levels of Service, Performance Measures and Targets

**What the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board would like to see:**

Council have information on the low-end and average household incomes, the unemployment rate in Ngaaruawaahia, and the generational/whaanau ownership practiced in Ngaaruawaahia, which needs to be considered alongside the other reports and analysis. This consideration will align with Council's objective 'to ensure that decisions and processes take into account both short and long term impacts on our customers and partners'. Development Contribution Policy

**What the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board would like to see:**

Ensure that development contribution policy clearly articulates that developers and their clients bear the costs of new infrastructure of new subdivisions and intensive developments in established areas.

That the development contribution policy has a review clause so that any potential changes to the Local Government Act that authorise Council to collect development contributions requirements, can be quickly adopted

Overall the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board does not support the LTP.

We also wish to express our view on process to develop the LTP.

Although workshops were organised to be inclusive of key community members, these workshops were often during working hours of community members, therefore only fit the calendars of Mayor, Councillors and senior staff. A number of workshops were also postponed and cancelled to accommodate the unavailability of the Mayor and senior staff.

Lastly, to support its community, the Ngaaruawaahia Community Board will be investigating the merits of seeking a judicial review of the process that valued the properties in Ngaaruawaahia.

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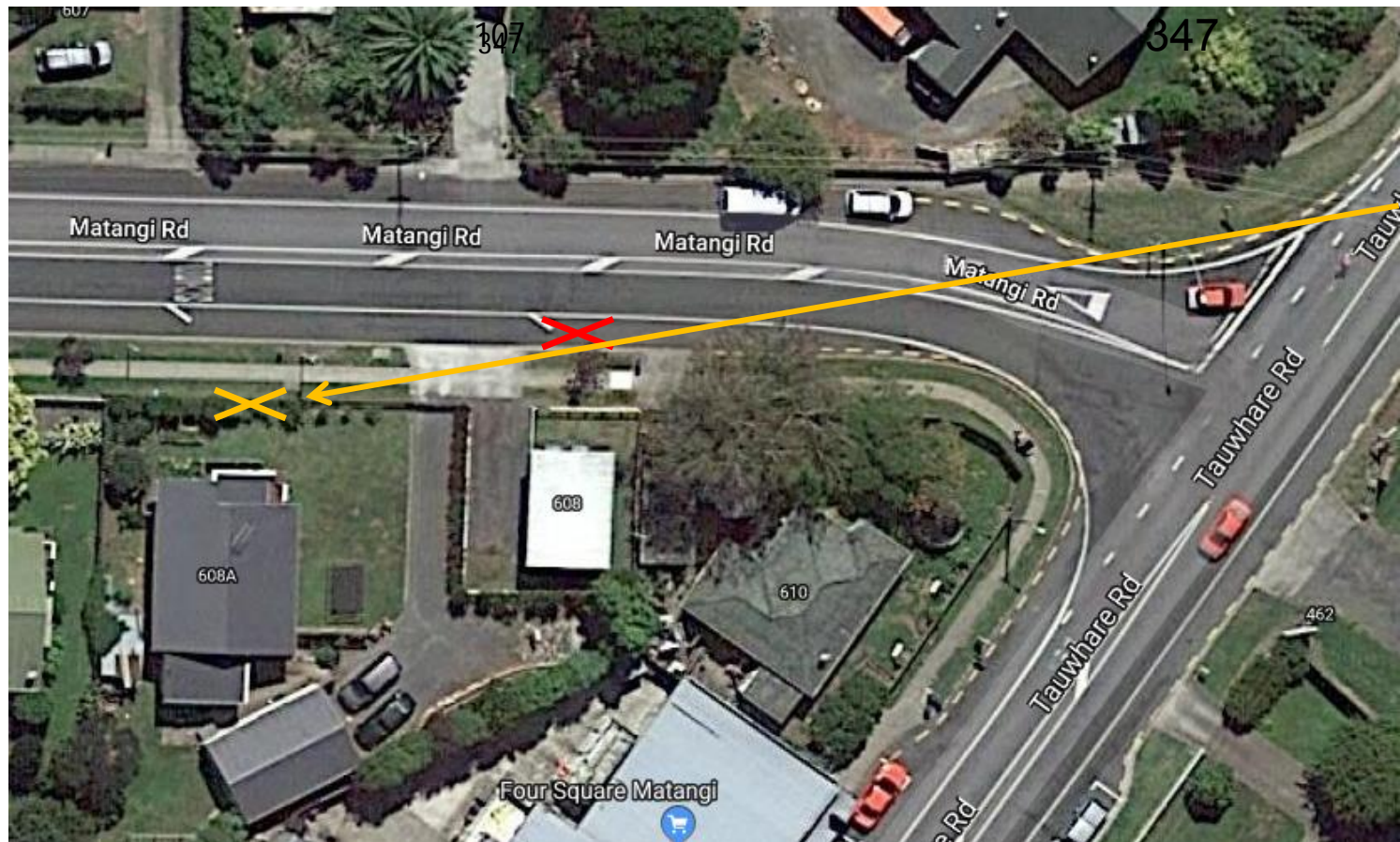


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# Matangi Bus stop relocation proposal.

- The Matangi Community Committee under our safer communities obligation has identified a health and safety issue with the current school bus stop site.
- The current site has been identified by the community as being too close to the Matangi/Tauwhare Roads intersection. A recent motor vehicle accident has highlighted the issue with a vehicle traveling through the site and ending up within the boundary of the residence of 608A Matangi Road.
- In addition, the current site does not allow for a practical solution to the lack of weather protection for the school students.
- It is proposed that the current bus stop site, be relocated to a safer position. The new location being adjacent to the Jack Foster Reserve – Matangi Road.

Current Matangi school bus stop site, showing recent accident profile.



Current collection point for the school bus is in front of the local telephone exchange.

H&S issue: Too close to the intersection of Matangi and Tauwhare Roads. A recent motor vehicle accident has highlighted a risk.



Site of recent motor vehicle accident (late 2017). Traffic from Tauwhare Road, travelled at speed through the current collection point destroying the fence of 608A Matangi Rd. Coming to rest inside the property boundary.



Direction of vehicle involved in accident.



Google street view image showing current bus stop location.  
View is traveling from Tauwhare Road turning right into Matangi Road.



Proposed site for  
a safer school bus  
collection point.

On the Boundary  
of the Jack Foster  
Reserve.



Proposed new collection point: A road-side bus stop, as per the current site. But in a safer location away from the busy intersection.

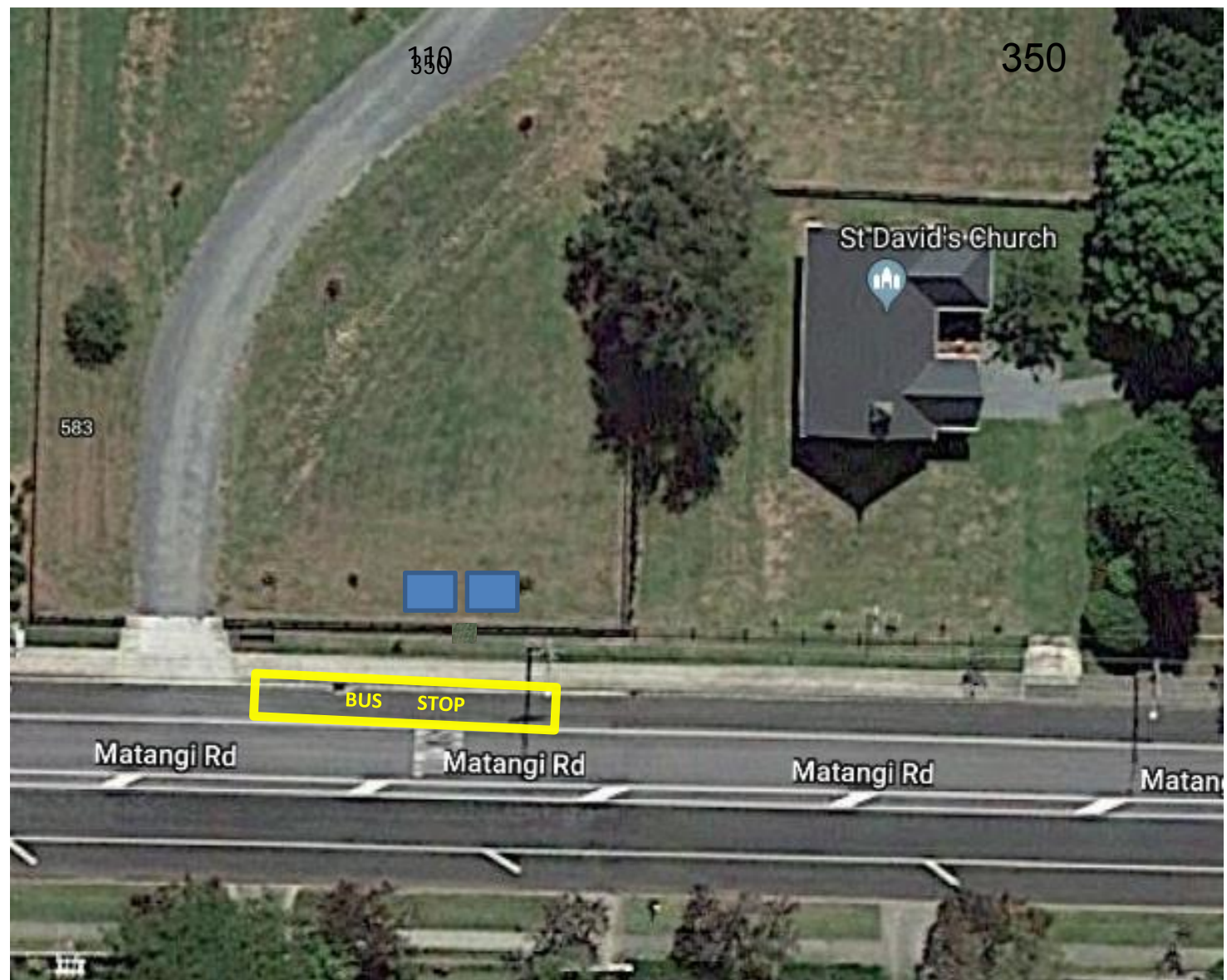
Proposed bus shelters: Are inside the boundary of the Jack Foster Reserve - Matangi.

Current school collection point:

- Too close to the intersection. A Health & Safety identified issue with a recent motor vehicle accident ploughing through the current collection point.
- No shelter in poor weather



Birds eye view of  
the proposed  
new location for  
the bus stop





At this point the road widens. A bus stop in the yellow marked area is then naturally further away from the West to East traffic flow of traffic.





It is proposed that the shelters will be located just inside the fence line of the Jack Foster Reserve. This keeps the footpath free and clear for regular community foot traffic. Whereas the current site has large numbers of students across the footpath and berm.

In addition - it keeps the waiting school bus students safely further back from road traffic. The new bus stop location is also away from the current risk area of the Matangi Road / Tauwhare Road intersection.

This new location also allows for the siting of bus shelters for weather protection.





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Proposed relocation of the School bus stop.  
Including shelters.

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Bus shelters to be located on the reserve side of the fence.





Proposed relocation of the school bus stop.  
Looking West to East along Matangi Road.





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# Matangi Bus stop relocation proposal.

## Potential costs

- Road Marking of the bus stop.
- Bus stop Sign and post.
- Cut small access way in current fence.
- x2 Bus Shelters – potential for sponsor/donation.

### **Submission requesting footpaths in Matangi and between Matangi and Hamilton**

The Matangi Community Committee with the support of Matangi School request additional footpaths to ensure greater safety for children and residents and meet the desire of residents and visitors to have better options for exercise.

This request has become more urgent with the increase in the school roll and consequent increased traffic and options for the school to use local facilities.

#### **1. Footpath from Matangi Village to the Matangi Hall.**

The Matangi Hall is a community facility utilised by the school and community. With the increase in the school roll the school onsite Recreational Centre can no longer accommodate all pupils so the Matangi Hall becomes the best option for a whole school event. A footpath on Tauwhare Road from the railway line to the Matangi Hall would enable the students to be off the roadside and therefore more safely get to the hall. A way to safely cross Tauwhare Road to the Hall would also need to be created as part of this work. A number of community events, regular sports and meetings are held at hall during the day and at night. It would be good for Matangi village residents to be able to walk to and from these events. Poor street lighting and lack of a footpath currently make this a hazardous walk at night. A footpath and improved street lighting would increase safety in this area.

#### **2. Footpaths/ cycleway for Matangi area and to Hamilton**

Matangi is already a popular area for cyclists and while the road cyclists are happy to share the road there are more people who do so reluctantly or not at all but would like to safely walk and cycle along our roads both for recreation and to get to school and work .

The paths would allow more Matangi School students to walk or cycle to school and for Intermediate and High School students who need use local roads to get safely to the bus route to school.

The request is therefore for off road paths running alongside or separate from the roadway. Given the distances involved we do not imagine it being done all at once or being of concrete - a firm gravel surface would probably be less expensive, but we would like a plan over time that would begin with paths radiating from Matangi that would eventually connect to create a network useful to all users:

- a. Matangi Village to Matangi West
- b. Matangi Village to Hoeka Road
- c. Matangi West to Assisi Home
- d. Hoeka Road to Woodside Road
- e. Taplin Road to Lee Martin Road
- f. Woodside Road
- g. Fuschsia Lane

We look forward to your response in consideration of our needs.

15 April 2015

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## Waikato District Council

### Preamble

#### Who is Life Unlimited?

Life Unlimited is a charitable trust – a not for profit organisation governed by a board of trustees. Our responsibility is to people who access our services. Everything we do helps to create opportunities for people to make and be in control of their own life choices and enables people to live the life they choose. We aspire to everything we do being of high quality and of professional standard.

Many of our services are contracts with government departments with clear outcome and deliverables required, while we create other services and offerings to meet needs where we see a gap.

The organisation began in 1979 as the Disabled Living Centre (Waikato) Trust Inc and changed its operating name in 1997 to Life Unlimited to reflect the wider scope of services provided.

“Life” means “Living Independence for Everyone”.

#### Vision, Mission and Values

##### Vision

Living Independence for Everyone

##### Mission

To enhance individual wellbeing by enabling people to live the life they choose. Our mission leads us to deliver services focused on creating opportunities for people to make their own life choices and be in control of their own lives, to the greatest extent possible.

##### Values

Integrity • Excellence • Accountability • Leadership • Social Justice

##### Why:

To provide all people in the community with equity of opportunity and access.

Council will ensure the following:

a) Council services, activities and facilities must be responsive to the diverse needs of disabled Definitions:

1. Access

Ability to engage with, use, participate in, and belong to something.

2. Disability

Physical, sensory, neurological, psychiatric, intellectual or other impairments. Disability is the process which happens when one group of people.

b) Councils must recognise the diverse needs of disabled people and acknowledges that disabled people are experts in their own experience.

c) Councils should reinforce a culture that respects the diversity of all people who live in their community and continue to strengthen partnerships with disabled people built on this respect.

d) Councils need to support disabled people to fully participate in their communities.

☐ Building Code NZS 4121

NZS 4121: Design for access and mobility: Buildings and associated facilities.

Note: Life Unlimited offers to Council the following:

- Disability Responsive Training – ensuring staff can respond and appropriately to people with disabilities and therefore giving staff and customers a better experience

## Waikato District Council

In the NZ Census 2013, over 23% of the population identified as having a disability. In addition, we have an aging population. It is widely acknowledged that if you create a fully accessible environment that meets the needs of people with disabilities - then the needs of everyone will also be met, this includes mothers with prams and little children, elderly or aged people.

### Community Facilities and Halls:

- All Community Facilities and Halls to exceed the building code NZS 4121 provision for accessibility. Access to facilities, buildings to meet Barrier Free requirements and standards to be fully accessible especially for wheelchair and mobility aid users.
- Allow – footpaths in front of Community Facilities and Halls to be designed to accommodate a mix of users eg space for and accessible for older people, wheelchair users, mobility scooter users, etc.
- Parking spaces – Accessible parking that is conveniently close (walkable) to all Community Facilities in sufficient numbers to meet or exceed the legal required numbers. Designed to meet Building Code NZS 4121.

### Roads and Transport:

- Work with Regional Council to ensure public bus service is accessible for people with disabilities. (minimal distances between bus stops, covered bus stops, low loading buses).
- An example where transport could be improved is Raglan – Hamilton. The buses from Raglan all terminate at the Hamilton Transport Centre. There is no bus that directly travels to the Waikato Hospital, this makes travel awkward and added expense to people with disabilities and elderly.
- Pathways – Allow for wide pathways and footpaths free of sign boards or other obstructions for sight impaired people, elderly, mobility scooters and wheelchair users (allow sufficient unobstructed pathways).

### Parks and Facilities:

- Parks and reserves – Playgrounds to allow informal play for the whole family including facilities for wheelchair users. Proposed

seating, tables and BBQ's to be friendly for people with disabilities including wheelchair users.

#### Pensioner housing:

- The population of New Zealand is ageing. As this happens so the number of people with disabilities increase. 20% of the population identify as having a disability. Older people will have increased number of both age-related disabilities and congenial disabilities therefore future housing will need to be accessible (Universal Design) to allow for this need.
1. Note – Housing for both elderly and people with disabilities is increasingly more difficult to find in the region. There is a great lack of accessible houses for these groups. Those houses that are suitable are priced out of reach both to purchase or as a rental especially those on a fixed income. As this situation continues these two groups are forced to move further away from main centres making access to medical and other essential services more difficult and increasing the cost of their travel.
  2. Planning for housing must take note of ensuring more housing exceed the building code NZS 4121 provision for accessibility. Access to housing meets Barrier Free requirements and standards to be fully accessible especially for wheelchair and mobility aid users and elderly.
  3. Look at all future housing permits follow the Universal design.
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## Submission to Waikato District Council – 10 year plan – 2018-2028

### Questions for Waikato District Council:

- 1) What has WDC planned to help Huntly rebrand itself when the Express way is completed in the next few years, or is Huntly left to sort itself out? Has money been put aside to Help Huntly, without relying on Government, NZ Transit handouts to maximise Huntly's potential, as follows:  
ie a Mural and graffiti art painting competition like they had recently in Taupo, also in Christchurch inviting local and national artists to come and paint the back of the buildings and some of the walls around town.
- 2) I would like to see the **Huntly Town Centre** be tidied up, a bit of paint on the chairs in Garden place is a start. When was the paving last cleaned, outside all of the food places the footpath is a disgrace. How about some nice colourful plants instead of flaxes that attract rats which I have seen in the flaxes by the public toilets. I remember when the Huntly township was well known for its wonderful gardens and when the contractors and Council gave a damn.
- 3) How about security cameras for the Railway bridge and the main street of Huntly to curtail troublemakers.
- 4) A safe track that connects the Hakanoa Lake walkway with the Lake Puketirini for people to come down and cycle or walk around the two lakes ( not the railway bridge).
- 5) **Hakanoa Lake walkway**, this has got very shabby with areas on the walkway not on the new contractors tablet. Regular work used to be done on it with extra work done when the Huntly half marathon used to take place. Just because this no longer takes place in Huntly is not a reason to ignore it. The hill at the back of Kimihia Road, which used to be a great Boot camp area has fallen into disrepair, with old dying trees that will become a Health and Safety issue. It would not take a lot of money to clear the dying trees and with consultation with the ratepayers whose properties are affected plant suitable trees that won't block their views, which is why they bought their houses in the first place. The steps have been washed away, and it would not take a lot of imagination to have the current steps repaired, also short and close steps up the steep part of the hill, two or three sets, so kids and parents can race each other. This would not take a lot of money.

Somebody planted a kahikatea tree on the rise of the hill, and recently a picnic table has been placed there, Problem you can't see a damn thing because this stupid tree blocks the view. We have heard visitors and tourists who come up the hill to take a photo looking over the lake, which would be an ideal spot complaining and saying "HOW DUMB'", you can't see a damn thing.

6) **Genesis Energy Huntly Aquatic Centre**

This fantastic millions of dollars Waikato District Council ASSET has not had the regular maintenance, with recent photos showing small trees growing in the gutters, Slime on the Genesis Energy Huntly Aquatic Centre on the west/south side of the entranceway. Faded paint, and over the past three months out of the six showers that were installed, only one was working. Not sure if the issue has been sorted yet. I believe there is a further problem to the heating of the pool, some days there is warm water coming in and others cold water coming in. This asset is only 10 years old on **13th November 2018** and it needs a good clean up.

Like the hall, Council state it is underused, what advertising is done for the facilities at Huntly Domain by the Council. If the pool was at the correct temperature during winter, a lot more people will be interested in using the pools. The pools state is very disappointing as a member of the former North Waikato Aquatic Trust who worked for 10 years to get this facility built.

7) **Huntly Domain**

I see some new seats and picnic tables have been built around the domain, and while they are very nice I would like to request a rubbish bin and a couple of picnic tables be placed by the playground at the bottom of Huntly Primary school playground. As a Nana who regularly walks her 7 year old granddaughter and 5 month old granddaughter to the park to play, there is nowhere for people to sit with a baby who is sick of being in the pram, you either have to sit on the edge of the barked area and there is only one seat for the playground, if there are a few families there. Once again this would not take a lot of money to sort out. How about some new or refurbished toilets, both at the Soccer club and by the playground by the pool. When were they last upgraded? Very simple requests, I think.



**8) Wetlands – Mahuta Drive**

What an impression this must make on visitors to Huntly, I know the locals are not too impressed on what was going to be our fantastic wetlands, and instead is a weed infested area, are Tainui involved as well, seeing they were paid huge amounts of money to look after our rivers. This could do with a good clean up and sorting out seeing as it is under water a few times of the year, but it could be made so much better.

**9) Bell Crossing – Memorial and Broken fence, and gardens between State Highway One and railway**

After two and a half to three months to finally get the Bell Crossing grass area, with the Council and Transit making all sorts of noises but no action, I hope the same won't happen with the maintenance needed on the memorial at Bell crossing and the broken fence, together with the sticks (supposedly plants) to make this an area appropriate to the entrance way to town, instead of the scruffy appearance it has now. It was the friends of these youths who made their voices heard to have the barrier arms installed for the safety of Huntly ratepayers and residents. They deserve better than what is there!!!

**Huntly Township in General and WDC handling of issues**

I feel that the Waikato District Council before spending millions of dollars on new facilities anywhere else should take a good look at the facilities in the District and makes sure they are well maintained before spending elsewhere on bike trails (\$10 million??).

I know the residents and ratepayers of Huntly have been frustrated with the lack of action re: Bell crossing grass island one of many issues that are not addressed properly and promptly.

How much extra is it costing the Council for areas of parks etc that were left off the latest contract, ie the hill on Hakanoa Lake walkway – Kimihia Road side, it is not even on the contractors tablet. How can this be?? Who was responsible for this? Do you get charged extra, obviously if it is not in the original contract?? How many other areas has this happened, and while you are patting yourself on the back for money saved by going with this contractor ~~or~~ at least the previous one maintained the area well and had pride in their work, because they lived and worked locally.

New Developments - Waikato District Council.

What percentage of the cost of roading, power, sewerage etc is paid by the Developer and what is paid by the ratepayers? The Developer can claim tax on their expenses, the ratepayers cant. Is this fair?



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Dear Gavin

## **NZ Transport Agency Submission to the 2018–2028 Waikato District Council Long Term Plan Consultation Process**

Thank you for providing us with this opportunity to comment on the draft Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018–2028. We believe the Council's Long Term Plan (LTP) plays an important role in ensuring integrated decision making and coordination of resources as well as providing a long-term focus for decisions, expenditure and activities of the Council.

The Transport Agency has a particular interest in the LTP as a planning partner and co-investor with Council.

### **Key Matters**

#### **1. Tamahere Structure Plan and Waikato Expressway Connectivity**

Waikato District Council and the NZ Transport Agency (Transport Agency) are party to a multi-party funding agreement (MPFA) in respect of the Tamahere Structure Plan and Waikato Expressway connectivity. The purpose of this MPFA is to set out a formal funding agreement for activities relating to the investigation and construction of roads in the vicinity of Tamahere and the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section southern interchange. The MPFA<sup>1</sup> sets out the agreed relationship of each agency's projects as follows:

- "3.5 On 20 November 2013 NZTA lodged a Notice of Requirement for an Alteration to Designation for the Hamilton Section of the Waikato Expressway (refer Attachment 5 for arrangement). The Southern Interchange of the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section connects a large part of the Tamahere Country Living Zone to and from Hamilton and east and west Tamahere across the Expressway. The Southern Interchange relies on a connection to the Tamahere local road network including a connection to SH21 Airport Road.
- 3.6 WDC have completed Plan Change 3, Tamahere Structure Plan, including alterations to the local road layout to connect to the proposed Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section Southern Interchange. On 20 November 2013 WDC lodged a Notice of Requirement for Land for the Tamahere East-West Connection (refer Attachment 5 for arrangement) to connect to the Southern Interchange and has acquired property required for part of that project.
- 3.7 WDC intends to construct an alternative local road connection, the Devine Link Road (Refer Attachment 5 for likely arrangement), which will supersede the Newell Road connection to SH21 Airport Road. NZTA and WDC have agreed to ensure that there is sufficient land available for different intersection arrangements should it become desirable in future to provide additional capacity,

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<sup>1</sup> Paragraph 3.5–3.8

reinforce the road hierarchy or provide for a possible realignment of Tamahere Drive. WDC is also preparing a Notice of Requirement for Alteration to Designation to accommodate the proposed Devine Road/SH21 intersection and provide for future intersection development.

- 3.8 When completed, the Southern Interchange, Tamahere East-West Connection and Birchwood Lane Extension will operate as a single route for many Tamahere residents. WDC and NZTA wish to ensure that the road network (State Highways and local roads operating as one network) adequately provides for the safe movement of vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists taking into account changes in traffic patterns as a result of traffic growth and changes in connectivity.

Following conversations with Waikato District Council staff the Transport Agency understands that elements of the Waikato District Council work programme (as identified in the MPFA) are not included in Councils land transport programme – specifically:

- Activity 9 – Birchwood Lane: Unformed section to Devine Road – Design and Construction – required by 2019.

The Transport Agency requests that all works identified in the MPFA are provided for in Council's LTP for the timeframes agreed. In addition it should also be noted that there are conditions within the designation for the Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section and the Tamahere East-West Link that require<sup>2</sup> that:

- a) Prior to the designated Tamahere East-West Link Road being open to vehicle traffic connecting to the Hamilton Southern Interchange Birchwood Lane shall be completed to its intersection with Devine Road and be available for vehicular traffic. It shall be designed to the Tamahere Country Living Zone Collector Road standard, with appropriate facilities for pedestrians and cyclists; and

## Summary

The Transport Agency is seeking the inclusion of existing undertakings as set out in the Multi Party Funding Agreement in Councils LTP planning. This is necessary to support the safe and effective operation of the Waikato Expressway and Tamahere Structure Plan local road network.

The Transport Agency does not wish to be heard in respect of this submission. We would like to thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the draft Long Term Plan. If you have any queries relating to this submission, please do not hesitate to contact Megan Kettle, Principal Planning Advisor on 07 958 7249 or at [megan.kettle@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:megan.kettle@nzta.govt.nz).

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<sup>2</sup> Notices of Requirement and Application for Resource Consent in Respect of Waikato Expressway Hamilton Section and Tamahere East West Link; Volume 4; Waikato District Council Decision of Hearings Commissioners; 30 June 2014; clause 2.2 and 2.4.



**SUBMISSION**  
**Waikato Tainui on Waikato District Council**  
**Long Term Plan**

**16 April 2018**

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## INTRODUCTION

1. This submission has been jointly developed by Waikato-Tainui's mandated organizations; Te Whakakitenga o Waikato Incorporated and Tainui Group Holdings.
2. Te Whakakitenga o Waikato Incorporated (formerly known as Waikato-Tainui Te Kauhanganui Incorporated) is the governance entity for the iwi of Waikato-Tainui, which has over **73,000 members** affiliating to **68 marae and 33 hapuu**.
3. Tainui Group Holdings(TGH) are the kaitiaki of the Waikato-Tainui commercial interests. Our role is focused on growing the puutea, tuurangi mahi and whenua – profits, jobs and land for the people of Waikato-Tainui and our region. We see the financial health of the tribe as entwined with Waikato-Tainui's social and cultural priorities, and we support and have a vested interest in work which improves the well-being and prospects of our people, our language and culture, and our environment.
4. Co-Management the Waikato River Settlement 2010 provides for the establishment of Joint-Management Agreements between Waikato-Tainui and Regional and District Councils. The mechanism provides for the exercising of Mana Whakahaere and affords greater recognition of the power-sharing relationship that exists between Waikato-Tainui and Councils underpinned by Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Waikato-Tainui would like to acknowledge our commitment to the Co-Management mechanisms between Waikato District Council and Waikato-Tainui, we trust that this partnership through our Joint Management Agreements will collaboratively work together and invite full engagement from Waikato-Tainui across all areas of this Long-Term Plan which sets out a plan for works and services, budgets and rates for the next 10 years

5. Being a primarily Waikato based entity and part of Waikato-Tainui, we are committed to supporting our community, rohe and economy in a sustainable way. Consequently, we support and promote taking a collaborative and coordinated approach with Waikato District Council to develop the well-being and prospects of our people. Growing and developing the commercial interests of Waikato-Tainui will be a driver of wider growth in the District.

## OVERVIEW OF WAIKATO-TAINUI POSITION

6. Waikato-Tainui are tangata whenua of the Waikato and Auckland rohe. This includes the West Coast, Manukau, Whaingaroa, Aotea and Kaawhia Harbours, of which Waikato-Tainui are a kaitiaki. Waikato-Tainui practice Mana Whakahaere over these regions including the marine and coastal areas of these regions.
7. Waikato-Tainui has a range of rights and interests including, but not limited to:
  - a. rights and interests arising under the 1995 Waikato Raupatu Lands Settlement (and the Waikato Raupatu Settlement Act 1995) and the 2008-2009 Waikato River Settlement (and the Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Claims (Waikato River) Settlement Act 2010);
  - b. rights and interests according to tikanga and customary law;
  - c. rights and interests arising from the common law (including the common law relating to aboriginal title and customary law); and



- d. rights and interests under the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles.
8. Waikato-Tainui seeks to continue to work with the Council on matters of mutual interests in the development of the LTP. Waikato-Tainui seeks to ensure alignment of the Draft LTP with 2 key tribal documents;
  - Tai Tumu, Tai Pari, Tai Ao – Waikato-Tainui Environmental Plan; and
  - Waikato-Tainui strategic plan Whakatupuranga 2050.
9. In relation to the Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Claims (Waikato River) Settlement Act 2010, Waikato-Tainui maintains its interests in Freshwater which remains outstanding and requires further discussion with the iwi as provided for in the River Legislation and in relation to the creation or disposition of interests under the Act.

Whakatupuranga 2050 is the strategic plan blue-print for the cultural, social and economic advancement of W-T (see appendix 2). The strategic plan sets out the need to grow Waikato-Tainui's tribal estate and manage our natural resources; for this reason, Waikato-Tainui's goal is to develop self-sufficient marae.

Te Haere Whakamua-Moving forward with our JMAs is our three-year strategic blue print and in addition to our strategic documents Tai Tumu, Tai Pari, Tai Ao and Whakatupuranga 2050 are one of the many mechanisms to advance the rights and interest of W-T; and leverage opportunities for our 68 Marae and 33 Hapuu within the Waikato Regional Council.

To realise the aspirations of our marae, further development is required between W-T and the Waikato District Council on its Joint-Management Agreement relationship where both parties come together on matters of mutual interest and work together to co-create solutions.

10. W-T have significant land holdings within Huntly and Meremere, and are looking for opportunities to develop these lands in line with the values and aspirations noted above. Of importance, W-T owns approximately **730 hectares of land in Meremere**, where large scale commercial or industrial development could be undertaken. As you will be aware, developments of these type and scale require a clear vision and buy in across multiple stakeholders and a systematic approach to master planning. W-T would welcome opportunities to engage with, and support council on, the delivery of master planning processes in areas of mutual interest that support the delivery of W-T's aspirations.

## LTP SECTION: OUR VISION

W-T supports the vision and outcomes guiding the LTP decision making as they are aligned with own focus for delivery of W-T's commercial interests<sup>1</sup>.

We fully support Council's collaborative approach, as laid out in the LTP, to work with the community and other partners. W-T acknowledges the existence of the Joint Management Agreement with Waikato District and Councils express desire to continue to move our relationship past that of one mandated by legislation, to one of mutual benefit and benefit to the wider community<sup>2</sup>. A strong and long-term relationship will enable W-T and Waikato District

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.tgh.co.nz/en/delivering-waikato-tainui/>

<sup>2</sup> Waikato Tainui & Waikato District Council, Joint Management Agreement

to come together to work on matters of mutual interest, co-create joint solutions, and better enable innovation and share in the associated benefits and outcomes.

## **LTP SECTION: PLANNING TO ACHIEVE OUR VISION**

As identified in many national, regional and district strategic documents, the Waikato District is experiencing significant business and residential growth. The measures set out in the LTP Consultation Document to proactively plan for this growth<sup>3</sup> are supported by W-T. They provide an integrated strategic approach to managing and supporting growth which promotes and enables development in the district.

The Consultation Document summarises the need to develop comprehensive master-plans to manage growth, which will require a significant level of resource to implement. WT supports Councils view that these are required and have a view that master-plans are a critical next step following the North Waikato Integrated Growth Business Case (NWIGBC).

We appreciate that with targeted rates pressure and rate increase limits, master-planning for the district may be difficult to research, plan for, and achieve. With the collaborative approach signalled in the Consultation Document, Council opens the door to more innovative approaches to planning. Critically, this means that Waikato District Council does not need to manage its constrained funding environment alone and can look to partners to provide support in this area. Bearing in mind the potential for benefits to the tribe and local community, W-T signals a willingness and intention to undertake, in partnership with Council through appropriate processes, planning studies in areas where there is mutual interest and/or enhanced potential for W-T or tribal benefits. Undertaken in a transparent manner, such an evidence based approach to planning will reduce the risks to Council, and would help to contribute to the viability of future developments.

Areas identified with significant industrial or commercial development potential for W-T are Meremere and Huntly, where there is a significant W-T footprint. Supporting Council to deliver plans for Meremere provides more certainty to W-T that the area which is already zoned for industrial growth will also enable our more specific opportunities and aspirations. In terms of achieving wider outcomes for Waikato District, commercial or industrial development in the Waikato district will add value per capita, improve the productivity of the district, and improve the standards of living in Waikato District communities.

As noted above, W-T have a vested interest in development which improves the well-being and prospects of the W-T people and our environment.

**W-T request that** Council support the development of master plan for Meremere in the 2019/20 year, with Waikato District Council and WT entering discussions on how the process may be undertaken in a mutually beneficial and transparent manner, and can be incorporated into the wider strategic plans for the North Waikato.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

The Consultation Document summary of the District's Economic Development Strategy acknowledges the importance of freight and logistics to the district's economy. This is due in part due to the Waikato District's location within NZ's golden triangle. When planning for the district, these transport connections need to be fully understood and leveraged as much as possible. Planned growth nodes such as Huntly or Pokeno and large-scale future development locations such as Meremere need to be identified early in both strategic plans and master plans and built into road corridor and growth strategies. It is important that

<sup>3</sup> Waikato District Council, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document, p5.

transport connections into these areas are promoted, or in the case of Huntly, managed to retain the economic potential of the town and to avoid a stranded community due to the social and economic risks associated with the pending bypass.

**W-T requests** equal representation at the table as and when wider transport plans for the area are being considered, as well as partnering with Council to implement a master-plan for Meremere. As W-T is a key Meremere landowner and developer, discussions at this early planning stage will ensure that options for the development of Meremere are maximised, further developing the economic potential of the district.

## WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMIZATION

W-T notes that although the amount of waste being taken to landfill has reduced in some areas of the district, that the overall quantity of waste being sent to landfill is increasing.

Active and innovative waste minimisation and management is critical to improving the environment and associated outcomes. Landfills and the impact of these, even the more modern and well-engineered, is of significant concern to W-T.

On the basis of this concern, an area of focus for W-T is how best to minimise the waste being shipped to landfill and how it may be diverted and become a valuable commodity. Whilst we acknowledge that the draft Long-Term Plan begins to set out ways to promote waste minimisation<sup>4</sup>, we submit that other minimisation levers will also be required if a step change is to be achieved.

An industry report<sup>5</sup> which has been publicly supported by Auckland Council<sup>6</sup> advocates for a stepped but significant increase of the National Waste Levy, to a level 10-15 times greater than what is currently imposed. In other countries, this has led to a significant reduction in the amount of waste going to landfills<sup>7</sup>. On a national scale, more diversion of waste per year from landfill would create up to 9,000 jobs and have a monetary benefit of \$500 million<sup>8</sup>. These benefits would positively impact Waikato District as well as waste minimisation improving the district's environmental outcomes.

**W-T submits** that an action to engage with the Ministry of Environment with other local authorities to advocate for significant increases to the National Waste Levy should be incorporated into the Waikato District Waste Management and Minimisation Plan through the up-coming Plan review.

**W-T requests** early engagement with Council to discuss the potential waste minimisation opportunities and strategies, bearing in mind W-T's kaitiaki role within the district. Further, W-T would like to work with Council to investigate future potential partnering opportunities for commercial waste minimisation activities across the district.

<sup>4</sup> Waikato District Council, Long Term Plan 2018-2028 Consultation Document, p15.

<sup>5</sup> Wilson, D, Chowdhury, T, Elliot, T, Elliot, L & Hogg, D, the New Zealand Waste Disposal Levy. Potential Impacts of Adjustments to the Current Levy and Structure. Sourced from <https://www.wasteminz.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/NZ-Waste-Disposal-Levy-Final-Report-Eunomia-30-May-2017.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> <http://ourauckland.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/articles/news/2017/07/waste-levy-should-increase-auckland-council-says/>

<sup>7</sup> Wilson, D, Chowdhury, T, Elliot, T, Elliot, L & Hogg, D, the New Zealand Waste Disposal Levy. Potential Impacts of Adjustments to the Current Levy and Structure. Sourced from <https://www.wasteminz.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/NZ-Waste-Disposal-Levy-Final-Report-Eunomia-30-May-2017.pdf>

<sup>8</sup> Ibid

## **LTP SECTION: BUILDING AND MAINTAINING INFRASTRUCTURE**

W-T supports in principle the inclusion of the draft Infrastructure Strategy as an LTP supporting document as it sets out the District's strategic context, opportunities and asset management approach. We support the use of the strategy as a tool to implement and respond to growth as it transparently sets out the infrastructure Council has identified as required for the next 30 years.

**W-T requests** the opportunity to work with Council to understand the long-term infrastructure requirements of the District. - Transport and three waters services are of importance to W-T's developments (outlined within this submission) and are where W-T could add value and insight to support Council's planning processes. Joint contributions to Infrastructure planning studies are also an option which could be considered upon discussion with Council.

## **ROADS AND TRANSPORT**

A particularly significant project identified in the Long-Term Consultation document is the reconfiguration of the former state highway through Huntly. Huntly has a strong W-T population, and WT is concerned to ensure that the township has a secure future post state highway revocation. That the social and economic risks associated with the bypass of the township are given due consideration and are actively planned for and mitigated.

As set out earlier in this submission, strong inter-regional transport links are crucial to the economic success of the district including Huntly. Huntly is the central node of a much larger geographic area and as such, any transport business cases for the area need to have wider consideration of interconnection to other significant nodes, including but not limited to the Ruakura Inland Port, and other local townships. This will enable appropriate consideration of the access that is required to connect Huntly to the national highway network so it is not further isolated.

**W-T submits** that it is appropriate that a full diamond interchange is provided through the current Waikato Expressway project to promote the development potential of the wider Huntly environs. A full diamond interchange signals to the wider public including developers the potential for the area and better enables industrial and commercial development in the area. Residential growth in Huntly will be supported by provision of a full diamond interchange due to the convenient transport connections, which also has a direct contribution to the creation of jobs, developing the well-being and economic success of the Waikato District.

W-T acknowledge and support Councils engagement with the Huntly community with regards to the revocation process and request that this engagement is widened to consider all stakeholders views, including those who have development aspirations.

**W-T request** a seat at that table to ensure that that W-T's voice on both the social and economic development fronts are heard.

## **HOW WE MANAGE OUR WATER, WASTEWATER AND STORM WATER 'THREE WATERS'**

**W-T** are actively considering the development of 730 hectares of industrial / commercial development in Meremere, and would like to partner with Council to achieve integrated master-planning which achieves the widest possible benefits for the Waikato District. The three water services planned for Meremere need to go beyond what is set out in the draft 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy and the Consultation Document. The current three waters plans set out for Meremere focuses on investment which enables the renewal of the existing

wastewater treatment plant discharge consent, which does not enable development of a scale that W-T envisages and given the likely future industrial / commercial demand in Meremere.

**W-T submit** that Council needs to better understand the master-planning and development outcomes for areas (including Meremere and Huntly) areas before locking in a 30-year view for infrastructure in areas highlighted for growth, either by Council or third parties.

**W-T submit** in support of *Option 3: Council Waters Company (with Waikato-Tainui and Water Care Services Ltd)*

Addressing water consumption, quality and management, supported by highest targets and measures for restoration is key to achieving the Vision and Strategy for the Waikato River, born of the Waikato-Tainui Raupatu Claims (Waikato River) Settlement Act 2010.

In relation to the delivery of resources and services within the rohe of Waikato-Tainui, the tribal blueprint 'Whakatupuranga 2050' provides clear direction on how to best advance the social development of our people in partnership with the Waikato District Council. They include;

1. The reaffirmation of our treaty relationship with the Crown to;
2. Address social issues of Education, Health, Employment, Housing, etc.
3. Co-management with government agencies on the allocation and delivery of resources and services in our rohe; and
4. Reviewing and monitoring the effectiveness of service provision to our people.

The Waikato-Tainui Environmental Plan also indicates a desire to become more involved in decision-making and allocation of water throughout the Waikato as a part of Waikato-Tainui's Mana Whakahaere – Joint-Management Agreement with the Waikato District Council.

## **SETTING THE UAGC TO BALANCE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL RATE WITH FAIRNESS AND AFFORDABILITY.**

**W-Tainui submit** in support of; *Option2: Reduce the UAGC to \$351.96 (Council's preferred option)*

We note the Waikato District Council publication which points to a 2017 property-value reassessment of residential properties within the Waikato – in particular, the highest increase in value taking place within our Waikato townships.

We note that some of the residential properties in Huntly West had increased in value by 100 per cent compared with an average rise of 33.7 per cent across the district. Rebalancing the UAGC would assist our whanau in ensuring that the general rates burden is less likely to fall more heavily on lower-value residential properties where our whanau are predominantly located.

While many of our whanau are not home owners themselves. Cost offsetting by landlords is also a concern for W-T and we note that any increases in the UAGC may and will likely impact renters, which makes up a sizable amount of the tribal population.

## **CONCLUSION**

Waikato-Tainui wishes to ensure that:

1. the importance of growing and preserving its Joint-Management Agreement with Waikato District Council to transform the way decision-making takes place within the greater Waikato area. It is incumbent upon W-T to empower our **68** marae to achieve Mana Motuhake, that they may be able to participate more

effectively in council decision-making to co-create customised solutions appropriate for that community.

2. The Joint-Management Agreement mechanism is a pioneering feature of the Waikato River Settlement and is unique to the region. Both Waikato District Council and W-T would do well to focus our energies, commitment and capabilities on building an effective, high-performing Joint-Management Agreement relationship that will deliver for the region and for the country.

**W-T's** mandated organisation would like to attend and jointly present at the hearing in respect of this submission. We would also welcome the opportunity to discuss with Council how we can work together to achieve our mutual goals.

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**SUBMISSION TO THE DRAFT WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL 2018 – 2028 LONG TERM PLAN**

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Meridian Energy Limited (Meridian) makes the following submissions on the Draft Environment Canterbury Regional Council 2015 – 2025 Long Term Plan as set out in the **attached** document.

**Meridian would like to be heard in support of its submission.**



Andrew Feierabend

For and behalf of Meridian Energy Limited

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018

## **SUBMISSION TO DRAFT Waikato District Council 2018-2028 LONG TERM PLAN**

**Submitter: Meridian Energy Limited (Meridian)**

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

1. Meridian appreciates the constructive relationship it has with the Waikato District Council and welcomes the opportunity to submit to this Draft Long Term Plan.
2. In valuing the relationship, Meridian wishes to make a fair and reasonable contribution to the functioning of the region.
3. It is acknowledged that the Council's district is impacted on the growth of the surrounding areas of Auckland and Hamilton. The projections are that the district will become more urbanised over the draft plan period, increasing the demand on council services and planning.

### **NATURE OF MERIDIAN'S OPERATIONS IN THE DISTRICT**

4. Meridian operates a consented wind farm in the Waikato District at Te Uko, a 28 turbine wind farm based on a fully working sheep and cattle farm. This relationship reflects the minimal impact the wind farm has on the environment. Meridian is committed to renewable power generation that has no detrimental environmental impact or discharge of contaminants.
5. The nature of wind farms is they require substantial capital investment on a very small foot print. Typically they will occupy 1-1.5% of the occupied land area. They do not create wider demands on Council services.

### **COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN**

6. Meridian has reviewed the draft Long Term Plan. We support the principle that rates should be targeted where possible to the beneficiary of the Council's services, or to the properties or any group of properties that cause the Council to incur costs. This is consistent with the legislative requirements of the Local Government Act (s.103) and is acknowledged in the Council's Revenue and Finance Policy (page 207).
7. The Council is seeking feedback on specific areas and we would submit as follows.
8. Water Services. The Council has identified 4 options. Meridian sees the water services as a core council function, and must be fully integrated into the planning function, particularly when there is high urban growth projected. To this end, retaining ownership, control and accountability is important; by the same token, ensuring the governance is appropriately qualified to provide strategic direction is essential. These requirements appear to be captured with option 4.
9. Uniform Annual General Charge. The proposal to reduce the UAGC cause Meridian significant concerns. It would appear the Council is proposing options that manipulate the impact of changing property values, contrary to the Council's own Revenue and Funding Policy principles which in turn are consistent with the Local Government Act requirements (s. 103). In particular the concerns are:



- The Policy refers to the UAGC be used for “people related” activities to recover costs all ratepayers receive, to be fair and equitable, and the General Rate for public goods where there are no practical alternatives. The proposal the change these principles due to a revaluation is inequitable to those who will be subsequently negatively impacted and who haven’t benefitted from the level of increase in equity of those being provided with the proposed relieve.
- The Draft refers to the UAGC making up a significant proportion of rates. The use of uniform charges is capped in the legislation. The document doesn’t refer to where the Council is relative to this cap, implying the status quo does not breach the cap.
- Central Government provides for rates rebate where a property owners rates are considered unaffordable relative to the property owners income. This welfare support is a function of central government, and provided on an individually assessed basis.
- Council is not in a position to do this, and should not seek to address perceived issues through compromising broader policy principles and legislative requirements. Council can use its rates rebate policy, again assessed on individual circumstances if specific needs are identified.
- Council policy refers to changes to UAGC to rebalance impact “not in revaluation years” (page 213). The inclusion of the statement in the policy appears to be there to take into account changing services/beneficiaries, and to exclude manipulating to modify the effect of valuation changes.
- Page 9 of the Consultation Document refers to the tax deductibility of rates by businesses. This argument has been discredited and not legally available to Council. Further, you are likely to have many operations in your commercial areas that are charitable/not-for-profit activities that would get no such tax deductibility. Also, rental accommodation in your residential areas would have tax deductibility.
- Property values do not take into account the owner’s equity or income.

***Meridian Submits:***

That the Waikato District Council stays true to the Revenue and Funding Policy and does not reduce the UAGC to offset the effects of the 2017 revaluation.

That the UAGC only be change where there is a change to a level of service (funding requirement) and/or the identified beneficiaries of the Council services.

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### **LONG TERM PLAN 2018 2028 SUBMISSION**

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#### **SUBMISSION:**

Our Vision: Liveable, thriving and connected communities – he noohanga aahuru, he iwi whai ora, he hapori tuuhono tahi

We would like to submit as part of 'Our Vision: Liveable, Thriving and Connected Communities' and 'Our Community' the proposal to:

- Acknowledging the original name of Rahui Pokeka, adding the name to Huntly road signage, off/on ramps etc
- Restore our Memorial Hall as the major town under Waikato District Council's care, so we also have our hall as do other towns in the district
- Protect our wetlands from housing development
- Help restore the East Mine by Council being actively involved with documentations and other means to encourage in every way the rehabilitation of the old East Mine land, now owned by Mr & Mrs Allen, to become an asset to New Zealand as place of recreation and parks. Example of this would be fast tracking the flooding of the old mine and supporting Waikato Regional Council to do this. Prioritising the forfeited restorative works after mining operations as per Resource Consents, as an environmental manmade disaster over and above other projects such as walkways.
- Rahui Pokeka - Huntly on/off ramps to the new Highway as Mayor Sanson's negotiations
- Huntly projects 2018-28

### **RAHUI POKEKA - HUNTLY SUBMISSION**

Huntly has received a lot of bad press over the years and more recently has once again received negative media attention. Good, respectable residents of our town being terrorised in their own homes is not what we want for our community, nor what we want to read about in newspapers about our town.

There is plenty that can be done. Perhaps by starting with restoring the mana by giving the people of Huntly the option to use their original towns name of Rahui Pokeka and having the road signs changed to include both names.

We have previously submitted to Waikato District Council, over the decades we have lived in the town, the issue of reinstating the original name of the settlement Rahui Pokeka with the option for present day residents to also use the name Huntly. Waikato Times took up the story our twins wrote to Council some 10 - 15 years ago as a school project and became a passion they had to see their towns name and mana restored. Re-inspired by a Christchurch resident, with an interest in New Zealand history, whom submitted a proposal, which has been taken seriously, to rename the South Island plus we are inspired by other Councils acknowledging and looking into restoring names to such places Auckland and Hamilton – possibly dual naming them e.g. Rahui Pokeka – Huntly.

We trust that Waikato District Council may be in a mindset to consider restoring the name of our town especially since it is widely believed a postal service Scottish immigrant was not given official

naming rights over the established name of Rahui Pokeka, where protocol did not follow correct conventions in such a serious matter as the importance of renaming a town from established Rahui Pokeka, usurping his position as a public servant, to a town in Scotland using a Huntly, Scotland postal stamp from his previous position which belonged to the British Postal Service. It is an appalling colonial 'legacy' that needs to be corrected at least by offering the town both names as is being proposed across the country such as for Hamilton and Auckland.

After a talk with a University of Auckland professor it was felt that it would be valuable seeking to restore the rightful name of Rahui Pokeka regardless of how it came about to be named Huntly. Taking the name of Rahui Pokeka from the local people of the time would have been offensive and demoralising especially since they were important Maori. The postal stamp belonged to the people of England (Huntly, Scotland) having no place, or right, being used in the postmasters hands in Rahui Pokeka.

Identity is a very important psychological need to any community, which was stripped from the original occupiers whom firstly used the area as a place to rest and feed, and later as the official home of Tūheitia Paki, crowned as Te Arikini Kiingi Tūheitia. Rahui Pokea not only lost its name but later its important Waahi Marae was confiscated. Once the English settled it became a military post with extensive coal mines until recently, and in the late 1860's the national highway and North Island railway lines were laid past the sacred Taupiri Mountain burial grounds effectively cutting off mourners respectful access. Mayor Sanson's efforts with the on/off south bound ramp from Huntly is particularly powerful as it will also right the wrong done at Taupiri Mountain urupa by significantly reducing traffic volumes.

We believe the Maori King and where he resides in Rahui Pokea - Huntly should be the major focus of our Waikato District and be at the forefront of the Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018-28. It would require consultation with Maori to determine what this should look like. Only then will this town be restored to its rightful place of prominence in New Zealand even after mining has caused severe environmental damage to natural and valuable wetlands. It is a unique opportunity for Maori, the community and Council to do the right thing and make this town the honoured and important centre it should be by starting with giving its name back. Its interesting that Maori respected Rahu Pokeka and Waahi Marae, a place of importance and pride yet the government saw it as a place to gain coal at a huge environmental cost with seemingly no liability or responsibility to restore the environmental damage caused, flouting Resource Consents, never mind the people living in the area and what it has done to our town and psychological identity.

Any involvement of Council to further increase cheaper housing should not be adopted but encouraging better quality type of homes that last longer and thus more value for those whom need it, encouraging owner occupiers with possible rates reductions to those whom own their own homes rather than landlords. Not making rich developers and cheaper housing firms richer by demanding higher standards of housing in our district could be a good place to start to give Rahui Pokeka – Huntly back some of its former mana.

The Councils, although admirable, proposal to make rates more affordable have preferred an option that would require less rates from low cost housing however, from our understanding it would only serve to make the rich richer and the poor would not benefit as most of them would be renters with the landlord gaining the benefit of the set capital rate preferred Council option.

I have included some interesting information by Norman Hill, and some Waahi Marae History, and some excerpts from Westside Stories whom share stories examining the decline of a small North



Island town (Huntly) into unemployment and social dysfunction and those working to reclaim the proud area it once was.

#### NORMAN HILL

The Māori name for Huntly is Rāhui Pōkeka, and the story is told that the lakes were populated with tuna, and tuna to our people is a royalty food because it is a food that is provided to manuwhiri and dignitaries of high esteem in our local community. During the time of our ancestors, the lakes were overfished, so a tohunga said that there will be no more fishing of tuna to ensure that there is a sustainable population of tuna for our people. He put his pōkeka in the ground to say, until this is removed, there was a covenant or rāhui on our fish. So Rāhui Pōkeka, is named in recognition of our tuna stocks and upholding the principles of kaitiakitanga in our local waterways.

#### MARAE HISTORY - THE MAORI COMMUNITY OF WAAHI MARAE, RAHUI POKEKA (HUNTLY)

Located on the bank of the Waikato River near Rahui Pokeka - Huntly and adjacent to the site of the Huntly Power Station, Waahi is the principal Marae of Ngaati Mahuta of Waikato and home of the paramount family in the King Movement. The Marae functions as the focus of much of the community life of Ngaati Mahuta who is the most numerous tribe in the area. The home of the Kaahui Ariki since 1890, it also functions as a focus for all the tribes of the Waikato-King Country and beyond who are affiliated to the King Movement. The long association with Kiingitanga gives this Marae special significance in the Maori world.

#### THE PEOPLE AND THEIR LAND

The Waikato River flows north from the Hamilton basin across the steep hill country of the Hakarimata Ranges and Taupiri Mountain through the Taupiri Gorge to the low-lying, swampy lands about Huntly. To the west of the river is Lake Waahi and to the east Lake Hakanoa. In order to conserve the tuna supplies from both lakes, a rest period between fishing seasons was proclaimed by the local chief. In time, however, the groups living on the east and west banks quarrelled over the size of their respective eel catches. Friction developed and there was the threat of bloodshed. The chief gathered his people together and said, "this quarrelling must cease. Behold I have driven he pou-rahui into the ground. When I cease speaking I shall lower it. From this day when our pou-rahui is lowered we will dance a haka of joy to show that we are all free from our bond not to fish for tuna. To commemorate this event the eastern lake shall be named Hakanoa. From today all eels taken from both lakes shall be divided evenly and to record this the western lake shall be called Waahi." Because of these events the Maori name given to the Huntly area was Raahui Pokeka, also it denotes a place of rest where warriors could rest and practice the arts of war.

There was a settlement at Waahi during the 1850's for King Mahuta had been adopted by his grandfather, Manuhiri, and was raised there at this time. It is not known exactly when the settlement was re-established as a Marae after confiscation.

#### WAAHI MARAE AND KINGITANGA

During the 1890's, Waahi became established as the principal Marae of Ngaati Mahuta. Because he had been raised there as a child, King Mahuta confirmed the status of Waahi as the principal Marae of the King Movement by virtue of establishing his residence there. His successor, Te Rata, who held office from 1912 to 1933, also lived there. King Koroki succeeded Te Rata and also lived at Waahi until 1952. The annual Coronation Celebrations were held there from the 1990's on, and receptions for delegations from tribes affiliated to the King Movement were held there. Government delegations of various kinds and the Governor-General and his party were received there. Distinguished visitors were carried by war canoe across the Waikato River from Rahui Pokeka and landed on the riverbank adjacent to Waahi Marae as part of their ceremonial welcome to the Marae.



This photograph, taken on the Waikato River at the Rahui Pokeka - Huntly Landing, on 4th April 1989, shows several dignitaries in a waka. The occasion was a large Maori meeting at Waahi Marae. The chief guests of honour were the late Right Hon. R.J. Seddon, Prime Minister, and the late Hon. Sir James Carroll, Native Minister.

Above photograph taken on the Waikato River at the Rahui Pokeka - Huntly Landing, on 4<sup>th</sup> April 1989, shows several dignitaries in a waka. The occasion was a large Maori meeting at Waahi Marae. The chief guests of honour were the late Right Hon. R.J. Seddon, Prime Minister, and the late Hon. Sir James Carroll, Native Minister.

Te Puea planned Turangawaewae as the ceremonial headquarters of the Movement and its name, meaning "a place to stand", symbolizes the re-establishment of Ngaati Mahuta and other Waikato tribes in their ancestral lands. The dining hall and cookhouses at Waahi were in such poor condition they were no longer adequate to cope with the numbers of people coming to the celebrations, and were demolished. King Koroki approved the arrangement and so Turangawaewae quickly developed as the ceremonial centre, although it was intended that the Coronation Celebrations be returned to Waahi when adequate facilities had been constructed. Koroki retained his residence at Waahi. Thus, although much of the outward ceremonial and more elaborate buildings are at Turangawaewae, Waahi retained its important spiritual role as the home of the Kaahui Ariki, the paramount family, and this gives it a status above that of an ordinary Marae. The appearance of Waahi

Marae belies its importance. The lack of development on the Marae has not detracted from its importance. Through the 1940's ceremonial war canoe landings were held there. The last canoe landing was in 1972 when the Hon. Duncan McIntyre was welcomed to the Marae. The annual Poukai, a gathering unique to the King Movement held over a weekend in October, attracts up to 2,000 people. Some 600 people are housed and fed over the 3 to 4 days of a tangi. Visiting football teams from outside the district are accommodated on the Marae. Functions are held there on average at least once a month. Many of these hui (gatherings) are normal for any Marae, however the home of the Kaahui Ariki, Waahi also serves as a meeting place for more than the usual number of committees (many of the important committees that administer the various functions at Turangawaewae are based at Waahi) and delegations from other tribes seeking informal meetings with members of the Kaahui Ariki.

The events of over a century ago – war, confiscation of land, withdrawal as refugees and resettlement – are but as yesterday in the perceptions of Waikato tribes. Kiingitanga and the figure of the King, are both an expression of past grievances and injustices and symbol of Maori values and institutions, which are threatened by Pakeha domination. The principal function of the Ariki, the leader, in modern times is hei pupuri i te mana, to hold on to Maori prestige.

The philosophy and activities of Kiingitanga provide a set of symbols and values, another life style from the 40-hour week, quarter-acre section and house with mortgage, and other trappings of modern urban living. The Poukai gatherings, Coronation Celebrations, life crises rituals and other hui, provide a network of occasions within which people come together to laugh, sing, play, work, and talk about those things which they feel are important. Winiata (1958) summarized the significance of the King Movement in modern times:

*The Maori King stands as a bulwark for Maori and values. It is a Mauri o te Maoritanga – a bulwark. Its function in New Zealand society is to conserve elements of Maori culture and thereby bring to mind those values in any society that cannot be turned into cash terms though of any inestimable worth in systems of living anywhere. Again, the King Movement provides a section of the Maori people with a social and cultural background in which to frame their lives in a wider society that is often cold, forbidding and even antagonistic. This more intimate covering for their spirit keeps them warm in the wider atmosphere about them.*

Waahi and Turangawaewae functions as both geographic and symbolic centres of the wider network of the King Movement. Waahi Marae is more than just the Marae of Ngaati Mahuta of the Rahui Pokeka area and out migrants who return for specific occasions. It also functions as a centre of a much wider Maori and Pakeha network of relationships with other tribes and regions.

One way we can begin to recognise the importance of Huntly is to restore its original name and thus mana and will enable the people whom live and want to live in it the honour it deserves and residents can sleep safely in their beds. Many symbols of Maori values and institutions are threatened in modern times and we as a community should value the importance the area holds by firstly seeing Rahui Pokeka – Huntly as a place rich in significant prestigious Maori history and recognising its rightful name as it is a town much more important than just a coal mining town.



#### **HUNTLY MEMORIAL COMMUNITY HALL**

We believe a lot of work has already been done by the Huntly Community towards requesting restoration of our Memorial Hall. Up until to date it appears Council have not undertaken weather protection of the building after it withheld scheduled maintenance funds for the building some years ago, so that any water protection is daily becoming more and more urgent showing Council may have already decided while looking for alternative ways to make the final blow. I have checked with

Community Law and a moratorium can be imposed if a negative outcome is imminent whilst possible legal implications are looked into if necessary. It appears Council is prepared to spend monies on costly postal surveys and associated administration than actually doing something proactive toward the protection of the hall, even after some in the community have found a viable way forward and shown interest in maintaining the hall for the people of our town. Surveys might not be able to decide the final fate of the building as on initial findings it appears if only one person wanted the Memorial Hall, due to how it was funded, it would have to remain. We have made some statutory inquiries and waiting on responses.

It is clear that until a decision is made about the hall weather protection is required and we request Council as part of their responsibility as the asset owners, on behalf of the community, to make sure this is undertaken urgently. There are two options available to Council:

1. Restore the Memorial Hall as per rates received over many years to gain good will amongst the Huntly Community and fulfil Council responsibility as asset caretakers on behalf the community.
2. Extrapolate the issue as long as Council can until the building will finally be condemned and then Council will fund a new building for the community as the original building failed due to gross negligence of a publically held asset when Council were actually holding onto the funds needed for necessary maintenance. It is the responsibility of Council, under part of the districts rates, to maintain the building on behalf of the community as a Memorial, whereby Council has deliberately withheld funds held in trust for the needed maintenance and allowed the building to get into its present state.

It is disappointing that a building funded from dedicated public raised money, as a memorial hall for our community, has been so badly managed by Council. It has a legal entitlement and historical value and meaning to Huntly as does any other hall in our district which have been maintained by Council. We have no idea why Council has not gone ahead with planned and budgeted for maintenance – does someone live behind the Hall and want it removed so they can have the million dollar Hakanoa Lake view? We don't understand how this has come about as it makes no sense.

I have taken the liberty of also ringing Inland Revenue, Community Law, and KPMG amongst others to confirm or talk with:

- i Any public monies gained for the designated purpose of a Memorial Hall cannot be used otherwise.
- ii It could have liability associated to do anything other than restore the building since Council had the means to do so from public monies held and publically declared for the express use for maintenance on the Memorial Hall.
- iii. Discussions suggested to view the legal documentation how Council acquired the building and any requirements or obligations put on or by Council regarding the building and its care. I would like a copy made available of any legal documents regarding the Memorial Hall so that it can be reviewed.
- iv. The hall was funded by the community and belongs to the community. It is a Council asset but held as an asset of our community.
- v. If Council no longer value the hall, citing low usage, then Council will need to be confident it has the legal right to demolish the hall on those grounds as the hall was not publically funded with any stipulations other than it would be a Memorial Community hall. Maintenance was Councils responsibly and for some reason Council withheld this and again Council will be well advised to make



sure of legal implications if it were to demolish the Huntly Communities Memorial Hall that it will not become liable to be required to build the community a new hall.

A question was raised by Community Law: If Council have no regard for the building, would Council consider gifting back to the community the Memorial Hall to be put under a community trust? The community would also require the funds received and held for maintenance of the hall to be handed over and any obligatory maintenance funds if it is found Council were negligent in its care whilst entrusted to manage maintenance of the building. It has been advised that a Community Trust Fund would need to be set up and this is very easily accomplished.

As was said at the Huntly LTP Meeting, by a Community Councillor, that once the hall is lost Huntly will most likely not get a replacement one from Council, however the legal implication is a little more tricky as the community paid for the hall and entrusted its care to the Council. Since Council had the means to do required maintenance through targeted rates, but withheld this leading to the building now requiring substantially more work than it is possible Council could be held liable.

I have rung WorkSafe to gain advice about volunteer workers to restore the Memorial Hall. WorkSafe offered there are ways to do these things with safety in mind. WorkSafe suggest Council should know Health & Safety and PCBU responsibilities can accommodate Volunteers doing the restoration of the building.

A **PCBU** has the primary duty of care to ensure the health and safety of workers while they are at work in the business or undertaking. A **PCBU** is also responsible for ensuring work carried out does not carry risk to the health and safety of others.

Within the community group of volunteers willing to restore the building there are several whom are capable of becoming PCBU's and are in roles and responsibilities in government positions that are aware of required health and safety requirements.

Volunteers are not to be discouraged in favour of costly consultants and expert specialists yet I believe the group interested in restoring the building have a qualified licensed builder prepared to head the works. He is qualified to take on the leadership needed and has already cost estimated works at an affordable outlay within the \$300,000k held by Council in the maintenance of the hall fund, and is vastly cost effective over the \$900,000 to \$1,500,000 estimated by Council which it is believed does not encourage or allow for volunteers.

We have gained information that allows for staged upgrades so that e.g. wheelchair access/bathroom facilities and such can be added over time rather than the extreme environmental loss of resources caused by any demolition activity which should be frowned upon by Council as it causes environmental waste and if in time another hall were to be rebuilt then it has a significant cost to the environment and society. Further information is pending regarding the environmental incentive to restore the existing building from government sources over negative effects of demolition.

Volunteers are a formidable force and is evidenced by Volunteering Waikato's huge base of active volunteers in both professional and lay fields. WorkSafe consider Volunteers can work under a Person in Charge, or Council retain the Primary Duty of Care to keep everyone safe in the noble venture to restore a community building. Health & Safety Act 2015 outlines the legislative framework, duties, roles and responsibilities, volunteer workers, definitions under the link '[legislation.govt.nz](http://legislation.govt.nz)' where it was felt by WorkSafe that Council can work with volunteers to restore the Memorial Hall. Talking with WorkSafe access to the building should not be an issue as the site is not a working site to date and it must be realised by Council that access will be needed to scope works. WorkSafe did not see this as

anything extraordinary to move forward on and Council should be aware of what is needed to either task a volunteer or themselves to get things moving.

WorkSafe would like a link to the Health & Safety, other, legislation mentioned at the LTP Meeting in Huntly so it can be understood where Council is having concerns as WorkSafe are confident there is a way forward for Volunteers to become involved in restoring the hall.

I have also had a discussion with a staff member at KPMG. It may turn out that a group may need to go over records of how the Memorial Hall maintenance has been managed and accounted for in the Council records and rates as the responsible public entity for the maintenance of the building. I will do the donkey work if the documentation can be made available by Council to me though KPMG felt Community Law should be involved.

As noted in the Long Term Plan 2018028 submission the Huntly (Rahui Pokeka) Memorial Hall 'Councils Hall portfolio:

*'The future of the Huntly Memorial Hall is still under consideration and subject to separate local consultation. '*

Those whom attended the meeting of the LTP were informed that yet another survey would be posted out to the Huntly community. Two questions would be asked of them along the lines of:

1. Do you want, and would you use, a Council-owned community facility in Huntly?
2. If so do you support refurbishing the Huntly Memorial Hall?

We have asked friends in Matangi, Rotongaro, Tuakau, Waerenga and they were not given a questionnaire about their halls if they felt they needed one, or to pay extra for their maintenance, etc? However, they all have Halls, some Memorial Halls of the same era and construction as the Huntly Memorial Hall, are all maintained by Council and are in a fit state, yet we are the largest of all the communities managed by Council and they are seeking to demolish our hall? There is a group in the community whom are prepared to undertake restoring this hall so Council, whom work for the community, should find a way forward and perhaps seek legal advice how to gain some compensation or possibly claim insurance liability for gross negligence in their line of work and responsibility.

Before the LTP meeting I had asked around 50 residents how they felt about the Memorial Hall. All wanted to have the Hall restored however nobody wanted to pay towards its restoration on the principal that Council had had the funds to maintain the building and it is their responsibility that maintenance wasn't done and the damaged bill has escalated. They felt Council caused the problem by not following through with the planned maintenance. After the LTP meeting and to others we have since talked to – all wanted the Memorial Hall restored and had fond memories of being in the hall, however only two were prepared to pay towards its restoration - again mostly because it was Council whom allowed the damage to escalate by not doing the planned maintenance, all the while holding onto the funds that were needed? The community was informed that the maintenance was going to be undertaken and the next we hear is the building is proposed to be demolished by Council which we have been advised has a massive environmental cost and not something Councils should be involved in if there is a way of saving the building and thus resources.

Limited usage of the Memorial Hall was also cited as a reason for not restoring it however, other communities have not had to justify their halls to the Council? It has been a long time since the hall



had some work done on it and had it been maintained/refurbished would still be a valuable asset and memorial to the community as are halls in other districts.

We would like to be included in the information regarding progress concerning our Memorial Hall. It is a community asset donated to the people of Huntly, not merely part of the Councils Hall portfolio, and as an important Memorial donated by the people of Huntly 'Least we forget', to remember the people whom gave their lives from our community. It was entrusted to the Waikato District Council to keep as part of our rates and has been in the WDC books for some time to be maintained. The community was lead to believe that the maintenance and restoration funds were in hand with Council, planned maintenance that was disclosed to the community some years ago never happened, and could be considered gross negligence and misleading information that these works were not undertaken in a timely manner. Council cannot use monies set aside for any other purpose than what it was designated to do such as maintaining our Memorial Hall and is required to fulfil this obligation not when things have escalated and then simply plan to demolish the hall against those in that community wishes?

Please note that it is disappointing to note in the Long Term Plan that Council have chosen to use other areas Memorial Halls to hold their meetings where Council must have managed these Halls to not let them get into such disrepair as the Huntly Memorial Hall, requiring Council to use the donated Huntly Power Station River Side Rooms to hold its meeting in for Huntly. Huntly needs to have its own Hall in its own right with its significant and highest population base under Waikato District Councils care, where historical families worked hard to provide one for us.

Note: LTP Meetings held at Pokeno Hall, Tuakau Memorial Hall, Aka Aka Hall. Matangi Hall, Gordonton Hall, Te Kowahi Hall, Te Akau Waingaro Community Complex, Glen Murray Memorial Hall, Port Waikato Hall, Raglan Hall, Tamahere Hall and should have been held in the Huntly Memorial Hall. There are 39 halls in the District and Huntly should have its own too. Also, only the Huntly and Ngaruawahia Halls have fees listed – it would be of value to know what the hire rates of the other 37 halls in the district rental fees are.

Please can Council let us know what refurbishments have been done in all the other 39 halls that are in their care, such as are required now for the Huntly Memorial Hall as many of the halls are of the same era as the Huntly Memorial Hall and it is interesting that the Huntly hall requires such extensive works (note: refurbishments before delayed maintenance caused further significant damage).

It would be interesting to see accounting records of the former Coal Museum and how the former Coal Museum land and house were disposed of so that the Coal Museum is now housed in the Huntly Power Station donated building.

As Council wrote on the 3 April to Huntly residents/ratepayers the Coal Museum has taken over the Civic Centre leaving no community hall available to Huntly residents. It would be of value to view the Coal Museum visitor numbers and actual funds they raised in light of Council declaring low use of the Memorial Hall as an added reason to demolish it. Looking online the Coal Museum should be returning several hundred dollars a day to cover for the actual civic centre hire fees demanded by Council to hire the centre? May I suggest lowering the refurbished Memorial hall hireage free to encourage more usage especially since Council is looking for usage of the building in an extremely impoverished district.

It would be extremely short sighted to demolish a building that has been in need of maintenance for many years citing its low recent 2015 usage. How many communities would have their halls

demolished if their halls had low usage when they actually needed maintenance and would obviously be far more attractive to use if refurbished. It may well be in the best interests of the Memorial Hall to be gifted back to the community to be put under their care and is being scoped if this is an option that can be put to Council and how best to progress this if it becomes necessary.

At the LTP Meeting it was noted that the Civic Centre needed funding for a new roof however on the Council website it notes that the Civic Centre has 'The venue has a new steel roof and aluminium joinery.'

A local accountant thought it may be of value to note the amount of funds allocated by Council towards the Community Church so it can be viewed alongside the costs associated with the Memorial Hall. The question also raised is what earthquake and new Health & Safety requirements has been applied to other community buildings/halls that it is now required of the Huntly Memorial Hall by Council.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to speak to the Memorial Hall situation and it appears there is a strong voice also in community and we trust that Council will seek a way forward to refurbish the hall over the community having to take this to a higher level. It would be awesome if Council can get on board as we realise they are the best positioned to get the works done, allowing for volunteers, to give Huntly their hall back. There are some very nice community halls in the Waikato District however the Huntly Memorial Community Hall is one of the nicer aesthetic looking ones being a credit to those whom designed it so many years ago.

If Council are no longer interested in the Memorial Hall then we trust that the information requested in our submission is provided to us so we can seek higher level input.

#### **WETLAND HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Developments in wetland areas need to be immediately ceased in the Huntly areas such as the Hartis Ave area, as they are wetlands and significant in their own right as natural heritage for the future of water quality. We had a meeting with Hamilton City Council regarding several wetland, swamp and gully areas that had been consented by WDC to be developed into housing in the Huntly area, namely Raynor Road, Hartis Ave, Rosser St. Hamilton CC confirm that gullies and wetlands are natural resources that need to be protected and they do not allow any development of these areas on any terms. It is disappointing to belong to a District that does not appear to be aware of the current knowledge about wetlands and their significance never mind not being sustainable as long term housing developments. Waikato District Council needs to cease allowing developments of wetland areas and the potential liability it exposes itself to consenting to housing developments continuing with potential future subsidence issues. We have submitted much correspondence to Council regarding the Hartis Ave wetland development. Huntly is not a dumping ground for cheap housing and unsustainable developments of wetland to make those whom do not live in the district rich.

#### **HUNTLY OFF/ON RAMP**

Our daughter, now at Waikato Hospital, took Maori as an elective to her Bachelor of Medicine & Surgery Degree with Auckland University and her discussions about these studies and her research project on her home town of Rahui Pokeka - Huntly was fascinating to hear. What may be of interest and use with the southbound exit and on ramp is that the time could be right to put a wrong

right by diverting as much traffic as possible away from Taupiri Mountain Cemetery. The Maori King, late 1860's, wept when he was informed of the intended route of the main rail trunk line alongside state highway 1 effectively cutting the access to the sacred burial ground. As you will know Mount Taupiri is a sacred mountain and burial ground for Waikato iwi and Kīngitanga. Taupiri Te Putu Pa has a long history dating back to the 1600s, where past Maori Kings and Queen are buried in the highest part of the cemetery, on the summit where Te Putu's pa stood. Parking and access became difficult because the State Highway and railway lie largely on gentler sloping land at the foot of the slopes of Taupiri Mountain and parking is required to be on the other side of the North Island transport system in a small constrained area beside the Waikato River and Mangawara Stream. Tangis are normally attended by many mourners often causing disruption to traffic out of necessity. Mourners attending funerals have to dodge 70kph traffic and then when the trains come it is formidable as it is required to blow its horn amidst all the mourners and ceremony. Any reduction in traffic will be a much welcome outcome by a southbound on/exit ramp near Kimihia or McVie Roads.

What is of interest to us today, to try to understand the significance of the Taupiri mountain and area, is that early European travellers were obliged by Maori to cross to the other side of the Waikato River to avoid the sacred area of Taupiri Mountain. We feel it would be a valuable and thoughtful addition to include Taupiri Mountain and its significance to the Maori people, as part of the Mayors proposition to gain acceptance of the need for the southbound on/off ramp. We find this a very exciting possibility.

Any traffic passage that can give relief to the sacred Taupiri Mountain Cemetery and mourners must be of significance.

#### **RESTORE THE DEFUNCT HUNTLY EAST MINE**

We would like to suggest Waikato District Council get behind any development of the defunct and bankrupt old Huntly East Mine into a recreational area with cycle tracks, walk ways, boating, diving, and restored native bush areas, etc. It has been on sold to locals Mr & Mrs Allen, whom have an outstanding plan to make this a popular recreational area. We would encourage WDC to get behind their vision and help with any documentation or fast tracking so this environmental disaster can be put right.

We had meetings over many years with the Huntly East Mine staff and Manager(s) and discussions with Waikato District Council staff and viewed the Mines Resource Consents. We were assured that the Waikato District Council required the Mine to manage any fumes, dust, coal dust, etc, and later to ensure restoration of any open casting work, releveling the overburden and replanting in native trees. We were satisfied that there would be restoration of the land after the fairly recent open cast mining was completed. We were assured that the man made hill they had formed, causing much dust in summers and majorly rescaped the landscape, would be relevelled once the open cast coal had been removed and the land would be replanted in natives. This has not happened and the hill remains with the open cast mine left which is contrary to their Resource Consent. Does Council have any jurisdiction to ensure that any works agreed to in the Resource Consent etc is undertaken especially once the company is now bankrupt, and had government involvement? It would be interesting to hear what Council is prepared to be involved with to help restore the mine area since they agreed to allow the mine works and major impact to the land and nearby community of Huntly.

It is noble to be planning walkways as far as 'Tamahere to Hamilton, or TeAwa, or the Cambridge to Hamilton walkways but Resource Consents and major disruption to land through mining within our



community should be an environmental priority. The former Huntly East Mine runs alongside the newly developing Waikato Expressway and could become a major asset of the area, possibly a service area if an off and on ramp could be formed to the old mine area and planned refilled mine lake. We would see the southbound off/on ramp accessing this area to be a significant asset as a future significant adventure park area with possible service and concessionaire businesses affording much desired occasion for employment and opportunity in the area. The mine boundary abuts directly to Huntly township and is disappointing Resource Consents granted the mine development has been forgotten to restore the land after mining has ceased.



The working mine at Huntly, McVie/East Mine Roads.



The mine today

### **HUNTLY PROJECTS 2018-28**

Does the Resource Recover Centre based in Huntly as per the Long Term Plan service just Huntly as it is accounted for as part of the Key Council Projects for Huntly for 10 years from 2018-2028 as our major spend?

It seems a little unfair that the connection to the expressway Huntly Central interchange is part of the LTP 2018-28 when it will be funded from outside of the Council by Land Transport, and the community centre (which is possibly the Riverside Rooms or Coal Museum? \$ means what?

Eight years ago Waikato District Council, Parks and Reserves department had a meeting with several residents which went to the community and was attended by the then Mayor. Over 50 residents attended and featured in the newspapers. Since then some 60 more homes have been built in the direct area. We were promised that the popular BMX track that was part of the WDC Recreational Reserve off Hartis Ave would be able to be shifted to the subsidence areas off Rosser St and Council would undertake this for the children in lieu of forfeiting the areas long established 'BMX park' as it was to be turned into housing development. The BMX track was made by locals and children over many years. The new promised BMX track was never made for the children of Huntly by Council, neither was the WDC Recreational Reserve, which was targeted to take 3 years (2008-2011) to develop by Council and would be made available to the families of the community including the recreational area.

Council turned down Kessel and Associates (Ecology Experts) restoration plan of the area which included the recreational area being formed by Tainui Holdings Ltd as part of their development. Council did not want volunteers and nearby schools to get behind the project when there was much excitement about restoring the wetland reserve as a community and making the recreational area, whereas Council decided to undertake this themselves and should be provided as an obligation made by Council for the community. Much development contributions have been paid to Council and some of this should have been earmarked to do the promised BMX track and WDC recreational reserve at the base of Hartis Ave. The developers at the time, Tainui Group Holdings, were very interested that their development contributions went to restore the recreational reserve and were surprised that Council did not put more requirements on them as the developers towards the future residents general improvements, playgrounds etc as Hamilton CC would have required.

Significant funds have been received by Council from developers in this direct area and it is time some of these reserves and parks funds went back to the Huntly community to finish off promised projects of the BMX track and Recreational Reserve.

Council also turned down volunteers prepared to help restore the Recreational Reserve and put up high barriers so that nobody can enter the area. It was also agreed that the stormwater mitigation developed by Tainui Holdings Ltd would be maintained however this is now overgrown in gorse and weeds and is not acceptable that has not been maintained as assured to the residents by Council. It just degrades the area when things that should be done just aren't. We all must believe in Huntly to make it somewhere desirable for owner occupiers to want to live and bring up their children in.

**SUMMARY**

Responsibility for lack of environmental accountability regarding the state Huntly East Mine has been left in, and prohibiting wetland development are important environmental issues for our Council to address in caring for the environment we have to sustain, along with the Huntly Memorial Hall are very good places to start to try to rebuild our town.

If we want to make our communities liveable, thriving, connected we need to support our communities, building our economy, sustaining our environment, and to work together both as lay and professionals, preventing unacceptable environmental issues such as the mining of Huntly and when the company goes bankrupt they just move on and leave a community reeling from the after affects. We have suffered subsidence yet wetland development is still being endorsed by Council, and we have poverty and social issues, and the need for a community hall and other things to get us on our feet again with a Council whom believes in us. Our kids need their promised BMX track, and the recreational reserve in the new housing areas of Hartis Ave, Manuka Road promised by Council so the kids have things to do and don't get up to mischief, with stormwater areas put in place at Hartis Ave being kept in a reasonable gorse and weed free state for our towns new residents as assured us by Council would be the case.

Rahui Pokeka – Huntly is a beautiful town.

Thank you for your time.





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**Submission to the  
Waikato District Council (WDC)  
Long Term Plan (LTP)  
By  
Raglan Sport Fishing Club Inc.**

**Introduction**

The condition of the boat launching facilities for the Raglan Harbour and Manu Bay range from having extremely limited functionality to posing a significant danger and are in dire need of attention, also the supporting infrastructure.

**We urge the council to meet with ourselves as major stakeholders and representatives of other user groups to develop solutions for these issues and increase the enjoyment of boat users drawn to the natural beauty of Raglan, our fishery and coastline.**

The Raglan Sport Fishing Club was founded in the year 2000 and we currently have 592 members with another 600 angler contacts who fish the area. Although the club was only founded 18 years ago, our club is the largest fishing club in the Waikato with many smaller organisations.

16 APR 2018

**Raglan and Tourism****Waikato District Council**

In the summer of 2016/17 the UNWTO (United Nations World Tourism Organization Research group at the University of Waikato undertook a survey about tourism in Raglan (please see <http://cms.mngt.waikato.ac.nz/wmsunwtainsto/home.aspx>) and this is a follow up to that survey.

The purpose of this questionnaire is to elicit views about Raglan as a place to live and visit. The study is organised by the Tourism Unit at the University of Waikato Management School and questions can be asked of Chris Ryan, (email: [caryan@waikato.ac.nz](mailto:caryan@waikato.ac.nz)), and continues work commenced in 2017. The results will be used for academic purposes and to inform the Raglan Chamber of Commerce and Waikato District Council for purposes of planning. Your name and address is not required, and raw data will be password protected and seen only by the research team of four people. Thank you for your time.

Please circle the answer that best fits your situation

Is Raglan the main place where you live?

☒ Yes ☐ No

For how many years have you lived in Raglan?

65

Is Raglan also the place where you work?

Yes ☐ No ☒ RETIRED

Using three short phrases, how would you describe the character of Raglan?

Do you play an active role in the local community?

Yes ☐ No ☒ NOT NOW.

Do you work as a volunteer in Raglan?

Yes ☐ No ☒ NOT NOW.

Do you play a role on any local committees or organisations?

Yes ☐ ☒ No

Below are a number of statements about Raglan as a place to live. Could you please indicate the extent to which you agree with those statements using a scale where

“1” means very strong disagreement and

“7” means very strong agreement

Please place a circle around the number that best represents your feelings about the question

Raglan has a relaxed life-style	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Agriculture is an important source of employment in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Raglan property prices are increasing too quickly in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Tourism is growing too quickly in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Raglan would benefit from large scale investment from a supermarket chain	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Raglan would benefit from large scale investment like a major hotel	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I would wish to rent accommodation to visitors during the summer season	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Local shops should primarily be owned by local people	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I recognise that there is a need for investment in capital infrastructure in roading, water provision and waste management	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
There is a strong sense of community in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I feel that economic development through tourism benefits the community	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Surfing is important as a creator of Raglan's life style and image	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I have a strong sense of attachment to Raglan as a place to live	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Tourism is an important source of employment in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Raglan's main source of income comes from people who work in Hamilton	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
It is important that in any development over the next decade in Raglan that it is consistent with the character of Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
In being a tourist destination Raglan could capitalise more on its Maori history	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I would support the further development of tourism in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I would like to see more shopping outlets in Raglan of a boutique style	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I change the times I go shopping in summer to avoid the tourists	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I supported the introduction of metering water usage in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I feel that at times economic development threatens the quality of the local community life	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I feel that we can look to industries other than tourism to provide local jobs and employment	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
There is a need to further develop night life for tourists and Raglan's youth	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I recycle all my food waste through the Community recycling programme	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Please continue over page	
Tourist using working holiday visas do not threaten locals getting jobs in Raglan	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Tourism has caused an increase in crime	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Tourism contributes to the higher prices of property	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I quite like living in a place that is a tourist destination	1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Having answered these questions, if you wish to make any comments about how Raglan might develop in the next decade, and the role of tourism in that development, please use the space below and over-page.

Knowing that there is a need to invest in water provision and sewage disposal, if the Council sought to complete a major investment programme by 2025, by how much increase in your annual rates would you accept?

**Socio-demographic data – the following questions are used for classification**

Are you Male ☐ Female ☒

Are you 18 years old or less ☐ 19 – 25 years ☐ 26 to 35 years ☐  
 36 to 45 years ☐ 46 – 55 years ☐ 56 – 65 years ☐  
 66 years and over ☒

What is your highest level of education?

Up to and including primary school ☐ High school ☒  
 Bachelor degree or equivalent ☐ Post graduate ☐

The *weekly median household income* in the Waikato is about NZ\$1,500

Would you describe your **HOUSEHOLD INCOME** as

Below Average ☐ Average ☒ Above Average ☐ Significantly above average ☐

We also have issues with erosion of the back gabion wall, caused by the changing nature of the sea since the shortening of the Break Wall. This is yet to be rectified.

Drainage problems in the Manu Bay ramp car park, which were created with the realigning of the road and sealing of the top car park some years ago. Numerous complaints on this issue have been already lodged with WDC. And it's still not fixed.

### **Raglan Wharf**

Best boat ramp in town with limited parking. Originally built by Hartstone Seafood's and local boaties. The pontoon was provided by Raglan Sport Fishing Club at a cost of \$89,000 with WDC funding of \$17,000. We need surety of use of this area, this includes the 48 hour parking where it already exists. This is needed for boats overnighing off the coast and up the harbour. We are not asking for exclusive rights to the area of the board walk or the opposite side of the road in Wallis Street. The only area of exclusivity are the few parks in front of the old cement silos.

### **Kopua Boat Ramp.**

Built by local boaties a long time ago. Rebuilt by the Raglan Sport Fishing Club members around 2005. WDC had received a quote to rebuild the one lane ramp, which was in urgent need of repair for \$186,000. The club met and said "we want more than a one lane ramp" so at a cost of \$56,000 to WDC we built a three lane ramp.

The Kopua ramp now has insufficient parking, which is exacerbated by the lack of appropriate marking for the parking layout. We have spent more than 2 years lobbying WDC for this to happen. Many times offering to do it ourselves, still waiting.

This ramp is restricted by the height of the walk bridge and the depth of the entrance to the Opoturu Channel, which restricts this area to vessels of less than 7 metres and without hard tops, at high and low tide. Vessels over this size have to use the main wharf ramp. Please note that the preferred time to cross the Raglan Bar is high tide. To ensure the safety of vessels using this area with the recently introduced navigational safety aids would be to put a sign on the walk bridge indicating the height at MHWS (Mean High Water Spring) from the underside of the bridge to the water surface.

### **Conclusion**

Since the club was informed by WDC that we can no longer work in the Marine environment on a voluntary basis. The maintenance of the ramps, and their surrounds have suffered. There also appears to be a total lack of knowledge of the input of the Raglan Sport Fishing Club and its predecessors have had into the boating facilities at Raglan, because without the club's input launching facilities at Raglan would be very inadequate.

In regards to user pays, why would members pay for something they have provided?

Before any work is completed on any boat ramps in Raglan the Raglan Sport Fishing Club as a major stakeholder needs to be consulted with. The club represents a great number of users of the Raglan launching facilities we are in the best position to assist council in the most effective



It is a known fact that only 10% of recreational fishers belong to any fishing/boating club, so the Raglan Sport Fishing club undertakes the responsibility of representing all fishers by default who fish out of Raglan. This includes those who visit from other areas.

Tourism in relation to fishing could be a real winner in Raglan. The club have put in a lot of hours into insuring a very healthy fishery off our coast, but we are unable to promote this when the boating facilities are already exhausted. Our main three ramps all have issues that need to be rectified, with Manu Bay being at the top of the list.

## **Manu Bay Boat Ramp and Break Wall**

### **History**

During the 1960's Manu Bay Fishing Club established. The first purpose of this group was to secure the land now recognized as the Manu Bay reserve for the public of Raglan. A launching platform was then created. The Manu Bay Break Wall and Ramp was the next initiative completed by the club. Permission was gained from the then Raglan County Council (letter dated 30 November 1971) and the New Zealand Marine Department. In 2014 resource consent no. 127164 file no. 612244A was granted for the complete ramp and break wall as an existing structure by Waikato Regional Council.

This area was then maintained successfully by the Club with little help from WDC. This includes the car park area that is associated with the boat ramp.

In 2002 the Manu Bay Fishing Club amalgamated with the Raglan Sport Fishing Club.

Work done by members would reach into the hundreds of thousand:

- Power was installed by the club to the toilets from the main road and onto the ramp area where a light was installed fully funded by the Manu Bay Fishing Club.
- The drain which split the car park was culverted at no charge to WDC.
- Trees were planted during ramp working bees no charge to council.
- Countless truckloads of concrete and steel have been used over the years for maintenance at little cost to council.
- Countless other projects out there too numerous to quote.

During periods of good weather 120 boats are using the ramp, sometimes more. The issues incurred by these users was minimal, these have increased radically since the building of the new break wall structure.

### **Issues**

The Manu Bay Break Wall was damaged as a result of wear and tear in 2014. The rebuild of the break wall carried out by WDC have resulted in the break wall being rendered ineffective. The ramp is now much less usable due to the increased exposure to ocean surges making boat launching



and retrieving extremely dangerous in only moderate sea conditions. We have not received one single comment of a positive nature from any of the boating public who use the area. We believe the new structure has created substantial health and safety issues which need to be rectified as soon as possible. We now record all damage to vessels using this area that can be attributed to the now dangerous nature of launching at Manu Bay. The conditions at Manu Bay ramp have resulted in boaties preferring to chance their use of the Raglan Bar which has increased pressure on the Kopua and Wharf ramps, this is not a preferred option with the heightened danger of a bar crossing.

In 2014 the Raglan Sport Fishing Club reported to WDC a crack 5.57 meters from the end of the Break Wall. We applied to have permission to fix this, this permission was denied, the crack then developed into a split with the end 5.57 metres of break wall eventually falling into the sea. This developed into a dangerous situation and Council then decided to employ an engineer with the company Bloxham Burnett & Oliver (BBO) who decided the break wall needed to be rebuilt. A plan was produced it contained three concept drawings these drawings were all shown without measurements. We were promised by the representative from BBO and WDC that any one of the drawings would provide us with as much if not more protection than we already had at Manu Bay. More plans were drawn up which we were never privy to which showed one plan to be longer than the others, this one is the one we would have accepted. We have not received what we were promised by WDC of "as good if not better".

We informed WDC of the shortfalls of the design immediately upon completion of the work. We arranged a meeting with the engineer on site to voice our dissatisfaction of what had been built. One question the engineer was asked was "how many break walls have you designed", his replied was "one and you are standing on it". He was then asked "what engineers have you consulted with, anyone who has designed a break wall", he said "none". A meeting was then called at Manu Bay with the Mayor, deputy mayor and local councilor, all agreed it needed fixing.

We were then told by WDC to get an independent report on the performance of the Break Wall at a cost of \$9,700 of hard earned club funds. The report from engineering firm Tonkin Taylor recognised designers of Break Walls in New Zealand was presented to WDC by the Raglan Sport Fishing Club. This report was damning of the present structure that has been buried in the bureaucracy of WDC and has gone nowhere to fixing the problem. WDC have put us into mediation. This is not running to plan and we have waited several months with little contact. We were promised in September that this process would be over by Christmas we are still waiting for it to start.

We have already had offers of:

- Free concrete.
- Free rocks.
- Club fundraising.

Please let us spend our money to get this work done, not on lawyers, where it's presently having to go.

appropriation of funds. We have made this statement in countless submissions and we are still waiting for this meeting.

Presently WDC have failed in their duty of care to provide for the boating public of Raglan.

We fully consulted with our members on this submission and all are in total agreeance with its contents.

We wish to be heard in relation to this submission by WDC.

Yours faithfully,

RAGLAN SPORT FISHING CLUB INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SH' or 'SHY', followed by a period.

Sheryl Hart (Mrs)

Secretary



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Dear Sir,

**Long Term Plan 2018-2018 – Consultation Document**

I acknowledge receipt of the abovementioned document.

I have taken a keen interest in the above, after reading it.

Accordingly, I request clarification on several matters arising in my mind after perusing the paper.

Under each section I have some questions that I would like an answer to:

**Decisions we need to make with your help****How we manage our water, wastewater and stormwater?**

Firstly, "The Council commissioned a business case to investigate the risks and benefits for four different options for managing our water(s) services". Page 6



Kindly, advise who undertook this investigation and how much was paid?

Secondly, option 1 – “This is still a workable solution and involves no new setup costs” – “but debt levels will rise”

If this is the case then why have any change at all? The statement about debt, kindly provide a copy of the budget to prove this. Including all income and debt repayment including interest structure.

Option 2 – “We establish a company” why a company? What about types of entities whereby a mutual association is involved?

“The larger operation would offer greater efficiencies and be able to attract and offer the expertise needed” Are you joking? Just look at the Auckland super city – what a shambles!

Option 3 – “Waikato-Tainui would be offered board representation as a key partner. Does this mean that they have a vote at the table? If this is the case, I did not see any representatives from Tainui standing for election in the last local body elections. Only elected officials should be able to vote. If this group were to be given a vote, that means why did any elections take place and that a section of control of the use of the assets involved has been given away to a party without due electoral process. Why have elections then?

Option 4 – “We establish a Council appointed Waters Governance Board, including Waikato-Tainui representation” . Again same as before only duly elected member should serve on the Board. My recollection serves me to say I do not remember any of Tainui standing at the last local body elections, so I have assume that they would not have a vote at the table. Kindly confirm this.

### **Re-balancing ratepayer contributions to the General Rate**

Option 2 – paragraph 3. The explanation is not congruent with existing protocol. Even if the statement is true there is no comment about the increased rating on those properties of higher value. The burden of expense is also upon those people; this is fair? The Council is not responsible for the increased value of the properties only the level of tax burden. If fairness was an option, then lower the taxation on all.



## **Planning for Liveable, Thriving, and Connected Communities**

### **Planning for growth that achieves our vision**

**Master Planning** – your budget expense is for \$100,000 each year for ten (10) years. Total expense is **\$1,000,000 (one million dollars)**? I shall be pleased if you forward the application so that I can work for Council on this. All joking aside (maybe not) this not petty cash we are talking about. Does Council not have its own accounting/revenue dept? I know Hamilton does. Maybe sub-contract to them, they would have most of the data available and only minor adjustments would be required to reflect that is Waikato District and not Hamilton. More thought is needed before this amount of money is spent.

**Sub Regional Initiatives** – the budget again seems to be on an annual basis ie \$70,000 to \$110,000. Total expense to the ratepayer is between \$700,000 to \$1,100,000 over a ten (10) year period. Comments are the same as before.

**Housing Infrastructure Fund** – \$37 million interest free money is always capital efficient, but there is no mention of repayment. This is a debt burden, kindly advise when the repayment structure of 25 years will commence.

### **Regional Fuel Tax**

It seems the Council is bent on burdening the community and the ratepayer with additional taxes. If the Council is unable to fund its operation contained within the rating structure, then it needs to cut its cloth; this means cut the expense.

## **Building and Maintaining Infrastructure**

### **Infrastructure Strategy – 40%**

**Tuakau 2019-20** – Skate Park \$350k. This is not a core activity for Council.

**Tuakau/Pokeno 2021-24** North Waikato Resource Recovery Centre \$3.1 million. Kindly advise what this actually is.

**Pokeno 2019-22** Library services centre \$3 million. We do not need a physical presence for a Library. The Internet is a larger library by far.



**Te Kauwhata 2019-21** – Walkways \$2.3 million. What walkways are the Council considering? It takes 6 years to build? Hopefully not the National walkway, as this should be funded by Government.

**Huntly 2019-20** – Resource recovery centre \$600k. Same comments as above.

**Tamahere 2022-28** – Walkways \$1.5 million. Comments the same as Te Kauwhata. Six years to build?

**Raglan 2020-22** – Restoration of heritage sites \$161k. Is this project a core council activity?

**Raglan 2023-26** – Walkway content unknown. Kindly advise how much? Comments are the same as the others.

**Ngaruawahia 2019-28** – Restoration of heritage sites \$418k. Is this a core activity? It takes 7 years?

**Ngaruawahia 2022-27** – Walkways \$402k. Comments are the same as above. Five years to build?

## How we Fund the Future

### Key elements in our financial strategy

#### Capital investment for Growth

It is of interest that the document advises that repayment is to come everything else, but from rating revenue.

#### Rates Limits

**“The average rate increase for ratepayers will not exceed 15 per cent per year in the first three years”**

Kindly explain this statement in more detail. Is the Council intending to impose increases upon the ratepayer close to the limit of 15%? This may continue over a 3 year period? A 45% increase over a three year term! Is the proposed increases compounding year on year? I have real concern that the Council is prepared to impose such a high burden upon the ratepayer.



Why is the 6.24% increase required for the 2018-19 year? What has council done to not spend taxpayer funds? Where can I obtain a complete budget?

### **Debt**

I am also concerned about the level of debt that the Council is proposing. What is the increased borrowing actually for? Based on the limitation of the 1.75 times the revenue of the Council has the Council taken into consideration of the increased revenue from rates increase each year on the borrowing limit? The Council is required to sign into its books, the appropriate Resolution under the relevant act. I have assumed the document has been signed in accordance with the statute.

What other avenues has the Council considered when seeking monies to fund the activities as per the Long Term Plan 2018-28? I do not see any mention of Bond issues that can assigned to each type of expense and directly supported by the ratepayer at large and it would give an indication to the level of support and confidence.

I shall be pleased if you will provide the information requested so that I give consideration in writing a specific submission.

Your faithfully,



LR Scott

**Trustee**



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**RE: MERCER RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS COMMITTEE SUBMISSION ON LONG TERM PLAN 2018-28 AND PROPOSED FEES AND CHARGES 2018-21**

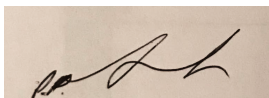
This submission is lodged by the Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee (MRRC) to identify areas of concern in accordance with the Long Term Plan (LTP) 2018-28 and Proposed Fees and Charges 2018-21 notified on 28 February 2018. MRRC aim is to work collaboratively with the community and Waikato District Council (WDC) in dealing with local issues in the township of Mercer and its surrounding rural area.

The MRRC includes a Ward Councillor representative of the Waikato District Council (in an advisory role **only**), tāngata whenua and members of the Mercer community. Members of the community may still make individual submissions.

The MRRC supports the structure of key aspects of the LTP 2018-28 and Proposed Fees and Charges 2018-21 set out as per consultation document, supporting information and statement of proposal. Matters of concern identified by the MRRC are detailed in our formal submission, attached to this letter.

The MRRC is willing to appear at the hearing in support of their submissions. If other community members make similar submission, the MRRC would be prepared to consider presenting a joint case at the submissions hearing.

Yours sincerely



Ross Mclean  
Chairperson  
Mercer Residents and Ratepayers Committee

Submission Point	Support/Oppose/Seed Amendment	Plan Provision	Summary	Decision sought
Planning Growth – Master Planning	Seed Amendment	To provide Mercer township and community with a vision for future prospects and growth with a robust plan to achieve these visions	Mercer and its community have been neglected and not consulted with any future planning or development. Surrounding communities and townships in North Waikato have been mentioned in the LTP 2018 – 2028 with plans for growth, infrastructure whereas Mercer has not, however is in a prime location for tourism and travellers, especially the trucking industry, with great potential for growth. Page 11 of consultation document describes creating liveable, thriving and connected communities under master planning and for Mercer to become a key town.	As Mercer does not have a LTP that achieves this vision, priority should be given to consultant Mercer community to establish a 10 year long term plan under the district plan review.

Submission Point	Support/Oppose/Seed Amendment	Plan Provision	Summary	Decision sought
UAGC	Support	Lower UAGC	Option 2-3	Lowest possible rate
Building and Maintaining Infrastructure - Public Toilets	Support	To cater for public use at all times and influx of increase traffic	WDC condemning the old toilet block due to environmental concerns, an alternative or replacement was never proposed. The only current toilet facilities are located in the complex with access during business hours only. These are at max capacity with the large volume of people passing through Mercer and the complex, which will continue with the growth in the local area. There is no after hours or alternate for the likes of visitors, freedom campers or long haul truck drivers. The old post office is currently unused but owned by Chorus. It has amenities connected to it and would require remodelling.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WDC to consider potential purchase of post office and remodelling</li> <li>- WDC to consult with MRRC in location of new site for ablution facilities.</li> <li>- WDC to investigate installing waste dump site for campervans</li> </ul>

Submission Point	Support/Oppose/Seed Amendment	Plan Provision	Summary	Decision sought
Building and Maintaining Infrastructure - Footpath	Support	To increase the safety of pedestrian traffic to encourage the community access facilities by foot	Large sections of disrepair and cracking. There is no dedicated safe pedestrian crossing for school children to cross the road. Where the footpath ends is still another 100m until the school premises. Children are walking on the road shared with cars and trucks with trailers as there is a truck depot at end of road. There is no barrier between the main road and footpath and with constant traffic, including large farm machinery and transportation vehicles, is of high safety concern. Overgrown vegetation is consistently blocking footpaths.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Repair and maintain existing sections of footpath</li> <li>- Extend footpath and build suitable crossing</li> <li>- Increase safety of those using the footpath from vehicle traffic</li> </ul>

Submission Point	Support/Oppose/Seed Amendment	Plan Provision	Summary	Decision sought
Halls and Community Facilities	Support	To establish a focal gathering point with a multiple purpose use within the community	<p>Mercer currently has no town hall after the original one was relocated to the domain to allow road realignment and overpasses to be built.</p> <p>Mercer Fire Brigade and Fire Station moving to Pokeno in 2-5 year period, the site and/or buildings will become available for purchase. This already has amenities and would require redevelopment.</p> <p>As Mercer School is a Civil Defence point as well as a polling booth venue, a multipurpose, shared community hall should be considered as there is a large amount of land available.</p>	<p>- WDC to consider purchasing the land and/or buildings once Fire Brigade and Fire Service have vacated for redevelopment.</p> <p>- WDC to consider building combined hall at Mercer School.</p>



Submission Point	Support/Oppose/Seed Amendment	Plan Provision	Summary	Decision sought
Parks and Facilities - Playground/Fields	Support	To provide the community with an establishment where all age groups can utilise facilities and enhance personal development through physical activity and/or sport	The community consists of various age groups. Current playground is underutilised due to height of obstacles which deters younger children. Safety concerns of split level from concrete to entrance of obstacles. Fields are infested with burrows from pest of rabbits. Old railway building is located at fields however is closed off to public due to asbestos and public safety.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- WDC to consider consultation with community and playground suppliers to cater for all age groups.</li> <li>- WDC to vest in consultant to review the condition of fields</li> </ul>
Building and Maintaining Infrastructure - Parking	Seed Amendment	Traffic management and parking facilities to be redesigned and engineered.	Current parking in Mercer township and complex is consistently at 90% capacity. With facilities in the surrounding regions hosting large events, Mercer is the first/last stop and will suffer from lost trading and having tourists visit our community. The traffic flow around truck stop is mixed with standard vehicles entering even though signs state trucks and buses only. High risk of pedestrian safety.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Traffic movements around township and complex to be reviewed by WDC to redesign to include more parking.</li> <li>- WDC to consider growth in community and potential business when designing traffic flow especially around truck stops</li> </ul>

Submission Point	Support/Oppose/Seed Amendment	Plan Provision	Summary	Decision sought
Building and Maintaining Infrastructure – High volume traffic	Seed Amendment	Traffic movement exiting and entering the motorway from Mercer township	Current traffic management plan is coping however with the opening of the Cambridge-Waikato Expressway, Mercer will be the only town that will be directly accessible from the motorway.	- WDC to investigate impact of higher volume of traffic entering township and develop plan to overcome future growth
Building and Infrastructure – Wastewater	Seed Amendment	LTP Project to connect wastewater to Pokeno.	Mercer is a self-sufficient town with own reticulation system and septic tanks. Residents/Ratepayers will like to maintain their own septic tanks. Businesses will benefit from the wastewater in future especially if the traffic into Mercer increases.	For residents/ratepayers to have an option to connect if they wish to connect to the wastewater or not on a pay as your use system
Planning for Growth – Regional Wards	Seed Amendment	To identify Mercer under single ward	Mercer borders Awakoa Te Tuakau, Onewhero te Akau and Whangamarino wards. Prior experience has identified loss of information and lack of communication with having multiple ward councillors especially when discussing matters within 100m of each other.	WDC to assign Mercer to a designated single Ward to address community matters to a single Ward councillor.

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Submission by: Federated Farmers of New Zealand

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## INTRODUCTION

Waikato Federated Farmers welcomes this chance to submit on the Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2018-2028('LTP'). This submission provides overall comment from the perspective of our farming members on the proposals in the consultation document and respective funding policies.

We acknowledge any submissions made by individual members of Federated Farmers.

We wish to be heard in support of this submission.

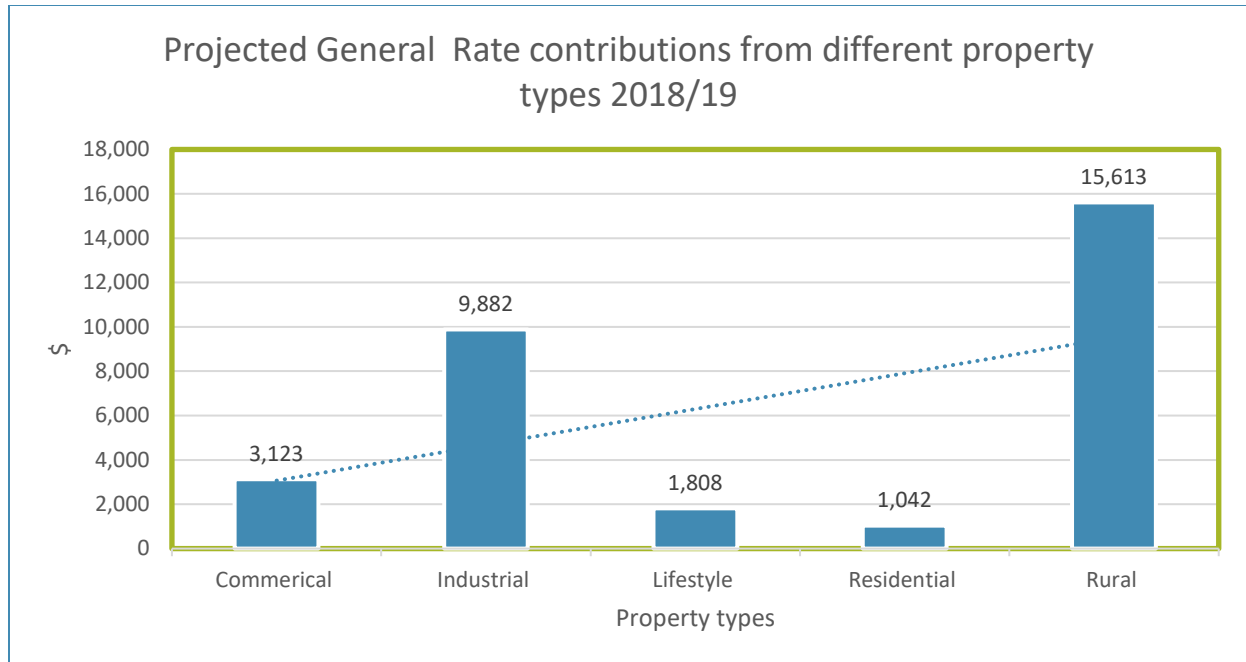
## CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Federated Farmers commends WDC on the good use of benchmarking (page 21), to illustrate the projected rating impact of the plan across a range of property types. This information has been used, in part, to inform aspects of this submission. However, we do find some of the graphs used in the Consultation Document not particularly useful in terms of telling the full story or providing the information which would enable fully informed submissions to be made.

The graph on page 10 is one example which we consider has the potential to significantly misrepresent the intended purpose of rating proposal and is designed to engender support for Council's preferred option rather than provide information which would help inform the debate.

One of the two key focuses of the Consultation Document is to re-balance ratepayer contributions to the General Rate to address fairness and affordability issues. It is disappointing therefore to find no specific information, graphic or otherwise, which shows how the proposed UAGC options, will affect ratepayer contributions to the general rate fund. This is the stated purpose of the proposal after all. The pertinent information is a breakdown of how the variable component of the General rate is made up and how the UAGC options would modify that.

The graph below has been created using the benchmarking information provided in the consultation document. It tells quite a different story in terms of fairness and how the property value, based rates burden is shared across the district than the graph used by Council on page 10.



In considering the funding sources for the General rate, a rural property should not contribute a disproportionate amount, unless that rural property receives greater relative benefit from the particular activity. Federated Farmers is committed to ensuring Council achieves a reasonable allocation of costs to the community, through intelligent use of rating tools. The reality that overreliance on the general rate disadvantages higher value properties undermines the equity outcomes Council is attempting to achieve through the Proposal, and underpins the need for Council's rating policies to reflect some consideration of the relative 'benefit received' by ratepayers from Council activities, when considering who should bear the costs of these activities.

With regards to Council's affordability concerns, information relating to the range of options, including the government rates rebate scheme and Council's own rate remission and postponement policy, which are available to assist lower-income home owners, is relevant and yet the consultation document is silent. The rebate scheme increases on a sliding scale relative to the number of dependents in a household, the household's earnings, and the amount of rates they pay - and is therefore a robust and accurate way of addressing relative affordability concerns.

Federated Farmers accepts that WDC is trying to 'soften the blow' for residential ratepayers whose property revaluations will affect the amount of variable general rate they pay. Our farming members are unfortunately well aware how property values can sometimes have little correlation with the ability to pay. However, this sympathy does not extend to allowing council to lower the, already low use, of the one funding tool designed to help spread the burden of council provided services more evenly.

It is an unhelpful distraction to focus on the effect, which we argue Council has done, at the expense of the cause.

A further frustration with the consultation document relates to the confusion caused by using the 2015 Funding Impact Statement and 2015 Revenue and Finance Policy as supporting information, rather the revised 2018 versions which would specifically relate to the proposals and the 2018 LTP.

**Recommendations:**

1. That Council ensures information in Consultation and supporting documents are fit for purpose and provide the pertinent information for the LTP topics prioritised by the Consultation document.
2. When seeking feedback, a better link between the options and outcomes should be made.

**RURAL RATES INCREASE**

Rates are one of the most significant, fixed expenses for our farming businesses. It is accepted that this year projected rates increases on other property types are much higher as a result of property revaluations and increased user charges. However, in terms of the overall rates revenue, rural properties continue to make a significantly disproportionate contribution. They will not be deriving any special or particular benefit from this privilege.

The affordability of rates is a significant issue for farm businesses. Income from a farm business is extremely vulnerable to externalities such as weather events, exchange rates, pay outs and consumer demand and as such is highly variable from season to season. Rates are one of the most significant, fixed expenses for our farming members and unlike other businesses there is no ability to pass that cost on.

Over reliance on the General rate compounds the inequitable effect of land and capital value rates – the UAGC is a general rating mechanism that can act as a counter balance to this and as such Federated Farmers is seriously concerned at the proposal to reduce UAGC usage and increase the variable general rate by 6.24 %.

**Recommendation:**

3. That Council continues to work hard to make efficiency gains and exercise spending restraint, to ensure rates increases are within the rate of inflation.

**TARGETED RATES**

Federated Farmers supports the use of targeted rates. This improves transparency and equity, as those who benefit from the activity pay for that benefit.

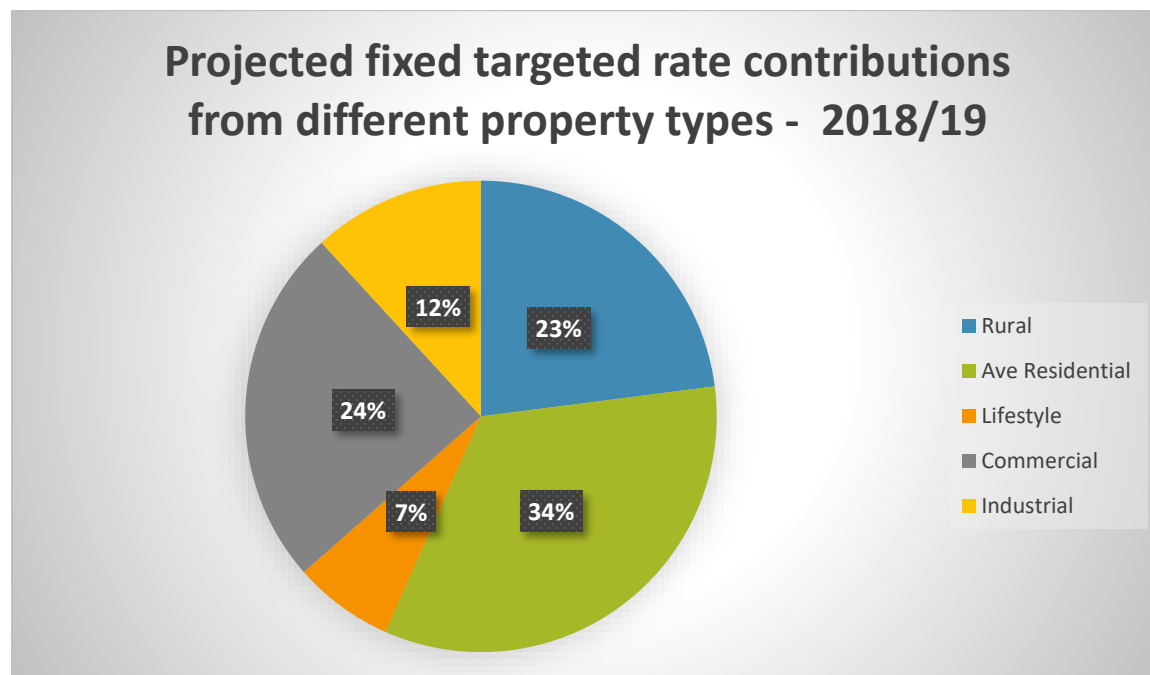
Federated Farmers understands that WDC uses a range of targeted rates as part of the funding source for activities such as community and leisure facilities, community boards, economic development,



stormwater, refuse management, wastewater, and water reticulation, treatment and supply. However Federated Farmers is concerned that none of those activities are fully funded by targeted rates. We can see that some effort is being made with regards to water and wastewater services but in the main WDC seems comfortable using the general rate as a 'top up' subsidizing option rather than committing fully to the beneficiary pays principle. This defeats the purpose somewhat.

In Federated Farmers view accountability is improved and efficiencies achieved when rates can be applied to a specific group of properties that benefit from a particular service. It should ensure those who are paying for the related services are more invested in how their ratepayer contribution is being used.

The impact of the general rate back stop is compounded for rural properties who not only contribute more per property type to the general rate funding pool but are within 1% of being the second largest contributor to the fixed targeted rate funding pool as well. Using the figures provided in the consultation document, the average residential property pays only 11% more in targeted rates than farming properties in the Waikato district do.



**For this extra 11% a residential property receives direct access to wastewater reticulation, wastewater treatment and disposal services, water reticulation, water treatment and supply services, stormwater services, and refuse and recycling collection. The typical rural property has access to none of those services.**

It is clear that targeted rates are not being applied appropriately or bringing in enough revenue to support the services. Those who are directly connected or have access are arguably not paying enough or there are inefficiencies somewhere. Targeted rates empower ratepayer sectors to pay for projects of value to

them without affecting other ratepayers. In addition, the direct correlation between benefits and costs to a particular sector is more likely to accurately determine the appropriate level of spending on that service.

If WDC considers that some services include a public good component and warrant wider contribution, then the ratio must be determined. However, our strong opinion is that the ratio must be closer to 90-10, private to public. Over reliance on the general rate reduces important transparency and accountability.

#### **Recommendations:**

4. That Council reassess the Revenue and Finance policy with increased use of fully funded fixed targeted rates for those services with easily identifiable beneficiaries.
5. That Council improves transparency and accountability by including the general /targeted rate split ratio for all activities which are funded using a range of funding sources.

#### **RE-BALANCING RATEPAYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GENERAL RATE**

WDC's current rating mix includes a low use of the Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) allocation, and thus over relies on the variable, property valued based, general rate contribution. It is for this reason that we strongly urge council to have the courage to make what may be an unpopular decision and increase the UAGC usage to the legislated 30% cap to give more substance to fairness and equity principles.

UAGC's are a fair way for Council's to rate for services that provide an equal or indistinguishable amount of benefit across ratepayer groups. Especially when compared to a general rate calculated by capital value which results in groups such as farmers paying more for an activity which they are unlikely to use more than any other group in a community.

We ask WDC to explain how they are comfortable with Council Leadership activities being fully funded by the General Rate for example. This group of activities includes Governance and Representation – farmers don't receive more representation than other ratepayers. So why should they pay more.

It is worth remembering that uniform charges were introduced into rating legislation as a tempering tool to offset the bluntness of the property value mechanism. It was designed to shift inequitable rating burdens from those with high value properties. A point which seems to be lost on WDC as they use equity based arguments to justify the proposal to reduce the UAGC rate.

#### **Uniform charges and "ability to pay"**

Federated Farmers is concerned that Council's interpretation and focus on 'affordability' stifles the opportunity to more fully utilise this funding tool.

Where Council is concerned that the effects of increasing the use of the UAGC rate would be regressive and impact upon lower capital value properties, Federated Farmers submits that the rates remissions scheme, alongside the broader central government welfare system and rates rebates scheme, remain the

most robust and efficient methods of progressive redistribution, with the ability to target each concern on a case by case basis, in a way that is not possible using the blunt property value basis afforded by rates.

Council is not in a position to assess who is most able to afford its rates. Councils do not know the income or net wealth of their ratepayers, which are the best indicators of ability to pay. All councils know is their ratepayers' assessed property values and have access, like anyone else, to social demographic statistics. This is insufficient information on which to base a compulsory tax with the purpose of reflecting "ability to pay" principles.

Council should keep in mind the specific purpose of local government rates is to fund Council activities in a manner that is efficient and equitable; the tax treatment of rates as a business expense, is not a matter that is either reasonable or relevant to consider when deciding what is a fair allocation of rates. Federated Farmers takes exception to the use of this flawed argument to engender support for WDC's preferred option on page 9 of the Consultation Document.

Further, reducing uniform charges to benefit low income households may simply be to the advantage of landlords, as low income people tend to rent their homes.

Federated Farmers supports maximum use of general and targeted uniform charges. When these mechanisms are utilised every ratepayer pays the same amount for the public good services of council that everyone benefits from equally. Better use of the UAGC will also reduce reliance on the general rate as a funding mechanism, and flattens the distribution of rates bills between high to low value properties.

### **Transparency**

Federated Farmers considers it important to have the percentage of UAGC use clearly reported in the Long Term Plan. This allows readers to see how close to the legislative maximum the UAGC use is, and therefore how committed a council is to reducing their reliance on the property value based general rate and how fair their rating system is consequently.

For this reason, it is frustrating to find that Council is using the 2015 Funding Impact Statement ('FIM') and 2015 Revenue and Finance ('R&F') policy to support the consultation process for the 2018 LTP. There are material differences proposed to the UAGC usage as evidenced by the prominence of this issue in the Consultation document. It is reasonable to have expected the related supporting document to have been revised accordingly.

### **Recommendations:**

6. Federated Farmers seeks maximum use of the UAGC funding mechanism. If council determines that this would result in unfeasible rates increases this year, then incremental increases to achieve the 30% cap should be made over the next three years.

7. Federated Farmers expects services that provide an equal or indistinguishable amount of benefit across ratepayer groups, to receive increased levels of UAGC contribution. Activities such as Council Leadership, and Organisational Support are two examples.
8. That Council addresses their affordability concerns by providing targeted relief through either new rates remissions policies, or working harder to promote central government's rates rebate scheme, rather than manipulating the funding sources so that some ratepayers continue to subsidise the services or benefits received by other ratepayers.

### THREE WATERS

Federated Farmers does not support Option 3, the establishment of a new Council Controlled Organisation (CCO).

Federated Farmers primary concern is the lack of clarity around the ongoing commitment of ratepayer funds to any new CCO, and the lack of transparency and accountability for use of ratepayer funds now and in the future that may result from a CCO structure set up at 'arm's length' to the elected council.

The core issue is the CCO structure attempts to run a private sector model, with public sector funding. Whereas in the private sector is held to account by the profit imperative, the public sector has democratic accountability, and needs transparency to achieve this. In Federated Farmers view CCOS at their worst dilute accountability and inhibit transparency.

The Council preferred Governance Board option seems, on the face of it, to have some merit, however we are concerned that the significant forecast cost savings have not been quantified in any way. It would be in the best interests for Council to have submitters making fully informed decisions on this important matter. To achieve that submitters, needed a better understanding of how the cost savings and the significant improvements identified in the table on page 8 will actually be achieved.

#### **Recommendation:**

9. Federated Farmers provides tentative support for Option 4.

### YELLOW BRISTLE GRASS CONTROL

Yellow bristle grass (*Setaria pumila*) is an invasive weed. On highly productive dairy farms, where yellow bristle grass is prolific, annual feed production may be reduced by up to 20% resulting in increased on-farm costs associated because of the need for supplementary feed and/or pasture renovation. The result is estimated to be about \$1,100/ha in lost production. Stock health issues are also of concern as there is evidence that seed heads can cause lesions and ulcers to the mouths of grazing cattle.

Federated Farmers is concerned at the rate that it is spreading throughout the Waikato District. Federated Farmers submits this is largely due the mowing of roadside verges and the moving of seeds by this activity.

Federated Farmers urges council to review its process and contract with providers as well as commence a bristle grass control programme.

**Recommendations:**

10. Council funds bristle grass control out of general rates.

11. Council develops a comprehensive plan to stop the spread of yellow bristle grass.

**CONCLUSION**

Federated Farmers can appreciate the complexities created by Section 101(3) of the Local Government Act 2002. However we find it hard to reconcile WDC's responsibilities under this section and the stated intentions of the consultation document with some of the proposal options.

In the context of 're-balancing ratepayer contributions to general rate to address fairness and affordability', WDC is proposing to continue under utilizing the UAGC allocation by significant proportions. It is our understanding that Council only using around 65% of the UAGC cap available to it. The very funding mechanism introduced by government to achieve more equitable rating outcomes.

Federated Farmers urges WDC to seriously consider the recommendations in this submission as in our view they identify how the financing policies can be improved for the benefit of rural ratepayers by enhancing principles of fairness and equity.

Federated Farmers thanks the Waikato District Council for considering our submission to the draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028. We respectfully request a summary of submissions, and the officer's analysis of those submissions.

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Federated Farmers is a not-for-profit primary sector policy and advocacy organisation that represents the majority of farming businesses in New Zealand. Federated Farmers has a long and proud history of representing the interests of New Zealand's farmers.

The Federation aims to add value to its members' farming businesses. Our key strategic outcomes include the need for New Zealand to provide an economic and social environment within which:

- Our members may operate their business in a fair and flexible commercial environment;
- Our members' families and their staff have access to services essential to the needs of the rural community; and
- Our members adopt responsible management and environmental practices.

Waikato Federated Farmers believes that every dollar that a farmer spends on rates is a dollar that will not be spent in the community on goods and services. We therefore believe that the Council should limit its spending to core services.

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# WAIKATO ARTS NAVIGATOR

Your compass to great art outcomes.





# Why.

When arts and culture are strong and visible, communities are strong and visible.

Art and culture simply makes life better. It helps to to build resilient and diverse communities and improve our quality of life. Great art and culture inspires learning, boosts our economy, enhances wellbeing and builds our region's reputation.







# The vision.

If all our local authorities shared a single, simple blueprint for arts aspirations and planning, the impact for our communities would be significantly greater.

We all want the same things for our communities – wellbeing, prosperity, shared experiences and regional excellence. So let's align our actions to get there together.

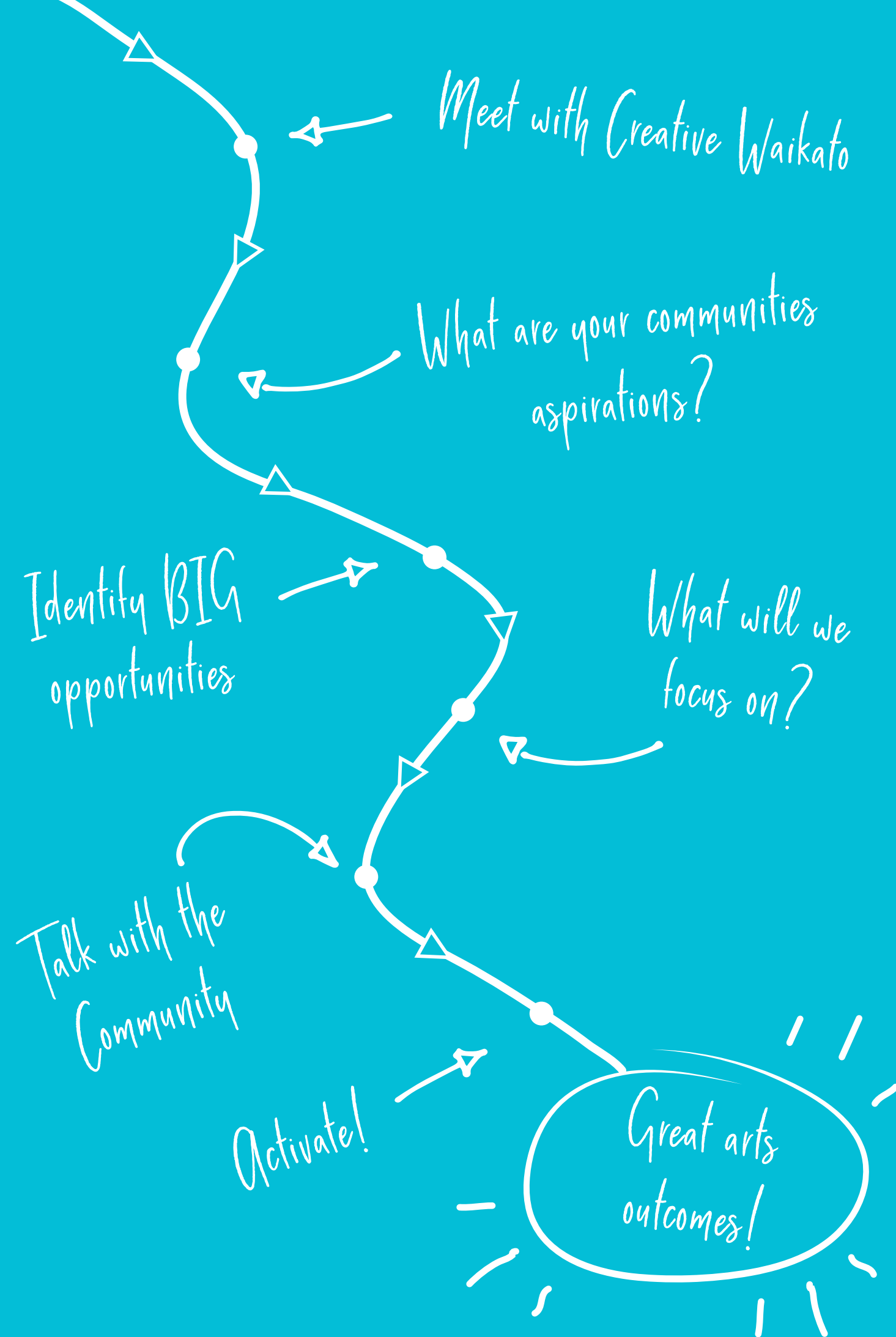
The Waikato Arts Navigator creates a shared framework, including a vision and strategy, for supporting and strengthening arts and culture in the our region.

By using the Waikato Arts Navigator as our common tool for arts and culture planning and decision making, we can all track in the same direction and cross regional efforts will support, complement and strengthen one another.

Creative Prosperity  
Creative Experiences  
Creative Wellbeing  
Creative Excellence

Not a 3-year strategy that ends up in a draw! A living & evolving resource that helps support continuous community development.





# How.

The Waikato Arts Navigator is a simple and effective framework supported by a set of helpful tools.

Each local authority can utilise the Navigator to develop simple and practical plans that support arts and culture in their community. The plans will be tailored to the unique strengths of each area, however they will align through common goals.

By aligning local actions within these key pillars the result for the Waikato will be a regional synergy which will magnify collective efforts. Additionally when we grow a common understanding of the benefits of arts and culture we will be in a better position to support regional progress.

# The Navigator Framework.



CREATIVE PROSPERITY	CREATIVE EXPERIENCES	CREATIVE WELLBEING	CREATIVE EXCELLENCE
Outcomes	Outcomes	Outcomes	Outcomes
Creative economies	Community participation	Mental & physical health	Build a national audience
Attract new residents	Community and cultural expression	Community engagement	Youth development
Retain youth	Recreation and interaction	Collective and individual identity	Culture of excellence & achievement
National perceptions	Local pride	Create, grow and strengthen communities	Creative export opportunities
Your Plan	Your Plan	Your Plan	Your Plan
Action	Action	Action	Action

The Navigator Framework identifies the 4 Pillars (or Destinations). Under each Pillar are key outcomes.

Look through the outcomes and think about which of these feel most important to your own community.

Next you can start to develop arts actions that support these outcomes. These actions may already be in place - and this framework simply helps to articulate the local and regional impact of your work.



# Tools.

There will be a range of tools to support the framework.

- Blueprints for developing simple but effective arts plans
- Data and statistics about arts engagement and participation in the Waikato
- Assessment tools (where are you currently?)
- Understanding how to support toi Māori (Māori arts)
- Best practice examples and case studies
- Tips for engaging your communities in the discussion
- How to document your successes

*Online & always evolving*







# The Big Picture.

Where will this lead us? Well, not only will we be better off as a result of more actions that support and elevate our communities, but we will actually be able to see the results.

As each district adopts and applies the framework we will document the plans and outcomes into a collective picture of the Waikato arts sector.

By being able to see all of the key arts outcomes across the wider region we can create a compelling picture of our region's uniqueness. This becomes a powerful tool for communications, advocacy, fundraising and community engagement. Furthermore, it becomes an exciting platform to share, inspire and generate new and exciting opportunities for arts participation and experiences for our communities.

- ▷ Results focused
- ▷ Regional Picture
- ▷ Understand our Community
- ▷ Generate Investment



# Next.

When you are ready, Creative Waikato will come and talk to you about your local arts communities and give you an overview of work we are already doing in your area. We will work with you to explain the process, to adopt the Navigator and assist you in developing your own simple arts plan.

## Things we will look at together;

- What is in your existing plan?
- What are the big opportunities in your district?
- What are the local aspirations?
- What is the low hanging fruit?
- How to make an early and effective start

We will then work with you to identify actions in your region that are tangible, realistic and regionally aligned.

# Let's talk.

We will follow up this submission with the appropriate people in your organisation. Creative Waikato's services are funded primarily by Trust Waikato and Hamilton City Council (for activity within Hamilton).

Creative Waikato covers the wider Waikato area including 10 local government authority areas. As part of this submission we are requesting a small financial contribution from your organisation to support the Navigator and our ongoing services to your area.

All ongoing strategic support to implement the Navigator in your area is free of charge.

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**Creative Waikato**  
Toi Waikato

19 April 2018

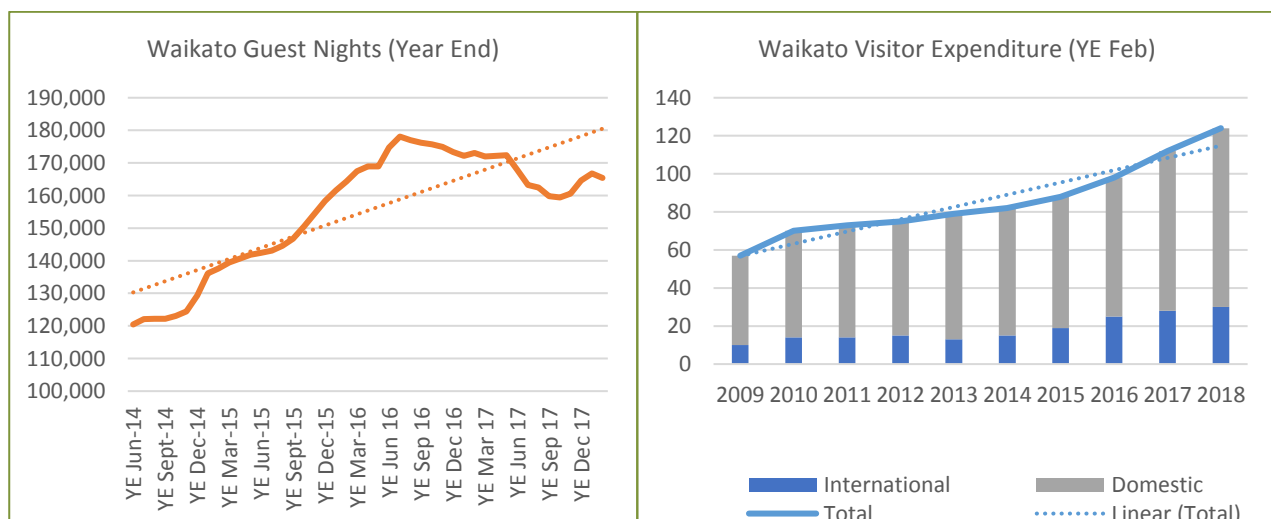
Clive Morgan  
Waikato District Council  
Ngaruawahia

Dear Clive

Hamilton & Waikato Tourism continues to support the tourism industry within the Hamilton and Waikato region. As an industry, it is important that we welcome visitors to our region, towns and communities and ensure that they enjoy their stay, stay longer and spend more while they are here. This in return provides economic benefits and employment within our community.

Tourism contributes \$28.17b<sup>1</sup> of visitor expenditure to the New Zealand economy. The industry continues to experience exceptional growth with visitor arrivals and expenditure at its highest level ever (3.775m international visitors)<sup>2</sup>. Tourism is New Zealand's largest export industry. The Hamilton and Waikato region has shared in this growth with visitors spending \$1.5b in our region in the 12 months to February 2018; international visitors contributed \$357m, while domestic visitors to the region contributed \$1.14b. As a region, we have increased our market share of business events to 11% of all business events held in NZ – third behind Auckland and Wellington.

Waikato continues to experience substantial growth in visitor expenditure and guest nights. Guests are now staying an average of 2.16 nights in the Waikato district, generating an occupancy rate of 31% in commercial accommodation, resulting in 165,393<sup>3</sup> guest nights to the year ended February 2018. These visitors contributed \$125million to the Waikato economy - \$30m from international visitors and \$95m from domestic visitors.



<sup>1</sup> MBIE: Monthly Regional Tourism Estimates YE February 2018

<sup>2</sup> MBIE: International Visitor Arrivals YE February 2018

<sup>3</sup> MBIE: Commercial Accommodation Monitor YE February 2018

The original Visitor Strategy proposed and presented in 2014 indicated the below funding increments:

Table 1 : Long-term funding plan for HWT (\$millions)

YE June	Income from Councils	Income from Industry	Total Income	Visitor Economy (YE March)	Funding:Visitor expenditure ratio
2014/15	0.810	0.342	1.152	1,019	0.11%
2015/16	1.465	0.350	1.815	1,039	0.17%
2016/17	1.465	0.375	1.84	1,065	0.17%
2017/18	1.465	0.400	1.865	1,093	0.17%
<b>2018/19</b>	<b>1.800</b>	<b>0.425</b>	<b>2.225</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>0.20%</b>
2019/20	1.800	0.450	2.250	1,177	0.19%
2020/21	1.800	0.475	2.275	1,211	0.19%
2021/22	2.200	0.500	2.700	1,245	0.22%
2022/23	2.200	0.525	2.725	1,279	0.21%
2023/24	2.200	0.550	2.750	1,314	0.21%
2024/25	2.600	0.575	3.175	1,350	0.24%

However, funding was agreed to be lower in the 2015/16 period than the recommendation in the adopted Visitor Strategy. It was agreed that our seven funding councils would collectively provide \$1,215,000 funding, with an additional \$400,000 provided from within the tourism industry. Of this amount, Waikato District Council provides \$150,000 funding towards the activities undertaken by Hamilton & Waikato Tourism.

While funding was reduced from this amount and has remained the same, the visitor income has far surpassed expectations, having reached \$1.5b to date (YE Feb 2018). For every dollar invested in HWT, the region economy has received \$1,234 spent by visitors.

The Visitor Strategy recommended an increase from \$1.465 million funding to \$1.8 million this year and for the next three years. We are not requesting this.

However, to continue to deliver the same activities that we currently undertake, with rising costs, we are requesting that our funding councils add a CPI increase each year, based on the rate for the 12 months to December 2017.

This would increase Waikato District Council's funding contribution from \$150,000 to \$152,400 per annum, with effect for the new financial year commencing 1 July 2018.

We look forward to your favourable response and our continuing relationship.

Your sincerely



Annabel Cotton  
Chair  
Hamilton & Waikato Tourism Board

### **Open Meeting**

<b>To</b>	Waikato District Council
<b>From</b>	GJ Ion Chief Executive
<b>Date</b>	1 May 2018
<b>Prepared By</b>	Finance Planning & Reporting Team A Diaz, Finance Manager
<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Chief Executive Submission to the Long Term Plan 2018-2028</b>

## **1. Executive Summary**

This Chief Executive submission provides an update on amendments identified since the draft Long Term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) budgets were prepared.

Council is being asked to consider whether to amend the draft LTP to allow for the impact of changes proposed in the submission.

General rate funding for 2018/19 has remained neutral through this exercise, keeping the increase at 6.24%. The outer years have had marginal increases as discussed in the body of the report.

## **2. Issues**

Following the adoption of the consultation document and associated draft LTP support documents, a number of issues have been identified that should be addressed as part of the LTP process.

This submission contains both amendments to items already included in the draft documents, and new items, which Council needs to consider along with the public submissions for inclusion in the final LTP.

### **Submission Items**

1. *Targeted Rates*: The following items were managed via direct consultation with residents (affected parties) on proposals to increase their targeted rate/rental charges from 2018/19 onwards:
  - Aka Aka Hall (163 letters) – rate increase from \$23 to \$35 per property
  - Tamahere Recreational Reserve (1713 letters) – new rate of \$38 per dwelling
  - Glen Murray recycling – new charge of \$57.27
  - Elderly housing units (31 letters) – rent increases
2. *Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC)*: General rates income from the second year onwards is calculated in Councils' budget model by applying a percentage increase to both the base UAGC and the capital value charges. While the intention is to ensure

the UAGC percentage from 2019/20 onwards remains at a level consistent with the preferred UAGC decided by Council through deliberations, the modelling has not been adjusted for this principle due to resourcing constraints.

Taking the base numbers and applying increases in this way reduces the amount of overall rating income from growth in the outer years of the LTP. These reductions have been addressed by adjusting the level of rates increases. The differential in each year is 0.06% cumulatively e.g. in year two 0.06% of the 0.33% rates increase relates to this calculation. Council properties have been updated to reflect the proposed UAGC and capital value charge which does impact the first year of the LTP. This has arisen because our properties were higher value than the average depicted in the consultation document. This is a cost to general rate of \$16,642 and there is a small offset of \$652 related to model rounding.

In practice, the UAGC will be recalculated each year to allow for changes to underlying fixed charges such as introduction of organic collection rates, changes to the hall rates etc. without diluting the agreed level of UAGC. Staff will look at budget model improvements to address a set UAGC percentage prior to the next LTP budgeting process.

3. *Asset valuation budgets:* The triennium land and buildings revaluation budgets were not captured in the draft LTP. \$32,750 (before inflation) has been added to each of the relevant years. This is a cost to general rate.
4. *Waikato means business:* The formation of the Waikato Regional Economic Development Agency is anticipated to require a contribution from Council of \$60,000 per annum (before inflation) for the first three years of the plan. This is a cost to the general rate.
5. *Interest and reserve movements:* The changes outlined in this report impact on reserve balances and interest costs. Councils' treasury function charges interest to reserves that are in deficit and pays interest to reserves in credit (and sometimes no interest is paid to the credit reserve). Together with timing differences raising internal loans, the margin either generates a return or a cost to the general rate. In the first and third year there will be return to general rate, whereas in all other years of the plan there is a cost ranging between \$23,802 and \$174,015. Council's external debt based on the changes in this report is \$38.5 million lower at the end of the ten years than indicated through the draft LTP.
6. *Vested asset depreciation:* A carry forward vested roading project from previous years was omitted in the draft and has been updated. There is an element of depreciation related to this change. The difference in 2018/19 is an \$18,482 cost to general rate, and increases proportionately over the life of the plan.
7. *Capital works changes:* There have been a number of updates to roading, waters and wastewater growth related projects. This work was largely progressed as part of the development contributions policy review which mainly focused on the relative timings of projects based on the underlying National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis (NIDEA) growth assumptions.

The changes have a direct impact on subsidy, internal loans and reserve balances. The three waters deficit reserves still return to credit by 2028. The adjustments are as follows:

<b>Project</b>	<b>Variance to draft LTP (+cost/-saving)</b>	<b>Comment</b>
<b>Roading</b>		
Lorenzen Bay roading (2021)	(\$1,305,605)	Greenslade Road alterations remain in the LTP as the project also benefits existing users. However, the extension of Lorenzen Bay Road and the related intersection works are to be 100% developer led and funded.
Tuakau Collector Road EI (2023 & 2024)	subsidy change	Project was initially budgeted to receive NZTA funding. On review this project is unlikely to qualify for subsidy. This will be an additional cost to the Tuakau structure plan reserve.
Tuakau rail platform	(\$11,000)	Variance relates to inflation. Project is being brought forward from 2020 to 2019.
Te Kauwhata roading, Scott Road and Rimu Street	Neutral	Change in classification of Lakeside roading works to vested assets as agreed via the Housing Infrastructure Fund business case.
Saulbrey Road roundabout (2019,2020 & 2028)	Neutral \$506,600 more in capex Offset by \$506,600 income in 2028	Additional budget has been added for land purchase related to roundabout project (2 lots). The purchase would be funded via the property proceeds reserve with an assumption that the future sale of the lot would recoup the earlier costs.
Tamahere Birchwood Lane (2028)	\$497,590	This project has been brought forward into the last year of the LTP. This is council's contribution towards the construction.
New footpaths (2022)	(\$320,553)	The new footpaths budget was increased from \$200,000 to \$500,000 per annum in the first three years of the plan to cover known projects; however, this figure had inadvertently been added to year four of the plan. This is a correction.
<b>Solid waste</b>		
District wide refuse and recycling capital work	(\$111,040)	To manage the deficit in the solid waste replacement fund, \$10,000 per annum (inflated adjusted) has been removed.
<b>Water and wastewater</b>		
Te Kauwhata wastewater reticulation (2019, 2020 & 2021)	(\$5,779,178)	Adjustments to match final housing Infrastructure Fund business case.
Tuakau water supply extensions (2023)	(\$3,407,461)	Budget for this year was removed. Budgets in earlier years were deemed sufficient.
Matangi water reservoir (2021)	(\$1,307,422)	Project is part of the current carry forward budget.
Tuakau water reservoir (2023 & 2024)	(\$6,424,173)	Re-phased to match underlying growth assumptions.
<b>Totals</b>	<b>(\$17,662,242)</b>	<b>Reduction in capital budget</b>



8. *Rating Growth:* Since the draft LTP budgets were compiled updates to the rating system have been monitored to track progression against the rating growth assumptions. The latest information (2 May) requires significant increases in capital values between now and the end of June to ensure these growth assumptions are met (current shortfall of approximately \$530,000). As there is a significant amount of valuation work in progress staff recommend that the total general rate income assumption remains unchanged.

Furthermore, in order to ensure that ratepayers receive the appropriate benefits from any additional growth during June (over and above the \$530,000) we are seeking support for the final rate in the dollar amount to be adjusted until such time as the rates resolution is adopted. This would also assist Council to remain within the limits that have been set under the financial strategy.

9. *Supporting document amendments:* Following the hearings process the supporting documents will be updated to reflect any decisions made by the Council, however, invariably there are issues and errors identified at the consultation phase that need adjustment but do not have a financial impact. For example, changes will need to be made to the infrastructure strategy to align with capital works adjustments, and the financial strategy and associated policies will also need updating.
10. *Liveable, Thriving and Connected Communities:* As Councillors are aware, staff are preparing a 100 day plan to determine how to implement the Council vision. This will require investment in further staff to provide the capability to deliver the plan. Work on determining the resourcing required is ongoing. It is suggested that the uncommitted balance of the General Accounting Reserve Fund (GARF) would be an appropriate funding source for year 1 of the LTP. For subsequent years, this matter will need to be revisited through the relevant Annual Plan processes.
11. *Rail Platform costs:* As mentioned previously the costs for upgrading the Tuakau rail platform have been brought forward to the first year of the plan. Any further costs related to the Hamilton to Auckland rail service have not been allowed for, and have not been consulted on. The assumption is that the government would need to allow for these costs as part of the overall funding solution.

### **Summary of financial impacts**

The inclusion or amendment to projects for the LTP will have financial implications. The impact of each change is on the general rate for 2018/19 is depicted in the table below:

Item	Amount
<i>Uniform Annual General Charge (mainly in relation to WDC property rates)</i>	<i>\$15,990</i>
<i>Asset valuation budgets (years 2, 5 and 8 only)</i>	<i>\$0</i>
<i>Waikato means business</i>	<i>\$60,000</i>
<i>Interest and reserve movements</i>	<i>(\$94,472)</i>
<i>Vested asset depreciation</i>	<i>\$18,482</i>
<b>ADDITIONAL GENERAL RATE REQUIREMENT 2018/19</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### 3. Conclusion

Council could choose to include the items raised in this submission in the LTP or not with the exception of the asset valuation, interest and reserve movements and vested depreciation items which are system generated and therefore not adjustable.

To assist the debate, staff have proposed funding options for the projects listed in this submission. It will be up to Council to consider whether to use the funding options proposed or alternatives. Similarly, Council will have to consider how to fund any other projects that are to be included. Depending on the nature of the project/amendments, suitable options could be:

- Loan fund.
- Delete some projects from the budget submitted.
- Project substitution.
- Deferral of projects.
- Find alternative funding sources: Staff have used as many options as possible to fund projects within the draft LTP. This includes maximising New Zealand Transport Agency subsidies, development contributions, replacement funds and other reserves. It may be that Council has alternative options which staff have not considered.
- Sell assets: Council could potentially sell some non-strategic assets but staff have not readily identified any at this stage.

In overall terms, this report proposes additional items which require small increases in the general rate percentage from 2019/20 onwards.